



# LAWSON BROWN HIGH SCHOOL

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*Principal : A.W. NEWFELDT*

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Children

A hearty welcome to your new home for 2021 and onwards. You have been accepted by a GOOD SCHOOL with EXCELLENT EDUCATORS who believe in the holistic development of the child – development in MIND, BODY and SOUL.

Our school has GOOD learners who take pride in their school and have grown to improving their environment through positively influencing one another. I pray that your contribution will be positive as well.

Our strict code of conduct must be read thoroughly by PARENTS and LEARNERS alike, BEFORE the start of the new school year, because it guides our behavior and you sign, accepting this code. This will be sent home with your child.

At Lawson Brown we expect Parents to play a leading role in the education of their children and therefor attendance at meetings is crucial at all times.

Parents are the PRIMARY EDUCATORS, who lay down moral values through their EXAMPLE and ACTIONS. Parents must work WITH educators to develop the learners to full and responsible adulthood.

Please take special note of the letter from our Grade 8 Head below, Mr. N. C. Syfers, it contains important information pertaining to the first week of school.

I pray that your stay at Lawson Brown will be a fulfilling one.

Thanking you

A.W. NEWFELDT  
**PRINCIPAL**

## Dear Parent/ Guardian

It is my absolute pleasure to welcome you to the Lawson family. My name is Mr. N.C. Syfers and I will be the Grade head for Gr 8. Assisting me in managing the grade will be Mrs. B. Yearwood and the following base teachers: Mrs. P. Berrington, Mr. C. Hambury, Ms. A. Fortuin, Mr. M. Oh Fond and Ms. S. Zealand.

## START OF TERM 1, 2021

Lawson Brown High will start school on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 8:00 am, with an official assembly. Learners will be dismissed at **2:15 pm**. Only **Grade 8** learners must report to school on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021** at 8:00 am in full summer uniform for an orientation morning.

On this day, important information will be shared with your child. E.g. Health and safety protocols at school, academic timetable, school rules, and discipline procedures etc. They will be dismissed at 12:00 noon.

Please be advised NOT to buy any stationary, writing books or textbooks. All these will be provided during the first week of term. The Grade 8 Starter packs will also be given on the first day of school.

## GRADE 8 ORIENTATION DAY 2021

All grade 8 learners MUST attend the Orientation day which is aimed at helping them to:

- ❖ Overcome the stresses and strains of a new environment.
- ❖ Become part of the Lawson Brown High environment.
- ❖ Make friends.
- ❖ Discover their own hidden abilities and talents.
- ❖ Get to know their Base Class teachers.

### The details of the day are as follows:

DATE: Thursday, 28 January 2021

VENUE: Humewood beach and surrounds/ The Willows Resort

TRAVELLING: Learners must wear blue jeans and a white school golf shirt. Alternatively, Lawson Brown Phys. Ed. Short and golf shirt can also be worn.  
Assemble at school (Ada hockey field) on Thursday, 28 January at 08:00 am sharp.

We leave for the orientation promptly at 08:15 am.

Return to school on Thursday, 28 January at approximately 2:30 pm.

The pupils will be transported in vehicles provided by Get Real Adventures, as well as 4 school vehicles.

**SAFETY PRECAUTIONS WILL BE ADHERED TO AND ALL COVID-19 PROTOCOL OBSERVED.**

PLEASE NOTE: Pupils are **NOT** allowed to bring any luxuries as it will be confiscated and donated to a charity of our choice. A healthy snack and lunch will be provided.

FACILITATORS: Get Real Adventures staff, Mr. N. C. Syfers, Mrs. B. Yearwood, 5 base teachers and prefects.

**CLOTHING:** 1. Takkies/trainers and a jersey/jacket in case of bad weather. Do NOT wear your best takkies as they will get very dirty.  
2. **Sun block and a hat/cap. (Very Important)**  
3. Water Bottle.

**VALUABLES:** Cell phones **MUST** be left at home. There is no tuck-shop, so no money is needed. **NO** jewellery – watches may be handed to teachers for safekeeping.

**MEDICATION:** **It is important that any pupil who is on medication or has any other illness/allergies should inform the teachers before we leave school .**

Parents, please ensure that you are at school on Thursday, 28 January at 3:00 pm to fetch your child.

In case of any emergency, you may contact Mr. N. C. Syfers on 082 604 3587.

We look forward to meeting your child in 2021.

Thanking you.

MR. N. C. SYFERS  
(**GRADE 8 HEAD**)

## **1. VISION STATEMENT OF THE SCHOOL**

We strive to be an effective school, providing education in a happy, but controlled environment where pupils are guided towards an awareness and realization of their human potential in academic, sporting, cultural and religious fields.

