



Penryn College Preparatory School



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Dear Parents,

Included in this newsletter please find:

- Inter House Football and Netball.
- Grade 7 Social.
- My School Card.
- Pre-School cars.
- Foundation Phase raffle.
- Grandparents Day.
- Founders Day.
- Sports news.
- General Knowledge Quiz.
- Holiday Maths Clinic.

From the Headmaster:

On Wednesday the Grades 1 to 7 had a lovely day out in the warm Autumn sunshine as they took part in the **Inter-House Football and Netball** competition. Much fun was had by all, as is evident in the photos below, particularly as the staff took on the Grade 7's in both sports. A frightening ugly 'Mrs' van Rensburg ensured that the staff hoop was breached only once in the netball!



I inadvertently left off the attachment I should have added to last week's newsletter, where I thanked **Sound Systems** for their assistance with the **Grade 7 Social**. I have added it to this newsletter. While on the topic of the Social, the Grade 7's had a wonderful time, thanks largely to the efforts of a group of parents who decorated the Junior Hall and ran a tuckshop on the evening. Special thanks to Mrs Andriette Martins who coordinated the evening.



The **'My School Card'** swipes raised R1 880-00 last month and the first amount of R1 600-00 from last month was spent over the past two days while The Travelling Bookman was here, to buy books for the Prep area of the library.

The **Pre-School** was abuzz with excitement a few days ago as they took delivery of their new 'cars', seen below:



I attach for your interest and hopefully action, an interesting article on **water conservation**, which dovetails nicely with the Grade 7 excursion earlier this term.

The **Foundation Phase** will shortly be launching their **raffle**, which has proven to be hugely successful in recent years. This year there are even more prizes, with the main prize being a fantastic two night stay at Chitwa Chitwa Game Lodge. With all sorts of other wonderful prizes available, I would urge you to support the Pre-School endeavours.

Kindly note that there will be no more **sports practices** next week, unless specifically notified by coaches (such as the Under 11 and Open Cricket boys who will practise for the tournament they will attend). I do know that our football and netball children are all looking forward to their trip to Skukuza on Tuesday, which will end what has been a busy and successful sports term.

Grandparents Day is always a highlight on the calendar and I know that the Foundation Phase children have been hard at work putting together a special morning for their grandparents. We look forward to welcoming these very special members of the family to the school on Tuesday.

Finally, probably the most significant event of the year takes place on Saturday, with the celebration of **Founders Day**. The service has been altered slightly to make it even more directed at the children and it will be followed by what promises to be an exciting morning of soccer. Teams have been mixed, with boys and girls playing alongside each other, in three different age groups – Grades 1-3; Grades 4,5; Grades 6,7. Plenty of food and drink will be available throughout the event, which will end at 14h00. Please do support your children at this fun event, which, as mentioned in previous newsletters, is compulsory for all Grades 1-7.

At the bottom of this newsletter is an advertisement for a **Holiday Maths Clinic**, to be run by Mr Lees. I am thrilled that Mr Lees has offered his services and would encourage any children who are interested to go along. Mr Lees will also be offering private Extra Maths lessons from next term – more details to follow.

School will end at 11h30 on the last day of term (Wednesday 9 June), which is half an hour before the College's closing time, hopefully to alleviate some of the traffic congestion.

As this is the last newsletter of the term, may I thank you for your support of your children and the staff at the many events which have taken place during a very busy, compressed couple of months. There have been some tremendous highlights and I do hope that all the children can look back on the term with happy memories. May I also wish you an uplifting, proud time as the world comes to our country and at the same time hope that you have a fulfilling and enjoyable time with your family.

Warm wishes.

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From the Sports Office:

A very big thank you to all the parents who hosted the St. Stithian's and Usutu Forest School players last weekend. We really appreciate all you did for your children and those of the visiting schools. By all accounts we hosted a successful and enjoyable festival where our children were given the opportunity to play, enjoy themselves and make new friends.

Tomorrow is our "Soccer Day" after the Founders Day service. The teams have been formulated on a random basis with varying abilities and genders being taken into account. The day is there for your children to enjoy and for you to be there to support them. I truly hope you relish the opportunity to watch your child play and savour the secret smiles and waves that will be coming your way during the matches!

On Tuesday next week (8 June) a small group of netball and soccer players will be going to Skukuza for the day to play some games. They have already received their letters with arrangements. Should your child not have been chosen to go on this trip, please be assured that there are alternate arrangements that have been made for them at school that will be fun for them!

I have arranged a hockey clinic for the Grade 6 and 7 girls during the holidays in preparation for the season next term. The clinic will run from 7 – 9 July (the last week of the holidays) from 9am to 1pm daily. Please e-mail myself at allisonw@penryn.co.za in order to let me know if your daughter would like to attend or if you require further information.

We enjoyed our Inter-house Netball and Soccer this past Wednesday. The day was filled with some really good matches and the winners were:

Netball – Osprey

Soccer – Lanner

Congratulations to the following tennis players who will represent Mpumalanga at the SA Schools Trials:

Ryan Thorpe, Rebecca Buchner, Sammy De Araujo, Sameerah Gangat and Jesse Coertzen.

We hope that they enjoy the experience and play some great tennis.

Well done to you all on a well played and very successful term! I am proud of you all!

Allison Williams

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General Knowledge:

This week's questions:

1. When Sherlock Holmes retired, which vocation did he follow?
2. In Greek myth, what one thing remained in Pandora's Box after she opened it?
3. What are the surnames of the feuding families in Shakespeare's **Romeo and Juliet**?
4. What is the full name of the doctor who wrote the book **Horton Hears a Who**?
5. In Beatrix Potter's **Peter Rabbit** (1902), what are the names of Peter's two sisters and his brother?

Answers from 28 May:

1. Coelacanth
2. Cormorant (it means 'sea crow')
3. Yahoo
4. Curved
5. Polyvinyl chloride

HOLIDAY MATHS CLINIC

Happy with your Maths Marks?

Feel you can do better?

Like to do something about it?

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