



# NEWSLETTER

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## ❖ STAFF NEWS

- Welcome to Mrs Marilyn Hawkins (Teacher librarian). We wish Mrs Hawkins a long and happy association with RBHS.
- Congratulations to Mr George Kairuz (Technology) who has become engaged to Anne Viljoen.
- Mr Roy Hellenberg (History) has been elected onto the executive of the SA Society for History Teaching and will serve for the 2008/2009 year.
- Mr Sean Friedenthal (LO/Physical Education) has been appointed Head of Rugby at RBHS for 2009. **See separate message under Rugby.**
- Mr Zolile Mketso (Grounds and Buildings) recently attended a two day training workshop for School Foremen/Women.

## ❖ NATIONAL MATHEMATICS OLYMPIAD

In the National Mathematics Olympiad two of our pupils attended the prize giving: **Haroon Moolla** (Grade 12) came in the top 10 out of the seniors in the country and **Ashraf Moolla** (Grade 9) came first in the juniors. Ashraf is the top grade 9 Mathematics pupil in South Africa.

Congratulations to both these boys.

## ❖ AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

In the Australian Mathematics Competition, 62 pupils from RBHS wrote. Of these, 31 pupils achieved distinction (top 15% in the world) or high distinction (top 2% in the world). High distinctions were awarded to Robert Ketteringham (Gr.12), Haroon Moolla (Gr.12), Ashraf Moolla (Gr. 9), Robert Cloete (Gr.9), Ihsaan Bassier (Gr.8) and Travis Taylor (Gr.8).  
Congratulations to all pupils who wrote.

## ❖ PARENTS' BUDGET APPROVAL MEETING / BOG BY-ELECTION

By-election	4 November 19:00 (register between 18:40 - 18:55)
Parents' Budget Approval Meeting	4 November 19:30

### GOVERNING BODY BY-ELECTION

A By-election for one parent member of the Governing Body will take place on Tuesday 4 November at 19:00 in the Memorial Hall, ahead of the budget presentation. We need a quorum of 120 parents. Parents need to register to vote between 18.40 and 18.55.

If you would like to consider standing as a candidate in this By-election or would like to propose a suitable candidate, please contact Mr Deon de Kock, Chairman of the Governing Body via email: [deondekock@iafrica.com](mailto:deondekock@iafrica.com)

### BUDGET APPROVAL MEETING FOR PARENTS: Tuesday 4 November at 19:30

Please diarise this extremely important meeting to be held in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday 4 November 2008 at 19:30. During the meeting the budget, setting out the school fees for 2009, is presented to the parents. Parents are notified that the budget will be available for inspection at the school 14 days prior to the meeting.

**Please make every effort to attend this meeting.**

## ❖ PREFECTS 2009

Congratulations to the following boys' on being selected as prefects for 2009.

Darryn Berry	Faheem Jakoet
Greg Burman	Chris Keet
Sean Darge	Chad Matthews
Todd Dugmore	Louw Naudé
Justin Fielies	Varesh Ramesar
Matthew Foster	Rhys Stevenson
Grant Greeff	Nicholas Walker
Nick Hamman	Sebastian Wolfaardt

## ❖ STANDARD BANK COMPUTER SOCIETY OF SOUTH AFRICA (CSSA) COMPUTER OLYMPIAD

RBHS was the **ONLY** school with more than one finalist in this Olympiad.

Robert Ketteringham - 2nd

Haroon Moolla - 4<sup>th</sup>

*Excerpt from Peoples Post newspaper*

*FOUR of the six medal winners at this year's Standard Bank Computer Society of South Africa (CSSA) Computer Olympiad are from the Western Cape.*

*Robert Ketteringham (Grade 12) from RBHS took a silver medal while Haroon Moolla (Grade 12) also from RBHS went home with bronze. Both boys were also medal winners at last year's Olympiad. The winners were announced at a gala function at Kelvin Grove. The Olympiad is an annual competition which identifies, encourages and rewards programming skills among high school learners to the final round.*

## ❖ JUNIOR CITY COUNCIL

Congratulations to the following learners on their selection to the Junior City Council. Nine learners were selected to the Cape Town Council-an achievement no other school has made.

