



Holy Rosary High School Newsletter 30 September 2011 Term 3 - No. 4

Dear Parents and Pupils

i thank you God for most this amazing

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day: for the leaping greenly spirits of trees
and a blue true dream sky; and for everything
which is natural which is infinite which is yes

(i who have died am alive again today,
and this is the sun's birthday; this is the birth
day of life and of love and wings: and of the gay
great happening illimitably earth)

how should tasting touching hearing seeing
breathing any – lifted from the no
of all nothing – human merely being
doubt unimaginable You?

(now the ears of my ears awake and
now the eyes of my eyes are opened)

e.e. cummings

I make no apology for doing the 'English teacher thing' by beginning with a poem! This poem, with its strange punctuation, is the poet's response to a beautiful day. He wonders how anyone experiencing this day could possibly doubt the existence of its Creator: 'unimaginable You'. I think that we can all relate to this, as we experience each new Spring day. Have you noticed how the plants are flourishing particularly well, in spite of the fact that we still need some good Spring rains?

I had a similar feeling of awe when I attended the St Benedict's major production last week, 'Footloose' in which many of our girls were involved. What particularly struck me was the great fun the entire cast was obviously experiencing. I realized again the value of such productions: the camaraderie, the enjoyment, the fun, the team-work and the boost in confidence. These are invaluable 'bonuses', and are unique to such shows. Our girls are so lucky to have such opportunities.

Again, we have a cultural 'happening' this term: our 'Cultural Showcase'. This is a wonderful opportunity for our young actresses, musicians, dancers and singers to perform, and for parents, families and friends to enjoy their God-given talents.

What is particularly gratifying is the number of girls who are auditioning for this event. Mrs Chinelli-Smith, Mrs Carter and I try to squeeze in as many performers as we possibly can! This show is on the 17th October and is an exciting and fitting end to a wonderful, cultural year. It is not competitive in any way, and no awards are given; it is simply a celebration of the performing arts by the gifted girls at Holy Rosary School.

We hope to see everyone there.

Now, go out into your garden, and read cummings' poem out loud!

God bless you all.

Mrs J. Parmenter

Head of English & Cultural

GENERAL

Prayers

Please remember the following members of the HRS family who are in need of your supportive prayers:

- † Father Leathem who is recovering after a short stay in hospital;
- † those of the Holy Rosary Sisters who are not well;
- † Mrs Rodwell (High School teacher) who is recovering from surgery;
- † Ms Ana Dabancis (High School teacher) whose mother is not well, but who is improving;
- † Mrs Mackenzie-Van Bavel (High School teacher) whose father-in-law and mother have been diagnosed with cancer;
- † those families and teachers in our primary and high schools who have been victims of crime.

Please remember all those in our Holy Rosary family who are in need, or who are suffering in any way.

RELIGIOUS NEWS



Hope & Joy Festival

Sat 8 Oct – 9.30am to 4.30pm
Sacred Heart College, Observatory, JHB

Come and join us for a unique chance to find out about being a Church in the modern world. You will be able to choose from a fascinating selection of talks including:

Communicating the Good News today
Lessons to learn from World Youth Day
Stepping into environmental responsibility
Why should we care about Vatican II?
Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching
Spiritual Direction in an African context
Can Catholic education change South Africa?

God and money
Finding God in Harry Potter
The problem of evil
Speaking to young people about faith
Creation and Evolution?
Adventures in prayer
The Church's social organisations

Particular highlights include one of the world's foremost experts on Christianity and film: Sr Rose Pacatte and also a chance to try out to be a presenter on Radio Veritas.

The day ends with Mass celebrated by Archbishop William Slattery OFM, the Bishop for Evangelisation.

Tickets in advance for R50 by e-mailing festival@hopeandjoy.org.za or by calling 011 482 4614 or at some churches this weekend. On sale at the door for R100.

(This event replaces the usual Ignatian Day held by the Jesuit Institute).

Mrs S. Meyer
Head of Religion

SPORT NEWS

Below please find the Sports Programme for the week 3rd – 7th October:

MONDAY 3rd	3:15 – 4:30pm	Tennis Team Practice all welcome
	3:15 – 4:30pm	Athletics Team Practice
	3:15 – 4:30pm	Swimming Team Practice
TUESDAY 4th	6:00- 7:00am	Tennis Team Practice all welcome
	3:15- 4:30pm	Tennis Team Practice all welcome
WEDNESDAY 5th	6:00- 7:00am	Tennis Team Practice all welcome
	3:15 – 4:30pm	Tennis Team Practice all welcome
	3:15 – 4:30pm	Athletics Team Practice
	3:15 – 4:30pm	Swimming Team Practice
THURSDAY 6th	14:30 – 17:00	Athletics Meeting @ Germiston hosted by Andrews

FRIDAY 7th		
SATURDAY 8th		

Mrs J Symons

HOD: SPORT

Rowing

Holy Rosary Regatta

The regatta this weekend is the Holy Rosary School Regatta which is an all-age-group regatta and is taking place at Roodeplaat. All girls are asked to be there by 7:00 for an important team meeting. Please note that with the gate to Roodeplaat under construction, traffic will be backed up, so please plan for extra time for your travelling. Results will be published next week. Thank you in advance to all the Holy Rosary Rowing parents who have put so much time and effort into this regatta.

