



PINEDENE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NOTICE 6 OF 2025: PARENT MATTERS

7 February 2025

Dear Parents,

1. Our School Governing Body

- The election notice for TWO parent members was sent out on the WhatsApp groups yesterday (6 February).
- Parents who want to nominate, or be nominated, please collect forms from the Admin Office between 07:15 and 14:00 on weekdays – from today, 7 February to Wednesday, 19 February.

2. Parents' meetings:

- A special parents' meeting will be conducted after the election to report back on Governance and academic matters.

3. School Fee Exemption

- i) Qualifying parents may apply and will be (if they qualify) granted school fee exemption, calculated according to Government Policy.
- Condition: Individually assessed to determine affordability.
 - Please contact the office (0160230295) for information regarding exemption forms.
 - Forms must be submitted before 7 March 2025.

4. School Fee Payment

- Please ensure that you stay up to date with your school fee payments.
- We are trying to limit the use of cash at school. The preferred payment method is that parents make EFT payments into the school's bank account:
STANDARD BANK CHEQUE ACCOUNT
BRANCH CODE: 014737 ACCOUNT NUMBER: 021894973
Your school fee account must be used as the payment reference. Proof of payment must be sent to penny@pinedene.co.za OR liezel@pinedene.co.za
- Alternatively, parents may make card payments at the administrative office.
- Cash payments are still accepted, but – as stated above – we would like to limit this. If you do send school fees to school with your child, please use the school fees envelope. ENTER AND SIGN IN THE APPROPRIATE BLOCKS TO CONFIRM THE AMOUNT. Also, it is advisable, that you inform the teacher that you are sending money in to school.
- **Parents who experience financial difficulties must come and discuss the problem at school. Please do not leave this for too late, as the problem will**

only escalate. Please note, that discussions of such problems does not mean that you will be exempted. Exemptions only take place via the legal route. As an SGB we can, however, draw up alternative payment plans to assist you.

PINEDENE IS A QUINTILE 5 SCHOOL AND WE DEPEND LARGELY ON OUR SCHOOL FEES FOR OUR SURVIVAL AND DEVELOPMENT. OUR PARENTS CHOSE TO ENROL THEIR CHILDREN AT PINEDENE FOR SPECIFIC REASONS. NON-PAYMENT OF FEES WILL RESULT IN THE OVERTURNING OF OUR GENERAL STANDARD.

5. Late arrival for school

Many of our learners are dropped off very late at school, or exactly at 07:30.

Your child then misses the official start of our daily activities at our morning assembly.

Not only is this disruptive, but your child does not learn the important value of punctuality AND they are excluded from an important aspect of our school culture.

Please ensure that your child arrives no later than 07:25, in order to be in time.

I appreciate your understanding and support in this matter.

6. Communication

- Our official method of communication is through the class WhatsApp groups.
- Parents who do not receive regular messages **MUST** contact the school.
- We have a Facebook page – please join it. Pinedene Primary Vanderbijlpark. Send a friend request. 😊
- Our Website is <https://pinedene.co.za>

7. TELEPHONE AND FAX NUMBERS

Telephone: (016) 023 0295

Email address: info@pinedene.co.za

Finances: liezel@pinedene.co.za or penny@pinedene.co.za

Please note that these numbers are not compatible with SMS messages.

Regards


MS B. DU PONT (PRINCIPAL)

