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by The Group CEO - Mr J Magidi

Compliments of the New Year 2020 to all our learners, our parents and all our stakeholders. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome back our learners, welcome the new learners and families included.

Our Educators & all employees who are our number one assets, we welcome you. We hope you enjoyed the holidays. We thank everyone for the continued support that you have extended to the school Taal-NET over the years till now .May this spirit continue as we voyage academically together.

As we continue with our journey in 2020, we promise to remain focused & resolute in an attempt to deliver on our promise – the development of a holistic learner. The thrust on ensuring that all our learners are adequately resourced has remained on our radar. Part of these efforts & promises have been manifested in all **our schools being equipped with computer labs, science laboratories and libraries** just to mention a few.



Key to our strength as the total system is our open door policy that presents us with the opportunity to accommodate and interact with our parents and learners at all times so that issues are urgently attended to & resolved. We listen to your concerns, suggestions and recommendations and act upon them.

New Taal-Net Kempton Park Principal's Note

by MR. M. CHARAMBA - Med, Bed Hons, IATA Dip

My name is **Mr M. Charamba, the new Principal of Taal-NET School Kempton Park for 2020 academic year** & beyond. I would like to welcome old & new parents & learners & i promise to be working together for academic excellence. May i take this opportunity to assure you that your children are in safe hands. Taalnet Kempton Park is part of a network of schools being established by the Taal-NET Group in areas across Gauteng & in Zimbabwe. As the principal i have been entrusted with CEO's extraordinary vision for the school's academies as a global learning community, where young people develop the capacity to become future leaders of civil society.



The underlying idea of the Taalnet Group of schools is to concentrate substantial resources and effort on those exceptional individuals, students and teachers, who have the potential to transform society. When provided with a world-class education, exceptional students from any background can achieve their significant potential and in so doing improve their lives, the lives of their families, their communities, their country and the world. At this time, we envisage a network of approximately 12 campuses across Southern African countries that, when fully developed, will be teaching 10,000 students.

New Principal Welcome Note - Continued

Taalnet Group of Schools will reach out to students of all backgrounds, regardless of culture, race, religion or financial circumstance. Taalnet follow the **Cambridge and CAPS curriculum**, ensuring a global standard of educational excellence and external validation through the annual **Grade 12 CAPS, IGCSE & “O” & “A” Level** examinations.

The school also work to enhance the quality of teaching, the base on which good education rests. Taalnet will provide professional development programmes for teachers and school leaders from within the Institute as well as from government and other schools. The students in our existing Academies are already achieving exceptional results across domains spanning academics, athletics and the arts. And our alumni, many of whom attend leading universities around the world, are demonstrating a deep sense of social responsibility and a commitment to return to serve their home countries.

Ultimately, we hope that the qualities of good leadership, sound moral judgment, self-discipline, a pluralistic outlook and civic responsibility are the qualities that will distinguish Taalnet graduates. I invite you to explore our website further to learn more about the Taalnet Group of schools and the unique and innovative programmes they offer.

Message from the Group CEO - Continued

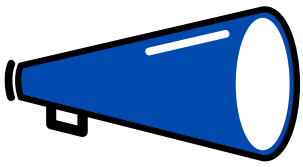
Let me hasten to advise all the parents to develop a direct interest in what the learners do in the academic sphere and behavioral sphere as this help us to come up with intervention programmes that enhance learner success. The success of a learner is a function of discipline, student effort, parent support and educator support which includes learning resources availability.

For service related issues, feel free to talk to our Principals, make use of the compliments/ complaints registers in all our schools or email to customerservices@taalct.co.za .The email goes straight to the Customer Services Director and will be responded to within 24 hours. For any academic related issues, suggestions please email to info@taalct.co.za If you want to be part of a visionary & winning team, send your CV to hr@taalct.co.za For accounts related issues, email complianceofficer@taalct.co.za If you want attention from the CEO please email at ceo@taalct.co.za

Let's work together to mould & nurture our children to become the people we would want them to be. I wish everyone a successful 2020 through all our efforts and support put together.

Current Infrastructure Info

As your school of choice, we will always want to create an environment conducive to serious learning. We have decided to embark on a school developmental project that will see our stand number 49 Maxwell Street next to Head Office being built. This has traditionally been used as a car park .This will ensure that our learners have adequate learning space .We hope that by midyear some learners would have started using that building.



School Communication

By Management

The school made an investment for the purposes of enhancing communication between the school and the Parents. This was communicated last year but the number of parents who are making use of it is not encouraging. Taalnet Group of Schools launched the School communication application. We still strongly encourage all the parents to download and install so that they keep up to date with all developments in the school. This can be downloaded from the Play store (Taal-NET GROUP OF SCHOOLS). We also have online support via our website www.taalct.co.za where parents can be attended to at any time of the day from anywhere in the world – for us ,distance is not a barrier.

We have complaints and compliments books across all our schools and we encourage parents to use them. Parents are urged to take advantage of these communication tools so that they do not miss out on very important information. On a related note, we are encouraging parents to come and support learners when the school has events. The school has traditionally made stern efforts to invite parents but the parents' turn out is not encouraging all the time.



Not all our learners excel academically but some are talented in different areas of learning like sports, arts and culture. We have a very important annual events like athletics ,ball games on the Taalnet calendar of events & not forgetting the Arts Festival. Learners showcase their talents in the areas of Arts and Culture. This is an event that parents are missing out on. This year it will be taking place on the 10th of October .All parents are cordially invited and it will be on Saturday 10th of October 2020 to accommodate almost all the parents

School Uniform Shop

Uniform shop access remains the same - the shop is open Monday to Friday from 8am to 5pm then on Saturday 8am to 1pm for your convenience. There is staff dedicated to assist you at all times. We are very happy to inform you that you can now shop online in the comfort of your homes and from wherever you are. Wearing school uniforms cultivates equality in schools.

With school uniforms you can break down societal and culture walls, making it easier for the children to interact with one another from diverse backgrounds. It is for this reason that we encourage parents to make an effort to secure a complete uniform for the learners.

New Policy on Uniform Purchases

We have three official ways in which uniforms can be purchased, which are;

1. In store at the Head Office in Kempton Park or East view Campus in Zimbabwe
2. Online at <https://shop.taalct.co.za>
3. WhatsApp/email or phone call then make a direct deposit into our account
WhatsApp **0840685437** Landline- **0119707049** Email uniformshop@taalct.co.za

Bank Account

Name: Talma Real Estate

Bank: Nedbank

Acc Number: 1124680489

Child Initial and Surname, Grade and Branch as reference e.g. R.Zhou G3 Pretoria

Please note that you cannot make cash or swipe payments at branch level.

Administrators at branches can at the moment assist with taking down and capturing your orders when they come.

What's New?

We have added three official school T-shirts and they are now available in store.

Online Shop Note:

We are happy to announce that online shop as an offline payment option where, after you have chosen and added all your items online, you can choose an option to choose offline payment option on checkout where you can then finish the order and do a direct deposit into our account.

How is this helpful? Does it Work?

This so much helpful to those parents who do not have cards that accept online purchasing. Yes it does work as this will automatically email us your order, all you will need to then do is to send us your proof of purchase via email or WhatsApp then we can ship the order to you. That will be all for this time. Thank you very much for going through the letter and for your continued support. Continue getting in touch with us for these and other related queries.

Very Important Dates - Take Note

Please keep up-to-date on all upcoming events via the school website / Facebook page/Taalnet communicator(D6). News updates will also be made available on these platforms.

