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30 April **2026**

Dear Parents and Guardians

TEACHER UPDATE

We are happy to report that the surgery that Mrs Oliver and Mr Africa underwent proved to be successful and both are recovering at home. Ms Smit is also recovering after having treatment on her back. She is expected back on Monday, 04 April 2026.

Absent teachers is obviously a very challenging scenario, but we are confident that we have mitigated it successfully. Ms Tanika Overmeyer has taken Mrs Oliver's duties, Ms Britney Kiviets has taken Ms Smit's duties, while Mr Anthony Austen has been appointed to handle Mr Africa's teaching load.

CONGRATULATIONS, MRS WHISKEY!

Heartfelt congratulations to Mrs Whiskey who graduated yesterday with her second degree!! Proud of you, Miss!!

ALUMNI HI TEA : Wednesday 06 May 2026

On Wednesday 06 May 2026 we will be having an alumni **high tea** at school. This is for past educators, ground staff, learners, governors of the school. If you know of anyone, please inform them. It is essential, though, that they register at hsteyn@zwaanswyk.net.

LEARNER DISCIPLINE

The issue of learner discipline is an ongoing one and presents challenges in various guises at this and every school.

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Four learners will be attending Principal's Saturday Detention because of their role in a bullying incident at school. A meeting with their Parents was held after the Discipline Committee had convened.

Another learner will face a disciplinary meeting with the School Governing Body because for his role in the same, and other, bullying incident. The learner will face serious sanction.

Bullying can never, and must never be allowed to flourish, and we have to deal seriously with this.

To assist learners, letterboxes have been placed around the school to allow learners to post notes regarding matters concerning them. These notes will be dealt with discreetly and confidentially.

KINDNESS, CARING, COMPASSION

Self-discipline is a life skill that is developed from day one in children. Routine, example, coaching, kindness, compassion, words, tone, interaction, and context are but some of the influences which impact the formation of children.

Many of our children have a challenge showing kindness, sharing with others, and acting with compassion, while unkind words, mocking and insulting language are uttered far too easily. Parents are encouraged to discuss this concern with learners.

ASCENSION DAY : 14 May 2026

Please be reminded that the school will be closed on Ascension Day, Thursday 14 May 2026

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"Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness, that most frightens us. We ask ourselves, Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented, fabulous? Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God. Your playing small doesn't serve the world."

LATECOMING



We still have an issue with late coming. Teachers are highlighting that the same children are coming late daily. Latecomers disrupt the class, while teacher and the other learners are distracted.

All learners coming late will have to report to the Principal's office from next week. The Principal will contact Parents for an explanation of this. It is sad that learners have to come up with reasons (excuses) every day for late coming.

Thank you for your cooperation in this regard.

EISTEDDFOD

Please ensure that learners are practicing their poems at home. Some learners are presenting individual poems, but ALL learners are participating in the speech choirs. Every learner should thus be practicing their poem, and Parent would do well to ask them to perform for you.



SAVE THE DATE! 29

**May '26 BIRTHDAY
CELEBRATIONS CONTINUED!**

As part of our birthday celebrations, we will have a **Karaoke Party** for all Parents and friends on 29 May 2026. This promises to be great fun! R100 per ticket. Birthday paraphernalia will be on sale. Tickets on sale now (on Karri and Finance Office). Sing you there!!

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GALA DINNER : 31 July 2026

Preparations for the 50th Celebration Gala Dinner on 31 July 2026 are well under way. The evening promises to be a smart, formal affair with many prizes, gifts, good food and even better company! And lots of fun!!

Tickets for the event are R300 a single and will be going on sale next week. We envisage a memorable evening!!

We are looking for sponsors. If you or any company would like to come on board and add your name to the list of sponsors, please speak to us!! If you are able to donate spot prizes, please do so.

SPORT

Our girls played netball against Sun Valley on Wednesday, while our boys played Pinehurst Primary. It is worth

noting that just to transport our players to and from the matches cost the school

R8 500. (a good reason to pay school fees!!)

We experienced mixed results on both the netball and rugby front, while victory was ours in chess!! We also won with "gees" and a "never-say-die" attitude!!

MOTHER'S DAY EVENT

Unfortunately the Mother's Day event planned for 09 May has to be postponed. Watch this space for updates!

