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Dear Parent/Guardian

### RECOGNITION CEREMONIES

We would like to create recognition opportunities for our children this year. Notwithstanding COVID-19 disruption in the academic, sport and cultural fields, we can still do this by adjusting our existing criteria.

The recognition events will take place on the following dates:

#### LEVEL 1 awards: Academic-, sport- and culture certificates

- Gr 4: Monday, 6 December during school hours (only learners)
- Gr 5: Tuesday, 7 December during school hours (only learners)
- Gr 6: Tuesday, 7 December during school hours (only learners)
- Gr 7: Wednesday, 8 December during school hours (only learners)

You may follow the school's Facebook page and d6 for the live stream link.

#### LEVEL 2 – 4: Honorary colours and Suma Praestantia awards

- Gr 4 – 7: Wednesday, 8 December 18:30 till ±20:30 in the school hall (learners and parents)

Due to Covid-19 protocol, there is limited seating available in the hall and therefore only a maximum of 2 family members per learner can be accommodated for the Wednesday evening. You may follow the school's Facebook page and d6 for the live stream link.

We request that you complete the required application form (see link below) for sport- and cultural achievements in full AS WELL as an official written proof of the achievement. If no proof is sent, we will unfortunately not be able to accept your application. Follow this link <https://forms.gle/4nsQCVhqUq1osJ8q8>, complete the information and upload the proof of achievement by **Friday, 5 November, 2021**. If you have any queries, send them to sport@durbieland.com

**Please note that if you have already emailed your application form for recognition during Term 3 or completed it on the Google Form, you do not have to reapply, provided that further achievements have not taken place thereafter about which the school has not yet been informed.**

#### The levels of recognition:

<b>LEVEL 1</b>	Learners, who qualify for this level of recognition, receive a certificate.
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<b>LEVEL 2</b>	<p>This level awards <b>honours colours</b> to achievers in the various categories. Learners receive a scroll for their school blazer. No dates are indicated on these scrolls. If a learner qualifies for such a scroll for the first time, he / she will receive it in yellow.</p> <p>If a learner qualifies for the same scroll for a second year, he or she will receive a silver scroll which then replaces the yellow scroll. If honours colours are obtained for a third time in a relevant category, the learner receives a gold scroll which then replaces the silver scroll. A special certificate will be presented if honours colours are awarded for a fourth time.</p>
<b>LEVEL 3</b>	<p>If a learner has obtained three gold scrolls, i.e. in all three categories, he or she will receive a <b>Suma Praestantia</b> honours badge. The honours badge is only awarded once the learner has been awarded three gold scrolls. Should a learner receive the highest level of recognition for the second time, he or she will receive a Suma Praestantia medal award.</p>
<b>LEVEL 4</b>	<p>This is the highest level of recognition and is awarded for specific excellence. Such learners receive an honours badge on their blazer pocket and the category for which it is awarded is embroidered on the badge. This recognition is awarded for <b>international participation in sport- or cultural activities. If it is a school sport, it is awarded if the learner achieves the highest possible level in the specific sport code.</b> To achieve this for academics, an achievement at national level must be reached.</p>

## A. CRITERIA FOR ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

### 1. Certificates (First level):

Gr 4, 5 and 6: A learner must achieve a required average percentage between 80% - 90% for all the subjects together, based on: Home Language, Additional Language, Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Technology, Social Sciences and Life Skills.

Gr 7: A learner must achieve a required average percentage between 80% - 85% for all the subjects together, based on: Home Language, Additional Language, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, EMS, Technology, Creative Arts and Life Orientation.

To calculate the average percentage of each learner for the certificate, we make use of the Cemis points system. This is the same system we use for promotion and progression purposes at the end of the year:

Average of term 1: 25%

Average of term 2: 50%

Average of term 3: 25%

Learners' averages **are not rounded off for the final mark** as marks have already been rounded off during the term and the learner has already benefited from it.

Subject prizes will be awarded this year for LitNum (English, Afrikaans and Mathematics) subjects.

### 2. Honours Colours (Second level):

Gr 4, 5 and 6: A learner must achieve a required average percentage 90% and higher for all the subjects together, based on: Home Language, Additional Language, Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Technology, Social Sciences and Life Skills.

Gr 7: A learner must achieve a required average percentage between 85% and higher for all the subjects together, based on: Home Language, Additional Language, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, EMS, Technology, Creative Arts and Life Orientation.

## **B. CRITERIA FOR SPORT RECOGNITION**

### **1. Certificates (First level):**

- Any learner who has represented a regional team.
- The regional teams for these sports are:

Athletics:	Durbell team
Swimming:	Level 2
Netball:	Metropole North team
Hockey:	Northerns / Table View / Durbell Zone teams
Cricket:	Metropole North team
Rugby:	Bellville zone team
Cross Country:	Metropole North team
Tennis:	Northern zone team
Golf:	Regional team
Chess:	Regional team
Biathlon:	Inter-provincial participation

- Outside sports are handled according to merit and verified with the relevant organisation.

### **2. Honours Colours (Second level):**

- Any learner who has achieved provincial/national colours in a sport. The learner must have represented his / her province / country, in other words participated.

## **C. CRITERIA FOR CULTURE AWARD**

### **1. Certificates (First level):**

- Achievement in an external music exam (UNISA, ALMSA, Royal School, Trinity: 70% and higher)
- Choir members: Highest honours at Eisteddfod/ATKV-final.
- Laurel Award for 4 years membership of the choir.
- Any other eisteddfod participation: Highest Honours.
- Second or final round of a national competition e.g. ATKV Public speaking competition.

### **2. Honours Colours (Second level):**

- Honours colours for culture are only awarded to category winners at recognised eisteddfods (e.g. Tygerberg, Cape Town or Stellenbosch), special awards recognised at theatre festivals, or the winning of a national competition.
- Cultural honours are awarded to a group/individual who has advanced to the finals of a national competition (e.g. ATKV Public Speaking, Applous Choir Competition, Oppie Tong Af).
- Honours colours for culture are awarded to music learners who appear on the UNISA, ALMSA, Royal School of Trinity Colleges roll of honour (above 90%).
- Honours colours for culture are awarded to learners who were a member of the Tygerberg Children's Choir for one year.

- Selection for Van der Spuy Music Competition.
- Leading role in TV/Film or stage production (out of school) at national level.
- Disciplines which fall under culture are as follows:

Choir, Drama, Tygerberg Children's Choir, Music (piano, guitar, violin, etc.), Art, Singing, Poetry and Prose, Speech Choir, Modern Dance examinations, Public Speaking or any other cultural items presented at eisteddfods or theatre festivals

All prize winners will be **notified individually by letter**.

Your cooperation is highly appreciated.

Kind regards



F. Roux  
**SPORT MANAGER**



T. Koegelenberg  
**HEAD: CULTURE**



E. Saayman  
**HEAD: ACADEMICS**



T. Kriel  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

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**Value for the month:**

