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Message for the Week

Let another praise you, and not your own mouth; a stranger, and not your own lips.

Proverbs 27:2

HERONBRIDGE HEROES

You have by now all heard the story of the HeronBridge dad and child who were trapped in their car when it was swept off the bridge into the Jukskei River. We would like to thank the team of men who saved them: Calvin Rasithuga, Frans Willimse, and Gerson Tshivule . All are part of Jukskei Sand. Thanks guys - you are all HeronBridge Heroes!



VALENTINES CD

Support the Grade 7's and buy the *LOVE CD* for R50 only! Selling will take place every day this week. Go to the Prep House Captains for more info!



SCHOOL PHOTOS

Individual school and class photos for Grades 1 to 12 will take place this week starting tomorrow, Tuesday, 3rd February. The Grade Heads/Class Teachers will inform your child of the date and time of his/her photo. Please ensure they come neatly dressed wearing the correct uniform.



HeronBridge Together : Tuesday, 24th February.

See page 3 for full details

An unforgettable experience!

C'mon South Africa.... it's time to "Bop to the Top!"



Sunday 15th Feb 2009 at 14h00

Seats from R150 - R350



Book for this matinee show, and you could be the **WINNER** of a 3 day/3 night **GETAWAY** in the **KRUGER PARK, NGWENYA LODGE!**

Group Bookings of 40+ available on request.

All proceeds benefit C.H.O.C. as advertised on Radio Jacaranda 94.2

For Bookings call Lesley 083 250 4583

(Exclusive Event - Tickets not on sale at Monte Casino.)

DATES TO DIARISE : WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY, 2 FEBRUARY

Monday, 2	14h00	Prep Cricket: U10A vs Kyalami	Away
		Prep Cricket: U10B vs Kyalami	@ Home
Wednesday, 4	15h00	College Tennis : Boys vs Deutsche Schule	Away
	14h00	College Cricket: 1st, U16 & U14 vs KDVP	Away
		College Cricket: 2nd vs KDVP	@ Home
		College Cricket: U15 vs KDVP	@ Home
		College Cricket: U14B vs Austin Glen	Away
		Prep Cricket : Open A vs Kings Bryanston	Away
		Prep Cricket: Open B vs Kings Bryanston	@ Home
		Prep Tennis: Senior Girls A Beam vs Rivonia	Away
Prep Tennis: Senior Girls B Team vs Crawford Lonehill	@ Home		
Thursday 5	14h00	Prep Tennis: Senior Boys A team vs De La Salle	@ Home
		Prep Cricket: Open C vs Bryneven	Away
Friday, 6	13h00	College Swimming @ Fourways	
	14h00	Prep Swimming: A team @ Beaulieu College.	

Please note that due to the rainy weather, all cricket games will have to be reviewed depending on the condition of the fields. There may be short notice cancellations of matches - both home and away! We thank you for your understanding here.

TOP HBUCKS ACHIEVERS FROM 2008

On Wednesday, 25 January the 40 top HBUCK achievers of 2008 had the best school day of their lives.

The pupils and 4 teachers spent the day at Sun City. All entrance fees and lunch was fully paid for and everyone received some extra spending money as well. The Valley of the Waves was not very busy and no one stood in any queues. What a pleasure it was to surf the waves without bumping into any people.

HBUCKS is the reward system in the College and pupils receive them for academics, effort, participation and achievement in sport and cultural and for community service.



The 40 top HBUCK achievers of 2008

OFFICIAL NOTICE

ALL PARENTS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO

HERONBRIDGE TOGETHER

Why?

To be informed about all that is happening at HeronBridge College through reports to be given by:

HeronBridge College

Parent-Teachers' Association

Parents' Consultative Forum

To elect representatives to the PTA and PCF

When?

24 February 2009 @ 19h00

Where?

HeronBridge Auditorium

Please make every effort to be present with us on the evening

Nominations

Nominations are as follows:

Parent-Teachers' Association

9 parent members to be elected;

(The staff will in turn elect 3 members on a separate occasion);

from whom the PTA will appoint to office: Chairperson, Vice-chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Convenor of Events, Convenor of Parent Communication.

