

Off to a great start!

Dedication

With our appreciation we fondly dedicate the second edition of our updated newsletter to Mrs Scott, Mrs van der Linde and Mrs Pienaar who were all instrumental in the success of the previous newsletter that SMS produced.

Matric Results

It was an exciting day as we heard that, for the 43rd consecutive year, we had received a 100% pass rate! Our top achiever, Yi-Xuan Wu achieved a whopping 7 distinctions and an average of 87%. These results would not have been possible without the hard work of the class of 2022, their parents and guardians who supported them, and the exceptional dedication of all our SMS staff. Congratulations!

We also would like to congratulate Boitumelo Mtsatse, who has been awarded an Allan Gray Bursary after a rigorous selection process in 2022. Thus, enabling her to further her studies in Computer Science. Good luck Boitumelo, SMS is so proud of you!



at our Matric Achievers Assembly

Staff News

A special congratulations to Mrs Taljaard and her husband on the birth of their handsome little Oliver Taljaard, and Mrs Marais and her husband on the birth of their beautiful Iliana Marais. We pray that you enjoy every moment of this new journey!

Matric Class of

St Michael's School for Girls

150 YEARS OF GRACE



Gold certificate awarded by Free State Department of Education

Member of Allan Gray's Circle of Excellence Schools

CONGRATULATIONS

Class of 2022



7 Distinctions



Tinya Chuang 6 Distinctions



Nthabiseng Kibinye 5 Distinctions



Ashlee Bell 4 Distinctions



Meadow Maartens 4 Distinctions



4 Distinctions



3 Distinctions



Olo Ntlakana 3 Distinctions



Bonolo Rammoko 3 Distinctions



Khanya Sidinile 3 Distinctions

100% PASS RATE FOR 43 CONSECUTIVE YEARS

86 DISTINCTIONS FOR THE CLASS OF 2022

Athletus

Athletics day is always a fun event which fills the stadium with an exciting 'buzz'! Our ladies continue to surprise us and we thank the parents for their enthusiastic support! The house positions were as follows:

1st: Clarendon 2nd: Buxton 3rd: Connaught 4th: Athlone

We then had numerous competitors who qualified for, and attended, the Zone C Junior School Athletics on Monday the 30th of January. A big thank you to Mrs van Biljon, Miss Hugo, Miss Ross and Miss van Wyk, who spent the day at the stadium with the girls. We also thank the parents for your ongoing support and enthusiasm! From this meet, we have five qualifiers who are moving on to compete at the next meet on the 15th of February! Namely Tshegofatso Mangaliso, Lungiswa Frans, Waratoa Motsoahae, Nthateng Semoli and Lieschen Swartz. Congratulations ladies!









Swimming Results

Junior School

From left to right:

-GRADE 1,2 & 3 CUP to Encourage Enthusiasm:

Ndyebo Hlazo

-LEE-ANN THOMPSON TROPHY for the Best

Intermediate Phase Swimmer: Oyama Tuta

-TROPHY for the Fastest Foundation Phase

Swimmer: Nyakallo Nyedimsne

-Oyama Tuta also broke the u/10 25 m record!



Our Buxton Representatives

The house positions were as

follows:

ıst place: Buxton

2nd place: Athlone

3rd place: Connaught

4th place: Clarendon



Senior School

From left to right:

TROPHY for the

Best Breaststroke Performance U/14 or U/16: Mihaela Solda

ALLIBONE & SMITH MEMORIAL CUP for the Best Junior Swimmer: Tamsyn

Thomson

LADIES ASSOCIATION CUP for the Best Open Breaststroke, BEST OPEN FREE STYLE SWIMMER, VICTRIX LUDORUM KENNEDY CUP for the Best Senior Swimmer:

Zoe Coetzee





Dance Awards





Nthati Theko attended the Free State Prestige Awards Ceremony on Saturday the 28th of January. Here she received her provincial colours for her Disco Solo, as well as her Disco Duo. Continue to shine Nthati, we are extremely proud of you!





Inside the classroom

Grade 1

The Grade 1's have been busy learning addition and subtraction, as well as letter formation, with the help of their playdough!







Grade 2

The Grade 2's spent a couple of days this week learning about the properties of different 3D shapes by building them with toothpicks and marshmallows. They eventually ran out of toothpicks and found that the miniature marshmallows

even held long skewers together to create huge pyramids!





Old Girls News Lebo Mosholi





With both beauty and intellect, Lebo Mosholi is a shining example of a St Michael's old girl.

At only 21 years of age, Lebo already boasts impressive achievements in the modeling world, including the title of 'Miss Ace Model International 2021' as well as 'Miss Free State First Princess 2023'.

She has recently been selected to participate in the IMTA showcase held in New York later this year. She also spends time molding the next generation of models as an ACE models mentor.

An avid sportswomen, Lebo is a provincial hockey player and stays connected to the St Michael's family as a hockey coach.

Lebo continues to foster a love for learning, as she works towards an Accounting degree at the UFS, and as a Ambassador for the Department of Education in the Free State.

Her ambassadorship, Activism for women, Golden Key status, and overall success show a perfect example of the holistic and well-rounded women that SMS produces.

Well done Lebo we are extremely proud of you!



Advertisements

We invite you to dress up and join us for a special evening with your daughter/s at our Father-Daughter Dance on the 17th of February at 17:30. There will be a DJ, dance instructors and a light dinner will be served! Space is limited, so book your tickets as soon as possible if you are interested!



Upcoming Events

February

U Dates for your diary

8th

Pre-Primary Picnic 17:30

Founder's Day Celebrations

9th

9th -12th

Exeat Weekend & Midmar Mile

Father-Daughter Dance 17:30

17th

21st

Honours Dinner

Ash Wednesday

22nd

24th

Partner's Breakfast

Cultural Evening 18:00

28th



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In Loving memory of Rachel



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Rachel Thipe. A strong lady with a beautiful smile, and an even more beautiful soul. We will certainly miss her positive attitude around the school, especially in the Foundation Phase. As the family of SMS, we offer our condolences to the family of Rachel. Know that we will be keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

The Lord is close to the brokenhearted; he rescues those who's spirits are crushed - Psalm 34:18



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