

# DINWIDDIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## OFFICE HOURS:

MON. - THURS.

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07:30 – 14:00

Dear Parents

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

The weekly newsletter goes out every Thursday during the school term. Many parents/guardians do not receive these letters which contain important dates and provide information about events and programmes pertaining to the school. It is the responsibility of the learner to give the newsletter to his/her parent. Please ask your child for the newsletter each week. Parents may also access the Newsletter on the School's Website. Please visit us at [www.dps.org.za](http://www.dps.org.za)

## SAFETY

We ask parents to please chat to your children about being aware of their surroundings and their own safety. Unfortunately in today's world there are always those who look to disrupt our lives by interference. If learners wait to be collected after school or after extra-murals, they should remain inside the waiting area (next to the grandstand) until their transport arrives. The extra mural programme also means that some learners participating in the sporting activities will be walking home later in the afternoon or being collected later than normal. Parents of learners who walk home, please caution your children about talking to people they do not know and encourage them to always be on the lookout for any possible danger so that they can react quickly.

## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Dinwiddie Primary School is to provide a primary educational institution that strives towards academic excellence within the bounds of a safe and secure environment.

We aim to provide development for each pupil to attain his or her own potential and so encourage competent, freethinking, well-adjusted citizens in an ever-changing society. This will be achieved through quality teaching supported by all stakeholders.

## VISION STATEMENT

Dinwiddie Primary School will endeavour to equip all learners with a solid foundation of knowledge and life skills to enable them to realise their goals in becoming successful citizens of the future.

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY	
19	Chess vs Brackenhurst at DPS
20	Chess Tournament at DPS
23	Netball vs Germiston (Away)

## DRI-MACS AND OTHER BELONGINGS

Recently we have had a number of parents complaining that their children's dri-macs have gone missing at school despite the fact that their names have been written on them. Please check your child's school uniform at home to see that your child has not erroneously taken someone else's dri-mac. This happens quite frequently, particularly in the junior grades as the little ones tend not to check that the items belong to them. If you find that your child has taken someone else's items of clothing such as a dri-mac, jersey or school tie in error, please return it to the school office so that we can give it to its rightful owner. Thank you.



## REQUESTS FOR COPIES OF REPORTS

We have recently had a high volume of requests for copies of learners' reports.

As there is a fair amount of administration involved in producing these copies, please note that there is a R15.00 charge for this service. **Parents, should you require a copy of your child's latest report, please send in a letter requesting the copy and include the R15.00 with your letter. Thank you. (Please give at least two day's notice.)**

GRADING PERIOD	1	2	3	4
READING	A			
ENGLISH COMMUNICATION	C			
MATHEMATICS	B			
SCIENCE/HEALTH	B			
SOCIAL STUDIES	B			
ART	A			
MUSIC	A			
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	C			
Grade Average	B			
Attendance	100%			
Present	100%			
Absent	0%			
Tardy	0%			

A+ Excellent B+ Good C+ Satisfactory N/N Not Impressed  
E: Unacceptable U: Unacceptable Unexcused  
Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

## SCHOOL FEES

Parents are reminded that Wednesday, 31 May 2017 is the due date for this month's school fee payment.



## SOCCER DAY

As part of our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations we will have a soccer day on Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> of June 2017. We will have various matches on the day and want our boys first team to play against a Daddy team. All Daddy's who would like to participate must please contact Mrs Massyn on 011 902 2310 and the organisers will contact you in return.

## SENIOR PHASE FUN EVENING

The school will be holding a fun evening for our Grade 4, 5, 6 and 7 learners.

**Venue:** Dinwiddie Primary School Hall  
**Date:** 26 May 2017  
**Time:** 18:00 to 20:00  
**Entrance fee:** R20.00 per learner

- ◆ Kindly forward the R20.00 to your child's teacher on or before Thursday 25 May 2017.
- ◆ Learners should have supper prior to the evening as there will be **NO refreshments** served.
- ◆ The Fun evening is only for Gr.4, 5, 6 and 7 learners from Dinwiddie Primary School.

## SPORTS ROUND UP

### CHESS

Our Intermediate and Senior Chess teams played matches against Laerskool Witfield last week Friday. Well done to the Juniors and Seniors who won their matches. Although our Intermediate team were defeated, they gained valuable experience.

### NETBALL

Our u/9 netball team played in the Galway tournament yesterday. We had a very enjoyable day and gained much experience.

Our u/10B, u/11B, u/12B and u/13B girls played against Alston Primary yesterday. Although they were defeated, they used the opportunity to expand their knowledge of the game.

**Kind Regards,**

**MRS. G. DU PREEZ**  
**PRINCIPAL**

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement .  
Nothing can be done without hope and confidence.