Parents' Consultative Forum

6 – 9 parents to be elected (each of the Pre-Preparatory, Preparatory and College being represented by a minimum of 2 or a maximum of 3 parents), from whom the PCF will appoint to office: Chairperson, Vice-chairperson, Secretary.

Any person who is a vendor of goods or services to the school may not stand for election.

Any person who is a member of an existing body at HBC is not eligible.

Please note that nomination forms are available from the HeronBridge College website : www.heronbridgecollege.co.za , under *HeronBridge Info* or are available from the HeronBridge College Front Offices of each school.

FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP...

Winter Uniform Reminder Notification Preparatory Girls

As from the 2nd term, 5 May 2009, the winter uniform requirements for girls are as follows:

Grade 1-6 girls: HBC champagne golf shirt - short or long sleeve; tartan culottes or ***navy long pants (now compulsory!)**; navy v-necked jersey; HeronBridge tracksuit top with optional inner winter fleece - *only available at the Uniform shop*; long navy khaki stripe socks or navy tights (44 or 77 Decitex) or short navy khaki stripe socks (may only be worn underneath the navy long pants); HB peak cap and black school shoes.

***Navy long pants (now compulsory!).** This item was introduced in 2008 and now forms part of the academic winter uniform.

Please note: Tracksuit pants **do not** form part of the academic uniform from 2009. The tracksuit pants will remain an integral part of the co-curricular sports uniform.

However, the culottes still remain part of the winter uniform choice and this will not change.

Description of the new winter pants:

They are very stylish, modern and have a flattering low waist. They are bootleg in style and are in the School's navy fabric. The front and back 'false' pockets and the inner adjustable elastic waistband have the HeronBridge tartan inlay. The pants are made from a polycotton fabric and are easy to wash and iron.

PRE-PREP AFTERCARE

IMPORTANT CHANGES TO AFTERCARE AND LATE COLLECTIONS

PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING:

The aftercare will now take place on the top playground outside the Pre Prep office.

Please take note that the main gate will be closed as from 13h30 and is to only be used to collect children from aftercare. The side gate to the left of the Pre-Prep should be used for collection of children who are attending extra murals.

Please also note that no one other than the aftercare children are allowed on the top playground as from 13h30. If you are waiting for children to finish extra murals please wait on the Grade 000 playground to the left of the Pre-Prep.

Older siblings: Please note that no older siblings are allowed to enter the Pre-Prep in the afternoon to wait for their parents. If they are coming across to the Pre-Prep to wait for parents they have to wait outside the Pre-Prep on the grass verge. Understand that we cannot take responsibility for these children and it interferes with aftercare.

General waiting class: if your child is not collected by 13h15 and is not attending any extra murals they will be taken to a general waiting class on the Grade 000 playground with a teacher on duty. If they are not collected from this waiting class by 13h30 they will then be taken directly to aftercare and you will be billed accordingly. Please understand that we have to implement and adhere to these times as strictly as possible as the teachers have other things to attend to after 13h30 and we need to know exactly where our children are at all times.

LOST PROPERTY

Lost property is a huge concern to us at HeronBridge. We have dedicated staff members whose job it is to manage the lost property and to communicate with parents. Lost property is available for collection at the Uniform shop during shop hours.

Here's how it works:

- Lost property is collected by the cleaning and ground staff and delivered to the Uniform Shop on a daily basis. In one week we can receive up to 100 items of lost property!
- Items are sorted into two categories: unmarked and marked. We are unable to identify the owner of items marked with initials or first names only. These items are put into the unmarked category.
- The items are then logged onto the computer, with details such as name, item, date handed in, etc. This saves time and effort as, when an enquiry comes through, we can immediately notify you if a certain item is in lost property.
- **Unmarked Items** are logged on the computer, placed in the box of unmarked items and kept at the Uniform Shop for a maximum period of **2 weeks** from date of receiving the item.
- **Marked Items** are logged on the computer and kept separate. An email is sent to the parents informing them that we have received lost property belonging to their child, and that the item/s will be kept for a period of **2 weeks**. This will be a standard email and will not specify what the item is. If not collected within one week, a reminder email will be sent. Once items are collected, all information will be taken off the computer spreadsheet.

