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NICO NEWS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF NICO MALAN HIGH SCHOOL



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

"Gratitude makes sense of yesterday, gives peace for today and creates dreams for tomorrow!"

With these words of an anonymous author as inspiration, I say thank you to all teachers, learners and parents for the hard work during a busy, but successful term.

Learner matters:

Our thoughts are still with Fernando Groenewald who was seriously injured in an accident. He is still recovering in Livingstone Hospital. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

We are very proud of two of our athletes, Cindy Strydom and Bryan Katoo, who achieved a gold and silver medal respectively at the ASA championships. An outstanding achievement!

Personnel matters:

Mrs Lienkie Vogel gave notice. Mr Ben du Plessis and Miss Elanke Lordan have been helping out. The position has been advertised. Mrs Marizelle Coetzee will go on maternity leave from 2 May 2023. Mrs Elsabe Calitz will act in her place until the end of July 2023.

Infrastructure:

Paving in the square at the admin office and main entrance to the school has been completed. The foyer at Mr Olivier's office has also been upgraded. The toilets for adult visitors at the sports grounds have also been neatly renovated.

Supporters Club:

The alumni and supporters club has been revived. We sincerely thank the committee members namely Conrad Dreyer, Marthinus Erasmus, Rassie Erasmus, Rupert Gerber, Luzaan Nel, Dawson Rautenbach and Bennie Welch who have big plans for home games. Please get involved. Dates of home matches are attached to the term programme.

General:

The school program is very busy with a wide variety of activities. Please let your child become actively involved in school. However, if your child gets too busy, help them to prioritise, so that they can have time for the most important aspect, namely academic progress.

Enjoy the short holiday with your child.

The best legacy a parent can leave to their child is a little bit of their time every day - that's how memories are made.
-Donald Barr-

NICO GREETINGS

F.J. LÖTZ

CLASSROOM NEWS

PROMOTION CRITERIA:

Continuous assessment requires learners to work constantly throughout the year. The weight of the June and December exams plays a big role in a learner's success.

Grades 8 - 9:

Continuous assessment until September counts for 60 % of the year mark with the June exam carrying the greatest weight. The annual exam counts 40 %.

Grades 10 - 11:

Continuous assessment until September counts 40 % of the year mark with the June exam carrying the most weight. The annual exam counts 60 %.

Grades 12:

Continuous assessment until September counts 25 % of the year mark with the June exam carrying the most weight. The annual exam counts 75 %.

Please note that your child should not think he/she passes due to the marks of term 1 and term 3. He/she must work continuously.

Several learners are struggling to adapt to the new work tempo. Parents can help learners utilize their diaries more effectively and in doing so, they will be able to stay up-to-date with tests, assignments and tasks.

It has come to our attention that the reading and listening capabilities of many of our learners are limited. You can assist by becoming involved in the following capacity:

- Let your child read a paragraph or passage and ask a few questions on the content.
- Read a piece aloud to your child while he/she listens. Ask a few questions on what he/she remembers.

With the help of these simple methods, you can perhaps contribute to your child's improvement in reading and listening which are essential for effective study.

Unfortunately, the school does not have printing facilities for learners' assignments. If assignments are done on a computer, please have a hard copy printed for submission at the school. Learners may submit handwritten assignments.



PASS REQUIREMENTS:

Grades 8 - 9:

Home language: 50 %
First Additional Language: 40 %
Mathematics: 40 %
Any other 3 subjects: 40 %
Any other 2 subjects: 30 %

Grades 10 - 12:

Home language: 40 %
Any other 2 subjects: 40 %
Any other 3 subjects: 30 %

Exams:
22 May - 22 June

SUBJECT CHANGES:

Subject changes for grade 10 can be made until 5 May 2023. Please make sure you make an informed decision in the best interests of your child.

No further subject changes are allowed for grade 11.

PARENT EVENING:

Parent evening takes place on Tuesday 25 April 2023. Please attend!

TEXT BOOKS:

Text books rented from the school, must please be kept in good condition. If such a book is lost or handed in in poor condition, you will be responsible for the replacement value of the text book.

**The school reopens on Wednesday 12 April 2023
at 07:50 with day 3 of the timetable.**

SPORT NEWS

OUR LEARNERS HAVE DONE EXCEPTIONALLY WELL IN A VARIETY OF FIELDS. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR ACHIEVERS. A WORD OF THANKS TO OUR COACHES AND PARENTS FOR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT.

ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the following athletes:

ASA Championship Pietermaritzburg 23- 25 March

Cindy Strydom won gold for G u/18 high jump (1,75) and was selected for the SA u/18 and u/20 team that will participate in the African Championships from 29 April - 3 May in Zambia.

