

Walvis Bay Private High School



NEWSLETTER 2—24 JANUARY 2020

STAFF DYNAMICS



At WBPBS we continue to have the desire to constantly improve our teaching capacity. Professional development is non-negotiable as it helps schools improve their work towards equity. This year we embarked on a session where fun, laughter and creativity highlighted the event. On Friday 17 January 2020 in the Media Centre of WBPBS, Dr Rudi Koekemoer presented a workshop to emphasize the importance of teamwork and exceptional communication. The three pillars of exceptional communication (Aristotle's Rhetorical Proofs) consists of Ethos, Pathos and Logos. Ethos refers to one's credibility and how much trust you earn from others. You are only as credible and trustworthy as other people perceive you to be. Pathos refers to the emotional response, or feelings generated in the person you are communicating with. Logos refers to how reasonable, rational, and logical the other person finds your position, request or argument to be, as they see it. He combined the session with exploring the creativity of the staff to emphasize the staff's vision for the school.

TOP 10 CANDIDATES—END OF 2019



Grade 4: Kevin Mostert, Lj Coetzee, Tori Celotto, Jayden Pretorius, Miguel Lloyd, Rowan van Vuuren, Shaun Carstens, Kira Jacobie, AJ Bruwer, Marlee Mans (1st)

Grade 5: Danelle Swart, Damian Kotze, , Liam Blaauw, Sebastian van Vuuren, James van Zyl, Johan van Wyk, Abigail Fourie, Dreyer Oberholzer, David Bissett, Teniell Sowden (1st)



Grade 6: Ryan Pretorius, Simoné Nasilowski, Minki Rudolph, Jendré Bruwer, Cheyenne Turner, Daniel Fourie, Christoffel Smit, Juané Brand, Larissa Jankowitz, Stefan Lotriet (1st)

Grade 7: Naomi Nghipulepo, Dionisio Dias, Leigh-marie Visser, Hendrik Viljoen, Willem Louwrens, Phillip du Plessis, Delia de Villiers, Magdel Pienaar, Waneka Venter, Anke Rudolph (1st)



Grade 8: Martin Bissett, Abraham Ambabi, Roché van Dam, Margenita Davids, Katya Dedekind, Juan Theunissen, Edwina Kamatoto, Ané Oberholzer, Nelrie Zwemstra, Laura Damster (1st),



Grade 9: Johannes Louw, Matthew Quinn, Janine Visser-Engels, Roberta Manale, Marcelle Myburgh, Renée Rabie, Mia van Wyk, Karli Rudolph, Hendrik Smit, Chris Fourie, (1st)



Grade 10: Lara van Rooyen, Carané van Zyl, Annabel Köhne, Erné Smal, Nikki Rabie, Anne Engels, Elvan Garcés, Ruan Lotriet, Laelan Willemse, Ané Schumacher (1st),



Grade 11: Kara Reichert, Amber Coetzee, Cáleigh Jordaan, Nicole Wittmann, Tihane Knowles, Amoré Koorts, Corné Engelbrecht, Mianka Robberts, Jamey Bruyns, Renaldo van der Merwe

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Dear Parents, Guardians, Teachers, Learners

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. DISCIPLINARY SYSTEM

The disciplinary system at Walvis Bay Private High School encourages positive behaviour. However, there is a need to balance it with the reality that all children prosper in an environment where there are boundaries, structures and routines. When a child chooses to cross a boundary, there must be a consequence. This enables a child to learn responsibility and a respect for authority. The disciplinary system is a huge and difficult responsibility. In order to maintain a culture of teaching and learning there must be a climate of order. The merit system was developed to enhance the disciplinary system at the school and relies on all the role-players to make an informed decision in order to deal decisively but effectively with the child.

Our disciplinary system has various levels:

Awareness notes (Grades 1—4); Star Charts (Grade 1—4); Negative Reports (Grade 5—12); Positive Reports (Grade 5-12); Detention, Interview with parents, disciplinary investigation, written warning, isolation, disciplinary hearing and a final written warning.

Detention takes place on Mondays between 14:00—15:00.

4. PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (PTA)

It is a tradition that the WBPBS PTA consists of parents who avail themselves unselfishly to assist with school activities and fundraising. Teachers avail themselves wholeheartedly to the Academic programme as well as the extra-mural programme of the school and we appreciate parents support and assistance with the PTA activities. The primary objectives of the PTA are to support the school through fundraising to improve facilities and provide opportunities, to assist the school with raising funds towards big capital projects, to provide excellent service by supplying hygienic snacks and food to the learners and guests at affordable prices during events, to facilitate parental participation in the school and encourage new families to integrate into the school's culture and be part of this extraordinary family.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards
EE Eigelaar
PRINCIPAL



CLOTHING STORE—SPORT SUN VISORS, CAPS & HATS



Please note the customized sport sun visors, sport caps and sport hats are in stock in the Clothing Store at N\$100.00 each. These are the compulsory head attire to be worn with our school sport wear and track suit during sport events and school outings. Please refrain from buying elsewhere and adhere to these prescriptions for the aid of uniformity and neatness. We appreciate your cooperation in this regard.

PRIMARY PHASE CLASS CAPTAINS 2020



Grade 4A: Natali Smit; Marius de Villiers

Grade 4B: Emma Quinn, Emile Vilbert

Grade 5A: Alisha Derks, Kevin Mostert;

Grade 5B: Anché Heydenrych,
Shuan Carstens;

Grade 6A: Leah Pretorius,
Tyro du Plessis;

Grade 6B: Zanita Mostert,
Dawid Bissett;

Grade 7A: Alina Barnard,
Logan Blaauw;

Grade 7B: Nicole Waetzoldt;
Ryan Stauder

PROCEDURE FOR COLLECTION OF LEARNERS DURING SCHOOL HOURS

If your child needs to be collected during school hours for whatever reason (sickness, medical appointment etc.), it is imperative that the following procedures are followed:

- Parents/guardians need to make pre-arrangements with the School Secretary Mrs Lettie van der Merwe (Primary Phase) and Mrs Janine de Vries (Secondary Phase), early in the morning or well in advance.
- Parents/guardians are to enter the school through the main entrance.
- Parents/guardians are to report to reception and under no circumstances go directly to the classroom.
- Parents/guardians will be required to sign him/her out.
- A student exit pass, stating that your child has been granted permission to leave school, will be given to you.

MIND MOVES AT WBPBS



The Anchor Guidance Centre conducts Mind Moves in collaboration with the Mind Moves institution of South Africa. Dr Melody de Jager is the founder of Mind Moves. Mind Moves include certain skills, movement, with appropriate values and knowledge of each to help remove learning barriers through movement in the class, such as emotional barriers, language barriers, learning style barriers, sensory stimulation and integration barriers. We are very proud and grateful towards Mrs Marietjie Poggenpoel and Mrs Natasha Geysler who drives the action at our school. The Mind Moves Institute recently launched an international competition and WBPBS was announced as the winners, an award that gave the school international recognition. St Joseph Primary School in Rehoboth was awarded the 3rd place in the competition.



WBPBS has come a long way with Mind Move actions at WBPBS, especially with the accreditation of Mrs Marietjie Poggenpoel and Mrs Natasha Geysler who on a regular basis train the staff in conducting the training. Therefore, we have felt it appropriate to hand the first prize, which includes first level training of the staff, over to St Joseph Primary School in Rehoboth. It is a worthwhile and humble gesture. We wish St Joseph Primary School in Rehoboth the best in their endeavour to optimise the work of the Mind Move programme.

PRIMARY SCHOOL LEARNERS' ATTENDANCE AT WBPBS SOCIAL EVENTS

It is of utmost importance that learners feel safe at WBPBS at all times. At each social event that takes place at WBPBS, outside of school hours, such as the Guppy Concert, etc., teachers are present. During school hours we take extreme measures to ensure that Primary and High School learners are kept apart. Please understand that it is a difficult task outside of school hours.

We therefore request parents with younger children, especially from Grades 1—7, to accompany their children to these events, or ensure that your child is accompanied by an adult. Thank you for your cooperation.

Friday 31 January 2020: Due to the Interhouse Athletics Meeting taking place on Friday 31 January 2020, no formal school will be held. The Primary Phase (Grade 1-7) learners are however welcome to attend the meeting and support their teams. Grade 1-4 learners must be accompanied by an adult.

Congratulations to Mrs Adele Bothma and her husband Johan on the birth of their baby girl. Our heartiest congratulations and we wish them much joy and happiness



Important

Reminders ▶

**Grade 1 Anchor Ceremony Thursday:
24 January 2020 from 08:00—09:00**
**Primary Phase Athletics Meeting Grade 1-7:
Saturday 25 January 2020**
Athletics Big Brag: Thursday 30 January 2020
Interhouse Athletics Meeting: Friday 31 January 2020
Grade 1 Food sale: 27 February 2020