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DPHS NEWS AND RESULTS

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MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF THE HEADMASTER

Please take note Prep - the days are rapidly passing by, leaving a total of 26 actual school days left to experience for this second term. This is the second to last newsletter for the month of May with June knocking loudly on the calendar door.

Staff News

You will re-call my sharing with you, fairly recently, of the news that Mr Steve Yelseth has resigned to take up a position to teach in Abu Dhabi. This had been a long term plan for the Yelseth family and this opportunity has now turned into a reality. This also meant that Mr Yelseth would be required to start his teaching career overseas from mid-year, to comply with their teaching term and the beginning of a new academic year. The current position of class educator here would thus need to be filled with the most suitable candidate. I also shared with you that DPHS would ensure with immediate effect that finding this new staff member would receive our very best attention. Numerous school management meetings were held to study the needs and requirements of DPHS for the position and to ensure that we secured the services of another most valuable staff member into our school. The management team voted in favour of this certain candidate and thus set up an interview for the person to meet myself, Mr Phipson (Deputy) and Mrs Armstrong (Grade 6 leader). Once again all three staff members were thoroughly impressed with the credentials, expertise and loyal service for Prep to gain that could clearly be identified throughout the interview. This was reported back to the management team who again supported this ‘first choice’ to be offered the teaching position from the start of term three.

I have announced the candidate to the Chairman of the Board and the Prep Staff and would now like to formally introduce our successful applicant namely, Miss Paige Challis-Chandler

who is currently employed as a grade leader at Northlands Primary. Please note that I was totally unaware of Miss Challis-Chandler's intention to apply but I was extremely delighted to have received her CV, as I have had first-hand experience of the quality input and dedicated service that this young lady has shown in the classroom, in the extra mural activities and as a committed staff member, having previously served with her on the Northlands Staff.

Miss Challis-Chandler, also known as Miss C to many, is extremely excited to have been given this position and had no hesitation in signing her contract of employment at DPHS. She will now be meeting with Mr Yelseth and the Grade 6 team so that she can be well equipped and prepared to take over the reins next term, so that the smoothest transition takes place for the learners and the general school functionality.

I again express, on behalf of our school, our most genuine and warmest appreciation to Mr Yelseth for his professional and loyal commitment clearly noted throughout his 3½ years on the DPHS staff. We also wish the entire Yelseth family well as they venture into these new and unknown challenges that lie ahead overseas. May the desired outcomes and rewards be blessed upon you. I also acknowledge how grateful we are that Mr Yelseth was upfront and transparent with his intentions from the outset and appreciate that he informed me immediately of his appointment overseas, to enable DPHS time to find the most suitable replacement.

We raise the Prep cap in thanking Mr Yelseth and welcoming Miss Challis-Chandler.

Social Media Presentation

Thank you to the many parents and boys who expressed their appreciation for organising and hosting Emma Sadleir last week. Her presentation to the Senior Primary boys in the morning, followed by the more adult talk to parents in the evening clearly emphasized how aware and observant one must be with the social media and the legal consequences that can follow for any inappropriate use of this platform. Many case studies and examples were shared which were quite alarming for those who may use this media in a casual manner not really understanding the serious implications and 'come-back' that could follow. I personally highlight again to the entire Prep community to please be consciously aware, at all times, of 'how' and 'what' is expressed, especially as a member of the Prep family. Please be hands-on and observant of your own son/child's 'social media' inter-action and usage, so that his/her welfare, as well as that of others can be clearly protected on a daily basis.

I also thank Emma Sadler for the manner in which she so professionally and carefully presented this topic so that all in attendance could be respected but most importantly learn from her expertise on this subject and the serious reality that we are faced with in this modern world of today. The vote of thanks is also extended to Mrs Caroline McCarthy for securing this legal expert to present at DPHS, especially after the initial dates set down had to be altered to fit in with Emma's busy work schedule. Thank you again to all Prep partners of staff, learners and parents for your support and attendance at these presentations.

