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Message from the Headmaster

Dear Parents & Students,

The Derek Redmond Story

At the recently held Academic Prize-Giving I stated the following: "We need to be very careful that our understandable desire to protect and encourage doesn't translate into responses which actually have the effect of saying that a B or a C grade is a failure; that to be in a set other than the **Top Set** is indicative of a problem and, dare I say it on an occasion such as this, that **NOT** winning a prize tonight renders all other achievements in the year as negligible.

In the 1992 Barcelona Olympics, American athlete Quincy Watts ran the 2nd fastest time ever at that time, to win the Gold medal in the men's 400m in a blistering 43.71s – I would like to equate Quincy Watt's time to a highly talented maths student who obtained an A+ in his final matric examinations.

However, this performance was overshadowed by British athlete **Derek Redmond**. You may ask, how can another athlete's performance be superior to that of your gold medal winner? **Derek Anthony Redmond** (born 3 September 1965) was a British athlete, who during his career held the British record for the 400 metres sprint, and won gold medals in the 4x400 metres relay at the World Championships and European Championships.

However, injuries consistently interrupted Redmond's career. At the 1988 Olympics in Seoul, he pulled out of the opening round of the 400 metres 90 seconds before his heat because of an injury to his Achilles tendon. Before the 1992 Barcelona Summer Olympics, he had undergone eight operations due to injuries.

Redmond was in good form by the time of the Barcelona Olympics. He posted the fastest time of the first round and went on to win his quarter-final. In the semi-final, Redmond started well, but in the back straight about 250 metres from the finish, his hamstring tore. He hobbled to a halt, and then fell to the ground in pain. Stretcher bearers made their way over to him, but Redmond decided he wanted to finish the race. He began to hobble along the track.

He was soon joined on the track by his father, Jim Redmond, who barged past security and on to the track to get to his son. Jim and Derek completed the lap of the track together, with Derek leaning on his father's shoulder for support. As they crossed the finish line, the crowd of 65,000 spectators rose to give Derek a standing ovation. However, as his father had helped him finish, Derek was officially disqualified and Olympic records state that he **"Did Not Finish"** the race.

Even though Derek Redmond did not finish and never won an Olympic medal, his struggle in the 1992 semi-final became the subject of one of the International Olympic Committee's "Celebrate Humanity" videos, which proclaimed: **"Force is measured in kilograms. Speed is measured in seconds. Courage? You can't measure courage". Redmond and his father finished dead last, but he and his father finished!"**

Boys and girls, it is very nice to win prizes and we are incredibly proud of our prize-winners, our gold medalists, but let's be clear, if you link motivation to winning prizes in life, you set yourself up for disappointment.

A B or a C grade is not a failure; it's a work in progress - Because the greatest prize of all is when you can look yourself in the eye and say, **'I tried my absolute best' – Derek Redmond most certainly did!**

Please take the time to watch the Youtube clip on Derek Redmond:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r-Yn4b9iCIE>

"In Futurum Fortiter"

Regards,



Mr Rui Morais

Headmaster

Project Based Learning

"Can Puppets Speak Louder Than People?"



In Project Based Learning (PBL), Grade 8 and 9 students are given the opportunity to explore critical questions through engaging, thought-provoking projects. One such project asks them if they think that puppets can speak louder than people.

The project is designed to question why and how puppets are used in drama to address controversial topics in entertaining and humorous ways. Students will then create their puppets, write a five-minute scene for the puppets, and then film their puppets performing the scene.

