



St Mary's School  
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# • SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS •



During the last week of Term 1, the entire St Mary's School community supported the plight of the rhinos in South Africa by "becoming" a rhino (see page 3 for more information)

## From the head's desk

Dear parents

The derby day at Durban Girls' College offers a special experience for our girls. It is a day of participation, healthy competition and the beginning of new friendships. St Mary's and Durban Girls' are similar schools in many respects, but they are also quite distinctive as far as being closely aligned with the cities in which they exist. Ultimately, we hope that this day of celebration will be an annual event that will build a strong and mutually beneficial relationship between the two schools.

Some girls at St Mary's have many opportunities to perform for audiences or to play their sport in front of spectators. Other girls commit to activities that provide little profile and exposure.

This derby day is an opportunity for all girls to experience the unique blend of competition and school spirit that is associated with touring. They will also have

good support throughout the day.

The variety of activities is particularly pleasing and includes public speaking, debating, chess, slam poetry, art, dance, mathematics relay, hockey, netball, tennis, squash and water polo. Girls across age groups will participate.

The derby day also marks the end of an exchange for four of our girls, who have spent the past three weeks as pupils at Durban Girls' College. We are all looking forward to hearing about their experience, and their observations.

It is events such as this that create lasting and valuable memories of school days.

Yours sincerely

**Deanne King**  
Head of school

## Dates to Diarise

Fri 15	19h00	Gauteng Big Band Jazz Festival
Sat 16	07h30	Rhythmic gymnastics
		St Mary's invitational
	19h00	Gauteng Big Band Jazz Festival
Sun 17		Equestrian qualifier 3
	13h00	Return from Durban Girls' College derby weekend
Mon 18	16h30	Foundation meeting
	16h30	Provincial hockey trials
	18h00	Vuyo Mbuli memorial lecture (by invitation only)
	18h00	Dale Carnegie course
Tues 19	14h15	FIV Art prac
	14h30	Senior Afrikaans Olympiad
	15h00	Hockey
	16h30	Board meeting
Wed 20	07h30	Senior class reps' meeting
	14h30	Netball
	15h15	FIV French Delf A2 examinations
Thurs 21	10h00	Patronal Festival Eucharist and picnic
	14h15	FV Art prac
	15h15	FV French Delf B1 examinations
	18h00	Old Girls' networking evening
	18h30	FEDA performances
	19h00	Music and Mezedes Festival - SAHETI
Fri 22	14h30	Squash
	16h30	Provincial hockey trials
	18h00	SOCs Kings and Queens
Sat 23	09h00	Hockey against Transvalia
	18h00	Rowing dinner - Old Eds
	18h30	FEDA finals
Sun 24	15h00	St John's Passion - Wits Holy Trinity chapel
Mon 25	16h00	SRC meeting
	18h00	Dale Carnegie course
	19h00	St John's Passion - St John's chapel
Tues 26	07h15	MUSE Morning - Wantage (all parents welcome)
	14h30	Netball league matches
	15h00	Hockey
Wed 27	14h45	Hockey
	18h30	French tour information evening
Thurs 28	14h15	FV Art prac
	18h00	Foundation wine auction
Fri 29		Takkie tax day
	08h00	Rowing golf day

## From the chaplain

On the day before term starts, we begin the day with a staff Eucharist. Last week the Gospel for that day was John 14:27-31a. The Revd Roger Cameron was the preacher at that service and he reminded us of the words of Jesus:

*“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give*

*to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”*

As we go into this term, perhaps we could take to heart that message: that Jesus gives us peace in the midst of this troubled country, in troubled family or personal

situations, in a busy examination term with all the sporting and cultural activities. Whatever we may face, we are not alone and we do not have to be afraid.

**Revd Canon Gill Lee**  
Chaplain

**MUSE MORNING:** All parents welcome to join us. Coffee is served from 07h15 at the tennis pavilion, with the talk from 07h30-08h30.

