



NEWSLETTER of 30th MAY 2023

Dear Parents

Term 2 is nearly at its end and the June Exams (as you are aware) are starting on Thursday 1st June 2023. With this in mind, we would like to communicate the following to you:

1. UNIFORM

All learners will be required to write the June Exams in proper school uniform. Unfortunately, learners that are not dressed in full school uniform, will not be allowed to write their exams on that specific day. Learners will be allowed to wear beanies if it is the official Glen Austin School beanie. Hoodies will be allowed only if it is covered by either a GAHS jersey or blazer. Unfortunately, no learner will be allowed in the exam room with a blanket or a towel. This is done to ensure uniformity which leads to conducting a smooth and orderly examination prescribed by the DBE. This exam will be monitored by monitors from the Department. We would appreciate your cooperation in this regard.

2. ABSENTEEISM

Should a learner be absent during the exams, a learner will be required to present a Medical Certificate (or at least an explanation in writing/email by the parent/guardian) the day the learner returns – the certificate or the note from the parent must be submitted to Mr. Tomu. Learners that must catch up exams due to absenteeism will get an opportunity to do so on the 23rd of June 2023 ONLY.

3. EXAM TIMES

For session 1 learners need to be at school by at least 08:00 as all exams for all grades will commence at 09:00.

All Grade 8 & 9 learners will finish their exams at 11:00, they can be collected from 11:30 onwards.

Those learners that are using school transport, will have to wait until the completion of session 2 when applicable.

If learners do not write on a specific day, they are not required to be at school.

Grade 10 & 11's who write in the 2nd session, and are not writing in session 1, need to be at school an hour before the exam commences (please check the exam timetable for the starting times of each session 2).

4. SPORTS PERIODS – TERM 3

We are currently in a situation where learners wear any tracksuit and other sportswear for the sports periods. It has basically become a situation where learners are wearing casual wear for two days in a week. Management has decided that from Term 3, only the official GAHS Sports Uniform / Tracksuit will be allowed to be worn on sports days.

We would also like to ask your assistance in this regard.

5. GENERAL

The power issues we had since the 2nd of May are mostly resolved and communications via email and telephone are back to normal. There are a few more kinks to resolve which does not affect communications. We would like to thank parents for their patience and understanding during this time.

The Board is currently phasing in solar power. The first phase has been completed with most of the solar panels installed as well as the inverters. We are excited for this project to be completed.

We wish all learners success for their exams and would like to encourage them to study with dedication and enter the exams with confidence. Good luck!

Yours Faithfully
Mr. H. du Toit
Acting Principal