Important Note:

Items not collected within the **2 week period**, whether they are marked or unmarked, will be re-cycled into the second-hand shop or given away to charity, as there is simply no space to store the lost property for longer than 2 weeks.

Frustration!

We understand your frustration when your children arrive home without their belongings and we do request that you constantly remind your children to take personal responsibility for everything they bring to school.

As you are now aware, every effort is taken by us to ensure that lost items are cared for and returned. Please, therefore, try to be more understanding in your dealings with our staff should your items not be found at the uniform shop.

Please feel free to visit the Uniform Shop regularly. You never know, something of yours may be waiting for collection.

BUY A TICKET & SUPPORT OUR BOYS!

1st XI Cricket Tour- Sri Lanka 2009 - Fundraising Raffle

- R100 per ticket
- Only 1000 tickets issued
- Over R75,000 in total prize
- To be drawn on 25th February 2009
- See the 1st team squad for a ticket.

See next page for details of prizes.

COLLEGE HOUSE PLAYS DATE CHANGE

The College House Play date has changed from 6 February to **Thursday, 12 February**, because of the IEB conferences and Midmar Swim. Tickets will be on sale in the canteen area as of Monday, 2 February, at R15 per ticket.



We have the following days available:

SUITE 1: Day 1 Thursday 26th February
Day 2 Friday 27th February
Day 3 Saturday 28th February
Day 4 Sunday 1st March
Day 5 Monday 2nd March

SUITE 2: Day 1 Thursday 26th February
Day 2 Friday 27th February
Day 5 Monday 2nd March

Contact: Ingo Van Der Merwe 083 320 0780
Neil Holmes 083 282 3805

SUITE PACKAGE INCLUDES:
Fully staffed private suite facility with 28 seats
Pre match snacks, buffet dinner
and post match snacks
Complimentary premium bar
Suite match ticket
Parking tickets (1:4)

lvdMerwe@heronbridge.co.za
nholmes@heronbridge.co.za

HERONBRIDGE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Our College hockey, tennis, netball and rugby teams will all be touring to various destinations in KZN during the course of this year and will be competing in festivals against other schools from all over South Africa. We would like to present each participant with a tog bag. Anyone interested in sponsoring these bags will not only get to have their logo featured on the bags, but will also receive free advertising in "The Heron" for six months and a link on our web page for six months. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Mittendorf in our marketing department on kmittendorf@heronbridge.co.za

On the 26th February - 2nd March HeronBridge College Sri Lankan Cricket Tour 2009 will be selling two 28 seat suites for the test match between South Africa and Australia (the battle to see who will be world champion in the test arena). The suites are located in the Centenary Stand at the Wanderers and will be fully catered (see below for full details).

COST: R27 500 per day

BUY A TICKET & SUPPORT OUR BOYS - RAFFLE PRIZE!

- A four-ball at Fancourt which includes accommodation and flights - kindly donated by George Howard.
- R20, 000 business web design, including 12 months hosting - kindly donated by George Dempster at E2 Solutions.
- Two suite tickets to Pro 20/20 with Australia (valued R4, 800) - kindly donated by Dudley Horn at Warwick Hospitalities.
- Framed landscape pictures of South Africa (valued at over R5000) - kindly donated by Mike Story.
- A weekend for two people sharing at Courtyard Cape Town on an accommodation basis only (valued R2000) - kindly donated by Tony Balabanoff at City Lodge.
- One night's accommodation at the Palace at Sun City - kindly donated by George Howard.
- R1500 Townhouse size lawn makeover - kindly donated by Alan Powell Gardens and Landscapes.
- R1000.00 gift voucher to Sportsman's warehouse .Colour Printer - kindly donated by Gavin Meyer at Itech.
- 2 tickets to a Gold Reef City show, including meal vouchers - kindly donated by Gold Reef City Casino.
- 1 night's accommodation for two at the VIP camp at the Lion and Rhino Park, including breakfast and a bottle of champagne - kindly donated by Jackie Smith.
- A weekend night for two people sharing at City Lodge, Johannesburg Airport on an accommodation basis only (valued R800) - kindly donated by Tony Balabanoff at City Lodge.
- A weekend night for two people sharing at City Lodge Sandton, Katherine Street on an accommodation basis only (valued R800) - kindly donated by Tony Balabanoff at City Lodge.
- A breakfast for four persons at Town Lodge, Roodepoort (valued R300) - kindly donated by Tony Balabanoff at City Lodge.
- Rugby ball signed by Schalk Burger - kindly donated by Andrew Stainforth at Travelex.

