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GRADE 8 **BOOKLET**

2023



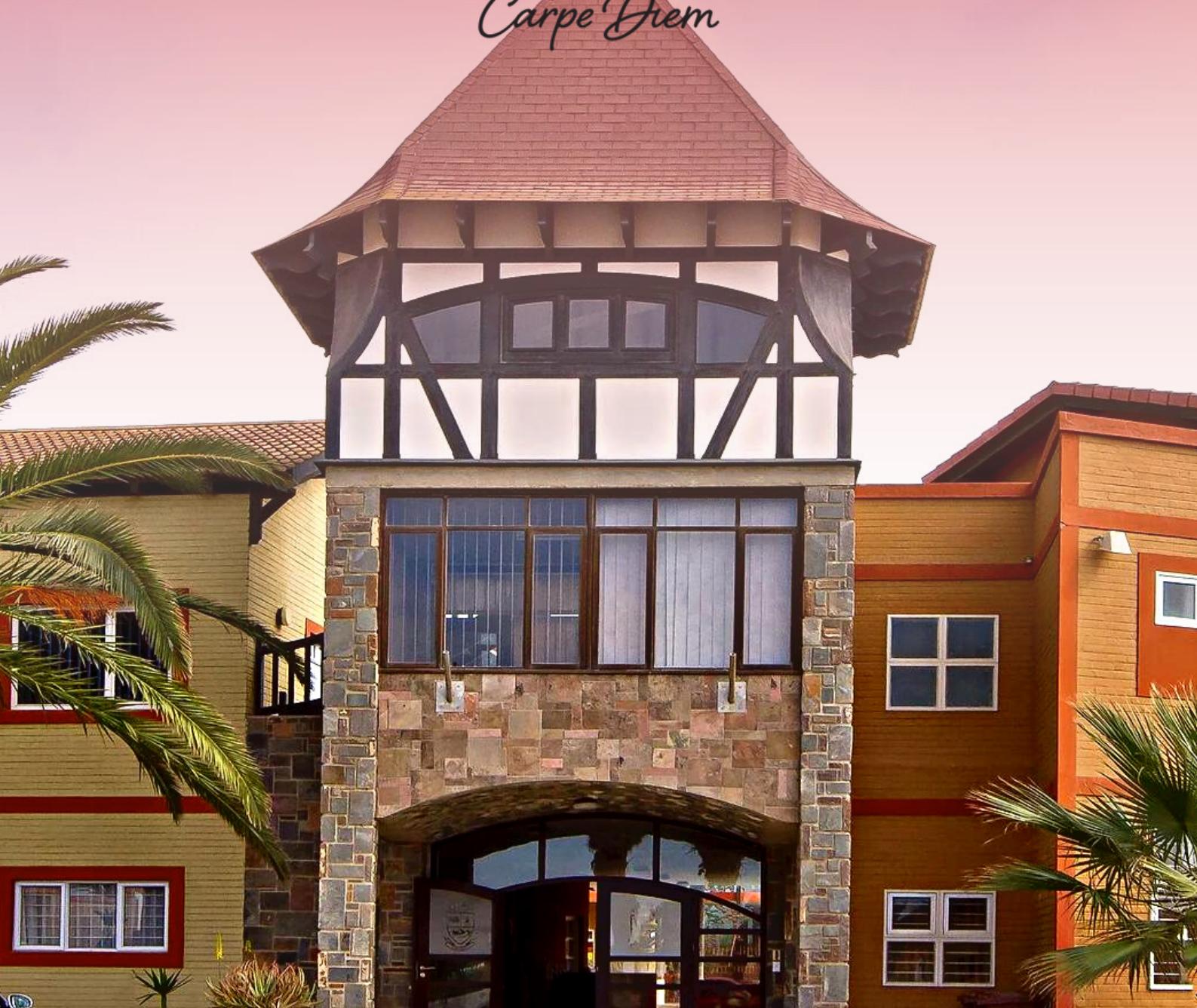
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- Dr. Seuss

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CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME

Welcome to the PSS High School family!

As your new seniors and as your Grade 8 SRCs, I would herewith like to welcome you to a place where you will laugh, a place where you will cry, where you will succeed, and where you will fail; none other than... High School!

