

# 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 Queens Private School 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:

1. Our Grade 12 Class of 2021 achieved a 98% pass rate with a 69% Bachelor pass rate. Our learners achieved a 100% pass rate in 10 subjects and our top performing learner Mmatema Lesego with 5 distinctions.
2. 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.
3. On the sport front we held our Inter-house athletics with an excellent level of participation from all grades.
4. We had a vibrant Valentine’s celebration with music and special dedications to loved ones.
5. Our Primary School started with their Ballet (held on Thursdays). These learners are having so much fun.
6. We also had some new educators joining our Royal Schools family.
7. We are approaching the end of the term with the sad news that Mr Kufa has resigned from his position as Executive Principal. We wish him all best in his career and thank him for the wonderful work he did for our school over the past 10 years. A new Executive Principal will be announced in Term 2.

If we look at the above highlights, it is clear to see that Royal Schools Queens Private 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 Term 2.

*Yours sincerely, Dr B Fourie*

MANAGING DIRECTOR ROYAL SCHOOLS

