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Dear 2017 MIDDIE-TO-BE

Congratulations on your decision to join the Middie-family! You will definitely not regret the choice you have made, because we are the winning team. Parents, your child are joining a school with a rich tradition of achievement on academic, cultural and sport levels.

From past experience we know that every **Grade 7 learner** cannot wait to buy their new school uniform. **School Zone** is our supplier for all school uniforms and is conveniently situated on our school grounds. Business hours are from Monday to Friday 7:00 to 15:00. The following items are necessary for the prescribed school uniform:

BOYS: SUMMER UNIFORM (1 SEPT – 30 APR)

- Khaki shirt
- Khaki shorts
- School jersey and blazer
- School sleeveless pull-over
- Green school socks (no rugby socks)
- SHOES: Black lace-ups (no buckles)
- No boots
- School tie

BOYS: WINTER UNIFORM (1 MEI – 31 AUG)

- White long-sleeved shirt
- Gr 8 & 9 grey long school pants with grey or black belt - no big buckles.
- School tie
- Black lace-up shoes
- School jersey, sleeveless pull-over and blazer
- Gr 10, 11 & 12: black long school trousers
- Only school scarves allowed. No Springbok scarves.
- Blazers during assembly in the hall
- No skinny jeans or denims allowed.

BOYS: HAIR

- The bottom edge of your hair may not touch your shirt's collar when you are standing in an upright position.
- The shape of your hairstyle must follow the natural contours of your head.
- No paths or patterns may be cut or shaven into your hair or onto the scalp.
- Your hair may not be longer than 5cm all over your head.
- Your hair may not touch your ears when combed straight down.
- Your fringe may not touch your eyebrows.
- Your natural hair colour must be maintained. You may, however, use gel or mousse to control an unruly head of hair.
- No dreadlocks or plaited hair will be tolerated.
- No "exotic" or "unnatural" hairstyles are allowed.
- Your hair must look neat and presentable under all circumstances and may not be conspicuous in any manner whatsoever.
- Boys' beards and moustaches must be clean-shaven at all times.
- Your sideburns must be shaven or cut in line with your ear canal.

BOYS: JEWELLERY

- Wristwatch without any ornamentation. (Watch straps permissible other than gold/silver: school colours: green / black / white / yellow / brown leather band)
- Only lapel badges/pins of the school or school-related activities are allowed to be worn on blazer lapels.
- One MIDDIE wristband and one MIDDIE Link Band are allowed.
- No tongue rings or jewellery requiring "piercings" is allowed. No earrings allowed.
- No tattoos may be visible when wearing uniform or sportswear.

GIRLS: SUMMER UNIFORM (1 SEPT – 30 APR)

- Green skirt (Length of girls' skirts must be 10cm from the ground when standing on the knees).
- White short-sleeved shirt with school badge on pocket.
- Girls' undergarments should match the colour of attire.
- Black school shoes with a single strap over foot.
- White socks (folded down).
- School sleeveless pull-over and/or blazer.

GIRLS: WINTER UNIFORM (1 MEI – 31 AUG)

- Green skirt or black long school pants (not "skin tight" pants, skinny jeans or denims)
- Long-sleeved white shirt
- Girls' undergarments should match the colour of attire.
- School tie
- School jersey or blazer
- School sleeveless pull-over
- Black stockings or school socks
- Black shoes with a single strap/lace-ups
- Tracksuits and sportswear are not school uniform.
- Only school scarves allowed. No Springbok scarves.

GIRLS: HAIR

- Long hair must be tied or plaited. No loose strands will be tolerated.
- Green, white, black or yellow ribbons are acceptable.
- Brown or black hairpins (no shiny hairpins).
- White, black or green hairbands. No lace or ribbon hairbands or buffs allowed. Hairbands must have a purpose.
- Fringes may not hang over the eyebrows, or fall over the face.
- Long fringes must be pinned back.
- Hair may not be short and shaven on one side and left long on the other side.
- Hair must be thoroughly combed and brushed.
- Your natural hair colour must be maintained.
- No exotic or unnatural hairstyles are allowed.
- Your hair must look neat and presentable under all circumstances and may not be conspicuous in any manner whatsoever.
- No strings in the neck are allowed.
- Hair extensions must look natural in all instances.

