Rorthwood Rews

Thursday 23 January 2020—Volume 2

From the Headmaster's Desk

MR P P VILJOEN

Dear Parents

During our first assembly of the term, I took the time to remind our boys about the fact that Northwood is a value driven school.

A school with staff and boys who, as part of its culture, aims to allow boys to guide their behaviour through naturally doing the right thing, rather than being dictated to. The values that our boys live by are the ones that they have deemed as important, and as such they are invested in making this school the best in the province.

Our values are what drives us now, and that does make for a special vibe and atmosphere among our boys. I have already noticed how well presented, well mannered, welcoming and chivalrous our boys have been since the start of the year and recently during our visit to Hilton. Long may it continue.

Our core values are listed below:

- To Respect the Badge
- To Respect all who form a part of Northwood School
- To Respect and Honour Women
- To Protect our Brotherhood with compassion and honesty
- To be held Accountable for our Actions
- To Put Others First
- To Respect our Environment and be active in its survival.
- To Uphold Integrity and do the Right thing even when no-one is watching.
- To Leave this school better than how we found it.
- To believe that Nothing is beneath us and we are never too big to do the small things.
- To be Humble in our Attitudes and Actions.
- To honour our motto Acquit ye Like Men

I ask that , as parents, you support us by reinforcing these values' at home and by constantly remind your sons about choosing to the right thing.

Have a blessed weekend Paul

Thought for the Week

"Don't be afraid of the shadows, that only means there's a light nearby." ~ Evanescence

Important Dates

JANUARY

Thurs 23 to Sun 26 1st W/Polo to Bloem Fri 24 17:30 New Parents Braai Sat 25 Cricket/W/Polo/Basketball vs Michaelhouse @ Home Sat 25 Chinese New Year Tues 28 RCL Elections Wed 29 14:30 Toastmasters in AV1 Wed 29 17:30 Chelsea Open Evening @ Chelsea Thurs 30 Championship Gala Northwood **FEBRUARY** Sat 1 Cricket/W/Polo/Basketball vs Clifton @ Home (cricket varies) Tues 4 0730 Grade 7 Open Day Wed 5 14:30 Toastmasters in AV1 Thurs 6 17:30 Grade 6 Open Evening Sat 8–Sun 9 Midmar Mile Tues 11 Government Schools Gala @ Maritzburg College Wed 12 14:30 Toastmaster in AV1 Thurs 13 -Sun 16 Vides Waterpolo Toun @ East London Fri 14 Valentines visits Fri 14 6:00-10:30 Junior Social



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SEACOM KZN provides businesses of all sizes with localised connectivity and business solutions. Should you wish to find out more, please contact Shelley Bergset, Regional Sales Manager at SEACOM KZN, on 082 803 9536.

New Parents Family Braai

Friday 24 January

All parents of new boys are invited to join the Headmaster and Staff Braais will be provided. Bring your own meat, salad, rolls etc and drinks. Please also bring your own cutlery, crockery and glasses. Mr Viljoen's welcome at 5:30 pm.

Pearls SABC High School Career Expo

Grade 12 to the Pearls SABC High School Career Expo **Friday 31 January and Saturday 1 February** for $1\frac{1}{2}$ - 2 hours. There will be motivational talks to learners on careers.

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10 MONTHS OF AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

FEBRUARY:	Northwood Against Bullying
MARCH:	Dangers of Substance Abuse
APRIL:	Anti-Discrimination
MAY:	Mental Health Awareness
JUNE:	Social Media Safety For Teens
JULY:	Heritage Month
AUGUST:	Men Against Women and Child Abuse
SEPTEMBER:	Environmental Awareness
OCTOBER:	HIV and Sexually Transmitted Diseases Awareness
NOVEMBER:	Northwood Against Cruelty to Animals



Smalls

These mini adverts are put in as a community service and are not specifically endorsed by Northwood.

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Communication at Northwood

We have numerous communication platforms in place which enable Northwood parents and students to be kept up-to-date with all the latest academic, sport and cultural news.



The D6 Communicator plays an integral part in our communication, not only with news, instant alerts etc., but as a resource in terms of academic content and important information Please download from either the Google Play Store, Apple App Store, or visit www.d6technology.com/downloads/school



Our recently revamped school website offers a complete overview of our school's ethos along with information on our Knights and Corbishley Ellis Foundation. A tour of our facilities is on offer, as well as direct link to our Payment Portal, Newsletters and important contact information.

www.northwoodschool.co.za



Our school facebook page has a vibrant and growing community of over 5000 followers, showcasing our latest news, events and achievements.

