



ST ANDREW'S PREPARATORY
SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

Our cricketers made a solid start to their season with some pleasing results from Saturday's fixtures. It is, however, still early days and I have no doubt that many other boys will have opportunity to shine in due course - particularly given the large number of fixtures we have set up this term.

Not to be outdone, those participating in the Albany Tennis Championships have done very well, as well as with a number of our boys making it through to the final rounds to be played next weekend.

Our swimmers will have opportunity to flex their muscles this Thursday afternoon at the Short Course Gala to be held at Kingswood.

Also last week, the Grade 7s were put through their paces at Hobbiton, where they enjoyed an extremely worthwhile Outdoor Education trip. Not only was the excursion physically demanding, but it also took the boys through various aspects relating to team work. The Grade 5s are away this week on their Outdoor Ed experience, whilst the Grade 6 and 4 groups are due to go later this term.

Parents' AGM & Class Visits

Please note that the Parents' AGM takes place next week on Thursday, 10 February. The evening commences with class visits starting at 18h00. This is an opportunity for parents to meet with your child's class teacher, followed by the Annual General Meeting at 19h00 in Memory Hall. Thereafter we will elect the incoming Parent Committees for the coming year in the various departments, followed by tea and coffee. I would like to appeal to as many local parents as possible to attend this evening.

Have a good week.

Graham

Quote for the Week:

"Life is like riding a bike. It's impossible to maintain your balance while standing still." Linda Brakeall

Junior Prep News

It is our AGM next week on Thursday evening. Please try and attend this meeting. At 18h00 class visits are scheduled where class teachers will address their group of parents. After this we all move up to Memory Hall for a combined AGM at 19h00. A letter with more details will be sent home soon. Our birthday celebration went off well. Great fun was had by all and the Preppies looked great in their fancy-dress costumes!

Remember CAPS/HATS and WATER-BOTTLES for sport in the afternoons.

Pre-Primary News

The daily programme is now in full swing, and children have settled happily into the many different activities which we offer. From puzzles to music lessons, to baking and creative activities and stories, numeracy games and fantasy, every day brings something different. If your little ones are tired when they get home, it's because they've been exceptionally busy all morning!

Thank goodness for moms and dads filling snack boxes with such delicious and healthy goodies to keep small bodies full of energy and enthusiasm. We've seen: whole-wheat sandwiches and Provita with interesting fillings; watermelon pieces, cut-up pineapple, guava roll, raisins, grapes, yoghurts and lots of other mouth-watering things.

Please note that newsletters are mailed to everyone who has an email address. If you would like your newsletters in hard copy, please let your child's teacher know. From now on we will only send newsletters to those who specifically request it.

Birthday Books

Children are invited to donate a book to the school Library on their respective birthdays. Mrs Karen Hobson has a selection of books to assist in this regard – all suitable for children at this level. The amount can be debited to your child's account. Should you wish to donate a book, kindly email Karen at k.hobson@saprepschool.com. Please support this worthwhile exercise.

DATES TO DIARISE

Sunday 6 Feb	Family Service - compulsory for all Senior Prep boys
Thurs 10 Feb	Class visits & AGM
Wed 2 March	Steak Evening - An opportunity for new parents to meet each other

SPORTS RESULTS

U13A Cricket vs Selborne - 29 January

Selborne 71 all out
 N Aylett - 3 for 1 off 3 overs
 J Taylor - 2 wickets
 Craig Stow - 2 wickets
 Prep 72 for 1
 Prep won by 9 wickets

U11A Cricket vs Selborne - 29 January

Selborne 139 for 9
 P Jarvis - 4 for 17 off 8 overs
 Prep 143 for 4
 A Froneman - 72, J Marx - 21
 Prep won by 6 wickets

U11B Cricket vs Selborne - 29 January

Selborne 217 for 8
 M Danckwerts - 2 for 17 off 5 overs
 Prep 50 all out
 Selborne won by 167 runs

Prep U9A vs Prep U11C Cricket - 29 January

U11C 85 for 6
 J Thomas - 19 n.o., J Hoefnagels - 14 n.o.,
 J Sparks - 13 n.o.
 U9A 95 for 5
 B Kroon - 2 for 9
 O Mvunelwa - 2 for 7
 R Shone - 2 for 12
 U9A won by 9 runs



Makhaya Ntini enjoyed watching his son (sitting in front of him) play U11A cricket at Prep's Retief Field on Saturday while our Preppies were thrilled to meet this cricketing great & get his much coveted autograph. Pic Suzy Davies

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THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 1 February d2

Grade 5 Outdoor Ed

Wednesday 2 February d3

14:00 Cricket vs Kingswood U13C/U10 (h)
 15:30 Grade 5 Outdoor Ed returns

Thursday 3 February d4

14:00 Swimming: Short Course Gala (KC)

Friday 4 February d5

14:00 Tennis: Albany Boys' Championships
 18:30 **Grade 7 Social (DSG) - please note time change**

Saturday 5 February

Duty Master: Mr Zane Plescia (Cell: 072 018 3878)
 09:00 Cricket vs Kingswood U13A/U11A/U9A (h)
 U13B/U11B (a)

Sunday 6 February

09:00 Tennis: Albany Boys' Championships Final (DSG)
 18:30 Family Service (Memory Hall) - SP pupils and all staff to attend

Monday 7 February d6

11:00 Combined Schools' Tea (DSG)
 14:00 Tennis: U11 Mixed Doubles (DSG)

Tuesday 8 February d7

14:00 Swimming: Relay Gala (Graeme)
 17:00 Student Housemasters' meeting (SP Staffroom)

Wednesday 9 February d1

14:00 Cricket vs Yellowwoods U13E (a)

Thursday 10 February d2

08:00 Tennis: Albany Schools vs Midlands (GT)
 14:00 Cricket vs Yellowwoods U11B/U9B (h)
 18:00 Parent class visits
 19:00 Combined Parents' AGM (Memory Hall)

Friday 11 February d3

Grade 7 Valentine's Celebration (DSG)

Saturday 12 February

Duty Master: Mr Richard Jackson (Cell: 083 463 7345)
 09:00 Cricket vs Westering U13A/U11A (h)
 U13B/U11B (a)

Sunday 13 February

09:00 Tennis: U10 and U8 Round Robin (DSG)
 14:00 Swimming: River Mile (Bushman's River)
 18:30 Evening Prayers (Duty Master)

Changes to the Calendar

As far as possible, calendar changes are included in our weekly newsletter. Parents are asked to please check the calendar and newsletter before phoning the office for information.

Fairlawn House

As a means to try and limit disruption to our routines at Fairlawn, pupils being dropped off on a Sunday are requested to adhere to the following times:

Anytime before 12h30 In time for lunch.
 Between 15h00 and 17h00 This means our rest period after lunch is not disturbed.

If they are dropped off later than 17h00 we find that they struggle to get into the evening routine which is geared at getting them prepared for school the next day.

Please don't return pupils between 12h30 and 15h00. The hostel is locked for lunch between 12h30 and 13h30 where after the pupils enjoy quiet time and rest until 15h00.

Your cooperation with the above would be sincerely appreciated.

These 'Heroes' celebrated Prep's 126th Birthday on Fairlawn field on Friday



Many of our Tennis players took part in the Albany Tournament this weekend. Seen here, some of our U12 players hard at it, at the DSG courts. Pics Marion Holmes



Grade 7s 'learning the ropes' on Outdoor Ed

