

HERCIE NEWSLETTER

HOËRSKOOL HERCULES WEEKLY LETTER
TERM 2, WEEK 3

26 APRIL 2023



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parent,

Parents' evenings and reports: I want to thank parents that availed themselves of the meetings and issuing of reports. Kindly note that reports will be available at reception for collection during the week for parents to collect. No report card will be issued to a learner.

Term one results: As discussed in our meetings, the school's academic results are unsatisfactory, and more needs to be done to improve learner achievement across the board. Extra lesson timetables will be shared to support learning in specific subjects. Kindly make necessary transport arrangements for your child to attend the lessons. Extra lessons attendance is mandatory.

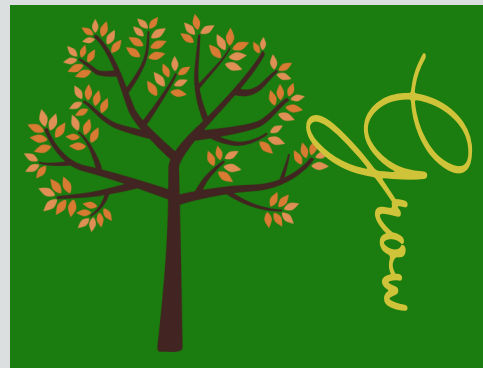
Subject teacher consultations: We will have a subject teacher-parent consultation session to discuss learner academic performance per subject on Wednesday, 03 May 2023 from 15:00 to 19:00. In these meetings, parents can engage with the

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VALUE OF THE WEEK Courage:

*/'kʌrɪdʒ/
the ability to do
something that frightens
one; bravery. Often
misunderstood as
physical strength*



*Courage starts with showing
up and letting ourselves be
seen.
Brené Brown*

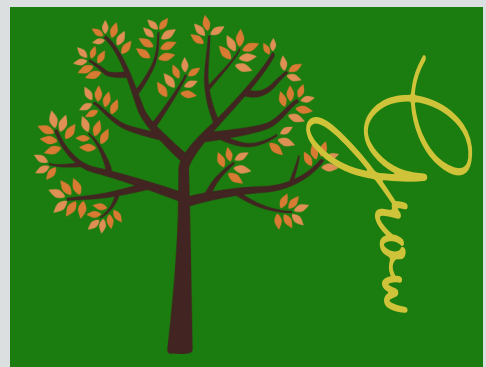
subject educators to foster a common understanding of strategies to support learners. It is mandatory for learners that got levels 1 and 2 to attend with their parents. Learners are also expected to bring workbooks (Class and homework books) during the sessions.

Mr Brown's departure: On a sad note, Mr. Brown resigned from as an educator at our school. Mr. Brown joined our school at the beginning of this term on 12 April 2023 and unfortunately had to leave. We wish Mr. Brown well in his future endeavors and are certain that his brief tenure with our school will forever be in the heart of both Learners and his colleagues. We are in the process of appointing an educator to replace Mr. Brown and will soon announce his replacement, in the meanwhile learners will be supported by educators teaching Afrikaans EAT so they may not fall behind.

School fees: I want to thank you for continuing to pay your child's school fees on time. This goes a long way in making it possible for the school to provide your child with the best education possible. Kindly contact the school's finance office for outstanding school fee statements and payment arrangements.

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 Emmanuel.Ramathavha@gdeschools.gov.za or hshercules@gmail.com or e.ramathavha@hshercules.co.za

Uit die hoof se kantoor



*Courage is grace under pressure.
Ernest Hemingway*

Liewe ouers,

Oueraande en rapporte: Ek wil ouers bedank wat gebruik gemaak het van die vergaderings en uitreiking van rapporte. Neem asseblief kennis dat rapporte by ontvangs beskikbaar sal wees vir ouers wat di tgedurende die week wil afhaal. Let daarop dat geen rapport aan 'n leerder gegee sal word nie.

