



GRADE 8
INFORMATION BOOKLET
2017

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Hoërskool Melkbosstrand Melkbosstrand High School



06 September 2016

Dear Parent

Thank you for enrolling your child for 2017. Your child is your most precious possession and this is why we undertake to guide your child with love and empathy in the fields of academics, sports and culture. May you and your child build good memories through your association with Melkbosstrand High School.

At this stage you may have a number of questions about various matters which we would like to answer by sharing the following information with you:

1. **SPORT HOUSES:** All learners in the school are grouped into three houses, each with a specific colour. The grouping is done according to the learner's surnames.

HOUSE	COLOUR	SURNAME STARTING WITH
1 Penguins	Yellow	A D G K N Q R U V
2 Seals	White	B E H L O S W X Y
3 Sharks	Blue	C F I J M P T Z

2. **SCHOOL UNIFORM:** The appearance of our learners is a matter of pride to us and we would like you to support us by ensuring that your child has the correct dress/uniform on the first day of school (11 January 2017).
3. **SPORT CLOTHING:** We would strongly encourage you to pay a visit to ARC as soon as possible and acquire the necessary sport clothing . The sports shirt is not only used for sport, but also for other school activities and is therefore mandatory. Please invest in the school's track suit, especially if your child participates in sports.
4. **SCHOOL FEES:** The fees for 2017 will be established in November 2017 by the School Governing Body (SGB). Full details will be sent to you as soon as the fees has been set.
5. **STATIONARY:** Every learner is responsible for his/her own classwork book, files and stationary. A complete list of what your child needs is included in this booklet.

6. **TEXT BOOKS:** All text books will be supplied by the Department of Education (WCED). All text books must be covered within a week of it being received.

7. **SCHOOL BAG:** Please invest in a sturdy bag or suitcase for the sake of protecting your child's school books. Melkbosstrand High School has our own bag that is available at ARC.

8. **ORIENTATION PROGRAM:** Your child will have to be at school on Tuesday, January 10 at 08:00, in full uniform for an orientation program with the RCL (Representative Council of Learners). This program is mandatory for all Grade 8 learners. You as a parent are welcome to attend the first few minutes of proceedings. You can fetch your child at 12:00.

9. **GRADE 8 GET – TOGETHER:** We invite you and your child to a get together on Tuesday, 10 January 2016 from 18:00 – 20:00. At this occasion, we as educators would like to meet and socialise with you. There are no costs involved. Please confirm your attendance on the reply slip.

10. **GRADE 8 CAMP:** We aim to have a camp from Friday 13 January 2016 to Saturday 14 January 2016. This camp is compulsory for all Grade 8 learners and will be the highlight of their orientation programme. Addendum A is the indemnity form which needs to be completed by you.

11. **EXTRAMURAL ACTIVITIES:** Currently we offer the following:

<u>CULTURAL</u>	<u>SPORTS</u>
Drama	Chess
Debating	Athletics
Rotary Interact	Netball
Eisteddfod	Rugby
Orchestra	Cricket
Glee	Tennis
Choir	Swimming
	Hockey

Learners are encouraged to participate in at least ONE summer sport and ONE winter sport.

12. **SCHOOL HOURS:** School will start for Grade 8 learners on 11 January 2017, at 08:00.

School times for the rest of the year are as follows:

MONDAY – THURSDAY: 08:00 – 14:30

FRIDAYS: 08:00 – 14:00

Punctuality of learners is our top priority and we do not want your child to lose any instructional time.

13. **BUS SERVICE:** The MyCITI bus service is operational in Melkbosstrand. Feel free to call the toll free number: 0800 65 64 63 or visit the website www.myciti.org.za for more information.

14. **SCHOOL TERMS 2016:**

TERM	OPEN	CLOSES
FIRST	11 JANUARY	31 MARCH
SECOND	18 APRIL	30 JUNE
THIRD	24 JULY	29 SEPTEMBER
FOURTH	09 OCTOBER	06 DECEMBER

Please contact us if you still have any questions. We believe you are as excited as we are to involve you and your child in an educational partnership.



DJ ROSS

HEADMASTER



Hoërskool Melkbosstrand

Melkbosstrand High School



SCHOOL UNIFORM

An abstract from the Melkbosstrand High School Code of Conduct.

