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From the Headmaster's Desk

MR P P VILJOEN

Dear Parents

This week I have taken the liberty of publishing an extract of Ms Jodi Sardinia's blog post -it is some of the most powerful words I have ever read. If you would like to read the full blog, you can simply follow the link - <u>http://</u> www.jodeeandme.com/adventure/to-the-boy-in-my-class/

"People often ask me "*why do you teach at a boy's school?*" and my answer is always this:

Boys are remarkable. There is an innate sense of chivalry and goodness that exists in each and every one of them. A reminder that they are these things, and more, needs to be ignited. Some need more igniting than others, but it is there. And in their true and honest moments, I see this. And I love them for it. That is why I teach at a boy's school. I teach boys so I can attempt to make a small spark, along with other small sparks from other good people around them, which in the end ignites this incredibly good fire that is expected from them, but is often never ignited or nurtured in the first place.

To the boys I've taught, the boys I teach, the boys I haven't taught, and the boys who I may teach in the future – I know you have what it takes to stand up to the world around you. To stand up to this world that tries to convince you to feed this ugly war you have no reason to be a part of. You are given a mixed bag of role models from the word go, often misleading you in all kinds of directions. But I ask you today to open your eyes to this. Do not follow a crowd that encourages this ugly war. You are not them, and right now that is your power.

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Thought for the Week

"Even when you've played the game of your life ,it's the feeling of teamwork that you'll remember. You'll forget the plays, the shots, and the scores, but you'll never

forget your teammates."

~ Deborah Miller Palmore



September

Tues 17	Sportsmen's Banquet
	(6:30pm)
Wed 18-20	Grade 11 Work Experience
Wed 18-20	Grade 10 Work Experience
Fri 20	End of Term 3



SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL

Closing date for Scholarship Renewals for 2020 is Friday 20 September 2019

AWARDS BANQUET

All boys that received an invitation to the banquet and are not attending with their parents must still reply to reserve their seat! If you have not replied, you will not be allocated a seat and therefore not be able to enter the hall.

PREFECTS' DINNER

Monday 16 September is the latest date to RSVP and pay for the Prefects' Dinner.



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From the Headmaster Cont...

There is a hash tag currently going viral after all these stories, a hashtag that is being used as a shield in this ugly gender war: *#menaretrash* ... and while I am standing in the crowd with my sisters demanding that justice gets served to all those who encourage this ugly war, I stand back and think to myself, how dare we call men trash. Because I stand in front of a class of 27 men every day, and granted, none of you are saints, even at your best, but my word, you boys have the power to change this trash talk. Your innate bravery and kindness shines so bright, I just wish we taught you from the beginning... the moment you learnt how to walk, to talk, to smile, to breath, how to use your powers for good, and not leave it up to the world to distort them.

I remind you again – you are not the man they call trash.

This is where it becomes so relevant to you, though... this man called trash was also a boy, who sat in a classroom, with unignited chivalry and kindness. But something happened. Something, somewhere, this man got lost, and found himself with a lot of power on the enemy's team. And I have seen some women in that team too, don't get me wrong. But please, my boy, realise this: the enemies' team may promise you so many things, like fleeting satisfaction and money and power and control, but it has absolutely no place in this world, and it WILL be overcome. It may take many tears and lives and hardship before it goes away, but it will be overcome. And not because of a march, or a protest, or a dress code, but because your innate chivalry mirrors a Man you would fall to your knees for.

The cat whistle, the unwarranted touch, the smirk, the stare, the hit, the punch, the grab, the rape, the murder... these are useless tools in winning a war. You have a power so so far beyond this, that allows you to have access to tools so so far above these.

As you walk into my class, as you leave school, as you run down the passage, as you shout on the field, you have a light that shines around you and I wish you could see it. You are not the sum of your achievements at school. A badge does not determine your worth, nor does a blazer. YOU, yourself, determine your worth, and trust me when I say we see you. We see what you are worth, and what you are capable of achieving. Please, please, feed these good things. Feed this worth by treating each other with respect, show tolerance, show love, show support, show kindness. It is the most amazing thing to see when you do. These are not weaknesses my boy, far from it. This is your strength, and we need you to show up.

