



NEWSLETTER

Cycle 1 February 2017

We would like to welcome our old and new students and parents to our 2017 academic calendar. We trust that all the students and in particular the new ones are settling down well and that they will have a very fulfilling experience at Sisekelo be it in the classrooms, at the sports field or at the hostel. Our motto is to do everything in our power to ensure that they enjoy their stay at the “**school of choice**”.

We also welcome our new staff members:

Mr. Matse – Mathematics and Physical Sciences

Mr. Mok – School based Counsellor.

We wish both of them a happy and long stay in our family.

The first cycle has abruptly come to an end. Time often passes very quickly. Each school day and every cycle that passes should be used wisely in preparation for tests and coming examinations. The first cycle, like the first step in any journey, goes a long way in shaping the final outcome of the journey.

Discipline

Discipline is always at the core of effective learning and teaching. In order to succeed in establishing a disciplined learning environment, the school will always depend on the parents to play their part in assisting with discipline. It's a tripartite alliance which involves the child, the school and the parents to mould and develop the lives of our teenagers.

Orientation Program

One of the highlights of the new students is the orientation program which takes place on the first weekend of school opening. Our “freshers” through fun and games are taken through the various aspects of life at Sisekelo by the school prefects and prefect mentors.

This year again, a very motivated group of new students camped at the hostel for a weekend and thoroughly enjoyed going through the school's statement of principles, code of conduct and school rules as well as being introduced to the school premises.

Prefects Camp

Team building and the development of young leaders is one of our major hallmark. Our prefects have just returned from a one-day camp at Hlane nature reserve where they underwent intensive exercises in team building and leadership training. We have a very committed group of young leaders who are determined to take the school to a new level this year.

Coming Events

DATE	EVENT
Wed 20 Feb	Inter-house swimming at Mayaluka – parents are invited
Thu 23 Feb	School closes for midterm – reports issued to pupils and uploaded on LIMU
Mon 27 Feb	Boarders return
Tue 28 Feb	School resumes
Thu 2 March 14.00- 18.00hrs	Parents/Teachers consultation – all parents are invited

Parents'/Teachers' Consultation

All parents are invited to this important meeting where they get to discuss the progress of the students with the teachers to be held on Thursday, 2 March from 14h00 – 18h00.

HOMEROOM TEACHERS

The homeroom Teachers for 2017 are as follows:

GRADE	TEACHER	EMAIL ADDRESS
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9L	Mr. M. Mhlongo	Mfundo.mhlongo@sisekelo.ac.sz

The homeroom teacher is responsible for the general welfare of each child in the class.

CLASS TUTORS

GRADE 8 – Mrs Mkhwanazi

GRADE 9 – Ms Mufambisi

GRADE 10 – Ms Mbingo

GRADE 12 – Mr. Denesi

GRADE 11 – Ms. Mbingo

Class tutors closely monitor the academic progress of each child in the Grade and liaise with subject teachers and parents on intervention strategies where necessary.

PREP –TIME

Pupils are provided time to complete homework and assignments at school from 14h00 to 15h00 Monday to Thursday but this is not enough, hence boarders have evening prep at hostel. Day scholar parents must allow pupils time at home **every day** including week-ends to study, complete homework and prepare for the next day [2 hrs].

Please ensure that your child has a desk, chair and a quiet place to work undisturbed.

MID-TERM BREAK

Finally we wish our learners and staff a well deserved midterm break. We shall resume on Tuesday 28 February, boarders must return to hostel on Monday 27 February.

Cycle 1 reports will be issued to the pupils on Thursday 23 February and will be posted on LIMU as well.

Parents who still have difficulty in accessing LIMU shall be assisted during the Parents/Teachers' consultation on Thursday 2 March. All parents must ensure that they are able to access this platform because we are planning to go 100% green by the end of the year.

Thank you

G. MABASO
HEAD OF SCHOOL

The school will like to congratulate the following students for their excellent performance in Cycle

GRADE 8

1. Mavimbela Carol
2. Makadzange Kevin
3. Shongwe Yenzokuhle
4. Khoza Thandolwethu
5. Ginindza Sandziselwe
6. Butler Keagan
7. Dlamini Temahlubi

GRADE 9

1. Dlamini Nosisa
2. Dlamini Sandzisile
3. Mamba Mlibatisi
4. Reid Ethan
5. Sukati Sisekelo
6. Simelane Hlalelwe
7. Nkambule Sinenhlanhla

GRADE 10

1. Abdul Cassamo Yuran
2. Gambarume Wisdom
3. Dlamini Babongile
4. Nsibande Phiwa
5. Shongwe Sinini
6. Nkambule Siyabonga

GRADE 11

1. Mndzebele Nakekelo
2. Gama Vukani
3. Nxumalo Simlindile
4. Dlamini Kimberly
5. Thobel Lily
6. Divan Fatima

GRADE 12

1. Sihlabela Mfihlakalo
2. Kunene Sihlelelwe
3. Pato Sikhanyiselwe
4. Tsabedze Funekile
5. Kunene Nokulunga

May I also take this opportunity to thank our teachers and parents for their continuous support given to our students.

B. Khumalo

Deputy Academics