A true Melkbosser is proud of his/her uniform and will ensure that it complies with the following prescriptions:

Boys' compulsory summer wear:

- Long grey trousers
- Short sleeve blue shirt
- School blazer (shirt collar over blazer) (blazers are compulsory on Mondays for assembly)
- Black belt
- Black leather lace up shoes
- Long grey socks
- Boys are allowed to wear short grey shorts with long grey socks.

Boys' compulsory winter wear:

- Long grey trousers
- Long sleeve blue shirt with collar for tie
- School tie and school blazer
- Black belt
- Black leather lace – up shoes
- Long grey socks
- School jersey or school pullover (optional)

Girls' compulsory summer wear:

- Blue short sleeve blouse and check skirt
- School blazer (shirt collar over blazer) (blazer compulsory on Monday for assembly)
- Black leather school lace – up shoes (or Baby Dolls)
- Short white socks.

Girls' compulsory winter wear:

- Blue long sleeve shirt with collar for tie (tucked in skirt)
- School skirt
- School tie
- School blazer
- Black leather school lace – up shoes (or Baby Dolls)
- Black tights
- School jersey or school pullover (optional)

The ONLY jewellery allowed is a watch and ONE pair of studs or earrings. Any other bands or rings will be confiscated immediately.

ARC

SPORTSWEAR

Manufacturers of Ladies
Golf / Tennis / Bowls Wear
and **School Uniforms**

Cnr Mansell / Scheckter Roads
Killarney Gardens

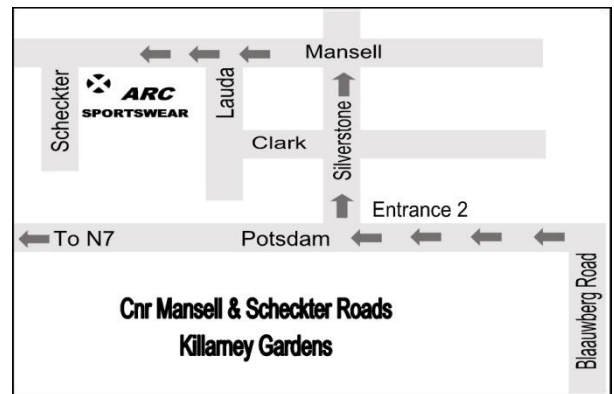
SHOP: Tel/Fax: 021 556-7265
e-mail address: arcsportsshop@gmail.com

Melkbosstrand High School

September 2016

ATTENTION: NEW LEARNERS - 2017
UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

1. BLAZER
2. PULLOVER (Long sleeve)
3. SLIPOVER (Sleeveless)
4. SUMMER SKY BLUE SHIRT (Short Sleeve)
5. PLEATED CHECK SKIRT (Girls)
6. SPORT SHIRTS (House)
7. SPORT SKORT (Girls)
8. SPORT SHORTS (Boys)
9. SPORT SOCKS
10. TRACK SUIT
11. TIE (for winter)
12. SKY BLUE SHIRT (long sleeve for winter)
13. SACHEL
14. TOGBAG



Limited stocks of girl's white ankle socks, boys grey long socks, and boys grey trousers are available throughout the year. Stock for **2017 learners** will be available from the **9th of November 2016** at ARC Sportsweare, the uniform shop. Please phone **021 556 7265** [or e-mail us at shop@arcsportsswear](mailto:shop@arcsportsswear) to make an appointment for fitting the uniform in November and December.

No appointments in January.

SHOP HOURS: Mon - Thurs 8.30am - 4.15pm
Friday 8.30am - 2.30pm
Saturday 9.00am - 12.00pm

SHOP CLOSED: During the festive season:
Closed Friday 09th December 2016
Re -opens Thurs 5th January 2017

PAYMENT Cash / Debit card / Visa or MasterCard
No cheques / American Express or Diners Club accepted.

PLEASE COME EARLY TO AVOID THE RUSH IN JANUARY 2017!

For queries please contact Nadia or Glenda on **021 556 7265**.