To the boy in my class, in the other class, or in my future class, I respect you more than you know. I have watched you grow over the space of five years, and although I have no children of my own yet, I can only imagine the immense pride a mother must feel in watching her own son grow up – you are remarkable. One day you will walk past my sister, or my daughter, or my friend, and I can only hope that you have chosen the team that protects, and loves, and guards. I respect you because you are authentic, and brave, and far from trash. Please choose over and over again the team that will help us get rid of this ugly war that has no place on our streets, or our homes, or our news.

You don't have to go out looking for these things that make you better, it is already in you, allow yourself to be gentle so that you can be strong. Allow yourself to be humble, so that you can be proud. Allow yourself to come second, so that you can be honoured and come first. You may lack role models, but you do not lack strength, and I will pray every day that you come to find this strength.

I stand with you, my brother- me and my sisters, we stand with you, and you with us, demanding better from our men, from our women and from our humanity."



Have a blessed weekend. Paul

From the Councellor's Desk

Mr M G RICH Email: mrich@nwood.co.za Deputy Headmaster; Dean of Counselling

Education, Sport, GAP year PRIMARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS

GAP YEAR AND VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Believing that our youth today need more opportunities, be it either in sport or education, we are now very proud to announce our partnership with "Duin in die weg" and their New Kalahari GAP year programme as from 2020.

Duin in die Weg now offers a great Gap Year for school leavers (men and women). Their program is a full-time Gap Year, presented in four quarterly modules. Combining Adventure & Sports; Farming & Agriculture; Nature Conservation and Personal Development in ONE practical program, makes the program unique. It enables students to learn valuable and practical life skills in general, and also for the professional world. Students who are not able or interested in the full programme, can opt for the volunteer / internship option (any number of the specific quarterly modules). The admission requirement is grade 12 (18 years). Students who successfully complete the program, will receive a formal certificate.

View the **GAP YEAR** program here: Link: https://eco-southafrica.com/gap-year/

View the **VOLUNTEER** program here: Link: https://eco-southafrica.com/volunteer-projects/

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October

Tues 1	Term 4 Begins
Wed 2	Prefects Dinner (6pm)
Fri 4	Gr 8 & Parents Orientation Braa
Fri 11	Speech Day (10am)
Fri 11	Aaron McIlroy (Fundraiser)
Wed 16	Boss' Day
Sun 27	Diwali

November

Fri 1	
Mon	11
Wed	13

BE Year End Function Remembrance Day (11am)

Sardine Run



Rorthwood

SPORTS

MEDICINE CENTRE

Phone Number: 031 564 7675 Address: 47 Mackeurtan Avenue, Durban North Email:

medicalcentrenorthwood@gmail.com

Open Hours: 8:30-5pm

Practitioners: **Senzo Mthembu** – Physiotherapist Dr Bruce Douglas – Chiropractor

Northwood Gear **Shop Hours**

MONDAY AND SATURDAY - CLOSED TUESDAY - THURSDAY 13h30 - 15h15 FRIDAY 13h15 - 14h30

For assistance please phone Yvonne Haswell on 083 691 0135 or 031 564 1439

Academics

MRS R STANLEY

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The END OF YEAR EXAM TIMETABLE will be published in next week's Northwood News

SPRING SCHOOL

Busyness is not a reason for not getting other things done. It is an excuse for not claiming your true priorities - Alan Cohen

Priority Quotes

As previously advertised, we are running revision lessons for Grade 12 learners during the holiday. Monday 23rd to Friday 27th September.

The following subjects will be taught:

Afrikaans; English; Physical Science; Mathematics; Business Studies; Economics; Accounting. There will be 2 sessions each day of 2 hours: 08:00 – 10:00 and 10:30 – 12:30.

During the final matric exam period we will also have revision lessons – subjects and times will be made available soon.

