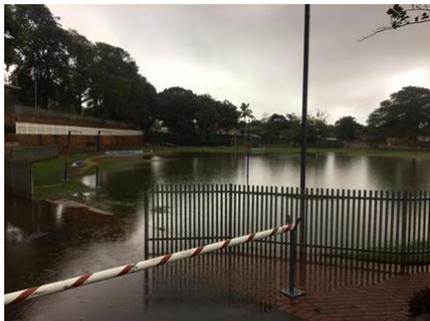


The Chelsea Signal



Durban Floods



Weather for ducks...

Despite severe flooding in Durban on Monday night, it was school as usual for Chelsea pupils on Tuesday. We even managed to continue with sport matches and practices as scheduled. Before things dried up, however, our resident Egyptian Geese enjoyed the body of water on the bottom fields!

Beach Clean-Up



Be an eco-warrior

After this week's floods, there will be two beach clean-ups this Saturday. The first will be at Blue Lagoon from 08h00 to 12h00, and the second will be at Durban Harbour from 09h00 to 12h00. We encourage Chelsea families to be eco-warriors, and pupils who participate will earn two PSWB points.



Condolences to the Northlands Girls' community on their recent tragic loss.

The Principal, staff, pupils and Governing Body of Chelsea Preparatory School extend their heartfelt condolences to the Northlands Girls' community on the tragic loss of their Acting Principal, Ms Roshni Moonsamy.

The children were spoken to in assembly this week about what it means to be part of a team, and what commitment is all about. If your child has committed himself/herself to playing a team sport, please assist the school by ensuring that they are available to represent their team at all fixtures during the term, both home and away. Please consult the term calendar before arranging any birthday parties, activities etc. as it is unfair on the rest of your child's team if your child is unable to play once they have committed themselves for the season. Please also remember that should any pupil attend a school function or sport fixture involving Chelsea, to watch or support a sibling or friend, that they are expected to wear their school uniform or PE kit. Not only does this assist in identifying our Chelsea pupils at the different venues, but also promotes school pride amongst our pupils.

Last week a general letter to all parents was sent out with regards to the participation and involvement of parents in their children's sport. In the letter it mentioned that the atmosphere set by schools, parents and coaches is a major factor in determining whether or not children will have a positive experience when participating in sport, and that the primary goals of children participating in sport should be to encourage physical activity, fun, life skills, sportsmanship and good health.

I encourage parents to support their children by attending their sporting events, and to focus their attention on fostering a love for sport amongst their children, whilst paying more attention to skills learnt during both practices and matches rather than just the result. Some of the greatest 'life' lessons are learnt on the sport field. No child ever goes onto the field to lose a game, and no child will always win every time they participate in sport. The nature of sport means that for somebody to win, somebody has to come second and there will be times when your child, or his/her teams comes second. The way in which we, as parents and coaches, react when losing a game is what determines how much our children learn from losing. As adults, we have the choice to turn any sport result into either a positive or a negative experience for our children. It is also our responsibility, as adults, to teach children the value of sportsmanship and fair play, to never ridicule or berate a child for making a mistake or losing a game, to never publicly question a coach's or referee's judgement or honesty, to respect the coach's decision in team selection, to recognise the value of our coaches and match officials who are very often volunteers, and by being realistic in our expectations of our child's ability and skill level. Most importantly, we need to remember that children learn by example and by our actions on the side of the sport field, and by offering encouragement and positive reinforcement, we can assist in developing a love for sport amongst our children.

Good luck to all our rugby teams who play against Highbury this weekend, and to all our netball teams who will be participating in various netball festivals. Win or lose, let us support our children to ensure that they have a positive experience, both on and off the field, which will make them look forward to, once again, returning to practices next week.

A reminder that next week Wednesday, 1 May, is Workers' Day which is a public holiday. School will therefore be closed for the day.

Mr Maartens (Principal)

Chelsea Champs



Nathan Burger (Grade 5) competed at the KZN Schools Swimming Championships on 13 April and won gold medals for Boys U11 50m Breaststroke and Boys U11 200m Breaststroke, and a silver medal for Boys U11 100m Breaststroke. The following day he completed his first Tinman Mini Triathlon.

