

11 March 2024

Dear Bryneven Parents and Community

## Provisional Dates to Diarise

2024 Term 1: Week 09 of 10		
Mon 11 March	Day 5 	<p>Assembly Foundation Phase Grade R parent Interviews Preseason Soccer begins (U8 &amp; U9) – please refer to the D6 Communicator for the schedule. Preseason Netball begins (U12 &amp; U13) - please refer to the D6 Communicator for the schedule.</p>
Tues 12 March	Day 6	<p>Chess Match away at Grayston Grade R parent Interviews Preseason Soccer (U10 &amp; U12) Preseason Netball (U10 &amp; U11)</p> 
Wed 13 March	Day 1	<p>Reading Period Grade R parent Interviews Preseason Soccer – Girls U8 to U14, please refer to the D6 Communicator for the different times for the age groups. Preseason Netball (U7 &amp; U8) SGB Parent Elections in the hall from 18h00.</p>  
Thur 14 March	Day 2	<p>Normal School Day Preseason Soccer (U11 &amp; U13) Preseason Netball (U9)</p>
Fri 15 March	Day 3 	<p>Interhouse swimming gala for Grade R and 1. Preseason Soccer (U6 &amp; U7) Fun Netball and Soccer Festival and Bring and Braai.</p>  
2024 Term 1: Week 10 of 10		
Mon 18 March	Day 4	Preseason Netball (U12 & U13) and (U10 & U11)
Tues 19 March	Day 5	Preseason Netball (U7, U8 & U9) Fundraising Civvies Day – Support our Grade 7 “fun” raising.
Wed 20 March	Special Timetable	<p>Final Term 1 Assembly School Ends for Term 1 (please see closing times below)</p> 
 <p><b>From Thursday, 21 March until Tuesday, 02 April 2024.</b></p>		
<p><b>School Re-Opens for Term 2 on Wednesday, 03 April 2024</b></p>		



### SGB Elections 2024

Unfortunately, a quorum was not reached for us to proceed with the election meeting held on Wednesday, 06 March 2024. A reminder about the SGB elections second meeting which is scheduled to be held in the Bryneven School Hall this Wednesday, 13 March 2024. The Nomination meeting is scheduled to take place at 18h00 and the election phase will continue after the nomination meeting.

New nominations will be allowed on the night during the Nomination phase of the meeting which will then be followed by the voting of the new parent members of the SGB. Parents are urged to please come through to nominate/vote for which parents they think will add value to the new SGB and moving the school forward.

### Interhouse Swimming gala for Grade R and Grade 1

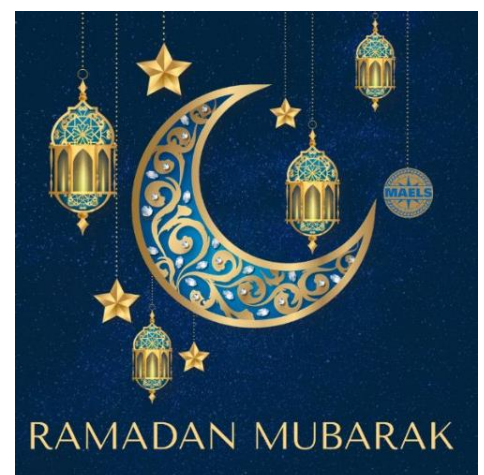
This week Friday, 15 March will see our Grade R and Grade 1 learners participate in the Junior Swimming Gala. This will be only the second year that we are hosting the Gr R's and Gr 1's separate from the main Gala held at the beginning of the year to allow our youngest members of our family to get used to the environment and water safety. Parents and supporters are invited to come along to support and loudly cheer these budding swimmers as they traverse the breadth of the pool with life guards on hand to assist those in need of extra encouragement. Parents of the swimmers will be allowed pool side to take as many pictures of their precious ones in the water as possible. Looking forward to seeing you on Friday.



### Bryneven Fun Netball and Soccer festival and Bring and Braai.

We will be hosting our Fun Netball and Soccer festival on Friday, 15 March from 14h30 until 17h30 followed by a Bring and Braai.

Learners who have paid to participate in the festival must get changed into their respective kits after school and make their way to the field in the area in front of the Tuck shop for instructions.



