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DPHS NEWS AND RESULTS

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MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF THE HEADMASTER

Into the 'teens' now and into the second week of March which actually means that there are 15 school days left to enjoy before break-up day on 31 March. These days ahead are extremely busy times that are packed with an abundance of Prep activities and exciting moments to cherish by all partners - so let us enjoy this final lap of the first term.

Information Evenings

We as members of the Management Team, with the Chairman of our DPHS Association and Chairman of the School Governing Body, have conducted DPHS presentations, around the city over these three nights namely:

Monday at Derivco Head Office in la Lucia

Tuesday at Westville Country Club and

Wednesday (tonight) at DPHS for Central/Durban North area.

The objective of the evening is to take the message and functionality of our school into the community to share the programme and journey of a Prep boy throughout his years at Prep i.e. *"From small beginnings better fortunes follow"*.

I, as Headmaster without any bias, can express how proud I was to hear the passionate messages expressed by the various presenters of our school - if I was a prospective parent, I would have signed up immediately. This 'roadshow' was so informative and heart-warming that I am strongly considering presenting the feedback to you as our present Prep family and staff, one evening here at Prep. Just speak to some Prep parents who did attend and I am positive that they too will echo these same sentiments. Thank you to Mr Dion Hatton of Derivco for sponsoring the Monday and Tuesday evenings and to our cleaning service provider here at school 'Livclean' through their Directors Murray and Jenny Gilson for hosting the DPHS evening here tonight in the Maurice Wilkinson Hall. A combined Proudly Prep effort!

By-election

Thank you again, in abundance, to the many Prep families who ensured through their attendance in large numbers that we as a school could reach our quorum for the election to continue, at this first meeting. You will have already received the notification of the names of the two elected members voted into the Board namely: Mr Max Oliva and Mr Bruce Hughes and Mr Muhammad Seedat who is co-opted onto the Board. I warmly congratulate and welcome these newly appointed members and acknowledge those already serving Board Members and Staff Members who represent our School Governing Body. Rest assured that this dynamic team have the best interests of our entire school and the Prep community as their major priority and so close to their heart.

Prep 2018

I bring to you the latest news on behalf of our School Management Team, Staff and Governing Body that DPHS will launch into a new initiative for 2018. We as a school must be pro-active and ensure that we are in control of our present and future destiny i.e. to ensure and control our admissions and numbers for enrolment before other schools admit children into their school before our Grade R acceptance year. Families nowadays are not always prepared to attend a Pre-Primary for two years and then move their child out of that institution in their final year to take up a position at DPHS.

It will be far more beneficial for families to start earlier with us and commit to Prep from the start of their schooling to the end of their primary school career. Hence it has been decided to create our own Pre-Primary from 3 years of age, catering thereafter for each age group, depending on the respective demand in numbers. Prep could thus cater for a class in Grade 000, 00, 0 and Grade R as explained below. I share this news with you as our present Prep community so that you as a family can also consider these options.

It would also be appreciated if you can relay this initiative to the families who you know would be an asset for our school to consider.

I will keep "Prep" well informed of the progress and developments taking place so that definite decisions can be made well in advance for all partners. Now we can really say *"From small beginnings better fortunes follow"*.

Water Polo

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that our 1st Water polo Team will travel to Port Elizabeth this Thursday to participate in the Grey PE National Festival. This squad have been committed and hard in training to keep the Prep flag flying high at this Tournament. I will be accompanying our staff members/coaches, Mr Shaun Ferreira and Mr May as well as the boys and parents on this, my very first Water polo Tour.

Thank you to the staff and parents for arranging the sponsorship deals and kit so that our team can benefit in and out of the pool whilst away.

Please note that our Deputy Principal, Mr Grant Phipson will lead the school in my absence.

Here we go Prep let's go!

