



NEWSLETTER

June 2010

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❖ STAFF NEWS

- We welcome Mr Nico Smit who will take up Mr Alan vd Merwe's position in the Music Department at the beginning of the third term.
- Our condolences to Ms Ruth Möller (Afrikaans) who recently lost her father.
- Congratulations to Mr Sean Friedenthal who has been appointed Headmaster of the Western Cape Sport School in Kuils River from the beginning of the third term. Mr Friedenthal's replacement is yet to be confirmed.

❖ UCT MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

RBHS came second overall out of 134 schools, at the annual UCT Maths competition. Bishops came first and Herschel came third. Congratulations to all who entered. Outstanding results this year include:

Grade	Name(s)	Position
Grade 8	Adam Herman	5 th
	Matthew Poulter	14 th
Grade 9	Sacha Brandt	14 th
Grade 9 pairs	Alistair Norman & Ashlen Mamman	7 th
Grade 10	Ihsaan Bassier	3 rd
Grade 10 pairs	Jason Welz & Cian Cullinan	2 nd
	Michael Brooke & Yaaseen Gallant	3 rd
	Craig Thomas & Adrian Schwellnus	7 th
Grade 11	Ashraf Moola	2 nd
Grade 12	Daron Golden	12 th
Grade 12 pairs	Taariq Hansrod & Zafeer Motala	5 th
	William Hillock & Chris Day	6 th

❖ INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICS OLYMPIAD: KAZAKHSTAN

Ashraf Moola (Grade 11) was selected as one of the top 6 mathematicians in the country to represent South Africa at the International Mathematics Olympiad in Kazakhstan from the 1-15 July. Ashraf is one of 3 pupils from Cape Town to be selected for the team, other team members come from Bloemfontein and Gauteng.

Ashraf follows in the footsteps of his brothers Saadiq (E'07), and Haroon (E'08) both of whom were members of the SA team during their tenure at Rondebosch Boys' High School. Both brothers are at UCT, Saadiq is studying medicine (3rd year) and Haroon, Actuarial Science (2nd year).

❖ WORLD YOUTH MATHEMATICS INTERCITY COMPETITION: KOREA

Matthew Poulter (Grade 8) was chosen as the non-travelling reserve for the team from Cape Town going to Korea for the World Youth Mathematics Intercity Competition.

❖ JUNIOR PREFECTS

The following boys have been selected as Junior Prefects for 2010

GROUP A	GROUP B
Scott Albertyn	Ilyaas Adams
Matthew Budden	Daniel Anderson
Alessio De Gouveia	Byron Anthony
Matthew Ehrenreich	Andrew Black
Selom Gavor	Kimon Caldis
Giovanni Hofmeyer	Patrick Chuter
Dean Human	Robert Cloete
Matthew Hurworth	Hilio De Abreu
Michael Moller	Aaron Hellenberg
Ashraf Moola	Matthew Kabot
Akilan Naidoo	William Keet
Matthew Norris	Adriaan Louw
Anmar Petersen	Neil MacKenzie
Thomas Sutcliffe	Nathan Perren
Hamza van der Ross	Jordan Plasket
Douglas Waddilove	Jarryd Son

❖ RBHS SCHOLARSHIPS

Congratulations to Simon Carletti and Christopher Hooper who have both been awarded academic scholarships at RBHS for 2011. Simeon Davis received a music and academic scholarship. These three boys are from RBPS.

Tae Jun Park from Parklands College was also awarded an academic scholarship.

❖ “FACING THE PAST” WORKSHOP

Mr Roy Hellenberg (History) has been invited as one of ten teachers in the country to facilitate in a week-long course in the “Facing the Past programme” for five hundred first-year education students at the University of the Free State from 13-16 July.

Congratulations to Mr Hellenberg on this prestigious appointment.

❖ PARENT EMAIL SURVEY

Thank you to all those parents who have already participated in the parent email survey which was billeted on Friday (28/5) by Pure Survey.

All responses are treated in the strictest of confidence and at no given time is your response connected to you as person. The survey takes approximately 10 minutes to complete and the following guidelines apply:

- There is a limit of one respondent per family
- The most actively involved parent to respond
- Single parents (the parent that is most involved at the school to respond)

The survey **closes on Wednesday 9 June**. If you have any queries regarding the survey please email: peter@techsys.co.za

❖ GRADE 9 SUBJECT CHOICE MEETING

Parents of Grade 9 pupils are asked to please diarize the Grade 9 subject choice meeting which will take place on **TUESDAY 17 AUGUST** in the Memorial Hall from 17:15. This is an extremely important meeting at which subject choices will be discussed and staff will be available to assist you with information you may require regarding these choices.

