

April / May Newsletter 2017

Children Learn Better with Engaging Parents.

As kids get older and advance to high school, talking to them about their school life can become more difficult for parents. With younger children, parents may have been required to sign report cards and progress reports, attend more parent-teacher conferences, or simply drive their kids to school. But when students reach high school, connecting with parents can become challenging. Even if parent engagement in academics is hard, it's incredibly important. The most important way for parents to get involved, is to show interest in their teenager's academics at home, attend parent/teacher meetings and meetings held at the school with the principal. Unfortunately, engagement often tapers off as children get older. So, parents should be "making sure their teenagers are taking the right subjects and maintaining passing grades." Once your child enters high school we as parents should be working with our children on pre-university activities, such as searching for the right university and career for your child.

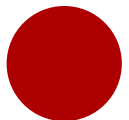
"It's about making sure that your child is going to be able to leave high school and go to university or start a career". For students who could become the first in their family to seek higher education, "Having an expectation that your child should go to university will have a profound shift for them." While offering support and guidance at home is the first step in engaging in your teenager's high school academics, it's certainly not the last. Families should work with the school, too, specifically by communicating with teachers and giving us helpful background information on your child.

Together as a team (Parents and Educators) we all want the same thing, and that is for your child to succeed. This is an important partnership between the school and the parents. Together we can build trusting and respectful relationships.



Mr H. A. Abbott

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



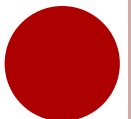
CONGRATULATIONS!!!



GRADE 8 – CLUB 100

LEARNERS CORNER

Well done to the following learners for their outstanding academic performance during Term 1. From left to right: Mbali Skosana, Aariyah Singh, Ayanda Skosana



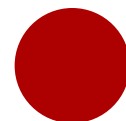
CONGRATULATIONS!!!



GRADE 9 – CLUB 100

LEARNERS CORNER

Well done to the following learners for their outstanding academic performance during Term 1.
Back row: Aidan Connell, Blessing Muthimunye,
Front row: Koketso Manchidi, Tebello Manyaka, Tsotsoletso Mokoena



CONGRATULATIONS!!!



GRADE 10 – CLUB 100

LEARNERS CORNER

Well done to the following learners for their outstanding academic performance during Term 1.

Back row:
Benjamin Harris,
Kgmotso Sebetso

Front row: Lea
Sheraton,
Thanushree
Moodley



CONGRATULATIONS!!!



LEARNERS CORNER

Well done to the following learners for their outstanding academic performance during Term 1. From left to right: Likias Simon, Mpiti Mosothaane Kiara, Cole Chetty

GRADE 11 – CLUB 100



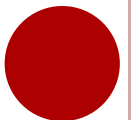
CONGRATULATIONS!!!



LEARNERS CORNER

Well done to the following learners for their outstanding academic performance during Term 1. From left to right: Lartola Thlaka, Avuyile Gxoyiya, Mark Ndlovu, Demi Osikoya

GRADE 12 – CLUB 100





CORROSION INSTITUTE

The Physical Science learners visited the Corrosion institute on 21 April.

The learners had the opportunity to observe experiments and demonstrations from different institutions.

Learners were awarded with prizes for answering questions correctly in a quiz.



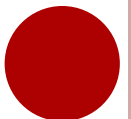


The senior phase learners attended a theatrical performance of Sarafina at the Pretoria State Theatre.

The learners enjoyed the performance tremendously.

The excursion was a cultural eye-opener for many of the learners.

SARAFINA





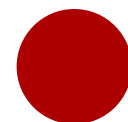
DANCE

Our congratulations to the learners from the dance team who have been chosen to participate in the Gauteng Provincial Dance Trials in May.

We are excited and anxious to see the outcome of the trials!

We wish all our dancers the best.

**“EVERY TIME I DANCE I TURN INTO
A BETTER ME” – GAHS DANCE
TEAM**





SOC- CER

The soccer season is well on the way at Glen Austin. The u15 soccer team attended their first tournament this month. The tournament took place in Midrand High School.

The result was not in our teams favour however the team is determined to build on their progress and we support them all the way.

HELP OUR GIRLS



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DONATE SANITARY PADS

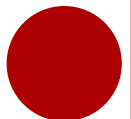
BECAUSE THEY DESERVE TO FEEL
Comfortable ... Confident ... Carefree
... to Learn & Thrive

Drop off @ the AOL desks on Sundays/church office
weekdays (241 Pretorius Rd, Midrand)

BE A BEACON OF LIGHT IN SOMEONES DARKNESS

HAND SERVICE

A big thank you to everyone that has helped us with the collection of our Sanitary Pad project. We have collected an outstanding amount of 127 packs, we need another 281 packs in order to reach our goal. Send a pack to school with your child and help us make a difference.





MATRIC FAREWELL 2017

FUNDRAISING - MATRIC FAREWELL

It is with great anticipation that we prepare for our first group of Grade 12's Matric Farewell.