Congratulations

- To our winners in the Mr Prep weekly competition who again were extremely smart in their appearance of polished shoes, garters, neat uniform and DPHS haircut with "no mop of hair" on top, namely:
JP Mr Prep - Zwelindayi Msomi - Gr 1 Langley
SP Mr Prep - Oliver da Costa - Gr 5 Huber
- To the Sharks Rugby team and Coaching Staff on their successful tour and win in Australia - let us be there at Kings Park to cheer our Sharks on to victory over the Waratahs on Saturday @ 19h30.
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REMEMBER: PREP BOYS	
Don't	Do
Wear coloured laces in their rugby boots	Wear only black laces in their boots
Wait around at school in the afternoons after 14h00 unless supervised	Attend extra-mural activities or Homework Centre/Aftercare or go home timeously
Leave information letters in their desks	Take such letters home and return reply slips immediately
Read or enquire about the news in the Prep Patter	Ensure that he too is well informed of the Prep Patter information
Tell 'tales' on each other	Tell 'tales' of success about our School
Display 'grumpy attitudes'	Promote "happiness" for all to thrive on
Have red blood	Have blue/gold and white blood

Remember: Headmaster's Quote for this week.

"Happiness is that state of consciousness which proceeds from the achievements of one's values!"

P.S. Have you signed up for our DPHS Association yet like many others are doing at present? Please contact Mr Neave at the Association office or via e-mail - rneave@dphs.coza or at school on 031 3122154.

Thank you - Yours in Prep!

B Wilson
Headmaster

CONGRATULATIONS

The following boys competed in the Boys U10 KZN Nipper Champs last weekend:

Matthew Coetzer (overall U12 Competitor of the Championships - 5 Gold Medals and 4 Silver medals to take the title)

Benjamin Ribbink (1st Taplin relay, 1st Beach relay, 1st Body board, 2nd run swim run, 2nd board relay, 3rd surf swim, 3rd beach sprint),

James Kitto (2nd Boys Board, 3rd run swim run)

Jordan Venter (1st in Beach relay, 1st Taplin relay, 2nd Run-swim-run)

Jaxon Ribbink (1st in Beach relay and 2nd in body board)

Adrian Truter (1st Bodyboard relay, 2nd Taplin relay, 3rd Individual surf swim, 3rd run-swim-run)

Zasha Zastron (1st Beach flags, 1st in Taplin relay, 1st in Beach relay, 1st in Beach sprints, 2nd in long run)

The following boys participated in the KZN Track Cycling Championships over the weekend.

Jake Jansen, Luc O'Brien (4 gold medals) and Michael Jansen (2 bronze medals)



Our victorious D&D Gala Teams celebrated with a victory swim in the Jubilee Pool yesterday - we are so proud of them all!

CALENDAR

Wednesday 08 March	Grade 7 Leadership Workshop (Maurice Wilkinson Hall) DPHS Information Evening (Durban North/Central) at DPHS	18h00
Thursday 09 March	Grey PE Water Polo Tournament (1st Team)	
Friday 10 March	Grey PE Water Polo Tournament (1st Team) KZN U11 Cricket Festival	
Saturday 11 March	Grey PE Water Polo Tournament (1st Team) KZN U11 Cricket Festival Sharks vs Waratahs at Kings Park	
Sunday 12 March	Grey PE Water Polo Tournament (1st Team) KZN U11 Cricket Festival	
Monday 13 March	Reception Unit Parent Teacher Meetings Staff Meeting DPHS Trust Meeting	13h00 09h30 17h30
Tuesday 14 March	Reception Unit Parent Teacher Meetings DPHS Open Day Tour	13h00 08h30
Wednesday 15 March	Reception Unit Parent Teacher Meetings Specialists Symbols to Senior Primary Staff Grade 3 Excursion DHS Cocktail Function at DPHS	13h00 08h00 18h00

RECEPTION UNIT NEWS

Our Individual and Group photos took place last Thursday. Thank you to all parents who sent their boys to school smartly dressed and sporting new, neat haircuts. These photos should be ready by early next week.

The results of the Hearing Screenings were sent home on Friday. If you have any concerns or queries, please feel free to chat to us.

On Friday 24 March, our swimming coaches, Heather, Mark and Dom, will be inviting the Grade R parents to an open swimming lesson at the Jubilee Pool in Gordon Road. This will give you an opportunity to watch your son's lesson and see his progress. Lesson times are as follows:

Blue Group: 09h30 to 10h05

Green Group: 10h05 to 10h40

Red Group: 10h40 to 11h15

Please arrive promptly as these sessions are only 35 minutes each. The boys may go home after these lessons, but do need to be collected from their classrooms once they have returned to school, on the DPHS bus, with their teachers. For those parents who are unable to collect their children earlier, our programme will continue as normal and Preppy's Place will be open for the afternoon.

