



PHARILLANE ENGLISH MEDIUM SCHOOLS

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SCHOOL PROSPECTUS



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We know that making decisions for your child or children's education can sometimes feel like a daunting prospect. The impact of making the right choice can be challenging, not only for your child's results, progress and experiences, but more importantly on the life that you want them to live.

Phakalane Secondary School will motivate, develop and nurture your child. All this in an environment where inspiration and quality permeates everything, from the foundations of the purpose built, state-of-the-art buildings to highly skilled and dedicated teachers and staff.

By choosing to send your child to study at Phakalane Secondary School, we believe you are making the best choice a parent can make.

Your child's education and future could not be in better hands.



## WELCOME FROM THE MANAGEMENT

We would like to welcome you all to Phakalane Secondary School, a thriving, highly successful learning community, committed to both individual and collective success.

We take enormous pride in leading this inspiring school. With our dedicated staff, we are committed to raising the aspirations and achievements of all our students. Our aim is to unlock each students potential by ensuring they receive the best education and opportunities that they deserve.

Our institution's developing a reputation for its relentless pursuit of excellence and its focus on academic rigor. It insists on outstanding behaviour within a harmonious and respectful culture, where students feel happy and safe. We encourage our students to become confident compassionate, independent young adults, with respect for others.

There are no limits to the levels of success our students can achieve. "I can achieve anything", is a belief that emanates throughout the secondary school. We create a positive attitude through our ethos and values ensuring every child receives access to a top quality education.

Phakalane Primary School has a bright future and we are delighted to welcome you and your child to our school.

