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From the Headmaster's Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians

We have come to the end of what has been an amazing year, and amidst all the celebrations, this is also a sad time as we bid farewell to people leaving College. In addition to our Senior Deputy Headmaster, Keith Guise Brown, who retires after 39 years of service and whom we have paid tribute to, we say good bye to Dylan Coombes, (Director of Hockey, English teacher, BE master and 1st XI hockey team coach), who is emigrating to Melbourne, Australia with his family; Lukas Booysen, (OC 201, Afrikaans teacher, mentor, BE master. waterpolo and rugby coach) who leaves to start a new career at an international school in China; Cheryl Townsend (Accounting, EMS, mentor and swimming coach) who leaves us to take up an appointment as subject head of Accounting at Wykeham Girls Collegiate; Sally Fuhri, (scholarship mom) who is leaving us; Danie Kleinhans, (Maths, Afrikaans and Maths Lit teacher, mentor and shooting) who is retiring; Jacques Lyons (Afrikaans teacher, mentor, assistant housemaster and housemaster of Strachan House) who takes up a lecturing position in the education department at the University of North West; Nico Robberts (EGD, mentor, assistant housemaster and shooting coach) who is also retiring, Cora Tedder, who retires after 22 years of service to College (Accounting subject head, form head, housemaster, coach, manager, scorer of 1st XI cricket, MIC of squash); Carol Smith (Media Centre) who also retires at the end of the year, as does Felicity Jolliffe (33 years as IT administrator: learner records).

Later in this newsletter we list the new staff joining is from 2020 and the key staff roles in the school.

The boys will have all received their final marks by now and it is important that you and they reflect on their performance overall and where things may or could improve in 2020. If there are any academic issues or points of concern please feel free to raise them, at your earliest convenience, through our Deputy Head of Academics, Mrs Jeannette Finnie, Heads of Department or the relevant Housemaster.

We thank you most sincerely for your commitment in paying fees and also for the sacrifices we know many of you have made in order to pay them. Our 2020 school fees were confirmed at the Budget meeting held recently. At the end of this newsletter we have also listed important dates and events for 2020. Please take a few minutes to diarise these. I wish you and your boys a wonderful, peaceful and safe Christmas and a happy, healthy and prosperous 2020. Thank you for your support of our school!

*Chris Luman
Headmaster*



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Staff News

New Staff

Mathematics Literacy	Gareth Els
Subject Head: Accounting	Graeme Stewart
Natural Sci & Life Sci	Adriaan van Jaarsveld
Natural Sci & Phys Sci	Stuart Stopford
EGD/Technology	Lucky Tshabalala
Library Assistant	Carmen Moodley
Afrikaans FAL	Gerhard Steyn
Afrikaans FAL (PT)	Claude Pitout
Mathematics	Meiring Kritzinger
Afrikaans FAL	Megan du Plessis
Sanatorium Staff Nurse	Debbie Ralfe
Director of Hockey	Robin Jones
Choir Conductor	Joni Stickells

Executive Committee

Headmaster	Chris Luman
Senior Deputy Head	Ingo Talke
Deputy Head: Academics	Jeanette Finnie
Deputy Head: Boarding	Ryan Kyle
Deputy Head: Co-Curricular	Brandon Swart
Deputy Head: Admiss & Discipline	Matthew Marwick
Deputy Head: Operations	David Maistry
Commercial Director	Sven Jager
Director of College Business	Tsepang Setipa
Secretary	Sue Calmeyer

Housemasters

<i>Barns</i>	Mary Ann Rembold
<i>Calder</i>	Mike Reed
<i>Commons</i>	Darryl Trodd
<i>Forder</i>	Lisa Akerman
<i>Fuller</i>	Tim Orchard
<i>Lamond</i>	Ailsa Greyling
<i>Nicholson</i>	Gonas Govindasamy
<i>Pape</i>	Ben Bosch
<i>Snow</i>	Ralph Paterson
<i>Strachan</i>	Tarryn Louch

Boarding Housemasters

<i>Clark House</i>	Ron Barbour
<i>Elliott House</i>	Cameron Fraser
<i>Hudson House</i>	Kyle Emerson
<i>Nathan House</i>	Drikus Hoffman
<i>Shepstone House</i>	Ricky Chirengende

Subject Heads

<i>Accounting</i>	Graeme Stewart
<i>Afrikaans</i>	Cecile de Wet
<i>Agricultural Sciences</i>	Jon Tyler
<i>Business Studies</i>	Lisa Akerman
<i>Careers Guidance</i>	Liesl dos Santos
<i>CAT</i>	Kooraysha Moula
<i>Counselling</i>	Rene Wulfsohn
<i>Creative & Dramatic Arts</i>	Kamany Thaver
<i>Economics</i>	Nithia Pillay
<i>EMS</i>	Caren Randall
<i>Eng Graphics & Design</i>	Ben Bosch
<i>English</i>	Rodelle Govender
<i>Geography</i>	Brigitte B Harris
<i>History</i>	Chris Dutton
<i>Info Tech</i>	James Maistry
<i>isiZulu</i>	Simon Mhlongo
<i>Library & Info Res</i>	Rob Gutteridge
<i>Life Orientation</i>	Phillipa Lowe
<i>Life Science</i>	Ralph Paterson
<i>Mathematics</i>	Fiona Deyzel
<i>Maths Literacy</i>	Manoj Jeewan
<i>Music</i>	Simon Stickells
<i>Natural Sciences</i>	Sanet Kritzinger
<i>Physical Education</i>	Nollie Duvenage
<i>Physical Science</i>	Liesl Couperthwaite
<i>Technology</i>	Anthony Sparrow
<i>Visual Arts</i>	Saskia Osborne

