



NEWSLETTER



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❖ NATIONAL MATHS OLYMPIAD

Five boys made it through to the final round.

Sacha Brandt (Grade 9), **Daniel Stephens** (Grade9) and **Adam Herman** (Grade 8) were placed in the top 100 juniors in the country, and **Daron Golden** (Grade12) was placed in the top 100 seniors.

Ashraf Moolla (Grade 11) earned a silver medal, coming in the top 10 seniors in the country. Ashraf also received a medal, as the top provincial performer.

❖ AUSTRALIAN MATHS COMPETITION

- **Ahmad Dutton** (Grade8) and **Ashraf Moolla**(Grade11) both received a prize, which is an award that is higher than a High Distinction.
- **Matthew Poulter** (Grade 8) received the Prudence Award for the highest number of consecutive correct answers.

The following boys achieved distinctions:

Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11
Derwalt Erasmus	Ebrahim Abrahams	Cian Cullinan	Akho Lupuwana
Matthew Poulter	Damien Erasmus	Andrew Curry	Anmar Petersen
Evren Turan	Thilen Govender	Tahir Dawood	Leo Pike
Robert Waddilove	Seth Lurie	Brema Handt	Abdul-Gaffoor Sondag
Joshua Williams	Alistair Norman	Mogamad Ali Parker	Hamza van der Ross
	Daniel Stephens	Travis Taylor	
		Tony Wan	
		Jason Welz	
		Michael Wood	

High Distinctions were awarded to:

Adam Herman (Grade 8)	top 4% in his grade
Ihsaan Bassier (Grade10)	top 1% in his grade
Yaaseen Gallant (Grade10)	top 2%
Dylan Bruce (Grade 11)	top 4%
Robert Cloete (Grade11)	top 4%

❖ STANDARD BANK/CCSSA COMPUTER OLYMPIAD

Congratulations to Ashraf Moolla (Grade11) who won the Bronze award in this year's Olympiad. There were over 38 000 entries in the first round.

❖ SPEECH NIGHT

Speech Night was held on 20 October. The guest speaker was the Western Cape MEC for Education, Mr Donald Grant. Congratulations to all prize winners of the evening.

❖ PREFECTS 2011

Congratulations to the following boys on being selected as prefects for 2011.

William Keet - Head Prefect
Douglas Waddilove - Deputy Head Prefect

Andrew Black	Neil MacKenzie
Matthew Budden	Michael Moller
Robert Cloete	Ashraf Moolla
Hilio de Abreu	Akilan Naidoo
Alessio de Gouveia	Matthew Norris
Matthew Ehrenreich	Nathan Perren
Matthew Kabot	Anmar Petersen
Adriaan Louw	

❖ BUDGET AND FEES MEETING 2011

The budget and fees for 2011 were ratified by a quorum at the parent meeting on 3 November.

❖ SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

Mr Dale Smith (Nicholas- B4) was elected as the Chairman of the RBHS School Governing Body. Mr Smith is a Chartered Accountant and the Managing Director of a national formulated chemical company. Mr Smith has extensive experience in the governance of public organisations and schools, having served as a governor for both Pinehurst Primary School and Rondebosch Boys' Preparatory School.

Mr Jeremy Petersen (Nicholas- A3) and **Mr Jonathan Rens** (Nathan- A1) were both duly elected to the School Governing Body at the by-election which preceded the Parents Budget approval meeting.

- *Mr Petersen holds a B.Comm (Honours) degree and is a qualified Chartered Accountant and is registered as an auditor with the Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors. He has previously served as Treasurer on the Governing Body of Kenridge Primary School.*
- *Mr Rens holds a B.Sc (QS) degree and spent ten years in a commercial quantity surveying and valuation practice prior to successfully forming a listed property investment company, Acucap, where he continues to occupy the position of executive director. He is currently on the Rustenburg Girls' Junior School governing body.*

❖ REMEMBRANCE GALLERY

To commemorate the Rondebosch Old Boys and staff who died during the two World Wars and to celebrate the building of the War Memorial Hall sixty years ago, the Old Boys' Union and RBHS History Department have produced large display panels about the history of the hall and biographies and photographs of those whom the Memorial Hall honours. The biographies were compiled by Mr Sydney Mason, Rondebosch headmaster from 1904 to 1927. These specially printed panels are on permanent display in the Memorial Hall foyer.

