



CLIFTON

PREPARATORY SCHOOL
NOTTINGHAM ROAD

12 May 2023

Dear Parents,

Thank you for taking the time to read the latest edition of our newsletter. As we approach the end of another half term, we would like to reflect on the many wonderful things that have happened on the Clifton campus over the past few weeks.

Despite the many challenges we have faced, our students have shown exceptional resilience, adaptability, and a commitment to learning, staying true to our focused value for this term - perseverance. We are proud of the diverse range of opportunities our children were offered to develop their skills and interests.

We would like to extend our gratitude to the parents and guardians who have supported their children throughout this time, and to our dedicated staff who have worked tirelessly to create a safe and engaging learning environment for our students.

As always, we encourage you to stay involved in your child's education and to communicate with us if you have any questions or concerns. Together, we can continue to create a supportive and enriching learning environment for our students.

Remember, hardship creates perseverance, perseverance creates character, and character brings hope!

Thank you for your continued support.

Pupil News:

Riding

Congratulations to the following riders who competed in the SANESA Core League at Shongweni last weekend.

Bella Coppez

2nd Equitation Level 2
2nd Working Hunter Level 2
1st Show Jumping Level 4
1st Show Jumping Level 4

Bronwyn Leslie

2nd Equitation Level 3
6th Show Jumping Level 2
6th Show Jumping Level 2

Aphelele Mkhize

2nd Equitation Level 4
3rd Show Jumping Level 3
1st Show Jumping Level 3

Bella Mitchell-Innes

3rd Equitation level 3
10th Show Jumping Level 2
8th Show Jumping Level 2

Jennifer Skead

3rd Working Hunter Level 1
4th Equitation Level 1
3rd Show Jumping Level 2
3rd Show Jumping Level 2

Siphokazi Nkabinde

5th Equitation Level 1
3rd Show Jumping Level 1
1st Dressage Level 1
1st Dressage Level 1

Sophie Miller

2nd Show Jumping Level 1
5th Show Jumping Level 1
6th Equitation Level 1
1st Prix Caprilli Level 1

Bailey Pickard

2nd Show Jumping Level 1
1st Show Jumping Level 1
3rd Equitation Level 1
5th Dressage Level 1
3rd Dressage Level 1

Frankie Southey

4th Equitation Level 1
6th Show Jumping Level 1
5th Show Jumping Level 1
3rd Show Jumping Level 1



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Staff News:

Insight into another member of our fabulous Intern team.

Mbaliyezizwe Nontobeko Mnyandu was born in Newcastle Madadeni (The Ducks). She has a little sister who behaves as if she's the big sister. Mbali's best meal of the day is when she gets to have a snack at tea. The thing that scares Mbali the most is life in general.

Something Mbali wants to do before she dies:

- To make her mom proud.
- To make sure her sister has the best foundation by having a good education so that she can follow her dreams.

Biggest nightmare situation – being stuck in an elevator during loadshedding.

Best thing about being at Clifton:

- Mbali is less anxious in this new, beautiful environment.

A few of Mbali's favourites:

- Colour – orange.
- Film genre – documentary.
- Holiday destination – Zambia, Kenya, RSA basically Africa.
- Season – Spring.

Her one wish would be:

- A very healthy trust fund.





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Something Mbali likes to do but does not do often:

- Gardening when she is at home or having solo dates as they help to feed her soul.

A message for the kids: You've got this!

Between the choices:

- **Chocolate (dark)** or vanilla.
- **Sweet** or savoury.
- Sunrise or **sunset**.
- Ocean or **mountain**.
- Movies or **music**.

Due to the Wi-Fi interruption this week, the e-news will be included in next week's newsletter.

This is what you can expect over the next two weeks:

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| Monday 15 May | Gr 5K assembly: 7.30am – All welcome |
| Tuesday 16 May | Gr 5 day trip to Mandela Capture Site: 8.30am-12.30pm Gr 6 Study Skills Workshop: 8.00-10.00am Gr 1 & 2 boys' mini soccer vs Cowan House at Cowan House: 1.00-2.00pm Gr 1 & 2 girls' mini hockey vs Cowan House at Clifton: 1.00-2.00pm |
| Wednesday 17 May | Anxiety & Exam Information for parents: 12.00-1.00pm (Chapel) Inter house cross country – Gr 1-7: 1.00-4.00pm Half term commences after co-curricular <i>Boarders to be fetched at 4.00pm</i> |
| Thursday 18 May | Half term JHB bus departs Clifton: 5.00am. Arrives Wanderers: +/- 11.00am DBN bus departs Clifton: 7.00am. Arrives Pavilion +/- 9.00am KZN Rugby tournament at Maritzburg College (by invitation only) |
| Friday 19 May | Half term KZN Closed squash finals KZN Rugby tournament at Maritzburg College (by invitation only) |
| Saturday 20 May | Half term KZN Closed squash finals KZN Rugby tournament at Maritzburg College (by invitation only) |
| Sunday 21 May | Half term KZN Closed squash finals |
| Monday 22 May | Half term JHB bus departs Wanderers: 12.00pm. Arrives Clifton: +/- 6.00pm DBN bus departs Pavilion: 3.00pm. Arrives Clifton: +/- 5.00pm <i>No boarders may return before 2.00pm</i> Boarders to return by 5.00pm OR... |
| Tuesday 23 May | Boarders to return by 7.00am |
| Wednesday 24 May | |



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Thursday 25 May

Friday 26 May

JP assembly at 7.30am (Mrs Shewan)
Gr 1 Transport Day
Gr 00-0 Parent Workshop (Early Literacy Development): 12.00-1.00pm (Chapel)
Cross country at Cowan House

Saturday 27 May

Rugby vs SCC at SCC
Girls' hockey vs St Johns (venue tbc)

Sunday 28 May



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SAVE THE DATE

Clifton Notties Founders' Day

An action-packed day celebrating
our beautiful school's heritage.

7 October 2023 | 8am 'til late

Champions of Childhood

I hope you have a lovely weekend and week ahead.

Kind regards,

Eswée Prinsloo
HEADMASTER