

## Thought for the Week

"The lesson taught at this point by human experience is simply this, that the man who will get up will be helped up; and the man who will not get up will bel allowed to stay down. Personal independence is a virtue and it is the soul out of which comes the sturdiest manhood. But there can be no independence without a large share of self-dependence, and this virtue cannot be bestowed. It must be developed from within." ~Frederick Douglas

## From the Headmaster

## MR P P VILJOEN

**Dear Parents** 

A warm welcome back after a well-deserved rest. I am extremely grateful for the travelling mercies our staff, boys and parents experienced during the holiday. Through God's grace all have returned safely.

It is always a pleasure to share positive news with you, so please allow me the opportunity to congratulate Mr Marais who became engaged during the holiday. I am sure he and his future wife, Elzanne, will spend many wonderful years together.

A warm word of welcome also to Ms Crystal Hartwig who returns to us after two years of studying at Oxford. It is wonderful to have her once again as part of our teaching team.

In terms of the term ahead I have posted the letter sent in February below to remind you of the actions we have taken to ensure our boys' interests are best served during this very busy term.

#### Dates and Reports

Please note that during the 2019 academic year, examinations and assessments will finish on the last day of term. Reports will therefore be issued after the holidays, and specifically on the first Monday following the resumption of the new term.

The parent teacher conferences will then happen during the latter part of that second week. The only time when we will deviate from this is during term 4, when reports will be issued on the day school officially breaks up.

## June Examination Challenges

In 2019 all schools, but especially the traditional boys' schools, are facing significant challenges because of the very strange holiday dates that have been set. It means that in order for the schools to meet their winter sport commitments i.e. rugby, hockey and volleyball, fixtures will continue into the exam time (Old boys' day is on Saturday 8 June and is our last fixture for the term). This is never an ideal situation, and as such it has necessitated us to think differently about how we are going to administer our examinations, always bearing in mind what is in the best interest of the boys.

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# From the Headmaster Continued...

I would like to share the plan with you below:

- The exam papers that do not require significant preparation will be written during control test times of term two and during the last week of term 1- these include the practical exams and the language papers focussing on only the essays. Other smaller subjects such as music, art and IT will also be written, with papers being shortened and times of the day being adjusted to accommodate these, throughout the term. This in turn will then reduce the number of papers the boys have to write at the end of term.
- The June exams will start on 28 May and will finish on 14 June last day of term. The number of papers per subject and the length of papers have also been adjusted to be more accommodating to the boys.
- You will notice that during the exam no papers will be written on Mondays, and only one Friday will be utilised.
- Practices will be shorter and will be scheduled in accordance with the finishing time of the papers, so boys would write, practise and then be released for studying. In case of the first teams, the arrangements may differ, but the coaches will communicate with the players and parents.
- When all is said and done the boys should not feel too much extra pressure, and will have ample opportunity to prepare for their papers.

## Winter and Spring School

Grade 12 parents – please note we will once again be running the winter and spring schools in preparation of the final grade 12 exams. This happens during the first four days of these two holidays, so please don't make travel arrangements for these times.

## Marking Centre

As you know the school operated as a marking centre for the KZDOE during the last part of 2018. This had some financial benefit to the school, funds which are being used to upgrade the boys' bathrooms, the BE entrances, the ladies' bathroom at the Jubilee room, classroom upgrades are also happening.

Having said all of that, having to close school early and take away teaching time does not link to our aim of being academically excellent and as such we won't be serving as a marking centre unless the dates fit within our academic planning.

The good news is that in 2019 the marking only starts after the end of term four (4 December) which allows us to operate fully during the course of the final term. Lessons will therefore run until later in the term, with exams only starting in November. The funds generated from being a marking venue will again be ploughed back into classroom upgrades, which is wonderful for our staff and boys.

For your convenience a copy of the June Examination Timetable has been placed under resources on the D6 communicator.

Thank you once again for your continued support. PP Viljoen

# **Parent Evenings**

Monday	April 8	Grade 10 & 11	5:00 – 7:15 pm	in the Hall
Tuesday	April 9	Grade 9 & 12	5:00 – 7:15 pm	in the Hall
Wednesday	April 10	Grade 8	5:00 – 7:15 pm	in the Hall

# From the Counsellor's Desk

MR M RICH Deputy Headmaster MIC: LO MIC: Counselling Email: <u>mrich@nwood.co.za</u>

## JAKES GERWEL FELLOWSHIP

## Would you like to become an Educator?

Jakes Gerwel Fellowship are looking for amazing Grade 12s to embark on the incredible journey to become expert teachers, education leaders and social entrepreneurs.

