

26 January 2021

Dear Zoë families

RE: Opening of school for the year

It is with great joy that we can now finally announce that Zoë School officially opens for 2021 on

1 February 2021!!!!



Our team of dedicated staff is excited to start this journey with you and your child. Welcome to Mr. Edwin, who is our new Gr. 12-maths teacher, as well as Ma'am Amanda, who is now full-time at school as general class assistant and Arts & Culture teacher.

We believe that this year can be GREAT!

Even if there is still a pandemic, we are going to

...work hard

...learn new things

...do fun things

...and together make the world a better place!



👉 Goals for the year

This year our main aims at school are:

- ✓ The implementation of a **POSITIVE APPROACH** to discipline and behavior management.
- ✓ The fine-tuning of an Individual Education Plan and **GOAL SETTING** for each child, together with their parents.
- ✓ Improving **PARENT INVOLVEMENT** and encouraging parents to help create the type of school they want for their kids.
- ✓ Assisting learners in becoming **INDEPENDENT AND TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY** for their work and their progress.

👉 Work-packs

Learners must please complete schoolwork given to them by teachers (your teacher will let you know which work must be done by when) and bring completed work on 1 February.

👉 Questionnaire

All learners must complete the COVID Risk Questionnaire (we will send it shortly) before returning to school. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL WITH A FEVER, HEADACHE, COUGH, RUNNY NOSE, SORE THROAT or any other symptoms.** Also remember to inform us if you had any COVID-contact and self-isolate.

👉 Masks

It remains compulsory to wear masks to school. Learners will not be allowed to enter the premises without a mask!! Learners must wear a clean mask every day.

👉 Stationery

Please bring all stationery on the lists to school (if you haven't yet). Thank you to the parents who brought the paper already.



☞ Coffee & cell phones

Learners are not allowed to bring caffeine drinks (coffee, Coke or energy drinks) to school AT ALL. Cell phones are also not allowed at school, or must be handed in at reception.

☞ Uniform

Learners will be wearing full summer school uniform. Remember we also have a small clothes bank (klerebank) for second-hand school clothes. Please speak to tannie Bekkie about this. If you swop clothes in, you get clothes for free. Otherwise it is R20 per item and R50 for sweaters or jackets. Just as a reminder:

SCHOOL WEAR

- Exceptions to uniform rules may only be made with the principal.
- Children must wear the correct school uniform at all times.
- No other clothes may be visible under the uniform.
- Hair may not hang in the eyes or touch the shoulders.
- No gel, makeup or nail polish
- No jewelry except for small rings or studs (only gold or silver and only girls) and watches (no smart watches).
- Only plain navy scarves, beanies and gloves may be worn.
- The correct uniform is as follows:

Winter		Summer	
Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
Grade RRR-R			
• Navy embroidered golf shirt* • Any dark pants • Fleece embroidered warm top* • Any shoes		• Navy embroidered golf shirt* • Any dark pants • Broadrimmed hat* • Any shoes	
Grade 1-7 and practical classes			
• Navy embroidered golf shirt* • Boys: Gray long pants • Girls: Gray long pants/ gray skirts with navy tights • Navy school jersey • Gray school socks • Black school shoes • Fleece embroidered warm top*		• Navy embroidered golf shirt* • Boys: Gray short pants • Girls: Gray skirts / gray kneepants • Gray school socks • Black school shoes / navy crocs / navy water boots	
Senior phase (Grade 8 and up)			
• Light blue embroidered golf shirt* • Gray long pants / gray skirts met navy tights • Navy school jersey • Gray school socks • Black school shoes • Fleece embroidered warm top*		• Light blue embroidered golf shirt* • Boys: Gray short pants • Girls: Gray skirts / gray knee pants • Gray school socks • Black school shoes	

☞ School times

School starts at 7h30 for all learners. School comes out for the Junior Phase at 13h00 and 13h30 for the IM- and senior phase. There is only supervision at school until 14h00, then all the staff leaves.

