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# ST PETER'S GIRLS PREP SCHOOL

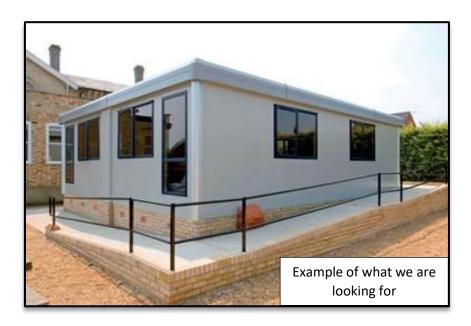
# FROM THE RECTOR

### **HELP: PREFABRICATED BUILDING**

Thank you to all those parents who responded so positively to our earlier requests for assistance with solar energy and earthworks.

We are now looking to erect a modular building consisting of one, two or three prefabricated rooms approximately 150 m² in extent.

If any parents are able to assist with a quote, please contact Darrel Webb, Girls School Headmaster, at pgouveia@stpeters.co.za.

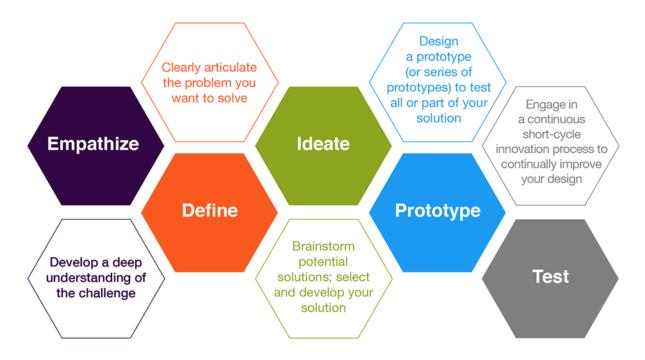


If anyone wishes any further information on any topic, please feel free to contact me at school or at <a href="mailto:groyce@stpeters.co.za">groyce@stpeters.co.za</a> or <a href="mailto:drawbeers.co.za">dradloff@stpeters.co.za</a>

Greg Royce (Rector)

### FROM THE HEADMASTER

A few weeks back the school's Exco attended a course at Gibbs Business School on Design Thinking. This process provides us with a roadmap to solve life's challenges and promotes innovation.



We looked at numerous case studies of businesses who have used this process to stay relevant in the world of tomorrow. For me, the most interesting part of this process is the need for companies to prototype solutions to their challenges. One example they used was BMW. They are in the process of prototyping driverless cars that could be ordered on demand to drive a person from A to B. That would essentially change their core business of building and selling cars to individuals but would keep them relevant in the world of tomorrow.

One business that has not used this process to evolve - is schooling.

But thankfully St Peter's is no ordinary school.

As much as we could use this process far more – I am delighted that we do prototype initiatives to not only model this process for our girls to use in the real world but also to ensure we are offering a relevant world-class education. This year we have prototyped various initiatives. In the classroom we have implemented strategies to enhance the concept of personalized learning and we have trialed numerous inquiry based projects.

On the sports field, a further example of prototyping was our new-look Inter-house Athletics Meeting held last Saturday. We experimented with starting the event with mass participation races for every grade and then went into the usual track races.

Constructive feedback is key to the success of the Design Thinking process. Hence, as we start the last five weeks of the year parents, staff and our girls are encouraged to reflect on the year and use every opportunity to provide this valuable feedback. The girls will be asked to do "stop, start, continue" reflections for their teachers. Teachers have been asked to do something similar for their respective line managers and parents are invited, as always, to share their thoughts about the year, with their daughter's class teacher or respective Head of Phase. We can then use this feedback to reflect and redesign our educational strategies and prototypes for 2019.

The outcome of this reflection process and plans for 2019 will be revealed at next year's Information Evenings. What an exciting place to teach and learn!

I wish you a wonderful weekend. Nibe nempelasonto emnandi!