GIRLS: JEWELLERY, MAKE-UP AND NAILS

Only the following jewellery is permissible:

- Wristwatch without any ornamentation. (Watch straps permissible other than gold/silver: school colours: green / black / white / yellow / brown leather band)
- Only lapel badges/pins of the school or school-related activities are allowed to be worn on blazer lapels.
- One MIDDIE wristband and one MIDDIE Link Band are allowed.
- No tongue rings or jewellery requiring additional piercings (earrings excepted) is allowed.
- Earrings with a maximum diameter of the new 10c piece (not larger than 16mm) and 2mm thick (gold or silver only) - no designs on the earring.
- Just one pair of gold or silver ear studs with a diameter of 3mm. It must be worn in the bottom piercing (if there are more than one in the earlobe).
- No pearl earrings.
- No earrings with spheres behind the earlobe.
- Earrings may not be covered up with plasters.
- Only one signet ring is allowed.
- Nails may not be longer than the fingertips.
- Nail polish may not be worn on nails with school uniform.
- No make-up is allowed.
- No tattoos may be visible when Middie school uniform or sportswear is worn.
- No permanent make-up is allowed.

GRADE 8 BIB:

The grade 8 bib is available @ R120. **Pay before the grade 8-camp at the school fees office (Mrs Malinda Prinsloo).** EFT payments welcome - see banking details on page 3. Use reference: Name and surname of learner + grade 8 bib. **This bib will be handed out at a special event during the grade 8 camp. Please wear the bib at all school activities until the 16th of August 2017.**

CIVVY DAYS (when we wear civilian clothes instead of school uniform)

- Civvy days are a privilege.
- Your appearance and clothing on civvy days may not be revealing, provocative or conspicuous.
- School rules pertaining to hair, nails, make-up and jewellery are still applicable on civvy days.
- On civvy days Grade 8s wear Middie clothes with a warmup top if it is cold.

MIDDIE-GREENS & SPORTSWEAR: (Available at School Zone)

We are very proud of our informal "Middie shirt and shorts" which learners may wear when attending sporting events and specified occasions or when going on a school outing. Hostel learners may also wear this uniform when they go to town. Grade 8's wear Middiewear on sivy days. Please mark clearly for easy identification in case something gets lost. White warm-up top may be worn in winter.

SPORTSWEAR:

ATHLETICS:

- Grade 8 learners may wear informal Middie attire during the first two athletics meetings of the season.
- The other athletes are not allowed to wear anything BUT the official Middie Lycra athletics attire.
- During Inter High and Prestige meetings all athletes must wear the official Middie Lycra athletics attire.
- No slipslops are allowed at any sports meeting.

ALL OTHER SPORTS:

Will be communicated by your child's coach.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Staff members will be at the school on 9 January 2017 from 09:00 to 13:00. The new school year for the learners starts on Wednesday, 11 January 2017 at 08:00. All the new parents are cordially invited to attend the assembly and thereafter enjoy a cup of tea or coffee in the staff room.

OFFICIAL SCHOOL TIMES FROM 11 JANUARY 2017:

- Mondays to Tuesdays: 07:20-13:35
- Fridays: 07:20-13:00
- Every first school day of a new quarter commences with assembly in the hall at 08:00.

