

EDENVALE HIGH SCHOOL

FROM GOOD TO GREAT

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NEWSLETTER

Greetings, Parents, Students and Teachers

As an English teacher, my concern lies with the reading ability of our high school learners.

Statistics show that the reading skills of 77% of Sub-Saharan young people aged between 15 and 24 are below average (for their age). This means that approximately 202 million South Africans perform worse than the youth literacy global rate of 95%.

Edenvale High is addressing this problem by providing guidance and support with the use of a computerised programme to improve reading and language skills. Upon entering Grade 8, an assessment is done by a school psychologist to determine challenges with reading, listening and understanding. Roughly one sixth of our Grade 8 learners with language barriers and reading-related issues now have the privilege of using the CAMI programme to overcome these difficulties. By supporting students who struggle to read for meaning, we trust that we can uplift our learners' overall results. After all, reading is a powerful tool that ultimately affects ALL subjects. All in all, it stimulates brain function and concentration. Furthermore, it equips the youth with skills to navigate the world.

What else can be done by parents and teachers to help children in this regard? I am suggesting a few simple methods of support.

Read aloud.

Model fluent reading. Encourage children to read aloud at home. Foster a love of reading by reading to children from a young age. Do you know that there is an International READ ALOUD Day on 5 February?

Reinforce prior knowledge (i. e. existing skills and understanding).

Have meaningful conversations with your children. Give them articles to read so that they can engage in discussions or debates with you afterwards. (We find that our Matrics do not have an adequate awareness of the world around them.) Set aside time for healthy, robust conversation, around the dinner table for example.

Use vocabulary board charts, pictures and word visuals that relate to a passage.

Introduce new vocabulary, generate discussion about the content, and, while asking questions, link your discussions to your child's own experience.

Please encourage your child to read! This will boost well-being and self-confidence and, in turn, improve selfesteem. Teaching reading cannot happen only in the classroom, as we have learners of mixed reading ability.

On a positive note, I am delighted at the number of learners whose parents are buying books for them to read, or who give pocket money and guide the young ones to buy books for themselves from that allowance.

Mrs Blom HOD English Source: <u>www.the</u> conversation.com



Important dates

Monday 3 March: Normal classes resume after block tests – Day 2 Thursday 6 March: Interhigh Gala A team – Delville Friday 7 March: EHS has got Talent 18:00 Monday 10 March: Monologues – 18:00 Interhouse cross country 14:10 Tuesday 11 March: Friday 14 March: Open Day 16:00 – 18:30 Wednesday 19 March: Individual Photographs. Full school uniform to be worn, no tracksuits, no Matric jackets Friday 28 March: Mathematics / Mathematical Literacy assessment Grade 8 – 12. This is a compulsory assessment. If a learner is absent, he or she needs to produce a doctor's letter; otherwise zero will be given. Friday 28 March: Reports will be sent by email Tuesday 8 April: Term 2 begins **Tuesday 15 April:** Parent's evening Gr 8 – 12: 16:00 – 18:45. This is an opportunity for parents to meet their child's teacher for a brief interaction (max 5 minutes).

Updating of information

Please note, if you are needing to correct any information pertaining to change of address, contact number or email address, please send this information to Mrs Enell; <u>jenell@edenvalehigh.co.za</u>. The school works from one main central database. Any updates done to details linked to your D6 does not carry through to SMART. The school must be contacted directly.



ATTENTION PARENTS

One of the school's projects is to feed the sterilised feral cats that live on the school property. We would appreciate any donations of tinned or dry food.

Donations may be handed in at the front office. All contributions are gratefully accepted.