St Benedict's Regatta

The first regatta of the season took place at Roodeplaat last Saturday and the girls raced well in very bad weather conditions. The published results are incomplete and inaccurate and therefore we will not be publishing them in this newsletter. Thank you very much to the towers who towed the trailers to Roodeplaat and back and thank you to Mr Grant Mills for arranging all the towing.

Boat Race Camp

A reminder that the date for Boat Race Camp is 19 – 21 October. Please ensure that payment is made as soon as possible.

Rowing fees

Please note that the annual rowing fees were due by today. Girls with fees outstanding face suspension from rowing.

October Schedule

The October schedule was sent out today. Please note that this is for the whole month of October but there may be changes towards the end of the month as this is far in advance and some of the coaches' exam timetables have not been finalized.

The week ahead

Monday 03/10	Tuesday 04/10	Wednesday 05/10	Thursday 06/10	Friday 07/10	Saturday 08/10	Sunday 09/10
U15 Gym 6:00 ~	Opens Gym 5:30	U14 Gym 6:00 ~ 7:00	Open and U16 Gym	U15 Gym 6:00 ~ 7:00	No regatta	

7:00	- 7:00		5:30 - 7:00			U14 off
U16 15:00 - 16:30 @ VLC	U14 15:00 - 16:30 @ VLC	U16 15:00 - 16:30 @ VLC	U14 15:00 - 16:30 @ VLC	U16 Ergo 6:00 - 7:00	U14 Off due to Amazing Race	U15 Off
Open 16:30 - 18:00 @ VLC	U16 Gym 15:00 - 16:00	Open 15:00 - 16:30 @ VLC	U15 16:30 - 18:00 @ VLC	Open Pilates Time TBA	Open and U16 7:00 - 9:00 @ VLC	Opens Off
U14 Gym 15:00 - 16:00	U15 off	U15 16:30 - 18:00 @ VLC	1 st and 2 nd 15:30 - 17:00 @ VLC Pack quads trailer	1 st , 2 nd and U16 Roodeplaat 14:30 - 18:30. Unpacking thereafter	U15 9:00 - 11:00 @ VLC	U16 Off

Please note that gym sessions take place at the school gym at Shanahan Park Monday, Wednesday and Thursday there will be a bus at 14:15 and 15:15. There is a bus to take the Seniors to Roodeplaat and back on Friday. Tuesday there will only be a bus at 14:15. Please note changes in grey.

Athletics

On Thursday the 8th September Holy Rosary hosted an athletics meeting at Shanahan Park. Thank you to all the staff who helped at the event. The results were as follows:

Position	School	Points
1 st	Holy Rosary School	345
2 nd	Potch Girls' High	321
3 rd	Pretoria Girls' High	277

Well done girls.

Last week Thursday 22nd September our athletes ran at Brescia House. The results were as follows:

Position	School	Points
1 st	St Andrew's	237
2 nd	Pretoria Girls'	222
3 rd	Brescia House	217
4 th	Holy Rosary	201
5 th	Assumption	109

All athletes are to attend every training session please. We have 2 weeks until Inter High!

Tennis

On Tuesday our Junior Tennis Squad played against St Andrew's. The results were as follows:

Team	Result	Result
A team	Lost	16-47
B Team	Lost	18-45

All tennis players must attend all training sessions. Any new players are welcome to join. Please see Miss Rahme.

Sports Quote

"Sports should always be fun" –Charles Mann

Ms T. Bird & Ms T. Rahme

Sports Department

DEBSNEWS

Our 1st Market Day of the season was held today. Thank you to the many friends, teachers and families of Holy Rosary that supported the new Debutantes of 2012. We hope that you enjoyed our stalls, the delicious goodies we baked and the many product offerings on sale. .

Tonight is 'Lumo U-Party' time and DJ FRESH, the Grade 11's and debutantes look forward to welcoming you. Tickets will be on sale at the door for R100 and remember that the lumo paint is free, so visit the paint booth. Bring your own white T-shirt if you want to **glam it up** but remember that the paint is permanent. Aside from refreshments and Chip 'n Dip, a visit to the PhotoBooth is a MUST at just R20. Tonight is our time to shine.....see you there!!

WALTONS STATIONERY

If you are ordering with Walton's Stationery, please hand in your orders at the Bursars office in the Primary School. Orders must be in by 25 October 2011.

E-WASTE COMPETITION

COMPETITION TIME (16th - 30th Sept)

Please take the time to help us decide which of the ART works made from Ewaste is your favourite! We'll select a few winners from the comments made and offer either an XBOX Call of Duty 4 Game or PS3 Midnight Club Game. So go ahead make a comment on the efforts these girls have made.

Photographs can be viewed on the Incredible Connection Facebook page.

THE WEEK AHEAD ...

	3-4	Gr 12 Geography Revision Lectures	15:00-20:00
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OCTOBER	5	Gr 12 Consumer Studies Practical Moderation	08:00-10:30
	6	Athletics Meeting @ Germiston Stadium	
	7	IsiZulu Oral Moderation	
		Rosary Day Mass	
		Inter House Quiz	
		Announcement of Executive	11:45
		School Closes 12pm	