



## SCHOOL MATTERS

### FROM THE HEADMASTER'S OFFICE

With the sun setting rapidly over the first term, our hearts are filled with gratitude as we can look back to the start of 2023. Both our swimming and athletics teams have made us proud. The winter sport derby against Cornwall Hill was a huge success, and on the culture acre, we are excited about our orators' achievements. We look forward to the revue, ensemble, drama and Melodia performances next term. Soli Deo Gloria – all glory to our Heavenly Father.

I would next like to thank every learner and teacher who will represent the College on various tours during the holidays. Our wings are spread wide as our teams visit six of our country's provinces. May you all come back as a closer unit and team. I also would like to use this opportunity to thank every learner, parent and teacher for your contribution to this busy and successful term.

What is home? My favourite definition is a safe place, it's a place where people share and understand each other. Its relationships are nurturing. The people in it do not need to be perfect; instead, they need to be honest, loving, supportive, recognising a common humanity that makes all of us vulnerable.

Gladys Hunt

I believe that during the first term the College was a place where our learners felt secure. My wish is that every one of you will spend quality time with your loved ones during the holidays. I hope the learners will recharge their batteries as the second term has many Carpe Diem moments.

With the Easter weekend just around the corner, my wish is that we will all stand still and confess our vanity before and dependence on our Heavenly Father.

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16 NIV

## CHANGE IN BANKING DETAILS

Please note that our banking details have changed from ABSA to INVESTEC. Kindly use the following bank account details:

Bank: INVESTEC

Account number: 4000 5069 863

Branch Code: 580 105

Account name: Midstream College (Pty) Ltd

Type of account: Current

Swift: IVESZAJJXXX

## ACADEMICS

### FIRST TERM REPORTS

These reports will be available on the Parent Portal on Wednesday, 26 April.

### PARENTS' EVENING

The first parents' evening of the year will take place on Thursday, 4 May from 16:00 to 19:00.

## CULTURE

### ORATORS

We are very proud of the following teams that have progressed to the final of the Van Huyssteens Orators Festival and all placed among the top 3. Special mention to our grade 11 Afrikaans team who won their division, a feat we were able to repeat for the first time in 11 years. Our orators compete against all the major schools in Pretoria, including AHMP, AHS, Waterkloof, Menlopark, Garsfontein, Eldoraigue and Zwartkop and performed exceptionally in the overall competition.

Section	Learners
Gr. 8 English team	Adam Marincowitz, Lisa Strauss, Lisa Rautenbach and Caitlin Arendse
Gr. 11 English team	Sedibana Ngoasheng, Karla Alberts, Hugo Kotzee and Nisha Gwindiri
Gr. 10 Afrikaans team	Lente Groenewald, Tiana Swart, Kendra van Wyk and Cristi van der Walt
Gr. 11 Afrikaans team	Cara-Renette Ponting, Karla Alberts, Zané Boonzaaier and Mieke Combrinck
Gr. 9 Bilingual team	Jana Lombard, Kaylin Knoetze, Kashvi Chathury and Reuben Blom
Gr. 9 Individual English speaker	Lené Liebenberg
Gr. 12 Individual bilingual speaker	Zoë Joubert

## RECOGNITION OF NON-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

### FAK YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Anika Malan (grade 10) has been included in this orchestra that will participate in the Stellenbosch International Chamber Music Festival during the July holidays.

# SPORT

## ATHLETICS

Following the successful inter-high, eight athletes, who qualified at the district championships, competed at the Gauteng Schools Championships at Ruimsig.

Individual achievements (above 800 points on the ASA table):

Athlete	Age group	Event	ASA point
Amy Nel	Girls 15	Discus	840
Ashley Williams	Girls 19	400 m	869
Justin Hattingh	Boys 19	400 m hurdles	830
Hilton Thomas	Boys 19	200 m	803

Ashley Williams (200 m and 400 m), Justin Hattingh (400 m hurdles) and Hilton Thomas (200 m) were included in the Gauteng team that will represent the province at the SA Schools Championships. The following athletes performed well at the Athletics Gauteng North (AGN) provincial championships:

Athlete	Age group	Event	Place	ASA point
Ashley Williams	Girls 19	400 m	5 <sup>th</sup>	865
Hilton Thomas	Boys 19	400 m	3 <sup>rd</sup>	874
Xavier van der Leek	Boys 17	1 500 m	1 <sup>st</sup>	926
Rupert Groenewald	Boys 15	3 000 m	4 <sup>th</sup>	862
Juan Breytenbach	Boys 17	3 000 m	7 <sup>th</sup>	863
Lente Groenewald	Girls 17	2 000 m steeplechase	2 <sup>nd</sup>	815
Déan Fourie	Boys 17	2 000 m steeplechase	6 <sup>th</sup>	853
Anika le Roux	Girls 17	100 m hurdles 400 m hurdles	4 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup>	867 849
Anushke Niemand	Girls 19	400 m hurdles	5 <sup>th</sup>	805
Justin Hattingh	Boys 19	400 m hurdles	1 <sup>st</sup>	855
Luca Jankovic	Boys 17	Long Jump	2 <sup>nd</sup>	871
Thabang Rammabi	Boys 17	Long Jump	4 <sup>th</sup>	808
Amy Nel	Girls 15	Discus	6 <sup>th</sup>	812
Jacques Vlok	Boys 17	400 m	3 <sup>rd</sup>	799

The athletes included in the AGN team to compete at the SA Youth and Junior Championships in Pietermaritzburg are: Rupert Groenewald, Lente Groenewald, Déan Fourie, Juan Breytenbach, Thabang Rammabi, Luca Jankovic, Anika le Roux, Xavier van der Leek, Jacques Vlok, Ashley Williams, Justin Hattingh and Hilton Thomas. We are very proud of all these athletes!

## GOLF

The golf year kicked off with the Peacanwood tournament at the end of February, where our teams finished 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> out of 12 teams. Following this, our 1st team faced Garsfontein in the Chairman's Trophy and emerged victorious beating them 2½ – 1½. Congratulations on this achievement.

## SWIMMING

Level 1, 2, 3 and SANJ galas are the highlight of our individual swimmers' season. The following swimmers performed at the Level 2 gala that took place at Hillcrest.

Swimmer	Age group	Event	Medal
Ethan Koen	Boys u16	Medley relay 50 m Freestyle 100 m relay	Bronze Silver Silver
Annabell Sirrals	Girls u14	100 m freestyle 50 m butterfly 3 x relays	Silver Gold 3 x Gold
Ivan Kymdell	Boys u14	50 m freestyle relay	Gold
Nicholas Cownie	Boys u14	200 m breaststroke	Silver
Lindi Claassen	Girls u15	50 m breaststroke 100 m breaststroke	Gold Gold

## TENNIS

Our senior and junior mixed teams competed in the Sun City tournament. The senior team finished 7<sup>th</sup> and our junior team managed to beat Nelspruit 25 – 15 in the final. Congratulations to our junior players (Elmay Breet, Onalerona Mahopo, Anouk Viljoen, Moya Matthysen, Anzelle Viljoen, Jayden Summers, Pierre de la Port, Christoff Pieterse, Lian Niemand and Francois Wildenboer) who each received a trophy.

## EQUESTRIAN

Gauteng Ekurhuleni SANESA Qualifier 2		
Rider	Discipline	Place
Michelle du Preez	Novice dressage test 1 and 2	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Working riding	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Performance riding	1 <sup>st</sup>
Daniela Bedford	Dressage test 1 and 2	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Jodi Slade	Elementary dressage test 2	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Working hunter 70 cm	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Equitation 70 cm	1 <sup>st</sup>
Daniella de Vries	Equitation 80 cm	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Show jumping 90 cm	6 <sup>th</sup>
Louis Verhoef	Dressage elementary medium test 2 and 3	1 <sup>st</sup>
Mia Aitken	Equitation 60 cm	1 <sup>st</sup>
Kynan van Zyl	Vaulting	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Working hunter	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Dressage novice test 2 and 3	3 <sup>nd</sup>
	Show jumping 80 cm & 100 cm	4 <sup>th</sup>
	Eventing 72 cm	2 <sup>nd</sup>

Tyla Parmenter-Bridger is currently rated 1<sup>st</sup> in Gauteng and 2<sup>nd</sup> in South Africa in the 120 cm show jumping and will compete in the SA Championships in June. Her achievements are as follows:

Reinet World Cup Qualifier	
Discipline	Place
Show jumping 120 cm in 2-phase class	1 <sup>st</sup>
Show jumping 120 cm speed class	4 <sup>th</sup>
Burlington Graded Show	
Show jumping 120 cm in 2-phase class	1 <sup>st</sup>
Show jumping 120 cm speed class	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup>

## SQUASH

The results of the participants who finished in the top 10 of the Bloemfontein Open are as follows:

Player	Age group	Place
Anushka Janse van Rensburg	U14 Girls	4 <sup>th</sup>
Sarah de Villiers	U14 Girls	6 <sup>th</sup>
Amelia Lubbe	U14 Girls	10 <sup>th</sup>
Martin de Koning	U14 Boys	9 <sup>th</sup>
Elzandri Janse van Rensburg	U16 Girls	1 <sup>st</sup>
CA Froneman	U16 Girls	6 <sup>th</sup>
Awande Malinga	U19 Girls	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Kiara Poole	U19 Girls	8 <sup>th</sup>

## WINTER SPORT

The first derby against Northcliff took place last weekend.

Team	Girls Hockey	Boys Hockey	Netball	Rugby
U14A	6 – 0	5 – 0	29 – 12	12 – 7
U14B	5 – 0		27 – 3	17 – 0
U14C			24 – 2	22 – 0
U14D			11 – 5	
U15A	10 – 0		12 – 20	17 – 10
U15B	4 – 0		6 – 20	37 – 8
U15C			5 – 11	12 – 22
U16A	3 – 1	1 – 1	14 – 12	0 – 33
U16B	1 – 0		15 – 7	10 – 21
U16C			3 – 9	
U17A			12 – 9	
3 <sup>rd</sup>				0 – 38
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 – 0	1 – 0	24 – 9	7 – 37
1 <sup>st</sup>	2 – 1	0 – 0	32 – 12	33 – 17

This was followed by the derby against Cornwall Hill (CHC).

Team	Girls Hockey	Boys Hockey	Netball	Rugby
U14A	4 – 0	3 – 1	19 – 2	7 – 8
U14B	0 – 1 (MC B vs CHC C)	2 – 0	22 – 10	56 – 0 (vs u14A)*

Team	Girls Hockey	Boys Hockey	Netball	Rugby
U14C			12 – 1	
U15A	2 – 0		2 – 12	22 – 7
U15B	7 – 0 (MC B vs CHC C)		5 – 8	17 – 31 (vs u15A)*
U15C			2 – 11	
U16A	9 – 2	2 – 1	29 – 13	5 – 0
U16B	2 – 2 (MC B vs CHC C)	0 – 3	7 – 2	17 – 17 (vs u16A)*
U16C		3 – 0		
U17A			13 – 12	
3 <sup>rd</sup> vs 4 <sup>th</sup>				36 – 7
2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 – 0	0 – 2	25 – 8	0 – 17
1 <sup>st</sup>	1 – 0	1 – 0	23 – 19	43 – 10

\*(vs Trinityhouse Centurion)

## NETBALL

This year, the most ever girls (17) made it through to the Tshwane trials. They are:

U14	U15	U16	U17	U18
Alzan Swanepoel Aphelele Mbatsha Abigail Roberts Zandri du Plessis Ilané Theron Iva Mukadi	Elmay Breet	Danika van Heerden Mighan van der Walt Liza Howatt Deoné du Plessis	Joy Masvanhise Danyel Goatley Karla Alberts Zané Boonzaaier	Veronica du Plessis Kiara Poole

## RECOGNITION OF NON-SCHOOL SPORT

### ARCHERY

Zoë Joubert (grade 12) participated in the SA National Championships, where she was crowned the national recurve limited champion. Well done!

### MOUNTAIN BIKING

Henke Griffioen and Xandré Pretorius (both grade 9) finished 12<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> respectively in the u15 division of the Gauteng Cycling XCO Provincial Series Cup #1.

## GENERAL

### UNIFORM SHOP

Herewith the business hours during the holidays:

- 17 March: 08:00 – 17:00
- 18 March to 4 April: Closed
- 5 & 6 April: 08:00 – 16:00
- 7 – 10 April: Closed
- 11 April: 08:00 – 17:00

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#### NEXT CIRCULAR

Thursday, 20 April 2023