

ST PETER'S GIRLS PREP SCHOOL

FROM THE HEADMASTER

Last week Saturday, we hosted our Grade 3 Dads and Daughters Coding Morning and a Grade 4 & 5 Dads and Daughters Dinner Dance. Earlier in the term, we hosted a JP Moms and Daughters Craft morning. Although these events are in place to celebrate Fathers' and Mothers' Day respectively - they are wonderful opportunities to spend quality time with your daughter – like so many of our events.

In my welcome at both events on Saturday, I took the opportunity to thank the dads for making the effort to attend, in the knowledge that 'before we know it' our little girls are young ladies - I talk from personal experience in this regard. This gift of time is the single most precious thing you can give your children!

The critical need to find and make the time for our children is reinforced in the lyrics of a beautiful song called *The Cat's in the Cradle* sung by Harry Chapin. The impact is more powerful if you listen to the song – found at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KUwjNBjqR-c

My child arrived just the other day He came to the world in the usual way But there were planes to catch, and bills to pay He learned to walk while I was away And he was talking 'fore I knew it, and as he grew He'd say "I'm gonna be like you, dad" "You know I'm gonna be like you" And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon Little boy blue and the man in the moon "When you coming home, dad?" "I don't know when" But we'll get together then You know we'll have a good time then My son turned ten just the other day He said, thanks for the ball, dad, come on let's play Can you teach me to throw, I said, not today I got a lot to do, he said, that's okay And he walked away, but his smile never dimmed It said, I'm gonna be like him, yeah You know I'm gonna be like him Chorus : And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon...

Well, he came from college just the other day So much like a man I just had to say Son, I'm proud of you, can you sit for a while?

He shook his head, and he said with a smile What I'd really like, dad, is to borrow the car keys See you later, can I have them please? And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon Little boy blue and the man in the moon "When you coming home, son?" "I don't know when" But we'll get together then, dad You know we'll have a good time then I've long since retired and my son's moved away I called him up just the other day I said, I'd like to see you if you don't mind He said, I'd love to, dad, if I could find the time You see, my new job's a hassle, and the kids have the flu But it's sure nice talking to you, dad It's been sure nice talking to you And as I hung up the phone, it occurred to me He'd grown up just like me My boy was just like me And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon Little boy blue and the man in the moon "When you coming home, son?" "I don't know when" But we'll get together then, dad We're gonna have a good time then.

Apologies if that that brought a tear to your eye – but I think it makes the point. Nibe nempelasonto emnandi! Darrel Webb (*Headmaster*)

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WINTER SOLSTICE

To celebrate the Winter Solstice, on Friday, 21 June (shortest day, longest night), we will be having a **Pyjama Day** for the whole Girls School.

The Grade 6 and 7 girls are also invited to join some of the staff for the Polar Bear Swim, if they are brave enough!





FROM THE SPORTS DESK

Food for thought . . .

We will be having our inaugural POLAR BEAR SWIM on Friday, 21 June - at first break. The swim is open to all our Grade 6 and 7 pupils. Please note that the swim is NOT COMPULSORY. All girls and parents from Grade 0-7 are welcome to come and watch.

In order to make the swim official, swimmers must swim a length of the pool. For those who just want to dip in and out, no problem it's the effort that counts.

NETBALL

Reminder that this week, on Friday, is the Inter-House Netball. Please take note of the following arrangements:

- All girls are down to play on Friday.
- The netball will start 10:30 and will be hosted on both the astro and netball courts. Please see the attachment for more details.
- All team lists have been loaded onto communicator.

HOCKEY - TIC Andrew Steyn (asteyn@stpeters.co.za)

Next week sees the start of the hockey season; hockey sessions will now take place in the allotted sports sessions.

Equipment needed for hockey ...

Please note that the girls are required to have the equipment listed below. Due to the nature of the sport and to ensure that the girls don't pick up any serious injuries, gum guards and shin pads are compulsory!

- Hockey stick
- Shin pads
- Gum guard 'NO GUM GUARD NO PLAY'
- Appropriate shoes

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Grade 6 and 7 Hockey Trials

Due to the fact that the Grade 6 and 7 hockey matches are played on a full sized hockey field, trials for the A and B teams will be held at St Peter's College on Friday, 21 June. In order to accommodate all the girls participating in the choir festival, trials will run from 13:30 -15:30.

Transport will be arranged to take the girls to the College and bring girls back if needed. Girls are welcome to be collected from the College at 15:30. Girls must please sign up at the sports notice board in order to confirm numbers. Grade 3-5 hockey trials will take place during the hockey practices.

Hockey Coaches

| GRADE | Numer of girls per team | PRACTICE DAYS | PRACTICE DAYS | Α | В | C | MA1 | | MA 2 | |
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| GRADE 3 | 10 | MON(11:20-12:10) | WED(14:00-14:45) | BADENHORST | JOSHUA | STEYN | JASON | MAKOLA | MASHABELA | SIYA |
| GRADE 4 | 10 | MON (14:45-15:30) | TUES(14:00-14:45) | VAN GINKLE | NIC | GORDON | JOSHUA | CRONIN | JOSH | JASON |
| GRADE 5 | 10 | MON(14:00-14:45) | TUES(14:45-15:30) | FLEMING | SIYA | WHITE | NIC | MAYNE | JASON | JOSH |
| GRADE 6 | 14 | MON(15:30-16:15) | WED(14:45-15:30) | CLARKE | JASON | BADENHORST | | | | |
| GRADE 7 | 14 | TUES(15:30-16:15) | WED(15:30-16:15) | STEYN | CAMERON | JOSHUA | | | | |

Team Structures

Due to the fact that the schools we are playing do not have enough teams for all our girls to get a game every week, we will be running Mixed Ability Squads for our lower teams. Girls will be rotated, on a weekly basis, to try to give them as much game time as possible.