SCHOOL FEES 2017:

- The total school fees for 2017 is R17 500 (10 instalments of R1 750 from Jan - Oct).
- A discount of R500 will be given if the full amount is paid before the 28th of February 2017.
- School fees cannot be paid at the end of the year with an annual bonus as we have running costs throughout the year.
- Debit orders will be deducted on the first working day of each month from Jan - Nov.
- A third child of the same parents in this school will qualify for a discount of 50% on the school fees for this child. Therefore the first two children pay the full amount of R17 500 X 2 (R35 000), but from the third, every child pays only R8 750.
- Please note some parents may, based upon the combined gross salary of both parents, qualify and may want to apply for a partial or full exemption of school fees. Details of the criteria, the application procedure as well as the sliding scale, can be obtained from the school. Applications for a subsidy must be handed in before 31 January of each year. The parent remains responsible for the payment of all school fees until the application is approved.
- Learners leaving school: In the event of a child leaving the school during the course of the year, parents must complete the necessary form and hand it in, together with the text books, at the school so that the account can be adjusted. The parents remain responsible for outstanding school fees until text books are returned.

HOSTEL FEES 2017:

HOSTEL FEES for 2017 are R19 800 per year (R4 950 per quarter).

- Hostel fees can also be paid by means of a debit order.
- If no payment for hostel accommodation has been received, a learner will not be allowed to take up residence.
- A once-off fee of R500 for breakage deposit is payable for new residents.
- If a learner leaves the hostel during the course of the year, the parent must please complete the necessary forms timeously. Accounts run until signed documents are received. This is also applicable on the school fees account.

BANKING DETAILS

Name: Hoërskool Middelburg
Bank: First National Bank
Type of account: Cheque
Acc. no.: 621 646 15232
Branch code: 27 150
Reference: (Name and Surname of learner + Gr... (+ E.g. Hockey Tour)
Fax: 086 544 3826

SCHOOL LEAVERS:

If a learner leaves school during the course of the year, a school leaver's form must be completed and text books must be returned so that the account can be closed. The parent remains responsible for school fees until all text books and study guides have been returned.

MERIT DISCOUNT:

In accordance with a decision by the School Governing Body, Hoërskool Middelburg annually grants merit discount to top achievers. These grants are made in the form of a financial rebate on school fees. Discount for provincial colours, top 10 academic achievements etc. will no longer be reflected automatically on your account. An application form must be completed and signed at the school fees office for learners who qualify. **Proof must accompany the application.**

Headboy/girl – Primary School (>300 learners)	15%
Headboy/girl – MHS	15%
Deputy head leaders - Primary School (>300 learners) & MHS	5%
Headboy/girl - MHS Hostel	5%
Dux-pupil of the previous year	15%
Grade 7 (School > 300 learners)	
Grade 8-11	
Top 10 of the previous year – Grade 8-11 (Dux-pupil excluded)	10%
Provincial colours in a school sport (Previous year)	
A-team:	10%
B-team:	5%

Cultural achievement at provincial level
(Previous year)

10%

Enquiries: Elsa van Wyk - School Fees Office.

Merit discount/bursary forms available at Elsa van Wyk - School Fees Office.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE:

Any MHS pupil participating in extramural activities may attend the after school care centre in the hostel. Tickets payable in **advance** at the school fees office. Costs: R50.00 per day. (Includes lunch, facilities to change and study until 15:00)

Enquiries: Elsa van Wyk - School Fees Office.

BUS ROUTES:

Bus tickets are available at the school fees office. The MHS bus is driven along the following routes on a daily basis: Dennesig, Kanonkop, Mineralia, Groenkol, Aerorand and Witbank.

- **Witbank routes: Monthly ticket R40 per day.**
- **Routes to town: Monthly ticket R15 per day.**

Enquiries: Malinda Prinsloo – School Fees Office.

SCHOOL SUITCASE:

Please use your present school suitcase if it is still in good condition and clearly marked. Rucksacks and backpacks are not recommended, but should they be used, they must be reinforced on all sides in order to support and protect books.

GRADE 8 CAMP:

Remember the FREE compulsory Grade 8 camp which will take place at u-Bhetyan-o-Africa during the first weekend after school has commenced: (15 - 17 January 2016). The camp is great fun and there are no costs involved.

