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**GROSVENOR GIRLS' HIGH FEB 2026
NEWSLETTER**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The 2026 academic year has begun positively, and we are grateful that all learners have returned safely.

We celebrate the Class of 2025, which achieved an outstanding 99.1% pass rate, with 84% attaining Bachelor's passes. Congratulations to our learners, educators, support staff, and School Governing Body for this achievement.

We also thank the SGB for approving and delivering our new school bus on 22 January 2026—a major upgrade to our resources and learner transport.

Orientation meetings were held, and booklets outlining school rules and the Programme of Assessment were distributed. Parents are encouraged to familiarise themselves with this information and to monitor homework and academic progress at home. Textbooks are being issued and must be cared for and returned in good condition.

The sports and extra-curricular recruitment drive has taken place. Learners are encouraged to participate in at least two activities. Parents should ensure timely collection of learners and that they remain in designated areas for safety.

We are pleased to confirm that the school library and media centre are fully operational. Thanks to our librarian, Mrs G. Woods, for her work in restoring this resource.

Our theme for 2026 is TEAM – Together Everyone Achieves More, reflecting our focus on collaboration and shared responsibility.

This newsletter will be issued monthly with updates on school activities, learner achievements, and important notices. Parents are encouraged to remain engaged, use the D6 School Communicator, and support their daughters' learning beyond the classroom.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Y. Mdleleni

Principal

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Academics & Achievements

Matric Class of 2025

Congratulations

We proudly congratulate the Class of 2025 on achieving an exceptional 99.1% pass rate with an 84% Bachelor's pass.

This outstanding result reflects your perseverance, hard work, and commitment, as well as the support of your teachers and families.

Well done on an achievement that makes the entire school community proud.

Honours Blazer Award

We extend our sincere congratulations to the learners awarded Honours Blazers

This prestigious award represents one of the highest achievements at our school and recognises exceptional commitment, excellence, and contribution.

Honours Blazers are awarded to learners who achieve an 80% annual average for four consecutive years at Grosvenor Girls' High School, as well as matric learners who attain an 80% year average by the end of Term 3.

Well done on reaching this outstanding milestone.

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RCL Leadership 2026

We are pleased to introduce the Representative Council of Learners (RCL) Leadership for 2026. The RCL plays a vital role in representing the learner body, promoting leadership, responsibility, and positive communication within the school community.

We congratulate:

Nomvelo Thabethe (Chairlady), Tori Dunn (Vice Chairlady), Londeka Xaba (Secretary), and Ziyanda Khoza (Treasurer), and wish them every success as they lead and serve the learners of Grosvenor Girls' High School in 2026.

2025 Academic Top Achievers

We proudly acknowledge the outstanding academic achievements of the following learners. Their dedication, perseverance, and commitment to excellence are commendable.

Grade 8 – 2025

1st – Hannah Lamberts 2nd – Ithandile Gwebelele 3rd – Sithelo Dlamini 4th – Yenzeka Danisa
4th – Ziyanda Mkhize 5th – Zamanduli Nduli

Grade 9 – 2025

1st – Nosihle Dhlomo 2nd – Husna Hoosen 3rd – Samara Munilall 4th – Isabella Jasmin 4th –
Nothando Mndaweni 4th – Okuhle Ntombela 5th – Cara King

Grade 10 – 2025

1st – Iviwe Ndlovu 2nd – Anathi Ntshalintshali 3rd – Crystal Johnson 4th – Xahra Raja 5th –
Yolanda Mzimela

Grade 11 – 2025

1st – Mawande Khwela 2nd – Bongeka Ngcobo 3rd – Aphelele Ngidi 4th – Serene Archery 5th – Alwande Ntuli

Congratulations to all our top achievers on this well-deserved recognition. We are immensely proud of your hard work and success.

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2026 Matric Council

Congratulations to the 2026 Matric Council on your appointment. As leaders of the matric body, you are entrusted with setting an example through responsibility, integrity, and service. We wish you every success as you lead with confidence and pride.

Toastmasters scrolls with Ms Ndzimande

Congratulations to our Toastmasters Ladies who received their scrolls.

Toastmasters is a program that is offered by Mr Dinesh Maharaj from Umhlanga Toastmasters International.

It is a leadership program that is aimed at developing the learners' skills in public speaking, community service, and social etiquette.

The learners are enrolled into this programme for a period of six months and thereafter, graduate with a Toastmasters Certificate.

