



St Mary's School
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Fun for the sellers at the Grade 1 market day

From the Junior Primary department

Dear parents

It is hard to believe that we have fewer than six weeks left of the 2016 academic year. It is rewarding to note how the girls have continued to embrace the various experiences with great enthusiasm.

The Grade 1D and Grade 3C assemblies were delightful, and the Grade 1 market day was most successful. The girls' enthusiasm was infectious, and giggling and laughter could be heard as they painted each other's nails or, in most cases, most of their skin! Thanks to the moms for baking the delicious goodies that were sold.

It was wonderful to see the girls' creativity and self-expression in the various works at the annual art exhibition.

The sports day allowed our little athletes to shine. Thanks to the parents who watched

their girls with interest and encouragement.

Grade 2 and 3 piece playing takes place in the Junior Primary hall at 07h30 on Tuesday 15 November. Grade 3 music demonstrations will take place in The Edge at 07h30 on Thursday 24 November.

The APPS gala takes place on Wednesday 16 November. Various girls from Grades 1 to 3 are invited to participate in this exciting gala. Parents are most welcome to attend.

The Grade 0 Nativity play will be held in The Edge at 18h00 on Tuesday 22 November. Parts have been allocated and lines disbursed. The girls are ready to embrace this important learning experience, and we look forward to welcoming you all to this special performance.

Our Grades 1 to 3 celebration morning will be held in The Edge at 07h30 on Tuesday 29

Dates to diarise

OCTOBER

Mon 31	07h30	Junior Primary chapel service
	18h00	Senior Primary ensemble evening - Edge

NOVEMBER

Tue 1	10h18	Grade 7 tea with headmistress
	18h00	Form I 2017 new parents' evening - Edge
Wed 2	07h30	Senior Primary chapel service
	10h18	Grade 6 and 7 buddy picnic
Thurs 3		Grade 6 and 7 formal assessments
	07h30	Junior Primary assembly
	09h00	Fireman show at Little Saints
	14h00	Diving competition
	14h00	Tennis matches
Fri 4		Grade 6 and 7 formal assessments
Sat 5	14h00	Swimming gala
		Grades 1 to 3 Kloofwaters dads and daughters' camp
		Tennis matches
Sun 6		Grades 1 to 3 Kloofwaters dads and daughters' camp
Mon 7		Grade 6 and 7 formal assessments
	07h30	Junior Primary chapel service
Tue 8		Grade 6 and 7 formal assessments
	07h15	Muse morning - Wantage Auditorium
Wed 9		Grade 6 and 7 formal assessments
	07h30	Senior Primary chapel service
	14h30	Exco meeting - boardroom
Thu 10	07h30	Junior Primary chapel service
	10h18	Grade 7 tea with headmistress
	13h00	Grade 2 tennis festival at St Mary's
	13h00	Grade 3 tennis festival at Roedean
	14h00	Diving competition

November. We request that the girls be brought to school earlier on that day, so that we can start on time. The carol service for Grades 1 to 3 will take place in the chapel at 07h30 on Thursday 1 December.

I am hoping many dads and daughters will enjoy the outdoor experience that Kloofwaters has to offer.



The Grade 1s painted Miss Wood's nails at their market day

I look forward to seeing you all at the various celebratory events in the near future.

Yours sincerely

Di Gordon

Deputy headmistress: Junior Primary



Donating hair for Cansa - Abby and Hannah Rigby donated their hair. They last did this when they were in Grades 2 and 0. Cansa welcomes donations of childrens' hair for children who have been treated for cancer. What a wonderful gesture, girls!

From the chaplain

*You never put your light under a dirty old bucket (repeat X3)
If you want light to shine around, round, round!*

*Shine, shine around, round, round (X2)
Shine a light so everyone can see
Lord, help me let my little light shine
Not just Sundays, all the time
So friends give praise to you when they see me.*

- Ian Smale

Our boys and girls at Little Saints and the girls in the Junior Primary have recently learned this song, and it has been happily playing in my head for the past couple of weeks. I have found it very helpful in reminding me to name my "dirty old buckets" (they could be tiredness, grumpiness, distractedness, for example) and asking God to help me take my "dirty old buckets" off so that the light of Christ can shine through me, and so that I can see the light of Christ in others, once again.

Revd Claudia Coustas
Chaplain





From the Music department

The Ridge choir festival

Well done to the Senior Primary choir girls who participated at this year's Ridge combined choir festival on Tuesday 11 October. The hall was filled with Senior Primary choirs from The Ridge, St Katharine's, Pridwin, Auckland Park, St Andrew's and St Mary's. The evening included solo items from each of the schools and they later joined together to sing combined items, receiving enthusiastic applause.

Carol Shutte

Head of Music: Junior School



Muse Morning

All parents are welcome to participate in our Muse Morning on Tuesday 8 November.

Time: 07h15-08h30, with coffee served from 07h15 at the tennis pavilion

Venue: Wantage auditorium

Speaker: Tracey Farber, clinical psychologist

Topic: "Setting boundaries with love and respect. Are you your child's parent or best friend?" Tracey's talk will be based on recent research, as well as her clinical experience as a psychologist in private practice

RSVP: Sharon.san@stmary.co.za

Little Saints news

Thikho Marageni competed in a regional CMaths competition on 15 October and received a champion trophy and certificate in her category.

A+ Students by CMaths is an extramural maths programme that makes use of a Japanese soroban.

Congratulations Thikho!





For more info:
call 083 226 2871

Our Dance Mouse girls are performing at the annual Rivonia Barnyard's Dance Mouse and Dance Madness Festival, on Saturday 29 October.

