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Message from the Headmaster

Dear Parents and Students,

THE ST PETER'S COLLEGE SPORTS AND CULTURAL FESTIVAL

During this coming weekend from Friday, 14 – Sunday, 16 September 2018, St Peter's College will be hosting our 15th Annual Invitational Sports and Cultural Festival, which includes a myriad of sport and cultural activities, such as, Soccer, Basketball, Netball, Chess, Debating, Street Art, a Choir festival and others at our St Peter's College Campus.

St Peter's College will host close to 2 000 participants, 52 schools, plus parents, friends and families. The teams on the day are diverse, encompassing independent schools, former model C schools and previously disadvantaged schools, as well as, teams from our neighbouring countries, namely Waterford and Enjambulweni from Swaziland. This Festival is a true representation of the entire spectrum of South Africa's population, and we are the first school in South Africa to host an event of this nature where there are more than 100 teams participating in a myriad of activities. The Grade 9 students will also be hosting an entrepreneurship event on the Friday and Saturday of the Festival.

The schools that participate in this Festival have previously come from Zimbabwe, Durban, Cape Town, White River, Nelspruit, Mafikeng, Bloemfontein Pietermaritzburg, Pretoria, East London and African countries such as, Zimbabwe, Mozambique and Swaziland. We at St Peter's College are committed to making this the most prestigious school's Sports and Cultural Festival not only in South Africa, but in Africa. We have made a strong commitment to host this annual Festival, as we firmly believe that the sports and cultural events on offer, are a true representation of what the majority of South Africans support and believe in.

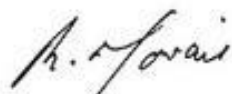
Friendships, sometime lifelong, develop during these Festivals. Meeting with opponents and their families during and after the competitions allow participants to start interactions that often result in written correspondence and exchange visits. Competition often results in the reducing of psychological, sociological, cultural and language barriers that impede interaction with others. If you can compete against someone on the stage, court or sports field, you can almost always socialize with him/her outside of this competitive environment. It also instills a respect and tolerance for other cultures. Playing against different styles of play in a different environment can enhance the individual skill levels of the participants. Another benefit to be mentioned is the prestige of having competed in an International Festival of this nature.

Please come and join us over the course of the weekend and be part of the wonderful and exciting activities on offer.

I look forward to welcoming you to our beautiful campus over the course of this weekend.

"In Futurum Fortiter"

Regards,



Mr Rui Morais
Headmaster

Academic news

Mathematics

The South African Mathematics Foundation (SAMF) Annual Awards function will take place on the 23rd of September. Yi Lou is currently ranked as one of the top Mathematicians in South Africa.

JUNIOR WINNERS (GRADES 8-9)

Vivienne Banks	Grade 8	Rustenburg Girls' High School
Mohamed Z Cassim	Grade 9	St. David's Marist Inanda
Yi Lou	Grade 9	St. Peter's College
Jaedon Naidu	Grade 9	Eden College Durban
Emmanuel Rassou	Grade 8	South African College High School
Christine Rossouw	Grade 9	Hoërskool Jim Fouché
Juliette Roux	Grade 8	Herschel Girls' School
Daniel Schlesinger	Grade 8	Rondebosch Boys' High School
Johann Schnabel	Grade 9	Hoërskool Stellenberg
André Toerien	Grade 9	Rondebosch Boys' High School

The Siyanqoba Regional Olympiad Training Programme, sponsored by the Department of Science and Technology, is a programme which concentrates on developing one's problem-solving skills, unlike in regular school curricula where the focus is more on solving routine type questions. Gauteng has two Siyanqoba centres namely University of Pretoria and the Centre of Excellence in Mathematical and Statistical Science at the University of Witwatersrand. Yi attended training at the SAMF's Wits Siyanqoba Training Centre. He was also part of the Wits Siyanqoba team which won the Junior division of the 2017 ASSA Mathematics Team Competition.

