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### **Message from the Headmaster**

Dear Parents & Students,

As half-term draws near, I look fondly on what has been another busy but rewarding term at St Peter's College.

We find ourselves living in a country facing an uncertain future and we just do not know what we may wake up to, politically, from one day to the next. However, the one thing we do know, is that South Africa is an amazing place with incredible potential and we all need reminding of this from time to time and, attending our prize-giving ceremony this past Tuesday, reminded me of this.

I was honoured to be part of our prize-giving ceremony and I was grateful for the opportunity for St Peter's College to congratulate the winners and all the students who achieved success this year.

Many of our students have striven to do their best in order to be a part of this ceremony and I believe that represents the true spirit of St Peter's College. Although we all know that participating is a key element in team sports, school events and life in general, winning is what makes us push ourselves and achieve our full potential. I was most impressed with the involvement of so many pupils across so many spheres of the school, but I was especially in awe of those students whose efforts were rewarded on Tuesday evening.

The prize winners are a true representation of everything that we stand for here at St Peter's College – these hard-working, articulate young students are a credit to the College and an inspiration to us all. It is through such achievements that we are clearly able to see the skill, high expectation and commitment of the staff and students at St Peter's College, and these prize winners are superb examples of what we expect of our students.

Prize-Giving is our opportunity to celebrate the individual successes of students: the recognition of consistent and sustained effort; for excellence in subjects and for outstanding achievement in sport and cultural activities. To the prize winners- whatever your prize, be assured that the College, your teachers and your parents are very proud of you.

The Prize-Giving allowed me to reflect on the poignant message by Professor Jonathan Jansen as a tribute to the struggle hero Ahmed Kathrada:

“Show Me Another Country” – Jonathan Jansen

“Show me another country where the Anglican Archbishop prays at a Muslim funeral; where a white man chairs the proceedings to remember a leader from a black liberation movement; where a sitting president of a developing country is told to step down in a letter from the deceased stalwart of his own party; where the widow of the black man being buried is a white woman who gave her life to the struggle for freedom; and where Christian, Muslim, Jewish, Hindu and other faiths come together in a broad swathe of South African humanity to remember a man who fought for all of us.

Thus, it was with a sense of pride and a great deal of hope that I reflected on Professor Jansen’s words: “Where on and off the stage no one racial or ethnic or religious group dominated the event” and when Mr Armitage announced Head Prefects on the night, I caught a glimpse of a middle-aged white man embracing an elderly black lady, both shedding tears of joy, whilst the entire College- students, parents and staff- celebrated and yes, For a moment, just a moment, it felt good to hope again...”

As St Peter’s College embraces continued growth and change in the pursuit of excellence in a flourishing educational space, I thank you for your ongoing support as we look “Bravely into the Future”.

In “Futurum Fortiter

Regards,



Mr Rui Morais  
Headmaster

### Academic news

#### Grade 12 Accounting Outing to Dros and SuperSpar

On the 6th of September, the Grade 12 Accounting class along with Ms Meyer, went to Superspar and DROS.



The purpose of this outing was for us to gain an understanding and contrast the way in which a retailer operates versus how a food outlet operates.

First, we went to the Superspar, where one of the branch managers gave us a comprehensive explanation of what occurs in each section of the store. We met with several staff that have been working at the Superspar

for over 10 years and they all shared some insight on the work that they do daily. We went to the back of the store, where we witnessed the delivery of inventory and got to see the plant that runs the refrigeration system of the store. The tour was concluded by the senior manager, Jonathan who gave us two very useful tips for success: firstly, to never depend on one stream of income and secondly to never get tired of learning new things. Two hours later, we arrived at the DROS.

We went to the kitchen, the bar and the seating area. The manager at the DROS explained how they used the FIFO inventory purchasing system for the food that they purchase - for example, meat bought first was cooked first. Both enterprises spoke of the importance of developing sound relations with their customers as well as protecting inventory against theft by the public as well as employees. The trip was very interesting and insightful.

*Tadiwanashe Zororo*

*Grade 12 Student*

### Geography and Visual Art Outing

Johannesburg inner city is beautiful. P.A.S.T. Experiences, the organisation that took our Geography and Visual Art Students around the most interesting places in Maboneng, Top of Africa, and to Newtown, have immense knowledge of the city's rich and diverse history, socio-political climate and architectural contrasts.



