



PNG Meeting

There will be a PNG Meeting in the staff room on Monday 31 August at 7 pm. This is to finalise arrangements for the PNG Function on 1 October.

Attention all Old Westerfordians



We have been instructed to return all unclaimed Matric Certificates to the WCED, who are going to destroy them. Those, from 1995—2014, who have never claimed their certificates must do so without delay.

It will be a rather difficult lengthy process to get a duplicate.

Sun Run 2015



On a beautiful, sunny Friday 14 August, the 2015 Sun Run was held at Rondebosch Boys' High School. This was an exclusively pupil-run event which was organised by the Interact groups of Rustenburg Girls' High, Westerford, Rondebosch Boys' and Herschel, in collaboration with the Sunflower Fund. This money will be going to the Sunflower Fund for testing bone marrow matches – an expensive procedure – as well as promoting the number of organ donors and therefore helping to save lives. A portion of this money will also be going towards paying for the medical expenses of a Rondebosch Boys' High pupil, Richard Burger, who is suffering from Cystic Fibrosis.

A R30 ticket for the participants could be bought before or on the day and there were over 80 Westerfordians who showed up. The Sun Run started at 15h00 with registration, where either a green or yellow bandana was handed out to the participants. There was a 5km run and a 2.5km walk which was strictly walkers only. The run started with an unexpected bang and a sea of green bandanas. This was followed half an hour later by a sea of yellow bandanas when the 2.5km walk started.

The route wound its way along the Rondebosch fields and turned off just before Western Province Cricket Club, before making its way back to Rondebosch. This was done twice for the 5km run. The route was beautiful, with spectators cheering the runners and walkers along and there was the happy sound of music in the air from the Rustenburg marimba band along the way.

There were a number of colourful food stalls which sold a variety of different mouth-watering food items, ranging from candy floss, to cupcakes. At 16h00, Butlers dropped off 40 free pizzas to everyone's delight! With the copious amounts of food and beverages on sale, it was no wonder that there were so many smiling faces and satisfied stomachs.

There was also great live entertainment. Our Westerford band, Wax Lyrical, was the first performance and there were many other singers such as Chris Werge and Richard Stirton, both Rondebosch Old Boys and upcoming musicians. There was a raffle and many fantastic prizes to be won: Creamery vouchers, water bottles sponsored by PVM and vouchers for Cavendish and Canal Walk. There was a dress-up competition and prizes were awarded to the best-dressed.

It was such a successful day with more than R14 000 being raised for the good cause! Thanks so much to everyone who ran, walked or just supported. Make sure you do not miss out on this amazing event next year and do not forget to register for the upcoming Sunflower Run on 13 September!

"Never look down on anybody unless you are helping him up."

Kirstin Bloomer



WESTERFORD HIGH SCHOOL

Sunflower Fun Run/Walk 2015

Since its inception in 2011 Westerford has been participating in the annual Sunflower Fun Run. Each year we average around 350 participants from the Westerford community, one year even entering over 500!

We get involved for two main reasons. Firstly, to support the Sunflower Fund in their quest to build up the South African Bone Marrow Registry, and secondly to support **Reza Price**, a Grade 11 pupil who has been living with severe aplastic anaemia since just after his twelfth birthday and who is in desperate need of a bone marrow donor.



Last year saw many happy Westerfordians gathering at the Mouille Point lighthouse to take on the 7 km run/walk. What made last year all the more special is that it was the first year that **Reza** had been well enough to walk with us. And not only did he walk, but he managed to complete the entire course, a remarkable achievement indeed and one we hope he will repeat in 2015.



The walk/run is on Sunday 13 September at 10h00. Entry forms are available from the Sports Office or Front Office, or contact Ms Gray ag@westerford.co.za

Everybody is welcome to enter. Bring your friends, your family and anyone from your community and sign up under the Westerford name. Let's show our support for **Reza** and the Sunflower Fund.

**The person who brings in the most entries
will win a Swatch watch.**

Western Province Debating Championship

The last few weekends have been very exciting for five young Westerfordians, as they represented Westerford at the prestigious Western Province Debating Championship.

With over 50 schools from all over the province represented, the competition was tough. **Helen Dugmore (10)**, **Sadie Wiseman (10)**, **Mia Todd (10)**, **Alex Pottinger (11)** and **Grace Brain (12)** made up Westerford's strong team that took on the challenge of the provincial tournament with all the vim and vigour they could muster.