**Date:** Tuesday 26 May

**Time:** 07h15 to 08h30

**Venue:** Senior Resource Centre auditorium

**Topic:** Cyberbullying and Adolescents

**Speaker:** Karen Moross, registered counsellor studying MA in Psychology at Wits University

**RSVP:** lynn.moony@stmary.co.za

## Meet the departments



Latin department: Jeff Wolf



Mathematics department

Back row: Hazel Mason, Karen Sanders, Muhammad Jeenah (director of Mathematics)

Front row: Winnie Khanyile, Lilian Southey, Ingrid Zlobinsky-Roux (HoD), Stephanie Vermeulen, Victoria Herold, Pippa McKechnie

## Afrikaans public speaking

On Saturday 18 April, Emily participated in the first round of the ATKV public speaking event for Additional Language speakers, hosted at Sutherland High School in Pretoria.

The adjudicators rated Emily's prepared speech, "Dis die hand wat die wieg skommel, wat die wêreld regeer", as

outstanding and well researched. Her impromptu speech on violence in South African schools was particularly impressive, and Emily rose to the occasion with eloquence and composure.

Despite tough competition, Emily went through to the semi-final round of the public speaking event, which will take

place on Friday 29 May at Sutherland High School.

Girls who are interested in public speaking and who do not speak Afrikaans as a home language are encouraged to contact Mev Fourie-Van der Watt, should they wish to participate in this event next year.

## Rhino

With the turn of the century, rhinos came under increasing pressure. As world population numbers rapidly declined from 70 000 rhinos in 1970 to less than 29 000 today, three of the five rhino species throughout Africa and Southern Asia have become critically endangered. Without creating the necessary awareness to end rhino poaching, and without the implementation of protection projects, we can expect the extinction of the rhino population within the next 20 years.

The rhino has always been an animal close to the hearts of the St Mary's School, Waverley, community. As a result of my love for African wildlife and determination to defend its endangered species, I envisioned a human rhino silhouette filled with St Mary's students, which would portray the urgency required to save the beloved rhino. I proposed the idea of all 1 000 students from Grade 000 to Grade 12 standing on the school

sports field in the shape of a rhino.

With the help of two other passionate students, Reid and Michelle, I mapped out a plan to create the rhino on the field using a scale drawing, 100 nails and countless metres of string. After five hours, the rhino was ready to be filled. At 07h30 on Tuesday 14 April, the students made their way down to the field wearing their striking red tracksuits for the rhino photograph. Once the rhino was filled, former St Mary's parent Dale Nolan successfully flew his drone, fitted with a video camera, and took an aerial photograph of the gigantic rhino.

All the St Mary's students were able to do their part in creating the necessary awareness required to stop the poaching of this endangered species. The photograph was sent to as many rhino conservation and awareness organisations as possible, and was spread by the students across all forms

of social media in an attempt to inform the public of the urgency of the situation. We can all play a role in saving the rhinos.

I hope that people will be inspired to research further into ways in which they could become involved in saving the rhinos, by volunteering, by donating to rhino conservation projects or by starting their own projects. In order for rhinos to be protected in the future, we need to empower today's youth and inspire them to be the wildlife activists of tomorrow. Creating awareness is critical because if we don't keep applying pressure, how will we ever stop the bleeding?

*An article about making the "human" rhino was placed on the St Mary's School, Waverley, Facebook page, where the post has already reached 87 904 people.*

**Katelyn**  
Form V

## Talent Africa National Championships



On the piano

Bronwyn competed in the Talent Africa National Championships that was held at the Pro-Musica Theatre, Roodepoort, from 24 to 28 March. From 1 500 national competitors selected through 27 rigorous regional rounds over the past year, her final national results were as follows:

### Dancing:

Contemporary - gold medal  
Jazz - gold medal  
Ballet - gold medal  
Top 10 medal (top 10 score across all ages and dance styles)  
Trophy for best 15-17 age dancer

### Instrumental:

Classical piano - gold medal  
Top 10 medal (top 10 score across all ages and any instrument)

### Modelling:



Dancing

Formal wear - gold medal  
Swimwear - gold medal  
Casual wear - silver medal  
Fitness wear - silver medal  
Head shot photo - gold medal  
Commercial photo - gold medal  
Full length photo - gold medal

Bronwyn also received the Triple Threat Trophy and cash prize, which is awarded to the competitor who enters three or more sections and receives the highest average score, and has been selected to represent South Africa at the international stage of the competition in New York in July.



