



FINAL EDITION FOR TERM 1

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Message for the Week
"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much and whoever is dishonest with very little well also be dishonest with much."
Luke 16:10

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HeronBridge Prep Swimming Captains, Brian Uphof and Megan-Lee Kurzewski receiving the **winning trophy** from Darryl Web, headmaster of Dainfern Prep.

WINNERS - YET AGAIN!

On Friday, 12 March 2010, the HeronBridge A Prep Swimming Team took part in the **A League Prestige Gala**. as winners of Prestige Gala last year, the swimmers had a title to defend. This was a big challenge this year as many other teams looked particularly strong!

Dainfern College hosted eight other schools, namely Crawford Sandton, Redhill, Grayston Prep, St Dunstans, Marian College, Beaulieu Prep, Kyalami Prep and HeronBridge College.

The HeronBridge team stepped up to the challenge and swam with spirit and gusto. Many children set personal best swimming times for their respective strokes. By the end of the day, the swimmers were awarded trophies, as winners for both the boys and girls competition.

The HeronBridge swimming team retained their title of **Prestige Champions** and won the gala with a total of 423 points. Dainfern College was placed second with 397 points and Redhill was in third place with 307 points.

Many thanks must go to Caren Kurzewski, a truly dedicated swimming coach, Mrs Cathy Haigh & all the teachers for their time and efforts with the swimmers, and the parents who have been so supportive. Lastly, a big thank you must go to the swimmers for their spirit, enthusiasm and commitment. Well done to ALL!!



The HeronBridge Prep Swimming Champions with their fabulous, dedicated coaches!

Break-up day!
HeronBridge College closes for Easter School holidays on Wednesday, 31 March!
The following closing times apply:
Pre-Prep (Grades 000 & 00) : 11h00
Grade R : 11h30
Prep : 12h30
College: 13h00
School resumes on Monday 19th April.
Bus details on page 2.

DATES TO DIARISE : WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY, 22 MARCH

For all College and Prep sport fixtures, please go to our website :

www.heronbridgecollege.co.za. Go to the CO-CURRICULAR page - full details can be found under the heading **FIXTURES**. See **RESULTS** page for co-curricular results.

The Alpha Course

Intro Dinner : 14 April 2010
Course starts : 21 April 2010



Do you have questions about life, God, the church or the Christian faith?

The Alpha course is a relaxed, low key, friendly and fun opportunity for anyone to explore the fundamentals of the Christian faith.

The course is being run at **Bryanston Bible Church (BBC)** and consists of a series of 8 Wednesday evening talks and a Saturday away together.

Come along to the **Introductory Dinner** on **Wednesday, 14 April 2010 @ 6:45 PM** and decide at the end of the evening whether you will attend the course.

RSVP: Joan at the BBC church office (011) 463 – 1530 or email alpha@bbc.org.za or visit our web site at www.bbc.org.za

Address: 9 St James Crescent, Bryanston
(between Wilton Ave & Eccleston Crescent)

BOOKING ESSENTIAL



HERONBRIDGE STAR!



Erich Klemm-Harris (Grade 8) was awarded his **Protea Blazer** by Mr Wilke in last weeks College assembly. Erich has made the **Protea Junior Bass Angling Team** and was selected to represent SA in a fishing competition in La Grange, Georgia, USA. Only two juniors

where selected for this prestigious event. Erich will be flying to Atlanta on Thursday 25th March. We wish him great success in this adventure!

LOST!

Georgia Grundy, (Grade 6) is missing her swimming kit. It was in a turquoise bag with a costume that was only worn a couple of times, hat, goggles and a blue towel which says Blantyre Swim Team on it. It went missing 4 weeks ago. If someone has picked this up by mistake please can they return it to the Prep Offices.

FOUND!

Some money was picked up near Marketing offices on 16 March. To claim see Mrs Williams (History teacher in the College) or Mrs Henderson in the College Reception Office.

BREAK UP DAY & THE BUS

Please take note of the HeronBridge College bus service departure times on break-up day, **31st March 2010**.

Pre Prep Shuttle: 11:45.

Prep Busses: 12:45 (Blue & Yellow short routes);

College Busses: 13:15 (Blue & Yellow long routes)



TO SUPPORT EARTH HOUR!

Saturday, 27 March 2010, 20:30 – 21:30

The WWF calls on all South Africans to switch off their lights between 20:30 and 21:30 in support of Earth Hour on Saturday, 27 March, as a symbolic act to send a powerful message to leaders that the time to act on climate change is now.

