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Dear Homeowners and Neighbours,

As we step into the beautiful month of April, autumn is beginning to make its presence known - with cooler mornings, golden leaves, and a gentle shift in pace that invites us to reflect and reconnect. It's a time to appreciate the warmth of community as the seasons change around us.

So far, 2025 has been a wonderful journey, and the dedication, spirit, and energy of our Oakwood residents continue to shine brightly. Oakwood is more than just a place to live - it's a close-knit community where neighbours become friends and shared values bring us closer together.

As the year unfolds, the Oakwood HOA Committee extends heartfelt thanks for your continued involvement and support. Whether it's through lending a helping hand, attending community events, or simply greeting a neighbour with a smile, each contribution strengthens the vibrant spirit that makes Oakwood so special.

Looking ahead, we're excited to share more updates, seasonal initiatives, and ways to stay connected as a community. Let's embrace this autumn season with gratitude and anticipation for all that lies ahead.

Warm regards, Oakwood HOA Committee - Management



SAFETY & SECURITY



At Oakwood Estate, the safety and well-being of all residents, visitors, and staff are top priority. The following safety and security protocols are in place to ensure a secure, respectful, and harmonious environment for everyone within the estate.

Road Safety:

All residents and visitors must strictly adhere to the estate's road rules. This includes:

Speed Limit: The maximum speed limit within Oakwood Estate is 30 km/hr. This limit ensures the safety of pedestrians, children, cyclists, and other road users.

Pedestrian Awareness:

Drivers must remain vigilant and yield to pedestrians at all times, particularly near common areas, playgrounds, and crosswalks.

Safe Driving Practices:

Reckless or negligent driving will not be tolerated. Residents are encouraged to report any unsafe driving behavior to the Estate Management.







Consideration for Neighbours:

Oakwood Estate is a shared community, and mutual respect among neighbours is essential. Residents are reminded to:

Maintain quiet hours, particularly in the evenings and early mornings

Keep noise
levels
reasonable,
especially when
hosting guests or
playing music.

Ensure that pets are well-behaved and secure to prevent disturbances or safety concerns.

Dispose of waste responsibly and keep communal areas clean.

We kindly wish to remind residents that contractors are not permitted during public holidays, only in case of emergency.

General Security:

Please remember to provide your visitors with the necessary access codes to ease their entry and exit and ensure a smoother and more secure experience for all.

Residents are encouraged to report suspicious activity immediately to the estate's security team.

By following these protocols, we can all contribute to making Oakwood Estate a safe, peaceful, and enjoyable place to live.



PARKS AND GARDENS



We're pleased to share a few updates and reminders regarding the parks and gardens throughout Oakwood Estate.

Reminder:

A gentle reminder to all pet owners to kindly keep your dogs on a leash while enjoying our beautiful green spaces. For the safety and enjoyment of everyone, please ensure that you clean up after your pets—waste bins are available throughout the parks for your convenience. Let's all do our part in keeping our parks clean and pleasant for all residents.

Irrigation & Water Supply Update:

Over the past few months, our parks endured a 6-week water outage due to necessary repairs at the treated effluent water plant. We're happy to report that water has since been restored, and the grassed areas—especially in the larger parks—have responded beautifully, showing strong signs of recovery and growth.

Thank you for your patience during this time.

In the coming weeks, we will be attending to specific irrigation zones that still require attention to ensure optimal water coverage throughout the estate.



Briet Park:

Briet Park has seen some exciting upgrades! New garden beds and trees have been planted, contributing to a fresher, more vibrant landscape.





The irrigation systems at both entrances have received some attention over the last couple of weeks and are now fully functional. Additionally, several new plants have already been introduced, with more to follow in the near future as part of our ongoing beautification efforts.

We thank all residents for their continued care and respect for our shared green spaces. Your cooperation helps us maintain a peaceful, well-kept environment for everyone to enjoy.



PROPERTY STANDARDS



We would like to extend a heartfelt thank-you to all residents who take pride in maintaining the appearance of their properties. Your ongoing efforts play a crucial role in upholding the aesthetic charm and high standards that make Oakwood Estate such a special and sought-after place to live.

