



TERM THREE 2009

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Message for the Week

“...Create in me a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within me.”
Psalm 51:10

MATRIC VALEDICTION – 2009

On Thursday evening, 22nd October, we bid a fond farewell to our 2009 Matrics and wished them well in their final exams. The guest speaker for the evening, Buhle Dlamini urged our matriculants to follow their dreams, use their talents, and always to remember to honour their Maker. Head Councillors, Danika Wright and Andrew Nunn, moved many to tears with their heartfelt words of gratitude to the staff of HeronBridge College, thanking them for their support, dedication and all-round professionalism. They also praised their peers and wished them all the best in their future ventures. We shall miss this lively and enthusiastic group of youngsters and have every faith that they will succeed in whatever it is they choose to do.

Class of 2009



PREP BEST SPEAKER

And the winners are.....



Winner of **Grade 7 Best Speaker**: Bradley Slooten (centre); Second Place: Michael Daubermann (left) and third place: Christopher Mittendorf . Pictured here with Mr Irving and Mrs Van Eck.



Winner of **Grade 5/6 Best Speaker**: Donnaley Avis (centre); Second Place: Cord Van Eck and third place: Tayla Van Eck. Well done to all participants!

Our annual Christmas Craft Market happens this Thursday, 29 November in the Auditorium. Remember this is an ideal opportunity to get all your Christmas shopping done. Hours : 08h30 to 15h00.

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www.heronbridgecollege.co.za

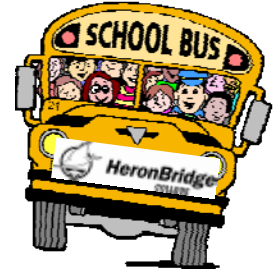
DATES TO DIARISE : WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY, 26 OCTOBER

Mon 26	14h00	Prep Cricket: Grade 2 Mini Cricket vs Dainfern	Away
		Prep Cricket : U10A vs Kyalami Prep	Away
		Prep Cricket: U10B vs Kyalami Prep	@ Home
Tues 27	14h00	College Tennis : Boys A vs Trinity College	Away
		Prep Cricket : U11A vs St David's	@ Home
		Prep Cricket : U11B vs St David's	Away
Wed 28	14h00	College Tennis: Junior Girls vs De La Salle	@ Home
		College Cricket :1st team vs Redhill	@ Home
		College Cricket : U15 vs Redhill	@ Home
Thurs 29	14h00	Prep Cricket: U13A vs Crawford Sandton	Away
		Prep Cricket : U13B vs Crawford Sandton	@ Home
		Prep Tennis: Senior Girls A vs Redhill	Away
		Prep Tennis : Senior Girls B vs Montrose	@ Home
		Christmas Craft Market in School Auditorium	
		Prep Cricket : U9A vs King David	Away
		Prep Cricket : U9B vs King David	@ Home
Fri 30	14h00	Prep Cricket : U13C vs Kings College	@ Home
		Prep Tennis : Senior Boys A Team vs Dainfern	@ Home
		Prep Tennis : Senior Boys B Team vs Redhill	Away
Sat 31	08h00	College Swimming @ St Peters College	
		PTA Golf Day at Gardener Ross	
		Prep Swimming : A Team @ Home	
Sat 31	08h00	Prep Swimming: B Team @ Redhill	
		Prep Major Production	
		Bus departs for Sun City for the Sun City Open Water Challenge	
		College Cricket : 1st / U15 vs Glenvista @ Hyde Park	
Sat 31	08h00	College Cricket : 2nd / U14 vs Glenvista	@ Home
		Prep Major Production	
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COLLEGE EXAM SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE

The College and Prep (Grade 6 & 7) exams are just around the corner!

