

# Hoërskool Elspark



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## Caracal News

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### Newsletter 5/2021

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Dear Parent/Guardian

We start this Newsletter with a message from the new SGB Chairman.

#### To all the parents, pupils, staff and stakeholders of Hoërskool Elspark.

It's an honour and privilege to serve as the chair of the governing body of the best school in the district. It's also a privilege to be working with Mr Van Niekerk the principal who has the best five-year plan to improve and implement new ideas. Hoërskool Elspark has over the years established the brand and philosophy that must be maintained, nurtured and expanded, with the new vision of the school, I look forward to being part of the team tasked with this responsibility.

My interpretations are:

- I would like to urge the parents and families to step forward and involve themselves and be a part of making this wonderful school even better.
- Covid-19 has had a devastating effect on our teaching and learning curriculum, the school has made new adjustments to comply with all the covid-19 regulations.

- The School Governing Body gives the learners and parents a vital platform to communicate their matters directly to the chairperson.
- I bring to the school the culture of excellency, fruitful learning and productive teaching environment.
- Transformation and representation are my primary objectives including responsibility and accountability as we move forward.

With God all things are possible.

Regards

Mr M. KHUMALO (SGB CHAIRPERSON)

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#### NEW TIMETABLE FOR NEXT TERM

According to the COVID policy and regulations, learners must be seated at least 1 m apart. In order to bring the whole school back on an everyday basis, it was essential that we build/hire additional classes and appoint additional teachers. In

collaboration with the GDE, we succeeded to accomplish both requirements and the timetable was changed to accommodate all grades daily. Redistribution of classes had to be done for grades 8 to 11 to reduce class sizes. I believe that all parents will be happy to see their children going to school every day. Learners will receive their new timetables on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May.

### **DIFFERENT POINTS OF ENTRY PER GRADE**

In order to alleviate traffic congestion in front of the school, **different points of entry** will be used for the different grades:

**Grade 8:** Tierhout Street small gate (**New ruling**)

Grade 9: Drop-off zone

**Grade 10:** Raven Street small gate (**New ruling**)

Grades 11 and 12: Main gate

### **SCHOOL TIMES**

School times for next term will be 7:30-14:00  
Learners must enter the school grounds by 7:20 latest! Extra classes/intervention program and 9<sup>th</sup> period for Gr. 12 (see all below) will start at 14:00.

### **SCHOOL SAFETY**

The safety of our learners is a high priority. We experienced some criminal incidents where learners were robbed in the streets around our school. The following measures are therefore being put in place:

1. No learner will be allowed on the pavements or fields/parks around the school after 14:30.
2. All learners being picked up after 14:30 must be collected from the pick-up zone.
3. We will start with an **after-school center** where learners will do homework/study/read.

### **AFTER-SCHOOL CARE CENTER**

Good news for all parents who want their children to be looked after in an after-school care center. Application forms will be available from the front office as soon as the after-school care center has been registered. All information and application forms will also be made available on the website.

### **REPORTS and PARENTS EVENING**

First term reports will be handed out during the

second week of next term. Parents evening will follow a day or two thereafter. All parents will be notified of the date and time of the parents evening.

### **PASS REQUIREMENTS (GET: Grades 7, 8 and 9)**

1. Home Language 50%
2. First Additional Language 40%
3. Mathematics 40%
4. Any 3 other subjects 40%
5. Any 2 other subjects 30%

### **PASS REQUIREMENTS (FET: Grades 10, 11 and 12)**

1. Home Language 40%
2. Any 2 other subjects 40%
3. Any 3 other subjects 30%

### **LEARNER DIARIES**

Learners often forget their diaries at home or lose it. When a learner has lost his/her diary, he/she must buy another diary @ R30,00 from Mrs. Kruger. Please make sure that all the information on the cover page as well as on page 1 is completed. Please study the Code of Conduct with your child and sign on the line in the diary at the end of the Code of Conduct. No learner may come to school without his/her diary.

### **CELL PHONES**

Learners should please pay special attention to the cell phone policy that states that from 7:30 no cell phone may be on or visible (not even on silent mode). A learner may only switch the phone on after school! Cell phones were often confiscated during break or when parents sent learners messages during class time. Learners also may not bring earphones or any other electronic equipment. The phone then stays in the safe for 20 school days (4 weeks). Alternatively, a fine of R250 applies if the learner wants the phone back.

### **WINTER UNIFORM**

Please note that all learners must wear the winter uniform from 3 May. All learners must please be correctly dressed according to the code of conduct in the school diary. Boys, for example, may not alter the school pants to make it "skinny pants" and must wear the correct brown school shoes (no "vellies" or boots are allowed).

## SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to all parents who are paying their school fees monthly. School fees are payable on or before the 7th of each month. Please send queries to ronelsmit@hselspark.co.za or phone us.

## Banking details:

Bank: FNB Bank  
Cheque account no.: 62443715547  
Branch code: 201209

**Reference: your family code or child's name and surname**



## HOËRSKOOL ELSPARK EXTRA CLASSES AND INTERVENTION 2021

	GRADE 8	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11
MONDAY	Afr./ EMS/ACC/ Eng	NS/Technology	Maths/ Maths Lit/ EGD/IT/ CAT	Eng./History/ ACC/Geo/CAT
TUESDAY	Eng/SS	Afr./SS.	PS/ Tech. Science. BS/ Tec. Subjects	Afr./LS/Tourism/IT
WEDNESDAY	Maths./CA/Eng.	Eng./ EMS/ACC	Afr/LS/Tourism Agr. Tech	PS/Tech. Science. BS/ Tec. Subjects
THURSDAY	NS./Technology/Eng	Maths./CA	Eng/History/ ACC/Geo.	Maths/Maths Lit/ EGD/CAT

- **YOU MUST MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH YOUR SUBJECT TEACHER IF YOU ARE GOING TO ATTEND THESE CLASSES.**
- Classes are compulsory for all progressed learners, repeaters in a grade, and High Risk Learners.
- Classes are compulsory in subjects with an achievement of 50% and lower.
- You must sign a register when you have attended these classes.



**HOËRSKOOL ELSPARK: GRADE 12 PERIOD 9: TERM 2: FROM 14:00 – 15:00**

<b>Date</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>
4 May Tue	Tech. Science
5 May Wed	Physical Sciences
6 May Thu	Afr. Huistaal
7 May Fri.	Maths. Lit
10 May Mon	IT/CAT
11 May Tue	Eng. HL. + Eng FAL
12 May Wed	Geo. (Afrikaans)
13 May Thu	Geo. (Engels)
14 May Fri	LS
17 May Mon	Tech. Science
18 May Tue	Afrikaans Huistaal
19 May Wed	Physical Sciences
20 May Thu	Maths. Lit
21 May Fri	IT/CAT
23 May Mon	Eng. HL. + Eng FAL
24 May Tue	Geo. (Afrikaans)
25 May Wed	Geo. (Engels)
26 May Thu	LS
27 May Fri.	Tech. Science
31 May Mon	IT/CAT
1 June Tue	Afrikaans Huistaal
2 June Wed	Physical Sciences
3 June Thu	Maths. Lit.
4 June Fri	Eng. HL. + Eng FAL
7 June Mon	Geo. (Afrikaans)
8 June Tue	Geo. (Engels)
9 June Wed	LS
10 June Thu	Tech. Science
11 June Fri	IT/CAT