

## Weekly Newsletter of St Peter's Boys Prep School

#### FROM THE HEADMASTER

As we come to the end of an eventful week, I believe that we have much to be proud of. Not only have the boys excelled on the sporting field, winning the St Peter's College Hockey Festival, but the Chapel Choir, who were invited to sing at the Patronal Festival Service for St Mark's, Northriding on Sunday, brought tears to the eyes of many a parishioner with the beauty of their singing. If we add to this the wonderful community spirit at Saturday's Carnival, one can only celebrate how blessed we are to be part of St Peter's Prep Schools. None of these achievements are possible without the hard work and dedication of both teachers and parents. To all who worked to make these events so successful, I thank you for your time and contribution to our community.





It is with a sense of sadness that I announce that Helen van Breda, our HOD Afrikaans, has been boarded due to ill health. Helen, as many of you will know, has been battling with number of reconstructive surgeries to her feet over the years and has been told that, unless she stops teaching and gives her feet a proper chance to recover, her mobility will continue to deteriorate. Helen's last day with us was Wednesday, 31 May. Helen has contributed to the school in many ways over the years, not least of which has been through the establishment of a solid Afrikaans curriculum. We wish Helen all the best for a full recovery.

Joan Delport, who is currently the Head of Afrikaans at St Peter's College, will be joining our staff as HOD Afrikaans in January next year. We welcome Furber Nothard back as the Grade 6 Afrikaans teacher for the remainder of this year and also look forward to Nicolene Lehman joining us in a locum position to teach Afrikaans in Grade 7. Helen has undertaken to be in constant contact with the locum teachers to ensure that the there is a seamless transition and no curriculum loss.

Finally, we are very pleased to announce that a total of 19 high school scholarships were offered to 11 of the Grade 7 pupils for 2018:

James Alp, Callum Berry, David Bushney, Antoine Coche, Matthew McJannet, Jaden Piper, Tom Shimatu, Jarrod Siddall, Jack Smithyman, James Thomson and Thillan Viranna.

The scholarship offers included 16 Open and 3 Closed awards. The list of boys who have accepted their scholarships appears below:

Name	Name of Scholarship		
Callum Berry	St Alban's: General Exhibition		
David Bushney	St Alban's: Sports Exhibition		
Jaden Piper	St John's: Drury Gnodde Scholarship		
Tom Shimatu	St John's: Centenary Scholarship		
Jarrod Siddall	Hilton College: Merit award Scholarship for Hockey and Water polo		
Jack Smithyman	n St John's: Sports Scholarshop		
Thillan Viranna	St Peter's College: St Peter's Boys Prep School Closed Exhibition Scholarship		

Congratulations to these boys on their achievement.

Enjoy the week ahead.

#### **Rob Macaulay**

# DIVERSITY: GENDER SENSITIVITY



In keeping with the theme of *Year of the Woman* and the recent spate of violence against women, St Peter's is observing "gender sensitivity week". The focus is on love, care and support for women and children, particularly the girl child. Prayers, assembly announcements, age-appropriate classroom discussions and talks will be held to heighten awareness about insensitivity and abuse. Boys and girls will discuss the value of respect, patriarchy and matriarchy having equal places in society; and their roles as future leaders.

It is sad that our country features in the top 10 globally for all major types of violence. Has this constant violence lulled South Africans into a civil inertia that has come to tolerate violence as the *status quo*?

Your discussions with your children will also help to sensitise them to these problems.

The week will culminate in the boys and girls wearing a black T-shirt or any black clothing to coincide with Civvies Day on Friday. We pray this will be a civvies day with a message!

It will be appreciated if parents also encourage family members and work colleagues to support the St Peter's initiative by donning black on Friday, 9 June.

On behalf of the Diversity and Year of the Woman committees **Vijay Maharaj** (Director: Diversity)

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#### **GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER**

## **MAUREEN EYRES**

Maureen joined the St Peter's Accounts Department on 1 January 2009, after a number of part time contracts with the school.

She works with debtors and enjoys her interaction with the parents.

Maureen is married to Alistair, has two daughters and a brand new grandson, Carter. When she is not being granny or working hard, she travels to exotic destinations with her husband!



## **FOUNDATION EVENSONG - 31 MAY 2017**



A huge thank you to the children who sang so beautifully and to their parents for so graciously lifting them to school. Thanks to the bell ringers too.

We are grateful!

Monica Sloane (St Peter's Foundation)

### **OLD BOYS NEWS**

## **ST PETER'S COLLEGE:**

Congratulations to the following Old Boys and Old Girls who achieved within the 'Top Ten' academic results for Term 1 2017 at the College:

Grade 8: Emma Eagle (No. 1) and Hsuan-Yu Shih (in Top Ten)

Grade 9: Carl Vemer (No. 1) and Syjil Ramjuthan, Didintle Netshiswinzhe, Nicholas Els, Jonathan Webb (in Top Ten).

Grade 10: Tsai-Yu Shih (No. 1) and Joshua Jandrell, Kosmas Joannou (in Top Ten)

Grade 11: Luke Hewson (No. 1) and Christie Vemer, Matthew Garrett, Amy Hannigan (in Top Ten)

Grade 12: Liam Ramsden and Caitlin Stanton (in Top Ten).

