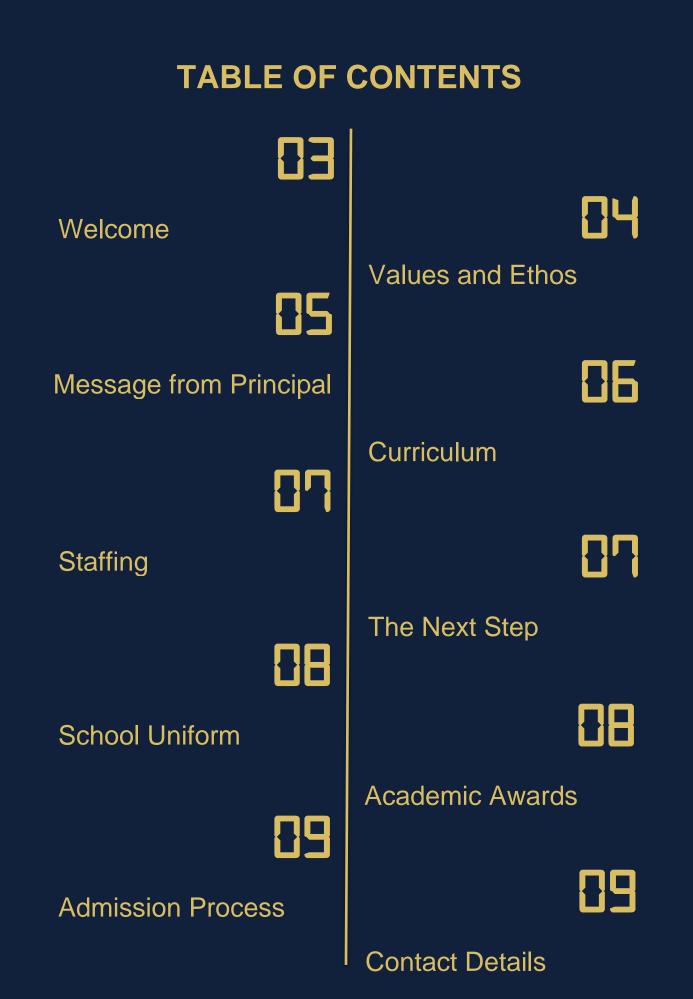


# WELCOME TO AYM ACADEMY



### WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL!

#### 1.1 Who are we?

AYM Academy was founded in 2008. The first branch established in the Johannesburg area. AYM Academy is a mixed independent school that started due to demands for a smaller schooling environment that caters for the needs of each individual.

We believe that children deserve access to excellent education hence, we are dedicated to creating a model that would provide access to quality Education.

#### 1.2 Our vision

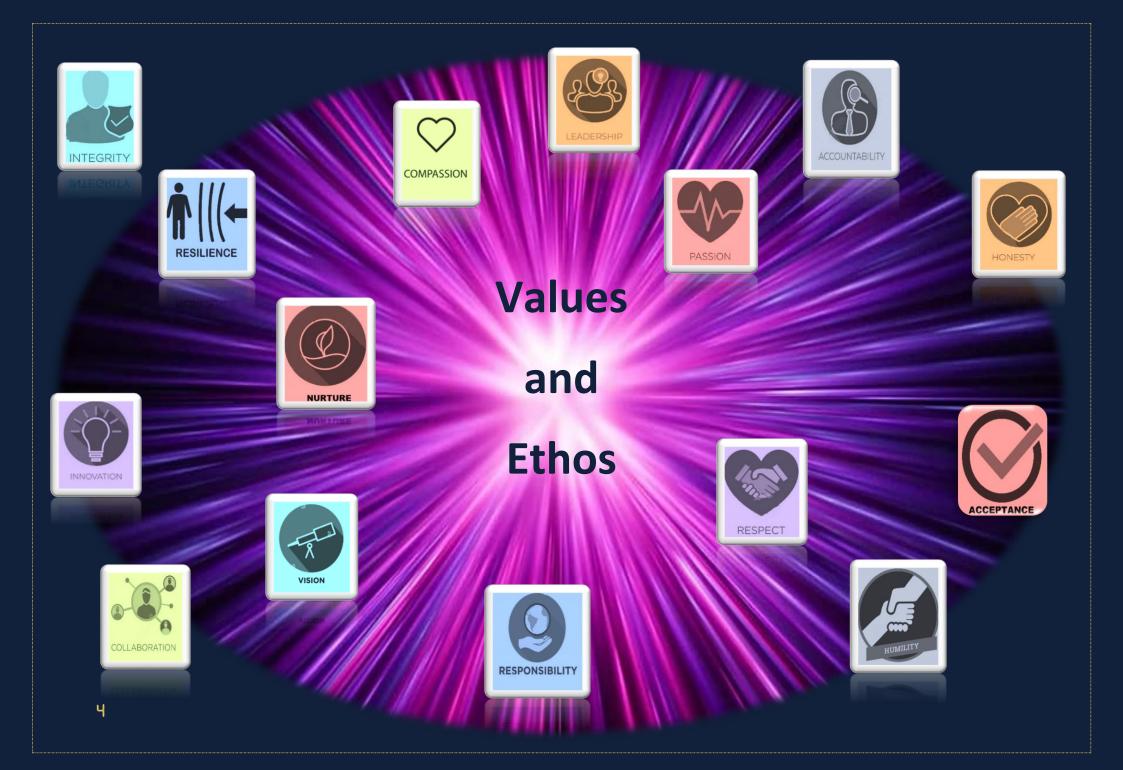
To provide an Education that is holistic and not just focusing on the Academic ability of the student but the emotional and social well-being of the student as well. We aim to meet the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century by creating an environment that allows students to enjoy, discover and achieve through learning, being healthy, staying safe and making a positive contribution to society, all while emphasising on the characteristics that impact humanity.

