



SENIOR PREP

Keyhole: 917

13 June 2019

**ST PETER'S
BOYS PREP SCHOOL**

THROUGH THE KEYHOLE



Weekly Newsletter of St Peter's Boys Prep School

FROM THE HEADMASTER

With Fathers' Day just around the corner, I thought that it would be pertinent to share the following story with you:

The Native Americans of North America had a series of tests making up a rite of passage for a boy as he strived to become a "brave" – a fully-fledged warrior who had proved himself to be courageous, trustworthy, loyal, respectful and honest. The period of training stretched over all the childhood years and during this time, the boy would undergo tests of various kinds. One of the most feared was the "vigil." This occurred at the age of ten, once a series of smaller tests had been completed.

The boy was taken deep into the forest by his father. They left the well-known paths close to the village and journeyed into unfamiliar and frightening territory. The boy, who had been brought up with the beliefs and oftentimes scary stories of the tribe, would have been acutely aware of the unseen dangers of his surroundings. As the sun set, the father and son would share a meal and then, when darkness had fallen, the father would say "goodbye" and leave the boy to spend the night alone. There, for hour after scary hour, the young boy would keep watch – alone in the impenetrable darkness, alone with the wild animals, alone with weird sounds and alone with his fear of spirits and ghosts. It seemed to be a night without end.

Even the longest night, however, comes to an end. Finally, the morning dawned and, as the light increased, the boy made a glorious discovery – he had never been alone. His father had spent the night with him, just a few metres away, keeping watch, making sure that he was safe.

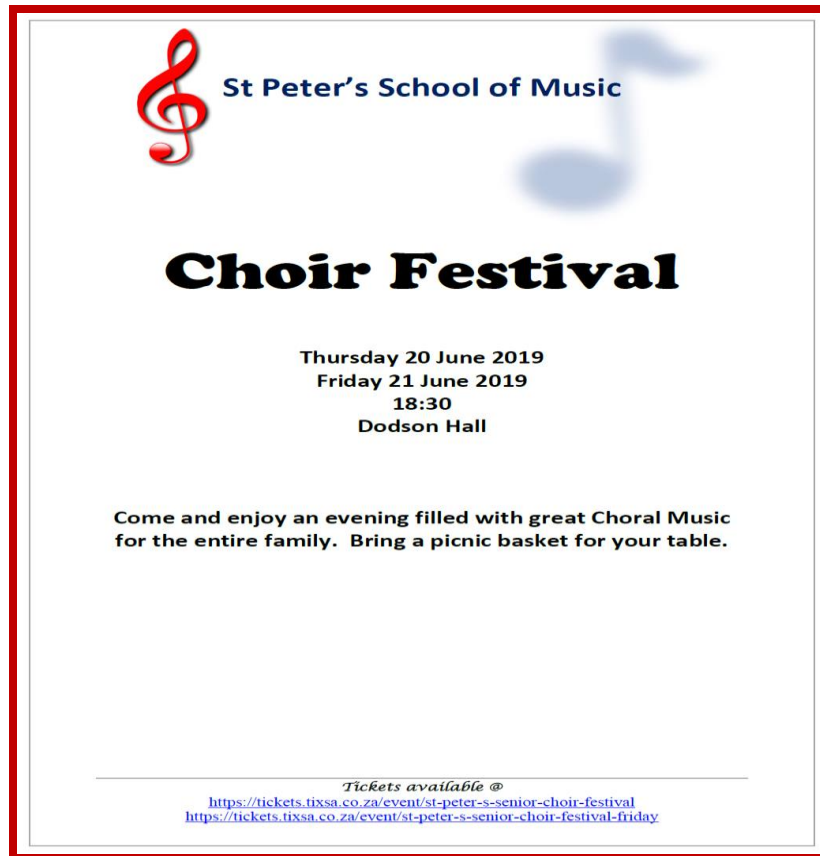
In this uncertain world, the presence of a strong parent who allows the child to overcome fears and obstacles for himself and yet within the bounds of safety cannot be underestimated. Strong parenting, in contrast to the "helicopter" or "lawn mowing" parenting that we hear about so often, creates a space where the child overcomes obstacles through discomfort and the need to adjust behaviour. Here, a section of our *Keys Promise*, "I demonstrate resilience in the face of challenge..." comes to mind.

