



EDENVALE HIGH SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

The last lap!

Just like that... we have reached the final term of the school year! It is hard to believe that the year is almost over. The holidays may be calling, but before we pack away the school bags and start counting down to December, there is still one important lap to complete: the final term and examinations. The final term is often a mixture of excitement, tiredness and the occasional thought of, "Can't we just skip to the holidays?" Unfortunately, we cannot. This is the term where all the hard work, effort and learning throughout the year come together.

Examinations are an important part of the school year because they give learners an opportunity to demonstrate what they have learnt and how well they can apply their knowledge. They are not simply about memorising information. Exams teach learners valuable skills such as time management, preparation, discipline, perseverance and working under pressure – skills that will be useful long after school is finished.

For our senior learners, especially our Grade 12s, the final examinations are particularly important. Years of lessons, assignments, tests, extra classes and probably more cups of coffee than anyone would like to admit have led to this point. Now is the time to put in that final effort and finish the year with pride. For all learners, the message is simple: do not give up because you are tired. The final stretch is often the most challenging, but it is also where determination makes the biggest difference. Attend your classes, listen to your teachers, ask questions when you do not understand something, complete your work and make a realistic study plan. Remember, studying does not mean sitting at your desk for six hours while staring at the same page and hoping the information magically enters your brain! Take breaks, get enough sleep, eat properly and give yourself time to relax. A healthy balance will help you perform at your best.

Parents and teachers also play an important role during this time. A little encouragement, patience and support can go a long way. Sometimes a simple "You can do this!" is exactly what a learner needs to hear.

So, as we enter the final term, let us put the excuses aside, focus on the goal and give it our best effort. The finish line is in sight!

To every learner: believe in yourself, prepare well and remember that one difficult test does not define you. Keep going, keep learning and keep trying.

Mrs A van Wyk
Department Head of Commerce



Important **DATES!**

Friday 23 October – Exams begin Grade 8-11

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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

As the year winds down, the Blues show no signs of slowing! Our learners continue to give their absolute all, producing incredible results across sport, culture, and inter-house competitions. Here is a roundup of our recent highlights.

Soccer

U15 B: Beat Boksburg High 6-1 (after a tough loss to King David College). They capped off an impressive season finishing 4th in the A-League.

U15 A: Romped past Deutsche International 7-0. They finished 1st in the league undefeated and advance to the Discovery Play-offs!

U17: Finished 5th overall in the league.

1st Team Girls: Placed 3rd overall in the league. At the St Peter's Festival, they bounced back from Friday losses (1-0 vs Uplands, 9-0 vs Norkem High) with a strong 5-0 win against Roedean on Saturday. On Sunday, they fought hard (losing 1-0 to Dainfern, winning 4-2 aggregate vs St Peter's) to secure 3rd place in the Bowl Competition.

Tennis

Recent Fixtures: EHS C beat Hoëskool Volkskool H 32-24, while EHS A fell 35-21 to Hoëskool Volkskool A.

League Champions: Congratulations to our Mixed C-Team, who won the mixed league title! (Captain, please collect the trophy). A shoutout to tennis stars Bokang, Kaleb, Taylen, and Kira for their fantastic efforts.

Cricket

Girls: Bounced back from an opening loss against Hoëskool John Vorster (7 wickets) with a dominant 9-wicket win over Hoëskool Stoffberg, followed by an 8-wicket victory against Hoëskool Marais Viljoen! The girls are officially through to the playoffs (date/venue TBA).

U15 Boys: Won by default against Belvedere School.

1st Team Boys: Unfortunately lost against Hoëskool Elspark (by 15 runs) and Hoëskool Panorama (by 9 wickets).

Matrics vs Staff: The teachers claimed bragging rights on the last day of school with a 16-run victory over the Matrics!

Netball (Fast 5s)

The Senior 1st Emeralds competed in the Gauteng Fast 5s, beating Hoëskool Noordvaal (30-18) and Hoëskool Menlopark (22-21), with a tight loss to Hoëskool Transvalia (14-19). Despite winning 2 of 3 matches, they narrowly missed out on advancing due to goal difference.

Swimming

The swimming season is underway! EHS placed 3rd overall alongside Saheti at the first relay gala, behind Diocesan School for Girls (1st) and Benoni High (2nd).



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Debating & Model United Nations

Gauteng Provincial Debating: EHS won 3 out of 6 rounds in a field of 46 schools. Special mention goes to Tamia Reddy, who was awarded Best Speaker and qualified for the Gauteng Team trials.

Model UN (Jeppe Boys): Representing Nigeria and UAE against 14 delegations, our debaters excelled:

Best Opening Speaker: Nigeria

Best Closing Speaker, Best Position Paper & 2nd Best Delegation: UAE

Public Speaking

At the Jeppe Impromptu Competition, the Boys' team advanced to the finals. A huge congratulations to Madison Giloi, who earned 2nd place in the Senior rounds out of four schools.

Drama

Please collect your certificates:

Best Play: S.T.O.R.M (Eagle)

Best Director: Emily Pope & Malaika Ogle (The Missing Memo)

Best Actor: Botshelo Nzama (The Canterville Ghost)

Best Actress: Malaika Ogle (The Missing Memo)

Best Supporting Actor: Shaun Read (S.T.O.R.M)

Best Supporting Actresses: Sienna Maduray (The Canterville Ghost) & Zinhle Hlatshwayo (The Missing Memo)

Best Cameo: Sean Mashego, Kearabilwe Mashego, Isabella Roque, and Madison Giloi

Technical Awards: Best Sound & Lighting (Keelan Hayes), Best Set (Kestrel), Best Costumes & Best Ensemble (Eagle).

