

MARIS STELLA WEEKLY BULLETIN

31 October 2017

WEEK TWO				
Tues 31 Oct	3B Retreat			
Thurs 02 Nov	2D Retreat Grade 10 and 11 Examinations begin			
Fri 03 Nov	Grade 6 Tests end Grade 7 Examinations begin			
WEEK ONE				
Mon 06 Nov	Grade 1S Retreat			
Tues 07 Nov	Grade 2S Retreat			
Thurs 09 Nov	Grade 1 P Retreat			
Fri 10 Nov	Grade 7 Examinations end Grade 8 & 9 Examinations begin			

MARIS STELLA RECIPE BOOKS AND APRONS

Our hardworking Parents' Association have compiled a beautiful Maris Stella recipe book, which is currently in print and will be on sale from 13 November, just in time for Christmas! Thank you so much to all families who submitted their favourite recipes for us all to enjoy. The recipe book and Maris Stella apron will be on sale for a total price of R220. You can also purchase the book or apron separately for R125 each. If you would like to view samples, please visit the Marketing office, and to pre-order, please send money in a clearly marked envelope to the Bursar's office.

CHOC / MIDMAR MILE 2018

If there are any girls or parents who would like to swim next year's Midmar Mile to raise funds for the Childhood Cancer Foundation SA, please see the pamphlet attached to this bulletin for further information. We hope to have as many people as possible on Team Maris Stella, to raise funds for this worthy cause. For further details or to submit your name, please contact Mrs Scott on lscott@marisstella.co.za.

SPRINGBOARD DIVING

We are extremely proud of our Prep Springboard Diving Team, who competed at the Inter-schools Diving Competition at Epworth on Saturday. Congratulations to **Mackenzie van Niekerk**, who came 2nd in U11, **Aimee Dunn** who came 1st in U12, and **Megan Grout** who came 1st in U13.

SWIMMING

Congratulations to **Cara Message**, who achieved excellent results at the KZN Speedo Junior Championships this weekend. Cara was awarded a Gold medal for 1^{st} place in the 50m Backstroke, and two Bronze medals for 3^{rd} place in the 50m Butterfly and 100m Freestyle. She was awarded a further two Bronze medals for the 4 x 100m Freestyle relay and 4 x 100m Medal relay. Well done Cara!

WATER POLO

Results from the U11 Water Polo Tournament held at Durban Girls' College on Wednesday 25 October:

Team:	Result:
Maris Stella U11 vs Durban Girls' College U11A	Won 4-2
Maris Stella U11 vs Thomas More College U11B	Won 4-1
Maris Stella U11 vs Thomas More College U11A	Won 3-0
Maris Stella U11 vs Durban Girls' College U11B	Won 3-1

Well done on such fantastic results, girls!

Results from the U13 Water Polo Tournament held at Durban Girls' College on Friday 27 October:

Team:	Result:
Maris Stella U13A vs Durban Girls' College U13A	Lost 2-3
Maris Stella U1B vs Durban Girls' College U13B	Lost 3-6
Maris Stella U13A vs Thomas More College	Won 6-0
Maris Stella U13A vs St Mary's U13A	Drew 1-1

TENNIS

Our Prep Tennis Team consisting of Lauren Walsh, Jamie le Roux, Julia McAlister, Rachel Hudson, Isabella Strydom and Zenala Mbonambi, played a fixture vs Our Lady of Fatima on Monday 23 October, and lost with 17 points to 28.

HOCKEY

Results from Prep Hockey matches on Thursday 26 October:

Team:	Result:
Maris Stella U13A vs Virginia U13C	Won 12-1
Maris Stella U13B vs Chelsea B	Lost 0-3

Results from High School Hockey matches on Friday 27 October:

Team:	Result:
Maris Stella U16A vs St. Mary's U16A	Lost 1-3
Maris Stella U16A vs Crawford La Lucia U16A	Lost 1-2
Maris Stella 1st Team vs St. Mary's 1st Team	Lost 1-7

DRAMA

Maxine Butler was awarded her graduation medal for successfully completing the London Academy of Music, Drama and Art Grade 8 Gold Medal Exam in Advanced Acting. This is an exceptional achievement for such a young actress. Congratulations Maxine!

DANCE

Congratulations to the following girls from the Lorelle McCurrach Studio, who danced so beautifully in their recent Tap and Modern Exams:

Blue Star Tap:

Jade YoungHonoursKiara NarotamHonoursZanokuhle SosiboCommended

Bronze Lower Tap:

Chloé Robertson Honours

Yellow Medal Tap:

Jody Ribbink Distinction

Orange Medal Tap:

Cassidy HarrisDistinctionLufuno ChiliDistinctionEyethu ShabanguDistinctionKaylee SaundersHonoursRyleigh RutherfordHonours

3rd Grade Modern:

Tatum Stewardson Distinction

Lufuno ChiliHighly CommendedJannah WinterHighly Commended

Many thanks to Lorelle McCurrach for all her hard work in preparing our girls so thoroughly for their exams!

Well done to Alessia Maingard, who passed Grade 4 Checchetti Classical Ballet exam with Distinction.

MUSIC

We are extremely proud that 4 of our girls have been selected for the KZN Youth Choir! Congratulations to **Dhenishta Chetty** (1st Soprano), **Mayukha Pillay** (2nd Soprano), **Daniéle Clayton** (Alto) and **Ukhona Ngcongo** (Alto).

ABAGILITY

Lauren Walsh recently participated in the South African Abacus Maths Association Competition in Roodepoort. She was awarded a Top Achiever Trophy for coming 1st in the National Competition for her level, and she also came 4th in the Dictation section. She also participated in a live mental maths demonstration on stage, where she completed six 4 digit by 2 digit division sums in 23 seconds. She got 100% for this. Congratulations Lauren!

COMPASSION FOR OUR FELLOW HUMAN BEINGS

A sense of deep communion with the rest of nature cannot be real if our hearts lack tenderness, compassion and concern for our fellow human beings. This compromises the very meaning of our struggle for the sake of the environment. It is no coincidence that, in the canticle in which St Francis praises God for his creatures, he goes on to say: "Praised be you my Lord, through those who give pardon for your love." Everything is connected. Concern for the environment thus needs to be joined to a sincere love for our fellow human beings and an unwavering commitment to resolving the problems of society.

POPE FRANCIS, *Laudato Si'*, 91 Sunday, May 24, 2015