## **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 Sky City 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 'Meet and Greet' the parents was held on the 15th of January. All parents had the opportunity to meet with their child's educators.
- 2. We had a lovely Prefect Pledge Ceremony with our parents and newly appointed prefects where they pledge to be good leaders and examples to the rest of the school. We had cake and tea afterwards with the parents.
- 3. On 'Mad Hatters Day' our learners were encouraged to decorate a crazy/mad hat. Lots of effort went into the making of these hats and learners with the best hats won vouchers and ice-cream.
- 4. We had High School athletics between Royals Schools Alberton and Royal Schools Sky City this term. This was a wonderful event with our sister schools.
- 5. Our annual Teacher Awards were held on 4 February where we celebrated our educator's excellent achievements.
- 6. During Valentine's Day our learners had an day filled with fun. We had a Mr and Ms Valentine competition as well as raffle draws and face painting.
- 7. On our Matric Pledge evening we had a speaker that motivated our Grade 12 learners to achieve. Our theme for the year is 'shine bigger and brighter'. Matriculants and their parents pledged that they will work hard during this year to ensure success.

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 anti-drug 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 Sky City was named as the Best Primary School out of the 32 schools in Circuit 1 of the Ekurhuleni South District.

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

We look forward to Term 2.

Yours sincerely, Dr B Fourie
MANAGING DIRECTOR ROYAL SCHOOLS





