



# NEWSLETTER

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## EDITORIAL

Nowadays, we find ourselves caught up in the 4th Industrial Revolution, with technology evolving around us at lightning speed. For evidence of this, we need only examine some of the new technologies, such as 5G data networks, autonomous driving, predictive medicine, computer vision and extended reality, to name a few.

With all these extensive developments, I often wonder if technology will one day replace educators!

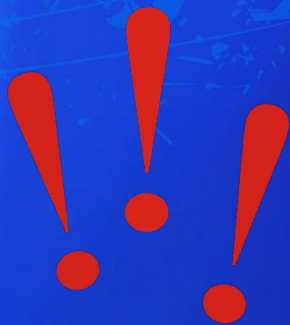
As in all aspects of life, there are the pros and cons in this rapidly developing technology. One of the pros would definitely be learners not having to sit through hours of traffic to get to their learning destination; coupled with that advantage is the fact that money would be saved and not used to cater for salaries, health benefits or even the upkeep of the institution. Pupils could gain learning material quickly and easily, and maybe learn at their own pace, not being restricted to an eight-hour day in class. They could even be tutored by an expert that is not even in the country. With online learning, two skills are being developed at the same time – the course itself and the technical knowledge of the student.

However, as a parent and teacher, I beg to differ. Technology cannot (and should not) offer emotional support and TLC, which is mandatory for the teaching and learning process.

Pupils need routine, guidance and discipline. Technology can offer an extensive variety of knowledge but is completely incapable of offering any real-life experiences. The classroom acts as a room of encouragement and inspiration, where learners can feel safe to try (and even to fail) without feeling the consequence of this occurring in the real world. The bond between a teacher and learner cannot be simply replicated by a touch screen. No person speaks fondly of an expertly-written programme, but a good teacher stays in his or her heart and mind forever.

**Simply put:** there may be many benefits to using technology but it will always be an aid to the teaching and learning process. As Scott Hayden says: "Teachers have three loves: love of learning, love of learners and the love of bringing the first two loves together".

MRS K BOGGENPOEL  
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## IMPORTANT DATES



Thursday 12 March  
Tuesday 17 March

Individual Photographs; pay R60 at the front office.  
Inter-house Cross country

Friday 20 March

Mathematics/ Mathematical Literacy assessment.  
This is a compulsory assessment. Learners who are absent must produce a doctor's note; otherwise zero will be given.

Save the date: 7, 8, 9 May – Major Production 2020 – details to follow

Note that the following assessments are written outside the formal test period. Should a learner be absent, a doctor's note will be required:

- Afrikaans exam 4 May, 17 September
- English exam 5 May, 18 September
- Maths / Maths Lit test 19 May

## A NOTE TO OUR PARENTS

One of the school's projects is to feed the sterilised feral cats that live on the school property and which help to keep our premises free of rodents. We would appreciate any donations of tinned or dry food. Donations may be handed in at the front office. Thank you to those parents who help us feed these cats. All contributions are gratefully accepted.





## SPORTS/CULTURAL RESULTS

### Public Speaking:

Grade 8s:           The A team received an A symbol. The B team received B+ symbol.

Grade 11s:         The A team received A+ symbol; the B team received A symbol.

### Swimming results:

#### A team:

- ⇒ 1st Trinity 558
- ⇒ 2nd Crawford 509
- ⇒ 3rd Edenvale 495
- ⇒ 4th Beaulieu 487



#### B team:

- ⇒ 1st Bishop Bavin 166
- ⇒ 2nd Sacred Heart 151
- ⇒ 3rd Edenvale 129
- ⇒ 4th Sir John Adamson 109
- ⇒ 5th Edenglen 106
- ⇒ 6th Glenvista 91
- ⇒ 7th Summerhill 78
- ⇒ 8th Queens 52



Well done to Tanna Hollis (Gr. 9) and Taylor-Ann Berkovic (Gr. 10) who have been chosen to represent JVW Girls Football at the Dana Cup this year – an international youth soccer tournament held in Denmark. We are so proud of you!





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