

Dear Grade 10 Epic Parents

Most Medical details have been updated and Consent forms handed in, although there are still a handful outstanding. Thanks for doing the necessary!

This term the boys have already received two addresses – an introduction to Epic from me and another about boots. Next week they will be addressed by the Epic Cycling expert. He will offer boys, who are not quite up to speed with cycling, the opportunity to attend a short 3 afternoon course to hone their cycling skills. I encourage you to get your son to attend this course if he is not confident on a bicycle. Thereafter, there are a number of talks until 29 September, when all Epic boys will climb Devil's Peak. This is our measure of how fit the boys are and perhaps a wake-up call for some. We have spoken repeatedly to boys about their fitness and now is the time to encourage your sons to get training, well in advance of the Devil's Peak climb.

All boys have received their 20% off Hi-Tec vouchers and should have purchased or be purchasing boots soon. Boys are allowed to wear their boots to school to walk them in.

If you feel you need to contact me or set up a meeting about your son's special medical requirements or have any other concerns, I encourage you to do so sooner rather than later, so that your concerns and your son's concerns can be alleviated.

At present, boys have chosen their partners, so that we can put them into groups. Once that is done, then your sons will be able to see with whom they will be spending the duration of Epic, who they will be hiking with, what the hiking routes will be and where they will be spending their last night (for fathers/ father-figures coming up on the final night).

Linked below is the 2022 Epic Equipment list, if you would like to start gathering things together. This is a guideline and you are not expected to buy everything new or any 'top of the range' stuff. Many of last year's grade 10s and the 2020 grade 10s will still have kit and this kit can be borrowed from them. [Epic Equipment List 2022](#)

Please also find linked below the School Shop Order form, from which you can purchase Epic equipment, if you so wish. [School Shop Order Form 2022](#)

Every year we ask parents if they perhaps have a vehicle that Epic can borrow. A 4x4 or two of any description would be a great help. Please let me know if you can help us out and thanks to the two offers I have already received.

Trudy Hoefnagels will be calling parents together who want to form part of the outreach committee shortly. If you are interested in helping, please let me know, and I'll pass on your details.

I want to emphasize that Epic should be something your son is looking forward to, perhaps with a little trepidation, but not something he needs to be fearful about. Knowledge is key and so all information on the website, will help him to understand more about what to expect. So get him to read all about The Epic, if he is concerned.

I do hope you will have a good weekend.

Kind regards
Graeme Klerck
(Epic Director)