



The Glen High School

20 March 2025

Dear TGHS Parents,



We extend a warm greeting to our school community and thank you for your continued support. We especially appreciate the excellent turnout at our Parent Information Evenings in February—your involvement plays a crucial role in our learners' success. We look forward to keeping you informed about upcoming events, recent highlights, and important school initiatives. We encourage your continued engagement and participation as valued members of our vibrant school community.



SGB By-Elections

We are delighted to welcome **Dr. Mulumba Baudouin** and **Mr. Tebogo Sono** as new parent representatives on the School Governing Body (SGB). Both have children in Grade 12 and are eager to contribute to school governance for the remainder of 2025. We look forward to their valuable insights and support.

Staff Updates

- **New Appointments (1 March 2025):**
 - **Ms. N. King** – Creative Arts Teacher
 - **Ms. A. Joubert** – Afrikaans & Life Orientation Teacher
- **Maternity Leave:**
 - **Mrs. Venter** began her four-month maternity leave on 10 March and has welcomed a baby boy, Grayson. We extend our warmest congratulations to her family.
- **Retirement:**
 - **Mrs. Louw**, our SGB-employed procurement officer and cashier, will be retiring at the end of April and relocating to Cape Town. We thank her for her dedication and wish her the best in this new chapter.
- **Resignation:**
 - **Miss Magwai**, our SGB-employed Life Orientation & Consumer Studies teacher, resigned at the end of February.
- **Temporary Appointment:**
 - **Miss K. Khumalo** has joined us to assist with Miss Magwai's classes while we complete the recruitment process.

Learner Admission Growth

The Glen High School continues to experience a steady increase in enrolment:

Grade	Jan 2024	Nov 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2025
Grade 8	284	307	306	315
Grade 9	247	249	284	301
Grade 10	240	252	257	271
Grade 11	235	240	254	262
Grade 12	202	203	234	234
Total	1208	1251	1335	1383

Over the past two years, our school population has grown by 275 learners. While we celebrate this growth, it also presents challenges in terms of resources and infrastructure.

Day-to-Day Discipline

Concerns from Menlyn Maine

The security and management team at Menlyn Maine has raised concerns about disruptive behaviour by some of our learners at the shopping precinct. To address this, staff members have been monitoring the area, but we kindly ask parents to reinforce the importance of respectful behaviour and ensure that learners report directly to school upon arrival.



Social Media Concerns

We have noticed an alarming rise in the misuse of social media among some learners, leading to harm and distress for their peers. The creation and use of **WhatsApp channels** by learners have been identified as a significant concern, as these platforms are sometimes used to spread harmful content, cyberbully, or cause emotional trauma to others.

We urge parents to take an active role in monitoring their children's use of social media.

Please regularly review the content on their electronic devices and discuss responsible online behaviour with them. As a school, we are committed to ensuring a safe and supportive environment for all learners, and we request your cooperation in addressing this matter proactively.

Disciplinary Hearings

- Internal hearings have been conducted regarding vaping on school premises, with appropriate sanctions imposed. Moving forward, bulk hearings for vaping-related offenses will take place every second Thursday of the month. Parents will be required to attend.
- External hearings have been held for cases involving aggressive behaviour and serious misconduct. Necessary sanctions have been implemented to maintain a safe and respectful environment.

Interventions

- **Late Arrivals:** Regular latecomers and their parents will be invited to meetings to address time management challenges.
- **Detention:** Held every Friday from 14:30 to 16:00.
- **Community Service:** Conducted every Wednesday from 14:30 to 16:00.
- **THRIVE Program:** A discipline and leadership intervention offered every Tuesday from 14:30 to 15:30 for learners facing behavioural challenges.
- **Beyond Boundaries Program:** In partnership with NICRO, this initiative provides weekly counseling sessions for learners with behavioural concerns.



Sports Report

Swimming

Our swimming season concluded on 10 February at the E/D League Gala held at Christian Brothers College. Despite challenging weather conditions cutting the event short, our team competed in 40% of the races and secured **5th place overall**—an impressive achievement!

Athletics

- **Annual Home Meeting (1 February):** We hosted Lyttelton Manor High, Willowmore High, Sir Pierre Van Reyneveld High, and Basa Combined School. Our team performed exceptionally well, finishing **2nd overall**.
- **E Bond Athletics Meeting (17 February):** Due to limited preparation time, our small team of athletes struggled to secure top placements, finishing last among eight participating schools.
- **Upcoming Competitions:** Our Athletics Club, consisting of 10 track and 10 cross-country athletes, will compete in the AGN Athletics and Cross-Country League until August 2025.



Winter Sports

- Trials for **basketball, hockey, netball, and tennis** took place on 24 February, and we look forward to an exciting season ahead.



- The **squash** team kicked off their season with a match against Pretoria Boys High on 17 February.

School Fees & Financial Assistance

The Glen High School operates as a **Section 21 fee-paying public school**, meaning that school fees are essential for

our continued success. We urge parents to keep up with their financial commitments to ensure the best possible education for our learners.

If you require **exemption from school fees**, please contact **Mrs. M. Pienaar** at schoolfees@theglenhs.co.za or **012 348 8625** to discuss financial arrangements.

We appreciate your ongoing support and look forward to a successful year ahead!

**Kind regards,
Mrs. C. W. Nel
Principal**

