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Message from the Headmaster

Dear Parents & Students,

As the Headmaster of this outstanding Independent Anglican Day School that is celebrating its 21st Anniversary this year, I strongly and passionately believe that St Peter's College is the best school for your children. Our aim is to stretch and inspire our young people, both academically and personally. We are about academic excellence and personal development as we **"Empower Students for Life"**.

John F. Kennedy once said, **"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."**

Today my words are not enough to express the gratitude I feel towards the staff of this wonderful institution. Teaching is one of the most important roles in society, and although teachers don't get the recognition they deserve most of the time, the dedication, caring, and expertise of the St Peter's College staff will leave life-affirming legacies in the lives of the students they have touched at the College.

What is our **Unique Selling Point (USP)** and what makes St Peter's College the school of choice. In Business we come across the Japanese term "Kaizen". **WHAT IS KAIZEN?** Kaizen or (Continuous Improvement) is a strategy where employees at all levels of an organisation work together proactively to achieve regular, incremental improvements. In a sense, it combines the collective talents within an organisation to create a powerful engine for improvement. It is a powerful philosophy and it is something that is an entrenched part of the organisational culture at St Peter's College.

If we are to succeed as an Independent School in what is a tough competitive environment, we have to stay ahead of the game. It is no longer good enough to **"JUST"** teach, and I mean that in the kindest sense of the word. All independent schools have strong academic programmes, wonderful facilities and offer a myriad of sport and cultural activities. All these are a given, however, **what is our value add?**

This past weekend served as a reminder to what sets St Peter's College apart as a school. Over the half-term, St Peter's College was involved in a myriad of exciting activities and is a perfect example of why St Peter's College is so different to other schools.

During the half-term our students and staff were involved in the following activities:

- **Old Petrian's Water Polo Tournament** – the largest and most prestigious girl's water polo tournament in South Africa which is contested by the top 28 water polo playing schools.
- **Old Petrian's Cricket Tournament** where 16 schools participated in the exciting T20 format.
- Our basketball 1st team boys played in the St John's College annual basketball tournament.
- Our U15 water polo girls participated in the Shaun Fuchs tournament.
- The netball girls attended a 3-day training camp held at Klein Kariba.

- The squash players attended a training camp over the half-term.

William Ward once said: **"Study while others are sleeping; work while others are loafing; prepare while others are playing; and dream while others are wishing"** we most certainly lived by this principle this past weekend.

In my interaction with parents, staff and students from other schools during half-term, I received the following feedback:

- You have some of the best facilities in South Africa.
- These are the best cricket fields & pitches in Johannesburg.
- On numerous occasions parents and staff complimented me on how pristine our fields, gardens and buildings were – what a beautiful campus we have.
- I was complimented on the superb organisation of the various events being held at the College.
- And was thanked for the warm hospitality and the superb manners of our students.

It was wonderful to also be complimented by parents from other schools about the academic programme – **word has obviously got out:**

- Mention was made about our exciting PBL (Project Based Learning) Programme.
- How exciting our new **PBL Centre** is, as well as, all the wonderful technology, such as, the 3D printers, video rooms, smart boards to name but a few.
- Mention was made about the world-class **MADD Centre, Hockey Astro, Wahoo Aquatics Centre and Science & Technology Block.**
- I even received compliments about the **ILP (Intentional Living Programme)** and the fact that we have introduced **"Mindfulness"** into the curriculum.
- Compliments about our **"Dream Team"** that is headed up by our Deputy Head of Academics, Mrs Shelly Matthews, a team of passionate members of staff that spearhead academic excellence and innovation.

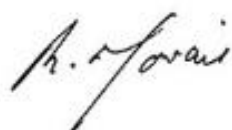
As a school with a Christian foundation, the staff and students work in an environment based on strong values, spiritual development and a commitment to community service – all of which play a fundamental role in the development of responsible, caring individuals.

I leave you with a quote from Pam Grout: **"If we all take care of another and go the extra mile to appreciate and play together, we all gain - each one of us is lifted up."**

I look forward to us walking this path with you **"Bravely into the Future."**

"In Futurum Fortiter"

Regards,



Mr Rui Morais
Headmaster

Security Matters

The safety and well-being of our students and staff is a priority at St Peter's College. We continually review and update our policies and procedures so that all students can enjoy a safe, positive school experience. St Peter's College

continuously looks for ways to ensure the security and welfare of our students and staff, hence, as part of this practice, we will be implementing a new access control procedure at the main gate.

