

HERCIE NEWSLETTER

HOËRSKOOL HERCULES WEEKLY LETTER
TERM 3, WEEK 8

8 SEPTEMBER 2023



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parent,

Marelize Shaunice Phite's death: It is with great sadness to announce the passing of one of our learners by the name of Maralize Shaunice Phite. She was enrolled at our school for Gr. 10 and apparently passed away on Sunday, 03rd of September. We send condolences to her friends, family, and fellow classmates. It's very unfortunate that we have lost such a bright soul at such a young age. Details of the funeral will be communicated at a later stage.

Term 3 tests: Term 3 tests started on the 7th of September. We wish learners well as they sit for the assessments, and we'd like for parents to offer support by creating a conducive environment for their children to study. Such may be achieved by ensuring a quiet learning environment, limiting house chores, and structuring a home study timetable.

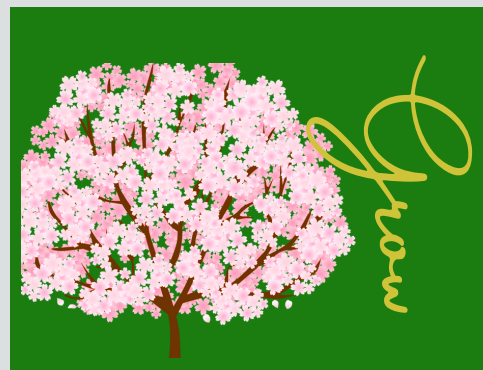
Half-school day on 20th September 2023: School staff members will be engaged in a staff training and development program on 20 September 2023. The program will unfortunately affect the school program on the day. Learners will write assessments scheduled for the day and leave immediately after the assessment at 10:00. Kindly make necessary transport arrangements so your child is collected from school on time.

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VALUE OF THE WEEK Punctuality:

*/pʌŋ(k)tʃʊ'ælɪti/
the fact or
quality of being
on time.*



*The trouble with being punctual
is that nobody's there to
appreciate it.
Franklin P Jones*

AGM elections: The schools' AGM and bi-elections have been scheduled for the 13th of September on a Wednesday at 18h00. All parents are encouraged to partake, as it is during this meeting that the school's budget will be discussed/tabulated and adopted. Financial statements for 2022 and the proposed budget for 2024 are available for perusal at the finance office by appointment. Please contact the office in this regard.

School fees: Our school fees payment is at an ALL-TIME LOW.

The situation is threatening the sustainability of some school functions such as the payment of SGB-employed educators. Whilst we commend all parents who are up to date with their school fees payments, we want to plead with those who are behind to try to pay. 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, hshercules@gmail.com or e.ramathavha@hshercules.co.za

Mr E Ramathavha

Uit die hoof se kantoor

Liewe ouers,

Shaunice Phite se afsterwe: Dit is met groot hartseer om die afsterwe van een van ons leerders, Maralize Shaunice Phite, te deel. Sy was in gr 10 en is Sondag, 03 September oorlede. Ons stuur meegevoel aan haar vriende, familie, en klasmaats. Besonderhede van die begrafnis sal op 'n later stadium gekommunikeer word.

Kwartaal 3-toetsreeks: Die toetsreeks het op 7 September begin. Ons wens leerders sterkte toe en vra ouers om hulle kinders die nodige tyd en ondersteuning te bied om hiervoor voor te berei.

Halfskooldag op 20 September 2023: Die hele personeel sal betrokke wees by 'n personeelopleiding en ontwikkelingsprogram op 20 September 2023. Die program is ongelukkig gedurende die skooldag. Leerders sal assesserings skryf wat vir die dag geskeduleer is en om 10:00 vertrek. Tref asseblief die nodige voerreëlings sodat u kind is betyds by die skool afgehaal.



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*Better three hours too soon,
than one minute too late.
William Shakespeare*

AJV-Verkiesing: Die skole se AJV en tussen-verkiesing is geskeduleer vir Woensdag 13 September om 18h00. Alle ouers word aangemoedig om deel te neem, want dit is tydens hierdie vergadering wat die skool se begroting bespreek sal word en aanvaar word. Finansiële state vir 2022 en die voorgestelde begroting vir 2024 is beskikbaar vir insae by die finansiële kantoor op afspraak. Kontak asseblief die kantoor in hierdie verband.