“We’re asking people to go beyond turning off lights and make an Earth Hour resolution to start something bigger. Switching off your lights is a great first step, but your true environmental impact is much bigger than just your energy bill.”



WWF's Earth Hour 2010



IMPORTANT ALERT - PLEASE READ!

We have received a number of emails recently regarding the rise of **human trafficking** - especially now that the World Cup is looming. Whilst we do not want to cause alarm, we do believe one can't be too careful in light of the information (true or false) that is circulating. Please be pro-active & alert your children.

One such email has stated: *The SAP had a meeting this week about the 2010 world cup. They (the SAP) say that we have to guard our children more than gold (this goes for girls AND boys) and women should not go to shopping centers during May, June, July, without having a male to escort them – we must remember that loads of Nigerians & other foreign nationals, so forth will be coming to SA and that sex & drug trading is a reality, please take it seriously.*

We received the following letter from the Human Trafficking Advocacy Initiative. Whilst it was directed at girls, it does hold true for all children:

The 2010 World Cup Soccer is almost upon us. It takes place with a mixture of jubilation and trepidation. Like all events of this nature (including the Olympic Games) with it comes the promise of income generating rewards, excitement and also the real threat of social cost. One of the dangers is child trafficking. This communication serves to encourage you the parents and your children irrespective if they are primary or secondary school age) of the need to be reasonable in their approach and vigilant in their outlook as regards some of the subtle dangers that pose as a threat to your them, in the time leading up to the World Cup and for its duration. A practical example is to ensure that your child understands the following: These provisos are triple fold with the increasing risk of crime syndicates operating in South Africa for next 3 -4 months)

- *That no amount of cajoling by a peer or vaguely known adult must be tolerated. They must not leave the safety of the school grounds or usual trusted areas of a neighbourhood (home) to "go and see" something in a parked car or in the passages of an arcade in a shopping mall, etc. (e.g. a baby in car seat, a small cute domestic animal, a special toy, etc)*
- *Not to travel unaccompanied in an elevator especially in off peak times (shopping mall, office building etc). Use elevators with several people.*
- *That no gifts of any sort are accepted from a peer or adult that is not totally familiar to you.*
- *The main safeguard is to ensure for the next 3 -4 months that the whereabouts of your children are known to you at all times.*
- *That your children have access to emergency numbers such as: **Child Line 080 005 5555 and salvation Army Hotline 08000 7372 83***

Ensure your child understands that they are to be aware at all times. The best form of defense is always to use one's eyes to survey what is going on around you, ears to listen attentively to what is being said to you or not said to you, and your voice to act as an alarm or obstruction to the manipulations of unscrupulous people. Finally let your legs carry you away from any threatening situation.

Human Trafficking Advocacy Initiative

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TOURING ZIMBABWE TEAM



Recently, our Grade 4's played a touring Zimbabwe team from Whitestone College – HB won by 6 wickets Well done team!

World Cup holidays? Save the date!

HOLIDAY CLUB @ BBC!

21 - 25 June 2010
MONDAY TO FRIDAY
8h30 TO 12h30
Gr00 to Gr 5
R300pp (Lunch Included)



To register or find out more
Tel (011) 463-1530 or email
taryn@bbc.org.za
or visit: www.bbc.org.za



Bryanston Bible Church
9 St James Crescent
Bryanston

COLLEGE DEBATING NEWS



Our heartiest congratulations go to **Viktoria Bruns** and **Joanne Tomlinson** who both wrote and passed the Debating

Adjudicators Test. In fact they both did so well that their results surpassed many of the teachers who wrote the test with them!

Senior SACEE Rounds 1 and 2

The first two rounds of the SACEE league were held in Randfontein on the 6th March. In Round 1 Viktoria Bruns, Jarryd Webber and Farai Mubaiwa successfully opposed the banning religious garb in government intuitions against Trinity House College. Well done to Jarryd Webber for receiving the best speaker award.

In round 2, the team, unfortunately, were unable to convince the adjudicators that nationalising the mines would benefit South Africa, so they lost the debate to Crawford Lonehill.

Further congratulations go to Justin Howard and Stephen Kent who spoke for the Shadow Team and won both their debates. Both boys received a best speaker award.

Junior SACEE Round 1 and 2

The first two rounds of the junior debating league were held last weekend. The team of Ninza Mwenesongole, Ofentse Moduke and Kathryn van der Plank were winners in both rounds with Kathryn receiving the best speaker award in both debates. Congratulations must also go to Farai, Stephen, Paige, Vincent and Karabo who received the honour of being the best floor of the day. Well done to everyone involved.