Hockey Skills Development Session

St Peter's College Hockey Centre invites all Grade 3-7 girls wanting to play hockey to attend their Skills Development Sessions on a Monday evening at the College Astro. Please see Communicator St Peter's/Resources/Girls Sport for more details.

TENNIS

Optional tennis

The optional tennis practices will continue as per the extra mural timetable. Please could all girls playing tennis meet at the GIRLS' TENNIS COURTS for their sessions. Please ensure that your daughter has the correct shoes and hat when attending the practice sessions!

STRAPPING

Charne Cronin or Meaghan Badenhorst are available to do sports strapping between 13:00 and 14:00 at the sports office. If you would like your daughter to have any strapping done, there are two options available:

- 1. Girls are to provide their own strapping
- 2. Girls may pay R100 to cover the cost of the tape

Andrew Steyn (Director of Sport)

INFORMATION REGARDING THE CAMPUS WEEK AHEAD

Please note that this is the last week that the 'Campus Week Ahead' will be sent out with the newsletter.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the date or time of certain events during a given week, change. This means that the *Campus Week Ahead* could be inaccurate, after having been carefully put together a few days before! The document will still be posted on Communicator, but please be advised that when a change is made – the document is replaced with the new updated version.

It is, therefore, necessary to check the *Campus Week Ahead*, prior to a scheduled event, to ensure that you have the correct information.

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SWINE FLU

We are aware of the current outbreak of flu causing high numbers of absentees in the classes. Please be aware that Swine flu H1N1 Influenza is caused by the Type A flu (H1N1) virus. It now forms part of seasonal influenza in most countries at present and is a non-notifiable condition.

Common Symptoms include: Fever, Dry cough, Sore throat, Headache, Fatigue, Muscle pain, Body aches, Cold shivers and hot sweats.

Please keep your children at home should they be displaying any of the above symptoms and consult your GP for further treatment. It may be advisable to have the Flu Injection, as a preventative measure.

Sister Gail Brent

ST PETER'S CHOIR FESTIVAL – 20 AND 21 JUNE



https://tickets.tixsa.co.za/event/st-peter-s-senior-choir-festival https://tickets.tixsa.co.za/event/st-peter-s-senior-choir-festival-friday

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VEHICLE SECURITY ACCESS

For new parents and parents who don't yet have a QR Code disc, please do the following:

STEP 1 – Submit vehicle details online

Click on the following link <u>https://goo.gl/forms/NX1PEDAYmpKMctxR2</u> and capture details of all relevant vehicles requiring access to school.

STEP 2 – Download and register in Charlie

- 1. Download and install the Charlie app from your respective app store (click either of the following links: <u>Android</u> or <u>iOS</u>)
- 2. Sign in with either email or cell phone number (if you use your cell phone number you will receive a 6 digit pin).
- 3. Once in the app select the blue block to update your profile details.

STEP 3 – Request QR codes

Please send an email to <u>stpeters@appcharlie.com</u> requesting QR codes. Please include details used to update you Charlie profile.

Once you receive you QR code via email, place the QR code on the same side as your vehicle registration (on the left side of the windscreen, when seated in the vehicle).

Lance Camphor (Security Manager)

PA NEWS GOLF DAY – SAVE THE DATE

ANNUAL GOLF DAY 2019 – FOURBALLS AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

St Peter's Prep Schools is holding its annual Golf Day on Friday, 27 September at the Kyalami Country club. The goal of the Golf Day is to raise funds for the St Peter's Prep Parents Association (PA), as well as provide a fun-filled and enjoyable afternoon for all attending. The proceeds raised will be used for projects, requiring funding by the PA, at the school. Bookings for Fourballs open on Wednesday, 10 July.

In order to make the Golf Day a successful fundraiser, we are seeking sponsorship for the opportunities outlined below. To acknowledge contributions, the sponsor will be entitled to use their company signage to market their business in the area chosen. In addition to branding on the course, a board with a list of all the sponsors will also be put up at the clubhouse.

Major Sponsor: Evening event (includes sponsorship of food truck)

Major Sponsor: Halfway house

Sponsor: Registration table

Sponsor: Putting Green

Sponsor: Hole

Sponsor: Watering hole

Sponsor: Prizes - any luxury food or drink items that could be used in a hamper

- any vouchers (for kids or adults to use)
- any complete hampers
- any other prize you can think of!

For any further information on sponsorships, please contact the committee at

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WINTER WARMERS – REMEMBER TO BUY YOUR TICKETS!

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SIMPLYFOR is the brain child of Godfrey Ried and Nash Klaassen. Down to earth, passionate entertainers, the band caters for all with their extensive repertoire including golden oldies and current hits.

Including a talented performance from our very own St Peter's Bands





Legacy Girls Ensemble Band

Date: Sat 22 June 11:00 to 17:00 Venue: Mvukuzane Field, St Peter's Prep

https://tickets.tixsa.co.za/event/winter-warmers-2019

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Enjoy Father's Day and the Youth Day holiday! See you back on Tuesday, 18 June!