Skoolfonds: Ons skoolfondsbetaling is DIE SWAKSTE OOI. Die situasie bedreig die volhoubaarheid van sommige skoolfunksies soos die betaling van SB-personeel. Terwyl ons alle ouers opreg bedank wat gereeld betaal, wil ons by diegene wat agter geraak het, pleit om te probeer betaal. Dit help baie om dit vir die skool moontlik te maak gee jou kind die beste opvoeding moontlik. 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-posadresse: hshercules@gmail.com; Emmanuel.Ramathavha@gdeschool.gov.za.

Mr E Ramathavha

Joy & Sorrow



It is with such heartbreak that we as a school learned of Shaunice's death. We will greatly miss your cheerful nature and enormous contribution on the softball field and netball court. Rest in peace.



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IMPORTANT DATES

9 Sept	Extra lessons gr 12
9 Sept	Extra lessons gr 11 and gr 10
13 Sept	AGM

Being punctual states that I value your time, as well as, mine
Sharon Love



Academics

Test time table for gr 8-11

Grade and date	gr 8	gr 9	gr 10	gr 11
Monday 11 Sept	Afrikaans EAT	Afrikaans EAT	English HL	English HL / FAL
Tuesday 12 Sept	English HL	English HL / FAL	Physical Sciences	Life Orientation
Wednesday 13 Sept	EMS	Creative Arts	Business Sciences	Life Sciences
Thursday 14 Sept		Mathematics	Consumers Studies	Consumers Studies
Friday 15 Sept	Creative Arts	Social Sciences - Geography	Mathematics / Mathematical Literacy	Mathematics / Mathematical Literacy
Monday 18 Sept	Life Orientation	EMS - Economics	Economics	History / Economics
Tuesday 19 Sept	English HL	English HL / English FAL	Accounting	Tourism

EXTRA LESSONS

SATURDAY 9 SEPT

GR 12

08:00 - 10:00 ENGLISH HL / ENGLISH FAL

10:30 - 12:30 MATHS / MATHS LIT

GR 10 & 11

08:00 - 11:00 MATHS / MATHS LIT

11:30 - 14:30 ENGLISH HL / FAL



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*Each of us has the same
quantity of the most precious
commodity on earth ... time.
Ted Janusz*

Discipline

Duties and responsibilities of the Senior Representative Council of Learners (RCL)

- Develop and promote a positive learner spirit and culture within the school.
- Encourage fellow learners to participate and are responsible for the sound functioning of the school.
- Promote good discipline by holding regular learner meetings and discussions.
- Use communication channels to discuss learner frustrations and fears.
- Promote positive communication with educators and school management.
- Create clubs and special projects to promote learner involvement.
- Take part in school governing body activities.
- Act as ambassadors in the school and community.

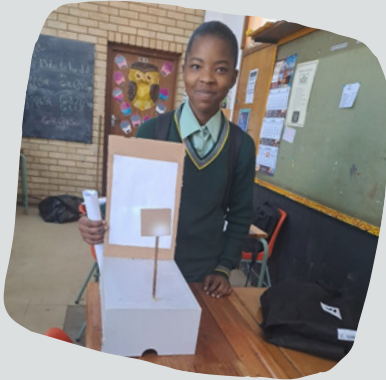
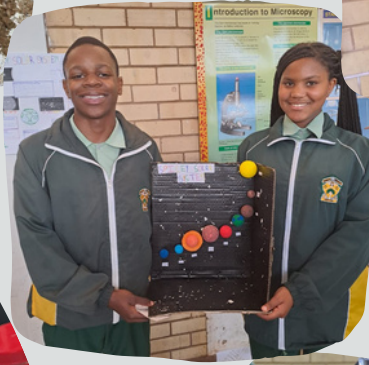
Duties and responsibilities of the Junior Representative Council of Learners (RCL)

- Promote good discipline in class and on the school premises.
- Ensure a clean and tidy classroom.
- Promote classroom pride.
- Monitor class attendance.
- Liaise with class educators about learner issues and learner grievances.



Punctuality is not about being on time. It is about respecting your commitment.
King George VI

Learners' affairs



Grade 8 are doing projects in
Natural Science.
Well done, Hercies, you did
great!



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And a project of two grade 9's
on the digestive system.

*A minute is not as minute
as it seems
Atmaja Bandyopadhyay*

Staff affairs



Our admin ladies were spoiled on Secretary's day with a spa treatment. Thank you for the hard work you are putting in to help the school run smoothly.



