

# MIDSTREAM COLLEGE



Circular 7/2024  
9 May 2024

## SCHOOL MATTERS

### FROM THE HEADMASTER'S OFFICE

*Discipline is the soul of an army. It makes small numbers formidable; procures success to the weak, and esteem to all.*

*- George Washington*



Discipline is the cornerstone of any business, institution or school. It is also, in George Washington's words, the soul of a school and it makes us better, more formidable and improves the learners' self-esteem. Midstream College is proud that virtually all our learners share this vision, and this makes our school unique. To the few who do not aspire to this, a friendly warning that your time at the College is running out if you do not conform.

*Discipline is the bridge between goals and accomplishment.*

*- Jim Rohn*

I believe that every learner strives towards their own goals and that every parent supports their children in this. The amazing achievements of Midstream College on the sport field, in the cultural halls and the classroom would not be possible without discipline. It all starts with school attendance, so please help us and make sure your children do not stay home for every little niggles.

Furthermore, we are proud of how neatly our learners display our College attire. With this in mind, they may wear either full winter or full summer uniform from Monday. (More detail on this follows later in this circular.)

The exams start in little more than two weeks and unfortunately the sport and culture programmes do not come to a complete standstill. Please support your children during these challenging times where they have to manage their time effectively. We are currently having a very successful Wellness Week at the College in which we aim to empower learners to approach life with a half-full-glass attitude. Any parent who is concerned about their child in this regard, is encouraged to contact the school. We are happy to help where possible.

I would like to invite parents to attend the next Coffee-with-Carel session in the College Hub at 07:30 on Thursday, 23 May. During this informal meeting, we get to know each other better and I gladly answer questions regarding the College. I hope to see some new faces there.

## ABSENTEEISM

We would like to refer you to the Code of Conduct when signing out learners. The following information must be provided when e-mailing the grade heads and register teacher: Learner's name, the date and time learners must leave the school, and the reason for the planned absenteeism. Furthermore, in the interest of learner safety, where possible, parents must collect their child from the office.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

From next Monday, learners have the option of wearing either full summer or full winter uniform. From 24 May learners have to wear full winter uniform. From then, they also have the option of wearing a full school tracksuit for the remainder of term, i.e. during the exams.

Please note the following rules regarding the wearing of a tracksuit:

- Only the full tracksuit is allowed. The tracksuit top may not be taken off outside of a classroom.
- The LO shirt or house shirt must be worn underneath.
- Running shoes – No Tommy tekkies, pumps or school shoes may be worn with the tracksuit.
- White sport socks must accompany the running shoes – no funky socks or coloured socks allowed.
- Other appearance rules (hair, make-up and jewellery) still apply.

The rules for learner appearance are available on the school's website.

# ACADEMICS

## ACADEMIC TOP 3

Based on the first term marks, the Top 3 learners per grade are as follows:

### Grade 8

1.	Leonardo de Barros	93.00%
2.	Eden Gerber	92.54%
3.	Henke Louw	91.62%

### Grade 9

1.	Lisa Rautenbach	95.38%
2.	Lisa Strauss	94.85%
3.	Angelique van Rensburg	94.00%

### Grade 10

1.	Lin-Mari Rudolph	97.14%
2.	Lené Liebenberg	94.00%
3.	Emma Otte	92.14%

### Grade 11

1.	Renate Maré	98.29%
2.	Jenhara Rooplall	98.00%
3.	Lucka Nieuwenhuis	95.43%

## Grade 12

1.	Cara-Renette Ponting	97.71%
2.	Wihan Cilliers	96.43%
3.	Alex Kock	96.29%

**PARENTS' EVENING**

Thank you for attending our parents' evening on 29 April. These contact sessions were rather short, so please feel free to contact your child's subject teacher if there is anything you would still like to discuss before the exams.

**EXAM BREAKDOWN**

The exam breakdown per subject is available on both the website and your child's tablet.

