



St Mary's School
Waverley
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JUST JUNIOR



The mothers' day service was well attended and the girls loved having moms in their space

From the headmistress' desk

Dear parents

The second term is well under way and the rhythm of school activity is evident on a daily basis.

The Junior Primary girls are preparing for their play while the Senior Primary girls conscientiously anticipate regular and formal assessments, while still participating in the winter sports programme.

Please monitor your daughters' co-curricular commitments in and beyond school, to ensure a healthy balance between structured activity and essential leisure time.

Staff news

Mrs Kerry Gibbons will be on maternity

leave in the Michaelmas term (Term III), and I am in the process of interviewing for a locum teacher.

Mrs Shelley Crawford has not been well and is undergoing various medical tests. Our prayers are with her.

Mrs Méabh Gilbert has resigned and will be leaving at the end of the term. Unfortunately, her husband's work permit has not been renewed as his contract work has ended and they will be relocating to the United Kingdom. Méabh has contributed significantly to the programme at Little Saints and we will miss her. I am in the process of appointing a teacher co-ordinator from within the team as well as a support teacher, and

Dates to diarise

MAY		
Sat 23	09h00	Little Saints sports day - Junior School Close
	11h00	Grade 000-3 PTA fun day
Mon 25	16h00	Chess at Roedean
Tue 26	07h15	Muse Morning - Wantage auditorium
	10h18	Grade 7 tea with the headmistress
	14h00	Squash and netball at home and away
Thu 28	14h00	Netball at home and away
	18h00	Foundation wine auction - Senior School hall
Fri 29	08h00	Rowing golf day at Parkview golf course
	14h00	Hockey at home and away
		Netball away
JUNE		
Mon 1	07h30	Junior Primary chapel
	16h00	Chess at home
Tue 2	10h18	Grade 7 tea with the headmistress
	14h00	Squash at home and away
	14h30	Netball at home and away
Wed 3		Grade 6 and 7 formal assessments begin
Thu 4	14h00	Netball at home and away
Sat 6	07h30	Grade 3 netball festival at Holy Rosary
Mon 8		Grade 6 and 7 formal assessments
Tue 9		Grade 6 and 7 formal assessments
	11h00	Grades 1, 2 and 3 matinée play performance - Edge
	14h00	Squash matches
Wed 10		Grade 6 and 7 formal assessments
	18h00	Grades 1, 2 and 3 play performance - Edge
Thu 11		Grade 6 and 7 formal assessments
	14h00	Netball matches - Grades 3 to 7
	18h00	Grades 1, 2 and 3 play performance - Edge
Fri 12	14h00	Hockey matches

the management will be overseen by me. Our best wishes accompany Méabh and her family as they plan their relocation.

Health

If your child is ill overnight, has a high temperature or is vomiting - please keep them at home to rest and get well; this will prevent the spread of the winter viruses to the school community.

I look forward to seeing many of you alongside the sports field and at the various events in which your children eagerly participate.

Yours sincerely

Des Hugo

Headmistress: Junior School

From the chaplain

On the day before term starts, we begin the day with a staff Eucharist. This last time, 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

From the Pre-Primary department

Dear parents

It is quite something to think a term has gone by already and I would like to take this opportunity to welcome each and every one of you back for the winter months. Little Saints is going to have a very exciting term, with renovations marked down on the calendar. Sometime around late June we will move to the Junior School while our school gets a facelift. Knowing the curiosity of our children and the ingenuity of the teachers, this move will become a provocation to be discussed, dissected, questioned and put back together in that marvellous way children do. It is going to be quite exciting to be right in the heart of the Junior School, although we will still make the journey to Little Saints, every now and then, for the beautiful playscape. We must thank the Junior School, and in particular the Art department, in advance for accommodating us.

Exploration and inquiry is at the heart of everything we do at Little Saints and currently all the children are exploring the same overarching theme albeit in different ways and with different outcomes. The theme is graphic and narration, the relationship between paper and storytelling. The children are being exposed to different types of media, as well as an assortment of writing materials, and are encouraged to explore and experiment as much as they like. They are noticing the relationship between black marker and black paper, for instance, between pencil and tin foil. They are fascinated by the pattern created when koki seeps through the newspaper. The children are then asked to create a story, with the results of their explorations as their prompt. This has given all us teachers a deeper insight into the capacity of childrens' ability to create a fantastical tale from just the smallest cue. I have no doubt

that the narratives that have been produced are works that Roald Dahl would have been proud of.

Patronal Festival

St Mary's celebrated the Patronal Festival on Thursday 21 May with a service followed by a whole school picnic on the field. Little Saints joined the festivities at 11h30, after they had eaten their school snack. It was a wonderful morning of celebration and I know the children enjoyed being part of it.

