MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMISTRESS

The Quasquicentennial celebrations of the Jeppe schools end with the Jeppe Girls’ Chess and Cricket teams, both Gauteng Champions, playing in the National Championships in Pretoria. What a magnificent note to end off our Officially Amazing year filled with remarkable achievements both in and outside of the classroom. The school magazine chronicles the myriad of activities that have impacted the lives of everyone who has been involved with our school this year.

I would like to thank all the teachers who have given the girls so many expanded opportunities to excel; the support staff and ground staff who work tirelessly to make sure that the school functions efficiently; the parents for their unending support and the girls for always striving for excellence in words and deeds. How proud we all are that our 695 hand-made blankets will be multiplied over and over in the years to come to let people know that Jeppe Girls deeply cares for the wellbeing of our community.

I would like to wish each and everyone an Officially Amazing holiday filled with the blessings of health, love and peace.

Miss Gonçalves

GRADE 8 QUILTS

As part of the school’s outreach programme the Grade 8 Arts & Culture classes made baby quilts. The girls chose a theme for their quilts and then designed and painted them with fabric paint. Some girls painted a quilt on their own while others worked in groups. 53 quilts were made in all.

The first 18 quilts have been donated to El Shammah Babies Home in Primrose. This home provides shelter for abandoned babies. “It is our hope that when babies are adopted from here they can take their quilts with them” says Mrs Pearson, the teacher in charge.

2015 CAKE AND CANDY CHAMPIONS

The winners of the Cake and Candy fundraising competition were Mrs Labuschagne’s Grade 8C and Ms Nagel’s Grade 9E. Congratulations to the girls who raised R6 951 and R6 139 respectively. Their reward was watching the phenomenal documentary ‘He Named Me Malala’ at the Rosebank Cinema Noveau. According to Ms Marais who accompanied the girls, “we all left feeling inspired to change the world!”

We thank all the girls who worked so diligently to make every Wednesday a festive atmosphere while raising funds for the school. This year all the funds have gone into the paving of the west quad near the staff car park, which is almost complete. We are very proud of the girls for raising all the money themselves.
Valediction

On Tuesday 13 October, the Matric class of 2015 came together with their parents, teachers and invited guests, to celebrate their successes. An excellent address was delivered by the Head Girl, Isma Balde, and she was followed by the Headmistress, Miss Goncalves, who encouraged the girls to follow their hearts. Dr Sharli Paphitis (class of 2003) was the guest speaker. Dr Paphitis has a BA Honours and Masters in Philosophy from Rhodes University and a PhD from the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland. She currently works at the Allan Gray Centre for Leadership Ethics which is based at Rhodes and she has published a number of journal articles in ethics. She gave a wonderful address based on personal experience and then presented the awards and charters.

The Rotary Cup was awarded to Diandra Yorke for exhibiting a willingness to shoulder responsibility, leadership, the desire to be an example to others in dress, speech and conduct, an understanding of the reasons why school rules are made and a willingness to insist on their being observed and an appreciation and acceptance of good citizenship. She was nominated for this award by her peers.

Ismatou Balde was awarded The Headmistress’s Prize for Exceptional Leadership and Service.

The Prize for Scholarship awarded by Jeppe Quondam went to the top academic student, Caryn Marx. Caryn was also awarded the Sciences Trophy jointly with Ammaarah Akhalwaya and Mariam Diallo, and the Subject Prize for Life Sciences jointly with Ammaarah Akhalwaya and she was runner up for the Subject Prizes of Mathematics, Life Orientation (The Ringer Trophy) and Consumer Studies (The Watt Trophy).

Mariam Diallo won the Prize for Scholarship in memory of Dr Ingles, as the runner-up academic student. She also won the Subject Prize for Mathematics and the Watt Trophy for Consumer Studies. She shared the Sciences Trophy jointly with Ammaarah Akhalwaya and Caryn Marx and was runner up in the Physical Science Subject Prize and the Life Sciences Subject Prize.

Azminah Jhetam was awarded the Edgars Club Trophy for Cultural Endeavour, the Graham Trophy for English and the Subject Prize for Advanced Programme English, the Editor’s Trophy, the award for Most Promising Future in Public Speaking and she shared the Cultural Trophy for Debating with Melissa Mpyoi.

