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NEWSLETTER NO: 33 of 2025

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Dear Parents

EARLY CLOSURE OF SCHOOL ON TUESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER

Please note that school will be closing at 12:30 for Grades 1-3 and 13:00 for Grades 4-7 on Tuesday, 4 November. This is due to the fact that Martin School will be hosting the Inter Primary Gala on this day. Hosting this event requires all staff to be on duty at the gala as there are many things to get ready before the other schools arrive and we would also need our parking area to be available for all the swimmers and parents from the visiting schools.

We ask that parents please make the necessary arrangements to collect their children at the given times in order to assist us in ensuring a successful Inter Primary Gala.

Letters will be sent out today to the swimmers who will be participating in the Inter Primary Gala. Please ensure your child attends the remaining practices in preparation for this Gala.

The last swimming practices will be:

Monday morning, 06:45 to 07:30

Monday afternoon 14:15 to 15:30

Tuesday morning 06:45 to 07:30

GRADE 4-7 FINAL EXAMS

Early notification is hereby given of the Formal Assessment dates in order for parents to ensure that their children start preparing for these VERY important final assessments. It is important that parents also note that before the final assessments start, all formal written activities (essays, etc) and orals in English and Afrikaans must be done in class. The Art and Music assessments for Grades 4 – 6 as well as the Phys Ed assessments for Grades 4 – 7 must be finalised. Parents are urged to please ensure that their children attend school daily.

The EXAM dates for Term 4 are as follows:

Tuesday, 11 November	Afrikaans (Grades 4 to 7)	
Wednesday, 12 November	Mathematics Paper 1 (Grade 7)	
Thursday, 13 November	EMS (Grade 7)	
Friday, 14 November	English (Grades 4-7)	Creative Arts (Grade 7)
Monday, 17 November	Mathematics (Grades 4-6)	Mathematics Paper 2 (Grade 7)
Tuesday, 18 November	SS- History (Grades 4-7)	
Wednesday, 19 November	NS/ Tech (Grades 4-6)	NS (Grade 7)
Thursday, 20 November	PSW (Grades 4-6), LO (Grade 7)	Tech (Grade 7)
Friday, 21 November	SS- Geography (Grades 4-7)	

Please take note that these dates have been given to us by District and that our Grade 7 learners will be writing Common Papers set by the District.

AGM/PTA- THURSDAY, 30 OCTOBER

A final reminder about the AGM/PTA meeting tonight, 30 October at 18:00 in the school hall.

VACANCIES FOR 2026

Reading Assistants- Martin School will have vacancies for Reading Assistants for 2026. We are aiming to employ young, enthusiastic persons who are fluent in English and Afrikaans to assist our teachers in improving the reading standards of our Grade 1-3 learners by offering individual reading assistance. These candidates must at least have a Matric Qualification and enjoy working with children. Other duties will include basic administrative duties and assistance with extra mural activities. Interested candidates can send their CV's and a motivational letter to reception@martinschool.org.za marked "Reading Assistant Application". Closing date is 21 November 2025. ONLY shortlisted candidates will be notified and invited for interviews.

Internship

We currently have a vacancy for an Intern position at Martin School. This is ONLY for students who are already enrolled for a degree in education. (Foundation Phase only). Preferably 1st or 2nd year students. Interested candidates can send their CV's and a motivational letter to reception@martinschool.org.za marked "Internship Application". Closing date is 21 November 2025. ONLY shortlisted candidates will be notified and invited for interviews.

GRADE R APPLICATIONS 2026

A reminder that applications for Grade R for 2026 is still open. Applications can be made at the office during office hours. Please inform family and friends who might not receive the newsletter of the applications.

INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS

Please note that the team selection for our Interhouse Athletics Day will take place during the exams, during school hours.

Learners who absent themselves from school after the exams, for no valid reason, will not be able to represent their sport houses and will therefore be unable to try and qualify for the 2026 school team.

Yours faithfully

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