Parents will receive hard copy information about this evening at the beginning of the third term and the subject choice booklet will also be made available on the website.

❖ **GRADE 12 WINTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMES**

Grade 12 parents have been notified via email of a number of different workshops/winter school programmes that are available to learners during the June/July school holidays. All contact information for the various programmes are contained in the email.

❖ **FINAL NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION TIMETABLE**

To view the final national senior certificate examination timetable please consult - <http://wced.wcape.gov.za> (go to the LHS link and call up Search and select the A-Z index under examinations).

❖ **GALA CONCERT**

The RBHS Gala Concert held on 7 May boasted spectacular performances by soloists as well as the Chamber Choir, Jazz and Concert Bands, String orchestra and other ensembles. The evening provided an opportunity to pay tribute to music teacher Mr Alan Van Der Merwe, who retires at the end of this term after 40 years service to RBHS. Mr Van Der Merwe performed two items on piano and received a standing ovation from pupils, both current and past, friends, family and staff.

Thanks go to Mr Scarr, Mrs Joubert and Mr Carletti for their commitment to this function as well as the parent committees and tuckshop team for assisting with catering and administration. Finally special thanks to all the performers who made the evening such a resounding success.

❖ **BIG BAND JAZZ CONCERT AT THE BAXTER**

This past Friday night saw our Jazz Band perform to a sold-out Baxter Concert Hall, at the 11th annual Cape Town Big Band Jazz Festival. The 3-day Festival saw 18 school Jazz Bands taking part this year, with 6 Bands performing each night.

The Rondebosch Band distinguished themselves with a performance that showed them at their very best, drawing sustained applause from the audience. Their execution of their programme of challenging musical material drew acclaim from members of the public, the Head of Jazz Studies at UCT, Prof. Mike Campbell, and the staff and parents of the other schools. To quote the Head of Music at SACS "the RBHS Band blew all the other schools out of the water!" Congratulations to the Jazz Band for their inspired display of musical team-work.

❖ **STANDARD BANK NATIONAL YOUTH JAZZ FESTIVAL**

Every year 300 young jazz musicians are selected (from approx 600 applicants) to attend the STANDARD BANK NATIONAL YOUTH JAZZ FESTIVAL, which is held in Grahamstown in June/July during the Grahamstown National Arts Festival. This Jazz Festival is a highly structured 5-day course involving ensemble work, lectures, workshops and demonstrations on all aspects of jazz. This year RBHS has eleven boys from the Jazz Band attending this course.

Head of RBHS Music Department, Mr Terrence Scarr has been honoured with the appointment of conducting the National Schools' Big Band which comprises a selection of the top students from this course. Congratulations to Mr Scarr on this prestigious appointment.

❖ **CHORAL CELEBRATION IN THE CITY HALL**

The choirs and bands of RBHS, Rustenburg, and SACS high schools will be presenting a Choral Celebration in the City Hall on Wednesday and Thursday, 4 and 5 August 2010 at 19:30. Tickets are R50 for adults and R30 for scholars and are available from all three schools from 13 July. Choral Celebration runs over two nights and includes favourites from Handel's Messiah, Carmina Burana and Medleys from Abba and Lloyd – Webber, plus vibrant performances from the bands of all three schools. Don't miss it!

❖ **RBHS OVERLAND TRIP**

The RBHS Overland trip which comprises a party of fourteen boys and staff will be heading to Namibia, Caprivi, Okavango, Zambia and Vic Falls returning home via Botswana and Sun City. They will be leaving on the 10th and returning on the 30th June. Bon voyage!

❖ AFRIKAANS WEEK

RBHS celebrated its annual Afrikaans Week (10-13 May).

Events and activities focused on establishing awareness of Afrikaans not only in our immediate school interaction, but also in terms of understanding a broader social context of the language and its importance to its people, many of whom are a part of our school community.

The two guest speakers at assembly were Emo Adams (comedian) and a member of the Afrikaans rock group Zinkplaat, Beer Adriaanse. Other highlights of the week included the complimentary delivery of three hundred newspapers from Die Burger and an oratory competition and forum discussion which stimulated controversial yet cogent debate about the relevance of the language and other related issues.

