

**DATE:** 1 December 2023/ Amberfield College Newsletter

## Weekly activities

<b>MONDAY:</b>	
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	

### UNIFORM

Our Uniform shop is open  
 Monday, Wednesday & Friday 07:00 – 12:00  
 Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 – 15:00  
 Last Saturday of the Month 09:00 – 12:00

## Word from the executive principal

Dear Parents.

As another school year comes to an end, I would like to wish you all a blessed and wonderful holiday.  
 Stay safe and enjoy the festive season.

Kind Regards:  
 Mr M Ponnen - Executive Principal



## Important dates and events

**Wednesday 13 December:** School Closes for Term 4  
**Tuesday 16 January:** Orientation day  
**Wednesday 17 January:** Learners return to school.  
 Grade RRR – Gr R, Grade 1 – Grade 3 & Grade 9 – 12  
**Thursday 18 January:** Grade 4 to 7 learners return.

**\*Please see the D6 Connect App for the detailed calendar**

### BANKING DETAILS

**Bank:** Nedbank  
**Account number :** 1160699062  
**Branch Code :** 198765  
**Account Holder :** Amberfield College  
**Reference :** Family Code

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 important school info daily!

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## Pre – Primary news:

We love our Pre-Primary school and would like to thank our maintenance team for painting all our playground equipment for the little ones. The school is looking beautiful again!!



### Special days for Term 4

Friday 1 Dec – Secret Santa day and end of year class parties.

Monday 11 Dec – Reports will be handed out in the Pre-Primary  
(Parents can come and fetch it between 8:00 and 10:00 from their class teacher)

We would like to wish all our parents a wonderful holiday and amazing 2024.  
We hope if you are travelling that you will be safe, we look forward to seeing most of you again next year.



Kind Regards  
Ms L Pretorius  
Pre-Primary Principal





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## Primary School

Greetings parents! Our learners are done with final assessments and exams.

*"Great works are performed not by strength but by perseverance" – Samuel Johnson*

Ms. Sandos will be leaving Amberfield College. We will miss her very much. We wish her all the best on her new journey.

### Transfer Cards:

If you are withdrawing your child from Amberfield College at the end of the year, please email Mrs Derbyshire at [bderbyshire@amberfieldcollege.co.za](mailto:bderbyshire@amberfieldcollege.co.za) so that transfer cards can be prepared ahead of time and included with the final report. This will help save a lot of time on report collection day.

### Gr 4 Maths: Quiz Champions

The finals of the Quiz Champions was held on Thursday 9 November, with 25 finalists going head to head in the knockout rounds. Thato Sibeko, Gr 4 M emerged victorious and was crowned Quiz Champion of 2023. As a bonus round, Thato went up against Mrs Ramjuguth and won again! (I hear she wants a rematch!) Well done, Maths Boffin!



### Grade 4 Class visits:

Our current grade 3s visited the grade 4 classes on Tuesday 28 November 2023. They really enjoyed themselves and can't wait for 2024



### Dates to diarise:

- Reports will be handed out on the following dates so please take note:  
Grade 1 to 3 – Monday, 11 December – 8am to 10:00 am (To collect from Register Classes)  
Grade 4 to 7 – Tuesday, 12 December – 8am to 10:00 am (To collect from Register Classes)
- Awards Functions will take place on the following dates:  
Gr 3 Awards – 1 December – 9:00am to 11:00 am (All learners to attend, only 2 parents allowed.)  
Gr 1& 2 Awards – 4 December – 9:00 am to 11:00 am (All learners to attend, only 2 parents allowed.)  
Gr 4-6 Awards – 7 December – 8:30 am to 11:00 am (By invite only, only 2 parents allowed.)  
Gr 7 Valediction – 7 December – 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm (All learners to attend, only 2 parents allowed.)
- School closes – 13 December – 10:00 am

- 16 January:** Orientation day for all new learners from 8:00 until 10:00  
Including all current Grade R learners going to grade 1
- 17 January:** Grade 1 to 3 learners return to school.
- 18 January:** Grade 4 to 7 learners return to school.

Kind Regards  
Mrs B Derbyshire  
Primary School Principal



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## High School News:

2023 academic year is done and dusted. It is now time to relax and enjoy quality time with your family and loved ones. We have a few more events to look forward to this year and some important dates for 2024.

At the end of every year, it is time to say farewell to teachers and learners. I would like to take this opportunity to wish our learners who are leaving, all the best at their new schools.

To our grade 12 learners, now we wait. Enjoy your last school holiday. Next year is a completely different ballgame, with new players, rules and umpires.

