

NEWSLETTER

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Enter to Learn: Leave to Serve

Dear Parents

We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the families who attended the Inter-House Athletics meet on Saturday. It was a wonderful day and the energy of the pupils were infectious. The day was filled with thrilling performances in the various athletic events, from flat races to long distance races, and we are proud of every participant's sportsmanship and determination. The pupils had an amazing time and we hope that you enjoyed the day as much as what they did. Thank you again for your support and presence.

Grade 4 - 7 Assessments

On Wednesday 12 November and Thursday 13 November, Grade 7 pupils will write their final Afr FAL and Eng HL exams. School will dismiss at 14:35.

On Monday 17 November the Grade 4 to 7 pupils start writing their final academic assessments for 2025. The school will be dismissed at 13:00 from 17 November until the end of the term. To ease the congestion at the end of the day, the Grade R to Grade 3 pupils will be dismissed at 12:30 and the Grade 4 to 7 pupils will be dismissed at 13:00.

Important dates for the next 2 weeks

Sat	15	Tanika Johnson's Birthday
Mon	17	Jhunay Jackson's Birthday

Gr 4-7 exams start

Wed 19 SGB Meeting

Fri 21 Shane Baily's Birthday

Tue 25 Exams end

Wed 26 2026 Gr R & 1 Orientation Day 13:00

BTS 2026

The prepaid stationery boxes will be handed out via the school library window on 4th and 5th December 2025. These are scheduled to be handed out from around 7am on each morning till about midday.

Celebrate "Festive Frydays" at GSPS!

As we head into the festive season, GSPS will be spreading a little extra cheer with "Festive Frydays" - a fun and tasty way to end each week together!

Every Friday, while stocks last, hot chips will be on sale for R20. Please note that sales will be on a pre-order basis only. To place an order, you can:

- Send R20 cash with your child to give to their class teacher, or
- Pre-order and pay via Karri.

When placing the order, learners must please indicate whether they would like their chips with spice and tomato sauce, or without. Parents ordering via Karri are kindly requested to select the option or note "with" or "without spice and sauce" when placing the order. No orders will be accepted on Fridays. So to avoid disappointment, please be sure to place your Festive Fryday order in advance.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to making Fridays extra festive at GSPS!

GSPS Santa Box Drive: Let's Share the Joy This Festive Season!

This term, our Wellness Warriors are supporting two incredible local youth centres: The Cape Town Multi Centre for Boys and St George's Youth Centre for Girls. These centres provide love, care, and safety to children aged 3–18, who have faced difficult circumstances.

To help make their festive season a little brighter, we're inviting all GSPS families to take part in our Santa Shoe Box Drive. Please support our Wellness Warriors to fill a box with thoughtful items that bring joy and comfort to these children.

Suggested items include:

- Toiletries (facecloth, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner)
- Stationery items
- A small gift or treat
- A handwritten note or festive card

Please label your box clearly with the age and gender it's suited for (e.g. Girl, age 4–18 or Boy, age 8–18). Collection closes Wednesday, 3 December 2025. As a gesture of appreciation, learners who donate a full Santa Box or any listed item will enjoy a free civvies day on Wednesday, 3 December 2025! Let's come together as a GSPS family to share kindness, hope, and holiday cheer with others over this festive season.

The Wellness Warriors Team

Donate Your Books & Earn House Points!

It's that time when many families refresh their homes, and while doing so, we invite you to share any previously loved books, or books your children have outgrown, by donating them to our school library. Books can be dropped off at the school library. For every book donated, 2 House Points will be allocated to the house your child represents.

Your contribution will help grow our library collection and inspire a lifelong love of reading in our learners, all while earning points for your child's house!

Thank you for your generosity and support in making our library even more vibrant.

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Extra-murals

Please take note that our extra-mural programme came to an end for the term and year last Friday, 7 November. Unless your child attends the Aftercare facility at our school, all learners are expected to be fetched immediately after school every day.

Interschools Swimming Gala - The Grove Primary

Our Swimming Squad participated in their second Interschools Swimming gala last Thursday. The event was hosted by The Grove Primary. Well done to all our swimmers who participated in the two galas this term.