Visitors and parents to the College may no longer gain access to the College with their vehicles but will need to park in the main College parking area and then gain access via the pedestrian gate with effect from Monday, 11 March 2019. We are trying to minimise the flow of traffic inside the College, as well as, to get better control of the movement of people in and out of the College.

We need your help and cooperation for this system to work effectively, thus we ask for your patience as we all get acquainted with this new system and remember that ultimately, we have your child's best interest at heart.

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any comments or suggestions.

Rui Morais
Headmaster

Grade 10 EGD CAD course

Minds blown! Brains fried! Grade 10 Engineering, Graphics and Design (EGD) students are working wonders with their Computer Aided Designing (CAD) skills. On Monday, 14 and Tuesday, 15 January 2019, Grade 10 EGD students participated in a Computer Aided Designing course where we learnt all about the mind-boggling program, AutoCAD.



AutoCAD is a computer program which enables architects, project managers, engineers and many others to productively develop 3D and 2D worlds of their own. Opening our mind to the capabilities of technology design in the world.

Learning the fundamentals of AutoCAD puts the program into perspective of all the opportunities a designer has.

The Grade 10s take this knowledge forward to create and build the future of design.

The students went back to attend the AutoCAD course again on Wednesday 20, Thursdays 21 and Friday, 22 February.



Obtaining as much information as possible, our skills and knowledge are put to the test with dozens of activities to practice. With our minds overflowing, it is time for a well deserved pizza break. Yay!

We enjoyed the rest of the course with ease and understanding and take a

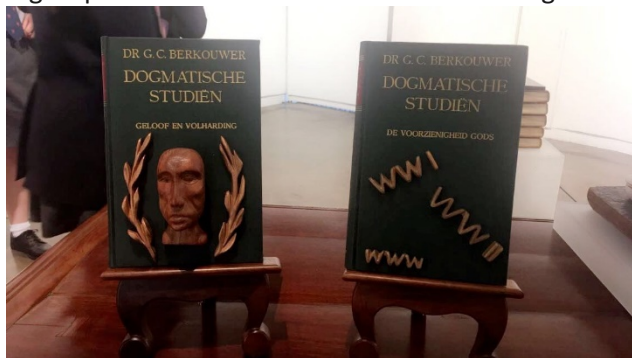
cruise to the finish line.

The students with minds blown deeply appreciate the opportunity as we continue to expand our young developing minds into to the near future for design.

Amelia Stephens
Grade 10 student

Visual Art Outing

A group of senior art students attended four galleries in Rosebank in January. The Circa Gallery, Everard Reed Gallery, the Goodman Gallery, and Lizamore and Associates. Showing at Circa was ANDRZEJ URBANSKI's exhibition titled, A03 2034/538/18, showing contemporary abstract work, and JAN K. COETZEE's exhibition about his past growing up in a religious, colonialist and racist country. Coetzee's work is displayed in Perspex boxes containing old books and religious iconography.



GERARD MARX's show at the Goodman Gallery was made up of his new works based on his ongoing series of disorientating maps, which is investigated through the words of writer Alexandra Dodd.

Marx cut up old maps and used the pieces to create his own reality. He created spirals and geometric shapes by reorganising the pieces of map.

At Lizamore and Associates, FRANK VAN REENAN's exhibition showed sculptures that he made as a psychological escape and it depicts political issues in a humorous way. It is a tongue-in-cheek look at social ideologies, hopes and dreams.

Each artist displayed their own style and signature techniques. It was a very enlightening experience to see the diversity from these artists. It was interesting to see how each artist deals with issues in their own unique way.

Abigail van Staden
Grade 12 student

Cricket News

Old Petrian's T20 Cricket Tournament

Over the half term period, from Thursday, 21 to Sunday 24, February 2019, the annual Old Petrian's cricket tournament took place with 13 schools participating. The format worked where every team played four group games and the top eight teams advanced through to the knockout rounds where every game is sudden death. If you lose, you get knocked out.



The atmosphere was intense throughout the tournament as every game counted, yet there was still great comradery between the teams, out of respect for the game. Obviously with the tournament being very competitive, there were times where the heat of the action got to certain players, but that is why we play the game. For the fight, and for the possibility of victory.

The St Peter's College first team played exceptionally well throughout the tournament until they unfortunately lost in the semi-final to a strong Heronbridge team. This was a decent result for an extremely young team. It was, however, very disappointing to lose as we have held onto the trophy for the past two years.

Congratulations goes out to Queens High School for winning the competition, beating Heronbridge in the final. And to our very own captain, Daniel Raggett, for winning batsman of the tournament.

Jonathan Webb
Grade 12 student

Squash News

James McArthur recently competed in the Bloemfontein Open South African Schools Qualifying tournament in the under 14 division.



