



3RD TERM NEWSLETTER

Our Values

Teamwork > Integrity > Respect > Accountability

Dear Parent / Guardian

We are excited to welcome you and the students for the start of the third term. As we enter this final stretch of the academic year, we look forward to another productive and fulfilling quarter.

1. Payment of Fees

We appreciate you all for the payment of fees for the learners. You are encouraged to continue settling all the 3rd term fees timeously.

2. Grade 12 Prelims & Final Exams

The matric class has successfully concluded the preliminary examinations today. The results are scheduled to be disseminated on the 4th of October. Their final exams are set to commence on Tuesday, the 15th of October, and will continue until Wednesday, the 20th of November. We harbour considerable optimism regarding this class's performance, as they have demonstrated remarkable diligence in their studies. It is imperative that we persist in providing them with unwavering support in every possible manner.

3. St Peters Hockey Trip



Our hockey team travelled to St Peters College for the 18th Annual sports and cultural festival. Accompanying them are three dedicated coaches, whose guidance is invaluable.



We are hoping they will bring home some silver wear. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the parents whose unwavering support has been instrumental in ensuring the success of this trip.

4. Valediction

The matric class of 2024 will have the valediction ceremony on the 8th October 2024, starting at 2pm -4pm. This occasion represents a significant and poignant milestone, epitomizing the transition from one phase of their lives to another. The theme for this year's valediction ceremony is **"BEHIND YOU IS ALL YOUR MEMORIES. BEFORE YOU IS ALL YOUR DREAMS."** Our Guest of honour this year is Ntobeko Dlamini who is Sisekelo Alumni class of 2008.

5. Speech & Prize Giving Day

We are inviting you to join us for the 2024 Sisekelo Speech and Prize Giving Day on the 9th of October, starting at 9am – 12 noon. This annual event celebrates the achievements of our students and provides an opportunity for our community to come together and recognize their hard work.

This year's theme is **"Dream with passion, and turn your dreams into your Destiny."** This theme was chosen to motivate students by reinforcing the idea that their efforts can lead to tangible outcomes. As an educational institution, we aspire for our students to be inspired to fervently envision their future professions and to be encouraged to establish precise goals.

Our Guest speaker is Ms Futhie Tembe – CEO of ENPF. She possesses a Master of Business Leadership from the Graduate School of Business Leadership at the University of South Africa (UNISA). She is a Professional Accountant (ACCA) through the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants. Furthermore, she earned her Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting from the University of Swaziland. She brings over 14 years of executive management experience, demonstrating a profound ability to plan, implement, and enhance the financial health of organizations.

With a strong expertise in strategic investments, she focuses on sectors where growth potential significantly outweighs risks, aligning all actions with the established parameters of the Funds strategy.



Ms Futhie Tembe – ENPF CEO



She possesses extensive experience overseeing all financial activities within organizations while effectively guiding and mentoring finance teams to achieve optimal performance. Her deep understanding of corporate governance principles complements her outstanding leadership skills, which have consistently resulted in improved financial performance across various sectors and enhanced control environments. Passionate about people development and human capital management, She is dedicated to fostering talent and driving organizational success.

We are indeed looking forward to benefit from her key note address. The program will be sent soon. On the same day, we are closing for midterm break and school will resume on Monday. Boarders are expected to return on Sunday.

6. Student Advancement Coordinator (SAC)

The school has appointed Mr. Alex Lubowa as the Coordinator and Mrs. Mwembo as the Assistant Coordinator, to the aforementioned portfolio. Their primary mandate is to offer professional counseling and career guidance services to students. This initiative is aligned with the school's goals encapsulated in the school's vision and mission.

Students will receive comprehensive support as they navigate critical decisions regarding subject selections, career paths, university admissions, scholarship applications, among others.

Annexure A provides an extensive outline of the services that parents can anticipate from this office.

7. GRADE 9 SUBJECT CHOICES – SKILLS PASSPORTSA

Sisekelo is introducing (through the SAC office) a rigorous Subject Choice Guidance Test offered by SKILLS PASSPORTSA in preparation for their subject choice exercise scheduled for Thursday 24th October 2024.

Below is a brief introduction of SKILLS PASSPORT SA (Extracted from the Platform)

This program was designed and developed by the esteemed educational psychologist Dr Lanette Hattingh (D Ed, M Ed, B Ed, PGHD, B Soc Sc Honn Psychology, B Soc Sc Nursing) to help Grade 9 learners make informed decisions about which subjects to choose for their future careers. This program involves three key steps:

Reasoning ability Quizzes: Complete three quizzes to discover and understand the learners' unique strengths.



Personality Traits Exploration: Gain insights into the learners' personality profile, which is crucial in finding the right career fit.

Defining Career Interests: Gains insights into the learners' career interests, aligning them with their educational path. After completing these steps, the learner is presented with this report which lists up to 5 potential career fields specifically tailored to their profile. It will also provide a curated list of compulsory and recommended subjects for each of these recommended fields. This comprehensive approach ensures learners are well-prepared for an enriching educational career journey after school.

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

- Nelson Mandela

The grade 9 class has already been registered for this program. It will only cost E259.00 per student which will be charged into the grade 9 parent account. The SAC office will communicate all the logistics to the relevant parents.

In conclusion, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your continued support and involvement in our school community.

Yours Faithfully

Principal

