



PINEDENE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NOTICE 14 OF 2025: TERM 3

24 July 2025

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 3 after the winter break. Please take note of the following important matters:

1. Parents' meetings
 - We have scheduled an 'invitation only' parents' evening for Tuesday, 29 July 2025. If your presence was requested, please attend in order to discuss school-related matters at hand.
2. Concert preparation

Our teachers and learners are in the beginning stages of our preparation for the concert (which is scheduled for the week of 27- 30 October). More information will follow, but we want our parents to be aware of it happening.
3. Late collection

It is unfortunate that there are still learners being collected late after school. Please respect the time of our educators and ensure that your child is collected timeously after school.

R50 fines are given to learners being collected after 14:30. Parents who ignore those fines will be called for a meeting to discuss this.
4. Learner absenteeism

Regular school attendance is mandatory. Parents sometimes site transport problems as a reason for absenteeism. This is HIGHLY irregular. It is your responsibility to ensure that your child attends and learn at school.

However, a sick child cannot learn at school. Added to that, COVID has taught us that viruses are spread through contact. Therefore, if your child is ill, make sure that they get treatment and keep them at home **(for only the required time)**.

VERY IMPORTANT: COMMUNICATE YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE AND THE REASON FOR THE ABSENTEEISM TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER ON THE FIRST DAY OF NON-ATTENDANCE.
5. School Fee Payment
 - The SGB is currently in process of handing outstanding accounts over to lawyers for collection. It is unfortunate (and a costly exercise for the parents involved), but necessary. We have made many efforts to get outstanding fees in, but in many cases were not successful. It leaves us with no alternative.

- 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.**
- Arrangements made to catch up on school fees:
During our process of communication last year, many parents made arrangements to catch up on their fees. It is of the utmost importance that you keep those commitments. If not, the situation just escalates.

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.

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

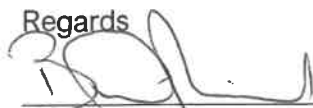
Telephone: (016) 023 0295

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)