

## **BASIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT REMINDS SCHOOL COMMUNITY** THAT APRIL 28 SET ASIDE AS SPECIAL SCHOOL HOLIDAY

The Department of Basic Education reminds parents, guardians and school communities in general that Friday 28 April 2023 is a Special School Holiday. Learners are not expected to be in school on the day.

It is notable that Thursday 27 April 2023 is a Public Holiday. The Department of Basic Education in agreement with its stakeholders made a decision to allow teachers and leaners a Special School Holiday on Friday 28 April, the day after 27 April (Human Rights Day).

27 April and 1 May (Workers' Day) are historical days that should and must remind us, as a nation, of a history we dare not forget as South Africans, while looking forward to a new dawn. We therefore, as the Department of Basic Education, encourage the teaching and engagement of learners from as early an age as possible, to be taught about the history of our beautiful country.

Herewith, the 2023 School Calendar for inland schools in (Gauteng, Mpumalanga, Free State, Limpopo and North West) and coastal schools in (Western Cape, Northern Cape ,Eastern Cape and KZN)

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