



St Patrick's CBC Weekly Information Sheet 2 - 2018

26 January 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week really started off well, with more than 50mm of rain reported in most areas in Kimberley. What a blessing!

We kicked off the week with the first **Combined Assembly** of the year. Congratulations to all the pupils who were acknowledged at this event.

Thank you very much for the excellent turnout at all the **parent evenings** thus far. Please consult your term calendar to stay up to date with the most important happenings at school.

The first term is usually a busy one. Today's letter mostly focusses on practical arrangements to make everything run smoothly.

- Remember to order your **child's name badge** at the Finance office. We never want to lose the family feel and sense of belonging at the school. We want everyone to be calling each other by name, this applies to the newcomers as well as those who have been here for many years. We want everyone to feel welcome. Please assist us in this regard.
- Due to the high demand at the **Clothing shop**, a few of the items have unfortunately run out or are running very low. The items have all been ordered. The Grade R and PR uniform items have arrived.
- The **Waiting Class** is available for children from Grade PR to Grade 2. Waiting Class fees for 2018 are R13.00 per child per hour. This amount will be debited to your school account at the end of every month. Waiting Class ends at 14h00 (2pm). Please ensure that you collect your child timeously. If your child is not collected from the Waiting Class, he/she will be charged double the normal rate (i.e. R26.00 per hour or any part thereof).
- Please ensure that you have informed your child's class teacher if he/she attends **Aftercare**. Aftercare fees for 2018 are R950.00 per child per month, payable in advance - irrespective of how many days your child attends Aftercare. Aftercare closes strictly at 17h00 (5pm). Please ensure that you collect your child timeously. A penalty fee of R50.00 will be charged for every 15 minutes after this time.
- You may contact Mrs Solomon (Head of **School of the Arts**) on asolomon@stpatricks.co.za should you have any questions regarding your child's individual instrument lessons or choir.
- Pupils should please bring their costumes and swimming caps to school on **PE days**. For hygienic reasons, no-one will be allowed to swim without these.
- **Please urgently purchase your child's textbooks and stationery if you haven't done so yet. They are missing out on important work.**

Best wishes to the **Primary School prefects** as well as the **Grade 9's** who will be going on a camp during the coming week. May you enjoy your time together.

Good luck to our pupils who will be participating in the **Inter-provincial gala**, as well as the **tennis trials** this weekend.

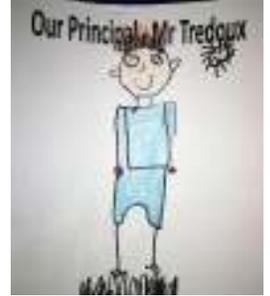
Remember to 'Like' us on **Facebook** to stay up to date on the latest school news and photos: <https://www.facebook.com/stpatricksbc/>. You are also welcome to email achievements or photos to info@stpatricks.co.za.

Thank you Luca Seaward (Grade PR) for this beautiful drawing of me for this week's WIS.

Enjoy your weekend!

Yours sincerely,

Jacques Tredoux
Executive Head



We introduced a '**Memory verse of the week**' at the Primary School last year. We recognize the importance of equipping our pupils with key truths from the Bible and will focus on a verse per week. The Religious Education's theme for next week is AWARENESS, so we have selected the following verse:



HS HOMEWORK & STUDY CLASSES

The High School still offers supervised homework and study classes after school. Do not waste your time hanging round the steps after school. Come and get your homework done and ask a teacher to help you!



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| When? | Every school day, Mondays to Thursdays |
| Time? | 14h30 – 16h30 |
| Where? | In High School classrooms – see the board for venues |
| Who? | ANY High School pupil who has an hour or two to kill in the afternoons! You can attend for the full two hours or before / after your extra-mural activities. |
| Why? | To get your work done before deadlines! To make your parents and teachers happy! To ensure that your New Year's resolutions come true! |

2018 MATHS OLYMPIAD – CALL FOR ENTRIES

- Cost per pupil: R22.00.
- Money to be paid to Ms Sikhakane (High School secretary) by Thursday, 1 February 2018.
- All receipts to be given to Mr Hloma (Deputy Head: High School).



