



We have set up a Blackberry communication for the Penryn community and scholars to whom you may SMS or BBM your comments, concerns, suggestions to. **The number is 0761572306 and Blackberry pin 26B356B3.** All

Dear Parents

A warm welcome back to the 2012 academic year. I trust that you all had a blessed and restful break and have returned filled with enthusiasm and energy, ready to make this another special year in our history as a College. My wish for all of you this year is that through your endeavours, within your family and amongst your friends and with the strangers that you meet, you will continue to find life in its fullest. God Bless

Class of 2011 Results:

Group results:

The Penryn class of 2011 followed in the footsteps of the two most successful academic groups in the history of the College. Happily they rose to the occasion and have once again achieved a set of outstanding results to equal those that came before.

The results for last year were as follows:

- 100% pass rate – well done and Hallelujah.
- This is the 14th straight year (since the first matric group in 1998) that this has been achieved.
- 140 distinctions at an average of 1.41 per scholar were achieved.
- 45 achieved at least one distinction.
- The average result per subject per scholar was 67.3% which is very good indeed.
- Outside of the A symbols there were 193 B's, 194 C's and 129 D's.
- 84% achieved results that enabled them to enrol for a Bachelor's degree.
- 15% achieved results that enabled you to enrol for a Diploma.

Individual results:

- Tasha Ashley is on the IEB commendation achievement list. One of 61 countrywide to achieve this.
- The distinctions achieved by individual scholars were as follows:
 - 9 distinctions: Jonty Wakefield
 - 7 distinctions: Brandon Piner
 - 6 distinctions: Tasha Ashley, Coert Jordaan, Patrick Manicom, Tessa Ware and Mark Woods
 - 5 distinctions: Mathys Ellis, Shea Fletcher and Ole Ziessler
 - 4 distinctions: Youlendree Appasamy, Michal-Mare Linden, KG Mpachoe and Kristy Richards
 - 3 distinctions: Theo Busschau, Louise Engelbrecht, Akani Godi, Dylan Mitchell and Rene Niemand
 - 2 distinctions: Keenan Collett, Kyle Gibbons, Michael Hall, Sammy Hammond, Lusekelo Kalelemba, Thami Mdluli, Siya Mlangeni, Danielle Moolman, Lindo Nkosi, Margo Naude, Jesse Spratt and Jed Theron
- 11 scholars achieved results that put them in the top 1% of candidates countrywide:
 - Rene Niemand (Afrikaans)
 - Louise Engelbrecht (Afrikaans)
 - Tessa Ware (Afrikaans; History; LO and Life Sciences)
 - Tasha Ashley (Business Studies and LO)
 - Jonty Wakefield (Business Studies; LO and Mathematics)
 - Mathys Ellis (IT)
 - Youlendree Appasamy (LO)
 - Michal-Mare Linden (LO)
 - Brandon Piner (Mathematics and Physical Sciences)
 - Patrick Manicom (Physical Sciences)
 - Ole Ziessler (Physical Sciences)

We are very proud of the newest group of Penryn alumni. All the best and we look forward to having them back.

Staff News

We welcome the following new staff members to Penryn and wish them a long and happy career at the College:

- Rev Michael Stone is our new Chaplain and hails from Pietermaritzburg Methodist Church;
- Dr Stephen Sproule joins us as the Academic Deputy. He hails from Florida State University in the USA and will also be joining the Maths department. He was HoD Maths at St Johns College and has been central to IEB Maths workings for some time now;
- Mrs Joanne Long joined the English Department. She hails from Durban where she taught at St Henry's Marist Brothers;
- Mr Graeme Stewart joined the EMS Department. He hails from KPMG where he was an Auditor;

- Mr Lot Chambale joins us as SiSwati Educator in the Prep and College. He hails from EJ Singwane where he has been an HoD;
- Ms Joannie Cilliers joined the EMS Department. She recently qualified as a teacher from the University of Pretoria;
- Dr Llew Taylor teaches Science Enrichment;
- Mrs Lynn Stone joins the Admin Department as the new Environmental Officer;
- Mr Colin Hurlbatt joins the Admin Department as the new Operations Manager;
- Mrs Lee-Ann McLeland joins the Administrative department as the Human Resources Officer;
- Mrs Gill Smyth who moved from Penreach to join the College Administrative department where she will assist in communication and marketing;
- Mr Dean van der Merwe joins us as an Intern;
- Ms Monette Pieterse who joins us as a Sports Intern;

Internal promotions:

Congratulations to the following staff who have been promoted to Grade and House Head posts in 2012:

- Mr Hilton Gordon – Grade 8 Head
- Mrs Judy Liebenberg – Grade 10 Head
- Mr Piet Booysen – Head of Kite

Congratulations:

- Mr Paul and Mrs Wendy Viljoen (nee van der Merwe) on their recent marriage. We wish them both happiness in their new life together;
- Mrs Donne (nee Heathcote) and Mr Edwin Green on their recent marriage. We wish them both happiness in their new life together
- Mr Gunther Swart and Ms Yolande Engelbrecht on their engagement.

Penryn Family News

We wish to express our condolences to the following members of the Penryn Family on their loss of loved ones in the recent weeks... Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers.

- Raymond Mohuba (Grade 10) and family on the death of his mother and grandmother;
- Mrs Sandy, Michael and Matthew Shum on the death of her parents and their grandparents;
- Mr Eric Shabangu on the death of his wife;
- Mrs Christinah Ngwenya on the death of her granddaughter.

General notices

Compulsory functions for scholars

If for some reasons, your child is unable to attend a compulsory school function, please put this in writing addressed to your child's Grade Head **before** the function. Any letters of excuse received after the function will not be accepted.

The first of these will be the **Inter House Swimming Gala** which will be held on **Wednesday, 25 January** at 18h00. We encourage you to join us at what is always a fun-filled and exciting inter house activity.

The week ahead

25 January	SEC (Scholar Executive) – compulsory for all scholars to attend Inter House Swimming Gala – compulsory for all scholars
28 January	High School athletics – Barberton

Sincerely

Greg Theron
Executive Head