



MIDSTREAM COLLEGE

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SCHOOL MATTERS

FROM THE HEADMASTER'S OFFICE

I firmly believe that any man's finest hour, the greatest fulfilment of all that he holds dear, is that moment when he has worked his heart out in a good cause and lies exhausted on the field of battle - victorious.

– Vince Lombardi

Our first rugby team traversed the northern part of our country during the last month and played their hearts out in Mpumalanga, Limpopo and twice in North-West. On Saturday, they were practically out on their feet but managed to defend their title as Noordvaal champions against Bergsig Academy in Rustenburg. After eleven months of hard work and many obstacles that they had to overcome, it was a well-deserved victory. Congratulations again to Messrs Verster, Van der Merwe and Olivier, as well as every player in the squad on this brilliant achievement. A further salute to every learner, parent and teacher who supported them throughout the year. The crowd certainly carried them for the final ten minutes on Saturday.

In women's month, our first girls squash team also did us proud and was crowned SA Schools champions two weeks ago. They came second last year and turned the tables this year by convincingly beating all their opponents. We are equally proud of our u15 chess team that was named runners-up in Gauteng on Saturday.

Midstream College is truly excelling on the cultural front this year. Yesterday, all three our Drama@Midstream plays performed in the auditorium and they have already received various accolades this month. Our Ensemble and Melodia have also won many hearts and A++ awards. If you haven't seen them perform yet, you have truly missed out. All of the best to our revue taking part in the Kaleidoscope final at the State Theatre tomorrow night. 🎭

The king is dead...long live the king. Firstly, I want to thank Ashleigh, Tertius, the prefects, as well as the rest of the 2023 Midstream Council for their selfless service and leadership. Secondly, I would like to congratulate Karla Alberts and Jahred Smit on their election as head girl and head boy for the new term. Congratulations also to the other head leaders, prefects and Midstream Council members – you have big footsteps to follow in. (A full name list appears later in this circular.) There seems to be some confusion around the electoral process, hence I

would like to state unequivocally that this is an exclusively democratic process and learners in their grade vote for their representatives, and that all grades vote for the prefects.

With spring in the air, learners are welcome to wear either full winter or full summer uniform until further notice. Good luck to our matrics (and their parents 😊) who start their prelims on Saturday. Persevere, the finish line is in sight. May you also taste victory on the academic front – Carpe Diem!

MIDSTREAM COUNCIL

Grade 8	
Nicholas Beukes	Lizé Buys
Ernst Britz	Laurencia Malepe
Lukas Combrinck	Aphelele Mbatsha
Liwa Dada	Sebina Molebatsi
Rupert Groenewald	Cassidy Naicker
Gxolo Malik	Nika Nortjé
Thomas Langson	Lienke Ponting
Ethan Mahlangu	Lisa Rautenbach
Gabriel Mendes	Abigail Roberts
Kganya Motene	Lisa Strauss
Marco Smith	Hallé Thomas
Tristan van Heerden	Nicke Visser
Grade 9	
Musa Baloyi	Renate Barnard
Rikus Cilliers	Lindi Claassen
Dian de Villiers	Tia Clarke
Ivan Kotzee	Daniella de Vries
Paul Loubser	Cameron Holworthy
Malu Mahlangu	Kaylin Knoetze
Maarten Nortjé	Sagwati Manyike
Antimo Picone	Shiloh Masvanhise
Reuben Pienaar	Emma Otte
Daniël Reinecke	Carli Stander
Martin van Rooyen	Emma Steyn
Jonathan Wiseman	Jana Swiegers
Grade 10	
Alex Brits	Azaria Bagwandin
Wandele Cibi	Brigitte Beukes
Yanko Cronjé	Zaria Jeawon
Chad Dlamini	Courtney Langson
Henré Esterhuizen	Renate Maré
CA Froneman	Caitlin Marimuthu
Silethelwe Hadebe	Kamo Mokoene
Hlulani Hlaisi	Thando Ngwenya
Shivanth Lalla	Lufuno Ramarumo