The journey took us first to Maboneng where the students got the opportunity to have a quick bight to eat and explore the graffiti in the streets. Jo and Ray (aka BIAS) explained the history and contemporary relevance of graffiti as a form of beauty in our city, rather than the traditional view of it being a form of vandalism.

Graffiti was a definite highlight as it has been used to "beautify" the city and makes for interesting back drops to the diverse and eclectic aesthetic landscape. We looked at buildings, old and new, that have been abandoned, condemned and "hijacked". Central to the tour where the themes of gentrification and urban decay. Emphasis was placed on the contrasts that exist in the inner city and the Visual Art students had to look at this architecturally and environmentally, i.e. the old and new architectural contrasts were the most obvious to observe, but this worked on many levels including the visible signs of

economic differences.

We proceeded to journey to the Top of Africa, the 50<sup>th</sup> floor of the Transnet Building. The views were breath-taking, and it gave on a real sense of the degradation of the city from above. If one looked closely you could see the buildings that were abandoned and in disrepair, while contrasted with those that are new or well maintained.

This perspective of Johannesburg gives one a better sense at the hustle and bustle and the immense task it must be to manage a city of this nature.

Thereafter, we travelled to Newtown where we get to see the precinct and discuss the involvement of the Market Theatre during the Apartheid. Across from the theatre stood the faces of the old buildings (facadism) preserved against a back drop of the somewhat clinical and minimalist styled Nedbank Buildings.

These were good examples of how facadism is a way of working with the restrictions of heritage sites, but not having to deal with possible architectural issues of the older structures.

The experience was noteworthy and enlightening for the students, particularly for those who had not dare enter the inner city before.

*Mr Alex Trapani*

*HOD: Visual Art*

### Athletics news

The team competed in several Track and Field Events over the past few weeks. This culminated in the B-League Inter-High which was held on Tuesday 2 October 2018 in Ruimsig. We placed 4<sup>th</sup> out of the 8 schools present. Thank you to all the athletes who competed and all the parents who supported us on the day. Congratulations to the following athletes who placed in the top three:

Emma Girdlestone	U16 Javelin Throw	1 <sup>st</sup>
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	U16 400m	1 <sup>st</sup>
Boitshepo Machailo	U15 Long Jump	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Matthew Vermaak	U17 Javelin Throw	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Dane Groves	U17 800m	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	U17 1500m	1 <sup>st</sup>
Elton Mushonga	U16 Javelin Throw	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	U16 Shot Put	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U16 Discus Throw	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Tyler Koekemoer	U14 100m	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U14 200m	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U14 Shot Put	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Shannon Louis	U19 Long Jump	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U19 100m	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Jenna Joubert	U14 High Jump	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U14 400m	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Noluthando Ntlekeni	U16 100m	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Nicole Diepeveen	U17 100m	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U17 200m	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U17 400m	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U17 Long Jump	1 <sup>st</sup>
Lloyd Tshuketana	U19 100m	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Akanani Makhubela	U14 Javelin Throw	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Wanga Monsengo	U14 200m	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U14 Long Jump	1 <sup>st</sup>
Maleuba Masekoameng	U18 Discus Throw	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	U18 Javelin Throw	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Sanchian Maharaj	U15 200m	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Ryan Hardman	U15 Shot Put	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	U15 Discus Throw	1 <sup>st</sup>
Justeene Hallowes	U16 200m	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Gemma Raw	U16 Long Jump	1 <sup>st</sup>
Lawrence Ishekwene	U19 200m	2 <sup>nd</sup>
David Plumb	U15 Javelin Throw	1 <sup>st</sup>
Isabella Polla	U14 Long Jump	1 <sup>st</sup>
Dylan McDonogh	U15 High Jump	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U15 Long Jump	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Warwick Meth	U14 400m	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	U14 Girls Relay	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U14 Boys Relay	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U16 Girls Relay	1 <sup>st</sup>
	U17 Girls Relay	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	U18 Boys Relay	1 <sup>st</sup>

Mr Ryan Hammond

MIC: Athletics and Cross Country

### Swimming news

Congratulations to Reece Johnson who has just returned from a successful Seagulls Gala in Durban. He swam in 12 individual events where he swam 9 PB's, had two fourth places and won Bronze medals in 3 events. Reece also helped his team to a 4<sup>th</sup> place in the Medley relay which was a PB for the team.