MELKBOSSTRAND HIGH SCHOOL

PRICE LIST

<u>BLAZER</u>	
<u>ROYAL WITH BADGE</u>	
32	740.00
34	740.00
36	740.00
38	740.00
40	740.00
42	740.00
44	870.00
46	870.00
48	870.00
50	950.00
52	950.00
58	970.00

<u>SLIPOVER</u>	
30	185.00
32	185.00
34	195.00
36	195.00
38	210.00
40	210.00
42	210.00
44	225.00
46	225.00
48	225.00

<u>PULLOVER</u>	
30	215.00
32	215.00
34	215.00
36	225.00
38	225.00
40	235.00
42	235.00
44	235.00
46	235.00
48	235.00

<u>SPORT SHORTS</u>	
S	110.00
M - L	115.00
XL - XXXL	120.00

<u>NETBALL TOP</u>	<u>SKORTS</u>
XS - M	140.00
L - XXXL	145.00

<u>BOYS SUMMER SKY BLUE SHIRT</u>	
28 - 32	150.00
34 - 36	155.00
38 - 44	160.00
46 - 48	165.00
50	185.00

<u>GIRLS SUMMER SKY BLUE SHIRT</u>	
28 - 32	150.00
34 - 40	155.00
42 - 44	160.00
46 - 48	165.00
50	185.00

<u>CHECK SKIRT</u>	
24 - 26	210.00
28 - 36	215.00
38 - 50	230.00

<u>WINTER SKY BLUE SHIRT</u>	
28 - 32	170.00
34 - 36	175.00
36 - 50	185.00

<u>SPORT/HOUSE SHIRT</u>	
11/12	180.00
XS - M	185.00
L - XXL	190.00
XXXL - XXXXL	200.00

<u>TRACK</u>	<u>TOP</u>	<u>PANTS</u>
13/14	265.00	175.00
S	265.00	175.00
M	265.00	175.00
L	270.00	180.00
XL	280.00	185.00
XXL	280.00	190.00

TIES	70.00
SACHEL	270.00
TOGBAG	200.00
SPORT SOCKS	60.00

MELKBOSSTRAND HIGH SCHOOL

STATIONARY

2017

GRADE 8

LEERAREA LEARNING AREA	A4 192 bl./page	Eksamenblok Examination pad	Flipfile	Other
AFRIKAANS Huistaal (HT)	2	√	√(20)	
AFRIKAANS Eerste Addisionele Taal (EAT)	2	√	√(20)	
ENGLISH Home Language (HL)	2	√	√(20)	
ENGLISH First Additional Language (FAL)	2	√	√(20)	
WISKUNDE / MATHEMATICS	3	√	√(20)	
NATUURWETENSKAPPE / NATURAL SCIENCES	2	√	√(20)	
SOSIALE WETENSKAPPE / SOCIAL SCIENCES	2	√	√(20)	
EKONOMIESE BESTUURSWETENSKAPPE / ECONOMICS MANAGEMENT SCIENCES	1 96 p	√	√(20)	R60 ekstra werkboek / extra work book
TEGNOLOGIE / TECHNOLOGY	1	√	√(20)	
LEWENSORIËNTERING / LIFE ORIENTATION	1	√	√(20)	
SKEPPENDE KUNSTE/ CREATIVE ARTS	1	√	√(20)	R100 MATERIALS & PAPER/ KUNSVORRAAD EN PAPIER



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COMPULSORY GRADE 8 CAMP AT MELKBOSSTRAND HIGH SHOOOL ON FRIDAY 13 AND SATURDAY 14 JANUARY 2017

Please take note of the following arrangements:

1. It will take place at the school and vicinity.
2. The camp will start on Friday afternoon at 14:30 and end on Saturday afternoon at 15:00.
3. Everyone is responsible for his/her own eats and drinks on Friday afternoon. The school's tuck shop will be open during the camp.
5. Remember please to bring enough water and cool drinks, own crockery and a torch.
6. Learners must bring along: old tackies, a hat, swimwear, sunscreen, 2 or 3 sets of old clothes and a thin mattress and sleeping bag.
7. Please mark your possessions very clearly. The school does not accept any responsibility for any loss.
8. The cost is **R100-00** per learner.
9. **IF you cannot swim, - please inform us IMMEDIATELY.**
10. Any portable music instruments which could be played can be brought along.
11. Parents must please complete the **INDEMNITY FORMS** (Addendum A) and send it back on or before 11 January 2017 to our office.

You are welcome to come and attend our closing ceremony – it is going to be great fun.