**GRADE 10 SUBJECT CHOICES FOR 2025**

Kindly note that this year's grade 9 June examination marks will be used to determine your child's subject choices for grade 10. The Mathematics mark is applicable to IT, ACC, PSC, and Mathematics itself.

**CULTURE****ATKV-REDENAARS**

Congratulations to the following learners who have progressed to the Gauteng North semi-finals that will take place on 24 May.

- Katinka Rhodie: Home Language Seniors – prepared and unprepared
- Adam Marincowitz: Additional Language Juniors – prepared and unprepared
- Lisa Rautenbach: Huistaal Juniors – prepared
- Lukas Combrinck: Huistaal Juniors – prepared
- Lente Groenewald: Huistaal Seniors – prepared
- Lené Liebenberg: Home Language Seniors – unprepared
- Celeste Marx: Additional Language – prepared

**ATKV-DIGITONEEL**

Congratulations to the following learners on their performance during the ATKV-Digitoneel competition:

- Mieke Combrinck – Silver for text and acting.
- Daniël Reinecke – Silver for directing and editing.

**MELODIA**

Melodia participated in the Pretoria Eisteddfod and received an A for their first performance of the year. We wish them all of the best for their next performance in the ATKV Applous competition later this month.

**RECOGNITION OF NON-SCHOOL CULTURAL ACTIVITIES**

We would like to acknowledge learners who excel in non-school cultural activities. You are welcome to send any proof, information and certificates to the Head of Culture, Dr Steyn de Bod ([sdebod@midstreamcollege.co.za](mailto:sdebod@midstreamcollege.co.za)).

**DANCE**

Nickezel Grobler competed in the Star Power Dance International competition and her group achieved the following awards:

- First place 5-star premium in their section
- Third place overall competition (level 2)
- The Golden ticket, which gives the group the opportunity to participate in the World Dance Championships in New York.

Nicola Ridgway took part in the SA Dance Festival Championships. Her results were:

- Gold – Lyrical solo. (She also received a special award for her musicality.)
- Gold – Musical character: Group.

**SPORT****SWIMMING**

Grace Powell, Abigail Roberts and Juan Pretorius participated in the SA School's gala. Grace won two silver and two bronze medals, while Abigail's relay team finished third.

Despite being u17 and u16 respectively, Lance Cromhout and Adrian van Wyk were selected to represent South Africa at the Senior African Championships in Angola. Their results were as follows:

	Individual	Relays
Adrian van Wyk	3 <sup>rd</sup> 200 m backstroke	3 <sup>rd</sup> 4 x 100 m mixed freestyle 3 <sup>rd</sup> 4 x 100 m freestyle 3 <sup>rd</sup> 4 x 200 m freestyle
Lance Cromhout	3 <sup>rd</sup> 100 m backstroke	3 <sup>rd</sup> 4 x 200 m freestyle 2 <sup>nd</sup> 4 x 50 m medley 1 <sup>st</sup> 4 x 50 m mixed medley

**SQUASH**

The boys' D2 team beat CBC Mount Edmund 16 – 0. We are still awaiting the final results of the respective leagues.

Elzandri Janse van Renburg will represent South Africa at the WSF women's team and individual championships in the USA. Elzandri is the youngest player ever to receive her Protea colours.

**TENNIS**

Recent results:

Team	Opponent	Result
Girls 19A	Curro Hazeldean	10 – 57
Girls 15A	Eldoraigue A	54 – 13
Girls 15B	Wilgers	66 – 1
	Loreto Convent	51 – 16

Boys 15 A	AHS C	35 – 33
	Cornwall A	19 – 48
Boys 15B	Waterkloof D	52 – 12
	AHS E	12 – 55
Boys 19A	Menlopark A	3 – 4
Boys 19B	Garsfontein D	34 – 33

## CROSS-COUNTRY

The first league race took place at Uitsig. The following athletes produced good individual performances:

Age Group	Athlete	Place
Girls 14	Azariah Madumo	18
	Mizé Raubenheimer	20
Boys 15	Rupert Groenewald	3

## MOUNTAIN BIKING

The first league race took place at Prime View. Midstream had 30 riders participating and the top results were:

Division	Athlete	Place
Sub-Junior Boys	Richard Morris	10
Youth 15	Nika Nortjé	1
	Kathleen de Kock	9
Youth 15 Boys	Wiehan Visser	11
	Rupert Groenewald	12
	Ivan Kymdell	18
Youth 16 Boys	Xandré Pretorius	14
	Michael Gray	27
Junior 17 Girls	Sarah Heher	3
	Jané Male	6
Junior 19 Boys	Ruben Bruyns	15
	Sebastian Bruyns	19
	Pieter van Eeden	20

## CHESS

Recent results:

Team	Opponent	Result	Team	Opponent	Result
15A	Waterkloof	5 – 1	15A	Crawford	½ – 5½
15B	Waterkloof	3 – 3	17A	The Glen	2 – 4
19A	Waterkloof	½ – 5½	19A	Sutherland	1 – 5
19B	Waterkloof	1 – 5	19B	CBC	2 – 4

## GOLF

The first team finished as runners-up in the third round of the Chairman's Trophy at Irene after losing to AHS on the fifth playoff hole. At the prestigious Woodlands Junior Masters Schools Tournament held at Serengeti, they finished fourth. Noteworthy individual performances at this tournament were: Ruben-hein Churr (4<sup>th</sup>), Stefan Verster (tied 21<sup>st</sup>), Conré van den Berg (tied 25<sup>th</sup>) and Nathan Roux (tied 36<sup>th</sup>).

## WINTER SPORT

Recent results:

BOYS HOCKEY						
Team	Opponent	Result	Opponent	Result	Opponent	Result
1 <sup>st</sup>	AHS 2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 – 2	Menlopark	1 – 3	Sutherland	3 – 1
2 <sup>nd</sup>	AHS 3 <sup>rd</sup>	0 – 5	Menlopark 3 <sup>rd</sup>	0 – 4	-	-
16A	AHS 16B	2 – 1	Menlopark	3 – 3	Sutherland	1 – 2
16B	AHS 16C	2 – 2	Menlopark	7 – 0	Oos-Moot	5 – 0
16C	AHS 16E	1 – 2	-	-	Woodhill	0 – 2
14A	AHS 14B	4 – 2	Menlopark	0 – 1	Sutherland	4 – 0
14B	AHS 14C	1 – 2	Menlopark	0 – 0	Oos-Moot	3 – 1
14C	AHS 14D	0 – 3	-	-	Woodhill	2 – 1

GIRLS HOCKEY						
Team	Opponent	Result	Opponent	Result	Opponent	Result
1 <sup>st</sup>	Menlopark	0 – 3	Garsfontein	0 – 7	Waterkloof	0 – 4
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Menlopark	0 – 6	Garsfontein	0 – 3	Waterkloof	0 – 4
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Menlopark	1 – 3	Garsfontein	0 – 5	Waterkloof	
16A	Menlopark	0 – 3	Garsfontein	0 – 8	Waterkloof	0 – 9
16B	Menlopark	0 – 2	Garsfontein	0 – 3	Waterkloof	0 – 2
15A	Menlopark	1 – 2	Garsfontein	0 – 1	Waterkloof	1 – 3
15B	Menlopark	0 – 3	Garsfontein	1 – 0	Waterkloof	0 – 0
15C	Menlopark	0 – 0	Garsfontein	-	Waterkloof	1 – 3
14A	Menlopark	1 – 2	Garsfontein	2 – 0	Waterkloof	1 – 2
14B	Menlopark	0 – 1	Garsfontein	0 – 1	Waterkloof	0 – 4
14C	Menlopark	0 – 4	Garsfontein	0 – 2	Waterkloof	0 – 3

