



SENIOR PREP

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ST PETER'S BOYS PREP SCHOOL

THROUGH THE KEYHOLE

Weekly Newsletter of St Peter's Boys Prep School

FROM THE HEADMASTER

Your son may have told you about our focus on Servant Leadership this term. Nelson Mandela, whose “hundredth birthday” we celebrated yesterday, epitomised the concept of Servant Leadership. The senior boys have researched and presented on this way to lead, both in class and in the more public forum of Chapel Services this term. The Junior Primary boys and their parents are participating in their 67 minutes of giving back through the “book, ball and biscuit” initiative taking place next Tuesday. They will be taking a bag containing these three items to school children who are less fortunate than themselves and are going to spend time interacting and playing with their new friends. Watch our Facebook Page for pictures of the outing next week.

I found it fitting that I received the following article from one of our parents just before the World Cup Final last week. It tells of a man who exhibits many of our St Peter's Values including resilience, honour, collaboration and responsibility, all of which are attributes of servant leadership. I hope you enjoy the read:

The old man took his cattle up the hill that morning in December 1991, because that's what he did every day, rain or shine, winter or summer. He took his cattle up the hill that morning, and he never came back. A handful of men in police uniforms arrested him. Whether or not they were legally police officers was moot, and it was also irrelevant; round these parts, power came from the barrel of a gun, not from a piece of paper.

The man's crime was the same crime it always is in places riven by sectarianism; not being one of them. Being the other. Being the enemy. His crime was nothing he'd done; it was who he was. He was Croatian, they were Serbian. That was all there was to it. The men took him and a few others to the nearby village of Jesenice, and there they were executed. The old man left behind a family whom he loved and who loved him; none more so than his six-year-old grandson with whom he shared a name and from whom he had been practically inseparable, the old man doting on the boy, the boy hero-worshipping his grandfather. The name they shared was Luka Modric, and this Sunday that small boy, now 32, will lead his country out in the World Cup Final.

After his grandfather was murdered, Luka's family's house was burned down, and they had to live in a hotel for years: not an expensive comfortable one, but a basic, crumbling one in their hometown of Zadar. When the mortars fell, as they often did, young Luka would sit inside and wait them out. But when the all clear was given, he'd be off playing football in the hotel car park, sometimes with other kids, sometimes on his own. Anything to escape the grim, numbing reality of living in a perpetual state of conflict.

He was a small kid: too small, as it turned out, to be taken on by the local bigwigs: Hadjuk Split. He ended up playing aged 18 in the Bosnian league for Zrinjski Mostar, which was where both team-mates and opponents discovered two things about this kid: that he had all the skills you could want, and that he could look after himself too.

Fast forward 15 years, through a journey that has taken him from Dinamo Zagreb via Tottenham Hotspur to Real Madrid. Even though he still looks like, in the unimprovable words of the Guardian's Barney Ronay, 'a little boy dressed as a witch',

he is now one of the best players in the world; a midfielder of fabulous talents, one of the very few who can bend time and space to his will.

And of all those talents, perhaps the greatest is this; that he makes others play better. When the simple pass is the best option, that's what he plays. When he needs to hold the ball for a few moments so his team-mates can get into better positions, that's what he does. When he has to cover back after someone else's mistake, that's what he does.

He's not one of those superstars whose megawattage draws the eye and the play too, whose own presence inhibits the other ten men wearing the same shirt as him. He's the ultimate leader precisely because he doesn't make it all about himself. You won't find him rolling around as though he's just stepped on a landmine, or ripping his shirt off when he scores, or standing there looking haunted when things aren't going his way.

And his team love him. When he missed a penalty late in the match against Denmark, his team-mate, Ivan Rakitic, gathered the others round. 'Listen,' he said. 'Lukita's got us out of more messes than we can count. It's our turn to repay him.' The Croatians put the miss behind them and won the subsequent shoot-out, with Rakitic slotting the winning kick.

But if you want to know what Modric is made of, here it is: Only a few minutes after missing that penalty, he'd taken another one in the shoot-out, with the Danish keeper Kaspar Schmiechel in his face trying to put him off. Did he score second time round? Of course he did.

Despite the trauma of his childhood while Croatia fought for its own independence, Luca Modric became a true servant leader. We have Nelson Mandela and other South African servant leaders to thank for the relative peacefulness of our own transition to democracy in 1994. It is fitting that we take the opportunity to reflect on how we can be servant leaders to those around us as we commemorate this year's Mandela Day.

Happy Mandela Day

Rob Macaulay



**REMINDER - MANDELA DAY 2018
BOOK COLLECTION BY FRIDAY 20 JULY**



Nelson Mandela said “Be a lifelong student, read as many books as possible.” Many in our community do not own a single book, so as part of the St Peter’s Mandela Day initiative, we are collecting secondhand books for the children of Diepsloot Combined, Sefikeng Primary, The Tomorrow Trust and our own community. Please drop off books suitable for kids to young adults in the Girls and Boys SP receptions by Friday.

CHAPLAIN – BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP (REMINDER)

Our first Bereavement Support Group session took place a while ago. This group is for children who have lost a parent. What a privilege it is to be a part of so many lives within our St Peter’s community and make a difference in such meaningful ways.

