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From the Marketing Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians

As we head towards the end of a busy first term for 2019, it's useful to take stock of where the year is heading. In an earlier issue we reminded boys of the importance of setting personal goals at the beginning of the year and striving to achieve these. Maritzburg College is a big and busy school with a rich and diverse multitude of activities that take place every day, and its easy to lose focus of your original priorities and objectives, when you get caught up in everything that happens on our campus. Take some time to review short and long term goals, and remind yourself what you want to achieve and why. Use your time wisely, and be organized in your approach. Evaluate every opportunity that presents itself using your goals as a context for making decisions, and walk away from those that will distract and delay you achieving these. Learn to say No and not risk overcommitting yourself. Be a little selfish and put yourself first.

Later in the newsletter we highlight what is with a doubt once of College's strengths – its academic support programme. This early in the year we encourage boys to evaluate how they are doing, and to ask for help where needed. Take advantage of the excellent support base that is offered so that you can overcome any problems and move forward, well before mid- year exams.

As we move into our winter sports programme, the exponential increase in energy on campus is palpable, with the announcement of new teams and captains, and the start of our winter fixtures. We wish all of the teams the very best in the season ahead - play hard, with heart, and play as a team, listen to your coaches, learn from your peers, and stay committed and disciplined! Remember the message from Mr Brandon Swart at the beginning of the year – Look the Part, Be the Part and Support it all.

A school this size relies heavily the support of parents in terms of fundraising – thank you to everyone who has supported our various events and activities this year already. We had a great evening organized by the Canoeing fraternity featuring Rob Caskie – which saw Andy Birkett's 2019 winning boat and paddle being auctioned. Thank you to the many parents who donate both time and services towards the maintenance and improvement of our school, as well as much needed materials. We are still running a number of fundraisers to support boys taking part in the Rugby UK tour later this year.

This week we celebrate Happiness Week through a range of activities and events including Computer Skills Development for disadvantaged learners, ZARMS@R10 with donations to Choc, Hyde Park Style Debates, Poetry By MC Ink posted around the school and Bread Buddies (Sandwich making) involving staff and boys. Our focus is #KindnesslsKey with boys being encouraged to be mindful of kindness and engage in simple acts of kindness. We also continue to focus on Character Education through our mentor programme; this last week saw us host 600 Lads and Dads for an evening which has grown far beyond its humble beginnings, highlighting the crucial importance of building this support base for our boys.

Remember to #KeepInTouch through the many communication platforms linking you to our school – especially our new College TV channel which aims to share many of the aspects of College life with you. You can register to watch for free from www.DigiTV.co.za

Sally Upfold, Marketing Manager



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Academic Achievements



Focus on... Academic Support

Academic support is offered in a number of subject areas at the school. All of these sessions are free of charge. Entrance into the academic support programme is based on work ethic and need, and individual subject teachers will be consulted in this regard. The first step when experiencing difficulty in a particular subject, is to approach the subject teacher, who will provide suggestions and strategies to help. In addition to this, all boys are expected to access the support materials available on the school's Moodle (moodle.mcollege.co.za), which has a variety of tutorials, lesson PowerPoints, links to the school's YouTube channel and past papers with memos. All boys are expected to be accountable for their academic performance, and must take active steps to address areas of difficulty.

SUBJECT	DETAILS
Dramatic	Form 6 Mrs K Thaver
Arts	Mondays:
	15:00 – 15:45
	Venue: U5
	Focus on theory, revision of topics covered in class,
	working through past papers.
English	Forms 2 - 4 Mrs W Erasmus
	Tuesdays:
	14:15 - 15:00 OR 15:00 – 15:45
	Wednesdays:
	14:15 - 15:00 OR 15:00 – 15:45
	Thursdays:
	14:15 - 15:00 OR 15:00 – 15:45
	Venue: PDC 3
	You must consult your English teacher and book a slot
	thereafter
	Readers are Leaders: Any day of the week in the Media
	Centre Computer Room. Register must be completed.
	Forms 5 - 6 Miss A Phillips
	Mondays:
	14:15 - 15:45
	Wednesdays:
	14:15 - 15:45
	Forms 2 – 6 Mrs L Mthembu
	Bridging the gap between Zulu and English – any boy
	who requires assistance in English HL due to language
	barriers.
	Tuesdays Forms 2 - 3:
	14:15 - 15:45
	Mondays Forms 4 - 6:
	14:15 - 15:45
Zulu	2nd form – Mr S Mhlongo
	3rd form – Mr L Shezi
	6th form – Mr M Ngcobo
	By appointment
Maths	Forms 4 - 5 Mrs Deyzel
	Venue: K34
	Mondays:
	15:00 - 16:30
	Wednesdays:
	15:00 - 16:30
	Forms 2 – 3: Mrs L Moffatt
	Tuesdays:
	14:15 – 15:00 (first session)
	15:00 – 16:00 (second session)

