

HERCIE NEWSLETTER

HOËRSKOOL HERCULES WEEKLY LETTER
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parent,

End of athletics season: We have come to the end of athletics season which concluded on Tuesday, 07 March. Our school did well, and I am certain that we could have done better. I want to thank the parents of our athletes for their unwavering support throughout the season. Winter sports codes already started with practice sessions, kindly make necessary arrangements for your child (If participating) to attend the practice sessions for the chosen code i.e. Rugby, Soccer, Hockey, Netball AND Chess.

Extra lessons: Saturday lessons for GRADES 10 to 12 are underway this Saturday, 11 March from 08:00 to 12:30. Kindly note that the classes are compulsory for ALL learners. It remains the parent's responsibility to ensure learner attendance. Kindly communicate identified areas of improvement in this regard so the program can be improved.

VALUE OF THE WEEK Responsibility:

*/rɪˈspɒnsəˈbɪlɪti/
the state or fact of
having a duty to deal
with something or of
being accountable for
something.*



*Responsibility is accepting that
you are the cause and solution of
the matter.
Bruce Willis*

Uniform concerns: Thank you once again for clothing your child with a proper school uniform. Uniform plays an important role in enforcing discipline in our school. There is still a concern about learners wearing incorrect school uniforms and some altering school uniforms. We will intensify our efforts to enforce the code of conduct in this regard which may inconvenience parents e.g. REQUESTING PARENTS TO COLLECT LEARNERS NOT WEARING THE CORRECT SCHOOL UNIFORM. Kindly communicates any request for school uniform consideration to the school principal by email.

Grade 8 parents School clean-up: Grade 8 parents are again reminded of the school clean-up scheduled for Saturday 11 March 2023 from 08:00 to 11:00. Kindly bring the necessary items for cleaning so we may do our bit to clean our school. Remember we are focusing on Scrubbing floors, washing windows, and removing graffiti. Your efforts go a long way!

SGB bi-elections for teachers: I am pleased to announce and welcome Mr. Bruwer to our SGB after he was elected as a teacher representative. Mr. Bruwer joins the SGB to replace Mev. McDonald who resigned from the SGB at the end of 2022. We are grateful for Mev. McDonald's contribution to our SGB and look forward to Mr. Bruwer's contribution.

Fees exemption: Our school is a FEE-PAYING SCHOOL as implied by the AGM resolutions. Non payment of school fees has serious implications for the school's functionality. Parents unable to pay school fees due to their economic status may apply for school fee exemptions currently open until 20 March 2023. Kindly note that a certain criterion is applied to grant school fee exemption and applying does not guarantee that it will be granted. See attached list of documents necessary to complete the application. Kindly contact our admissions office to obtain necessary information in this regard.

Conclusion: Your feedback is important for the growth and development of our school. We request that you email any and every feedback without hesitation. Kindly send such to hshercules@gmail.com or Emmanuel.Ramathavha@gdeschools.gov.za. Please do not use rami.et@hotmail.com



Mr E Ramathavha 

*I believe I have a personal responsibility to make a positive impact on society.
Anthony Fauci*

Uit die hoof se kantoor

Liewe ouers,

Die einde van atletiekseisoen: Ons het op 7 Maart aan die einde van die atletiekseisoen gekom. Ons skool het goed gevaar, en ek is seker daarvan dat ons van krag tot krag sal gaan. Ek wil die ouers van ons atlete bedank vir hul onwrikbare ondersteuning deur die seisoen. Wintersport het reeds met oefensessies begin, tref asseblief die nodige reëlins vir u kind om die oefensessies vir rugby, sokker, hokkie, netbal en skaak by te woon.

Ekstra lesse: Saterdaglesse vir GRAAD 10 TOT 12 is hierdie Saterdag, 11 Maart vanaf 08:00 tot 12:30 aan die gang. Neem asseblief kennis dat die klasse verpligtend vir ALLE leerders is. Dit bly die ouer se verantwoordelikheid om leerderbywoning te verseker. Lig ons asseblief in indien u enige areas vir verbetering in hierdie verband waarneem, sodat die program verbeter kan word.