Mr Rakubu Sokana
 Director of Mathematical Innovation

Grade 9 Outing to Wits University



The Grade 9 Students engaged in a project titled 'The Future is Exciting'. The aim of the project was to expose students to what waits for them after they finish school. The project included an 'Amazing Race' around WITS University where teams competed against each other to complete several tasks around the campus. The course included tasks on East and West Campus and showed students the various faculties and facilities at the University. Activities involved using QR codes to find out about the history of statues and alumna and posting answers about the campus and student organisations to Twitter.

The day aimed to incorporate a number of subjects. Students were required to measure the Tower of Light and Champion Tree using their clinometers and trigonometry for Mathematics. Science and History were incorporated through tasks in the Oppenheimer Life Sciences Museum and Origins Center. Dance and Art were incorporated through activities in the Trance Dance and Tapestry Room of the Origins Center. Students also had the opportunity to visit the WITS Art Museum, where they viewed the current exhibition 'Beyond the Readymade' by Dr Alison Kearney. Students used the answers and photos collected throughout the day to complete a storyboard using the CANVA software.

As part of the project, the school hosted world renowned paleontologist Lindsay Hunter. Lindsay, was part of the elite team, nicknamed the 'underground astronauts' who were responsible for extracting the fossils that led to the discovery of Homo Naledi. Lindsay spoke to the whole school about her work on the 'Rising Star Expedition' and her current work as a PhD student at the University of Witwatersrand.

The College also hosted 27 professionals in various fields, who completed a 'Speed Date your Future' activity with the Grade 9s. The groups had five minutes to interview the different professionals, to gain insight into what the working world involved and the different opportunities that are available to them.

The final activity involved a workshop hosted by the staff and students from the Department of Surgery at the University of Witwatersrand. The Grade 9 students were involved in taking their blood pressure, reading x-rays, viewing histology slides, completing reflex tests and learning surgical suture techniques. The workshop provided the Grade 9s with the opportunity to interact with the medical students and learn more about what would be expected from them if they were to pursue careers in the medical profession.

Overall, the three day project was a success and provided our Grade 9 students with a glimpse into their bright futures.

Ms Nicole Candy
 Physical Science Teacher

French Immersion Tour

Bonjour! At the end of July, a group of French language students in Grade 10-12 embarked on a week and a half long, educational, immersion tour to France. The tour was directed and lead by Andrea Davidson from CHASE accompanied by our French teacher Mademoiselle Malan.



We started the tour by spending a week in Nice, in the south of France, where we attended an international school called International House. It has immensely helped further our French education. We attended lessons for three hours in the morning. We then went site-seeing across Nice and nearby towns like Monte Carlo in Monaco, and the beautiful little town of Antibes.

We learnt about the history of many of southern France's treasures, as well as getting opportunities to converse in French with many different French people. Furthermore, we had some time to enjoy the pebbled beach near our hotel and to shop in the nearby stores.

After our week in Nice, we flew to Paris where we got stay in a luxury 4-star hotel. Unfortunately, we only spent a few days in Paris, we were still able to visit many sites, including visiting Le Louvre, Versailles and La Tour Eiffel. One of the highlights was that we spent an amazing day full of fun at Disneyland Paris!

The trip in its entirety was truly an awe-inspiring, once in a life time experience, that really showed us the beauty of France and the French language. Merci!

Ms Chiedza Dziruni

Grade 10 Student

Grade 10 Life Sciences Tour to Maropeng

On Thursday 6th September, the Grade 10 Life Sciences students visited the Sterkfontein Caves and the Maropeng Centre in the Cradle of Humankind. This was part of their syllabus pertaining to the History of Life on Earth.

Our knowledgeable guides entertained and informed us on a range of topics from hominid evolution to cave formations. The students were treated to several intriguing activities to broaden their minds and get them engaged in understanding the origins of life.

Many thanks to the staff at Sterkfontein and Maropeng for providing us with a professional and engaging visit.

Mr Mathew Kirkland

Life Sciences Teacher

Student Affairs News

Grade 11 Introduction to SAT's

Please note: Students may write the SAT 1s as many times as they like. It is recommended that Grade 11s write the SAT 1s for the first time in December of their Grade 11 year or January/March of their Grade 12 year and then plan to write again (hopefully for the final time) in May of Grade 12.

