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Dear Parents

From the Senior School Office

'Discipline is the bridge between goals and accomplishments'

Jim Rohn

These words of American business entrepreneur and philosopher are pertinent to the task ahead of us now this week. Now the work starts: we expect our students to be disciplined in their studies, their homework and their classroom behaviour. With the dedication of their teachers, each student is capable of good work. Our previous matrics have set a high standard for the rest of us and such achievement starts in Grade 8. Encourage your child to co-operate with her teachers, asking questions constantly and requesting additional help when necessary.

For our part you have our commitment to conscientiously focus on every child. Be sure to share with us any information which may be pertinent to their well-being. We make it our aim to be familiar with every child and his family as soon as possible so that we can best work with our CBC Family.

Parents' Evening: Tuesday, 26 January

Join us at 18:00 in The Upper Hall to meet your child's teachers. Together we shall be guiding them through the year's challenges. Matric parents will have a meeting at 18:30 after the general meeting in which we shall discuss specific matric matters. Please ensure that you attend these meetings to acquaint yourself with your child's class teachers and phase heads, who will be your contact people when needed. Parents often complain that they are unaware of systems and rules. New rules and significant procedures will be outlined at this meeting.

Baby Sierra

Mrs Sierra's precious bundle is almost due so we say goodbye to her this week as she leaves for maternity leave. We wish her and her expanding family all of God's richest blessings. Her classes will be in the safe hands of Mrs Carolyn Cooper, who is well known to us.

Textbooks

All textbooks and exercise books should now have been purchased, covered and labelled. Lessons continue in earnest today and all students are required to do all their homework. Homework incomplete is homework *not done*. Parents who have not yet bought their children's books will need to acquire them from Caxtons, Jutas or Exclusives as soon as possible because lessons will be continuing. 24/7 will not be returning to the College. Homework must still be done.

CBC's Sailors

Our intrepid sailors, Jason Gray and Joshua Banks were in action recently in national competitions. The Sonnet Nationals were sailed in the last week of 2009. Together with his teammate Jason placed first in this competition and Joshua and Brent Gray,

Jason's father, came 19th.

At the Midmar Youth Nationals earlier in December, Jason came fourth and won the trophy for the best U15 Dabchick Sailor. Joshua placed 14th.



Well done both of you.

Sonnet Nationals at Milnerton Aquatic Club

Dates to Diarise:

Monday 25 January: LRC applications to Class teachers

Tuesday 26 January: LRC Speeches and Voting

Parents' Evening 18:00

Thursday 28 January: Senior School Gala: 17:00 at Milnerton Primary School

Friday 29 January: Braam Malherbe, motivational speaker to speak at assembly

Mrs Sierra's last Day

Monday 1 February: Portuguese forms to be returned

CSCC students to St Michael's

Tuckshop Menu

Monday: Hotdogs

Tuesday: Fruit Salad and Icecream, Sausage Rolls

Wednesday: Doughnuts, Samoosas, Brownies and Crunchies

Thursday: Toasted cheese and ham

Friday: Pizzas

So, to all students who are refreshed after their camps yet perhaps not so enthusiastic to get stuck into the year's academics, remember that the challenge may not be easy, but it **IS** possible...and there's food.

Yours in education

Mrs Colleen Mongie

Senior School Principal