Skooldrag: Weereens dankie dat u u kind met 'n behoorlike skooldrag geklee het. Uniform speel 'n belangrike rol in die handhawing van dissipline in ons skool. Daar is steeds kommer oor leerders wat verkeerde skooldrag dra en sommige wat hulle skooldrag verander. Ons gaan ons pogings verskerp om die voorkomsreëls af te dwing wat ouers dalk kan verontref, bv. **VERSOEK OUIERS OM LEERDERS TE HAAL WAT NIE DIE KORREKTE SKOOLDRAG DRA NIE.** Kommunikeer asseblief enige versoek rakende skooldrag per e-pos aan die skoolhoof.

Graad 8-ouers Skoolskoonmaak: Graad 8-ouers word weer herinner aan die veldtog wat vir Saterdag 11 Maart 2023 vanaf 08:00 tot 11:00 geskeduleer is. Bring asseblief die nodige items vir skoonmaak sodat ons ons deel kan doen om ons skool skoon te maak. Onthou ons fokus op die skrop van vloere, was van vensters en verwydering van graffiti. U deelname maak 'n verskil.

SBL-tussenverkiesings vir onderwysers: Ek is bly om aan te kondig dat mnr Bruwer as onderwyserverteenwoordiger op ons SBL verkies is. Mnr Bruwer sluit by die SBL aan nadat Me McDonald einde 2022 uit die SBL bedank het. Ons is dankbaar vir Me McDonald se bydrae tot ons SBL en sien uit na die insette wat mnr Bruwer gaan lewer.



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*You cannot escape the responsibility of tomorrow by evading it today.
Abraham Lincoln*

Subsidie en vrystelling: Ouers wat weens hul ekonomiese status nie skoolgeld kan betaal nie, kan aansoek doen vir vrystellings wat tans oop is tot 20 Maart 2023. Neem asseblief kennis dat daar 'n sekere kriteria vir vrystelling toegepas word en 'n aansoek waarborg nie dat dit wel toegestaan sal word nie. Sien aangehegte lys van dokumente wat nodig is om die aansoek te voltooi. Kontak gerus ons adminkantoor om die nodige inligting in hierdie verband te bekom.

Terugvoer: Ten slotte, u terugvoer is vir die groei en ontwikkeling van ons skool belangrik. U word versoek om nie van rami.et@hotmail.com gebruik te maak nie. Rig asseblief alle navrae, versoeke of voorstelle aan die skoolhoof by die e-posadres: hshercules@gmail.com of Emmanuel.Ramathavha@gdeschool.gov.za.

Mr E Ramathavha

Important dates

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| 11 March | Grade 8 Clean-up campaign |
| 11 March | Last Saturday classes for the term |
| 17 March | Test series ends |
| 20 March | School holiday |
| 21 March | Public holiday: Human Right's day |



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Academics

*The price of greatness is responsibility.
Winston Churchill*

Extra Saturday lessons 11th March

Time	Grade 12	Grade 11	Grade 10
08:00 – 10:00	Maths / Maths Lit (Group 1 & 2) Business Studies Life Sciences	English HL (group 1 & 2) English FAL	Afrikaans EAT (group 1 & 2) Afrikaans HT English HL (group 1 & 2)
10:30 – 12:30	Maths / Maths Lit (Group 3 & 4) Business Studies Life Sciences	Afrikaans EAT (group 3 & 4) Afrikaans HT English HL (group 3 & 4)	Afrikaans EAT (group 3 & 4) English FAL English HL (group 3 & 4)

Afternoon lessons : Only grade 12 14:00 – 16:00

Date	Subject and key
13 March	Business Studies Key 5
15 March	Business Studies Key 6
15 March	Life Sciences Key 5
15 March	English First Additional Language
17 March	English Home Language Key 2



*Take responsibility - it is
where your powers live.
Will Craig*

Time table for the controlled tests: 13 – 17 March

Date	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
13 Mar	EMS	Natural Sciences	Geography	Accounting	Afrikaans
14 Mar	Natural Sciences	EMS	Visual Arts / Tourism	CAT	Physical Science / Geography
15 Mar		Mathematics	Accounting	Geography	Accounting
17 Mar			History	History	Geography

!DISCIPLINE!

