



ST ANDREW'S PREPARATORY
SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

1 March 2011

Dear Parents

The first part of the term has certainly flown by and we can all look forward to a welcome breather over half-term! The first round of Parent Committee meetings have taken place and the staff have been greatly encouraged by the positive feedback, whilst the girls and boys have applied themselves extremely well and, I feel, laid a good foundation for the coming months.

Half-term is, as always, preceded by our swimming galas in the Junior & Senior Prep phases. Our swimmers have done extremely well this season and I am sure that we are in for some scintillating competition in this, the first Inter-house event of the year.

Indeed our sports programme has kicked off extremely well in general and we have seen some 'stand-out' performances from teams and individuals this season - the latest being a fine knock of 158 runs by Bruce Phillips, playing in the U13A game against Clarendon on Saturday!

The Steak Evening scheduled for Wednesday evening has become something of a tradition at Prep and we do look forward to a large crowd down at Fairlawn to enjoy the evening with us.

Please assist us by booking your tickets through Mrs Angela Southey in the front office as a matter of urgency in order to expedite catering arrangements.

See you there!

Graham

Quote for the week: "Happiness will never be any greater than the idea we have of it."
Maurice Materlinck

Junior Prep News

Our long awaited Fun Gala is tomorrow! We look forward to seeing many of you there. Many thanks to the Grade 2 parents who are providing the tea eats for this occasion. We will continue with swimming lessons during Phys Ed (weather permitting) until the Winter sports programme commences on Monday 21 March.

A good one not to miss: 'SUPER GRANNY' – Boundaries and Entitlement – "am I too strict/not strict enough? / Sibling rivalry". Wednesday 9 March 2011 at 19h00, Wyvern Club, Kingwood College.

Pre-Primary News

Please note that the Pre-primary closes at 12 on **Wednesday** 2nd March for Half Term. There will be no Aftercare.

Our growing theme ended with a planting session where the plants on the growing table were planted outside in the garden. We hope that they will thrive in the fresh air! "Weather" is our new theme.

During Half Term play these games:

- let your child sit where she can't see you and let her guess what these sounds are: pouring water into a glass, tearing a piece of paper, hammering a nail ...encourage your child to listen by giving instructions you **tell** rather than show. Start with one instruction, then two, then more.
- Sit very still for a moment ... at the beach ... in the garden ... in the street - what sounds can you hear?

We wish you and your family safe travels and a happy Half Term!

DATES TO DIARISE

Wed 2 March	JP Inter-house Gala Steak Evening - An opportunity for new parents to meet each other
Thurs 3 March	SP Gala
Sunday 3 April	Easter Service

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.

SPORTS RESULTS

Waterpolo vs DSG U14A - 23 February 2011

Prep lost 8-4

U13A Cricket vs Clarendon Park - 26 February

Prep 234 for 5
B Phillips - 158, M Ford - 35
Clarendon Park 202 for 8

Prep won by 32 runs

U13B Cricket vs Clarendon Park - 26 February

Clarendon Park 184 for 8 after 40 overs
T Bloem - 2 for 15, M Leach - 4 for 19
Prep 179 all out
M Turner - 30, M Leach - 26,
C Johnson - 31, T Bloem - 29

Prep lost by 5 runs

U11A Cricket vs Clarendon Park - 26 February

Clarendon Park 144 for 6
Prep 83 all out
P Jarvis - 31

Prep lost by 61 runs

U11B Cricket vs Clarendon Park - 26 February

Prep 119 all out
X Gqiba - 30, D Davies - 19
Clarendon Park 122 for 3 after 23 overs

Prep lost by 7 wickets

U9A Cricket vs Clarendon Park - 26 February

Prep 153 for 8
J Thomas - 32, J Mullins - 29,
J Sparks - 26 n.o., L Little - 21

Clarendon Park 105

Prep won by 48 runs

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 1 March d1

14:00 Cricket vs Grahamstown Primary U11C/U9A (h)
14:00 Tennis vs Graeme U13A (h) U13B (a)
17:15 SP Assessment meeting (SP Library)

