

Zululand Remedial Centre

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Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL:

After a very busy Term 3 I would like to say thank you to everyone who contributed towards making this term a big success.

Thank you to all Parents and Community of ZRC who have assisted the school in maintaining a good and healthy educational environment and to all our Educators for supporting ZRC in educating and building the learners of today into the stars of tomorrow... We said goodbye to two educators at the end of Term 2, Mrs T van Niekerk, who relocated to Western Cape, and Mrs J Botha, who relocated to Gauteng.

As school, all our learners are very hard at work ensuring that the concert in Term 4 will be a huge success!

May you all have a wonderful holiday and I encourage you to make use of every moment to ensure a quality day.

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AGM:

- Our Annual 2023 Budget Meeting was held on 13 September 2023 and the following was approved:
 - Budget 2024
 - Code of Conduct
 - Bus & Assessment fees

- **The school fees for 2024 are increased by 6.5% and will be R20 250 per year.**
- All parents are obliged to pay school fees, unless exempted in accordance with the provision from SASA by the School Governing Body.
- Thank you to all the parents for supporting the school. Please remember that payment of school fees is necessary for smooth management.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

- Option 1:

Deposit of R1500 before 31/01/24, 10 x R1900 (Feb-Nov) by debit order – Discount R500 if no debit order get reversed.

- Option 2:

Deposit R1500 before 31/01/2024, Full amount by 28/02/2024- Discount R2000.

- Option 3:

Deposit R1500 before 31/01/2024, 10 x R1900 (Feb-Nov) – R0 discount.

- Option 4:

Deposit R1500 before 31/01/2024, exemptions close 31/03/2024 – application annually.



Why should we pay school fees?

- We can provide a higher quality of education.
- We can provide more facilities.
- We can provide more resources.
- Your child will receive more individual attention.
- The school can provide better security and safety.

Small changes eventually add up to huge results!

DEBIT ORDER SYSTEM:

This payment method is available at school for your convenience. Parents who would like to use it must contact the office. We also offer a Credit/Debit Card option at the Financial Secretary's Office.

COLLECTION OF LEARNERS:

Please note learners who have not been collected by 15:00 will be left without supervision. We are concerned when children are left unattended. The school offices close at 15:00. An alternative is to enrol your child at the ZRC aftercare that will be available until 17:00.

UNSCHEDULED VISITS TO CLASSROOMS:

Please take note that NO educator will be allowed to leave the class nor take a call in the office during teaching time.

Parents need to make scheduled appointments with the educator in advance. Any parent/visitor at school must report to the office and obtain permission to enter the school academic area during the academic day.

UNABRIDGED BIRTH CERTIFICATES:

The decision was made by the SGB of ZRC to have your child's unabridged birth certificate as a compulsory enrolment document. All learners at ZRC need to have an unabridged birth certificate. Thank you to all parents that have forwarded proof of applications as well as an original copy thereof.

Parents are reminded that if the unabridged birth certificate has been collected from Home Affairs, a certified copy of the certificate needs to be sent to school.

COMMUNICATION:

All communication between the educator and parent is done in the **Homework Book**. Please do not write sick notes in the Homework Book. They must be on a separate sheet A4 sheet of paper which will be kept in the child's file in the office.



MEDICATION:

If you should need some of your child's medication for home use, please request in writing or collect it from the educators personally. Medication needs to be in a sealed envelope. Please note: The staff will **not** administer any medication e.g.: flu, pain tablets without written instructions from the parent.

LITTERING:

This is becoming a major problem at school. Learners are reprimanded, but we would appreciate your co-operation by making your child aware of this problem, e.g. at home, while travelling etc.



REGISTER:

Please phone the office/send a message in the homework book if you need to collect your child early. No learner will be allowed to leave the premises without the parent collecting him/her from the office and signing them out in the early departure register.

TOILET PAPER & TISSUES:

Thank you to all who brought in their termly donations. It seems that quite a few learners have not brought in their termly donations. Please can you do so for Term 4.

Toilet Rolls: Gr 1 – Gr 4 & Intermediate Phase GM + LdB

Tissues: Gr 5 – Gr 7 & Intermediate Phase RW

BULLYING:

Bullying in all schools is becoming an increasing matter of great concern. We are requesting your assistance in this regard, as parents are becoming more intolerant due to their children being bullied at school. Parents need to act against the culprits and support the school, educators, and victims, to stop this unacceptable behaviour. Please parents, let's co-operate and work together to eradicate bullying from the school.



SCHOOL FURNITURE:

Please take note that if your child damages a school desk, chair, or any other piece of furniture the replacement or cost of repairs will be forwarded to you for settlement. We take pride in our neat school and the quality of our furniture, fittings, buildings, and playgrounds. Please teach your child to respect and look after the school property, as well as their own.

SCHOOL UNIFORM:

A reminder concerning purchasing of uniforms:

Empangeni: Kenart Platinum School Retailers – Union Street Telephone number: 035 7721921

LATE COMERS:

Learners arriving late – we have continuous problems with learners arriving late. This has a negative impact on academics. Thank you to those parents who have tried to end late arrivals.

SICK LEARNERS AT SCHOOL:

Parents need to ensure that learners are taken care of before sending them to school. The school cannot take responsibility for administering medication to sick learners who come to school.

