

# THE SETTLERS HIGH SCHOOL



# COVID-19

# UPDATE

HELP  
**STOP**  
THE  
**SPREAD**  
AND STAY HEALTHY

17 July 2020

Dear Parents, Learners and the extended Settlers family

## COVID-19 UPDATE #7

### COVID 19 CASES UPDATE

It is with great sadness that we report that two of our staff members lost their husband's due to Covid-19 this past week. Both these staff members became symptomatic during their quarantine period. Another staff member has tested positive for Covid-19 and is currently in self isolation.

The school buildings have been decontaminated and all protocols as stipulated by the WCED have been followed. Mrs Gallie continues to recover at home and is showing improvement, be it slow. Although the infection rate is increasing nationally, we have still not had any learner infections due to school attendance.

### FLASHPOINTS THAT REQUIRE YOUR ATTENTION

**Physical Distancing** remains one of our biggest problems currently – especially outside the school building during break times and after school. Please emphasise the importance of adhering to the physical distancing guidelines **AT ALL TIMES**. Any learner not adhering to any of the safety protocols in place, will be sent home.

Please continue to support us and remind your children of our collective responsibility regarding the safety of all.

### QUESTIONS AROUND MATRIC FAREWELL

We are receiving enquiries about whether there will be a matric farewell and if so, when it would be. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, we are unable to commit to any date or assurances regarding the farewell. With the current restrictions regarding large gatherings and other safety precautions, we cannot even think about having a farewell. We are hopeful that we will be able to pull something off at short notice if and when restrictions are lifted in time. The reality is that, should we be able to arrange anything, it will be at short notice and possibly be quite different from the usual - although we will make it as special as we can.

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## COVID-19 PTA INITIATIVE

We also wish to thank all those people who have already made donations towards the PTA collection initiative. Your generosity will go a long way to assist people in our Settlers family who are confronted with real hardship.

Please continue to donate as follows:

- Money or vouchers can be placed into a locked box with Mrs Siebert at reception.
- The banking details for EFT deposits are as follows:
  - The Settlers High School
  - Standard Bank
  - Branch code: 051001
  - Acc No: 071956174
  - NB: Use "PTA Initiative" as reference
- Dropping off non-perishables is at the security kiosk at the main gate or at Mrs Hall's office.

Please continue to Keep the Settlers family in your prayers during this time as we navigate through these strange and difficult times.

Kind regards



Mrs Hall and Mr Smuts  
Deputy Principals