



MARIS STELLA WEEKLY BULLETIN

25 April 2017

WEEK ONE			
Tues 25 Apr	17h30 – 20h00	Grade 7 Parent Interviews	Small Hall
Wed 26 Apr		Grade 9s return from Touchstone	
Thurs 27 Apr		Freedom Day	
Fri 28 Apr		School Holiday	
WEEK TWO			
Mon 01 May		Workers' Day	
Tues 02 May	17h30 – 19h30	Prep Speech and Drama Festival BDO Quiz Final	Clifton
Wed 03 May		Prep Speech and Drama Festival Grade 10 – 12 French Excursion JP Hooked on Books Prep Hooked on Books	Kloof High School
Thurs 04 May		Prep Speech and Drama Festival	
Fri 05 May	19h00 – 24h00	Matric Dance	Centenary Hall
Sat 06 May	19h30 - 23h00	Grade 11 Dance	Centenary Hall

PARENTS' ASSOCIATION RAFFLE

The raffle draw will take place on Monday 8 May. Please can all raffle sheets be handed to class teachers by Wednesday 3 May at the latest, even if they have not been completed.

MATRIC DANCE FASHION SHOW

Tickets for our Matric Dance Fashion Show, to be held on Tuesday 9 May, are on sale from the Bursar's office at a cost of R40 for Barnyard style seating (bring your own picnic supper), or R30 for Gallery seating.

SCHOOL MAGAZINE

A reminder to please support our school magazine with an advert or page sponsorship. Please email chudson@marisstella.co.za for more information, or if you are able to assist.

WINTER UNIFORM

All girls are to please wear Winter uniform from Tuesday 2 May, ie blazers must be worn outside of school at all times, from Grades 2 to 12. Black stockings may also be worn. No sandals to be worn in the Junior Primary please.

HOCKEY

Results from the tournament against Durban Girls' College on Saturday 22 April:

Team	Result
Maris Stella U14	Lost 0-9
Maris Stella 2 nd Team	Lost 1-5
Maris Stella 1 st team	Lost 0-5

ACTION NETBALL

Congratulations to **Amy and Sarah Randelhoff** (Grade 10 and Grade 8), who were selected to participate in the Action Netball Inter-Provincial Tournament during the holidays. Amy represented the U16A KZN team and Sarah represented the U14 Invitational team.

PERFORMING ARTS

Megan Mordaunt (Grade 12) competed in both Dancing and Acrobatics at the South African Championships of Performing Arts, which took place at Nasrec Expo, Johannesburg from 31 March – 9 April. She was awarded 4 Gold medals, 1 Silver and 1 Bronze, and has been selected as a member of the South African team, to represent South Africa at the World Championships in Los Angeles in July. Congratulations Megan!

LIFESAVING

Congratulations to **Tannah Smith** (Grade 6), **Carly Smith** (Grade 5), **Venice Omote** (Grade 4) and **Jemma Smith** (Grade 3) who recently competed in the South African Surf Lifesaving Nipper Championships from 6th to 8th April in Port Elizabeth.

Tannah Smith came 2nd in the Long Beach Run.

Carly Smith came 2nd in Flags.

Venice Omote came 2nd in the U10 Girls Bodyboard and the Run Swim Run, 3rd in the Beach Run and 8th in the Mixed Bodyboard Relay.

Jemma Smith came 4th in Flags, Long Run and Beach Sprints.

Due to rough surf conditions, many surf events had to be cancelled, which unfortunately meant that there was no overall winner, as the competitors were unable to complete many of the events.



OUR COMMON HOME...MOTHER EARTH

Each Maris Stella Family will receive a green piece of fabric on which they can write what they will be doing as a family, to help the planet. This is a Family commitment that each family will PROMISE to maintain. And together, as a Maris Stella Family we will show that every little bit of change, no matter how small, CAN make a difference.

These strips of Green fabric will then be tied to our fence for all to see how committed we are to helping our common home, Mother Earth. Hopefully we can then INSPIRE others to take on this challenge and together as a Family called HUMANITY, we can make a positive contribution to our common home, our Mother, planet Earth. Let us all be a part of this positive ripple effect! "We have forgotten that we ourselves are dust of the earth (cf. Gen 2:7); our very bodies are made up of her elements, we breathe her air and we receive life and refreshment from her waters. (2)

If we approach nature and the environment without this openness to awe and wonder, if we no longer speak the language of fraternity and beauty in our relationship with the world, our attitude will be that of masters, consumers, ruthless exploiters, unable to set limits on their immediate needs. ... The poverty and austerity of St. Francis were no mere veneer of asceticism, but something much more radical: a refusal to turn reality into an object simply to be used and controlled. (11)

The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change. (13)

-Laudato Si Pope Francis-