This tournament brought players from around the country together to compete for the SA Schools National team. It is also an opportunity for players to receive a South African ranking.

Congratulations to James who is placed 17 out of 48 players at the tournament and winning the plate for the A-division.

Mr Mathew Kirkland

MIC: Squash

Music News

St Peter's College MADD Centre presents **The Chanticleer Singers**, directed by Richard Cock, performing a programme covering all things natural.

The programme includes "All Creatures Now are Merry Minded" by John Bennet, "Christ Hath a Garden" by Eleanor Daley and "Lullabye of Birdland" by George Shearing, in addition to works by Elgar, Morley, Stanford and Lauridsen. Featuring soloist Nicholas Nicolaidis in his final appearance with the Chanticleer Singers before emigrating.

Click on [here](#) to purchase your ticket:



PLEASE NOTE:

- Limited seats available - first come first serve!
- Payment options on the system are: VISA/MASTER Credit or debit card, SID EFT and Zapper
- Coffee and tea served from 15:00 in the MADD Centre foyer.
- Audience take their seats from 15:40.

Mr Vaughn van Zyl

Manager: MADD Centre

Equestrian

Every show has its ups and downs when you're dealing with unpredictable horses. Most people have a set view about horse-riding, and that is the horse does all the work. While that is true to some degree, having five minutes between Dressage and Showing classes to change your riding gear is a real work-out. Especially when your Showing class is on the other side of the world in relation to your Dressage class.



Now if you think that having back-to-back meetings all day is a hassle, imagine having those meetings with each one requiring a different outfit, different presentations, and in some cases, a different boss! That is what it feels like during a show when you have a different outfit, different tests to ride, or courses to jump, or

different horses to ride, all of which must be swapped and changed at lightning speed before you're back on and warming up.

People often don't realise how much the rider does in this team, because if your horse does not want to box and go to the show on the day, you go without them and find whoever you can find to ride, even if you're getting on that horse for the first time ever - just 10min before your class. Behind all the fancy looks, and pretty horses, one of the best characteristics of any horse-rider pair is adaptability.

Anything can happen at any time. Nothing is guaranteed when you're working with a horse who has their own mind, so you must be prepared for anything.

That is something our riders coped extremely well with over the weekend, with clashing classes, stubborn horses and a few surprises, they still achieved their best and adapted to any situation thrown their way.

Sybil Ramjuthan

Grade 11 student

Tennis news

Girls' Inter High A and B

It was a bright and early start for our tennis girls – the top four seeded girls started at St Stithians College and the number five - eight seeded girls were very proud to be based at St Peter's, where our school was hosting one of the venues for the Inter High B tournament.



The Inter High A tournament comprised of 28 top tennis playing schools from around Gauteng. It was a challenging but extremely rewarding day for our girls where our top four seeded players, namely, Mikayla Gounden, Justeene Hallowes, Laura Lyle and Tanya Paul represented St Peter's. The girls were up against some tough opponents but showed their spirit and fought hard for each point. At the end of the tournament they had placed 11th overall, which is a phenomenal result.

The Inter High B tournament is made up of 26 competitive tennis schools in Johannesburg. Our girls representing St Peter's were our number five – eight seeded players, Natalie Walsh, Diya Naicker, Jess Harris and Nicole Diepeveen.



They too came up against some stiff competition but held the St Peters flag high and played like champions ending 12th overall for the tournament.

We are very proud of our girls and the way they conducted themselves on the court, they are true ambassadors of our school!

Mrs Angela Hallowes

Tennis Parent

Chess news

It was the penultimate round of the Johannesburg Northern Schools 4-a-side Tournament on Monday, 4 March 2019 and the results are as follows: C-team played with great passion and determination to draw with Sagewood, the B team played against Reddam House, Waterfall and unfortunately lost the match.

The A team faced Crawford Sandton A and managed to come off with another valuable win, sending them into the final round undefeated.

If you would like to support the chess team in the final round, the bus leaves from St Peter's College at 14:30 to Dainfern College on Monday, 11 March 2019. If you are unable to come along, send us your good wishes, they would be most appreciated.

Josh Jandrell

Grade 12 student

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Textbooks

Grade 8

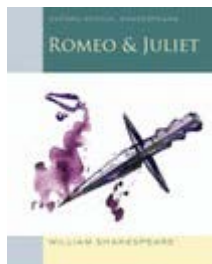


- Grade 8s should have collected their Noughts & Crosses and Frankenstein books by now. Please check that your child has these books.
- Please check that your child has the Accounting Book – these will only be used in Term 3, so please keep them safe. Several students have not yet collected these books.

