General News

SURVEY
Thank you to all staff, parents and learners for completing the survey. The School Governing Body, together with the staff, are now in the process of analysing the data so that we can use the information to develop and improve the school going forward. Your input is a valuable part of the process and we appreciate the interest you have shown in the school.

PENS FOR FRIENDS
The Junior Mayor, Speaker of Council, Councillor Vasco da Gama and JSC Facilitators were invited to Parktown’s assembly on 17 August. The content of the assembly was our City: Joburg. The Deputy Headmistress, Mrs Judy Koch, shared information on the City followed by the Parktown Councillors relating their experiences on the Joburg Student Council. This was followed by a Women's Day message from the Junior Mayor, Tahir Tayob. The Speaker of Council’s address revolved around the JSC Programme and extended to his role at Council. The Speaker extended an invitation to the school and staff to visit the City and to take a tour of the new Council Chamber to see democracy in action.

Above: The launch of the Stationery drive, being arranged by the Joburg Student Councillors from Parktown Girls.

Dates to Diarise

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Cultural News

DEBATING Report by Captain, Robyn Helling, Grade 12
The growth in our society has been truly inspiring. Parktown entered four teams into the annual SACEE tournament. Our two Senior Teams included Praise Chasela, Rheyna Pattni, Melissa Smith, Ammaara Ahmed, Atiyyah Moolla, Anna Conradie, Itumeleng Bojosi, Tanweer Madhi and Robyn Helling. The Junior Teams comprised of Gabriella Hoskins, Aaliyah Cassim, Lauren Lachman,
Bianca Lachman, Dora Di Noia, Micaela Smith, Zahra Sader, Kiera Naidoo, Keisha Moses and Ammaarah Cachalia. Following excellent performances here, our teams were all invited to compete in the SACEE Championships which were held in May.

Here, they engaged passionately in all their debates, with schools from across Gauteng. With the support of our coaches, teacher-in-charge, and loyal society members, our girls had fun, whilst constantly improving. This allowed each team to experience significant growth and memorable individual victories. Melissa, Praise, Ammaara and Rheyna’s team also ranked in the top 16 in the senior division and then progressed all the way to the Plate Finals – held on 28 July. After putting up an impressive fight, the team ultimately ranked 2nd overall in that portion of the competition. This is an amazing achievement and one to be very proud of.

Ammaarah Cachalia and Gabriella Hoskins also ranked 7th and 9th respectively in the junior division. Considering how many speakers participated, this is truly an achievement to be celebrated. Furthermore, over the recent long weekend, 10 of our speakers participated in the Cub Grill Championships, hosted by the Wits Debating Union. This tournament provided invaluable training for our girls as they prepare to compete in the Provincial Championships later this term. Here, Ammaarah Cachalia ranked as the 9th best speaker, which further indicates her immense potential. Congratulations to all these girls. You have made Parktown very proud.

PUBLIC SPEAKING
Congratulations to Chiddimma Nwokedi (Grade 9), Tasneem Howlader (Grade 9), Yusra Munir (Grade 10) and Tiffany Arendse (Grade 11) who have made it through to the South African Literacy Association’s national finals for public speaking. It will be held in Mpumalanga in October.

HOUSE PLAYS
When: Wednesday, 19 September
Time: 17h00 to 21h00
Free entrance and open to all
Wear your house colours and earn double points for your house.
The theme this year is "Connections" and learners have to adapt a film script for the stage and include an element of film in their production.
CONGRATULATIONS
Well done to Joanna Ciolkosz on her karate achievements. She participated in the International Seminar in May and placed 3rd in kumite in Yamagata, Japan. Congratulations Joanna and good luck for the International Seminar in Cape Town over 24 and 25 August.

Joanna Ciolkosz

Congratulations to Anneke Loots, Vhutshilo Muambadzi and Lethabo Mkhonto who participated in the Junior Touch Rugby World Cup in Malaysia.

Congratulations to Caitlin King for being selected to play for the West Rand U15 District Ringball Team which competed in the National Championships in Pretoria in July.

