



# PENRYN MATTERS

Penryn College

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## PPA GARDENS

"Just to let you know I am dedicated to improving the gardens and making Penryn look the AMAZING school it is to our children," says Di Jordaan.

Montague Schoeman and Di have been busy fixing parts of the campus they feel have high visibility e.g. media / tuckshop area and senior primary quad area. The lawns have been their main concern as they make any school look like a park. They are also looking at keeping the trees' lower branches neat and trimmed all over the campus. It is frustrating at times as the 3 gardeners have poor health or are often needed to help elsewhere. Simple maintenance such as mowing, weeding and watering take up many hours as the campus and sport grounds are vast. Montague has really made a huge difference to the grounds and Di has found him a pleasure to work with. Greg Theron and Di have discussed projects for the College campus and other areas of the school that need 'upliftment' – this should start next week.

After a meeting with Neil, and, in turn, he with the teachers, it was decided to try and introduce all the primary children to the fun of propagation and gardening as a life skill, starting 2nd March. For the last 2 years Di has taught the grade 2 and 3 children how to propagate plants for the school and there is now a school nursery full of plants to plant! Thanks go to Mike Drummond and Montague for the nursery, and last year's grade 3s for all the clivias and other plants. The plan is to produce enough plants for the new foundation phase campus, have some fun, learn a skill and perhaps appreciate THEIR school gardens taking shape. Unfortunately Di works and can't give the school grounds all the attention she would like but perhaps more parents would like to help out, source plants and give of their time to enhance the Penryn gardens.

## LEAF

LEAF would like to welcome Iain Garratt as the new chair of the LEAF committee. If you would like to get involved in or suggest any environmental projects at the school please contact Iain at [Iain.Garratt@af.aurecongroup.com](mailto:Iain.Garratt@af.aurecongroup.com). We are looking forward to a flood of new ideas (you do not need to be an environmental expert!). A proper recycling station is to be built soon near the admin block and we are looking forward to the smooth running of the new site.

*God doesn't require us to succeed; he only requires that you try.*  
-MOTHER TERESA

## PREP NITE GALA

Good luck to the swimmers who are participating in the Nite Gala being hosted at Penryn. We have 9 schools participating, including 2 touring teams from Lesotho and Swaziland. Grade 7 parents will be running a tuck shop.

## FOUNDATION PHASE RAFFLE

The Foundation Phase PPA will be running a raffle, which will raise money towards the purchasing of new playground equipment for the new Foundation Phase block. Please support them – the new playground equipment will benefit the scholars greatly.

*Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.*

-MARGARET MEADE

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## COLLEGE SWIMMING

The swimming for the scholars ended on Wednesday with Penryn coming out tops. Well done to the swimming team for the fantastic effort and thanks to all the parents and scholars who supported them. A big thank you to the teachers involved. Well done!

## ROUND SQUARE

Scholars who participated in the Round Square conference: had an amazing and unforgettable time doing unusual activities but mainly meeting scholars from all over Africa. Thank you to Alison Hay and all those who assisted her in ensuring a successful conference.

## MARULA WINE TASTING

Congratulations to the Matric Science Department on their most successful wine tasting event, as well as to all the brave parents and teachers who had the courage to taste the scholars' produce from some "indigenous wine farms"!

*Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.*

-HENRY FORD

## PENREACH/COMMUNITY NEWS/LEAF/ALUMNI PENREACH

Anyone willing to offer their skills to Penreach or is able to assist in Penreach in any way please contact **Charlotte Ngobe 013 758 9091**

## PENRYN BUS SERVICE

For info or queries on bus service contact **Gilda Mavromatis on 084 357 1213 or Lindsay Tredgold 083 626 5840**

## PPA SUPPORTER SHIRTS AVAILABLE

Contact: **Sandra Hogg on 082 601 5808 OR Trish Ferri on 082 446 6987**

## SQUASH COURT FUND RAISING

Anybody interested contributing towards the Squash Courts Fund may do a deposit into the PPA bank account. The bank details are: **Penryn Parents Association, Nedbank Nelspruit, Bank code: 158952, Acc No: 1589 312 740. REFERENCE:** Please put your name and Squash as reference. **Contact Vanessa Christensen on 082 901 6828**

## PARENTS IN PRAYER

*"Show me Your ways, O Lord; teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; on You I wait all day."*  
**PSALMS 25:45**

**If anyone has a prayer need, sms request to either Liz or Felicity. All requests will be treated with utmost confidentiality.**

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- Pre-school children are taken either before school or during their break time.
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- College scholars at various venues and times

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