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## NEWSLETTER NO. 25

Dear Parents and our SACS Students



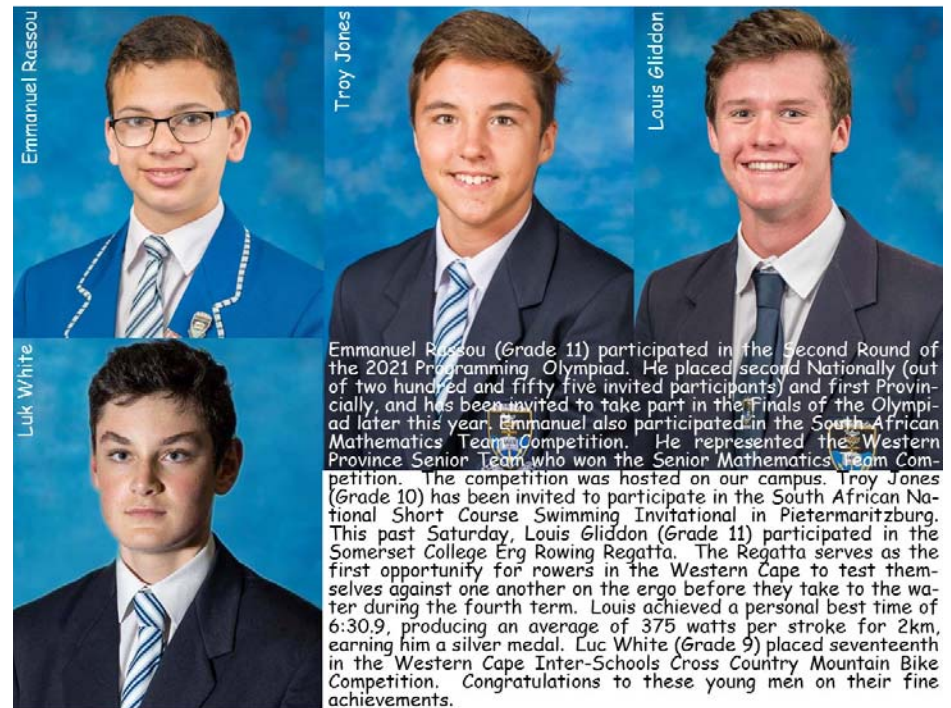
### HEADMASTER'S INTRODUCTION

Our Matrics are well into their final trial examinations and today the rest of the school begin a test assessment series. This period leads to what can feel like a less frenetic pace to the school day, but it can also be a challenging time for our boys. The absolute best thing we can do as parents for our boys is to talk to them. Encourage them, help them set goals and support them through this time of assessment. I wish all our students well during this period. We conclude our brief, but extended Winter sports season today and tomorrow. Thank you to everyone that has made this possible in these uncertain times. Best wishes to all participants against Wynberg.

The **GRADE 8 AND 9** test times have changed on Thursday 23 September and will now end at 10:30am:

Grade 9  
**09:00 to 10:30 Afrikaans/Xhosa FAL**  
Grade 8  
**08:45 to 10:30 Mathematics**

Grade 10 to 12 tests will remain the same as per the timetable. Boys can leave school at 10:30am after they have finished their tests. This is due to the long weekend.