❖ LABELING OF THE RONDEBOSCH TREES

The late Tickey de Jager was responsible for the planting of many of the trees which are a magnificent feature of the Rondebosch campus. Special labels have been produced identifying the trees and their countries of origin and these are being attached to several hundred trees on the Rondebosch grounds stretching from the main entrance and Canigou down to the canal. Thank you to Adam Harrower (E95) of Kirstenbosch and Mrs Jeanet Barker for identifying and labeling the trees, and the London Old Boys who raised funds towards this specific project in memory of Tickey de Jager.

❖ **MATRIC ART & DESIGN EXHIBITION**

- *This event continues to be one of the highlights on the Rondebosch calendar. This year 64 Matric boys exhibited their final exam Art and Design practical work which was viewed by a number of visiting schools including grade 7's from Rondebosch Boys' Preparatory School. The standard of work on display was of an exceptionally high standard and the Art and Design pupils are to be congratulated.*
- *A number of the boys' work was selected to be displayed at the National Gallery in an exhibition entitled "See grade 12 Create". This exhibition will showcase the best of art and design works in the Western Cape and make the public aware of what our schools have achieved. The official opening will occur at the annexe gallery on Thursday 27 January 2011, 18:00 for 18:30.*

❖ **CABARET-IN-THE-QUAD - LOCALS TO LEGENDS**

Cabaret-in-the-Quad showcased the musical talent of the Grade 11's. The event serves as a fundraising event and a kickoff to the new Matric year.

The show was dynamic and created a wonderful atmosphere for parents and friends of Rondebosch to enjoy the "Locals to Legends" evening.

Sincere thanks to Mr Scarr and Ms Ghignone for their exceptional organisation and leadership, and to Mr Kairuz for his assistance of this truly outstanding event on the School's calendar.

Congratulations to all the musicians and technicians who put hours of work into this production and thank you to the parents for their invaluable, on-going support.

❖ **CAROL SERVICE**

*The annual combined Carol Service will take place in the Memorial Hall on **Wednesday 8 December** at 19:00. All welcome.*

❖ **WEBSITE**

The RBHS School Council have initiated and developed an academics website to assist pupils and parents with managing work, dates and deadlines associated with SBA's (School Based Assessments) and projects. Exam content for Grades 8 -11 is currently online.

Please go to: www.rondebosch.com/high - click on Assessment Information (LHS) you will be linked to the academics website.

❖ **VOLUNTARY SCHOLARS PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE (P.A.I.)**

The School has received the renewal terms on this policy which insures pupils for accidental medical expenses. The premiums have gone up considerably to R1053.00 per pupil per annum. For the School to validate the continuation of this insurance policy we require a minimum of 50 parents to take up the offer. If you are interested please contact the Bursar by the end of November.

Tel: 021 681 7926

❖ **ADVERTISING IN 2010 SCHOOL MAGAZINE**

We have had an overwhelming response to advertising in this year's magazine - thank you to the many parents, friends and Old Boys for supporting us. If any Rondebosch families would still like to advertise in this year's magazine this option is still available by sponsoring a R100 one-liner advert. This message is acknowledged at the bottom of copy pages.

For more information please contact Ms Caroline Fowler, email: fowler@rondebosch.com

❖ **SCHOOL REBATE PROGRAMMES**

*RBHS is linked to both the **Makro** and **MySchool Card** rebate programmes. Both programmes offer the School opportunities to earn a percentage return on consumer purchases. Please remember to swipe your cards throughout the upcoming holiday season.*

If you do not have a card and would like to obtain one/both, please contact Mrs Pam Ogilvie tel: 021 685 1923 or email: marketing@rondebosch.com

❖ BOSCH SHOP

Tel: 021 681 7996 Fax: 021 685 4825

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

Shop Hours during December 2010 /January 2011:

Closed from	Friday 10 December 2010
Open from	Monday 10 January 2011

❖ CLOTHING EXCHANGE

The 2nd hand Clothing Exchange operates on Monday afternoons from 15:45 - 16:30.

