

Rustenburg Times

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Rustenburg extends its management structures

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The new School Business Manager, Mr G Broster (pictured below), will be the school's leading support staff professional and will work as part of the Senior Team to assist the School Principal in her duty to ensure that the school meets its educational aims.



Faculty Heads for 2012
Back row: Mrs G Wallace (Languages); Ms J Chambers (Arts)
Front Row: Mrs B Cameron (Sciences and Mathematics); Mrs L Mallon (Business and Life Skills)

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Rustenburg:
a school of excellence where girls are leading courageously,
exploring their unique potential confidently
and serving the world compassionately.

Faculty Heads 2012

As part of Rustenburg's continued drive for excellence, the School Governing Body has decided to broaden the school's management structures by creating four departmental faculties. The purpose of the Faculty Head is to provide leadership and support to the academic programme of the school and to assist in managing the people, systems and processes necessary for RGHS to achieve academic superiority. The four faculties are as follows:

Languages

Subject Departments:

English, Afrikaans, German, French, IsiXhosa

Faculty Head: Mrs Gail Wallace

Sciences and Mathematics

Subject Departments:

Mathematics and Mathematical Literacy,
Physical Sciences and Natural Sciences,
Life Sciences, Geography

Faculty Head: Mrs Bridget Cameron

The Arts

Subject Departments:

Visual Arts and Design, Dramatic Arts,
History, Music

Faculty Head: Ms Jackie Chambers

Business and Life Skills

Subject Departments:

Accounting and EMS,
Consumer Studies and Technology,
Computer Studies, Life Orientation

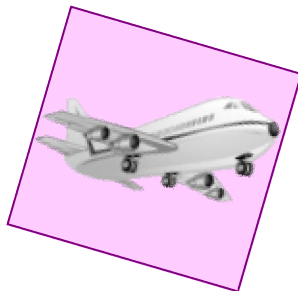
Faculty Head: Mrs Linda Mallon

Other Staff News

We wish

Madame Williams

a safe and happy journey
as she travels to
Vancouver, Canada,
to attend the wedding of
her eldest son, Xavier,
to Sarah
in December.



Saturday 10 December, 2011,
is the much-anticipated wedding day of

Miss Lindy Edmunds

and

Mr Peter Waller.

We wish them a very special day, filled with warmth
and love and laughter.

Farewells

We say goodbye to

Mrs Louie Black

who retires from teaching at
the end of this year, and thank
her for her contribution to the
school over the last seven
years, particularly as a loyal
member of the Afrikaans
Department.

We also bid farewell to

Mr Riaan Vosloo

and thank him for his
contribution to the life of the school:
his photographic skills and nurturing
of pupil photographers have been
much appreciated.

These girls are congratulated on their outstanding academic performance this year

ACADEMIC COLOURS AWARDS

GRADE 10: HALF COLOURS

- 1 Bam, Lona
- 2 Barratt, Kirsten
- 3 Ebrahim, Amara
- 4 Esau, Oriana
- 5 Gray, Jaime
- 6 Lee, Alicia
- 7 Luyt, Natalie
- 8 Masters, Jaime
- 9 Mbatani, Siphokazi
- 10 Nel, Alexandra
- 11 Odendaal, Corne
- 12 Solwa, Haseena
- 13 Vallie, Amina
- 14 Vlok, Kate
- 15 Wessels, Ashlynn

GRADE 10: FULL COLOURS

- 1 Cilliers, Nicola
- 2 Denny, Lauren
- 3 Duckitt, Lauren
- 4 Lanser, Kristi
- 5 Mukadam, Nurulain
- 6 Paterson, Robyn
- 7 Ravell, Courtney
- 8 Wood, Abigail
- 9 Yuan, Yi-Shin

GRADE 11: HALF COLOURS

- 1 Antunes, Tiffany
- 2 Beeby, Clarisse
Re-award
- 3 Bessinger, Alexa
Re-award
- 4 Botha, Tuscany
- 5 Campbell, Morgan
- 6 Clampett, Tara
Re-award
- 7 Cornell, Ruby
- 8 Gray, Kerry-Anne
Re-award

