

# ST PETER'S BOYS PREP SCHOOL

# THROUGH THE KEYHOLE

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

#### FROM THE HEADMASTER

In a world that is often filled with negative news about crime, corruption and economic woes, it was an absolute pleasure to switch to CNN last evening and watch Amanpour interview the creators of the Broadway Musical "Come from Away." This musical, which is moving to the West End soon and will be made into a film, celebrates the wonderful hospitality of the people of Gander in Canada at a time when the world was reeling under the news of the 9/11 attacks. I pulled the following precis of the show off the "Come from Away" website.

"Come From Awa"y is based on the true story of when the isolated community of Gander, Newfoundland played host to the world. What started as an average day in a small town turned in to an international sleep-over when 38 planes, carrying thousands of people from across the globe, were diverted to Gander's air strip on September 11, 2001. Undaunted by culture clashes and language barriers, the people of Gander cheered the stranded travellers with music, an open bar and the recognition that we're all part of a global family.

What it made me realise is the power that we exert over our own one-on-one interactions on a daily basis. While we may not be able to influence global or even local politics significantly, we can and should be held accountable for how we respond to those people with whom we come into close contact every day. I often find that I am so overwhelmed by factors outside my circle of influence that I forget that the flow of life moves through us and not only around us. I once read that the Dead Sea is so full of salt and silt that the water cannot support life as other seas do. The reason for this is that, while there is an influx of water, there is no place for an outflow and so the passage of water comes to an end and, in a sense, dies. The story behind "Come from Away" is a wonderful example of how, no matter what comes our way, we have the ability to react in such a way as to add value and love to the situation and then let it pass on as something better than before it touched us. The power in this sense is in our hands. I believe that the St Peter's Values, which



were focused on over the first few weeks this term, provide guidelines for us to provide our own "Come from Away" experience for those around us. While I won't be travelling to Broadway or The West End in the near future, I look forward to the release of the film version of the story.

I wish you all the best for the term ahead. Rob Macaulay

SENIOR PREP

28 February 2019

#### **IT'S A GIRL!**

Congratulations to Katy and Tony Mthethwa on the birth of their third daughter. Welcome to the world Ntokoza Thembekile!



#### **Michaelhouse**

Jason Morby Smith has been selected to represent the KZN Midlands U18 waterpolo team which will be competing in the Currie Cup in mid-March.

#### **PA NEWS**

### PA NOTICE OF AGM



The PA AGM Notice and Form of Proxy have been emailed to all parents and can be found on the Communicator St Peter's under RESOURCES/ BOYS/GIRLS /PA.



STAFF VARIETY SHOW – TICKETS ON SALE 1 MARCH FROM 06:00 ON TIXSA



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#### **A MY STORY INVITATION**

# YOU ARE INVITED



A talk by Roy Gluckman, a celebrated Diversity & Inclusion specialist

TOPIC : The Changing Perspective of South African Children

DATE	TIME	VENUE
THURSDAY 14 MARCH 2019	18:30 - 20:00	ST PETER'S GIRLS JUNIOR PREP HALL
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#### FORTHCOMING WEEK

Please check on the Communicator St Peter's for the 2019 Easter Term Calendar. You can save and load everything relevant to your sons into your electronic Calendar.

PLEASE NOTE: DEADLINE FOR NEWS SUBMISSIONS IS 08:00 ON WEDNESDAYS

# ST PETER'S COLLEGE GOLF DAY – 20 MARCH



Dinner included. Lots of prizes to be won!

## ST PETER'S COLLEGE OPEN DAY – 2 MARCH



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