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From the Headmaster's Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians

The focus this week for the boys at school is to improve work ethic as one of our main academic goals for the year, which is key as our mid-year exams are imminent. However, more importantly, this Sunday is Mother's Day and a time to acknowledge the significant role of mothers in our boys' lives. In a more light-hearted vein, I refer to the following lines of verse by an anonymous writer:

"Things my mother taught me"

My Mother taught me LOGIC..

."If you fall off that swing and break your neck, you can't go to the shops with me." My Mother taught me TO THINK AHEAD...

"If you don't pass your spelling test, you'll never get a good job!"

My Mother taught me TO MEET A CHALLENGE...

"What were you thinking? Answer me when I talk to you...Don't talk back to me!" My Mother taught me HUMOUR...

"When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don't come running to me."

My Mother taught me how to BECOME AN ADULT..

."If you don't eat your vegetables, you'll never grow up.

My mother taught me about GENETICS..

."You are just like your father!"

My mother taught me about the WISDOM of AGE...

"When you get to be my age, you will understand."

My mother taught me about ANTICIPATION...

"Just wait until your father gets home."

My mother taught me about RECEIVING...

"You are going to get it when we get home."

And, my all-time favourite - JUSTICE...

"One day you'll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like YOU -- then you'll see what it's like."

As Sunday is Mother's Day, it is appropriate to focus on what mothers want from their sons and I suggest the following; "for you to be truly happy & safe, for you to have close, decent friends & to treasure friendship, for you to be proud of yourself & to build esteem in others, for you to have a zest for life & an enthusiasm for ensuring that you extricate the marrow from the bone of life, for you to offer deeper answers than 'Ok' & 'fine' to questions and to have a good conversation, for you to write your own words in the 'Mother's Day Card', to give your mom a heartfelt hug to show that you love her, to spend quality time with her, to show her genuine attention, to do random act of kindness RAK e.g. make her a cup of tea, coffee, pick a rose from the garden,...

I challenged our boys with a TASK for Mother's Day: Make sure you show your mom on Sunday that you love her and do something special for her that is unsolicited

I wish all mothers a very special day with their sons on Sunday. Thank you for the significant role that you have played in your son's lives to date.

> Chris Luman Headmaster



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Academic Achievements



Focus feature on...CAT

Computer technology has invaded almost every sphere of our lives and it is therefore, inevitable that it should feature as a major component of education.

Computer applications technology (CAT) equips learners with knowledge, skills and values to create, design and communicate information in various formats. CAT has both practical and theory aspects; the practical aspect focuses on Microsoft Office Suite (word, excel and access) and designing of webpages.

CAT is a relatively new subject at College, and was introduced to Form 4 at the beginning of 2016. With a steady increase in the number of learners that are choosing CAT, it is becoming a popular subject choice at College, as many realise it is a highly relevant subject that will equip them with the technological skills needed in today's life. Our matriculants of 2018 will be the first group of learners to sit for the CAT NSC examination, and we wish them all the very best!

More from...Business Studies Mobile Kitchens



Business Studies as a subject is heavy in practical content and focusses in some detail on the management of a business. This year we have introduced a practical component into the grade 10 syllabus, which requires learners to operate a mobile food kitchen within the Maritzburg College school grounds. The grade 10 classes have already raised funds to purchase the equipment and also paint and brand the mobile kitchen. The elective subjects learners choose

sre used to divide them into the different business functions is what other subjects that they are doing (i.e. a learner that takes Accounting could fit into the Financial and Accounting business function). The main aim of this component of Business Studies is to expose our boys to the real life experience of running and managing a business, assist them in strategising to obtain maximum profits, cultivate a spirit of entrepreneurship, instil a work ethic and encourage teamwork.

Kwela's Corner

One project that the Business Studies pupils are actively involved in, is working at Kwela's corner, a popular catering facility operating at College's home games.

Recently the school hosted Pretoria Boys High School and around 800 PBHS boys along with College boys and parents provided them with a challenging target market. Khwela's Corner sells hamburgers, egg and bacon rolls, chips and wors rolls with a portion of the proceeds going to raise funds.

All three of the business studies classes were involved in cooking, selling and serving food during the day, which proved to be great a great experience for the boys

towards operating their own mobile kitchen. The proceeds for the day will go towards buying the initial stock, purchasing equipment and also painting/branding the mobile kitchen.