NO HOMEWORK POLICY:

Zululand Remedial Centre is embarking on a new horizon regarding no homework. We have implemented a 'no homework policy' only for Gr 4 – Gr 7 during the formal assessment period. This is not to be wasted by learners, but to be utilized as additional time for learners.

BUS:

Please note that the ZRC School bus is a privilege and not a right. We are very fortunate to have a fully subsidized bus, but in a case of re-registration or mechanical repairs, we need to remind you that it's the parent's or guardian's responsibility to get your child to school.

Bus levy for 2024 will be R500 per learner per term.

Note: Please ensure that bus learners adhere to the school discipline code. Bus learners who do not adhere to this school discipline code will have to sit detention on a Friday, which means that alternative transport arrangements will be the responsibility of the parents.

ADDITIONAL BUS:

We have the use of an Ikhwezi school bus. There is one bus that departs from John Ross College at 06:30 and one which departs at 06:55 Mon to Friday and 12:45 from ZRC on Fridays. Tickets are available from Ikhwezi ticket office: 035 7976200. Ensure that you monitor your child's behaviour on this public transport. There is a CCTV camera system on the buses. Misbehaved learners will be identified and asked to find alternative transport by the bus company.

BIRTHDAYS:

Learners are allowed to wear civvies on their Birthdays. If the birthday falls on Civvies Day, Weekend or Holiday, they may wear their 'civvies' on the Monday or Friday.

Gr 7 and School leavers:

We are requesting parents to donate the old ZRC uniform. We also request that you donate uniform that your children outgrow. We have children that would benefit from these donations. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS TO PREFECTS FOR TERM 4!!!!

Head Girl: Kayla Kelly
Head Boy: Theo Scheepers

Prefects:

James Boyack	Paul vd Berg	Amir Hiralal	Banele Gumede
Brayden Dorsamy	Mhloli Simelani	Riley Matthee	Siyamthanda Mlambo
Tristan McLean	Amith Hiralal	Lulama Shange	Luyanda Zungu
Summer v Tonder	Sydelle Chinasamy	Mqondisi Mnguni	Linda Ndlela

SCHOOL OPENS 10 OCTOBER 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Concert: 17 October – 19 October 2023 @ 18:30

Movie Day: JP – 27 October 2023
SP – 3 November 2023



Waltons Stationery collections: 29 November 2023 - 7:00-12:00

JP Prize Giving: 30 November 2023 – 9:00

SP Prize Giving: 1 December 2023 – 9:00

Grade 7 Farewell Function: 24 November 2023 @ **SOWETO JIVE** Empangeni 10:00

School closes: 13 December 2023 @ 10:00



“May every sunrise bring you hope, may every sunset bring you peace.”

ACTIVITIES DURING TERM 3:

Visit from Optometrist:

Elmarie Grendele visited ZRC to conduct eye screenings for learners whose parents requested it. This was a huge success and parents were provided. This was a huge success and parents were provided with valuable information that would indicate whether their children require further visual assessments.



ZRC Concert:

ZRC staff and learners are working hard at concert preparations to ensure that all costumes are in order.

ZRC U13 soccer boys:

The U/13 soccer team commenced their soccer season in Felixton on 26 August. Subsequently, on the 6th and 7th of September they enthusiastically took part in a two-day tournament hosted at GPPS. Under the commendable leadership of Mr Mthembu, the team displayed exceptional prowess, advancing to the finals and ultimately securing a notable second place in the tournament. Furthermore, the players exhibited admirable sportsmanship and character both on and off the field, making us exceptionally proud of their achievements.



Girls Club:



An attitude of Gratitude: ZRC Girls club inspires Grade 7 students. In the bustling hallways of our school, there is a special place where a group of Grade 7 girls gather every Tuesday from 14h00 – 15h00. The ZRC Girls Club. This program is not just about having fun; its about personal growth, empowerment and this term, the invaluable lesson of gratitude. In a world that often moves too fast, where the pressures of academics and life can sometimes overwhelm, the ZRC Girls Club provides a safe space for

our young girls to explore important life skills. This term, the focus was on gratitude, a quality that can transform lives. The girls created gift bags for Ikhaya Likababa as well as other things for families.

Grade 7 Entrepreneurs Day

The Entrepreneurs Day Grade 7 and IP3 learners hosted a successful Entrepreneurs Day that left everyone buzzing with excitement. With just a nominal R5 table tax, this event provided a golden chance for our students to earn some extra pocket money. It's the pinnacle of the year for our Grade 7's, eagerly anticipated and well-prepared. Together they satisfied the appetites of our eager attendees, filling their stomachs with delicious treats and unique products. It was a day of success, collaboration, and joyful participation that truly exemplified the spirit of our school community.



Soccer Tournament:

Day one of the tournament, the boys finished 1st during pool stages in their pool group. Day 2, they played in the cup semi finals against Grantham Park which they won. They went to the finals where they lost 1-0 against Wood & Raw Primary School.





Aaron Krige:

He won two bronze medals for Kumite and Sanbun Kumite karate. Well done, Aaron!



Spring walk:

The spring walk was enjoyed by the entire school. The learners thoroughly enjoyed the walk, some challenged their friends and others took a stroll. There were also some lovely spring hats that the learners made themselves and raised R44 000!

Learners who collected the most money:

1. Sierra Reddy
2. Kayla Kelly
3. Aliyah Murugan

Classes raising the most money:

1. JP – Gr 3 – Mrs Nakhoda
2. SP - Gr 7 – Mr Mthembu



Well done!

