



# STRUBENVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**Newsletter 1/2017**

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Dear Parent/Guardian

We extend a warm welcome to all our learners and parents. We hope that you had a relaxed and fun-filled holiday. We are thrilled to see so many new and returning faces all eager and happy to start the year. For some children, it is their first time at school and everything possible will be done to make this new chapter in their lives as easy as possible by providing a favorable environment where they will not only be involved actively in learning but feel happy and safe.

Our "open door" policy encourage good communication between the home and the school. Please ensure that you read all newsletters and diarise all important events. Sign your child's homework diaries on a daily basis. Please ensure that your contact numbers are written in your child's diaries in case of an emergency and keep the school updated of any changes.

The school day start at 7:40 and we expect all learners to be at school on time. Names of late comers are entered on a register and sent to the Department weekly for their attention.

Late comers do not only fall behind with their work but have a negative impact in the quality of teaching and learning in the classroom.

Please ensure that drivers are reliable and have the safety of the children at heart.

## WAITING CLASSES:

This is for the Foundation Phase learners on a daily basis until 13:45.

Learners from Grade R to 2 who are not collected immediately after school will go to the big field where there will be staff members on duty. Please take note of the school hours for 2017:

Grade R: 07:40 – 13:15

Grade 1 & 2: 07:40 – 13:15

Grade 3 to 7: 07:40 – 13:45

### SCHOOL FEES:

Strubenvale Primary is a Section 21 school, which means that we rely heavily on school fees to be able to offer quality teaching and learning. We encourage parents to make a direct payment to the following account number:

Strubenvale School Fund  
FNB Selcourt  
Account No. 62074114259  
Branch code. 253742

The "option of payment" form needs to be completed and returned to your child's register teacher as soon as possible. For further information contact the bursar.

The fees for 2017, as discussed and agreed at the Budget Meeting, are as follows:

- Grade R fees: R7700-00 per annum or R700-00 per month over a period of 11 months.
- Grade 1 – 7 fees: R6800-00 per annum or R680-00 per month over a period of 10 months.

Parents of grade 1 to 7 learners who pay the school fees in full by the end of January 2017 will receive a 10% discount and those who pay in full by the end of February 2017 will receive a 5% discount.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM:

Please ensure that your child is correctly dressed for school. Our supplier is:

Jill's School Uniform  
56 Austral Road  
Selcourt  
Tel: 011 818 3278  
Cell: 083 702 2089

#### Summer Uniform for girls:

Culottes, short sleeved white shirts, with badge on pocket, white ankle socks and black shoes. Brown school jersey or Dri-mac may be worn in cold weather.

#### Summer uniform for boys:

White short sleeved shirts, with badge on the pocket, grey long or short pants. Grey socks with black shoes. Brown school jersey or Dri-mac may be worn in cold weather.

School track suites may only be worn in winter. Badges for the shirts are available from the school office. Coloured house shirts and white golf shirts worn during sport activities and physical education are also available from the school.

Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly marked. Ensure that hair is neat and tidy. Girls are allowed to wear earrings if they have pierced ears but these must be plain gold studs or thin small sleepers.

### SWOP SHOP:

A few clothing items are available at school at affordable prices. The swop shop is opened once a week on a Wednesday from 12:00 to 13:00.

### STATIONERY:

All learners must be equipped with the required stationery. Stationery lists were issued to all learners and orders have now been delivered. Please ensure that all items are clearly marked. Books need to be covered neatly using good quality paper and plastic.

### TEXTBOOKS:

Ensure that all textbooks are well looked after and covered neatly in plastic. Lost or damaged textbooks will be replaced and paid for by the parents. No textbook will be issued to learners until lost books and damaged textbooks from the previous year are paid for.

### SCHOLAR PATROL:

All learners must cross at the scholar patrol points. We request parents and drivers to obey traffic rules. Please remember that Athlone Avenue is a one-way road in the early morning and afternoon. You are encouraged to use the small gate in Sutherland Avenue as it is not so busy.

### TUCKSHOP:

It is open daily in the morning, during breaks and after school. Chewing gum is forbidden at school. Please discourage learners from eating sweets and drinking fizzy cold drinks before school.

### CELL PHONE POLICY:

The school cannot accept responsibility for the loss or damage of cell phones at school. Learners who bring cell phones to school must ensure that they are off at all times during school time or they will risk these being confiscated. Confiscated cell phones may only be collected by parents/guardians from the office. Foundation Phase learners are discouraged from having phones at school.

### FUND RAISING:

Please assist the school by acquiring and use "My School" card when shopping at participating stores e.g. Woolworths, Spur etc. It will cost you absolutely nothing and you will be supporting your child's school and education. Family members can also apply for the card. Forms will be issued at our office upon your request. We also collect paper and cardboard. This brings in much needed funds for our school. Please support!

IMPORTANT DATE TO REMEMBER:

SPORT:

Inter-house Athletics will take place at school on Monday 16/01/2016 at 11:30  
All pupils must wear T-shirts in the colour of their house and white shorts.

Inter-school will take place on the 27/01/2016 at Springs Tech starting at 08:30. We are hosting this event.

SCHOOL TOURS - 2017:

Grade 6 Tour to Natal in May:

Information was sent out last year. A reminder that only 60 pupils can be accommodated and it is a "first come first served" basis. Only pupils who have paid in full will be accommodated. Start saving now! Payment can be made in installments to Mrs. Venter the bursar.

Prefect Camp in April:

Once again payment must be made in full before pupils will be accommodated.

Mrs. Barber will be sending out more information at a later stage.

Mr. C.F. Ramos  
Principal