During this exam period we will be offering an exam shuttle bus exclusively for our “exam writing” pupils. Each day after the exams finish the exam shuttle bus will depart from HeronBridge College at 10h30 (**College pupils only**) and 12h00 (**College and Prep pupils**) respectively. It will drive the following route:



- 10h30 12h00 Departs from HeronBridge College
- 10h40 12h10 stops @ Dainfern entrance (Cedar Road)
- 10h45 12h15 stops @ the Broadacres Shopping Centre
- 10h50 12h20 stops @ Cedar Lakes Entrance
- 10h55 12h25 stops @ entrance of Fourways Gardens
- 11h05 12h35 stops @ the Woolworths entrance @ Fourways Mall
- 11:15 12h45 stops @ Waterford Shopping Centre
- 11:20 12h50 stops @ Douglasdale Pick n' Pay
- 11:25 12h55 stops @ Jukskei Park Shopping Centre

Return to HeronBridge College

The cost for the exam shuttle bus will be R100 per pupil for the exam period.

If you are interested in making use of this bus please see Nicole Butler in the College Reception Office or email her on nbutler@heronbridge.co.za. You will also need to fill in an indemnity form and payment must be cash. Once Nicole has received payment and your signed indemnity form she will issue your child with an exam shuttle bus pass.

Current bus users may utilize this service free of charge!

CO-CURRICULAR PHOTOS

The recently taken 2009 co-curricular photos are on display in the following venues:

- College photos : Media Centre
- Prep photos : outside the Prep Staff Room.

The photos will be displayed for just three more days:

closing date is Wednesday, 28th

October. Order forms / envelopes are available next to the displays.

Please hand your completed order forms / envelopes, along with payment (R25 per print), into, either, the College or Prep Reception Offices.



A MUST READ!

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND THE BUS SERVICE

College co-curricular activities end on Friday 6 November. Prep co-curricular activities end on Friday 20 November . From the 23 November we will not be running the big buses on the 16h30 yellow or blue routes. Should the need demand a small bus will continue for the aftercare children to get home. Please email Nicole Butler should you require this service on nbutler@heronbridge.co.za

HERONBRIDGE UNIFORM SHOP!**ORDER NOW!!****NEW – JUST4SCHOOLS LABEL KIT!**

Beautifully printed labels with our HeronBridge logo!

To ensure that you receive your **2010 labels** before the close of school, orders must be in by **31ST OCTOBER 2009!** No payment now! Pay when you collect the labels in November.

<u>STANDARD PACK – ONLY R75</u>	<u>SUPER SIZE PACK – ONLY R110</u>
25 Iron/Sew On Labels	50 Iron/Sew on labels
40 Wrap-around Pen and Pencil Labels	80 Wrap-around Pen and Pencil Labels
25 Multi-purpose Vinyl Labels	50 Multi-purpose Vinyl Labels
25 Micro Labels	30 Micro Labels
20 Book Labels	35 Book Labels
6 Shoe shields	8 Shoe shields

To order your labels, email the following information to uniforms@heronbridge.co.za:

Child 1 – name on label

Child 2 – name on label

Parent's name:

Parent's email address:

Parent's cell number

Pack required – **Standard R75** or **Supersize R110**

CLOSING DATE FOR END-OF-TERM ORDERS – 31 October 2009

SPECIAL OFFER!!**ATTENTION GRADE 1's 2010**

Buy your **HERONBRIDGE BACK PACK BAG** for Grade 1 2010

Before **15TH NOVEMBER 2009!**

At the special price of R150 & receive 2 Bag Tags for free !

Normal price R165!

CLOSING DATE FOR SPECIAL – 15 NOVEMBER 2009

OFFER APPLIES TO ALL CURRENT GRADE R PUIPILS

HERONBRIDGE UNIFORM SHOP CONTINUED!