Matthew Thomas and Andrew Shiller (Grade 9) have begun creating their puppets, which will star in an action-packed scene in which two rival gang members learn (after an alien invasion threatens to wipe out human life!) that we should all try to get along because we aren't that different after all

Ms Crystal Miles

Drama Educator

Music News

Registration for Individual Music Lessons as well as Ensembles is open. An Electronic Application Form must be completed so that new and existing pupils can be allocated to a teacher. Please click on the Google [Form](#) link below:

The following instrument lessons are currently on offer at the College:

- Piano
- Voice
- Guitar (Electric, Acoustic and Bass)
- Drumkit
- Brass instruments (Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Euphonium & Tuba)
- String Instruments (Violin, Viola, Cello & Double Bass)
- Woodwind Instruments (Flute, Clarinet, Alto & Tenor Saxophone)

The following Medley of Ensembles is available:

- Barbershop
- Beautyshop
- Choir
- Drumline
- Jazz Band
- Orchestra
- Rock Band
- Youth Chapel Band
- Marimba Ensemble

Upcoming Music Events

Friday Showcase

MADD Amphitheatre

Friday, 1 March 2019

13:00

Summer Soiree

MADDitorium

Wednesday, 13 March 2019

18:30

Noted! Concert

Antonio Lottering
HOD: Music

Public Speaking

On Tuesday, 12 February 2019, the Grade 9 students participated in a public speaking competition held at Reddam, Waterfall. Our topic for the evening was to take the title of a book and to speak about anything using the title but we were not allowed to speak about the context of the book. St Peter's College entered two teams: one with the title "13 Little Blue Envelopes" and the other with the title "The Light we Lost".

Our two teams spoke bravely and we held our own against our opponents: Curro, Poplar Academy and Reddam. By the end of the evening, we had listened to interesting and astounding speeches made by all the participants present at the

competition. After all the speeches, the adjudicator gave us excellent feedback, both positive and negative, which was most helpful. Both our teams received a "C" score and I am very proud of all our team members.

Amy Martin

Grade 9 Student

Flamingo Project

As you may be aware that due to the drought in the Northern Cape, The **Flamingos** have flown away leaving behind their chicks. These chicks have been taken to various shelters around SA. The Lori Park Zoo, in Midrand, being one of them. They are desperately looking for food and for people (16 years and older) to help feed them. Without our help these little chicks will not survive and therefore our next generation **flamingos** will die out. Get a group of friends together, or volunteer one day or a few hours as a family.

If you are interested in assisting in any way (food or time) please contact me during school hours or better still contact the Lori Park Zoo and speak to Esme. I am sure that this can go towards the community service hours.

Lori Park Zoo

180/1 KRUGER Rd

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MIDRAND

Tell nr 011 315 7307

Ms Sonja Theron

Grade 8 Head

The St Peter's College Night Gala

On Friday evening, 15 February, 6 schools competed against St Peter's College in the annual Night Gala. Trinity College, Hyde Park, Redhill, Helpmekaar, Penryn, St Dunstan's and two St Peter's College teams were entered to compete in the gala where everyone swam their hearts out for their schools.



The St Peter's Drumline opened the night with a fantastic display of their talent. Inside, the stands were packed with watching parents, surrounded by red and white bobbing balloons displaying the Valentines' love in the air. Staff and timekeepers in red shirts also added to the exciting and festive feeling of the gala.

Outside Wahoo, chatting teams, eagerly waited for their races under gazebos and were called in race by race. Waiting swimmers were playing music, congratulating their team members on their races and excitedly tried to figure out their team's overall progress.

The atmosphere was electric, and everyone made a fantastic effort and stepped up to the challenge, giving a 100%. Outside, old friends from other schools met, chatting and laughing, but inside those friends became your competitors; and the game was on!

The individual events were encouraged by cheering parents who urged swimmers on. As the night progressed, excitement continued to build; eventually reaching the highlight of the evening - the relays. The excitement of the relays drew team members in and swimmers filtered in to cheer their team members on. The energy inside was exhilarating.

Exhausted from swimming for their teams or from encouraging from the poolside, teams were now awaiting results... St Peter's College pulled off an excellent win!

St Peter's College swam with determination and displayed a great amount of sportsmanship in all races. St Peter's College, you did us proud!