Bryan Katoo won silver in the 400 m final and came 4th in the 200m final. He was invited to participate in the ASA Grand Prix event at the end of April.

Alet Bezuidenhout achieved a 6th place in the high jump final and also competed in the triple jump.

Joshua Napoleon competed in the 800 m.

SA Championship: Germiston 2 - 4 April

Alet Bezuidenhout: high jump

Jaden Witbooi: 110 m hurdles and long jump

We wish these two athletes all the best.



Cindy Strydom & Bryan Katoo

CHESS:

Congratulations to our chess team who won the Floating Trophy for the best chess school in the Sarah Baartman District: Caylene Carolus (captain), Rodwin Baadjies, Vin-Josh de Lange, Jason Engelbrecht, Reagan Felix, Lathitha Magadla, Jeanri Nel, Brady Rispel and Alexander Smuts



EP Colours:

Caylene Carolus, Vin-Josh de Lange and Bronwyn Marx

TENNIS:

The following representatives of the EP Synergy team have made us proud:

u/19

Jayden Olivier, George Pieterse, Chrisna Sterley, Danelle Sterley and Dawid Vermaak

u/15

Naruschka Conradie, Lianca Rose, Elandré van Loggerenberg

BIATHLON:

Philip Jacobs (u/15) and Steffan Rademeyer (u/17) will represent the EP at the SA Biathlon National Championship from 31 March - 1 April. Well done!



**Please remember to share
your sport news & results
with us.**

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*Remember to follow us on
Facebook, Instagram & YouTube*

OTHER MATTERS

GENERAL:

CELL PHONES:

No cell phones are allowed on the school grounds until 14:00. It is a category-B transgression: Cell phones are handed in at the office until the end of the day. The penalty for this is a immediate detention.

SCHOOL FEES:

We hereby appeal to parents to please keep school fees up to date. Nico Malan does not receive any extra subsidies from the department in addition to the R 200 per year per child. Remissions granted are also not refunded by the department. We are therefore dependant on school fees to maintain the service and standard that the school provides. Your school fees are incredibly important for our sustainability.

SHOW YOU CARE:

Please support the fundraiser for
Fernando Groenewald - Click here

UNIFORM:

School blazers (with formal school uniform) are compulsory on Fridays. This applies to term 1 to 4. Learners can wear formal or informal school uniform from Monday to Thursday. When learners have LO sports on their time table, they may wear school tracksuits and sneakers to school.

GOVERNING BODY:

Mr Willem Jansen van Vuuren has stepped down as governing body member. Our sincere thanks to him for his 3 year term as governing body member. Mr Phillip Dempsey was elected in the vacant post.

REMINDER:

Learners may not attend extra curricular activities in the afternoons if they were absent in the morning. If they are absent on Friday, they may not participate in Saturdays' matches.



winners: Mr Conrad Dreyer and Mr Dawson Rautenbach with Miss Kerry Bell-Cross

FUNDRAISERS:

Our golf day was held on 11 February at the St Francis Links. It was a nice summer day with 88 golfers on the course. Thanks to all our sponsors and players who made this event a huge success and a highlight on our calendar.

OTHER:

Inikollig Art Festival took place on 29 & 30 March, Thank you to everyone who supported the event.



*Remember to follow us on
Facebook, Instagram & YouTube*

OTHER MATTERS

Preliminary term programme attached;
keep an eye out for any changes per sms/D6 communicator.
Please look on Facebook, Instagram and D6 for detailed results every week.

@NICO:

Thank you for your support!

@Nico's clothing store hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday:

11:30 - 14:30

Friday:

11:30 - 13:30

Price list on website/D6 available.

SCHOOL PHOTOS:



You are welcome to contact me
with any queries on
072 142 1460
info@gerberphotoandfilm.co.za

The photo gallery is ready for orders of individual portraits and class photos.

The [link](#) will take you to the home page where you have to select the Nico Malan gallery and enter the password to gain access. It is recommended, to access the page from your computer as a phone with low storage might struggle to load the full galleries.

Password: NM#btt

Please follow the instructions on the page for successful orders.

NB - use your child's name, surname & class when registering an order.

Orders close on 3 April 2023.

WEBSITE:

Scan me, I am
available in English
and Afrikaans



MYSCHOOL:



With MySchool you help the school to generate funds on a monthly basis. We ask our parents and supporters to please make Nico Malan High School a beneficiary on your Woolworths MySchool MyVillage MyPlanet card.

[Register](#) here if you still don't have a card,

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