

# #RED BLACK WHITE

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## From the Marketing Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians

We trust that all our parents and boys enjoyed a happy and peaceful Easter weekend with safe travels on our roads.

The winter term at College continues to be very busy time for the RedBlackWhite community. With plenty of classroom activity underway, our boy have begun their preparation for June exams, and our 6<sup>th</sup> formers have busy doing Visual Art practicals. This week sees the start of our annual show – Fawltly Towers. Under the directorship of some of our staff and boys, we will be performing three episodes each night; *Touch of Class*, *Communication Problems* and *Kipper and the Corpse*, so please book your ticket as soon as possible (further details included later). Also next week, the Maritzburg College Club is proud to be working with renowned artist and College teacher Brent Dodd and invite you to join us for a wonderful evening of laughter, sipping and sketching.

Obviously the momentum of our winter sports fixtures is building following our successful 1<sup>st</sup> team's participation in the St Stithians Easter Festival. This week sees our boys travel for the first time in many years to St Charles to play a full round of hockey and rugby matches, with teams from Voortrekker, Linpark and Carter also joining us.

Our Social Awareness programme is a growing initiative at College as we continue to explore new ways of preparing our boys to leave College able to hold their own, humble enough to listen to and respect the views and differences of others; with a sense of tolerance for people who are different, and to see that prejudice has no place in a thriving community. They will have learned to be better people, and are able to contribute as valuable citizens. Recent initiatives have been the development of an Anti-Discrimination Policy and further staff training in a very successful Shikaya workshop.

On 11 May, we extend a special invitation to all our "Moms" – mothers, aunts, grandmothers and guardians to come and watch your boys play their games against DHS. With Mother's Day on 12 May, we would like to take this opportunity to celebrate everything that make a mother special and necessary in the lives of our boys. In addition to watching the games, moms can join their boys to have a photo taken at the Pop-up Photo Booth and get a special homemade Mother's Day treat.

On 15 May we will again host our annual Career Focus Evening. Compulsory for all Form 3 & 5 boys, the event is open to all boys and parents are very welcome to attend. We have invited a range of professionals from various companies and organisations, and our aim is to highlight career opportunities in a diverse range of fields from banking and biotechnology to creative arts, conservation and cooking, and including dentistry, design and branding, engineering, forestry, law, medicine, paramedics, psychology, real estate and sport. We hope to see many of you there.

Please continue to KeepInContact through our various communication channels including D6, social media and our website.

Sally Upfold  
Marketing Manager



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# Academic Achievements

## Focus on... Life Science

The Subject Head for Life Sciences, Ralph Paterson, who joined the Maritzburg College staff at the beginning of the year, said that he has been thoroughly impressed with the level of professionalism and commitment of his department and the dedication of the young men he teaches. As a result, it has made his transition to College an easy one!

Life Sciences is the study of all things living and their interactions with other living and non-living things. The subject relies on a sound understanding of facts and theories, but also a set of practical skills which need to be mastered. Our boys have been involved in practical work in which they develop the skills necessary to study and investigate living things and life's processes.

Our year-end results were exceptional last year and there is a strong focus on improving on these even further throughout this year. In order for this to happen, we need the commitment of every Life Science student to do their best and work consistently through the year. To this end the teachers develop a close relationship with the boys in order to motivate them. We wish all of the Life Science candidates the best in the upcoming June exams. Remember your result is not determined by luck; rather hard work.

| 2019 Matric Life Science results summary |          |          |         |
|--|----------|----------|---------|
| Entries                                  | A's      | B's      | Average |
| 88                                       | 17 (19%) | 32 (36%) | 69%     |

Our hope is to create and foster an appreciation for and fascination in Life Sciences. My thanks go to the professional and dedicated staff-members that make up the Life Sciences department as well as the hard working young men that take on this demanding subject.



A recent display promoting Life Science, Physical Science and Agricultural Science at one of our open days.