We, the SRCs, have been tasked, as per tradition, with handling your orientation and we have planned it with fun, teamwork, and mud in mind - yes, you read that right. I sincerely hope that we can make your transition from Primary School to High School as fun, memorable, and smooth as possible. Trust me, Grade 8 is the one and only grade you wish you could redo, so, through all the challenges you will inevitably face this year, you should appreciate the good moments while they last. This is also why the quote for this year's orientation is: "Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory." - Dr. Seuss

In this booklet, you will find many things, many important things, and many not-so-important things, nevertheless, you should read this booklet meticulously and with an alert mind, because you are expected to know many of the things in this booklet by heart. If at any point you are unsure of something, you are more than welcome to contact any one of us!

From my side, a very warm welcome! I can not wait to get to know each and every one of you!

Kind Regards
ANCO DE KONING
SRC CHAIRPERSON

ORIENTATION INDEX

IMPORTANT DATES	PROCEEDINGS
16 JAN - 3 FEB	Grade 8 Orientation
16 JAN	First Day
16-17 JAN	Introductions BREAK Orientation Activity
19 JAN	Grade 8 Parent Meeting
18-26 JAN	Afternoon Orientation Activities
27 JAN	Desert Sleepover
30 JAN - 2 FEB	Grade 8 Concert Practice
2 FEB	Grade 8 Concert
4 FEB	Big Walk

*Letters and Consent Forms will be issued ahead of certain events and activities.

STUDENT REPRESENTITIVE COUNCIL

2022/2023



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VICE-CHAIRPERSON



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SCHOOL PHASE HEADS 2023



**MRS. ILSE LIECHTI
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HEAD OF ACADEMICS**



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SRC GUARDIAN**



**MS. RENÉ CONRADIE
SRC GUARDIAN**

SUBJECTS

GRADE 8

SUBJECT	GRADE 8A	GRADE 8B	ONLINE
REGISTER	Mrs. Grabowsky	Mrs. Jacobs	Mrs. Jacobs
ENGLISH	Mrs. Smith	Mrs. Smith	Mrs. Smith
MATHEMATICS	Mrs. Hornickle	Mrs. Hornickle	Mrs. Hornickle
GERMAN	Mrs. Holch, Mrs. Gressmann, Mrs. Ulrich		Mrs. Diekmann
AFRIKAANS	Mrs. Joone	Mrs. Joone	Mrs. Joone
PHYSICS	Mrs. Jacobs	Mrs. Jacobs	Mrs. Jacobs
CHEMISTRY	Mrs. Grabowsky	Mrs. Grabowsky	Mrs. Grabowsky
BIOLOGY	Mrs. Jacobs	Mrs. Jacobs	Mrs. Jacobs
GEOGRAPHY	Mr. Ewald	Mr. Ewald	Mr. Ewald
HISTORY	Mrs. de Voss	Mrs. de Voss	Mrs. de Voss
COMPUTER SCIENCE	Mrs. Joone	Mrs. Joone	Mrs. Joone
ACCOUNTING	Mrs. Malan	Mrs. Malan	Mrs. Malan
ART	Mrs. Ulrich	Mrs. Ulrich	Mrs. Ulrich
MANDARIN	Mrs. Bo	Mrs. Bo	Mrs. Bo
SPORT	Mr. Enslin	Mr. Enslin	N/A

TIMETABLE

GRADE 8A

TO BE PASTED ON

TIMETABLE

GRADE 8B

TO BE PASTED ON

PSS SCHOOL SONG

SUNG IN GERMAN

**Carpe Diem – wir nutzen voll den Tag,
wir schaffen's, was auch immer auf uns zukommen mag.**

**Carpe Diem – wir nutzen voll den Tag,
und Freundschaft, Kameradschaft sind bei uns angesagt.**

In unserer Schule, in Swakopmund am Meerestrand,
lernen wir Kinder mit Kopf und Herz und Hand.

Unsere Schule, ja, wir alle lieben sie,
hier herrschen Frohsinn, Humor und Harmonie.

Unsere Lehrer lehren uns mit sehr viel Spaß,
Ernst, Eifer, Freude in dem rechten Maß.
Unsere Lehrer kennen aus sich auf der Welt,
lehren von Pflanzen, von Tieren, Mensch und Feld.

