



NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter 20/2025

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Enter to Learn: Leave to Serve

Dear Parents

Soccer Day

Thank you very much to all the families who attended our Soccer Day on Saturday 25 October. The pupils really enjoyed playing football matches on the day with their friends. Thank you too to all the families who contributed to the set-up of each Grade stall, providing the ingredients, for organizing and preparing the items for sale at each stall. There was great competition among the parents to see which Grade will be awarded the floating trophy for the best decorated stall and the stall that generated the most money. The Mexican stall, run by the Grade 2 parents, was chosen as the best decorated stall. The South African stall, run by the Grade 7 parents, generated the most money on the day. Congratulations!! Thank you to all the parents who worked so hard to raise funds for the school and for the role they played in ensuring that the Soccer Day was a success.

Please see below a list of the winning teams from this year's Soccer Day:

Girls' Section	Boys' Section
Grades R & 1 Field: Starlight Divas (Grade 1)	Grades R & 1 Field: Turbo Chargers (Grade 1)
Grades 2 & 3 Field: Casa Champions (Grade 3)	Grades 2 & 3 Field: Ponchos (Grade 2)
Grades 4 & 5 Field: American Eagles (Grade 5)	Grades 4 & 5 Field: Chippie Chippies (Grade 5)
Grades 6 & 7 Field: Tottenham Hotspur (Grade 6)	Grades 6 & 7 Field: Gemsbokke (Grade 7)

D6 Connect

As we continue with the new term, we would like to remind everyone that it is essential to have the D6connect app (look for the grey icon) installed on your phone or computer. This is our primary method of communication for important updates, announcements and information regarding school events and activities.

If you are not receiving any communications from us, or if your details have changed, please kindly contact the school office on office@gsp.co.za or 0216857295, so that we can assist you further.



Staff

- A number of our studious staff will be writing their examinations during this term. Best wishes to them.
- Thank you to all our staff who accompanied our pupils on their tour of the Garden Route during the first week of term. The pupils had a wonderful and enjoyable experience.
- Gerard Walpole will be in Johannesburg on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday to attend a TP link course.

Expo 2025

Our grades are preparing for the EXPO on 29 – 31 October. Parents and friends are invited to walk through the passages and view all the hard work of our pupils throughout this year. The EXPO will be open from 07:00 to 17:30 over the next three days. This year there is not a visitor's book to sign.

Important dates for the next 2 weeks

Wed	29	Expo
Thu	30	Expo Interschool Gala @ Timour Hall
Fri	31	Expo
Sat	1	Olivia Momberg's birthday
Mon	3	William Oliver's birthday
Tue	4	Johan Claassen's birthday Help the Rural Child Book Sale Gr R Graduation
Wed	5	Help the Rural Child Book Sale Music Evening 18:00 – 19:00
Thu	6	Interschool Gala @ Grove
Fri	7	Gr 6 Cake Sale Sport Ends
Sat	8	Inter-house Athletics Gr 3-7 08:00 (TBC)

Assessments

In less than 7 weeks the schools will close for the December holidays. It is a terrifying thought, but true! This means that during the next few weeks your children will be assessed for their final codes for their reports. Please reinforce the importance of their assessments and to stay focused during the remaining weeks of the term. Please also ensure that pupils are at school every day.

Stationery

Stationery information will be sent to you by the end of this week. We will be using M & I Booksellers as our 2026 service provider. The due date for submission of order forms and proof of payment will be on the stationery form. Order forms can be placed in the box outside the finance office. Orders can be collected by parents at school on a date to be determined.

Wellness Warriors: Santa Shoebox Drive

This term, our Wellness Warriors are supporting The Cape Town Multi Centre for Boys and St George's Youth Centre for Girls. We invite all families to donate a Santa Shoebox filled with items such as toiletries, stationery, a small gift, and a handwritten note. Please label your box with the age and gender it's suited for.

Donations close: Wednesday, 3 December 2025. Learners who donate will enjoy a free civvies day on 3 December 2025! Thank you for spreading kindness and joy this festive season! More info to follow on D6.

Library Inventory and Return of all borrowed books

We would like to inform you that the school library will soon be undergoing a full inventory and stock take of all books currently housed on our shelves. Before this process can begin, we urgently require all learners to return any books that have been issued to them from the library. We kindly ask that all borrowed books be returned to school within the next two weeks. If any books have been left at a relative's home, in the car boot, or on a coffee table at home, please ensure that they are located and returned as soon as possible. Please note that due to the upcoming inventory and stock take, the circulation and issuing of new library books ended on 23 October 2025. Weekly library class visits will continue as scheduled; however, learners will not be allowed to check out any new books until the process has been completed. We appreciate your cooperation and assistance in helping us maintain an accurate and organised library collection.

HELP THE RURAL CHILD Book sale

We are excited to invite you to our End of Term Book Sale, taking place in the school library from 08:30-14:30 on Tuesday, 4 November 2025 and Wednesday, 5 November 2025.

Come and browse through a wonderful selection of books perfect for holiday gifts or great reads to enjoy during the break! There will be something for everyone, and all at fantastic prices.

We'd love your support and look forward to seeing you there!

SPORT

Extra-murals

Please take note that we have an extremely short programme of sport for this term. Our extra-mural programme will come to an end for the term and year next Friday, 7 November.

