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Dear Alex Family Members

The Human Rights Day Newsletter

What a week. We have finally had our 2020 Celebration of Excellence for Grade 8 to 11. Thanks to all the parents who were able to join us for the occasion.

We were able to constitute our 2021 SGB following elections held last night. I am very pleased to be able to announce the new members of the governing body.

Mr Lance Bright
Prof Enaleen Draai
Mr Richard Draai
Ms Liesl Fourie
Ms Tracey Harris

Mr Quintin Levey Mr Stan Liebenberg Mr Grant Meyer Mr Raymond Oliver

My thanks to all of them for being willing give up their time and expertise to serve all of us in the important role of governance.

We get to celebrate Human Rights Day on Sunday and Monday. The events of 21 March 1960 are a very real reminder of the sacrifices made by people who were willing to stand in defiance against injustice in our society. Please take some time over the weekend to remember the implications for us today of living in a country that has a Bill of Rights.

We will be moving into our Test series on Tuesday next week. The subjects and days are listed below.

		Grade 12	Grade 11	Grade 10	Grade 9	Grade 8
Tuesday			Afrikaans/	Afrikaans/	Afrikaans/	Afrikaans/
(Blue)	23-Mar	Afrikaans	isiXhosa	isiXhosa	isiXhosa	isiXhosa
Wednesday			Afrikaans/	Afrikaans/	Afrikaans/	Afrikaans/
(Green)	24-Mar	English	isiXhosa	isiXhosa	isiXhosa	isiXhosa
Thursday						
(Blue)	25-Mar	Accounting	Accounting	Accounting	NS	NS
Friday						
(Green)	26-Mar	Maths	Accounting	Accounting	NS	NS
Tuesday		Art/Music/				
(Blue)	06-Apr	AP Maths	Geography	Geography	English	Digital Tech
Wednesday						
(Green)	07-Apr	Geography	Geography	Geography	English	Digital Tech

Thursday						
(Blue)	08-Apr	Life Science	Life Science	Life Science	Digital Tech	English
Friday						
(Green)	09-Apr	IT/History	Life Science	Life Science	Digital Tech	English

The purpose of this test series is to allow for standardised testing to occur across the grades. We need to test each colour group on a separate day, so we will be setting two tests that aspire to be of the same level for each grade and each subject.

On the days in the table above, if your child is not writing that test, they must arrive at 07H45 and study or read quietly in their register class until 08H55. Please note, there is no late start on Tuesdays on 23 March and 6 April.

Please remember that these are not exams; they are class tests that need to be standard across a grade and have a duration of 1 hour. Not all subjects will need to make use of the test slots.

We will be returning to school uniform from the week starting on 6 April. Please do what you can to ensure that there is enough Alex uniform at home that still fits. Yesterday was one year since we first closed for the pandemic and the last time that some pupils wore uniform. If you are unable to secure specific items of uniform, please contact the Grade Head. For this term we are allowing tracksuit tops to be worn with variform only. This is because there is a shortage of brown jerseys across all our suppliers.

Please take note of the times at which the lost property and second-hand clothing shop are available.

2021 OPENING TIMES

for lost property & second-hand clothing

• EVERY Tuesday

•	Morning	07:30 to 08:15
•	1st break	11:00 to 11:25
•	2nd break	13:05 to 13:25

I hope that you get some family time and a break over the weekend. Please keep yourself and your loved ones safe.

Yours faithfully

Matthew Ridgway Principal