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	Wednesdays:
	14:15 – 15:00 (first session)
	Thursdays:
	14:15 – 15:00 (first session)
	15:00 – 16:00 (second session)
	Support can be given to learners individually or in
	groups by appointment only. Please contact Mrs
	Moffatt if you would like to make an appointment at
	moffattl@mcollege.co.za
	Appointments have to be made at least one day in
	advance.
	- Tuesday: 2nd Form
	- Wednesday: 2nd and 3rd Form
	- Thursday: 3rd Form
Physical	Forms 6 and 5 Mrs M Rembold
Science	Mondays:
	15:00 - 16:00
	Wednesdays:
	15:00 - 16:00
	Form 4: will commence on alternating days with form 5
	from second term
Business	Mrs Akerman
Studies	Eight Subject Form 5:
	Mondays even weeks:
	14:15 -14:50
	Eight Subject Form 4:
	Mondays Odd weeks:
	14:15 - 14:50
	Eight Subject Form 6:
	Tuesday Even weeks:
	14:15 – 14:50
	Immigrant Pupils: Form 5
	Wednesdays:
	14:15 – 14:50
Afrikaans	Mrs Landsberg:
	Tuesdays: Juniors
	14:15 - 15:00
	15:00 - 15:45
	Wednesdays: Seniors
	14:15 - 15:00
	15:00 - 15:45
Visual Arts	Remediation is offered on a personal basis by individual
	teachers at tea breaks. Should the need arise, additional
CDDC	lessons for Matrics will be organised ahead of exams.
GRDS	Mr B Bosch
	Monday afternoons
	Mr N Robberts
OTHER	Monday and Tuesday afternoons
OTHER	By arrangement with subject teachers as the need
SUBJECTS	arises



College Culture



Focus on...Pape House

Term one of 2019 has been one of the busiest terms that Pape House has had! Led by the extremely passionate Housemaster, Mr Ben Bosch, the House has a very busy academic and sporting program. This year, we had a number of swimmers who helped us gain some valuable points.

Borver Week was a great introduction for our new Form 2 boys. After our new second formers survived Borver Week, we held an assembly where all our boys received their ties, welcoming them into the College family. The good old sports day and Tugof-war events soon made everyone forget about home and a great day was had by all.



The academic program then took a hold of everyone, until the Athletics Day on Friday 2 March. Pape House boys were in high spirits and took part with a great deal of guts. Once we have all the results, we will include them in the next newsletter and on our internal notice board.

Our Cancer drive is going well, and I really want to appeal to the boys to support the drive with more enthusiasm.

Finally, I would like to thank my assistant Housemaster, Mentors and the House Leaders for all their dedication. Have a well-deserved break at the end of this term.



Focus on...The Muslim Society

The Maritzburg College Muslim Students Association is a cultural/religious society predominantly consisting of Muslim boys but is open for all students to attend. The MSA have meetings every Tuesday afternoon. At said meetings 2 boys have to provide the society with presentations related to current Islamic issues or promoting good Islamic values. The boys try to be active in the community and plan outreach projects that aim to serve the less fortunate.

In 2018 we collected money to purchase water to help the victims of the drought in Cape Town and, our boys have volunteered to assist in feeding the poor during Happiness Week. The number of junior boys attending the MSA has drastically increased and this is pleasing as it shows there is a bright future for this society.

Celebrating World Book Day



As always our dedicated and talented Media Centre staff put together an amazing display in celebration of World Book Day, on 7 March 2019. They also have an incredible number of new books as part their 18 000 stock!



Sporting Spotlight



Preparation for Winter Sports at College

The past weekend fell between our summer and winter fixtures with trials and training taking place for hockey and rugby teams at College. A number of summer codes are still completing their events.