SOCCER
Report by Teacher-in-charge, Miss Haus

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Greenside annual woman’s soccer tournament: 18 and 19 August
Our Mixed U16 Team did extremely well at the tournament hosted by Greenside. They played their hearts out over the two days, winning almost every game they played. They finished top of the leaderboard, scoring more than 15 goals more than the team who placed 2nd, thus making it through to the Semi-finals. The girls beat Blue Birds in the Semi-finals and made it through to the Finals vs Rand Girls. The Finals was a match worth watching. The match was stressful to watch as both teams played extremely well and ended up in a draw at full time. The winning team was to be decided in a penalty shootout. Rosalie James, our goalkeeper, (who I must mention is only in Grade 8) did an amazing job, jumping left and right, saving three of the penalties against us. The team was victorious in the penalty shootout, successfully scoring three of our five penalties.

The players also had a chance to meet some of the Kaizer Chief professional football players who came through on Sunday to support the teams playing. Overall, the weekend was long but the girls did an amazing job bringing back the trophy. We are all extremely proud of them. Special thanks to Coach Cailin.

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SWIMMING AND WATER POLO
Our swimming and water polo girls have started training in preparation for the season that will be starting in the next month. Parktown Boys has kindly given us the opportunity to train in their heated pool in the morning while they are not using it. There is swimming training on Tuesdays and Thursdays and water polo on Fridays. Well done to all the girls who have been getting up early to be at the boys’ school by 05:50 to get the pool covers off in time to start at 06:00. The girls then change very quickly to get back to school by 07:30 thanks to Mr Manana and the school bus.

Our water polo girls will be doing some fundraising for their new swimming costumes. Unfortunately, our old supplier has gone into liquidation. After much research, we have decided to go with the Turbo water polo costumes and a new design. These costumes are much better quality than our previous costumes and should last much longer. We will have a Spur evening at the Golden Spear Spur on Wednesday, 29 August, to raise money to bring the cost down of the costumes. Please support our girls in their hard work and efforts. If you would like to know how to get involved in the fundraising, please contact Miss van Eyk at vaneyk@parktowngirls.co.za.

SOLE SURVIVORS ON STEROIDS!
Written by Nashreen Makama
On a calm Tuesday afternoon, with no sign of what is to come, our group of Sole Survivors set off on our afternoon walk in the neighbourhood. No sooner had we started that I sensed that Ms Jurgens really meant business that afternoon, as she set a fast pace whilst motivating us that the uphill will end at the end of the next block and that bliss will follow. Chatting and walking we did not realise that we were actually walking at an incredible pace for Sole Survivors.

Later we started to feel it, but then Ms Jurgens encouraged us to keep it up as we stand to break the 4 km record for Sole Survivors. We made it—huffing and puffing!! A feeling of tired elation hung over us. The knowledge that this was Ms Jurgens’s main idea from the start left us with a feeling of “achievement”. We still cannot believe that it was possible to complete such a record.

“If it matters to you, you’ll find a way.” Charlie Gilkey
TOPS AND TAGS

Bottle Tops and bread Tags is an ongoing collection that costs nothing but is a lifesaver for people who rely on wheelchairs. Please help us collect these tops and tags that are lying around the house. They can be dropped off at Reception.
Parents’ Association News

Passionate & Proud
The PA’s next event, which is our 10th Annual Golf Day, will be held on 7 September at the prestigious Houghton Golf Club. We are still looking for players, prizes and sponsors. To book for the Prize Giving Dinner or if you can assist with prizes for the day, please contact Kumarie at kumarie.lachman@telkom.co.za
To book to play, please contact Yvonne at ydijon@webmail.co.za

OUTSIDE ADS

THE SCHOOL ACCEPTS OUTSIDE ADVERTISEMENTS. WE ARE UNABLE TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE NATURE AND QUALITY OF THE SERVICES OFFERED

Apron Sales

Please note all learners taking Consumer Studies in 2019! The last orders for aprons will be taken for this year up to the end of August. Don’t miss this deadline!

Black apron R100,00  White apron R80,00
Price includes:
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Embroidery - blue on white apron & white on black apron.
Place your order with Mrs Law in the Finance office.
Garden Fun Day
Saturday 8 September 2018
9am - 4pm
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A Movie Under The Stars

Invite family, friends and colleagues
In support of the Rowing, Hockey &
Cricket clubs of Parktown Boys’

The movie: The Greatest Showman
Tickets: R50 p/p
Venue: Old Parks Sports Club
1 Garden Road, Bordeaux, Randburg
Date: Sept 14 2018
Time: Open from 6pm, Movie starts at 7:30pm

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