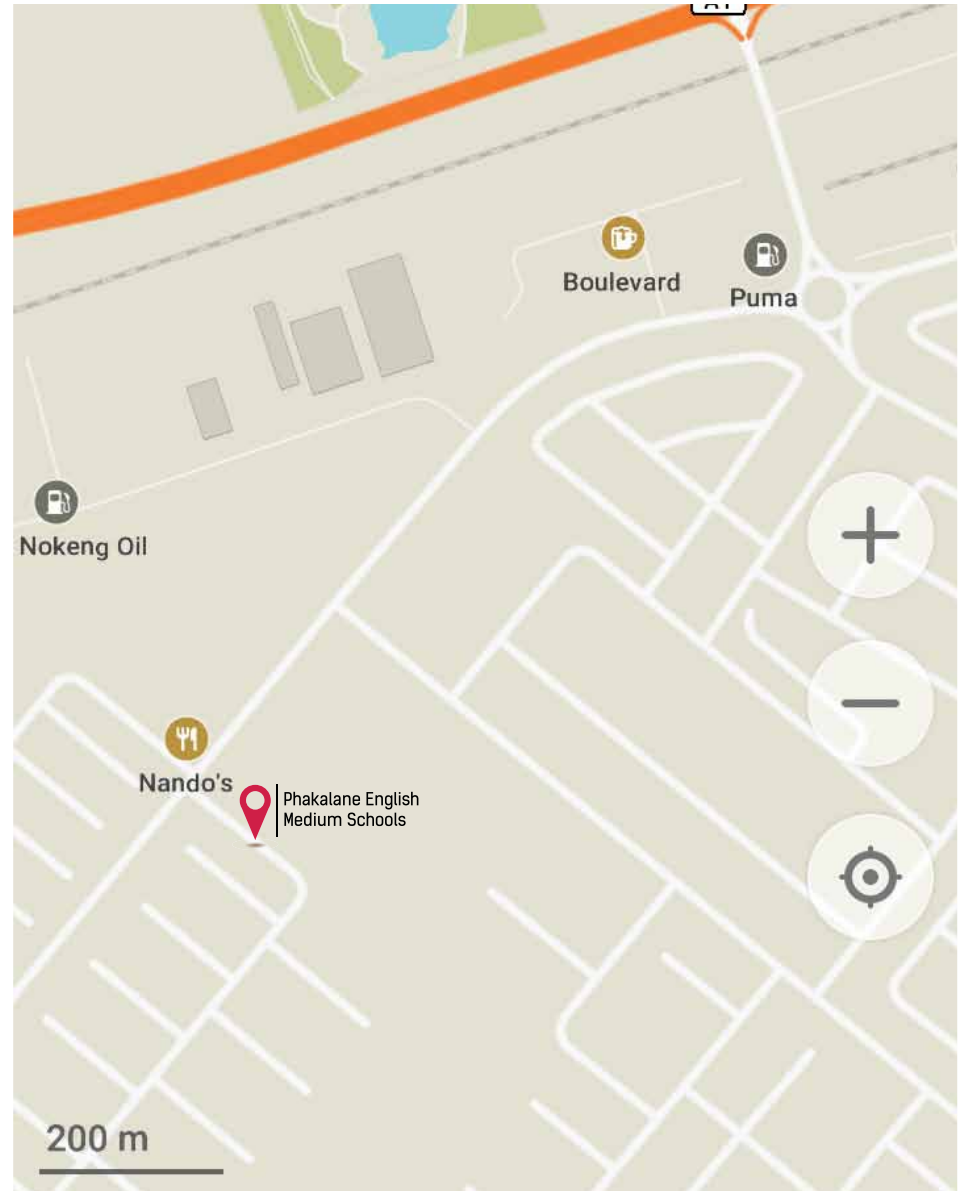


Mr & Mrs Joseph  
Co-Founders





## WHERE TO FIND US





## Results

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Phakalane Secondary School the best performing independent education provider in Botswana, it is also one of the highest performing secondary schools nationally at all levels.

Whether you have a university qualification or a career in mind, or are still exploring your options, we will ensure your results are among the very best. Your education and future couldn't be in better hands when you choose to join Phakalane Secondary School.

In 2017 our first student graduates wrote the Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGSCE) achieved outstanding results having achieved a 100% pass rate.





## CAMPUS & FACILITIES

At Phakalane Secondary School your studies will take place in an inspiring location, with modern, purpose-built buildings and facilities designed specifically, for students to enhance their studies.

The quality of teaching and modern, state-of-the-art equipment and industry standard science laboratories, will inspire students to make continued progress throughout their studies.

## STUDENTS LIFE

Students at Phakalane Secondary School form a key part of a diverse and thriving student community.

Students of different interests, talent or ambitions, become part of a school community that is focused on the future. Students are supported by highly motivated and inspirational teachers. We believe each student is unique and we welcome the individuality each brings to the school community, inclusive of fellow student's classmates and the school as a whole. Learning and leisure are blended successfully on campus to enable you to enjoy your time outside of taught classes.

We know that universities and employers look for talented, well-rounded individuals who know how to excel in an adult environment. Secondary school life is exciting, challenging and rewarding, and the school is here to support students every step of the way. It is important to us that you get the most out of your time at Phakalane Secondary School and the support you'll receive will ensure you have a positive learning experience.





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## PEOPLE

Our students; their experience, well-being and needs are at the center of everything we do as a school.

Our ethos and values are central to our culture, organisation and student success. The attention we give to ensuring our students are safe and well cared for is recognised as a strength of the school.

Our experienced and dedicated staff support and encourage all our students of different backgrounds, needs and aspirations. We ensure our students all have the maximum opportunity to achieve and succeed both academically and personally.

We believe that effective learning is achieved best when school and parents work together. We expect parents and guardians to monitor the use of their children's school calendars, and communication books to encourage them to complete their independent learning tasks to the best of their ability. Our firm belief is that great success can be maintained most effectively when reinforced by the school and home being in partnership. The school hosts a number of parent and students' academic and non-academic activities in which we reinforce the value of cooperation. This includes events such as:

- Meet the teacher
- Parents night
- Spellathon
- Sponsored Walk
- Family fun day
- Prize giving
- Various house sporting activities





## MEET THE TEAM

Our highly experienced team is committed to ensuring students receive the highest possible levels of teaching excellence combined with unrivalled student support.





## TEACHING & LEARNING

At Phakalane Secondary School we demand excellence from our students and our teaching enables them to flourish and achieve their full potential. We set aspirational and challenging goals and targets for our students which are reviewed regularly. Students and parents are kept informed of their progress and how they can improve.

All teachers are challenged to be consistently outstanding and learning is rigorously reviewed. Our personalized staff training development programme ensures that our staff are at the cutting edge of educational theory and practice. We encourage our students to be aspirational and challenge their own expectations of themselves to provide them with the knowledge and learning that will allow them to pursue a range of education and career opportunities in the future. Work set for outside of school is designed to prepare students for the learning ahead through a wide range of tasks and activities.



## CURRICULUM

Cambridge IGCSE is one of the most sought after international qualifications for students studying at secondary level. IGCSE provides students a broad choice of subject electives in its rich international curriculum, and offers multiple advantages to students who complete it successfully.

IGCSE programs are designed to equip learners with excellent communication skills, confidence and high level of competency in the skills required in today's global village.