## Application requirements

- Average of above 65% for final Grade 11 results (excl. LO)
- Applicants must be under the age of 22
- South African citizen
- Intention to study a BSc, BA or BCom at UCT or UP in 2020
- Intention to complete a PGCE and become a high school teacher
- Demographic diversity is a founding principle

## If you are interested, please see Mr Rich

## DANVILLE GIRLS CAREERS EVENING

ROOM	FIRST SESSION	SECOND SESSION	THIRD SESSION	FOURTH SESSION
	5.00 - 5.40	5.45 - 6.25	6.30 - 7.10	7.15 - 7.55
142	Optometry	Chef	Copywriter	Fashion Design
58	Digital Marketing	Physiotherapy	Entrepreneur	Vet
60	IT	Geology	Multi Media design	Special Effects Makeup
62	Print, Packaging and Stationary	Dietetics	Senior Phase Educator	Accounting
СМА	Psychology	Chemical Engineering	Law	Medicine





## An Appeal from the Marketing Office

Thank you for all the bottles and jars that have been dropped off. We still need a lot more. We also need tin cans (please remove the labels). They can be dropped off at the reception or the back office.

Thank you for your support.

# Academics

## MRS R STANLEY

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## NBT

The NBT workshop will run from 08:30-13:00 in AV1 on Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 April.

## ABSENTEEISM

As this term has a very full assessment programme and examinations, it is essential that pupils do not miss any school days unnecessarily. Any formal assessments missed will require a doctor's certificate in order to have the opportunity to do the assessment. It is very important to realise how all these tasks affect the final result.

## HOMEWORK CENTRE

With academic mentors and a staff member, this centre is the ideal place to spend time while waiting to be picked up by parents. It is open from after school until 16:30 Monday to Thursday. Pupils are supervised

while doing homework, research, assignments and get extra help in any subject in this centre.

## **ON-LINE UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS**

Greetings. Please advise all Grade 12s to follow all these links and apply online-free education

- 1. Wits <u>www.wits.ac.za</u>
- 2. Fort Hare www.ufh.ac.za
- 3. Tshwane University <u>www.tut.ac.za</u>
- 4. UJ <u>www.uj.ac.za</u>
- 5. UWC <u>www.uwc.ac.za</u>
- 6. CPUT www.cput.ac.za
- 7. UCT <u>www.uct.ac.za</u>
- 8. UKZN <u>www.ukzn.ac.za</u>
- 9. DUT <u>www.dut.ac.za</u>
- 10. Rhodes University <u>www.ru.ac.za</u>
- 11. WSU <u>www.wsu.ac.za</u>
- 12. Nelson Mandela Metropolitian University www.nmmu.ac.za
- 13. Central University of Technology www.cut.ac.za
- 14. University of the Free State <u>www.ufs.ac.za</u>
- University of Pretoria www.up.ac.za
- 15. University of South Africa www.unisa.ac.za
- 16. Vaal University of Technology <u>www.vut.ac.za</u>
- 17. University of Limpopo (Mendusa Campus) www.ul.ac.za
- 18. Mangosuthu University of Technology <u>www.mut.ac.za</u>
- 19. University of Zululand <u>www.unizul.ac.za</u>
- 20. University of Limpopo (Turfloop Campus) www.ul.ac.za
- 21. University of Venda www.univen.ac.za
- 22. NWU (Mafikeng Campus) www.unw.ac.za
- 23. NWU (Potchefstroom Campus) www.unw.ac.za
- 24. NWU (Vaal Campus) www.unw.ac.za
- 25. University of Stellenbosch <u>www.us.ac.za</u>
- 26. Sol Plaaatje University <u>www.spu.ac.za</u>
- 27. University of Mpumalanga www.ump.ac.za

And apply for NSFAS here www.nsfas.org.za

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# June Exam Timetable

# All exams are 2 hours unless otherwise stated Timetable subject to change

## **GRADES 8 & 9**

EARLY EXAMS		
DATE	GRADE 8	GRADE 9
16 April	English P2	English P2
25 April	Afrikaans / IsiZulu P1	Afrikaans / IsiZulu P2
07 May	Technology	English P4 (1½ Hrs)
09 May	History (1½ Hrs)	Afrikaans / IsiZulu P4 (11/2 Hrs)
23 May	LO	LO