Unsere Eltern helfen mit viel Schaffenskraft
an unserem Schulbau, der da steht in Pracht.
Unsere Eltern sind zum Helfen stets bereit,
drum wir danken ihnen, jetzt und jederzeit.

Generationen mögen ein und aus hier gehn,
ja, die PSS, sie soll noch lang bestehn.
Das Fundament, gebaut auf gutem, festen Grund,
beständig, stolz hier in unserem Swakopmund.

DRESS CODE

GRADE 8

GRADE 8 SCHOOL UNIFORM:

GIRLS	BOYS
<p>Formal wear:</p> <p>White school blouse with PSS logo on pocket grey school pants or skirt (no skirt pants)</p> <p>Black PSS cardigan with logo</p> <p>Black PSS blazer with PSS logo</p> <p>PSS tie with logo</p> <p>White socks or black stockings</p> <p>Black school shoes</p>	<p>Formal wear:</p> <p>White school shirt with PSS logo on pocket grey long school pants</p> <p>Black PSS V-neck jersey with logo</p> <p>Black PSS blazer with PSS logo</p> <p>PSS tie with logo</p> <p>Grey socks</p> <p>Black school shoes</p>
<p>Informal wear:</p> <p>Red PSS golf shirt with logo</p> <p>Grey school pants or skirt (no skirt pants)</p> <p>Red PSS Eco-fleece jacket with logo (Optional)</p> <p>White socks or black</p>	<p>Informal wear:</p> <p>Red PSS golf shirt with logo</p> <p>Grey school pants</p> <p>Red PSS Eco-fleece jacket with logo (Optional)</p> <p>Grey socks</p> <p>Black school shoes</p>
<p>Sport:</p> <p>PSS tracksuit with logo</p> <p>PSS sport shirt with logo</p> <p>PSS skort/shorts with logo</p> <p>Black/white/grey sport shoes</p> <p>Plain white sport socks</p>	<p>Sport:</p> <p>PSS tracksuit with logo</p> <p>PSS sport shirt with logo</p> <p>PSS shorts with logo</p> <p>Black/white/grey sport shoes</p> <p>Plain white sport socks</p>
<p>Accessories:</p> <p>PSS cap with logo/PSS wide brim hat with logo</p> <p>PSS scarf / PSS beanie / PSS gloves all with logo</p> <p>Plain red/black/grey/white hair accessories</p>	<p>Accessories:</p> <p>PSS cap with logo/PSS wide brim hat with logo</p> <p>PSS scarf/PSS beanie/PSS gloves all with logo</p>

DRESS CODE

GRADE 8

GRADE 8: HAIR AND GROOMING

GIRLS	BOYS
<p>1. Hair must be tied back if touching the lower edge of the collar. Afro hair must be neatly tied up. Box braids are allowed but must be tied up into a ponytail or bun. No afro puff style allowed. No colouring of hair is permitted.</p> <p>2. Only clear nail polish may be worn when wearing school uniform.</p> <p>3. A female student may wear 1 necklace, 1 pair of small studs or sleeper in each ear, 1 bracelet, 1 ring, and 1 wristwatch. Jewellery is to be tasteful and unobtrusive.</p>	<p>1. Hair is to be clean, neatly combed, and presentable at all times.</p> <p>2. Grade 8 boys should keep their hair short at all times. Hair may not touch the collar of the shirt or the ears; it should also be short at the top. No undercutting or any other extreme hairstyles are allowed. No cornrows or afro puff styles allowed. No colouring of the hair is permitted.</p> <p>3. A male student may only wear a wristwatch.</p> <p>4. Boys' nails are to be short, clean, and unpainted.</p>

GENERAL HIGH SCHOOL DRESS CODE:

- Students are expected to be neat and tidy at all times. Pride in the school uniform and appearance reflects overall respect for the School and for themselves.
- All rules apply whenever students are at School or attend School events or in other ways represent the School and at all times while wearing the School Uniform.
- The length of the School skirt may not be shorter than 8cm above the knee.
- No woven or knitted-type jerseys are allowed.
- Approval must be obtained to wear any other sweaters designed for an interest group of the School.
- Accessories are to be in School colours only, for example, Belts to be black or grey and hair accessories to be natural hair colours, black, red, white or grey only.
- No visible tattoos or body piercings may be displayed during School times or during School events.
- The School Board, management, Teachers, or Student Representatives reserve the right to request a student (of either gender) to change his/her hairstyle if it is considered inappropriate on the grounds of untidiness or because the hairstyle is offensive to the School's image.

