



WATERFALL
COLLEGE



NEWSLETTER | **21 SEPTEMBER 2018** | VOLUME 3:10

From the Headmistress

Odelle Howard

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I can't believe that we have already come to the end of another term. As I reflect on this past term, I am grateful to be part of a Reddam family that is so warm and welcoming. My time thus far has been both exhilarating and inspiring.

The term started with our half-year Academic Assembly, and this was a symbol of the wonderful things to come. So many of our students were acknowledged for their hard work and academic endeavour. Their success was also testament to the wonderful work that their teachers were doing in the classroom.

We celebrated much success in our cultural programme, with so many of our students receiving awards in the Eisteddfods, Concours d'Arts and many other competitions. Our cultural programme culminated in a celebration of talent in our College Showcase. Our students did not fail to keep us entertained for the entire show. Their exceptional performances will be long remembered.

In the sporting arena our cricket, soccer, hockey and athletics have shown tremendous growth. These teams displayed commitment and perseverance during the season and can be proud of their wonderful achievements. Their persistence resulted in a successful sports season. Our athletics team won the Inter-High meet and have qualified to participate in a higher league next year.

"Reddam Gives Back" was made literal by the many community outreach activities which took place over the last term. From collecting shoes, making sandwiches, tutoring at Saturday School, working at care centres, our students know what it means to give back to the community. The SleepOut was a highlight of the community outreach projects and showed the determination that our kids have to relate to those who are less fortunate. We must grow in our children the desire to make our country a better place by giving back and making a small change, as these will culminate in bigger changes later.

With Heritage Day upon us, I wondered about the legacy that each of our students will leave behind when their journey at Reddam is done. All the above-mentioned activities are just some of the legacies which they will leave behind. *"It is not the honour that you take with you, but the heritage you leave behind"* – Branch Rickey. This quote speaks to our students playing a vital role in the heritage of our school. With each activity in which they participate, we build a stronger school for the future.

Finally, I wish you all a restful and safe holiday.

Kind regards

Odelle



Congratulations to LIAM REGENESS who attended a Goju Ryu karate grading and qualified as a Cadet Shodan black belt.

FOCUS ON | ENGLISH

Grade 7

As part of our visual literacy studies in English, the Grade 7s were tasked with designing a cartoon that illustrates a quote about success. The students displayed a wonderful sense of design and their cartoons clearly conveyed their thoughts on success.





The last class of the term finished on Tuesday with the senior group and a few Grade 7s making Magic Bars (also done by the Thursday group earlier this term). They also learned how to make a white sauce (Béchamel Sauce) which is a fundamental basic in cooking.

Last week both groups made gnocchi with two sauces. We even had the mushroom-haters actually enjoying the mushroom sauce they made for the gnocchi!!

Gnocchi is a potato based pasta that requires a much lighter mixing technique than normal pasta which needs more working, as well as resting time of the dough. What makes this an easy pasta to prepare, is that you don't require fancy pasta making machines. Everything is done by hand. The group did very well and really enjoyed the end result.

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Grade 9



National Arbor Week is a time when South Africans of all ages celebrate the beauty and importance of trees, and thousands are educated and made aware of the benefits of the many different aspects of trees. Trees provide a home for wildlife and also herbs that can be used as natural remedies. They provide a barrier against soil erosion, sustain the environment and support wildlife in the area. [Ref: Executive Director of the Chemical and Allied Industries' Association (CAIA).]

The Grade 9s identified and took photographs of the trees on the Waterfall Estate. In class they researched their tree, where it came from, whether it is indigenous or alien and its value. During the next lesson each class went outside to 'interview' each tree. The students learned the importance of trees and how they benefit the environment.

FOCUS ON | REDDAM GIVES BACK

School Shoes Campaign



The Rutegang Organisation is running a school shoes campaign in the Mosestjane village. The Youth of Mosestjane community in Mokopane is aiming to provide school shoes for three primary and three high schools in 2019. Their goal is to collect 500 pairs of shoes. We are appealing to anyone who can assist us with school shoes of any size for both genders. Shoes can be new or second-hand if they are still in a satisfactory condition.

Reddam's goal is to collect at least 200 pairs. Please place shoes in the box in the foyer before the end of term, 21 September 2018.

A big thank-you in advance for your support.

Ms A Marais

DATES TO DIARISE

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| 28 September | Caxton Books website closes |
| 1-5 October | Matric Spring School |
| 8 October | Term 4 Begins at 07:30 |
| 9 October | Matric Breakfast: 09:30 – 10:30 – Staff Room (Students and Staff only) |
| 10 October | Matric Valedictory: 11:00 – 13:30 - George Balios Auditorium |
| 11 October | FEMSSISA Mathematics Olympiad – Time: TBC |
| 12 October | Piano and Voice Studio Concert: 10:00 – College Music Room |

FOCUS ON | REDDAM HOUSE SHOP

REDDAM HOUSE SHOP HOURS FOR HELDERFONTEIN AND WATERFALL DURING THE SCHOOL TERM AND SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

During the term: OPEN from MONDAY to FRIDAY: 08:00 – 16:00

Please Note: The above hours are not applicable to school holidays. Please contact the shop or the reception desk at the school to confirm the operating hours during a school holiday. The shop respects all public, religious and school holidays in accordance with the school.

SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2018 SHOP HOURS

- The shop will close at 16:00 on Friday 21 Sep 2018.
- The shop will be open as from Monday 1 October 2018, as per the shop school term hours above.
- The shop will be open on Saturday 6 October, 3 November, 1 December 2018 from 09:00 to 13:00.

Reddam House Waterfall Shop telephone number: 010 0600759

REDDAM HOUSE CALENDAR 2019

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REDDAM HOUSE SCHOOL TERMS

STAFF CONFERENCE: 14/15 January 2019
TERM 1: 16 January to 20 March
TERM 2: 08 April to 21 June
TERM 3: 16 July to 20 September
TERM 4: 07 October to 04 December
 (Staff final day: 06 December)

College examinations on these days

IEB DATES

Marking commences: 05 December 2019
 IEB National Conference: 02 February 2019

School Commences in 2020 on 15 January*
 Staff Seminar in 2020 on 13/14 January*

REDDAM HOUSE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

21 March to 07 April
 22 June to 15 July
 21 September to 06 October
 05 December to 14 January 2020 *
 * Provisional

Adventure Zone open during March/April, June/July and Sept./Oct. holidays from 08:00 to 17:00

PUBLIC/SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

21 March: Human Rights Day
 19 April: School Holiday
 22 April: School Holiday
 27 April: Freedom Day
 01 May: Workers' Day
 30 - 31 May: School Holiday
 16 June: Youth Day
 17 June: Public Holiday
 09 August: National Women's Day
 24 September: Heritage Day





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Social Media and SA Law Presentation

Everybody seems to be an expert on Facebook posts, Instagram followings and twitter feeds. Unfortunately, few people realise the legal rights and ramifications associated with social media.

Join us for an informative evening, as HJW Attorneys explore the facts regarding you and your child's Social Media usage, through the eyes of the law.

Date: Thursday, 20 September 2018

Time: 18:00 – 19:00

Venue: Gatehouse 6, Country Estate Drive, Waterfall Country Estate

Cost: FREE

RSVP: Portia on portia@century.co.za

Note: Light snacks will be served. Space is limited - so RSVP today!



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