We are dedicated to a healthy work ethic, optimum participation, commitment, accountability and empowering pupils with the intellectual, creative, psychological and social skills required for an informed, fulfilled, confident, useful and caring adult life and worthy citizenship.

## **2. MISSION STATEMENT OF THE SCHOOL**

We base our goal on established moral and educational principles and attempt to encourage

- co-operation;
- attentiveness in class and sensible study habits;
- acceptable standards of work done regularly;
- effective use of time,
- reliability, dependability and trustworthiness,
- involvement in activities to develop group solidarity, camaraderie,
- pride in and loyalty towards the school;
- determination and endurance at play;
- individuality, initiative and inquisitiveness;
- good manners, politeness, friendliness and helpfulness;
- neatness;
- sober habits;
- a sense of responsibility and self-discipline;
- leadership;
- a sense of self-worth.

## **3. NON- NEGOTIABLES IN THE CLASSROOM**

- 3.1. No talking out of turn.
- 3.2. No abusive or discourteous language.
- 3.3. No graffiti, vandalism or littering.
- 3.4. No walking around without permission.
- 3.5. No doing of activities not related to the subject.
- 3.6. Everyone must be punctual for class.
- 3.7. Pupils must do their homework and bring the correct books.
- 3.8. Classes must have a formal beginning (greeting) and dismissal.
- 3.9. Everyone must be neatly attired.
- 3.10. Pupils must be seated and attentive for intercom announcements.

## 4. RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

### 4.1. LEARNERS:

- 4.1.1. Do their schoolwork during classes.
- 4.1.2. Complete assigned homework.
- 4.1.3. Catch up on work missed because of absence.
- 4.1.4. Actively become involved in peer-support groups.
- 4.1.5. Have an obligation to attend school regularly during school hours. 20 or more days of absence may result in your child leaving the school.
- 4.1.6. Enjoy all the school rights as set out in the Bill of Rights (Chapter 2 – Constitution)
- 4.1.7. Wear the approved uniform of the school.
- 4.1.8. Be disciplined inside, outside school and class whether in or out of uniform.
- 4.1.9. General School Rules must be obeyed at all times.
- 4.1.10. Embrace the school.

### 4.2. RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENTS

The **PARENT** should:

- 4.2.1. Show interest in their child's school work.
- 4.2.2. Attend meetings regularly.
- 4.2.3. Pay school fees.
- 4.2.4. Be responsible for buying of school uniform.
- 4.2.5. Ensure that the work of the child is being done at home.
- 4.2.6. Be responsible for your child's school attendance. When your child returns after absence, you must write a letter to the Principal explaining the reason for the absence.
- 4.2.7. Ensure that your child is at school and on time.
- 4.2.8. Teach your child discipline and respect and that you and your child should practise it at all times.
- 4.2.9. Parents must inform the principalship in writing of intended absence or a need to leave early.
- 4.2.10. Ensure that books are in good condition.
- 4.2.11. Make appointments with the teachers to discuss your child's progress.
- 4.2.12. When reporting to school, please report to the office first.
- 4.2.13. Respect your child as well as the educator that teaches him/her.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

There is a clothing bank at the school which stocks most items of sportswear and school uniform as well as all the badges. (Contact person: Ms Z. Zenani)

T. Birch & Co., 97 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Newton Park or Croft Magill & Watson, Govan Mbeki Ave, are our uniform stockists.

Only the prescribed uniform is permitted.

### **BOYS**

#### SUMMER

Black blazer and pocket badge on Assembly days  
Long grey trousers  
White open-neck short-sleeved shirt with pocket badge  
Grey socks

#### WINTER

Plain white long-sleeved shirt  
Long grey trousers  
Tie  
Black V-Neck jersey with school badge or sleeveless pullover with badge  
Plain Black school shoes (lace-up)  
No suede or slip-on shoes  
No shoes with buckles  
Only plain buckles on belts  
Grey socks  
**Black blazer MUST be worn DAILY**

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

White Golf Shirt  
Black Shorts  
Phys Ed Socks

### **GIRLS**

#### SUMMER

Black blazer and pocket badge on Assembly days  
Black panelled skirt - 4 fingers above the knee  
White open-neck short-sleeved shirt with pocket badge  
Short white ankle socks

#### WINTER

Plain white long-sleeved shirt  
Black panelled skirt  
Tie  
Black V-neck jersey with school badge or sleeveless pullover with badge  
Plain Black school shoes (lace-up or bar)  
Black pantihose (Gr 8 - 12) or Knee-length school socks  
Black long pants bought at school  
**Black blazer MUST be worn DAILY**

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

White Golf Shirt  
Black Shorts  
Phys Ed Socks