### Ramadan Mubarak

We wish all our Muslim families and staff members all the best over their month of Fasting which begins from tomorrow depending on the confirmed sighting of the New Moon. During this month all Muslims who are capable are expected to keep the fast (not eating or drinking anything) from before Dawn to Sunset when a meal is then shared with family/friends. Nights are usually reserved for prayer with gatherings at their place of worship (Musjid) and reading and studying the Muslim holy book called the Quran (Koran). But the month of Ramadan is about more than just fasting. You are also encouraged to do good deeds such as charity and abstain from sinful acts such as gossip. It's also a **month of self-reflection** and a way for Muslims to develop positive habits that can be brought forward once Ramadan is over.

**End of Term arrangements:** The final day for Term One will be on Wednesday, 20 March 2024. There will be a special timetable for the day.

Please refer to the table below for the collection times:

Grades	Collection times
R & 1	10h30
2 & 3	10h40
4 & 5	10h50
6 & 7	11h00

All learners must be collected by 11h00. For safety reasons, we require that all learners go home immediately after school on Wednesday. Please make the necessary arrangements for your child.

Please take note the of the following:

- Term Two 2024 will begin on Wednesday, 03 April 2024.
- Timetable information: Day 1 of our 6-day cycle timetable will be followed on the first day of next term (please pack the correct books.)
- Extra murals for Term Two: Bryneven will be offering the following extra murals in Term Two – Netball and Soccer.

### Report Cards

Term 1 report cards will only be available on the new Ed-Admin **parent portal on Wednesday, 20 March 2024**. Ed-admin is a new communication app which will make sending and receiving comms from the school that much easier. It only takes a minute to download and register on the App (available from your App store). If you still have not registered, please refer to the D6 Communicator (Resources).

There are also flyers being handed out today to interested parties with the relevant information. Please note that the Report cards will only be available to view via this system so please do ensure that you have completed your registration before Wednesday, 20 March.



### Elevate Education: Parent Support Series – Fourth Webinar

We would like to remind our parents and guardians about the upcoming parent webinar that offers valuable insights into how you can best support your child's/ ward's learning journey and foster a positive academic environment at home.

This will take place on Wednesday, 13 March at 18:00.

We encourage our parents to register for this, using the link below.

[go.elevateeducation.com/l/891981/2023-12-19/qg94g/891981/1703036180vJQ3MzhQ/Elevate Education Webinars Term1 2024 SA.pdf](https://go.elevateeducation.com/l/891981/2023-12-19/qg94g/891981/1703036180vJQ3MzhQ/Elevate%20Education%20Webinars%20Term1%202024%20SA.pdf)



## Extra Mural Netball

Congratulations to the following learners, Botshelo Motlogelwa, Mbaso Dinwayo and Sara Milic for being selected to participate in the Inter District Netball Trials being held on Tuesday, 12 March 2024. We wish them all the best.



## Montrose Night Challenge

Over the course of this term our Open Cricket and Netball teams participated in the Montrose Night Challenge held over numerous Friday's. Despite our cricket boys really giving their all they were not able to progress to the knockout stages of the cricket section. We are proud of their efforts and the way in which they carried themselves throughout the tournament.



Our Open Netball girls played over 13 other schools as they fought their way into contention for the knockout stages. On the final night of the tournament, they played Bryandale first, beating them 17-7 before beating Heronbridge 8-6. This qualified them for the Semi-finals where they came up against a strong Rivonia team and after some really good performances the scores were tied at the end of normal time with the game proceeding to extra time. Once again after scintillating play the teams were still tied at 9-9. The game then proceeded to Sudden Death where the first team to score would win and our girls emerged victorious taking possession and scoring on their very first attempt.

Our Netball team then played Montrose in the Finals immediately after that game. They played like the stars they were but unfortunately lost by a single goal 7-6 to finish as silver medalists on the night finishing second out of 14 schools. Congratulations to Eseza Nyangabyaki, our Goal Defence who won the "Best Netball Player of the Tournament" and our netball team on receiving the "Spirit Cup Trophy". This trophy is awarded to the school whose team displayed the following - **"For the team who displayed the most spirit, camaraderie and sportsmanship. Win or lose, they played with fighting determination and courage"** (a more accurate description of our girls cannot be found). Well done girls! You have made us all proud.



Eseza with the "Best Netball Player" trophy



The Bryneven Open Netball Team

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