Matric Trial Exams Timetable

NOTE: All exams are provincially set except for those internal papers indicated by **

DATE	09:00	14:00
Fri 13 Sept	Maths P1 (3 Hours) / Maths Lit P1 (3 Hours)	Economics P1 (2 Hours)
Mon 16 Sept	Maths P2 (3 Hours)/ Maths Lit P2 (3 Hours)	Economics P2 (2 Hours)
Tues 17 Sept	** English P1 (2 Hours)	
Wed 18 Sept	** Afrikaans P1 / ** IsiZulu P1 (2 Hours)	



GRADE 12

Mon	English - Mr Krause
	Life Sciences - Dr Pillay
	Business Studies - Mrs Joseph
	Accounting - Mrs Coulter
	Economics - Ms Raftopoulos
Tues	Sport
Wed	Afrikaans - Mr Harishun
Thurs	Sport
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GRADE 11

Mon	Maths - Mrs le Roux Afrikaans - Mr Jankeeparsad Life Sciences - Mrs Morton	
	Accounting - Mrs Joseph	
Tues	Sport	
Wed	English - Mrs Ganesh	
	Economics - Mrs Joseph	
Thurs	Sport	

GRADE 10

Mon	Maths - Mrs Munnik Afrikaans - Mrs van der Westhuizen		
Tues	Sport		
Wed	English - Mr McDowall		
	Life Sciences - Mrs Hayden		
	Accounting - Ms Raftopoulos		
	Economics - Mrs Joseph		
Thurs	Sport		
GRADE 9			
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Mon			
Mon	Sport EMS - Messrs Woods/Richter		
Mon Tues Wed	Sport EMS - Messrs Woods/Richter		
Mon Tues Wed	Sport EMS - Messrs Woods/Richter Sport		
Mon Tues Wed	Sport EMS - Messrs Woods/Richter Sport Afrikaans - Mrs Prins English - Mr Halse		
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EMS - Mrs Johnson

Life Sciences - Mrs Morton

Wed Sport

Thurs Afrikaans - Mrs Johnson



NORTHWOOD PRESENTS Aaron McIlroy's hit comedy



11 October at 7pm Northwood School Hall

Tickets available from the school's Back Office R200 per person or R1900 per table of 10 Barnyard style, bring your own food, cash bar available.

marketing@nwood.co.za / 031 563 6501

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Matric Final Exam Timetable

EARLY EXAMS

Thurs 17 Oct 09:00 IT Practical P1 (3 Hrs) 7 Oct–18 Oct 09:00 Visual Arts and Design Practical

	09:00	14:00
Wed 23 Oct	English HL P1 (2 Hrs)	
Thurs 24 Oct	IsiZulu FAL P12 (2 Hrs)	
Fri 25 Oct	Maths P1 (3 Hrs)/Maths Lit P1 (3 Hrs)	
Mon 28 Oct	Maths P2 (3 Hrs)/Maths Lit P2 (3 Hrs)	
Tues 29 Oct	History P1 (3 Hrs)	
Wed 30 Oct	Accounting (3 Hrs)	
Thurs 31 Oct	Afrikaans FAL P1 (2 Hrs)	Economics P1 (2 Hrs)
Fri 01 Nov	Phys Science (Physics) P1 (3 Hrs)	
Mon 04 Nov	Phys Science (Chemistry) P2 (3 Hrs)	
Tues 05 Nov	Geography (Theory) P1 (3 Hrs)	Geography (Mapwork) P2 (1½ Hrs)
Wed 06 Nov	English HL P2 (2½ Hrs)	
Thurs 07 Nov	Business Studies (3 Hrs)	
Fri 08 Nov	Life Sciences P1 (2 ¹ / ₂ Hrs)	
Mon 11 Nov	Life Sciences P2 (2 ¹ / ₂ Hrs)	Engineering Graphics & Design P1 (3 Hrs)
Wed 13 Nov	Afrikaans FAL P2 (2 Hrs)	
Thurs 14 Nov	Economics P2 (2 Hrs)	lsiZulu FAL P2 (2 Hrs)
Mon 18 Nov		Engineering Graphics & Design P2 (3 Hrs)
Tues 19 Nov	IsiZulu FAL P3 (2½ Hrs)	
Wed 20 Nov	Tourism (3 Hrs)	
Thurs 21 Nov		Visual Arts (3 Hrs)
Fri 22 Nov	Afrikaans FAL P3 (2 ¹ / ₂ Hrs)	Information TechP2 (Theory) (3 Hrs)
Mon 25 Nov		History P2 (3 Hrs)
Tues 26 Nov	English HL P3 (2½ Hrs)	

Smalls



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Are you struggling with accounting? Or are you looking to upgrade your marks. Join Smart Teen Accounting now to help you achieve your goals! Offering exam booster class for Grade 10 & 11 in preparation for final exams. Class will be held on 12 October. Limited spaces, please book in advance. Booster class will be doing revision and exam paper questions on topics that are covered in syllabus. For more info Contact Janice on 082 599 3332.

