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 Old Petrian's Alumni Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/oldpetrians/>  
[www.stoogle.co.za](http://www.stoogle.co.za) Please check out this amazing website! It has lots of valuable information for students, parents and teachers about all things related to students. There is also information about universities, open days, APS scoring system, career choice etc.

**Message from the Acting Headmaster**

Dear Parents and Students,

I want to take this opportunity to welcome you all back at the start of 2016, especially to the new members of our St Peter's College family.

It is important that we start off by reflecting on the outstanding results achieved by the **Matric Class of 2015**. Once again our students have attained 100% pass rate, but what is even more significant is that 99 out of 103 Matriculants attained a Bachelor's Degree Pass, which is the minimum requirement for entry into university. Congratulations go to our academic faculty on their continued drive for academic excellence.

I want to welcome the **new members of staff** and wish them all of the best for their tenure at the College:

- **Ms Camille Greyling**, who was an intern at the College last year, has now completed her studies and is teaching **English** this year.
- **Mr Antonio Lottering** is teaching **music** and heading up the co-curricular Music Programme.
- **Mr Charl Bloomberg** is teaching **Afrikaans** and is the **MIC of Cricket and Rugby**.
- **Mr Nardus Badenhorst** is working in the sports office as a **Sports Administrator** and has taken over the role of **MIC of Water Polo**.
- College Alumni, **Mr Matthew Kirkland**, is teaching **Junior Drama** and **Life Orientation (LO)**.
- College Alumni, **Mr Victor Hiemstra** is completing his PGCE and is teaching **Business Studies, Accounting** and **History**.
- College Alumni, **Mr Rohan Jubber** is doing an internship with us in the **Arts and Culture Department**.

I also want to wish **Mrs Gwyn Zimmerman** well in her role as **Acting Deputy Headmistress: Academics** whilst Mrs Shelly Matthews is on sabbatical, as well as, **Mr Brian Armitage** in his role as **Acting Director of Student Affairs** whilst Mrs Odelle Howard is on maternity leave. Both Shelly and Odelle will return at the beginning of Term 2.

Cupid, the god of love, seems to have been doing his rounds amongst our staff body, thus I am pleased to welcome back **Mrs Arun Jennings** (nee Moodley) who got married, as well as, **Ms Jodi Fraser** who got engaged over the December holidays.

A number of our students have achieved in a number of areas during the December Holidays:

- Our Head Girl from 2015, **Nicola MacLeod**, played for the South African U18 Water Polo team in a test series against Australia and Zimbabwe in Cape Town, while also obtaining 5 distinctions for Matric.
- **Jessica Penney** won a gold medal with the Gauteng U18 Water Polo team at the SA School's Water Polo Tournament, while also being voted the best defender in the tournament.
- **Taylin Blues** and **Chesnay Havenga** won a gold medal with their Gauteng U16 Water Polo team at the SA Schools Water Polo Tournament.
- **Tasmin Waite** and **Zantia Bainbridge** won a gold medal with their Gauteng U15 Water Polo team at the SA School's Water Polo Tournament
- **Sean Moodley** and **Jamie Edwards** captained the Gauteng School's swimming team at the SA School's Swimming Championships.
- **Draven Bucceri** won a silver medal with the Gauteng North Chess team at the SA Chess Championships.

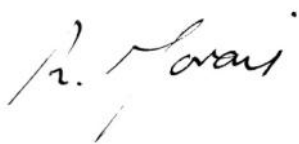
I enjoyed the opportunity to address the school body on the first day of school where I spoke about the importance of **setting goals** and what it actually takes to achieve those goals. You need to have determination, commitment, a strong work ethic, the right attitude and passion.

I quoted from Malcolm Gladwell's book 'Outliers' where he repeatedly mentions the "10,000-Hour Rule", claiming that the key to achieving world class expertise in any skill, is, to a large extent, a matter of practicing the correct way, for a total of around 10,000 hours.

Hence, whether you are working to achieve academically, in the sports arena or on the stage, it takes many hours of practice, whether you are a Cristiano Ronaldo or a Bill Gates, they have spent the required "10,000 hours" honing their skills in order to succeed in their area of expertise.

I wish you a wonderful 2016.