IMPORTANT HIGH SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

On Friday, 2 February 2018, all High School pupils will be writing a 3-hour Mathematical Literacy assessment followed by other activities. School will end at 12h00 on 2 February for all High School pupils. Pupils may wear civvies. The study skills course that was scheduled for 2 February has been postponed to the beginning of term 2. Further communication regarding the study skills course will be sent out at a later date.



BIGGER SWIMMING CAPS

We have received enquiries from parents regarding bigger swimming caps for long or braided hair. We found a swimming cap supplier (<https://swimma.co.za/wp3/>) who supply a variety of different sizes. You can order online. It varies in prices from R115.00 each.

DELIVERIES TO CLASSES

Please be reminded that we do not have the resources or facilities to be delivering lunch boxes / sports' clothes / books / birthday treats / school projects, etc., that have been left at home, to your child/ren.

No items may be taken to children's classrooms by parents either, as this is disruptive to the whole class and the teacher concerned. It is the responsibility of the child, as well as the parent, to ensure that all required items come to school with your child.



ROAD CLOSURES FOR ARMED FORCES DAY 15 – 21 FEBRUARY 2018

From 19 to 20 February 2018 the following roads will be closed from 09h00 for rehearsals, which may affect you when fetching your child/ren after school:

- Memorial Road at the Monument.
- Carrington Road at Dalham Road.
- Lennox Street.
- Du Toitspan/Main Road between Hercules, Lennox and Regiment Way.
- Pniel Road between Stokroos Street and Old Barkly Road. (15-21 February 2018.)
- Todd and Harley Street.
- All roads connecting to Du Toitspan and Main Road.



1. Military police personnel will assist with all road closures.
2. Public is advised to avoid the area bordering on Lennox, DuToitspan from Regiment Way down to Hercules Street, Park Road, Synagogue Street, Dalham Road, Hercules Street, Fabricia Road, Pniel Road as mentioned above, Carrington Road between Dalham and Elsmere Road.





SCHOOL DESKS FOR SALE

The school is selling some of the old school desks, including a few special antique ones for between R250 – R300 each.

They are all in need of some tender loving care, but if you are interested to come and have a look, please contact our Mr Switzer on 081 789 8632 during office hours.



It is almost time for our **annual family picnic**. Please join us for a special 'meet and greet' evening on Back Field on Friday, 9 February from 17h30.

This event is for all St Patrick's pupils, siblings, parents and grandparents. Bring the whole family – the more the merrier!

Even though there won't be a formal programme and the main objective is to relax with the rest of the St Patrick's family, there will be various fun activities for young and old, i.e. volleyball, mini cricket, mom and child three-legged races, dad and child wheelbarrow races, etc.

Dress code: Informal. Pupils may wear civvies.

Please bring:

- There will be a boerewors roll and cold drink stall, but you are welcome to bring your own picnic basket, including food and beverages.
- all cutlery and crockery.
- a blanket or camping chairs for more comfort.

CANSA Shavathon is one of South Africa's best-loved events in support of a very worthy cause, namely showing solidarity with those affected by cancer.

Losing one's hair is a common side-effect of cancer therapy – so shaving (or spraying) your head has become a symbolic gesture of support for cancer Survivors.

The Shavathon will take place at the family picnic this year and the High School will also have a Shavathon on the morning of Friday, 9 February 2018. Grade 8 – 12 pupils will be able to have lines sprayed for R20 or shave their heads for R50.

The smallest action can make a remarkable difference!



Motivation is a fire from within.



EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (CRÈCHE) FIRST DAY PHOTOS

The ECD Centre's first day photos were taken last week. Photo orders can be placed with class teachers. The price packages are as follows:

- R30.00 standard jumbo photo
- R80.00 package (8 photos)
- R120.00 bigger package (10 photos – example on the right)

Orders will only be taken on or **before 5 February 2018** - please don't miss the date. Late orders will unfortunately not be accepted as it takes away valuable class time. The photos can be viewed at the ECD secretary's office.



CARE FOR MY PEERS PROJECT

For many of us, buying sanitary pads is as easy as buying bread, but this is not the case for millions of girls and women in South Africa. They are at a permanent disadvantage. These ladies are forced to stay at home as they are unable to afford this basic necessity.



One of our Grade 10 pupils, **Dineo Molgate**, was shocked to hear how many girls in poorer communities miss school, even exams, when they have their periods because their family cannot afford sanitary pads.

She started an initiative called 'Care for my peers'. Up till now she has mostly used her own pocket money to buy supplies and she waits for special offers at chain stores to get better value for money.

To assist Dineo in her efforts, the school has created a collection point for any sanitary products at Mrs Francis' office (Admin building). If you are able to assist with even one pack, please do so. You will make a positive difference in someone's life.



Good luck to Faith Misdorp, Megan Hugo, Joshua Misdorp, Rustum Norman, Nathan Misdorp and Na-eem Norman who are currently participating in the Northern Cape Tennis Trials. Results from these trials will be published at a later stage.

Chimkamara Ogu and Christopher Holroyd participated at the South African Junior Chess Championships. We wish to congratulate our two ambassadors who did exceptionally well.

Majority of the the extramural activities for the first term have started.

Golf lesson will be starting in the first week of February; a registration letter is attached for golf lessons with all the information you need. Please complete the reply slip and return it back to the sports office by Friday 02 February. Spaces are limited so first come, first serve.

A reminder to all Grade 1, 2 and 3 parents that mini cricket is for all cricketers under the age of 9. This form of cricket is played with a soft ball and a much smaller bat and has different rules that allows everyone a chance to bat, bowl, field and keep wickets.

All children who are interested in playing tennis must please supply their own tennis rackets.

If your child excels in any sport outside of school, please inform the Sports department so that we can acknowledge your child's achievements. Also, if you have any queries or concerns regarding the extra murals, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Hauman.

GOLF LETTER

As you have seen on the extramural timetable, golf is one of the activities that we are offering. If you would like your child to participate in golf, please take note of the information below pertaining to the lessons.

Practice days:	Grade 1 - 7 Tuesday's 14h30 – 15h30 Grade 8 - 12 Wednesday's 15h00 – 16h00
Venue:	Kimberley Golf Course
Transport:	The St Patrick's CBC bus will be leaving the school at 14h05 and returning at approximately 16h00 on Tuesday's and on Wednesday's will leave at 14h45 and return at approximately 16h30.
Cost per child:	R 395 per month (this amount includes lessons, driving range balls, hired clubs (if needed) and transport between the school and golf club.)
Dress code:	A golf shirt, shorts, takkies and a cap/hat

Golfers are allowed to bring extra pocket money for drinks and snacks after the lessons, but this will be at their own risk.



World Wetlands Day is celebrated every year on 2 February. "**Wetlands** for a Sustainable Urban Future" is the **theme** for **World Wetlands Day** in **2018**. Urban wetlands make cities liveable in many important ways. They reduce flooding, replenish drinking water, filter waste, provide urban green spaces, and are a source of livelihoods. Urban wetlands should be integrated into a city's sustainable future planning and development.

World Wetlands Day is celebrated to raise public awareness of wetland values and benefits and promote the conservation and wise use of wetlands.