FNB
First National Bank

How can we help you?

HeronBridge College thanks FNB for their sponsorship of Talking Parenting and Talking Teacher Conference 2010.



HBC FUN DAY - 29 MAY!

A reminder regarding our Fully Equipped Fun Park!

This is a must for all HBC pupils. There is something for everyone here whether your child is 3 or 18 - they will have loads of fun. Tickets cost R100 per child. This ticket will allow your child unlimited access into the Fun Park throughout the day! Should you want to purchase a ticket for your child / children please fill in the form emailed to you last week and hand it into your Reception Office by the end of this term – **Wednesday 31 March**.

Please remember we do have to limit numbers so book early to avoid disappointment!

PLAY IT FORWARD with MySchool

WEEK ONE UPDATE:

Come on HeronBridge Prep get registered for this campaign and swipe your **MYSCHOOL CARD!**

Currently we are lying 72nd out of the 500 schools registered - we need to catch-up to have any chance of being in the **TOP 3 SCHOOLS TO WIN R100 000!**

WINNING CLASS FOR WEEK ONE: GRADE 5B. Their prize: Civvies Day on 25/03 with ice-cream treats.

2nd place : Grade 1N; 3rd place : Gr 1V; 4th place : Grade 4W; 5th place : Gr 6T

WEEK TWO UPDATE:

Well done HeronBridge Prep - after one week of motivation, we moved up to **22nd** spot out of 500 schools! Imagine if all of our MySchool holders registered, we could move up into the top 5-please register with your unique code! We have 123 cards registered out of a possible 446 active my card supporters, so please just register sooner than later!

WINNING CLASS FOR WEEK TWO: GRADE 5V. Their prize - 5 Grade 5v's will win a vuzuzela in a lucky draw!

2nd place : Gr 3H; 3rd place : Gr 5B; 4th place : Grade 2J; 5th place : Grade 6T.

WELL DONE! SWIPE AND REGISTER THIS WEEK! SUPPORT THE "BIG 5" STUDENTS!



We would like to invite you to join us every Sunday at 09H00. Our services are held in the HeronBridge College Auditorium and are open to all denominations. We offer Kidz Church for the young as well as a youth group for the teens. We look forward to hosting you and your family.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS!

Thanks to your support, and because of all the additional stock lines we now carry, our Uniform Shop is bursting at the seams! Those of you who have visited us lately will have noticed the construction happening behind the shop. Our Estate team plans to break through into the shop during the Easter holidays and will require a couple of weeks to get the job done. As a result, we will need to close the shop at the end of the second last week of term in order to move all the stock into storage and give the builders access.

We are aware that the 2nd term is the winter term, but winter uniform will only be compulsory from **Monday, 3 May**. Until then your child may wear either winter or summer uniform. **Please see next page (page 7) for winter uniform requirements.**

Should you wish to purchase uniform for the 2nd term before the holidays, please make sure that you visit us **this week**. The Uniform Shop will be trading as usual on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week (07h00 – 15h00) and will be open before school on Friday, but will close at 08h00 on Friday, 26th March for renovations.

We have made a special arrangement to be open for business on **SATURDAY, 17 APRIL from 08h00 to 13h00** should you need to stock up before the start of the 2nd term, and then every day as usual from Monday, 19 April.

We are very excited about the extra space and new look we will have from next term, and we look forward to meeting you in our 'New & Improved' Uniform Shop when we open again in April. Please come and visit us then!

GRACEPOINT, A METHODIST CHURCH

Please note that Lonehill Methodist Church is now officially called "Gracepoint, A Methodist Church". The following has changed:

Website: www.gracepoint.co.za

Email: groups@gracepoint.co.za

Here is what's happening at Gracepoint:

- Sermon Series: Movers & Shakers
- Youth Worship Event Friday 26 March 19:00 – 21:30

Easter services:

- Tenebrae Service Thursday 1st April 19H00
- Good Friday Service Friday 2nd April 07H30 and 09H00
- Easter Sunday Service Sunday 4th April 07H30, 09:00 and 10H30

Courses:

- High Schoolers Confirmation Course starts March 21 17:00
- "Who and what am I in God's eyes?" From Friday 16th April

Contact for more info: info@gracepoint.co.za

HeronBridge College Website:

www.heronbridgecollege.co.za

Our website is full of information, including academic calendars, 1st term dates to diarise, bus timetables, sport fixtures, notices and lots, lots more.