- 9 Graziani, Magenta
Re-award
- 10 Hlope, Gugulethu
Re-award
- 11 Houliston, Kate
- 12 Khan, Fatimah
Re-award
- 13 Loubser, Mieke
Re-award
- 14 Mould, Alexandra
Re-award
- 15 Navsaria, Navsaria
Re-award
- 16 Ndlangisa, Simbongile
- 17 Raper, Kayla-Paige
Re-award
- 18 Scott, Amy
Re-award
- 19 Shaboodien, Nabeelah
- 20 Shaw, Catherine
Re-award
- 21 van der Merwe, Simone
Re-award
- 22 Wood, Melissa
Re-award

GRADE 11: FULL COLOURS

- 1 Beattie, Petrone
Re-award
- 2 Chun, Yohan
Re-award
- 3 du Toit, Carla
Re-award
- 4 Kisela, Galdys
Re-award
- 5 Kruger, Chloe
Re-award
- 6 Mahomedy, Sameera
- 7 Mufford, Maryanne
Re-award
- 8 Najjaar, Aisha
Re-award
- 9 Stodel, Amber
- 10 Wallace, Courtney
Re-award

TOP POSITIONS IN GRADE

GRADE 8

1. Tamsin Metelerkamp (91.7 %)
2. Marianne Schwellnus
3. Jaime Newdigate
4. Megan Denny
5. Kirsten Pienaar

GRADE 9

1. Yi Tin Yuan (92.0%)
2. Abigail Mallows and Anja Muhr
4. Rowan Banks
5. Sarah Donde

GRADE 10

1. Nicola Cilliers (91.7%)
2. Lauren Denny
3. Yi-Shin Yuan
4. Abigail Wood
5. Courtney Ravell

GRADE 11

1. Petrone Beattie (87.0%)
2. Chloe Kruger
3. Courtney Wallace
4. Gladys Kisela and Simone van der Merwe



RGHS SCHOOL MAGAZINE 2011

The 2011 school magazine was issued to all learners of the school on 1 December. The School Magazine Committee (including Ms Saranne Salmon, Marketing Manager; Ms Louise Alberyn, Sub-Editor; Ms Karin Evans, Proof-reader; Chloe Kruger, Pupil Editor) began work on the publication in January already, after receiving direction from the School Governing Body and the School Management Team.

The intention this year was to produce a year-book which showcases just how modern and 'fresh' Rustenburg is in contemporary South Africa.

Inspiration came fast and furious with the release of the film version of John van der Ruit's "Spud," set in a South African high school, and singer Pink belting out what was one of the anthems for summer, "So if you're too school for cool." At the same time the Style Network advocated the "collegiate look," a trendy approach to dressing inspired by high school uniforms.

We were fortunate to benefit from the expertise of three fashion industry professionals: photographer MS KRISTINA STOJILKOVIC, stylist MS DEBBIE-JEAN OLLEY, and Art Director, MR GAVIN MILLER. This team saw the initial inspiration bear fruit at an exciting photo shoot in the Drama Studio. Many Rustenburg girls learned from these seasoned experts just how tricky it is to pose properly for the camera in order to capture that 'perfect shot.'

Sincere thanks must go to both MS PERDITA NORVAL and MS MEAGAN REES, Rustenburg Old Girls and now full-time members of the Academic Staff. These two ladies bravely revisited their schooldays when they dressed in uniforms supplied by the Bug's Boutique and posed for the cover page of the "Rustenburg Old Girls' Union" section. Their efforts met with the delight of both schoolgirls and staff members alike. Ms Norval matriculated from Rustenburg in 1979, while Ms Rees matriculated from Rustenburg in 1999.



