

MARCH 2022

Dear PEPPS Polokwane Families

Let Us Recap on Term 1:

- The Grade 8s had their orientation and then the **Grade 8 bell-ringing ceremony** was done by our prefects of 2022. It was a lovely event and we hope that all our Grade 8s feel that they are now really part of the PEPPS family.
- We announced our head prefects and our deputy heads for 2022.
- We had inter-house athletics (at the old Peter Mokaba) and Independent Schools Athletics (at Mitchell House). We also had a day-night athletics meeting at Louis Trichardt. It was encouraging to see the enthusiasm of our athletes and our supporters. We also had a number of athletes who carried on with the circuit meetings and they performed really well. We do not have the results for the last meeting yet.
- **The fun day** was definitely a highlight and all the classes enjoyed the activities. Thank you to the prefects for organising a fun-filled day. Congratulations to 11A who were the winners on the day.
- We had **inter-house activities**. The sports coaches also used these matches to be on the lookout for all the talented pupils to put in their teams. It was enjoyed by all.
- Those who did not do athletics had to learn to swim. It was encouraging to see how many pupils attended and are eager to get into the water. We saw a HUGE improvement when we had our inter-house swimming gala.
- The matrics attended a career day at PHS.



- We had our internal Cultural Day. Pupils participated in different activities from crafts to dancing and board games. It was a fun day enjoyed by all! We also had Eisteddfod and Best Speakers. It is amazing to watch all the talent we have!



- The hockey and netball coaching started (and we had Limpopo trials) **and** we already had a sports day at Eagles Nest. Our teams did VERY well. Some individuals were also named players of the tournament!

- Debating and chess  are very busy and they also took part at Eagle's Nest.

- On the academic front, we had our weekly tests on Wednesday and Friday mornings. The Maths Olympiad



was also written.

- 1st term reports are also issued – remember via e-mail.

- Eco-bricks are something that we are still driving ... we want to build our recycling station with all our eco-bricks! We really want the parents to get on board here and help us with this initiative. We are an Eco-School, so please help us to save our planet! We received a number of awards at the WESSA prize-giving a few weeks ago. We are very proud to be an Eco-School. Thank you, Mrs Pam Smith, for your hard work!



- <https://www.google.com/search?biw=1366&bih=625&tbm=isch&sa=1&ei=ZUqGXJ6PGI2jUKnIJAM&q=clip+art&oq=clip+art>



<https://iamprincesssalvia.com/2018/05/11/eco-bricks-how-to-turn-plastic-pollution-into-a-plastic-solution/>

I think you will agree with me: *We had a very busy Term 1 indeed!! Back to Normal!!*

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With that said ... it does not mean that Term 2 will be quieter. Term 2 is also our exam term. Matrics, unfortunately, do not have the privilege of a relaxing holiday ... it should be a working/studying holiday. They must hang in there – Grade 12 is a tough year but

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Matric Dance:

Today, 17 March is our Matric Dance. It is a wonderful evening for our matrics. Thank you to Ms Botha for all the organisation that went into this event. **REMEMBER:** the pupils return on the 5th of April and the matrics should then have the correct uniform (e.g. nails and hair, etc.)

Calendar:



Use Google Classroom to keep up to date with what is happening at school. We have parents' consultations early in Term 2.

Staff News:

- Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Afonso who welcomed their little baby boy into the world on the 9th of March
- On another note, we are saying goodbye to Ms Botha who is leaving us at the end of the term. We wish her well on her new adventure and we THANK her for everything she has done for PEPPS – we are going to miss her!



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