Grade 9

- Several students have not yet collected their Q & A books.

Grade 10



- Grade 10s should have collected their Romeo & Juliet books by now. Please check that your child has this book.

Grade 11

- AP English students need to collect "Waiting for Godot".

Grade 12



- Only a few Matriculants have collected The Examination Aid Papers with Solutions papers for Maths & Maths Literacy. These are essential for exam revision.

Supporter's Clothing

Show your support at your children's sports matches and wear the official St Peter's Supporter's outfit.



Men's and Ladies golf shirts all R200 each.

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Locks – Grade 8s

Parents should have received an invoice for the lock(s) that were issued to the students during the Grade 8 orientation week. If you have not yet received an invoice, kindly contact the School Shop.

Statements from School Shop

Statements have been sent out to those who for some reason have a debit balance. Please check the statement and contact Mrs Wheeler on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday if you have any queries or concerns regarding the statement or by email at wheelerc@stpeterscollege.co.za.

EFT Payments

Please note that the School Shop account number is different to the School Fees Account. Please always use the following account for payments to the School Shop for uniform, textbooks or stationery:

St Peter's College PA

Standard Bank Rivonia, Branch Code 001255

A/C # 420095144

All EFT payment confirmations must be emailed to Nerina Deeb at deebn@stpeterscollege.co.za

School Shop Hours

Normal Shop Hours

Mon, Tue and Thu 07:00 to 15:00

Wed and Fri 07:00 to 13:00

Mrs Nerina Deeb

School Shop Manager

Swimming Report – 2019

We began the 2019 Swimming Season with huge expectations from all our swimmers and swimming teams. What we hoped to be the start of one of our most successful seasons to date began with the annual Inter-House Gala that took place at the impressive Wahoo Aquatics Centre on Monday, 21 January 2019, culminating in our 2nd place at the Annual Inter-High A-League Gala held at the Delville Swimming Pool in Germiston.

Inter-House Gala Results

Trophies and Winners

TROPHY	WINNER – 2019
JUNIOR VICTOR LUDORUM	Reece Johnson
JUNIOR VICTRIX LUDORUM	Michaela dal Medico
SENIOR VICTOR LUDORUM	Carl Vemer
SENIOR VICTRIX LUDORUM	Nicole Hepplewhite
SPIRIT TROPHY	Bishop
OVERALL WINNER	Bishop

FINAL PLACING OF HOUSES		POINTS
1.	Bishop	979
2.	Lourie	783
3.	Oriole	743

Inter-House Records

Event	Age Group	Name / House	Time
50m Boy's Backstroke	U15	Reece Johnson - Bishop	30.84s
50 Girl's Breaststroke	U14	Michaela dal Medico - Bishop	37.97s
50m Girl's Butterfly	U14	Michaela dal Medico - Bishop	32.79s
4 x 50m Freestyle Relay	Open Boy's	Bishop	1m 58.73s

Wits Education Campus Gala

On Saturday, 24 January our College and Prep girls combined to swim in the first annual gala held at the Wits Education Campus and hosted by St Teresa's. Our girl's college and prep combined teams acquitted themselves exceptionally well and the final results are as follows:

1. St Dominic's – 177 Points
2. St Peter's – 160
3. St Teresa's – 155
4. Assumption Convent – 135
5. St Katherine's / Parktown Girls – 116
6. St Andrew's – 99
7. De La Salle - 65

SPC Invitational Night Gala

1. St Peters College - 1288 Points
2. Redhill - 1237
3. Helpmekaar - 1085
4. Trinity House - 892
5. St Dunstan's - 760
6. Penryn College - 567
7. Hyde Park - 495
8. St Peter's College B - 475

Inter-High GALA

The following swimmers and relay teams obtained either a 1st, 2nd & 3rd place at the Inter-High Gala:

Inter-High 1st Places		
EVENT	NAME	TIME
Jnr B 200m IM	Reece Johnson	2:24:46
Jnr G 200m IM	Michaela Dal Medico	2:36:84
Snr B 200m IM	Yuvish Premlall	2:22:37
U14 G 50m Back	Madyson James	36:02
Open B 50m Back	Alex Krastanov	29:46
U14 G 50m Breast	Michaela Dal Medico	36:53
U16 G 50m Breast	Regan Hudson	38:72
U14 G 50m Fly	Michaela Dal Medico	32:15
U15 B 50m Fly	Reece Johnson	29:51
U14 G 50m Fly	Lara Taylor	30:76
U15 B 50m Free	Reece Johnson	26:62
Open B 50m Free	Fadhil Saleh	25:39
Open 8x50m Medley Relay		4:19:28
Open 4x50m Free Relay		1:52:03