## Lost property

This is a plea to parents to remind their daughters to be more mindful of, and responsible for, their property. At the end of term, the items left at the school are collected and brought to the sports

department. We charge the girls R5 to collect their lost property. The proceeds of this sale go to a charity of our choice, namely the Save the Rhino fund. To assist us to return your daughter's clothing,

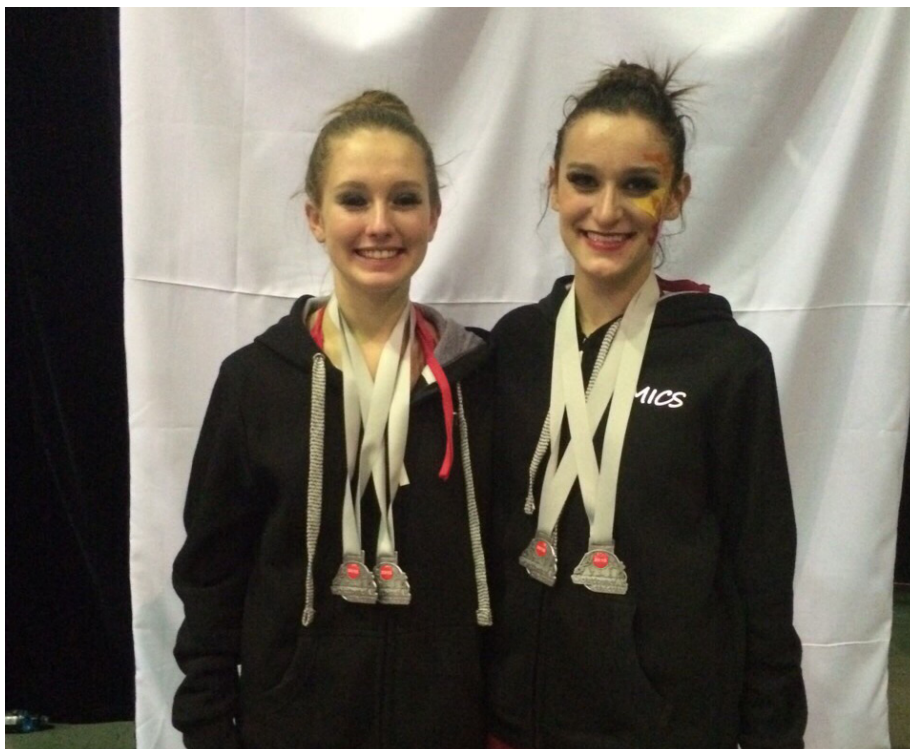
please ensure her belongings are clearly labelled.

**Caitlin Reed**  
Head of rowing



Lost property displayed on Friday 8 May

## Dance



Taryn and Michela

Taryn and Michela recently competed at the Battle of the Giants All Styles Dance Championship, held at the Sun City Superbowl in April. They each received two silver medals for the Adult Modern group and Showdance sections.

# From the Music department



## Music news

Congratulations to the following girls who passed their ABRSM music theory examinations in March:

Kate Grade 5 Distinction

Zaneli

Amy

Isabelle

Tessa

Jocelyn

Grade 5 Distinction

Grade 3 Distinction

Grade 5 Merit

Grade 5 Merit

Grade 5 Pass

**Dudley Trollope**

Director of Music

**GAUTENG  
BIG BAND  
JAZZ  
FESTIVAL  
2015**

**DATES:** Friday 15th & Saturday 16th May 2015

**VENUE:** The Edge, St. Mary's Waverley, Johannesburg

**TIME:** 19H30

**TICKETS:** Adults R100, Seniors/Scholars/Students R50

**PARTICIPATING BANDS:**

**FRIDAY 15th MAY**  
TUT Big Band  
St. Mary's Waverley Senior Jazz Band  
St. John's Big Band  
Pretoria Boys' High Big Band  
Cornwall Hill College Big Band

