



Andrews Academy & Preparatory School



Newsletter

Term 1: 12 January – 1 April 2022

"Dates at a Glance"

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Junior Prep School Camp-Out 7 – 9yrs:

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School Closes:

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(Educational, Social, Historical, Environmental & Cultural School Tour)

Mon, 24 January 8am – 9am

Wed, 26 January 8am – 9

Sat, 29 January 6pm – 11pm

Fri – Sun, 28 – 30 January

Fri – Sat, 28 – 29 January

Fri, 4 February 6pm – 8pm

Sat, 5 February 9am – 12noon

Sat, 12 March 9am – 3pm

Sat, 26 March 10am and 2pm

Wed & Thurs, 30th & 31st March

Friday, 1 April (11am)

2 – 9 April



Dear Parents, Students & Staff

A very warm welcome to 2022 at Andrews Academy! To all our new students & parents – we look forward to sharing this educational journey with you. We would like to welcome Elaine Andrews to our staff complement. Elaine has replaced Louise as our Office Manager since Louise has joined her husband in his company.

Last year we ended our school term prematurely last year on the 30th of November due to some of our teachers and students who contracted Covid. Some of our functions that were cancelled in the last term, are scheduled for this term [*Awards events and our Summer Drama Production*] so please diarise the new dates.

We are looking forward to new and exciting things this year. Thus, our theme for this year is:

The Best is Yet to Come!

Our Scripture for the term is taken from 1 Peter 1:1 – 16

vs 6 – 7 says, "In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed."

Congratulations to our Checkpoint & AS and A Level students on the passing of their exams! Details to follow when the IGCSE results come out on Tuesday, 18th Jan.



Drop & Go and Collect & Go

For high school students, parents are requested to enter through the main Andrews House entrance at no. 1 Vosloo Street. After entering, please turn left and go as far forward as you are able to go before dropping off your child/children and then exit through Mills House gate at no. 5 Vosloo Street.

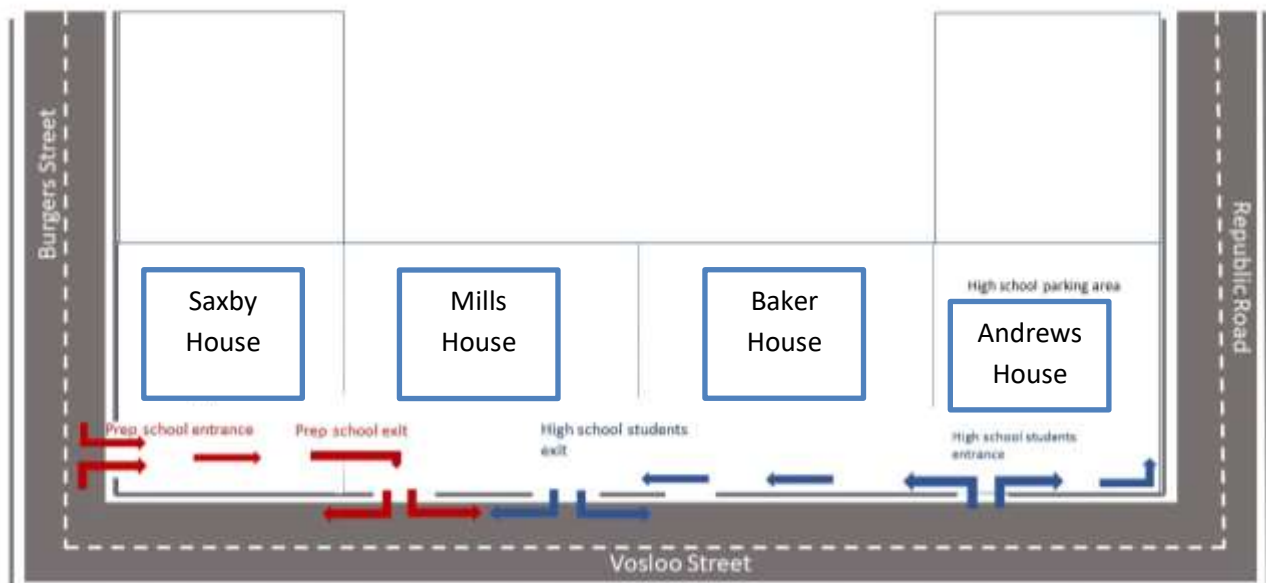
For prep school students, parents are requested to enter through the Saxby House entrance at no. 2 Burger Street (on the corner of Vosloo Street) and exit through the first gate Mills House.