Teachers: Cultural Activities

<i>Afrikaans Soc</i>	Gerda Talke
<i>Art Club</i>	Brent Dodd
<i>Camera Club</i>	Debbie Gademan
<i>Choir</i>	Simon Stickells
<i>Drama Club</i>	Elma Fraser
<i>College for Christ</i>	Chris Barnsley
<i>Debating</i>	Liesl Couperthwaite
<i>Enviro Club</i>	Dee Dickens
<i>E-Sports</i>	Chris Barnsley
<i>Hindu Society</i>	Manoj Jeewan
<i>Interact</i>	Dee Dickens
<i>MC Ink</i>	Rob Gutteridge
<i>Media Centre</i>	Rob Gutteridge
<i>Muslim Society</i>	Kooraysha Moula
<i>Sound & Lighting</i>	Simon Stickells
<i>Speakers' Circle</i>	Brandon Swart
<i>Tech Squad</i>	Chris Barnsley

Teachers: Sporting Codes

<i>Athletics</i>	Anthony Sparrow
<i>Aquatics</i>	Darren Sheriff
<i>Basketball</i>	Jenny Orchard
<i>Canoeing</i>	Brandon van der Walt
<i>Chess</i>	Ngcebo Thembela
<i>Cricket</i>	Shaun Sinclair
<i>X Country</i>	Lisa Akerman
<i>Cycling</i>	Jon Tyler
<i>Golf</i>	Piet Snyman
<i>Hockey</i>	Kyle Emerson
<i>Rugby</i>	Ricky Chirengende
<i>Shooting</i>	Gonas Govindasamy
<i>Soccer</i>	Mike Dibben
<i>Squash</i>	Chris Nevay
<i>Table Tennis</i>	Nithia Pillay
<i>Tennis</i>	Marie Troveri
<i>Social Awareness Forum</i>	Caren Randall
<i>Social Awareness Council</i>	Rodelle Govendero

Communication

As a school, we use the D6 and email to communicate with parents wherever possible as it is cost effective and more reliable. Please contact Minenhle Mtshali mtshalim@mcollege.co.za to ensure your email details are correct. If possible, please have the mcollege.co.za domain "whitelisted" by your service provider.

The main medium of regular communication to parents from Maritzburg College is the D6 School Communicator with sports fixtures and notices, newsletters, alerts, circulars, timetables, homework, etc. being posted. The D6 is quick and easy to download onto your PC or any other mobile device from our website (www.maritzburgcollege.co.za). Click on the D6 logo and select Maritzburg College from the list of schools provided and the device to which you want to download the software, and follow the School Communicator download instructions.

Maritzburg College Club

The primary aims of the Club are to provide a platform for the interaction between members of the College Community and, in turn, their involvement with the School. The Club's main objective is to allow and encourage these members to make the most of their interaction with the school.

To help grow and ensure the success of this club, we need some Form 2 and Form 3 parents (both Moms and Dads) to join the committee. With an injection of membership will come new ideas and enthusiasm. If you are interested to deepen your involvement with and enjoyment of College, please email Sue Calmeyer on sue@mcollege.co.za.

Club members are required to be involved in a number of support areas of the school including the Zarmfarm, home catering and arranging social functions for the College parents. We will be at the New Parent Information Evening on 7 February and will send out a request for volunteers at the start of 2020.

Support Your School

There are a number of really easy ways you can support your school. These include MAKRO and MYSCHOOL cards as well as joining the Litres for Education initiative.

Litres for Education

Litres for Education is an educational trust formed to enable people to reward a selected school through their monthly fuel spend. By registering with an approved Litres for Education (LFE) service station and linking your

membership to Maritzburg College, a portion of your monthly fuel spend is given back to the school. A list of approved LFE suppliers is on our D6 communicator under Resources. College's LFE number is 393 – which you need to quote when you fill up. More info at www.litresforeducation.co.za.

Makro's m=Educ8



Makro launched 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. Then sign up to the m=Educ8 programme. For every R1000 spent by parents, the school earns R5. So please download the app, link your card or get a card if you haven't already done so and help our school.

MySchool

MySchool MyVillage MyPlanet is one of South Africa's biggest fundraising programmes and allows you to make a difference, just by shopping. If your card is linked to College, then every time you use your card at any of our partner stores they'll give back a percentage of your purchase value, on your behalf to Maritzburg College at absolutely no cost to you! Get your free card today. Every swipe counts! Remember that the virtual MySchool card is now also available on your phone, Download for free from the App Store or Google Play.



