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Dear Parent / Guardian

NEWSLETTER TO LEARNERS AND PARENTS: CELL PHONE USE

On Monday, 10 March 2025, the School Governing Body made the decision during a meeting to stop the use of cell phones by learners, during school hours, for the following reasons:

- Learners continue to use cell phones and headphones during class time.
- Learners then do not concentrate on the content being taught by the teacher.
- Interpersonal skills, as well as socialisation, between learners during break time are deteriorating.
- Learners are disturbed and distracted due to the messages and calls received during class time.

Resolution:

- Cell phones, earphones or any other electronic devices may not be visible during school hours. (It includes alternating between periods, break time and substitution/supervision periods.)
- All cell phones must be switched off from the start of the first period until the end of the last period and may only be switched on after school.
- Parents / Guardians who wish to contact a learner urgently during school hours should call the administration office at 013-932 0195/6, who will then inform the learner.
- When the cell phone is needed for urgent situations, permission must be sought in advance.

Implementation:

First phase, as of 08 April 2025:

- If the learner breaks the above rules, the cell phone, headphones or electronic device will be confiscated.
- The parent / guardian should collect the item from school.
- A penalty of R150.00 will be charged.
- A total of 25 demerits will be given to the learner.

Second phase, as of 30 May 2025:

First offence:

- If the learner breaks the above rules, the cell phone, headphones or electronic device will be confiscated.
- The parent / guardian should collect the item from school *after 5 school days*.
- A Penalty of R150.00 will be charged.
- A total of 25 demerits will be given to the learner.

Second offence:


- If the learner breaks the above rules for a second time, the cell phone, headphone or electronic device will be confiscated.
- The parent / guardian may only collect the item from school *after two weeks*.
- A penalty of R150.00 will be charged.
- A total of 25 demerits will be given to the learner.

Third offence:

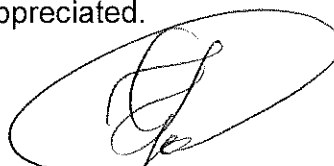
- If the learner breaks the above rules for a third time, the cell phone, headphones or electronic device will be confiscated.
- The parent / guardian can only collect the item from school *the last day of the term*.
- A penalty of R150.00 will be charged.
- A total of 25 demerits will be given to the learner and a disciplinary hearing will follow.

The school will take no responsibility for any loss of or damage to cell phones, headphones or any other electronic devices. It is learners' own responsibility to keep it safe and away.

Your cooperation regarding this arrangement will be appreciated.



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Geagte Ouer / Voog

NUUSBRIEF AAN LEERDERS EN OUERS : SELFOONGEBRUIK

Op Maandag 10 Maart 2025 het die Skoolbeheerliggaam tydens 'n vergadering die besluit geneem om die selfoongebruik deur leerders gedurende skoolure vir die volgende redes te stop:

- Leerders hou aan om selfone en oorfone te gebruik gedurende klastyd.
- Hierdie leerders konsentreer nie op wat die onderwyser aanbied nie.
- Die algemene menslike kontak en gesonde sosialisering tussen leerders tussen klasse en tydens pouses vind al minder plaas.
- Leerders word gesteur gedurende die klastyd as gevolg van die boodskappe en oproepe wat ontvang word.

·Besluit:

- Selfone, oorfone of enige elektroniese aparate mag nie gedurende skoolure sigbaar wees nie. (**Dit sluit in wisseling tussen periodes, pouses, asook toesigperiodes.**)
- Alle selfone moet afgeskakel word met die aanvang van die eerste periode tot en met die einde van die laaste periode en mag slegs aangeskakel word na skool.
- Ouers / Voogde wat 'n leerder dringend gedurende die skoolure wil kontak, moet die administrasiekantoor skakel by 013-932 0195/6, wat die leerder sal inlig.
- Indien die selfoon nodig is vir dringende situasies, moet vooraf toestemming gevra word.

Implementering:

·Eerste fase vanaf 08 April 2025:

- Indien die leerder bogenoemde reëls oortree, sal die selfoon, oorfone of enige elektroniese aparate gekonfiskeer word.
- Die ouer / voog moet die item by die skool kom afhaal.
- 'n Boete van R150.00 sal gehef word.
- 25 Demerietepunte sal aan die leerder gegee word.

Tweede fase Vanaf 30 Mei 2025:

- **Eerste oortreding:** Indien die leerder die reëls oortree, sal die selfoon, oorfone of enige elektroniese aparate gekonfiskeer word.
- Die ouer / voog mag die item by die skool kom afhaal *na 5 skooldae*.
- 'n Boete van R150.00 sal gehef word,
- 25 Demerietepunte aan die leerder gegee word.

Tweede oortreding:

- Indien die leerder vir 'n tweede keer die reëls oortree, sal die selfoon, oorfone of enige elektroniese aparate gekonfiskeer word.
- Die ouer / voog mag die item by die skool kom afhaal *na twee weke*.
- 'n Boete van R150.00 sal gehef word.
- 25 Demerietepunte sal aan die leerder gegee word.

Derde oortreding:

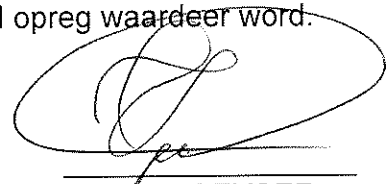
- Indien die leerder die reëls vir 'n derde keer die reëls oortree, sal die selfoon, oorfone of enige elektroniese aparate gekonfiskeer word.
- Die ouer / voog mag die item by die skool kom afhaal na die *afsluiting van die termyn*.
- 'n Boete van R150.00 sal gehef word.
- 25 Demerietepunte en disziplinêre verhoor sal volg.

Die skool neem geen verantwoordelikheid vir enige verlies of skade van selfone, oorfone of enige elektroniese aparate nie. Leerders moet dit behoorlik afskakel, versteek en wegbêre.

Die samewerking van u as ouer / voog sal in die verband opreg waardeer word.



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