As we look forward to Father's Day on Sunday and also take cognisance of the challenges faced by school children on that fateful day of 16 June 1976, let's take time to celebrate the altruism and resilience of children. Let's also make a conscious effort to be strong parents who set a good example of behaviour and yet allow the boys to grow through their own visits to the learning pit. For more insight into the learning pit concept please open the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i3oyXUz6w7Y>

Have a great long weekend and enjoy a meaningful Youth Day.

Rob Macaulay

ST PETER'S CHOIR FESTIVAL – 20 AND 21 JUNE

<https://tickets.tixsa.co.za/event/st-peter-s-senior-choir-festival>
<https://tickets.tixsa.co.za/event/st-peter-s-senior-choir-festival-friday>

VEHICLE SECURITY ACCESS

For new parents and parents who don't have a pre-approval (QR Code), please do the following:

STEP 1 – submit vehicle details online

Click on the following link <https://goo.gl/forms/NX1PEDAYmpKMctxR2> and capture details of all relevant vehicles requiring access to school.

STEP 2 – Download and register in Charlie.

1. Download and install the Charlie app from your respective app store (click either of the following links: [Android](#) or [iOS](#))
2. Sign in with either email or cell phone number (if you use your cell phone number you will receive a 6 digit pin).
3. Once in the app select the blue block to update your profile details.

STEP 3 – Request QR codes

Please send an email to stpeters@appcharlie.com requesting QR codes. Please include details used to update you Charlie profile.

Once you receive you QR code via email, place the QR code on the same side as your vehicle registration (on the left side of the windscreen, when seated in the vehicle).

Lance Camphor (Security Manager)

EDTECH TALK

We were very happy to welcome parents to the EdTech information session.

During the morning parents, who attended, had the opportunity to gain further understanding of the fabulous initiatives that are preparing our Grade 5, 6 and 7 pupils for the years ahead. In future years they will be spending more and more time and effort becoming the digital leaders of tomorrow.

We are incredibly proud of how far we have been able to push our pupils into becoming, not just consumers of digital content, but real engagers with, and creators of, content.

We also had the opportunity to reflect on how to help our children stay safe online, both here at school and at home. We also discussed the dangers of screen time and how we limit this at school. A few questions were raised on how this could be monitored at home and what the best "parent control app." is. We would recommend the following apps that will work at home and on the school network:

- Our Pact - <https://ourpact.com/>
- Kids Loxs - <https://kidslox.com/>
- Net Nanny - <https://www.netnanny.com/>

We also discussed the EdTech pledge and emphasised what is allowed on the boys iPads at school. It was reiterated that the following apps are not allowed:

- Any social media apps
- Any instant messaging apps
- Any age restricted apps 13 years or older

We also sent out information through the class mums on various apps and the dangers thereof. If your son is worried about a certain app and whether or not it is allowed, please can he ask Miss Tanielle Quinn or myself. The EdTech pledge can also be found on the Communicator St Peter's for those who would like to review it.

For those who were unable to attend the coffee morning, and would like any further information, please feel free to contact me on shauptfleisch@stpeters.co.za

Scott Hauptfleisch (Deputy Head: Pastoral Care and Additional Learning and Campus ICT Integrator)

SWINE FLU

As a School, we are aware of the current outbreak of flu causing high numbers of absentees in the classes.

Please be aware that Swine flu H1N1 Influenza is caused by the type A flu (H1N1) virus. It now forms part of seasonal influenza in most countries at present and is a non-notifiable condition.

Common Symptoms include:

Fever
Dry cough
Sore throat
Headache
Fatigue
Muscle pain
Body aches
Cold shivers and hot sweats

Please keep your children at home should they be displaying any of the above symptoms and consult your GP for further treatment. It may be advisable to have the Flu Injection as a preventative measure.

Sister Gail Brent

PA NEWS**PA – GOLF DAY – SAVE THE DATE****ANNUAL GOLF DAY 2019 – FOURBALLS AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

St Peter's Prep Schools is holding its annual Golf Day on Friday, 27 September at the Kyalami Country club. The aim of the Golf Day is to raise funds for the St Peter's Prep Parents Association (PA), as well as provide a fun-filled and enjoyable afternoon for all attending. The proceeds raised will be used for projects, requiring funding by the PA, at the school. Bookings for Fourballs open on Wednesday, 10 July.

