



## *Prep Patter* our news bulletin

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## DPHS NEWS AND RESULTS

### BULLETIN 13: WEDNESDAY 18 APRIL 2018

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### MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF THE HEADMASTER

“Double 4 = 44” which is the number of school days left for the second term. Before we realise it the 4th month of this year will have passed and the month of May will have arrived. I also draw to your attention that school actually closes next week on Thursday 26 April for the long weekend of Public Holidays with school re-opening on Wednesday 2 May.

Reminder: Friday 27 April - Public Holiday - Freedom Day  
 Monday 30 April - School Holiday  
 Tuesday 1 May - Workers Day

### CLASS ASSEMBLIES

These assemblies will again be presented by the respective classes set down for this term as indicated on the Year Planner.

We now look forward to our first presentation of the second term this Friday by Grade 6 Hammond. I call on all families of the respective classes to please make the necessary effort to attend these assemblies as the boys and staff do really appreciate your support.

These are the Assemblies for this term as laid down in the year planner.

### DATE

April	20	Grade 6 Hammond
May	4	Grade 6 Armstrong
	11	DPHS Mothers’ Day Assembly presented by Grade 4 Fletcher and Johnston
	18	Grade 5 Thatcher

June	1	Grade 7 Davis
	8	Fathers' Day Assembly presented by Grade 1
	21	Academics Assembly
	22	Final Day Assembly - Term 2 end

#### **PREP WISHES - ARE EXTENDED TO:**

The rugby teams playing in fixtures here at Prep this Friday against Pelham and Port Natal.

The boys representing their Junior/Senior teams in the Inter-house Tennis fixtures at Westridge Stadium this Saturday 21 April.

Mrs Smith (Director-Tennis)/coaches, staff, parents and boys selected for our junior tennis teams who travel to participate in the Tennis Tournament in Bethlehem starting on Tuesday next week.

The 1st XV Rugby Squad - (Mr Dick Director-Sport)/coaches/staff, parents and boys representing our school in the Trinityhouse Rugby Festival in Gauteng from Thursday 3 - Saturday 5 May

Mrs van Jaarsveld Chairlady and the Mothers' Committee in their planning and preparations for the DPHS Camp Out on Saturday 5 May. We look forward to our biggest attendance of boys and their families attending this event.

The staff, their classes and the individual boys who are preparing for their choral verse and individual items that will be presented during our Speech and Drama Festival that starts on Monday 7 May.

The staff and families in the Senior Primary phase who will be involved in the Teacher-Parent Interview Week relating to the child's academic/general progress in the classroom.

Our Prep boys who will be selected to participate in the trials held for the various sporting codes that will be held in the near future

Mrs Mary Goosen (Grade R teacher) who will be travelling overseas at the end of the next week to attend her daughters University Graduation Ceremony.

Mrs Lyn Neave (Director-Tuckshop) and Mr Faez Jaffar who have both recently undergone operations, which have been successful and are off school in a recovery period.

Mr Gilbert Edouard-Betsy (Director - Grounds/Buildings) who also underwent a recent operation and is back at school making steady progress.

The Sharks for their coming fixture against the Stormers at home this coming Saturday - make it happen Sharks.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

The 1st XV rugby team/coaches in their recent win on Saturday in beating Glenwood Prep 1st XV by 22-19 at the Glenwood Prep Rugby Festival.

The 3rd XV squad/coaches who came third in their pool against other schools 1st teams at the Northlands Festival held last Friday.

The 1st team tennis team/coaches in beating Highbury 1st team by 44/19 in the fixture played on Monday.

All the boys who have achieved in their club/individual efforts outside of the school programme that we have the pleasure in acknowledging at our school assemblies

Our grade 2 staff member, Mrs Lydia Bush who recently won 2 gold medals in the 100m and 200m sprint races for her specific age group at the KZN Provincial Championships. Well done Mrs Bush!

#### **THANK YOU TO:**

Our parents who pay their school fees timeously.

Our families who ensure that their child is at school on time and collected punctually at the end of their school day and activities.

Those parents who have labelled their son/s clothing items.

The boys/families who do not have to be reminded about having our standard DPHS haircut.

The Prep partners of staff, boys, parents and visitors who constantly focus on keeping our school clean and those who do not litter.

Read the Prep Patter, letters sent home by staff/coaches, assist the school with matters relating to transporting of boys, supporting school events and hosting visiting players.

Those many boys who constantly remember their manners and display a positive attitude during the academic day and extra mural programme.

### **REMEMBER PREP BOYS**

<b><u>DON'T</u></b>	<b><u>DO</u></b>
Let their parents forget their Class Assembly.	Insist that their parents attend the Class Assembly.
Misbehave on any tour/excursion.	Set the highest standards of general behaviour whilst on tour/excursion.
Leave Camp Out arrangements until the last minute.	Plan/reply positively to Prep Camp out well in advance.
Allow their parents to miss their parent interviews with the teachers.	Request feedback from their parents regarding information shared at the teacher/parent interviews.
Litter!	Assist with keeping their classroom and school facilities spotless!