Kwartaal een-resultate: Soos tydens ons ouervergaderings bespreek is, is die skool se akademiese resultate onbevredigend. Baie meer moet gedoen word om leerderprestasie oor alle grade te stabiliseer. Ekstra lesse se roosters sal gedeel word om leer in spesifieke vakke te ondersteun. Maak asseblief die nodige vervoer-reëlins vir jou kind om die lesse by te woon. Bywoning van ekstra lesse is verpligtend.

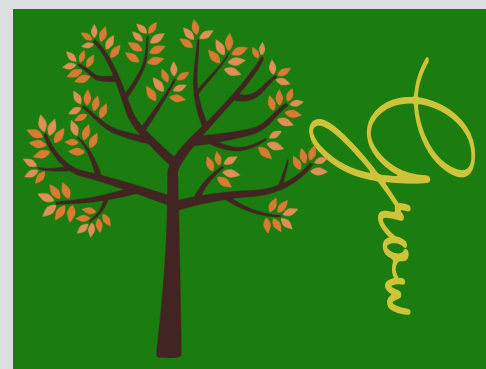
Konsultasiesessies met betrokke vakonderwysers: Ons sal 'n vakonderwyser-ouer konsultasiesessie hê om leerders se akademiese prestasie te bespreek. Dit vind Woensdag 3 Mei 2023 vanaf 15:00 tot 19:00 plaas. In hierdie vergaderings kan ouers met die vakopvoeders skakel om 'n gesamentlike strategie te vind wat die prestasies sal verbeter. Dit is verpligtend vir leerders wat vlakke 1 en 2 gekry het om saam met hul ouers die onderwysers te ontmoet. Daar word ook van leerders verwag om werkboeke (klas- en huiswerk) saam te bring tydens die sessies.

Mnr Brown se vertrek: Op 'n hartseer noot het mnr. Brown bedank as 'n opvoeder by ons skool. Mnr. Brown het aan die begin van hierdie kwartaal by ons skool aangesluit en moes ons ongelukkig verlaat. Ons wens mnr Brown sterkte toe met sy toekomsplanne. Ons is in die proses om 'n nuwe opvoeder aan te stel om mnr Brown te vervang. Intussen sal leerders ondersteun word deur opvoeders wat Afrikaans EAT onderrig sodat hulle nie agterraak nie.

Skoolfonds: Ek wil u bedank dat u voortgaan om u kind se skoolgeld betyds te betaal. Kontak asseblief die skool se finansiële kantoor vir uitstaande state en reëlins.

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; Emmanuel.Ramathavha@gdeschool.gov.za. of e.ramathavha@hshercules.co.za

Mrs E Ramathavha



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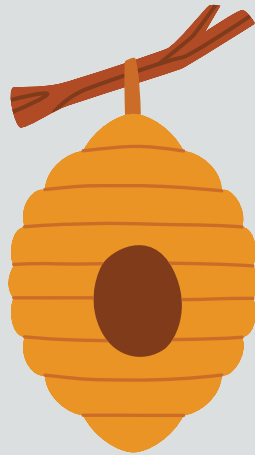
*If you have the courage to begin, you will have the courage to succeed.
Harry Hoover*

Important dates

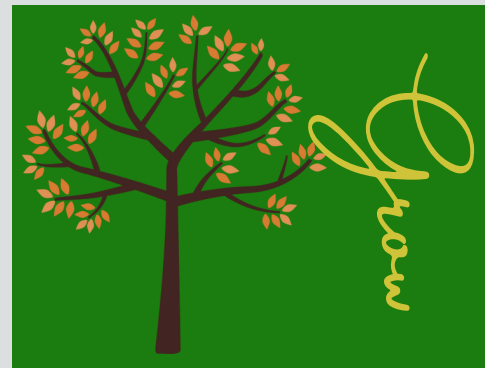
26 April	Gr 8 & 9 Parents evening at 18:00
3 May	Consultation sessions with subject teachers 15:00 - 19:00
19 May	Gr 9 Aptitude tests
20 May	Gr 9 parents' Clean up Campaign



Academics



- Aptitude tests will be conducted for our grade 9 learners on the 18th of May.
- The cost is R120 per learner. Please pay at finance office and give the receipt to the register teacher
- If an EFT payment is made, please indicate clearly the child's name, class and Apt test.