Unfortunately, Westerford was knocked out of the tournament by the eventual finalists, SACS. But, don't worry, the senior debating team knocked them out of the Rotary Debating League earlier this year. When all was said and done, Westerford set itself apart by being the only school with three speakers to rank in the top ten in the province. **Grace Brain** ranked 8th, **Helen Dugmore** 7th and **Alex Pottinger** 3rd overall. **Grace** and **Alex** have been selected to attend Western Province debating trials next week, when the Western Province team will be selected.

Special mention must go to Mr Dimpleby, who braved the storm that is hundreds of debaters gathered in one building to show tireless support for the team he manages. Debating might not be the most popular activity, but those who do it at Westerford certainly seem to do it well.

Alex Pottinger



English Society's Soccer Tournament

The English Society held another one of their very successful soccer tournaments in the Southern Centre during long break on Tuesday 4 August. Spectators came in their dozens to watch the juniors and seniors battle it out on the court.

The first match was a tough 5-a side header between the Grade 10s and 9s. After a quick-paced game, the score ended 2-0 to the seniors after two spectacular goals from **Keenan** and **Wesley**. The second match of the tournament was another intense game as the Grade 9s took on a mixed team of Grade 10s and 11s. Once again, the seniors proved victorious, thanks to goals from both **JP** and **Emil**. The third and final game was between the two winning teams: seniors vs seniors. The Grade 10 team walked off winners after a goal from **Jack** in the last few minutes. It was an exciting event that got pupils out of their seats and cheering madly for their peers. The English Society is currently planning a Girls' Soccer Tournament which they hope will be just as successful.

Kirthi Chetty

Attention all ex The Grove pupils

High Tea for Terrific Trio

*What do you get if you add: energy plus compassion plus excellence plus wisdom, and multiply them by **83 years of combined service**? The answer is: a very privileged school. At the end of this year, three stalwarts of education, Ursula Röntsch, Jill Theron and Sally Boule will retire from The Grove Primary School.*



***Ursula Röntsch** started teaching at The Grove in 1980, and 36 years later she is teaching the children of children she taught in the early years of her career. As a teacher and Head of the Foundation Phase, she has always been open to continuous learning and has kept herself and her colleagues abreast of educational and technological trends. She has set exacting standards for her pupils, colleagues and parents alike, enabling the children in her care to achieve their potential.*

***Jill Theron's** genuine interest in and compassion for people has defined her as a teacher, colleague and fund-raiser. She has worked as a language support teacher at The Grove for the last 25 years, developing in her pupils not only language skills, but confidence in their abilities. She is also one of The Grove's most colourful characters and will be remembered for her outlandish costumes at fund-raising events as well as her wicked sense of humour.*

***Sally Boule** joined The Grove in 1992. Over the past 22 years she has made her mark on many facets of the school. As an enrichment teacher, she has inspired and stimulated scores of children; as a mediator, she has used her wisdom and insight to resolve conflicts; and as one of the Deputy Heads of the school, she has led her colleagues and pupils with integrity and humour, inspiring them always to strive for excellence.*

*The Grove will be hosting a high tea to celebrate and honour the remarkable contributions of these three true educationaists. This will take place on **Monday 21 September** from **16h00 to 18h00** in the school hall. Past pupils, parents and colleagues are invited to join the celebration. Please bring with you any special memories, thoughts or photographs that you are willing to share with this terrific trio, and share this news with friends and family who may wish to attend this special function. You can email reception@thegrove.co.za to indicate your intention to attend or you may phone the office on **021 6742077**. Please see the school's website for further details.*



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23	24 Matric Music concert 19h00	25 All grades Art exhibition 19h00 Mock Matric Music Prac exam opening	26 Gr 9 Subject Choice mtg 19h30 Mock Matric Music Prac exam

27	28 Mock exams start	29 Fairmont Derby @Fairmont
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September 2015

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	31 August	1	2 Careers evening	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Mock Exams End Matric Dance	19
20	21	22 Hockey and Netball Braai	23	24 Heritage Day	25 School Holiday	26
27	28 One Act Plays Dress Rehearsal	29 One Act Plays	30	1 October PNG function	2 October School closes	



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27 AUGUST 2015

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