



EDENVALE HIGH SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

Giving Back, Growing Forward

In today's busy world, it is easy for young people to focus only on their own daily lives and challenges. This is why opportunities to give back to others are so important. Our recent food drive was not only about collecting tins and groceries, it was about teaching compassion, empathy, gratitude and social responsibility.

Many learners asked, "Why do we have to donate?" The answer is simple: charity reminds us that we are part of a community and communities grow stronger when people help one another. Not every family has access to enough food each day and even a small contribution can make a meaningful difference in someone's life.

In South Africa, food insecurity remains a serious challenge. According to recent reports, millions of South Africans experience hunger regularly, with many children going to school without a proper meal. Gauteng, despite being South Africa's economic hub, has thousands of families living in informal settlements and struggling to afford basic necessities.

Research has also shown that young people who participate in charitable activities often develop stronger emotional intelligence and leadership skills. Acts of giving help learners become more aware of the world around them and encourage them to think beyond themselves. These are qualities that help build responsible, compassionate adults.

Charity also teaches gratitude. When learners see the realities faced by others, it helps them appreciate what they have while inspiring kindness and generosity. These lessons cannot always be taught through textbooks; they are learned through action, participation, and experience.

As a school, we are incredibly proud of every learner and family who contributed to the food drive. Every item donated represented care, kindness and hope for another person. Most importantly, initiatives like these help shape young people into caring citizens who understand the importance of giving, and making a positive difference in society.

Thank you to everyone who supported this initiative. Together, through small acts of kindness, we can create a big impact.

Mr H Smith
HOD: Technical Learning Areas



Important DATES!

JUNE EXAMINATIONS 1 – 26 June

Please ensure that learners read the examination timetable correctly.

No exams will be written at any other time.

Exam review is compulsory for Grade 8 and 9 learners.

Learners who are absent for an examination must produce a doctor's certificate on the day that they return to school otherwise zero will be given.

They are responsible for handing this in at the front office.

Wednesday 10 June: Grade 9 aptitude testing

Monday 15 June: Special school holiday

Tuesday 16 June: Youth Day

HELP US TURN BOTTLE TOPS INTO WHEELCHAIRS!

OUR SCHOOL IS COLLECTING
PLASTIC BOTTLE TOPS
IN SUPPORT OF
TOPS AND TAGS

All proceeds go toward
providing **WHEELCHAIRS**
FOR THOSE IN NEED.

HOW TO HELP:

- Drop them off at the **FRONT OFFICE**, or
- Hand them to **MRS SWANEPOEL IN A1-12.**



Every lid counts - let's make
a difference together!



ATTENTION PARENTS

One of the school's projects is to feed the sterilised feral cats that live on the school property. We would appreciate any donations of tinned or dry food.

Donations may be handed in at the front office. All contributions are gratefully accepted.



The Blues Bulletin

Rugby:

Saturday 15 May our rugby team took on Hoërskool Vereeniging Gymnasium. Good rugby was played by both schools, but Vereeniging Gymnasium walked away with the honours. Only the 2nd team managed a win. Well done to the rugby boys.

Netball:

On Thursday 14 May the netball girls played St Andrews College at home. They played 12 games and won 9 of these games. The 1st team won 21 -19. On Tuesday 19 May the girls played Dr EG Jansen and had a tough day on the courts, only being able to win one game, and draw one, out of 13 games.

Tennis:

Boys – B team played against Curro Serengeti on Friday 15 May and unfortunately lost their game.
Boys - A team played against Ashton College on Friday as well and they managed to beat Ashton.
The girls team played against Hoërskool Kempton Park on Monday 18 May and unfortunately lost their game

Boys Hockey:

Wednesday 13 May the U14 and U16 boys played against St Bennies at home. The U14 boys unfortunately lost their game and the U16 managed a draw. The annual Aitken and Boden Tournament took place from Thursday 14 May until 17 May. The 1st and U15 boys took part in this tournament. The 1st boys ended 4th in Aitken B and the U15 boys were placed 9th in Boden B. The Boys Promo League played against Birchleigh High School 1st and U16. The U15 won their match and the 2nds lost to Birchleigh 1st .

Girls Hockey:

The girls played Birchleigh High School on Thursday 14 May. There were four games played. The girls won three of the four games played. Saturday 15 May the girls travelled to Brakpan to play against Hoërskool Stoffberg. However there were five games played and of these five 1 win, 1 draw and 3 lost. Wednesday 20 May the girls played Hoërskool Die Anker, they had a good day on the turf winning 3 of the 5 games, drew one and lost one. We are really spoilt with our Astro.