For more info on the tour go to www.hbcricket.co.za

LIFT CLUBS REQUIRED

- All GRADE R teachers/moms. I require a lift club service for my daughter Skylah Lona. We stay in the Olivedale, in a suburb called Northwold. Contact Tracy 011 709 7773
- I require a lift for my daughter from Cedar Rd area to Fourways High School in the mornings. In return, I am willing to contribute towards petrol OR I will take your child to HeronBridge for you! Call 076 457 8910.
- Grade "0" pupil looking to join a lift club from Midrand (Carlswald / Oliphants Area). Contact Dawn on 082 923-5582 or 0861 00 3326

COLLEGE SPORTS RESULTS

Cricket Results

HeronBridge played		Kings School- Byranston	Saturday 24th January	
1st	1st innings	HBC	7 for 223 runs off 30 overs	WON
	1st innings	Kings	10 for 32 runs off 12.3 overs	
	2nd innings	Kings	10 for 87 runs off 18 overs	
		Batsmen	Darren Seaton	59 runs off 38 balls
			Jared Gower	41 runs off 47 balls
		Bowlers	Bradley Van den Heever	7 / 6 in 6 overs
			Garth Balabanoff	14 / 1 in 4 overs
Man of the Match: Bradley Van den Heever				

HeronBridge played		Opponent	Waterston College		24-Jan
U1			10 for 53 runs off 14 overs		LOST
6	HBC		6 for 153 runs off 30 overs		
		Batsmen	Thor van Eunen	26 runs off 24 balls	
			Warrick Gower	13 runs off 12 balls	
		Bowlers	Warrick Gower	21 / 3 in 5 overs	
			Piero Saieva	23 / 2 in 6 overs	

HeronBridge played		Waterstone College	24-Jan	
U				
14	HBC		72 runs all out off 24 overs	LOST
		Batsmen	4 for 274 runs off 40 overs	
			Marco Saieva	20 runs

Open Water Swimming

Several of our enthusiastic Openwater Swimmers participated in the Ekurhuleni 1200m Swim on Sunday 25/01/09.

- Robyn Fincham (17) 22m:07s
- Kayleigh Bagg (12) 22m:55s
- Emily Behrens (17) 25m:09s
- Robyn Saunders(17) 25m:50s
- Maxine Pernet (17) 28m:17s

Neil Henderson (!5)41m:01s

Good luck with your final preparations for Midmar.

Well done to all of you!

Swimming Results

The gala was cancelled by the host school, but there are still plenty galas left. See the fixture list below.

5-Feb	10-Feb	12-Feb	19-Feb
Thursday	Tuesday	Thursday	Thursday
FOUR-WAYS B	KDVP	AURORA	HERON-BRIDGE
KDHVP	Kings Robin-hills	Heron-Bridge	St Peters B
HeronBridge	Reddam	Leeuwenhof	Peacanwood
Monument	Heronbridge	Peacan-wood	Monument
Summit	Leeuwenhof	St Peters B	
Midstream	night gala		
	6pm		
	NB TUCK-SHOP WILL BE OPEN		

Tennis results : Girls

Date	Team	Opposition	Result	Voren-toe
27-Jan	Girsl Snr		WON	9
			Matches for	
			Matches against	0
Doubles				
Desiree	Moore		won 3/3	
Mandi	Sclanders		matches	
Leanne	Broadhead		won 3/3	
Deanne	Wille		matches	
Joanne	Tomlinson		won 3/3	
			matches	

26-Feb-08	
Inter - High - Thursday	<p>This is the day Half term begins - please don't make plans to go away until after the gala. This not organised by us, it is a league decision. The gala starts at about 12 o'clock and should end at about 4pm</p>
ELLIS PARK	
Kings School Robinhills (O)	
Reddam (H)	
Maragon	
Sacred Heart	
Leeuwenhof	
KDHVP (O)	
Heronbridge	
Kings Bryanston	

