

# **BRYNEVEN PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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# Dear Bryneven Parents and Community

# **Provisional Dates to Diarise**

		2024 Term 1: Week 03 of 10
Mon 29 January	Day 5	Academic Support and Extra Mural Timetable begin. Assembly Foundation Phase Cricket Fixture: U10A vs Kings College Bryanston (home) U10B vs Kings College Bryanston (away) Mini Cricket vs Reddam (away)
Tues 30 January	Day 6	Cricket Fixture: U11A vs Crawford Sandton (home)
Wed 31 January	Day 1	Reading Period  Cricket Fixture: U13A vs Heronbridge (home)  U13B vs Heronbridge(away)  Elevate Education – Study Skills Kickstart Grade 4-7
Thur 01 February	Day 2	Cricket Fixture: U9A/U9B – Bye Senior Boys Tennis vs Reddam Waterfall (away) Parents Info Evening for Grade 1-7 and Bring & Braai
Fri 02 February	Day 3	Swimming Gala at Bryneven Primary  Montrose Night Challenge – opening ceremony  Mentrose  Mentrose  Medicalet use light websil
		2024 Term 1: Week 04 of 10
Mon 05 February	Day 4	Assembly ISP Cricket Fixture: U10A vs Beaulieu (away) U10B vs Beaulieu (home) Mini Cricket Bye
Tues 06 February	Day 5	Cricket Fixture: U11A vs Wendywood (away) Chess Match away at Grayston Prep
Wed 07 February	Day 6	Reading period Cricket Fixture: U13A vs Kings College Bryanston (away) U13B vs Kings College Bryanston (home)
Thurs 08 February	Day 1	Cricket Fixture: U9A vs Bryandale (away) U9B vs Bryandale (home) Senior Boys Tennis vs Trinity Glenvista (home)
Fri 09 February	Day 2	Swimming Gala away at Craighall  Montrose Night Challenge continues.  Fundraising selling Valentines Gifts

# Parent Info Evening and Bring & Braai

Please note we will be hosting our Grade 1 – 7 Parent Information evening on Thursday, 01 February as well as our Bring & Braai. Important information will be shared by the various grades during the sessions so please make sure you attend and then join us for the bring & braai afterwards. Halaal & Vegetarian braai stands will be available.

The times and venues for the various grades are as follows:

Gr 1 – 16:30 in Register classes

Gr 2 – 17:30 in Register classes

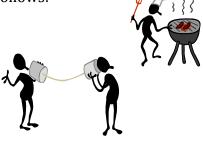
Gr 3 – 16:30 in Register classes

Gr 4 – 17:30 in the Media Centre

Gr 5 - 16:30 in the Hall

Gr 6 - 17:30 in Mrs Suklal's Classroom

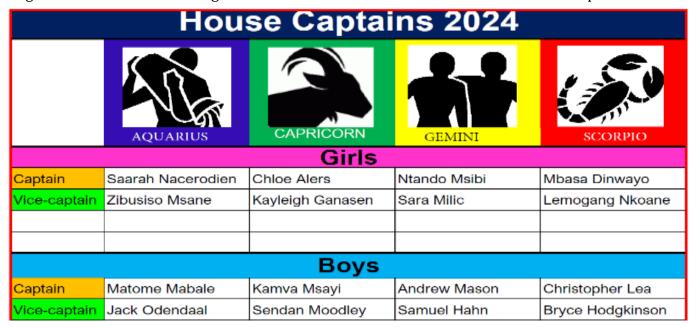
Gr 7 - 16:30 in Mr Mabale's Classroom





# **Bryneven House Captains 2024**

Congratulations to the following Grade 7 learners who have been selected as House Captains for 2024.





#### **Elevate Education**

We are very excited to announce our new study skills programme with Elevate Education. They are an international leading study skills company that empowers primary school learners with the tools they need to become independent, lifelong learners.

Elevate's high impact workshops equip learners with essential skills, like time management, organisational skills, note-taking strategies, active reading techniques, memory techniques and many other useful skills to enhance their learning experience and academic performance.