NB! Please do not drop your child/children off in the street or at the entrance to any of the gates. Safety is of paramount importance for students, staff, other parents & pedestrians. Adhering to this rule is a directive from the City Council besides it being courteous to others coming in behind you. If you are asked to move by any one of our Andrews Academy team, please do respect their request and move to a safer location. **A fine of R300 will be levied to your account if anyone (including the transport driver) stops to drop off or collect your child in the entrance or on the street on a regular basis.**

If you have a meeting at the school or need to park for any length of time, please enter through the main Andrews House entrance at no. 1 Vosloo Street and turn right towards the parking area at the back of the high school. Parking at the other locations is reserved for teachers. Baker House entrance gate is reserved for the Principals and you are kindly requested not to stop in the Drop & Go zone next to this gate.

After 8:15, the gates will be closed and parents & visitors are requested to enter through the main Andrews House entrance. For Grade RR & R parents (only) who collect their child before 2pm, please enter through the Mills House gate at no. 5 Vosloo Street where you can park, collect & leave – provided this is before the drop & go gates have been opened for the afternoon at 13:50/55.

Your co-operation in this regard would be greatly appreciated. Please see the diagram below for further clarity of the “drop & go” system.



MAY/JUNE CAMBRIDGE EXAMS

NB! For students wanting to write their exams in May/June, please register & pay for these exams by the 4th of February. Cambridge late penalties will apply from the 5th of February.

Awards

Preparatory School

Our Prep. School Awards [2021] has been rescheduled for **Monday Morning, 24th January**. It will be held at the school.

Time: 8am – 9am

Tea & coffee will be provided for the parents thereafter. We look forward to seeing you all!



Andrews High School

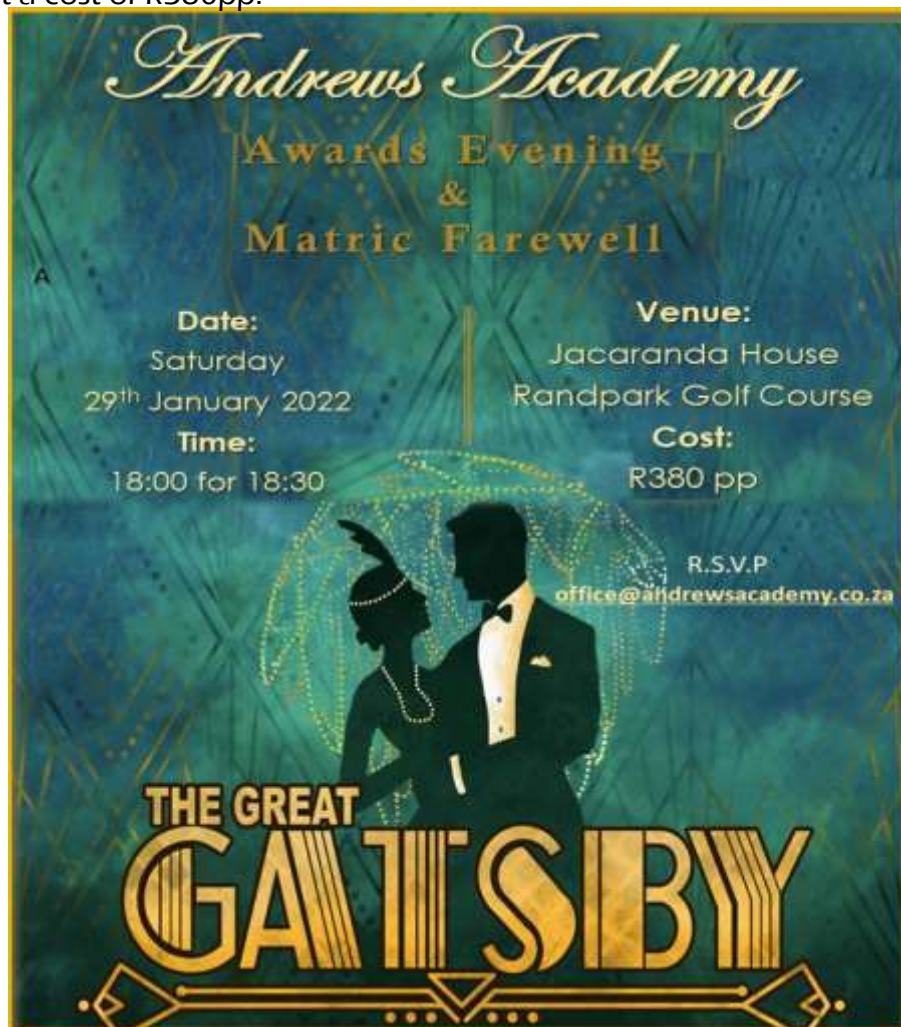
Our Foundation and IGCSE Core School Awards [2021] has been rescheduled for **Wednesday Morning, 26th January**. It will be held at the school.

