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ST PETER'S GIRLS PREP SCHOOL

FROM THE JP HEAD

WEAVING OUR CULTURES TOGETHER; WE ALL HAVE A COMMON THREAD

The JP Girls will be creating one of four weavings for Africa Day on Wednesday, 25 May. The JP girls' weave will represent the element 'Fire' and we ask parents to source some material which will be used, by your daughter, to participate in this project. Colours include reds, oranges, purples and even gold. Please send material (fabric, wool, feathers, buttons, etc.) to help create the weave - by **Friday, 20 May**.

READ-A-THON

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to all our girls and parents for all you did to make the Read-a-thon such a success. We have, to date, collected a substantial amount! We are excited and grateful for all your generous donations and help. The funds will be used to continue to develop our Sensory Garden and Learning Lands! Watch this space!! To thank the girls, we are deciding on an appropriate celebration, to be held next Friday, 20 May.

MOMS AND DAUGHTERS CRAFT MORNING

Saturday, 14 May will be a wonderful opportunity for our mums and daughters to come together and have special, quality time. We will be in Royce Hall from 09:30, where girls and Moms will work on a collaborative project which is sure to be great fun and make memories. Special thanks is extended to the ladies who are working towards making this day happen; **Courtney Baxter, Jen Armstrong, Jen Wright, Mabel Tshwale, Elmarie North and Lee-Ann Yaman**. We are endlessly grateful to our families and the things they do to support their children.

TEACHERS ARE LIFE-LONG LEARNERS

The teachers have already attended a number of conferences this term. Several participated in an *Investment in Excellence* programme, which supports personal wellbeing and growth. Others have attended a *Makerspace Workshop* which will help us develop learning areas around our school. We continue to reflect on best practice, whether it be in reading, writing or numeracy and Grade 1 and 2 staff took part in a writing workshop yesterday. Our teachers are diligently involved in their own professional development and give their best to the girls on a daily basis. They are wonderful role models to the girls they teach.

GRADE 2 SUMMERFIELD OUTING

On Thursday, 19 May, the Grade 2s will be visiting Summerfield Retirement Village. Teachers will send out the details of this outing.

Heather Kissack

AFRICA DAY – 25 MAY

‘WEAVING OUR CULTURES TOGETHER; WE ALL HAVE A COMMON THREAD’

This year the Diversity Committee has embraced one of our essential imperatives; the continued emphasis on bringing our community at St Peter’s together through acknowledging and harnessing our differences and similarities. In order to do this and represent our community as a whole, we will embark on creating four large weavings that reflect the earth elements: wind, fire, earth and water (white, red, brown, blue). These weavings will represent our diversity and connection to what is our essence and at the same time reflecting our unique individuality.

So, here is how you can help . . .

Materials: Children will receive an envelope with an element and its specific colour designation indicated on it. Please support your child in collecting, finding or buying a piece of fabric, ribbon, beads, buttons, feathers, wool, raffia or any other materials that might reflect their individuality and placing it in the envelope.

Note: The envelope will also have a small piece of white fabric on it which your child will write her name as well as a message that supports the idea of unity and togetherness in keeping with our intention to bring our community together through our diversity. The white fabric will accompany the materials that you and your child have chosen to represent themselves.

By Friday 20 May, kindly return the envelope with material/s and the note to the class teacher, who will keep it until the week of 25 May. During that week, the weavings will be constructed.

The weavings will be displayed as a reflection and symbol of our commitment to bringing our community closer together.

The Diversity Committee

WE NEED YOUR DETAILS – LAST CHANCE!

Please fill in your details on this form – here is the link: <http://goo.gl/forms/kvMdLCEq0G>

If you do not fill in the details you will not be able to use the St Peter’s App when it is launched later this month. We need your details completed on this form in order for a verification process to take place.

More and more of the day to day communication will be put onto this App and if you have not filled in the form through the link above you will NOT have access to the App. Please complete a separate form for each person who will use this App in the future. Most parents have completed the form, thank you so much!

UNINSTALL AND REINSTALL THE D6 COMMUNICATOR (ST PETER’S SCHOOLS)

Please do this immediately on desktop and any mobile devices. Next week we will be flicking the switch for authentication of the St Peter’s App. If this uninstall and reinstall has not been done, you will receive ERROR messages on the School Communicator.

To install/ reinstall: <http://www.school-communicator.com/download.php>. Or google D6 School Communicator download. If you have any technical problems with installation, please contact D6 Technical help: 021 880 0185.

ON PERSONALISING: THERE IS NOW A LONG LIST TO CHOOSE FROM -

Choose either *Junior Prep General* or *Senior Prep General* and then go through the activities which your child is involved in from music and choir and through the various sports and age groups. This will allow, for example, the U11 Netball coach to send an alert to, *only* the U11 Netball team/parents.