Sports / Cultural results

Public Speaking Senior Best Speaker Grade 10: 1st Keabeswe Matotoka 2nd Megan Kumungozi 3rd Tareen Vallabh

Grade 11: 1st Ethan Payne 2nd Calista Panaino 3rd Kaitlyn Govender

Grade 12: 1st Tyla Sevitz 2nd Caitlin Wainwright 3rd Siyamthanda Mthembu

Junior Best Speaker Grade 8: 1st Sri Padayachee 2nd Victoria Khumalo 3rd Kelebogile Ngako

Grade 9: 1st Laura Muszko 2nd Layla Bux 3rd Lihle Zihlwele

Tennis:

Boys A vs St Peters: won 6-3 Boys A vs Mondeor: 9-0 Boys A vs Bryanston: won 9-0 Girls vs King David Victory Park: won 30-19

Rugby:

U15 vs Sarel Cilliers: lost 27-7 U15 vs Ferrum High: lost 50-7 First team vs Sarel Cilliers: lost 30-3 First team vs Vryheid: drew 17-17

Swimming:

<u>A-team</u> 6 Feb: 1st out of 4 schools 13 Feb: cancelled due to rain <u>B-team</u> 6 Feb: 3rd out of 7 schools 13 Feb: 5th out of 5 schools





Term 4 Accolades 2024

GRADE 8 60 ACCOLADES

Ayanda Arends
Chloe-Paige Lunt
Kayla Muller
Gabriella Peters
Lia Wolmarans
Success-Chiamaka
Nwokedi
Gabriel Phiri
Tamia Reddy
Nirell Schieman

Kuhlekonke Zama
Talia Wearne
Shail Durjan
Viyanka Govender
Yu-Chi Hsueh
Jayden Mey
Lacey Muller
Lihle Zihlwele
Madison Giloi
Yohiel Govender

Dana Van Der Merwe
Melissa Edgecomb
Jennifer Jennings
Bokamoso Maredi
Dhiyal Moodley
Biaya Ndala
Gabriela Van Niekerk

GRADE 8 100 ACCOLADES

Christina Ejike
Kayla Muller
Lia Wolmarans
Tanika Lenslev

GRADE 9 60 ACCOLADES

Caylem Angove
Tyla David
Michael Gorreya
Rachel Higgins
Keoratile Khabo
Mitchie Luo
Mpumelelo Mdakane
Ndumiso Ntlebi
Gabriella Raj
Thembinkosi
Thabethe
Gabriella Goncalves
Jena Hasselbach
Matthew Love
Dylan Mostert-Wright
Jeremiah Naidoo
Emmanuel Nwude
Damilola Oladehinbo
Khensile Rivombo
Matthew Wilson

GRADE 9 100 ACCOLADES

Liam Botha
Esther Dickson
Rachel Higgins
Ruth Langley
Mitchie Luo
Ontshiyametse
Motaung
Oliver Oosthuizen
Rendani Mariba
Emmanuel Nwude
Emily-Anne Van
Deventer
Moses Botuly
Sarah Hewitt

Alyssa Reynolds
Gabriella
Vengadajellum
Erin De Vos

Kitana Deen
Demi De Oliveira
Sarah Hewitt
Megan Kamungozi
Arriehyana Moodley
Jada Moss
Lethabo Nasando
Kreshay Ramjith
Yohannes Ayana
Tshegofatso
Mantloana
Jishin Moodley
Neriah Singh
Bray Woods
Jessica Dally
Lucian Halahan
Ethan Joao
Keabetswe Matotoka
Maseageng Seloane
Skye Solomon

Elewa Mazibila
Ciaran Mc Donald
Amanda Nyamadzawo
Kreshay Ramjith
Morgana De Vivo
Nicola Du Preez
Tshegofatso
Mantloana
Neriah Singh
Jessica Dally
Harleigh Wilken
Godswill Eneanya
Leoni Govender
Lukhona Mase

Tiago Da Silva
Kyle Dos Reis
Kelly Khoury
Makyla Krishnan
Katherine Haines
Katya Suhrmuller
Tristan Van Vuuren
Chanelle Agriao
Gabrielle Greaves
Ren-Yung Hsueh
Joseph Knight
Zinhle Mahlangu
Zoe Pierce
Cailin Stoffberg
Tyla Alfonso
Gianluca Balsari
Caitlin Christian
Leeuwke Coetzer
Aphiwe Dumakude
Mariska Hughes

Oarabile Molekwa
Chloe North
Seth Peters
Katya Suhrmuller
Abigayle Grant
Gabrielle Greaves
Caitlin Knuppel
Zinhle Mahlangu
Gianluca Balsari
Caitlin Christian
Jade Munro
Ashton Ninaber
Paityn Pillay
Corban Swartz