Time: 8am – 9am

Tea & coffee will be provided for the parents thereafter. We look forward to seeing you all!

Academy Awards & Matric Dance

The 2021 IGCSE Ext & AS/A Level students along with their parents & families are invited to attend this special event at a cost of R380pp:



Please RSVP with Elaine office@andrewsacademy.co.za and pay into the school account if you have not done so already!

Parent Orientation

We would like to invite all our new parents to our Parent Orientation.

High School Parent Orientation Evening: Fri, 4 February 6pm – 8pm

Not only is this a fantastic opportunity to meet other parents and the staff that will be involved in your child's education, but you will learn more about the Cambridge Curriculum and the life, the vision, and the mission of our school.

We look forward to meeting you and share an informative evening with you. *Please RSVP for catering purposes on 011-431 0631.*

Preparatory School Parent Orientation Morning: Sat, 5 February 9am

We will start promptly at *9am* and we will finish around *12:00*. **It is vital for all new parents to attend** this morning to understand the educational tools (*ACE curriculum & Cambridge*) that will be used to educate your child. *Please bring along a pencil, ruler, and eraser with you.* **The cost is R150 pp** to cover the cost of the manual.

Should you have any questions, these will be addressed during the morning. Please confirm your attendance with Elaine, our new Office Manager, on office@andrewsacademy.co.za

School Camps

Senior Prep School Camp:

Fri – Sun, 28-30 January



Please book ASAP!

Junior Prep School Camp-Out:

Fri – Sat, 28-29 January

Not forgetting our little ones, we will be hosting our annual "Camp Out" at the school. This "overnight event", filled with fun games and a yummy braai, is something our 7 – 9-year-olds look forward to every year.

If you're interested, please let us know ASAP. Details will be confirmed soon.



ESHEC & Leadership Tour to Port Alfred in the Eastern Cape:

2 - 9 April 2022

(Educational, Social, Historical, Environmental & Cultural School Tour)

Andrews Academy will host their annual ESHEC tour to the Eastern Cape from the 2nd to the 9th of April 2022, during the first week of the school holidays. This is only for high school students and only 12 places are available. Bookings will be on a "first come, first served" basis. The cost will be approximately R3 000 per student. Accommodation, meals, transport is included in the cost. Students will stay in dorms and will be based on the 3 Sisters Estate which is along the Riet River beach front. Some fun activities include sunrise beach walks, forest trails, horse riding, swimming, canoeing & hiking as well as an historical tour to Grahamstown, community service to the surrounding area and exploring the environmental and biochemistry of the shells and marine life in the rock formations called 'The 3 Sisters'. Further details to follow.



Sports Day – Prep & High School

Our annual Sports & Athletics Day will be held on **Saturday the 12th of March**. This is a compulsory event for all students. We are looking for volunteers to assist us with the food stalls please, so if you're interested, please do let us know (Elaine – office@andrewsacademy.co.za)

Students will be competing against each other through the respective Houses: Conquerors and Victors! We are busy working on the details and further information will be sent out soon.