Wednesday 2 March d2

09:00 JP Inter-house Gala:
Half-term for JP commences after the Gala
(JP boarders may overnight at Fairlawn if required)
12:00 Pre-Primary Half-term commences
No Aftercare
14:00 Cricket vs Grahamstown Primary U13C (h)
18:00 Steak Evening (Clubhouse)

Thursday 3 March d3

09:00 SP Gala
12:00 Half-term for SP commences

Fri 4 March - Sun 6 March Half-term

Duty Master: Mr Zane Plescia (Cell: 072 018 3878)

Monday 7 March Half-term

17:00 Boarders return in Full Blues

Tuesday 8 March d4

08:30 Pre-Primary commences
13:00 Aftercare commences
14:00 Tennis vs Graeme U11A (h) U11B (a)
17:00 Housemasters' meeting (H/m's Office)

Wednesday 9 March d5

09:00 Pre-Primary Hearing Assessments
09:00 Grade 7 Scholarship Exam
14:00 Cricket vs Tiger Titans U11C/U13D (h)
16:30 Fundraising Committee meeting (SP Staffroom)

Thursday 10 March d6

09:00 Pre-Primary Hearing Assessments
14:00 Swimming: Independent Schools Gala (DSG)
17:00 Student Housemasters' meeting (SP Staffroom)
17:00 Prep Board Exco meeting (Clubhouse)

Friday 11 March d7

09:00 JP and SP Hearing Assessments
11:15 SP Individual Photos
14:00 Tennis vs Kingswood U13A (h) U13B (a)

Saturday 12 March

Duty Master: Mr Richard Jackson (Cell: 082 838 6214)

09:00 Cricket vs Graeme U13A/U11A/U9A (h)
U13B/U11B/U13C (a)

Sunday 13 March

10:00 Boarders Outing (Port Alfred/Bushman's River)
18:30 College Chapel

Monday 14 March d1

08:00 Grade 4 Outdoor Ed departs (Fairewood)
08:30 Pre-Primary Individual Photos
11:00 Combined Schools' Tea (SAC)
14:00 Pre-Primary Assessment meeting

Tuesday 15 March d2

Grade 4 Outdoor Ed
13:00 Pre-Primary Parents' Committee meeting

Wednesday 16 March d3

12:00 Grade 4 Outdoor Ed returns
13:10 JP Parents' Committee meeting
15:15 JP Assessment meeting
16:30 SP Parents' Committee meeting (SP Staffroom)

Thursday 17 March d4

U13A Cricket departs: Independent Schools' Cricket Festival (CT)
10:00 Music Concert (Memory Hall)
17:00 Prep Board meeting (Clubhouse)
18:30 Staff/Board Social (Clubhouse)

Friday 18 March d5

U13A Cricket: Independent Schools' Cricket Festival
14:00 Tennis vs Kingswood U11A (h) U11B (a)

Saturday 19 March

Duty Master: Mr Siphelo Mtshiki (Cell: 071 950 8362)

U13A Cricket: Independent Schools' Cricket Festival
09:00 Cricket vs Cambridge U11A/U11B/U9A (h)
U13B (a)

Steak Evening



Wednesday, 2 March

18h00

Prep Clubhouse

Please place your order today
with Angela Southey

at a.southey@saprepschool.com or 046 - 603 2400



WORLD MATHS DAY

1 March 2011 *Uniting the World in Numbers!*

www.worldmathsday.com

5.3 million students from 218 countries
registered to take part



Pre-Primes planting their plants in the garden



The 1st Edition of The Prep Times is Released



RIAN MANSER VISITS PREP



Riaan is spending 10 days in a 40-foot container fridge at -20c. Warming up for Iceland 'The Fridge Tour' is in support of **No Food for Lazy Man** - an initiative, formed by Riaan, to bring about social change by investing in sporting equipment and infrastructure for schools who don't have access to these resources.

To find out more about Riaan and his adventures please go to: <http://www.riaanmanser.com/>

Grade 6s on Outdoor Ed