Our next Support Group meeting will be on **Tuesday, 24 July at 07:30**, in the Council Chamber. For those who were not quite ready this time around, please could you encourage them to join? Wendy Wentzel, our resident psychologist, and I run these get-togethers.

Blessings

Fr Richard Wossler (St Peter’s Prep Chaplain)

AUGUST HOLIDAY CLUBS

There are a few Holiday Clubs in the August holidays. Some of the information has been attached to the email sent with this Newsletter.

PLEASE NOTE:

Look under Communicator St Peter’s/Resources/Holiday Clubs for all the information on the various clubs on offer.

iDWALA Cricket is running a clinic in August. Please personalise your Communicator St Peter’s channels by ticking iDWALA Cricket for all the information, Indemnity forms etc.



**ST PETER'S
COLLEGE**
1998-2018 **20**
YEARS

COLLEGE: APPLICATIONS FOR GRADE 8, 2020

The College has commenced interviewing Grade 8 2020 applicants from the Boys Prep and Girls Prep Schools.

Please ensure your application has been submitted to the College by the beginning of the Third Term (Advent Term) as applications from other primary schools will be open for consideration from October 2018.

Please also diarise the next **College Open Day** which is happening on Saturday, 13 October from 08:30 to 12:00.

- Download the Enrolment Application form [here](#)
- RSVP for the Open Day [here](#).

Kindly contact Tanya Oakes on 011 807 5315 or admissions@stpeterscollege.co.za to schedule your child's interview and/or to submit your application.

For any queries please contact Nosipho Nkosi on 011 807 7126 or marketing@stpeterscollege.co.za

GR7 SOCIAL

PRE-SALES FOR THE GR7 SOCIAL!

Please note that tickets for the social will be on sale in the Boys and Girls SP car parks on **Wed, Thurs and Fri** (25, 26 and 27 July). R100 entrance.

Ticket booklets will also be on sale for food/drinks/activities in denominations of R100, R150 and R200. Get yours early and avoid the lines! Cash and SnapScan available.

St Peter's GR7 Boys'

INVITE YOU TO 'GLOW CRAZY' WITH THEM
AT THEIR WINTER SOCIAL!

Sat 28 JULY 2018, 18:00—21:00
DODSON HALL, ST PETER'S PREP
(use Wroxham Rd entrance)

ENTRANCE R100 (CASH/SNAPSCAN at the door) and bring extra for the FUN ACTIVITIES!

➔ WEAR SOMETHING WHITE , BRING EXTRA CASH FOR GLOW ACCESSORIES, FOOD/DRINKS & EXCITING NEW GLOW PAINT BAR!

OLD BOYS NEWS

Yuvish Premlall took part in the Tricolore Games in Italy. He managed to secure Gold in the 200m breast & in the 200m fly.

**PA NEWS
GOLF DAY**

The St Peter's Prep Golf Day
Friday, 5 October 2018
Kyalami Country Club



BOOKINGS OPEN
16 July

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...

- R1000 per player - includes welcome drink on arrival, halfway house, mulligans and casual dinner
- Shotgun start at 12:00
- Prize giving and casual dinner in the bar
- An exciting RAFFLE DRAW – raffle to be announced shortly (no fundraising auction)

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES available!

DON'T MISS OUT!
 To book your spot, or for any additional information email
golfday@stpeters.co.za

St Peter's Prep Schools presents

Winter Warmers 2018 . . . Lucky Draw

Thank you to our Sponsors & Well Done to the winners



Meerlust Wine Hamper

Tanya Watson



Private House Products [R1,500]

Wendy Ralph



Talon Tough Tools - each including an Electric Hedge Trimmer [R1,200] and Chain Saw [R900]

Constance Mukarati

unitron. Hearing matters



Vogue Cantilever Umbrella [R2,000]

Natasha Lockley

Nasipi Ngwendu

Always Ahead Colour, Cut/Blow & Treatment [R2,000]

Cecil Thokoane



3 Piece Diamond Luggage Set [R3,000]

Penny Moerane

Simply Gardens - Seedlings and Landscaping Consult [R5,000]

Donna Clay

2 nights for 2 at Fire and Ice Hotel, CT [R5 000]

Patrick Earlam



The Guy Family

2 nights for 2 at The Cavern [R5 000]

Yvonne Wattam

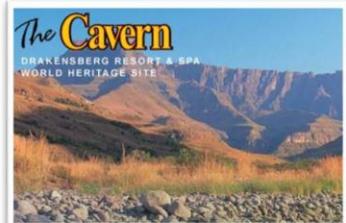


2 nights for 2 at Makalali Private Game Reserve [R13 000]

Nicolas Tsaperas



tourvest
destination management



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



**REMINDER: HOT DOG DAY AND CARTRIDGE COLLECTION
TOMORROW - FRIDAY, 20 JULY**



FORTHCOMING WEEK

Please check Calendar section of Communicator St Peter's for forthcoming week's activities.
PLEASE NOTE: DEADLINE FOR NEWS SUBMISSIONS IS 08:00 ON WEDNESDAYS