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: 021 686 3987 or via email address above.

❖ RECYCLING NEWS

Go Green

Reduce, Re-use and Recycle

Make a difference

Please bring your recyclable items from home to school. Support your school and care for your environment

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(lids are collected in garage) and deposit glass into blue igloos.

- **Plastics:**

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

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

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

- **Polystyrene:**

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

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

- **Paper:**

White paper – into designated sacks in the garage.

Magazines – into designated sacks in the garage

Newspaper and mixed paper – into orange igloos down the side of the garage.

- **Cardboard:**

Corrugated cardboard – flatten and deposit into large sacks inside the garage.

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

Please self-sort your recycling wherever possible this is very much appreciated. We receive a better income from sorted as opposed to mixed recycling.

Contact: Delene van der Schyff Recycling co-ordinator 074 447 4381

❖ BOSCH RUGBY SUPPORTERS' CLUB

The popular annual Bosch Rugby Supporters' Golf Day will be held on **Thursday 25 November** at the Rondebosch Golf Club. The major sponsor is Rondebosch Old Boy Eric Scoble (E78) of Auric Auto BMW Claremont. For further information and to book your four ball contact Wayne Jackson at wayne.golf@icon.co.za or 082 788 1713.

❖ TENNIS

Keaton Saunders, Grade 9, won the boys U18 singles title at the WP Masters tennis tournament in October. Keaton was awarded the coveted annual trophy for Most Outstanding Player for 2010.

❖ CRICKET

- Congratulations to the following boys on being selected to represent Western Province:
 - U19 **Dewald Keulder and Taariq Chiecktey**
 - U 17 **Hilio de Abreu and Taariq Chiecktey**
 - U15 **Zubayr Hamza and Devon van Rensburg**

- Congratulations to the following boys on being selected for the JAG WP U15 Invitation Team:
 - Matthew Christensen**
 - Kay Skovgaard-Petersen**
 - Matthew Steel**
 - Riaz Sader**

- Cricket vs Bishops
 - U15A: Thursday 11 November - 16:00**
This day/night game will be played at the Frank Reid field (40-overs format).
Parents are welcome to come along and braai afterwards - drums, charcoal, cutlery and crockery will be provided.
 - U14B: Monday 15 November - 16:00**
This day/night game will be played at the Frank Reid field (40-overs format).

❖ SQUASH - 2010

Squash has enjoyed a phenomenal year with a record number of 10 teams (70 players) being entered into the league this year, achieving outstanding results and dominating squash in the Western Province.

- Top school in Western Cape for the 3rd consecutive year.
- Runners-up at the SA Top Schools' Squash Tournament - tournament contested by the top school teams from each province.
- RBHS occupies second place on the ranking list for top squash schools in South Africa.
- Luke Bax who won all of his matches for the 3rd consecutive year at the SA Top Schools' Squash Tournament.
- The 2010 SA Top Schools' Squash Tournament was Owen de Jager's first outing where he won all 5 of his matches.
- 1st team won all 5 matches at the St Andrew Squash Tournament - first time since competing at this tournament.
- RBHS squash won 50 of 60 matches played - success rate: 83,3%.
- Performed well at the Stayers Festival against top schools in county, playing 5 matches: won 3, draw 1 and lost 1.

2010 Western Province colours:

U19	U16	U14
Luke Bax	Matthew Kane	Riley Louw
Kyle Brown	Cole Zweistra	Ewald Rist
Owen de Jager		JP Van Der Merwe
Daniel Tromp		Cullen Wright
Daniel van Wezel		

❖ WATER POLO REPORT - FOURTH TERM

The RBHS water polo teams have experienced a successful season.

