



PRINCESS PRIMARY SCHOOL

ONE STEP AHEAD

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PARENTS MEETING – 16th February 2019

1. SGB Bi-elections – facilitated by Ridgevale Primary School

There are currently two vacant seats on the SGB due to resignation. Both these seats were occupied by parents. The reason for their resignation is the fact that they no longer have children in the school.

- Only two parents nominated for the available seats.
- The two are Ms Rachel Nyengane and Ms Busisiwe Nkosi. Both ladies were duly elected into the SGB as part of the parent component.

2. School Report – Presented by Mr Nkau (Acting Deputy Principal)

- Mr Nkau apologised for the Principal's absence before giving parents a detailed breakdown of where the school is at and where it is going. He mentioned all the educational projects, tools, excursions the school is undertaking to make it "One Step Ahead" as per our motto.
- He requested that parents make time to go through the learners books and diary as these are means of communicating.
- He advised the parents to check at least once a week for newsletters as important information is shared on this platform.
- He briefly mentioned an exciting new project for the school. The introduction of Android Tablets to our school, in line with the Gauteng MEC for Education's Pillars! He further stated that this move is in line with our school vision which states that we want to make sure that we produce learners equipped with the highest standard of education possible within our means.

3. SGB Report – Presented by Mr Mbalo (SGB Chairperson)

- Mr Mbalo painted a picture of the school's finances, where the school was last year this time financially and where the school is right now. He reminded the parents of the importance of the payment of school fees and communicating with the school when around this financial commitment. He emphasised that Princess Primary is a FEE PAYING SCHOOL.
- Mr Mbalo also mentioned that there is an exemption process to be followed in our school, that if the parents require assistance in this regard, the school has an open door policy in place.
- He also took the parents through the projects planned for the school such as ensuring that the feeding scheme area is made more homely and welcoming for the learners that are part of it. Painting of the entire school and getting infrastructural assessment done on the whole school. This was brought to the SGB's attention by the recent fatalities in a school within Gauteng.
- All these require money to be actioned.
- Mr Mbalo also spoke of the great strides being made in our school. The introduction of smart boards as opposed to chalkboards, our teachers all being equipped and trained on laptops and how to use these in the delivery of lessons. It is in this breath that he took an opportunity to engage the parents on the proposed introduction of the ANDROID TABLETS for learners.
- This is a Gauteng Education MEC initiative. Princess Primary School would only be following schools like Nkone Maruping, Moses Kotane and the latest Winni Madikizela Mandela Primary schools. These schools have ALL their textbooks preloaded on the learner tablets. All learning material is available on these tablets.
- Mr Mbalo allowed for a suitably skilled invited guest to give a brief description on the features, advantages and benefits of the gadget and how it could assist in further improving in the delivery of superior education to our learners.
- The parents present at the meeting shared the joy in hopping on board with this advancement because it would raise the bar higher for the education on offer at Princess Primary.
- Parents requested that more information be made available as soon as possible. Mr Mbalo agreed that this could be arranged for a date suitable for all parents.
- Parents gave the nod to the project initiation pending further information.

4. Announcements – Mr Nkai (Acting Dep. Principal)

- Mr Nkai announced that there is a valentines picnic at the school and all parents are welcome
- Exemption forms are available from the Financial Officer as of the 16th February 2019
- Mr Nkai introduced all staff members present to the parents.
- Meet and Greet the Teacher

Meeting adjourned at 09H57