



# HOUGHTON SCHOOL NEWS

23 January 2024  
Newsletter No. 1

Dear parents and Learners

## WELCOME BACK!!!

To all our learners returning to Houghton School and to our new parents and learners, a warm welcome!

We have started the year with a bang, it has been a busy week.

## STAFF

Welcome to Ms T Ramos, our new Grade 3C educator, Ms Paulsen who will be teaching languages in the Intersen Phase and to our music teacher, Ms Lessing who will be doing music in the Foundation Phase and Choir. We hope that you will have a long and pleasant stay at our school.

## UNIFORM

Thank you to all the parents who have ensured that learners are dressed in the correct summer uniform this term. A few learners are not dressed correctly and have hairstyles that are too long or not permitted. Grey jerseys are no longer permitted, they have been discontinued. NO Winter uniform until notified of the changeover. Long pants in Grade R - 6 is not permitted. Parents have until the end of January to see to it that their children are dressed correctly. Learner will then be demerited.

## BOOKFEES & STATIONERY

Bookfees are separate to school fees. Please ensure that bookfees are paid and proof of payment sent to the office. All payments are verified first before books are issued. Please also ensure that learners bring their stationery to school daily.

## COMMUNICATION

Parents are encouraged to communicate with educators via email or whatsapp groups. However, should parents not adhere to rules set by the educators for the groups, they will be discontinued. If you have queries or concerns please direct them to the relevant secretary.

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Management -  
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Mrs C Ramokhithi - Uniform and  
payments -  
[caroline@houghtonschool.co.za](mailto:caroline@houghtonschool.co.za)

## PARENTS EVENING

31 January 2024  
17h00 to 18h30

Parents evening for ALL parents. There will be a general meeting in the hall at 5pm and thereafter, grade educators will see parents in their classroom. Please make every effort to attend this compulsory meeting.

## CARPARK

Please make use of the parking bays when dropping off and fetching learners. Please be courteous to the security, other parents and members of staff.

## SCHOOL TIMES

School starts at 7:30 for all learners and finish at the following times - Monday to Thursday and Assembly Friday (last Friday of every month):  
Grade R - 12:45  
Grade 1 & 2: 13:30  
Grade 2: 13:45  
Grade 4 - 7: 14:00  
Fridays - half an hour earlier.  
Extramural times - See extramural timetable handed out.

## SCHOOL FEES

Parents, please ensure that you keep to payment arrangements.

## GATE CLASS

Parents/transport are urged to fetch learners on time after school.

Learners come straight to the gate area after school or extramural.

Parents and transport are not permitted to walk around the school looking for learners, for security reasons. Please ensure that learners, parents and transport know if learners are participating in extramurals.

**CUPCAKES** for your child's birthday may be ordered from Mrs Saladino in the Tuckshop as Teachers prefer cupcakes to messy big cakes that they have to slice. Mrs Saladino  
0846992098 - Cupcakes are R10 each



## Our History

Flipflop Gymnastics was established 40 years ago by an Ex-Springbok Gymnast, Anita Harrison.

After coaching, learning and growing under Anita in 2001, Tanya Hudson purchased the Company a year later in 2002 as Anita relocated to Canada to open a Gymnastics Club there.

After many years of hard work, Flipflop Gymnastics has grown enormously and currently teaches over 2500 pupils per week.

We are now the biggest General Gym Club in the Country and affiliated to the SAGF.

Our coaches are highly trained and make up an extremely strong team.

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Ages 2 and up and Boys & Girls

## Class Benefits:

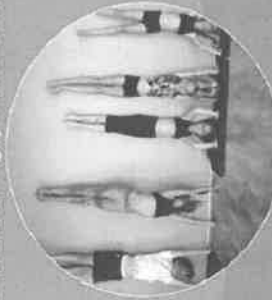
- Co - Ordination
- Gross Motor Skills
- Midline - Crossing
- Spatial Relations



## Team Building

## We Offer:

- School & Home Classes
- Beginner to Advanced
- Corporate Team Building
- Parties & Entertainment for all ages



## Gymnastics

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The purpose of these classes is to build the child's confidence in their abilities and to learn while having fun.

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## Gymnastics & Party Entertainment Specialists

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## Calling all Gr R to GR5 parents and students

Please join us for our free Flipflop Gymnastics Demo class

**Date:** Thursday 1 February 2024

**Venue:** The sports field

**Time:** 13:30-14:00(grade R- grade3)

14:00-14:30- all other grades

Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a hat. First trial class is free.

**We can't wait to meet you**

We wish all learners, parents and staff well for the first term.

P. Morris - Principal

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