Uniform shop opening times December/January holidays

During school terms:		January 2010 school holidays:	
Monday & Tuesday	07h30 – 09h00 11h00 – 15h00	Thursday, 7 & Friday, 8 January 2010	09h00 – 15h00
Wednesday	07h30 – 09h00 11h00 – 14h00	Saturday, 9 January 2010 (Registration Day) <i>Busy sales day, expect long queues</i>	08h00 – 14h00
Thursday & Friday	07h30 – 09h00 11h00 – 14h30	Monday, 11 January 2010 (Registration Day) <i>Busy sales day, expect long queues</i>	09h00 – 15h00
NB: Special arrangements can be made for fittings should the above times not suit you.		Tuesday, 12 January 2010	09h00 – 15h00
		Wednesday, 13 January 2010 (School Re-opens)	07h30 – 09h00 11h30 – 14h00

Do you own a HeronBridge Back Pack?

Has the white name strip faded away?

If so, please pop into the Uniform shop to order your free Bag Tag with our compliments!

WOW!

PARKING:

It has come to our attention that during the afternoons many cars are being parked in, especially on the grass area in front of the main school entrance. Please be courteous to your fellow parents and do not park others in. Please try to park and go to prevent vehicle congestion! The poles have been erected to prevent an accident from occurring on the turning circle. Please utilize the grass area appropriately: enter on the right and exit on the left and do not park one in front of the other but rather parallel park. Your assistance will be appreciated!

HERONBRIDGE STAR!



Kayley Cock, Grade 7, skated in the South African National Figure Skating Championships that was held in Pretoria from the 11th to 13th October. She came 5th in the Novice Ladies section. Well Done Kayley!

HeronBridge College Website:

www.heronbridgecollege.co.za

Our website is full of information, including academic calendars, bus timetables, past newsletters and more.

HeronBridge Suggestions email!

If you have any suggestions pertaining to our school please send your idea to :

suggestions@heronbridge.co.za



LAST CHANCE TO SPONSOR A GOLF CART



The PTA are on a drive to sponsor 50 golf carts at the Golf Day on Friday 30 October.

R300 buys 2 x A4 adverts on a golf cart and information/vouchers in the welcome pack!

An ideal opportunity to get valuable exposure for your business

Contact Tish on 083 456 7534

Christmas Craft Market

Date: Thursday 29th October

Times: 08h30 - 15h00

Our annual Christmas Craft market will be held in the School Auditorium. Come & do your Christmas shopping early!

Remind your children to bring their pocket money, so they too can do some early Christmas shopping!

Pick up litter

National Clean up week was celebrated by our Grade 1 & 2 pupils. They conducted a secret litter pick up during the course of one week. To our amazement, they managed to collect 11 black bags of litter – just from the Preparatory School's premises! They had this to say about their findings:

Litter is...

- ...yucky - Kevin Savage 1F
- ...dangerous – Jethro Davies 1N
- ...rubbish left lying behind by people - Ethan Steenkamp 1F
- ...sometimes hiding away - Taiibi Tucci 1F
- ...messing up our school - Alan Honeybun 1N
- ...polluting the air – Andre Strydom 1N

Rubbish is...

- ...everywhere – Daisy Dillon 1P
- ...polluting our earth – Kiara Meiring 1G
- ...disgusting - Troy Clark 1P

Rubbish can

- ...Kill animals and plants – Jessica Trotter 1G
- ...make the world stink - Catelin Huntly 1G
- ...be recycled – Trent Boden 1P

During National Clean up week, the **Pre-Prep** took a walk along the river with their gloves, to collect rubbish. We placed all the rubbish into black bags and when we returned to the class we separated it into plastic, tins and paper. We then made a graph to see what we had the most of, it was plastic waste.

