



Otjiwarongo Secondary School

Term 3 2019

Dear Parents



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Once again we have reached the end of another successful year and the School would like to thank each and every parent, guardian, friend and stakeholder who has contributed to this great success. This success of this school is also attributed to the involvement of the community as a whole who remain dedicated to the aims and goals of the school and assist where they can.

The Management would like to remind you of the voluntary Parent Contribution Fund (PCF), which has been introduced to cover additional costs not provided for by the Ministry of Education. The

contribution towards this fund is voluntary and we would like to thank all parents / donors who have contributed so generously towards this fund throughout the year.

This money is utilized on behalf of your child for the value added education component in OSS. We would like to emphasise that a parent pay the full amount and cannot just join the service for a couple of months. These learners receive all additional notes, support teaching and they pay less for school extra-mural activities, sport and transport. The limited funds received from the Ministry of Education, Arts and Culture only cover the basic needs like tests, examinations and basic homework assignments. Through the value added component, OSS undertakes to equip your child to receive the best possible education, in line with the private schools of Namibia, where parents pay many thousands of dollars per month.

Furthermore, we would also like to remind the parents that every learner has to contribute one ream of Copy Paper (A4 – 500 sheets, 80g/m²) at the beginning of each trimester. The school has received no allocation for stationary and cleaning materials for 2020, which means that there is more pressure on parents to supply the basic needs.

Some learners have also not handed in all their textbooks for 2019. These books will have to be refunded or replaced before school starts in 2020. Unfortunately, the school / MOEAC cannot replace these books meaning that some learners will be without textbooks in the new year. Learners must keep the receipt of payment for lost books with them for control purposes when reporting back to school in January 2020.

As far as the School Uniform is concerned, we can support you with the Clothes Shop, which will be open on 13 and 14 January 2020. We would like to ask you to ensure that every learner is in possession of the proper school uniform before the school starts. Please ensure that your child's hair should also be compliant with school rules, i.e. not dyed, but plated and cut according to the Code of Conduct of Otjiwarongo Secondary School.

Further, on the school still experiences problems with learners who bring cell phones to the school. We would like to remind you that no learner may have a cell phone in his/her possession during school hours. Please ensure that your child leaves his/her cell phone at home.

Unfortunately, many learners make themselves guilty of being absent from school without permission. This is seen in a very serious light, as the school will not be able to fulfil its mandate of providing quality Education.

Management also would like to request that learners not be signed out from school for trivial reasons as this has a direct effect on the education they receive.

Please, familiarize yourself with the contents of the Code of Conduct. Otjiwarongo Secondary School's success is built on discipline and the adherence to the norms and values set out in this document.



Clothes Store



The Clothes Shop will be open during the first week of school and we would like to ask you to ensure that every learner is in possession of the proper school uniform before the school starts.

Tuesday 14 January 2020: 09:00 - 10:00

Wednesday 15 January 2020: 09:00 - 12:30

Only winter wear and the grey socks are available in clothing store.

We also would appreciate it if you could ensure that your child's hair is compliant with school rules as prescribed in the Code of Conduct.

The Clothes Store will be open as follows:

Tuesdays and Thursdays (07:30-07:50) throughout the term.

Parents who want to visit the Clothes Store must bring the child(ren) along to make sure the clothes will fit.



Summer School Uniform Code

NO alternatives will be allowed

-Navy Blue Trousers (***Boundary***) – Grade 12 only

GIRLS

- White short-sleeve shirt
- Blue (Navy) skirt (**must be +5cm above the knee**)
- White school socks (**no grey socks allowed**)
- Black School shoes
- **Hair according to the code of conduct (no alternatives allowed)**

BOYS

- White short-sleeve shirt (**no long-sleeve shirts allowed**)
- Short Grey School Pants
- **Long** Grey School Socks (**no short grey socks allowed**)
- Black laced SCHOOL shoes (**no fashion shoes allowed**)
- Plain Black belt if needed (**no fashion belts allowed**)

ACCESSORIES

Learners may only wear a **normal watch**. **No smart watches or smart devices allowed.**

Girls MAY NOT wear fashion ear accessories or bracelets. Only small studs or rings (Gold or Silver). Nothing else.

