

# CARACAL NEWS



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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

Dear Parents

I hope that you all enjoyed a blessed Easter.

Thank you to all parents who attended the parents evenings. The academic results of last term showed mixed successes and some issues were addressed at these parents evenings. Dr. Rheeders also addressed parents on her Highly Effective Study Methods programme (see p7 below). If you missed the parents evening or missed an educator for any reason, a request for a meeting with a teacher can be done by sending an email to [kantoor@hselspark.co.za](mailto:kantoor@hselspark.co.za).

Please see the extra intervention classes programme below. **These classes are compulsory for learners who failed a subject.** Also see the 7th period programme for gr. 12.

### New SGB Chairman

After our by-elections of last term, a new Chairperson for the SGB had to be elected. Congratulations to Mr. Chris Ngwanyana who was elected at our SGB meeting on Wednesday. Please see his message on page 2.

### Top 10 Awards

The top 10 learners in each grade will be announced and awarded at assembly on Monday morning.

### New teachers

Welcome to two new teachers who joined us this term. They are:

Mrs. N Loots (Afrikaans)

Mr. D Diedericks (LO)

Mr. E Chuene (NS) from 1 May 2023 Ms. Kele (Business Studies - Substitute for Mrs. Duursema on maternity leave)

### Winter uniform

Just a reminder that according to the learner code of conduct, they start wearing winter uniform from 1 May.

### Winter sport

Thank you to all parents who support our learners and coaches at sport and cultural events. See the dates for the different league games below.

The second term has just started and we already have another mini-break from 27 April to 1 May. School will come out at 12:00 on the 27th. Learners are asked to keep up with their responsibilities in all subjects.

Kind regards

Mr. J van Niekerk

*"Ability is what you're capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude determines how well you do it."*

*Lou Holtz*

# Message from the new SGB Chairman

## Mr. Chris Mkwanyana's Vision and Mission for Hoërskool Elspark

	Vision	Mission
1	Forward ever, backward never	How to get there? Unity and love
2	Unity and love -Teachers united in love	How do we achieve this?
3	Parents - unfailing and unwavering support and cooperation	Let teachers help one another working with love
4	One stick can break easily but put them together and they won't break	Equality - learners respecting teachers. Boys respecting girls and visa versa.
5	To achieve our goals working together. Teachers/Principal and parents	Mission is to see learning through play in order to improve attendance - motivate learners.
6	Would like to see learners improving - Parental Involvement	Teachers to promote love and not to work against each other.
7	Expanded learning at their pace - every child is unique	To avoid grouping and being critical against one another, criticize one according to dress code
8	Learners must not miss their syllabus	No bunking class
9	Happiness in school	Bullying will not happen when we are committed to peace and love
10	Dedication - united front	Not to create division amongst ourselves
11	Attitude determines Altitude	Check yourself - think before you act
12	Whatever wrong that was done in the past will not prevail going forward.	Forgiveness

Thank you for entrusting me with this position. I accept the opportunity and I wish to inform you that I operate on an open-door policy. I am here to offer an ear when necessary and to support the staff and the school respectively.

We are always looking forward to a mutualistic relationship - where both parties benefit!

**C. Mkwanyana**

Please note: Direct communication can be done to the SGB by sending an email to [sgb@hselspark.co.za](mailto:sgb@hselspark.co.za)

*"All of the top achievers I know are life-long learners. Looking for new skills, insights, and ideas. If they're not learning, they're not growing and not moving toward excellence."*

– Denis Waitley

# NEW EDUCATORS



**My your work here be as fulfilled as your dreams.**

## OTHER

***Any person/organisation  
interested to hire the  
school hall/  
entertainment area/field  
can phone  
Nicole at  
011 893 2013/4.***



Upcoming  
Public Holidays

27 APRIL 23  
FREEDOM DAY

28 APRIL 23  
SCHOOL  
HOLIDAY

01 MAY 23  
WORKER'S DAY

# ACADEMICS

## GRADE 12 COMPULSORY CLASSES TERM 2 2023

- Classes will start promptly at the time indicated.
- If you cannot attend these classes your parents must contact Mr J van Niekerk for permission not to attend.

