



THORNTREE
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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Virtual School Environment Policy - April 2020

Guided distant learning will continue to be provided as 'LOCKDOWN' commences throughout South Africa.

The school will provide every possible opportunity, through a virtual environment to ensure all pupils make progress as if the school was still open.

Virtual classrooms will have the same expectation as the 'normal' school classroom environment. Make sure your child is dressed in school uniform, has eaten a well-balanced breakfast and is ready and happy to start learning. All teachers will be live throughout their lessons at least to ensure all students have spoken to their teachers daily to explain certain topics, revise content and answer questions on certain topics. Should a one on one conversation need to be arranged please do so with the specific teacher.

School work during this time will be handed in online and marked for final reports. All homework is applicable during this time and absenteeism will be marked and allocated accordingly. There will be no relaxation of any school rules. Being timely is very important too so that your child does not miss out on certain information for certain classes.

A virtual timetable will be sent you by your teacher via WhatsApp and Google Classroom to ensure that you know exactly how the schedule will run for your child. The Intermediate Phase cycle test schedule will continue as normal, if necessary, please make sure the environment for tests is all in order, this test needs to be monitored as it will be scheduled after formal lessons on Wednesday's.

School will start at 8:00 and finish at 12:40 for the Intermediate Phase. Teachers will present an introductory video for the first 10 minutes for each class, and the teacher will be available throughout the lesson for any questions or intervention on the particular subject.

Playball has been added to the timetable as it is a formal school subject, please monitor this period. Get involved if you can.

Thank you for being patient and caring during this time, we would like to continue with our curriculum and continue our vision to create a joyous learning environment that affords learners the knowledge, skills and mind-set to be successful in their lives.

Should you have any hesitation please contact me as soon as possible.

Kind regards,

Helyn Pope

Head, Thorntree Preparatory School