

Weekly Newsletter of St Peter's Boys Prep School

FROM THE RECTOR

ST PETER'S PRE-PREP

We have been considering the establishment of a Pre-Prep for some time now. The intention was to open it in January 2019 in the After School Programme house. It is unlikely that it will now open next year.

We are currently awaiting a final design by the architect and thereafter, a costing to check affordability. We also do not want to add significantly to the amount of traffic on campus. As such, we are investigating further measures to ensure that this does not happen.

We cannot determine the placement of the facility until the traffic challenges have been met.

In the meantime, we have informed our feeder Pre-Preps of our intentions, as a courtesy.

I would be happy to answer any questions which you may have around this topic.

HELP! TLB NEEDED

The school requires a TLB (Tractor Loader Backhoe) in order to landscape the area below the Afterschool Programme facility. We would be most grateful to any parents who could recommend a provider who could offer the service at a competitive rate...or even better! Please contact Cecilia Neto in this regard (cneto@stpeters.co.za).



Questions for the Rector:

If anyone wishes any further information on any topic, please feel free to contact me at school or at groyce@stpeters.co.za or dradloff@stpeters.co.za

Greg Royce

NEW BOYS – WELCOME

We welcome the following boys and their families to the St Peter's family:

Zhengfei Li – Grade3 SC Kwena Phukubye - Grade 5 SC Sanele Funeka - Grade 6 ME Xavier Mettler - Grade 6 ME

FROM THE HEADMASTER

Welcome back after what I hope was a restful break. The Boys Prep School term has kicked off with our MADD (Music, Art, Drama and Dance) week and the boys' creative minds are in full swing. We look forward to seeing the outcomes of the week when the plays and presentations take place on Friday.



The Trinity Term is taken up by winter sports including Rugby, Soccer, Tennis, Squash (for senior boys) and Cross Country. The boys really enjoy these activities and the competitive element, while important, should never eclipse the fun of the game. I thoroughly enjoy watching how parents and coaches become involved in supporting their boys, cheering from the side-lines and "feeling" every great move or point scoring opportunity. Having said this, I remind us all that an enjoyable game can be spoiled by negative comments aimed either at the referees or the players themselves. As a rule of thumb, let's all remember to cheer the team effort, not singling out individuals and to confine our opinion of refereeing decisions to ourselves. By doing this we can all have an exciting and positive experience no matter which winter sport your son plays and at all levels of participation. I wish you all an exhilarating winter sport season.

2 fathers watching a kids game.

"Which one is your son?" 'Why?"

"Wanted to tell him how rubbish he is"

"You can't say that he's only a kid, how would you like it if I said that to your son?"

"You have done all game"

"Why who's your son?"

"The referee"

Think before you speak

THROUGH THE KEYHOLE

This week, I would like to consider the concept of face-to-face time. Have you ever experienced those moments when your child or a loved one's face just lights up and without a word being said, you know that he or she is happy. The joy that we feel when this happens often makes our own faces split into a grin and the ongoing positive energy is contagious for all who are part of the face-to-face moment. Similarly there are times when your son tells you that things are fine, but you can see from his face that this is not really the case. My point is that by concentrating on our child's facial expression, our insight into and, in most cases enjoyment of, their lives is multiplied considerably. The perfect time for this type of interaction to happen is not in the car, watching TV together or even playing a good game of sport. This interaction is most powerful when we sit across the dinner table from each other and talk about our day. When last did you have a family dinner together? I can guarantee that those families who respond that they do this on a regular basis will testify to the quality and sincerity of their communicative experience. I wish you many happy family meals together as the winter evenings approach.

Have a great week.

Rob Macaulay

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT NEWS

Kitchen:

The Schools' Kitchen gets audited termly by Food Consulting Services and, once again, in the last audit in April 2018, achieved an excellent overall score.