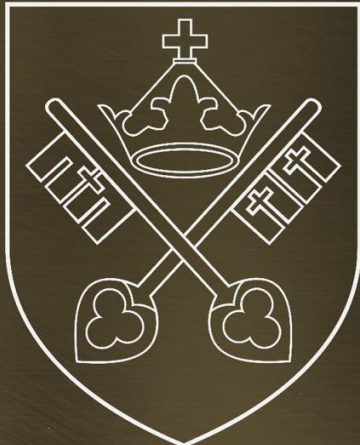
In order to make the Golf Day a successful fundraiser, we are seeking sponsorship for the opportunities outlined below. To acknowledge contributions, the sponsor will be entitled to use their company signage to market their business in the area chosen. In addition to branding on the course, a board with a list of all the sponsors will also be put up at the clubhouse.

- Major Sponsor: Evening event (includes sponsorship of food truck)
- Major Sponsor: Halfway house
- Sponsor: Registration table
- Sponsor: Putting Green
- Sponsor: Hole
- Sponsor: Watering hole
- Sponsor: Prizes - any luxury food or drink items that could be used in a hamper
 - any vouchers (for kids or adults to use)
 - any complete hampers
 - any other prize you can think of!

For any further information on sponsorships, please contact the committee at: golfday@stpeters.co.za

PAVER PLAQUE ORDERS

Paver Plaques



"May you never forget what is worth remembering."

This is a timeless reminder of your son's years at St Peter's Boys Prep. A brass plaque is engraved with your son's details and is placed in the Old Boys Quad outside Dodson Hall.

Should you wish to order, and see the various options, please click on the link and complete the Google order form.

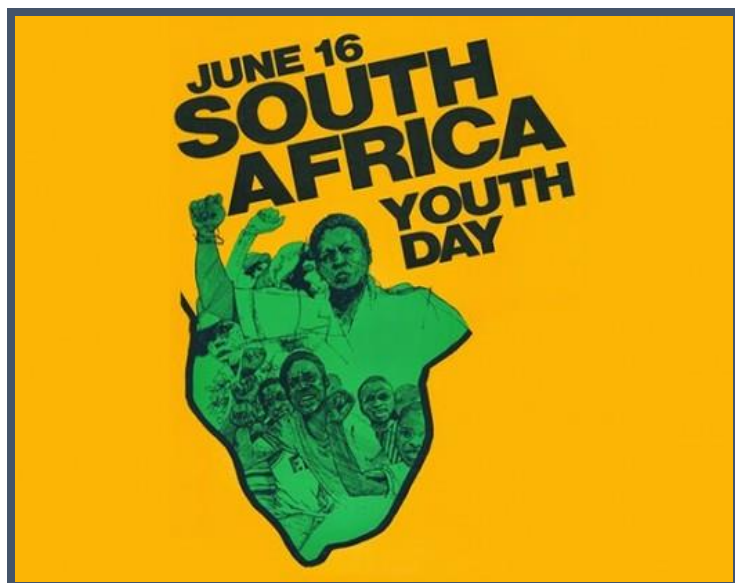
<https://goo.gl/forms/eZGieDiKQnfdyzWu2>

<https://goo.gl/forms/eZGieDiKQnfdyzWu2>

UPCOMING HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS

Please note that **Michaelhouse** will be coming to talk to the **Grade 6** boys on Tuesday, 18 June 14:00 to 14:45 in EdTech Lab 2.

Diane Fraser (Marketer)

ENJOY THE LONG WEEKEND

WINTER WARMERS – REMEMBER TO BUY YOUR TICKETS!