**Ms Meagan Rees (E99) and
Ms Perdita Norval (E79)**



**Mr Adrian Skelly (Editor)
seated with
Pupil Editor, Chloe Kruger**

General Notices

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL 2012 GRADE 12'S: SUBJECT CHANGES

All subject changes must reach the department by 31 January 2012. This means that I must receive them by FRIDAY 20 JANUARY 2012 so that I have time to process them. No late applications may be considered. Please note that the department also stipulates that you may only change one subject.

Ms M Burchell

First Blood Donor Clinic for 2012

Date: 1 February 2012 **Time:** 12h00—13h30
Venue: Thomson Hall

Sports Awards

HALF COLOURS

Grades Ten and Eleven

Gretchin Davids - hockey
Courtney Brown – squash
Amy Charnley – touch rugby (re-award)
Lauren Jansen – touch rugby
Alexa Bessinger – touch rugby
Mbali Mahanjana – touch rugby
Katherine Werge – touch rugby
Candice Barnes – water polo
Kelsey Holmes- water polo

Grade Nine

Candice-Lee Uys (hockey)

FULL COLOURS

Kate Houliston – indoor hockey
Candice McConney – squash
Kiana Neethling – tennis
Danny Austin – touch rugby
Neda Isaacs – touch rugby

JUNIOR SPORTSWOMAN AWARD WINNERS



Katie Poluta
and
Candice-Lee
Uys



CONCERT AT ST PAUL'S

Each year, members of the Chamber Choir and Berocca G participate in a lunchtime concert at St Paul's church, which is within walking distance of Rustenburg. This year, we used the opportunity to perform the six carols arranged/composed by Karl Jenkins, entitled 'A Celebration of Christmas for SSA' with piano and recorder accompaniment. Titles included the German setting of 'Silent Night' ('Stille Nacht'), a lively African American spiritual 'Go Tell it on the Mountain' and the 14th-century German melody 'In dulci júbilo', in a new and unusual setting with alternating compound and simple

rhythms, and more. Alexandra Mould played the beautiful recorder obbligato solos with Ms Dernier accompanying us on the piano. Other performers included our Berocca G who performed an aria from JS Bach's Magnificat with flauto dolce and continuo accompaniment, and also Gluck's famous 'Dance of the Blessed Spirits' from Orfeo ed Euridice. Organist Shirley Gie played the well known 'Wachet auf chorale' and Pärt's 'Annum per Annum' written for the 900th anniversary of Speyer Cathedral. A voluntary Collection was received and donated to The African Scholars' Fund.

Pupil News

PRESIDENTS AWARD for Lauren Denny

Lauren is Rustenburg's third recipient of the Silver medal for the President's Award. The President's Award is an exciting personal challenge to people between the ages of 14 and 25. It is a balanced, non-competitive programme of voluntary leisure time activity which encourages personal growth, self-reliance, responsibility & service to the community .

On completion of this level, Lauren taught Sunday school and assisted in running a holiday club at her church.

Lauren has competed very successfully in several maths competitions as part of her skill component. She has attained Gold Awards at the UCT Maths Competition three years in a row and was placed in the top 10 (Silver Medal) in the Senior National Olympiad. She was selected to compete in the Baltic Way Maths competition in Germany and is part of the South African team for the International Maths Olympiad.

To fulfil her physical recreation requirement, Lauren played both squash and hockey and her coach describes her as having "heaps of potential".

Lauren also attended Rustenburg's inaugural Outward Bound National Building Programme in Grabouw in the June / July holidays, where she showed very good leadership skills and the ability to remain calm under pressure.

Debating Update

On Friday the 4th of November, the Rustenburg Junior debating team debated against the Rondebosch junior team. The motion was: This house would privatize ESKOM. Under the guidance of Azraa Bux (RGHS) and Ihsaan Bassier (RBHS), the girls opposed the motion. Elina Chen (Grade 10) and Tharah Bassier (Grade 10) - both new speakers - with Katherine Harris (Grade 9) showed that they had prepared thoroughly and had an in-depth understanding of the motion.

