



HOËRSKOOI SILVERTON
END-OF-WEEK NEWSLETTER
Friday, 8 May 2026

Silvies@60 – Honour the Past, Shape the Future

Dear Parents/Guardians, Learners, Staff and the Hoërskool Silverton Community,

As we conclude the week, Hoërskool Silverton extends sincere gratitude to our staff, learners and parents/guardians for their continued commitment. We are now approaching the mid-year examination session, which begins on 19 May 2026. Let us remain focused, disciplined and united in our pursuit of excellence.

**KEY
REMINDERS**

- ✓ Mid-year examination session starts: 19 May 2026.
- ✓ Academic target: minimum 60% per subject per learner in all grades.
- ✓ Our 60-year celebration continues: Silvies@60.
- ✓ Winter uniform is now in full swing and must be worn correctly.
- ✓ School remains in full swing until the first day of the mid-year examinations.
- ✓ Compulsory exam readiness classes will continue during the examination period.

1 Examination readiness and examination rules

Parents/guardians and learners are reminded to go through the examination rules carefully before the start of the examination session. Learners must prepare seriously, follow instructions, arrive on time, bring the correct stationery and uphold honesty, discipline and academic integrity at all times.

Examinations must be treated with respect. Proper conduct before, during and after each paper protects the learner, the class, the school and the credibility of the results.

2 Realistic study timetables

Every learner should draft and follow a realistic study timetable. The timetable must allocate time to each subject, give extra attention to challenging subjects, include short breaks, allow time for daily revision, include past-paper practice and protect healthy sleeping patterns.

A timetable only works when it is followed. Parents/guardians are kindly requested to monitor the timetable at home and encourage consistent preparation.

3 Nuggets of excellent achievement

The following habits will assist learners to achieve 60% and above in all subjects:

- Attend school every day and avoid unnecessary absenteeism.
- Be punctual and arrive ready to learn.
- Complete all classwork, homework and corrections.
- Ask for help when you do not understand.
- Revise daily instead of waiting for the night before the paper.
- Practise past examination questions and learn from marking guidelines.
- Use teacher feedback to improve your answers.
- Stay disciplined, believe in your ability and keep your academic target visible.

4 School fees and financial responsibility

Parents/guardians are kindly reminded that school fees must remain healthy. The school depends on this commitment to continue providing quality education, support services and a stable learning environment.

Please note that handover processes will begin from 15 May 2026. Parents/guardians are encouraged to engage the finance office and settle or arrange their accounts as soon as possible.

5 Winter uniform, attendance and compulsory exam readiness classes

Winter uniform is now in full swing. All learners must wear the correct winter uniform neatly, correctly and proudly. Uniform is part of discipline, and discipline supports excellence.

Teaching, learning, revision and intervention continue in full until the first day of the mid-year examination session. Even during the examination period, compulsory exam readiness classes will continue to support learners and close learning gaps. Attendance remains compulsory unless the school officially communicates otherwise.

Message from the Headmaster: Exam readiness motivation

To our staff: thank you for your dedication, professionalism and support as we prepare our learners for success. Your guidance, revision, feedback, monitoring and encouragement are essential at this stage of the academic journey.

To our learners: this is your time to rise. Stay focused, stay disciplined and give your best effort in every subject. Do not fear the mid-year examinations; prepare for them. Every lesson attended, every correction completed, every past paper practised and every question asked moves you closer to 60% and above.

To our parents/guardians: thank you for walking this journey with the school and for supporting learning at home. Please continue to check study timetables, encourage consistent revision, provide a quiet study space and remind learners of the examination rules.

Together, let us aim for a minimum of 60% in every subject for every learner. As we continue celebrating 60 years of Hoërskool Silverton, let us honour the past, shape the future and pursue excellence with courage and consistency.

Together we honour the past, shape the future, and pursue excellence.

Yours in Education



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