



2 February 2025 Circular 2/2025

Dear Parents

Term 1 is progressing without any hiccups and all learners have settled into a new routine.

HEAT WAVE

We are currently experiencing a heat wave, please let learners come to school without jerseys and make sure they pack their water bottles to stay hydrated. Learners have the option to sit under the trees and in the shade during breaks around the school premises or play on the playground. Please also let them put on sunscreen and wear a red hat to protect them from the sun.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

As communicated in Circular 1, all additional items had to be sent to school by 17 January 2025. We have a lot of items outstanding, please submit them by 5 February 2025 if you have not yet done so.

The additional items are as follows:

Additional Item	Grades RRR, RR, R, 1, 2 and 3	Grades 4, 5, 6 and 7
1 x 500ml Liquid hand soap	x	x
1 x air freshener	x	x
1 x empty 2l ice-cream container	x	x
12 x single-ply toilet paper rolls	x	x
1 x plastic apron/old adult T-shirt	x	x
2 x tissue box (200)	x	x
Soccer ball (not plastic type)	x	N/A
1 x orange dust cloth	x	N/A

FEEDBACK - MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

I would like to thank all the parents who took time out of their busy schedules to meet their child's teacher. Your support means a lot and we look forward to a successful academic year. It was great to meet all the new parents and see our existing parents. When standing together, we can reap the rewards of success.

CIVVIES FOR GOOD BEHAVIOUR

We use a reward system to encourage and foster good behaviour. Learners with the most credits for the week will be allowed to wear civvies on a Friday. The educators will note this in the diaries/homework books. We had learners this past Friday who were not supposed to wear civvies

which is unfair towards those who deserved the reward. Therefore, learners who are not supposed to wear civvies on a Friday, will be sent home to change into the correct uniform.

REGULAR LATE ARRIVAL/COLLECTIONS

This is the last reminder to parents that school STRICTLY STARTS at 7:15 and ends at 14:10 from Mondays to Thursdays and ends at 13:10 on Fridays.

Our first academic period already starts at 7:30 and if your child only arrives at school at 8:00, they have missed a whole period. As of today, learners will receive demerits for arriving late. The learner will be required to catch up on the work they have missed as a result. Please respect the school hours and plan your day to accommodate it.

Furthermore, all learners must be collected by 14:30 Mondays to Thursdays and 13:30 on Fridays if they do not stay for aftercare. We have parents who collect their child much later than allowed which means they are sent to aftercare for supervision, without paying for this service. Learners are too young to be left unattended and you will be required to pay for aftercare if you collect your child late. Your cooperation in this regard is appreciated.

STAFF MATTERS – GRADE 3/5/6/7 LEARNERS

As you know, Ms De Klerk, the Afrikaans educator for the grade 5, 6 and 7 learners, is currently on maternity leave. She will resume her duties next terms and Mrs Oosthuizen was standing in for her. However, we have been instructed by Mrs Oosthuizen's doctor that she must be accommodated with light duties for the remainder of her pregnancy and therefore, she will assist in the office until she goes on maternity leave. As a result, we are merging our 2 small grade 3 classes into a single class for the remainder of the terms. Mrs Hattingh will be their educator, and Mrs Els will take over from Mrs Oosthuizen as of today. I would like to reassure you that your child's education is our main priority and that this temporary change will not affect their academics.

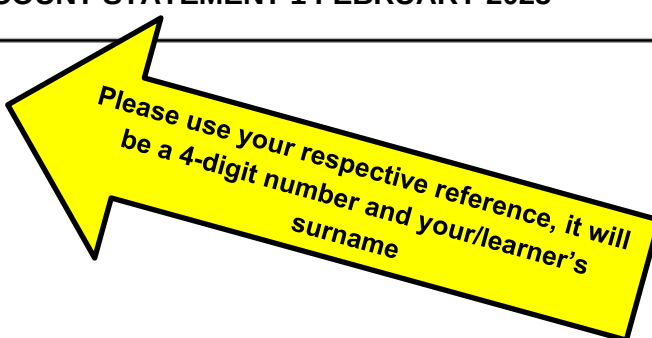
ACCOUNT PAYMENT REFERENCE

Please remember to update the beneficiary details according to the account reference number on your account when making any payments. This reference number reflects on the left side of the statement, underneath the heading "ACCOUNT STATEMENT ON ... 2025". I receive many payments without the proper reference which makes allocating them to the correct account very difficult and leaves room for administrative errors. PLEASE ASSIST US IN THIS REGARD.

Example ONLY:

ACCOUNT STATEMENT 1 FEBRUARY 2025

Account reference: 1081 Biscuit



Please use your respective reference, it will be a 4-digit number and your/learner's surname

REMINDER - COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS

The most effective method of communication to verify your outstanding school fee balance, your child's behaviour, and absentees from school, is via the **d6 Connect app**. Please download and install the D6 App with the black icon and join the Haakdoorn Academy community. You must register with the cellphone number we also have on our system.

Day-to-day information is communicated via the school's various WhatsApp groups. Please join the community and your child's register class asap. The link is as follows:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/IKTbbXA9B8iJTbUuzY07Zg>

Remember to let us know if any of your contact details change so that we can always reach you.

The only two contact numbers for all school-related enquiries, are our landline, 012 561 3007 and our WhatsApp number, 060 675 6697. The 072 1288 248 number is no longer in use, replace it with the two quoted numbers.

VALENTINES DAY

All learners may dress up in pink, red and/or white on Friday 14 February 2025. We have a watermelon festival on the 14th as well and learners must please bring their oldest clothes with them to school to take part in the fun. The fee is only R20 per child to take part in the festival, however, Hungry Haakies have a combo deal for R60 which includes food, an ice crusher and participation in the watermelon festival. They will be sticky, but fun is guaranteed!

Should you need any additional information or have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Kind regards



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