



PARENT'S INFORMATION EVENING GRADE 6

25 January 2012

HALL SESSION

- Mr Rushby presented information to parents on how to go about selecting a high school that fits their child

CLASS ROOM SESSION

- Parents signed register
- Parents are encouraged to help their children become resilient and independent by allowing them to take responsibility for their actions and dealing with the consequences appropriately. Do not be afraid to put boundaries in place and do not be trapped into believing that 'everybody is doing it'!
- The following information was presented:

The school is promoting the following in order to help learners learn and study more effectively:

“ BRAIN” FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT

- **Threat Free Environment**
Acceptance, Love & Connection
Positive Reinforcement
Realistic Expectations
Clear Boundaries
- **Introduction of Study Skills**
Music, Rhythm, Rhyme, Humour, Movement, Novelty, Meaning & Connections, Planning, Processing Time
- **Healthy Eating**
Power snacks , Fruit, Sandwiches etc
NO JUNK FOOD please!
Water in class and when working at home
- **Sleep (min 8 Hours)**
Central place to keep cell phones after bedtime
Regular bed times
- **Regular Exercise** to be encouraged
Limit television watching & gaming

Highlights of Grade 6

- Grade 6 Camp to Jonkershoek (15 – 17 Feb) R550 per child
- Public Speaking Competition – third term
- Outings to: Seal Island; wetlands at Silvermine (Clovelly); a visit to the filtration plant Table Mountain; a visit to the Heart Transplant Museum at Groot Schuur; a hike at Olifantsbos in Cape Point Nature Reserve and a trip on the Topless Bus.

Communication

- Parents are encouraged to use the diary to communicate with the class teacher.
- Parents may email class teacher, but should bear in mind the school's email policy.
- The channels of communication are as follows: first to the class teacher, if necessary to the Grade leader and then to the phase head.

Assessment

- There are 4 reports issued during the year.
- The first report forms the basis of the discussion at the 'Meet the Teachers' meetings at the end of the first term. Some of these marks may be higher or lower than usual as they are based on a few assessments.
- A test series is completed at the end of the second term and an exam series at the end of the year.
- If children miss the test/exam series for any reason, they cannot be made up so we recommend that parents do not plan to travel at this time.

Discipline Structures

- The relevant pages in the school diary need to be read and adhered to. In Grade 6 we set strict boundaries and a child whose hair or uniform is not acceptable will receive a green card to notify the parents and thereafter, if necessary, a community service session.

- Cell phones are not allowed at school without a note from the parents. We encourage parents to limit their children's access to mixit and face book especially late at night.
- Homework which is left at home, not done or incomplete receives a Homework offence. Three of these lead to detention. Please monitor both homework offences and detentions and sign where necessary.
- All learners must have a phone card as no phone calls may be made from the office except when a child is ill.

General

- Parents are asked to encourage their children to read at least three of our Afrikaans readers per term.
- Grade 6 parents are asked to become involved with the planning and help at the grade 7 farewell. The class rep usually helps to coordinate the volunteers.
- Class rep was announced