Sean Darge (Gr.11)

Nicholas Hamman(Gr.11)

Louw Naudè(Gr.11)

Wonga Ndopu(Gr.11)

Kyle Jordaan(Gr.11)

Selom Gavor(Gr.9)

Luke van Rensburg(Gr.8)

Ihsaan Bassier(Gr.8)

## ❖ ADVERTISING IN 2008 SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Rondebosch Boys' Schools annually publish a prestigious magazine, recording the year's achievements and activities.

The School has been complimented on the quality of its magazine. This quality unfortunately comes at a cost and we are striving to increase our advertising base thereby reducing the cost to the Schools.

We are appealing to the Rondebosch families and in particular Grade 12 pupils to support our efforts by sponsoring a one liner in this year's magazine. One-liners for companies are also available as an advertising option.

Naturally, if you wish to take out a larger advertisement on behalf of a firm or organisation, that would be most welcome. Please email: [marketing@rondebosch.com](mailto:marketing@rondebosch.com) for the advertising rates.

## ❖ NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM

A telephone survey was conducted with a view to improving the overall efficiency of the switchboard as a 'first point of contact' with the School.

To this end a new telephone system will be installed shortly - contact numbers for the school remain the same. Additional information pertaining to the changing over of the new telephone system will be sent out to parents at the beginning of next week.

### ❖ HISTORY SOCIETY ANNUAL LECTURE

The RBHS History Society was privileged to have the Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu address Rondebosch learners, staff and members of the Rondebosch community at its annual lecture. This was a hugely successful evening which culminated in the Archbishop being presented with a birthday cake which he in turn requested be donated to a children's home. His birthday cake was delivered to the Marsh Memorial Home.

### ❖ MATRIC EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

For the Matric examination table please consult <http://wced.wcape.gov.za> (go to the LHS link and call up Search and select the A-Z index under examinations)

### ❖ MATRIC ART & DESIGN EXHIBITION

This event continues to be one of the highlights on the Rondebosch calendar. This year more than four hundred guests visited the Matric Art & Design Exhibition. The standard of work on display was of an exceptionally high standard and the Art and Design learners must be congratulated in this respect.

### ❖ UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS

<b>OCTOBER</b>			
21	19:30	Red Brick Quad	Cabaret Picnic Evening
23	19:30	Red Brick Quad	Cabaret Concert Evening
24 & 25	19:30	Red Brick Quad	Cabaret-Supper Evenings
<b>NOVEMBER</b>			
3-7			Music Practical Examinations

### ❖ HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL FUNDRAISER

Following the great success of the movie it was only a matter of time before Disney produced High School Musical Live on Stage. Playing to sold out theatres across America and the UK this stage show is now heading to South Africa. RBHS have secured the opening night of this production as a fundraising event.

Date: Friday 28 November

Time: 19:30

Venue: Artscape Theatre

Cost: R250, R275 and R300

Tickets available from Mrs Pam Ogilvie 021 685 1923 Email: [marketing@rondebosch.com](mailto:marketing@rondebosch.com)

*Please support this fundraiser in aid of the Cultural Tour, Squash, Chess and Rowing groups.*

### ❖ BOSCH RUGBY SUPPORTERS' CLUB

Bosch Rugby Supporters' Club AGM 5 November, 18:00

The BRSC will be holding its annual Golf Day at Rondebosch Golf Club on **Thursday 27 November 2008**.

The competition will be a 4 Ball BetterBall Stableford. The cost of sponsorship for a tee / green is R600.00. For sponsorship plus a four ball: R1 800.00, and to book only a four ball: R1 400.00. This includes green fees and snacks at the prize giving.

Please note that preferential booking will be given to Companies / Individuals who both 'sponsor and play' and that T-Off times will be allocated on a 'first pay, first serve' basis.