RUGBY RESULTS VS PINEHURST PRIMARY

AGE GROUP	ZWA	PH	POM
U9	1	9	Braydon Lottering
U11	22	34	Sitha Makasi

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U13	10	12	Evan Small
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NETBALL RESULTS VS SUN VALLEY

AGE GROUP	ZWA	SUN VALLEY	POM
U9 A	4	5	Kamohelo Leotle
U 9 B	0	1	Tamar Stevens
U9 C	3	0	McKenzie Galant
U10 A	0	5	Naeelah Abrahams
U10 B	1	1	Chulumanco Manyadu
U10 vs SV C	3	0	Emily Samuels
U11 A	5	2	Rosaria Haywood
U11 B	2	2	Saige Dreyer
U11 C	5	0	Cassy Julie
U 12 A	4	6	Thaakirah Ryklief
U12 B	0	6	Nuhaa Solomons
U12 C	0	16	Riley Kenny

U13 A	8	17	Razaanah Essex
U13 B	0	0	Amani Abrahams
U13 C	0	7	Mercedes Jaftha

CHESS vs WYNBERG GIRLS JUNIOR

AGE GROUP	ZWA	WGJS	POM
U11	0	6	Callen Abrahams
vs Sigcawu Primary			
U13	2	4	Liam Madamombe

NETBALL TRIALS : 04 May 2026

Please be informed that the district netball trials will be held at Zwaanswyk Academy on Monday 04 May 2026 from 1.30pm. This may cause some traffic congestion, and we ask Parents to be patient.

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IN PRAISE OF GOD

WORKERS' DAY

On 01 May we celebrate Worker's Day. We celebrate so many victories that workers have enjoyed. We may not be in a perfect state yet, but there have certainly been improvements. So, to all of us, Happy Worker's Day!!



JUST SAYING...

Very soon we will be involved in Afrikaans week. One of the sayings that will be highlighted is "hy boer agteruit..." Not sure why, but Arsenal comes to mind!!

Go Stormers!!

FOR YOUR 2nd TERM DIARY

APRIL	
VALUE	INNOVATION
03 April	Birthday : Mrs Z. Williams
06 April	Birthday : Mrs W. Koeries
08 April	Birthday : Mrs W. Petersen Start of Term 2
09 April	Metro visit
12 April	Birthday : Ms L. Gordon
13 April	Sport and Culture start
14 April	Start of winter uniform
16 April	BLAZER CEREMONY

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17 April	Staff development : Mental Health Workshop
18 April	Umpiring Course
19 April	Umpiring Course
20 April	Gr 6 Drumming Workshop
21 April	Culture Photos Netball trials
22 April	Metro Kids visit
23 April	World Book Day Dress Up : R10 Metro Kids visit
24 April	Grade 5 Assembly
27 April	Birthday : Mrs H. Steyn Freedom Day
28 April	Occupational Therapy Workshop for Parents and Teachers – all welcome
30 April	Grade 6 Cake Sale
MAY	
VALUE	RESPECT
01 May	Workers' Day Public Holiday
04 May	Olympiad applications
06 May	50 th Celebration High Tea (11-2pm)
07 May	Birthday : Mrs K. Padayachee Metro Kids Visit

08 May	Inspection Day Gr 5 Cake Sale
09 May	Mother & Daughter Day Postponed until further notice Netball District Trials
10 May	Mother's Day
14 May	Ascension Day (school closed)
15 May	Birthday : Ms G Nortje Student Council Assembly Cross Country @ ZWA
16 May	Netball Final Trials
20 May	Metro Kids visit BEE Dress up Day
21 May	Metro Kids visit
22 May	Birthday : Ms Z. Samuels Birthday : Mr W. Daniels Colour Assembly Discipline Workshop
26 May	Birthday : Mr I. Heaton
27 May	2 nd Eid
29 May	Bathroom Civvies @ R10 Grade 3 Cake Sale End of Sport & Culture
30 May	Birthday : Mrs C. Brookes

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JUNE	
VALUE	COURAGE
01 June	Exams start School ends at 1pm Textbook Retrieval
03 June	App Olympiad Round Two
07 June	Birthday : Ms K. Engel
11 June	Birthday : Mrs S v d Meulen
15 June	Birthday : Mr E. Fungayi School Holiday
16 June	Youth Day : Public Holiday
17 June	Afrikaans week Metro Kids visit
18 June	Afrikaans Week Metro Kids visit
19 June	Afrikaans Week
20 June	Father & Son Day
21 June	Father's Day Choir sings at NGK Fish Hoek
22 June	Music Report Evening
23 June	Birthday : Ruth Sasman Music Report Evening
24 June	Final Assembly : 9am

	Report Evening : 1-3pm & 5-7pm
26 June	School closes
28 June	Birthday : Mr A Mathys

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**CALLING ALL
FORMER ZWA
SCHOLARS &
STAFF (1976–2026)!**

Were you a learner or
teacher at ZWA between
1976 and 2025?

Then we're looking for YOU to be part
of something special!

As we prepare to celebrate **50 YEARS
OF ZWA**, we are building our official
Alumni Network and would love for
you to be part of it.

- ☒ Like our Facebook page
- ☒ Fill in the Google Form to join
the ZWA Alumni community

Let's reconnect, celebrate our legacy,
and make history – together.

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