Upon graduating, the learners are engaged in various leadership and community service roles, that allow them to showcase their skills.

In addition to the certificates they received last year, today they have received scrolls for their commitment and outstanding performances during the course of the programme and after.

We do hope that upon receiving these scrolls, they will continue to thrive in every area of their lives.

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Term 1 Academic Intervention Programme (2026)

26 January – 13 March 2026

To support learner progress and academic success, the school is offering a structured Term 1 Academic Intervention Programme.

These sessions are designed to reinforce key concepts, address learning gaps, and provide focused support in specific subjects.

Parents are encouraged to ensure that learners who require intervention attend regularly and commit fully to the programme, as consistent participation plays a vital role in improving understanding, confidence, and overall academic performance.

Day	Subject & Grade	Educator(s)	Time	Venue
Monday	Mathematics Grade 12	MI / JS	14:40–16:00	R11 / R12
	Mathematical Literacy Grade 12	PH	14:40–16:00	R14
Tuesday	Mathematics Grade 8	MD / JS	14:40–16:00	R13 / R12
	Physical Sciences Grade 12	KH	14:40–16:00	Lab 70
Wednesday	Afrikaans Grade 12	DP	14:40–16:00	R105

	Mathematical Literacy Grade 11	MT	14:40–16:00	R15
Thursday	Mathematics Grade 11	JS	14:40–16:00	R12
	Life Sciences Grade 12	RS	14:40–16:00	Lab 63
Friday	History Grade 12	ES	14:40–16:00	R212
	Mathematics Grade 10	MD	14:40–16:00	R13
	Mathematics Grade 9	PH / MI	14:40–16:00	R14 / R11
	Business Studies Grade 12	SS	14:40–16:00	R204
	Consumer Studies Grade 12	CH	14:40–16:00	Lab 70
	Physical Sciences Grade 11 & 12	KH	14:40–16:00	R71
	Tourism Grade 12	NG	15:00–16:30	Lab 102
	Geography Grade 12	MG	13:40–15:15	R124
	Accounting Grade 12	MB	13:40–15:15	R104
	Visual Arts Grade 12	ST	13:40–15:15	R109

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Sports

Term 1 Sports

From The Sport Co-ordinator

We are proud to welcome you to an exciting new sporting year at Grosvenor Girls' High School. Our sports programme continues to grow, and 2026 marks a new chapter in developing confident, disciplined, and competitive athletes.

At Grosvenor, sport is more than participation — it is about building character, leadership, resilience, and excellence. We aim to provide an environment where every learner can grow and succeed.

Swimming

This term we are thrilled to include swimming in our sports programme. Thanks to the support of our Principal and the SGB, the school pool has been restored. Our first competitive swimming gala will take place this term, and we look forward to seeing our swimmers represent the school with pride.

Recognition

Kearsney College praised our learners' behaviour, discipline, and presentation at their tournament. Grosvenor has been invited again to this prestigious tournament, reflecting both athletic skill and the values our learners uphold.

Competitive Opportunities

This term includes:

- Netball — formal league
- KZN Athletics Trials — selected athletes
- Basketball, soccer and badminton — friendly fixtures

Our goal is to establish fixed leagues across all sports, ensuring consistent competition and clear pathways for development.

Inclusive Sport

We welcome cheerleaders to support teams and boost school spirit. Our First Aid team ensures safety at fixtures.

Sponsors

Thanks to Oxford Supermarket for supporting our Kearsney Tournament and an upcoming art competition. Their contribution is greatly appreciated.

Looking Ahead

Sport at Grosvenor continues to grow. With the support of parents, staff, sponsors, and learners, Term 1 promises opportunities, achievement, and school pride.

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Sporting Codes and Staff in Charge

Advanced Swimming: Ms Wyngaard, assisted by Mr Brown

Basketball: Coach Ayanda, overseen by Ms Wyngaard

Badminton: Ms Herring and Coach Skyler

Soccer: Coach Gordon and Ms Phetha

Netball: Ms Wyngaard, assisted by Ms Miya

Rugby: Coach Nel and Ms Phillips

Beginner Swimming: Mrs Wood, assisted by Ms Wyngaard

The volleyball programme will be structured and introduced in Term 2.

Sports Schedule (15:00-16:00)

MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY

Advanced Swimming | Beginner Swimming | Advanced Swimming | Rugby | Athletics

Soccer | Rugby | Soccer | Netball |

Basketball | Netball | Basketball | |

Badminton | | Badminton | |

Clubs & Extra Curricular

Getting involved in sport or extra-curricular activities is more than just fun. It helps you build confidence, focus and teamwork.