Lost property

Although the children are getting better at looking after their belongings, lost property is a reality in any school. At Little Saints, we encourage parents to mark all items clearly so we can return clothing and shoes to their rightful owners. Any unlabelled items are collected and displayed at the entrance to Little Saints in the mornings. Ensure your child's belongings are clearly labelled, as this helps us return items to their owner. If your child inadvertently brings someone else's belongings home, which can happen, please return it the following day.

Sports day and fun day

Sports day will kick off in the Junior School Close at 09h00 on Saturday, 23 May, with teachers ready to welcome the children by 08h45. The children will be encouraged to participate in three fun "races". It is important to remember that this can be quite an intimidating setting for our little ones and tears are expected on the day.

Parents are encouraged to remember their own running shoes for the mums' and dads' races. These races often involve photo finishes and some very questionable tactics, and are guaranteed to raise lots of laughs. Given the success of last year, the PTA has once again decided to follow the Little Saints sports day with the fun day. I am sure class mums have already been in touch with information. We are looking forward to seeing you all there as it is one of the highlights on our social and sporting calendar.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I am only too happy to try to help.

Yours sincerely

Méabh Gilbert

Head of department: Pre-Primary

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 for an MA in Psychology at Wits University
RSVP:	lynn.moony@stmary.co.za

Meet the specialist teachers



Christi Lawless (English), Jenny Mabin (Art), Antoinette Mshengu (Sesotho), Rosemary Ncobela (isiZulu), Jeanine du Toit (Afrikaans), Annie Eckhardt (English and Art), Alison Sher (Sesotho and English). Not in picture: Shelley Crawford (Junior Afrikaans)



From the Music department

The Junior School Music department hit the ground running this term, with three wonderful chapel services dedicated to the special St Mary's moms. Thank you for all you do for the girls. You are all greatly appreciated.

Term II is a busy one, with many high-profile musical performances taking place.

I encourage you to diarise these events, and to come along and support your girls.

- The Junior Primary play takes place on 9, 10 and 11 June, and will leave you with many delightful tunes to sing along to
- Father's Day services - 17 and 19 June
- The Reggio Conference opening ceremony - 23 June
- The Junior School Music evening on

15 July will showcase all the St Mary's musical ensembles from Grades 2 to 7. This promises to be a wonderful showcase of St Mary's talent

- The Instrumental Music Concert on 22 July is open to girls learning musical instruments in the department. Both Junior and Senior School girls will perform at this event
- The popular Music-on-the-Menu is a must. This concert, on Saturday 1 August, gives the music teachers a platform to perform for the St Mary's community. Dinner will be provided

I leave you with the words of this year's Mother's Day song.

Carol Shutte

Head of Music: Junior School



Music news

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

Mira Kathawaroo	Grade 5	Distinction
Kaitlyn Why	Grade 3	Distinction
Danielle Grobbelaar	Grade 1	Distinction
Juliette Ridley	Grade 1	Distinction

Dudley Trollope

Director of Music

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, 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, Altygedacht 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 psychoneuroimmunology, 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

Book Character Parade



Last term's book fortnight was a resounding success and culminated in the book character parade, held in the Junior School Close

The human rhino

An initiative by a Form V girl, Katelyn Pye, last term saw the entire St Mary's School community supporting the plight of the rhinos in South Africa by "becoming" a rhino.

Almost 1 000 girls, boys and staff members were choreographed into the shape of a rhino to raise awareness to halt the poaching of this endangered, magnificent animal.

The true spirit of St Mary's was evident in the excitement that this initiative engendered, and all who participated deserve our heartfelt thanks.

The generous donations made by the pupils of our Junior School and Little Saints will contribute to the conservation and preservation of endangered species projects through the Save the Rhino Foundation.



Parent Corner

ENTREPRENEURIAL LESSONS FOR KIDS FROM EISHKOM

Wherever you live in South Africa today and however young or old you are, you have had first-hand experience of having to do without electricity. For the first time, children from privileged homes are having to do their homework by candlelight, for extended periods, and go without certain electricity-fuelled luxuries! While there are many humorous Eishkom memes (pictures with funny captions) doing the rounds and we all curse the disorganised way in which load-shedding seems to occur, and the knock-on effect it has, there is also an entrepreneurial, teachable moment here that we should not miss.

Chatting with Allon Raiz, co-author of my next book, *Raising Entrepreneurs*, he shared this conversation he had with his two sons aged 8 and 11 recently:

Dad: Why is this thing with Eskom bad?
 Kids: We can't watch TV.
 Dad: Why is that bad?
 Kids: Because we miss our favourite programmes.
 Dad: And what else?