After thorough feedback from the adjudicators, Robert Grant (RBHS), Moggamed Jardien (RBHS) and Sonia Mataramvura (RGHS), a consensus decision was made to award the debate to Rondebosch.

According to Robert Grant: "It was an extremely close debate and it was a pleasure hosting Rustenburg. Hopefully, this is the first of many more friendly debates to come! "We are extremely proud of our debaters and wish them luck at their next debate."

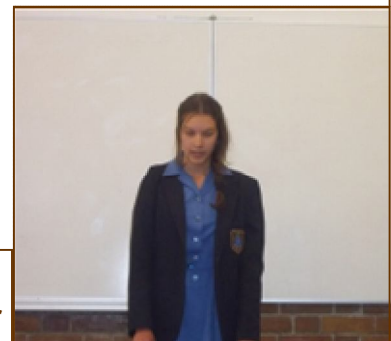
Sonia Mataramvura



**Elina Chen,
our second speaker**



**Katherine Harris
our rebuttal speaker**



More Pupil News

TO GERMANY WITH FSA YOUTH EXCHANGE!



Marketplace, Butzbach



Die Weidigschule (the school)

Alexa Bessinger (D2) has been selected to go on the German exchange to Butzbach in the province of Hessen, between Frankfurt and Fulda in Germany. The town has the typical German Fachwerkhäuser (see picture).

The Grade 11 German class 'Google-Earthed' Butzbach and decided that Alexa should stand in the back garden in a red top and wave, so that we can see her there in a few months' time.

Alexa will be flying with other South African learners on Emirates via Dubai. She arrives on 12 December in Frankfurt where her host family will be waiting to take her to her new 'home' for a month. She will return to South Africa on 12 January. During this time she will attend the Weidigschule (1650 pupils!) in Butzbach for the weeks up to Christmas.
(see www.weidigschule.de)

This will be an excellent time for her to put her German into practice, to find out more about German culture and daily lifestyle, and to experience the exciting German Christmas season.

The main theme for matric German in SA is "The Environment", and Alexa has been tasked with finding out about their recycling system, their use of 'der Gelbe Sack' and how the household waste is disposed of. With 'COP 17' on in Durban, it is exciting to read on their website what environmental exploration the learners of the Weidigschule are undertaking. Alexa take notes!

The class has explored the towns around Butzbach on the Internet and hopes that she can get to Heidelberg, Fulda and, perhaps, Nürnberg and Frankfurt, using the German railways with the ease that the German youth does.

Snow will be a new experience for Alexa who hails from Namibia. She is looking forward to making snowmen and snow-angels and experiencing the markets with roasted chestnuts and almonds. (She is too young for the Glühwein!)

We look forward to hearing all the news on her return and we wish her Gute Reise!

Frau Fourie

Music Department News

Congratulations to our musicians and their teachers who were successful in the recent Trinity Guildhall examinations held at Charlies Hope on 20 & 21 October:

Distinction (87%+)		
Box, Haley-Anne	guitar	Grade 2
Christian, Roxanne	recorder	Grade 4
Coxson, Rouzanna	piano	Grade 5
	recorder	Grade 5
Cranfield, Cassandra	keyboard	Grade 2
Denny, Claire	saxophone	Grade 5
Grüning, Caitlin	piano	Grade 7
Holzberg, Julia	singing	Grade 3
Lawrenson, Stephanie	saxophone	Grade 3
Schwellnus, Marianne	piano	Grade 6
Smith, Catherine	recorder	Grade 5

Merit (75%+)		
Abrahams, Shifah	saxophone	Grade 3
Barratt, Bronwen	clarinet	Grade 5
Barratt, Kirsten	violin	Grade 6
Bergh, Emma	piano	Grade 3
Cupido, Isabella	violin	Grade 6
Davids, Rania	violin	Grade 6
Davis, Lauren	singing	Grade 5
Grüning, Caitlin	violin	Grade 2
Haines, Rebecca	violin	Grade 6
Kim, Joo-Young	flute	Grade 7
Newdigate, Jaime	clarinet	Grade 5
Norris, Rebecca	piano	Grade 4
Thomson, Grace	singing	Grade 5

