



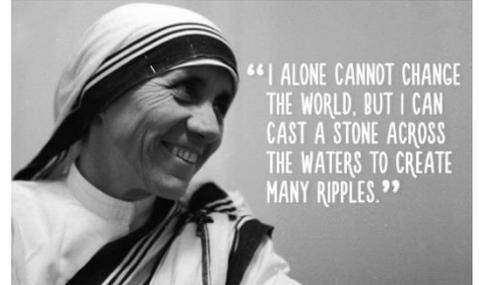
South African College Junior School

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Liewe SACS Pre-Primere Skool en SACS Junior Ouers

Whew! Quite an august manner with which the Cape Winter swept in the eighth month of 2017! *Eish! Kuyanetha khakhulu! Groot reën!* Unfortunately, not nearly enough to slake the thirst of our major dams. While we remain mindful of saving water, may the spotlight also focus on Women's Month – punctuated by National Women's Day on Wednesday 9 August. And so, coming from SACS Junior School, South Africa's oldest all boys' State School, let us celebrate and revere the people who make life that much more special for all of us – the girls and ladies in our lives. Thank you for being the difference!



SACS CELEBRATES WOMEN'S DAY!

The SACS Old Boys' Union is staging an ideal opportunity for music lovers to appreciate some of the unbelievable talent that resides in well-known SACS musicians. Join us in the Hofmeyr Hall at SACS High School on the evening of Tuesday 8 August to hear and see our very own 'SACS OBU Big Band' strut their stuff. For starters, watch the promo YouTube video - <https://youtu.be/HJQAg2d DCA> - presented by Dan Shout (Yes, he played for Jonny Clegg in earlier days!) to get an idea of the line-up and motivation behind the event. Then, see attachment for booking details. What a great way to start your Women's Day celebrations early!



SACS HIGH MUSIC GOES INTERNATIONAL!

The following excerpt from last week's SACS High School circular reads:

CONCERT BAND TOUR



The SACS Concert Band enjoyed an international tour to Austria and Germany in July where they performed in the Mid Europe Wind Band Festival in Schladmig. SACS was recognised as the first African band to participate, as the festival celebrated its twentieth anniversary.

Performances were held in the Congress Hall and the Vienna International Youth Festival and the band competed in the GSM Band Competition, achieving an outstanding 76.89%.

All-in-all, the band were great ambassadors for the school, city, province and country. Congratulations and thanks to the staff who accompanied them (Mrs Graham, Mrs Mdloyi, Mr Alexander and Mr MacMillan).



DPHS TOUR TO SACS JUNIOR

Mr A Kirsten: Co-ordinator

The first week of this term was full of excitement for the boys and parents alike due to the arrival of 157 boys from Durban Prep for their annual U11, 12 and 13 rugby tour. We would like to extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to all the families who so generously opened their homes to these boys and for making them feel like they have a second home. Since the boys from Durban returned home we have had only positive reports from all concerned about the SACS hospitality and it seems that the tour was once again a huge success all round with new friendships being made and older ones being further enhanced. For the record the rugby matches on Saturday were played in tremendous spirit and passion by both schools as SACS managed to win six games to DPHS four. Well done and thank you!

OLDER PERSON'S DAY

Mrs M Williams: Outreach

This is the 4th year we are joining with Rotary Claremont to give a group of senior citizens a wonderful outing and treat on Older Person's Day in October. In the past, we have collected toiletries and other items for the goodie bags and treated the old folk to an outing up Table Mountain and a lunch at Fish on the Rocks and will be doing the same this year. We would like to start the collection of items next week.

Each grade is asked to please bring the following:

- Gr R – Small Colgate or Aquafresh toothpaste
- Gr 1 – Adult toothbrush
- Gr 2 – Small tube of hand cream
- Gr 3 – Large cake of Palmolive soap
- Gr 4 – Small square box of tissues
- Gr 5 – 400 ml bottle of Dawn Body Lotion
- Gr 6 – Can of body spray or deodorant
- Gr 7 – Small 150g packet of Sparkles

Please bring to your class teacher as soon as possible. Many thanks to all SACS parents and boys for their generosity.



SAXIE BRIEFS!

- More Staff News: The patter of little feet! Congratulations to Angie and Jason Wilmans on the arrival of a very healthy, bouncing boy, Jesse, who was born on 27 July, tipping the scales at 3.86 kg. Mum, Dad, sister Emily and brother Daniel are delighted!
- Congratulations to our Hockey achievers who participated in the PSI Hockey Nationals held in Cape Town during the July holidays. We have confirmation of the Under Twelve Section. The Seals Team included Josh Opperman, Luke Salters and Rogan Stirk; Tom Klusener was in the Sharks Team and Nathan Pillay, a member of the Sunbirds. The teams fared really well with Rogan Stirk receiving 'Goalie Award' in the A section. In Zonal Hockey, Josh Opperman was selected for the Southern Zone Team which played in a tournament held in Paarl at the beginning of the holidays. His team won the tournament. We are very proud of our Saxies!
- Good luck to all of our sportsmen who are participating in the Extra Mural Programme events which round off another busy week. *Nyamezela* to all of the SACS *manne* travelling all the way to Eversdal for a taste of 'Rugger in the Northern Suburbs'!

'OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES'!

We saved this one for you from the first term! In order to get their bearings in the first week at SACS Junior, the Grade One classes are taken on an annual tour of the school buildings. After the long trek from their classroom, one exhausted lad, on reaching the stairs to the Media Centre gasped, "Are we still in the same country?" *Yho! Nou is dit nie te oulik nie?!*

And now, to the weekend. May it be filled with relaxation and plenty of quality, family fun! For Wednesday of next week, we wish all the ladies in our lives a very happy Women's Day.

Met beste groete

F M J NEL
HEADMASTER