Inter-house Athletics Meeting

Our Inter-house Athletics Meeting took place this past weekend on the school field. We would like to thank all the learners who participated in the event, and for representing their respective houses with great vigour and enthusiasm. At the end of the day's proceedings, Coornhoop snatched first place by just 3 points, with Liesbeek coming in second, followed by Tafelberg in third. The final points tally was as follows:

1st place: Coornhoop - 586 points 2nd place: Liesbeek - 583 points 3rd place: Tafelberg - 546 points

Upcoming sporting events in Term 4

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 the last two weeks:

Week ending Friday, 31 October 2025

<u>Cricket vs Pinelands Primary (Home and away matches)</u>

Under 9 Mini-Cricket vs Pinelands Primary: our team won

U10 Cricket vs Pinelands Primary: our team lost U11 Cricket vs Pinelands Primary: our team won U13 Cricket vs Pinelands Primary: our team lost

Chess vs The Grove Primary (Away)

Our Chess team lost

Tennis vs Sweet Valley Primary (Home)

Our Tennis team lost

Week ending Friday, 7 November 2025

Cricket vs Pinelands North Primary & Timour Hall Primary (Home and away matches)

Under 9 Mini-Cricket vs Pinelands North Primary: our team lost

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Yours sincerely

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PARENT BOOK WRAPPING VOLUNTEERS WANTED

VENUE: GSPS LIBRARY

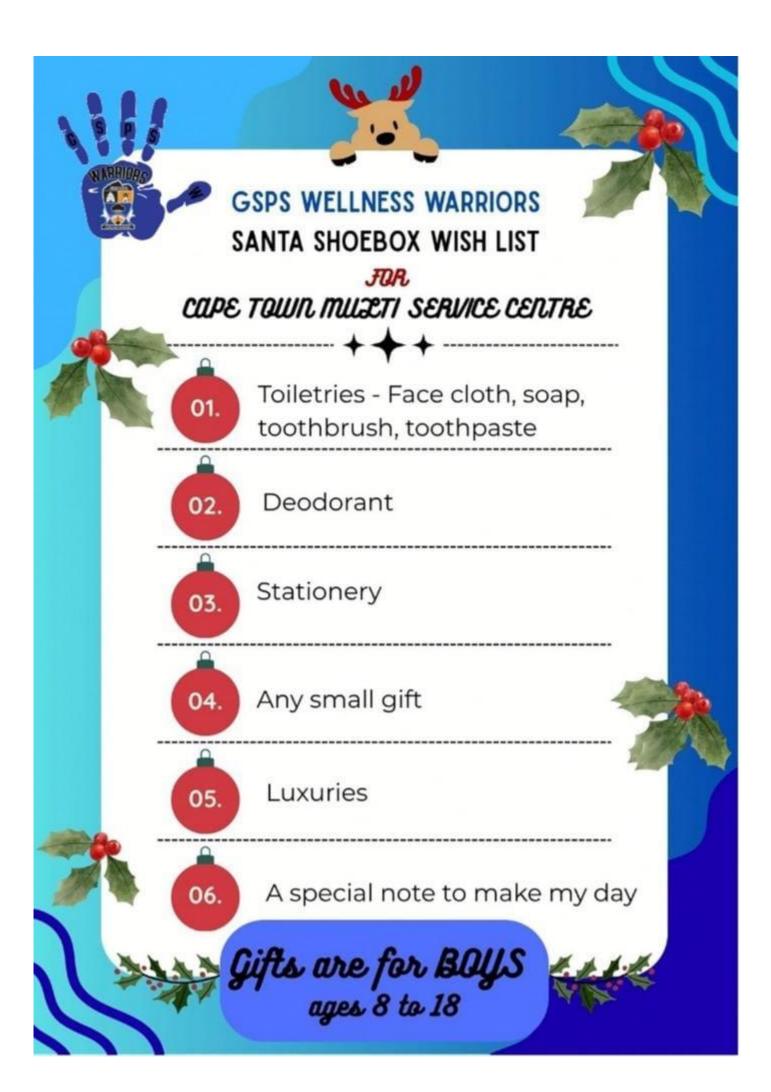
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