4<sup>th</sup> formers  
Daly and Keith  
(top) and  
Nkosi  
(bottom)  
practising  
their practical  
skills during  
the food tests  
practical



## College to host English Teachers Conference



The Maritzburg College English Department, in association with The English Academy of Southern Africa, will be hosting our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference for English Teachers on 14 May 2019. We are delighted to host Mr Bulara Monyaki (Chief Education Specialist for Languages), Dr David Robinson (UJ), Dr Ntombela (University of Zululand), Prof Mbongeni Malaba (UKZN), as well as many other academics and teachers from across the country who will be presenting on the prescribed literature ('Macbeth', 'Life of Pi', 'Picture of Dorian Gray') and on other aspects of teaching English, such as poetry, creative writing and language. Our theme for this year's conference is aptly titled 'Back to Basics'. We appreciate the feedback, support and enthusiasm expressed by teachers who have attended the conference in previous years; and welcome the opportunity to facilitate further engagement and ideas in the teaching of English Home Language. For further enquiries or to request a booking form, please feel free to contact Mrs Rodelle Govender (govenderr@mcollege.co.za) or Mrs Tarryn Louch (loucht@mcollege.co.za).



## Focus on... Shikaya Workshop

As part of the school's Social Awareness programme, 20 Subject Heads of various subjects attended a curriculum workshop presented by Shikaya (Roy Hellenberg and Dylan Wray) on Friday. The over-arching theme for the workshop was Race & Membership in history and how this affects identity formation and educational spaces today. The presenters challenged teachers to face assumptions about race, as they were guided through the social construction of 'race' from a historical perspective. Shikaya used sources from various historical articles and the teachers engaged with these through various teaching techniques such as group discussion, 'Found Poetry' and 'popcorn reading' – all of which can be applied in the classroom as well. The feedback from teachers was overwhelmingly positive.



"We were reminded of the huge responsibility and privilege we have as teachers in shaping, changing, promoting and challenging ideals and values in a society, for the benefit of our community. We felt empowered by recognising our worth; and our impact in making our country a better place for EVERY learner," said Rodelle Govender, the Subject Head for English at Maritzburg College. This is an example of a Found Poem done by one of the teacher groups:

Idiotic Kakos: popular language  
it is the province of prejudice to blind  
I am where I belong  
expert in inferring  
the unmistakable look of  
social sores  
sacrifice what is true to what is popular  
write to please  
feeble-mindedness is hereditary  
popular with scholars and ordinary citizens  
reverse my first impressions  
almost no exception  
no mind there  
labels  
remained popular  
defective degenerates  
equally characterised by mental defect  
normal citizenship  
I am where I belong

## Focus on... College for Christ

Forget Easter - The King is risen!

It is difficult to get our minds around what it means to live as citizens of the Kingdom of God and how that, even though Jesus inaugurated God's Kingdom, we don't often feel it as part of our daily reality. It doesn't seem like God is the King over many of the circumstances in which we find ourselves. God reigns? Maybe. Things around us seem way too broken for that to feel right.

But Jesus defines kingship in a new way: 'And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself' (John 12.32). King Jesus was exalted on a throne that was hewn from rough timber. His crown was handcrafted from thorns, his royal entourage was two thieves and he 'drew all people' with outstretched arms that were held to a cross by Roman spikes. His kingly chamber was a grave carved out of the side of a hill.

And in a violent, wicked death that no King deserved, this King ushered in a Kingdom that is fully available, but not yet fully experienced. We understand this as part of our South African story. As a nation we were declared free in 1994 to great celebration filled with hope for the future. But many don't fully experience the reality of that hard won freedom as they remain shackled to poverty. What was declared for all has not yet materialized for many. So we work, trying to bring that declaration fully to life on what appears to be a long and slow road.

We celebrated this King over the past special weekend. The victory He declared and paid for in full has not yet been realized for many. So we work, trying to bring--with the power of God's Spirit--that declaration fully to life on what appears to be a long and slow road. But final victory is assured. Easter is the victorious sign that this is so.

Have a blessed celebration of our risen King!

## Focus on... Fawltly

Dont forget to book your tickets or our upcoming show



# Sporting Spotlight

## College vs PBHS

The past weekend saw some strong performances across all age groups in a range of sporting codes against Pretoria Boys High School, as 700+ of our boys and staff headed up to Gauteng.

### Rugby

The weekend saw College play 25 rugby matches against PBHS, winning all 25 of these. Our 1<sup>st</sup> XV played a gutsy game eventually winning with a score of 20-15.

### Hockey

College's hockey teams dominated against Pretoria Boys High this weekend with the summary of results showing we played 17 matches, winning 12, drawing 4, and losing 2. Our Red Army 1st XI eventually at 1-1 with College feeling as though they should definitely have taken more chances on the day.