Kids: We don't see ads for stuff and then no one buys stuff.
 Dad: And what else?
 Kids: Shops can't open because they have no lights and credit card machines don't work.
 Dad: And why is that bad?
 Kids: Then they can't make any money.
 Dad: And what about restaurants?
 Kids: They lose business because they can't cook meals for their customers.
 Dad: Why is this thing with Eskom good?
 Kids: Because we get to spend more time together as a family talking and playing games
 Dad: And what else?
 Kids: We now know what other people feel like who don't have electricity like we do.
 Dad: Can you think of any business opportunities because of this thing with Eskom?
 Kids: People can start businesses that sell generators.
 Dad: And what else?
 Kids: People can service generators or design machines to save electricity and sell them.

So, the moral of the story is that in every bad situation we must teach our kids to figure out the good and, more importantly, to spot the opportunities. In times of crisis, human beings become innovative. Out of desperation comes innovation, and I bet we will see a bunch of fabulous ideas around electricity storage and generation coming from kids in the future (perhaps even at the annual Eskom-sponsored Expo for Young Scientists this year!)

Help your children to develop opportunity eyes - it is great fuel for the entrepreneurial spirit!

Nikki Bush

Creative parenting expert, inspirational speaker and co-author of *Tech-Savvy Parenting* (Bookstorm, 2014), *Future-proof Your Child* (Penguin, 2008), and *Easy Answers to Awkward Questions* (Metz Press, 2009)
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From the Sports department



JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORTS WEEK AHEAD: 25-31 MAY 2015 (WEEK 4)

Date	Sport	Teams	Venue	Time	Transport	Teacher
Tuesday 26 May	Squash	A team vs St Peter's B B team vs St Peter's C C team vs Bye D team vs Reddam House B	Bryanston C Club Bryanston C Club St Mary's	14h00	Bus Bus	Mrs Fox
Tuesday 26 May	Netball	Grade 3 A and B Grade 4 A and B Grade 5 A and B Grade 6 A-D Grade 7 A-D	St Mary's St Mary's St Mary's St Andrew's St Andrew's	14h00	Bus Bus	Mrs Mshengu
Thursday 28 May	Netball	Grade 3 A and B Grade 4 A and B Grade 5 A and B Grade 6 A and B Grade 7 A and B	St Mary's St Mary's St Mary's Kings School Kings School	14h00	Bus Bus	Mrs Mshengu
Friday 29 May	Netball	Grade 2 A-D	St Mary's	14h00		Miss Wood
Friday 29 May	Hockey	Grade 4 A-C Grade 5 A Grade 6 A and B Grade 7 A and B	St Mary's St Mary's St Mary's DSG St Mary's DSG	14h00	Bus Bus	Miss Roos Mrs CT Ms Quix Mrs Samson
Saturday 30 May	Netball	Tournament Grade 3 C and D Grade 4 C and D Grade 5 C and D Grade 6 C and D Grade 7 C and D	St Peter's St Peter's St Peter's Brescia Brescia	07h45	Parents Parents Parents Parents Parents	Mrs Mshengu

Netball

The netball teams played their first match of the season, against Dainfern, and the results were as follows:

U10 A won 3-0
U10 B won 10-5
U10 C won 8-2
U11 A won 14-5
U11 B drew 2-2
U11 C won 7-2
U11 D won 9-7
U12 A won 7-3
U12 B won 7-2
U12 C won 3-2
U12 D won 6-0
U13 A won 5-1

U13 B won 2-1
U13 C won 9-0

On 9 May, the U10 to U13 A netball teams participated in a tournament hosted by St Stithians. It was a great start to the season because many girls were able to represent the school. It was an exciting morning, where the girls had to win graciously and cope with disappointments.

Well done to the U12 team, that won every match.

Antoinette Mshengu
Netball coach



U10A netball team: Micheala Lotto, Alexia Bakos, Aimee Rose Houlston, Lara Kent, Claire Walters, Lara Kuehnemann, Elizabeth Lonman-Davis, Tyra Penney, Jasmine Vermeulen

Rowing

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.

The 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 Gauteng Championships, 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 to pursue maintenance of 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/18th 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 children 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 on 082 683 1774/011 269 8755, or email Nerissa.Moodley@kelly.co.za.

In anticipation of your taking up a fourball and/or hole sponsorship, we should 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.

Caitlin Reed

Rowing coach





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St Mary's School rowing club golf day
Parkview Golf Club
Friday 29 May 2015

Company/personal:	
Contact:/email:	
Phone:	
Cell:	

Please indicate options selected below:

1..	MAIN HOLE SPONSORSHIP - 3/5/9/16	@ R 6 000	R
2..	PUTTING GREEN SPONSORSHIP /18 th GREEN	@ R 5 000	R
3.	ALL OTHER HOLES	@ R 4 000	R
4..	ENTER A 4-BALL	@ R 3 200	R
5..	DONATION	@	R
		TOTAL PAYMENT	R

METHOD OF PAYMENT:

We will send you an invoice if required.

Please contact Nerissa Moodley at **082 683 1774 / 011 722 8296** 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**



St Mary's Rowing Club
21 years of passion

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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

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