

Happy Spring Day!

HANDOVERS

It is time to start prepping handovers...

You have now given your outstanding parents 90 days to either pay or make a payment arrangement. The accounts where you have not received any payments or payment arrangements should be handed over. If you do not hand over, you create a culture of non-payment. If you hand over in time, we can rehabilitate your parents. Next year you have paying parents.

The following information is needed from the school to successfully load the handed over debtors onto CeeBee's system:

1. Updated detailed school statements reflecting all the years of debt.
2. Parent information (Contact details, ID numbers, physical address, e-mail address etc)
3. Any financial correspondence between parents and School.

Please note that the parents ID numbers are crucial as we cannot credit list or trace without an ID number. To make it easier for our schools to hand over, you can provide us with the necessary information using SharePoint.

SHAREPOINT

We provide an easier way for schools to submit documents to CeeBee. We can create a SharePoint folder for your school as a secure place to store, organize, share, and access information online from any device.

All your information is stored securely in the cloud. Only the school and senior CeeBee staff members have access to this folder. To use, all you need is an internet connection and a web browser, such as Microsoft Edge, Internet Explorer, Chrome, or Firefox.

Benefits of using SharePoint:

- This will save the school costs on ink and paper.
- It will avoid time delays to get the documentation to and from CeeBee.
- Limitless storage.
- The data stays on the SharePoint folder for future reference.
- Easy access.
- Acts as your Centralized Hub.

If you are interested in the SharePoint folder, please reply to this e-mail and we will create one for you. Once the folder is created by CeeBee, CeeBee will send the SharePoint folder link to the school. The school can then upload files onto the online platform for new handovers, school statements, etc.

WHAT THE LAW STATES ABOUT WITHHOLDING TRANSFER CARDS AND REPORTS

Section 29 (12) of the National Protocol on Assessments for Grade R to 12, strictly prohibits public and private schools from withholding report cards for any reason, including non-payment of school fees, no matter what the contractual provisions provide.

According to the Independent Schools Association of South Africa (ISASA), the regulation does not prevent a school from using other means, such as legal action, to obtain fees that may be overdue in terms of the contract between the school and a parent.

The above provision was confirmed in the Polokwane High Court where Judge Monene ruled on 19 April 2023, Mitchell House must hand over the report of a 13-year-old pupil to her father.

The full citation of the above case has been withheld, in order to protect the identity of the Learner.

**Legal Update from the Desk of Megan Oosthuizen (BCom)(LLB)
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NEW SCHOOLS SIGNED SINCE OUR LAST NEWSLETTER

Gauteng: The Cotswold Montessori, Birnel College, Espoir Academy, Creative Education Centre Senior, Brenthurst Primary School, Leaders Today College, Space Age Independent School, Linksfield Primary School, Laerskool Edleen & BASA Schools.

West Rand: LUC Academy & Avianto Estate Private School.

North West: Laerskool Rustenburg Noord.

Limpopo: CVO Skool Vivo, Laerskool Eugene Marais & Euphorbia CO Skool.

Free State: Grey College Secondary School, Nelsdrif Primêre Skool & Hoërskool Sand du Plessis. **KZN**: Port Edward Primary School, Amanzimtoti Primary School & Newcastle High School.

West Cape: Rondebosch Boys Preparatory School, Rondebosch Boys High School, Laerskool Jan van Riebeeck & The Rock Christian Academy.

Eastern Cape: Forest Ridge Private School & Voorpos Primary School.

Northern Cape: Laerskool Eureka.

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