

HERCIE NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parent,

We had a peaceful 2nd week and it is apparent that our collective efforts in maintaining discipline are gaining traction. We appreciate your continued support in this regard. Still on discipline, in case you received a letter regarding uniform transgression, we urge you to help your child correct the transgression ASAP. Alternatively, communicate with the school for a consideration to be made as may be necessary.

We held parents' meetings from Monday to Thursday this week, we want to thank you for availing yourself of this first round of meetings, we value your presence and contribution. Presentation slides will be shared with all parents. We hope this will help even the parents that could not attend our meetings.

We are pleased to welcome two new colleagues that joined us during the week i.e. Ms. Mphehle and Ms. Nicholson. We wish both Ms. Mphehle and Ms. Nicholson the best during their tenure with our school. Ms. Mphehle offers Life Orientation whilst Ms. Nicholson offers Afrikaans.

VALUE OF THE WEEK

Diligence:

/ˈdɪlɪdʒ(ə)ns/
noun

*careful and persistent
work or effort.*



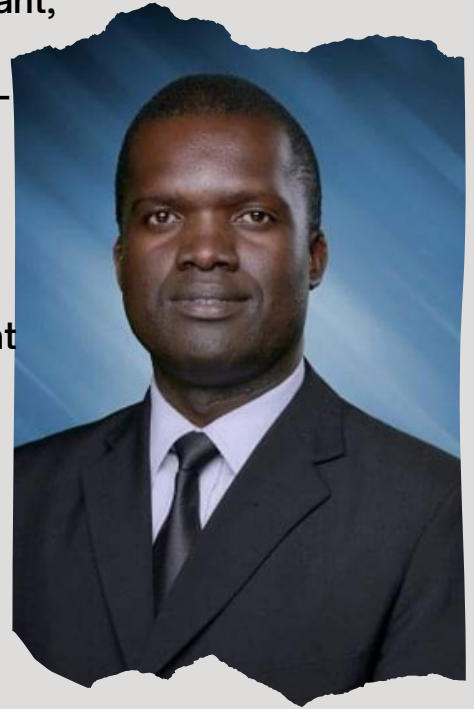
*Diligence is the mother
of good fortune.
Benjamin Franklin*

We have made slow progress in the distribution of learners' textbooks. I would like to reassure you of our commitment to ensure a speedy resolution of the situation. We are using alternate means to limit loss in learning time for affected grades e.g. handout notes copies for sections being taught.

Note that the school offers school fees discounts for parents that settle learners' school fee accounts by 30 January. We encourage you to use the opportunity to save on school fee payments. Whilst this is important, we encourage parents to always pay school fees every month on time. Consistent school fee payment is necessary to safeguard the sustainability of certain SGB key activities in our school (e.g. payment of SGB-employed educators and certain school projects).

In conclusion, your feedback is important for the growth and development of our school. We request that you e-mail any and every feedback without hesitation. Kindly send such to hshercules@gmail.com or Emmanuel.Ramathavha@gdeschools.gov.za.

Mr E Ramathavha
Principal



Uit die hoof se kantoor

Liewe ouers,

Ons het 'n rustige 2de week gehad en dit is duidelik dat ons gesamentlike pogings om dissipline te handhaaf momentum begin kry. Ons waardeer u volgehoue ondersteuning in hierdie verband. Terwyl ons oor dissipline praat, ingeval u 'n brief ontvang het omdat u kind se voorkoms nie korrek is nie, versoek ons u om u kind te help om dit so spoedig moontlik te korrigeer. oortreding ASAP. Kommunikeer asseblief met die hoof indien u 'n probleem daarmee het.

Ons het hierdie week ouervergaderings gehad en ons wil u bedank dat u die eerste vergaderings van die jaar bygewoon en bydraes gelewer het.



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*Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardor and diligence.
Abigail Adams*

Die aanbiedings sal met ouers gedeel word. Ons hoop dit sal die ouers help wat nie die vergadeings kon bywoon nie.

Ons is bly om twee nuwe kollegas wat gedurende die week by ons aangesluit het te verwelkom, nl. Me. Mphehle en me Nicholson. Ons wens beide me Mphehle en me Nicholson die beste toe tydens hul ampstermyn by Hoërskool Hercules. Me Mphehle bied Lewensoriëntering aan terwyl me Nicholson Afrikaans aanbied.

Ons maak steeds stadig vordering met die verspreiding van leerders se handboeke. Ek wil u graag gerusstel dat ons hard aan die werk is om 'n doeltreffende oplossing te vind. Ons gebruik alternatiewe maniere om steeds kwaliteit onderrig te bied en geen leertyd word ingeboet nie.