IGCSE encourages students to develop a global perspective and promotes broad and open mindedness through its specialized approaches to learning & teaching. It further sensitizes learners to issues related to cultural diversity and tolerance and assists them in deciphering global issues and translating them into their local context. Thus, empowering them to engage with their communities in a productive and positive manner.

A key benefit of the IGCSE qualification is that it offers instant recognition from top universities, organizations, governments and employers worldwide. Ensuring that application processes are simplified. Globally, the rigorous IGCSE curriculum is a sign of competence and excellence.

The IGCSE curriculum is a natural fit for Phakalane Secondary School as it is the embodiment of our mission and vision. Our students complete the curriculum ready to compete, conquer and prosper in any global arena.

Students access and experience a large range of subjects, all of which are delivered through a skills based curriculum providing them with a firm academic foundation for their studies, as they move up through the school.





This is based on the knowledge of what we believe they will be successful in, and will provide them with the best career opportunities for the future. We offer a wide and varied range of subjects. Our core subjects of Mathematics, English and Science tend to be taught in sets, while others are taught in a combination of mixed ability sets include the below listed subjects:

- English language
- English literature
- Setswana
- French
- Mathematics
- Geography
- History
- Information Communications Technology
- Business Studies
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Physical education
- Music

We continue to expand on the subject offering as we assess the wants and needs of our students, also taking into consideration the ever changing educational environment.

### EDUCATIONAL TOURS

There are educational tours which are carried out as scheduled each term of the academic year. Students visit different place of educational interest as seen fit by their teachers in various departments.





## EXTRA-CURRICULAR

We aim to provide students with a large number of opportunities to enable them to broaden their experiences outside of the classroom. whether this is part of formal sport teams, including football, volleyball and athletics, to more informal clubs in Science, Music, Technology, Dance or Drama, where students can come along and try something new. Our annual price giving and carols by candle light provides many opportunities to get involved, whether front of house, on the stage, or in support helping with lighting or makeup.

We offer a wide range of activities, trips and cultural visits which embrace many aspects of the curriculum. We also ensure our students experience a wide range of career based activities such as university visits, apprenticeship conferences and visits to local and national businesses. Many subjects offer opportunities to grow and develop beyond the confines of formal examinations. Subjects such as Mathematics and Art provide students with additional courses that are tailored towards student's strengths and interests.

Our message is simple, if you want to try something new we will do all we can to provide the opportunity.





## TRANSPORT

The school offers transport for students. Students are collected from their doorstep in the morning and dropped after school. This unique service is designed to help our busyparents and guardian cope with the demands of their busy professional lives without stressing about transporting their children to and from school.

When it comes to the students' safety, one should understand its importance and there is no compromise. The buses and mini-buses are equipped with a state of the art tracking system .This allows for remote monitoring of the fleet including in real time tracking , speed monitoring to allow for safe transit of all students. Alerts from school bus tracking systems are issued to school transport administrators in the event the bus deviates from its assigned route or if speed driving is detected. This also allows for efficiency in the transport system through analysis of best and most time efficient routes.







## ADMISSIONS

Moving from primary to secondary is an exciting and significant event. We acknowledge this important milestone and invest a significant amount of time and energy in ensuring that the transition is as smooth and problem free as possible. We interact with our our feeder primary school on a number of occasions speaking with students and their class teachers, so we know as much as possible about them before they begin with us in January. Specialist staff from Phakalane Secondary School also meet very early in the process, with parents of students with special educational needs, to discuss the provision that will be provided.

School tours during the school day, gives students and parents a chance to visit the school and meet teachers and students.

Applications are accepted throughout the year but due to limited space parents are encouraged to make applications as early as possible in the previous year.





On accepting students into Phakalane Secondary School we offer a five year commitment that they will be equipped both academically, personally and socially for their life ahead.

Our Secondary School is a vibrant and hugely successful destination for students after they have completed their PSLE studies. We attract students from both Phakalane Primary School and other local schools who wish to access the large and varied courses we offer.

Due to the high expectations demanded of our students, the vast majority of students go on to higher education when they leave Phakalane Secondary School.

## Career paths

All your life you've been asked what you want to do when you grow up. All students are encouraged to start thinking early in their school career about their future plans and direction. Settling on just one occupation in high school isn't necessary, but looking into the types of careers you might like can help students be set up for success.

As a school one of our core objectives is to provide appropriate career education for our students. Students will have access to career education and guidance in their school. The ultimate goal is for students to leave school with:

- a developed sense of self-awareness
- an awareness of opportunities
- the ability to make decisions and plans
- the ability to take action.





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