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NEWSLETTER #10
Friday 17 March 2017

Dear Parents

This letter is filled with so many of my favourite things ... and we just have good news all round.

What a lovely show we had last night. Most of all it's just such a good learning opportunity for the pupils. Any applause I give to our staff seems insufficient; to the last one, they have been amazing. In particular, I congratulate Chris and Carina Almeida for their outstanding directing of such an ambitious project. Thank you to our amazing cast families who have been so committed. Your children are just beautiful on stage and have been exemplary off stage.

If you weren't planning on coming tonight, ask a friend who was there last night ...

- * We do have tickets at the door at R65 for adults and R30 for children.
- * The show starts at 19:00 and tonight is the last show!
- * **Doors open at 18:30** and besides the school special invited guests and those doing ticket sales tonight, there will be **NO RESERVED SEATS**. In order to ensure a fair deal for all any other bookings will be removed from seats at 18:25. We request that, except for those assisting backstage, parents do not enter the hall before 18:30.





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BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

Currently the astro turf asphalt layer is complete and the fence and netting structures are going up at a rapid pace. The e-layer is next on the job list followed by the carpet itself and the finishing touches. The day is nearing for us to celebrate and hit the first balls on our very own astro 😊

The other field's excavation and extensions are nearing their final stages. The road will be complete and the irrigation systems will be being installed by the time we come back from the Easter holidays. We will eagerly wait for the grass to then have time to grow and settle into its new home and anticipate the use of these fields in September.

The classroom building will start soon and we so look forward to the additional space and facilities.



SHOOT FOR SHADE!

So many thanks to Debbie Payne (Chairlady of our PA) and to all of our amazingly generous school families. Our Shoot for Shade drive has brought in almost R67 000! We are most grateful for this as we know that it comes at a time when there are camp and other costs as well.

WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY 20 MARCH

- This is our big camping week and we hold much anticipation for the spiritual and emotional growth of each child. Parents have received all the necessary information but herewith a summary of the various camps.



GR	DEPART	RETURN	STAFF	VENUE
4	Wed 22 March (07:30)	Thur 23 March (14:00)	Mrs Smit, Ms Joubert & Mr Graham Kingsley	Youth for Christ camp grounds, CYARA, near Hekpoort.
5	Wed 22 March (07:30)	Fri 24 March (11:30)	Mrs Dicks, Ms Blackbeard, Mrs Mulder & Coach Bradley	Hartebeeshoek Nature Reserve, near Brits
6	Wed 22 March (07:30)	Fri 24 March (12:00)	Mrs Bleeker, Mrs Grobler & Jason Knoetze	Die Hoekie Resort, near Brits
11	Mon 20 March (07:30)	Fri 24 March (12:00)	Mr Pienaar, Mr Hitchcock, Mr Vorster, Mrs Munro, Mr Dollenberg and Mr Van Greunen	Castle Inn, near Cullinan
7-12 (Gr 11s join on Wed)	Wed 22 March	Fri 24 March (12:00)	All full time HS staff. (We really are trusting the Lord for a significant time.)	Castle Inn, near Cullinan

- There is no school on Mon 20 March (Schools Holiday) and Tues 21 March (Public Holiday)
- As communicated previously and owing to the fact that all Gr 4 – 12 pupils are on camps and our combis and drivers will all be deployed to the camps, we will have no shuttle services on 22, 23 & 24 March for JP pupils. We do apologise for those inconvenienced.
- All Sport is finished for the term and the only thing that continues is learn to swim (which is privately arranged.)
- The school office and reception will close as follows:
 - * Wednesday 22 March - 14:30
 - * Thursday 23 March - 14:30
 - * Friday 24 March - 13:00
- School will close for the Easter break at 12 noon (or as camps return) on Fri 24 March. Those not collected by 12:15 will go to aftercare.

HOCKEY TOURS

Thank you to Mr Dollenberg, Ms Prost and Coach Crae for accompanying our 1st snr boys and girls' hockey trip to Sportweni along the KZN coast from 6 – 11 April. We trust that it's a valuable and happy trip.

ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANICA

A reminder to parents and High Schoolers of the Encyclopaedia Britannica option: this is a wonderful, safe resource and first point of call for research projects. You do need to use the school's link and are encouraged to make a shortcut for younger children:

To access Britannica simply go to <http://school.eb.co.uk/storeschoolcard?id=hatfieldcs> and enter the following login id:

e.g. "hcsjsoap", where "hcs" is for the school and the "jsoap" the initial and surname of the student "Joe Soap".

