



The Glen High School

21 May 2021

Dear TGHS Parents

Welcome to term 2 of 2021. The school has settled down very well with both academics and sport thriving. However, in light of the increase in Covid-19 cases and concerns of a third wave of infections, sporting activities will cease from next week.

Staff News

Mr Matthys has moved to the Northern Cape to be closer to his family. I'd like to thank him for serving The Glen community for more than a decade. We were privileged to have him at our school, and wish him every success at his new school.

We have been fortunate to welcome Mr Gema to the Technology and EMS departments.

First Term Academic Results

	% Average Mark	% Pass Rate	% Bachelor Pass
Grade 8	58.67	55,8	
Grade 9	54.08	55,3	
Grade 10	57.84	91	67,8
Grade 11	56.28	91	59,5
Grade 12	60.90	98,2	75

It must be noted that the pass requirements in Grades 8 and 9 require learners to obtain a **minimum of 50% for English HL and 40% for Mathematics**. This criterion has an impact on the school's results and highlights the need for consistent, focused academic commitment. The implementation of a rotation timetable that results in 50% contact time also has a major impact on successful teaching and learning, particularly in mathematics.

Parent meetings for learners in grade 8 and 9 are scheduled to take place next week. Due to the limitation on the number of people in a closed venue, parents are requested to attend **by invitation only**. Letters of invitation have been issued to learners who did not meet pass requirements. Parents of learners who underachieved in term 1 are requested to visit teachers according to the timeslots indicated on the letters of invitation.

Parents' meeting for learners in grades 10, 11 and 12 will take place on Thursday 3 June 2021 from 16h00 till 19h00. This is an open meeting and all Grades 10 -12 parents are welcome to attend, but we kindly request that you book appointments in advance with your child's teachers in order to limit queues and to adhere to Covid-19 safety requirements. Appointments can be made in advance by your child booking a timeslot with each teacher. No "walk-in" consultations will be possible; hence appointments are mandatory.

Covid-19

We are starting to see more and more families having to quarantine because of close contacts with friends, family and colleagues who have tested positive for Covid-19. In light of rising infections across South Africa, I beseech you to tighten restrictions within your homes and to "play it safe" so that The Glen community can continue to experience the healthy blessings that have gotten us safely through this year.

School Uniform and Appearance

Our learners should be wearing full winter uniform now. Please refer to the D6 communicator for uniform regulations to ensure that your child complies with expectations.

Please note that the wearing of buffs as personal protective equipment is not permitted, because learners tend to hide earphone beneath the buffs and listen to music during lessons.

I would also like to remind parents that their children should not be bringing earphones or headphones to school. This is a major distraction as learners block out teaching and learning by being bombarded by music during lessons and while walking between classes.

Please could parents also ensure that their boys are clean shaven at all times?

Extra-curricular Activities

Sport and cultural activities have been put on hold until further notice in order to err on the side of caution due to the increase in national Covid-19 infections.

Parents are requested to arrange transport for learners to ensure that learners do not linger at the school after the completion of the academic day. Extra lessons will continue in order to support learners with academic challenges and to keep pace with the completion of curricula.

Move from old D6 platform to D6 Connect

Parents have been sent links to download the latest version of the D6 School Communicator. I appeal to all parents to convert to the updated D6 Connect as soon as possible so that better communication options can be utilized. We will post messages on both platforms UNTIL THE END OF MAY to allow parents time to make the change. From the beginning of June D6 Connect will be the school's official platform of communication.



If parents have missed the link to D6 Connect, they are able to access the app by downloading it.

DOWNLOAD THE D6 CONNECT APP ON YOUR MOBILE DEVICE OR DESKTOP

D6 CONNECT MOBILE APP

Google Play Store

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.limitlessvirtual.principalplus>

iTunes App Store

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/d6-connect/id1133074303>

D6 CONNECT DESKTOP APP

Download Windows App

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Download macOS App

<https://d6.co.za/education/products/d6-plus/d6-connect/mac/>

Application for exemption from the payment of school fees

The Glen High School is a public fee-paying school, and as such parents have a legal obligation to pay fees. In the event that parents are unable to meet the financial obligations to the school, they are asked to contact Mrs M. Pienaar, schoolfees@theglenhs.co.za or 012 348 8625, to make financial arrangements.

Visiting the school

Parents are reminded to visit the school **by appointment only** in order to limit the number of people on the premises. If at all possible, please try to interact with staff via email or telephonically rather than in person.

Kind regards,
Mrs C. W. Nel
Principal