



NEWSLETTER

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Enter to Learn: Leave to Serve

Dear Parents

Pupils after school

I am really concerned about the number of children who hang around the school premises for hours after the end of the school day. The teachers cannot be held responsible for supervising the children, as we are occupied elsewhere with extra-mural activities. The children become bored and get up to mischief and that's when accidents happen. We understand the difficult position that working parents are in, because we are working parents too. I appeal to you to ensure that your child is collected within half an hour of the end of the school day and are not left unsupervised for long periods of time whilst waiting to be fetched. Alternately, your child should be at an extra-mural activity or enrolled at aftercare. We do not want a tragedy to happen before we all sit up and take note of the seriousness of the situation. A reminder too, that our aftercare will accept children on a short term, or single day basis. The fee is R60 half day and R80 full day.

Ascension Day

This year Ascension Day takes place on Thursday 29 May and Groote Schuur Primary School will be closed for the day. Please make the necessary arrangements for your children.

Slipper Day

This year we will celebrate Slipper Day on Friday 30 May and will be selling stickers for R20 to help raise money for a worthy cause. All proceeds go to the Reach for a Dream Foundation, whose main purpose is to make a wish of a child who is terminally ill, come true. You can pay cash or KARRI. Learners may wear slippers WITH THEIR FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM (it is NOT a civvies day).

Important dates

Wed	14	SGB meeting
Fri	16	Grade 6 Cake sale
Mon	19	Ms Charmaine Hodson's Birthday
Wed	21	Ms Caylin du Toit's Birthday
Sat	24	Ms Catherine Watkins' birthday
Thu	29	Ascension Day (NO SCHOOL)
Fri	30	Slipper day with SCHOOL UNIFORM - R20 sticker (THIS IS NOT A CIVVIES DAY)

School fees

A reminder that you should have paid four instalments already. Thank you to the families who regularly pay their school fees. We have 66 people working at school and only 17 of those salaries are paid by the Education Department.

Assessments this term

A reminder that our Grade 4 to 7 mid-year assessments will take place early in June (dates will be confirmed) and there will be no school extra murals during this examination period. Please start creating the right atmosphere at home and insist that your children follow a study timetable to prepare thoroughly. Try to keep distractions like watching TV to a minimum and please ensure that your children attend school every day when assessments are written.

Medication

Any medication sent to school for your child to take during the school day **MUST** be accompanied by a letter of instruction, clearly stating the dosage/times for taking the medication. This letter and the medication should be handed in at the front office. Please consider the safety of your child and others by not giving a container of medication to keep in their pocket for when they are sick.

School Photos

Order forms for individual photos and sibling photos were handed out last week. Due date for orders is **5 June 2025**. Payment options are cash (please place CORRECT money in envelope), EFT or Snapscan. Please use the IMAGE NUMBER as reference in payments, not your child's name. Irrespective of which payment option you chose, completed order forms must be handed in to the class teacher.

Bridgerton Themed Brunch

Dearest gentle readers! In honor of the most delightful occasion - Women's Day, you are invited to step into the opulent world of Bridgerton for a brunch with elegance, empowerment, and enchantment. Join us for a Bridgerton-themed brunch on the 9th of August, where regency charm meets modern grace. Adorn your finest pastels, florals, gloves, and fascinators. More details will follow in the months to come.

Derby Day vs The Grove Primary - Saturday, 17 May 2025

Our term planner indicated that Groote Schuur Primary was scheduled to participate in a Derby Day against The Grove Primary on Saturday, 17 May. Please be advised that the event has unfortunately been postponed, and we are hoping to reschedule the Derby Day to another suitable date. We will keep you posted about details as soon as they have been confirmed.

Sport Results

Please see below our results from the last few weeks:

Week ending Friday, 25 April 2025

Chess vs The Grove Primary (Home): Our Chess team lost

Week ending Friday, 9 May 2025

Netball vs Timour Hall Primary (Away)

U9 Netball vs Timour Hall: our team lost

U10 Netball vs Timour Hall: our team won

U11 Netball vs Timour Hall: our team won

U12A Netball vs Timour Hall: our team lost

U12B Netball vs Timour Hall: our team won

U13 Netball vs Timour Hall: our team lost

Rugby vs Laerskool Simon van der Stel (Away)

U9 Rugby vs Laerskool Simon van der Stel: our team lost

U11 Rugby vs Laerskool Simon van der Stel: our team lost

U13 Rugby vs Laerskool Simon van der Stel: our team lost

Hockey vs Bay Primary (Away)

U10 Hockey vs Bay Primary: our team lost

U12 Hockey vs Bay Primary: our team lost

U11 Hockey vs Bay Primary: our team won

U13 Hockey vs Bay Primary: our team lost

Chess vs Bishops Preparatory (Away)

Our Chess team lost

Yours sincerely



VALENTINE NEFDT
PRINCIPAL

STOP: Does your child struggle to read?



Need help with their pencil grip/hand writing?



Look no further we can help!

Contact us on 076-1545436 (Reasonable rates)

**DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE FAMOUS
OR INFLUENTIAL?**



PARENTS WE NEED YOUR HELP

BORN TO READ EVENT 2025

DATE: 12TH OF AUGUST 2025

VENUE: GROOTE SCHUUR PRIMARY SCHOOL

TIME: 07:50 AM

**Please email library@gsps.co.za if you know of someone
that can read to the children.**





PARENT BOOK WRAPPING VOLUNTEERS WANTED

VENUE: GSPS LIBRARY

MONDAYS – THURSDAYS

TIME: ANYTIME BETWEEN 07:30 AM – 2PM

If available please email library@gsp.co.za





DEAREST GENTLE READER

It is rumored, that a very
splendid occasion is nearing our
calendars...

Save the Date

*for a
Woman's Day Brunch*

AUGUST

SAT

9

AT 10 AM

2025

With the utmost anticipation,
Groote Schuur Primary
School.



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Tuition Offered

I provide individual classes via Zoom and face-to-face for Grade 1 to Grade 10.

I offer classes in Afrikaans, English, Maths, Maths lit, Economics and Sciences. I prepare each pupil for their exams in all subjects.

My rate is R200 per hour.

**"The more that you read, the more things you will know.
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."**

- Dr. Seuss