This Friday we will be having a Reception Unit second hand uniform sale, both early morning and at the 12h15 collection time. There are several items of clothing (shorts and shirts as well as the fleece tops and tracksuit pants for the cooler months) that are still in very good condition and the Moms' committee have marked them down to R20 per item (cash only). If you are unable to pop in during these times, Sharm will have stock in the office, so you are welcome to give her a call.

JUNIOR PRIMARY NEWS

The final Mini-Cricket session took place on Saturday morning and it was a most enjoyable finale to this season. Sincere thanks are extended to all the dads who so generously committed their time each week to offer support and share their expertise by coaching teams. This programme would not be possible without their involvement.

Best wishes go to the U7, U8 and U9 boys who have been selected to swim in the A swimming team at the Friendly Invitation Gala at DGC on Thursday. The A and B team swimmers who participated at Glenwood Prep last week ensured a most enjoyable afternoon with their sportsmanship and commendable swimming.

On Tuesday at our JP assembly we introduced the Planet Protector Programme. Each week a boy from each class will be selected to lead this project and will wear a special badge. The boys have already shown a very pleasing awareness of the need to care for our planet with their support of the weekly recycling drive and this project will help to extend this further.

MERIT AWARDS 🏆

Congratulations to this week's recipients

WEEKLY MERIT AWARD "WELL DONE" 😊			
CLASS		NAME	REASON
GRADE 1	Langley	Muhammad Asmal	For his excellent behaviour and huge effort with his written work
		Liam Pereira	For his best effort in all he endeavours. His results are very pleasing
	Everitt	Finn Mallett	For his responsible attitude towards his work
		Alexander Van Wyk	For his good progress

	Greensill	Garth Finnemore	For his excellent behaviour and pleasing efforts in the classroom	
		Aiden Martin	For his excellent behaviour and pleasing efforts in the classroom	
	Twaddle	Shivay Gunpath	For trying hard to improve his work presentation	
		Yusuf Amod	For his improved work presentation and is helpful nature	
GRADE 2	May	Tyler Wright	For working so hard each day	
		Matthew Wedderburn	For his lovely expressive reading	
	Bush	Max Mills	For his beautifully presented work and wonderful manners	
		Kaleb Welch	For his diligent approach to his school work	
	Murphy	Gabriel Aboud	for his beautiful neat work and improved reading skills	
		Jake Jones	For his cheerful bubbly nature and trying hard in all tasks	
	Oosthuis	Keegan Boucher	For trying hard to form his letters correctly and write neatly	
		James Hughes	For always giving of his best and for his wonderful neat work	
	GRADE 3	Veerasamy	James Sinclair	For his sense of fun and diligent approach to all tasks
			Thomas Aylward	For his improved work presentation and his keen interest in books
Marklew		Muhammad Essack	For his diligent approach to school	
		Levi Thom	For his good maths and for trying hard to do his best work	
Martin		Muhammad Sa'ad Abdul	For his enthusiasm in Afrikaans lessons	
		Shivay Soodyall	For his excellent story writing	
Vawda		Connor Staude	For his positive attitude towards his work	
		Matthew Mottram	For his lovely expressive reading	

Junior Primary Paper Recycling Challenge

Recyclers of the Week

1st Grade 2 Oosthuis (9m 30cm)

2nd Grade 3 Veerasamy (6m 00cm)

SPORTS NEWS

CRICKET RESULTS AS SUPPLIED BY THE SPORTS DEPARTMENT

DPHS 8th vs Northlands 3rd	DPHS 52 for 6 Northlands 53 for 0	Cody Downham 20
DPHS lost by 10 wickets		

DPHS U10F vs Northlands U10B	DPHS 51 for 8 Northlands 52 for 2	
DPHS lost by 8 wickets		

DPHS Headmaster's 2017 List of Top 10 Batting and Bowling Performances as at 6 March 2017.