Prep News

Thank you to Mrs van Jaarsveld and the Mothers Committee for arranging today's 'Prep Pizza Day' for all phases and 'partners' to enjoy. Another most successful event steered by this Committee.

Well done Mrs Muthusamy (Media Centre) who organised the professional company to present their "Hooked on Books" show to the JP and SP audiences tomorrow. This show always highlights the values and learning experiences one gains from reading on a regular basis through the role play and dramatization of the set books chosen to share.

Congratulations Prep - we did it! I have recently received the total amount raised by our school in support of the 'Feed the Babies' charity drive. I lay down the challenge for our school to better previous year's efforts and to reach a target of plus thirty thousand rand. It

is with a 'Proudly Prep' heart that I acknowledge the school community for raising the confirmed amount of R30 227,80. Thank you for caring for the babies Prep!

Well done to the U10 rugby touring party who travelled to Gauteng last weekend on the annual rugby tour. All three DPHS teams maintained a high standard of play noted during each game but excelled with their behaviour and conduct off the field in the host's homes and public areas where many compliments were expressed.

Thank you to the Deputy Principal, respective staff and coaches, parents and players for your constant care and attention given to these "young Prep men" throughout the tour. Congratulations to all teams especially the U10A and U10B players who returned home unbeaten and to the U10C who improved so greatly during each game played. A successful tour!

It was heart-warming to witness the staff and boys throughout the main school representing their class for each class photo. Our staff and boys looked extremely smart and proud for their respective class and personal individual photographs. Please order the above photographs as you, as a family, will cherish these memories when one is much older. Thank you to Mrs McCarthy, Staff and boys for co-ordinating the photograph programme for 2017.

A very proud Headmaster here who needs to highlight and loudly congratulate each of our Prep rugby players in their team efforts and results against Clifton on Monday. A total of 11 games were played that day with Prep winning all 11 games with a school total of 444 points scored for and only 25 points scored against Prep in total. May this excellent school TAONGA effort continue in the forthcoming fixtures this weekend against Northlands and Highbury.

Congratulations to the following Prep partners listed below on their recent selections namely.

Staff

Mr Dick	Sharks Primary A Team Rugby Coach - Craven Week
Mr Jali	Sharks Primary A Team Rugby Assistant Coach - Craven Week
Mr Shabalala	Sharks Primary Schools U12 Rugby selector
Mr Goodwin	KZN U13 Hockey KZN Hockey Selector
Mr Ferreira	KZN U13 Water Polo Manager
Mr May	KZN U14 Water Polo Manager

Boys - Rugby

Sharks Primary U13 A Team: **Bayanda Luthuli**

Sharks Primary U13B Team: **Kyle Wilken, Matthew Campbell, Jonathan Horak, Joshua Howse, Ntuthuko Zulu, Matthew Bergset, Sphakanyiswa Zulu**

Sharks Primary U12 A Team: **Christopher Horak, Matthew Stewart, James Francke, Chad Croshaw**

Sharks Primary U12 B Team: **Jack Hampson, David Pohl**

Congratulations to **Alex Wesselink** and **Bryce Woolf** on their selection to the KZN U12 Invitational Ice Hockey Team and to **Adam Wesselink** who is under 13 but made the KZN U14 Ice Hockey Team.

REMEMBER: PREP BOYS

Don't	Do
Play around on Social Media	Use Social Media correctly at all times
Disrespect the value of reading	Enjoy Hooked on Books presentation to highlight the importance of reading
Selfishly only provide for themselves	Care about providing for other children/babies in desperate need
Weaken at any stage during the inter-school fixtures	Get 'stronger' in their efforts as their games go on for 'longer'
Forget their manners	Express and show their best behaviour at all times

MR PREP

Junior Primary - Lulo Mazwi - Grade 2 May

Senior Primary - Ross Taylor - Grade 7 Davis

Headmaster's Quote for the Week

"Poor eyes limit your sight, poor vision limits your deeds"

"Yours in Prep"