- The 1st team did not perform as well as expected in the SACS tournament at the start of the September holidays. However, with one league fixture to play the team remains unbeaten this year.
- The U15A team played some outstanding water polo at the Ian Melliar tournament at Wynberg losing to SACS in dramatic fashion.
- The U14A team travelled to Bloemfontein to play in the Grey College U14 Tournament. The team was impeccable in their behaviour, dress, sportsmanship and general demeanour and drew many unsolicited favourable comments.
- RBHS hosted a successful U14 water polo tournament for the second consecutive year which was won by Grey High School this year.
- Congratulations to the following boys who were selected as Western Province representatives:

UNDER 19A NICHOLAS MELCK BRAD PEPLER	UNDER 16A BOLAND WP ROSS HENEBREY NICK SIMMONS	UNDER 15A SCOTT DORMEHL GRAHAM GELDENHUYTS STEF DE GOUVEIA
UNDER 19 BOLAND WP A ALESSIO DE GOUVEIA BRADLEY KERRIGAN	UNDER 16A JACOB PERREN	UNDER 14A FRANCOIS SWART
UNDER 19B KIMON CALDIS WILLIAM KEET DEAN HUMAN ANDREW PARK-ROSS NATHAN PERREN JOSH VAN DER PLOEG		UNDER 14B PJ KOBBIIE ZAC PERREN
		UNDER 14 BOLAND WP LIHLE KULA DEAN MOSTERT CHRIS NEWBY

❖ UPCOMING SPORTS TOURS 1ST TERM /APRIL HOLIDAYS - 2011

Sport	Team	Venue/Tour/Festival	Travel details/dates
Cricket	U15	Somerset College	7-10 January
Cricket	1 st XI	Grey Festival	8 -10 January
Cricket	1 st XI, 2 nd XI. U15 & U14	Grey	5 - 6 February
Water Polo	U14	Reddam Festival	18 - 20 February
Squash	1 st team festival	St Andrews, Bloem.	11 -13 February
Water polo	1 st team	KES	4 - 6 March
Water polo	U15	Parktown	4 - 6 March
Rowing	Various		March: To be confirmed
Hockey	U16	RBHS	2 - 5 April
Rugby	1 st XV, U16A, U15A & U14A	Wynberg Festival	7 - 9 April
Hockey	U14	Northwood	7- 9 April
Hockey	1 st XI	KES	21,23 & 25 April
Rugby	1 st XV	KES	21,23 & 25 April

❖ RBHS UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS

November

- 13 Cricket vs Bishops
Water polo vs Bishops (Away)
- 16 Grade 8 CASS marks due
- 17 Eid-ul-Adha
Board of Governors Meeting (17:30)
Basketball vs Alexander Sinton (Away)
- 18 End-of-year examinations Gr 8 & 9 commence
- 25 Liaison Meeting
BRSC Annual Golf Day

December

- 1 Goodwill Function (18:00)
- 2 End-of-year examinations end (Gr 8-11)
Gateway Christmas Party
- 3 Senior Certificate Exams End
- 3-5 Boarders Gr 8 Camp
- 4-5 Rowing-Boat Race (Port Alfred)
- 8 Carol Evening - Memorial Hall (19:00)
- 10 School closes for Learners & Educators (11:00)

❖ 2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR:

Term	Opens	Closes
First	13 January (educators) * to be confirmed 17 January (learners) * to be confirmed	1 April
Second	11 April	24 June
Third	18 July	30 September
Fourth	10 October	9 December (learners) 13 December (educators)

❖ 2011 PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

01 January	New Year's Day	16 June	Youth Day
21 March	Human Rights Day	17 June	School holiday
22 April	Good Friday	08 August	School holiday
25 April	Family Day	09 August	National Women's Day
26 April	School holiday	24 September	Heritage Day
27 April	Freedom Day	16 December	Day of Reconciliation
01 May	Workers' Day	25 December	Christmas Day
02 May	Public Holiday	26 December	Day of Goodwill



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