Pass (60%+)		
Arendse, Tracey-Ann	violin	Grade 4
Bessinger, Alexa	trumpet	Grade 5
Bryden, Jenna	flute	Grade 6
Handt, Stefni	violin	Grade 4
Mohamed, Nurain	violin	Grade 5
Moloto, Mosa	violin	Grade 4
Shuttleworth, Emily	trumpet	Grade 4
Stöhrer, Amy-Joy	violin	Grade 4

Well done to all our candidates. RGHS had a 100% pass rate!

Late ABRSM result

Well done to Ashleigh Joubert who passed her Grade 5 Clarinet Examination.

Music Merit Awards

Having successfully achieved their Grade 5 Practical examination with Merit, the following girls have received their Music Merit awards:

Lauren Davis
Grace Thomson

Congratulations to all on your success.

SOME MUSIC TOP ACHIEVERS IN RECENT EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS

We received our Trinity Guildhall results and several girls are listed on the Top Achievers' page, i.e. having achieved 90% and more:

Cassandra Cranfield, keyboard Grade 2
(Ms Gelderbloem)

Roxanne Christian, recorder Grade 4 (EMS)

Catherine Smith, recorder Grade 5 (EMS)

Rouzanna Coxson, piano Grade 5 (EMS)

Marianne Schwellnus, piano Grade 6
(Ms Dernier)

Kirsten Buchanan, piano Grade 3 ABRSM (Ms Dernier) was selected to perform in the ABRSM High Scorers' Concert in the Hyslop Hall, Bishops on 2 December at 19:00, on the basis of her outstanding result.

CPO Summer Concert Festival

Well done to LYNNE DONSON & SEUL JUNG who have been selected to perform with the Cape Philharmonic Orchestra in their Summer Concert Festival from 19 – 26 January 2012!

Music Department News

On Tuesday, 22 November, the RGHS Guitar and Keyboard Ensembles performed to the residents at Huis Luckhoff. They performed pieces as an ensemble, as well as various duets and solos.

The Guitar Ensemble opened the programme with their ensemble pieces, which included the lyrical duet, *Motivo Barocco*, performed by

Petruné Beattie (D1) and Haley-Anne Box (B1), followed by the Keyboard Ensemble items, *A Love Once Remembered* and *Schoolhouse Rock*, a duet and a selection of keyboard solos. The short concert was a great success and the residents thoroughly enjoyed it. All the hard work and extra effort was richly rewarded. Special thanks to Ms Jamey for initiating the event.

The Carol Service

2011 saw the 69th Carol Service at Rustenburg. More than 500 girls from the school participated as members of the Choir and Orchestra, as Readers of the Lessons and as participants in the Grade Carols. The tradition of the Carol Service began in 1942 with a Service in the Quadrangle on the last Sunday evening before the school closed for the summer holidays.

The Carol Service continues to be an event that unites the school through the singing of some of the glorious music written for the Christmas season with girls and staff of all persuasions participating, as well as through caring for the broader community through the collection for charity and through gifts from the girls. Rustenburg has been supporting at least five scholars over the past nine years through The African Scholars' Fund, which assists promising schoolchildren from desperately poor homes to complete their secondary or FET college education.

Donations are also made to other institutions including Little Angels (for orphaned and abandoned children), Peninsula School Feeding, and the Animal Rescue Organisation. A sum is put aside to pay for the tuning of the pianos at Huis Lückhoff, a home for the elderly in Alma Road, just round the corner from Rustenburg.

A mountain of gifts were also brought to the Service and placed under the tree and later distributed to various charities, including The Warehouse, Ons Plek Project for Teenage Girls, St Michael's Home for Teenagers, Chris-

tine Revell Home for Abused and Abandoned Children, Sarah Fox Convalescent Hospital and the Douglas Murray Home for the disabled and the elderly.

