



PARKTOWN BOYS'
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WOMEN'S DAY 9th AUGUST

It was interesting to see how many of us intended spending the Women's Day weekend, starting on 9 August. Some of us were excited about the start of the Premier League, whilst others hoped to see the Springboks win the Rugby championship. In essence, however, the day we were getting off on Friday was not a day off as such, but rather a day to remember the women who led a march to fight for the rights of millions of South Africans

Some boys have said to me, "Why do women need a whole month to celebrate their achievements?" Considering the fact that women received the vote 100 years after men in this country, there is a bit of time to make up!

Lilian Ngoyi, Helen Joseph, Albertina Sisulu, Rahima Moosa and Sophie Williams de Bruyn are all names I am sure you all know. On 9 August 1956, these women led a march of women of all races to the Union Buildings to protest against the pass laws that had been discriminatory and degrading to the people of South Africa. This was an instance of women taking a stand against oppression, and taking a stand against the apartheid system.

This day in 1963 was also the day Ruth First was arrested: she was a member of the ANC and also an anti-apartheid activist. August also commemorates the month in which she was killed by a letter bomb in 1982.

We should take a moment to be grateful for the women in our lives. We should take a moment to be grateful that we live in a society where education is a right and a privilege for all in this country; we should be grateful that our biggest protests these days are hair styles and uniforms, not the freedom of choosing who to love, or where to live and how to live. Remember the sacrifices made during apartheid were not the actions of men alone, but those of women as well. Take a moment to be grateful that the women in your lives are there for you every day do not take their support, their compassion and their love for granted. Remember that that the vast majority of us now have opportunities that many people were denied for their entire lives.

Based on an Assembly presentation on Women's Day by Mr J Furlonger (HOD History)

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IMPORTANT DATES

- 21 Aug. - Football:
PBHS vs Benoni
- 24 Aug. - Athletics:
PBHS vs Jeppe
- 24 Aug. - Winter Sports
Awards Dinner
- 25 Aug. - Rowing Open
Day
- 28 Aug. - Inter-house
Basketball
- 31 Aug. - Polar Plunge

SBA TESTS - 26 Aug. '19

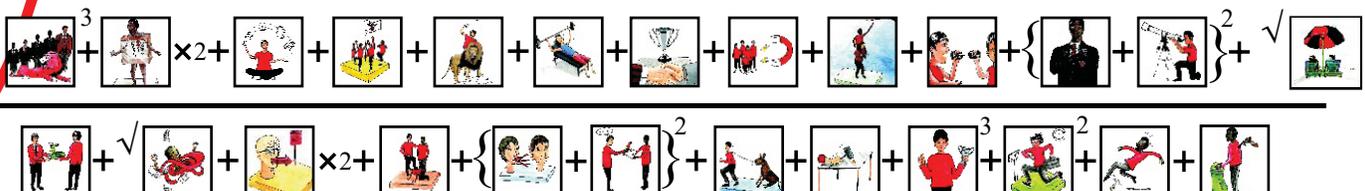
Grade 11 : AFRI / IsiZULU
Grade 10 : MATHS / M.LIT

Grade 9 : AFRI / IsiZULU
Grade 8 : SS: Hist & Geo

SBA TESTS - 2 Sep. '19

Grade 11 : CAMP
Grade 10 : IT/CAT

Grade 9 : CAMP
Grade 8 : AFRI / IsiZULU





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INTER-HOUSE ATHLETICS - VULCANS REIGN SUPREME ON THE DAY

Thank you and well done to all the athletes who participated at the Inter-house Athletics on Wednesday 7 August. We saw a record number of individual athletes participating to gain points for their houses. The points reflected the tough, yet well-spirited, competition throughout the day and congratulations must be extended to Vulcans for winning both the Inter-house Athletics and Spirit trophies for the second year running!

The day's programme ended with a well-supported and celebrated 'Staff versus Prefects' race, which definitively displayed the fitness of the youngsters, with the Prefects finishing 1st and 2nd and the Staff teams jogging in the last 50m to the finish line!