In "Futurum Fortiter"



Mr Rui Morais  
Acting Headmaster

Academics

2015 Matriculants Achieve Academic Excellence

100% Pass with 97% University Entrance / 103 Students with 99 Achieving University Entrance



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We congratulate all our students on an outstanding result. Our students achieved **126 distinctions overall**.

Roger Wyllie was in the top 1% of the IEB for Business Studies and Tamzyn Smith in the top 1% of the IEB for English (Home Language).

730 examinations were written by the matrics. Of those, 74% of the results were a C symbol or above; 30% were B and above and 17% were A and above.

### Top Achievers

#### 6 Distinctions:

**1. Harry Joannou: 6 Distinctions - overall average 86%**

Harry achieved an outstanding 96% for Mathematics in his final results and will be studying Business Sciences at UCT this year.

**2. Roger Wyllie: 6 Distinctions - overall average 85.7%**

Roger is our Dux Scholar of 2015. He achieved 90% in both Mathematics and Business Studies in his final results. We wish Roger much success with his application to the North American IV League of Universities.

**3. Ryan Shackleton: 6 Distinctions - overall average 84%**

Ryan achieved 91% in Mathematics and he will be studying Mechanical Engineering at TUKS this year.

**4. Tamzyn Smith: 6 Distinctions - overall average 83%**

Tamzyn achieved 90% for English and she will be studying for a BSc Environmental Science at Wits

**5. Danielle Rubbers – overall average 81%**

Danielle attained 88% for Visual Art and will be studying Mechanical Engineering at TUKS this year.

#### 5 Distinctions (in no particular order):

**Divyam Dixit** chose to take Business Studies as an extra subject and attained a distinction in it. He will study Chartered Accounting at TUKS this year.

**Emily Hewson** is studying Physio at Wits Medical School.

**Devon Hodgson** is studying Chartered Accounting at TUKS this year.

**Nicola MacLeod** achieved 91% for Visual Art in her final examination and will be studying Biomedical Engineering at UCT.

#### 4 Distinctions:

**Michelle Durow** - 4 Distinctions

**Joshua Leroni** - 4 Distinctions

**Kabo Mogorosi** - 4 Distinctions

### Old Petrians Alumni Society News

Congratulations to the following Old Pets on achieving their recent qualifications:



**Nicole Dames**  
Masters of Science in Microbiology  
from Stellenbosch University



**Kanelo Pitso**  
Masters in International Relations  
from Wits University

### Parents' Association

On behalf of the St Peters' College Parents Association I would like to welcome all our returning parents as well as a special welcome to the new parents embarking on their College journey with us. May 2016 hold success and happiness for you all.

The College PA Committee cannot function without the support of our parent body and we welcome any participation. In these busy times, I am fully aware that many parents work full time and have limited free time available, but we are happy to accommodate any assistance you can offer. Besides needing volunteers to run with certain portfolios, we are constantly in need of volunteers for our events. Below is a brief breakdown of the events where the PA assists.

- Old Petrian's Water Polo Tournament - February

- PA Golf Day – March
- School to School race –Term 2
- Derby Days (selling of food at sport fixtures) – Term 2
- Quiz Night – August
- Sports and Cultural Festival – September
- New Parents Evening – October
- Central Gauteng Water Polo Capping Ceremony- December

We currently have vacancies in the following portfolios:

**Braai Master** – we need someone to co-ordinate the purchasing of supplies for our Derby Days which happen during the second term. Parents volunteer to braai and sell boerie rolls, bacon rolls etc when we have visiting schools during the winter months. This is a wonderful way to meet new parents and help out whilst supporting your child.

**Legal** – Someone in the legal profession who can assist with ensuring that the PA constitution is adhered to.

**Communication** – this position entails running with the Classifieds and occasionally reporting on the PA activities. Being on the PA committee requires you to attend our monthly PA meetings, which take place every second Monday of the month. In Term 1 there are only 3 meetings. If you feel that managing a portfolio might be too much, you might prefer to join any of the sub committees that arrange our events.