Jean Macleod (Marketer)

PA NEWS

The *Inflatable Carnival and Movie Night* team would like to thank the following businesses who advertised at the Movie Night:

Kip McGrath Education Centre	www.kipmcgrath.net
Hamiltons	www.hamiltons.co.za
Solution Technologies	www.soltech.co.za
Maxtec Peripherals	www.maxtec.co.za
Cleansui	www.cleansui.co.za
Afrihost	www.afrihost.com
Psychology & Wellness Centre	www.pawc.co.za
Calice Restaurant	calicerest@gmail.com
Waltons	www.waltons.co.za
Slipstream Swimming School	www.slipstreamswimmingschool.com
Drama Dynamix	dramadynamics@gmail.com

REMINDER: Parent Forum – talk by **Thandi Chaane** on Thursday, 19 May 2016 at 18:30 in the Royce Hall.

2016 FUN RUN & WALK

SUNDAY, 5 JUNE

08:30-10:00



**ST PETER'S
SCHOOLS**

VENUE: St Peter's Boys Prep School, Mvukuzane Field
Start AND finish at the Prep School for the first time

DISTANCES:

- 6.8km** – Incorporates PWC Cycle Park
08:30 – R40 entrance fee – Qualifying leg for Ironman
- 2.5km** – Incorporates PWC Cycle Park
08:45 – R20 entrance fee – Qualifying leg for Ironman
- 1.5km** – Exclusively on the school grounds, ideal for JP runners
09:00 – R20 entrance fee – Qualifying leg for Ironman (**JP runners only**)

TICKETS: On sale at morning drop-off, in the JP and SP car parks
Tue 31 May – Fri 3 June
And on the day at the Mvukuzane Pavilion

VOLUNTEERS: If you are able to volunteer with this event in any way, please contact John van den Aardweg (john@fairgameconsulting.com)



FINAL LEG OF THE
IRONMAN
CHALLENGE



OPEN TO ALL PUPILS, SIBLINGS, PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS AND FRIENDS

CHAPEL COLLECTION: REACH FOR A DREAM UNTIL 15 JUNE 2016

reach for a dream
inspiring hope

For 27 years, *Reach For A Dream* has been dedicated to making dreams come true for children between the ages of 3 and 18 years fighting life-threatening illnesses. The aim of the Foundation is to give each child hope and encouragement. We bring joy and laughter to their difficult situations and help them believe that tomorrow is worth fighting for.

Reach For A Dream fulfils on average 1500 dreams per year for children fighting illnesses such as cancer, cystic fibrosis, kidney failure, blood disorders and heart conditions. We encourage these children to dream their greatest dreams, which the Foundation goes to incredible lengths to fulfil.

In addition to fulfilling individual dreams, we have projects where we work with groups of ill children. These include *Captain Courage*, *Queen For A Day*, *Camp Sunshine*, *Jabulani Kingdom* and *Show You Care Send A Bear* which allows us to reach over 30 000 children nationally each year.

We would also like to thank you for supporting **Animals in Distress** – R12 000 was donated to this charity last term.

Your continued support is so appreciated.

Father Richard (Chaplain)

FLOWER ORDERS – GRADE 7 FUNDRAISER

We are pleased to advise that the flower orders will re-commence next week! Beautiful big bunches of fresh flowers are available, for ordering, at R200 per bunch – a variety of colours will be available. Please note that orders and payments need to be in by Tuesday evening for convenient delivery to the school on Friday morning. To place your order, or to make enquiries, please email Andi Coetzee on andicoetzee@icon.co.za. We are also able to assist St Peter's families with any other flower requirements. Special arrangements can be made for delivery on any day of the week! Please support this Grade 7 Leaver's fundraising initiative!

I must have flowers, always, and always.
- Claude Monet

Order beautiful bunches of flowers for R200 – convenient collection at Girls Senior Prep reception on Fridays.

Send an email to andicoetzee@icon.co.za to place your order or to find out more details.

**QUOTE**

'I am only one, but I AM one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And I will not let what I cannot do interfere with what I can do.' - Edward Everett Hale

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday	16/05/2016	10:30:00	12:00:00	<i>Exec Meeting</i>	GS Board Room
Tuesday	17/05/2016	14:00:00	15:00:00	<i>DivCom Meeting</i>	Council Chamber
Thursday	19/05/2016	08:00:00	11:00:00	Grade 2 Summer Field Retirement Village Visit	Douglasdale
Thursday	19/05/2016	16:30:00		Parent Transformation Workshop with Thandi Channe	Royce Hall
Saturday	21/05/2016	08:00:00	11:00:00	Grade 0 2017 Screening	