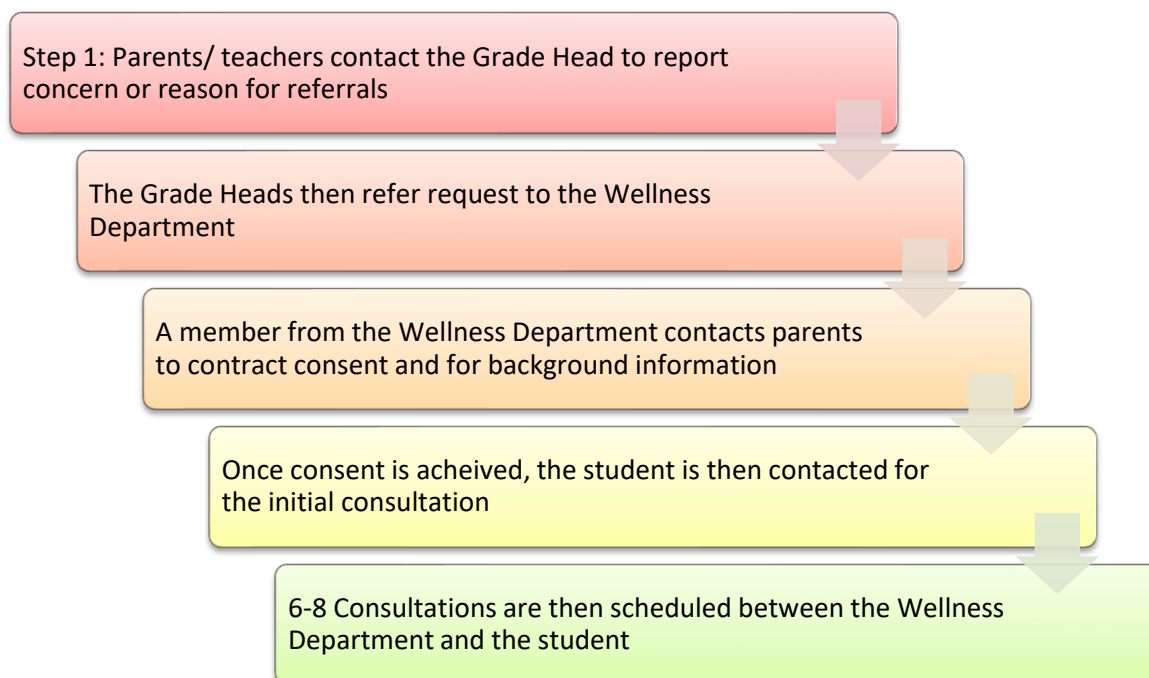
As the teams left, the pool grew quieter, leaving behind only a couple bobbing balloons and the lingering air of past excitement. As for the winning team, St Peter's College, we left with pride in our hearts.

Wellness Department – How can we help you?

We are fortunate enough at St Peter's College to offer our students and parents various avenues of assistance to enhance and assist the academic programme. In order for our assistance to work effectively it is necessary to explain the procedure and also who is who.

How do I make an appointment?

The Wellness Department adheres to a strict protocol for referrals in order to ensure that the best interest of all students at St Peter's College are attended to appropriately. Please find the procedural steps to follow should you require the services provided:



In order for your child to be seen by either of the Educational Psychologists or Mrs Hopwood an email needs to be sent to the relevant Grade Head and Mr Brian Armitage (armitageb@stpeterscollege.co.za) needs to be copied in on the mail.

Therapy or psycho-educational assessments can be done either with Mrs Laila Jeebodh Desai (psychologist@stpeterscollege.co.za) or Mrs Holly Ryder-Nimb (ryderh@stpeterscollege.co.za). Informed consent must be obtained for both therapy and assessments as this is a Health Professions Council of South Africa requirement. There is no cost for the therapy, but assessments are charged at R5600. An assessment is necessary before an application for an accommodation, for Cycle Tests and Examinations, can be made to the IEB. It's important to note that not all students need an assessment.

Study Skills and Learning Profiling can be booked with Mrs Hopwood, a qualified Advanced Mind Moves Instructor at hopwoodl@stpeterscollege.co.za. Learning profile assessments are scheduled after school and there is a cost of R70 to cover the report. The appointments typically take about an hour and a half and require a parent to be present as feedback is given immediately. All students may benefit from having a Learning Profile done, specifically in terms of how to overcome challenges to learning as well as how to study best according to individual strengths. A Learning Profile cannot be used towards an IEB accommodation.