Below is a summary of the areas that were audited and a comparison from audit to audit:

| Audit Date | Surface Swabs | Hand Swabs | Food Samples | Water Samples | Overall Micro Index | Symbol | Visual Cleanliness | Cleaning Procedures | Food Safety | Documentation | Symbol | Facilities | Symbol |
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| 06/4/2017 | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | A+ | 85% | 69% | 76% | 41% | В | 77% | В |
| 5/10/2017 | 89% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 94% | A+ | 82% | 93% | 84% | 85% | Α | 81% | Α |
| 11/4/2018 | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | <mark>A+</mark> | 92% | 100% | 90% | 86% | <mark>A+</mark> | 83% | A |

Hearty congratulations to **Sharon Rabilal** and her team on such fantastic results.

Drivers:

Daniel Selekisho and **Tyson Banda** attended a *Defensive Driving and Hijacking Course* in the April holidays and successfully completed the course with an overall score of **One**, achieving excellent driving standards. Our drivers complete this course every two years.

The drivers also underwent their six monthly medicals and have both been declared fit for employment.

Cecilia Neto (Operations Manager)

SPACES FOR GRADE 0, 2019

Please note that there are a limited number of spaces, in the Girls Prep School, available for Grade 0 in 2019.

Please bear this in mind when speaking to people who are looking at Grade 0 schooling, for their daughter, in 2019.

OLD BOYS NEWSHilton College

William Hayne was selected for the 1st Cricket Team.

Andrew Meyer was awarded a Commendation in the 1st Term and was selected for the U15A Cricket Team.

Chris Meyer was selected for the 1st Cricket Team.

Connor Paton was awarded a Commendation in the 1st Term.

Tristan Paton was awarded a Commendation in the 1st Term.

S'bonelo Phungula was awarded a Commendation in the 1st Term.

Connor Russell was awarded Colours for Academics and was awarded a Commendation in the 1st Term.



Gareth Schreuder

Gareth Schreuder was selected for the 1st Cricket Team and appointed as Vice Captain of Cricket for 2018. He was awarded the Player of the Tournament Trophy at the KZN Inland T20 Cricket Tournament as well as a Batsman of the Match Award. He was also named the U19 Player of the tournament at the KZN Inland Cricket Awards.

Jarrod Siddall was selected for the U14A Hockey Team.

Luke Van Ryswyk was awarded a Commendation in the 1st Term and was selected for the U16A Rugby Team.

Michaelhouse

Ross Keep was voted the best Junior Speaker at a round of the Midlands Debating League.

HOT DOG DAY - FRIDAY 11 MAY

This Friday we are excited to have Hot Dog day once more..

Our Vienna sausage suppliers are trustworthy and they have guaranteed that their Vienna sausages are completely safe. We also boil the Viennas which serves as an added safeguard. If boys do not wish to have a Vienna sausage on their Hot Dog — they can rather choose to have cheese or just a roll with sauce on it.

Sharon Rabilal (Head of Catering)

CARTIRDGE COLLECTION - FRIDAY 11 MAY

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)



FORTHCOMING WEEK

Please check Calendar section of Communicator St Peter's for forthcoming week's activities.

GRADE 7 FUND RAISING - SATURDAY, 12 MAY

There will be yummy bacon rolls and toasted sandwiches on sale at the Rugby on Saturday. Cash only.



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MY STORY

It was wonderful to see the growing interest in the 'My Story' series at last term's event. This is a St Peter's safe space where parents and staff listen to each other and learn from each other through the voluntary sharing of personal stories, experiences and journeys.

We believe that this helps us break down the barriers that stand between us and helps us build a stronger, more cohesive and inclusive St Peter's community.

Please join us on this exciting journey!

Thursday, 17 May 18:30 - 20:00**Girls Junior Prep Hall**

Grade 7 Girls Flower Fundraiser

R250 per Bunch

Please support by ordering your bunch of beautiful flowers by Tuesday afternoon via email nicky@ntce.co.za.

Collection of flowers on Friday from 12:00 at

ALL Receptions where relevant, i.e.: Girls SP and JP, Boys SP and JP.

Many thanx **Grade 7 Girls Fundraising Committee**



THROUGH THE KEYHOLE SENIOR PREP 10 May 2018

CHARITY EVENT