DRESS CODE ORIENTATION

What to wear during your orientation:

- All black or red civvies inside out AND back to front
- Personalized soap box over black clothes (See Dress Code Document)
- Boys' hair split in the middle with a large amount of gel.
- Girls wear ponytails which increase according to the number of orientation days (one ponytail on the first day, two ponytails on the second day, etc.)
- Girls may not wear spaghetti tops or crop tops during this time, only the prescribed t-shirts.

What to bring to your orientation:

Personalized shoebox with the following contents:

- Permanent Marker
- Old Toothbrush
- Pacifier
- Baby Bib
- Baby Powder
- An egg
- Old cloth
- Cheap Shoe Polish
- Dessert Spoon
- Packet of sweets for SRC (VERY important)

Personalized Soap Box Elaboration:

You must make a box costume with cutouts for your head and your arms; the box must be themed to any laundry detergent or soap brand, for example, Ariel or Omo, or Dove. You must wear this box for the duration of your orientation. It is your responsibility to keep it in good condition.

All items listed above can be purchased from retail stores such as Pep Stores, Plastilon Packaging, and any retail grocery store. Images of all requirements are on the next page.

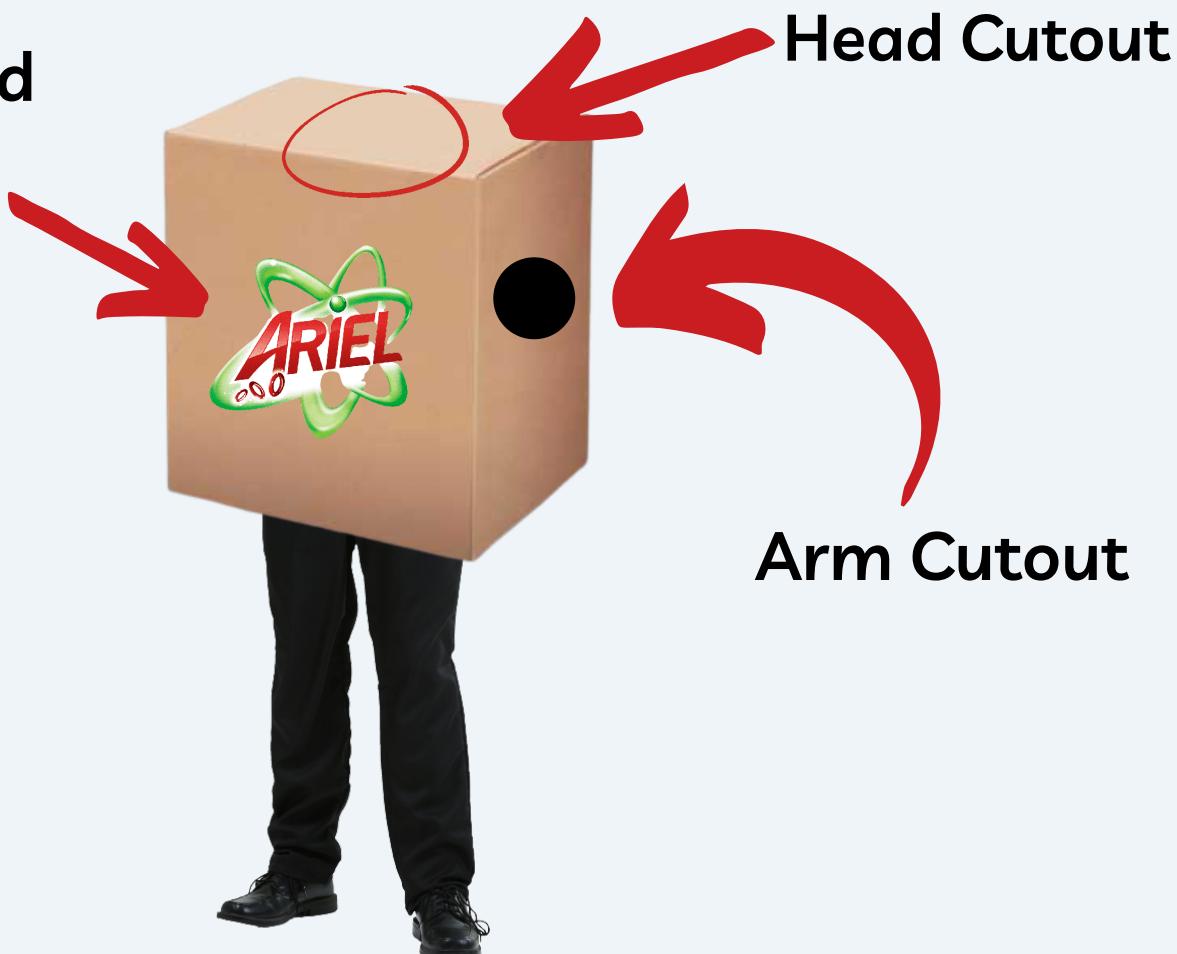
DRESS CODE ORIENTATION

Shoebox Contents:



Personalized Soap Box Costume:

Logo painted
or pasted
onto large
box



*You may personalize your box, as long as it keeps to the soap theme.
Many examples are available on the internet.

SCHOOL RULES

Grade 8 Students must follow the following rules at all times:

1. Grade 8 students may not bring a mobile phone to school unless indicated to do so by a teacher or an SRC.
2. Grade 8 students may not use the school bathrooms on the first and second floors, only ground floor bathrooms are permitted for use.
3. Grade 8 students may not use two flights of stairs. Only the east staircase is permitted for use.