Studies show learners who balance academics with activities often perform better and feel motivated. It's also a chance to try new things, meet friends and discover interests you might not have considered.

At the start of Term 1, the school held a recruitment drive for both sports and extra-curricular activities, giving learners the opportunity to explore what is on offer.

Below are some highlights from the drive. If you missed it, don't worry — take a look at the clubs and sports available, note the teachers in charge, and speak to them directly about how to get involved.

There is something for everyone, and it is never too late to join.

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Toastmasters

Ms Ndzimande

If you saw the Achievements section, that could be you next! Congratulations to our Toastmasters ladies who recently received their scrolls.

The Toastmasters programme, offered by Mr Dinesh Maharaj from Umhlanga Toastmasters International, runs for six months and is designed to develop learners' skills in public speaking, confidence, social etiquette, and effective communication. Learners who complete the programme graduate with a Toastmasters Certificate, recognising their achievements.

At school, the Toastmasters Club, overseen by Ms Ndzimande, continues to give learners the chance to practise these skills and grow as confident leaders.

Book Club

Ms Du Plessis

Mondays, first break

A relaxed space for learners who enjoy reading and discovering new stories. Members share books, ideas, and develop their love for reading.

Chess Club

Ms Eshwarduth

Tuesdays and Thursdays, second break

Learners develop strategic thinking, concentration, and problem-solving skills through friendly chess games and practice.

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Enviro Club

Mrs R Singh

Tuesdays, second break

The Enviro Club creates awareness around environmental issues and promotes sustainability through activities and fundraising initiatives.

SCA (Student Christian Association)

Ms Ndzimande

Tuesdays, first break | Thursdays, second break

Supports learner development both mentally and spiritually by reinforcing positive values and encouraging reflection.

Poetry Club

Mrs Datadin

Tuesdays, second break

A creative space for learners who enjoy writing, reading, and exploring poetry while expressing themselves through words.

Ubuntu Club

Ms Nonqane, Ms Ndlovu, Ms Gwala, Ms Masinga

Tuesdays and Thursdays, second break

Focused on promoting tolerance, acceptance and sisterhood among learners while strengthening the school community.

TADA (Teenagers Against Drug and Alcohol Abuse)

Ms Khumalo and Ms Chetty

Wednesdays, second break

Educates learners about the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse while promoting healthy choices and responsible decision-making.

Choir

Ms Gwala

Mondays and Fridays, second break

Open to learners who enjoy music and singing, with opportunities to perform at assemblies and selected school events.

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From Our Learners

“Together We Can Achieve More”

By Zamadlaba Jongisa

2026 arrives as a fresh opportunity to grow — not only as individuals, but as a community. Our theme for the year, “Together we can achieve more,” reminds us that “umuntu ngumuntu ngabantu” — a person is a person through others. This year calls us to collaborate, uplift one another, and strive for excellence in everything we do.

It is also a chance to challenge ourselves, set goals, and show both the world and ourselves what we are capable of. Gather your strength, stay determined, and embrace every opportunity. With focus, hard work, and a positive mindset, 2026 can be your best year yet.

I wish all learners a successful and fulfilling year, and may the Lord be with you and your families throughout 2026.

2026 GGHS GALENTINES EVENT

By Tori Dunn

Valentine's Day is not only about romance, but also about celebrating friendship, gratitude, and the connections that make our school community special.

In this spirit, Grosvenor Girls' High School will be hosting a Galentine's Day celebration aimed at spreading kindness, positivity, and school spirit.

Event Details

Date: Friday, 13 February 2026

Theme: Galentine's

Dress Code: Red, pink, and white

The programme will include poetry performances, choir items, dance, and a skit presented by the Ubuntu Club.

Learners can also look forward to the modelling pageant featuring Miss Sweetheart (Juniors) and Miss Valentine's (Seniors). Winners and runners-up will receive prizes.

Contestant entry fee: R5

Judges: Ms Phetha, Ms Mtshali, and a surprise guest judge

MCs: Angel Bungane and Hannah Dladla

After the main programme, learners will enjoy a sweatbox, with music and dancing. Learners may also be called onto the stage to receive gifts. Gifts for learners or teachers may be submitted for R10 per gift, with the option to include a name or remain anonymous.

