

Hoërskool BOSMANSDAM High School

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Good day parents/guardians

Firstly, compliments of the season to you and your loved ones.

As per the announcement by the Department of Basic Education this morning, the following is now in effect:

- · School Management Teams (SMTs) shall report for duty on Monday, 25 January 2021;
- · Teachers shall follow on Monday, 01 February 2021; and
- · Lastly, learners return on Monday, 15 February 2021.

The SMTs will return first to prepare for when the rest of the staff joins them, and the teachers will prepare for the return of learners. Schools will use the time to finalise administrative and practical matters. We will communicate the way forward and all other arrangements we have put in place for the management of the Covid-19 pandemic.

We will also communicate how we will attempt to initiate remote learning. As you might imagine, this will be difficult as it is the start of a new grade, the learners have not been issued textbooks and a fair percentage of our learners have no, or limited, access to the internet.

As for our new Grade 8s, although we are excited to meet you, due to the current situation your orientation will be postponed and we will let you know in due course as to the new date thereof. We are tentatively looking at 10 February 2021.

Please stay safe and limit your and our children's exposure to infection.

Thanking you,

Mr D. Dirks
Acting Principal