Northwood News

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From the Headmaster's Desk

Dear Parents

As we move towards the formal return to school I want to thank all of our parents for their patience in awaiting directive from me. In times such as these it seems that the goalposts are continuously shifting.

Every day new policies, processes and guidelines are released for schools, often to my great frustration and surely yours, as we are all so desperately seeking some consistency and "normality" in our daily routine.

We are very fortunate that we can accommodate a full return to school, however, this can only be done safely and effectively if we all meet all protocols. I therefore urge our parents to be honest about their son's physical well-being, to support us in ensuring boys wear masks, control their social interaction and generally meet the expectations of health and safety.

We all want our boys at school every day, but if we don't manage the situation well, if the boys don't maintain their discipline or we don't enforce policies, we will have to go back to a situation where we reduce the learner attendance. I thank you in advance for your support.

A reminder that we have also now received a revised school calendar,

which forces us to adapt our yearly planner, including assessments, events, fixtures etc. Once we have had proper engagement around dates and assessment expectations I will communicate these changes to you.

In terms of the online teaching program, we are pleased with the positive feedback we have received from our parents and with our boys' enthusiastic participation. We are continuing our efforts to improve on this offering and in fact on the quality of our network. Should there be any further disruptions during the year we will certainly be able to continue our academic lessons.

On a positive note, I want to thank our parents, staff and Old Boys for their support in raising the funds we needed to provide a much- needed wheelchair for one of our community children. Generosity and kindness are two characteristics that define the culture of our community and as such I feel truly blessed to part of this amazing place.

"To be doing good is indeed man's most glorious task."

Have a blessed weekend.

PP Viljoen

Galatians 6:9 "Let us not grow weary or become discouraged in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap, if we do not give in."

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Quote of the Week

"Love isn't practical. It isn't meant to be easy. It doesn't appear on command. It doesn't let you fall for whomever you'd like. It surfaces neither at the most opportune moment nor in the most convenient. It'll pair you with someone you might never have expected. It'll put you face to face with endless obstacles. But in the end. none of that will matter because it is how you overcome its obstacles that will define your love. It may not be practical, but love is ultimately the best thing that will happen to you." ~ Malarky



GRADE 8 ORIENTATION AND BELL RINGING

It is important for all parents and boys to download the D6 application . We use this for communication on a daily basis. Grade 8 parents, please read the letter that was placed on D6 as well as the order of events for Saturday 13 February. Your son's Registration Teacher is also available to answer any questions you may have.

ONLINE LESSONS

Please note that online lessons will not continue after Friday 12 February as all boys are back at school from Monday 15 February.

We are looking forward to welcoming our boys back to Northwood and will begin with the academic programme with DAY 1. Grade 8, 9 and 12 have their timetables and grade 10 and 11 will receive theirs on Monday.

NATIONAL BENCHMARK TEST TRAINING

All grade 12 learners are encouraged to do the NBT Training for their NBT test. We have made it earlier this year to give them more time to choose a date for the actual test. Please see letter and booking details on D6.







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The lunch you have all been waiting for!

From 1 March to 31 March, Monday to Saturday. Ladies dining with ladies enjoy a starter and a main, or a main and a dessert from our new, seasonal menu as well as a complimentary drink.

2 Course Menu Complimentary drink R195 per person (Excluding additional drinks and gratuity) Bookings are essential. Reservations will be available from 12:00pm.

For more information, and to book, please contact our Reservations Team on 031 001 0200 or email reception@thechefstable.co.za.

Ladies dining with ladies only. T&C Apply.

Mon - Thurs

SPORTS

MEDICINE CENTRE

Rorthwood

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

Email: <u>medicalcentrenorth-</u> wood@gmail.com

Open Hours: 8am - 5pm

Practitioners:

Ace Hendricks – A&H Elite Professional Sports Recovery Nicole Redman – Physiotherapist Dr Kevin Worth – Chiropractor Ashleigh Reynolds – Counsellor Naina Bhikha – Counsellor Amanda Hawke – Physiotherapist Rogan Heyns – Biokineticist

The Medical Centre is open for business with strict Covid-19 protocols in place.



HOMEWORK CENTRI TIMES:

One-on-one assistance Focused subject guidance Exam preparation Assisting with amalgamation of study Schedule Reinforce learning with fun Balance between learning and laughter Experienced teacher to facilitate learning



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Northwood Prayer Group

All parents and supporters of Northwood School are invited to join the prayer group. If you would like more information please contact Annie Steele on 083 448 9487..



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SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL BY SHOPPING AND FILLING UP AT CALTEX NORTHLANDS AND WIN YOUR 2022 SCHOOL FEES TO THE VALUE OF R50000. YOUR SCHOOL GETS REWARDED EVERY TIME YOU SHOP OR FILL UP AT CALTEX



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BAYALA PRIVATE SAFARI LODGE AND CAMP:

Enjoy a 2 night getaway over valentines week for R7000 per couple Includes dinner, breakfast & game drive daily, as well as a bush dining experience.

Contact Lizel on reservations@bayala.co.za for more information and bookings

ROOF RATS: Ceiling vacuuming/Roof Cleaning/ Waterproofing/ Roof Painting/ Roof Repairs/ Animal Exclusion/ Ceiling Repairs/ High Level Cleaning/ Insulation/ Plumbing/ Pest Control/ Gutter Guards/ Burglar Baffle/ Solar &Electric Geyser Installation. Contact Vernon 064 666 7035; Office072 767 1999; Inquiries 031 198 280; Email info@roofrats.co.za; website riifrats.co.za

MATHS AND PHYSICS PRIVATE TUITION available. One-on-one or classes. Grades 6-11. Whatsapp or call 081 369 1463 for pricing.

PURE BLISS OFFERING THE FOLLOWING: Ladies 50ml Perfumes R130 (62 Variant Fragrances) Men's 50ml Perfumes R150 (30 Variant Fragrances) Ladies & Men's 5ml Testers R30 Pure Bliss Hand & Nail Lotion and Liquid Soap (Lemongrass, Lime & Ginger) R50 each Pure Bliss Mozzie Spray (Lemongrass/ Peppermint) R60 Therabody Facial Range from R40 Wow Cleansing Clothes from R90 Face Spacers (Small or Large) R50 Please visit our online shopping website <u>www.pure-</u> bliss.co.za or contact Jo on 083 287 9856



2nd Hand Uniform Shop

Situated on Lower Campus next to Northwood Gear.

Please feel free to drop off your clean and good condition uniforms and kit.

Times will resume to the usual Wednesday from 1.30 to 3:30pm from 17 February .

Contact Lesley Sleeman on 073 202 4290.





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