BATTING				
	Score	Name	Team	Opposition
1	110 n.o	Luke Wessels	U9D	Clifton
2	102	Matthew Bergset	1st	St Stithians
3	96 n.o	Tristan Uys	10A	St Peters
4	86 n.o	Michael Thornton	3rd	Merchiston
5	86	Jarred Kitto	11A	Glenwood Prep
6	82 n.o	Shiraz Perumal	U9A	Highbury
7	78	Matthew Bergset	1st	Westville SP
8	73	Thomas Taylor	10A	Westville SP
9	72	Qaeed Shaik	9A	Clifton
10	62	Ziyaad Moolla	2nd	Virginia
BOWLING				
	Score	Name	Team	Opposition
1	6 wkts for 9	Travis Hewitt*	10B	Glenwood Prep
2	5 wkts for 3	Noah Jackson	11A	Virginia
3	5 wkts for 5	Lucas McIntosh	2nd	Glenwood Prep
4	5 wkts for 6	Euan van Jaarsveld	9D	Highbury
5	5 wkts for 29	Zaid Timol	10B	Highbury
6	4 wkts for 3	Luke Davidson	11A	Merchiston
7	4 wkts for 5	Joshua Heath	1st	Clifton
8	4 wkts for 7	Scott McKay	5th	Clifton
9	4 wkts for 8	Oliver da Costa	11A	Virginia
10	4 wkts for 9	Harvey Millard	2nd	St Stithians

* Denotes including hat-trick

DPHS ASSOCIATION

Director: Richard Neave - rneave@dphs.co.za

THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS

Please join the Headmaster and existing DPHSA members as we congratulate and thank each of the new members of the DPHSA for 2017. The list of new members keeps growing by the day. The DPHSA is the universal and timeless family of DPHS supporters who with each passing day keep growing the proud DPHS legacy and heritage.

The first DPHSA Newsletter of 2017 will be published soon and will include the full list of DPHSA members.

DPHSA members who have joined since the start of the 2017 school year are: Tony Wilmans, Don Speirs'65, Michael Speirs'94, Chris Seabrooke'65, Francois van der Merwe, Rob Wilson, Kevin Peterson, Larry Southwood, Luke Robertson'16, Imraan Mahomed, Leon Perumal, Alistair Hamilton, Ross Butcher, Ayob Seedat, Charlie Yarrow'22, Cody Downham'17,

Jordy Downham'17, Alan Dryburgh'62, Jason Doig, Ethan Boast'17, Gareth Pearson, Liam Stokes'17, Vernon Stokes'70, Christopher Turner'10, James Turner'13, Sudarshan Naidoo, Mick Winn'43, Zakariya Bhabha'20, Matthew Campbell'17, Jackie Naude, Sean Woodcock'00, Gregory Woodcock'02, Liz Woodcock, Colin Woodcock'71, Ebrahim Badat, Kyungsoo Kim'24, Mitcham Wilmans, Jonty Brown'16, Muhammad Kadwa, Stephen Pohl'61, Mohamed Limalia, Ian Wedderburn'70, Matthew Wedderburn'22, Lee Van Wyk, Greg Reilly, Kerry Maskell.

This is a supreme example of.....PREP-FOLK IN STEP ALL THE WAY!

The names of DPHS Old Boys and current pupils are indicated by their year of leaving DPHS: i.e. Barry Wilson'72

WATER POLO FESTIVAL AT GREY JUNIOR IN PE.

I am happy to report that the DPHSA will be well represented at the Water Polo Festival in PE this weekend by our School Water Polo coaches Shaun Ferreira and Gareth May along with Headmaster, Barry Wilson. Both Shaun Ferreira and Barry Wilson are avid members of the DPHSA and there are a good number of touring DPHS parents who will be sporting the DPHSA Cap. The DPHSA extends good wishes to the School 1st Team Water Polo Captain, James Ribbink, the DPHS team, coaches, Headmaster and touring party for a happy and successful tour.

GENERAL

REMINDER

Please return Camp-Out Forms to the Front Office with completed envelopes.

2017 TERM DATES

(Dates for learners are as listed below. Staff returned to school on 09 January 2017 and will finish the year on 08 December 2017)

2017 TERM DATES as supplied by Naptosa

TERM 1: 11 January - 31 March

TERM 2: 18 April - 30 June

TERM 3: 24 July - 29 September

TERM 4: 09 October - 06 December

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