4. Any school and/or SRC event is compulsory for Grade 8s to attend.
5. Grade 8s are responsible for clean-up after a school or SRC event
6. Grade 8 students may not leave an event until the clean-up after the event has been completed which is to be decided by an SRC and/or teacher.
7. Grade 8 students must, during breaks, remain out of classes and on the ground floor.
8. Grade 8 students are not permitted to purchase items from the tuck shop for the first week of school.
9. Grade 8 students must greet all teachers, SRCs and Grade 12s at all times.

PSS CHARTER:

Grade 8 students must follow the rules and regulations stipulated within the PSS Charter. Grade 8 students are also encouraged to peruse the PSS Charter and to be aware of the contents and requirements therein.

Below is a link and QR code for the PSS Charter:

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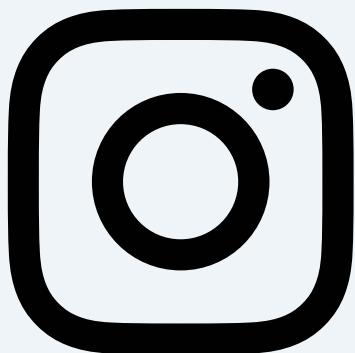
ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	BREAK	TIME	ACTIVITY
MON: 16/01/2023	08:00 - 10:00	INTRODUCTIONS AND BRIEFING	10:00 - 10:30	10:30 - 13:00	Obstacle Course
TUE: 17/01/2023	08:00 - 10:00	Egg Race Whilst Blindfolded Egg Musical Chairs	10:00 - 10:30	10:30 - 13:00	Dodgeball Trivia with Wheel of Misfortune
WED: 18/01/2023	14:00 -15:00	2 Truths 1 Lie Marshmallow Challenge	NONE	15:00 - 16:00	Human Knot Tug of War
THU: 19/01/2023	14:00 -15:00	Tower Building	NONE	15:00 - 16:00	Cup Game
MON: 23/01/2023	14:00 -15:00	Towel Knot Activity Three-legged race	NONE	15:00 - 16:00	Blindfolded Flour Activity Capture the flag
TUE: 24/01/2023	14:00 -15:00	Sack Race	NONE	15:00 - 16:00	Love Letter Game
WED: 25/01/2023	14:00 -15:00	Hula Hoop Pass	NONE	15:00 - 16:00	Red Light Green Light
THU: 26/01/2023	14:00 -15:00	Escape Room	NONE	15:00 - 16:00	Knee Relay Race
30/01 - 02/02:					GRADE 8 CONCERT PRACTICE (14:00 - 16:00)

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