All the grade 8 learners, teachers and the student council attend the grade 8 camp. This camp is the ideal opportunity for them to get to know each other and build healthy relationships. Our grade 8 learners come back with peace of mind and ready to begin the high school adventure.

Camp enquiries can be directed to Mr Gert v.d. Westhuizen, Deputy Principal, during school hours. (013) 282 7393/4 Ext. 214.

Remember to bring the following: (hostel boarders as well)

(If you are not going to see your parents again before the camp)

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| • Bible | • Sleeping bag & pillow | • Toiletries |
| • Torch Raincoat / windbreaker | • Own medication | • Comfortable shoes |
| • Costume and towel (swim) | • Rusks | • Four sets of old clothing |
| • Cap and sunblock | • Pocket money (R80-R100 is enough) | |
| • Cutlery & Crockery will be provided | | |

Please mark all belongings clearly. No cell phones or tablets.

Attire: Wear your Middie shirt, Middie shorts & sneakers. No school suitcases needed.

Departure: Friday, 13 January 2017, at 07h00 from the school by bus.

Arrival: Sunday, 15 January 2017, approximately 15h00 at the school.

Enquiries: Riana Rossouw – Marketing Office.

During the camp Mr Gert van der Westhuizen will be available at all times on 071 670 7230 in case of emergency.

GRADE 8 PARENTS' BRAAI:

Our yearly Parents' braai is on Monday, 16 January 2017 at 18h00. Fire, pap, salads and gravy will be provided. Please bring your own meat, tongs, beverages, cutlery and crockery.

Enquiries: MHS Marketing Office

GRADE 8 CONCERT!

Practice times:

Monday to Thursdays from 16-27 January 2017 14:00-15:00.

CONCERT PERFORMANCES:

Monday: 1 February 2017 at 18:00 for learners
Tuesday: 2 February 2017 at 18:00 for parents.
Tickets will be available at the door from 17:30.

DATES FOR 2017:

Yearly, quarterly and weekly plannings are comprehensively covered on the school communicator, website www.middies.co.za and facebook.

DIARIES:

Once learners' admission forms are fully completed and the initial fee is paid, learners will receive a free school diary with the entire year planner and other relevant info, as well as free text books (to be returned by year-end) and scripts. Lost and badly damaged text books must be paid for.

TARIFFS AND MONETARY MATTERS 2017

Annual fee per pupil	R 17 500.00
Instalments from Jan - Oct	R 1 750.00
More than two pupils	
First two pupils	R17 500 each R 35 000.00
Third and further siblings only (per pupil)	R 8 750.00
Once-off payment before 28 February 2017	
Discount if paid in full	R 500.00
Total	R 17 000.00

DEBIT ORDERS

Can be arranged at school fees office.

HOSTEL TARRIF 2017

Hostel tariff per pupil per year	R 19 800.00
per quarter	R 4 950.00
per month	R 1 980.00
Breakage deposit	R500 for new resident payable once.

COST STRUCTURE MHS HOSTELS 2017

After care	R 50 per pupil per afternoon
Sleep (without supper) for evening:	R 40 per pupil
Sleep and breakfast	R 55 per pupil
Supper, sleep and breakfast	R 85 per pupil
Lunch, supper, sleep and breakfast	R100 per pupil
Number days semi-perm for sport.:	R 95 per day

ENQUIRIES:

General enquiries:	bemarking@middies.co.za
School fees and accounts:	agrobler@middies.co.za
Debit orders and subsidies:	mprinsloo@middies.co.za
Merit- and sport bursaries:	evanwyk@middies.co.za

May you and your family have a blessed festive season!! We look forward to welcoming you as a full-blooded, green and gold Middie in 2017!

Best wishes and kind regards



MR JH STRONKHORST & STAFF
MIDDELBURG HOËRSKOOL



Shop hours:
Monday - Friday:
07:00-15:00
School Zone will close
on 12 December 2016
and open again on
2 January 2017.