

Newton House School

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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 and 1 every Tuesday.
- Remember school caps for PE and Playball
- Children to be in their full winter uniform.

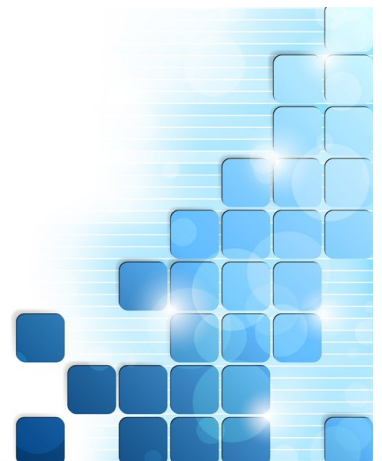


From the Headmaster's desk...

During this past weekend the television news channels reported that the latest World Education Forum National Educational grading's had been published and that South Africa ranked in the bottom five of 149 countries surveyed. This has been a consistent pattern in the last fifteen years. It is of serious concern to all citizens and people who love our country and who are proud of it. It is impossible to lift a country if the future workforce is not being properly educated. The most prosperous people in the world are not just educated but well-educated. All the statements made annually by politicians and officials must be recognised to be the statements of politicians and officials. Parents need to take responsibility for supplementing inadequate education. I wish for nothing more than to see South Africa's disadvantaged people being empowered with excellent education and am happy to say that Newton House School is more than just holding its own in this regard. One week ago a visiting mother from a well renowned private school came to investigate the work levels in our Grade 3 classes. She was shown the Mathematics books of our children. Her comment was, "My son's class is working with the 4x table at present". We were happy to show her that the Newton House children were already working competently with the 7x table!

Helpful Hints

Parents should faithfully monitor their children's school books and the homework diary to make sure that the standard of education is good.



School Notices

- To enhance security on the property, we are implementing the following arrangements between 12h00 and 14h00 at the Bush Hill gate entrance: Prior to 12h00 the gate will be closed and parents and visitors will be required to press the gate button to obtain entry. Between 12H00-14H00 a member of staff will be on duty admitting parents who have decals. Parents who do not have decals will be required to sign in. After 14h00 the gate will once again be closed and visitors will need to use the gate button. Decals can be obtained from the office.
- It has been brought to my attention that two or three parents are instructing their children to wait outside the school for their lift. I am not willing to allow this as it compromises the safety of the children concerned. Should we find them waiting outside, they will be punished. Please support us in our endeavour to safeguard your child.
- Parents who make use of the aftercare are to note that we have moved the aftercare into our newly acquired property. The children, however, are still to be collected from the car park next to the Bush Hill gate entrance.



Sports and Performing Arts

On Monday we played our first interschool North West Rand chess match. The Mixed A team played Louw Geldenhuys. The score was Louw Geldenhuys 6 1/2; Newton House School 5 1/2. The Mixed B team played Cliffview Primary and the score was Newton House School 6 1/2; Cliffview Primary 5 1/2.



New Pupils



Michelle Coetzee

“Problems are only opportunities in work clothes” Henry J Kaiser

Cycle Tests

<u>Date</u>	<u>Subject</u>
Tuesdays	(09h05 – 10h00)
4 August	Afrikaans
11 August	Social Science 1
18 August	Mathematics
25 August	Natural Science
1 September	Social Science 2



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