Luc Brand (Grade 5) competed at the KZN Schools Swimming Championship on Saturday, 13 April, and received three medals. These were a gold for Boys U11 50m Freestyle, a silver for the Boys U11 100m Freestyle, and a bronze for the Boys U11 50m Butterfly.

Tayne Naude (Grade 5) took part in the KZN Schools Swimming Championships at Kings Park on 13 April, and won a silver medal for Boys U11 50m Backstroke. He also participated in the Tinman Mini Triathlon on the Sunday, placing third overall in his age group.

Zoe Hughes (Grade 6) competed in the Tinman Triathlon on Sunday, 14 April, and finished third female overall (including adults and children). The day before she had her first gymnastics competition at her club, Ocean Rhythmic Gymnastics, coming first overall in her age group, at her level.



Sports News

I am certain that all our Chelsea families would have had a wonderful Easter with their loved ones. I am sure that you would have spent some quality family time together despite the adverse weather towards the end of the long weekend. Our netball and rugby matches will now start to intensify in terms of how often we will be playing.

We appeal to parents whose children are playing netball and rugby this term, to please ensure that their children are available for all matches. Unfortunately, we find that there always seems to be an unusually large number of pupils who have appointments or approach the Sport Department with excuses whenever we seem to play matches that require us to travel, particularly out of the Durban North area. This puts us in a very difficult position, and is an embarrassment for our school if we cannot field the number of teams that we have agreed upon.

Next week, our 1st team rugby match will take place before the U10 and U11 matches. This is to encourage our U10 and U11 boys and parents to arrive a little earlier to support the 1st team match. The 1st team players will also remain after their match to support the U10 and U11 teams.

This year's 'Chelsea Day', where we require all our pupils from Grade 4 to 7 to attend school on the Saturday morning, will be held on Saturday, 8 June, when we play against Northlands Primary at home. Letters will be sent home in due course informing parents of this and the time that pupils will be expected to be at school. We ask parents to please support us in this, by ensuring that your children attend on this day.

Results of the netball matches versus Umhlali:

- U9A won 15-1
- U9B won 13-3
- U10A lost 9-8
- U10B won 8-4
- U10C lost 3-2
- U10D won 6-3
- U11A won 26-4
- U11B tied 7-7
- U11C won 14-5
- U11D lost 4-0
- U12A lost 8-3
- U12B won 9-8
- U12C lost 20-5
- U12D lost 4-3
- U13A won 16-12
- U13B lost 7-6
- U13C lost 16-8
- U13D lost 9-1

Results of the rugby matches vs Umhlali:

- U9A lost 15-0
- U9B won 20-15
- U9C lost 25-0
- U10A won 25-0
- U10B won 10-0
- U10C lost 15-5
- U11A won 3-0
- U11B won 10-5
- U13A lost 22-0
- U13B lost 28-0
- U13C lost 34-0

Mr Cariem (Head of Sport)

Please click on the link below for next week's Sport Fixtures:

[Sport Fixtures: 29 April to 4 May 2019](#)

Weekly Diary

29 April to 4 May 2019



Monday, 29 April 2019

- Tennis vs Berea West (Westridge)

Tuesday, 30 April 2019

- Grade 4 Soup Kitchen
- School Governing Body Meeting at 07h30 (Northway Staff Room)



Wednesday, 1 May 2019

- PUBLIC HOLIDAY – Workers' Day

Thursday, 2 May 2019

- Voices of Durban North Choir Festival at 18h00 (Durban North Baptist Church)

Friday, 3 May 2019

- Service Team Meetings

Saturday, 4 May 2019

- Rugby and Netball vs Virginia (Home)
- Our Lady of Fatima Netball Festival: U12A, U13A

Environment Service Team

Easter Egg Hunt for a good cause



The Environment Service Team played Easter Bunnies to Chelsea's hardworking cleaning and maintenance staff, before staging an Easter Egg Hunt on Thursday, 18 April 2019.