Summer Drama Production

Our Summer Drama Production which was due to happen last year has been re-scheduled for **Saturday, 26th March**. Our kids really worked hard throughout the past year, and we are so excited for all our parents, grandparents, friends, and families to be at this special event. There will be a cost involved to cover expenses and details will be sent out as soon as possible. Please do **SAVE THE DATE** for now.

NB! All students that are taking part in the play must be available for all rehearsals and present the day before and the full day on Saturday, 26th March.

It will take place at a church hall with adequate seating and staging (details to follow soon!). We will have two productions on the day – first one at 10am and the 2nd one at 2pm. We are also looking for volunteers to assist with stage management, make-up, hair, dressing the children, behind stage assistants etc. If you have these skills or you're willing to help us, please let Lorna know – lorna@andrewsacademy.co.za and we will gladly use your talents for our production!



General Information

- Please ensure that your child has an Andrews Academy or Preparatory School Cap to wear outside during break. Also pack **sunblock for them (one per family is fine)**. Clearly mark this with their name on it. This makes it easy for us when they misplace it. Students are not allowed to share sunblock as it's an expensive item. The sun is very hot and to avoid them getting sunburnt, we can help them apply it when they go out. Please also include a water bottle with them to stay hydrated.
- As per our code of conduct, please be reminded that no cell phones or electronic devices are allowed at school. If a student is found in transgression of this rule, the device will be confiscated, and a R250 fine will be issued for the device to have it returned. If a student needs their cell phone for travelling purposes, the phone is to be handed in at the office in the mornings (high school only) for safe keeping and can be collected by the student after school.
- Please adhere to Covid regulations. Students will be screened & sanitised every morning before school. If your child has a fever, a sore throat, or flu-like symptoms (no matter how harmless it seems to you at the time), please do not send them to school. We had a few Covid cases at the end of last year and we do not want any further cases at school. Please remind them to always follow the social distancing rules and to sanitise before and after each class. We do have sanitisers in and around the school, and they should also have their own pocket sanitiser to use at their desks.

Menu: Toasted Sandwiches

Please order and pay for at the school office before first break

Bacon and Egg	R30
Bacon and Cheese	R30
Chicken Mayo	R30
Cheese and Tomato	R25
Savoury Mince	R30
<u>Extra Toppings</u>	
Cheese	R5
Tomato	R3
Egg	R5
Bacon	R8



We encourage all our new parents to **subscribe to our website!** It is easy and will ensure that you receive all the latest information and newsletters hot off the press! Simply go to our website www.andrewsacademy.co.za sign up by entering your email address on the front page:



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Prep School Honour Roll

Term 1 [2022] Honour Roll is scheduled for Wednesday, 30th March.

Grade RR – 5's will have a picnic and watch an age-appropriate movie with popcorn.

Grade 6 – 7s will go Ice Skating – cost R250 incl. lunch, drinks, skate hire & entrance fee.

Term 4 [2021] Honour Roll was also re-scheduled for this term.

All our Prep. School students who achieved Honour Roll is invited to join in this fun-filled day. Our Pool Party and Braai will take place on Thursday, 31st March. The cost per student is R120.



New Prep School Challenge

Green Dot Challenge

Term 1

Students earn a green dot if they achieve their goals each day. This motivates and encourages our students to work as hard as possible at school so that they don't take any homework home. This gives them ample time to relax, enjoy their afternoons as well as to practise their reading and times-tables at home. By completing their work at school, they will always be on track to finish their termly goals and therefore complete their grade at the end of the year.

How the challenge works:

Each week, the students must get 4 green dots for the week. We would humbly request that one parent per class donates a reward for the children that make the challenge in that class. If you're happy with our request, we would let you know on a Friday how many students have made the challenge for the week and make up a roster for you for each Monday.

Some examples of rewards

- Food items – sucker, chocolate, cup-cake, ice lollies, pizza slice or even a healthier option like an apple would be great
- Stationery items – pencil, colouring in book, stickers
- The rewards are up to you!

We don't want anything to be too costly, so there's no expectation on what you must get them. The idea is that it's a **secret reward** and each week they will look forward to what is coming up!