MR B WILSON

Headmaster



The DPHS Sharks Primary Schools Representatives who will attend Bondedag in Bloemfontein this weekend

CONGRATULATIONS

TOP ARTISTS OF THE WEEK

Grade 7 Top Artist: **Luke Wilson and Uzayr Sarkhot**

Grade 6 Top Artist: **Armaan Manilall**

Grade 5 Top Artist: **Kristian Bunyan**

Grade 4 Top Artist: **Zakariya Bhabha and Tushar Bhikha**

Grade 3 Top Artist: **Jarrold Frost**

The following boys made the final round of KZN U13 Soccer Trials

Colm Reardon, Declan Dreyer and Luca Coetzer

CALENDAR

Wednesday 24 May	Mothers Committee - Junior Primary Pizza Day Mothers Committee - Senior Primary Pizza Day	09h30 11h50
Thursday 25 May	Junior Primary Hooked on Books Senior Primary Hooked on Books	08h00 10h00
Friday 26 May	KZN Hockey Trials Open Assembly Grade 4 Johnston Staff Meeting Mini Rugby	07h30 09h50 18h00
Saturday 27 May	Highbury (A) Sharks vs Stormers (H)	
Sunday 28 May		
Monday 29 May	League Tennis Matches	14h00
Tuesday 30 May	Rugby vs Highbury Junior Tennis Championships Governing Body Meeting	14h00 14h00 17h30
Wednesday 31 May	End of Speech and Drama Festival Mothers Committee Meeting Rugby vs Northlands (A) Music Progress Concert- Maurice Wilkinson Hall	07h30 14h00 18h00

RECEPTION UNIT NEWS

Last week was a special 'baby' week for the Reception Unit. On Wednesday, Justine Theunissen (known to many boys as 'Miss Smit') gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, named Sophie. Congratulations to Justine and Chris as they begin this wonderful new chapter in their lives. On Friday afternoon, Sharm, Gawie and Maya Malherbe welcomed little one year old Lula into their home and we know that she is already a special part of their family. We can't wait to meet these two 'little people' once they have had time to settle in at home.

The Grade R boys were invited to watch the dress rehearsal for Grade 4 Johnston's class assembly today, which is always a great experience for the boys. This Thursday they can also look forward to a brilliant performance by "Hooked on Books", a Johannesburg based theatrical company.

A friendly reminder that our Sponsored Winter Walk will take place on Friday 9th June, during the school morning. A letter regarding this event has been sent home together with a sponsorship form for each boy. Please can these forms be returned by Monday 29th May.

JUNIOR PRIMARY NEWS

A special word of welcome, or rather "Welcome Back", is extended to Linda Horning who has happily agreed to fill in the locum tenens position in Grade 3 and will therefore be teaching in Kate Martin's place while Mrs Martin is on accouchement leave. As most are well aware, Mrs

Horning was a longstanding member of the Prep staff until her recent retirement and we are thrilled that someone who is so loyal to Prep and has a wealth of teaching experience, including Remedial teaching, behind her will be taking on this crucial role. She and Mrs Martin have liaised closely and we are confident that the boys will enjoy a smooth transition. Thank you to all parents for prioritizing their appointment with their son's class teacher last week during the Parents' Week. The class teachers see these meetings as an essential opportunity to discuss the boys' wellbeing and progress and a crucial element in assisting the boys to enjoy their school programme and achieve their potential. I trust that the parents also found this interview time to be of great value.

The class and individual photographs were taken on Tuesday and the boys are commended on their smart appearance and clear pride in their uniform. These photographs form an important part of the official records for 2017.

The enthusiasm and successes of the Rugby season continue unabated. The U9 teams are congratulated on their play and results against old rivals Clifton and are wished well for their fixtures this weekend, as are the Mini-Rugby players who are looking forward to another Friday evening session at the end of this week.

MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to this week's recipients

WEEKLY MERIT AWARD "WELL DONE" 😊			
CLASS		NAME	REASON
GRADE 1	Langley	David Turner	For his impressive work skills and delightful nature
		Sibongakonke Mnyandu	For his beautiful writing and excellent behaviour
	Everitt	Michael Spooner	For his outstanding work skills
		Zaydaan Cajee	For his outstanding work skills
	Greensill	Adam Ash	For always giving of his best
		Reyan Nunan	For his diligent approach to all tasks
	Twaddle	Dean Miller	For his good maths work
		Muhammad Hamzah Wahab	For his good maths work
GRADE 2	May	Muhammad Akoo	For his diligent approach to his work
		Sahal Amod	For his beautifully presented work
	Bush	Luke Fayers	For his improved reading skills
		Yusuf Motala	For his diligent approach and attention to detail in all subjects
	Murphy	Leo Brown	For his diligent approach to his work
		Matthew Roberts	For his kind heart and cheerful personality
	Oosthuis	Leo Oliva	For his diligent approach to all of his tasks
		Sashin Naidu-Rule	For his diligence and wonderfully creative art
GRADE 3	Veerasamy	Elethu Bam	For his manners and trying hard to improve his work presentation
		Zakhele Ngcobo	For his outstanding artistic ability and good progress in all subjects

	Marklew	Levi Thom	For his diligent approach to his work
		Connor Donaldson	For his good reading skills
	Martin	Ahmed Iqbal Vally	For his improved efforts in all his work
		Liam Wilson	For his beautiful manners and kind nature
	Vawda	Qaeed Shaik	For his diligent approach to all tasks
		Max Cameron	For his positive attitude towards his work

Junior Primary Paper Recycling Challenge

Recyclers of the Week

1st Grade 2 Oosthuis (8m 20cm)

2nd Grade 1 Langley (6m 80cm)

SPORTS NEWS

RESULTS AS SUPPLIED BY THE SPORTS DEPARTMENT

RUGBY

Results: U11 House Matches

1st: Stubbs

2nd: Bullimore

3rd: Haysom

4th: Evans

Results - Trinityhouse Tour

TEAM	RESULTS
DAY 1	
DPHS 10A vs Laerskool President Steyn U10A	W 26 - 5
DPHS 10B vs Laerskool President Steyn U10B	W 26 - 0
DPHS U10C vs Laerskool President Steyn U9A	L 0 - 45
DAY 2	
DPHS U10A vs Trinityhouse U10A	W 12 - 0
DPHS U10B vs Trinityhouse U10B	W 52 - 0
DPHS U10C vs Trinityhouse U9A	L 10 - 20
DAY 3	
DPHS U10A vs Laerskool Fairlands U10A	W 26 - 0
DPHS U10B vs Laerskool Fairlands U10B	W 58 - 0
DPHS U10C vs Trinityhouse U10B	L 10 - 12

Played 9 won 6 lost 3

"TAONGA MEMORY OF THE MATCH" - RUGBY TRINITYHOUSE TOUR			
TEAM	NAME	FIXTURE	MEMORY
U10A	James Pohl	Laerskool President Steyn U10A	For his strong hard running
	Jackson Jeffers	Trinityhouse U10A	For all his huge tackles
	Tristan Uys	Laerskool Fairlands U10A	For controlling the game at fly-half and his leadership
U10B	Tendekayi Moto	Laerskool President Steyn U10B	For his powerful runs and strong carries in his 1st game for the B side

	James Wilson	Trinityhouse U10B	For intelligent play and excellent blind side snipe from halfway to score
	Zasha Zastron	Laerskool Fairlands U10B	For always looking for work and excellent line breaks
U10C	Jaxon Ribbink	Laerskool President Steyn U9A	For his fantastic run and 50m carry of the ball
	Jaxon Ribbink	Trinityhouse U9A	For his hard running on the wing and a try
	Entire Scrum	Trinityhouse	For great 8 man shove to push the opposition off the ball and score