100m Butterfly – 1.05.24

50m Freestyle – 27.05

400m Freestyle – 4.25.83

200m Freestyle – 2.04.02

200m IM – 2.23.63  
 50m Breast – 32.94  
 100m Back – 1.05.12  
 200m Back – 2.20.67  
 50m Butterfly – 29.87  
 200m Breast – 2.42.76  
 50m Back- 30.92  
 100m Freestyle – 56.79  
*MIC: Swimming*

### Waterpolo news

St Peter's College 1<sup>st</sup> Team Boys' Water Polo Team competed in the National Co-Eds Water Polo Tournament that took place in George from 03-06 October. The match summaries are as follows:



#### Kingswood: 1 – 1 Draw

Going into the match the boys knew this would be our hardest and most important match of the tournament. We started the game off looking like the better team. Michael was able to completely mark their whole man out of the game, and the rest of our defence was well structured.

Going up on attack we were able to set up but not able to convert the opportunities we created. Nearing the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> period Kingswood managed to go ahead with a lucky rebound goal, and in the shortened format of the game it makes it difficult to

come back.

The rest of the match remained as it had started with us having almost full control of them in defence and unable to turn opportunities into goals. Sebastian Long managed to draw us level in the last 40 seconds of the match. Not winning this match meant that we did not end up top of our pool. It also meant we would have a much harder route to the final as we would have had to play against Crawford who ultimately knocked us out in the quarterfinals.

#### Alex: 9 – 0 Win

Although we won this game comfortably it was not enough to put us at the top of our pool. After our draw to Kingswood the top of the group was decided by who could beat the next best team in the pool by the highest amount of goals scored against the third ranked team. Kingswood's score was 10 – 1 vs Alex meaning we had the same goal difference, but because they scored more goals it meant they topped the pool. In the game our defence once again was very good, and they had nothing going forward in attack. Our inability to convert our extra man opportunities meant that we didn't score enough goals to top our pool.

#### Randpark: 11 – 2 Win

Once again it was a comfortable win, and our defence was much better. We struggled to convert our goal scoring opportunities as we missed several 1 on 1 situations as well as a penalty.

#### Outeniqua: 17 – 1 Win

The boys were extremely motivated for this match. The Boys were very dominant on defence and managed to make use of all the opportunities we created.

#### Crawford: 5 – 1 Loss (Quarterfinals)

Before the start of the match all players were aware of their individual roles and we had a well-structured game plan. Crawford had key individuals that we needed to mark and we structured our game plan accordingly. In the first 2 periods the score remained 0 – 0 with both teams struggling to score. David Baldachin played very well in goals and he was able to make several steals from the centre position. Crawford scored early in the third period. The boys had a lapse in

concentration and unfortunately conceded too many goals from thereon in. Daniel Duke scored our only goal in this match. The loss meant that we could no longer reach the final and that we would play off for the 5-8 positions.

#### Stirling: 8-3 Loss

The boys took the game a bit too lightly before in the warm up, I think this and the fact that they were still in a negative frame of mind due to the loss vs. Crawford earlier, was part of the reason that the boys did not perform like they did in the Crawford and Outeniqua matches. We allowed their players to advance too easily on attack and gave them too much room, resulting in too many easy goals. They again did not convert their extra man opportunities.

#### Westerford: 5 – 3 Win

This was our last game of the tournament and once again the boys were not serious enough about the match ahead. The boys managed to implement better structure on their extra man opportunities and managed to convert two of the extra man attacks. The match had very little structure throughout, but we are happy to come away with the win.

We congratulate Sebastian Long and David Baldachin for being selected as a part of the Co-Eds 2018 Tournament Team It does not happen often that a team that placed 7<sup>th</sup> manages to have to players selected, therefore it is a testament of their hard work and performance throughout the Tournament.

The main contributing factor to the Team not advancing to the final was because they did not manage to top their pool. If the team came top they would have had a much easier route to the final. The boys preparation prior to the tournament, was also a major factor to their below average performance at the tournament. Attendance at trainings remains a concern and it is something that we hope to improve on in the future. The boys learned some hard lessons this Tournament and we hope that they will learn from them to make them even stronger in the future. It was an extremely fun Tour with some unforgettable memories made. We look forward to seeing the Boys finish the season on a high note.

*Mr Nardus Badenhorst*

*MIC: Water Polo*