

# DINWIDDIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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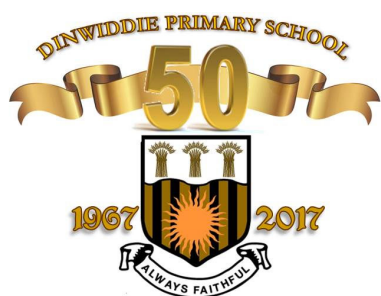
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## MISSION STATEMENT

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

AUGUST	
11	Chess VS Parkdene (Away)
12	Mother and Daughter
15	Cricket VS St Declans
16	Cross Country at Alberton dam

## OFFICE HOURS:

MON. - THURS.

07:30 – 15:00

FRIDAYS

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)

## APPOINTMENTS WITH TEACHERS

Please note that teachers will only be able to see parents before or after school and not during school time. Once an appointment has been confirmed, kindly keep the appointment. If for some reason you are unable to keep the appointment, please inform the school as soon as possible.

## SCHOOL FEES

Please check your accounts and ensure that your school fees are up to date. Remember that fees for this year need to be paid up in full by the end of October 2017.

## MEDICINES

Please be advised that the school is not permitted to hand out medicine to your child. Should your child fall ill during school hours, you will be contacted to collect your child.

## LEARNERS WAITING FOR LIFTS /TRANSPORT

To ensure the safety of all learners, all gates other than the one at the waiting area (next to the grandstand) will be locked at 14:15. Any learner not collected before this time must be collected at the waiting area. This ruling also applies to learners who stay for extramural activities. However, please keep in mind the waiting area is not an aftercare facility. The school will not take responsibility for the safety of learners after school hours.



In October 2012, the Governing Body made a ruling that learners will not be allowed in the waiting area or school grounds after 15h30 when extra murals are completed.

The school gates and waiting area will be locked and the learners will be sent out. Therefore, please take responsibility for your children and make proper arrangements for their safety after school by ensuring that your child is collected on time after school. If he/she is participating in an extra mural activity, then at 15:30.

### **REMINDER - SUMMER UNIFORM**

Please take note that learners will change into summer uniform as from **Monday 04 September 2017.** Please use this time to ensure your child's summer uniform conforms to the requirements.



#### **Girls**

Regulation summer dress (when kneeling no shorter than four fingers above the knees)

Plain white ankle socks

Black shoes

School jersey (cool weather)

#### **Boys**

Grey shorts or trousers

White short sleeve shirt with school badge

Grey school socks

Black shoes

School jersey (cool weather)

(Please take note that dri-macs are not part of the summer uniform).

**Remember that if there is a cold spell, winter uniform may be worn. However, learners must either be in full winter uniform or full summer uniform – no mix and match please.**

### **GRADE 6 CAMP**

Our Grade 6 learners have returned safely from their camp. Miss Mashele, Mrs Mogale and Mr. Guduza say that it was a very pleasant trip and that the learners thoroughly enjoyed their time at camp. Some of the learners had the following to say:

My camp experience was amazing and inspiring. I learnt a lot about leadership and teamwork. I learnt that if you don't know people that well, it is hard to work as a team. From the activities I learnt that everyone has their ideas and opinions and they matter, so we should respect them. I loved camp because I learnt more about people I hardly knew about and I saw them in a different light. I learnt there is more than one way to be a leader and to help others. I want to take this experience and include it in my everyday life.

- Micole Anderson

My camp experience was the best there ever was. I got to spend time with my friends, meet and get to know people. I was in the Blue team. We got to bond and learn about leadership. Even though the activities were hard and everyone wanted to bite each other's heads off, we all completed them. I personally think the yellow team was the best in the whole of camp because they showed leadership, courage and believed in one another. The funniest thing at camp was when one of the instructors made us stand outside and squat. We all learned our lesson for talking when it is lights out. The water slide was scary, it was about 12 feet high. Some went on the slide and some didn't. I would like to thank Maraneman camp for allowing us to experience lots of great things and of how a leader acts.

- Phaphama Qubeka

## **SPORTS ROUND UP**

### **CHESS**

Our Chess teams played matches against Martin Primary school last week Friday. Although our teams were defeated, they gained valuable experience. Well done!

### **CRICKET**

Our u13 and u11 cricket teams played against School of Achievement on Tuesday. Although we did not win any of the matches our teams played exceptionally well and gained a lot of experience.



### **CROSS COUNTRY**

On Tuesday the 08<sup>th</sup> of August 2017, our third cross country league event for the year took place at Alberton Dam. 29 Learners from our school participated in the event. All of our runners enjoyed themselves and gave of their best. The next event will take place on the 16<sup>th</sup> of August 2017. Good luck to all our runners.

**Kind regards,**

**MR. E. PRETORIUS**  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

“Believe in yourself! Have faith in your abilities! Without a humble but reasonable confidence in your own powers you cannot be successful or happy.”

*Norman Vincent Peale*

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GROUP

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