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#### 1ST TERM HEADLINE

- Online learning is no longer optional but a must.
- Metal Maths and BRICS international maths Awards
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## On-line learning is the future

The world was hit hard by an unprecedented pandemic in 2019. The Corona Virus pandemic has destructed many things in our lives. Amongst other things that were negatively affected was the teaching and learning space.

Despite the negativities brought by the Covid-19, there are still more positive things we can write home about. The pandemic has made way for the fourth (4th) Industrial Revolution that the world has been talking about.

This is an era of technology and the world should move into that space. This is to move with times as they normally put it. Things should be done online these days.

The BRICS primary school Online competition took place despite the challenges of the pandemic. This competition took place last year in 2020, around



October and November. The pupils took part in this competition that was organized Online. They used the computers to participate in this competitions. The grades that took part were grade 4, 5 and 6.

The pupils received their certificates ranging from the victors (the ones who won) to the ones who participated.

The school also took part in yet another Maths competition, the competition was the South African Mathematics Challenge, under the umbrella of the Association of Mathematics in South Africa (AMESA).

The school has won the certificate for the best performing school in Mathematics. Pupils got their certificates as well.

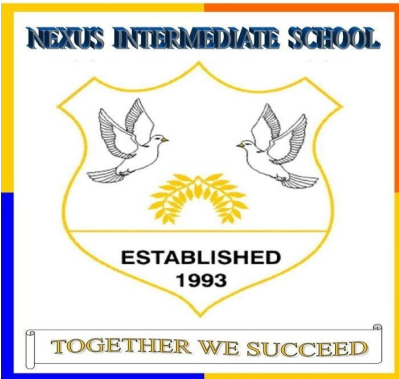
## Blended learning (WhatsApp) at Nexus Primary School.

Nexus Primary School has resorted into blended (Online) learning. The school has shown its eagerness by establishing the Web site ([www.nexusprimary.co.za](http://www.nexusprimary.co.za)).

This was followed by the agreement to make teaching and learning accessible to the majority of our learners this came after the

school has opted for alternating method.

The school resorted into using the WhatsApp as a tool to catch-up and supplement some of the topics that are not well addressed.



### Nexus Primary School

#### Vision:

To become the best institution in transforming learners into successful and responsible citizens.

#### Mission- we aim to achieve this by:

- Providing a conducive and caring environment.
- Inviting and involving committed stakeholders.
- Ensuring that all learners are exposed to dynamic curricular and extracurricular activities.
- Tracking our learners performance.

#### Corporate value:

- Responsibility
- Respect
- Innovation
- Creativity
- Punctuality
- Passion
- Love
- Co-Operation
- Diligence

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# 2021 SGB Elections



Department of Education's SGB elections poster

The School Governing body (SGB) for the 2021/2023 elections took place at Nexus Primary.

The parents elections were scheduled for the 10<sup>th</sup> April, however due to low turn-over from the parents side, the elections were postponed to the 15<sup>th</sup>

The SGB teacher component elections were held on the 02rd of April. The

teacher component elections went smooth without any disruptions. The non teaching staff also held their elections successfully.

In terms of the South African Schools Act (Act No. 84 of 1996) SGBs are given certain functions that they have to carry out. As part of these functions, SGBs are given the responsibilities to develop school policies on specific areas.

# HPV VACCINATION AT NEXUS

The Department of Health, partnered with Social Development provided health services to learners at Nexus school.

The integrated school health programme has this year targeted young girls from the age of nine (9) and older. This was for the Immunisation against the Virus (HPV) which causes cervical cancer. The programme also targeted

boys of the same age (9) for the Immunisation campaign for tetanus and reduced amount of diphtheria (TD). The pupils were given consent forms for their parents or guardians to sign,



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# SEARCHES AND SEIZURES



Nexus Primary school cares for the safety of their staff and learners in general. The school puts learners safety first.

The staff embarked on the searches and seizure mission. This was not a fault finding mission. However, it was done to ensure that the learners safety comes first and to discourage

them to come with illegal substances that could compromise their safety.

The outcomes came as expected, as there were no illegal items seized. The searches and seizure process will take place on a quarterly basis on the dates that will be agreed upon by the committee. Learners and parents wouldn't be informed of these important dates.

# BUSAMED HOSPITAL GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY



BUSAMED hospital staff members gave back to the community. The hospital staff members visited Nexus Primary school on the 08th of March. This was an initiative to give back to the community. The hospital donated shoes to the school.

The school Identified these vulnerable learners that received the donation from BUSAMED. This donation was well received by the recipient (learners).

The always company has also take stand in giving back to community by donating n sanitary towers to the girls that are starting to get into

puberty.

The principal, Mrs. Mohaladi expressed how grateful she was for this donation. She was quoted saying "We are extremely excited to receive this donation from BUSAMED hospital, we feel so lucky to have being chosen as their destination".

The principal also thanked the BUSAMED team that did the handover.

# 2020 EDUPLANT GARDNING COMPETITION

Nexus primary has a huge garden on which we are able to produce fresh food for our pupils. The food that we produce in the garden is taken to kitchen for feeding scheme.

The garden doesn't only produce vegetables, it also gives basic farming skills to pupils and its also correlates with the co-curriculum. One of the

strategies to keep our garden going is to take part in gardening workshops and competitions. In 2020 we took part in Eduplant competition and it was conducted Online.

Unfortunately our school didn't came up with the price, however pupils and teacher who took part got certificate of participation. ([www.tree.org.za](http://www.tree.org.za) #Eduplant)



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# COVID-19 PROCEDURES AND PROTOCOLLS

As it is a known fact that we have to adapt to the new normality that is brought by coronavirus. The school has managed to do social distance marks in classes as well as throughout the entire school premises. With the assistance of basic education, the school ensures that the wearing of

mask is done at all the times. Sanitization of hands is available at every corner of the school. The school have the sanitizing equipment that pupils use without touching with hands, only by pressing pedals for soap, sanitizer or warm water .