**SATURDAY 16th MAY**  
Pridwin P'zazz Jazz Band  
St. Alban's College Big Band  
St. Stithians Girls' College - Saxes of Note  
Johannesburg Youth Jazz Ensemble  
TUT Big Band

Standard Bank  
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## ST JOHN PASSION

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(Shortened version)

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, BRAAMFONTEIN

24 MAY 2015  
15h00

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE CHAPEL

25 MAY 2015  
19h00

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE CHOIR  
ST MARY'S SCHOOL CHAMBER CHOIR

TICKETS: R100 (cash only)  
(011) 645 3062 / [savage@sjc.co.za](mailto:savage@sjc.co.za)

Seating is limited and unreserved  
Not suitable for children under the age of eight





## From the Sports department

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### Diving

Just before the holiday break, St Mary's divers competed in the RSA National Championships. Hard work certainly paid off and Aerin became the new A Group national champion on the 1-metre board and earned the 1-metre trophy. On the 3-metre board Aerin placed 4<sup>th</sup>, and

teammate Nonceba finished with a strong performance to earn 8<sup>th</sup> place. In the B Group, Isabelle claimed the silver medal on both the 1-metre and 3-metre boards, missing the gold on 1-metre by less than one point. In the A/B synchronised competition, the team of Aerin

and Fae earned 2<sup>nd</sup> place, while the duo of Isabelle and Nonceba came in 4<sup>th</sup> place.

**Chelsea Glinckman**  
Diving coach

### Netball

The St Mary's U14A and B teams took part in the Roedean U14A Netball and Hockey Tournament this past weekend. The U14B team placed 9<sup>th</sup> and the U14A team placed 6<sup>th</sup>. Both teams showed exceptional talent and passion and their performances proved to be a valuable start to the 2015 season.

**Kelsey White**  
Netball coach



Our congratulations are extended to Mbalenhle, Shanté and Tayla who have been selected to go through to the second round of trials for Gauteng Netball in their various age groups.

**Rose Hallendorff**  
Head of netball



## Hockey



U14B hockey team that played in the Roedean Festival

The U14B hockey team took part in the Roedean U14A Hockey and Netball Tournament this past weekend. They did superbly well as they played most other schools' A teams. On their way to winning the A pool, their results were as follows:

Beat Bryanson 3-0  
 Beat Kingsmead 5-0  
 Drew with Roedean 0-0  
 Beat St Stithians 1-0  
 Beat St Dominic's 3-0

They had 10 minutes' break after beating St Dominic's before they had to go on and play the St Andrew's A team in the semi-final. The girls found it difficult to penetrate their defence and after two excellent saves by Nicola in the goals, St Andrew's eventually found the net. The final game for 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> place saw us again pitted against Roedean.

Roedean played well and beat us 2-0. These U14 team members can be very proud of their performance.

We start with league matches for the majority of the teams this week. Many of our girls are in the process of playing provincial trials. It is a tough and drawn-out process, and we wish them all the best of luck.

**Quix**

Head of sport

## Tennis

Congratulations to all the tennis players who have been competing in various tennis tournaments with great success. Maja won the U16 singles and doubles at the Free State Key Health Tournament. Naima reached the semi-finals of the singles and won the doubles event with Maja. Cara won the singles in the U14 age group of the Wilson Challenge. Ruth also competed in this event and reached the semi-finals of the singles. Imaan travelled to Botswana to play in the U18 ITF Tennis Tournament, where she lost in the last 16 of the singles and reached the quarter-finals of the doubles. Well done to all the players. Keep up your enthusiasm and hard work.

**René Plant**  
 Tennis coach



Cara



## Squash

Jeppe Boys succumbed to the strength of our 1<sup>st</sup> team on Friday 8 May in the A South Section Boys' league.

