



NEWSLETTER

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EDITORIAL

Achieving success

Since education is a three-way relationship involving learner, parent and educator, it is up to all three parties to realise that the input and trust of all concerned is needed in a quest for success.

What we need to do is to remain accessible to and supportive of one another. Your success is the ultimate aim. In order to achieve this, both parent and educator need buy-in from you, the learner. That brings us to trust. The parent trusts the child, and the child needs to trust the parent's judgement and, in the absence of the parent, the educator's. Once this is established, the process can begin. Behind the scenes, the parent is trusting the Principal to put teachers in place to carry out the education process. Therefore, the parent trusts the school. What then remains?

You, the learner, need to participate in this process. If you are willing to learn from your teacher, who was appointed by Dr Harmer, then you will allow the process of education to move forward. Do you realise that once this happens, it becomes a win-win situation for all? Your marks improve – you are rewarded. The grade average improves; the teacher is rewarded; the school's image is improved and the school attracts accolades for academic achievement, which in turn lures quality learners and educators to the school. Which teacher would not want the best results? Work together to reach that success. The teacher alone cannot achieve excellent results.

Block tests start on 25 February. You need to begin by adjusting your approach. Realise that you cannot be apathetic any longer. Decide what your own expectations are; write them down and then act upon them.

Take action:

1. Apply TRIAGE: Prioritise what is critical, urgent and normal.
2. Plan each day by allocating study time and short breaks.
3. Set aside a specific area for studying.
4. Use mind maps and past papers in addition to your summaries.
5. Find a study-buddy. (Help someone else to understand the content).
6. Eat a solid breakfast to sustain you throughout the exam; snack on brain food.
7. Limit your social time on your phone.
8. Be determined, methodical and confident.
9. Prepare, prepare, prepare!
10. Persevere to the end.

However, remember that the end of Block Tests does not mean the end of the term. Show your mettle by continuing with zest till 20 March.

Best wishes

Yours in education

Mrs Blom

HOD English

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 25 February:

Tuesday 3 March:

Thursday 5 February:

Thursday 5 March to Friday 6 March:

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Block Assessments begin

Inter-high gala B team – Reddam Waterfall

Inter-high gala A team – Delville

Grade 8 – 9 Enrichment Excursion

Grade 12 English and Afrikaans Oral Examinations

Note that the following assessments are written outside the formal test period. Should a learner be absent, a doctor's note will be required:

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| • Maths / Maths Literacy test | 20 March |
| • Afrikaans exam | 4 May, 17 September |
| • English exam | 5 May, 18 September |
| • Maths / Maths Literacy test | 19 May |

UPDATING OF INFORMATION

If you need to correct any information pertaining to change of address, contact number or email address, please send this information to Mrs Enell; jenell@edenvalehigh.co.za. The school works from one main central database and any updates done to details linked to your d6 do not carry through to SMART. The school must therefore be contacted directly.



A NOTE TO OUR PARENTS

One of the school's projects is to feed the sterilised feral cats that live on the school property and which help to keep our premises free of rodents. We would appreciate any donations of tinned or dry food. Donations may be handed in at the front office. Thank you to those parents who help us feed these cats. All contributions are gratefully accepted.



HONOURS BLAZER

Congratulations to Raquel Weigl, who was awarded the Honours Blazer for FULL COLOURS in Academics, Leadership and Netball.



SPORTS/CULTURAL RESULTS

Open Water Swimming results:

Congratulations to Kyle Stephens, who came 6th and to Keagan Pulford, who came 9th at the Buffelspoort Dam swim. Both have qualified for Eastern Gauteng Aquatics at the Open Water Nationals Competition in Jeffrey's Bay in March.

Congratulations to Tayla Du Plessis, who has been selected to represent Central Gauteng for Inter-Provincial Figure Skating Championships this weekend.

Congratulations to Skye Gray, who has been selected to represent Northern Gauteng U16 Indoor Netball Team and who will be participating in the inter-provincial tournament at the end of March.

Congratulations to Taylor-Ann Berkovic in Grade 10, who has received U17 National call-up for soccer. She will attend the National Camp within the next month.

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