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SAT Preparation Workshop

This is aimed at Grade 11 students who would like to know a little more of what to expect when first writing the SATs. Grade 12 students who have not yet written the SATs are welcome to attend. This consists of 2 sessions on Saturday 22 September which will be conducted by experienced SAT trainers as well as a complete information session as to how the application process works. The cost for the full day (both sessions) will be R1100-00. Pre-registration and payment up front is essential.

Classes will only be confirmed if a minimum of 8 students enroll. PLEASE NOTE: SAT PREP CLASSES SHOULD BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE.

SAT TRAINING

SAT 1s, 2018

SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

GRADE 11 INTRODUCTION TO THE SAT 1s
AND GRADE 12 WRITING SAT 1s

Registration

From 08h00

Information Section

08h30 – 09h00

English Section

09h00 – 11h30

Mathematics Section

12h30-15h00

R 1100-00 per student

VENUE: Crawford College Sandton

ENQUIRIES: Marion Kohler

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22 September 2018 SAT 1s Preparation Classes

Purpose: Preparation for SAT 1 tests

Focus: General preparation for the layout, approach, topics and requirements for the SAT 1 test, especially the new SAT test.

Registration

From 08h00 – 08h30

Introduction with Marion Kohler

From 08h30 – 09h00

Reading and Writing Sections with Kathy Martin

From 09h00 – 11h30

LUNCH (Please bring lunch and refreshments)

Mathematics with Bruce McKenzie

From 12h30 – 15h00

Cost: R 1 100-00 per student for all classes. Please note that if there are less than 8 students in a class, we will have to cancel and arrangements for private tutoring will have to be made. We have limited space available, so please book timeously.

Venue: Crawford College Sandton, Waterstone Drive, Benmore Road, Benmore Gardens.

Registration Information

Please complete the information below separately for every student registering. Scan and email the details to worldclassapplications@gmail.com. Alternatively, please email the details below in the body of your email.

Student's name:

Parent contact no: Student contact no:

Email Address:

School Name:

Payment details:

Cheque: EFT:

Please make cheques out to Marion Kohler.

Internet payments made to the following account:

Marion Hind

FNB

Current Account No: 6238 29 888 41

Branch code: 250655

Please use the student's surname and "SAT Classes" as your reference. Please email a copy of the EFT deposit to worldclassapplications@gmail.com when the payment goes through.

To confirm a place in the classes, all payments should be made by Thursday, 20 September 2018.

Sports News

Golf news

Ten of our golfers had the privilege to attend the Knysna Golf Tour during the August holidays. We landed in George to be met by the most amazing bus driver who looked after our transport needs in a fully rigged out, luxury bus.

Our golfers were absolutely blessed to play at some of the top golf courses in the WC namely: Fancourt, Simola, Plettenburg Bay CC, and Knysna CC. The boys were so enthusiastic about the game they chose to play an additional round on their off day at Sedgefield Links honing their short game skills. Our accommodation at Pezula Golf Estate provided amazing scenery, and Mr Tudhope's cooking skills kept the boys satisfied.

The tour was a huge success, and it was a privilege to witness our golfers thoroughly enjoy playing the game they love so much, improving their game, and appreciate the opportunities that their parents provided.

Mr Steven Tudhope

MIC: Golf

Equestrian news

On the weekend of the 4th and 5th of August our horse riders competed in the SANESA Gauteng Regional Finals, each of our riders together with their horses went into each of the events with heart and determination and did their best.



The following riders are to be congratulated for obtaining their Gauteng School Colours and will represent Gauteng at the SANESA National Championships at Kyalami Equestrian Park at the beginning of October:

Erin George
Stella Jensen-Sharpe
Syjil Ramjuthan

Caitlin Schultz
Matthew Thomas
Kayla van der Bergh
Chiara Reddy
Erin dos Santos
Julia van Beerschoten

We wish these riders well as they train and prepare for the National Championships. Remember to honour and love your horse because together you make a fine team.

Mrs Sandy van Der Wel
MIC: Equestrian

Soccer news

St Peters Boys Soccer is on the up. Some of our boys represented their clubs at various international training academy's and camps in June and August this year. These boys have shown commitment to their sport and have managed to bring back valuable lessons to the St Peters first team.