Mahlatse Kobela
Chuma Madaka
Bahle Mthethwa
Ashton Ninaber
Vuyani Nomkumbi
Eden Wainwright
Christian Chinyanga
Daniela Alves
Megan Munsamy
Shiloh Vos
Atyah Bagenda
Leandro Dos Santos
Riantha Govender
Selebogo Maboya
Amalachukwu
Malemba
Malemba Aiden Murray
Aiden Murray
Aiden Murray Micha Rogers

Morgan Connelly
Abigail Dry
Boitumelo Mpete
Phunyezwa Schouten
Atyah Bagenda
Zwelibanzi Chiloane
Reagan Endres
Selebogo Maboya
Srida Prakash
Teagan Spies
Caylin Van Zyl

GRADE 10 60 ACCOLADES

Isabella Carneiro
Joshua Naidoo
Princess Perez
Taryn Hoffman
Andiswa Mgidi
Caden Bruce
Neo Dikgotho
Matthew Karner
Aydan Koman
Izibele Lubelwana
Astrid Storey
Tristan Vrany
Savanah-Lee Berkovic
Chane Charles

Treya Govind
Megan Wallace
Daniel Wright
Chelsea Anderson
Elethuigugu Mazibuko
Sarah Ganesh
Jaymee Owens
Nhlanhla Sambo
Tatiana Albano
Andrew Browski
Mariama Diallo
Sibusiso Fihla
Mikhail Reddy
Gabrielle Giloi

Bradley Kriel
Rayne Othenin-Girard
Matthew Beukes
Chelsea Frere
Faith Mambure
Kayla Serra Coelho
Arielle Van
Kerckhoven
Mia Van Niekerk
Vincent Ejike
Xolani Gasela
Lesedi Modise
Makuachukwu
Olisaekee

Kerry Barnard
Chad Curtis
Luciano De Nobrega
Lesedi Hlatshwayo
Isabel Moodley
Jayden Nair
Khaarendwe Nembilwi
Ethan Payne
Cassidy Govender
Urja Jayram
Kamogelo Osuagwu
Bianca Risi

Alexis James Urja Jayram Jordan Lunt Eliska Manickum Xiluva Mhlarhi Hannah Van Staden Kendra Visser

GRADE 10 100 ACCOLADES

Alessandro Caripis	
Bradley Kriel	
Nichaela Moodley	
Rayne Othenin-Girard	
Caitlin Preller	
Periklis Strakas	
Tyra Tshabangu	
Lola Cumberlege	
Tess Moodley	

GRADE 11 60 ACCOLADES

Kimaya Govender
Shih-Hsun Kung
Keletso Mokwele-
Masilo
Ethan Moodley
Daniella Nicholson
Lily Myeni

GRADE 11 100 ACCOLADES

Lynn Ludick
Tandwa Ndukuya
Hannah Titmuss
Faye Hopgood
Latavia Mahabeer
Rethabile Monama
Siyamthanda
Mthembu

Chloe Orange
Amishka Padiachey
Arya Chhiba
Kaitlyn Govender
Bontle Mokwena
Ivy Nare
Asanda Ngiba
Kaylin Piek
Aiden Rootman

Jolene Eberwein
Kaylese Goncalves
Ntsako Matshabana
James Ross
Jemma Du Preez
Nathan Tait
Precious Walunda

Neeshal Shah
Daniella Atkins
Hannah Lategan
Kyra Naicker
Azande Mbatha
Ntando Ncube
Charmaine Nyathi
Gracia Wa Katolo

Oliver-Connor Walter	
Kerry Barnard	
Theodore Betci	
Rafael De Oliveira	
Ethan Payne	
Mokete Rasemane	
Lethabo Selibi	
Noel Bryant	
Chanel D'Arcy	

Shiloh Berardelli
Caitlin Kerr
Tristan Mey
Isabella Joao
Paballo Moloto
Mathuma Napo
Kelly Smit

Tyler Hawken

Caitlin Kerr Ryley Leighton Madison Carletti Wonani Mbangeni Alexander Metodiev

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