NB Any enquiries can be directed to the Grade Head, Mr. M van der Spuy
021 553 0086 (school)
E-mail: meltvdspuy@gmail.com



Waardegedrewe skool/Value driven school



Integriteit/Integrity



Omgee/Caring



Respek/Respect



Selfdiscipline/Self-discipline



Verantwoordelikheid/

Responsibility



Hardwerkendheid/Diligence

Hoërskool MELKBOSSTRAND High School

**“Sentrum van Uitnemendheid/Centre of Excellence
Ons berei jou kind voor vir sukses/We prepare your child for
success”**

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Skoolhoof/Headmaster: D.J. Ross

(B.Com Honneurs/Honours, HOD/HED US/SU)

6 September 2016

Dear Parents

We are grateful that our school can offer your child a high standard of education and teaching. In order to continue at this level while also striving to build up our facilities, equipment, services and staff complement, we call upon you to pay your school fees on time.

PLEASE NOTE:

School fees **are payable in advance.** Non-payers of school fees will be handed over to the school's debt collectors from April and that “The governing body of a public school may, by process of law, enforce the payment of school fees by parents who are liable to pay in terms of section 40.” If no payment or agreement regarding payment has been made by 1 June of the academic year, the full amount for the year will be handed over. Parents will then be liable for their fees plus interest and costs.

Statements for school fees are sent monthly via email to parents who have not paid in advance for the year. Please send us your correct email address and also let us know if this changes. Send this information to finansies@hsmelkbos.co.za

Please keep strictly to your option for payment – it is the parent's responsibility to check your monthly school fees statement. It is also **every parent's duty and responsibility to ensure that your school fees are up to date.** Please contact the school immediately if you do not receive your monthly school fees statement.

Dates for debit order deductions are the 1st or the 15th of each month. Debit orders that are returned will be adjusted by the school. Debit orders that are returned on more than three occasions, will automatically be cancelled. It is the parent's responsibility to check that the correct amounts are deducted, and that there are sufficient funds in your account.

BANKING DETAILS:

MELKBOSSTRAND HIGH SCHOOL

ABSA BANK: CHEQUE ACCOUNT: 4078551617

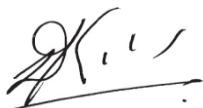
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REFERENCE: LEARNER NAME AND SURNAME

NON-PAYMENT OF SCHOOL FEES:

Should you at any time be unable to meet your school fee obligations, please **contact the school in order to make arrangements**. Any financial arrangement can only be finalised once it has been submitted to the school in writing. Please speak to Mrs Tanya Davis in the finance department.

Thank you for your co-operation.



Daneil J. Ross

SKOOLHOOF/PRINCIPAL



Hoërskool Melkbosstrand Melkbosstrand High School



Dear Grade 8 parent/ Parent of a new learner

INVITATION TO A SOCIAL GATHERING

You are cordially invited to a short reception at the school on 10 JANUARY 2017 from 18:00 to 20:00. Our aim is to get to know each other, meet the staff and socialize informally. Light snacks and juice will be provided.

We look forward to welcoming you. Please complete the reply slip and return it. This will facilitate our preparations.

Your child must please accompany you.

D.J. Ross

HEADMASTER

TEAR-OFF SLIP: NOT LATER THAN 8 DECEMBER 2017.

I (name and surname), parent of

(name and surname of learner) in grade

will attend the function. / will not attend the function. (please underline)

Number of adults:	
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Addendum A:

INDEMNITY

I, the undersigned, the legal parent/guardian of (name of child), hereby give permission that he/she may attend the Grade 8 camp at Melkbosstrand High School (13 – 14 January 2017).

I further indemnify the Western Cape Department of Education, its officials and the staff of Melkbosstrand High School absolutely and irrevocably of any and all liability (gross negligence and intent excluded) which may occur during or result from participating in this event. I give permission to the organisers to apply any medical treatment deemed necessary.

I further state that to the best of my knowledge the mentioned child is not suffering from any contagious disease.

Special circumstances (eg. disabilities, allergies, non-contagious diseases, unable to swim, etc.) regarding the abovementioned child which the management/leader/teacher in my opinion should be made aware of:

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Name of van medical scheme :

Name of main member:

Membership number:.....