*He who is not courageous enough to take some risks will accomplish nothing in life.
Mohammad Ali*

What is an aptitude test?

Aptitude means: inclination, tendency, natural ability and capacity for learning.

An educational aptitude test is most beneficial for learners to measure how talented they are at certain subjects in school. These tests can show how well learners are mastering areas of learning such as mathematics and language. It can also indicate whether they are developing at an appropriate pace and if they require special education assistance.

Aptitude tests can also help learners determine which areas they are most developed in, where they have natural ability, and, therefore, which possible might be the best option for them.

The biggest advantage of this is that it can assist learners in choosing subjects. As you know, grade 9 learners choose subjects for the FET phase at the end of the year. It is extremely important that subjects are chosen based on interest as well as future vision. We do not want learners to constantly change subjects, it is very bad for their academic progress and sometimes causes insurmountable backlogs.



Additional consultation time for parents

On the 3rd of May subject teachers will be available from 15:00 - 19:00 for consultation on learners marks. Parents that were unable to fetch report cards during the parents' week, can collect it then from register teachers.



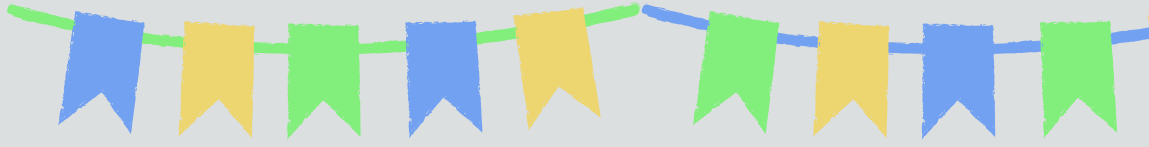
*Courage
is one step ahead
of fear.
Deavita*

DISCIPLINE

Winter wear must be worn from 1 May - 30 August

Boys:

Long school pants
Long sleeve shirt
School tie
School jersey, school pullover, school sweater or blazer
Green or black socks with black school shoes



Girls:

Skirt with long green bobby socks or green tights
Long school pants for girls
Long sleeve shirt
School tie
School jersey, school pullover, school sweater or blazer
School shoes

Learner's affairs

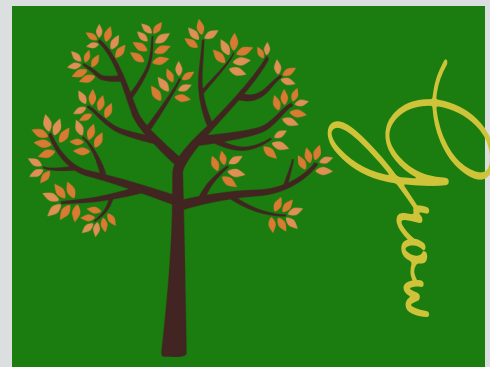
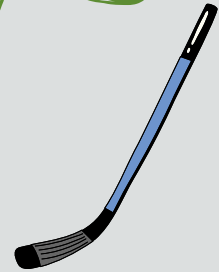
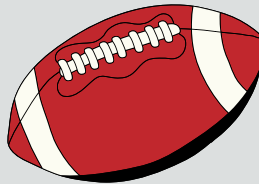
Sports' results

Rugby Boys 0/15 won 19 - 5
against Akasia

Rugby Boys 0/15 lost 17-14
against FH Odendal

Hockey Girls 0/19 0-0
against HTS Pretoria-Tuine

Soccer senior Boys won 3-2
against HTS Pretoria-Tuine
Soccer Junior Boys won 4-1
against HTS Pretoria -Tuine



