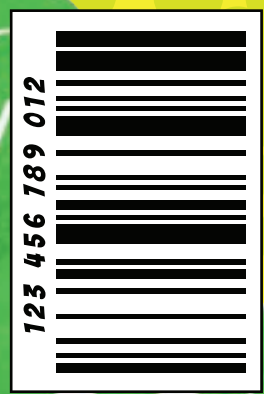


THE JAPIE CHRONICLES

2023
Limited Edition

Your survival guide for grade 8 - 2023



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DEAR 2023 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 is 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.

Please note that dates and information in this booklet may change at any time. Whenever possible, MHS will always notify you in a timely manner via SMS, Whatsapp groups and / or social media.

BOYS: SUMMER UNIFORM

(Compulsory: 1st and 4th term)

- Boys uniform may not be adjusted or small or too short.
- Khaki shirt.
- Khaki shorts.
- School jersey and blazer.
- School sleeveless pull-over.
- Green school socks.
(no rugby socks).
- SHOES: Black lace-ups (no buckles).
- Shoes must be tied.
- No boots.

Learners may wear summer or winter uniform in April and September depending on the weather, as long as it is the complete summer or winter uniform.

BOYS: HAIR

- The bottom edge of your hair may not touch your shirt's collar when you are standing in an upright position.
- No paths or patterns may be cut or shaven into your hair or onto the scalp.
- No under cuts are allowed.
- Hair may not be shaved in certain parts and other parts left long.
- Your hair may not be longer than 7cm 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.
- Your cheeks must be shaved.
- No caps or beanies are allowed.

BOYS: WINTER UNIFORM

(Compulsory: 1 May - 31 August)

- Boys uniform may not be adjusted or be too small or too short.
- 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 (straight leg) which touch the top of the shoe. No skinny's.
- Only school scarves allowed. (No Springbok scarves.)
- No skinny jeans or denims allowed. Your pants must touch your shoes.
- Black socks or green school socks
- Tracksuit top may be worn as part of winter uniform.
- No caps or beanies are allowed.
- Winter uniform may be worn in April and September depending on the weather, as long as it is complete winter uniform.

BOYS: JEWELLERY

- Wristwatch without any ornamentation. (Watch straps permissible other than gold/silver: school colours: green / black / white / yellow / brown leather band).
- "Apple" and "Smartphone" watches are not allowed under any circumstances, during tests, exams or any assignments.
- Only lapel badges/pins of the school or school-related activities are allowed to be worn on blazer lapels.
- No necklaces, bracelets, rings or earrings are allowed, but one MIDDIE wristband and one MIDDIE Link Band.
- No tongue rings or jewellery requiring "piercings" are allowed. No earrings allowed.
- No tattoos (including henna) may be visible when wearing uniform or sportswear.
- Nails must be clean and tidy at all times. Boys may be asked to cut their nails immediately.

GIRLS: SUMMER UNIFORM

(Compulsory: 1st and 4th term)

- Green skirt (Length of girls' skirts must be 15cm from the ground when kneeling).
- Skirts may not be adjusted.
- 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 or school shoes with laces.
- Shoes must be tied.
- White or bottle green socks (folded down). Bottle green socks compulsory from 2023.
- School sleeveless pull-over
- School jersey and/or blazer when necessary. Jersey may not be tucked into skirt.
- Short ski-pants may be worn under the skirt but must be school colors (black or green) and may not be visible at any time.

GIRLS: WINTER UNIFORM

(Compulsory: 1 May - 31 August)

- Green skirt (the same skirt as summer uniform) 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 sleeveless pull-over.
- School jersey or blazer.
- Black thick tights, no socks/knee highs underneath.
- Black socks with black pants.
- Black shoes with a single strap/lace-ups.
- Tracksuits and sportswear are not school uniform.
- Tracksuit top may be worn as part of winter uniform.
- Only school scarves allowed. No Springbok scarves.
- Winter uniform may be worn in April and September depending on the weather, as long as it is complete winter uniform.

GIRLS: MAKE-UP

- No make-up or false eye lashes are allowed.
- No tattoos (including henna) may be visible when Middle school uniform or sportswear is worn.
- No permanent make-up is allowed.

GIRLS: HAIR

- No paths or patterns may be cut or shaven into your hair or onto the scalp.
- No under cuts are allowed. Hair may not be shaved in certain parts and other parts left long.
- Your hair may not be more than 7cm from your scalp.
- Long hair must be tied or plaited. No loose strands will be tolerated.
- Long hair that hangs over the collar must be tied.
- Hair may not hang below the buttocks when tied up.
- Hair accessories should be limited to elastics, clips, ribbons, scrunchies or hair bands.
- Hair accessories must be functional.
- Hair accessories must be in school colours namely black, white, yellow, bottle green or transparent.
- No lace or ribbon hairbands, buffs or hairscarfs allowed.
- Brown or black hairpins (no shiny hairpins).
- Fringes may not hang over the eyebrows, or fall over the face.
- Long fringes must be pinned back.
- 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.
- No pets or beanies.