Results - DPHS vs Clifton

DAY/DATE	TEAM	OPPONENTS	SCORE
Monday 22-May	1st	Clifton	W 26-5
	2nd	Clifton	W 34-0
	3rd	Clifton	W 28-0
	4th	Clifton	W 40-0
	5th	Clifton	W 53-0
	11A	Clifton	W 40-5
	11B	Clifton	W 33-0
	9A	Clifton	W 35-0
	9B	Clifton	W 45-5
	9C	Clifton	W 60-10
	9D	Clifton	W 50-0

“TAONGA MEMORY OF THE MATCH” - RUGBY

TEAM	NAME	FIXTURE	MEMORY
1st	Joshua Howse	DPHS vs Clifton	For a charging run at opposition with fierce determination
2nd	Luke Rothman	DPHS vs Clifton	For his excellent finishing! Two strong ties
3rd	Samuel Berchowitz	DPHS vs Clifton	For his outstanding defence
4th	Keenan McLeod	DPHS vs Clifton	For great breaks during the match
5th	Nikhil Prakashchandra	DPHS vs Clifton	For his outstanding ball carrying and game
U11A	Daniel Sweeney	DPHS vs Clifton	For his rampaging runs on attack
U11B	Jared Casimiro	DPHS vs Clifton	For his good attacking play
9A	Nicholas Heron	DPHS vs Clifton	For very strong ball carrying throughout
9B	Qaeed Shaik	DPHS vs Clifton	For his 3 brilliant tries
9C	Jake McDonald	DPHS vs Clifton	For his break on the touchline from kick-off
9D	Euan van Jaarsveld	DPHS vs Clifton	For being excellent on defence and ferocious on attack

FIXTURES

DAY/DATE	TEAM	OPPONENTS	TIME	VENUE
Friday 26-May	9C	Northlands Festival	16h00 to 19h00	Northlands
	9D	Northlands Festival	16h00 to 19h00	Northlands
Saturday 27-May	2nd	Highbury 2nd	10h10	Harris 1
	6th	Highbury 3rd	09h20	Harris 1
	7th	Highbury 4th	08h30	Harris 1
	11A	Highbury 11A	09h20	Harris 2
	11C	Highbury 11B	08h30	Harris 2
	9A	Highbury 9A	10h30	Pennington
	9B	Highbury 9B	09h50	Pennington
	9E	Highbury 9C	09h10	Pennington
	9F	Highbury 9D	08h30	Pennington

TENNIS

Results

15 May		
DPHS vs Ashton A (rain)		
DPHS vs Northlands A (rain)		
DPHS vs Eden A (rain)		
22 May		
Team	Won	Lost
DPHS A vs Mayville A	22 - 20	
DPHS vs Clifton A (cancelled)		
DPHS D vs Chelsea A		19 - 34

"TAONGA MEMORY OF THE MATCH" - TENNIS			
DPHS A	Joshua Heath	Mayville A	Consistent thinking and clever placement of the ball
DPHS D	Jonathan Le Roux	Chelsea A	A barrage of volleys at the net

DPHS EDUCATIONAL TRUST PHOTONOTE GOLF DAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2017

The DPHS Educational Trust will be holding their Annual Golf Day, at Royal Durban Golf Club on Friday 15 September 2017. Should you or your company be able to participate by sponsoring a tee or green; entering a four ball or donating prizes please contact Mia Venter (Golf Day Convenor) at donmia@mweb.co.za or Liz Elliott (DPHS Educational Trust) at trust@dphs.co.za or 031-3122154.

DPHS ASSOCIATION

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DPHS OLD BOY DIES A HERO

DPHS Old Boy, Lorenzo Rodrigues'04, joined the French Foreign Legion two years ago.

During a rafting exercise the vessel they were on capsized. Lorenzo bravely went about saving the lives of his fellow Legionnaires. After heroically saving the lives of eight soldiers he tragically drowned whilst returning to save one more life.

He will receive a Military Funeral this week in Marseilles.

Our deepest sympathy goes to his mother Elaine Rodrigues, his wife Fiona and two month old daughter Leia and their family and friends.

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