



RHENISH GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Grade 8 Parents

Diagnostic Assessment for Language, Mathematics and Natural Sciences.

The Western Cape Education Department has a strategy to enable more high school learners to take Mathematics and Science to Grade 12 and to improve the quality of learning. For this to succeed the school needs to strengthen the content knowledge and skills of learners in Grades 8 and 9 before their subject choices are made for Grade 10.

Next week, all Grade 8 learners will write three one-hour tests in Language, Mathematics and Natural Sciences. The results of the tests will indicate the level of knowledge and capability of your daughter at the start of high school for these three subjects.

The Grade 8s will write English on Tuesday (23 January), Mathematics on Wednesday (24 January) and Natural Science on Thursday (25 January). The tests will be written from 7h45 to 8h45, during the first lesson of each of these days. On Tuesday, learners will write in their register classrooms and on Wednesday and Thursday they will write in the class where they would have had their first lesson.

Learners cannot study or prepare for these tests and should therefore not stress unduly about it. They only require their normal stationery for the completion of the tests.

They are to report to school as usual to their register classes on Tuesday and to their first lessons on Wednesday and Thursday respectively. They must be seated by 7h40 to start at 7h45 promptly.

Any queries are please to be directed to either Mrs Sherna Smith (sherna.smith@rhenish.co.za), who is their Grade Head, or to Mrs Pretorius (christelle.pretorius@rhenish.co.za) at the Learner Support Unit (LSU) here at Rhenish.

Yours sincerely

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