



PRIDWIN

Preparatory School

Dear Parents

Our Grade 5 to 7 boys start writing formalised exmas at the end of each year. In preparation for this, we would like to introduce the Grade 4s to a slightly more formal testing environment. We will therefore be having a testing week during the senior school exam week; Tuesday the 20th of November to Tuesday 27th November. They will be writing these tests in their own classrooms during their normal academic day.

Careful consideration has gone into what the boys will be tested on, as well as ensuring they are adequately prepared during class time. Revision packs and notes will be sent home for reinforcement too. These will be sent out on the 1st of November. We have set aside two academic weeks in the build up to these tests, where we will focus on study methods and skills. In addition, during the test week, we will have an hour study session per day to focus on the following days test and offer support in any area/s they are unsure of.

We would like to reiterate the importance of keeping the revision and preparation as stress free as possible over this time. We, as their teachers, are very aware that the boys need to be adequately prepared during class time in order to feel confident about the revision they are required to do. The study methods we are showing them will assist in staying organised and focused on the appropriate knowledge and skills.

The boys will have no sport the week before the formal testing starts, finishing school at 13:30 each day. They will be able to use this time in the afternoons to consolidate their revision. We suggest a maximum of an hour a day, broken up into two half hour study sessions for your son to revise his work at home. We will work on creating a study timetable with the boys. We do not expect them to be studying on the afternoons that they have sport. The study timetable will accompany the revision pack on the 1st of November.

Each subject will have a revision book that the boys will be able to work through at home. Our intention is to revise each concept in class and for them to then be able to use these notes at home to complete their studying in the week prior to the tests. These packs will be comprehensive and contain only the required information for the test. They are therefore the only resource the boys will need to study from.

The Afrikaans and isiZulu teachers will also be doing revision with the boys and will communicate exact details of what needs to be studied.

1. Testing Timetable:

Day/Date	Subject
Tuesday 20 November	English Comprehension & Language
Wednesday 21 st	Maths 1
Thursday 22 nd	IS
Friday 23 rd	isiZulu
Monday 26 th	Afrikaans
Tuesday 27 th	Maths 2

EXAM STUDY INFORMATION 2018

Study Material

<p><u>English Language</u></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Comprehension: Main Idea, sequencing, prediction and inference 2. Language Study Figurative speech, Punctuation, Antonyms and Synonyms, Parts of speech: All Nouns: Proper, Pronouns and Common nouns, Adjectives, Verbs, Adverbs Plurals, Alphabetical Order, Tenses, Homophones and Homonyms, possessive plural and singular apostrophes, jargon, slang, onomatopoeia.
<p><u>Mathematics</u></p>	<p>Paper 1: Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division and Problem Solving, mental maths</p> <p>Paper 2: Money, Length, Mass, Volume, Bar graphs, Fractions, Time, Angles, Area, Perimeter, Perpendicular and Parallel lines.</p>
<p><u>Integrated Sciences</u></p>	<p>Living and non-Living, labelling of a flower, Provinces, Continents, map work skills, Historical Sources, Time Lines, Leaders, Energy, The Water Cycle, Science Investigations, labelling a scientific diagram.</p>
<p><u>isiZulu</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ezemidlalo (Sports) • Indaba Page 71 • Possessives • Tenses (Past and Future) • Imibala (Colours) • Izinombolo (Numbers)
<p><u>Afrikaans</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehension (Theme is Animals) • Language – Past and future tense - Lekkerbek pg 26, 27 & 28 Plurals and Diminutives – Lekkerbek pg 29 Negative Form- Lekkerbek pg 37, 38 & 46 • Creative writing (Theme is animals).