(Please see the Code of Conduct on the full Dress Code)

SCHOOL RULES AND CODE OF CONDUCT – PLEASE TAKE NOTE

All learners have signed the Code of Conduct and rules. Parents must support the school in this regard. Effective education starts at home. Make sure your child behaves, is dressed and adheres to the school rules.

Some rules recapped:

- ☞ **NO learner** may **colour** his/her hair. Learners who have coloured their hair should have their hair professionally returned to their natural colour **BEFORE** the school starts 2020.
- ☞ We will take **strict action against learners** who come to school with **coloured hair**.
- ☞ **Parents** should also please see that their child's hair is cut according to the **rules as per OSS Code of Conduct**.
- ☞ **Boys** are **not allowed** to have a "**step**" (when hair on top of the head is considerably longer than the hair closer to the neckline).
- ☞ **Boys and girls** are **not allowed** to have **bizarre** hairstyles upon returning to school.

We kindly request parents to adhere to the rules as stipulated in the Code of Conduct and to see that their child is dressed according to the summer-wear guidelines.





Leaders of OSS – 2020



SRC

Jean De Schmid (Head Boy)	Gertze Jakura (Head Girl)
Hein Behnke (Deputy Head Boy)	Andrea De Wet (Deputy Head Girl)
Ruth Iyambo (Secretary)	Eben-Ezer Kamati (Head Acadis)

Kesia Bezuidenhout	Kara De Wet	Isherene Gowases
Danella Haraes	Nicola Holtzkampf	Upi Uapandera
Taisha Uris	Mark Dohmen	Osha Katjaimo
Shaun Kavaa	Daniel Kienitz	Viuaa Kuhanga
Peter Shipopyeni	Gaingos Janey	

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Melina Diekmann	Annemie Harms	Kahengombe Mekere
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Kgobetsi Nangula	Louw Kerishne	Muteze Vicky
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Liebenberg Timothy	Tjavara Utjiua	Von Hacht Wilko
Vorster Stephan	Zaahl Rezario	Zahn Tim

PAREISIS BOYS HOSTEL LEADERS & INTERACTORS

We are proud to announce the names of the prefects and the Interactor board members for 2020:

PAREISIS BOYS PREFECTS 2020

Marcel Namaseb (Head Boy, Tjijandjeua Kenatjizeu (Deputy Head Boy)

Prefects:

Shaun Kavaa, Viuaa Kuhanga, Eerikee Ndjengua, Utjiua Tjavara
Minshew Gideon (help prefect), Thomas Michael (help prefect),
Ueve Muhendje (help prefect)



INTERACTOR BOARD MEMBERS 2020

Kara de Wet	-	President
Gedicha Tjarokua	-	Vice President
Ruth Iyambo, Machiavelli Hao-Khoab and Rejoice Haihambo		

The Gift of Giving



The Grade 9B class of OSS initiated a spreading kindness project. They collected clothes for the less privileged children and handed it out while singing and dancing with the children. Not only did the learners enjoy the gift of giving, but they learned the true meaning of appreciation. This project was completed with much joy and love. Thank you Mr Naylor for taking us and being so helpful wherever you can!

AFRIKAANS @ O.S.S



O.S.S. is proud to announce that from 2020 onward, we will be a registered branch of the ATKV (Afrikaanse Taal en Kultuur Vereniging). We look forward to: Afrikaans Debating, Orators, Idiom competitions, Drama and so much more.

Academic Achievements @ O.S.S

Congratulations to the following learners who showed outstanding Academic Achievement during 2019. We are truly proud of you.

NICO EPLER	DUX LEARNER 2019, VERSATILITIES
	BEST ACHIEVER PHYSICAL SCIENCE,
	ACCOUNTING, MATHEMATICS
SARAH-LEE HIFITIKEKO	VERSATILITIES

Academic Achievements continue...

TIMOTHEUS BORRMANN -	BEST ACHIEVER MATHEMATICS, BIOLOGY, ACCOUNTING & 1 ST PLACE – NATS EXAM -UNAM
SONJA THERON	BEST ACHIEVER AFR. 1ST LANGUAGE
UAHENGISA KATJIZUKO	BEST ACHIEVER ENG. 2ND LANGUAGE BEST ACHIEVER GEOGRAPHY
LUCIA PAULUS	3 rd PLACE - NATS EXAM UNAM

ORDINARY LEVEL

JOHANNES HAMUKWAYA	BEST ACHIEVER SCIENCES
MEGAN GORESES	BEST ACHIEVER SCIENCES
JD ERASMUS	BEST ACHIEVER COMPUTER STUDIES

So many other learners achieved great heights. We congratulate each and every one of them. May you reach the stars-dream big!