DATE	DAY	SUBJECT	TIME
17/04	Mon.	IT/CAT	14:00 – 15:10
18/04	Tues.	Physical Science	14:00 – 15:00
19/04	Wed.	Maths/Maths Lit	14:00 – 15:00
20/04	Thurs.	English HL	14:00 – 15:00
21/04	Fri.	Afrikaans FAL	13:30 – 14:30
22/04	Sat.	Life Science	8:00 – 10:00
23/04	Sun.	Geography	8:00 – 10:00
24/04	Mon.	History	14:00 – 15:00
25/04	Tues.	Geography	14:00 – 15:00
02/05	Tues.	Accounting	14:00 – 15:00
03/05	Wed.	BS/Tech Science	14:00 – 15:00
04/05	Thurs.	Life Science	14:00 – 15:00
05/05	Fri.	Mahts Lit	13:30 – 14:30
06/05	Sat.	Tourism	8:00 – 10:00
		Tourism	10:30 – 12:30
		Maths	13:00 – 15:00
07/05	Sun.	Geography	8:00 – 10:00
08/05	Mon.	Physical Science	14:00 – 15:00
09/05	Tues.	Life Science	14:00 – 15:00
10/05	Wed.	English HL	14:00 – 15:00
11/05	Thurs.	Afrikaans FAL	14:00 – 15:00
12/05	Fri.	History	13:30 – 14:30
13/05	Sat.	Life Science	8:00 – 10:00
		Maths	10:30 – 12:30
15/05	Mon.	Geography	14:00 – 15:00
16/05	Tues.	Accounting	14:00 – 15:00
17/05	Wed.	BS/Tech Science	14:00 – 15:00

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25/05	Thurs.	Geography	14:00 – 15:00
26/05	Fri.	LO	13:30 – 16:00

## INTERVENTION PROGRAMME 2023 FOR GR8-GR11

	GRADE 8	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11
<b>MON.</b>	Afr./ EMS/ACC/ ENG	NS./Technology	Maths/ Maths Lit/ EGD/ IT/ CAT	Eng./History/ ACC/Geo/CAT
<b>TUES.</b>	Eng./SS/ENG	Afr./SS.	PS/Tech. Science./BS	Afr./ LS, /Tourism Tech. Subjects/IT
<b>WED.</b>	Maths./CA/ENG	Eng./EMS/ACC	Afr./ LS,/Tourism/ Tech subjects	PS/ Tech. Science. BS
<b>THUR.</b>	NS./Technology/ENG	Maths./CA	Eng./History/ ACC/ Geo/ Agr. Tech.	Maths/ Maths Lit/ EGD/IT/CAT

- You **MUST** make an appointment with your subject teacher when you want to attend these classes. It is learner's responsibility to show up. Teacher will not make follow up.
- Classes are compulsory for all progressed learners, repeaters in a grade, and if you fail any subject.
- You must sign a register when you have attended these classes.

## TEST TIME TABLE TERM 2 2023

DATE	GRADE 8	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
26 April Tues.	Maths	Maths	Maths/Maths Lit	Maths/Maths Lit	Maths/Maths Lit
12 May Fri.	Afrikaans	Afrikaans	Afrikaans	Afrikaans	Afrikaans

All other subjects will arrange for learners to write formal assessments before June exam during class time or after school

# ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

**June exam is 25 days away.**

How can parents support children during exams?

## 10 TIPS FOR PARENTS

1. When you face stressed and anxious child have the approach with “I understand” and encourage your child
2. Acknowledge your child’s efforts. Notice and affirm their choices like turning down watching TV to study.
3. Keep your expectations for your child realistic. Each child is different and might not be like older siblings you might have.
4. See where you can help by temporarily relieve your child of time-consuming family responsibilities. For instance, if they are not expected to babysit younger siblings.
5. Model a healthy balance by inviting them out for walk or suggesting watching a favorite TV programme when they’ve been studying for hours.
6. Provide positive, encouraging “can do” message.
7. Don’t assume that your career path would be good for your child.
8. Avoid conflict in your house.
9. Show interest in your child and keep your focus on your unique child’s life and future.