Mrs Holly Ryder-Nimb
Educational Psychologist

Engineers of the Future

The Grade 11 students have been given an amazing opportunity to apply the expertise that they have learnt in the Engineering Graphics and Design class.



Our task is to capture the MADD Centre Foyer on Computer- Aided Design, which is a software that Engineers use to digitally create any drawings. We have successfully completed a CAD course in the first week of Grade 10 and we can excitedly put our skills to the test.

The assignment required us to create a seating arrangement within the foyer for a music concert. We enthusiastically brought this concept to life within the clicks of our computer mice. Bringing practicality to our theory is a powerful experience that will give us a taste of the daily life of Architecture and Engineering.

Mikara Pather
Grade 11 EGD Student

Dance

"IF YOU CAN MOVE YOU CAN DANCE"

Dance League an opportunity for our generation to express themselves through the form of dance. DSSL is a dance competition that St Peter's participates in whereby the dancers are required to freestyle to hip-hop music.



The dancers are however also required to include 10 DSSL moves in their freestyle as it will enable them to receive points leading to their placing. The competitions are mainly held at Queens High school or at our very own St Peter's College on a Friday afternoon.

Dancing in front of a crowd is not as easy as some make it seem, it requires a lot of confidence in what you are portraying to the judges, one person who does this

with ease is Katiso Mochela, a Grade 11 students, who has 15 consecutive wins ever since she started participating in the DSSL dance competitions in grade 8. Through hard work and determination, one may also receive such honour.

St Peter's College continuously places in every DSSL competition we partake in as evident in the most recent DSSL competition held at school on Friday, 8 February 2019. We managed to get placings in every age group that had participated.

On 9 March 2019 the students will be participating in the DSSL inter-high competition where they will compete against other schools in a group rather than individually in order to win. They are required to do certain moves to enable their placing.

One must not forget the Dance Showcase on Wednesday, 27 February 2019, where all dancers from different backgrounds will be showing their ART. The support from the school will be really appreciate as we are trying to grow the equality between all cultural and sports.

Sicelo Mgaga - Dance Captain
Grade 12 Student

Tennis News

Inter High A and B Tournaments

It is with much excitement that we inform you of the Girls' Inter High A and B tennis tournaments which will be held on Saturday, the 2nd of March. The Inter High A tournament comprises of 28 of the top tennis playing schools from around Gauteng. It is a challenging but extremely rewarding day for our girls, where they play doubles matches. Representing St Peter's college at this tournament are our top 4 seeded players, namely, Mikayla Gounden, Justeene Hallows, Laura Lyle and Tanya Paul.

The Inter High B tournament is made up of 26 of the competitive tennis schools in Johannesburg. Our girls seeded number 5-8 on the ladder will be representing St Peter's in this tournament, they are Natalie Walsh, Diya Naicker, Jess Harris and Nicole Diepeveen.

Some further exciting news is that St Peter's college is extremely honoured to be hosting one of the tennis venues for the Inter High B tournament! We look forward to welcoming tennis teams from all over Johannesburg and sharing our amazing campus with them for the morning.

We wish our tennis girls all the very best for this tournament and we know you will do us proud, as you always do out on the courts!

Mrs Angela Hallows
Tennis Parent

Girls Tennis team

Our girls' tennis team have had a superb few weeks on the courts winning both of their matches for the last two consecutive weeks. The standard of tennis being played is exemplary and it is a delight to watch our girls in action on the courts.

Date	Team	Versus	Score	Win / Loss
5 th Feb	St Peter's Girls A	Fourways AB	35 - 28	Win
12 th Feb	St Peter's Girls A	St Teresa's AB	32 - 31	Win

The boys have also been very busy on the courts and played their hearts out against Marais Viljoen but were unfortunately narrowly defeated. Some excellent rallies were played, and we are very proud of our boys' performance.

