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HEADMASTER'S NEWSLETTER #37

20 OCTOBER 2020

Break Up Day – Friday, 23 October

- School closes on **Friday, 23 October** and will re-open on **Monday, 02 November**.
- School will close at 10h00 for Grade 4 - 7
- School will close at 10h30 for Grade 1 - 3
- Please make arrangements to collect your child promptly at the close of school.

I wish all staff and families a wonderful well-deserved 5-day break, after an uncommonly long 12-week Term. This in preparation for a very short 6-week 4th Term. The end of the school year will be with us, before we know it.

Term 4 – School Times

- **Grade 1 - 2:**
Opening Time: 07h30-08h00 Closing Time: 13h05 (Sport: 14h05)
- **Grade 3 - 7:**
Opening Time: 07h00-07h30 Closing Time: 14h05 (Sport: 15h30)

Thank You

I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to all Laddsworth stakeholders for the way in which everyone has adapted to the 'new' normal that the Covid-19 pandemic has forced us to endure. Laddsworth has coped exceptionally well with these challenges.

Thank you:

1. For the tremendous lengths the staff have gone to, to ensure that the syllabus has been fully covered.
2. To the school maintenance staff who have ensured that the school remains clean and hygienic.
3. For the flawless operation of the administration staff making certain that the school functioned well.
4. For the extra effort made by the pupils to obey the new rules, work hard to catch up on what was missed during the Lockdown and enduring the frustration of all the new Covid-19 protocols.
5. For the support of parents in ensuring that Lockdown Homework was completed and that the school was supported in all areas, logistically, physically, emotionally and financially.

Collectively we have achieved an outcome that has surpassed all expectations. We will complete the full academic syllabus and the pupils will be well-prepared to progress to their new grades next year.

AGM/ Budget Meeting

Please diarise the date for the Laddsworth AGM and Budget Meeting, which will be held at 18h00 on **Tuesday, 10 November, in the School Hall.**

Hair, Nail and Uniform Inspection

Hair, Nail and Uniform Inspection will take place on **Monday 2 November 2020**. Many boys are in desperate need of a haircut. We are proud of our Laddsworth uniform and ask that all children wear it with pride and make every effort to look neat.

School Fees for 2020

We thank those families who have paid their fees and for their on-going commitment to Laddsworth. Should your fees still be in arrears, please contact Mrs van Veenendaal as a matter of urgency to resolve the situation.

School (Summer) Uniform – Term 4

All pupils will return to school next term on **Monday, 02 November 2020**, wearing their **summer uniforms**. Please ensure that your child's summer uniform is in order, as the Uniform Shop will **NOT** be open during the school holidays.

Term 4 – Grade 1 & 2 Sporting Activities

Voluntary non-contact, JP Sport (Grade 1 and 2) will commence on **Monday, 2 November 2020**. A reply slip with more details has been sent home today. Please complete this and return to school by **Thursday, 22 October 2020** so that Mrs Wolhuter can plan to accommodate the number of children that will be participating. A non-contact policy and strict sanitisation protocols will apply.

Term 4 – Grade 3-7 Sporting Activities

Laddsworth will be starting a voluntary non-contact SP (Grade 3 – 7) Sports Skills programme after school from **Monday, 2 November 2020**.

The following non-contact sports will be offered to Grade 3 – 7 pupils:
Cricket, Boys Soccer, Girls Tennis, Grade 5, 6 and 7 Girls Basketball, Girls Hockey.

Pupils will attend the sports codes offered in grades, as opposed to age groups. There will not be any team selection, or fixtures played in the 4th term. A non-contact policy and strict sanitisation protocols will apply. The sports programme has been posted under RESOURCES on the D6+ Connect.

Term 4 - Aftercare

Aftercare will resume from **Monday, 2 November 2020**. Pupils must obey strict social distancing and hygiene protocols. Pupils **MUST** be collected no later than 17h15.

Term 4 - Tuckshop Online Ordering

The Tuckshop will reopen for online orders and **deliveries to class rooms only**. Please see ordering instructions which have been posted under RESOURCES on the D6+ Connect. The new Tuckshop website is (<https://laddsworthtuckshop.co.za/>).

Student Study Permits for 2021

Pupils who require Student Study Permits for 2021 are reminded to send a copy of next year's permit to Mrs Jager (admissions@laddsworth.co.za), as a matter of urgency.

Siyabonga Collection

We are collecting items for the Siyabonga Centre. This enables us to show our support for those children less privileged than our selves.

We are encouraging each Grade to donate according to the items listed below:

- **Grade 1 - 3:**
crayon sets, small plastic cars or skipping ropes.
- **Grade 4 & 5:**
beach balls, bouncy balls, pencil crayons or koki pens, notebooks or A5 exercise books, hair decorations.
- **Grade 6 & 7:**
deodorant, body lotion, hand cream, soap, facecloth, toothbrush and toothpaste.



Due to the COVID-19 Health and Safety protocols at Laddsworth, please drop items off at the **Hilton Quarry SuperSpar** (not with class teachers).

Thank you for supporting this worthwhile cause, by providing a little Christmas cheer, to those less fortunate than ourselves.

Stationery for 2021

The 2021 stationery list for Grade 1 to 7 pupils has been uploaded under RESOURCES (Stationery List for 2021). Certain stationery items for pupils in 2021 will need to be provided by parents.

You are free to purchase your child's stationery from any supplier, but please ensure that the quality of items purchased are identical to that which is specified on the Grade Stationery Requirement list for 2021.

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Choose Safe,
Simple and Secure
Shopping

STAY HOME, STAY
Safe

#stayhome
#staySAFE
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AIM HIGH

COVID-19 has changed the way we live, work and shop.
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The new and improved shopping experience is certain to impress.

- Select your region/province
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- Personalise your list to suit your requirements
- Add list to cart
- Continue shopping for additional items from the home page
- Once complete, review your cart and follow the standard checkout process

Scan QR code to visit website

If you would like to use the convenience of Walton's Back to School 'new online ordering, payment and delivery/collection system', the details are as follows.

Kind regards

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Mr G Lambooy
HEADMASTER

Thoughts from the Headmaster

“A pessimist is one who makes difficulties of his opportunities and an optimist is one who makes opportunities of his difficulties.”

Harry S. Truman

“We can complain because rose bushes have thorns, or rejoice because thorn bushes have roses.”

Abraham Lincoln