The **final points** were as follows:

- 4th Tuscans on 233 points
- 3rd Trojans on 234 points
- 2nd Romans on 252 points
- 1st Vulcans on 276 points

Winter Sport Kit is available at the school shop during the week. Please check the times below:

Monday	09h00 - 14h15
Tuesday	09h00 - 14h00
Wednesday	09h00 - 13h15
Thursday	09h00 - 14h45
Friday	09h00 - 14h15

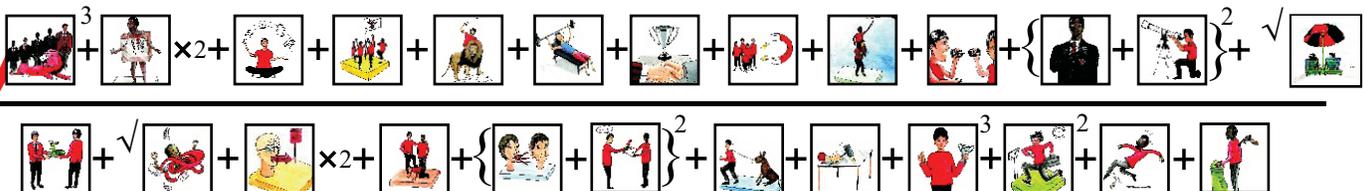
TWO LONG-STANDING RECORDS BROKEN, ONE OF WHICH HAS STOOD FOR 21 YEARS!

We saw some very close competition in a number of events and the following school records were broken on the day:

In the U14 4x100m Relay, Vulcans set a new record of 49.64s, beating the previous Romans record of 50.26s set in 2012.

In the U16 1500m, Julio Smith set a new record of 4:04:17, taking more than 25 seconds off the 1998 record set by Steven Erasmus! This is a tremendous run, on grass, and we celebrate Julio's outstanding achievement.

Well done, gentlemen!





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THE ST DAVID'S FOOTBALL CHALLENGE CUP

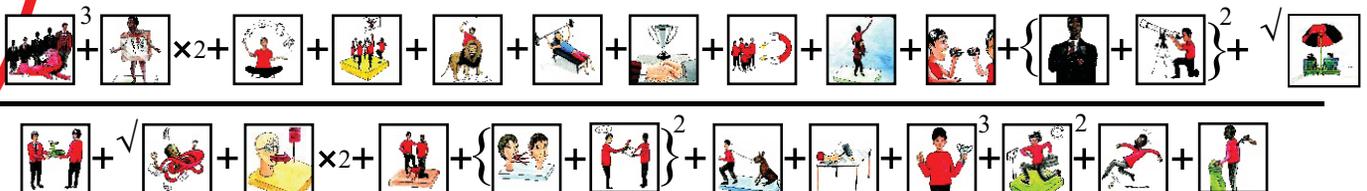
This season our 1st XI and Under 15 footballers participated in the St David's Football Challenge Cup. Both sides can be proud of some stellar performances, competing against some of the best football schools in the region. The 1st XI finished 5th out of 16 schools entered, while the juniors placed 6th. The boys conducted themselves with character and pride throughout the weekend and as a school we can be proud of the spirit in which the games were played, irrespective of results. Our boys are also to be commended yet again for being great ambassadors for the school.

The juniors faced Prestige College in the first pool game, winning this exciting match 3-0. The second pool game was played against the hosts, who beat us 2-0. The St David's side is a quality team which ended the tournament as overall champions. The third challenge came in the form of Waterstone College, with the game ending in a 1-1 draw. As a result of the pool standings, our boys qualified for the knockout stages of the competition where we faced King Edward VII (KES) in the quarter-final. Unfortunately we lost this contest 1-0, which earned us a spot in the 5th place play-off in which we beat rivals, St John's College 4-2 in a penalty shootout. The last game for the juniors also ended in a penalty shootout in which we unfortunately went down 2(4)-2(5). The juniors can really be proud of themselves as the group showed a great deal of promise, scoring a number of exciting goals and playing with character even when the score lines were not in our favour.

The 1st XI played Michaelhouse in game one, winning the match 2-1. After shaking the rust off in the first fixture, our boys came into their stride in the second game, beating Pretoria-based Sutherland High School 3-1. The third pool game came in the form of the hosts who proved to be a formidable side, beating our 1st XI by 3 goals to 0. Despite the loss to St David's, our side had done enough to secure a quarter-final play-off spot in which we went down to a composed Grey College side that was able to score two late second-half goals, beating us 2-1. In the 5 - 8 play-offs, we faced KES, whom we beat 4-2 on penalties in a game which ended 0-0 at full time. Our boys showed great determination and grit to finish the tournament ranked 5th, after beating St John's College 2-1 in a game that provided many thrills.