Tennis results : Boys

Date	Team	Opposition	Games for	Games against	Rand Park C
27th Jan	Boy's				44
			Games against		55
Singles Matches					
Brett	Lambert		Won: 8 - 3		
Michael	Fellingham		Lost: 3 - 8		
Guy	Wilding		Won: 6 - 5		
Misha	Boddenberg		Won: 8 - 3		
Michael	de Klerk		Won: 6 - 5		
Nathan	Kok		Lost: 0 - 11		
			Lost: 31 - 35		
Doubles Matches					
Brett	Misha		Lost: 5 - 6		
Guy	Michael F		Lost: 4 - 7		
Michael de	Nathan		Lost: 4 - 7		
			Lost: 13 - 55		
Overall			Lost: 44 - 55		

Monthly Masses of Messages

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ADVERTISE HERE! DEADLINE LAST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 12H00.

PLEASE CONTACT

KAREN BLAKEWAY AT THE COLLEGE OFFICE ON 082 387 2242 / 082 771 4470 OR FAX 086 643 0545 OR

EMAIL : kblakeway@heronbridge.co.za

EMPLOYMENT REQUIRED: Excellent domestic worker looking for a live-in position. Outstanding references. Contact Roz 082 787 7024.

PLETTENBERG BAY: Fully equipped apartment at Goose Valley Golf Estate available throughout the year. Sleeps four. Situated overlooking the tenth fairway and with a view of the mountains. Tennis courts, squash court, swimming pool. Driving range, restaurant and easy access to the lagoon and beach for swimming, fishing and sailing. Contact Roz at 082 787 7024.

ELECTRONIC REPAIRS: We specialise in repairs – all notebooks / computers. Motherboards, LCD screens, battery cell, power supply, DVD, LCD plasma TV, Hi-fi. laser colour printer, fax, scanner, camera, UPS, cell phone (Nokia, Motorola, Samsung), with warranty and free quote. Call 082 594 8941 or mail nbzcomputers@telkomsa.net.

RETIREMENT VILLAGE- SUNNIGHILL: 80% sold out. First occupation was December 2007. Freehold houses from R 1 384 770. Sectional Title Apartments from R 750 000. Frail Care Centre. For more information contact Natasha 083 271 1176 or Eileen 082 929 1604 .

FOR SALE: Trojan Synergy exercise bike for sale. In very good condition. R 1 000. For details contact Daphne 082 901 5082 .

TO RENT: Chartwell North - Lovely two bedroom cottage to rent. Stunning outlook. Fenced garden and carport. On large grounds with equestrian facilities. 12 Month lease. R4500/month, including lights and water. Available immediately. Please contact Stuart – 084 255 5059 or Bridget – 083 651 7090.

FLEETWOOD ADVENTURE PLAYGROUNDS: - Are you tired of seeing your children in front of the TV or computer? Why not install one of our units in your garden? Our units are built with treated timber, which conforms to S.A.B.S. standards. We can design according to space and your budget. Call us now for a free quote. 011- 704-3254 or 011-659-0363 - www.fleetwoodadventure.co.za

GET IN ON THE ACT: Helen O'Grady Drama Classes encourage students ages 5 – 18 to develop confidence, English language and performance skills. They provide excellent preparation for growing up in today's highly competitive world. Phone 08600DRAMA/37262 or 083 410 2940. Weekly classes held near you.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLUMBING: Professionals in maintenance and construction, servicing Johannesburg for close on 2 decades. IOPSA registered. All your plumbing requirements met in a quick and efficient manner. Now also specialising in solar geysers. BARRY EGGETT 083 626 6210 or Dave Heeley 083 635 2379 / tcplumb@global.co.za

COME OUT OF YOUR WARREN: and establish your family unit on an agricultural holding where you have sweet water boreholes, fresh air, freedom and minimum rates. Enjoy the income from a cottage or two. Our future lies in your children. They commune with horses and farm animals. Keep them out of malls and movies. For more info, kindly contact Alison Howard - 082-552-0904 – Howard & Currie Country Estates – On Cedar Road, Opposite Dainfern - www.howardandcurrie.co.za