The Grade Carols ranged from the triumphant 'God Bless Us Everyone' (from Disney's recent film *A Christmas Carol*) sung and played so expertly by the Grade 8s, followed by the Calypso Carol with its percussive South American rhythms in a lively performance by the Grade 9s, the popular *Seasons of Love* sung and played with great vigour and enthusiasm by the Grade 10s, to the traditional performance of a non-traditional *Silent Night* by the Grade 11s with some lovely solos, sung and played.

The members of the Art Society design and decorate a special Christmas tree each year, under the expert guidance of Mrs Simpson. This year, a magnificent tree was designed, comprising plastic bottles (some filled with coloured water) focussing on the abuse of the excess use of bottled water and the need to recycle.

The Choirs and Orchestra held the Service together with some solid playing and singing of several traditional congregational carols and some special performances of a new set of Carols arranged by Karl Jenkins and other carols, including *The Angels' Carol* by John Rutter and the *Huron Carol* to the accompaniment of the Savuyisa Senior marimba group. Congratulations, too, to the excellent readers, trained by Ms Ryan.

More Music Department News: ABRSM results for 2011

Distinctions Grade One		Distinctions Grade Four	
Hannah Abdoll Michelle Ashwin Catia Dos Reis Lwethu Dube Jemma Ellis Mubeenah Gangraker Ashley Gardiner (100%) Julia Holzberg Ulriche Jantjes Azraa Kannemeyer Farheen Mahmood Musa Makhoba Raeesa Mathews	Sandisiwe Mdoda (100%) Jessica Meeser Thandi Mettler Isabella Meyer Emily Norris Neo Ramagaga Orissa Ramesar Ashton Sims Shannon Sissons Catherine Smith Catherine Torrington Chelsea van Rensburg Michelle Winter	Petrune Beattie Haley-Anne Box Isabella Cupido Megan Frost Rebecca Haines (100%) Joo-Young Kim Doyeou Ku	Alicia Lee Abigail Mallows (100%) Samantha McCrindle Nurain Mohamed Azraa Parker Riancha Schoombie Ashlynn Wessels
Distinctions Grade Five			
Alexa Bessinger Nicola Cilliers Rania Davids Megan Denny		Claire Denny Caitlin Gruning Christine Monteverdi Marianne Schweltnus	
Distinctions Grade Two		Merit Passes	
Saarah Asmal Michaela Cook Ashleigh Curtis Kauthar Firfrey Laila Haffejee Stefni Handt Kate James Ayesha Korowlay Aimee La Kay Lindiwe Le Brasseur	Annemieke Lourens Emma MacArthur Giavanna Mangiagalli Dominique McFall Jaime Newdigate Stephanie Pereira Chelsea Samaai Emily Shuttleworth Ashleigh Womack	Grade One Mia van Aardt Grade Two Hannah Bridgens Cassandra Cranfield Shannon Lorimer Genevieve Morris Keshia Samandan- Grade Three Aimee George Monique Hollis Halinka Paarman Robyn Paterson Grade Four Jenna Bryden Kirsten Buchanan	Julia Cooke Ayanda Josie-Perez Samantha Ma Grade Five Chloe Arendse Kirsten Barratt Lauren Davis Nicola de Villiers Yejin Hur Sol-Jee Kim Cheryl Muchapondwa Carolyn Ryder Grace Thomson Grade Six Hye-In (Helen) Shin
Distinctions Grade Three		PASS Grade Two Ashleigh Barnard Yusrah Cassim Aaliyah Davids Robyn Smith Emma Thurling	PASS Grade Three Aaliyah Ahmed Tracey-Ann Arendse Rolivhuwa Madiba Jennifer Oosthuizen Amy Stohrer Maisie Williams-Sales
PASS (66+) Grade Five	Sibulele Mtsi Nuraan Salie		