Suggestions email!

suggestions@heronbridge.co.za

If you have any suggestions pertaining to our school please send your idea to the above suggestions email address

WINTER UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

EFFECTIVE FROM 3 MAY – 20 AUGUST 2010

GRADE R

Grade R Girls & Boys - HBC champagne short sleeve golf shirt or long sleeve, Full HBC tracksuit, HBC navy v-necked jersey, short or long navy socks with beige stripe, HB peak cap or floppy hat & black school shoes.

PREPARATORY

Grade 1-6 Girls - HBC champagne golf shirt short or long sleeve, tartan culottes or navy long pants, navy v-necked jersey, HeronBridge tracksuit top with optional inner winter fleece, long navy khaki stripe socks or navy tights (44 or 77 Decitex) or (short navy khaki stripe socks, which may only be worn underneath the navy long pants.) HB peak cap and black school shoes.

Please note: Tracksuit pants **do not** form part of the prep academic uniform. The tracksuit pants will remain an integral part of the co-curricular sports uniform.

Grade 1-6 Boys - HBC champagne golf shirt short or long sleeve, long navy trousers, navy v-necked jersey, HeronBridge tracksuit top with optional inner winter fleece, long navy khaki stripe socks, HB peak cap, black school shoes.

COLLEGE

Grade 7-11 Girls

Navy HeronBridge blazer, tartan skirt **or** champagne coloured long pants, white long sleeve formal shirt, HeronBridge tie, navy v-necked jersey long sleeve or sleeveless, long navy khaki stripe socks, or (short khaki socks, which may only be worn underneath the long pants.), or navy tights (44 Decitex), black school shoes.

Grade 7-11 Boys

Navy HeronBridge blazer, khaki chino trousers, black belt, white long sleeve formal shirt, HeronBridge tie, navy v-necked jersey long sleeve or sleeveless, short khaki socks, black school shoes.

Grade 12 Matric Girls

Navy HeronBridge blazer, Matric/Councillor Badge, tartan skirt **or** champagne coloured pants, white long sleeve formal shirt, HeronBridge Matric tie, Matric white v-necked jersey long sleeve or sleeveless, long navy khaki stripe socks, or (short khaki socks, which may only be worn underneath the long pants.), or navy tights (44 Decitex), black school shoes.

Grade 12 Matric Boys

Navy HeronBridge blazer, Matric/Councillor Badge, khaki chino trousers, black belt, white long sleeve formal shirt, HeronBridge Matric tie, Matric white v-necked jersey long sleeve or sleeveless, short khaki socks, black school shoes.

Rosebank Union Church Parenting Courses

Effective Parenting in a Defective World

A DVD based course by Chip Ingram

5 Weeks

No cost

Preparation for Parenting

A DVD based course from Growing Families International by Gary & Anne Marie Ezzo

6 Weeks

Deals with birth to 5 months

R185 per couple

Preparation for the Toddler Years

A DVD based course from Growing Families International by Gary & Anne Marie Ezzo

5 Weeks

Deals with ages 5 months to 15 months

R185 per couple

Growing Kids God's Way

A DVD based course from Growing Families International by Gary & Anne Marie Ezzo

20 Weeks

Deals with ages 3 to 8 years

R240 per couple



For more information contact Lee Baylis: 011 784 6214 or lee@ruc.org.za

JNR PREP:HURT FREE BADGES- RESPONSIBILITY

Weekly focus-Perseverance

I can stick with a problem and see it through... even when it would be easier to quit".

Weekly behaviour challenge

Practice using the tortoise's words this week "slow and steady wins the race" whenever you feel discouraged. Don't worry about what others are doing...keep your mind on your own work.

Linked Bible Verse:

"...and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us." Hebrews 12 v 1

GRADE	CHILD'S NAME
1C	Tatiana Britz
1G	Taegan Macaulay
1N	Kyle Rose
1P	Brett Robbertze
1V	Taine Rossini
2F	Joshua Browne
2H	Sarah Copeland
2J	Gregory Tanton
2T	Kyle Moroney
3A	Takunda Dana
3B	Demi Peterkin
3H	Michael Crozier
3S	Declan Backos

PHILIPPINES UPDATE!

Thank you to all those HeronBridge families who heeded our call to help those in need in the Philippine's. (See issue 7 of The Heron). We will be sending over R13 000 to these people in their time of distress. This translates to 67 000 meals. Thank you & God Bless!