Name of parent/guardian (Block letters pls.):

Address :

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Telephone number :

Cell number:

Signature of parent/guardian

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Addendum B:

Melkbosstrand Participation Slip

Thank you for enrolling your child for 2017. Your child is your most precious possession and this is why we undertake to guide your child with love and empathy in the fields of academics, sports and culture. May you and your child build good memories through your association with Melkbosstrand High School.

Melkbosstrand High School aims to encourage holistic development of learners. In order for us to prepare our facilities and programmes, we would like to know what activities your child is interested in participating in.

Please tick the applicable box and return the slip on or before 11 January 2017.

Culture		Sport	
Debate		Chess	
Glee		Athletics	
Rotary Interact		Netball	
Drama		Rugby	
School Newspaper		Cricket	
Library Prefect		Tennis	
Choir		Swimming	
Eisteddfod		Hokkie	
Orchestra			

I (name and surname), parent of
(name and surname of learner) hereby state that my child
will attend the practice sessions of the above mentioned activities.

Signature of parent/guardian

Signature of learner

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Study Hints



1. Make sure that you have SILENCE, good LIGHTNING and enough AIR in your study place.
2. Choose the right type of MUSIC (e.g. soft classical Barok) to help your brain to concentrate better. Do not listen to your favourite music when you study it will break your concentration.
3. Set up a permanent STUDY PLACE; Your bed is NOT a good idea. The brain makes quick associations and if you have a permanent study station it will help to get you in the right mind set to study.
4. ORGANISE your study place so that you know exactly where your textbook, workbook, notes, stationery and paper is when you need it.
5. Put up your TEST/EXAMINATION/STUDY ROSTERS on the wall in your study place. Mark the relevant dates properly.
6. Set yourself GOALS for each test. Use 5% intervals – e.g. I want to achieve between 50% and 55 % for this paper. Note that according to the academic goals of the school you have to achieve at least 50% for a test or an exam. Put up your goals where you can see them clearly when you study.
7. Use PEN AND PAPER, preferably in different colours, when you study – this will enhance your concentration and association and make it easier to memorize facts.
8. DEMARCATÉ the work that you plan to study for a test or examination.
9. Get an OVERVIEW of the work you have to study before you start making MIND MAPS and/or summaries.
10. Use COLOUR and ILLUSTRATIONS – the brain finds it easier to memorize than just text/words.
11. Break up CHAPTERS in smaller parts which you can study bit by bit.
12. REVISE each section when you are finished to enhance you memory.
13. Study the work by using different TYPES of QUESTIONS – look at what questions were asked about the topic. Your teacher can help you with this. Have a look at which parts are tested by short questions, discussion/long questions or data response question.

14. MARK the sections you have difficulties with and make sure that you work through them again before the test or examination. Talk to your teacher about the parts you do not understand before you write the test or examination.
15. REPEAT the facts aloud – write down the difficult words more than once; make up rhymes; use picture; use good and fitting examples to explain concepts.
16. In the sciences and mathematics you have to know the THEORY and STATEMENTS and FORMULAS very well. Remember you learn mathematics and accounting by DOING it. Work through all your homework exercises.
17. Use the correct TERMINOLOGY according to the textbook when you study a specific subject. Work through the examples in the textbook as well.
18. You have to start studying ON TIME (like this weekend already for next week's tests) so that you have enough time to go through all your work and to memorize it.
19. You should study a MINIMUM of SIX HOURS for each test. Plan your REVISION therefore, properly. Repetition strengthens your memory.
20. STUDY SESSIONS should last between 30 and 40 minutes. REST for 5 minutes and do something differently. Then start again. Rest for 10 minutes after every two sessions.
21. Work through PREVIOUS EXAMINATION PAPERS and look closely at the WAY QUESTIONS are FORMULATED, how MARKS are allocated and the TIME ALLOCATION.
22. Make sure that you understand the INSTRUCTIONS on test and examination papers. Take a close look at what the question choices are and which sections are compulsory.
23. Teach yourself to keep CALM before you start writing a test or exam – that will help you to remember the work better.
24. Drink enough WATER and eat fresh FOOD when you study – be careful of energy drinks and snacks which contains too much sugar and stimulants, those could make you feel more anxious and even make you feel exhausted.
25. Apply your OWN personal STYLE of learning when you study and make your own notes and summaries which you understand best.