Darrel Webb (Headmaster)

## **MUSIC DEPARTMENT**

### **MONDAY, 05 NOVEMBER AT 18:00**

The Girls Chamber Choir will be performing at the staff members' Farewell Evensong. The service will start at 18:00 and should last for approximately 45 minutes.

Please could all Choristers be at the Chapel at 17:30 for a warm-up, dressed in their cassocks. The Evensong is for invited guests only.

Thank you in advance for your support of the Choir.

Regards

Hugo Roodt (Director of Choirs)

## **SPORTS DEPARTMENT**

# **ATHLETICS**

The Sports Day held on Saturday, 27 October was thoroughly enjoyed by all athletes. Girls participated in a shuttle relay and a round the world obstacle event, before the sprinters came out of the starting blocks and showed off their tremendous speed. Thank you to all the parents who came to support their daughters on the day, it certainly was a fun-filled event!

We wish our athletics team the very best of luck at the Prestige event!

#### **TENNIS**

Inter-house tennis will commence on Thursday, 8 November. All pupils, who have been selected to play, should bring their house T-shirts.

# **CROSS - COUNTRY**

Upcoming fixture:

Friday, 9 November - Cross-country meeting at St Peter's Prep

Mr C Tomsek

(Acting Director of Sport)

# SPORT, MUSIC AND CULTURAL PHOTOGRAPHS – TOMORROW FRIDAY, 2 NOVEMBER

Please note that Sport, Music and Cultural Photographs are being taken tomorrow Friday, 2 November.

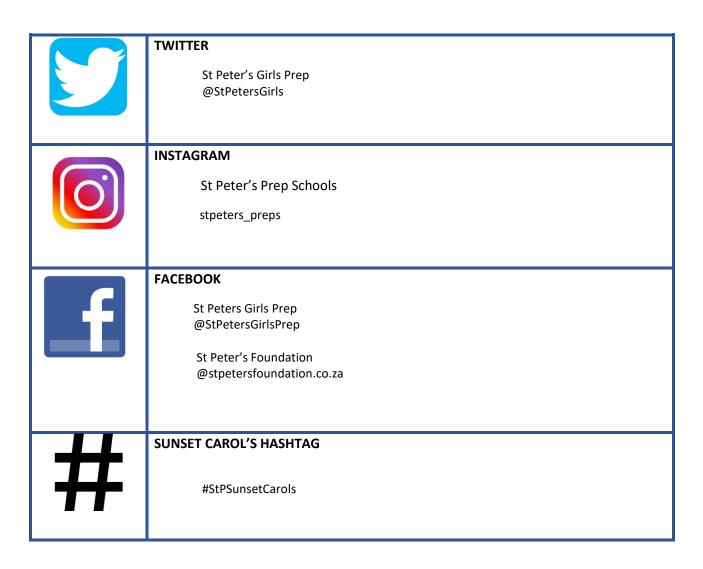
Dress code includes required sports kit, cassocks and No 1s. Sport photographs will be taken in standard sports kit so the girls do not need to bring swimming costumes, hockey boots and socks. The equestrian team are to please bring their riding uniform.

Please refer to the schedule attached to this email. (this document will clarify the required dress code)

Catherine Holm (Head of Organisation and Administration)

### **FOLLOW US**

Follow us on our social media platforms using the handles below:

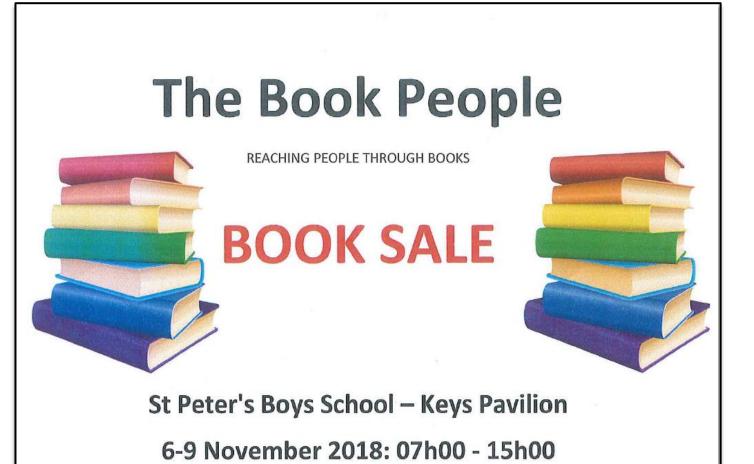


### **DIVERSITY - DIWALI**

Hindus throughout the world will celebrate the fifth and final day of Diwali next Wednesday, 7 November 2018.

Diwali is called the 'festival of lights'. It is a period spent with friends and family, mending relations, reuniting, forgiving one for one's wrongdoings and renewing friendships. It is also a time for deep reflection on the past successes and failures, and to look forward to the new year with greater energy and inspiration. During Diwali, Hindus exchange sweetmeats, fruit and sweets and wish each other well. The morning is spent in thanksgiving prayers and the evening is filled with fun, laughter, lighting of lamps and fireworks. The lamps and fireworks signify the triumph of light over darkness, good over evil, knowledge over ignorance and the invitation of light and joy into our lives.

St Peter's wishes all Hindu friends, pupils and families Happy Diwali.



# **FORTHCOMING WEEK**

Monday	05/11/2018	07:30:00	07:30:00	Cross Country and Swimming Seasons Commence	
Tuesday	06/11/2018	07:00:00	14:00:00	The Book People - Book Sale 06 - 09 November 2018	Keys Pavilion
Tuesday	06/11/2018	07:00:00	08:00:00	Gr 6 Parents: Fundraising Meeting	Boardroom
Tuesday	06/11/2018	18:30:00	19:30:00	Musical Showcase	Royce Hall
Wednesday	07/11/2018			REMINDER: Chapel Collection for Tomorrow	
Thursday	08/11/2018	10:30:00	11:00:00	Grade 4TK Outreach: Sandwich Making	Classrooms
Thursday	08/11/2018	13:30:00	16:00:00	Inter-house Tennis	Tennis Courts
Friday	09/11/2018	10:00:00	10:00:00	HOT DOG DAY/Cartridge Collection R25	
Friday	09/11/2018	13:00:00	16:00:00	Cross Country Meeting	St Peter's Girls School
Friday	09/11/2018	18:30:00	22:00:00	PA Dinner	

# **SUNSET CAROLS**



# SPANNS OF SPORT: HOLIDAY ROUND ROBIN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Venue: St Stithians Tennis Courts

Date: 10 - 13 December 2018

Time: 08:30 until 13:00

Please contact Nadine on 083 306 2886 for more information.



### **MORNING BUSES**

We currently have two routes available. Please see the information below.

A minimum of 16 students per term are required for the service to run. The service will start on Friday, 26 October 2018 and run until Thursday, 6 December 2018.

If you would like to make use of one of these bus routes, please complete the Bus Consent and Indemnity Form, which can be found attached to this newsletter email or on the Communicator.

Please return the form to the School – using the following address: reception@stpeters.co.za

See additional details below:

### 1. Leaping Frog – based on a minimum of 16 pax for the term

Pick up Point	Time
Leaping Frog Shopping Centre	06:30 to leave at 6:40 - R1 690 per term
	(approx R25 per trip).
	For the remainder of this term: R750
*Option for other parents subject to	Cash rider/booklet pre purchased = R35 per
minimum of 16 pax	trip
School ETA	07:00 – 07:05

# 2. Kyalami Shopping Centre – based on a minimum of 16 pax for the term

Pick up Point	Time
Kyalami Shopping Centre	06:25 to leave at 6:30 - R1 890 per term (approx R28 per trip). For the remainder of this term R850
*Option for other parents subject to minimum of 16 pax	Cash rider/booklet pre purchased = R45 per trip
School ETA	07:00 – 07:05