Sports News

SPORTS RESULTS

Tennis results

Friday 11 November
1st team vs Elkanah, RGHS won 5 - 1

Water Polo matches

Friday 4 November vs Westerford
U16B team won 3 - 2
U16A team drew 6 - 6
U19B team lost
1st team lost 1 - 12

Water Polo matches (continued)

Friday 11 November vs Pinelands
U16B team won 11 - 0
U16A team won 5 - 2
1st team won 8 - 3

CHELSEA VAN RENSBURG

On Saturday 5 November, Chelsea swam the 3km open water swim at Ashanti Dam in Paarl. She was placed third in her age group winning the bronze medal.



SPORT 2012

Team water polo practices (U16 and u19) will start on Wednesday 11 January @ Newlands
Senior tennis starts on Thursday 12 January
Team Indoor hockey starts on Thursday 12 January @ Westerford
Thursday 12 January – U14 water polo trials
Monday 16 January – junior tennis trials
Tuesday 17 January – team swimming trials – ALL age groups

WATERPOLO FIXTURES TERM 1 2012

Friday 20 January vs Bloemhof @ Paul Roos
Friday 27 January vs Westerford @ Westerford

Friday 3 February vs Springfield @ RBHS
(Rustenburg hosting)

Friday 10 February vs Wynberg @ Wynberg
Thursday 16 February: U16A Waterpolo team
departs for Port Elizabeth
Thursday 23 February: 1st Waterpolo team
departs for Johannesburg

Friday 4 March vs Pinelands @ Pinelands
Friday 9 March vs Rhenish @ RBHS
(Rustenburg hosting)
Thursday 15 March Waller Cup Finals
Fixtures vs Herschel and Reddam
to be finalized

SWIMMING GALA FIXTURES TERM 1 2012

Thursday 26 January
@ Rondebosch @ 15h30
Thursday 2 February – relay gala
@ SACS @ 15h30
Thursday 9 February – individual gala
@ WBHS @ 15h30
Wednesday 15 February – A league gala
@ Newlands @ 18h00

Thursday 1 March – relay gala
@ Bishops @ 15h30

Tuesday 5 March
PGSGU Inter-schools Gala @ Wynberg
(Rustenburg hosting) @ 15h45

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY NEEDS YOU

BRIC's main fund-raiser is a 25-hour Cyclathon at the V&A Waterfront in February every year. We have already held six successful Cyclathons with the last one in February 2011 raising a total of R60 000.00. There are seven stationary bicycles on the stage of the amphitheatre. Cyclists will come from all four high schools as well as a variety of other schools in the area, the public, various celebrities and representatives from the businesses that sponsor the event. We sell 'BRICs' or raffle tickets every hour, and at the end of each hour we have a raffle draw for three BRICs to win one of three prizes per hour. We have a large variety of great South African bands performing throughout the main hours of the event, entertaining our audience and encourage BRIC sales. All prizes are generously sponsored and we often have coverage on radio stations. This year we were fortunate enough to be invited to be interviewed on CCFM and on Goodhope FM by JP Naude.

For Cyclathon 2012, we're appealing to our parents who have connections or are business owners to make monetary or prize contributions

to make Cyclathon an even greater success while simultaneously racing against the growing price of house which currently stands at R91 000 and is scheduled to increase next year.

We are exceptionally grateful to the parents who've already donated this year, and supported us in the past.

If you are willing to donate prizes or money, please email the following people:

MONEY

- Gladys Kisela - gmkisela@gmail.com
- Gugu Hlophe - gugu.hlophe@yahoo.com
- Make use of the bank details listed below:

Banking Details:

First National Bank
Mowbray Branch

Account Name: Habitat for Humanity

Account Number: 62010926379

Branch Code: 200309

Reference: B.R.I.C & personal reference

PRIZES

- Magenta Graziani - molly13@mewb.co.za




Rustenburg Girls' High School and Bishops, Westerford High School and SACS welcome Herschel to the Habitat for Humanity fundraising team.