The school is experiencing renewed attempts by learners to smuggle in cell phones. The learners are very resourceful and smuggle in the phones in all sorts of ways. Note that phones are strictly prohibited. Hoërskool Hercules has an extremely strict zero tolerance policy regarding phones.

- Smuggled phones will be confiscated immediately.
- It is placed in the school's safe and can be collected at the end of the term, after the prescribed fine has been paid.
- Learners who refuse to hand over phones will have to bear the consequences.
- If your child needs to use a phone, an email must be sent to the Principal (Emmanuel.Ramathavha@gdeschools.gov.za).
- Mr Ramathavha will consider the request, if it is approved, he will print the email and hand it to the learner.



*Don't blame anyone but yourself:
take responsibility for your
mistakes and learn from it.
Charlie Chaplin*

- The learner carries the letter with him in his bag. The phone **MUST** be turned off and **STORED AWAY IN HIS / HER BAG.**
- If the learner does not meet these requirements (**PHONE VISIBLE / LETTER NOT IN POSSESSION / PHONE ACCESORIES WITH HIM / HER**), the privilege is forfeited and the learner will be subject to the necessary disciplinary actions.

Hoërskool Hercules is a no cell phone zone

Learner's affairs

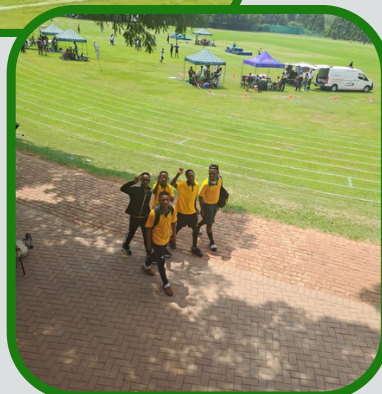


The 7th of March was the Hecies' day to shine.

The athletes made us proud with their positive attitude, good sportsmanship and then of course the good performance on the field and track.



Many thanks to every teacher and athlete who sacrificed their time to keep Hercules' name high.



Until you take responsibility for your life; someone else runs your life.
Vietnamese Proverb

First Places:

Girls u/14 800m: Tshireletso Matshira in 2,47,87 minutes
Girls u/15 800m: Tertia Makombe in 3,00,34 minutes
Boys u/15 800m: Bothlale Sibiya in 2,22,43 minutes
Boys u/15 100 hurdles: Lufuno Maluka in 16,40 seconds
Girls u/16 800m: Ndiravi Bokatshinde in 2,55,86 minutes
Girls u/15 1500m: Tertia Makombe in 6,35,38 minutes - almost 1 minute faster than second place
Girls u/16 1500m: Ndiravi Bokatshinde in 6,20,94 minute - 51 seconds faster than second place
Girls u/16 High Jump: Lesedi Loballo with 1.48m
Boys u/19 Triple Jump: Nhlanhla Skhosana with 12.08m
Boys u/15 Javelin: Reamogetswe Tongoane with 22.81m



Second Places:

Boys u/14 200m: Joshua Moyo in 26.47 seconds
Boys u/14 400m: Nooki Nolo in 1.05.62 minutes
Girls u/16 400m: Ndiravi Bokatshinde in 1.12.66 minutes
Boys u/16 1500m: Afikile Mflatela in 4.49.65 minutes
Boys u/17 3000m: Omphile Dire in 10.30.21 minutes
Boys u/14 100m hurdles: Bokang Mashege in 19.50 seconds
Girls u/16 100m hurdles: Ntando Sibeko in 20.97 seconds
Boys u/17 800m: Lesedi Machaba in 2.16.93 minutes
Girls u/19 800m: Lerato Mofokeng in 3.38.00 minutes
Boys u/19 800m: Masana Maswanganyi in 2.21.00 minutes
Boys u/14 1500m: Kelebogile Seeletse in 5.16.03 minutes
Boys u/19 110m hurdles: Keorabetswe Moloro in 18.89 seconds
Boys u/15 High Jump: Bokang Mashigo with 1.58 m
Boys u/19 High Jump: Joined Sandile Mtshweni and Keorabetswe Moloro with 1.67m
Girls u/16 Long Jump: Lesedi Loballo with 4.19m
Boys u/19 Shotput: Ofentse Ngoela with 8.61m
Girls u/14 Discus: Kgabiso Ndhlovu with 16.25m
Girls u/16 Discus: Oreatile Siteo with 18.59 m
Girls u/19 Discus: Tshegofatso Teffu with 19.03 m
Girls u/17 Javelin: Kewarona Khaledi with 15.79m
Boys u/15 4 x 100m relay