OC donations to College

OC 1969 Darryl Bestall visited College recently to donate his Springbok blazers and a few other memorabilia. Receiving these was current Deputy Head Mathew Marwick (OC 1988).

Darryl played cricket for Eastern Province, Natal, and Northern Transvaal from early 1970's through to the late 1980's, as well as for South Africa. Darryl played in the 1st XV rugby team in 1969 and was vice captain while at College. He was also the 1st XI Cricket captain and on top of these honours, he held the position of Prefect at College.



So as 2019 draws to an end, we at the College Foundation can only but reflect on the positives and learn from the negatives. It has been an eye-opening year with many

successful gatherings, inspiring initiatives as well as new campaigns, rolling out - the R100million for College Campaign to mention but one.

Many productive hours have been spent researching as well as connecting with multitudes of College Old Boys that span more than 60 decades of friendships and brotherhood. So far an astounding 1313 Old Boys have been contacted and with many more areas to cover, the coming Christmas break will definitely be used as a time to prepare mentally and physically for the exhilarating new challenges and opportunities to come. Watch this space!

On behalf of the College Foundation, we wish you and your loved one's peace, health, happiness and prosperity in the coming New Year.

As always if you know of any Old Boys who might be spread far and wide and you are able to assist in our search for any and all of the Old Boys who are abroad, please feel free to contact the foundation office on chantall@collegefoundation.co.za





Campus Roundup

Important Dates for 2020

TERM DATES

- Term 1 Wed 15 Jan to Fri 20 Mar
- Term 2 Tues 31 Mar to Fri 12 June
- Term 3 Tues 7 July to Fri 18 Sept
- Term 4 Tues 29 Sept to Wed 2 Dec [official date]

BOARDERS

Term 1

- Form 2: Sat 11 Jan between 09:00 and 10:30 [Registration in reception]
- Forms 3 & 6: Tues 14 Jan by 15:00 [Tea in Clark House quad]
- Form 4 & 5: Tues 14 Jan by 19:00

Term 2

- All Boarders: Mon 30 Mar by 19:00

Term 3

- All Boarders: Mon 6 July by 19:00

Term 4

- All Boarders: Monday 28 September by 19:00

FREE WEEKENDS

- Term 1: Sat 15 and Sun 16 Feb
- Term 2: Fri 15 May [School Holiday] Sat 16 May & Sun 17 May
- Term 3: Sat 8 Aug, Sun 9 Aug & Mon 10 Aug [Public Holiday]

ADDITIONAL WEEKEND LEAVE FOR BOARDERS

Parents may exercise the option of having their sons out for one or two Optional Weekends each term. The optional weekend is designed to assist you to plan for special family occasions and must be recognised by the boys as a privilege not to be abused. Permission for such "optional" weekends may be obtained directly from the Housemasters of Clark, Nathan, Hudson, Shepstone or Elliott Houses. Parents are requested to adhere to the BE and School rules as far as requests and collection of their sons are concerned.

PROPOSED DATES FOR 2020 EXAMINATIONS

- Mid-Year Mon 18 May to Wed 10 June
- Trials Mon 24 Aug to Wed 16 Sept
- Year-End Mon 26 Oct to Mon 16 Nov
- NSC Wed 19 Oct to Thurs 26 Nov

PARENTS' EVENINGS

- It is important that parents attend these evenings.
- Form 6 Tues 14 July [boys to attend with parents]
- Form 5 Tues 21 July [boys to attend with parents]
- Form 4 Tues 28 July [boys to attend with parents]
- Form 3 Wed 29 April
- Form 2 Tues 21 April

INFORMATION EVENINGS

Form 6 Tues 14 January

It is essential that all Form 6 boys and their parents attend this evening, as important information regarding the matric exams will be discussed.

Form 3 Thurs 16 July

The Form 3 information evening is to assist third form boys with their subject choices for the senior phase, and all Form 3 boys and their parents should attend.

Career Focus Tues 12 May

Information on wide variety of careers will be available. Compulsory for Form 3 & Form 5 boys

PRIZE GIVING CEREMONIES

- Sport and Cultural Awards Fri 11 Sept
- Speech Day & Valedictory Service Fri 9 Oct
- Prize Giving Fri 20 Nov

LEADERSHIP CAMPS

Form 5 – Spirit of Adventure

Sun 9 Feb - Thurs 13 Feb (2 groups)

Form 2 – Spirit of Adventure

Mon 14 Sept - Fri 18 Sept (2 groups)

Form 3 – Roselands

Mon 14 Sept - Fri 18 Sept (2 groups)

Form 4 – Cobbam Berg Hike

Mon 14 Sept - Fri 18 Sept (2 groups)

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1

- Wed 8 Jan: NSC Results & Testimonials release
Finance & Admin offices open
- Sat 11 Jan: Form 2 boarders arrive
- Mon 13 Jan: Teaching staff & Form 2 day boys arrive
- Tues 14 Jan: Form 3-6 boarders arrive,
Form 6 Info Evening
- Wed 15 Jan: Term 1 starts
- Fri 7 Feb: New Parents Information Evening
- Feb 15 & 16: Free weekend
- Fri 20 Mar: Term 1 ends