Let daarop dat Hoërskool Hercules afslag aan ouers bied wat die volle skool-fondsrekening voor die laaste dag van Februarie vereffen. Ons moedig u aan om van die geleentheid gebruik te maak. Dit is noodsaaklik dat ouers getrou elke maand skoolfonds betyds te betaal. Konsekwente betaling is nodig om die volhoubaarheid van sekere SBL-sleutelaktiwiteite te verseker bv. betaling van SBL-opvoeders en sekere skoolprojekte.

Ten slotte, u terugvoer is vir die groei en ontwikkeling van ons skool belangrik. Rig asseblief alle navrae, versoeke of voorstelle aan die skoolhoof by die volgende twee e-posadresse: hshercules@gmail.com of Emmanuel.Ramathavha@gdeschool.gov.za.



Mr E Ramathavha
Skoolhoof

JOY AND SORROW

Grade 12 of 2022: Pass rate of 76%

We are privileged that our school is growing. The SGB saw fit to appoint two more teachers. We are pleased to welcome Ms R Mpehle and Ms C Nicholson. We just know that you will be very happy with us.



In Ms Mpehle's own words:
I believe children should learn because education is the key to success.



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Work is doing it. Discipline is doing it every day. Diligence is doing it well every day.
Dave Ramsey

Learners, success is not final, failure is not fatal. When you have a dream you have to grab it with both hands and never let it go. Life is like a bicycle, to keep your balance, you just keep moving.

My message to the parents: Let your children know you believe in them, provide a place and time for learning. Talk each day with your child about his / her activities. We must always be there to support our kids.



Mrs Nicholson says she is a young and ambitious teacher. I love my occupation, and wish to make an impact on every and each one of my learners. It is my duty to create a safe and creative environment, in which my learners can learn, grow and develop new skills. Teaching is not my job. It is my passion!

Important dates

21 Jan Saturday classes for grade 10 - 12
23 Jan gr 12 Parent's evening
27 Jan Athletic meeting at Hoërskool HF Odendal

Advertise your business

Advertise your business on our fence

- 1 year: R3 500-00 per year
- Can be paid in 3 installments of R1150
- Businesses design and supply their own billboard plus steel frame.



Diligent effort - not strength of intelligence - is the key to unlocking our own potential.
Winston Churchill



Summer is time for Athletics



Friday, January 13, our annual Interhouse took place. The day caused much excitement and the learners showed good sportsmanship. Thanks to every Hercie who participated. And remember: it's not about always winning, it's about doing your best.



*Patience and diligence, like faith, remove mountains.
William Penn*

Results:

5th place	-	Harriers (Green)	163
4th place	-	Hawks (Yellow)	197
3rd place	-	Eagles (Red)	228
2d place	-	Kites (White)	335
1st place	-	Falcons (Blue)	903



DISCIPLINE

Hercies,

- We are very proud of you. Thank you that the majority of you obey the school rules as set out in our code of conduct. A neat appearance ensured by good discipline goes hand in hand with better academic performance.
- If you were one of those who received a warning letter about your appearance, you must repair it so that you carry the proud image of Hoërskool Hercules outside and do not harm it.
- As you have seen, the majority of the school follows the rules. Those individuals who are guilty of misconduct expose themselves to the disciplinary action that will follow.
- Please remember the following behaviour for which we have zero tolerance:

Bunking
Late coming
Disrespect
Disruption
Arrogance
Improper uniform

*better
together*



*To become a better you, be diligent
and never let the charms of
procrastination seduce you to fall for
mediocrity.
Isrealmore Avivor*

Parents affairs

SGB BI-ELECTIONS 11 FEBRUARY 2023

Come and get a nomination form between
16 and 27 January at Reception.



Only biological parents or legal
guardians may be nominated.



Voting will take place on 11 February
09.00 - 11:00 in the school hall.

The deadline for nomination forms is 3
Feb. No late forms can be accepted.



Pray and think about the process. We
need people who can assist our school with
specialist skills.

Subcommittees: Learner Discipline & Safety;
Finance; Infrastructure; Human Resources;
Fundraising



Together we make
a huge difference.

School fees for 2023:

- R11 200 per year or R1 120 per month for 10 months.
- Start paying now
- 10% discount if the full amount is paid before last day of February



Banking details

ABSA BANK

Account name:

Hoërskool Hercules

Account number:

080390076

Branch code:

632005

Reference:

family code

**Send proof of
payment to:**

hshercules.finance2@gmail.com

Contact details:

Admin - 012 379 4281

Parent's Whatsapp group - 079 733 4094

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*The soul of a lazy man desires and
has nothing; but the soul of the
diligent shall be made rich.
Proverbs 13:4*