



GROOTE SCHUUR HIGH SCHOOL

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13/03 *How you can help your child improve their memory*

4. Extra Classes

Several subjects have started offering extra afternoon classes. We encourage learners to stay with the pace of the class, and the extra classes are important to keep up. No one should be left behind.

The extra lessons roster is attached.

SGB Elections

Elections are scheduled for 14 March. Notice of the election will be emailed shortly. GSHS will conduct an E-election.

Nominations open on 23 February 2024 until 1 March 2024. Nomination forms are obtainable from Reception, and have to be handed to Sinovuyo Mde by the deadline date.

Early closure

Teachers have an important academic meeting on Tuesday, 13 February. Learners will dismiss at 14h00. Please make the necessary lifting arrangements. There will not be any extra classes on the day.

Important Dates

February

- 16 Inter-schools Athletics meeting
- Valentine's Sunset Picnic (see flyer)
- 17 Valentine's Dance (school hall)
- 22 Administration Workshop (minimal admin services available)
- 23 Gr. 8 campout
- Open Day Session 1 at 15h00
- 24 Open Day Session 2 (8h30); Session 3 (10h30)
- 28 – 1 March Drama Production
- 29 GSHS Scholarship Fund Golf Day (see flyer)

March

- 1 Colourfest
- 2 Cricket T2 Family Fun Day
- 5 Careers Roadshow
- 8 30 secs Interschools Science Edition
- 9 Ramadan starts
- 14 SGB elections
- 18 Blisters for Bread Gr. 9 and 11
- 19 Blisters for Bread Gr. 10 and 12
- 20 Blisters for Bread Gr. 8; Schools close

Dear Parents and Guardians

The 2024 academic year is well underway and school has settled into a familiar rhythm that allows for a good balance of academics, the arts and sport. We have had a very busy time with new admissions. The need for quality schooling is dire, especially in our province. Our current enrolment is 1064 learners; an increase of 32 learners.

Academic Focus

1. Blended Learning

The programme that was successfully introduced in Gr. 8 in 2023, has been extended to Grade 10. Grades 8 to 10 are currently using the blended learning approach. There were significant improvements in key academic outcomes in Gr. 8 last year, and we expect similar shifts this year in grades 9 and 10.

2. Reflective Learning

This programme includes a diagnostic tool that informs learners, parents and teachers of a learner's competency in the subjects English and Mathematics. It allows especially Gr. 8 and 9 learners to bridge the gaps that may exist in their foundational knowledge. This programme, which learners have on their iPads, should receive their daily attention.

3. Elevate Education

This programme is for Gr. 8, 9 and 10 learners. They attend workshops throughout the year that are aimed at improving their learning ability and overall academic performance. The programme is funded by the school.

Gr. 8 and 10 had their first workshops yesterday. Elevate Education also has a parent component. These Parent webinars are free for all parents to attend. The webinars start at 6pm. Parents who register for these webinars will receive a recording afterwards.

The following webinars are scheduled for Term 1:
14/02 *How you can help your child manage their time*

28/02 *How you can help your child improve their note taking*

Our vision of success:

GSHS learners are accountable, well-balanced people striving for academic excellence, while living lives of significance and service.

Food for thought

TO KILL
A MOCKINGBIRD
HARPER LEE

You never really understand a person
until you consider things from his point of view...
Until you climb inside of his skin
and walk around in it.



Stay Blessed!
Marius Ehrenreich


**GROOTE SCHUUR HIGH SCHOOL
MUSIC DEPARTMENT
PRESENTS THE**

 *Valentine's* 

SUNSET PICNIC CONCERT

FEATURING:
LIVINGSTONE HIGH SCHOOL
MARIMBA BAND
GSHS JAZZ BAND & GIG BAND

WITH SPECIAL GUEST:
THE KELLY BELL BAND

BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC | NO ALCOHOL ALLOWED

TIME 17:45 Gates open @ 17:00	FEB • 16 • 2024 Inversnaid Field	TICKETS R60 - adults Under 12 - free entry
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SAVE THE DATE

THE GSHS GOLF DAY
29 FEBRUARY 2024
Rondebosch Golf Club

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FET EXTRA LESSONS TIMETABLE						
SUBJECT	GRADE	DAY	TIME	VENUE	EDUCATOR	NOTES
Mathematics	10	Tuesday	15:30-16:30	OAKS 4	Ms Andrews	
Mathematics	10	Friday	12:30-13:30	201	Ms Somdaka	
Mathematics	11	Wednesday	15:30-16:30	103	Mr Sibanda	
Mathematics	11	Wednesday	15:30-16:30	OAKS 3	Mr Solomons	
Mathematics	12	Monday	15:30-16:30	OAKS 2	Mrs Charles	
Mathematics	12	Wednesday	15:30-16:30	OAKS 2	Mrs Charles	
English HL	12	Wednesday	15:30-16:30	See notes	See notes	Grade 12 Educators will alternate. Programme shared with Gr 12 classes.
English HL	10	Thursday	15:30-16:30	204	Mrs Samuels	
Afrikaans FAL	12	Thursday	15:30-16:30	102	ADA	
Physics	10	Friday	12:45	217	Ms Snyman	
Physics	11	Wednesday	15:45	215	Taylor	
Physics	12	Monday	15:45	217	Mrs Brits	
Physics	12	Thursday	15:45	217	Mrs Brits	
CAT	12	Friday OR Saturday	12:45 9:00	223	KOT/FEB	NB: Not both days. The educator will inform learners whether it will be Fri or Sat.
Consumer studies	10, 11, 12	Tuesday	15:45	122	Ms Kearns	Depending on the need, teacher will inform learners of extra days they are able to attend.
Dramatic Arts	12	Wednesday	15:45	110	Ms Moncho	
GET EXTRA LESSONS TIMETABLE						
SUBJECT	GRADE	DAY	TIME	VENUE	EDUCATOR	NOTES
Mathematics	8	Tuesday	15:30-16:30	103	Mr Sibanda	
Mathematics	8	Friday	12:30-13:30	201	Ms Somdaka	
Mathematics	9	Tuesday	15:30-16:30	OAKS 3	Mr Solomons	
Mathematics	9	Wednesday	15:30-16:30	OAKS 4	Ms Andrews	
DigiTech	9	Wednesday	15:45-16:30	223/218/222	COL/KOT/MAR	