

Weekly Newsletter of St Peter's Boys Prep School

FROM THE HEADMASTER

The school has switched to its summer sport season and we have boys away at a Water Polo Festival in Cape Town this weekend. In addition, we hosted a very exciting T20 Cricket festival last weekend and it was very pleasing to note the standard of cricket that was played despite this being the beginning of the season.

As is the case with all events such as the T20, the amount of work that is put in by both staff and parents is invaluable in contributing to the success of the event. The Sports Department organised the fixtures and umpires. The grounds and cleaning services ensured that our campus made us proud and that the wickets played well throughout the weekend. The kitchen staff ensured that everyone was well fed and enjoyed wonderful teas, lunches and dinners throughout. One cannot underestimate the importance of the role played by our parents. Not only did they host boys from schools as far afield as Cape Town and Pietermaritzburg, but there was a team of parents on duty throughout the weekend to prepare prego rolls and hamburgers and to ensure that both players and spectators were well looked after. Thank you to everyone who gave of their time so willingly.

Sport is a major part of the curriculum at our school and it is important to remember that it is not only the personal skills gained by the boys that are beneficial, but also the lessons learned from belonging to a team, and the understanding of the interdependence of players. This collaborative effort will prepare them for life. It is for this reason that we regard all scheduled sports events as compulsory. Thus, if a boy has been selected to play in a team, the requirement that he arrives for his match in good time to warm up, and remain at the venue until his coach releases him, is paramount. I have been a little disappointed to hear that we have had some boys who have not fulfilled this requirement and who have let their teams down by either not arriving for the matches at all or by arriving late. This is a poor reflection on not only their personal commitment, but also on the school. I have asked the Housemasters to take this up with the boys, but am aware that in some cases it may be a question of not being transported to the venue by parents, rather than a lack of commitment on their behalf. Please support your boy in this and ensure that he is able to fulfil the requirements of the Code of Conduct regarding sport.

We look forward to a fully participative summer sport season.

TECHNOLOGY AT ST PETER'S

Over the past two years the school been conducting action research in order to ascertain the advantages offered by Information and Communications Technology to our academic curriculum. While we have identified numerous benefits, we have also been able to monitor other successful teaching methodologies in various areas and feel an eclectic approach is the best way forward. The school has invested in a large number of devices and these are sufficient for many of our educational needs, but there are times when personal devices will add value.

Next year, boys in Grades 6 and 7 will be given the option to bring their own device to school. Most of the work will be completed on a Google platform which will mean that the devices brought in can be Apple, Android or Windows based. Certain Apps may be Apple (iPad) based and boys without Apple devices may, in these instances, draw iPads from the library or a classroom set. Similarly, if Windows or 'MSOffice' applications are being used, laptops and desktop computers are available at school.

So what does this mean for 2016? Grade 6 and 7 will be allowed to bring their own devices into school for specific educational use. We are requesting that the devices be either tablets or netbook/notebooks. These must then be stored in the iPad lockers in the storerooms. The boys will be given the responsibility of ensuring the safety of their devices. They will need to be locked up whenever they are not being used in class. Please note, it is not compulsory for the children to have their own device.

Please feel free to contact Scott Hauptfleisch, Sandy Stephens or Catherine Steenhoff should you wish to have further clarification regarding the voluntary BYOD or any other areas of technology for 2016.

Best wishes

Rob Macaulay

OLD BOYS NEWS

Michaelhouse

Keagan Chasenski was selected as a School Prefect for 2016.

St Peter's College

Matric Academic Prize Winners presented on 6 October 2015

Diligence Awards:

Tymon Pinto Jordan van Dongen Brett Ilsley Devon Hodgson Gregory Wiid

The Bach Trophy for Most improved Practical Achievement of a Senior Musician: Tymon Pinto

DIE AANHOUR WEN TROFEE

This trophy is awarded in acknowledgement of the learner who has shown the most significant improvement over their senior years, due to a sustained work ethic: **Alex Tshidibi**

THE PATRICK TROPHY FOR GEOGRAPHY

This trophy is awarded to a student who has worked consistently and to the best of his or her ability throughout the year and has, in both Grade 11 and 12, shown commitment to and enthusiasm for Geography: Harry Joannou

THE ADVANCED PROGRAMME ENGLISH TROPHY

This award goes to the learner who performed best in Advanced Programme English: Gregory Wiid (shared)

THE SENIOR PHYSICAL SCIENCE CUP

This cup is awarded to a Senior Student who has shown a high degree of interest in all aspects of Physical Science throughout his College Career: **Harry Joannou** (shared)

Learning Area Prizes in Grade 12 are as follows

The award is made on the basis of the highest aggregate mark of 75% or above in each Subject.