The Winter Sport Fixture list is out and we will be producing digital programmes for all our home games running from on our website with scores being updated as they come in. We also plan to have pre-match build up and live stream most of our I^{st} team games via the new College TV – from digitv.co.za

Golf League

Our I $^{\rm st}$ team beat Michaelhouse 8-0 while the $2^{\rm nd}$ team lost 2.5-5.5.

Squash

College's squash team triumphed beating Epworth 36-6.

Water polo

Our Ist and U14 teams were away at KES and Jeppe festivals this week. The 1st team had some tough matches against Jeppe, Bishops, St Andrews, Westville, Parktown and KES, and eventually finished 14th in the tournament. The U14 team played SACS, Selborne, Affies, Jeppe, Westville and St Albans, also having some challenging matches.

Athlete of the Week



Maritzburg College pupil, Owen Higgins, recognised was Elite Performance Group as one of two Athletes of the Week. He shared the honour with Ahrens Kirsten when they both achieved personal bests at the Puma School Speed of in Pretoria last Saturday. Owen ran a phenomenal time of 01.56 in the 800m.





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



Maritzburg College OC releases new rap song

Attention all rap fans! Please check out and support Kwanele Eric Zulu's (2014) latest track: Milano. Well done Kwanele, keep that music flowing!





Class of '99 is on fire!

The Maritzburg College Class of 99 has taken on the inspiring goal of providing a bursary to a deserving young College boy as part of their 20 year Reunion legacy!

A bursary like this is a life-changing opportunity for a young boy, one that will give a College dream wings and the College Foundation is honoured to be able to partner with this group of College Old Boys on this exciting initiative.

GivenGain is being used as one of the fundraising platforms for the Class of 99 Legacy Appeal and since going live less than a week ago, this campaign page has received over R129 000 in commitments!

For more information on this particular initiative as well as regular updates feel free to visit the GivenGain campaign page: https://www.givengain.com/cc/class-of-99-legacy-scholarship/

Thank you again to the Class of '99 and the shared opportunity to help change a life and shape a future!



Campus Roundup



Economics Update

Last year proved an eventful and successful year for the economics department and central to our success was the commitment and collegiality of the staff; Messrs N Pillay, M Marwick, N Thembela and S Ngema. Academically our performance was excellent when compared to 2017. Of the 58 learners, 15 achieved A symbols and 18 achieved B symbols with an outstanding overall average of 75%. These results were most pleasing and among the best in the province.

The JSE is a game where students from grade 8-12 can learn about the stock exchange, the economy and have a 'real world' experience of share trading. The aim of the challenge is to educate, encourage and allow the youth of South Africa to understand the JSE and its role in wealth generation. This year our Form 4 and Form 5 Economic learners have entered for the Game which starts on 11 March. Each team of the teams are given R1 000 000,00 in virtual money to invest on the stock exchange and they compete with more than 800 teams all over South Africa to produce the highest growth. Maritzburg College teams have consistently finished in the top five over recent years.

This year our economics department hosted a budget breakfast for our Form 6 learners in the Victoria Hall where we discussed the highlights of the 2019 budget and its impact on the various role players in the economy. The boys were treated to light refreshments for the presentation. In addition, 8 learners attended a Post budget presentation hosted by PFK Chartered Accountants at the ICC conference centre in Durban on 21 February.

Many Form 4, 5 and 6 learners have entered for the PROVERTO National High School Olympiad (Economics) – this is the first time our learners are participating, with the first round scheduled for 8 May.

On a sad note we had to bid farewell to Mr Ngema who left at the beginning of 2019 to take up a post St Davids in Johannesburg. Mr Ngema has been an invaluable member of the Department and has played a key role in organising the economics tour. We thank him for his invaluable contributions and wish him well in his new challenges.



Watching the 2019 Budget presentation

Important Dates

March

- 11-15 Happiness Week
- 11 Nathan House Formal Dinner
- 12 Maths Olympiad
 Shepstone House Formal Dinner
- 13 isiZulu Olympiad Debating Round 5
- 14 Dedication & Awards Assembly HC: Battle of Bands, Singing
- 15 End of Term 1

Easter Egg Fundraiser

Please support our Easter Egg Rugby 2019 UK Tour fundraiser – by purchasing one of these delicious gift packs.

A portion of the funds raised goes to the Rugby $2019\,UK\,Tour.$

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