#### 1.3 Our mission

Our mission is to produce children who are critical thinkers, problem solvers, adaptable to our ever-changing world and have a deep sense of commitment to improving the lives of others and the environment.

At AYM Academy we strive to:

- **Maintain small classes and give individual attention to learners.**
- Invest in committed and qualified Educators.
- Offer a curriculum that incorporates personal and studious growth.
- Keep abreast of technology.
- Be supportive, caring and encouraging.
- Promote team work.
- Nurture talents amongst learners.
- Teach traditional values, respect, positive discipline and courtesy in our modern world.



## 3. Message from the Principal

e at AYM Academy understand the importance of choosing the right school for your child. We also understand the importance of preparing our students for the uncertain future. We assure you that learners will leave AYM Academy well prepared by ensuring the skills of resilience, critical thinking, leadership and being a life-long learner are ingrained in our students

AYM Academy maintains small class sizes and gives individual attention to every child. Our classrooms are vibrant student-centred environments where inquiry-based approaches are balanced with direct teaching methods.

We aim to combine the future that is technology by using e-books, a school portal and innovative teaching methods with conventional teaching which allows students to kinesthetically be involved in what they are learning.

We believe a combination of the above will ensure that our students are inculcated with a love for learning. We also understand the importance of each child's social and emotional development.

Strong parent-teacher relationships are also of utmost importance. We encourage parents to be active participants in your child's schooling life and we welcome you to be part of our AYM family.

We aim to provide a value based, high quality education.

Once again, thank you for your interest in our school and we look forward to you and your family becoming part of our school community. I welcome you to join and visit our school.

Mr. M. Daya

Principal

#### **SENIOR PHASE**

#### Grade 7 – Grade 9

In our Senior Phase learners have to decide on subject choices and career direction when they finish school. This means that they make very important decisions that will impact not only Grade 10 to 12 but also on their working life after school.

Our major subjects and areas of learning are:

- English (Home Language
- Afrikaans (First Additional Language)
- **Mathematics**
- Life Orientation (which includes Physical Education)
- **A** Natural Science
- Social Science (History and Geography)
- Economic and Management Sciences
- Creative Arts
- 🛃 Technology

#### FET PHASE

#### Grade 10 – Grade 12

Under FET Phase learners can choose from a wide range of subjects as per the National Curriculum provided by the Department of Education.

Our major subjects and areas of learning are as follows:

- English (Home Language)
- Afrikaans (First Additional Language)
- **4** Mathematics
- Mathematical Literacy
- **4** Accounting
- Business Studies
- Life Sciences
- Physical Sciences
- Geography
- 4 Tourism
- 4 History

#### **E-LEARNING**

Electronics and mobile learning can be seen as an additional learning resource that can also help enhance access to learning tools.

#### **Our Curriculum**

We integrate and implement the South African curriculum, focusing on high quality teaching to improve student achievement.