Our facebook name is: Northwood School



Our dedicated Northwood Sport Website (SOCS) offers parents and students a comprehensive resource of fixtures, team lists, transport, match reports and more.

www.northwoodschoolsport.com

The newest addition to our social media platform is our Instagram feed. It offers a fun and relaxed view of school life at Northwood with most content being generated by the boys themselves.

Find us on Instagram: nwoodschool

To streamline payments we have introduced an Online Payment Portal which can be found on our school website or alternatively: payments@northwoodschool.co.za This portal offers parents the opportunity to pay for school tours, events, supporters gear etc.

payments.northwoodschool.co.za

Academics



MRS R STANLEY Email: <u>rstanley@nwood.co.za</u>

EXTRA LESSONS

Our extra lesson programme as published on the Programme of Assessment will begin on Monday 27 January.

LOWER CAMPUS RECEPTION

I am thrilled to welcome Mrs Shelley Stievenart to Northwood and specifically Lower Campus. Mrs Stievenart will be the go to person for any **GRADE 8** matters, please feel free to either email her at <u>lcadmin@nwood.co.za</u> or phone **0315636501 EXT 335.**

Learner Support Centre

for academic assistance

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The Learner Support Centre on lower campus will be running again from next week, providing academic assistance to any learners who wish to attend. This remedial program aims to complement our well-established Homework Centre on upper campus, run by Mrs Morton, and our extra lessons timetable run by individual teachers (available in the Northwood News and on POA's).

The Learner Support Centre will have targeted lessons on a Tuesday and Thursday (supervised by teachers), and be open as a general homework venue on a Monday and Wednesday (supervised by academic mentors) from after school until 4:00pm.

On a Tuesday, Mrs Hartwig will be available to assist learners, whose home language is not English, with English Home Language. Learners may attend the extra Maths lessons for grade 8 and 9 learners in Mr Hosking (gr 8) and Miss Bristow's (gr 9) classrooms on upper campus.

On a Thursday, Mrs Domun will be available to assist learners with English Home Language remediation. Mrs Prins will be in the Learner Support Centre on Tuesday and Thursdays to assist with Afrikaans remedial lessons and general homework, organization and planning.

If you have any queries, please contact Mrs L Scott (lindas@nwood.co.za)

Extra lessons for Maths:

Grade 8: Tuesday (Mr Hosking) Grade 9: Tuesday (Miss Bristow) Grade 10: Monday (Mrs Scott) Grade 11: Monday (Mrs Le Roux)

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

Rorthwood

SPORTS MEDICINE CENTRE

Phone Number: 031 564 7675 *Address:* 47 Mackeurtan Avenue, Durban North

Email: <u>medicalcentrenorthwood@gmail.com</u>

Open Hours: 8:30am-8pm

Practitioners: Senzo Mthembu – Physiotherapist Dr Bruce Douglas – Chiropractor Ace Hendricks - A&H Elite Professional Sports Recovery

Sport & Culture

MR G. LE ROUX

Email: gleroux@nwood.co.za

Thank you to all our parents and boys for a seamless start to the season. All 6 buses this past Saturday left on time, which is impressive particularly with 360 boys that needed to be transported. Our boys represented us exceptionally well on the day and we are very proud of their appearance and manners.

I have included some pointers which were in last week's edition of the Northwood News in case there were parents that did not get a chance to read the first Northwood News of the year

For all our new parents, here are a few pointers that might assist in helping you find your feet from an extra mural point of view.

- All learners are expected to be involved in the extra mural sphere of the school.
- Boys are expected to maintain their commitment for their activity throughout the season and year.
- All sports details are available on our sports website, <u>www.northwoodschoolsport.com</u>. This is the singular point of call for all things sport. In the week leading up to fixtures you will find the team list added after the last practice of the week, the transport arrangements, meeting times, return times and so on. Please pay close attention to this as boys are NOT given slips about their weekend involvement. There are TV's around our school that display this information to our boys so there should be no misunderstanding or confusion.
- For ALL fixtures whether home or away boys are to arrive in FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM with blazer and tie. This is to be worn on the way to a fixture, and returning from a fixture. Boys may not arrive for a fixture or leave in their match kit.
- For practises however, boys are to train in their PE kit only. Thereafter they are to exit the school with closed shoes, and a zipped up tracksuit top.
- School Pupil Insurance and adequate medical cover are highly recommended. Please see this link for options in this regard. <u>https://www.schoolssports.com/school/resource.ashx?RID=78730bef-7247-4479-a25e-61660a4660c1&ID=27543</u>
- Boys may travel with their parents if they are travelling for an away fixture. They are however required to inform the Master in Charge (MiC) at the Friday Sports meeting.
- Please visit the sports website should you require any of the contact details of the specific Masters in Charge.

Our sports website should be up and running with full team lists that will be loaded at the last practice session of each week before a fixture.

We wish all our boys the best for this weekend's fixtures.

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