Engineering, Graphics and Design: Duncan Hey

Geography: Harry Joannou

Life Orientation and Life Sciences: Gregory Wiid

Crossed Keys Certificates

Learners must achieve an overall average of 75% or higher in Grade 12. This average is derived from Term 1, Term 1

Examination, Term 2 and Term 2 Examination results
Gregory Wiid 75.60%
Devon Hodgson 79.08%
Harry Joannou 83.29%

Honours

The Honours Criteria – Half colours criteria must be met with at least 10 distinctions across the year:

Devon Hodgson Harry Joannou

THE HEADMASTER'S AWARD:

The student is courageous; confident to act in accordance with his/her belief; has a selfless attitude; an inner strength; quiet determination; an honest outlook on life:

Harry Joannou

WHITE BLAZER:

The highest achievement at St Peter's College for gaining honours in Academics, Cultural, Sports and for meeting all their Community Service requirements:

Devon Hodgson and Harry Joannou



St Peter's College 2015 White Blazer Achievers:

Harry Joannou, Nicola MacLeod, Roger Wyllie and Devon Hodgson

Co-Currricular Awards

Attendance in the Art Task Team: Duncan Hey Gr12

Junior Boys Athletics: Sportsmanship: Anthony van Kerckhoven Gr8

Basketball player of the year Trophy Senior Boy: Simba Guzha-Chantsa Gr12

Chess Award for Dedication and Commitment: Christopher Christodoulou Gr11 & Marios Joannou Gr8

Best Performance in the Current Affairs Quiz in Grade 9: Michael Whittal
Top Achievers for First Aid Level 1: Christopher Mukheibir 95% Gr9
Certificate: Most dedicated photographer: Anthony van Kerckhoven Gr8

President's Award - BRONZE: Sebastian Long Gr9

TROPHY: Junior Cultural Achiever - Boys: Luke Hewson Gr9

DRAMA:

The Gardner Award Best Actor Brett Ilsley Gr12
The Ramsden Award Sound and Lighting Luke Hewson Gr9

Most Promising Physical Theatre 2015 Christopher Mukhebir Gr9

Actor Junior – Certificate

Best Junior Actor Certificates 2015 Matthew Garrett Gr9

Sebastian Long Gr9
Daniel Duke Gr9

HOCKEY:

Certificate: Sportsmanship Senior: Ryan Morrison Gr10

Certificate: Most improved Junior Player: Matthew Webster Gr8

Best Junior Player: Sebastian Long Gr9

John Pilkington Plate Best Senior Player: Devon McDermid Gr12

MUSIC:

Junior Choir Award: Modisagaarekoe Mokae Gr9
Drumline Award: Shared: Liam Ramsden Gr10
Barbershop Award: Shared: Devryn Panaino Gr11

Sound Techs Award: Luke Hewson Gr9

ORATORY:

Certificate: Most committed Senior Oratory members: Harry Joannou Gr12, Ashir Mohabir Gr11

Best Senior Debator: Harry Joannou Gr12

Lothlórien Owl Trophy for Most Improved Debator: Harry Joannou Gr12

RUGBY:

The van Goidsenhoven Trophy for Sportsmanship: **Brett Ilsley Gr12**

The Most Improved Senior Player: Jordan Von Dongen Gr12

SOCCER:

JUNIOR BOYS - Most Improved: Sebastian Christodoulou Gr8

Miguel Morais Trophy for the Senior Player of the Year: Alexis Strouthos Gr10

SQUASH:

Squash: Best Senior Boy: Tymon Pinto Gr12

SWIMMING:

Swimming: Senior Boys: Matthew Orr Gr10

TENNIS:

Most improved Boy: Peter Hoar Gr11

Player of the year Senior Boy: Gregory Wiid Gr12

WATERPOLO: JUNIOR BOYS

Sportsmanship: Michael Whittal Gr9

Evans Award for the Most Improved: Matthew Webster Gr8

Player of the year: Daniel Duke Gr9

SENIOR BOYS

Most Improved: **Devon Jansen Gr12**Player of the year: **Matthew Orr Gr10**

SUNSET CAROLS



St Peter's Christmas Market

Date: Saturday 28 November 2015

Place: St Peter's School

105 Witkoppen Road, Paulshof

Time: From 14:00 onwards

The price per stall is R500. (St Peter's School parents will be charged R400)

Be part of this exciting event!