For more information please contact Pam Ogilvie at Tel: 021 685 1923 or Sandy Van Breda at Tel: 021 683-1061

### ❖ LADIES' BREAKFAST

This will take place on Saturday 22 November. Invitations will be sent out under separate cover.

## ❖ **BOSCH SHOP**

Please take note of the new shop hours.

Monday - Fri: 7:30am - 11:00 and 15:00 - 17H00.

Saturdays: Closed

The Bosch Shop contact details: Tel: 021 685 4825 email: [rbhsshop@rondebosch.com](mailto:rbhsshop@rondebosch.com)

## ❖ **RECYCLING**

Please don't forget to recycle your old, used cooking oil. The 1000 plastic litre container is in the garage (which is never locked). The oil does not need to be filtered but please **NO MOTOR OIL**. We greatly appreciate you bringing all your recyclables sorted into the following categories:- newsprint, white paper, cardboard, common mix, magazines, glass bottles, jars, food and beverage cans. Any queries: Judy Scott 082 575 9195/021 794 7622

## **PICK 'N PAY TILL SLIP SCHEME REMINDER**

RBHS has been selected to participate in the Pick 'n Pay Till Slip Scheme. They will commit 2% of R500 000 worth of till strips collected. This amounts to **R10 000**. The scheme will run for the months of September, October and November.

Every time you shop at any Southern Suburbs Pick 'n Pay retain your till slip and send it to the school marked for Mrs Pam Ogilvie in an envelope or place them in the post box in her door.

**Many thanks to those parents who have already sent in their slips.**

## ❖ **CRICKET**

The following RBHS boys have been selected to WP teams.

### **JAG WP U19 team**

Junaid Buffkins

Irshaad Hayat

Matthew Snyman

Michael Rippon

### **JAG WP U15 team**

Jaco Zeeman

Hilio de Abreu

## **Cricket Newsletter**

Following the successful introduction of a hockey newsletter put out by Mr John Sparkman - a cricket newsletter has now been formulated.

If you have cricket 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](mailto:sparkman@mweb.co.za)

## ❖ **SA GYMNASTICS GAMES**

At the SA Gymnastics Games recently, Western Province - Jason Welz (Gr. 8) - competing at level 6 in 14 years and under won gold in Pommel Horse, Parallel Bar and High Bar. Bronze for floor and also gold for level 6 in his age group. Well done Jason.

## ❖ **SQUASH**

Congratulations to the First Squash Team who gained the position of fifth in the country through their performances in the "Top Schools" event.

## ❖ **TENNIS - WP MASTERS TOURNAMENT**

At the WP Masters Tennis Tournament - Andrew Hegie (grade 8) came 5th and won the Sportsmanship Cup. Well done Andrew.

## ❖ **UPCOMING TOURS/FESTIVALS**

<b>TEAM TOURNAMENT</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	<b>STAFF MEMBER</b>	<b>DATES</b>
U14 Water Polo	Grey College-Bloem.	G Endley	23 - 26 October

## ❖ WATER POLO

*Congratulations to the following boys who have been selected to play for Western Province in the SA Schools Tournament to be held in East London at the end of the year.*

U14B	Ross Henebrey Nicholas Simmons
U14A	Umayr Mohammed Jacob Perren Storm Smith
U16B	William Keet
U16A	Nicholas Melck Daniel Gluckman Keegen Visser Chris Keet
U19A	Nicholas Groom Tyler George Nicholas Walker

### **SACS TOURNAMENT RESULTS:**

Westville	Won	5 - 2
St Andrews College	Lost	4 - 6
Maritzburg College	Won	4 - 3
Jag WP	Won	14 - 0
St Johns	Drew	2 - 2
KES	Won	4 - 3
Grey Bloem	Won	6 - 3
Northwood	Won	7 - 3
Bishops	Lost	2 - 3
Paul Roos (quarter finals)	Lost	2 - 3

