## MANAGING DIRECTOR NEWSLETTER



## **Dear Parents & Guardians,**

Darlene Martin once said "For every ending there is always a new beginning. A new path and a new adventure."

I find it hard to believe that we are at the end of the first term of 2022. Despite it being the first term of the year, we have excelled on many fronts and we have achieved a lot in a short space of time.

On the 12th of January the Royal Schools Alberton College ship left the harbour and started sailing into the stormy waters of 2022. Despite many uncertainties, our learners and staff persevered and we achieved some outstanding successes in academics, culture, and sport. Here are just some of the highlights from our first term of 2022:

- 1. Our Grade 12 Class of 2021 achieved a 99% pass rate with a 74% Bachelor pass rate. Our top performer was Shongwe Lusanda with 6 distinctions.
- 2. Our orientation day had an incredible turnout! All our new learners got some free popcorn and a detailed orientation on the functioning of the school.
- 3. Our athletics team also took part in various meetings and performed extremely well.
- 4. On Valentine's day red, white, and love all around. Learners enjoyed celebrating Valentine's day with lots of sweets, ice cream, food, and raffles. Congratulations to the learners who were crowned Mr. and Ms. Valentine.
- 5. Our Grade 12s got creative by partaking in the 'anything but a school bag' challenge. Learners were seen walking around with boxes, trolleys, and homemade bags. They had a lot of fun.
- 6. The Primary School had their annual 'Crazy Hat Day' where the learners enjoyed making and wearing their crazy hats to school.
- 7. Our Gr 12 Motivational Night was a spectacular event! It was a night filled with motivational speakers, and bragging about our 2021 matric results. Class of 2022, we have faith that you will surpass their achievements and leave is in awe. Good luck, study hard, dream big, and achieve even more!

On a more serious note, it seems that drug abuse is becoming a major problem in all schools around our country. Please take note that our schools have a zero-tolerance policy towards drug possession and usage. Our School Management Teams will take immediate and decisive action against learners that have any form of drugs in their possession. As a management team we are taking a very strong stance against drugs in our schools and in this regard, we have already started implementing antidrug campaigns, education, drug searches in conjunction with law enforcement agencies, and acting strongly against learners found in possession of drugs. Please have a discussion with your children on the dangers of drug abuse and monitor their behaviour for any sudden changes.

Last, but not least, Royal Schools Alberton was named as the Best School out of the 14 schools in Circuit 1 of the Ekurhuleni South District. Our school also received an award for being in the Top 10 of the 58 schools in the Ekurhuleni South District. Our Business Studies educators received an award for the best results in the District. Keep in mind that Ekurhuleni South was the 6th best performing district nationally.

It t is clear to see that Royal Schools Alberton has gone above and beyond during this term.

We look forward to Term 2.

Yours sincerely, Dr B Fourie

MANAGING DIRECTOR ROYAL SCHOOLS