Please email: carols@stpeters.co.za

St Peter's Glossy Programme

Would you or your company like to advertise in the Sunset Carols A4 glossy programme?

The programme will have photographs and names of all choirs participating in the event, as well as all events on the day, the sing-a-long Carols and other fun information. For more details, please contact Dalene ((dalene@selectiveloans.co.za)

SUNSET CAROLS: MVUKUZANE PAVILION AUCTION

The Foundation's annual Sunset Carols is being held on **Saturday 28 November** 2015 on the Mvukuzane Field at St Peter's Boys School. Last year, a corporate hired out the Pavilion for some of their clients, friends and family. The pavilion will be decorated and set with a Christmas theme and will accommodate in the region of 30 to 50 people and provides a wonderful environment to relax and enjoy a magnificent view of the stage. We would again like to make this facility available, so we have decided to auction off the pavilion to the highest bidder. Should you be interested in bidding, please submit your bid via e-mail to <u>fyates@stpeters.co.za</u>. All bids will cover the cost of the pavilion only i.e. you will still be required to add in the cost of tickets at the price listed above as well as any catering that you may wish to include on the night.

All bids will be treated as confidential (a reserve will apply). All funds raised, will be allocated to the **Isematholeni Intern Programme.**

PA NEWS

SUPPORTER'S SHIRTS

Can be bought from The School Shop

ST PETER'S MINI TRIATHLON

Sunday 1 November 8:30 – 10:30 on the school grounds and parts of the PWC Bike park.

Save the date for this fun, family morning experiencing an all-in-one event. Swim, cycle and run/walk.

We encourage all St Peter's families and friends to join in. The distances and courses will be age appropriately designed. Further details will follow.



SCHOOL SHOP

We are looking for the parent that used their card on Wednesday morning around 7:15 for purchases totalling R520. We went offline and lost the invoice so have no idea as to what was purchased for this amount. As a result, we are unable to balance for Wednesday. The card ended in ...3115.

Nadia Thompson (School Shop Assistant) +27 11 367 6647

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Friday, 30 October 2015 18:30-21:30 Dodson Hall Tickets: R40 Adults R20 Children Available from Music Dept from 19 October between 07:00 – 07:30; also sold on the night. Experience a spectacular performance presented by the St Peter's voice pupils and Chamber Choir. The group will be accompanied by a professional band and will perform genres from classical to modern contemporary music. BRING OWN PICNC BISKET FIND DRINKS Platters available to order: INDESSIGNATION SECOND SOUND BE WINDOCCUMUM PLANTERS Enquire via e-mail: pupplinter florament com before 28 October

CHARITY EVENTS



TO ORDER: https://sites.google.com/site/vivavoceyummyplatters/
yumplatters@gmail.com

REMINDER:

RUGBY SUPPORTER FRIDAY



Boys to wear South African supporter shirt, blue sports shorts, white socks, white takkies.

FORTHCOMNG WEEK

Friday	16/10/2015	08:00:00	12:00:00	Grade 6 Study Skills
Friday	16/10/2015			St Peter's Golf Day
Saturday	17/10/2015			Cricket Matches (All Ages)
Saturday	17/10/2015	08:00:00	11:00:00	Open Basketball Festival
Saturday	17/10/2015	08:00:00	11:00:00	U12 Basketball Festival
Saturday	17/10/2015	08:00:00	11:00:00	U11 Basketball Festival
Sunday	18/10/2015			SACS Water Polo Tour Returns
Monday	19/10/2015	14:00:00		U10 Cricket Matches
Monday	19/10/2015	16:00:00	18:00:00	Chess Matches vs Pridwin (Home)
Tuesday	20/10/2015	14:00:00		U11 Cricket Matches
Wednesday	21/10/2015	08:00:00		Grade 2/6 Buddy Service
Wednesday	21/10/2015	14:00:00		Open Cricket Matches
Thursday	22/10/2015	07:30:00	08:00:00	General Assembly
Thursday	22/10/2015	10:00:00	11:00:00	Eucharist
Thursday	22/10/2015	11:00:00		Mid Term Break Commences
Tuesday	27/10/2015			Bishops Holiday
Wednesday	28/10/2015	07:30:00		Term Recommences

DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS: WEDNESDAYS 17:00