The dress rehearsal was held on Saturday 15 October and there was much excitement as the girls had an opportunity to perform outside

the school in a competitive environment, alongside about 800 other dancers from across three other franchises of Dance Mouse.

Claire van Niekerk
5678 Productions



Our Junior drama showcase took place in the AV room on Thursday 26 October, and highlighted what the girls have been working on. Our Grades 6 and 7 dancers performed a musical theatre piece from *Annie*.

From the Sports department



Athletics

Junior Primary inter-house athletics

The Junior Primary department enjoyed a wonderful morning of athletics on Saturday 8 October.

The girls in Grades 0 to 2 put in a superb effort on the day, working through each station and giving their best. They had the chance to show off the different techniques they had learnt in the various athletic arenas. They were kept very busy, and ended the morning off racing against each other in their sprint races.

The Grade 3s took part in more competitive sprint and relay races. I should like to say well done to each and every girl who took part.

The final results were as follows:

1) Lions	-	380
2) Zebras	-	308
3) Springboks	-	278
4) Hares	-	242

Well done to Jocelyn Appel, who is the *Victrix Ludorum* for 2016. This includes the results from the field events, which were high jump, long jump and hockey ball throwing, as well as all the sprint events in which the Grade 3s took part.

Tracey Wood

Head of department: Junior Primary sport

On Friday 14 October the athletics team participated in an athletics meeting at Holy Rosary, and the results were as follows:

Kingsmead 397

St Mary's 390

St Andrew's 304

Holy Rosary 277

Antoinette Mshengu

Athletics coach

Inter-house cross-country results

Well done to all the Grades 0 to 3 girls who took part in the inter-house cross-country event.

This was run during their lesson time, and each and every girl who ran contributed at least one point to their house points.

The girls have been training throughout the athletics season for this event. They ended off the season fit and strong, and I am pleased to say that most of the girls can run the full cross-country course without having to walk.

The final results were as follows:

1) Zebras	-	110
2) Hares	-	91
3) Springboks	-	81
4) Lions	-	76

Special mention is made to the following girls who finished in the top three of their grade.

Grade 0

- 1) Ayanda Gumede (Z)
- 2) Coutney van Wyk (H)
- 3) Akani Nkuna (H)

Grade 1

- 1) Jasmin Apps (Z)
- 2) Claudia Cunningham (H)
- 3) Megan MacFarlane (L)

Grade 2

- 1) Georgia Plagis (S)
- 2) Jennifer Pringle (Z)
- 3) Maya Marsden (H)

Grade 3

- 1) Isabella Desfontaines (Z)
- 2) Ruthie Kirima (Z)
- 3) Ilana Buck (H)

Tracey Wood

Head of department: Junior Primary sport



Junior Primary inter-house athletics day, run on 8 October



Junior Primary inter-house cross-country

Rhythmic gymnastics

The St Mary's team won 12 medals at the South African Gym Games and Gym for Life Challenge in Cape Town, at the beginning of October.

The Junior School girls won the following medals:

Danika Neuhoff 2 bronze

Hannah Jacobs 1 bronze

Meadow Robson 1 bronze

Zeinab Kone came 2nd overall in South Africa in Level 4 U9, winning five medals.



Meadow Robson



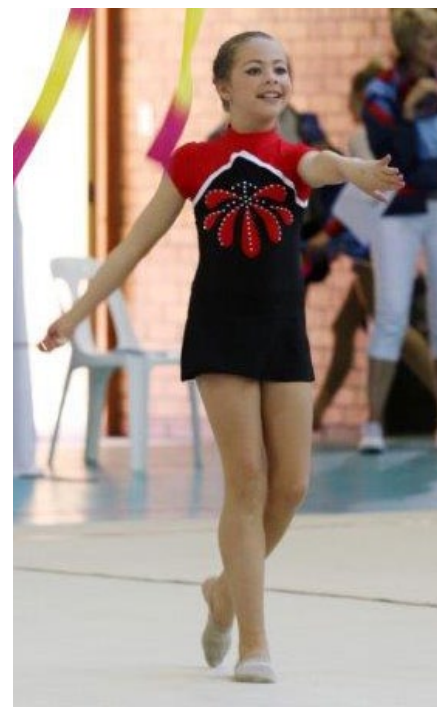
St Mary's group at the gym for life competition



Zeinab Kone



Hannah Jacobs



Danika Neuhoff

Linda Giuricich

Rhythmic gymnastics coach

Tennis

The AB tennis teams beat Roedeans AB convincingly to win the last match of the season. This result ensured that the A and B teams ended at the top of the log in the league. It was a combined effort, with every player in both the A and B teams contributing to the success. A big thank-you and congratulations to Danielle Grobbelaar, who played for the B team on numerous occasions but who was not needed for the last match. Well done to all the players.

The St Mary's CD team posted an excellent win over Brescia AB. This result emphasises the excellent depth that St Mary's has in the tennis teams. Keep up the good work.

The Grade 5 tennis players enjoyed their friendly match against Roedeans.

Results 22 October 2015

St Mary's A beat Roedeans A 59-20

St Mary's B beat Roedeans B 74-7

St Mary's C lost to Brescia A 40-41

St Mary's D beat Brescia B 47-34

St Mary's Grade 5 beat Roedeans Grade 5 27-6

René Plant

Tennis coach



Back row: Robyn Gush (vice-captain), Isha Madhu, Josie Apps, Georgina Hector, Victoria Dahl, Jessica Lansdown
 Front row: Erin Kersten, Abigail Milella, Mia Davidson, Ashley Simonato, Dominique Vercellotti, Rebecca Jenkins, Hannah Moore (captain)
 Not in picture: Danielle Grobbelaar