THE WEEK IN PICTURES

Aftercare



National day of prayer for rain



Grade 8 Concert



High School Inter-house gala



Grade 4 – 7 test period timetable

The grade 4 – 7s will write their formal assessments during a test period each Wednesday morning, instead of a mini exam. Please see the timetable for the different subjects below:

DATE	SUBJECT (Paper)
Wed, 31 January 2018	Mathematics
Wed, 7 February 2018	Natural Sciences (Theory)
Wed, 14 February 2018	Social Sciences (Theory)
Wed, 21 February 2018	FAL (Comprehension and creative writing skills)
Wed, 28 February 2018	Mathematics
Wed, 7 March 2018	Natural Sciences (Practical)
Wed, 14 March 2018	Social Sciences (Practical)

Grade 4 – 7 Continuous assessments during Week 3 (29 Jan – 2 Feb 2018)

Gr	Mon 29/01	Tue 30/01	Wed 31/01	Thu 01/02	Fri 02/02
4		English HL: Prepared reading Afrikaans FAL: Speltoets	*Formal assessment: Mathematics 4 CdV: NS: Class task	4CA, 4LS: NS: Class task	Setswana FAL: Writing
5		Setswana FAL: Reading	*Formal assessment: English HL	NS: Class test English HL: Unprepared reading	SS: Mapwork assessment English HL: Unprepared reading (continued)
6	6KB: SS: Mapwork assessment	Setswana FAL: Reading	*Formal assessment: English HL	English HL: Unprepared reading	6NT, 6MvdH: SS: Mapwork assessment English HL: Unprepared reading (continued)
7	Afrikaans FAL: Kreatiewe skryfwerk Setswana FAL: Reading		*Formal assessment: English HL	English HL: Unprepared reading	English HL: Unprepared reading (continued)

- **Please note:** Many CASS assessments require no preparation, while terms such as “test” and “prepared” refer to assessments for which learners have to prepare at home.

PROGRAMME OF THE WEEK**Saturday, 27 January 2018****Birthday: N Basson 1 PR**

09h00-12h00 English Olympiad class (HS Room 6)
Northern Cape Tennis trials
4+1 Inter-Provincial Gala (Karen Muir)
09h45 Primary School Prefect Camp (meet at Admin building)

Sunday, 28 January 2018

10h00 Primary School Prefect Camp ends

Monday, 29 January 2018**Birthday: S Siwakwi 2 TC**

HS Day 9
07h30 PS Assembly - Chapel
09h30 HS Assembly - Chapel

Tuesday, 30 January 2018**Birthdays: L Moetlo OO LS; R Moroka 1-2 EM; J & N Mulowayi 3-4 NO;
K Phakedi 2-3 MC; T Smit 11 SF**

HS Day 10
18h00 GET Parent Info Evening – Main Chapel (Grades 8 & 9)

Wednesday, 31 January 2018**Birthdays: S Malaza 7 MW; P Moeta 5 MH; P Motlhodiemang 9 SN**

HS Day 1
06h00 Grade 9 Camp departs
18h00 Primary School prefect parents' meeting

Thursday, 1 February 2018**Birthday: Z Isaacs 3-4 NO; L Majosi 6 NT; T Mocwane R TB; N Molaolwe 6 KB; T Mokwena 9 MH**

HS Day 2
10h00 PS Achievers' breakfast
18h00 Speaker's Circle (grade 11s) - HS Room 2 & 8

Friday, 2 February 2018**Birthday: K Mathetsa 3-4 NO**

Gr 8, 10-12 Maths Literacy Assessment (3 hrs) - civvies
12h00 High School closes
SWD Biathlon - Oudtshoorn

Saturday, 3 February 2018**Birthdays: H Belim 1 MW; C Ndlovu 9 MH; L Nthangeni 3 LH**

Kimberley HS Athletics Meeting - Athletics Stadium
08h00-18h00 Northside Expo - Gaborone
IEB User Group (Johannesburg)

Sunday, 4 February 2018**Birthday: H Coetsee 2 LV**

08h00-16h00 Broadhurst Expo - Gaborone
15h00 Grade 9 Camp returns
UK Tour group leaves for Johannesburg (to arrange visas)