### **MR PREP - CONGRATULATIONS**

Junior Primary - Aiden Sacks - Grade 1 Greensill

Senior Primary - Anotha Mthethwa - Grade 5 Thatcher

### **HEADMASTER'S QUOTE FOR THE WEEK**

“The great thing in this world is not so much where you stand,  
but rather in what direction you are moving”

**B WILSON**  
Headmaster

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## **CONGRATULATIONS**

A reminder to send us your news and achievements to [cmccarthy@dphs.co.za](mailto:cmccarthy@dphs.co.za) for inclusion in the Prep Patter

### **TOP ARTISTS OF THE WEEK**

Grade 3: Ben Hughes, Michael Jansen

Grade 4: Zakhele Ngcobo, Yarav Rajcomar

Grade 5: Travis Hewitt, Menzokuhle Dlamini

Grade 6: Blake Kruger, Jake Jansen

Grade 7: Ahmed Limalia, Travis Gould

Mitchel Garreau obtained the following results at SA Nipper National Surf Lifesaving Championships in PE. He won overall Competitor U11.

1st: Run swim run

3rd: Mali Board Race, Flags and Beach Sprint

4th: Surf Swim

Zane Van Der Nest was awarded a medal from SA Lifesaving for his participation in the U9 arena at all the carnivals and KZN champs. He came 7th overall and won bronze in beach flags came 5th in sprints and 6th in the long beach run. He also competed in his first SA Champs U9 division in PE and obtained the following results and made the semi-final for beach sprints. Run swim run (11th), surf swim (15th)

Picasso David Pons came 1st in the U11 Mudman triathlon in Richmond on Sunday. (2 km canoe, 10 km cycle, 2 km trail run)

## CALENDAR

Wednesday 18 April	Hearing Screening	
Thursday 19 April	Hearing Screening Reception Unit Parent's Art Activity Evening	18h00
Friday 20 April	Hearing Screening "Feed the Babies Fund" Presentation at Assembly Grade 6 Hammond Assembly Rugby vs Pelham (H)	07h30 07h30 14h00
Saturday 21 April	Junior/Senior Tennis House Matches Mini Rugby Sharks vs Stormers	08h00 08h00 17h00
Sunday 22 April		
Monday 23 April	Junior Primary "Dog Bite" Prevention Education Programme M/W Hall Boys Durban Central U12 and U13 Hockey Trials Senior League Matches	08h30 14h00 14h00
Tuesday 24 April	Bethlehem Tennis Tour - U10 Staff Meeting	09h30
Wednesday 25 April	Bethlehem Tennis Tour - U10 Rugby vs Clifton (H)	14h00

## RECEPTION UNIT NEWS

The boys enjoyed their first morning *Garvz* sessions yesterday. There was much excitement as they broke away into smaller groups to work with their allocated coaches. As mentioned in our March newsletter, these balls skills sessions replace swimming lessons during the first and fourth terms.

We hope that you have all remembered the *Reception Unit Parents' Activity Evening* this Thursday 19 April, starting at 18h00 and ending by 20h00. A letter was sent out last week explaining this event in greater detail. The boys are always so curious to see what creations their parents have made and the excitement in the locker rooms the following morning is infectious! Parking will be available on the main campus lower field, entrance via the tuckshop gate and we do urge you to use this facility. Please can we remind all *Blue Group parents* to bring a plate of *savoury eats* for this function. As requested, if you are unable to attend, please make something for your son in advance and hand it over to his teacher so that she can place it in his locker for his arrival the next morning. Please feel free to chat to us if you have any queries. We look forward to seeing you on the night!

Please remember to send your son to school dressed as *a favourite book character* on Monday 23 April. A letter regarding this fun morning has been sent home.

## JUNIOR PRIMARY NEWS

Hearing screening has begun this week and we are most grateful to Heidi Allan and her Speech and Language therapists for conducting this. Regular check-ups of this nature are a vital part of supporting the boys' progress and parents will be given the feedback as soon as the results are available.

The JP Quad has had an upgrade in the form of new grass being laid and we are looking forward to this thick green "carpet" taking root and enhancing this lovely space.

Now that the Swimming season is over, the Physical Education lessons have begun. The Grade Three programme caters for two groups, namely those boys participating in U9 Rugby and those who follow a more general skills based programme. Lessons for the Grade One and Two boys aim to develop crucial areas such as postural control, spatial orientation, sequencing and planning, balance, bilateral integration and fitness, amongst others. Under the guidance of Mr Fischer and Mr Tshabalala, activities will provide variety and a fun element and will utilize the jungle gym, obstacle courses and a range of other appropriate apparatus.

The Mini-Rugby programme got off to a vibrant start on Saturday morning when about 160 excited Grade One and Two boys enjoyed skills development activities, supported by the Sports Department staff as well as the large number of dads who have so generously committed to coach their son's team for the season. The U9 rugby players enjoyed the challenge of the House matches on Friday afternoon. Congratulations to these boys for their House spirit and special congratulations go to the winning House (see results in Sports section below).