Stuff about Staff

We proudly introduce our new section to you. With this we aim to introduce the staff to you and also to find out something interesting about them when playing Fast Five.

The past two weeks we focussed on the admin staff, today we introduce you to the

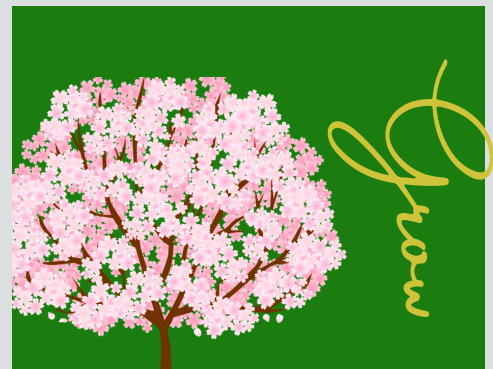
Department: Technology & Practical Subjects



Ms D Sehodi
HOD

She joined the school at the end of last year as the newly appointed HOD for Technology and Practical subjects.

- 1 Favourite food: I am a food lover. My best so far is oxtail with samp.
- 2 Best holiday ever: My best holiday was at Zebula. I loved the five star treatment and walking in nature. It was breath taking.
- 3 My ideal day: I love good company and good music.
- 4 Hobbies: Spending time with loved one..
- 5 Why I am a teacher: What I love about my job is to see my learners grow and helping them to develop to their full potential, the excitement in their eyes when they achieve the best results. I love the fact that I can use this platform to impact positively in society. This gives me joy and total satisfaction.



Be punctual, because one thing you can't recycle, is wasted time.
Anon



Mr NH Baloyi
Teaching EGD: gr 10 - 12
I am from Mpumalanga. I love learning new thing, therefore I stand to believe that nothing is impossible if you have a heart that zeals to know or rather to learn.

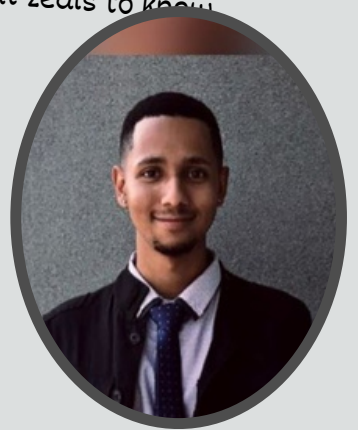
1 What I love about my job: I love teaching because its one of the careers, wherein you equip, mentor and lead as an educator. Above all, I love that I am impacting lives by depositing knowledge that no one will take from the. Education is the fuel of life

2 Favourite song: Fear of the Lord by Mercy Culture

3 If I was not a teacher, I would be: Pursue medicine because it is more or less the same as education, it is all about saving and serving lives of people. I am investing in a Bank that can not perish.

4 Favourite scripture: Lamentations 3: 37 Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the Lord commandeth it not?

5 I can't live without: Knowledge. Knowledge makes one aware of the right thing to do



Mr ER Coakley
Teaching CAT gr 10 - 12
I'm a firm believer in doing the right thing, being fair and helping where help is needed.

1 Favourite movie: What I love about my job: I love teaching because its one of the careers, wherein you equip, mentor and lead as an educator. Above all, I love that I am impacting lives by depositing knowledge that no one will take from the. Education is the fuel of life

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Ms K Bester
Teaching EGD gr 10
Ms Bester is a keen lover of Spiderman. If you want to make her happy and see her smile work to the best of your potential.



1 Role model: The iron lady, Margaret Thatcher

2 Your dream for Hercules: That all learners will perform to the best of their ability and reach the goals they set.

3 Biggest irritation: Dishonesty. Late coming. And learners that bunk and then ran away from educators. Grrrrrrrrrr!!!

4 Favourite food: Steak, egg and chips

5 Celebrity crush: From the older generation - Richard Gere and the new generation - Channing Tatum

*The merit of originality
is not novelty, but
sincerity.
Thomas Carlyle*

Parents' affairs

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 2022 AND THE
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2024 ARE AVAILABLE
FOR PERUSAL AT THE FINANCE OFFICE BY
APPOINTMENT. PLEASE
CONTACT THE OFFICE IN THIS REGARD.**

**AGM
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
13 SEPTEMBER AT 18:00**

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Hoërskool Hercules

Account number:

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632005

Reference:

family code

Send proof of payment to:

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*Grace be with all them that
love the Lord Jesus Christ
in sincerity.
Ephesians 6:24*