*Be brave. Take risks.
Nothing can substitute
experience.
Paulo Coelho*

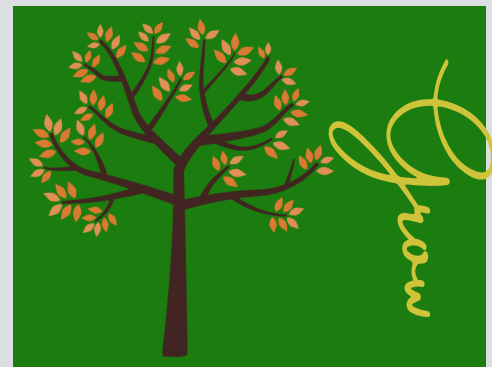
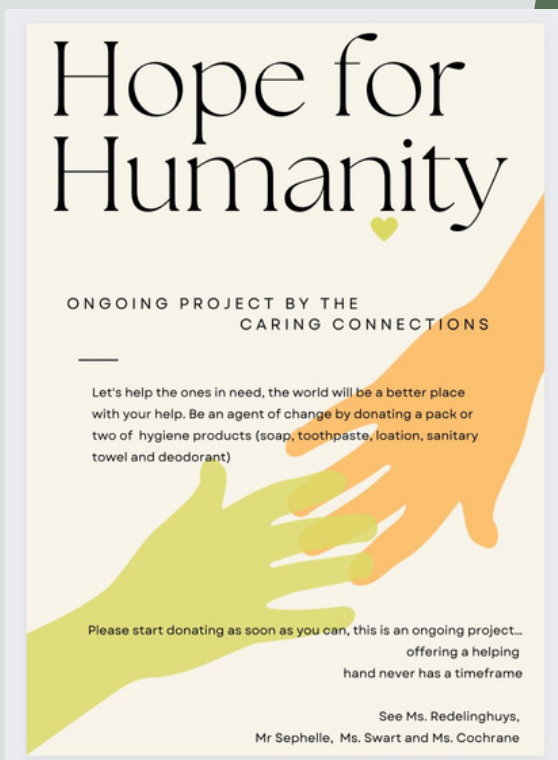
Netball:

4 May home match vs Hillview
5 May away vs Daspoort
11 May away vs Prinshof
18 May home vs Pretoria West
25 May away vs Prestige Pretoria West
30 May home vs Motheong
1 June away vs Elandspoort

Netball dress
must be paid
at finances ASAP
@R330

Team members are requested to show up for practice at every sports practice. The whole team suffers if some team members are absent.

Hoërskool Hercules
explodes with all the
cultural activities. There is
definitely something for
every taste at buzzy
Hercies.



Courage is not simply one of the virtues, but the form of every virtue at the testing point.
CS Lewis

Parent's 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 - jdeklerk@hshercules.co.za

Deputy principal - karenbester15@gmail.com

Principal - Emmanuel.Ramathavha@gdeschools.gov.za / e.ramathavha@hshercules.co.za

Parents, please remember that you cannot just turn up at school and insist on speaking to any staff. Please use the correct channels and make an appointment. In this way, it can be ensured that parents can speak to teachers, the principal, deputy principal or heads of department.



Banking details

ABSA BANK

Account name:

Hoërskool Hercules

Account number:

080390076

Branch code:

632005

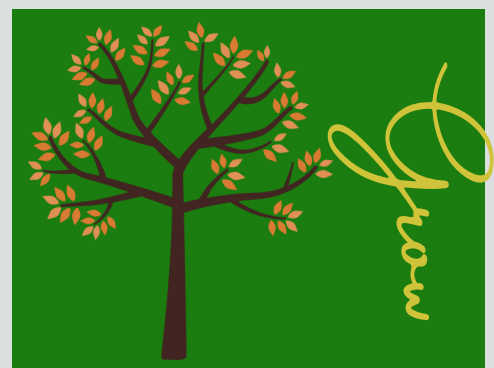
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**Send proof of
payment to:**

hshercules.finance@gmail.com

Hoërskool Hercules
Gr 9 Parents
Clean up campaign
All grade 9 parents are
requested to save this date:
20 May; 08:00 – 11:00.



*Be strong and courageous. Do not
be afraid. Do not be discouraged,
for the Lord your God will be with
you wherever you go
Joshua 1:9*