

LONGMARKET



GIRLS' SCHOOL

12 April 2022

CIRCULAR 1/TERM 2 2022

Dear LGS Parents/Guardians

Term 2 (05 April 2022 – 24 June 2022)

Term 2 greets us with twelve weeks of optimal time for teaching and learning as we continue with our academic programme. These days will include a fully operational extra-mural calendar with many fixtures and events. I cannot wait to hear the sounds of cheering and exultations as we welcome the long-awaited matches on the sport fields. Not to mention the many schools and parents visiting LGS, supporting their daughters as they participate in and practise their many skills, this term. After two very long years of social distancing, our girls will now be enjoying each other's company while playing at breaks and interacting more freely.

CURRICULUM

As mentioned in my previous communication, the academic staff, management team and school governing body endeavour to provide the best education for your daughter. We will be focusing on and ensuring that areas of the curriculum not grasped are remediated, doing our best to catch up on work lost over the past two years.

Towards the end of this term, learners will be writing their half-yearly Control Tests. With this in mind, may I appeal to you to set firm boundaries when doing homework, check on their continuous assessments throughout the term, test them in preparation for tests & orals and ensure they submit their projects in on time.

Your interest, support and regular testing is the key ingredient to your daughter's successful performance at school. Allow her to present her oral to you, advising on her performance, assist with the collection of materials and information for projects, ask her to read to you, encouraging corrected pronunciation of words and lastly, make enquiries with your daughter's class teacher during the course of the term, showing your awareness, interest & support that will undoubtedly be acknowledged by your daughter. With these key components, you are guaranteed your daughter's success and academic-confidence.

STAFF NEWS

Last term, we welcomed a new teacher to our LGS family. Mrs Y Khan is a transferred teacher who joined us at the end of January, later taking some time off to welcome the birth of her baby, at the end of February.

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May I also introduce to you the young gentlemen who have added such joy to our girls and staff this year. Babies; Drake Solomon, Daniel Gray, Phiwenhle Mtshali and Jordan Khan all blessed us with good health and very excited moms over the past term.

Sadly, we will be bidding farewell to Mrs L Money at the end of this term. After forty-four years of dedicated service and thousands of girls passing through her hands, Mrs Money will be retiring to enjoy the comfort of her home with many adventures that follow in her new season.

ASCENSION DAY – May 26th

Thursday the 26th of May is celebrated by many Christian families every year. Many staff members may apply for a day's religious observation leave and may not be attending school on that day. With the probability that the majority of staff will be away, parents/guardians will be requested to keep their daughters at home. School work will be provided for that day.

DATES TO REMEMBER

DATES	PUBLIC HOLIDAY/ SCHOOL CLOSED
15 April 2022	Good Friday
18 April 2022	Family Day
27 April 2022	Freedom Day
1 May 2022	Workers' Day
2 May 2022	Workers' Day Observed
26 May 2022	Ascension Day
16 June 2022	Youth Day
17 June 2022	Special School Holiday

FUNDRAISING/PROJECTS/DEVELOPMENTS

Parents/Guardians, if it were not for your support in all our fundraising endeavours of the past year and term, we would not have been able to afford the purchase of laptops for grades 4 to 7 & projectors for grades 7 and 4. With your continued support, we are hoping to purchase laptops for grades 3-RR, along with the accompanying projectors, equipping our classrooms with teaching tools for researching, presentations and much more.

We are also very excited to be purchasing two Toyota Hiace Combies supplied by Bidvest McCarthy Toyota Edwin Swales who generously granted Longmarket School a discounted price.

As you have been observing, our maintenance team, led by Mr James have been making great progress with the new developments on the campus, especially the repairing of damaged structures, fencing, retaining walls and gardens caused by the hail storm in December 2021 and rain of late. We are grateful to have such a hard working maintenance manager who goes above and beyond to ensure our school is functioning and appealing to our learners and staff.

MONEY MATTERS

May I plead with you, our parents/guardians to please pay your school fees timeously! We are a school fee paying school and solely dependent on your monthly payments for expenses, maintenance of the school resources and buildings as well as the payment of salaries.

School fees can only be paid by *cell phone banking*, *electronic transfer* or *stop-order*, NO cash for payments will be accepted by the school.

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FROM THE SPORTS DEPARTMENT

Term 1 Extra – Curricular Activities:

Swimming:

We resumed our squad swimming training with the guidance of Odette Randelhoff and our sports department where the squad team participated in various galas. We were very proud to have come 6th in the Interschool's C Gala that was held at Epworth. We held our Interhouse Gala on the 24 March 2022 which was a huge success and we would like to congratulate the winning house Ashton. All the swimmers did exceptionally well and a big thanks for the support of our parents.

Basketball:

The learners showed a keen interest in basketball and enthusiastically participated in both practices and matches that we played against different schools. All the learners showed sportsmanship during the matches played against Pelham, Hayfields, Scottville and MCS. The coaches were proud of the progress and are looking forward to Basketball in Term 4.

Tennis:

Tennis in Term 1 was a popular sport that the learners participated in and they displayed an open – minded approach to learning new skills. The team tennis learners played 2 matches against TWC and Athlone and improved their skills greatly by the end of Term 1. We are looking forward to the continuation of Tennis in Term 2 and even further improvement in skills.

Low Intensity:

Low intensity formed part of our sport extra - curricular activities offered. Low Intensity encouraged the learners to focus on stretching, breathing and working on their core in order to work on their body strength as a whole.

Cultural Extra – Curricular:

Chess, Art, Drama, Music and Computers were part of the cultural clubs offered in Term 1. The learners committed themselves to the various clubs. There was a variety of art and plays that were presented to their peers throughout the term and the learners enjoyed exploring their skills and discovering their strengths.

Term 2 Extra – Curricular Activities:

This terms extra - curricular activities began on the 6 April 2022. We have a variety of activities on offer this term and are looking forward to seeing the participation and dedication of all the learners while discovering their strengths in each activity offered. We have a very busy term with fixtures against a variety of schools for both hockey, netball and chess. Please refer to the school calendar that has the dates and schools we will be playing against. The JP's will be having two hockey festivals this term and we are looking forward to having parents support their child/children's enthusiastic approach.

We would like to remind parents to ensure their child/children are dressed correctly as a representative of Longmarket Girls' School and encourage parents to support your child/children in the activities they have chosen this term. Please could I remind parents to fetch their child/children promptly after sport on their allocated days.

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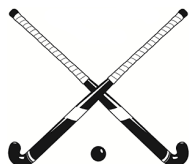
JP Extra Curricular Timing: 13h00 – 14h00

SP Extra Curricular Timing: 14h15 – 15h15 on practice days. When there are matches the times will differ.

It is vitally important for all learners to participate in an extra- curricular activities each day to encourage a holistic approach to learning.

Congratulations to the following girls for making it to the first round of the Umgungundlovu District Hockey Trials.

Hockey:



U/12

Siya Sikhosana

Amanda Sikhakhane

U/13

Sisanda Bhengu

Llewella Ntuli

Amahle Mdakane

Kuhle Dube

Lastly, may all our families and extended families of Longmarket Girls' School have a safe and peaceful Easter Weekend.

God Bless.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Petersen".

Mrs D. Petersen
Longmarket Girls' School
Principal



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