



Dear Parents,

HERITAGE DAY

We celebrate Heritage Day this weekend at the same time that the Rugby World Cup commences. One thing we know is that sport pulls our nation together and I am sure, as South Africans, we will never forget the triumph of the 1995 win. We saw the true spirit of Ubuntu on that day. The 2010 Soccer World Cup, hosted in South Africa, was another time of sharing and celebration. In 2019, when we needed a sign of hope and inspiration, the Ndlovu Youth Choir once again built national pride. Congratulations to this amazing choir who were named runner up in "America has Talent." We are so incredibly proud of them. Link: https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=0MkDEFQHxHk

Our news is filled with negative stories, but everyone also has a story of hope, pride or delight to share – find these this Heritage Day weekend.

With the rise of xenophobia again I thought sharing the Immigrants Creed will highlight the importance of Heritage Day as we celebrate living in and being South African.

> THE IMMIGRANTS CREED By Jose Luis Casal

I believe in Almighty God, who guided the people in exile and in exodus, the God of Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon, the God of foreigners and immigrants.

I believe in Jesus Christ, a displaced Galilean, who was born away from his people and his home, who fled his country with his parents when his life was in danger. When he returned to his own country he suffered under the oppression of Pontius Pilate, the servant of a foreign power. Jesus was persecuted, beaten tortured, and unjustly condemned to death. But on the third day Jesus rose from the dead,

> I believe in the Holy Spirit, the eternal immigrant from God's kingdom among us, who speaks all languages, lives in all countries, and reunites all races.

not as a scorned foreigner but to offer us citizenship in God's kingdom

I believe that the Church is the secure home for foreigners and for all believers. I believe that the communion of all saints begins when we embrace all God's people in all their diversity. I believe in forgiveness, which makes us all equal before God, and in reconciliation, which heals our brokenness. I believe that in the Resurrection God will unite us as one people in which all are distinct and all are alike at the same time. I believe in life eternal, in which no one will be a foreigner but all will be citizens of the kingdom where God reigns forever and ever. Amen.

I am looking forward to sharing with you at our Heritage Harvest Table tonight at 18:30 in Dodson Hall. Please do join us even if you have not sent an RSVP.

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CONGRATULATIONS

Matthew Cameron is a big brother to Luke, who was born on Thursday last week. Congratulations to the Cameron family, we pray that little Luke will bring you much happiness.



AFTERCARE

The finishing touches and cleaning are nearing completion in the revamped facility. Next week the furniture and stock will be moved in. In order not to rush the process, Aftercare will remain in the JP Boys building until **Friday, 27 September**.

MARBLE SEASON

The boys greeted the start of marble season with excitement this morning, From **Wednesday, 25 September** to **24 October** they may bring marbles to school. There are so many life skills our boys can learn from these games, they may need our support at times, but the aim is to allow these skills to develop with very little adult intervention.

Please take note of marble season rules:

- Marble season is a time of fun and learning new games.
- Marbles must come to school in a clearly marked plastic container with a lid eg: an ice-cream tub.
- The boys may play with marbles before and after school and during break.
- When it is class time the marbles must be in their school bag in the locker.
- Rules of the game need to be established before it commences and may not change during the course of the game.
- Boys must negotiate with each other, without adult intervention.
- Good sportsmanship and respect needs to be demonstrated.
- Marbles can be confiscated by a teacher should the rules not be applied correctly at all times.

IN THE KNOW "SCREEN TIME" - 26 SEPTEMBER

Please diarise the parent talk by 'In the Know' on Screen Time on **Thursday, 26 September** from **18:30-20:30** in the JP Hall. This dynamic team has valuable information to share with parents on the impact of screen time and gives practical coping strategies for our children who spend too much time in front of a screen.

CARDBOARD CHALLENGE

Please could parents start collecting cardboard for **Friday, 04 October**? We will need boxes of any size, especially cereal, cardboard tubes, toilet rolls and egg boxes.

The boys thoroughly enjoy this day and learn about collaboration, design and innovation in a hands on manner.

HOT DOG & CIVVIES DAY – tomorrow, 20 September



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GOLDEN MOMENT

A Grade 0 boy told his teacher that he visited three countries during the school holidays – Singapore, Malaysia and Legoland!

Enjoy the extra-long weekend.

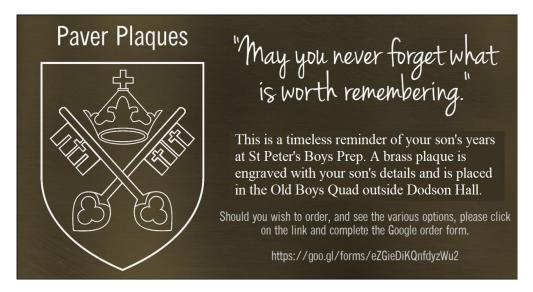
Warm regards, Kenda Melvill-Smith

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 19 September
18:30 Heritage Harvest Table – Dodson Hall
Friday 20 September
Heritage Dress Up R10-00; Hot Dog Day R25-00: TOTAL: R35-00
Monday 23 September
School holiday
Tuesday 24 September
Heritage Day
Wednesday 25 September
8:00 Chapel (birthdays 23-29 September)
NB: No Sefikeng (Government school holidays)
13:00 Grade 2 CHAPS – Dodson Hall
Thursday 26 September
13:00 Grade 1 CHAPS – JP Hall
18:30 In the Know "Screen Time" JP Hall
Friday 27 September
12:00 PA Golf Day at Kyalami Country Club

PA NEWS

PAVER PLAQUE ORDERS - https://goo.gl/forms/eZGieDiKQnfdyzWu2



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RAFFLE - ONLY ONE WEEK LEFT BEFORE TICKET SALES CLOSE!

Purchase your ticket using Tixsa on St-Peter's-Prep-Raffle-2019



GIRLS PREP - OPEN DAY - 5 OCTOBER

If you have friends, family or neighbours who would be interested in attending this Open Day, please spread the word!