Tsebo Lekalakala	Inara Ramlagan
Nicolas Mendes	Chelsey Strobel
Darius Nel	Masego Tau
Diashen Venketiah	Cristi van der Walt
Louis Verhoef	Kendra van Wyk
Prefects	
Wihan Cilliers	Karla Alberts
Thinus du Toit	Annerine Bester
Leeunard Ehlers	Zané Boonzaaier
Luca Jankovic	Caitlin Bosman
Dian Jansen van Rensburg	Mieke Combrinck
Jaco Kriel	Ichika Dada
Jeanré Lourens	Isabelle Dekker
Louwtjie Maritz	Danyel Goatley
Sandile Modise	Tejal Hutheram
Kyran Nair	Kristen Knoetze
Mithil Ramkhelawan	Anika le Roux
Thabang Rammabi	Rea Machogo
Tristan Scholtz	Lea Manikas
Xander Senekal	Joy Masvanhise
Animesh Singh	Sande Mbatsha
Jahred Smit	Veronika Nesterova
Joshua Smith	Sedi Ngoasheng
Thomas Stofberg	Julia Potgieter
Xavier van der Leek	Danielle Rossouw
Stephan Venter	Gabriella Wiggill

CAMPS

Should a learner withdraw from the camp, the cancellation/refund policy is as follows:

- More than 31 days' notice – 100% refund
- 15 – 31 days' notice – 50% refund
- 7 – 14 days' notice – 25% refund
- Fewer than 7 days' notice – 0% refund

ACADEMICS

AFRIKAANS EERSTE ADDISIONELE TAAL OLIMPIADE

Congratulations to the following learners who were all among the Top 10 in this national Olympiad: Bianca Joubert (2nd), Zoë Joubert (3rd) and Lucka Nieuwenhuis (8th).

CULTURE

ENSEMBLE

The Ensemble took part in the Noorderkruijn Arts Festival and was awarded an A++.

DRAMA

ATKV-TONEEL

Our play, *Viva la Resistance!* achieved various awards during the regional competition, which includes bronze for ensemble, silver for production and directing, and gold for props. Individual awards received were:

Name	Category	Award
Brendan Swanepoel	Assistant director	Silver
Isabel Kriel	Acting	Silver
Annerine Bester	Acting	Silver
Chanie van der Watt	Acting	Bronze
Mieke Combrinck	Acting	Gold
Alika van der Merwe	Costumes	Gold
Alika van der Merwe & Chanie van der Watt	Make-up	Gold
Hanro Pelser & Karla Storm	Stage management	Silver
Kendra van Wyk	Lighting	Gold
Bianca Joubert	Lighting	Silver

NATIONAL EISTEDDFOD

Both *Viva la Resistance!* and *Sinne.loos* received a platinum diploma for their performances. Our English drama *The Invitation* received a gold award.

ORATORS

Congratulations to the following learners who participated in the On the tip of your tongue orators competition:

Learner	Grade	Symbol
Lisa Rautenbach	8	A+ & A+
Milan Pöhl	8	A++
Adam Marincowitz	8	A+
Ivan Kymdell	8	A++
Lukas Combrinck	8	A++
Lené Liebenberg	9	A++ & A+
Kaylin Knoetze	9	A+
Lin-Mari Rudolph	9	A+
Carli Stander	9	A++
Kaylin Knoetze	9	A++
Megan le Roux	9	A+
Lente Groenewald	10	A++
Anika Malan	10	A++
Katinka Rhodie	10	A++
Louis Verhoef	10	A
Merike Kriel	10	A
Tiana Swart	10	A++
Zoë Oosthuisen	10	A++

Kristen Knoetze	11	A++ & A+
Cara-Renette Ponting	11	A+
Mieke Combrinck	11	A++
Ntee Puling	11	A+
Ingrid Barnard	12	A++
Chanie van der Watt	12	A
Simoné Swart	12	A+

The following learners participated in the English section of the On the tip of your tongue competition:

Name	Grade	Symbol
MH Sahib	8	A++
Lisa Strauss	8	A+
Lisa Rautenbach	8	A++
Mandisa Molebatsi	9	A+
Lin-Mari Rudolph	9	A+
Emily van Blerk	9	A
Kashvi Chathury	9	A+
Lené Liebenberg	9	A+ & A+
Kelsie Moses	9	A+
Onalerona Rabotho	10	A
Wandele Cibi	10	A
Lesetja Makgoka	10	A+
Phuluso Singo	10	A++
Alex Brits	10	A+
Lufuno Ramarumo	10	A+
Sam Selana	10	A+
Imani Ravhuhali	10	A+
Caitlin Marimuthu	10	A+
Dayuri Moopanar	10	A
Shihlovo Msindo	10	A+
Courtney Langson	10	A+
Chad Dlamini	10	A+
Ntee Puling	11	A
Kristen Knoetze	11	A+
Nisha Gwindiri	11	A+
Bhambatha Mbhele	11	A+
Jordan Sathyanandam	11	A+
Reabetswe Machogo	11	A++
Animesh Singh	11	A+
Joy Masvanhise	11	A+
Sedibana Ngoasheng	11	A++
Ciàna Chetty	11	A+
Noluthando Khomo	12	A++
Benita Mwambenu	12	A+

Good luck to Lené Liebenberg, Katinka Rhoodie and Phuluso Singo who will soon participate in the national final.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NON-SCHOOL CULTURE

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ORATORS

Lukas Combrinck won the grade 8 Afrikaans Home Language prepared section of the Radikale Redenaars competition. As Gauteng regional winner, he now progresses to the national final in October.

SINGING

Ruben and Milan Pöhl won the award for best senior duet at the Kraal Arts Festival on Saturday night.

DANCE

Elmarie Lubbe took part in the South African Body of Dance's national competition and received two gold and three silver certificates. She was included in the team to represent South Africa at the world championships in Belgium during November.

SPORT

SQUASH

Our girls' team (Awande Malinga, Kiara Poole, Elzandri Janse van Rensburg, Anushka Janse van Rensburg, Namratha Eswari Niranjana and Cassey Kemp) has been crowned the SA Top Schools champions! Since the competition's inception in 1984, Midstream is the first Gauteng North school to win it. The tournament results were:

Opponents	Province	Score
Eunice	Free State	20 – 0
Epworth	KZN	20 – 1
Herschel	Western Cape	20 – 0
Clarendon	Eastern Cape	20 – 1
St Anne's	KZN	19 – 3

We are equally proud of the following players who participated in the Growthpoint SA Nationals in Cape Town.

Age Group	Player	Position
u15 Girls	Elzandri Janse van Rensburg	2 nd
u15 Girls	Anushka Janse van Rensburg	6 th
u17 Boys	CA Froneman	5 th
u19 Girls	Awande Malinga	SA Champion

GIRLS' HOCKEY

Our 1st team ended 10th at the Noordvaal A tournament Potchefstroom, the u16As came 9th at their Noordvaal A tournament in Tzaneen, while the u15As ended 5th at the Noordvaal B tournament in Ermelo. The top performance was delivered by the u14As that ended 3rd at the Noordvaal A tournament in Krugersdorp. This is the best our teams have fared in these tournaments.

Team	Match 1	Match 2	Match 3	Match 4	Match 5	Match 6
u14A	EG Jansen 4 – 2	Middelburg 5 – 0	Noordheuwel 0 – 3	Kemptonpark 5 – 0	Monument 2 – 3	Middelburg 3 – 2
u15A	Lichtenburg 3 – 2	Frikkie Meyer 0 – 0	PHSG 3 – 0	Pietersburg (Lost: 8 sec)	Pionier (Won: 8 sec)	Montana 5 – 0
u16A	Monument 2 – 0	Middelburg 1 – 2	Hugenote 1 – 5		Dinamika 2 – 0	Eldoraigue 3 – 0
1 st	Potch Gim 2 – 2	Pietersburg 0 – 4	Hugenote 3 – 0	HTS Witbank 2 – 1	PHSG 1 – 0	Kemptonpark 0 – 2

RUGBY

Semi-final results of the SDC Noordvaal Cup:

Team	Opponent	Score
u14A	Wagpos	15 – 31
1 st	Potch Gimnasium	42 – 26

The u14s had a good season and we are proud of them for making it to the semi-final.

Congratulations to the 1st team that beat Bergsig 20–15 in the final of the SDC Noordvaal Cup in Rustenburg on Saturday. They also won the tournament last year. What made this year's victory special was that the last four matches had to be played away from home. This team has won 32 consecutive matches, with the last loss being in April 2022.

EQUESTRIAN

Congratulations to the following riders who have been selected to represent Gauteng at the SANESA National Championships at Kyalami.

