

Newsletter #19 2019 24 May 2019

Last Friday and Saturday, 18 of our teachers attended a teachers' conference organised by the South African Principals Association. The topic was 'Discipline, The New Wild West'. The speakers included Dr Becky Bailey, a world authority on Conscious Discipline. She affirmed at the outset, the policy at our school, namely that we see the need to create a 'safe' learning environment as our starting point. She was referring to how our brains function and said that if children don't feel safe at school then they are operating in their 'survival brain'. To make learning possible we need the children thinking with their 'executive brain'. The other idea she tabled was that at school we need to think as a family and she then spelt out some of the 'family values' that need to be taught. One of these that are close to my heart is around the need to be helpful in a family by doing chores at home. She said that as a school family, we also need to create moments for children to play a role in ensuring the family functions well. So these and many other ideas were imparted over the 2 days.

The closing session was taken by Emma Sadlier, the social media expert. She gave an excellent talk on the dangers and benefits of being a part of social media platforms. We are looking at getting her to come back to Cape Town and address parents later this year.

## **CURRICULUM REVIEW**

I am sure you are aware that we are in the process of doing a curriculum review at Camps Bay High School. Thank you to the parents and pupils who filled in our questionnaires. Your responses were most informative. Mr Mostert, who is managing the process, has given feedback to the governors and will next be giving feedback to the staff. After this, we will have a parent meeting where the findings will be shared and some possible directions will be presented for discussion.

#### **CLOTHING SHOP**

From Monday, 21 May 2019 to Thursday, 06 June 2019, (during examinations) the Clothing Shop will close at 14h00. The operating hours will, therefore, be Monday to Thursday, from 07h30 to 14h00.

Thereafter, normal hours resume until 13 June 2019, which is the last operating day for the term.

### **EXTRA AFRIKAANS CLASSES DURING EXAMS**

The Afrikaans Department has arranged for Extra Afrikaans Classes during Exams.

GRADE 8 - Ms Van der Walt (Room 56) Monday, 27 May 2019. Time: 1.15pm – 2.15pm Content: Paper 2 Revision

Wednesday, 29 May. Time: 1.15pm - 2.15pm

Content: Paper 2 Revision

GRADE II - Ms Janse van Rensburg (Room 53)

Monday, 27 May. Time: 1.15pm - 2.15pm

Content: Paper 2 Revision

Thursday, 6 June. Time: 1.15pm - 2.15pm

Content: Paper I Revision

Grade 12

Monday, 3 June. Time: 1.15pm – 2.45pm

Content: Paper I Revision

#### **SECRETARIES' DAY**

Once again we are hosting the SAPA (South African Principals Association) Secretaries' Day on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019. We are looking for some lucky draw prizes or items for gift packs to give to the hard working administrative staff on Secretaries' Day. If you are able to donate please email Alison at <a href="mailto:aknipe@campsbayhigh.co.za">aknipe@campsbayhigh.co.za</a> or deliver to Reception. Your support is appreciated.

#### WP DOWNHILL COMPETITION

Well done to Morgan Louw in Grade 9 who came 2nd in his age group in the WP Downhill Champs and National Downhill Competition in the DH Youth Men Category which was held last Sunday. Morgan was just 3 seconds behind the leader, even though his chain came off in the final stretch to the finish.



## **WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE**

Over the years Camps Bay High School has been a great supporter of our pupils who are scouts. In fact, in the last few years, 2 of our Head Prefects have been scouts, and I am sure many of their leadership skills were learnt through being Patrol leaders in their scout troops. A highlight in the scouting calendar is the Scout World Jamboree, which is basically a worldwide camp for scouts to get together. This year it is in the USA and 2nd Hout Bay Scout Troop has 5 Scouts attending, one of which is a pupil at Camps Bay High School. If you are able to attend their fundraiser this Saturday, see attached flyer, it would be a great support.

#### **FUNNY FESTIVAL FUNDRAISER**

We have once again managed to secure some tickets for the Cape Town Funny Festival. If you would like tickets, please email <a href="weight:we







### **MY SCHOOL CARD**

My School card is an important monthly contributor of funds to our school. We would really encourage all parents to either sign up for a card and make CBHS the beneficiary, and for those who have a card already please take a moment and change the beneficiary to CBHS especially to all Grade 8 Parents. Your actions will make a huge difference to our income from this initiative.



#### THE WEEK AHEAD:

Monday 20 May 2019 Friday 24 May 2019:

Normal school exams from 8am to 1pm

We are so happy to be getting rain in Cape Town. Can you please check the weather the day before and ensure that your child leaves home with their school rain jacket on days it may rain. It is really uncomfortable sitting at school with wet or damp clothing during exams.

I have been off campus since Wednesday attending my first SAPA [South African Principals Association] National meeting as the National President. So instead of sitting quietly as one of 18 provincial representatives, I will have been chairing the meeting which involves a slightly different level of engagement.

Just a reminder that without the prefects at the gate we still ask you to drop your children off campus at the start of the day at the 2 stop and drop zones.

Yours sincerely,

David de Korte PRINCIPAL

#### MATRIC REVISION

The Bergvliet High School Continuing Education Programme will once again be running a Matric Revision School from 24 - 28 June. The revision sessions are facilitated by experienced Grade 12 teachers from various schools, many of whom have also marked the external National Senior Certificate examination and are therefore familiar with the standards required. The aim of the Revision School is to prepare the matrics for the September exams, as well as their Finals by exposing them to typical exam-type questions. Detailed course notes will be provided.





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2<sup>nd</sup> Hout Bay Sea Scouts

Come and enjoy an evening of pizza, live music, auction of artworks & stimulating talk by the Scouts who will be attending the 24<sup>th</sup> World Scout Jamboree.

Cost: R100 Ticket price includes 1x Pizza
Cash bar on offer

Date: Saturday 25th May 2019

Time: 18:30 till 21:30

Venue: Dario's Cafe

Victoria Rd, Hout Bay