

# NEWSLETTER



15 February 2018

This month, as you think of your "loved ones" -- think of the One who loves you more than any other. And think about what you can do to show Him your love in return. God Almighty loved you so much He sent His Son to die in our place (and thereby pay the required penalty for our sins), so He wouldn't have to live without us for an eternity. And what does He require of us in return? Jesus himself said the greatest commandment -- the one thing most important to God -- is that we "love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind" and "Love your neighbour as yourself" (Matthew 22:37-39).Crosswalk Faith.

This Valentine's Day, and in fact every day this year, I pray that that love for our Father will be evident in our lives.



- Cricket results:
  - Congratulations to our U11 Cricketers. They won their cricket match against Shaw Park last week: They scored 81 runs for 8 wickets and Shaw Park scored 67 for 6 wickets in 20 overs.
  - The U13 cricket was postponed due to rain.
  - We just lost our mini-cricket match against Shaw park with 43 for 4 wickets, while Shaw Park scored 44 runs for 3 wickets.
- Our chess players had a wonderful time in their friendly matches against Shaw Park. Special mention goes to Mufarowashe who was our champion on the day.
- The inter-house gala was immense fun. Well done Lions for roaring to victory! Thank you to all the parents who lent us a helping hand. You are appreciated.
- Despite the baking sun, our Nursery Sports Day was a great success. Thank you, moms and dads, for supporting our little athletes. It is always wonderful to see you.

## Calendar of Events

Fri, 16 Feb.	Social Dance
Sat, 17 Feb.	Archery @ PAHS
Tue, 20 Feb.	Chess vs PAHS @ home
Wed, 21 Feb.	U11 Cricket @ PAHS
Fri, 23 Feb.	High School Sarah Baartman Dad's and Kid's Camp
Mon, 26 Feb.	U13 Cricket @ PAHS
Wed, 28 Feb.	Mini Cricket @ Station Hill Reader Leader forms in
Fri, 2 March	Provincial Primary School Athletics Fund-Raising for Children with Cancer G10 – 12 Tourism Outing
Mon, 5 March	Reader Leader Ceremony
Tue, 7 March	U13 Cricket @ Station Hill
Thurs, 8 March	Provincial High School Athletics
Mon, 12 March	Inter-district Gala Grade 6 Science Festival
Tues, 13 March	Grd 9 & 10 Life Science students Sci Fest.
Wed, 14 March	Mini Cricket @ PAHS Parent Meeting by Invite
Sat, 17 March	Archery @ Gonubie
Mon, 19 March	G10 Tourism and History Outin- Bathurst
Tue, 20 March	Chess @PAHS
Wed, 21 March	Public Holiday: Human Rights Day
Tue, 30 March	Grd RRR – 3: Easter Mask parade Reports issued
Wed, 28 March	School Closes @ 10a.m.

These dates may be changed as the term progresses.

### BACK A BUDDY

This is a fantastic way to raise funds without actually spending any of your own money (unless you want to). All we ask is that you please share the **BACK A BUDDY** links from our Facebook page 'El Shaddai Christian Academy Port Alfred' with as many friends as possible -- send the message as far and wide as you can and let's see what we can raise.

### SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

There is an exciting opportunity for you to become a part of this dynamic group to develop and guide the school to success. We meet once a month to plan strategically and make decisions. If you are interested in serving on the Governing Body, please send a letter to school describing how you and your specific set of skills can be an asset to the school. Please send these in by Friday, 23 February.

## COMING SOON

- **Please take note of all the events on the calendar.**
- CAPS: Our Peak caps are available at R90 at Sports-an-All.
- **BATHURST SHOW ART** -- All entries and money for Bathurst Show art need to be in by the 13<sup>th</sup> of March. All grade 8 and grade 9 learners must enter at a cost of R7.
- **SOCIAL DANCE:** Learners from Grade 7 to Grade 12 are invited to a social dance on Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> of February in the school hall from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Cost: R15 per person or R20 per couple. Dress: Red and White. Transport is available at R10 per person. Those who need transport must speak to Mr Ackerman.
- **ARCHERY:** We wish our archers a wonderful shoot on Saturday.
- **PAY-IT-FORWARD:** As soon as we have sold 100 tickets, we will do the next draw. Remember that you can win R1 000 off your school fees or R1 000 cash if your fees are paid. I'd say that's quite a great return for R40. Last years ticket sales will be added to the up-coming draw. If you are interested in this draw, please send R40 clearly marked for Pay-it-Forward and your name will be entered.
- **Dad's and Kid's Camp:** Please make sure that you respond to this wonderful event in time -- our previous camps have been amazing.

Have a blessed week

*Mrs Poyne*