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Dear Alex Family Members

Freedom Day and Workers' Day

I trust that you had a break of some sort on Wednesday and spent a moment appreciating the importance of the day. Most of you will remember the sense of anticipation on 27 April 1994; the great hope that we all fostered for this magnificent country of ours. We did not get what we were dreaming of, but we should still feel hopeful about the future when that dream could still be aspired to.

We will be starting our last four-day week this term on Tuesday after having celebrated Workers' Day on Sunday and enjoyed Monday off. Our workers are the life blood of our economy. The lowest paid and least skilled people were most affected by the pandemic. It is important for us all to appreciate these men and women and what they do on a daily basis to keep our country's economy functioning.

I hope that you have your tickets to the show. If not please move quickly to secure your spot. The links below will be useful.

Public evening performances: <https://qkt.io/jDmlAz>

Ticket price: R95

Wednesday 4 May 19:30

Thursday 5 May 19:30

Friday 6 May 19:30

Saturday 7 May 19:30

Wednesday 11 May 19:30

Thursday 12 May 19:30

Friday 13 May 19:30

Saturday 14 May 19:30

Public matinee performances: <https://qkt.io/SfCAGR>

Ticket price: R85

Saturday 7 May 14:00

Saturday 14 May 14:00

Alex Family Night: <https://qkt.io/Wtzd6Q>

Ticket price: R80

Tuesday 3 May 19:30

Tuesday 10 May 19:30

We are building towards the final run-through on Monday night with the opening night for our VIP guests on Tuesday and the first public show on Wednesday. It looks like

another epic Alex production with something for the whole family. Don't regret not getting your ticket on time.

We are very proud of Gcinani Headbush as she was selected for the U16 netball team to represent all of Mandela Bay at the provincial tournament. We wish her every success.

John Junior Adams has completed his life-saving award through the Seagulls Surf lifesaving club. This award is internationally recognised and we are very proud of him for this achievement.

The exam timetable is ready to be published. We prefer to send it out much further ahead of the exams than this, but we had to wait for changes to some commonly written exams for the Grade 12s to be published. You may notice that the exams run right to the last day of the term. Some of the items in the last week only count for term 3 marks. Reports will be issued on Friday 24 June from just after the final assembly for the term, which will be streamed at about 08H00 (<https://youtu.be/4wCmRtjnJN4>)

The seating plan for each exam will be circulated shortly before the exams start. It is very important that every pupil knows exactly which venue and in which seat they are writing the exam. The first session starts at 08H30, this means that everyone must be at the venue and ready to start by 08H00 when they are writing an exam.

Anyone who is not well enough to write the exam must make sure that they get a medical certificate for the day that they miss an exam. It is vital to contact the school early on the exam day to let us know that the child will be away.

The onset of exams often increases stress and anxiety levels. It is essential that we take the exam session seriously, but we must manage the increase in stress so that it does not get to a debilitating level. Please keep an eye out for some changes in behavior and diet that could indicate the need for intervention. Please keep an eye on healthy habits. A good supply of nutrients is essential to optimise performance.

To everyone who is approaching the end of Ramadan, we wish you a festive and fulfilling Eid with your family and loves ones.

Please keep yourself and those you love safe this week.

Yours in education



Matthew Ridgway
Principal