Khanyisa on fire

Mrs Lindiwe Mtembu was recently appointed as the English FAL Khanyisa facilitator. Her passion for teaching, coupled with her 22 years of experience, has empowered her with the skills to create positive learning environment where learners participate freely and enthusiastically. This special head, heart and hand connection was experienced by all the learner present at the English Khanyisa session on Saturday.





College Culture

College pupil one of 2 SA's to attend a global leadership conference



The College community extends congratulations and is proud to acknowledge Form 6 prefect Wyatt Michaux's selection to join outstanding high school students from around the world, in a unique academic and career oriented development experience. The Global Young Leaders Conference, will take place in Washington DC and New York and is one of the Envision family of programs

(www.envisionexperience.com) that enable students to explore their interests and experience learning beyond the classroom. Wyatt is one of only 2 South African scholars to attend the conference, and was nominated based on his exceptional leadership skills, and his commitment towards finding ways to make a significant difference in our school, our community and our country. He also received the "20 Under 20 Impact Scholar Award" from Envision which will be put towards the costs of attending the conference. Wyatt hopes to use the experience gained to further his knowledge of cultural and economic diversity in a rapidly changing world, as he hopes to study law in the future. Best wishes and safe travels Wyatt – we are proud of you!



Opening Night

The curtain went up for the first night of our Guys & Dolls production with Pmb Girls High School, and it was a great success. Tickets are selling fast and there are only a few tickets available for some of the shows with bookings from bookings@mcollege.co.za

The show runs until Saturday 12 May.

College International

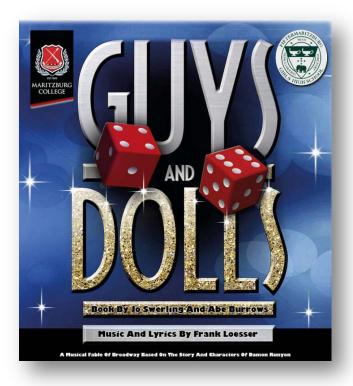
(Dan Haswell)

Like the busiest airport
A thousand plus planes come and leave
Air traffic controllers frantic
They barely have time to breathe

"See-Say-Do"
Is the motto the controllers use
This is human performance
There is no margin to lose

Correct Perception
Situation awareness is key
Constant Communication
Full knowledge is mandatory

Excellence is a minimum



Sporting Spotlight



KES and more...

Despite having only 3 days on campus, this was a very busy week of sporting activity for the Red Black White teams!

The stand-out code of the week was the Cross Country team as they continue to dominate both sections of the Midlands League. College took 8 of the top 20 positions in the junior section and 9 in the senior section. Owen Higgins continued his superb form winning his third consecutive junior race.

The squash boys had a busy week as well, competing against St Charles in the Midlands League, winning 12-0 and then also placing 3rd in KZN in the Top Schools Tournament on the weekend. This is a very good result for the team who can be proud of their efforts.

The main weekend fixtures saw the first of our exchanges out of the province. A fleet of buses travelled to JHB to play King Edward VII School (KES). This is the first of two fixtures against KES this year, with the second taking place on College's Reunion Day in August.

On Friday, five sporting codes took place. The golf team started the day off with a good 6-2 win, and this was followed shortly by a comprehensive win from the table tennis team (18-2). The debating result went the way of KES, along with the chess and tennis.

On Saturday our boys did battle against KES on the rugby and hockey fields. Rugby recorded a very mixed set of results, unlike those seen on every Saturday so far this year. KES played some good rugby, but the margins were close in most games – perhaps suggesting the drain of the travel and altitude might have impacted a few teams. Of the A team games, College only won the I6A game. These boys showed some good metal in turning around a 25 point deficit to run out victors at the end. The Ist XV had another difficult day on the field and struggled to hit their straps against a determined KES XV.

On the hockey field, our results were very good with College winning 12 of the 16 matches played. The A teams had a clean sweep of KES and the 1st XI enjoyed a solid 2-1 win over KES and retain their SASchoolSport top ranking.

In addition to the KES events a number of other sporting codes were active over the week. College boys took part in the Cycling Eliminator event at Cascades, Pmb over the weekend. Three College boys progressed to the semi finals of the series; Michael Foster, Kieran Grove, Daniel van der Watt. Two boys, Dylan Jackson and Matthew McCleary both did well in the Enduro event coming third in their respective age groups.

