# ZWAANSWYK ACADEMY

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**06 November 2026**

**Dear Parents and Guardians**

## GRANDPARENTS DAY: 12 NOVEMBER

Grandparents' Day is fast approaching and tickets are being purchased rapidly. Please ensure that tickets are acquired timeously as we unfortunately cannot accommodate any person without a valid ticket.

## REMINDER: BUDGET PRESENTATON – 09 NOVEMBER 2026 @ 6pm

All Parents are invited to the Zwaanswyk Academy AGM on 09 November 2026. The proposed 2027 budget will be presented for approval at this meeting. As we need a 10% quorum (75 Parents) we ask that Parents make a concerted effort to be present.

## FINAL EXAMINATION: 16 November

With the final examinations around the corner, it is essential that learners be adapting to a study and preparation routine.

Please note that all learners will be dismissed at 1pm from 16 November 2026.

## READING COMPETITIONS

The Reading Competitions this week were very exciting and interesting. Congratulations to all who participated. It takes real bravery to be

reading and answering in front of an audience!! Well done!!

The week's winners were:

| Grade | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | Hakeem Hansen | Zac Halford | Cayden Overmeyer |
| 5 | Gabriella Kieswetter | Sarah Harrison | Zion Newman |

Well done!!!

**THANK YOU, PARENTS**

The last while has seen a significant strain on Parents through various requests, financial and otherwise. This has been because of a culmination of circumstances including camps, school fees, civvies, fundraisers, etc. We are mindful of this strain, and undertake to spread things more evenly.

Thank you, however, for your support.

**LEARNERS AFTER SCHOOL**

There is (still) a rather large number of learners who are waiting for excessively long periods after school for their lifts. This is a dangerous practice, especially for the younger learners.

We have spoken to Zwaanswyk High about the number of High School learners who exit at the Academy gate, causing further congestion. This is, however, made worse because drivers have decided that it is more convenient to wait in our grounds.

We ask that we all be patient (and considerate) as a solution is sought.

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**MORE THANKS**

Last week we had a collection day for Zulfeeq. Thank you so much for the response. It is really heartwarming. We also had a grade 3 class raise R1000 for Zulfeeq, and then challenged the teacher to match it. Well done Grade 3A. Your teacher is paying up!

We are hoping to purchase a car seat for Zulfeeq to ease car travel.

**LEARNER CAMPS**

The learner camps for this year have now come to an end, with every learner having the opportunity to enjoy a wonderful experience.

A special word of thanks to our incredible teachers for making these camps possible. For a camp to happen, teachers have to be away from their families and loved ones for two nights (three days), leaving all their daily business for another time. We are thus so thankful to our Teachers for doing this because they believe that the child should have this experience.

Thank you Zwaanswyk Teachers!!

**EXAM SEASON FOR EDUCATORS**

We have been experiencing heightened Teacher absenteeism for the last few weeks. This will continue for the next week or so as Teachers write final examinations in their quest to improve qualifications. Go Zwaanswyk teachers!! Proud of you.

**INSPECTION**

The uniform inspection has been completed. Sadly, there are a number

of instances where rules regarding haircuts have been blatantly disregarded.

Thank you so much to everyone who uphold the rules of the school. It is, after all, these very rules around discipline which attracted us to the school in the first place.

**PLEASE ADDRESS OUR EDUCATORS RESPECTFULLY (AS YOU WOULD WANT THEM TO ADDRESS YOU)**

This last week we have had incidents of Parents unfairly badmouthing our educators who seek only to do their best for every child. Teachers were sent profanity laden voice notes, and others insulted on social media (*Zwaanswyk Academy was called the worst(1**!) school, (amongst other things, with viewers encouraged to share and discouraged from enrolling here.*)

It is worth noting that the Principal was never approached to discuss or intervene. This verbal abuse of our teachers cannot, must not, and will not be tolerated. Any disagreement can be discussed and solved. It is also worth noting that no transfer has been requested.

Our teachers are incredibly committed, talented, and caring. They are also human. They deserve to be treated with respect. Thank you for doing so.

**BALLET: Saturday 07 Nov 2026 @ 9.30 am**



Our ballet teacher will be on hand on Saturday 07 November to do an initial free session and plot the way forward. Learners (boys and girls) from Grade R to Grade 1 are welcome to attend.

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Learners are to wear comfortable clothes (tights, tracksuit, etc).

Saturday 07 November 2026

9.30 am – 10.30 am

More information and clarity regarding future plans will be shared.




**IN PRAISE OF GOD**

The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.

DEUTERONOMY 31:8-9

**MANCHESTER UNITED**

And we're back!!! Wonderlik!! (vir eers) Let's keep our fingers crossed for tomorrow… Liverpool??????

**FOR YOUR 4th TERM DIARY**

| OCTOBER | |
|---|---|
| **VALUE** | **CARING** |
| 04 OCT | ~~Birthday: Mrs Hendrickse~~ |
| 05 OCT | ~~INTERNATIONAL TEACHERS' DAY~~ |
| 06 OCT | ~~START OF TERM 4~~ |
| 07 OCT | ~~Grade 7 Camp~~ |
| 08 OCT | ~~Grade 4 & Grade 7 Camps~~<br>~~Gr1's wish Matrics well~~ |
| 09 OCT | ~~Grade 4 & Grade 7 Camps~~<br>~~Grade 5 Excursion~~ |