## EXAM TIMETABLE

DATE	TIME	GRADE 8	GRADE 9
28 May	08:15-10:15	EMS	Maths
29 May	08:15-10:15	Study	History (1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Hrs)
30 May	08:15-10:15	Natural Science (1½ Hrs)	Geography (1½ Hrs)
4 June	08:15-10:15	Geography (1½ Hrs)	Technology
6 June	08:15-10:15	Study	Natural Science (1½ Hrs)
7 June	08:15-10:15	Maths	EMS
11 June	08:15-10:15	Creative Arts / Music	Study
12 June	08:15-10:15	Study	Creative Arts / Music
13 June	08:15-10:15	Adv Maths (1 Hr)	Adv Maths (1 Hr)

## GRADES 10, 11, 12

## EARLY EXAMS

DATE	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12				
16 April	English P1	English P1	English P1				
25 April	Afrikaans / IsiZulu P1	Afrikaans / IsiZulu P1	Afrikaans / IsiZulu P1				
07 May	English P2	English P2	English P2				
09 May	Afrikaans / IsiZulu P2	Afrikaans / IsiZulu P2	Afrikaans / IsiZulu P2				
14 May	Geography P2 Mapwork	Geography P2 Mapwork	Geography P2 Mapwork				
15 May	AP Maths	AP Maths / Bus Studies P1	AP Maths				
16 May	IT P2 / Art / Design / Econ P1	IT P2 /Art / Design/ Econ P1	IT P2 / Art / Design / Econ P1				
21 May	Art Prac/ Design Prac/ IT Prac	Art Prac/ Design Prac/ IT Prac	Art Prac / Design Prac				
22 May			IT Prac				
23 May	LO	LO	LO				

## EXAM TIMETABLE

DATE	TIME	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
28 May	8:15	Life Sciences	Maths / Maths Lit P1 (1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Hrs)	Physical Science P1
29 May	08:15	Accounting/Music	Geography P1	Business Studies
30 May	08:15	Business Studies P1	History	EGD P1
4 June	08:15	Physical Science P1	Maths / Maths Lit P2 (1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> Hrs)	Physical Science P2
6 June	08:15	Geography P1	EGD P1	Accounting / Music
0 June	11:15	Economics P2	Accounting P1 / Music	History P1
7 June	08:15	EGD	Physical Science P1	Maths / Maths Lit P1
11 June	08:15	Physical Science P2	Physical Science P2	Maths / Maths Lit P2
11 Julie	11:15	Tourism	Economics P2	
12 June	08:15	History	EGD P2	Life Sciences
12 June	11:15		Tourism	Economics P2
13 June	08:15	Maths / Maths Lit P1 (1 Hr)	Business Studies P2	Geography P1
13 June	11:15	Maths Lit P2 (1 Hr)	Accounting P2	EGD P2
14 June	08:15	Business Studies P2	Life Sciences	History P2