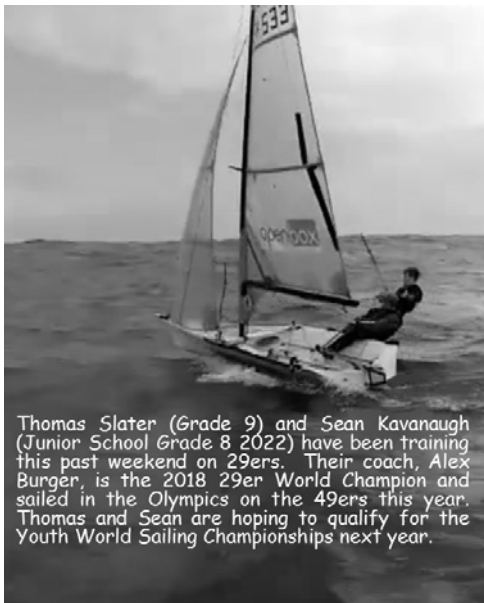


Emmanuel Rassou (Grade 11) participated in the Second Round of the 2021 Programming Olympiad. He placed second Nationally (out of two hundred and fifty five invited participants) and first Provincially, and has been invited to take part in the Finals of the Olympiad later this year. Emmanuel also participated in the South African Mathematics Team Competition. He represented the Western Province Senior Team who won the Senior Mathematics Team Competition. The competition was hosted on our campus. Troy Jones (Grade 10) has been invited to participate in the South African National Short Course Swimming Invitational in Pietermaritzburg. This past Saturday, Louis Gliddon (Grade 11) participated in the Somerset College Erg Rowing Regatta. The Regatta serves as the first opportunity for rowers in the Western Cape to test themselves against one another on the ergo before they take to the water during the fourth term. Louis achieved a personal best time of 6:30.9, producing an average of 375 watts per stroke for 2km, earning him a silver medal. Luc White (Grade 9) placed seventeenth in the Western Cape Inter-Schools Cross Country Mountain Bike Competition. Congratulations to these young men on their fine achievements.

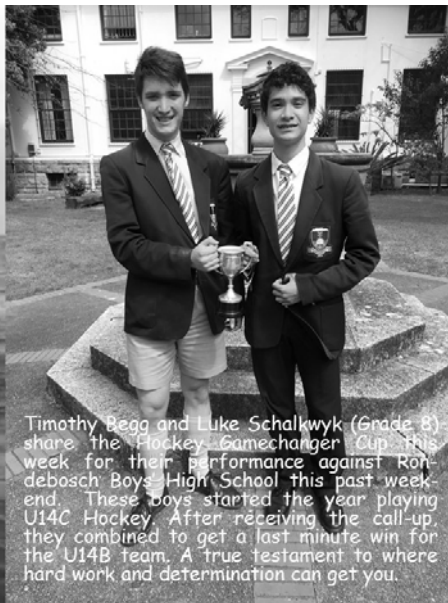


Congratulations to the second group of the Grade 11 Monitors who will fill in while the Prefects write their Mock Examinations:

Adam Hansford, Alex Lategan, Emmanuel Rassou, Finlay Frost, George Alexopoulos, James Davis, Jed McIntyre, Joseph Munting, Matthew Hay, Matthew Sharples, Michael McGaw, Nathan Pretorius, Ra'ees Salie, Reinholdt Loots, Ross van Breda, Saul Alperstein, Sivuyile Manxoyi, Timothy Patten, Tivon Pather and Zetio Vilandy.



Thomas Slater (Grade 9) and Sean Kavanaugh (Junior School Grade 8 2022) have been training this past weekend on 29ers. Their coach, Alex Burger, is the 2018 29er World Champion and sailed in the Olympics on the 49ers this year. Thomas and Sean are hoping to qualify for the Youth World Sailing Championships next year.



Timothy Begg and Luke Schalkwyk (Grade 8) share the Hockey Gamechanger Cup this week for their performance against Rondebosch Boys High School this past weekend. These boys started the year playing U14C Hockey. After receiving the call-up, they combined to get a last minute win for the U14B team. A true testament to where hard work and determination can get you.



The first annual 4x2x24 Running Fundraiser will take place on our campus from 2pm on Thursday 30 September until 2pm on Friday 1 October. The event will consist of intervals in which volunteers run four miles every two hours, for twenty-four hours (nine runs, excluding the curfew times). This event is to raise funds for the SACS Ithuba Trust and Waves for Change, which encourage youth empowerment and development in South Africa. Funds will be generated through the 'sponsoring' of runs by donors. In the following table <https://docs.google.com/document/d/10NTRQDhaZyWi59Pb4zvHpyxOME8KuIqIvx9ZPNv45vw/edit?usp=sharing> runners will be able to indicate the number of intervals they are planning to run, as well as a list of names of potential donors. In order to track and have proof of the miles run, runners are invited to join the "SACS 4x2x24 Fundraiser" on Strava. You can also join the Fundraiser WhatsApp group for more details: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/FNyRTPkD4pa16qaisOKsho>. If you'd like to donate, the banking details are as follows: SACS OBU, First National Bank, Branch Code 201409, Account Number 50265158681 and Reference 4x2x24 Fundraiser.



Yours sincerely

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