## MERIT AWARDS 🏆

Congratulations to this week's recipients

WEEKLY MERIT AWARD "WELL DONE" 😊				
CLASS		NAME	REASON	
GRADE 1	Langley	Takunda Dembaremba	For trying hard in all that he endeavours	
		Elihle Ngidi	For his huge effort in presenting his work	
	Greensill	Mohammed Bhamjee	For his excellent word recognition skills	
		Zain Kadwa	For his much improved task presentation	
	May	Robbie Jones	For his very good maths skills	
		Yusuf Moola	For his diligent approach to his tasks	
	Twaddle	Yusuf Jassat	For his pleasing word recognition skills	
		Roman Linderboom	For his kind nature and lovely manners	
	GRADE 2	Everitt	Ziyaad Dadoo	For his great start to the new term
			Lachlan Dow	For his great start to the new term
Bush		Hiran Naidoo	For his positive start to the new term	
		Kieran Jestin	For his positive contribution to group and class discussions	
Martin		Adam Ash	For his expressive reading	
		Kyle Bayliss-Lane	For his enthusiasm while reading	
Murphy		Mihir Bhikha	For his beautiful work presentation	
		Phoenix Butt	For always giving of his best	
GRADE 3	Veerasley	Luke Tedder	For his enthusiastic start to the term and lovely smile	
		Griffon Le Meme	For his smile and positive attitude for learning	

	<b>Logan</b>	Sulaimaan Jadwat	For a great start to the term and his lovely manners
		Aloeio Theophilus	For his enthusiasm for each day
	<b>Marklew</b>	Saaif Gangat	For trying hard to do correctly formed writing
		Zane van der Nest	For his good maths skills
	<b>Vawda</b>	Muhammad-Zaahid Shaik	For trying hard to improve his handwriting
		Jake Jones	For his cheerful nature and his enthusiasm in the classroom

### Junior Primary Paper Recycling Challenge

#### Recyclers of the Week

1st Grade Grade 2 Martin (5m 90cm)

2nd Grade 1 May (5m 20cm)

## SPORTS NEWS

### Rugby Results

RUGBY RESULTS FOR WEEK 1 OF TERM 2				
DATE/ DAY	TEAM	OPPONENTS	VENUE	TIME
11-Apr-18 Wed	2nd	Shrewsbury (UK)	DPHS (Smith)	W 33-7
12-Apr-18 Thurs	1st	Grey (Bloem)	Glenwood Prep Festival	L 73-0
	2nd	Grey (Bloem)	Glenwood Prep Festival	L 24-14
13-Apr-18 Fri	1st	Lynwood (Pretoria)	Glenwood Prep Festival	W 49-25
	3rd	Northalnds Festival	Northlands	P7 W2 D3 L2
	U11	House Matches	1st-Evans,2nd-Haysom,3rd-Bullimore,4th-Stubbs	
	U10	House Matches	1st-Stubbs,2nd-Haysom,3rd-Bulimore & Evans	
	U9	House Matches	1st-Stubbs,2nd-Bullimore,3rd-Evans,4th-Haysom	
14-Apr Sat	1st	Glenwood Prep	Glenwood Prep Festival	W 22-19

RUGBY FIXTURES WEEK 2 OF TERM 2				
DATE DAY	TEAM	OPPONENTS	VENUE	TIME
20-Apr-18 Fri	2nd	Pelham 2nds	DPHS (Smith)	17h15
	3rd	Pelham 12A	DPHS (Smith)	15h45
	4th	Port Natal 1st	DPHS (Smith)	15h00
	5th	Pelham 4th	DPHS (Smith)	14h15
	11A	Pelham 11A	DPHS (Smith)	16h30
	11B	Port Natal 11A	DPHS (Walshaw)	15h45
	11C	Pelham 11B	DPHS (Walshaw)	16h30

	10A	Pelham 10A	DPHS (Walshaw)	17h15
	10B (10 man)	Port Natal 10A	DPHS (Walshaw)	15h00
	10C	Pelham 10B	DPHS (Walshaw)	14h15

## TENNIS

### League Results - Monday 16 April 2018

DPHS A beat Highbury A 44 - 19

## DPHS ASSOCIATION

Director: Richard Neave - [rneave@dphs.co.za](mailto:rneave@dphs.co.za)

### WELCOME

A warm welcome to the DPHS family to two new members of the DPHS Staff, Shaun Carroll and Chad Fisher. Good wishes to them from the DPHSA for a long, rewarding and happy career at DPHS.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to DPHS Old Boy Greg McKay '10 who has been selected to represent SA at the World University Golf Championships taking place in the Phillipines next month.

## GENERAL

### 2018 TERM DATES

(Learners will return to school on 17 January 2018 and school will end for the year on 12 December 2018)

TERM 1: 17 January - 28 March

TERM 2: 10 April - 22 June

TERM 3: 17 July - 28 September

TERM 4: 09 October - 12 December

## NEWS FROM DHS

Supplied by Barry Coskey

Another fantastic result for the 1st Rugby Team this weekend with an awesome 50-27 win over Northwood.

This weekend we host Michaelhouse with the 1st team kicking off at 14h40.

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