Our first PA meeting of the year is on Monday, 18 January 2016 from 18:00 to 19:00 in the Tak Hiemstra Pavilion. Join us and learn more about how you can get involved. Drinks will be served. Please let me know if you can make it or if you can't and are interested in getting involved. Tania Else on 082 782 0804 or [telse@telkomsa.net](mailto:telse@telkomsa.net)

*Tania Else*  
PA Chairperson

### SOS Water Drive

The drought is affecting the Free State badly and there are horses and cattle in desperate need of water. We have partnered with a local horseriding school on a project to donate 2 or 5 litre bottles filled with water to farms in the Free State. This is as an opportunity to encourage our students to get involved and to make a difference. I have asked our students to each bring a bottles of tap water to school for the next week. Please help us drive this project so that we can contribute to this powerful project. The water will be collected from the College until next week Friday and taken to these farms in need. The water bottles are being collected outside the hall. 356 litres were collected already today, thank you!

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation!  
*Joan Delport*  
MIC: Equestrian

### Astro Update

Civil works are underway, asphalt is next.



There are exciting times ahead for St Peter's College hockey fanatics.

**Sponsors and organisations** that want to grab the opportunity to **advertise** and build awareness of their brand around the astro, can contact Theresa Monoyoudis on [marketing@stpeterscollege.co.za](mailto:marketing@stpeterscollege.co.za).

Parents, students and Old Petrians are invited to make their mark by purchasing a brick marked with a **personalised plaque** in the Contributors Wall. Commemorate your support of this outstanding facility forever for R1,000 per brick.

### Important Upcoming Events

#### Parent Talk - Emma Sadleir on Social Media – Friday, 5 February 2016

Emma Sadleir is a renowned expert in all aspects of print and electronic media law, with a particular focus on defamation, privacy and social media law. She will explore the legal, disciplinary and reputational risks of social media which is a hot topic that affects us all. Emma will talk to our students during the morning of 5 February and will come back to the College to talk to parents and teachers from 18:00 – 19:00 in the Dippenaar Hall. There is no charge but please RSVP here <http://goo.gl/forms/HSgUKVcuZi>.

Her talk will cover the following:

- the social media landscape in South Africa;
- the legal considerations of using social media, including defamation, privacy, hate speech and intellectual property;
- cyberbullying and harassment;
- sexting and pornography offences;
- the disciplinary consequences of using social media (can you be expelled from school?);
- personal reputation management on social media (can your online content compromise potential scholarships, admission to university and future employment?);
- online safety.

**Emma Sadleir** is an admitted attorney and has a BA LLB (with distinction) from the University of Witwatersrand and an LLM in Information Technology, Media and Communications Law (with distinction) from the London School of Economics, having been awarded a scholarship from the Oppenheimer Memorial Trust. She worked in the media litigation department of Webber Wentzel for five years before going on her own to specialise in social media law in April 2013.

Much of her work involves creating social media strategies and policies for corporates and schools, drafting social media agency agreements and providing training and workshops on social media law. She also teaches media law to journalists and lawyers and lectures

personal reputation management on various MBA programmes. Emma was an anchor for The Oscar Pistorius Trial: A Carte Blanche Channel where, for the duration of the evidence in the trial, she hosted a programme discussing social media, the law and court proceedings. Emma was retained as a legal commentator for the BBC (both radio and television) for closing argument, verdict and sentencing of the Oscar Pistorius trial. Emma has been selected to speak at SXSW in March 2015 and has a regular weekly slot on DJ Fresh's show on 5FM answering people's questions on social media legal issues Emma is the co-author of "Don't Film Yourself Having Sex... And Other Legal Advice For The Age of Social Media", published by Penguin Random House in September 2014. The book was described by Professor Jonathan Jansen as "the most important textbook" a university student will buy. Emma is also the co-author of the social media section of the legal textbook, "Communications Law", published by Lexis Nexis in January 2015.



French Movie – Thursday, 18 February 2016

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# Soirée Ciné

Quand : le jeudi 18 février

When : Thursday, 18 February 2016

À : 18 :00

Time : 18 :00

Où : MADDitorium

Where : MADDitorium



**All welcome! Film with English subtitles.**

*In 1960s Paris, a conservative couple's lives are turned upside down by two Spanish maids.*

### Old Petrian's Water Polo Tournament – 19-21 February 2016

Our 12<sup>th</sup> annual Old Pets tournament takes place at Wahoo and the Girls Prep pool over the midterm weekend. This year, we again attract 28 of the top girls water polo schools from all over South African and Zimbabwe to participate at this prestigious event. This is the largest tournament of its kind and an extremely exciting competition. We host over 365 girls plus their family and friends and the event is commented live on <http://www.mycomlink.co.za/>