Congratulations

Thank You

We want to thank each and every sponsor for your generous contributions toward the prize giving ceremonies. We appreciate your input toward education.

SPORT – 2019 TERM 3

Sport Prize giving Ceremony Highlights

After a very successful sport season, the following team and athletes received awards for their very hard work:

Sport team of the Year : u/19A Netball Team, winners of gold medals at the First division Nationals, coached by **Ms. Gomes**.

Most Versatile Sport Personality :	Israel Kandundu
Junior Sport Boy :	Israel Kandundu
Senior Sport Girl :	Tjīnomasa Kahīru

Soccer

The soccer league is finally done!! The u/17 and u/19 teams came 2nd in their respective leagues. Unfortunately, the u/15's are not done yet.

Netball

Congratulations to **Vicky Muteze** who was chosen for the u/17 Otjozondjupa Regional netball team. They represented the region at the Deb Marine Tournament in Oshakati.



Eventing



Laura Jacob was chosen to represent the Namibian at the Shield Eventing Series in Gobabis as well as in Durban, South Africa. In Namibia they participated against Zimbabwe and South Africa. In SA they participated against

Kenia, Zimbabwe and South Africa. Laura was part of **Team Namibia** which won both the events. **Congratulations Laura!!**

Horse riding

Timothy Liebenberg participated in Villiersdorp, Cape Town. He won the 5-gated Junior Championship and he came 3rd in the 5-gated Open Championship.

Timothy also participated at the Namibian Championships. He was crowned:

- ❖ 3-gated Teen Rider Namibian National Champion
- ❖ 3-gated Child's Park Horse Namibian National Champion
- ❖ 3-gated Child Pleasure Horse Namibian National Champion
- ❖ 5-gated Teen Riding Horse Namibian National Champion
- ❖ Fine Harness Namibian National Champion

He won five titles and 1 reserve title out of the six Championships he participated in. Well Done and Congratulations!!



Endurance Ride

Maya Janbey on Atashi Sky participated at the African Championships, considered to be one of the toughest races in the world. She achieved a 2nd place as a Junior Rider over a distance of 120km. Sky was also awarded Best Conditioned horse for the Junior Category of the 2019 African Awards.

Maya represented Namibia in September at the Junior World Endurance Championship in Pisa, Italy, on an Italian horse Elias. They competed against more than a 100 riders over a distance of 120km and came 52nd, started at the 80th position. At this same championship she also participated in the Open Race on an Italian horse, Avatar over a distance of 120km.

Congratulations and thank you Maya. You made OSS very proud!



Feed master Cattle Judging



Jean de Schmid, Estraysha Nauses and Marc Dohmen participated in the Feedmaster Junior Cattle Judging Regionals at the Grootfontein show which promoted enthusiasm for farming amongst the youth of Namibia.

Sport wear for 2020

Parents, please take note of the following:

Learners supporting sport events must wear a blue jean with the school sport shirt / white school shirt with tie and tekkies / school shoes

Learners who have to go to a sport event outside of Otjiwarongo must wear a blue jean with the school sport shirt and tekkies **or** sport wear

Netball : sport shirt, yellow skirt, short white socks and tekkies

Girls' hockey : school sport shirt, yellow skirt, long navy blue socks and tekkies / hockey shoes

Sport wear for 2020 continue...

Boys hockey: school sport shirt, navy blue PT short, long navy blue socks and tekkies / hockey shoes

Girls' tennis: school sport shirt, yellow skirt, short white socks and tekkies

Boys' tennis: school sport shirt, navy blue PT short, short white socks and tekkies

The school sport shirt, yellow skirt, navy blue socks and soccer set will be available at the school clothes shop.