ALAN POWELL GARDENS ESTABLISHED 1991: Garden Maintenance, Landscaping, Pruning and tree felling: Once off clean ups, irrigation systems and repairs. We operate in - Fourways and Broadacres. CONTACT US FOR A QUOTE. Tel: (012) 669 0326 OR 082 548 3283 (Alan or Mandy) or E-mail address: apowell@mweb.co.za

MUGG & BEAN BROADACRES: is now open for dinner on Friday evenings! It's the perfect place to bring the kids for supper, as it has a secure playground area with jungle gyms, slides, swings and jumping castles. Captain Jack the Pirate is on duty on Friday evenings to entertain the kids and there is a kids menu available. Mugg & Bean Broadacres also has a fantastic party venue with Pirates & Princesses to run the parties while you relax! To book your table for dinner or to enquire about our party packages, please phone us on 011 4650155 or email info@enchantedcastle.co.za. Mugg & Bean Broadacres will donate a percentage of the turnover from HeronBridge parents on Friday evenings to the school's PTA. Please advise your waiter if you are a HeronBridge parent when you dine at Mugg & Bean Broadacres on a Friday evening.

CALL A PASSIONATE AFFAIR FOR: Hiring of commercial popcorn, candy floss, bubble-making & snow cone machines, beverage & chocolate fountains, hot dog griddles, fondue sets and much more (011) 467-5428 (office hours) or 074 128 3240.

ALL BUILDING RENOVATIONS: and additions, bathrooms and kitchens, done professionally. 66 years of combined experience at your service. Call Alan: 074 129 6082 or Peter on 071 039 5696 for a free quote.

THE COTTON CLIQUE Summer Clearance Sale. 20% off all 400TC 100% pure Egyptian Cotton. All our linen is branded with the Egyptian cotton logo that authenticates the product. Exclusive styles - but limited quantities. Hungarian goose down inners also available. www.cottonclique.co.za for stockists Tel: 011 8030852

WHY SPEND A FORTUNE ON PRINTER INK: for your child's school projects, homework and hobbies. At THE LASER GROUP SANDTON we will refill your inkjet and laser cartridges for a third of the price! New ink and laser cartridges at competitive prices. We also offer PCs, Laptops, Printers, Fax machines – New and repairs. We deliver! Address: 26 Wessel Road Rivonia Tel: 011 234 0355/6 Email: info@lasergroup.co.za

FPK BOOKKEEPING SERVICES: Is your small company looking for a bookkeeper? Why not outsource to an experienced bookkeeper on or off site. Full function offered. Contact Frances on 082 814 8021.

CHARTWELL STABLES: children's Riding School specialize in teaching children to ride on safe ponies with qualified instructors. Pony camps, fun days and training shows held regularly. Ladies rides in the mornings. Our motto is "Have fun while you learn". Tel Shirley 083 500 0103 / Stables 073 952 8572 (Sep)

LOOKING FOR ANY JOB: Skhumbuzo has just completed his matric and is looking for a job, Contact him on these 0745493849 or contact Happiness @ the Pre-Prep 0736685611.

PARTY PERFECT: We cater for all types of kiddies parties, Mom's teas etc. We pride ourselves in making food of the highest quality, using only the finest ingredients. For more information, please contact Tanya McCarthy. 082 883 6167 or btism@telkomsa.net

Thank you: from Di, Neil, Gary, Leigh and Tayla Jones

Dear Grade 5 parents and children (2008) (To our extended HeronBridge family – THANK YOU.)

As you know, the last ten weeks of my pregnancy were not easy for my family or for me as I was bed-bound in the hope of keeping our unborn child. You made it easy for us. You helped with lifting Gary and Leigh from school, and you so kindly supplied meals to our family so I would not have to get out of bed to prepare family dinners.

It all worked out for the best - Tayla was born a little early but healthy, happy and ready to take on the world - thanks to the kindness and never-ending generosity of so many of the Grade 5 families. Your kindness and prayers paid off. You are all special to us – thank you, thank you, thank you!