Inter-High 2nd Places		
EVENT	NAME	TIME
U14 G 50m Back	Emma Cope	36:22
U15 G 50m Back	Kelly Du Plessis	35:57
U14 G 50m Breast	Emma Cope	39:98
U17 G 50m Breast	Jessica Dunstan	38:51
U17 G 50m Fly	Jessica Parsons	32:28
Open B 50m Fly	Nabil Saleh	27:38
U15 G 50m Free	Monet Steenkamp	30:97
Open B 50m Free	Nabil Saleh	25:48
Open G 50m Free	Daniella Dal Medico	29:82
U14 8x50m Medley relay		5:00:86
U17 8x50m Medley Relay		4:41:34
U14 4x50m Free Relay		2:06:55
U15 4x50m Free Relay		1:56:12

Inter-High 3rd Places		
EVENT	NAME	TIME
Snr G 200m IM	Jessica Dunstan	02:44:13
Open B 200m Free	Fadhil Saleh	02:08:59
Open B 50m Breast	Yuvish Premlall	33:52
Open G 50m Breast	Tyler-Maddison Thokoane	40:00
Open B 50m Fly	Fadhil Saleh	28:12
U16 G 50m Fly	Regan Hudson	31:78
U17 B 50m Free	Filip Poludniak	28:03
U15 8x50m Medley Relay		4:52:84
U17 4x50m Free Relay		1:59:50

Inter-High A-League Final Results

1. Northcliff – 848 Points
2. St Peter's College - 702

3. Crawford Sandton - 639
4. Fourways High - 482
5. Trinity House - 446

Prestige Gala

Individual achievements at the A-League Gala:

Gold Medals

Michaela Dal Medico

- 200 IM: 2.32.41
- 50m Butterfly: 31.75
- 50m Breaststroke 36.24

Reece Johnson

- 200 IM 2.24.09
- 50m Freestyle 25.66

Yuvish Premllal

- 200 IM 2.20.13

Alexander Krastanov

- 50m Backstroke 29.18

Fadhil Saleh

- 50m Freestyle 24.82

Relays

- Open 8 x 50m Medley Relay
- Open 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay

Silver Medals

- Lara Taylor 50m Freestyle

Relays

- Under 15 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay

Bronze Medals

Reece Johnson

- 50m Butterfly 30.57

Nabil Saleh

- 50m Butterfly 27.60

Tyler-Maddison Thokoane

- 50m Butterfly 31.6.

Relays

- Under 17 8 x 50m Medley Relay

Awards

- Michaela dal Medico Junior Victrix Ludorum
- St Peter's College Girls Team won the girl's section of the Prestige Gala

We want to take this opportunity to say thank to all our parents for all the support and your presence throughout the season. Maybe not always at the pool, but always ready to answer every phone call or email request for assistance at our galas - Swim parents never miss a beat. The countless hours you've spent at the pool do not go unnoticed. The decorations at the SPC Invitational Gala, the cupcakes and the balloons are not overlooked. The morning parent meeting you attended at Wahoo was for your children and for the College team, and although it may not have seemed like we were grateful for it at the time, we were.

To our swimmers, thank you for joining the crazy sport of swimming and spending days and nights at swimming galas. Thank you for attending the 06:00 morning practices when it was the last thing you wanted to do. We owe much of our success to you and for that we will be forever grateful.

Thank you for being the best swimming team out there.
College Swimming Staff

Tour De Maths

Tour de Maths is an inter-schools Mathematics Problem Solving Competition, the previous leg of the competition was held on Thursday, 28 February 2019 at St Andrews College.



It was my first time going to a tour de maths competition. I thought that it was an amazing opportunity to have a maths competition and a lovely experience. We all worked hard answering the questions and had fun as well.

We all gave it our best to answering the questions. I thought figuring out questions with people that we didn't even know was awesome. Tour de maths competitions aren't about winning but about learning and having fun.

Congratulations to St Peter's College team on achieving first place for the second time this year.

Kylah McCreedy
Grade 9 student

PA Golf Day

A golf ball with the St Peter's College crest on it, sitting on a green tee next to a golf club head, set against a bright green background.

ST PETER'S COLLEGE

PA Annual Golf Day

Wednesday, 20 March 2019

Bryanston Country Club

- Book your four-ball @ R3 600
- (or book Individually @ R900)
- Sponsor a hole @ R4 000
- Sponsor prizes, goodie bag items etc

Contact Simone Hope
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