All gifts and payments should be handed to Mrs T. Datadin.

Civvies and Participation

Learners wishing to wear civvies and attend the event are required to pay R35 to their registration teachers. Payment may be made on the morning of the event. Wristbands will be issued for entry.

Food stalls and additional activities will be available on the day.

This event aims to create a joyful, respectful, and inclusive atmosphere where all learners feel valued. It also serves as a fundraiser in support of the Class of 2026 Matric Dance, and the matric class appreciates the support of learners and staff.

We look forward to a day filled with colour, confidence,

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SGB By-Elections 2026: Notice to Parents

In accordance with the South African Schools Act No. 84 of 1996, parents are hereby notified of the nomination and election meeting for five parent representatives to serve on the School Governing Body.

Date: 25 February 2026

Time: 17:30 (Parents to arrive at 17:20)

Venue: School Hall

Parents are requested to bring a valid form of identification (ID, Driver's Licence, or Passport).

Should a quorum not be reached, a second meeting will be held as follows:

Date: 04 March 2026

Time: 17:30

Venue: School Hall (No quorum required for this meeting.)

Further details regarding eligibility and election procedures are available from the school.

S. Archery SGB Chairperson

Library Guidelines – Grosvenor Girls' High School

Our Media Centre is open to support learning, research, and reading.

Library hours are 7:00–15:00 (Monday–Thursday) and 7:00–14:00 (Friday), with specific days allocated for each grade.

Library Cards & Borrowing

Learners must have a library card to borrow books. Lost or damaged books must be reported and replaced, and fines apply for overdue items.

Reserve books may be borrowed for one hour; circulation books for one week. Reference materials, magazines, and newspapers cannot be removed from the library.

Conduct

The library is a quiet study space. Learners must observe silence, treat staff and monitors with courtesy, return books to shelves, and keep the area tidy.

Computers

Library computers are for educational use only. Learners may book 30-minute time slots for typing or research, and printing/photocopying is available for R2 per page.

These guidelines ensure the library remains a productive and welcoming environment for all learners.

Galentine's Day

Valentine's Day at Grosvenor Girls' High School is about celebrating friendship, gratitude, and school spirit. This year, we will be hosting a Galentine's Day celebration on Friday, 13 February 2026, with fun activities, performances, and a modelling pageant for juniors and seniors. This celebration also serves as a fundraiser for the Class of 2026 Matric Dance. For a full overview of the programme, including activities, entry Details, fees, and highlights, see the From Our Learners section, featuring a write-up by Tori Dunn.

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GGHS Presents: Hamilton

from Mrs Puyman and Ms B Govender

This year, Grosvenor Girls' High School proudly presents the musical Hamilton, adapted by Ms Govender.

This powerful production tells the story of a determined young man from the Caribbean who rises from humble beginnings to become one of the founding fathers of America.

Along the way, he faces fierce rivals, including Aaron Burr, and must navigate ambition, loyalty, and legacy.

The script has been thoughtfully adapted from the original to make it more accessible to our learners, ensuring an engaging and meaningful experience for both performers and audiences.

New School Bus

Designed by Serene Archery

We are excited to share that Grosvenor Girls' High School has welcomed a new school bus, made possible through the generous support of our School Governing Body.

This upgrade forms part of the school's ongoing efforts to improve resources that support learner participation, particularly in sport and extracurricular activities.

A special mention goes to Serene Archery, a Matric Art learner, who designed the exterior of the bus. Serene's creativity, dedication, and attention to detail have resulted in a design that truly represents the spirit and identity of our school. Her work has transformed the bus into something more than just transport — it is now a moving symbol of Grosvenor pride.

We commend Serene for her initiative and hard work, and thank her for contributing to a project that will benefit our learners for years to come.

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OUR SHARED CORE VALUES

EDUCATION

HONESTY

RESPECT

DISCIPLINE

PRIDE

COMMUNICATION

DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES

UNITY IN DIVERSITY

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to be a dynamic, community-based school, serving as a centre of educational excellence in our region.

As professionals, we are committed to providing an all-round education of the highest quality. We strive to develop a foundation of skills, knowledge, self-reliance through a learner-centred focus in our teaching.

We all strive to value and promote mutual respect, communication, democratic principles and firm discipline. We nurture these values as well as unity in diversity and pride through our strong family ethos, unique school culture and a harmonious learning environment.

Our aim is to encourage each girl to extend her potential to become a confident woman able to meet the demands of her society.

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