



NOTE : THE MATRIC CERTIFICATES FOR 2015 ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE FOR COLLECTION

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Quote : The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet - *Aristotle*

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

18 & 20 May - Gr 12 Restaurant Evening
26 May - ID day
27 May - Matric exams start
30 May - Exams start for Grade 8 - 11
15 June - Gr 8 & 9s return to school-exam feedback
20-21 June - Gr 10 - 12s return to school - exam feedback
24 June - Term end - PUPILS OR PARENTS TO COLLECT REPORT - HAND OUT 08h00 - 09h00 ONLY
18 July - Term 3 starts
20 July - PARENTS EVENING 17h30 - 20h00
22 July - Interhouse athletics during school
28 July - Parents evening 17h30 - 20h00
29 July - Gr 12 Hospitality Evening
29 July - Gr 8 & 9 class photos WINTER UNIFORM

Dear Parents

This term has been a flurry of academics, winter sports, the school production, music festival and the matric dance. We are now in the final phase of the term and encourage all pupils to focus on their impending exams and trust that a study program is already in place.

School Fees

Thank you to those parents who continue to ensure that their school fees are up to date. Prompt and regular payment of fees is vital to ensure a successful and thriving school. If you are behind in your fee payments please ensure that this matter is corrected as soon as possible. Please also note that we moved from Standard Bank to First National Bank some time ago.

Our new details are : First National Bank Hyde Park, Branch 255805, Account No. 62566724871.

Winter Uniform

The pupils are all expected to be in full winter uniform for the rest of this term. Please ensure that your child is in possession of the winter school uniform items which includes wearing the blazer and school tie at all times. Check your child's diary for the full list of the winter uniform.

Grade 8 Admissions for 2017

We are in the midst of this process and the school is only as good as the pupils and families who apply to join us. The deadline for application submission is the 1 June 2016. Any application submitted after this date will be considered late. Parents of Grade 7 pupils are urged to apply and register on line with the Gauteng Department of Education followed by the collection of an application form from our school for submission to our admin office admissions secretary together with the necessary supporting documents.

Hand out end of Term 2 Report

All parents and pupils are to kindly note that Term 2 reports will be handed out strictly between 08h00 and 09h00 on 24 June 2016. Should you not collect the report by the appointed time it will be available from the register teacher on the first day of Term 3. No exceptions will be made.

Examinations and important times – parents and pupils to please note:

Learners should have started focusing on their examinations. Friday 27th May is a normal school day for Grade 8 to Grade 11. The Matrics write their first exam on that day. First session exams start promptly at 07h40 end at 10h30. The second session starts at 11h15 and ends at 13h30 with the exception of Thursday the 09 June, when the day ends at 13h00. **All pupils will be at school on this day and are to remain for the colours assembly which follows after break.** All Grade 8 and 9s are to return to school after their exams on the 15 June to receive exam feedback –NOT normal Wednesday bell times- DAY ENDS AT 14H20. Grade 10, 11 and 12s are expected to be at school on the 20th and 21st June for their feedback and an opportunity to go through their examination papers- THE DAY ENDS AT 14h10.

Matric Certificates 2015

The Matric Certificates of 2015 arrived on the 16th May 2016 and are available for collection by either the parent or pupil concerned at the school office.

Yours in education

M Vogiatzis
HEADMASTER

MATRIC DANCE

Hyde Park High School held their matric dance at the Indaba Hotel in Fourways on 7th May 2016. The event was themed - chic black and white. As always, this evening is highly anticipated by the Grade 12s and there were many who arrived in style to their final social event of the year. The evening was abuzz with elegant young ladies dressed in magnificent ball gowns and gents in their tuxedo finery. Hyde Park High School moved the date of their matric dance to earlier in the year to ensure that the pupils enjoy their dance, without the end of year pressures of exams. This has proved to be a successful option. The year ahead is now of vital importance to all the matrics who have their mid-year exams coming up, followed by their prelims. The head-boy Daniel Yazbek and head-girl Rea Pitsoe addressed the staff and headmaster Mr Manolis Vogiatzis, as well as their Grade Head Mrs Rykie Gaudin and the matric group, thanking them for their guidance throughout their school career and for allowing them to grow with their leadership opportunities. They also acknowledged their peers and thanked them for the many happy school memories they shared, and wished them well for their end of year exams. The evening was then under way to the beat of music, welcome snacks and dinner at tables elegantly dressed with masses of blooming white lilies and black finishes. This year's matric group proved that Hyde Park High School truly is a "Great Place to Grow Up!"