### Other Sports

There were mixed results for the other sporting codes against Pretoria Boys High. College Table Tennis 1st team lost 2-3, the 2nd team won 4-1, the 3rd team won 3-2, while the 4th and 5th teams lost. The Squash Top 20 lost 53-23. Our Debating top 6 team lost top 3 and 2nd 3 and the Chess team lost 15-10.

### Cycling

College's talented cyclists competed against Jeppe at Cascades on Friday and won 70-40.

## Easter Festivals

Our rugby and hockey 1st team travelled to St Stithians to compete in the Saints Easter Festival, while our U14B side took part in the Ken Florens festival at Northwood.

### Rugby

College play two rugby matches against Parktown and Kingswood College at the Saints Festival. Our boys showed great determination and courage winning both of their games and are already showing excellent progression since the start of the season.

### Hockey

The Maritzburg College 1st XI took part in the annual Saints Festival and played 5 matches over the Easter weekend. Summary of results showed we beat Pearson, Uplands and St Stithians, and lost to St Albans and St Davids. Our U14B side had a great tournament winning 3 of their games, drawing one and losing just one.



**Full details of our Sporting Results and Fixtures are available on D6 and on the school website**  
[www.maritzburgcollege.co.za/sport](http://www.maritzburgcollege.co.za/sport)





### **OC in the Junior Springbok squad**

Fezokuhle Mbatha (2017), is one of the 34 players in a Junior Springbok training squad that assembled in Stellenbosch on Monday.

The training camp, which forms part of the SA Rugby Academy programme, ran until Thursday 18 April, and featured three friendlies as part of the Under 20 International Series. The Junior Boks faced the Argentina and Georgian U20s and a senior Namibian XV.



### **RIP**

Maritzburg College and MCOBA extend sincere condolences to the family of OC Andrew Randall (1991) tragically killed in an accident on Friday 19 April 2019

### **Mascor Toyota – Powering the College Foundation**



The sporty looking, silver Toyota C-HR, branded in the Red, Black and White colours of the College Foundation, has been very noticeable on campus, on Goldstones and on the road during the past few months.

This courtesy vehicle, made available to the Foundation, is part of a charitable partnership with the generous team at Mascor Toyota Greytown.

We would like to, once again, extend our gratitude and appreciation to College Old Boy, Brandon Brokensha (OC 1987) from Mascor Toyota Greytown for their wonderful support and the very comfortable wheels!

Brandon and his team are ready to assist any member of the College community with their next vehicle purchase and can be contacted via email or on 033-4131593.



## Focus on...Sip and Sketch

### Calling on our College Community

The Maritzburg College Club is proud to be working with renowned artist and College teacher Brent Dodd.

Join us for a wonderful evening of laughter, sipping and sketching:

**Date: Friday 3 May, 18.00 for 19.00 in Victoria Hall**

**Cost: R200pp includes a finger supper**

**Bookings at [mcclub@mccollege.co.za](mailto:mcclub@mccollege.co.za) by Tues 30 April**



*laugh sip sketch*

*with Brent Dodd*  
*Date: Friday 3 May*  
*Venue: Victoria Hall*  
*Time: 18:00 for 19:00*  
*Welcome wine and nibbles served at the Art Suites*  
*Parking: Terraces*  
*R200pp includes finger supper*  
*Cash Bar*  
*Bookings: [mcclub@mccollege.co.za](mailto:mcclub@mccollege.co.za)*  
*RSVP Tue 30 April*

## Important Dates

### APRIL

- 23 Tennis Junior Finals
- 25 Form 3 Parents evening
- 26-30 School Production: Fawltly Towers
- 27 Hockey & Rugby vs St Charles (away)
- 29 Rugby Craven Week/Grant Khomo trials

### MAY

- 01 Workers Day (Public Holiday)
- 02 Gala Show of Fawltly Towers
- 03 Sip & Sketch (Victoria Hall)
- 04 Hockey & Rugby vs Kearsney (away)
- Table Tennis league
- 05 Cycling: Greytown Festival
- Squash: KZN Interscholls

## Makro's m=Educ8

Makro is launching its new education programme in 2019. Called m=Educ8 the programme is a simple and effective way for schools to earn revenue every time parents purchase anything from Makro. The programme gives financial earnings to schools as a direct percentage of each Makro purchase made. It is very user friendly, easy to join and easy to manage.

How does it work? Download the Makro mCard app on your mobile phone and link it to your current Makro card using the number on the card.

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We are calling this programme: **m=Educ8**

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