The event is scheduled for the 29th of September and planning is well underway.

Please support our various fundraising activities.

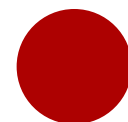
Should you wish to get involved in any way, please contact Mrs Robertson:
admin@[glenaustinhigh.co.za](mailto:admin@glenaustinhigh.co.za)



2017 OVERSEAS TOUR

Dear parents,
please remember
to make your
payments
towards our
overseas trip. You
are also
encouraged to
ensure that you
have your child's
unabridged birth
certificate and
passport in order.

ACROSS THE ALPS





SCHOOL TRANSPORT

The school buses leave the school at 4pm everyday.

If there is an away sports game, parents are required to pick up their children from GAHS on the time that is given by the sports department.

This notification will be in the indemnity letter that you are required to sign if your child is attending an away game.

The sports cell phone number is:

074 851 4655

Drivers' Supervisor
Sam 062 961 0021

Drivers:
Godfrey 062 448 7217

Shadrack 062 961 5337



May 2017

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
1 Workers Day	2 Netball practice Rugby practice	3 Netball match – GAHS vs Sagewood @SWC Soccer practice Principals meeting 8-9	4 Rugby practice Soccer match GAHS vs Noordwyk (seniors home) Principals meeting 10-12 Land service Easter egg hunt	5 LRC CAMP	6 LRC CAMP
8 Netball match – GAHS vs Noordwyk sec @Noordwyk Sec Soccer practice jnrs	9 Rugby practice Netball practice Soccer match – GAHS vs Noordwyk @Noordwyk	10 Netball match GAHS vs Alex High @Alex High Soccer practice	11 Soccer match GAHS vs Acts snrs Rugby practice Land Service SMF Meeting Land service Mothers day crafts	12 U14 Mc Donald cup soccer @Sagewood school	13 Open Day
15 Netball Match – GAHS vs Bellevue school @ Bellevue school Soccer match BHC VS gahs home & away)	16 Netball practice Rugby practice Soccer match – Acts vs Gahs soccer match snrs @gahs	17 Soccer practice Netball match – GAHS vs Blue Hills College @BHC	18 Rugby practice Land Service Soccer match snrs GAHS vs mhs @ gahs Land service SPCA visit English Evening	19 Netball Camp	20 Netball Camp
22 soccer practice jnrs Public speaking evening	23 soccer match jnrs GAHS vs mhs @ mhs	24 Soccer practice Euro Trip Parents meeting	25 Soccer practice Land Service	26	27 Parents meetings gr 8-12
29	30	31 Career planning day			

MAY DATES TO REMEMBER

**Please diarise the
following
important dates:**

**Principals meeting
Grade 8 & 9: 3 May**

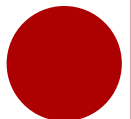
**Principals meeting
Grade 10-12: 4 May**

Open day: 13 May

**English Evening:
18 May**

**Euro Trip meeting:
24 May**

**Parents meeting:
27 May**





All-important information regarding the school, such as important dates and homework will be uploaded on D6. Follow the link and keep in touch with us:

<http://www.school-communicator.com/download.php>



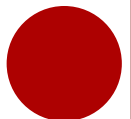
Follow us on Facebook for an update of all our activities at the school:

Glen Austin High School/ Midrand



If you need any information regarding the school, have a look at our website

www.glenaustinhigh.co.za





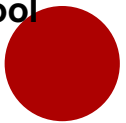
SCHOOL FEES

Tuition and Levy payments are vital to the ongoing operations and development of the school.

Tuition Fees are due by the 2nd of each month and Levy payments are due before the 28th of February every year.

Parents are urged to contact the Finance Department to address ensure that their accounts are up to date.

We would like to thank parents for their cooperation with regard to the payment of school fees





Parent Pointers

Focusing on the Importance of Learning

- ▶ Talk positively about the importance of education.
- ▶ Let your child see how much you enjoy and value learning.
- ▶ It is OK if you do not have all the answers to your child's questions, but it is important to show that you know how to find the answers.
- ▶ Learning builds confidence; and a child who is confident is more open to new opportunities to learn.

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Parent Pointers

Providing Homework Support

- ▶ Set a regular time each day for doing homework. That time should be free of distractions such as TV and phone calls.
- ▶ Be sure your child has a place to do homework that is quiet and well lit. Make sure all the appropriate materials -- such as paper and pencils -- are available.
- ▶ Let your child know that homework is important and valuable. Consistently review your child's homework during homework time.

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Parent Pointers

Communicating With The School Year-Round

- ▶ Stay attuned to your child's academic accomplishments on a weekly basis. Praise those accomplishments appropriately.
- ▶ Communicate with the school regularly. When you have a concern or question, write a note, or email or phone the teacher. *We need you on our team!*
- ▶ Think ahead: at the end of the school year, schedule a meeting to discuss with the teacher your child's successes and challenges.

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PARENT POINTERS

Important numbers to remember

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