Congratulations to St Peter's Prep Schools - the top student in each grade from Grades 8 - 11 are ex-Prep pupils!

Theresa Monoyoudis (Marketing Manager)

## CIVVIES DAY, HOT DOG DAY AND CARTRIDGE COLLECTION FRIDAY 9 JUNE - R35

## CIVVIES DAY **R10** Donation

For the privilege of St Peter's boys wearing civvies with an item of BLACK clothing, please send R10 with your child.

The funding will support our Community Partnership School, Diepsloot Combined. St Peter's will use the funds to provide much-needed medical supplies. Please use this as an opportunity to discuss the role you and your child are playing in promoting healthy communities.

We appreciate your ongoing support.

Father Richard (Chaplain)

# HOT DOG DAY AND CARTIRDGE COLLECTION — R25

Please remember to bring in your ink cartridges. There will be a collection point (big green and white cardboard boxes) in the Chapel car park throughout the day for empty ink cartridges. There are permanent collection points at both the Girls Senior and Junior Prep, and Boys Junior Prep reception areas.

Thank you for your continuing support this year!

Monica Sloane (Community Partnership)

## **PA NEWS**

## TO DIARISE: ST PETER'S FAMILY DAY - SOCCER FESTIVAL - 15 JULY



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**PA NEWS** 

# **THANK YOU!**



What a fabulous day we had on Saturday at the first St Peter's Autumn Carnival! Well done and thank you to everyone involved - the volunteers who helped plan and run the stalls, parents who made up and donated jars for prizes and to all of you who attended.

But most of all, a big thank you to **Debbie Little, Sally Diack** and **Julie Rostron** who came up with the idea and made it happen in such a fabulous way! They worked tirelessly for many months to bring the event together and their hard work, passion and vision must be commended.

Thank you team - you guys were amazing!



To view more photos of the day, go to St Peter's Boys Prep Facebook page.

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## THANK YOU!

The Autumn Camival team would like to extend a big 'Thank You' to everyone who contributed to making it such a fabulous and fun event! Thank you for putting together the wonderful stalls, for volunteering when called upon, for providing the beautiful décor and for the behind the scenes support.

A special mention must go out to all those who provided the prizes for the Carnival. After all, what's a Carnival without prizes?? Thanks to all of you who gave of your time and money to provide the Jam Jars. They were spectacular! To the following companies who donated prizes to the stalls and the Lucky Draw, your generosity is really appreciated.



























THROUGH THE KEYHOLE 01 June 2017 **SENIOR PREP** 

## **FORTHCOMING WEEK**

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Friday	02/06/2017	02/06/2017	09:00:00	11:30:00	Grade 6 Study Skills Programme
Friday	02/06/2017	02/06/2017			Cross Country
Saturday	03/06/2017	03/06/2017			Rugby vs St David's
Saturday	03/06/2017	03/06/2017			Tennis Festival
Sunday	04/06/2017	04/06/2017			Tennis Festival
Sunday	04/06/2017	04/06/2017			All Saints Community Eucharist
Monday	05/06/2017	05/06/2017			World Environment Day
Monday	05/06/2017	05/06/2017	16:00:00	17:30:00	Main School Production Rehearsal
Monday	05/06/2017	05/06/2017			A Team Chess Matches vs APPS
Monday	05/06/2017	05/06/2017			B Team Chess Matches vs St John's
Tuesday	06/06/2017	06/06/2017			Squash Matches
Tuesday	06/06/2017	06/06/2017	16:00:00	17:30:00	Main School Production Rehearsal
Tuesday	06/06/2017	06/06/2017	18:30:00		Old Boy Presentation on his World Travels
Wednesday	07/06/2017	07/06/2017	18:30:00		Junior Choir Festival (Cadet Choir)
Thursday	08/06/2017	08/06/2017	07:30:00		House Assembly (Gr 6 and 7)
Thursday	08/06/2017	08/06/2017	07:30:00		Assembly (Gr 3 - 5)
Thursday	08/06/2017	08/06/2017	08:00:00	11:00:00	Market Day (Gr 5-7)
Thursday	08/06/2017	08/06/2017	16:00:00	17:30:00	Main School Production Rehearsal
Thursday	08/06/2017	08/06/2017	19:30:00		My Story – Beyond the River
Friday	09/06/2017	09/06/2017			HOT DOG AND CIVVIES DAY (R35)
Friday	09/06/2017	09/06/2017	09:00:00	11:30:00	Grade 5 Study Skills Programme
Friday	09/06/2017	09/06/2017			Cross Country
Saturday	10/06/2017	10/06/2017			Rugby vs St Stithians
Sunday	11/06/2017	11/06/2017	09:00:00	10:00:00	Family Eucharist (Chapel Choir)

PLEASE REFER TO THE WEEKLY SPORTS NOTICE FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION AND NEWS ON SPORTS FIXTURES AND VENUES PLEASE NOTE DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS IS WEDNESDAY, 17:00



## \*\*SUPPORT GR 7 GIRLS FUNDRAISING\*\*

Moms and Dads can order flowers from the Gr7 Committee for FREE delivery to the Girls Senior Prep Reception.

- Place your order by Tuesday for delivery by Friday.
- A bunch of flowers will cost only R200.
- Please email naomibrett20@gmail.com for orders.

We Thank You for your Support!!