- Parents who wish to assist the Parents' Association with **servicing refreshments** can please contact Tania Else on [telse@telkomsa.net](mailto:telse@telkomsa.net).
- You can imagine the costs involved in running such an event and although most costs are covered, we are still looking for a **sponsor for the tournament t-shirts** for players, managers/coaches and referees. For R30,000 your **logo** could be on **every t-shirt and featured on the <http://www.mycomlink.co.za/> website** that participants and their family and friends will be glued to in order to stay abreast of the game action, scores and rankings. Please pop into the Marketing office or contact Theresa Monoyoudis on [marketing@stpeterscollege.co.za](mailto:marketing@stpeterscollege.co.za) or 011 807 5315 if you or your business is interested in sponsoring or donating towards the t-shirts or any other aspect of the tournament.



### Annual Golf Day – 16 March 2016

As we all get into the new school year, we are fast approaching the St Peters' College Parents Association Golf Day. This year the event will again take place at the Bryanston Country Club on **Wednesday, 16 March**.

This is the PA's main fundraiser, so a lot of effort goes into making the day a special one. With this in mind we would like your assistance with any (or all) of the below.

- Four balls to participate on the day (R3400 per four ball) Please book your spot with Tania Else at [telse@telkomsa.net](mailto:telse@telkomsa.net)
- Sponsorship of a hole, with rights for signage, banners or a drinks hole. (R3,500.00 per hole), alternatively you may personally sponsor a hole which we then offer to a non-profit organisation eg: Animals in Distress to use as a platform for fund raising on the day.
- We would greatly appreciate ANYTHING that we can offer as prizes for players, Raffle prizes and items to auction.
- Our full field will be 120 guests and we would be very happy to give every participant SOMETHING to remind them of the day. (shirts, golf umbrella's, drinks, caps, pens, vouchers etc.)
- We also need volunteers on the day to assist with registration etc

As you can see, we will be happy with whatever you can help us with. Let us make the 2016 Golf Day the most successful and fun one to date.

If you need any further information, please feel free to contact me.

*Tania Else*

*Golf Day Sub Committee*

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## Sports

### Chess

Congratulations to **Draven Bucceri** and his Tshwane U16A team who came second and therefore took silver in their U16A Section at the SA Junior Chess Championships held at UCT last week. Only the top 8 teams take part in the A Section for each age group and each team must play all the other teams. The rest of the teams from around the country are split into B and C Sections and some of the bigger unions will also enter a B and C team. Draven got 4.5 points out of 7 with some tough competition. Results were very close as Western Province (53.5 points) beat his team by 2 points (Tshwane got 51.5 points) and Tshwane were only 0.5 points ahead of KwaZulu Natal who finished on 51 points.



### Tennis

#### Holiday Tennis Clinic

While most of us were relaxing at the beach or next to the pool, the tennis players attended the Tennis Clinic from Wednesday, 6 January until Tuesday, 12 January. In spite of the mercury rising to inhumane levels, the players remained motivated and enthusiastic. Under Coach Ben and Coach Marco's excellent guidance, the players had no choice but to give their best at all times. The Tennis Clinic is an excellent opportunity for the players to develop their tennis skills before the tennis season gets into full swing.



#### School Tennis Champs

On Saturday, 16 January, we will be having our annual Tennis Champs. The purpose of the Champs is to establish the tennis ladder. This is usually a fun-filled morning with parents mingling with each other while watching their children play. Do come and join in the fun!

Our tennis wonder child, **Michelle Ncube**, participated in a few competitions over the holiday. At the Cape Town Keyhealth Tournament Michelle came 6<sup>th</sup> in the singles out of a 32 draw. She made it to the semi-finals of the mixed doubles. She defended her title in the doubles.

At the Gauteng North Keyhealth Tournament Michelle came 11<sup>th</sup> in the singles out of a 32 draw. She made it to the semi-finals in the doubles. With the mixed doubles, she made it into the finals, but lost to come 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Michelle was selected by Tennis Zimbabwe to play for Zimbabwe U18 team at the Africa Junior Championships to take place in Tunis, Tunisia from 8 – 13 February.

We are very proud of Michelle and her achievements and we wish her all of the best for the Africa Junior Championships.

*Cornel Malan*

*MIC: Tennis*