



# *Laerskool* **Paardekraal**

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## **Newsletter 30/19 September 2025**

Dear Parents and Guardians

As spring has finally arrived, bringing warmer days and evenings, we encourage everyone to embrace this season of renewal and growth.

Please take note of the important information outlined below for the upcoming week:

### **ATTENDANCE AFTER THE TEST CYCLE:**

We kindly request that all learners continue attending school after the completion of the School-Based Tests. Our teachers will be engaging in critical teaching and learning activities for Term 4. As Term 4 is notably short, it is essential that we utilize every available day to ensure full coverage of the Adapted Teaching Plans.

We are aware that some learners inform their parents that school is closed after the tests, which leads to unnecessary absenteeism. Please be advised that school remains in session, and we encourage parents to contact the school directly if there is any uncertainty.

Furthermore, in the event of a learner's absence, a formal medical certificate or other official documentation is required. This documentation will allow the learner an opportunity to catch up on missed work or assessments. Until such proof is provided, the learner will be marked as "absent without a valid reason."

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

### **URGENT NOTICES:**

Urgent notices will be sent home on Monday and Tuesday next week with learners in Grades 4, 5, 6, and 7 whose parents are requested to attend a meeting regarding their child's academic performance in Term 3.

We are concerned that there are still Report Cards from Term 2 awaiting collection in the office for learners who did not meet the minimum academic requirements. Unfortunately, some parents did not attend their scheduled appointments to discuss these concerns.

We kindly urge all parents to honour these appointments. Your involvement and support play a vital role in your child's academic progress, and our teachers truly value your partnership in addressing any challenges.

### **HANDING OUT OF REPORT CARDS:**

Report Cards will be handed out to all learners who did not receive Urgent Notices on **Thursday, 2 October**, at the end of the school day.

Please ensure that your child is present on this day, as we will **not be able to accommodate parents for Report Card collection on Friday, 3 October** during school hours.

**E-mail: [laerskoolpaardekraal@absamail.co.za](mailto:laerskoolpaardekraal@absamail.co.za)**

**Pretoria Street, Private Bag X2038, Krugersdorp 1740, Tel: (011) 953-1930, Fax: (011) 953-1390**

We kindly request your cooperation in this matter. Unscheduled visits to collect Report Cards often cause unnecessary disruptions and lead to frustration. Your understanding and support help us maintain an orderly and respectful school environment.

### **GRADE RR AND GRADE R ENROLLMENTS FOR 2026:**

There are only a few spaces left for Grades RR and R for 2026. To avoid disappointment, please contact Ms Thembi Ntombela without delay should you wish to enrol your child into Grade RR or into Grade R for 2026.

### **CONSUMPTION OF ENERGY DRINKS:**

We hereby remind all learners and parents that the consumption and possession of energy drinks on school premises are strictly prohibited. Energy drinks are **banned completely** due to their harmful effects on health and their negative impact on learners' concentration and behaviour.

Any learner found with energy drinks will face immediate disciplinary action. We expect full compliance with this policy to ensure a safe and healthy learning environment for all.

Parents are urged to support the school by monitoring and preventing their children from bringing energy drinks to school. Thank you for your cooperation in upholding this important rule.

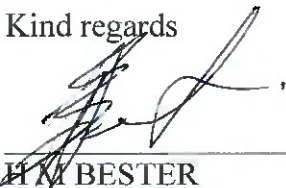
### **HERITAGE MONTH:**

- Heritage Month is celebrated annually in September.
- Heritage Day on 24 September, is celebrated annually to mark our nation's diverse culture and heritage. *Please note that there will be no school on 24 September, as it is a public holiday. Normal schooling will resume on 25 September.*
- Government calls on all South Africans to use Heritage Month to foster greater social cohesion, nation building and a shared national identity.
- The celebration of Heritage Month has created a conducive environment for all people to embrace and celebrate what was inherited or bequeathed to us by our forebears.
- We call on all South Africans to support the culture of reading and incorporate it into their daily lifestyles.
- It is important to encourage your children to visit a library and start reading at an early age so that they grow up with the passion for reading as this develops a broader vocabulary and increased general knowledge.

### **GENERAL:**

Enjoy a happy and warm weekend with your families.

Kind regards



H.A. BESTER  
Principal

*Respect for ourselves guides our morals, respect  
for others guides our manners.  
- Laurence Sterne*

#### **VISION & MISSION OF LAERSKOOL PAARDEKRAAL**

- Our vision is a smart delivery of quality public education, which promotes a dynamic citizenship for socio-economic growth and development in Gauteng and South Africa.
- We will be at the cutting edge of curriculum delivery and provide access to quality lifelong learning opportunities.



**Happy Heritage Day on 24 September.**