



REMEMBERING THE LIFE AND IDEAS OF STEVE BIKO

On Wednesday, the Grade 12 History pupils wrote Paper 2 of their September Exams - which includes the topic covering the ideas and philosophy of Black Consciousness, the role of Steven Biko, and the Soweto Uprising of 1976.

Wednesday 12 September, the day on which they wrote the exam, is also the day 41 years ago on which Steve Biko died after being brutally beaten by members of the Security Branch, while in detention. After his death, the day became known as 'Biko Day' and served as a rallying point around which people mobilised.

After writing their exam, the Grade 12 History pupils held a moment's silence in remembering and commemorating the life and ideas of Steve Biko.



Simon Luckhoff, Grade 11



ENGLISH SOCIETY KAHOOT

Last Wednesday, English Society hosted their first event of the new cultural year. Pupils were challenged to test their knowledge of British celebrities using the exciting online Kahoot quiz format. Kahoot is an educational website that allows users to create and share multiple-choice quizzes which can be displayed in classrooms as a learning tool or thrilling competition.

After attendees had battled it out, demonstrating an elevated understanding of the who's-who of British society, a Grade 8 team comprised of Kai Nesbitt, Raania Arend, Caitlin Hauxwell, Jeff Currie and Joel Tyler-Scott were crowned as winners and presented with a yummy prize.

Nadia Odendaal, Grade 11

FOREIGN CULTURES KARAOKE EVENT

On Thursday 6 September, Foreign Cultures held their foreign language song karaoke event. It was a fun and successful event that was enjoyed by all with the eventual winner being **Mia Hattingh** (centre) of Grade 9 with her wonderful performance of the French song, "Tous les mêmes".



Lucas Rosenfield, Grade 11

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MEET THE MAROONS

Sadly for us, Mr Daniell will be leaving Westerford at the end of the year, to go travelling. He took a few moments out of his day to answer a few of our questions.



What is the biggest change you've seen in Westerford during your time here?

The change in the power distribution between pupils has changed dramatically. Now, more than ever, pupils are given a "voice"

Is there one thing that you think pupils could do better?

I think they could dress better.

We know you LOVE Mozart; what else do you listen to?

I'm currently listening to a bit of K-pop, namely "BTS" and other groups. The music is very well produced and the choreography is "tight". These guys are well trained.

What is your favourite thing about working here?

"I enjoy the pupils" as clichéd as this answer is, the pupils make the work rewarding.

Do you have any wishes or ideas for Westerford in the future?

I would like to see a big, compulsory "Trek" event. Perhaps a month long walk as a sort of rite of passage. I suggest that this be considered for Grade 9s.

What are three of your stand-out memories of the World Challenge trips you've organised?

We were stalked by killer monkeys at the Angkor Wat temples in Cambodia and I was moved to tears watching orangutans in their natural jungle habitat in Borneo. Also in Borneo, we saw first-hand, the environmental destruction caused by the palm oil industry. Then, thirdly, I was very proud of Westerford pupils who, over the course of several days, interacted with and cared for severely disabled orphaned people in Vietnam.

What are your stand-out Westerford memories

Slog 2018 was memorable partly because I featured on the best t-shirt design ever. The 2007 teachers' strike was a very exciting time; we picketed on Main Road with homemade placards. Mine read: "900 kids, no money, God bless". And I will never forget being part of a staggering performance of Asimbonanga at Classical Pops 2013.

Where will you be travelling next year?

I plan to start in Bali and work my way up the Indonesian islands and on to South East Asia.

Do you have any last comments or ideas that you'd like to mention?

I truly believe that Westerford is "one of the best schools in the world" not just the country. I would really like to encourage pupils to participate as much as possible and grab the opportunities that they are presented with.

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This week's featured writer is Ella Pike.

SELFIE SOCIETY

I watched as my family's heels disappeared into the Cape Point supermarket. Setting my posture straight, I pulled the bulk packet of 'Xtra Sour Jelly Beans' from my sugar-crusted pocket and tore it open with my teeth. Popping them in as steadily and consistently as a leaking tap, I managed to crack open a Grapetiser and consume half. I was in heaven; no pleading mother or judgy brother to frown upon my gargantuan appetite for sugar. Chuckling to my conniving, eight-year-old self, I lay back, closing my eyes.