Meghan Jarvis was placed on the Principal’s Honour Roll for achieving excellence in academics, sport, culture and leadership. She was also runner up in the Graham Trophy for English and the Subject Prize for Geography.

Nolwazi Mamba and Micheala Mendes were jointly awarded The Mary McLarty Award for exhibiting the qualities of integrity, diligence and selflessness. Nolwazi also won the Subject Prize for Afrikaans, the Bilingualism Trophy and was runner up for the Oakridge Trophy Accountancy prize. Micheala also won the Subject Prize for History.

Robyn Searle was awarded the Margaret Theiler Award for participating meaningfully in the sporting activities of the school and for contributing to the life of the school, the Netball Games Trophy for Leadership and the best player and the Cricket and Soccer Games Trophies.

Hayley Landers and Tamlyn Harker were jointly awarded the Ruth Du Toit Trophy for being the pupils who have been an inspiration to the matric group, motivating others by their example to try harder, to do better, to succeed in all aspects of school life; the sort of person who when life gives her a lemon, will make lemonade. Hayley also won the Games Trophy for Swimming and Tamlyn was runner up for the Music Subject Prize.

Shannon Hawker received the Harrowell Trophy for showing exceptional qualities of diligence and perseverance throughout her schooling and she shared the Dieu Donne Music Trophy with Bre’anne Holz.

The Ralph Melitzky Trophy for exceptional service and dedication to the school was awarded to Zoliswa Makhetha.

Caroline Msimuko was awarded the Dinaledi Trophy, as the Grade 12 learner who best exemplified the ethos of Jeppe sport which is “to be the best that I can be”. The award is for service and fidelity to the school with regards to participation in sporting events.

Kayley Reveley received the Staff Award for Service to the Performing Arts and the Subject Prize for Music. Megan Pringle and Emanuela Pereira received Staff Awards for Service to the School.

Jo-Anne Pringle received a Staff Award for Service to the School as well as the Cultural Trophy for Best Speaker: Afrikaans.

Keamogetswe Sediane received the Secretary’s Award for her exemplary efforts as the Bus Monitor.

Razeenah Manack received a Staff Award for Positive Energy on Social Media and was runner up for the Visual Arts prize.

Amy Hirst received a Staff Award for her Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign.

Ammaarah Akhalwaya won the Subject Prize for Physical Science, the Subject Prize for Geography, the Subject Prize for Advanced Programme Maths and the Sciences Trophy which she shared with Mariam Diallo and Caryn Marx.

Dominique Pereira received the Ringer Trophy for Life Orientation and the Oakridge Trophy for Accountancy.

Izaria Hassim received the Subject Prize for Design and was a runner up for the Physical Science Subject Prize.

Leila Leaf was awarded the Subject Prize for Visual Arts.

Carina Da Costa was awarded the Subject Prize for Portuguese.

Aaminah Amor was awarded the Subject Prize for Mathematical Literacy.

Kelvin Ka Motlou and Sharleen Mza won the Cultural Trophy for Commitment to Dramatic Arts.

Lerato Niklaas was awarded the Cultural Trophy for Commitment to Performing Arts.

The Games Trophy for Volleyball went jointly to Masedi Ncamani and Okwethu Zwane. Masedi also won the Netball Award for the most valuable player in attack and intercepts and Okwethu also won the Netball award for Most valuable shooter.

Brittney Nicholson was awarded the Netball award for Most valuable utility player.

Dana Dixon was awarded the Games Trophy for Swimming with Hayley Landers.

Chanel Fookune won the Games Trophy for Tennis for 5 years dedication to tennis as a player and as Captain for 2014-2015 season.

Lethiwe Zwane won the Games Trophy for Hockey.

Sinead de Jager won the Games Trophy for Cross Country.

The Inter-House Efficiency Trophy was won by Disa for the second year in a row.

