GENIE BULLETIN

27 MAY

The Principal's Pen

-Mr W.A.J. Gouws

Dear Parents and Guardians

We are trying our very best to communicate with you as often as possible and as effectively as possible. It is in the interest of all of us to take hands on this wonderful journey of education and influence. You will find some very important information in this Bulletin regarding certain changes at Gene Louw Primary School.

Winter Sport Practices

Unfortunately, we haven't received any further communication or more detailed instructions on sport practices from the WCED since our last Bulletin.

It is however a major priority for us to not let the players' hard work and the momentum we have gained go to waste at this stage. We want to ensure that our players stay active and in routine as far as possible. We have, therefore, decided to continue with sport practices, but in a very structured, non-contact format that will allow us to comply with all necessary Covid regulations and protocol.

These sessions will focus exclusively on fitness and conditioning and you have our assurance that your child's safety and general welfare is still our top priority. We will post more information on these sessions on d6. Please take note of the dates of the sessions. The sessions will take place for the next two weeks, but will then be suspended for two weeks to allow for examinations/assessments, whereafter the sessions will resume for the remainder of the term.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

We have received a few enquiries regarding availability and rules with regard to correct school uniforms. More information and photos to follow later in this Bulletin. The grace period has been extended to accommodate the learners struggling to find stock in certain items. Please inform your class teacher in writing if you are struggling to find the correct uniform.



REBOTICS AND CODING

It is part of our vision at Gene Louw to embrace opportunities to enrich our children. We are currently planning to add Robotics and Coding to our curriculum. Our school is one of the pilot schools in the Western Cape where the feasibility of the initiative is tested. We will use Code.org to prepare our students for the roll-out of the initiative.

In our classroom, your child is introduced to computer science via Code.org — a fun, creative platform for learning computer science and basic coding to create interactive animations, games, or apps. Your interest in what your child is learning is critical, and Code.org makes it easy to stay involved.

More information will follow on d6.



SPORT CONDITIONING PROGRAMME

STARTS MONDAY 31 MAY 2021

Conditioning will take place from 31 May until 10 June on Mondays and Thursdays. No sport conditioning between 14-25 June due to exams. Conditioning resumes from 28 June.

More information on the last week of the term will be communicated at a later stage.

		BOYS	
AGE GROUP	DAY	TIME	
U/7 U/8 U/9 U/10 U/11 U/13	Mon & Thurs	13:30 - 14:10 13:30 - 14:10 14:30 - 15:10 14:30 - 15:15 14:30 - 15:15 14:30 - 15:15	A Field U/9 & U/8 Field (behind posts) U/9 & U/8 Field (behind posts) B Field B Field A Field
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COVID PROTOKOL:

Learners wear masks until practice starts and put them back on as soon as they leave the fields. Learners are not allowed to touch each other and exercises are done 2m apart.

Learners must bring own water bottles.

Only fitness and conditioning exercises will be done.

No equipment will be used.

Each coach must bring hand sanitiser from their classroom for these sessions.

Learners are dismissed directly after practice and parents collect them at the gates as agreed.



ACHIEVERS

One of our top music learners, **Sophia Hagen**, has once again performed brilliantly during the Con Spirito Eisteddfod.

Sophia was selected as Item Winner for both the Piano and Singing Categories, delivering excellent results. She is going through to the final rounds of both categories in September.

We wish her all the best and we look forward to receiving her results.

We were also proud to learn that two learners from our school recently got their WP colours during an Acrobatics competition.

Congratulations to **Tatum Hutchinson** (left) and **Danika Mouton** (right), both members of the Academy of Acrobats, on this very worthy achievement!







LEARNING SUPPORT

If a learning support lesson clashes with a sport practise, we request that the parent informs the relevant educator and class educator if the learning support lesson will be attended.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

The Gene Louw school uniform is available from **De Jagers** (021-9147816), **Sportiv** (021-9760555, 39 Somer Street, Eversdal) and **School and Leisure** (021-9149619). General school clothing items can be found at chain stores like Pep, Woolworths, etc.

Please feel free to compare stock and prices before deciding who to support.

The school also has a second-hand clothing shop. Email maryke.glklerebank@gmail.com for orders.

We are aware that certain items from the uniform are currently out of stock at the suppliers. We will gladly extend the grace period for parents to purchase the full uniform until everything is back in stock and will not act against any learners who is not wearing the full uniform for this reason.

BOYS

SUMMER

Gr. 1-3

Sport clothes with short teal socks and predominantly white tackies

Gr. 4-7

Shirt: Short sleeve, white with logo
Pants: Grey short pants or long trousers
Socks: Long, teal blue socks with beige and

maroon stripes

Shoes: Black

WINTER

Gr. 1-3

Sport clothes with short teal blue socks and predominantly white tackies.

Tracksuit top

Gr. 4-7

Shirt: Long sleeve, white

Trousers: Grey long trousers or short pants, with

teal blue socks and black shoes

Tie: Maroon with teal blue and beige stripes

GIRLS

SUMMER

Gr. 1-3

Sport clothes with short teal blue socks and predominantly white tackies.

Gr. 4-7

Shirt: Short sleeve, white with logo

Skirt: Teal blue

Socks: Short socks, teal blue with beige and

maroon stripes

Shoes: Black

WINTER

Gr. 1-3

Sport clothes with short teal blue socks and predominantly white tackies.

Tracksuit

Gr. 4-7

Shirt: Long sleeve, white

Skirt: Teal

Tie: Maroon with teal blue and beige stripes Socks: Long, teal blue socks with beige and

maroon stripes

Pantihose: Cameo Opaque Black (Gr. 4-7)

Shoes: Black

OPTIONAL (BOYS & GIRLS)

Blazer: Teal blue with school badge

Jersey: Teal blue with maroon and beige round V neck Pullover: Teal with maroon and beige around V neck

Windbreaker: Teal blue (this is the only windbreaker which will be allowed at school,

except first team jackets and prefect jackets)

Tracksuit top: The official teal tracksuit top



PLEASE NOTE:

(SCHOOL UNIFORM CONTINUES)

Grade 4-7 learners must wear the official Gene Louw tracksuit or short pants, top, predominantly white tackies and Gene Louw short socks on the days that they have P.E. As some of these items are currently out of stock at suppliers, learners may also, for now, come to school wearing formal uniform on these days and bring P.E. clothes along to change into for P.E. class.

As long as we are still following Covid regulations, learners also have the **option** of wearing their Gene Louw sportswear on the days they have sport practices after school (although the school still prefers official uniform on non-P.E. days).

EXAMPLES OF THE CORRECT SCHOOL CLOTHES





EXAMPLES OF THE CORRECT SCHOOL CLOTHES (continues)



Latecomers

We have a few learners who are often late for school. The traffic situation has improved to such an extent that this can no longer be used as an excuse. We ask that parents please ensure that all learners are at school by 07h45.