Overall the weekend was a success, with our boys playing some attractive football in the true spirit of the game. Our sincere thanks are extended to all the parents who came out to support, as well to the coaching staff and management involved for their effort and encouragement on the day. We look forward to seeing more parents coming out to support the boys as we take on the remainder of the Football season in Term 3.

Mr LALangman
Football 1st XI Administrator





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PARKTOWN BOYS' FOOTBALL FIXTURES VERSUS SPRINGS BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL. NO REST FOR THE BRAVE!

After a matter of days since our First and Under 15 Football sides concluded the St David's Challenge Cup, the 'Parktown Pride' took on its rivals from the East Rand, namely Springs Boys' High School. The fixture took place on Wednesday 14 August, and was held at Springs Boys' for the junior sides and at Mark's Park for the seniors. Both fixtures may be regarded as a success for all of our teams

Yet again the boys conducted themselves well, both on and off the field, which made the day all the sweeter. Overall the results presented just reward for the effort and dedication put in by our players in preparation for the battle. The junior sides enjoyed a mixed bag of results. Our Under 14 B side went down to a strong Springs Boys' outfit by 3 goals to 1. The Under 14 A side ended a tightly-contested game in a draw, both teams scoring 2 goals apiece. The Under 15 B team went down 4-1 against their counterparts, while the A side won their match 1 - 0 .

The senior section played good quality football on the day. It was evident to see from the touch lines that our boys were confident as all sides pulled off comfortable victories over their Springs opponents. The Under 16 B team won 4-2 and the Under 16 A team won its game 2-0. Our Second XI gave a good account of themselves, winning 2-0. The 1st XI recovered well from what looked to be a quiet start, recording a 4-0 victory on a day which saw a couple of new caps playing their first match for the team. The first half was a quiet one in terms of goals scored, but it appeared as if the half time discussion energized the boys to play an exciting brand of football which resulted in four goals being scored! One of these was from a penalty shot as a result of the pressure the side was able to apply to the opposition.

We thank Springs Boys' for playing the games in good spirit and look forward to our next challenge which comes in the form of our fixture vs Benoni High on Wednesday 21 August.



Be part of our **CENTENARY VISION**
by helping to redesign our
Parktown Lion.

Designs are to be submitted to
Mr Stippel by
28th August 2019

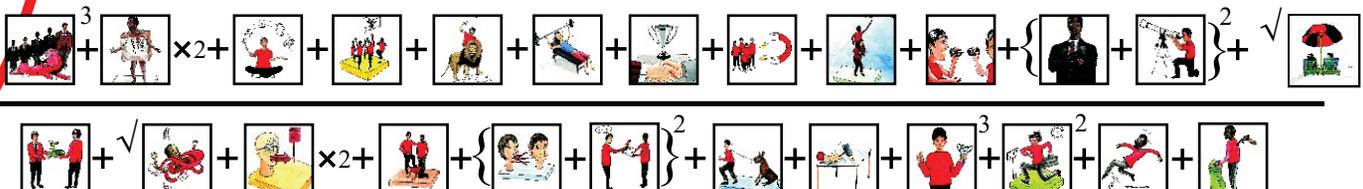
GENERAL NOTICES

School starts promptly at 07h35. All late comers are to report to the **DR Room** where they will be given a stamped slip. These slips are to be handed to their Period 1 teacher.

Friday Detention - check the notice board outside Mr. Van Zyl's office.

House Tutor Detention
14h00 - 16h00

Academic & Late Comers Detention
14h00 - 15h00





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C U L T U R A L



OUR BAND HAS THE LADIES DANCING AT THE 'OWN IT' WOMEN'S DAY CONFERENCE!

Our Brass Band was hired to play at the Own It Women's Day Conference over the long weekend. It was a magnificent performance, with the band starting its programme at the entrance of the conference centre while the ladies attending the conference were going through registration.

The band played songs such as, "My Girl" and "Shut up and dance". The ladies really enjoyed themselves and most of them took "selfies" in front of the band while the boys were playing their musical items.

When registration was completed, the band had to go on stage and participate in the official opening. The organisers of the conference were impressed with the professionalism exhibited by our band members and the day turned out to be a major success for all concerned.

Congratulations to Mr Bell and all members of the Band. Well done, chaps.