Our 1st XI soccer also had a good week playing against a tough Carter side, and emerging victorious, 4-2, with goals from Mudali, Whiteman and 2 from Kubheka. College's U15A are also in great form and beat Westville U15A 6-3 earlier in the week.



Full details of our Sporting Results and Fixtures are available on D6 and on the school website www.maritzburgcollege.co.za/sport

Maritzburg College Old Boys Association

Maritzburg College Foundation





Ant Stott with OC Brett Irvine at the Masters Champs in Sept 2017

OC's in the News

Congratulations to Ant Stott (1995) who has been selected for the provisional South African team for the World Waveski Championships in Spain in September. Ant is a former 5×10^{-5} Dusi winner (twice as Junior).

College old boy Brylon Petersen (2014) was in goal and in fine form for Kaizer Chiefs during the Multi Choice Diski Challenge final on the weekend.



Focus on... TrueNorth Recruitment

TrueNorth Recruitment is a privately owned, specialist financial recruitment company servicing Johannesburg, Durban and Cape Town and is now a proud corporate partner of our CollegeConnect initiative.

The company's candidate database ranges from bookkeepers through to Group Financial Director level and the target market of clients is from medium sized to large listed companies.

Managing Director and Maritzburg College Old Boy, Carl Williamson (OC 1990), is confident that he and his team are able to provide a level of personalised service which is unrivalled by many of their competitors.

All members of the College community are invited to contact TrueNorth Recruitment via their website (https://www.truenorthrecruitment.co.za) to discuss their recruitment needs.

TrueNorth Recruitment has generously committed to donate 5% of the total placement fee for any CollegeConnect business to Maritzburg College via the College Foundation.



Our deepest sympathy...

College is saddened to announce to our community, the untimely passing of a talented young OC. Luyanda "Diggz" Ntshangase (2015) was an exceptional athlete during his tenure at College, and a very special person. Diggz's footballing prowess was known to all and it was no surprise when he caught the eye of Maritzburg United, nor were we surprised at his meteoric rise through the Maritzburg United ranks. Luyanda was struck by lightning in March whilst playing a friendly soccer match at the Harry Gwala Stadium. The Ntshangase family, South African Football fraternity, Maritzburg United and Maritzburg College have lost a very special young man. The funeral service will be held at the school in the Alan Paton hall at 10.00 on Thursday 10 May.

Lelapa la Ntshangase le tshedisehe.



Campus Roundup



Lifelong Learning & Careers

At Maritzburg College, we believe firmly in preparing our boys for life as well as developing each boy's unique potential. One way is through a successful career guidance programme run from our Pupil Development Centre and Life Orientation departments. We are also always seeking ways to enhance this further, as it is clear that when young people are focused on their future, there is an improved level of motivation and work ethic at school, and they are able to make informed career choices.

In 2017 we held the first College Career Focus evening, and the feedback was positive from parents and pupils. This year we will hold our College Careers Focus on Thursday 24 May 2018 from 16:00 to 19:00 in the Alan Paton Memorial Hall. We have again invited a number of individuals and organisations who represent a wide range of career options from the traditional to the more unusual. The event is compulsory for all form 3 and form 5 boys, but any Maritzburg College pupil is welcome to attend in uniform.









College Careers 2017

Upcoming Events

May

- 7-12 Guys & Dolls (OCC)
- 11 Funk (Hexagon)
- 12 Hockey & Rugby vs Kearsney
- 12 Veterans' Lunch (VH)
- 16 Maths & Accountancy Olympiads Rugby: Craven Week & Grant Khomo Main Trials
- 17 isiZulu Olympiad
- 19 Hockey & Rugby vs DHS (Away)
- 20 Form 2: Spirit of Adventure Camp

At Your Fingertips

Old Collegians looking for information and directing their enquiries to the College Archivist & Museum Curator are usually surprised to learn that there is an online College Digital Archive. At present this comprises:

- Copies of every College Magazine, from the earliest days, and
- The College Admission Register, containing the names of all boys enrolled at Maritzburg College over the years. (Years 2006 to 2018 not yet included.)

Access to this vast store of information is free. Visit the website http://maritzburgcollege.africamedia online.com/page/aboutus

Choose yourself a user name and password and browse away!

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