



NEWSLETTER

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Membership fees for 2025:

Subscription fees and Webinar rates for 2025.

School Annual Membership fee:

R2250.00 and entitles 6 teachers to join the webinars and seminar at the member rate, thereafter the non-member rate applies.

Individual Annual Membership fee:

R330.00 and entitles you to join all events at the member rate.

Webinar fees for non-members:

R310.00 per webinar

5% of all bookings will be donated to an Outreach School, Kings School Muldersdrift.

Schools/individuals who are in need, please reach out to SAALED and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Please liaise with your school and make payment as soon as possible.

BANK DETAILS:

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First National Bank

Account No: 62046846020

Branch code: 250655

Please ensure that your name/school's name appears on any deposit notification.

Dear SAALED Members and Friends,

We hope this message finds you well as we embark on our path filled with opportunities for growth, learning and connection. At SAALED, our commitment to supporting learners with educational differences remains steadfast, and we are thrilled to continue our journey with you. Our community thrives because of the passion, dedication and unwavering support of educators, parents, and professionals who believe in the potential of every child.

At SAALED, we believe in fostering a culture of continuous learning and collaboration. Our webinars are carefully crafted to provide educators and educational professionals with the tools and strategies needed to make a positive impact. We are committed to creating inclusive and dynamic learning environments where all students can thrive, regardless of their educational challenges.

We are also immensely grateful for the enthusiastic participation and support we received during our first webinar of the year. Your engagement and feedback inspire us to keep delivering meaningful experiences that resonate with our community.

As always, we remain dedicated to our mission and look forward to another year of working together to make a difference in the lives of learners. Thank you for your continued support, and we are excited to share this month's updates with you.



THE BIG M
MATHEMATICS FOR TEENAGERS

ALL ABOUT LEARNING DIFFERENTLY
SAALED
Southern African Association for Learning & Educational Differences
WEBINAR

The transition from middle school to high school can be a challenging period for both students and teachers, particularly in the subject of Mathematics. Join Ian Atteridge as he explores the transition between Grades for Teenagers and Teachers as they navigate their way through their Mathematics.

TUESDAY
11 MARCH 2025
18h00

MEMBERS : R220
NON MEMBERS: R310

SPEAKER
Ian Atteridge
Mathematics Teacher
Steyn City School

saaled.org.za

Upcoming Webinar:

The Big M – Mathematics for Teenagers-

11 March @ 6pm.

We are excited to invite you to our next webinar, "The Big M (Mathematics for Teenagers)", presented by Ian Atteridge. The journey from middle school to high school is a challenging period for both students and teachers, particularly with regards to Mathematics. This webinar is crafted to address the growing need for effective engagement, specifically for teachers working with teenagers. Our aim is to equip educators with the necessary tools to better prepare their students for the academic demands they will face in high school.

During this insightful session, Ian will provide a comprehensive overview of key concepts, essential skills and problem-solving strategies that are emphasized in school Mathematics curricula. We encourage all parents, Mathematics teachers and interested educators to join us for this valuable learning experience.

Click to make a booking:



A Heartfelt Thank You: Mathematics – Playing with Numbers

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to all who attended our first webinar of the year, "Mathematics – Playing with Numbers", presented by Kirsten Simeonides and Jessica Muller from Crawford International Sandton Preparatory School. The session was a resounding success!

Attendees discovered practical techniques for integrating play-based learning into their mathematics lessons, utilizing real-world scenarios to foster exploration and curiosity. By moving away from traditional rote learning methods to more interactive and experiential approaches, educators are now better equipped to create environments where students are genuinely excited about mathematics and actively engaged in their learning journey.

KIRSTEN SIMEONIDES
FOUNDATION PHASE TEACHER

JESSICA MULLER
LEARNING SUPPORT TEACHER





Message of Condolence to the Family of Sally-Jean Wrench

It is with heavy hearts that we extend our deepest condolences to the family of Sally Wrench. Sally who was a past member of the SAALED Board, sadly lost her battle with cancer at the age of 42. Sally's passion and dedication to education left an indelible mark on our community, and she will be remembered with great fondness and respect. Our thoughts and prayers are with her loved ones during this difficult time.



Teaching Irregular Words, Webinar presented by Gill Forbes and Ruan Fourie from House of Reading

We are delighted to promote the "House of Readings" free webinar initiative, presented by our very own SAALED Board Member, Ruan Fourie, alongside Gill Forbes.

- Date: 26 February 2025, Time: 18:00

This webinar promises to be an enriching experience for all who are passionate about fostering a love for reading. To register, please email: houseofreadingsor@gmail.com.

FREE WEBINAR

House of Reading
Effective Literacy Instruction

Teaching IRREGULAR WORDS

Say goodbye to endless lists of words to be memorised! Discover effective strategies for teaching irregular (heart) words through the powerful process of orthographic mapping in this short webinar.

Ruan Fourie & Gill Forbes
FOUNDATION PHASE TEACHERS

26 FEBRUARY 2025
18:00

TO REGISTER, PLEASE EMAIL
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Stay tuned for our exciting lineup of upcoming webinars, including:

- **Assisting Teacher Assistants** – Practical strategies to empower and support teacher assistants in the classroom. 🧑🏫 🧑🏫
- **Myth Busting with Referrals** – Demystifying the referral process and understanding when and how to seek additional support. 📖 📖
- **Inclusivity and Positivity at Schools** – Creating inclusive environments that promote positivity and acceptance for all learners. 🧑🏫 🧑🏫
- **Teacher Support & Leadership** – Equipping educators with leadership skills and strategies for effective team collaboration. 🧑🏫 🧑🏫
- **Using Tech and AI in the Classroom** – Exploring innovative ways to integrate technology and AI to enhance teaching and learning experiences. 📖 📖

Look out for details about our Annual Seminar and Networking Event

We look forward to hosting our Annual SAALED Seminar and Networking Event, **Neurodiversity in the Mainstream Classroom**, presented by Frances Kaplan and Megan Trickey, both respected Educational Psychologists. This highly anticipated event, planned for **25 June 2025** will be held at **Crawford International Sandton Preparatory School** and promises to be an enriching experience filled with practical tips and tools that any person who has a passion for education will appreciate and find beneficial. Please diarize this exciting event! More details will follow closer to the time!

Stay connected, stay inspired and keep making a difference!

**With heartfelt appreciation,
Joe Pillay
Chairperson, SAALED**

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