

Northwood News

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From the Headmaster's Desk

Dear Parents

As I write my final newsletter of the term I would like to shift my focus away from the usual dialogue. You have seen my letters are always focused on the school, its boys, its staff, its Old Boys or its activities, but never really speak about our parents. So today my writing will be about you, the precious parents of our boys and partners to our school.

I would like to honour you for who you are – in my mind you all deserve massive accolades. I always speak about the strength and resilience of our boys, how tough they are and how well they are coping with the current adversity. But honestly, so are you. I meet with you, you call me and email me and I can see, hear and read the tiredness and despair in many of your voices. Yet, without fail, you continue to love, support and care for your sons. You continue to be patient when I have to communicate sudden and unexpected changes. You bend over backwards to pay your sons' school and boarding fees, even though I know how tough it is just to make ends meet. You forgive me and my staff when we make mistakes, you praise and encourage, and give selflessly of yourself and your means whenever I ask. You don't act entitled, you don't threaten you don't anger easily and are always willing to serve your son and the school in the best possible way.

It is not easy to be a parent in the current climate. It is not easy to be a wife, a husband, a father or a mother when all seems so messed up, pressurised or confusing but you do and you do it well.

Parents, today I honour and thank you for being good human beings, amazing, loving and caring parents and members of our school. You are so precious and so appreciated.

May the good Lord continue to strengthen you and your loved ones. May He continue to keep you all safe, and bless you beyond belief.

I would not swop my Northwood parents for anyone else! May you have a good rest.

Quote of Week

"Children have this amazing way of becoming exactly who we tell them they are. If we tell them they are strong, they become strong. If we tell them they are kind, they become kind. If we tell them they are capable, they become capable. Speak life into your child, so they will have what it takes to tackle their own life one day."

~ Amy Weatherly



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Academics

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Dear Parents

I am sure that you are all aware of the announcement made by the President. The move to a level 4 lockdown does have implications for many sectors, including education.

We are fortunate that the announcement has come at a time when all curriculum coverage has been completed and that the only impact is now on the assessment program. This is not a difficult impact to manage. In reality, the holiday starts a week earlier with schools scheduled to reopen a week earlier on the 19th of July, so no school days will be lost.

In terms of the way forward please note the following:

- ☐ All tests scheduled for this week will continue until Wednesday, the 30th of June.
- ☐ During the latter part of the first week of term 3, and the second week of term 3, the tests scheduled for Thursday and Friday and next week will be written. Because these tests are spread out over a longer period of time, boys will have lessons as per normal after they have completed the day's tests and will leave school at normal break up times. This will allow for term 3 curriculum coverage to start immediately.

The assessment schedule that speaks to the above changes has been uploaded to the D6 and appears below.

Naturally the boys will now receive their statement of results later in term 3, but rest assured it will be issued as soon as possible after the conclusion of the revised assessment period.

I want to thank all of our parents for their continued support. Your boys are in good hands and we will continue to underpin our decisions based on what is best for them.

Regards
P P Viljoen

June/July Tests 2021.

| DATE | GRADE 8 | GRADE 9 | GRADE 10 | GRADE 11 | GRADE 12 |
|-------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Thurs 22/07 | EMS (1 hr) | Geog (1 hr) | LO (1 hr) | EGD (1 hr) | Life Sci (1 hr) |
| Fri 23/07 | English (1 hr) | History (1 hr) | Maths/Maths Lit | Account/Music | Phys Science |
| Tues 27/07 | History (1 hr) | LO (1 hr) | English | Maths/Maths Lit | Geog |
| Wed 28/07 | Creative Arts/ Music | Phys Sci (1 hr) | Afri/Zulu | Life Sci (1hr) | Account/Music |
| Thurs 29/07 | Life Sci (1 hr) | Tech (1 hr) | Phys Sci | LO (1 hr) | English |
| Fri 30/07 | Maths | Afri/Zulu | Account/Music | Geog (1 hr) | EGD (1 hr) |
| Mon 02/08 | NORMAL SCHOOL DAY | | | AP Maths (1 hr) | History |

All tests 08h00 to 09h30 unless otherwise stated.

All papers 1½ hours unless indicated otherwise

Normal lessons continue from 09h45



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SPORTS

MEDICINE CENTRE

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

Phone Number: 031 564 7675

Address: 47 Mackeurtan Ave,
Durban North

Email: medicalcentrenorthwood@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

Northwood Gear

DURING TEST BLOCK: 09:30—10:30

Business Hours

Tuesday to Thursday 1.30 to 3.15

Friday 1.15 to 2.30

Monday and Saturday CLOSED

Queries – 083 691 0135

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ZERO SHADES OF GREY

Safeguarding your child against the allure and danger of porn and online sex

A talk by Christy Herselman

For parents & caregivers of
children with internet access

Thursday 8 July
7.30pm via Zoom

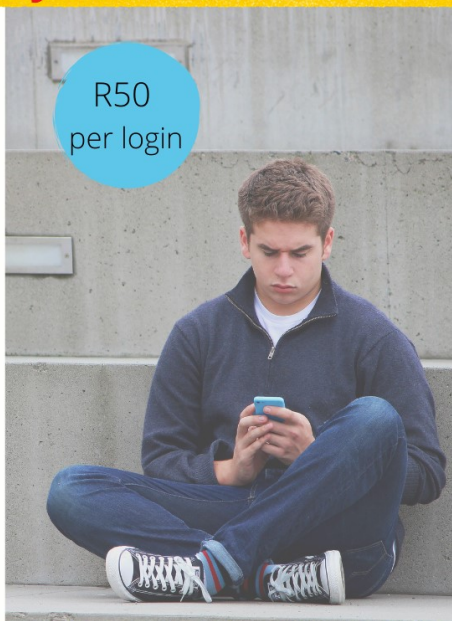
Topics include:

- Dangerous myths about porn
- Data, stats and facts
- Impact on their bodies & brains
- Impact on their relationships
- Impact on sexual health & future
- Impact on the world
- How to talk about it
- How to help

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www.thechat.co.za/current-chats

R50
per login



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Situated on Lower Campus next to Northwood Gear.

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

Times: Wednesdays from 1.30 to 3:30pm

Contact Lesley Sleeman on 073 202 4290.



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