👉 Screeners

Thanks to the volunteers who will be doing health screenings at the small gate.



👉 Aftercare

Remember that our school now has aftercare. Please contact Tanya Brits on 078 231 1294 for more information.

👉 Tuck shop

We have a tuck shop every day!

👉 Therapy

Our visiting Occupational Therapist, Soné, will be at school every Monday and Educational Therapist, Thea, on Tuesdays. Ilze, the Speech Therapist continues to visit for sessions on Tuesdays. Soné and Thea will be helping us with therapy for learners who cannot afford therapy, or who is referred by the school. They are however also available for individual therapy sessions, which parents can pay for in cash or via medical aid. Please arrange directly with them if you want individual therapy or assessments for your child.

Soné also does the dyslexia assessments.

Soné (Mondays) 082 824 3486

Thea (Tuesdays) 082 057 5043

👉 School gate

Please be patient with our school gate arrangements. This is for the safety of our children and staff. Please call the **office cellphone number** to access the gate.

062 634 8343

👉 Homework

Please ensure your child's homework file is at school from day 1. This is an important method of communication with parents and also part of how we teach our learners to be independent, structured and organized. Please help them with this. This year we will be

very strict on diligence and learners will receive no marks for work or assignments handed in late or not at all. Thank you for your co-operation in this regard.

Bank details

Zoë School

FNB Business Account 625 416 006 58

Branch code 250655

Do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions.



We trust that if we all adhere to the safety rules for COVID and work together as a team, that our learners will be safe and happy at school. We will find

new ways of showing each other we care, even if we cannot hug or sit close to our friends.



Thank you for entrusting us with your most precious. We ask parents to also apply the following at home:



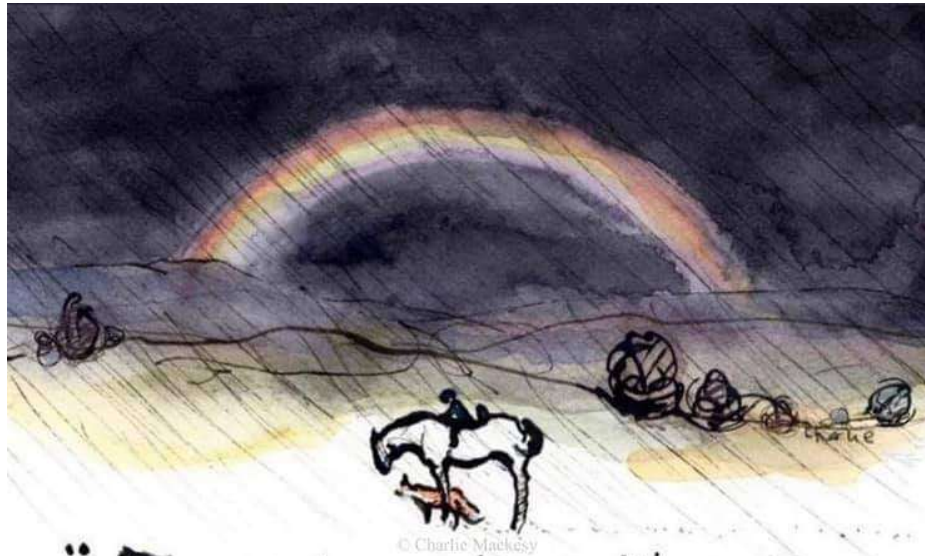
Thanking you,

Mariechén Jansen van Vuuren

Principal

082 554 0746

PS: Please note that important communication is given through the school's whatsapp group. It is a broadcast group administrated by myself and there is very little traffic on there. Please do not leave the group. Most letters and documents are also loaded onto our website www.zoe-skool.org. We also have a nice Facebook page!



"This storm is making me
tired," said the boy
"Storms get tired too," said
the horse, "so hold on."