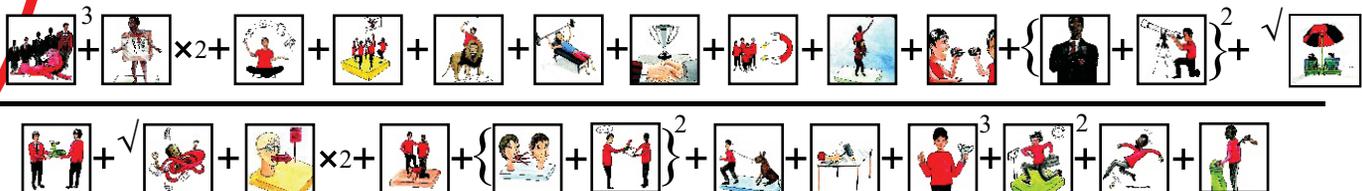


THE STAR HIGH SCHOOLS' QUIZ 2019

On Wednesday 7 August, the two Parktown Boys' teams entered for this year's The Star High Schools' Quiz competed against the top learners from 26 other schools at Reddford House in Fairland. The competition was exceptionally strong, as was the ruling that only the top 3 teams would go through to the regional finals which will be held on 31 August.

Parktown's Team 1 acquitted itself particularly well, tying in overall 4th place with Waverley Girls' High School, but unfortunately not qualifying to go through to the regional finals. Well done to both the Parktown teams for their superb sportsmanship and impeccable display of manners at the competition, proving once more that Parktown simply has what it takes when it is in the public eye!

Thank you to Mrs J Redshaw and Mr A de Wilzem for inspiring and supporting the teams in the three-week run-up to the competition and for providing the necessary support and encouragement on the day.





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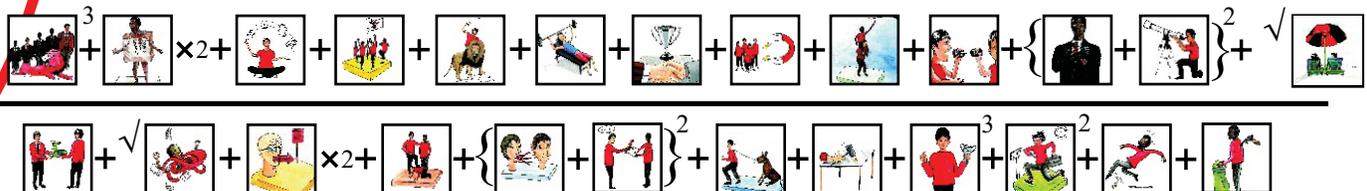
The two Parktown teams which represented the school consisted of the following learners:

Team 1 (Grade 11)

- Shaman Bhattachyra
- Thashlan Chetty
- Jonah Finlay
- Nasr Moolla
- Luca von Mayer

Team 2 (Grade 9)

- Nicholas Gower
- Christopher King
- Qasim Lorgat
- Seth Scott





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STUDENT AFFAIRS



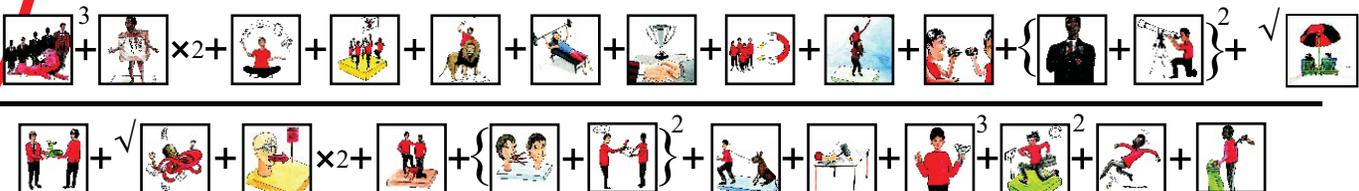
KZN HISTORY BATTLEFIELDS TOUR AN ENRICHING EXPERIENCE

Over the long weekend, 24 boys went down to Dundee in Kwa-Zulu Natal to begin their History Battlefields Tour. The tour began on a rainy day at Isandlwana Battlefield, the site of a massive loss for the British and victory for the Zulus, where the boys were able to explore the grave sites and climb the hills to see where the bloody battle took place. This was followed by a trip to Rorke's Drift, known by many for its setting in the movie, "Zulu"; the boys were able to see all sides of the battle and enjoyed it immensely. That evening was spent on a trip to the Talana Hill Museum, where the boys were addressed by battle re-enactors and were able to wander the grave-yards at night in search of ghosts. The person most fearful was Mr K Reddy who was frightened a few times by the boys themselves!