NETBALL					
Team	PHSG	Wonderboom	Sutherland	Prestige	Centurion
1 <sup>st</sup>	46 – 12	26 – 20	45 – 12	36 – 20	34 – 19
2 <sup>nd</sup>	20 – 4	16 – 4	21 – 11	-	22 – 11
17A	26 – 16	25 – 13	32 – 14	-	16 – 14
17B	17 – 6	9 – 14	-	-	-
16A	28 – 3	29 – 10	33 – 11	-	11 – 25
16B	36 – 4	25 – 11	28 – 5	-	25 – 10
16C	0 – 13	22 – 1	17 – 10	-	5 – 20 (B)
15A	33 – 5	13 – 17	36 – 6	13 – 18	20 – 10
15B	27 – 8	30 – 13	35 – 7	51 – 1	43 – 2
15C	24 – 6	20 – 4	24 – 4	20 – 3	21 – 5 (B)

15D	34 – 0	-	-	-	-
14A	24 – 4	23 – 17	24 – 8	23 – 13	32 – 12
14B	27 – 1	20 – 7	33 – 5	26 – 4	48 – 7
14C	22 – 2	21 – 12	24 – 4	27 – 1	30 – 11 (B)
14D	12 – 3	22 – 9	26 – 2	24 – 1	-

RUGBY		
Team	Wonderboom	Centurion
14A	26 – 5	11 – 14
14B	21 – 5	0 – 10
14C	24 – 12	-
15A	24 – 0	3 – 5
15B	7 – 12	24 – 5
16A	6 – 13	10 – 24
16B	31 – 0	5 – 24
16C	17 – 7	-
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5 – 19	26 – 0
2 <sup>nd</sup>	8 – 10	20 – 0
1 <sup>st</sup>	31 – 24	47 – 33

## RECOGNITION OF NON-SCHOOL SPORT

We would like to acknowledge learners who excel in non-school sporting activities. You are welcome to send any proof, information and certificates to the Head of Sport, Mr Henry Verster ([hvester@midstreamcollege.co.za](mailto:hvester@midstreamcollege.co.za)).

### ACTION HOCKEY

Gerick Wiese has been selected for the Gauteng North U21 team.

### CHESS

Ketana Pillay participated in the SA Junior Closed Championships which took place in Benoni.

### MOUNTAIN BIKING

Nika Nortjé participated in the SA Championships and came fourth in the cross-country Olympic race and seventh in the short track cross-country race.

### JKA KARATE

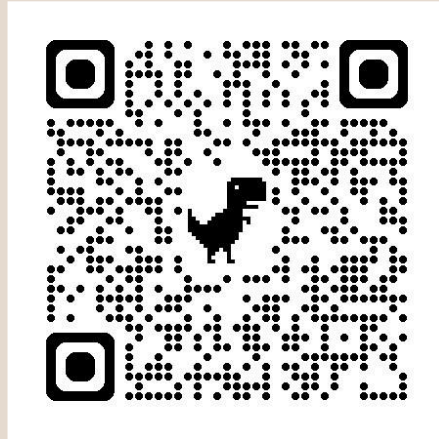
Samantha Rhodes has been selected for the Gauteng team to participate in the national championships.

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### NEXT CIRCULAR:

Thursday, 23 May 2024





Calling all parents from our sports teams! Join us for an evening of trivia, laughter, and friendly competition. Who will claim the title of Clubstream's Quiz Champions? The 1st team rugby table, or the u16A netball table? Challenge parents from other sport disciplines (rugby, netball and hockey) and stand a chance to win great prizes.

Book a table for your team today!

**WEDNESDAY, 22 MAY**

**START AT 7 PM | MIDSTREAM COLLEGE HALL**

*R250 per ticket - each table seats 10 (5 couples)*

*To book your team's table, e-mail [info@clubstream.co.za](mailto:info@clubstream.co.za)*

This is a Barnyard-style event, so bring your own food and drinks. Spot prizes for the best table set-up!