

MANAGING DIRECTOR NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents & Guardians,

Darlene Martin once said “For every ending there is always a new beginning. A new path and a new adventure.”

I find it hard to believe that we are at the end of the first term of 2022. Despite it being the first term of the year, we have excelled on many fronts and we have achieved a lot in a short space of time.

On the 12th of January the Royal Schools Princess Park College ship left the harbour and started sailing into the stormy waters of 2022. Despite many uncertainties, our learners and staff persevered and we achieved some outstanding successes in academics, culture, and sport. Here are just some of the highlights from our first term of 2022:

- Our Grade 12 Class of 2021 achieved a 100% pass rate with a 80% Bachelor pass rate. Our top performers were Himbotwe Mwaka and Mosegedi Phemelo with 6 distinctions each.
- We had our Grade 12 pledging ceremony where our learners set their targets for the year and also took a pledge to strive for excellence in 2022.
- Our Primary School Athletics team displayed their talent at an event held at Amberfield College where they achieved a second place overall.
- Our High School athletics team also took part in an event held at Amberfield College where they achieved many podium positions and a third place overall.
- We launched our anti-bullying campaign. The entire school wore pink in support of this campaign.
- 1 of our Grade 12 learners were trained in first aid. The learners loved this opportunity. Our educators also attended training in health, safety and fire responding.
- All Principals and Executive principals had team building from all 5 our sister schools and got to know one another better and to build an even stronger management team through fun activities.
- Our Grade 12s did the ‘anything but school bag’ challenge and came to school with very creative ideas. The learners thoroughly enjoyed this challenge.
- We had various fun days for this term. Learners dressed like educators and vice versa. On Valentine’s Day the entire school was filled with a sea of red and pink to celebrate all the love shared amongst us all. These were all fun, feel good initiatives that everybody enjoyed.

If we look at the above highlights, it is clear to see that Royal Schools Princess Park College has gone above and beyond during this term.

On a more serious note, it seems that drug abuse is becoming a major problem in all schools around our country. Please take note that our schools have a zero-tolerance policy towards drug possession and usage. Our School Management Teams will take immediate and decisive action against learners that have any form of drugs in their possession. As a management team we are taking a very strong stance against drugs in our schools and in this regard, we have already started implementing anti-drug campaigns, education, drug searches in conjunction with law enforcement agencies, and acting strongly against learners found in possession of drugs. Please have a discussion with your children on the dangers of drug abuse and monitor their behaviour for any sudden changes.

We look forward to seeing what the rest of the year will hold!

Yours sincerely, Dr B Fourie

MANAGING DIRECTOR ROYAL SCHOOLS

