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Dear Frances Vorwerg parents

Welcome back to school and to the Second Term. The weather is turning and the autumn leaves are filling the trenches and gaps on the soil. Winter fast approaches and the warmth of summer fades as quickly as the days shorten. So it is in the midst of the approaching cold spells that we look to our Maker to provide for us and to carry us through the colder conditions that is winter. And it is with this in mind that I give you this week's piece of encouragement.

Our life of faith as people who believe, is meant to be one that is active, dynamic, and adventurous, not dull, suffocating, and restrictive. Some people say that faith is a verb. I like to think of it as a bike with large, sturdy wheels. As with most bikes, this one only works when you climb on and start pedalling. In other words, you have to do something with the faith you've been given if you want it to take you where God is leading.

We read in Scripture that we have to stand firm in faith, live by faith, receive by faith, continue in faith, contend for the faith, put on faith, hold on to faith, keep faith, share faith, and conquer through faith. You get the picture, I'm sure! In order to be the kind of people we ought to be, do the kinds of things we ought to do, and live the kind of life for which we were created, we need to do something with the faith we have.

Do you want to live a fruitful life? Do you want to experience God and all that he has to give us in His merciful provision? Then say good-bye to comfort and ease and safety and doing everything your way, and say hello to a life of faith and adventure. In prayer and conversation tell God you're tired of straddling the fence and living like everyone around you, caught up with worldly cares and concerns. Tell Him you can't go on without a living, vital faith. Ask God today to help you respond to life with a faith and desire to live by faith to whatever He asks of you. Then go out and put your faith into action by the way you live and share as you show your faith in God to those round about you.

The date and times for the second term are as follows:

Date of return: 5th April 2022 – winter uniform (burgundy/maroon jersey, jacket, beanie, or cap may be worn with the uniform). Please remember that the school has a formal care and supervision programme for children in the waiting area for the following times:

- 07:00 07:45 for all children. The school is opened at 06:30 in the morning, but no formal supervision is on hand until 07:00
- 12:30 for the pre Grade R's & Grade R
- 13:00 for the Grade 1 & Grade 2's
- 13:30 for the Grade 3's
- 13:45 15:00 all other Grades children who wait for transport after school

Holiday Sport Participation

Our learners participated in the Nationals LSEN Sport Championships at the start of the holidays. They achieved wonderful results, to mention just some:

 Billy received a bronze for shotput, Thando got gold for javelin and Bokang a silver.

- Bokang also achieved silver for discus and Thando bronze.
- In total our boys received 1 gold, 3 silver and 5 bronze

We also want to highlight the team that took the boys to the champs:

- Teacher Troy for her dedication, preparation and leading of our boys to victory in so many events
- Uncle Danie for driving and assisting at the event
- Teacher Potgieter for the admin
- PYE's Bronwyn and Nicole who attended as school officials





The achievements at the National Games highlights the professionalism, dedication, and continual interest shown, given and placed into the children of Frances Vorwerg by the teachers, support staff and

therapists.

We are indeed proud of you all!!

Boys who participated are:

- Bakang Boikanyo
- Mnguni Thando
- Sabelo Manyoni
- Thabang Zerinda



Please take note of the following:

Term 1 reports will be generated as soon as the SASAMS patch has been added to the school system and the marks verified.

All learners must be in possession of a mask. The school Covid protocol has not changed. Sanitizer will be available upon entrance and throughout the school. The school will be stricter on the Disciplinary code this term and parents are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure that learners are disciplined and respectful towards teachers and the school environment. Where this does not occur, I will be calling parents to the school office to discuss any deviance from the disciplinary Code by their children.

1. Foundation Phase

With Mrs Houman moving on, we are pleased to announce that Mrs Roux will be taking the Grade 2 class in the interim until Ms Grundling, who is the newly appointed teacher in Ms Houman's place, arrives at the school. She is being transferred from another District to our school.

2. Intermediate Phase

All learners are to report to the line-up area and to ensure that all books, stationery and bags are ready for school tomorrow.

3. Senior Phase

With a jam-packed curriculum and so much on the line with studying, work, projects and tests, much work

needs to be done from the start of the term remembering that exams will be written at the end of this term. Parents and learners need to remember that this term is a 'bulk' term as a large volume of work gets done in the term and then assessed through exams at the end of the term.

4. ToC Phase

Practical subjects, academic learning and skills are the order of the day. Learners are to remember that term marks and assessments are collected throughout the term and form a large part of the continuous assessment that has become the hallmark of the ToC Phase. Please also note that the Tuck shop will be open to all learners as of 11 April 2022.

We also congratulate Ms Felix on her bronze medal at the Paris marathon.

5. DCaps Phase

The growth of this Phase within the school is nothing short of astounding...so too those who manage and lead the Phase. The learners can look forward to the newly devised playground and



equipment set-out for them to enjoy!

Well done to Mrs Strydom and the OT's who designed and developed this project for the children to enjoy!

Parents Meeting

This coming Saturday, <u>9th April 2022 a parents meeting</u> for all Phases will be held at the school from 09:00-11:00 starting in the school hall and moving to various venues throughout the school.

I would like to encourage all parents to attend the meeting, to meet and greet the teachers and to establish an interest-based and work-centered program which will see a joint effort between parents and teachers creating a working pathway that will bring about success and independence for each child attending Frances Vorwerg School.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Mark Lynch