



LETLHABILE NEWSLETTER 2

TERM 1

Term 1 2021: It's wonderful to see children back in school and keenly participating in classroom activities.

It's also a pleasure to see that parents are dropping off and collecting children from their designated points at the correct times and I would like to thank you for your support in helping us make this a smooth process.

We request parents to continue adhering to **social distancing** during home going time.

Covid-19 protocols and safety measures: The number of Covid-19 cases are rising at an alarming rate in Gaborone therefore we need to take extra care and precaution in safeguarding ourselves and others.

If you or any member of your household is displaying any of the following symptoms, we request you to **not** send your child/children to school.

- Fever (i.e. temperature above 37.4 C)
- Recently developed cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headaches
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion, sinus pain or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhoea

If you or any member of your household find yourself in any of the situations listed below, please do not send your child/children to school and kindly contact the school **immediately**. You and your whole family are required to self-isolate and test immediately.

- 1.) If you or any member of your household have been exposed to a Covid-19 positive individual in the past 10 days.
- 2.) If you or any member of your household are a primary contact.
- 3.) If you or any member of your household are showing symptoms (please see above).
- 4.) If you or any member of your household are being tested for Covid-19 or are awaiting Covid-19 results.
- 5.) If you or any member of your household are currently in quarantine/self-isolation.

A day 10 test will need to be conducted before you and your family can come out of quarantine and receive clearance from the Ministry of Health & Wellness.

After your child has been released from isolation and has tested negative, you are required to submit the clearance certificate from the Covid-19 task force to the Admin Office before your child can be allowed to rejoin his/her class.

If you may require any further information or clarification, please contact me or your child's class teacher.

PSLE results 2021: We would like to congratulate our outgoing standard 7s for their hard work and effort in achieving 52 As, 34 Bs and 11 Cs.

Moreo Rethabile Karen, Ntshingila Mbalenhle Michelle and Thuto Maipelo Tshogofatso deserve a special mention for achieving straight As. Many congratulations & well done girls!! Congratulations are also extended to the academic staff for their effort and commitment to the children and the academic programme. We endeavour to achieve an even better result this year.

Orientation: We would like to thank all our new parents who attended the orientation meetings which were held in a phased manner. Class teachers will be sending the codes for Google Class on Tuesday 2nd February 2021. They will also be sending information regarding school and class rules.

Parent support - key to your child's progress: This is true for all children but even more for those who need extra assistance. We request parents to continue

to work with class teachers to assist children in their schoolwork. If there are any concerns, please feel free to communicate with your child's teacher.

Contact Information: Please ensure that the School Office is kept informed of any changes in personal details, such as e-mail, postal address and telephone numbers etc. All emergency contact details must be up to date in the event we need to contact you.

Collection of children: Please note that no child is allowed to go out through internal school gates unless accompanied by their parent/caregiver or transporter. The only exceptions are children with identity cards who walk home. New parents whose children are walking home should write a letter, with the parent's details on it, to the class teacher requesting for an Identity card. We will then provide the child with the card which should be brought to school every day.

Kindly ensure children are not brought too early or picked up too late as it has an adverse effect on their performance. Please note the class teacher will not receive children after 7.30am without a late slip from the Admin office.

Parents picking up children before 12.45pm: Should request for a permission slip from the Principal's office which should be handed over to the class teacher. Guardians/caregivers coming to pick up children on behalf of the parents should bring a letter of consent from the parents requesting for a permission slip from the Principal.

Medical Condition: We request parents to inform the class teacher if their child has any medical condition that needs special attention/exemption from any specific activity. The school subscribes to **MRI** and they attend to all emergency cases when required.

Independent Transporters- We would like to inform all parents that buses/combis transporting children are independently owned. We would like to request parents to ensure that the transporter they engage has proper permits to transport children and that there is a conductor to monitor children in the vehicles to ensure children are safe at all times and picked up and dropped off safely.

School uniform and stationery: Our children are our best ambassadors, therefore we request parents to assist us to ensure that our children look smart and are correctly dressed at all times. Health and safety is a priority therefore

long hair and braids must be tied back using black or blue elastic bands or clips. Tinted hair, fashion jewellery (necklaces, long earrings, bangles, bracelets etc.), expensive watches and nail polish are not allowed in school.

Kindly note the uniform shop timings are from 7.30am to 2.30pm Mondays to Fridays and from 8.00am to 11.30am on Saturdays.

LETLHABILE INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM 2021

Girls School uniform Navy blue school hat Navy blue skirt School logo shirt White socks Black school shoes School logo jersey School logo tracksuit Navy blue tights Navy blue gloves and scarf	Boys School uniform Navy blue school hat Navy blue shorts/navy blue trousers School logo shirt Grey socks Black school shoes School logo jersey School logo tracksuit Navy blue gloves and scarf
P.E.& Swimming Navy blue cotton shorts School logo orange t/shirt White socks White sports shoes School swimming costume/jammers Swimming cap in house colour	

Please ensure all uniform is clearly labelled/marked so that it is easier to identify in the event it is misplaced.

Parents, please provide your child with basic stationery (i.e. pencil case, pencil, eraser, sharpener, 30cm ruler, pens for upper primary students, colour pencils etc.) as they will not be allowed to share in class. All exercise books should be covered with brown cover paper and labelled clearly. Parents are also requested to encourage children to take good care of their textbooks as this will avoid books being lost or damaged.

Please note that parents will have to pay for books that are lost/ damaged so that they can be replaced.

School fees for term one 2021- We would like to thank all parents who have paid the school fees for this term in full. We urge those who have not completed their payments to do so as soon as possible so as to avoid the P300 penalty for late school fee payment. We hope parents will continue to support their children and the school by making timely payments. **Kindly note the 1st fee installment of 50% for term 2 is due by 31st March 2021.** If you may have any constraints regarding payment of school fees, please come and meet us as soon as possible so that we can devise a payment plan for 2021.

Communication between teachers and parents: We request parents to communicate with teachers via phone calls, emails and WhatsApp messages as much as possible so as to limit the number of meetings in person, unless otherwise required.

If you would like to speak to me, you may call me on 3190728 or send an email to letlhabileprimary@yahoo.com. If there is a requirement to meet me in person, please call to book an appointment.

Finally, my sincere thanks and appreciation to our estate staff for keeping our school buildings and grounds clean and safe.

We look forward to another safe and rewarding year.



Ms M. Kaviraj
Principal