Our HCS students from Gr 3 – 12 have been loaded onto the system.

We trust this valuable tool will be well used by all.



SENIOR PRIMARY ACADEMIC IMPROVERS AND ACHIEVERS

We commend the following pupils who have excelled at end of their 1st Academic Cycle

SENIOR PRIMARY CYCLE 1A - 2017		
GRADE	TOP ACHIEVERS	TOP IMPROVERS
Grade 4 Aa	Joshua Milburn	
	Jessy Kabongo	
Grade 4 Mo	Jirah Dollenberg	
	Madison Jenkins	
Grade 5 Db		
	Georgia Carstens	Micah Jayanath
	Mia Medhurst	Mia Medhurst
Grade 5 El	Nesia Chetty	Noah Mostert
	Carmen de Clerck	Sino Ngema
Grade 5 Es	Hannah Calantzis	Kesi Paul
	Timothy Paulus	Jaydon Gasson
Grade 6 Ca		
	Reese Nadasen	Caleb Naidoo
	Aliyah Paulus	Kuhle Ndukwana
Grade 6 Jo	Nicolette Steyn	Tshiamo Pienaar
	Benjamin Solomon	Nina Green

STAFF NEWS

- As you know Valerie Adam (Maths) leaves us at the end of this term as she is going to China. She is replaced by Mrs Estee Mylie.
- We wish Miss Brigitte Cronje (Teacher Assistant) well for her upcoming marriage. She is relocating to Cape Town to join her husband-to-be.
- Bradley Joynt is going to play cricket in the UK; we are so proud of him. He will be returning to us but in the interim, Megan Mackenzie will be in the sports department. She will be responsible for PS boys' sport and PS girls' hockey. She will be using Bradley's e-mail address. bjoynt@hatfieldcs.co.za.
- When term starts Mr Tony Pienaar will be on long leave. He returns on 16 May. In his absence, please direct HS related queries to either myself, Mrs Gail Botha or Mr Julian Hitchcock.
- Mrs Gail Botha will be in Australia this holiday as she has been awarded an ISASA Visitorship. Her research will be into the area of the integration of emotional Intelligence into the curriculum. She will also be visiting a school that is well developed in the area of accommodating pupils with anxiety which is an increasing trend in youngsters worldwide.
- As you know, our school pastor and his family are heading to France as missionaries at the end of the 2nd term. We just know (and they haven't asked us!) that they are going to need to raise support for themselves. If you would like to consider being part of their prayer or financial support base, I suggest that you chat to Blaine or go to <http://www.thevorsters.com/> (or just go to their website anyway!)



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- The big news of the week is that the Tarbitt family is growing by 4 feet!!! Mrs Tarbitt (Geog) is expecting twins in September.

WE WISH THEM WELL...

We are rooting for our swimmers who are involved in various galas over these next few weeks. Please see the sports newsletter for details.

And, finally may you have a meaningful Easter season and good break.

Kind regards

Graeme Holloway
EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

PS. Please pray with us for our upcoming camps. In particular, we are trusting the Lord to accomplish what He will at the HS Encounter Camp.

Results 10 Mar – 16 Mar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Special Mention</u>
10 Mar	HS Touch Rugby	HCS Boys A vs Ashton HCS Boys A vs Crawford Sandton HCS Boys B HCS Girls A vs Crawford Lonehill HCS Girls A vs Crawford Sandton HCS Girls B	HCS won 2 – 0 HCS won 7 – 2 HCS lost both games HCS won 8 – 0 HCS lost 0 – 3 HCS lost both games	
13 Mar	D6 Tennis Boys	WHPS	HCS lost 21 - 34	
	D4 Tennis Girls	Maragon II	HCS won 31 - 24	
	C1 Tennis Boys	Constantia Park	HCS lost 6 - 49	
14 Mar	HS Tennis Girls	Akasia	HCS won 39 - 28	

Swimming

Over the holidays a number of our swimmers will be competing at a variety of events. We wish all of them the very best:

SA National Aquatic Championships and SA Youth Championships - provincial competition

Amy Stanford
Gareth Stanford

SA National Junior Age Group Gala - club competition

Amy Stanford
Gareth Stanford
Aiden Paveley

Level 3 Regional Age Group Gala - club competition

Ashley le Roux
Georgia Carstens
Manuela Marggraff

Level 2 Regional Age Group Gala - club competition

Erin-Lynn Bose
Dieter Snyckers

Level 1 Intra Provincial Age Group Gala - intra provincial club/school competition

Jason Dutton