



HOÛRSKOOL SILVERTON
NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS, STAFF AND LEARNERS
FRIDAY, 28 AUGUST 2026
SILVIES@60 | HONOUR THE PAST, SHAPE THE FUTURE

Dear Parents/Guardians, Staff and Learners

As August draws to a close, I thank our school community for the discipline, patience and support shown during a demanding assessment period. Our Grade 12 learners are continuing with their preliminary examinations, while Grades 8–11 remain focused on their test programme and daily learning.

Progress is built through the ordinary things we do faithfully: arriving on time, attending every day, preparing properly and treating one another with respect. Let us finish this part of the term with purpose and keep working together so that no learner is left behind.

PARENT PARTNERSHIP

Strong routines at home help learners arrive ready to learn.

PACKED LUNCH

PLEASE: Every learner must arrive at school with a packed lunch.

- Food may not be delivered to learners during the school day.
- Please do not leave food or cash for learners at the front office.
- Good planning protects teaching time and allows the office to serve parents and learners effectively.

NO SELLING OF SWEETS

Learners may not sell sweets or other items at school. Parents/Guardians who permit this practice will be charged in line with school rules.

SCHOOL FEES – PRIORITY

Please prioritise school fees and keep accounts up to date. These funds help the school meet its daily responsibilities and support learning.

NO CELLPHONES – NO EXCEPTIONS

Cellphones must remain at home. Gate searches continue and any cellphone found will be confiscated in line with the Code of Conduct.

UNIFORM CHANGE FROM 1 SEPTEMBER

Please ensure that every learner is ready for the new month.

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AUGUST

FINAL DAY FOR SCHOOL TRACKSUITS. From Tuesday, 1 September, school tracksuits may no longer be worn as the daily school uniform. Learners must report in the correct prescribed school uniform, worn neatly and with pride.

ACADEMIC FOCUS – THE FINAL STRETCH

Every remaining lesson and assessment opportunity matters. Preparation must continue at school and at home.

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A FRESH WEEK, A CLEAR PURPOSE

Learners must arrive on time, bring the correct books and stationery, and follow the assessment timetable carefully. Absence during assessments places unnecessary pressure on the learner.

GRADES 8–11

- Follow the test timetable
- Revise daily
- Complete outstanding classwork

Learners must use feedback from teachers to correct mistakes and strengthen weak areas.

GRADE 12

- Attend every examination
- Arrive well before the session
- Use revision time wisely
- Protect sleep and wellbeing

The preliminary examinations are an important step towards the final NSC examinations.

LATE ARRIVAL – PARENTS MUST TAKE RESPONSIBILITY

It is unacceptable to drop a learner at the gate after school has started and drive away without reporting or giving an explanation.

**ARRIVE BEFORE
07:25**

**DO NOT DROP AND
DRIVE AWAY**

**CALL THE RELEVANT
GRADE GUARDIAN**

**RESPECT STAFF
AND PROCEDURES**

**GIVE AN HONEST
EXPLANATION**

**PROTECT EVERY
LEARNING MINUTE**

A WORD TO OUR LEARNERS

Your future is shaped by the choices you make when nobody is watching.

BE PRESENT

Come to school every day and arrive on time. A missed lesson can become a gap that is difficult to close.

DO THE NEXT RIGHT THING

Prepare honestly, follow instructions and ask for help before a small concern becomes a serious problem.

CARRY OUR NAME WITH PRIDE

Let your uniform, words and conduct show respect for yourself, your family and Hoërskool Silverton.

PARENT RESPONSIBILITY AND SCHOOL SAFETY

Firm, respectful cooperation between home and school protects learners and keeps the school day orderly.

WHY SELLING SWEETS AT SCHOOL IS NOT ALLOWED

Unauthorised selling creates conflict, encourages learners to carry money, interrupts lessons and makes it difficult for the school to account for what is being sold. It may also expose learners to unsafe or unsuitable products.

- Do not give learners sweets or other items to sell at school.
- Parents/Guardians who allow this will be charged in line with school rules.
- The school will act where selling is reported or discovered.
- Please support safe and properly approved school fundraising only.

SIGNING OUT A LEARNER – ID REQUIRED

For every learner's safety, any person collecting and signing out a learner must present an identity document. No learner will be released without proper identification and verification.

Safety comes first.

GOLD REEF CITY

Parents/Guardians must follow the Gold Reef City arrangements already communicated by the school. Required consent, payments and learner information must be submitted by the stated deadlines. Learners must represent the school with discipline and respect.

CORRECT SCHOOL UNIFORM – EVERY DAY

Parents/Guardians must play their part by checking the uniform before the learner leaves home.

DRESS WITH PRIDE

Correct uniform is a shared responsibility between the learner and the home. Please ensure that clothing is clean, neat and complete before the learner leaves home. From 1 September, tracksuits may no longer be worn as the daily school uniform. When parents support the uniform rules, learners arrive ready, discipline improves and the dignity of Hoërskool Silverton is protected.

Respect must work both ways. Rude or aggressive conduct towards staff will not be accepted. Let us speak firmly but respectfully, with the learner's wellbeing at the centre.

Have a peaceful, safe and blessed weekend.

Yours in Education



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