Good day Parents,

**Message from the Principal**
Renovations at school have been a tremendous success and we are very proud of our beautiful school. The pavilion on the sports field is also looking great and has been built with precision. The screeding of the corridors is the last activity in terms of renovations and has proven to be the most challenging. Teachers, learners and parents of Aston Manor Primary must be thanked for their patience and understanding over the last 2 weeks. The contractor is working around the clock and will again cause some discomfort this week. The corridors need a smooth finish and the workers are attending to that aspect now.

**Parenting**
The turnstiles have been successfully installed and the company, Cogent Security Projects, have done a great job. Parents are now reminded that the turnstiles are improving the safety of our children and staff and that access to the grounds of the school is getting more difficult. Parents who are entering school grounds in the mornings by means of the turnstiles will only be able to exit the school via the front office. This is not ideal and parents are kindly requested to refrain from coming onto the school grounds in the mornings. Aston Manor parents can rest assure that once children have walked through the turnstiles they are safe.

**AMPS Music Festival, Thursday 19 September 2019**
A “big” thank you to all the parents who have responded positively to this very exciting event. The parents of 784 children have confirmed that their children will take part in the Music Festival and are now reminded to do the payment of R150-00. Any outstanding payments must be done by Thursday 18 April 2019.

**School rules**
Parents and learners are please to take note of the following provision in the Code of Conduct for learners in the front of the Homework Diary:

**Hair Styles**

1. Hair must be neat, natural, clean and tidy.

2. Fashion hairstyles such as stencils shaved into hair is not permitted. No exaggerated hairstyles will be permitted

3. Boys hair must be short enough; it may not touch the ears or eyebrows and must be above the collar.

4. Shaved hair must be one length, no visible distinction/ patterns allowed.

5. Braided hair (girls only) must be the same colour as the child’s natural hair colour.

6. All hair that is shoulder length/ unruly hair must be tied back/ plaited and the fringe must be out of the face (including braids).

7. Children’s hair, eyebrows and eyelashes may not be coloured or tinted. If hair is coloured during the School holidays, the hair must be returned to the NATURAL / NORMAL colour when school re-opens.

8. Girl’s hair accessories may be white or OR navy OR red OR tartan (same as dress). Plain silver clips are permitted. Colours may not be mixed or matched. Beads may not be worn.

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9. Neat hair compliments the uniform and enhances the School’s image.

10. Parents will be contacted if management feels that a child’s hair is inappropriate and needs to be corrected.

11. When necessary LICE checks are done at School. LICE are contagious, and an infected child needs to be fetched immediately. A doctor’s note or clinic clearance certificate is required if your child constantly has lice.

**Sports results and upcoming fixtures:**

a) Rugby VS Laerskool Edleen on Wednesday 10 April
- Under 9 – AMPS won 22 - 17
- Under 10 – AMPS won 10 – 0
- Under 11 – AMPS won 19 – 10
- 2nd Team -- AMPS won 27 – 3
- 1st Team – AMPS won 48 – 0

Good luck to the rugby boys and coaches for the next league match on Wednesday 17 April against Laerskool Die Arend in Brakpan. Matches will be played at Die Arend.

b) Netball

Good luck to the netball girls and coaches who are preparing for the first league match of the season against Tom Newby Primary on Thursday 18 April 2019. Matches will be played at Tom Newby in Benoni.

c) Easter weekend festivals

Parents and learners are reminded that this week consists of four school days because of Easter celebrations. Friday 19 April is a public holiday (Good Friday) and Monday the 22 April (Family day) as well. Learners and teachers will return to school on Tuesday 23 April 2019.

Aston Manor’s under 13 netball and 2nd rugby teams will be taking part in the St Dunstan’s Easter Festival in Benoni over the weekend. The fixtures are as follows:

**Netball Fixtures**

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**2ND Team Rugby Fixtures**

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King Edward Easter Festival
Good luck to the 1st rugby team taking part in the King Edward Rugby Festival. The fixtures are as follows.

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Winter Uniform
Parents have the opportunity to purchase winter uniforms from our school’s official stockists namely MS Uniforms and Boundary Silk Bazaar. Please contact both suppliers in order to determine availability of stock.
Contact: MS Uniforms (011) 050-7842
Boundary Silk Bazaar: (011) 975-2119

2nd Hand Clothing Shop
The AMPS clothing shop is open on Tuesdays from 07:15 – 9:00 and parents are welcome to purchase second hand school uniform at very reasonable prices. Parents are also requested to donate old good quality school uniform to the clothing shop to ensure that we have enough stock available for the needs of our learners.

D6 Communicator
Please note that all school correspondence will be done via the D6 Communicator. Please load on to your phone’s Android via the play store and Iphone via Istore. You can also download on to your desktops www.school-communicator.com/downloads

School Fees
We have noticed that there are a lot of parents who’s fees weren’t paid last month. PLEASE ensure that your account is up to date!
A BIG THANK YOU to all parents to who have paid their school fees.
Please contact Mrs Nel on finance@amps.za.com should you have any queries.

AMPS – R1255 per month
GOOSEY – R1435 per month
AFTERCARE – R845 per month

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