

# Newton House School

## Our Newsletter

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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Physical-Education every Wednesday for Grade 2-3, Thursday for Grade 4-7
- Playball for Grade 0 on Friday and Grade 1 every Monday.
- Remember school caps for PE and Play-ball
- Children to be in their summer uniform.



## From the Headmaster's desk...

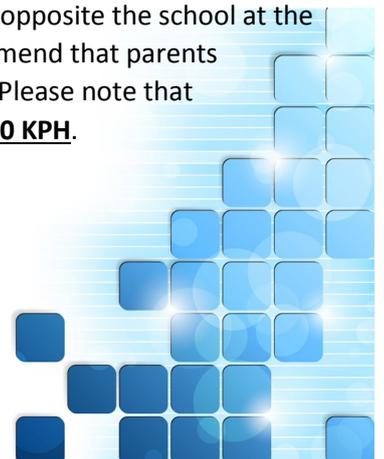
Parents who have placed their children in Newton House School on the advice of therapists or doctors are entitled to claim a significant portion of their expenses from tax. A large part of the school fees, all of the aftercare fees, therapies, any apparatus purchased as a result of scholastic necessity and all psychometric tests and assessments may be deducted from taxable earnings. It is vital that parents wishing to do so, keep each and every invoice and receipt as part of a portfolio of evidence, as without these no claim will be allowed. Should a parent have missed out Tuesday night's information evening, please be informed that there will be another such meeting towards the end of the year. Parents may phone Dr Staples should they have any queries.

The school will, within a matter of days, be putting up a barrier boom just after the circle in the lower part of our property. Only teachers and visiting parents will be admitted beyond that point. The reasons are simply that all the parking space at the top of the road is designated for teacher parking and, more importantly, that we wish to protect our children from possible accidents as they periodically run across that road while playing games or to retrieve a ball and there is a potential danger.

In the past week we had a near miss incident in our top parking area when a parent reversed while texting and was therefore oblivious that a little boy was walking behind the vehicle. We have cleared a significant space opposite the school at the top area and parents may freely park there. We recommend that parents make use of this as a far safer option for all concerned. Please note that the internal speed limit everywhere on our property is **10 KPH**.

## Helpful Hints

Fit a hands-free car kit to your vehicle if you do not have such and never text while sitting behind the wheel.





## Cycle Test Timetable

Date	Subject
*Cycle Tests (Tuesdays, 09h05 – 10h00)	
15 March	Afrikaans 2
<b>HOLIDAYS</b>	<b>18 MARCH—5 APRIL</b>
12 April	Social Sciences 2

“If you want to conquer fear, don’t sit home and think about it.  
Go out and get busy.” Dale Carnegie

# Find us on the...

Please remember to download the D6 communicator to either your mobile device or desktop. We are using the communicator as our primary means of communication and important notices will be missed if you are not subscribed.

Please also enter your cellphone number into the app. This will not be used for spam in any way. Entering your number allows us to SMS alerts to specific groups. For example the cancellation of an activity due to rain can be communicated via SMS to those who have subscribed to a particular channel.

You can also find important documents on the communicator. These range from school policies to “what to learn” to match letters. Requests for these documents will be referred to the communicator as this is a convenient and central source.

We are very excited by this opportunity to improve our communication channels with you and believe that it will lead to a more efficient and better functioning school.



SCHOOL  
COMMUNICATOR  
Connecting with parents



<http://www.facebook.com/>

<http://newtonhouse.co.za/>



## Sports and Performing Arts

All internal extra murals, including support groups and the compulsory drama practices end today, 11 March.

Karate and Gymnastics will still continue next week.

## Prefects and Monitors



The prefect and monitor team have enjoyed a busy, yet productive term. They have carried out their duties with diligence and responsibility. The prefect and monitor meeting took on a different format to conclude this period. The children were divided into groups and created excellent posters to promote neatness and pride in the school's bathrooms. It proved to be an enjoyable exercise.