Panashe beat Aaron 11-6, 11-2 and 11-0

Jaime beat Tristan 11-4, 11-5 and 11-8

Daniela beat Tristan 11-3, 11-4 and 11-6

Julia beat Ryan 11-3, 11-5 and 11-5

Cara won the Dunlop Easterns Open U16 Girls event in Kempton

Park. Cara was seeded 4<sup>th</sup> in a pool of four players and ended up in position no. 1 after beating everyone 3-0, including the no. 1 seed for the tournament, Kim - another title for Cara. Well done.

*Jennifer Fox*

Squash

## Rowing

The SASRU development team departed on 30 April from OR Tambo international Airport bound for Heathrow. The squad competed at two regattas whilst in England.

At the Wallingford regatta on the Eton Dorney lake, the U16 4x placed second overall in the U16 4x event. This crew comprised of Jessica, Caitlin, Paige and Megan.

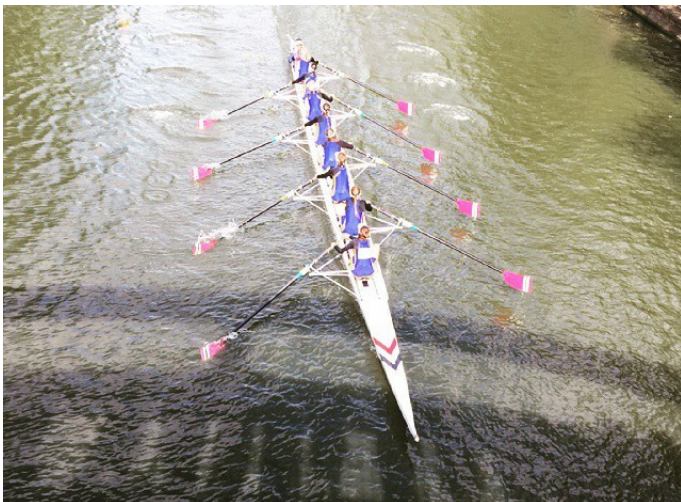
The Bedford regatta format is a knock-out tournament. This follows the same format as the Henley Royal regatta. Two boats race each other and the winner moves to the next round. The results were U16

8+ placed second overall losing to Henley in the final of the junior women's U18 8+. The U17 8+ won their final over the Oxford College Boat Club in the final of the Women's Intermediate 8+.

We are very proud to have sent the biggest girls' squad overseas to represent South African schools. Congratulations to Constandina, Jessica, Caitlin, Paige, Megan, Reitumetse, Bridget and Cara.

*Caitlin Reed*

Head of rowing



U16 8+



U16 quad



U17 four team

## From the Foundation

Cathie Markus, chairperson of the St Mary's Foundation, invites you to join her at the St Mary's Foundation wine auction evening.

**Date:** Thursday 28 May  
**Venue:** St Mary's School, Waverley, Senior School hall  
**Time:** 18h00 for 18h30  
**Dress:** Smart casual

**Ticket price:** R300 per head, includes a three-course meal.  
 Tickets may be paid for by credit card or electronic transfer.

To RSVP and pay for your wine auction seat or table bookings, please email [foundation@stmary.co.za](mailto:foundation@stmary.co.za), or contact Gillian at the Foundation office on (011) 531 1800.

Alternatively, seats may be reserved at the St Mary's Foundation office at SMOGS Cottage, between 07h30 and 14h00 daily.

We look forward to sharing the evening with you.

**Estates featured:** Warwick, La Bri, Constantia Glen, Edgebaston, Altydgedacht and many others

### Save the date - *Studium Apertum*

So far, 24 speakers have been confirmed for *Studium Apertum* on Saturday 11 July. Among these are Professor Jackie Naude of The Human Capital Engine, Dr Ian Weinberg, a neurosurgeon whose work deals with psycho-neuro immunology, Supreme Court of Appeal Judge Nigel Willis, celebrity author and blogger Khaya Dlanga, CNBC anchor, presenter and writer David Williams and, talking on female circumcision, Chris Hani Baragwanath Hospital's Head of Gynaecology, Dr Yasmin Adam.

The talks and presentations should stimulate much food for thought and debate in our community, which is, after all, what *Studium Apertum* is all about.