We kick off our first of three sessions on Wednesday, 31 January with our Grades 4, 5, 6 and 7 learners.

Parents are invited to join Elevate's live webinars on *Parent Support Series* by clicking on the link below and completing the registration process.

https://go.elevateeducation.com/l/891981/2023-12-19/qg94g/891981/1703036180vJQ3MzhQ/Elevate\_Education\_Webinars\_Term1\_2024\_SA.pdf

# Bryneven Anti-Bullying campaign

Bullying is fast becoming a major concern world-wide that affects our young people in a number of ways. From the different types of bullying, to how we treat one another with the respect we deserve, Bryneven is embarking on an Anti-Bullying campaign. The 'Too Bright to Bully' campaign will highlight this concerning behaviour. We strive to live by our values here at Bryneven and we hope that, by making our learners more aware of the effects of their behaviour, we will help in some small way to reduce bullying in our small corner of the world. Further details about some of the activities will be communicated in due course. We are currently looking for businesses to partner in our efforts to raise awareness about our campaign.

# **SGB Elections 2024**

Public schools across South Africa will be hosting our country's third largest Elections in March 2024. The School Governing Body Elections take place every three years when the school community elects individuals to represent them on the SGB. We are awaiting the final dates from the Department of Education and will communicate the information as soon as we receive it.

# 2024 SGB elections - Your school needs YOU!

The SGB comprises elected parents, educators, a non-educator, and *ex officio* the principal, who *must work* together as a single team of volunteers, being mindful that they *must always act in the best interests of the school*.

# What can you do as a parent, guardian or caregiver?

- If you have the knowledge, skills or experience that would contribute to good governance and wise policy- and decision-making and are willing to perform the many duties assigned to SGBs, stand as a candidate for election.
- If you are not able to do this work, <u>look for suitable people</u>, <u>and nominate them</u> (obviously their consent will be needed). Sometimes, highly suitable people need prodding to undertake SGB work, so you can do the encouraging.
- Exercise your right to vote to determine who will perform important duties on behalf of the school. Having the right SGB members can make the difference to whether our school flourishes or declines. In our province we need a 15% quorum for the election to take place. We need your votes.



# What sort of knowledge and skills are needed for SGB work?

Our SGB needs members who understand what good governance means and who have an interest in supporting the academic purpose of the school as well as the all-round well-being of learners and staff. In addition, our SGB benefits from people with knowledge, skills and experience in the following areas: finance, law, human resources, marketing, fundraising, engineering, sports, building and grounds maintenance, and safety.

Being a diligent SGB member who has worked hard, without any financial reward or special benefits, to develop the school and its learners allows you to leave a legacy that you will be able to look back on with pride.

The formal notice of the election will be issued by the School Electoral Officer no later than 20 days before the election. Nominations must be submitted in the format stated in the notice and handed in at the place specified and by no later than the stipulated date. Please diarise Wednesday, 06 March 2024 as the provisional date for SGB Elections (depending on the availability of the School Electoral Officer). Should the required quorum not be met then the follow-up date will be Wednesday, 13 March 2024 where no quorum is required.

We ask you to consider what you can contribute to the 2024 SGB Elections.

# **Bryneven Inter-house Swimming Gala**

Last week Friday, we hosted our annual Inter-house swimming gala. Amid the loud cheering and excitable crowds, the swimmers certainly tried their best to score points for their respective houses. Well done to Mrs Agostinetto and Mr Naicker and their team for the organising of the event. Thank you to Mr Zwane and his team of assistants with the setting up for the day.

The results for the Inter-house Gala were as follows:



Junior Girls Victrix Ludorum	Jemma Hodgkinson	
Junior Boys Victor Ludorum	Zach April	
Senior Girls Victrix Ludorum	Zoey van Leeuwen	
Senior Boys Victor Ludorum	Christopher Lea	





Spirit Cup Winners	Capricorn		
4 <sup>th</sup>	Scorpio	163 points	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Aquarius	221 points	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Capricorn	279 points	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Gemini	285 points	















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