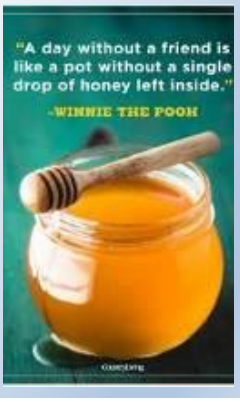
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Dear Parents and Guardians

The 2022 academic year challenged all of society to bridge the COVID-19 gap – hence our 2022 theme of *Bridging the Gap.* Our school programme was geared towards the bridging of gaps, particularly in academics, the performing arts and sport. We came to realise that it will require much more than one year to remediate wherever gaps have developed, since historical gaps were further exacerbated by the pandemic. The 2023 academic year will present new opportunities for redress, as well as opportunities to address new challenges.

Food for thought.1



We appreciate parents and learners, and the broader school community for their support, participation and cooperation throughout the past year. Your presence and participation contributed to our overall success and the return of our school "gees". 2023 will see us edging the "gees barometer" higher and higher. Your presence and voice will be needed.

Staff Matters

We are taking leave of the following staff members:

- Mr Jeremy Fortuin (Mathematics) – retiring
- Ms Nicola Joubert (Mathematical Literacy, Life Orientation) – relocating to Botswana
- Mr Sthembiso Mgenge (Mathematics, Physical Science) – returning to KZN to farm
- Mr Mzonke Godongwana (Dance) – will be focusing on Dance in primary schools
- Mr Ford Evanson (Drama, Dramatic Arts) – new career opportunity
- Ms Lezel McCrae (Admissions secretary) – new career opportunity.

Food for thought.2



Our school is deeply appreciative of the contributions of each of these staff members during their respective tenures. Learners and staff will treasure their legacy and their hard and committed work. Our best wishes accompany them on their new life journeys.

We are pleased that all vacant posts for 2023 have been filled.

Academic Results

Reports have been emailed today.

Congratulations to the top achievers in each grade. We applaud all learners who worked diligently throughout the year and always gave their best. We will aim for all learners to work more consistently throughout the coming academic year to further improve their overall results.

	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11
1st	Thahirah Booley 85,6% Rania Theys 85,6%	Imaan Jacobs 87,4%	Taarah Adams 89,0%	Caylin Kingsley 86,1%
2nd	Nikita Puckree 84,8%	Amy Appolis 87,2%	Tariro Chipuka 84,4%	Erin Julies 85,1%
3rd	Nurah Holliday 84,1%	Caitlyn Johnson 84,6%	Aqeelah Davids 83,9%	Zahraa Hamdulay 84,1%
4th	Saarah Abduraof 83,6% Amirah Booley (83,6%)	Rebecca Ahrends 84,2%	Hanaan Adams 82,9%	Kauthar Ismail 83,4% Inayah Jamalie 83,4%
5th	Jenna Thompson 83,4%	Naqeeb Dhansay 84,0%	Inam Jophu 82,6%	Zarah Albertus 80,4%

Academic achievements will be celebrated at parent meetings as scheduled below. Meetings start at 18h00.

Grade 12 – 19 January 2023
Grade 9 – 23 January 2023
Grade 10 – 24 January 2023
Grade 11 – 25 January 2023

The school timetable and important first term dates will be published in Newsletter 1/2023 on 16 January 2023.

SAVE THE DATE





We wish all Christian families a blessed Christmas.

May 2023 bring much happiness and success!
Safe Holidays!

Stay blessed.
Marius Ehrenreich