A variety of differentiated instructions in teaching and learning is used to ensure a learning environment that is safe, caring and inclusive.

Each phase is designed to ensure that students receive all the required skills and knowledge required for their specific phase.

#### **FOUNDATION PHASE**

#### Grade R – Grade 3

Our Foundation Phase curriculum promotes four aspects of achievement:

- The ability to express in oral and written form.
- The ability to apply knowledge through practical tasks and problem-solving skills.
- The development of personal and social skills.
- The development of self-confidence.

Our major subjects and areas of learning are:

- 🖶 Literacy
- **Wumeracy**
- 🐇 Life skills

#### **INTERMEDIATE PHASE**

#### Grade 4 – Grade 6

Our Intermediate Phase curriculum encourages investigating, modelling, designing solutions, engaging our learners in science, collaboration and presentation skills, critical thinking and problem solving.

Our major subjects and areas of learning are:

- 🛃 Languages
- English (Home Language)-
- 4 Afrikaans (First Additional Language)
- 🛛 🕌 Mathematics
- Natural Science/Technology
- Social Science (History and Geography)
- Life Orientation/Physical Education

#### 5. Staffing

The SACE Act, Act no 31 of 2000, mandates SACE to provide for the registration of all educators. The Act explains the importance of registration for those in the teaching profession. At AYM Academy all our educators are SACE Registered. We strive to employ qualified and experienced educators. We also have a dedicated administrative and support staff team.

#### 6. Next Step

#### 6.1 School Fees

In order to attend AYM Academy payment of school fees is compulsory.

- For new applications a non-refundable application fee and registration fee is applicable.
- For returning learners, a registration fee is applicable which will be deducted from the fee for the year.
- The registration and admissions fee secures a student's place.
- Applications will not be processed until the full registration and administration fee has been received by the school.
- Parents should expect school fees to increase by a cost-of-living adjustment on an annual basis in line with inflation.
- Discounts are offered for a second family member as well as discounts on fees paid in full before the end of February of the year concerned. We don't offer bursaries.
- School fees does not include costs for uniforms, stationery, textbooks, educational outings and field trips that require payments.
- Fees break-down can be sent on request.

#### 7. School Uniform

| Boys                                     | Girls                                   |
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| AYM Academy golf t-short/navy kurta with | AYM Academy school uniform (full length |
| school badge                             | dress)                                  |
| Grey school trouser                      | Navy burqa                              |
| Black shoes/trainers                     | Black shoes/trainers                    |
| Black/grey socks                         | Black/grey socks                        |
| AYM Academy jersey (in winter)           | Black pants/tights under uniform        |
| School Blazer                            | AYM Academy jersey (in winter)          |
|  | School Blazer                           |

If a student is dressed inappropriately for school, parents will be contacted to discuss the matter.

#### Jewellery

Female students will be allowed to wear stud earrings only if they have pierced ears. Students may also wear a watch.

No other jewellery will be allowed.

Students are not allowed to wear any make-up or nail varnish.

#### 8. Academic Awards

AYM Academy wants to see every student reach his or her maximum potential by striving hard. Each year, the school holds an Annual Awards Ceremony to acknowledge students for their achievements.

AYM Academy recognizes students in the areas of Academic Excellence, Service to the School and Character Positions.



#### 9. Admission process

#### **ADMISSION POLICY**

The school does not discriminate in enrolment on the basis of race, gender, age, sex, religion or national origin. Enrolment for the following year must be done by the end of July each year and continues until all available spots are filled in a given grade. Preference will be given to siblings first, then students who reside in the area, and should there still be remaining spaces, students from outside the feeder area will be admitted.

In order for a new student to be considered for admission to AYM Academy the following must be submitted to the school:

- 1. Completed and signed application form.
- 2. All the requested certified copies of documents.
- 3. Copies of students' academic record for the past year.
- 4. Provide up-dated health records, including immunizations.
- 5. Application fee.

All admission decisions are communicated in writing or telephonically to help plan for the next year, returning students must complete and sign the "Intent of Enrolment" form by September each year.

#### **10. Contact Details**

| Principal:         | Mr. M. Daya                          |
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| School management: | Mrs. A. Navlakhi<br>Mrs. N. Abdullah |
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| School email:      | admin@aym-academy.com                |
| School website:    | www.aym-academy.com                  |

"Students should have rich, relevant and authentic experiences at school, across the board"

*Sanée Bell* 'Be Excellent on Purpose'