GIRLS: JEWELLERY

- Wristwatch without any ornamentation. (Watch straps permissible other than gold/silver: school colours: green / black / white / yellow / brown leather band)
- "Apple" and "Smartphone" watches are not allowed under any circumstances, during tests, exams or any assignments.
- Only lapel badges/pins of the school or school-related activities are allowed to be worn on blazer lapels.
- No necklaces or bracelets are allowed.
- One MIDDIE wristband and one MIDDIE Link Band is allowed.
- Earrings with a maximum diameter of a 10c piece (not larger than 16mm) and 2mm thick (gold or silver only) - no designs on the earring.
- Just one pair of gold, silver or white pearl ear studs with a diameter of 6mm. They must be worn in the bottom piercing (if there is more than one in the earlobe).
- Just one pair Middle-earrings with school badge may be worn. Gr. 8-11 wear white earrings and gr. 12 wear black earrings. Earrings available at the marketing office.
- No earrings with spheres behind the earlobe.
- Earrings may not be covered up with plasters.
- Only one signet ring is allowed.
- No tongue rings or jewellery requiring additional piercings (except earrings) are allowed.
- When jewellery is confiscated by a teacher, it is placed in an envelope or bag with the date it was taken, as well as a date when it may be collected again (four weeks later). This envelope or bag will be handed in at Ms. Stoffelien Coetzee. Learners may then collect it after four weeks (second date) from Ms. Coetzee.



Learners may wear winter or summer uniform in April and September depending on the weather, as long as it is the complete winter or summer uniform.

GIRLS: NAILS

- Nails may not be longer than the fingertips.
- Girls may be asked to cut their nails immediately.
- No built-up or false nails.
- Nail polish may not be worn on nails with school uniform. Only clear nail polish may be worn.

GRADE 8 BIB:

Grade 8 bib is included in the R1 800 deposit. Extra bibs are available at R200 and can be purchased from Malinda Prinsloo in the school fees office. EFT payments welcome - see banking details below. Reference - name and surname of learner and gr. 8-bib. The bib will be handed out during a special event. The bib is compulsory and must be worn over school uniform at all school activities until the initiation in August 2023.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Staff members will be at the school on 9 January 2023 from 08:00 to 13:00. The new school year for the learners starts on Wednesday, 11 January 2023 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. Gr. 8 learners must be at school at 07:30.

SCHOOL FEES 2023

All school fees and tariffs are available at the school, on the school's website and at the end of this booklet after the AGM on 25 October.

DEBIT ORDERS

Can be arranged at school fees office with Malinda Prinsloo.

SUBSIDIES

Application forms for subsidies will be available at the school from 4 January 2023. Johan Coetzee Attorneys administrates debt collections.

CIVVY DAYS

(wear of civilian clothes instead of school uniform)

- Civvy days are a privilege.
- Your shoulders and abdomen should be covered.
- Clothing may not be too tight, too short or too bare.
- Comfortable but suitable for school.
- School rules pertaining to hair, nails, make-up and jewellery are still applicable on civvy days.
- On civvy days Grade 8's wear Middie clothes with a warmup top if it is cold. Middie tracksuits may be worn in winter. After the initiation gr. 8's may wear civvies on civvy days. No denims with a Middie shirt. Sport tekkies are worn with Middie clothes.



OFFICIAL SCHOOL TIMES

FROM 11 JANUARY 2023

- 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.

BANKING DETAILS

Name:	Hoërskool Middelburg
Bank:	FNB
Type of account:	Cheque
Acc. no.:	621 646 15232
Branch code:	270150
Reference:	(Name and Surname of learner + Gr... (+ E.g. Hockey Tour)
Proof to:	debiteure@middies.co.za



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. An additional fee of R2 000 for outstanding books will be levied on the account.

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 -	5%
Primary School (>300 learners) & MHS	
Headboy/girl - MHS Hostel	5%
Dux-pupil of the previous year Grade 7 (School > 300 learners) for Grade 8 year only	100%
Dux-pupil of the previous year Grade 8-11 Grade 8-11	15%
Top 10 of the previous year – Grade 7-11 (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.

GRADE 8 PARENTS' BRAAI:

Our annual parents' braai will take place on Wednesday 25 January 2023 at 18:00. Fire, pap, sauce and salad will be provided. Please bring your own meat, tongs, beverages, cutlery and crockery.

Please note that all arrangements are subject to Covid regulations at the time and may change at any time.

POLICY BOOKLET:

Every learner and parent must sign the school's Information Technology Policy, as well as POPI Policy. All policies regarding school rules, prize giving, social media, POPI, student council election, RCL election, as well as the matric farewell are available on the school's website www.middies.co.za under "Downloadable". The school deals with all important rules the first week of school during LO periods.

SCHOOL ZONE ☎ 013 243 3241

- Mondays - Fridays: 07:00-15:00
- This shop will be closed from 8 December 2022 and will reopen again on 5 January 2023.
- The shop will be open on Saturday 7 January 2023 from 08:00-13:00

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. **Enquiries: Malinda Prinsloo – School Fees Office.**
debiteure@middies.co.za

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 ORIENTATION CAMP:

Remember the compulsory Gr 8 orientation camp the two days before school starts! It promises to be one big festival! This camp is the ideal opportunity for them to get to know each other and build healthy relationships. Our grade 8 learners will be ready to begin their high school adventure with peace of mind.

The camp will take place at the school on 9 & 10 January 2023. The cost for the camp is included in the deposit and includes lunch! Bring cold drinks / water and tuck shop money.

Learners come to school on 9 January 2023 in civvy wear from 08:00-16:00 and 10 January 2023 in school uniform from 7:30-13:30.

Camp enquiries can be directed to Mr Dave Osborn, Deputy Principal, during school hours. (013) 282 7393/4 Ext. 214.

DATES FOR 2023:

A calendar with dates for 2023, as well as other information is available on the D6 Connect, website www.middies.co.za, Google Calendar and Facebook.

GRADE 8 CONCERT:

Practice times: Mondays to Thursdays from 16-24 January 2023, 13:45-15:00.

Wed, 25 January 2023 - Concert for learners only.

Thurs, 26 January 2023 -

Concert for parents.

Tickets at the door.



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MEET MIDDIES' GR. 8 SUPERHEROES

Please note: Staff will only be finalized later in the year or in the new year and therefore changes may occur.



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