Interschools Swimming Gala - Timour Hall Primary

Our Swimming Squad will be participating in an Interschools Swimming gala at Timour Hall Primary this coming Thursday. Swimmers who have been selected to participate in the gala will receive their swimming slip today.

Inter-house Athletics Meeting

As you may recall, Groote Schuur Primary hosted its Inter-house Athletics Meeting, as well as the Interschools Athletics Meeting during the 1st term. In order for our Sport Department to better prepare our athletes for next year's Interschools Athletics Meeting, a decision has been made to have our Inter-house Athletics Meeting take place on Saturday, 8 November. Once the event has taken place, an Athletics Squad will be selected, and we will work with these athletes leading up to next year's Interschools Athletics Meeting. Going forward, our Inter-house Athletics Meeting will no longer take place in the 1st term of every year, but rather in the 4th term. Please take note that all learners in Grades 3 to 7 are expected to participate in the event next Saturday. Children need to arrive at school by 08:00, and the event will start promptly at 08:30. The day's proceedings should end by approximately 12:30.

Upcoming sporting events in Term 4

Interschools Swimming Gala at Timour Hall Primary on Thursday, 30 October 2025 (selected Squad Swimmers only)

Interschools Swimming Gala at The Grove Primary on Thursday, 6 November 2025 (selected Squad Swimmers only)

Inter-house Athletics Meeting at Groote Schuur Primary on Saturday, 8 November 2025 (all learners from Grades 3 to 7)

Inter-house Swimming Gala at Groote Schuur Primary on Friday, 28 November 2025 (all learners from Grades 4 to 7)

Sport Results

Please see below our results from last week:

Week ending Friday, 24 October 2025

Cricket vs Pinelands North Primary & Pinehurst Primary (All away matches)

Under 9 Mini-Cricket vs Pinehurst Primary: our team lost

U10/11 Cricket vs Pinelands North Primary: our team won

U13 Cricket vs Pinelands North Primary: our team won

Chess vs Fish Hoek Primary (Home)

Our Chess team lost

Yours sincerely



VALENTINE NEFT
PRINCIPAL



PARENT BOOK WRAPPING VOLUNTEERS WANTED

VENUE: GSPS LIBRARY

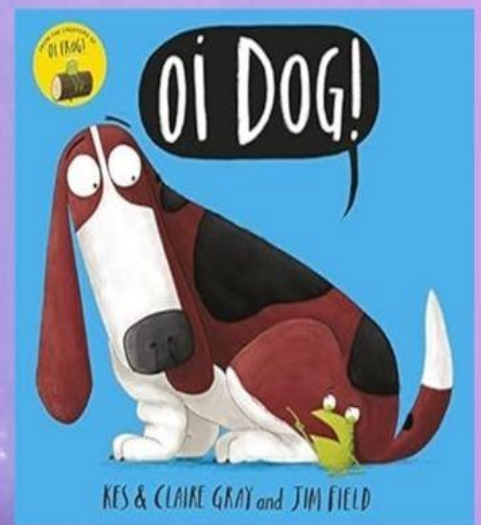
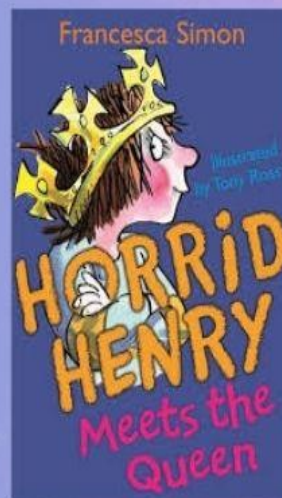
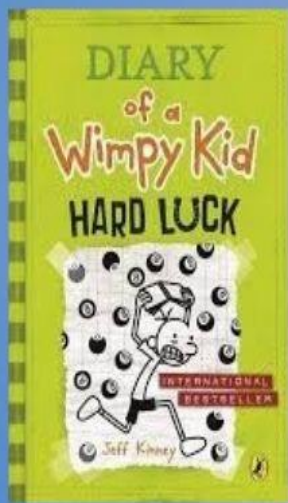
MONDAYS – THURSDAYS

TIME: ANYTIME BETWEEN 07:30 AM – 2PM

If available please email library@gspss.co.za



Help The Rural Child Booksale



TUESDAY 4TH -
WEDNESDAY 5TH
NOVEMBER

GROOTE SCHUUR
PRIMARY SCHOOL

PRICE RANGED
FROM R40



HELP
THE RURAL CHILD
CHARITY SHOPS



GSPS WELLNESS WARRIORS SANTA SHOEBOX WISH LIST

FOR
ST GEORGES HOME FOR GIRLS



01.

Toiletries - Soap and/or
deodorant

02.

Shampoo and conditioner

03.

Stationery

04.

Any small gift

05.

Luxuries

06.

A special note to make my day

Gifts are for GIRLS
ages 4 to 18



GSPS WELLNESS WARRIORS SANTA SHOEBOX WISH LIST

FOR

CAPE TOWN MUZZI SERVICE CENTRE



01.

Toiletries - Face cloth, soap,
toothbrush, toothpaste

02.

Deodorant

03.

Stationery

04.

Any small gift

05.

Luxuries

06.

A special note to make my day

*Gifts are for BOYS
ages 8 to 18*