RBHS hosted the Afrikaans Eisteddfod, which provided an opportunity for students around the province to share their talent in a showcase of high-level, Afrikaans performing arts.

Congratulations to the Afrikaans Department and the AFRRO learner committee for the success of Afrikaans Week '10.

❖ RECYCLING NEWS

One of the easiest ways to reduce your carbon footprint and go green is by recycling.

The RBHS Recycling Facility accepts the following recyclables:

- **Tins and cans:**

Please wash and deposit in tin/can sacks in shed.

- **Glass bottles and jars:**

Please rinse, remove lids(place in garage) and deposit glass into navy blue glass igloos.

- **Plastics:**

1. PET 1 + 2 plastic bottles only – please rinse remove lids, separate collecting sacks

2. PET 5 some yoghurt, dip, feta and ice cream containers,

Check for the recycling triangle with number 1, 2 or 5 in it as this is the only recycling accepted

- **Polystyrene:**

1. All colours taken, please place in sacks marked white only or colour polystyrene.

2. PS 6 disposable plates,cups, take-out containers, place in the sack with colour polystyrene.

Please rinse

- **Paper:**

1. White paper – into designated sacks in the garage.

2. Magazines – into designated sacks in the garage

3. Paper mixed – into orange igloos down the side of the garage.

- **Cardboard:**

1. Corrugated cardboard – flatten and deposit into large sacks in the back of the garage.

2. Common mix eg.cereal boxes, toilet roll inners, tissue boxes, egg boxes, etc please flatten and deposit into designated sacks in the garage.

WE DO NOT accept: tetrapak cartons eg. milk, juice or oil cartons, plastic bags or wrapping

Please self-sort your recycling wherever possible (it's a lot easier to pre-sort at home)!

Delene van der Schyff: Assistant co-ordinator tel: 021 671 7198

❖ CLOTHING EXCHANGE

The 2nd hand Clothing Exchange operates on Monday afternoons from 15:45 - 16:30. The clothing exchange is situated diagonally opposite the bicycle shed in the Plane Tree Quad, RBHS. If you are in search of good quality secondhand clothing you may email your request to:

exchange@rondebosch.com . You will be notified as and when items requested are available.

Payment for items purchased - cash or cheque only.

For further information contact Mrs Sharon Lyall Tel: 021 6863987 or via email at the above address.

❖ BOSCH SHOP

The Bosch Shop will be **closed** for stock taking on **Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th June**. The Shop will reopen on **Monday 12th July** from 08:30 -10:30.

Shop Hours:

Please note that in the **3rd term ONLY**, the shop will be closed on a Tuesday.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning	07:30 - 10:30	Closed	07:30 - 10:30	07:30 - 10:30	07:30 - 10:30
Afternoon	14:00 - 16:30	Closed	14:00 - 16:30	15:30 - 17:30	12:45 - 14:45

The Bosch Shop has a direct telephone number **021 681 7996**

Callers can phone directly on the number above or through the main switchboard (021 686 3987) by dialling the extension number (**7996**) which is linked to the switchboard as option 6 on the drop-down menu. Bosch Shop email: rbhsshop@rondebosch.com

❖ CRICKET TOUR TO ENGLAND

Two teams - a First XI and a Cubs' XI side will embark on the three-week cricket tour of England in June. The 26 match tour includes a two-match excursion to the Isle of Wight as well as matches at Eton, Harrow, and Rugby schools.

RBHS Old Boys, Jonathan Trott (E'99) and HD Ackerman (E'90) have both sent messages of support for the touring teams. Trott is based at Edgbaston in England and has confirmed that he is hoping to attend some of their games should his schedule allow.

The teams will be accompanied by four teachers, including master-in-charge of cricket Rob Dalrymple, himself a former provincial player. Dalrymple said the gruelling schedule for both sides will enable players' significant game time and is thrilled to have secured fixtures against the very best school sides in the UK.

Managers, coaches and team members are wished the very best as they depart for this upcoming tour of the UK.

❖ HOCKEY

Congratulations to the following players who made the various Western Province teams. It must be noted that this selection of players is the largest representation in any single school or club in the province. RBHS is extremely proud and acknowledges the depth and commitment of players and coaches who have contributed in achieving this success.

