



REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA

## MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, ARTS & CULTURE

I, Katrina Hanse-Himarwa, Minister of Education, Arts and Culture acting in terms of section 37 (1) of the Education Act, 2001 (Act No. 16 of 2001) hereby distribute a **2016 School Calendar** for public schools as detailed in the accompanying schedule below for your implementation.

### 2016 CALENDAR FOR GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

TERM	SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR LEARNERS	SCHOOL DAYS	SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR TEACHERS
<b>First Term</b> <b>First school day</b> Public Holiday- Independence day <b>Midterm Break – School Holiday</b>	<b>Wednesday, 13 January</b> Monday, 21 March <b>Tuesday 22 – Thursday 24 March</b>	69	<b>Monday, 11 January</b> Monday, 21 March <b>Tuesday 22 – Thursday 24 March</b>
Public Holiday- Good Friday Public Holiday- Easter Monday <b>Last school day</b>	Friday, 25 March Monday, 28 March <b>Tuesday, 26 April</b>		Friday, 25 March Monday, 28 March <b>Friday, 29 April</b>
<b>Second Term</b> <b>First school day</b> School Holiday-Day of the African Child <b>Last school day</b>	<b>Monday, 30 May</b> Thursday, 16 June <b>Thursday, 18 August</b>		59
<b>Third Term</b> <b>First school day</b> International Teacher's Day –School Holiday <b>Last school day</b>	<b>Wednesday, 31 August</b> Wednesday, 05 October <b>Friday, 02 December</b>	67	<b>Tuesday, 30 August</b> Wednesday, 05 October <b>Wednesday, 07 December</b>
<b>Total school days for 2016</b>		195	
<b>First Term 2017, First school day (Provisional)</b>	<b>Wednesday, 11 January 2017</b>		<b>Monday, 09 January 2017</b>

### HOSTEL CALENDAR

TERM	HOSTEL CALENDAR FOR LEARNERS	HOSTEL DAYS	HOSTEL STAFF	TEACHERS
<b>First term</b> <b>Hostels open</b> Home weekend Home weekend Home weekend <b>Hostels close</b>	<b>Tuesday, 12 January</b> Friday, 29 January Friday, 26 February Friday, 25 March <b>Tuesday, 26 April</b>	89	<b>Sunday, 10 January</b>   <b>Friday, 29 April</b>	<b>Monday, 11 January</b>   <b>Friday, 29 April</b>
<b>Second term</b> <b>Hostels open</b> Home weekend Home weekend Home weekend <b>Hostels close</b>	<b>Wednesday, 25 May</b> Friday, 03 June Friday, 01 July Friday, 22 July <b>Thursday, 18 August</b>	79	<b>Monday, 23 May</b>   <b>Tuesday, 23 August</b>	<b>Tuesday, 24 May</b>   <b>Tuesday, 23 August</b>
<b>Third Term</b> <b>Hostels open</b> Home weekend Home weekend Home weekend <b>Hostels close</b>	<b>Tuesday, 30 August</b> Friday, 30 September Friday, 28 October Friday, 04 November <b>Friday, 02 December</b>	102	<b>Sunday, 28 August</b>   <b>Friday, 09 December</b>	<b>Monday, 29 August</b>   <b>Friday, 09 December</b>
<b>Total hostel days for 2016</b>		270		
<b>First Term 2017, Hostels open (Provisional)</b>	<b>Tuesday, 10 January</b>		<b>Sunday, 08 January</b>	<b>Monday, 11 January</b>

Optimum utilization of school time ensures success