Date	Team	Versus	Score	Win / Loss
8 th Feb	St Peter's Boys A	Marais Viljoen A	47 - 52	Loss
15 th Feb	St Peter's Boys A	Helpmekaar B		Match postponed to 29 March

We look forward to some more exciting matches in the coming week!

Mrs Angela Hallows
Tennis Parent

Spirituality

The Journey of Lent is upon us

The Lord be with you and may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts.

Friends, it is indeed humbling to write to you as I reflect on our Anglican ethos as a Christian school here at St Peter's College, a school that is grounded in the Holy Trinity of God, our Creator; Christ our Saviour and of the Holy Spirit, our comforter; advocate and guide.



As we know, in our Liturgical calendar not only as an Anglican school but also as an Anglican Communion, the season of Lent is indeed upon us yet again. We commence this period on our Ash Wednesday Eucharist, where we are reminded that we are only but dust and to dust we shall return.

As a symbolical Church, the ashes burnt from our previous Palm crosses are a solemn and great reminder for us to turn away from sin and to proclaim the Good News of Christ.

This Great Feast ushers us into a reflective period of fasting and repentance, where Christ Himself was led into forty days and forty nights of temptation in the wilderness as he prepared for His death on the Cross.

Contact us on (011) 807-5315

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As a community of St Peter's College, we are indeed preparing ourselves for this time of prayer and intense reflection through our social outreach projects which reflects our own gestures of giving back to those less fortunate and are in need. As a Christian grounded school our mission is also to be a caring school that goes an extra mile of taking Christ's ministry beyond our borders and our community.

We look forward to the season of Lent and we continue to pray that Christ continues to use us to His glory.

Yours in Christ

Sibonelo Mkhabela

College Chaplain

PA Golf Day



ST PETER'S COLLEGE

PA Annual Golf Day

Wednesday, 20th March 2019

Bryanston Country Club

- Book your four-ball @ R3,600
- Sponsor a hole @ R4,000
- Sponsor prizes, goodie bag items etc

Contact Simone Hope
pa@stpeterscollege.co.za
082 582 7080

Grade 8 Camp

With much enthusiasm, and a little apprehension, the Grade 8 students climbed onto the bus and departed



for their first High School Camp at ATKV-Klein Kariba in Bela-Bela, last week Wednesday. We arrived safely in the morning, where the students began their

programme with some team-building activities. After having a very warm and busy afternoon, with plenty of sunscreen, the students were allowed the opportunity to swim in the beautiful pools that ATKV-Klein Kariba had to offer.

On Thursday the students kicked off their day by being divided into teams and then participated in obstacle courses and river rafting throughout the day. Later that evening, the students made their way up the mountain where they were each

given the chance to introduce themselves to their peers. This was followed by a marshmallow braai which, unfortunately, had to be cut short due to a thunderstorm

Many of these activities laid the foundation for future friendships at the College and allowed all the students to get to know each other and learn what it means to be a team player. Staff members were also given the opportunity to become better acquainted with each other, as well as, the students that are in their register classes. Much fun was had by all.

Mrs Abi Greeff

Grade 8 Register Teacher

Chess

The second round of the annual inter-high 4-a-side chess tournament took place at Dainfern College, on Monday, 11 February 2019. Many of the round's games were hard fought with small margins for all of our teams. The C team unfortunately lost 1-3 while the B team drew 2-2 against Bryanston, and the A team drew 2-2 with Beaulieu A. Most players showed significant improvement from Round 1, and all players played with passion, resilience and resolve and can be very proud of this.

The third round took place on Monday, 18 February the chess team took part in the third round of the inter-high 4-a-side completion, hosted by Dainfern College.

We had an awesome bus this time, bigger, faster and air-conditioned. This was accompanied with awesome results: The C team continued to show their improvement with a hard-fought draw against Sagewood A. The B team drew against Reddam Waterfall while the Top 4 came out on top after a gritty encounter against Crawford Lonehill A, who are major contenders for first place.

