



1 November 2016

Dear Parents

**2016 November / December Examinations and Dates to Note**

The final examinations for Grades 8 to 11 commence on Monday, 7 November and end on Friday 25 November 2016. The school term ends on Wednesday 7 December 2016.

**Please note the following dates:**

- ◆ Thursday 3 November: Grades 10-11 Prize-giving at 1.30 for 2.00pm.
- ◆ Friday 25 November: deadline for the return of textbooks by all learners.
- ◆ Tuesday 6 December: Grades 8-9 Prize-giving at 9.30am.

**Final Reports will be handed out to parents as follows:**

- ◆ Grades 8-9: after the prize-giving on Tuesday, 6 December.
- ◆ Grades 10-11: 8.30am to 11.00am on Wednesday, 7 December.

The **school office** will close at 11.00am on Thursday, 8 December for the annual staff function. It will re-open again at 8.00am on Friday, 9 December. The office will be open on Monday, 12 December to Wednesday 14 December (8.00am to 3.00pm), and Thursday, 15 December (8.00am to 1.00pm) after which it will close until Wednesday, 4 January 2017.

**Parents who have not paid school fees** will have to collect their reports from the Principal or a staff member delegated with this responsibility. Your support in settling all school fee accounts now is appreciated, as this will enable the school to pay creditors and salaries. Parents who have financial difficulties must have made an acceptable arrangement with the bursar (Mrs Powell). All textbooks and any outstanding raffle booklets must be returned by 25 November. **Learners will be sent home to fetch outstanding textbooks and raffle booklets before the final reports are issued.** Lost or damaged textbooks incur a cost of R300 per book, which must be paid before reports are issued. Your support in these matters is critical.

**Learners who are seriously ill during the examinations** must hand in a medical certificate on their return to school. Medical certificates for minor ailments will not be accepted as a reason not to write an examination.

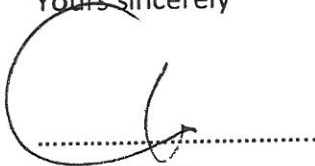
Learners are expected to dress in the correct uniform during examinations. Only black shoes, grey jerseys and green blazers are allowed. Please ensure your child does not carry civvies in his / her schoolbag. **Learners must report to school by 8.00am during examinations.** Learners who do not write in session one must report to the allocated study room. The dress and public conduct of a few of our learners is a concern at times. Good manners and discipline starts at home. Parents must ensure that their children leave for school in the correct uniform. **The school expects parents to be supportive in this regard and to honour the agreement signed when enrolling their child at Rhodes High School.**

Letters have been sent to parents with regard to School Fees for 2017. **A discount of 7,5% is available to parents who pay their 2017 fees now. All 2016 Fees must be settled by 30 November 2016 to avoid legal action.** The details of school fees are also on the school website, which is [www.rhodeshigh.co.za](http://www.rhodeshigh.co.za).

**First Fees of R2000 are payable in December 2016.** Stationery requirements for 2017 were sent to parents with the 2017 School Fees documents. Stationery may be ordered from "Waltons Back to School" by returning the order form to the school. Raffle booklets and money must be returned to the bursar immediately.

I trust that the remainder of 2016 will be a time when your child will be focused on achieving the best result possible by working hard and using study time productively. The role of parents in assisting and encouraging their children is extremely important.

Yours sincerely



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**KEITH LONG**  
**PRINCIPAL**