STUDIUM APERTUM

### Volunteers needed for maths support programme at HA Jack

St Mary's has close links with HA Jack Primary School, one of these being a very successful literacy support programme for Grade 2s that has been running for over two years. Many of the volunteers are parents or friends of St Mary's.

We are excited to launch our maths numeracy programme this term. For anyone who would be keen to find out more about this programme, we shall be holding a briefing/training session on Thursday 21 May from 10h00 to 12h30 at HA Jack.

By attending this session, you are not necessarily committing to volunteering for the maths - everyone is welcome to come to find out more about what this entails before making a commitment. The maths programme timeslot will be on Thursdays, straight after the reading from about 10h15 to 11h45.

If you are keen to attend this session, please let me know as soon as possible so we know how many to prepare for.

Jeanette Dingle (082 686 7878 or [dinglevj@telkomsa.net](mailto:dinglevj@telkomsa.net))

### Condolences

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Rosemary (Form II) and Isabel (Form III), whose mother passed away during the holidays.



## St Mary's School rowing club golf day

Dear golfers and friends

We have great pleasure in inviting you to take up a hole sponsorship and/or enter a fourball in the annual St Mary's School rowing club golf day, to be played at the Parkview Golf Club on Friday 29 May.

St Mary's School rowing club has a strong history of performance. This past season has been one of our most successful ever, having won the Gauteng Championships and the Boat Race, and recently regained the title of SA Schools champions.

The golf day is a major contributor to our fundraising efforts. This year we aim to raise R200 000 for maintenance to our boat shed, and provide financial support for rowers from previously disadvantaged backgrounds.

**Main hole sponsorship - R6 000/(3, 5, 9, 15)**

This will entitle sponsors to:

- Erect promotional material on the hole at the tee or green
- Have their company's name mentioned on the list of sponsors at the prizegiving

- Have their company's name included on the sponsors' list handed to each golfer at check-in
- Have a presence at the hole providing snacks, drinks and entertainment

### Putting green sponsorships

**/18<sup>th</sup> green - R5 000**

- Erect promotional material around the green
- Have their company's name mentioned on the list of sponsors at the prizegiving
- Have their company's name included on the sponsors' list handed to each golfer at check-in

### All other holes - R4 000

- Erect promotional material on the hole at the tee or green
- Have their company's name mentioned on the list of sponsors at the prizegiving
- Have their company's name included on the sponsors' list handed to each golfer at check-in

### Enter a fourball - R3 800

- Halfway house voucher

- Green fees
- Prizegiving dinner
- All drinks and caddies for own account

### Objectives of the event

- To raise funds for the St Mary's School rowing club
- To offer St Mary's School girls from previously disadvantaged backgrounds the opportunity to participate in the sport, through financial assistance

For sponsorship or bookings please complete the attached booking form. If you have any enquiries call: Nerissa Moodley 082 683 1774 or (011) 269 8755 or email: Nerissa.Moodley@kelly.co.za

In the anticipation of your taking up a fourball and/or hole sponsorship, we would like to thank you for your generous financial support, which will be greatly appreciated by the members of our rowing club.

Any donations are welcome.

## Parkview Golf Club Friday | 29 May 2015

Company/personal:
Email:
Phone:
Cell:

Please indicate options selected below:

1. Main hole sponsorship - 3/5/9/16	@ R6 000	R
2. Putting green sponsorship/18 <sup>th</sup> green	@ R5 000	R
3. All other holes	@ R4 000	R
4. Enter a fourball	@ R3 200	R
5. Donation	@	R
<b>Total payment</b>		R

### Method of payment:

We will send you an invoice if required.

Please contact Nerissa Moodley at 082 683 1774/(011) 269 8755 for any additional information.

**Please arrange an EFT deposit to:** St Mary's rowing club current account  
Standard Bank 200656023  
Bramley branch code 004005,  
With payment reference as name or invoice #

Please fax completed booking form and proof of payment to 086 428 5243 or email Nerissa.Moodley@kelly.co.za