It's our turn toBust those weeds

Still celebrating Weed Buster Week, the Pre-prep children were asked what a weed was. Here are some of their responses:

A weed is a seed that you plant and water and it grows into a vegetable. Carl Oosthuizen

A weed is something that uses soil from plants. Erin Bleach

A weed is something that sucks up plants water. Donatella Glatter

2010 PREPARATORY CLASS-LISTS

We are currently in the process of finalizing these lists for next year. Parents will be informed, just prior to closing at the end of the year, as to their child's class teacher for 2010. This process is professionally done by all the teachers in the current Grade and takes into account the academic, emotional and social situation and well-being of the child. We do try to place the children with at least one of their friends and with the teacher that best suits their personality and current academic standing. Friendships are not always healthy and we sometimes split friends because of a co-dependence that has developed over the years. We do appeal to you to refrain from pressurizing the teachers in this regard as at the end of the day it is a Senior Management decision. Please trust the process and allow your child to overcome this hurdle should it be seen as one.

PREP SCHOOL - SPORT RESULTS

DATE	SPORT	TEAM	OPPONENT	VENUE	RESULT
20-Oct	Tennis	Jnr Boys	De la Salle	HBSC	HeronBridge won 36 - 9
20-Oct	Tennis	Jnr Girls	De la Salle	De la Salle	HeronBridge won 26 - 19
20-Oct	Cricket	U11A	St Peters	St Peters	HeronBridge won by 26 Runs. HB - 180 / 9 in 25 overs, SP - 154 / 4 in 25 overs.
20-Oct	Cricket	U11B	St Peters	RiverView	HeronBridge won by 1 wicket. C. Downs top scored 27, R. Boden took 3 wickets for 11 runs and M. Conlyn took 3 wickets for 14 runs
21-Oct	Tennis	Snr Girls A	Crawford	HBSC	HeronBridge won 34 - 29
21-Oct	Tennis	Snr Girls B	Beaulieu	Beaulieu	Beaulieu won 32 - 31
21-Oct	Cricket	U13A	Christ Church	RiverView	Heronbridge won by 191 runs. HB - 289 / 5 in 30 overs, CC - 98 all out in 20 overs. J vd Berg top scored 92, M Dauberman 42 not
21-Oct	Cricket	U13B	Christ Church	Christ Church	HeronBridge won by 10 wickets, K. Whitfield top scored 16 not out, L. Parmeter took 4
22-Oct	Tennis	Snr Boys A	Beaulieu	HBSC	HeronBridge won 47 - 16
22-Oct	Tennis	Snr Boys B	Pecanwood	Pecanwood	Pecanwood won 41 - 22
22-Oct	Cricket	U9A	St Stithians	RiverBend	HeronBridge won by 7 Wickets. C. Shekleton top scored 40, G. d'Enis-Rowson took 2 wickets for 3 runs in 2 overs

JUNIOR PREP HURT FREE: TOLERANCE

Linked Bible verse split over 2 weeks:

- "...add to your **faith goodness**; and to goodness, **knowledge**; and to knowledge, **self-control**; and to self-control, **perseverance**...." 2 Peter 1:5-6
- "...and to perseverance, **godliness**; and to godliness, **brotherly kindness**; and to brotherly kindness **love**." 2 Peter 1:6-7

Basic lessons covered:

- We need to have **FAITH** that God is in control.
- We need to have the **KNOWLEDGE** of what our rights and responsibilities are.
- We need to have **SELF-CONTROL**, to think before reacting, to think before doing something wrong.
- We need to have **PERSEVERANCE** - sometimes we try to change things but it feels like we're not being heard - don't give up!
- We need to have **godliness** - remember WWJD (What Would Jesus Do?)
- We need to have **brotherly kindness** - being kind to all the children at our school.
- Finally we need **love**...we need to love everyone around us

GRADE	CHILD'S NAME 1 I am accepting of others	CHILD'S NAME 2 I respect the rights of others
1F	Ethan Muller	Fadziso Mutusva
1G	Nathan Bau	Mashenka Cottle
1N	Jethro Davies	Jack Walther
1P	Troy Clark	Collin Mangena
2C	Jonty Temperley	Kyla Williams
2H	Connor Du Toit	Jordyn Young
2M	Sonwabo Gigaba	Kudzaishe Nyengerai
2V	Eli Jolly	Morgan Wynberger
3A	Keara Du Plessis	Jamie Tompkins
3B	Bryden Davies	Christie Benjamin
3H	Brittany Anderson	Deyna Barnard
3S	Kyle Mansfield	Caela Kleynhans