Rider	Discipline	Team
Kiara Kok	Show jumping 70 cm	A
Kynan van Zyl	Working hunter 70 cm	A
	Working hunter 90 cm	B
	Show jumping 100 cm	B
	Show jumping 80 cm	B
	Dressage	C
	Vaulting	A
	Eventing 75 cm & 85 cm	A

Michelle du Preez	Working riding Performance riding	A B
Jodi Slade	Equitation Working hunter Show jumping	A B B
Louis Verhoef	Dressage elementary medium	B
Daniella de Vries	Eventing	B

CROSS-COUNTRY

Results of the last two league races.

Section	League 3 (PBHS)		League 4 (Curro Hazeldean)	
	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys
Juniors	8 th	16 th	9 th	11 th
Seniors	8 th	6 th	6 th	7 th
Overall	7 th	10 th	8 th	9 th

Both our boys' and girls' teams have qualified for the Noordvaal final to be held at the North-West University's Vaal campus.

Results of the Gauteng North Championships held last weekend:

Section	Athlete	Place
Girls u14	Carmia van den Berg	8 th
Girls u16	Jané Male	15 th
	Lente Groenewald	18 th
Girls u17	Zabine von Westernhagen	13 th
Boys u14	Rupert Groenewald	3 rd
Boys u16	Déan Fourie	16 th
Boys u17	Xavier van der Leek	4 th
	Juan Breytenbach	14 th
Junior men 2 km	Eben de Wit	5 th

MOUNTAIN BIKING

Top 20 results of the league race held at HTS John Vorster:

Section	Rider	Place
Sub-junior Girls	Nika Nortjé	1 st
	Kathleen de Kock	11 th
Youth 16 Girls	Sarah Heher	5 th
	Jané Male	8 th
Junior 18/19 Girls	Lucy Carroll	5 th
Sub-junior Boys	Rupert Groenewald	7 th
	Ivan Kymdell	17 th
	Aydan Benade	18 th

Youth 15 Boys	Michael Gray Xandr� Pretorius	17 th 18 th
Youth 17 Boys	Sebastian Bruyns	7 th
Junior 18/19 Boys	Pieter van Eeden Eben de Wit	9 th 16 th

CRICKET

The first-ever Midstream T20 Smash has been successfully concluded. The overall winners were the HealthChem Wolves who beat the Pallidus Rhinos in the final. At the prize-giving function, the following individual awards were made:

- Purple cap for the most wickets: Alex Jooste (Midstream College Primary) of the HealthChem Wolves, with 6 wickets.
- Orange cap for the most runs: Maarten Nortj  of the Pallidus Rhinos, with 257 runs.
- Yellow cap for the highest strike rate: Gerhard van der Westhuizen of the Midteam Foxes with 198.8.
- Pink cap for the most economical bowler: Jonathan Wiseman of the HealthChem Wolves with 3,6 runs per over.

Results of the last two weeks:

Opponent	Result	Comments
1st		
Sutherland	Sutherland 172/10 Midstream 173/7 Won by 3 wickets	Heinrich Gerber 36 Gerhard van der Westhuizen 41 n.o. Luke Wiseman 3/40 in 5 overs
Hans Moore	Hans Moore 314/7 Midstream 107/10 Lost by 207 runs	CA Froneman 2/40 in 8 overs
Laudium	Laudium 70/10 Midstream 73/7 Won by 3 wickets	Heinrich Gerber 2/18 in 4 overs Jean Holtzhausen 2/7 in 7 overs
2nd		
Uitsig 1	Uitsig 212/8 Midstream 184/10 Lost by 28 runs	Grant Muller 67 n.o. & 1/37 in 4 overs
AHS 3	AHS 379/5 Midstream 195/8 Lost by 184 runs	Christoff van den Berg 3/42 in 8 overs Erik Meyburgh 40 Christian Olwagen 34
3rd		
Garsfontein 4	Midstream 79/10 Garsfontein 80/3 Lost by 7 wickets	
Menlopark 4	Menlopark 241/3 Midstream 111/10 Lost by 130 runs	Grant Muller 2/10 in 3 overs