Careers Evening

The annual Careers Evening took place on the 4th May 2016. Grade 11's and 12's as well as interested Grade 9's had the opportunity to explore the many opportunities available to them once they have completed their matric year. There were 53 exhibitors at this year's event and no one went home empty handed. There were brochures galore and experts in their field to advise the pupils first hand, on their career choices. We hope that all who attended found this evening to be a valuable opportunity to discuss their future study paths.



Careers Evening was a buzz of excitement with enthusiastic pupils and their parents gathering information relating to the many options available for their further studies.

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Hyde Park High School are registered for this competition and it runs until 26 June 2016. **So all you have to do is get swiping with your My School Card and help our school to raise urgently needed funds!**

CHARITY

Hyde Park High School pupils and parents are asked to kindly assist with any old baby or toddler clothes to be donated to destitute new mothers. Your generosity is sincerely appreciated. Please hand your contribution in at the school office.

From the Sports Desk

EDENGLLEN DERBY HELD AT HYDE PARK HIGH



Sport Report

RUGBY

During the long weekend at the beginning of May, the 1st team played in the annual Rugby Festival at Northcliff High. We lost our match vs Northcliff High on the Saturday and beat the Gauteng Development side on the Monday. The junior team played in the annual St Peters Festival on 7th May and had an encouraging draw against St Peters College. The final fixture for the 2016 season was played at Glenvista High with the 1st team winning 20-12 and the U15s winning 22-12. Well done to all for ending the season on a high note.

NETBALL

The Netball girls are travelling far and wide for their matches, having been to Carletonville and Glenvista in the past two weeks. The results have been mixed with positive play from all the girls.

BOYS HOCKEY

Over the past two weeks the 1st team has played against Bryanston High and St Peters College, with our boys achieving a fantastic win against St Peters College. The U14, U15 and 2nd teams have all had positive results. Our 1st and U15 boys participated in the Aitken and Boden tournament. The Aitken Tournament (seniors) – On Friday 13 May 2016 we lost to St Dunstons and Dainfern and drew to Bryanston High. On Saturday we beat Florida and Edenvale. Sunday's match vs Bryanston was sadly lost. At the Boden Tournament (juniors) - we won one out of three games on Friday 13th May, beating Edenglen 4-1, with one win on Saturday beating Mondeor 5-0. On Sunday we played against Linden Hoër and lost 2-0.

GIRLS HOCKEY

On the 7th May 2016 our senior girls attended the District Trials with a number making the District Team. This is a testament to the strength of our Hockey Girls teams. Well done to all who made it to District, we are very proud.

CROSS COUNTRY

Hyde Park High attended the St Stithians trail run on Friday 13th May. This is a very steep, rocky and densely wooded course which is extremely tough, with at least 12 schools participating in the event. Well done to Lehlohonolo Ramogale in Grade 8 who was placed 4th out of all the junior boys – this is an outstanding effort. Tshego Jones, Joshua Wacks, Arkeev Rohit, Amo Shenxane, Phenyo Kgokane and Ivanka Pretorius were all placed in the top 20. The cross country team is to be highly commended for their guts and determination.

♪ MUSIC FESTIVAL FUN ♪



The annual Music Festival provided a feast of dance, music, poetry, classical piano, flute and guitar as well as techno sound with the showcasing of the schools many talented pupils.

This event always surprises the pupils and staff, revealing the previously unknown talent of pupils who are at the school. The judges, all highly acclaimed in their field of expertise, were enormously impressed with the standard of the performances and the enthusiasm of the participants.



FIDA

Hyde Park High School participated in the annual inter-school FIDA Drama competition on Saturday 14th May 2016 – a Festival of Excellence in Dramatic Arts. This event is aimed at the pupils writing their own play and then producing it to a very high standard. The play “I don’t want to talk about it – I won’t talk about it” an adaptation was directed by Ross Sey. Members of the adjudication panel Pippa Sandlands and Jan Baylis commended Hyde Park High stating, “On your performance – the standard of work was excellent with special mention to the lighting done by Greg Rissik”. Each of the actors received individual praise. Their work was acknowledged as being creative, diverse and challenging.

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