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| 12 OCT | ~~Sport & Culture start~~<br>~~Summer Uniform~~ |
| 14 OCT | ~~Grade 5 Camp~~ |
| 15 OCT | ~~Grade 5 Camp~~ |
| 16 OCT | ~~Grade 5 Camp~~<br>~~Bosses' Day~~<br>~~Eisteddfod Prestige Evening~~<br>~~Student Council Election Videos due~~ |
| 19 OCT | ~~Birthday: Mrs Juries~~ |
| 20 OCT | ~~Library Club Excursion cancelled~~ |
| 22 OCT | ~~Systemic Examinations~~<br>~~Birthday: Mr Rodgers~~ |
| 23 OCT | ~~Grade 7 Assembly~~<br>~~Six Gun Grill Festival~~<br>~~Civvies~~ |
| 30 OCT | ~~Student Council Civvies & Movies~~<br>~~Grade 1 Cake Sale~~ |
| 31 OCT | Principal's Saturday Detention |
| **NOVEMBER** | |
| **VALUE** | **PERSEVERANCE** |
| 02 NOV | ~~Inspection Day~~<br>~~Grade 6 Camp~~<br>~~Grade 4 Reading Competition~~ |
| 03 NOV | ~~**ORIENTATION DAY**~~<br>~~Grade 6 Camp~~<br>~~Grade 5 Reading Competition~~ |
| 04 NOV | ~~Grade 6 Camp~~<br>~~Local Elections Public Holiday~~ |
| 05 NOV | ~~Grade 7 Reading Competition~~ |
| 06 Nov | ~~**Fundraising Event: FUN DAY**~~ |
| 09 NOV | Grade 6 Reading Competition<br>Birthday: Mr Francis<br>**BUDGET MEETING & AGM** |
| 10 NOV | Birthday: Mrs Ederies |
| 12 NOV | **Grandparents Tea**<br>End of Sport & Culture Programme |
| 13 NOV | Student Council Assembly<br>Grade 2 Cake Sale<br>SC & Gr 6 Teachers Meeting |
| 15 NOV | Birthday: Mrs Sampson |
| 16 NOV | **Start of Final Examination**<br>**Learners dismiss at 1pm**<br>**Textbook retrieval starts** |
| 17 NOV | SMT Planning |
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| 19 NOV | Birthday: Mr Engelbrecht |

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| 21 NOV | Birthday: Mrs Manuels |
| 22 NOV | Birthday: Mrs Meyer (A/Care) |
| 24 NOV | 16 Days of Activism against GBV |
| 26 NOV | **Foundation Phase Certificate Ceremonies** |
| 27 NOV | **Gr R Graduation**<br>Birthday: Mrs Oliver<br>FP treat with Principal<br>Voting for 2027 Student Council |
| 28 NOV | Birthday: Mr Timm<br>Culture Explosion |
| 29 NOV | Birthday: Mr Dullaart |
| 30 NOV | Student Council Q & A – Staff Voting |

| **DECEMBER** | |
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| **VALUE** | **COMPETENCE** |
| 01 DEC | Principal hosts Gr 7 Breakfast<br>World Aids Day |
| 02 DEC | **ISP Certificate Ceremonies**<br>**Grade 7 Valedictory Service**<br>Birthday: Mr Adams |
| 03 DEC | **PRESTIGE EVENING** |
| 04 DEC | **FINAL ASSEMBLY**<br>Jersey handover @ 6pm |
| 07 DEC | **Carols by Candle light**<br>Six Gun Grill Summer Sport Festival (u12) |
| 08 DEC | CLASS PARTIES<br>Six Gun Grill Summer Sport Festival (u12)<br>Birthday: Mrs Dreyer |
| 09 DEC | Schools close: Learners |
| 10 DEC | Birthday: Ms Naidoo |
| 11 DEC | END OF SCHOOL YEAR<br>Teachers' year end function |
| 29 DEC | Birthday: Mr Tromp |
| 31 DEC | Birthday: Ms Dreyer |



# Zwaanswyk Academy
# Price list 2026/2027

| Product | Size | Price |
|---|---|---|
| **Boys** | | |
| Navy shorts | 4-5/11-12 | R220.00 |
| Navy shorts | 13-14/XL | R248.00 |
| Jersey- junior | 5-6/15-16 | R250.00 |
| Jersey- senior | XS/XXL | R288.00 |
| Khaki Shorts – junior | 5-6/13-14 | R300.00 |
| Khaki Shorts- Senior | 15-16/XXL | R327.00 |
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| **Girls** | | |
| Skorts- junior | 4-5/11-12 | R248.00 |
| Skorts - senior | 13-14/XL | R275.00 |
| Cardigan – junior | 5-6/15-16 | R275.00 |
| Cardigan – senior | XS/XL | R300.00 |
| Khaki Skirt – junior | 5-6/13-14 | R275.00 |
| Khaki Skirt – senior | 15-16/XL | R300.00 |
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| **Girls & Boys** | | |
| Pullover – junior | 5-6/15-16 | R235.00 |
| Pullover – senior | XS/XL | R262.00 |
| Blazer – junior | 69-84 | R712.00 |
| Blazer – senior | 87-122 | R736.00 |
| Winter jacket – junior | 5-6/11-12 | R611.00 |
| Winter jacket - senior | 13-14/L | R705.00 |
| Tracksuit- junior | 5-6/11-12 | R653.00 |
| Tracksuit – senior | 13-14/XL | R745.00 |
| Golfer – junior | 4-5/11-12 | R300.00 |
| Golfer – senior | 13-14/L | R306.00 |
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| **Miscellaneous** | | |
| Swimming Cap (small) | | R160.00 |
| Swimming Cap (large) | | R170.00 |
| Sports Tog Bag | | R300.00 |
| Peak Cap | | R164.00 |
| School Tie | | R130.00 |
| Reader Bag | | R142.00 |
| Khaki pants junior | | R280.00 |
| Khaki pants senior | | R300.00 |