*St Johns went on to beat KES in the final 5 - 0.*

## ❖ RUGBY:

### **MESSAGE FROM RONDEBOSCH'S NEW HEAD OF RUGBY 2009: MR SEAN FRIEDENTHAL**

*It is a great honour to work with a talented group of coaches, players and administrators for the up-coming season. RBHS Rugby will always strive to ensure that it promotes the best interests of our players. Our young men must have the opportunity to cultivate good habits and proper work attitudes, enjoy wholesome competition, and continue to develop their character traits, mental abilities and physical skills.*

*Self-discipline is one of the basic needs that our society sometimes fails to provide for many young people. Rugby offers an opportunity to develop self discipline. In the process of participating and maturing it is hoped that the players will enjoy themselves and better understand the importance of self-confidence, hard work, discipline, sacrifice, and working together toward a common goal of reaching maximum potential as teams and individuals.*

*We would like for each of our players to strive for daily improvement and to realise that they are very fortunate to have the ability and the opportunity to participate in sport. Our teams should always be more dedicated, work harder, and push more. They can always make the commitment to reach Excellence. The rewards from all the hard work, total effort, and discipline will remain for a lifetime.*

*Parents should remember "Success is not measured strictly by wins and losses or performance alone". We will ask the teams to "Judge how good you are now, compared to how good you have been and how good you are capable of becoming".*

*Rugby is extremely proud of its current highly competitive teams, but most importantly we are proud of the fine young men who have been a valuable part of building this tradition. We will continue to do our best to operate a first-class total rugby school. Through stiff competition, we will promote 'Rondebosch Pride', by developing confidence in player's abilities and self-esteem, in getting the players to dedicate themselves to doing the very best their potential will allow.*

*We hope you will enjoy success and be as proud as we are, and thereby become a part of our rich tradition.*

- *Sean and his wife Anne are both keen teachers, counsellors and sports coaches recently relocated from Gauteng. Sean has been a rugby coach since 1988 and coached numerous players from Gauteng High School Rugby. He was one of the coaches in the Golden Lions Talented Players Programme, whilst serving as a Craven Week selector and board member. He has successfully toured and competed in Argentina, Patagonia, Chile, Paraguay, Malaysia, New Zealand and Australia with both rugby and cricket.*

## ❖ HIGH SCHOOL: UPCOMING EVENTS

### October

- 21 Cabaret Picnic Evening
- 22 Speech Night
- 23 Cabaret Concert Evening  
Valedictory Service
- 24-25 Cabaret Supper Evenings
- 27 Staff Development Meeting
- 28 Diwali

### November

- 3 Senior Staff Meeting
- 3-7 Music Practical Examinations
- 4 Parents' Budget Approval Meeting (19:30) preceded by BOG By-Election at 19:00**
- 5 Bosch Rugby Supporters Club AGM (18:00)
- 10 End-of-year examinations Gr 9-11 commence
- 11 Remembrance Day Service
- 12 Board of Governors Meeting
- 17 End-of-year examinations Gr 8 commence
- 24 Goodwill Function
- 28 End-of-year examinations end Gr8-11

### December

- 2 Inter-House Summer Sports (morning)
- 3 Inter-House Basketball and Touch Rugby  
Carol Service - Memorial Hall (19:00)
- 4 Inter-House Golf, Chess and Soccer
- 5 School closes for Learners (11:00)
- 9 School closes for Educators

## ❖ NEWS FROM RONDEBOSCH BOYS' PREPARATORY SCHOOL

- *The building extension project at Little Bosch will be officially opened on Wednesday 29 October. The extension will allow the school to increase the number of children that can be accommodated at the aftercare facility.*
- *We would like to congratulate the following boys who have been awarded scholarships (i) Damien Erasmus the RBPS All-rounder Scholarship (ii) Nicholas Cotchobos the RBHS Academic Scholarship and (iii) Graham Geldenhuys and Luke Houba, RBHS Sport Scholarships.*
- *The annual display of artwork will take place from MONDAY 20 OCTOBER until FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER, opening with a 'cheese and wine' at 18:00 on Monday. there will be an Exhibition in the Design and Technology classroom from 18:00 together with the Art in the hall.*

***Please can we ask parents who you know that may not be receiving this communication via email to kindly forward their email address to:***  
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