The following day saw a trip to Spioenkop for a tour of the 1900 Boer War battle scene in which the tragic loss of life made our boys realize the utter futility of war. This was followed by an evening of Zulu dancing and stick-fighting, where the boys and staff both got involved. The boys then enjoyed quiet time to watch some Springbok rugby.

The last morning, before leaving, we visited the Ghandi Museum in Dundee, where the great man himself was put on trial a few times. The boys loved the experience and learned a great deal before facing the long drive home on the Sunday before school resumed. Thanks must go to Adventure Sports Exchange, our tour organiser, for all the hard work they put in to make the tour a great success.

Our thanks to Messrs Furlonger and Reddy for co-ordinating this very worthwhile cultural/academic excursion and for accompanying the boys.





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ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

The school officially welcomed Rotarian, Ben Mueller at a recent assembly. Ben is a Grade 11 student from Langenhagen in the Lower Saxony region of Germany and loves music, running and photography. His father, Carsten, is an auditor and his mother, Andrea, is an administrator. He has a sister, Chiara who is 19 years old.

In the words of his mother, "Ben is a dear and open-minded boy. He loves his family and is empathetic and responsible."

In Ben's own words, "I don't like spinach and brussels sprouts and also don't like people who tell me lies and who are not respectful. I often help other people. I am always honest and friendly."

Ben will spend the next year at Parktown Boys' High School whilst initially being hosted by Parktonian, Douglas Haffner, and his family.

Ben, willkommen in unserer Schule und Land, Südafrika.

We wish Ben all the best as he embarks on his journey of interaction and self-discovery during his stay in South Africa.

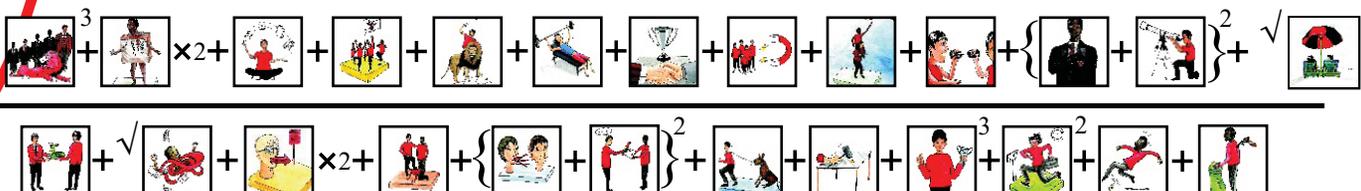


PARKTOWN BOYS' SOUP KITCHEN INITIATIVE IN SUPPORT OF THE NEEDY

On June 16th a group of boys from Parktown and learners from other schools arranged a soup kitchen in Mondeor in order to show support for the less-privileged in our community.

This gesture also ensured and emphasized the fact that the legacy of June 16th is not wasted on the youth but that it indeed celebrates the cause of the young women and men in our country.

These fine young men and women should be acknowledged, not just for their selfless deeds, but for the humility and compassion which they display as they go around their daily tasks to attend to the plight of the needy in our communities.





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GRADE 12 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS

Grade 12 learners have been busy with their Practical Examinations this week and will continue with written papers from Monday 19 August. Learners are to have their IDs or certified copies of IDs, which will be checked by GDE exam monitors, and boys need to be at the exam venue at least 45 minutes before the start of each exam (they must store bags from 8h15 and present IDs at the entrance to the Memorial Hall at 8h25 for the morning session).

No smart watches, cell phones or any other electronic communications devices are allowed in the exam venue and all bags are to be stored in the lock-up facility provided. In addition, learners may not bring any form of notes or their own 'rough work' paper into the venue. Learners are reminded of the academic support material provided on The Communicator: Go to Resources scroll down to Grade 12 Past Year Papers and Study Material.

Dress and Grooming

The Grade 12's are reminded that they are to attend examinations in full school uniform; in addition, if any learners come to school for extra support or revision when they are not writing, they are also to attend in full school uniform.

Parents we request your assistance with the above, as well as ensuring that your sons are clean-shaven (other than those with permission not to shave), and that their hair is properly groomed and neat and tidy. We do not wish to have to address such matters with your sons in the context of the preliminary examinations.