PARENTING MATTERS BY NIKKI BUSH

THE COLOUR OF MONEY

When you run out of cash and say to your children, "Sorry, not today," even preschoolers will tell you that you can use your "card" to pay. On a recent playdate with my nieces and nephews at a games arcade, the brass coin-like tokens have been replaced with a plastic card you swipe at the machines. I can tell you that my four year old nephew really did not understand when the card wouldn't work anymore!

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PARENTING MATTERS BY NIKKI BUSH CONTINUED

In a world of credit and debit cards, store accounts, internet banking and the fear of carrying real hard cash on our person, our children don't often get to experience money literally passing through their hands. Even school fun days use coupon systems instead of cash – oh for the days of the old Tickey Afternoon! This cash-less society makes financial sense to us, but when you consider that children learn best through concrete, real, physical experiences, what are they actually learning about the value of money today? For the most part I think they think there is a never ending supply. And they are so smart today that when you say, "Do you think money grows on trees?" they answer "Yes, notes are made from paper which is made from wood!"

Pocket money paid into our children's bank accounts over the internet doesn't have nearly the impact of cold hard cash either. In my childhood (yes, long before the advent of internet banking), my dad would draw a portion of his salary in cash. He would then divide up the money as per the household budget, and post it into various brown envelopes, one for each category, and pay us our pocket money, of course. Money left over in an envelope at the end of the month stayed there and the next installment was added to it. If we wanted to go out for a burger, or needed new clothes or a tennis racquet, we would check out the relevant envelope and based on the amount of money inside it, make our purchasing decisions. If there was no money in a particular envelope that was the answer as to whether you could buy something or not. In this way we had a very concrete experience of the value of money, saving and spending. We didn't always get what we wanted, but we never lacked for anything.

While it would be a wonderful exercise to bring home one's entire salary one month in cash, pile it on the dining room table and get the kids to count it out, this is an impractical suggestion. Instead, you need to find ways of making money real for your children. Here are some ideas:

Give them their pocket money in cash (small notes and coins especially for children under 7)

Give them three piggy banks – one for saving, one for charity and one for spending. Teach them how to divide up their pocket money into these three categories.

Set a savings goal. When they reach R200 in savings, take them to open their first bank account. Do this at around age 7/8 and make a big fuss about it. I actually took my camera to the bank the day my children opened their account.

Play board games that use money, such as Monopoly

LOST!

Kutlwano Hlomuka's (Grade 6H) lost his school bag at the sports complex on Wednesday, 21st October. If anyone has seen it, please return it to the Prep Reception Office. Thank you!

WIN A ROUND OF GOLF FOR YOU AND 3 FRIENDS!!

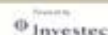
FORWARD THIS NEWSLETTER TO ANY OF THE BELOW MENTIONED EMAIL ADDRESSES AND YOUR NAME WILL BE PLACED IN THE MONTHLY DRAW TO WIN THIS PRIZE VALUED AT OVER R1600.00!!



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SAVE FORA

Registered pro-life animal shelter FORA must find a new property by Christmas for 600 dogs and 200 cats. Their property has been sold and all these animals need a new place to live.

We have a date: **21 November**

We have a venue: **Walkhaven. www.walkhaven.co.za
(big thanks to Walkhaven for their generosity)**

We have an event: **Walk a Mile for a Million with your dog at Walkhaven
(PLUS great food, drinks, entertainment and shows!)**

**Now we need all the sponsors and donors we can get! If you can help with any of the following please contact: forawalk@walkhaven.co.za
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or Ronell: 072 398 8165**

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