Mr Ngobeni, our cool Mathematics teacher is also leaving Amberfield College. Sir, we are going to miss you terribly. Thank you for motivating learners to do mathematics and to enjoy it. I wish you all the best in your new endeavour. I am also happy to announce that replacing him we have Ms Nicolene Hattingh. We will officially welcome her in 2024. She will be teaching grade 8 – 11 Mathematics.

## Important Dates and INFORMATION

### Some important dates for this term:

- 1 December:** Grade 12 Valediction. Invitations went out to all grade 12 learners and their parents.
- 5 December:** Prestige evening. Parents and learners will be personally invited.
- 12 December:** Hand out reports from 8:00 to 10:00
- 13 December:** Parents can fetch reports from reception if they have not done so the day before.
- 14 December:** Last school day for staff
- 16 January:** Orientation day for all new learners from 8:00 until 10:00 including grade 8.
- 17 January:** Grade 9 – 12 learners return to school.



May your holiday be filled with laughter, love and precious moments with your loved ones!  
Wishing all our wonderful students a joyful and relaxing break!

Kind regards  
Mrs. H. Share  
High School Principal



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## Culture News:



Dear Parents/ Guardians,

The Culture Department of Amberfield College would like to say a huge congratulations to all our learners for the incredible achievements they accomplished this past year within the culture department. To all the supporters and parents, we wish to express our most heartfelt gratitude for all you have done to aid in the success of both the internal culture festivals as well as the many external festivals that we took part in – we appreciate you cheering us on every mile of the way! Thank you all so much!

See below a summary of the incredible achievements our school achieved in 2023:

**21 x National Winners**

**13 x National 2<sup>nd</sup> Place winners**

**4 x National 3<sup>rd</sup> Place winners**

**1 x National 4<sup>th</sup> Place winner**

**134 x Item Winners**

**76 x Overall Category Winners**

Congratulations to all our learners and teachers, we are overflowing with pride!

We look forward to the New Year and wish you all the best for the holidays.

Travel safe and see soon!

Kind Regards

Amberfield College Culture Department



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## Sport News:

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Happy Holidays!!!!

Enjoy the Festive season stay fit and healthy!

Sport season starts early next year be ready.

We hope you get some rest and enjoy your time off!

Have a wonderful and amazing Holiday!

Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.



Kind Regards  
Mr N Liebenberg  
Head of Sport: Primary School  
[nliebenberg@amberfieldcollege.co.za](mailto:nliebenberg@amberfieldcollege.co.za)

Kind Regards  
Ms R Hurn  
Head of Sport: High School  
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## Therapy News:

Dear Parents and Learners

### What's the Highlight of Your Year!

*"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity..."*

(Opening paragraph and famous quote from Charles Dickens novel 'A Tale of Two Cities').

An article in New Zealand Management: Inspiring Business Leaders, October 2021, posed the question: **"Do the worst of times bring out the best in us?"**

I humbly ask you to simply pause and reflect on this for a moment.

Time and time again, we have seen and heard of innumerable stories of individuals overcoming against all odds, communities banding together to rebuild from ruins, and organisations surviving the worst possible situations. It often takes the "worst of times" to remind us of what's important in our families, in our friendships, and in our lives. Perhaps it is these defining moments that teach us to see the bigger picture, act with more humility, elevate our person-to-person relationships and lead more meaningful lives.

For some of us coming to the end of 2023, is a poignant reminder of the passing of time. For others we have year-end exhaustion and can't wait for the year to end; while some are hoping for a better next year. As we muse on the highs and lows of 2023, end-of-the-year journaling is a creative way to gain a sense of closure, process any challenges and disappointments we may have endured and move forward with a fresh outlook into 2024.

To our matriculants - 'the world is your oyster' – go find your pearl; and to the rest of the learners - positivity and persistence will really take you a long way.

I take this opportunity to wish all parents and learners a Merry Christmas and cheers to health, happiness and prosperity in 2024!

Stay safe and healthy!

Kind regards  
Gail Sentoo





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## HOLIDAY SPECIALS:

SPECIAL 1: 8 DECEMBER TO 2 JANUARY R 2000.00

SPECIAL 2: 15 DECEMBER TO 2 JANUARY R 1600.00

SPECIAL 3: 22 DECEMBER TO 2 JANUARY R 1200.00

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## EXCITING NEWS SPECIAL SCHOLAR Gym membership!

Planet Fitness has joined forces with your child's school to launch an exciting new wellness initiative. Now offering **specials on all joining fees** to help you reach your health & fitness goals.

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- Make a booking for our induction programme

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