# Important Dates Term 2 (Subject to Change)

DAY	DATE	TO DATE	TIME	EVENT	VENUE
APRIL					
Tues	2			Term 2 Begins	
Fri	5			Interhouse Rugby, Hockey, Volleyball	Northwood
Sat	6			No Fixtures	
Mon	8		5:30-7:00	Grade 10 - 11 Parents Evening	Hall
Tues	9		5:30-7:00	Grade 9 & 12 Parents Evening	Hall
Wed	10		5:30-7:00	Grade 8 Parent Evening	Hall
Wed	10		3:15	Cross Country at Kingsway & Kuswag	Amanzimtoti
Sat	13			Rugby & Hockey vs DHS	DHS
Wed	17		3:15	Cross Country at Curro Hillcrest	Hillcrest
Wed	17	22		1 <sup>st</sup> Team KES Rugby & Hockey Festival	Johannesburg
Wed	17	22		Jeppe u16A Rugby Festival	Johannesburg
Wed	17	22		Parktown u15A Rugby Festival	Johannesburg
Fri	19	22		Parktown U14A Hockey Tournament	Johannesburg
Fri	19			Good Friday	
Fri	19	22		Founder u14A Hockey Festival	Home
Fri	19	22		Ken Florens u14B Hockey Tournament	Home
Mon	22			Easter Monday	
Wed	24		3:15	Cross Country at Clifton	Virginia Bush
Fri	26			Joburg to Sea Cycling Marathon	
Sat	27			Freedom Day	
Sat	27			Rugby & Hockey vs Hilton	Home
MAY					
Wed	1			Workers' Day	
Sat	4			Rugby & Hockey vs Westville (Compulsory)	Home
Sat	4			BE Sleepover	Mathias Place
Mon	6			Start of Ramadan	
Wed	8			Election Day	
Sat	11			Rugby & Hockey vs Parktown	Home
Sun	12			Mothers' Day	
Wed	15		3:15	Cross Country at Crawford	Durban North
Thurs	16			Sani to Sea Cycling Marathon	
Sat	18			Rugby & Hockey vs Michaelhouse (Compulsory)	Home
Wed	22		3:15	Cross Country at Waterfall College	Waterfall
Sat	24	25		All Hockey, Rugby, Tennis, Squash, Chess, E-Sport @ St Benedicts	Johannesburg
Wed	29		3:15	Cross Country	Kearsney
JUNE		1			,
Sat	1			Rugby & Hockey vs St Charles	St Charles
Wed	5			Eid al-Fitr	
Thurs	6	8		Reunion Weekend	Northwood
Thurs	6			Golf Day	Mt Edgcombe
Fri	7		7:30-10:30	Old Boys Breakfast and Assembly	Jubilee Room
Fri	7		6:30 →	Reunion Dinner	Northwood
Sat	8			Old Boys Day & Classic Clash vs Kearsney	
Sun	9			Comrades Marathon	
Thurs	13			Rugby & Hockey vs Staff/Boys vs Old Boys	Northwood
Thurs	13	16		1st Team Kloof Soccer Tournament	Kloof

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# **Important Dates Term 2 Continued...**

Fri	14		End of Term 2	
Fri	14	18	2nd Team Sportweni Cricket Festival	South Coast
Sun	16		Youth Day	
Sun	16		Fathers' Day	
JULY				
Tues	9		Term 3 Begins	

## **Northwood Gear Shop Hours**

MONDAY AND SATURDAY – CLOSED TUESDAY – THURSDAY 13h30 – 15h15 FRIDAY 13h15 – 14h30

For assistance please phone Yvonne Haswell On 083 691 0135 or 031 564 1439

# Northwood Golf Day:

We are appealing to our parents to support our Golf Day on Thursday 6 June. The Golf Day forms part of our annual Reunion Weekend celebrations and we are looking forward to some fantastic events. If you are able to enter a 4 ball or donate prizes in two's, we would be very grateful, details are on the information page included further on in the newsletter. Also, please could each family bring in one of the following items to include in prize hampers. We always rely on the support of our Northwood families to make these events possible and appreciate your support!

## Grade 8:

Olives, Pickled Onions, Gherkins, Bottle of wine

## Grade 9

Liqui Fruit or similar, Slab of chocolate, Box of biscuits, Bottle of wine

## Grade 10

Box of rusks, Coffee, Fruit Dainty/Fruit roll Bottle of wine

Grade 11

Box of biscuits, Packet of Chocolates, Sauce eg chutney, marinade, peri peri

## Grade 12

Packet of biltong, Popcorn seeds, Large packet of crisps



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# **REUNION WEEKEND** 70<sup>th</sup> JUBILEE

Join in the fun and support your school at the annual golf day which forms part of the Reunion Weekend. This is a perfect opportunity to market your company or entertain your clients, we look forward to a really fun day on the golf course, meeting up with old friends and supporting Northwood School.

## Thursday 6 June 2019 - Mt Edgecombe CC Course 1

Betterball Stableford: R2600 (Dinner and prize giving included)

CARTS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY AND MUST BE BOOKED WITH THE PROSHOP ON (031) 539-5330

#### Sponsorships:

Halfway House	R1200
Hole Sponsorships	R1200
1st and 10th Tee	R1600
Putting Green x 2	R1600
Short Holes (2,7,9,12,15)	R1500
Car Display	R1500

#### Prizes:

2 of each. All prizes should be brought in by Monday 2 June at the latest.

Please contact Dave Ward on (031)563-5645 or email

events@wardevents.co.za or enter online at www.wardevents.co.za

Payment Details Northwood Money Market Account FNB Account Number: 6207 445 4895 Branch Code: 220426 Reference: Golf & Surname / Company







# **Sport & Culture**

## MR G. LE ROUX

## Email: gleroux@nwood.co.za

Welcome back to all our boys, parents and staff. I trust the holiday was a period of rest and recovery in preparation for the busy term that lies ahead. Welcome back to Mr Viljoen, Mr Baker, Mr Powell and Mrs Van Niekerk who accompanied our Northwood learners on the Malaysian Hockey tour. Our boys were exceptional ambassadors for Northwood and we can all be extremely proud.

