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NEWSLETTER NO. 1

Dear Parents

Welcome back. We trust you have had a fulfilling time with family and friends during the holiday. We also hope that your sons are armed with suitable energy, enthusiasm, motivation and the positive attitudes required in order to meet 2017's challenges.

NEW STAFF

We welcome Mr Joseph MacMillan (English and Music Departments) and Mr Philip Molnar (Afrikaans Department) as permanent members of staff. I trust that their tenure at SACS will be long and mutually-beneficial to school and teacher.



MATRIC RESULTS

A year ago we wondered whether the class of 2015's outstanding results could be bettered and I posed a very specific challenge to the 2016 Matrics (an unprecedented 100% Bachelors endorsement rate, a 75% grade average, subject averages above 60%, and 50 individual A-averages).

Well, they responded magnificently and although not quite meeting all the challenges, we have achieved our best set of matric results, ever!

No. Wrote	141	No. Passed	140
			99.3%
No. Bachelors	135	No. Diplomas	5
	95.7%		3.5%
No. Subject Distinctions	428	Grade Average	74.6%
No. A-Averages	53 (9 with averages of 90% +)		
Two subject averages were in the 60s. The remainder were in the 70s and 80s!			

In addition, 11 boys received 5 subject distinctions, 12 received 6 distinctions each, 20 received 7, and 5 lads received 8 subject distinctions.

Jean-Luc Ciapparelli is our Dux Scholar (first in Matric). He received an average of 96.1%. Bronson Rudner (95.4%) was the top Mathematics/Physical Science student in South Africa, receiving 100% for both subjects. Liam Abrahams (94.6%) joined Bronson on the Western Cape's Top 20 Merit List.

I extend sincere congratulations to all staff, all Matrics of 2016 as well as to their parents.

TEACHER CHANGES

I remind all parents that we do not entertain teacher changes within the various subject areas. Therefore, it would be appreciated if you do not approach individual teachers, subject heads or myself in this regard.

Yours sincerely

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