



NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter 13/2025

22 July 2025

Enter to Learn: Leave to Serve

Dear Parents

Welcome to Term 3! I trust that you and your children had an enjoyable break and are ready for the start of a new term. This term is particularly significant as it builds on foundational knowledge and skills your child has developed in the previous school terms. I encourage you to continue to be involved in your child's education by regularly checking of their homework, attending parent-teacher meetings and volunteering for class events and activities.

Staff

- Johan Claassen, our Grade 5C teacher is still on sick leave and Mariet Naudé will continue teaching his class until he returns for the 4th term.
- Rayleen Shaw will be on an extended period of sick leave from Monday 28 July. Tessa le Roux, an experienced educator will teach her class until she returns.
- Mari Gillespie is on maternity leave until 12 November 2025, after the birth of their baby daughter, Hailee, on 20 July. Seriosha Ramgunn will teach the Grade 6G class until she returns.
- Welcome Brogan Sim. She will join our staff on 28 July and will work alongside Lizelle Morton until she leaves us on 8 August.

Parent meetings

Your child's class teacher should might make contact with you for a meeting. These meetings will take place during the first week of this term or took place last term. If you are not contacted by your child's teacher for a meeting and would like to meet with them, please send them an email to arrange this.

Sport

A reminder that our school extra-mural programme starts on Monday, 28 July. Pupils are reminded too that they are expected to participate in one school activity each week during every term. Every pupil in Grades 1 to 7 will receive a sport commitment form this week. Parents, in conjunction with their child, will need to complete the form, and have the signed document returned to school by no later than Friday, 25 July. Our extra-mural programme will be sent during this week.

Pupils after school

Please insist that your children are collected straight after school every day. We have noticed a concerning trend that pupils remain behind after school and do not attend extra-murals. They are not supervised and there is the potential for someone to get into grave danger.

Assembly

If your child receives a medal, a certificate or an award for something, I would like to acknowledge them in assembly too. Write the details of the accolade, include the award and send it to me before Monday and I then will re-awarded it to them in assembly.

MANDELA DAY JAR OF HOPE OUTREACH 2025!

We would like to extend a huge thank you to all the families who donated their Jars of Hope last term. Your generosity and willingness to support those in need is truly appreciated. Our Wellness Warriors will continue collecting Jars of Hope until the 30th of July 2025, and we encourage everyone to keep supporting this wonderful initiative. Let's continue to spread kindness—one jar at a time.

Academic Top Ten

Academic badges were awarded to the following pupils at the end of last term.

Grade 7	Grade 6	Grade 5	Grade 4
1. Emma Jongebloed 2. Zijan Steenkamp 3. Jedrael Chetty 4. Cayla Williams 5. Meggan Samuels 6. Hannah Vanacore 7. Tirivashe Chakapfava 8. Keevah Haywood 9. Spencer George 10. Bianca Raaff	1. Sophia Matthews 2. Unathi Kanjere 3. Dayyaan Akleker 4. Riley Solomons 5. Nishaat Krull 6. Jade Louw 7. Beth Fredericks 8. McKenzie Adams 9. Milan Maphike 10. Caden Steer	1. Eli Atkins 2. Fino Razafinaharintsoa 3. Kgotllo Nkadimeng 4. Matthew van Renen 5. Malachi Augustyn 6. Mila Parker 6. Declan Witbooi 7. Isabelle Volmink 8. Jenny Mwakadi 8. Caelum Phillips 9. Nur Salie 9. Emma West 10. Liam Dido	1. Aliya Steenkamp 2. Yameen Akleker 3. Skyler Cable 4. Dalitso Kanjere 5. Alexa February 6. Peyton Kannemeyer 7. Sloane Dowling 8. Caleb Witbooi 9. Darren Herbert 9. Blake Louw 10. Wandu Chuba

School fees and budget meeting

Our annual school budget meeting will be held on Tuesday 9 September at 18:00 in the school hall. We have already started working on the budget so please diarise the date of the meeting.

The Challenge – School Production 2025

We are thrilled to announce that our school production, "The Challenge", is almost here! With months of hard work and rehearsals to go, our talented learners will be ready to take the stage—and we can't wait to share the magic with you.

To book your tickets, please click on the following link:

<https://finance8812.wixsite.com/gspsproduction/event-details-registration/gsps-production-2025-the-challenge-2025-09-30-19-00>

Bingo Evening

We are very excited about our well-loved upcoming BINGO evening on 22 August 2025. Please remember to send the gifts as requested in the letters that went home last term. Learners who bring gifts qualify for a civvies day (date to be confirmed).

Yours sincerely

VALENTINE NEFD
PRINCIPAL

gsp's wellness warriors

ingredients:

- 1/2 cup of pasta
- 1/2 cup of soup mix
- 1/2 cup of lentils
- 1 unwrapped stock cube
- 1 pkt of soup powder

instructions:

1. boil 2 and 1/2 litres of water
2. add the jar of contents
3. keep stirring and enjoy

MANDELA DAY JAR OF HOPE OUTREACH 2025 !:

★ Join the Wellness Warriors for a Mandela Day Outreach! ★

This winter, let's spread warmth and kindness by supporting the "Jar of Hope" initiative.

How to Help:

Fill up a Jar of Hope with nutritious ingredients (e.g., lentils, soup mix, pasta, stock cubes, etc.).

Drop-off Point:

The School Library

♥ **The Wellness Warriors will distribute your jar to those who need it most during the cold months.**

Let's come together this Mandela Day and make a difference — one jar at a time!

**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.



You
are
invited



Friday 22 August 2025

Bingo

See you there!!





**G.S.P.S. CHOIR WILL BE PERFORMING
AT THE
ARTSCAPE THEATRE
CONGRATULATIONS TEAM!**



DATE: 7 AUGUST 2025

**PURCHASE TICKETS VIA: ARTSCAPE
BOX OFFICE, WEBTICKETS WEBSITE
(ONLINE OR AT PICK N PAY, BOXER)
OR ARTSCAPE BOX OFFICE**



GROOTE SCHUUR PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS:

THE CHALLENGE

30 SEPTEMBER - 2 OCTOBER 2025 @ 7 PM

MATINEE: 2 OCTOBER 2025 @ 10:30AM

TICKETS ROWS 1 - 6 : R150 ALL OTHER TICKETS: R125



Explore the art of craft

Join our hands-on craft lessons and workshops for those who who love to make, create, and explore!

**Mondays:
2-3pm & 3-4pm**

**Wednesdays:
2-3pm & 3-4pm**

**Saturdays:
9-10am**

Weekly Hour Long Lessons
Located At **Michael Oak Waldorf School**



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