Lungelo Masisi



Lungelo is a pacey winger who often mesmerizes the opposition with his guile and tenacity. He can be used as a utility player as he has the ability to play on both wings. Lungelo is currently in Grade 10 and has been part of the First Team since 2017. Lungelo recently played in the Gothia Cup in Sweden. His team "Football Experience" made the playoffs but unfortunately lost to a German Team. Lungelo, certainly gained some valuable insight into football as is visible from his possessional play on the right wing.

Kian Chetty



Kian is an attacking mid-fielder who can also play as a winger. He has exceptional attacking prowess and is often able to assist the strikers. Kian was also part of team "Football Experience". Kian was the youngest member of the team and had to adjust his game plan constantly to suit the conditions. He has also improved his positional play as is evident from his recent performances in the First Team. Kian has been a part of the First Team since 2017.

Zenzo Zuma



Zenzo has been part of the First Team since 2017. He is a tough defensive player, who has the versatility to play as a left back or a wing back. Zenzo was also a part of team "Football Experience" who took part in the Gothia Cup between the 13 and 24th June 2018. Zenzo has certainly come back a better player as he is now able to read our defensive play more confidently.

Warwick Meth



Warwick is the youngest member of our First Team. He is in grade 8 and has slotted in comfortably with the older boys. He is a tough "no nonsense" midfielder who certainly has a bright future ahead of him. Warwick spent a week in August this year at the Manchester City Academy.

He was exposed to players from around the world as well as valuable coaching. Warwick spent time doing strengthening as well outdoor practice sessions. He is congratulated on his efforts at the academy as he was voted u14 player of the week.

Mr Ritesh Harriram

MIC: Soccer

Tennis Tour 2018



After the final day of term 2, the tennis team decided to head off on a terrific adventure. 4 boys, 8 girls and a large amount of excitement entered the minibus. Once we had reached our destination we knew that we stood out from the crowd.

Buffelspot in its self is a very Afrikaans word and the people there were no different. We were the only English-speaking school in the entire tournament, hopefully it will have a positive impact on our Afrikaans results this coming term. Throughout the few days that we were there, the boy's team played exceptional tennis that left the spectators sitting on the edge of

their seats every match. Our girls had a tough draw as there were two boys' teams and one powerful Afrikaans girls' side. We fought hard and proud for our school and pushed our limits to the max.

On our final night we were invited to a braai with snacks and dancing. Typically, we were late for dinner and still could not fathom that everyone else had showered, eaten and walked to the courts in under an hour. Confused and hungry we went with the flow, we danced to songs we had never heard and played games that Mrs. Malan had to translate for us. In the end we won a coke, witnessed a traditional 'sokkie' and had delicious marshmallows melted to perfection. The aim of this tournament was to experience something new, improve and grow stronger as a team. Our last day showed us that we had succeeded. Everlasting memories were created and our small family became tighter.

Jessica Harris

Grade 11 Student

Tennis Clinic



Nearing the end of the August holidays the tennis girls and boys attended the Tennis Clinic at St Peter's College. The Tennis Clinic was held from the 28th of August to the 3rd of September. It was a fun-filled week where the coaches - Martin, Ben and Thomas - entertained and coached our players. The activities included tiring fitness drills and practicing almost over a thousand ground strokes and serves! Each of the players thoroughly enjoyed themselves and felt that the clinic was a great help in preparing them for the upcoming tennis season. A huge thank you to everyone that made the clinic the great success that it was!

The parent/student tournament

On the afternoon of the 7th of September, the parents of the girls and boy's tennis teams were invited for a fun afternoon of round robin tennis matches at the courts. It was a great turn out and the courts were filled with players enjoying themselves. Some of the parents had to dust the cobwebs off their rackets and there was some groaning every time a ball was dropped over the net! After some intense points and close games, Matthew Harris and his mom, Helen were the winners of the tournament with the runners up Jonty Webb and Bailey Rousseau. It was a fantastic social event where everyone had an opportunity to get to know each other better and meet new faces!

Justeene Hallowes

Grade 9 Student