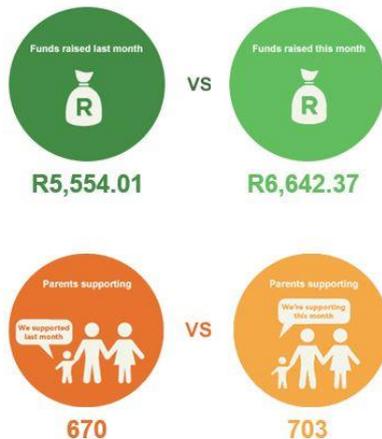
Over 400 eggs were hidden in three zones, with 100 frenzied pupils hunting to find the elusive Golden Egg in each one. Rumour has it that staff had as much fun hiding the eggs, as the children did finding them.



100 tickets were sold for the hunt at R20 each, and funds raised were donated to the victims of Cyclone Idai in Mozambique.

Congratulations to Mrs Crichton, Miss Holland and the Environment Service Team for putting the fun in FUNdraising!

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Every Swipe Counts

As they say, "every swipe counts", so thanks to the 703 parents and supporters who swiped their My School cards in March, raising R6 642.37 for Chelsea Preparatory School

For those of you who don't know, MySchool is South Africa's biggest community-based fundraising programme, and raises over R4 million every month for schools, charities and animal welfare organisations.

Every time you swipe your card at any of the programme's partners they make a donation on your behalf to the school or cause you choose at no cost to you!

Four great reasons to become a MySchool supporter:

- Raise funds for a cause that is close to your heart (like Chelsea), without it costing you a cent.
- Over 1 500 partner stores where you can use your card to raise funds.
- You benefit too: Get instant savings on Woolies Favourites - quality staples and best-loved products. Look out for the WRewards icon in the Daily Difference in store and online. Plus enjoy all the additional WRewards benefits simply by giving Woolies permission to communicate with you directly. You will then get extra savings on special promotions as well as exclusive invites to new product launches and personalised vouchers.
- You have the power to choose: select up to three schools and/or charities.

My School partners include Woolworths, Waitons, Engen, Flight Centre and Loot.

Should you wish to apply for a card to benefit Chelsea and your family, or to change your beneficiary, please let us know and we can provide you with a form.

Slipper Day

slipper day
reach for a dream

Give some **STRENGTH**, spark some **HOPE**, and give a lot of **COURAGE** to a child suffering with a life-threatening illness.

Order wristbands and wear your slippers to work or school on 10 May 2019. And receive a **FREE WIMPY coffee!**

Order your wristbands & slippers on our website.

www.reachfordream.org.za
Contact Charmaine Premial on 031 566 2220 or 079 427 7557 for more info.

Reach For A Dream Slipper Day

Reach For A Dream Slipper Day Chelsea Preparatory School will be participating in the annual Reach For A Dream Slipper Day on Friday, 10 May 2019.

We will be selling official Slipper Day wristbands to children who wish to participate in this worthy fundraising initiative. For R10 (to be donated directly to Reach For A Dream), pupils will be allowed to wear crazy socks and slippers with their uniforms, on a voluntary basis.



Reach For a Dream believe in the power of dreams. They encourage children to use their dreams to fight life-threatening illnesses and they try, as far as possible, to make these dreams come true. Their vision is to grow the Foundation to enable them to continue giving hope to children fighting life-threatening illnesses through the fulfilment of their dreams. Supporting Slipper Day will help bring a smile to a child fighting a life-threatening illness.

Bulletin Board



Parents, please take note...

- **Cyclone Idai Collections:** The Environment Service Team are collecting non-perishable foodstuff for the victims of Cyclone Idai in Mozambique. Donations are to be sent to the Media Centre by this coming Tuesday, 30 April 2019. Donations earn pupils two PSWB points.
- **Makabongwe Donations:** There is a collection of second-hand clothing, linen and toys which will be donated to Makabongwe Pre-School for their Jumble Sale. Please note, the items must be in decent condition, in order to be sold. Collections are to be handed to Mrs Mardon by the end of April 2019, so this is the last chance. Contributions will earn pupils two PSWB points.
- **School Photos:** Official Individual, Class and Sibling photos are now available for purchase. Please follow instructions given and note that the deadline for purchasing is 9 May 2019.

Full Stop

Respect Begets Respect

Don't demand respect as a parent. Demand civility and insist on honesty. But respect is something you must earn – with kids as well as adults. – William Attwood

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