Northwood hosted two very successful festivals over the holiday. Well done and thank you to Mr Scruby who was the festival director at the Northwood u15 Rugby Festival and Mr Gow and Mr Baker who ran the 1<sup>st</sup> Team Founders Festival at Northwood. A number of other staff members were also involved in the festivals and we thank you for giving up your time to serve the school and our boys. Our 1<sup>st</sup> Hockey boys had an exceptional run at the festival winning all 6 games including victories over Potch Boys, Dale College, Queens College, SACS, Affies and Glenwood. Well done

Our boys are expected to be back at practice this week in preparation for our upcoming fixtures. Let us get stuck in and make sure we are as prepared as we can be for these fixtures. We wish our u16A and 2<sup>nd</sup> Hockey teams all the best at the Crawford Hockey festival this coming weekend.

As always we expect our boys to show support at sports events throughout the year. This term it is the hockey and rugby boys who will be supported.

## The compulsories attendance events this term for Grade 8-12 are as follows:

27 April- Northwood vs Hilton College

4 May- Northwood vs Westville

18 May- Northwood vs Michaelhouse

8 June- Northwood vs Kearsney College.

Please plan accordingly to ensure your son is available to give their support at these fixtures. All the best to our boys and staff for the term ahead.

For all extra mural details with regards to fixtures, notices, practice times and transport arrangements please visit <u>www.northwoodschoolsport.com</u>. Remember to create a shortcut on your home screen of your mobile device for a very user friendly version of the site.

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**PHYSIOTHERAPIST ASHLEY WHITE** will be moving from the Northwood Sports Medicine Centre to Kensington Health Centre, 110 Adelaide Tambo Drive. Telephone 031 563 1359 or mobile 071 607 0883. Email: physioajwhite@hotmail.com

# **Fixtures Term 2**

These fixtures are subject to change

Date	Opposition	Venue
6-7 April	2nd Crawford Hockey Festival	Crawford La Lucia
10 April	Cross Country	Kingway
13 April	Hockey and Rugby vs Durban High School	DHS
17 April	Cross Country	Curro Hillcrest
17-22 April	1st Hockey KES Festival	KES
17-22 April	1st Rugby KES Festival	KES
17-22 April	U16A Jeppe Rugby Festival	Jeppe
17-22 April	U15A Parktown Rugby Festival	Parktown
19-22 April	U14A Founders' Hockey	Parktown
19-22 April	U14B Ken Florens Hockey Festival	Northwood
24 April	Cross Country	Clifton
27 April	Hockey and Rugby vs Hilton	Northwood
4 May	Hockey and Rugby vs Westville	Northwood
11 May	Hockey and Rugby vs Parktown	Northwood
15 May	Cross Country	Crawford La Lucia
18 May	Hockey and Rugby vs Michaelhouse (Compulsory)	Northwood
22 May	Cross Country	Waterfall College
25 May	Hockey and Rugby vs St Benedicts	St Benedicts
1 June	Hockey and Rugby vs St Charles	St Charles
8 June	Hockey and Rugby vs Kearsney - Old Boys Day	Northwood
13-16 June	1st Kloof Soccer Tournament	Kloof

# **Toastmasters 2019**

The annual Toastmasters graduation dinner was held on Thursday 14 March in the Jubilee room. 21 grade 11 learners qualified for their internationally recognized Toastmaster's certificate. Congratulations to all graduates who put up a sterling performance on the evening. Congratulations to the winners and runner up in the respective categories who go through to the semi-finals.



Twenty-one Graduates - Toastmasters 2019



The winners in the prepared speech category are as follows: L to R: Caleb Kozlowski( winner); Leonard Bailey; Aditya Raghunandan (runner up); Evan Teague.



The winners in the Evaluation section: L to R: Yasheel Pillay, Azhar Khatib, Thomas Buckle (runner up) and category winner Teagan Ciaglia (winner).



The winners in the Impromptu speech category are as follows: L to R: Priyavrata Tolmen; Nikhil Govindsamy; Shaun Roux (winner) and Bradley Bester (runner up).