



Laerskool Paardekraal

Registration Number (EMIS): 700250803

Pay Point Number: 902076 / School ID Number: 4028002050009

Newsletter 31/26 September 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians

My hope is that you had an enjoyable and fun-filled and short week with your children and families.

Please take note of the following important information for the coming week:

HANDING OUT OF REPORT CARDS:

Report Cards will be handed out to all learners who did not receive Urgent Notices on **Thursday, 02 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.

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.

PAYMENTS RECEIVED WITHOUT PROPER REFERENCE:

Date Received:	Reference Showing on our Bank Statement:	Amount:
06-08-2025	Laerskool Paardekra	R3 000.00
18-08-2025	Laerskool Paardekra	R2 000.00

Please check your latest School Fee Statement from us!

We cannot allocate the payments above to the correct school fee account.

IF THIS IS YOU - PLEASE CONTACT US AND:

Email your proof of payment - With your child's details -(Child's Name, Surname, Grade & Class)

IF YOU HAVE A QUERY:

Please Contact: Ms Lynch on 0119531930 Ext.1

Or send an email to:

joey@paardies.co.za

OR

louise@paardies.co.za

E-mail: laerskoolpaardekraal@absamail.co.za

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

HERITAGE DAY CELEBRATIONS:

Although Heritage Day was officially observed on the 24th of September, due to the recent fundraisers and the school's already full programme, we have decided to postpone our school's Heritage Day celebrations to **Wednesday, 2 October**.

We encourage all learners to come dressed in traditional or cultural attire on the day, as a way of celebrating and appreciating the diverse cultures that make up our nation. To participate, we kindly request a **small donation of R10 per learner**, which can be handed in to the class teacher.

If your child does not have traditional clothing, there is no need to purchase anything new. Instead, learners are welcome to wear something that reflects South African pride, such as a national rugby or soccer jersey.

We look forward to seeing the vibrant display of clothing that represents the rich heritage of South Africa.



GENERAL BEHAVIOUR OF CERTAIN CHILDREN:

It is with deep concern that I address a matter which continues to impact the learning environment at Laerskool Paardekraal.

While most of our learners attend school with a positive attitude and a willingness to learn, we are increasingly facing serious disruptions from a small group of learners whose behaviour is unacceptable and detrimental to both teaching and learning.

Some of the issues currently being experienced include:

- Teachers being sworn at, intimidated, and disrespected by learners.
- Learners refusing to hand in work and shouting at teachers when asked to complete tasks.
- Objects being thrown at teachers during lessons.
- Disruptive noises, such as animal sounds, being made in class to interrupt lessons.
- Learners walking around during class time, engaging in theft, bullying others, and encouraging further disruption.

These behaviours are not only a violation of our school's code of conduct, but they also compromise the safety and well-being of both staff and fellow learners.

We are grateful for the many parents who continue to support the school and respond promptly when contacted. However, there remain a few cases where parents are unresponsive and unwilling to engage with the school, despite repeated attempts to make contact. This has left us with no alternative but to begin formal disciplinary action.

In cases where behaviour crosses into criminal conduct, we will have no choice but to involve legal authorities. This could result in charges being brought against the learners involved, which will require parental presence in court, as the learners are minors. In addition, we are initiating the necessary steps to recommend expulsion for those who persistently disrupt the school environment and show a complete disregard for learning, discipline, and authority.

We must prioritise the safety and education of all learners and cannot allow the actions of a few to undermine the efforts of the many.

We remind all parents that you remain your child's primary caregiver and that your involvement in addressing behavioural concerns is not optional. Your cooperation is essential to ensuring a safe and respectful learning environment for everyone.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter and for your continued support.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: EARLY SCHOOL CLOSURES NEXT WEEK:

Please be advised of the following early dismissal times for next week:

- **Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday:** School will close at **13:00**
- **Thursday:** School will close at **12:00**
- **Friday:** School will close at **11:00**

Kindly ensure that appropriate transport arrangements are made, as there will be **no supervision** available after the specified dismissal times.

GENERAL:

Thank you to all parents for the continued support to the school. We value you as partners in the process to raise and educate our children. Enjoy the weekend with your friends and family.

Kind regards

"It is not our job to toughen our children up to face a cruel and heartless world. It is our job to raise children who will make the world a little less cruel and heartless"

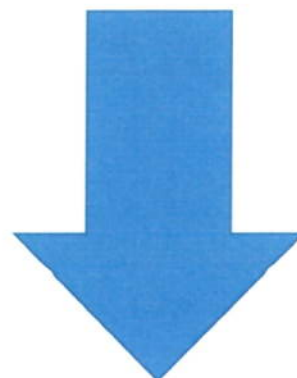
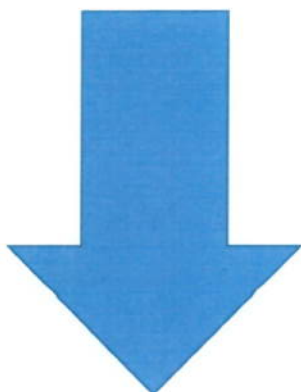
— L. R. Knost

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Principal

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.

**Please find below a notice for
our upcoming AGM / Budget
meeting.**



**AGM / BUDGET PRESENTATION MEETING:
(Thursday 30 October and / or Thursday 06 November 2025)**

Dear Parents

The South African Schools Act states as follows:

sec. 37(3) of Act 84 of 1996 prior to amendment by Act 57 of 2001

38. Annual budget of public school. — (1) A governing body of a public school must prepare a budget each year according to prescriptions determined by the Member of the Executive Council in a Provincial Gazette, which shows the estimated income and expenditure of the school for the following financial year.

[Sub-s. (1) substituted by s. 7 of Act No. 57 of 2001.]

Wording of Sections:

(2) Before a budget referred to in subsection (1) is approved by the governing body, it must be presented to a general meeting of parents convened on at least 30 days' notice, for consideration and approval by most parents present and voting.

(3) The notice contemplated in subsection (2) must also inform the parents that the budget will be available for inspection at the school at least 14 days prior to the meeting.

[Sub-s. (3) Added by s. 7 of Act No. 50 of 2002.]

A General Meeting for Parents to approve the Budget for 2026 will take place on Thursday 30 October 2025. Should it be necessary to amend the budget, or if a quorum is not present at the meeting on the 30th, notice is hereby given for the next meeting to take place on Thursday 13 November 2025, where the meeting will be concluded irrespective whether a quorum is present or not.

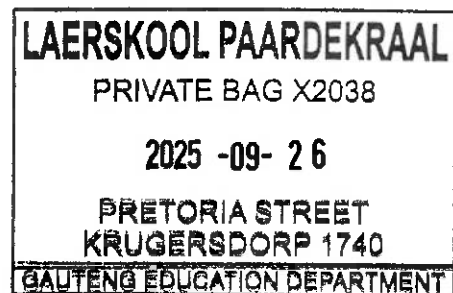
Details for both meetings are as follows:

Place: School Hall- Laerskool Paardekraal

Time: 14:00

Agenda for meeting:

- Opening and welcome
- Register and Apologies
- Chairperson's Address
- Financial Report (Audited Financial Statements)
- Budget Presentation
- Exemptions
- Resolutions
- Closure



Kind Regards

Mr M C Cunningham
SGB Chairperson