Honourable Mentions: Anoushka Moodley, Keabetswe Matotoka, Khensani Sithole, and Sinthumule Nevhuhlwe.

A massive thank you to all staff members, organizers and supporting parents who dedicated their weekends to making these events possible. Go Blues!

Inter-House Competitions

Event	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place
Girls' Hockey	Kestrel	Eagle	Falcon	Harrier
Boys' Soccer	Kestrel	Harrier	Falcon	Eagle
Junior Quiz	Falcon	Kestrel	Eagle	Harrier
Senior Quiz	Eagle	Falcon	Kestrel	Harrier



Congrats!

	<u>Half Colours</u>	<u>Full Colours</u>
Athletics	Shalom Mashilo Roland Ndlovu Emily Norman Ashlee Pienaar	Jaiden Daya David Ngoy RE-AWARDS Gift Kalala-Kumbi Dylan Mostert-Wright Menzi Nkabinde
Debating	Naomi Jordan Matthew Love	
Drama	Madison Giloi Malaika Ogle Shaun Read Katya Suhrmuller Lihle Zihlwele	Gift Kalala-Kumbi Lerato Maake Calista Panaino RE-AWARD Ethan Payne
Backstage	Keelan Hayes Manna Momberume	Gabriella Scott Oliver-Connor Walter
1st Aid	Nqobile Dube Keelan Hayes Benita Masache	
Public Speaking	Christian Chinyanga Maddison Giloi Naomi Jordan Megan Kamungozi Ruth Langley Tareen Vallabh	



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Soccer Boys	Keagan Baptista Aiden Cort Kamogelo Kgosiemang Chuma Madaka Rethabile Mokgatlhe Ayanda Ntombela Dillan Pauliono Tiago Da Silva	Fernando Calei Gift Ngwenya Tyrone Phiri Giordano Vaglietti Sabelo Zwane
	RE-AWARD	
Soccer Girls	Menzi Nkabinde Nonhlahla Zulu	RE-AWARD
	RE-AWARD	Tyra Tshabangu
	Abigayle Grant Kayla Maseti Shiloh Vos	
Tennis Boys	Max Loewke	
Tennis Girls	Tareen Vallabh Naomi Jordan Megan Kamungozi Ruth Langley	



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VALEDICTORY ASSEMBLY - 2026

Congratulations to the following Matrics who received premier awards at the recent Valedictory Assembly:

EM Davis for Public Speaking: Ethan Payne

The Grobler Trophy for Outstanding Contribution to the Cultural Sphere: Ethan Payne

The Da Silva Trophy for Spirit and Passion to Drama: Calista Panaino

Anzac Cup for Sporting Ability (boy) : Jordan Lunt

Morkel Trophy for Sporting Ability (girl): Chanel D'Arcy

Staff Award for the pupil who has best represented the school: Oliver – Connor Walter

Merit Award for Service and Loyalty : Toka Mosabala, Munzhedzi Ndou, Joshua Langley and Jordan Lunt

Bill Vincent Trophy for the most public minded pupil : N/A

De Lange Trophy for Endeavour : Calista Panaino

Harvey Trophy for the learner who best encompasses the vision of the school: Lerato Maake

Headmaster's Award for Loyalty : Jordan Lunt

Harmer-Janssen Prefects Award : Daxton Correia

Portuguese Trophy for effort, leadership and involvement in school life : Munzhedzi Ndou

Esprit de Corps Trophy : Chanel D'Arcy

Proxime Accessit for Academic Achievement: Isabel Boggenpoel

Coleman Trophy for Academic Achievement : Ethan Payne



Congrats!

The following learners received Academic Colours:

FIRST BRONZE MEDAL

1. Joshua Naidoo

BRONZE MEDAL AND MERIT SCROLL

1. Lola Cumberlege
2. Sayuri Naidoo
3. Mariama Diallo

BRONZE MEDAL AND HALF COLOURS:

1. Chloe Maria Orange

SILVER MEDAL AND FULL COLOURS:

1. Hannah Van Staden
2. Chelsea Frere
3. Eliska Manickum
4. Chad Curtis

SILVER MEDAL RE-AWARD:

1. Chanel D'Arcy
2. Arya Chhiba
3. Aiden Rootman
4. Rayne Othenin-Girard
5. Bradley Kriel

GOLD MEDAL:

1. Ethan Payne
2. Mikhail Reddy
3. Luciano De Nobrega
4. Isabel Boggenpoel
- 5 Gabrielle Giloi





****The school accepts outside advertisements. We are unable to take responsibility for the nature of the services offered.**

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, 21 October 2026

TIME: 18h00

VENUE: Hall

Dear Parents

You are invited to attend the above Annual General Meeting (AGM) at which the proposed budget for 2027 will be presented.

Parents, as defined by the South African Schools Act, will be admitted to the meeting.

A quorum of 10% is required for the meeting, and both parents are entitled to vote.

Should a quorum not be obtained, a second meeting will be held at the same time on **Thursday, 05 November 2026.**

The proposed budget will be available for viewing 14 days prior to the AGM. Parents wishing to view the budget are kindly requested to contact the School Bursar, Mrs du Preez, to make the necessary arrangements.

AGENDA

1. Welcome by the Chairman of the SGB
2. Apologies
3. Approval of previous minutes
4. Headmaster's Report
5. SGB Report
6. Proposed Budget presented by the Treasurer of the SGB
7. Proposed Resolution for 2027, presented by the Chairman of the SGB
8. Closure of the Meeting

Regards

Marcus Moodley

Chairperson of SGB

Nadene Langley

Treasurer of SGB