



# BERGVLIET PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## BPS NEWSFLASH - 11 of 2021 23 July 2021 – Back 2 School – Term 3

Dear Parents and Guardians

We trust that you are all keeping safe and warm. As per the President's mandate, schools will reopen for the Third Term on 26 July 2021. (**Please note:** Education Minister, Mrs. Angie Motshekga, is due to address the media tomorrow afternoon, on the state of readiness of the Education sector to reopen schools. Should anything change contrary to the information already provided, we will be in touch with you.)

As we start work from the first day, it is important that learners return with the correct attitude: a diligent work ethic, as well as the necessary tools with which to proceed efficiently. This includes their stationery and correct uniform. Learners may bring along a small blanket to cover their knees in the classroom. This will help to ward off the cold, particularly since we will need to keep all venues well ventilated in line with safety protocols.

### Staffing News:

We welcome Mrs. Rika du Preez (Volschenk) to Grade R, Ms. Lailah Rasdien, a former BPS learner, as a Learnership in Grade R, Mrs. Jodi Newman, a substitute for Mrs. Reay who is currently on maternity leave, Ms. Kayla Boulle to Grade 2 as Ms. Lauren Gardner's replacement and Mrs. Debbie Lamoral, who joins the counselling department. We wish them all a happy and rewarding tenure at BPS!

### Congratulations: - "Baby Boom"

Sincere congratulations to Mrs. Reay, Mrs. Horsley and Mrs. M. Davids on the birth of their beautiful baby girls. We wish them a lifetime of joy that only the birth of babies can bring.

### Term 3 Timetable:

Upon our return, we will continue to use the daily attendance model that has been in force for the last few months, meaning FOUR classes per grade in Senior Primary. According to the Gazetted instructions, all primary school learners must return to their traditional daily timetable from 2 August. However, we await further instructions around this directive from both the DBE and the WCED. As soon as we receive clarity, we will inform you of any changes to the current status quo at BPS.

### Term 2 Academic and Music Reports:

Term 2 Reports will be e-mailed on the 10<sup>th</sup> of August. There are formal assessments that need to be completed, and these will take place during the latter part of the 1<sup>st</sup> week of the Third Term.

Parent-Educator meetings will proceed using online platforms. Only specific parents will be contacted, in cases where educators deem it necessary.

### BPS After School Care (ASC):

The BPS ASC will reopen on Monday, 26 July 2021. Should you need to utilise this facility, please contact Mrs. Shaban. Conversely, if you will be removing your child from the ASC, please ensure that Mrs. Shaban and Mrs. Leary are aware, so that they can follow up accordingly.



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## BPS Mandela Day:

For our Mandela Day Campaign this year, BPS joined forces with Liberty Promenade Shopping Centre and Heart FM. We are therefore appealing to our BPS families to donate books to the libraries of six disadvantaged primary schools in Mitchells Plain. Our collection will run until 30 July. Any new or pre-loved books, in good condition, would be greatly appreciated. There will be boxes for donations placed around the School during the week ahead.

## Covid-19 Protocol Daily Reminders:

Parents and caregivers are reminded to familiarise themselves with the BPS Covid Protocols: These were communicated during last term, and can also be found on the D6 Communicator and the BPS website.

- Should your health practitioner advise doing a Covid-19 test, you must keep your child at home until you receive the test results.
- Should you or your child test positive for Covid, please inform us so that we can put the correct measures in place.
- Masks are mandatory and must be worn correctly over both the **nose and mouth**. No buffs allowed.
- Please adhere to **social distancing** whilst waiting outside the gates.
- **No birthday treats can be sent from home**, as they pose risks to the entire school community. Please contact the BPS Tuckshop, should you wish to provide treats for your child.
- Learners are reminded to bring a **cloth** to wipe surfaces and to keep a **spare mask** in case of inadvertent incidents. (**Ziplock bag for safekeeping!**)
- Please **collect learners timeously** to avoid congestion at the various gates.

## Start of Day and Dismissal Times:

*If running late, please drop at the Childrens Way Gate, as all other gates close at 07:55  
Siblings can enter at the same gate, to avoid traffic congestion.*

GRADE	GATES OPEN FOR SCREENING	School Starting Time	ENTRANCE AND EXIT FOR LEARNERS	DISMISSAL TIME Mon – Thurs	DISMISSAL TIME Friday
R	7:15 – 7:50	7:50	Alphen Road Gate	13:05	12:50
1	7:15 – 7:50	7:50	Alphen Road Gate	13:15	13:00
2	7:15 – 7:50	7:50	Alphen Road ASC Gate	13:15	13:00
3	7:15 – 7:50	7:50	Alphen Road ASC Gate	14:30	13:10
3	7:15 – 7:50	7:50	Alphen Road ASC Gate	Thurs: 13:25	13:10
4	7:15 – 7:50	7:50	Childrens Way Gate	14:30	13:00
5	7:15 – 7:50	7:50	Childrens Way ASC Gate	14:30	13:00
6	7:15 – 7:50	7:50	Childrens Way ASC Gate	14:40	13:10
7	7:15 – 7:50	7:50	Childrens Way Gate	14:40	13:10



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We keep in our thoughts and prayers our entire school community who have been impacted and affected by Covid-19 and all who have lost love ones over the past few weeks.

As we approach the new term, particularly after the tumultuous few weeks we have just experienced in our country, I am reminded of the words of the S.A playwright, Athol Fugard: **"We're starting out at rock bottom, man. But South Africa does have a soul."**

May our South African souls rise from the ashes of the past few weeks, secure in the knowledge that we are resilient as a nation. We are people of hope, seeing light for the future despite the present darkness.

Please take care, keep safe and remember to apply the Five Golden Rules daily.

Sincere regards

MR BLP PAULSE