A special note of appreciation goes to those residents who consistently maintain their gardens — your commitment contributes greatly to the overall beauty and welcoming atmosphere of our estate. For those who may have fallen behind, we kindly remind you to ensure your garden areas are kept neat, tidy, and well-maintained. Even small improvements can make a big difference and reflect positively on our community as a whole.

As a gentle reminder, we encourage all homeowners to make the most of the last couple of weeks before winter arrives to attend to any outstanding maintenance tasks around their properties.

Changes to Property Appearance:

To maintain consistency and harmony throughout Oakwood Estate, we kindly ask residents to reach out via email to oakwood@inpg.co.za before undertaking any of the following:

- Landscaping changes to front gardens
- Installation of air-conditioning units
- Addition of solar panels or solar-related infrastructure
- Any external alterations, or if you are simply unsure about a planned change

Additionally, if you plan to repaint the exterior of your home, please contact us first at **Oakwood@inpg.co.za** to confirm the correct paint colour. This helps prevent unnecessary mix-ups and ensures a uniform aesthetic across the estate.

Your cooperation in keeping Oakwood Estate looking its best is genuinely appreciated!

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Oakwood Garage Sale - A Big Hit Once Again!

We're thrilled to share that the recent Oakwood Garage Sale was once again a fantastic success! The event brought together residents and visitors alike, creating a vibrant, community-focused atmosphere filled with great finds, friendly faces, and plenty of bargains.

A big thank-you to everyone who participated, whether by selling, shopping, or simply stopping by to support. Your involvement is what makes events like these such a highlight on the Oakwood calendar!

Oakwood Easter Fair

As we reflect on the joyful moments of the first Oakwood Easter Fair, hosted on the 12th April 2025, our hearts brim with gratitude for the incredible support we received from our sponsors and community alike. Despite the weather, this year's event brought together families and friends for a day filled with laughter, fun, and cherished memories. We could not have achieved this without the generosity and dedication of our sponsors, volunteers, vendors, and community, all of whom played a pivotal role in making the fair a resounding success.



First and foremost, we extend our sincere thanks to Greef Properties, Coalition Accounting, 1 nine 5 Properties, Finmax, Home Heroes, Daniella Productions, and IPG, whose contributions helped bring our Easter Fair to life. Their commitment to our community is evident, and they went above and beyond to ensure that children of all ages had the opportunity to participate in this beloved tradition. The joy on the little ones' faces as they dashed around the many activities on the day truly encapsulated the spirit of the day.



We would also like to recognize our entertainment for the day, whose support provided delightful activities and games that kept our young fairgoers entertained. From face painting to arts and crafts, a petting zoo, a magic show, carnival races their, involvement made our event a vibrant celebration of creativity and community spirit

A special mention goes to our Food vendors, who provided delicious food options that kept everyone fueled throughout the day. Their mouthwatering offerings were a highlight for many and added to the festive atmosphere. Thank you for keeping our attendees happy and satisfied with your fantastic culinary choices!



Additionally, we are grateful to Mark Haze for his contribution to our entertainment lineup. The live performance brought smiles and laughter, making the fair an unforgettable experience for all. Your effort to make this event lively and enjoyable did not go unnoticed.





Finally, we want to express our appreciation to all our Green Crew volunteers on the day who contributed in different ways, and braving the conditions providing resources. Your unwavering commitment to the Oakwood community makes events like the Easter Fair possible, and we are thankful to have you by our side



We also want to extend our heartfelt appreciation to our dedicated market vendors, who braved the unpredictable weather to showcase their wonderful products. Despite the rain, they set up their booths with enthusiasm and professionalism, offering everything from handmade crafts to local produce. Their resilience and positivity truly exemplified the spirit of the Oakwood community, and we are grateful for their participation. Thank you for providing unique shopping experiences and adding to the vibrant atmosphere of the fair!







As we look forward to future events, we hope to continue building on this collaborative spirit. Together, we can create more opportunities for connection and celebration within our community. Thank you once again for your generosity and support—we truly couldn't have done it without you!

Warm regards,

Adi and the team at Socially Oakwood www.sociallyoakwood.com

P.S. Don't forget to check out all photos from the Oakwood Easter Fair on our website https://sociallyoakwood.com/gallery and check the calendar for next year's event! We can't wait to see you all again!

We wish to thank you all for working with us and look forward to continuing serving as your HOA committee.

Kind regards
The Oakwood Estate HOA Committee - Management