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Sport & Culture

MR G. LE ROUX Email: gleroux@nwood.co.za

We are very excited to launch our first Northwood Basketball Clinic for our boys. The clinic will take place on 25, 26 and 27 September during the school holidays. This clinic will most definitely be a great deal of fun for boys of all skill levels. Spaces are limited so please confirm attendance as soon as possible by making payment. For payment, please click on the link below:

http://payments.northwoodschool.co.za/product/northwoodbasketball-clinic/

Alternatively pay at the back office.

With our Awards Banquet less than a week away we are at that stage of finalising numbers and attendance. We kindly ask that you ensure you have communicated your intentions with the school to avoid disappointment on the night.

This is also the last opportunity to provide any information regarding any external sporting achievements that we may not know about already. Please see our list of external activity achievers below and kindly let us know of any other achievements. Please email <u>jvniekerk@nwood.co.za</u> and <u>gleroux@nwood.co.za</u> if your name is not on the list below for any external provincial or national representation.

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Luyanda Mbonambi	KZN Youth Choir
Jeremy Chagadama	KZN Youth Choir
Tumi Asele	KZN Touch Rugby U19
Joel Bosch	KZN Youth Wind Band
Mitchell Kruger	KZN Youth Wind Band
Jeremy Chagadama	KZN Youth Wind Band
Corvin Ebelthite	KZN u18 Softball
Corvin Ebelthite	SA All Stars u19 Boys Invitational Softball Team
Matthew Bricknell	KZN Action Cricket U18
Matthew Bricknell	U18 All Stars Action Cricket Team
Matthew Bricknell	SA u18 Softball Training Squad
Matthew Wilson	KZN Action Cricket U18
Travis Graham	SA u18 Softball Training Squad
Nikeel Govender	JKA Karate
Jake Goder	KZN Body Boarding
Ramon Roelandt	KZN Baseball
Andrew Flynn	KZN Gymnastics
Connor O Leary	KZN JKA Karate
Aaron Van Weers	KZN JKA Karate
Jordan Khan	Natal Junior Deep Sea Angling
Brayden Bergset	U16 KZN Surfing
Jared Hook	U18 KZN Surfing
Dhilan Govender	SA Swimming- Open Water Junior Squad
Nathan Pollard	KZN Fly Fishing
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Soccer

20-24 Sept Grey College Soccer Tournament (BFN)

Waterpolo

14 Sept	vs Glenwood
20-23 Sept	SACS Tourn (CPT)
26-29 Sept	DHS u16 Tournament
5 Oct	vs Westville
12 Oct	vs Maritzburg College
17-20 Oct	Grey College u14 Tourn
19 Oct	vs Michaelhouse
25-27 Oct	Northwood 1st Stayers
	Festtival
2 Nov	vs Westville

Cricket

13/14 Sept	vs Glenwood
16 Sept	1st vs Rondebosch
18 Sept	u14A, u15A and 1st vs
	Helpmekaar (H)
20-24 Sept	u14A Shaun Pollock
	Cricket Festival
20-24 Sept	1st XI Michaelmas Week
20-24 Sept	u16/17 Kookaburra Festi-
val 3-6 Oct	North/South T20 Toun
4/5 Oct	vs Westville
12 Oct	vs Maritzburg College
19 Oct	vs Michaelhouse
26 Oct	vs Grey College (Home)
2 Nov	vs Westville



For all extra mural details with regards to fixtures, notices, practice times and transport arrangements please visit <u>www.northwoodschoolsport.com</u>. Remember to create a shortcut on your home screen of your mobile device for a very user friendly version of the site.