The poster features a blue background with white snowflakes. In the top left corner is the St Peter's Prep Schools crest, which is a red shield with a gold crown and two crossed keys, with the motto 'SERVATE FIDEM' on a banner below. To the right of the crest, the text '2019 Winter Warmers' is written in a large, stylized font, with '2019' in white, 'Winter' in blue, and 'Warmers' in red. Below this, 'Family Fun Day' is written in a large, blue, cursive font. Underneath that, the text 'Live music & a warm winter afternoon together' is written in a smaller, blue, cursive font. Below this, the word 'featuring' is written in a small, blue, cursive font, followed by 'SIMPLYFOR' in a large, bold, black, sans-serif font. Below the band name, there is a paragraph of text: 'SIMPLYFOR is the brain child of Godfrey Ried and Nash Klaassen. Down to earth, passionate entertainers, the band caters for all with their extensive repertoire including golden oldies and current hits.' Below this paragraph, the text 'Including a talented performance from our very own St Peter's Bands' is written. At the bottom of the poster, there are two logos: 'FJC Boys Ensemble Band' and 'Legacy Girls Ensemble Band'. The 'FJC' logo is a red shield with a gold crown and two crossed keys, and the 'Legacy' logo is a red shield with a gold crown and two crossed keys. Below the logos, the date 'Date: Sat 22 June 11:00 to 17:00' and the venue 'Venue: Mvukuzane Field, St Peter's Prep' are listed.

2019 Winter Warmers
Family Fun Day
Live music & a warm winter afternoon together
featuring
SIMPLYFOR

SIMPLYFOR is the brain child of Godfrey Ried and Nash Klaassen. Down to earth, passionate entertainers, the band caters for all with their extensive repertoire including golden oldies and current hits.

Including a talented performance from our very own **St Peter's Bands**

FJC
Boys Ensemble Band

Legacy
Girls Ensemble Band

Date: Sat 22 June 11:00 to 17:00
Venue: Mvukuzane Field, St Peter's Prep

<https://tickets.tixsa.co.za/event/winter-warmers-2019>

2019 Winter Warmers Family Fun Day

Lucky Draw

Stand a Chance to Win

1 of These Fantastic Prizes:

- ♦ Makalali Private Game Reserve holiday
- ♦ The Cavern holiday
- ♦ Protea Fire & Ice holiday
- ♦ Laser Tag Party for 12 children
- ♦ And many more

Buy your Tickets

4 for R100
1 for R25

Draw to be held at approximately 16:00 on 22 June 2019. You don't need to attend the draw to stand a chance of winning.

Winners will be notified via telephone or email ♦ Direct any queries to winterwarmers@stpeters.co.za

<https://tickets.tixsa.co.za/event/winter-warmers-2019>

Lucky Draw

Stand a Chance to Win

TALON TOUGH TOOLS
2 x Talon electric chain saws
2 x Talon petrol string trimmers

PROTEA HOTEL FIRE & ICE!
HARRISBURG
Cape Town
2 night stay for 2 people at the Protea Fire & Ice. Value R5,000

Kruspy Kreme DOUGHNUTS
12 original glazed donuts
Once a month, for 6 months

THE BARNYARD THEATRE
10 Tickets to Barnyard Rivonia
Judo Lessons for 1 Year Value R4,000

LAND-ROVER
Land Rover Driving Experience for 2

Spur Steak House
R1,500 Spur Voucher - Mall of Africa

GardenShop
R300 Shopping Voucher

The Cavern DRakensberg Resort & SPA
SINCE 1941
Two nights in Standard Accommodation for two adults sharing. Full board in low season. Value R5,600.

INANDA CLUB
Dinner for 2

S.W.A. LASER TAG
Laser Tag Party for 12 children

Buy your Tickets

4 for R100
1 for R25

Draw to be held at approximately 16:00 on 22 June 2019. You don't need to attend the draw to stand a chance of winning.

Winners will be notified via telephone or email ♦ Direct any queries to winterwarmers@stpeters.co.za

Terms and Conditions Apply

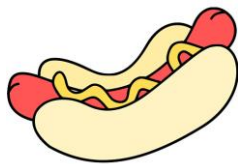
<https://tickets.tixsa.co.za/event/winter-warmers-2019>

HOT DOG DAY AND CIVVIES DAY FRIDAY 14 JUNE – R35

On Friday boys can wear civvies to school.

Hot dog Day - R25

Civvies - R10



FORTHCOMING WEEK

Please check on the Communicator St Peter's for the 2019 Trinity Term Calendar.

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