Third Places:

Boys u/19 100m: Mojalefa Kalaba in 11.47 seconds
Girls u/14 400m: Tertia Makombe in 1.17.00 minutes
Boys u/17 1500m: Lesedi Machaba in 4.44.78 minutes
Boys u/15 100m: Mudinda Phophi in 18.47 seconds
Boys u/14 Long Jump: Nkateko Mahuza with 4.46m
Boys u/15 Long Jump: Reamogetswe Tongoane with 4.78 m
Girls u/14 Shotput: Joined Ngobile Kumwaba and
Oreneile Mogashoa with 6.00m
Girls u/16 Shotput: Keamogetswe Nong with 7.58m
Boys u/15 Discus: Chris Mafuka with 16.78m
Boys u/17 Discus: Dimbanyika Neluonde with 23.64m
Girls u/19 Javelin: Tshegofatso Teffu with 19.60m
Girls u/16 4 x 100m relay
Boys u/19 4 x 100m relay



*Amateurs blame others.
Professionals accept
responsibility.
Shane Parrish*

Parents affairs

Contact details

Admin - 012 379 4281

Parent's Whatsapp group - 079 733 4094

Finance - hshercules.finance@gmail.com

Discipline - hshdiscipline@gmail.com

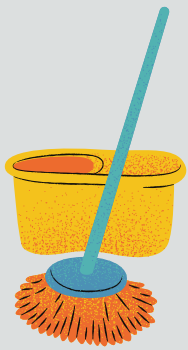
Newsletter - mcd.hercules@gmail.com

Admin: dorasamym4@gmail.com

Absenteeism - janitadk@gmail.com

Deputy principal - karenbester15@gmail.com

Principal - Emmanuel.Ramathavha@gdeschools.gov.za



Attention Grade 8 parents



We appeal to GRADE 8 parents to be part of this Clean up Campaign tomorrow. Do your part to create a positive learning

environment. Please bring the relevant tools to help with: scrabbing of classrooms, corridors and bathrooms; washing of windows and removal of graffiti. You are welcome to bring rakes and other garden tools as well. We are looking forward to see you all.

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



*I will choose good over evil and will
accept responsibility for my
decisions.
Joshua 24:15*

Annexure regarding exemption

- Applications for exemption of school fees must be done yearly
- Only a parent or legal guardian may complete the application
- All info requested must be provided
- Both parents are liable to pay school fees, except if they were exempted
- The following documents must be included with you application
- Note that if any document is lacking, the application will be rejected immediately and NO EXEMPTION WILL BE GRANTED
- NOTE THAT ALL COPIES OR DOCUMENTS MUST BE CERTIFIED BY THE POLICE

- »The latest 3 month's bank statements (if unemployed a verification from the bank of the Bank account)
- »The latest 3 month salary slips
- »Divorce agreement (if divorced)
- »If a learner is in the care of a guardian, a certified affidavit by a social worker or any other person that has the legal authority as well as a court order must be submitted
- »Death certificate if one or both of the parents are deceased
- »Certified Affidavit from Police if unemployed and single
- »Certified Affidavit from Police if the learner is the head of the household
- »Certified Birth Certificate / ID / Immigration / Asylum documents of the learner
- »Verification of address (Electricity Bill)
- »Income and Expenditure Report
- »Latest School Bill