

NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter 12/2026

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Enter to Learn: Leave to Serve

Dear Parents

End of term arrangements

- The second term ends on Friday, 26 June. Grade R to 3 pupils will dismiss at 10:30 and the Grade 4 to 7 pupils will dismiss at 11:00.
- The new term starts on Tuesday, 21 July and extra-murals only start the following Monday.
- Reports should be discussed with your child and set achievable goals for the rest of the year. Please be positive! (Grade 6 & 7 parents – remember to print/save the electronic report for high school applications).

Important dates

Wed	17	Duron Wright's birthday
Thu	18	SGB Meeting 100 th day of school (dress-up no charge) Gr 6 Cake Sale
Fri	19	Hand out of Father's Day orders
Sun	21	Father's Day
Tue	23	Pyjama, Popcorn & Milk Day R30 (See poster) Deanna Roodman's birthday Hooked on Books
Wed	24	Gr R Reptile show 10:45
Fri	26	End of Term 2 (Free Civvies)
Sat	27	Marjory Phillips' birthday

Parent meetings

Your child's class teacher will contact you for a meeting. These meetings will take place from this week until the end of this term or the first week of the new 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.

Pyjama, Popcorn & Milk Day – Tuesday, 23 June 2026

As we head into the final week of the term, we invite all learners to join us for a fun-filled Pyjama, Popcorn & Milk Day on Tuesday 23 June 2026. For R30, learners will enjoy:

- Wearing their favourite pyjamas to school
- A packet of popcorn
- A flavoured milk

Payment Options:

- Via Karri
- Cash handed to your child's class teacher

Let's end the term on a cosy and exciting note! Learners are encouraged to wear their warmest, comfiest pyjamas and enjoy a relaxing day with delicious treats and plenty of fun. We look forward to seeing everyone dressed for the occasion!

Father's Day

A sincere thank you to all our families who supported our Father's Day HERO Fundraiser. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. We would like to inform you that all Father's Day orders will be handed out to learners on Friday. We hope the special dads and father figures in your lives enjoy their thoughtful gifts!

Traffic at school

Please be considerate when you drop off your child at school or collecting them in the afternoons. I am told that certain parents are parking inconsiderately and in doing so, are obstructing the traffic flow, particularly at the boom exit next to the tennis courts.

Valuables at school

Please ensure that your children do not bring valuable items to school as we cannot take responsibility for them. Electronic devices (cell phones and tablets), toys and valuable books should be kept at home.

WELLNESS WARRIORS

Hearts for Hunger Relief Drive – Thank You for Your Support!

Thank you to all the families who have already contributed to our Hearts for Hunger Relief Drive as part of our Wellness Warriors outreach programme. Your kindness and generosity are already making a positive impact, and we sincerely appreciate your support. This is a friendly reminder that our collection drive is still ongoing until the end of August. We encourage families who have not yet had the opportunity to contribute to join us in supporting individuals and families in need within our community. Every donation, no matter how big or small, helps us provide the essential ingredients needed to prepare nourishing meals and bring hope to those who need it most. Families are invited to donate the following items according to their child's grade:

- Grade R & Grade 1: Soup mixes (lentils, split peas, or mixed soup packs)
- Grade 2 & Grade 3: Tinned vegetables (e.g. beans, tomatoes, mixed vegetables)
- Grade 4 & Grade 5: Stock cubes, powdered soup bases, or spices
- Grade 6 & Grade 7: Pasta, rice, or other hearty additions

All donations can be sent to the school library.

We are also excited to share that our Wellness Warriors Gardening Project is now underway. Fresh produce harvested from our school garden will be added to our donations, helping us provide wholesome and nutritious meal packs to those in need. Together we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of others. Thank you for helping us share kindness, compassion and hope with our community.