A sudden disturbance rattled the Suzuki. The passenger seat door, which had been left open for fresh air, disappeared behind a bounding mound of fur that leapt into my mother's seat. My priorities skewed by the sugar-high, I shoved my jelly beans into my pocket, slopping the remaining Grapetiser over the back seat, fizzing and popping like wet Cocoa Pops. I froze. The baboon lifted its scarred snout, sniffing for sustenance. I was sweating refined sugar, my mouth agape, unable to make a sound. I pushed the sweets deeper into my highly-fashionable khaki shorts. I wasn't going to let that ugly baboon take my sweets as well as my dignity. Instead, its keen eyes fell on the Canon 4500, which my father had left on the dashboard. Outstretching its hairy arm, it closed its freakishly-human fingers around the camera, the lens distorting the animal's face in the reflection. My eyes widened as the baboon's finger pads explored the device. The index finger found the large black button and pressed it. A loud click. The shutters in the lens snapped shut and open. The baboon spooked, dropping the camera on the gearstick and springing onto the hot tarmac of the car park. I watched with interest as it skidded between the cars and entered into the safety of its pack.



Hesitating, I slowly pulled the remaining jelly beans from my pocket, shakily pouring the entire contents into my still open-hanging mouth.

On the road back home I kept silent, waiting for the glorious moment. My brother was flipping through the photographs from the day. My eyes fixed on his face eagerly. He paused, his thumb resting on the 'next' button. His brow furrowed slightly, but he remained calm. He turned the camera to face me: matted black fur, small, beady eyes and bared white teeth. The grotesque features stared into the camera and into my soul.

"I see you've learnt how to take a selfie, Ella."

Ella Pike, Grade 11

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CONGRAUTLATIONS!

- * Mr Christian Edwards came 4th in his age-group in the National Cross County Inter-provincial Championships held on a very wet and muddy course in Port Elizabeth last weekend.



FRENCH PANCAKE DAY FOR DR EISENBERG'S GRADE 8 FRENCH CLASS.



From left to right:
Madeleine Gibbons, Hannah Gildenhuys, Juliet Greyling, Mia Burgener

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SUNFLOWER WALK

It has become a Westerford tradition to take part in the Sunflower Walk/Run. Since its inception in 2011, we have averaged 450 participants and, for two of those years, we even got up to 550 participants!

We get involved for three main reasons. Firstly, to support the Sunflower Fund in their quest to build up the South African Bone Marrow Registry. Secondly, to support Reza Price, a past 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 transplant, and thirdly, to support Ella van de Ven. Ella is currently in Grade 8 with us and is living with leukaemia. She recently had a bone marrow transplant and more than likely is going to need another one.

The walk/run is on Sunday 16 September at 10h00 starting at the Green Point Athletics Track. Please fill in the entry form and either have it delivered to the relevant boxes at the Finance Office or e-mail it to Alison Gray (ag@westerford.co.za). You may put as many entry forms as you like into one envelope. There will be a prize for the person who brings in the most entries.

Everybody is welcome to enter. Bring your friends, your family and anyone from your community and sign up under the Westerford name. There will also be t-shirts sold from the Sports Office from 10 September at a cost of R130. The proceeds will go to the Sunflower Fund.



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16 SEPTEMBER 2018

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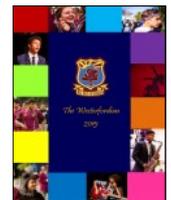
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DATES TO REMEMBER

	September	
Fri	14	Mocks end
Sat	15	Matric Dance
Wed	19	Yom Kippur
Fri	21	World Challenge Tour departs
Mon	24	HERITAGE DAY
Tues	25	One Act Plays
Thurs	27	PNG Function Transkei and Orange River trips depart
Fri	28	School Closes Cape Youth Cricket Festival until 30 Sept
	October	
Tues	9	Start of the 4th Term
Thurs	11	Celebration
Fri	12	Valedictory

PNG (PARENT NETWORK GROUP) FUNCTION – THURSDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2018

Tickets for this year’s function will be available from the front office from Friday 31 August 2018. This year we have two guests, David Muller as Oom Schalk, and Jody Abrahams.



Oom Schalk Lourens se Mampoerstories



Jody Abrahams – Comedian, Actor (7de laan)

The entertainment will not be for long as the idea is for the parents to socialise, chat, meet new parents, and catch up with folk not seen in a while.

This is not a fund-raising initiative; the ticket price of R100 will cover your meal. Bring your own liquid refreshments, which may include wine and beer. You stand a chance to win a prize with your ticket as we will have lucky draws throughout the evening.

Table bookings are welcome. Arrange with Louise at the office to reserve a table for a group. Please also advise any special dietary requirements.

Start time is 19h00 for 19h30 in the school hall.

We look forward to hosting another enjoyable PNG Social to end a busy year.

Any queries, please call Louise, or e-mail to admin@westerford.co.za at the school.

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