Your child is part of a fast-moving, quickest-changing generation known in history.

## How does the learner stay focused?

Be prepared – start early and don’t cram everything in the night before.

Go with the study method that suits you best.

Work through past exam or example questions.

Take breaks – spend your time in between sessions doing physical activities.



“You were born to win. But to be a winner, you must plan to win, prepare to win and expect to win.”

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# Highly Effective Study Methods

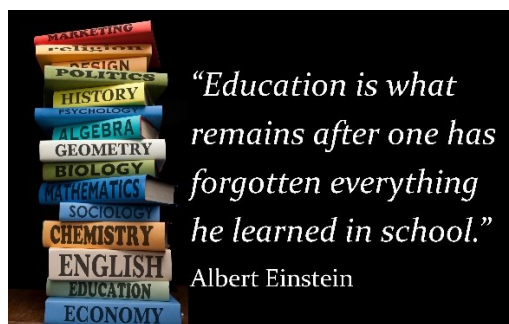


PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES  
SINCE 1973

Dr Emsie Rheeders Education Specialist - BA degree, B-e Honours degree in Behaviour and Learning problems (Cum Laude), Masters degree in Education and Doctorate in Education will visit our school at the dates below. Letters for her Highly Effective Study Methods was given to all learners.

Highly Effective Study Methods – R200,00 per learner in the school hall

DATE	GRADE	TIME
12 May, Friday	12	14:15 - 17:30
16 May, Tuesday	8	14:15 – 17:30
17 May, Wednesday	9	14:15 – 17:30
18 May, Thursday	10 AND 11	14:15 – 17:30



# WINTER SPORTS

## Netball League Dates:

25 April 23	Elsburg VS Elspark (Away)
4 May 23	Elspark VS Boksborg (Home)
11 May 23	Elspark VS Voortrekker (Home)
16 May 23	Sunwardpark VS Elspark (Away)
23 May 23	Play - offs
25 May 23	District Play- offs
30 May 23	District Finals



## Hockey League Dates:

20 April 23	Elsburg VS Birchleig (Home)
25 April 23	Elspark VS Stoffberg (Home)
4 May 23	Elspark VS Goudrif (Away)
11 May 23	Sunwardpark VS Elspark (Away)
	<i>Still to be confirmed</i>
18 May 23	Elspark VS Alberton High (Home)
25 May 23	Elspark VS John Voster (Away)
29 May 23	Elspark VS Heidelberg Volkskool (Home)

## RUGBY LEAGUE DATES

20 April	Voortrekker (Home)
6 May	Edenvale (Home)
13 May	CBC Boksborg (Home)
21 May	Kempton Panorama (Away)
3 June	Belvedere (Home)
10 June	Quarter Finals
17 June	Semi Finals
22 July	Finals





# ARCHERY

Saturday 15 April 2023. Our Archery team participated at Laerskool Elspark. Our archers competed in the 3D as well as the Bullseye competition and came in 3rd place.

We are so proud of you and hope you a wonderful 2nd term.

Working hard to go to Nationals.



Term Two

## Archery Dates

22 April 23

Riebeeckrand

6 May 23

3Di Triple Crown

20 May 23

NG Raslouw

13 May 23

Laerskool  
Randfontein

27 May 23

Klub Inyathi

# CULTURE

REVUE

PUBLIC SPEAKING

DEBATE

THIS YEAR IT'S GOING TO BE *BIGGER!*

SO, GET YOURSELF INVOLVED ... OR MISS OUT

## CARACAL INTERACT CLUB

The Caracal Interact Club is back and busy. We did community service again by picking up trash laying around in our community. We are planning a 'Essential Week' again this term to help those in need from 8 May—12 May 2023.

With many more ideas we will share later.

We would also like to wish Harriet Mumba in Gr9E3 a speedy recovery after her surgery. We are praying and thinking of you.