OSS Moments



Dates 2020

Please take note of the following sport dates on the calendar:

- ☞ **Adventurous Fun Run – Friday, 17 January 2020:** the run will take place in the morning during school hours and the different colour teams are participating against each another (all new learners will be informed of their colour teams on the 1st school day). The learners must first come to school in their colour T-shirt. Please remember to wear a hat and running shoes. **Also bring enough water.** Traffic control from the Municipality assists us on the public road. **Prefects will open the Snoepie!!**
- ☞ **Inter House athletics meeting – Friday, 24 January 2020:** a much higher standard of the usual inter house will be hosted from next year onwards: Only the best athletes in each colour team will be chosen to participate at the inter house. Parents please motivate your child(ren) to attend these practices. It is scheduled to be on **Thursday, 16 January and Tuesday, 21 January from 15:30 till 17:00**



Support and E-Learning

O.S.S is the **only** school that provides E-Learning facilities to learners. Learners can register at the office of the Secretary for E-learning for as little as **N\$50.00** per month.

Learners then use the Internet, Advance Mathematics Programs and Online Subject support with tests to enhance their understanding of subject content. All the content subjects such as **Mathematics, Life Science, Physical Science, Biology, Geography** and more are available. Learners can attend E-Learning classes **Mondays to Wednesdays from 14:00-16:30**. Register your child and **let them be the change you want to see**. Registration can be done at the school secretary.

Points of interest.

- **Parent Support Fund** payable at the Secretary's Office.
- Registration for support learning at secretary's office.
- **Absenteeism** - Parents must notify the school if a learner is absent. Parents will be notified via sms of unauthorized absenteeism
- Procedure in regard to **absenteeism** must be followed. Parents **must remember they are primarily responsible to ensure that children are in school every day.**
- Parents must sign learners out if they leave school during school hours. The school will sms parents if learners are absent without prior notification or without a Doctor's Certificate. This is a serious transgression and will be dealt with accordingly.
- Learners may only leave the school grounds with the written consent of parents.



Points of interest continue...

- Parents will receive regular sms's with regard to absenteeism, SDF and learner behaviour. This method ensures that parents know immediately if there is a concern regarding to your child's welfare.
- **Cell phone policy** and procedures state: **NO cell phones** at the school during official school hours.
- **Summer uniform** (as prescribed in the School Rules) for the second term are available at the Clothes Store on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 07:30 – 07:50.
- **REMEMBER: ONE (1) REAM OF COPY PAPER PER TERM PER LEARNER.**

Important Dates

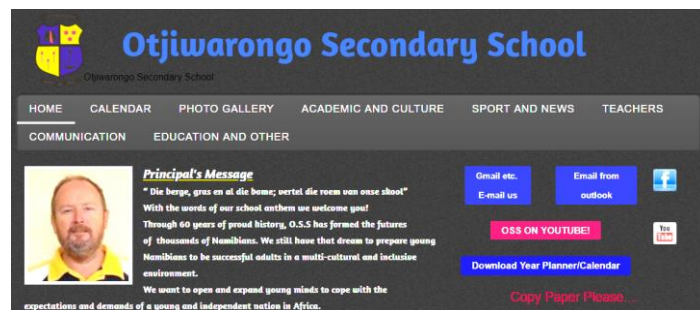
Make sure to take note of the important dates.

13.1.2020	School starts for teachers
15.1.2020	School starts for learners
17.1.2020	Funrun
18.1.2020	Sotte day
23.1.2020	Sotte Sokkie
24.1.2020	Interhouse Athletics



OSS ON THE WEB

Our website address is: <http://otjisecc.webs.com>. The prospectus, calendar and latest news are available 24/7.



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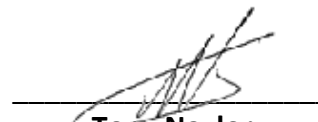
Final note

Even though Education in Namibia faces many challenges this school will strive to provide affordable Education of a high quality to each and every learner enrolled.

Thank you to all the teachers who worked hard and diligently during the third term.

"Although no one can go back and make a brand new start, anyone can start from now and make a brand new ending." - Carl Bard

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May you have a blessed holiday. We look forward to see one another in 2020.


Tony Naylor
(Principal – O.S.S.)



REMEMBER:

School will start on **15 January 2020**, at 8 o'clock.
with assembly in the hall. Parents are most welcome.