The following learners were runners up for subject prizes:

Nicole Thysse—Mathematical Literacy; Kajal Deokali was one of the three runners up for Physical Science; Ingrid Frey-Afrikaans; Savannah Thewana—History and Jodi Lailvaux—Design.
TOP TEN

Congratulations to the following girls for achieving Top Ten status as at the end of the third term:

Grade 12
Ammaraah Akhalwaya, Ismatou Balde, Mariam Diallo, Meghan Jarvis, Aminah Jhetam, Jodi Lailvaux, Nolwazi Mamba, Caryn Marx, Micheala Mendes, Angelique Pereira and Dominique Pereira

Grade 11
Zuhaira Ali, Firdous Hamid, Prianka Kara, Maryam Laher, Naseeha Laher, Tasmiah Laher, Jenna Orchard, Kamogelo Radebe, Sumaiya Shaik, Tehillah Snyman and Thirasha Waidyaratne

Grade 10
Zahraa Akhalwaya, Ruth Furber, Olea Khambula, Tafadzwa Makhuza, Manyapye Mdluli, Shelley Nithianandham, Daniella Owiredu, Shafaa Shaikjee, Kefiloe Tladi and Angeline Wöhrnitz

COLOURS

The following girls were recognised in the third term for their involvement in cultural and sporting codes. Congratulations!

Chess
Full Colours: Nicole Song, Tafadzwa Makhuza and Mahima Vanyadaru. Merit: Minal Sarfaz, ZamokuhleGama, Nompumelo Dube, Rethabile Maboko, Kimberley Mugadza and Shannie Wu.

Choir
Full Colours: Nontsikelelo Tshefu

Computer Centre
Full Colours: Mayurie Pandaram
Half Colours (Re-award): Megan Pringle

Team: Mayurie Pandaram, Megan Pringle, Mosima Ramohlaile, Terry Ntendesha, Thato Sizane and Thiona Sihkosana.

Debating
Full Colours: Aminah Jhetam
Half Colours: Melissa Mpoiy
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Team: Aminah Jhetam and Melissa Mpoiy

First Aid
Half Colours Re-Award: Tasminyah Laher

Music Centre
Full Colours (Re-award): Jo-Anne Pringle

Half Colours (New): Mariam Diallo, Heather Furber, Raeesah Ayob, Siphokazi Ndlela, Jolisa Pillay, Olea Khambula and Sihle Nyalungu

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STAFF NEWS

We bid a sad farewell to Ms Bernard and to Mrs Nel, both of whom are retiring at the end of the year. Ms Bernard has been at the school for the last 10 years. She was appointed Deputy Headmistress in 2007 and has a wealth of experience and a wonderful manner with the girls. Mrs Nel has been at the school for 23 years and has taught Home Economics, Natural Science and Maths Literacy, coached hockey and tennis as well as organising the Matric Dance for many years. We wish them both well in the new adventures that lie ahead for them.

We also bid farewell to Mrs Carrajola and Miss Thompson who are leaving us for posts at private schools and to Miss Marais who will be studying her Masters in Psychology at Rhodes university next year. Thank you for all that you have done for the school in your tenure here.

We welcome Mrs Sara Schroder as our Fundraiser for JHSG.

OFFICIALLY AMAZING

On 6th October, Mrs Carolyn Steyn recognised the school as one of the major participants who helped achieve the Guinness Record for the biggest single hand-made blanket in the world (3133 m²) at the Union Buildings on 21 April this year. She presented us with a Guinness Record certificate along with Cell C, Arialink, Stuttafords Van Lines and the Minister of Sports & Recreation, Fikile Mbalula. The minister posted on twitter: “Jeppe High School for Girls: active citizenry starting at a young age &67blankets.”
A LEADER IN THE MAKING

Naledi Maime is by her own admission a quiet and reserved young lady who will often only speak when spoken to. When asked about her experience this year in running a business, however, she speaks at length with passion and authority.

Naledi was recruited through her mother’s work onto the Youth Leadership and Entrepreneurship Development Programme (YLED). Sponsored by Absa and founded by Steven Zwane in 2004, the programme recruits Grade 11 students from all walks of life, and teaches them life skills for success, career development skills, entrepreneurship skills and leadership skills.

Naledi went through the training process and came out the other side as a confident leader. She was one of 6 learners chosen from the initial 60 participating in the programme to campaign for running a business. She was one of 3 chosen for the task and got the go ahead to set up her company.

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As many South Africans were being affected by load shedding, Naledi decided to source LED lanterns and bulbs. As the General Manager, Naledi had 16 employees (all members of the programme) and she was the youngest member in her team! The company had a formal structure with Management, HR, planning, Production and Sales. In the six weeks that the business ran, their sales amounted to R37 000 with a profit of R 14 000. The profit will be used to pay back investors and shareholders and to pay salaries. The business was liquidated at the end of the 6 weeks, but Naledi hopes to start it up again now that exams are finished.

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