





**SENIOR PREP** 

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

### FROM THE HEADMASTER

It has been pleasing to note the decrease in the amount of lost property as a result of the measures that have been put in place. We are, however, not out of the woods yet and I encourage parents to keep on monitoring their son's items of clothing and sports equipment.

As adults, we have an incredible privilege in the guidance of our children. We are also bombarded with information overload about the latest research regarding learning styles, social media dangers and being the perfect parent or teacher. This builds pressure and can make us feel that we have to "keep up" with all the other parents or teachers. What we forget is that much of parenting is simply about our loving attitude and that in the end, if we simply try our best, our children will thrive and grow.

I was recently forwarded the attached "Creed for Parents":

## A CREED FOR PARENTS

I will remember that a child's primary job is to have fun. My job is to provide the safest, most creative place for my child. I accept my children's ages and abilities. It is unfair to expect them to be older or younger than they are. It is unfair to expect them to do things that are beyond them.

I know there will be times when they will do and say things that my parents and friends might find shocking or surprising. I will remember that unacceptable behaviour does not necessarily Mean disobedience and defiance.

I will not discipline when I am angry, But allow myself time to calm down when I feel out of control. If self-control is difficult for me, I can expect it will be no easier for my children.

I will focus on what my children really need: good wholesome food, Focused attention from caring adults, adequate sleep, educational and Leisure opportunities, creative play times, good physical exercise, Regular quietness, laughter, defined boundaries, respect, And as little TV as possible.

I will remember that I am fully able to be all the parent, My children need me to be.

Rod Smith

Well done parents – keep up the good work. Best wishes

### **Rob Macaulay**

## **GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER**



### Mugochi Muchachari

Mugochi Muchachari is the owner of *Muchachari Garden Services* (MGS). His company is contracted to the Prep and the College to maintain our fields and gardens.

The school grounds were originally managed by a large landscape company who placed Mugochi at St Peter's as a supervisor in 2004. The school approached Mugochi to set up his own business to maintain our fields. He hasn't looked back since.

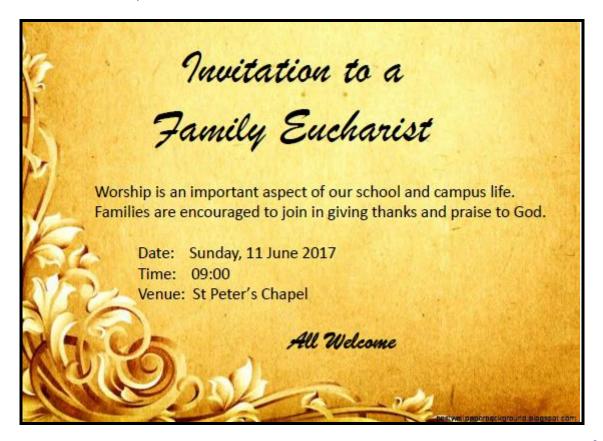
Mugochi is firmly committed to the gradual indigenisation of the campus and the return of the original animal, bird, reptile and insect species that occurred here.

Mugochi's special initiatives have been:

- Organic composting of our fields
- Establishment of a commercial composting programme
- Managing an exotic tree felling operation which creates an income for the squatter settlement across the road, who sell the fire wood.

Mugochi is married and has eight sons.

**FAMILY SERVICE - SUNDAY, 11 JUNE** 



## **ART ROOM**

We are running very low on newspapers. Please could the boys bring old newspapers to the Art room.

Thank you in advance.

Louise Twiggs (Art Teacher)



## **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 or WHITE 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)

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## **PA NEWS**

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



## **FORTHCOMING WEEK**

Friday	09/06/2017	09/06/2017			HOT DOG AND CIVVIES DAY (R30)
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)
Monday	12/06/2017	12/06/2017			A Team Chess Matches vs Stithians Boys
Monday	12/06/2017	12/06/2017			B Team Chess Matches vs St Benedict's
Monday	12/06/2017	12/06/2017	13:00:00	18:00:00	ABRSM Music Exams
Monday	12/06/2017	12/06/2017	16:00:00	17:30:00	Main School Production Rehearsal
Tuesday	13/06/2017	13/06/2017			Inter-House Rugby (U9, U10)
Tuesday	13/06/2017	13/06/2017			Squash Matches
Tuesday	13/06/2017	13/06/2017	16:00:00	17:30:00	Main School Production Rehearsal
Wednesday	14/06/2017	14/06/2017			Week 17 of Additional Learning Programme
Wednesday	14/06/2017	14/06/2017			Inter-House Rugby (U11, U12, Opens)
Thursday	15/06/2017	15/06/2017	07:30:00		General Assembly
Thursday	15/06/2017	15/06/2017	11:30:00		JP Dress Rehearsal
Thursday	15/06/2017	15/06/2017			Rugby Tour Departs
Thursday	15/06/2017	15/06/2017			NO SPORT
Friday	16/06/2017	16/06/2017			PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Sunday	18/06/2017	18/06/2017			Rugby Tour Returns

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

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## \*\*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 <u>naomibrett20@gmail.com</u> for orders.

We Thank You for your Support!!