U18A Adrian Abrahams Robin Blampied	U18B Cameron Prins Chris Day Graham Schoeman	U16A Zubayr Hamza Dean Rutherford Adrian Schweltnus Jason Giger	U16B Kay Skovgaard- Peterse Damien Hewitt Kyle Herring Craig Schoeman	U14 Disa Nathan Rens Shaun Sorour Chad Muller Andrew Olivier Cullen Wright Ross Reid James Donald Tayo Walbrugh Jonathan Shepherd Non Travelling Reserve Matthew Swart
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Please go to www.rondebosch.com/high to view the latest hockey newsletter and recent results.

If you have hockey information or wish to have your name added to this database please contact:
Mr John Sparkman, Tel: 021 910 0412 Cell: 083 325 7291 Email: sparkman@mweb.co.za

❖ SQUASH

RBHS played Wynberg in the Western Province Top Schools competition and the U19 team won their Super League match against Wynberg 15-2.

RBHS will represent Western Province at the SA Top Schools tournament from 16-18 July in Pietermaritzburg.

❖ ROWING

Win a VUKA SCUTA for just R25!! RBHS Rowing Club members are selling tickets for the Scuta that is on display in the foyer of the school. Please support this fundraising drive - we desperately need more boats!! Tickets can be bought from any rowing team member.

❖ WESTERN PROVINCE RUGBY SELECTION

Congratulations to the following players on their selection for the following rugby teams:

WP UNDER 18 CRAVEN WEEK TEAM

Räyn Smid

WP UNDER 18 ACADEMY WEEK TEAM

Joel Carew

❖ PARKING AT HOME RUGBY MATCHES

We would like to remind parents to park with due consideration for neighbours in Oakhust Avenue and surrounds for the home matches against Bishops tomorrow.

Please go to www.rondebosch.com/high to view the rugby fixtures, rugby results and the rugby newsletter, "Bosch Huddle".

❖ BOSCH RUGBY SUPPORTERS' CLUB

The BRSC will again host the Wine Festival, the Golf Day, the Annual Dinner and a number of informal functions with a variety of guest speakers.

The ongoing support given to Rondebosch, both financially as members and next to the rugby field, is of great importance to Rondebosch and in particular to the boys.

Membership fees: R500 for a couple, R300 for single and country membership and R100 for U25 membership. Membership payment is a donation to the school- all but R50 is deductible for income tax purposes.

Please contact Mrs Pam Ogilvie tel: 021-685 1923 or email marketing@rondebosch.com.

Raffle - Win a Scooti Golf Cruiser

The cruiser has a 1000 watt motor ... electric... does 36 holes per charge and retails for R14000.00.

For any further information contact Mark Hodson on 072 1340554 or mark@scooti.co.za.

The Bosch Rugby Supporters' Club are selling ONLY 500 TICKETS @ R50.00 EACH.

For tickets contact Pam Ogilvie on (021) 685 1923 or marketing@rondebosch.com

❖ RBHS: UPCOMING EVENTS

June

- 4 Hockey vs. Bishops (Home)
- 5 Rugby vs. Bishops (Home)
- 7 Combined choir rehearsal 18:30 - 21:00(SACS)
- 7-9 Gr 11 Work Shadow
- 9 School closes (11:00)
- 9-11 Cape Schools Week Golf
- 16 Youth Day (Public Holiday)
- 22-29 Grahamstown Jazz Festival

❖ **RBHS: UPCOMING EVENTS CONT...**

July

- 12 *Boarders return*
- 13 *First Day of Term 3 - Opening Assembly 08:00 (Week A)*
- 15 **Grades 11 &12 Post-Exam Parents Learner Meeting - 17:30**
Combined choir rehearsal 18:30 - 21:00(SACS)
- 16 *Chess Blitz Tournament*
- 17 *Rugby vs Brackenfell (Home)*
- 19 *Blood Clinic*
- 20 **Grades 9&10 Post Exam Parent Learner Meetings 17:30**
- 21 *1st XV vs Bradford Grammar (UK)*
- 23 *Grade 11 Art & Design Gallery outing*
- 24 *Rugby/Hockey vs Paarl HJS (Away)*
- 28 **Grade 8 Parent Learner Meeting 17:30**
- 29 *Combined choir rehearsal 18:30 - 21:00(SACS)*
- 31 *Rugby/Hockey vs SACS (Home)*



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