

PINELANDS HIGH SCHOOL ECONOMIC AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES GRADE 9

13th February 2007

Dear Grade 9 Learners and Parents/ Guardians

During the first and fourth terms this year all Grade 9 learners will be doing Economics and Management Sciences. Our focus will be on Entrepreneurship. We aim to give our learners a taste of what it is like to run a small business. Many of our learners may wish to be self-employed in the future and we are convinced that this knowledge is vital in our climate of high unemployment.

In order to create this experience, we will participate in a 'BANANGO TRADERS' simulation day on Thursday 1st March 2007. The Johannesburg School of Finance will present the entrepreneurial skills challenge in the Kent Hall at Pinelands High School. This 'field trip' will be a fun entrepreneurial experience during which learners will be assessed in <u>five</u> activities on the day. This would reduce their work-load and take off the pressure from the expected requirements for their Moderation later this year. Learners will be assessed on their individual work, group work, initiative, marketing and financial success.

The programme and requirements for the day are as follows:

1. Venue: Kent Hall
Time: 8:05 to 15:00
Dress: School uniform

2. Assembly: 10:29 to 11:00 (Thomson Hall)

First Break: 11:00 to 11:24 Second Break: 13:00 to 13:25 Clean-up 14:45 to 15:00

3. Groups for Simulation:

Group A: 9J and 9M Ms Galer's classes Group B: 9G and 9K Mrs Gibbon's classes Group C: 9A and 9S Mrs Dharsey's classes

Each tutor class will be divided into groups of six or seven learners. Please see the lists on Ms Galer's classroom door (Room L10).

4. Stationery requirements:

All learners must bring the following items: pen; pencil; calculator; ruler; pencil crayons; kokis and a pair of scissors.

5. Absenteeism:

As this Simulation forms part of the moderation process, absentee learners <u>must</u> bring a signed letter <u>and</u> a medical certificate to Ms Galer on the day they return to school. They can make arrangements with their EMS teachers to catch up on assessments they have missed.

This letter and medical certificate must be made available for the Curriculum Adviser for EMS.

Attached please find (on the reverse side of this letter) a copy of the letter to parents/ guardians from the Johannesburg School of Finance. Please refer any concerns or queries to Ms. Galer on 021-5317410.

The E.M.S. Learning Area is committed to a challenging and enriching year and we hope to enjoy your enthusiastic support.

Yours sincerely

Head of EMS: Ms Z. Galer