Cross Country:

The cross country runners ran at Rietvlei Reserve in Alberton on Monday 18 May. Four of our athletes placed in the top 30. Our girls senior team has qualified for the Inter district Competition. Well done to our cross country runners.

Debating:

The debaters took part in the SACEE competition on Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 May. On Saturday they won 1 out of the three rounds participated in, and on Sunday they won two rounds. Congratulations to our debaters.

Grads:

The Grads team were placed 2nd out 13 schools.

Best Actor – Ethan Payne

Best Actress – Lerato Maake

Best Cameo – Katya Suhrmuller





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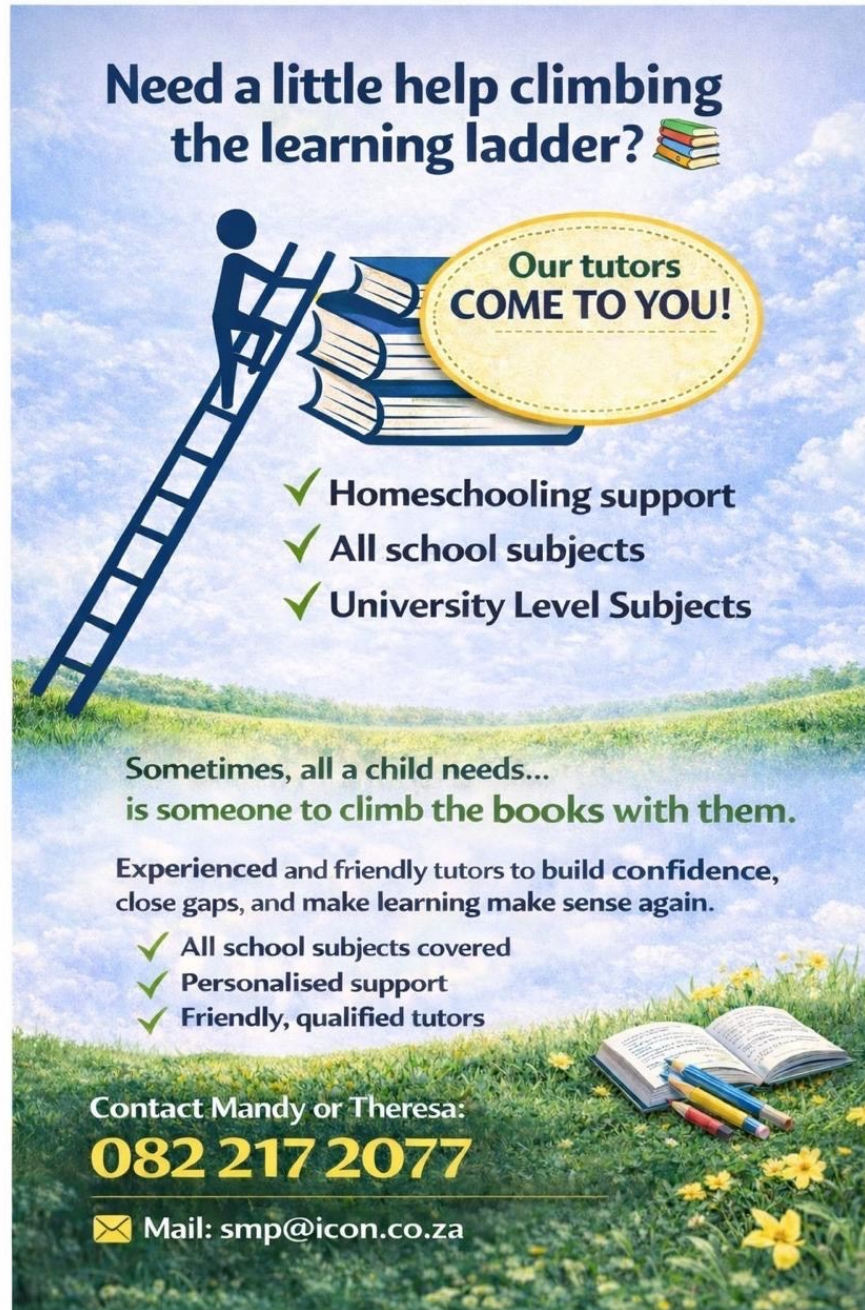



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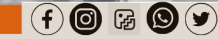
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