u15A		
Hans Moore	Hans Moore 181/10 Midstream 182/1 Won by 9 wickets	Christian Olwagen 2/31 in 10 overs Dian de Villiers 2/13 in 4 overs Rikus Cilliers 2/33 in 10 overs Maarten Nortjé 99 n.o. Wian de Bruin 56 n.o.
Laudium	Midstream 207/10 Laudium 89/10 Won by 118 runs	Rikus Cilliers 4/29 in 10 overs
u15B		
AHS C	AHS C 206/8 Midstream 100/8 Lost by 107 runs	Fouche Strydom 4/33 in 4 overs Ethan Poggenpoel 3/25 in 4 overs Liam van Rooyen 56
Zwartkop C	Zwartkop C 179/6 Midstream 132/7 Lost by 48 runs	Liam van Rooyen 2/35 in 4 overs Darius Oberholzer 3/32 in 3 overs Francois Senekal 66
u14A		
EG Jansen	Midstream 198/7 EG Jansen 202/7 Lost by 3 wickets	Dylan Coleridge 58 Marco Smith 67 Matthew Wiggill 3/29 in 7 overs Zac Lentoer 3/29 in 4 overs
Wonderboom	Midstream 286/6 Wonderboom 58/10 Won by 228 runs	Tehan Maré 87 Ruben Howatt 46 Matthew Wiggill 2/7 in 2 overs Zac Lentoer 2/0 in 1 over Johann Boshoff 2/17 in 5 overs
u14B		
Montana	Midstream 71/10 Montana 72/2 Lost by 8 wickets	O'neile Nyoni 18 n.o. Stefan Jute 1/13 in 2 overs
Waterkloof C	Waterkloof 167/8 Midstream 97/10 Lost by 70 runs	O'neile Nyoni 3/26 in 3 overs Zac Lentoer 19 runs

SOFTBALL

Recent results:

Team	Wagpos	CR Swart	Eldoraige
u14A	14 – 3	13 – 4	
u14B			13 – 6
u14C			10 – 5
u14D			7 – 20
u15A		11 – 2	
u15B		0 – 18	3 – 13
u16A	13 – 3	14 – 3	

u16B		6 – 12	8 – 15
u19A	7 – 4	7 – 4	
u19B		7 – 10	12 – 10
u19C			9 – 13

Congratulations to Tiego Lebudi (u19) and Kayla Kotze (u15) who have progressed to the final district trials.

GOLF

During the second round of league matches, the 1st team came third, while they won the third round. The 2nd team beat Menlopark in their league match. Congratulations to Ruben-hein Churr on his inclusion in the Gauteng North u18 team to play in an inter-provincial tournament in September.

CHESS

The u15 team beat Linden to claim the silver medal at the Gauteng Top Schools tournament last weekend. Both Luke Reyneke and Jacques Myburgh were undefeated on the day.

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TENNIS

Jayden Summers reached the semi-final of an international J30 tournament in Botswana.

SADDLE SEAT RIDING

Carmia van der Berg has been selected for the Gauteng North team to participate in the Protea trials in Parys at the end of August.

SWIMMING

Results of the SA Short Course Championships held in Somerset West last weekend:

Name	Finals	Place
Lance Cromhout	2 x A finals	4 th 100 m backstroke 3 rd 200 m backstroke 3 rd 400 m medley
Adrian van Wyk	2 x A finals 1 x B final	4 th 200 m backstroke 7 th 100 m backstroke 14 th 100 m freestyle 4 th 4 x 100 m freestyle
Jemma van Wyk	1 x B final	10 th 200 m freestyle
Jana Swiegers	3 x B finals	13 th 200 m backstroke 15 th 50 m backstroke 17 th 100 m backstroke

Grace Powell	2 x B final	16 th 100 m IM 20 th 50 m butterfly
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GENERAL

SPRINGFEST

09
September

Spring Fest
@ MIDSTREAM COLLEGE
OPEN AIR FESTIVAL

PROGRAMME

11:00	Gates open
12:00 - 13:30	Midstreams Got talent
13:45 - 14:15	Lila Swift
14:15 - 14:45	Alouise
15:00 - 15:30	Jemma Catherine
15:30 - 16:00	AlterEgo
16:15 - 17:00	Lloyd Cele
17:00 - 17:15	MC - Bibi
17:15 - 18:00	Droomsindroom
18:15 - 19:00	Kurt Darren
19:15 - 20:00	Karen Zoid
20:15 - 21:00	Dr. Victor & the Rasta Rebels

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