Ms Vuyelwa Walegembe

MIC: Chess

Accounting Olympiad

Proverto is organising a National High School Olympiad, comprising of three subjects: Accounting, Business Studies and Economics. Students may choose which subject/s they want to write. The entry fee will amount to R40 (if entered before 27 February 2019/ R50 for later entries), irrespective of the number of subjects they want to write. All three subjects will be written on the same day.





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2019 National High School Olympiad

(Accounting/Business Studies/Economics Gr.10-12)

The details of the Olympiad are as follows:

First Round: Thursday, 9 May 2019, 1:00 – 16:00 (at the College).

Students who qualify for the second round will be notified.

Second Round: Wednesday 31 July 2019: 14.00 – 16.00 (at the College)

Any students who still want to enter, please contact Ms Meyer at meyers@stpeterscollege.co.za

Ms Suzette Meyer

Accounting Educator

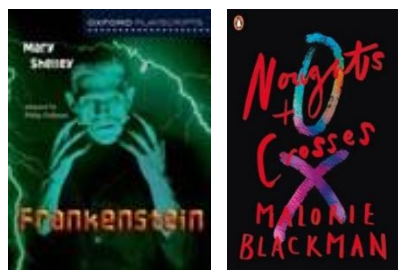
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Textbooks

Grade 8's

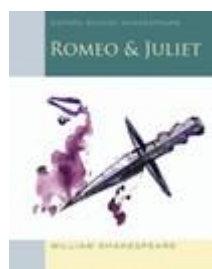


- Grade 8's should have collected their Noughts & Crosses and Frankenstein books by now. Please check that your child has these books.
- Intentional Living Manuals should have been issued by your child's ILP teacher during their ILP lesson.

Grade 9

Intentional Living Manuals should have been issued by your child's ILP teacher during their ILP lesson.

Grade 10



- Grade 10's should have collected their Romeo & Juliet books by now. Please check that your child has this book.
- Intentional Living Manuals should have been issued by your child's ILP teacher during their ILP lesson.

Grade 11

Intentional Living Manuals should have been issued by your child's ILP teacher during their ILP lesson.

Grade 12



- The Examination Aid past papers for Maths & Maths Literacy should have been collected. These are essential for exam revision.



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Blazer Braiding

Blazers that were handed in for braiding last week, should be ready for collection towards the end of next week. Students need to pay for this when collecting their blazers.

ITEM	PRICE
SCROLLS (EACH)	R 20.00
SCROLLS SEWN (EACH)	R 40.00
2 M CORD FOR ½ COLOURS	R 30.00
4 M CORD FOR ½ TO FULL COLOURS	R 60.00
6 M CORD FOR FULL COLOURS	R 90.00
SEWING OF CORD FOR HALF COLOURS (POCKETS & SLEEVES)	R 130.00

SEWING OF CORD FOR HALF TO FULL (EDGES)	R 230.00
SEWING OF CORD FOR FULL COLOURS (EDGES, POCKETS & SLEEVES)	R 275.00
SEWING OF CORD FOR HONOURS (INCL 6 M CORD)	R 380.00

Locks – Grade 8's

Parents should have received an invoice for the lock(s) that were issued to the students during the Grade 8 orientation week. If you have not yet received an invoice, kindly contact the School Shop.

Statements from School Shop

Statements have been sent out to those who for some reason have a debit balance. Please check the statement and contact Mrs Wheeler on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday if you have any queries or concerns regarding the statement or by email at wheelerc@stpeterscollege.co.za.

Eft Payments

Please note that the School Shop account number is different to the School Fees Account. Please always use the following account for payments to the School Shop for uniform, textbooks or stationery:

St Peter's College PA

Standard Bank Rivonia, Branch Code 001255

A/C # 420095144

All EFT payment confirmations must be emailed to Nerina Deeb at deebn@stpeterscollege.co.za.

School Shop Hours

Normal Shop Hours

Mon, Tue and Thu 07:00 to 15:00

Wed and Fri 07:00 to 13:00

The School Shop will close at 12:00 on Thursday 21 February for the Midterm break and resume normal hours on Tuesday 26 February.

Mrs Nerina Deeb

School Shop Manager