Habitat for Humanity is a world-wide, non-profit, nongovernmental organisation that is aimed at eliminating substandard housing in South Africa.

The BRIC committee hopes to raise funds for this organisation as well as highlight the need

for social awareness amongst young people.

Habitat for Humanity does not give houses away but requires that the community participate in the process financially and physically. Rustenburg, Bishops, Westerford and SACS pupils are involved in helping build the houses.

One house costs R 91 000 to build. This joint venture needs the support of the schools and businesses in the community as well as the City of Cape Town.

Campus News

The food garden has been constructed behind Charlie's Hope. Pupils come down on Tuesdays to learn all there is to know about growing vegetables, herbs and fruit. The garden also contains a worm farm. The food produced goes to the kitchen at Erinville House.

The first wind row of compost has been opened and there is great excitement about the results. What is not used on the Campus gardens will be offered to parents @ R20/40dm (that is approx 40 litres).



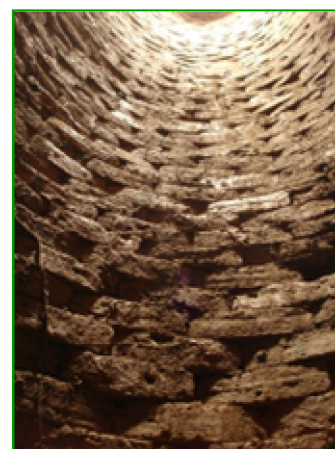
The borehole was commissioned during this term and both fields and meadows are being watered from underground water. This will provide a large financial saving as well as assisting to cut back on the School's dependency on potable water.

The gardeners are enjoying the lovely splashes of colour that are occurring all over the Campus. Full credit to the staff, who have worked hard to obtain these results.

The Recycling Depot has been revamped by moving the storage containers and glass/paper igloos behind the tennis practice wall. This area will be further screened with a wooden fence in the New Year. It is a challenge to create an aesthetically pleasing area!

The top half of the Centenary Quad has been renovated. All the façades were painted, trees were pruned, a forest floor created and new flower beds planted.

The historic well was restored and protected by a metal grid. This area will no longer be out of bounds as the well has been made safe and can now, once again, be enjoyed by grade 12s.



Campus News

The perimeter fence adjacent to the tennis courts is to be upgraded and, as of next year, two Access Control Officers will be on duty during the day to further enhance the ingress and egress control.

Cleaning tasks are no longer outsourced. The previous service provider declared voluntary liquidation and the SGB decided to take over the employ of these cleaners. As of next year, there will be eight cleaning staff members.

This year's Matric Class donated a drinking fountain and three benches to the School. The drinking fountain was constructed on the edge of the sports fields, adjacent to the Tuck shop, using some of the original sandstone that went into the base walling of the School. The benches have been placed in the Centenary Quad.

Directional signage has been erected to indicate new parking facilities for the Bugs' Boutique and deliveries to Erinville House.

Permission has been given for the School to take ownership of the subway that leads under Liesbeek Parkway. The perimeter fence will be re-located onto the subway entrance whilst the Local Authority will repair the light and paint this access point. The subway will connect the Junior and High Schools and assist in getting learners to and from the two premises.

Mr M Siebrits



Some Campus Adjustment, courtesy of the Grade Nine Land Art Project



**Art Flash ...
Nikon
Photography
Competition**

In the recent NIKON RGHS ORMS Photography Competition, our girls fared extremely well. While first position was claimed by a pupil from Westerford, Ben Scholtz, RGHS was awarded **second prize, Ruby Cornell, D2,** and **third prize, Kirsty Schlemmer, C4.**

The following pupils received Highly Commended awards:
Adrienne Marais Christine Monteverdi
Emily Shuttleworth-White Ruby Cornell



Ruby Cornell



Kirsty Schlemmer



Christine Monteverdi



Adrienne Marais



Emily Shuttleworth-White