HOOKED ON BOOKS VISIT

We are excited to remind you that next Tuesday, 23 June 2026, our learners will enjoy a special visit from Hooked on Books. This exciting theatrical production brings stories to life through interactive performances, colourful characters and captivating storytelling. It is designed to inspire a love of reading, ignite learners' imaginations, and encourage a lifelong appreciation for books. The performance is free for all learners to attend. We encourage every learner to be present on the day, as their attendance will provide the performers with a wonderful audience and contribute to making the experience lively and memorable for everyone. The performances will take place in the school hall according to the following schedule:

- Grade R – 3: 09:00 – 10:30
- Grade 4 – 7: 11:00 – 12:30
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We look forward to sharing this exciting literary experience with our learners and creating a memorable celebration of reading and storytelling.

Library books

As we approach the end of the school term, we would like to remind you of an important library date. Please note that library book issuing ended on Thursday, 4 June 2026. We are now focusing on collecting all borrowed books in preparation for our end-of-term stocktake. All library books must be returned by Friday, 19 June 2026. Returning books by the due date allows us to complete our stocktake, organise the library collection, and prepare for the new school term. We kindly ask that you assist your child in checking at home for any outstanding library, and ensure that they are returned on or before Friday, 19 June 2026. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation in helping us maintain a well-organised library for all our learners.

SPORT

Extra-murals

Our extra-mural programme for Term 3 will commence on Monday, 27 July 2026. Please take note that as of next term, all extra-mural activities that are run by the school will start promptly at 14:45 and end at 15:45. This arrangement will be for the remainder of the year.

Soccer Day Fundraiser

As you may know, our Soccer Day fundraiser takes place in October every year. With the FIFA World Cup Soccer tournament currently under way, we felt that it was appropriate to have the draw take place a little earlier this year. For new parents to our school, a draw takes place at a special Assembly to determine the countries that each grade will represent at our Soccer Day Fundraiser. Please take note that the draw will take place at approximately 08:10 at a special Assembly this coming Monday, 22 June 2026. To add to the 'gees', all learners will be able to attend school in any soccer attire of their choice, and this will be free of charge. The Rhythm Factory will also present a dance item at this special Assembly on Monday morning.

Upgrade of Tennis/Netball Courts

A project that Groote Schuur Primary would like to undertake in the not too distant future is to convert our current Tennis/Netball courts into a multipurpose facility that would cater for Tennis in summer and Netball and Hockey in winter. The surface will also be available for Phys Ed lessons to be conducted throughout the school day. The school has been visited by various service providers, and quotes have been received indicating the costs of such a conversion. If any parents have contacts of corporates or potential sponsors who would like to get involved with such a project, please contact Duron Wright, the Sport Co-ordinator at school.

Sport Achievements

Emma and Tyla Sasman both participated at the South African Body of Dance competition on Monday 15 June 2026. Emma obtained 3rd place in her age category while Tyla obtained second place in her age category. Congratulations Girls!

Yours sincerely



VALENTINE NEFDT
PRINCIPAL



Hearts for Hunger Relief Drive

START DATE: 5 MAY--END DATE: 11 AUGUST 2026

As part of our Wellness Warriors programme, we are proud to launch our **"Hearts for Hunger Relief Drive"** for Terms 2 and 3.

We kindly invite families to contribute by donating the following soup ingredients according to grade allocation

Grade R & Grade 1: Soup mixes (lentils, split peas, or mixed soup packs)

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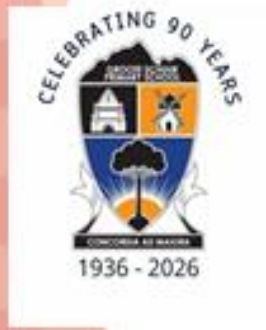
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Please note that our Wellness Warriors Gardening Project will also be starting this term. Harvested fresh produce from our school garden will be included as part of our donations, further supporting this initiative.

PAJAMAS POPCORN & MAGIC MILK DAY



R30



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23 JUNE 2026

