



SENIOR PREP







ST PETER'S BOYS PREP SCHOOL

THROUGH THE KEYHOLE

Weekly Newsletter of St Peter's Boys Prep School

FROM THE HEADMASTER

I begin this newsletter with some staffing news. Congratulations are in order for two members of the Senior Prep Staff. Firstly, Lauryn Findlay is expecting and will be off on maternity leave from February 2020 until the Advent Term. Claire Anderson, who is one of our seasoned Locum Teachers will be taking Lauryn's class during this time. Kent and Alicia Sheppard are also expecting their baby early next year. Congratulations to the Sheppards as well. In addition to this good news, I need to share news that is bitter-sweet from our side. Spencer Howarth, who started as an intern at St Peter's and has been an integral part of our Sports Department as the HOD Administration, has been offered the post of Director of Sport at Bryanston Primary. While we offer Spencer our heartiest congratulations, he will be sorely missed by us all. I thank Spencer for all that he has done to promote and facilitate sport for so many of the boys over the years. We will be advertising for a replacement for Spencer later in the year. Other staff movement, in the JP, includes us bidding farewell to Tracey Sparks, Nichola Harmuth and Jaya Govender, all of who are migrating; to George, Australia and Canada respectively. We are fortunate that Jaya will still be with us for the first term of 2020. We are very pleased to welcome three new JP teachers; Lesego Kgosi, Trish Scott and Kimberley Ferreira to the team for 2020. Tiffany Koch will also not be returning from maternity leave as she has decided to be more available to her little boy; we are delighted that Debby Jameson will be remaining on in the JP Department.

There will also be a number of staff who will be moving classes in 2020. It is always a good idea to allow teachers to express their creativity in a new environment and, with new teachers coming in, a reshuffle of duties will occur. We are finalising our new appointments at present and will be able to send out a list of 2020 teaching responsibilities after half term.

One of our Foundation initiatives is to provide bursaries for deserving children who would not be able to attend St Peter's for financial reasons. Not only is this of benefit to the recipients, but our own boys' curriculum is enriched and made more representative of real world social interaction through the inclusion of the bursary children and families in our school community. As you can imagine, the programme requires substantial external funding so that it does not impact on our general school fee requirements. Fundraising is, therefore, extremely important. I am fully aware of the numerous requests we all receive for direct financial contributions. In an attempt to create a win-win situation like the "My School" and "Makro" initiatives, our Foundation Office are partnering with Travelstart to create a "bursary-fund-fly-donate" scheme that will allow you to contribute to the programme at no cost to yourselves. Please follow the link or look out for the flyer in this, and future Keyholes, if you would like to support the project.

Our final half-term is upon us and I wish everyone a time of relaxation and fun over the next five days. I look forward to greeting the boys for the final stretch of our 2019 journey when they return next Wednesday morning.

Rob Macaulay

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DIVERSITY: DIWALI – FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

St Peter's wishes all Hindu staff, pupils and families a joyous Diwali. The festival of lights is celebrated over five days with the main celebrations being held on 27 and 28 October.

28 October marks the New Year for Gujerati-speaking Hindus.

May good triumph over evil, knowledge replace ignorance and all mankind be blessed with health, happiness and prosperity.



FLY AND RAISE R75 FOR OUR BURSARY STUDENTS EVERY TIME!



We are very excited to announce a fundraising campaign that allows all our parents and supporters to donate to the Bursary Fund without spending an extra cent!

If you visit the fundraising page on our website (<u>bursary-fund-fly-donate</u>) and book your flights through Travelstart the Bursary Fund receives R75 for every transaction. You get to compare the best prices, times and routes across all airlines! You can make an immediate booking within a safe payment system; and you have the backing of Travelstart South Africa if you have any queries or need to make any changes.

This fundraising initiative is hosted by *WeBenefit Schools* in collaboration with Travelstart. WeBenefit exists to help schools and NPO save money and raise money. Learn more here www.webenefit.co.za.

Please support the school by booking your flights on our fundraising page(<u>bursary-fund-fly-donate</u>) and encourage your friends and family to do the same!

Thank you for your support!

The St Peter's Foundation



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OLD BOYS NEWS

ST PETER'S IS TURNING 70 YEARS OLD NEXT YEAR AND WE ARE TRACKING DOWN ALL OLD BOYS

If you, as a dad, grandfather, uncle, brother etc. went to St Peter's Boys Prep, please complete this short google form: https://forms.gle/o25tdakrZQCLMoUt7

SENIOR PREP SPORTS PHOTOS – READY TO BE ORDERED

The Sports photos are ready to view and order online. Free delivery to school if orders are placed and paid for by 5 Nov.

The Individual and class photos will be arriving next week.



Your 2019 School Sports Photos are ready to order!



Use the following Password to access your photos: SPB2019

Important:

If you order and pay BEFORE 05 Nov 2019 you will save R80 on delivery costs, as your photos will be sent to the school free of charge.

If you order and pay AFTER 05 Nov 2019 you will need to pay R80 for delivery by courier to your home or office address.

If you missed out on any PREVIOUS YEARS photos and would still like to order, click link below:

https://andreaslatterphotograp...

Thanks, Andrea Slatter Photography THROUGH THE KEYHOLE SENIOR PREP 23 October 2019

SUNSET CAROLS - CHRISTMAS MARKET STALL REGISTRATIONS AND APPLICATIONS



Planning is now well underway for our wonderful 2019 St Peter's Prep Sunset Carols Christmas Market

Date: Saturday 30 November Set up time: 12:00 - 14:00

Selling time: 15:00 - 19:00

Should you be interested in a stall at our market, please submit your registration application using the google link below:

Sunset Carols Market Application Form https://bit.ly/2ost9tQ

Grade 7 Girls Flower Fundraiser



R250 per Bunch

Please support by ordering your bunch of beautiful flowers the day before via email <u>nicky@ntce.co.za</u> or WhatsApp 083 609 1185



Collection of flowers ANY day from 12:00 at Girls SP and JP Receptions.

Many thanx

Grade 7 Girls Fundraising Committee

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FORTHCOMING WEEK

Please check on the Communicator St Peter's for the 2019 Advent Term Calendar. NOTE: BACK TO SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY, 30 OCTOBER