

# The International School of Hout Bay Newsletter

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## From the Principal's Desk

Dear parents

### Parent Meeting with Dr. Tate, the IES Chairman

Dr. Nicholas Tate, the newly appointed IES Chairman, will be visiting our school next week. Parents are invited to a meeting to be held at 6.30 pm on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> November, at the High School hall. This will be an opportunity for him to meet our school community and to share his views and vision for the future of our school.

Dr. Tate will be meeting with the Parents' Association prior to the open parents' meeting. If you have any questions or issues that you would like to bring to his attention to be addressed either in the PA or the open meeting, please email these to me on [houtbay.high@iesedu.com](mailto:houtbay.high@iesedu.com) or the Parents Association email [ishbpa@gmail.com](mailto:ishbpa@gmail.com). This email is intended to be a convenient way for parents to communicate with the PA.



### IES Board Meeting

The annual IES Board Conference is being held here in Cape Town from the 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> November, hosted by all three IES schools. All of the IES Board will be in Cape Town and we will have most, if not all of them visit our school in the next week. So, if you see me walking around the school with someone unfamiliar, it may well be a Board member.

### Conquesta

Conquesta is an international benchmarking test written in a number of subjects. Aimed at Primary Schools, it is written in Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa and else where. Our Senior Primary students performed very well in this year's Mathematics and English papers and did themselves and the school proud. Please have a look at Mrs. Michel's 'Curriculum Corner' for more detailed information.

Andy Wood  
Principal



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# Primary School News

## Curriculum Corner

### Conquesta Results

We received our Conquesta results this week. The test takes the form of multiple choice questions and is taken by schools throughout South Africa, Australia and New Zealand, for further information visit their web-site

<http://www.conquestaolympiads.com>

Our Yr 4-6 pupils wrote the Mathematics 1 (higher) and English First language tests towards the end of last term.

Results:

Copper	0-49%
Bronze	50-59%
Silver	60-69%
Gold	70-75%
Diamond	76-84%
Platinum	85-100%

Our class and school average were as follows:

ISHB	Mathematics 1	English First Language
Year 4	76% Diamond	80% Diamond
Year 5	63% Silver	63% Silver
Year 6	65% Silver	76% Gold
Whole School	68% Silver	74% Gold

The National Averages will be published early in 2012 - I have included the National Averages from 2010 below:

National Averages 2010	Mathematics 1	English First Language
Grade 4 (Yr4)	51.42%	68.83%
Grade 5 (Yr 5)	51.68%	50.50%
Grade 6 (Yr 6)	51.00%	50.10%

We would like to congratulate the following pupils on doing particularly well:

### PLATINUM CATEGORY 85%-100%

#### Year 4 (in alphabetical order)

- **Davis**, Danitsa - Maths 97%
- **Du Toit**, Gina - Language 97%

- **Farara**, Jamie - Maths 87%  
Language 97%
- **Gerard**, Amelie - Maths 93%  
Language 97%
- **Mitchell**, Jennifer - Maths 100%  
Language 100%
- **Robinson**, Sophie - Maths 93%  
Language 97%

#### Year 5

- **Beekman**, Malu - Maths 94%  
Language 86%

#### Year 6

- **Bell**, Gregor - Language 90%
- **Davisson**, Katya - Language 94%
- **Robinson**, Holly - Language 96%
- **Wells**, Ronan - Language 92%

### DIAMOND CATEGORY 76-84%

#### Year 4

- **Bouwer**, Dante - Maths 83%
- **Davis**, Danitsa - Language 83%
- **Davis**, Maria - Language 77%
- **Du Bois**, Lauren - Mathematics 80%
- **Lim**, David - Maths 80%  
Language 83%
- **Halkas**, Marina - Language 83%
- **Ross**, Alex - Maths 83%  
Language 77%
- **Wagg**, Harrison - Language 80%

#### Year 5

- **Lunn**, Chloe - Maths 76%  
Language 76%
- **Stekelenburg**, Manoek - Maths 76%

#### Year 6

- **Bell**, Gregor - Maths 78%

- **Caird**, Jude - Maths 82%
- **Campione**, Filippo - Language 76%
- **Davies**, Luke - Language 82%
- **Day**, Evie - Language 84%
- **Kramer**, Emma - Language 82%
- **Robinson**, Holly - Maths 82%
- **Thunert**, Mickey - Language 82%
- **Wells**, Ronan - Maths 82%

The children all received their certificates in this morning's Assembly.



## The Golden Book

### This Week's Achievers are:

#### **Devon Saville Yr3**

For being such an inquiring and knowledgeable young scientist.

#### **Daniella Piaoni, Ansha-Lee Maarman & Ayrton du Bois Yr6**

For representing the school at the Green Faire.

#### **Kim & Lisa Groenendijk**

For making such excellent progress in learning English.

#### **Chloé Courcier Yr 5**

For her positive attitude and commitment to her learning - well done!

#### **Robyn Mclean-Anderson Yr 3**

For consistent hard work and commitment to all aspects of her learning.

**Peter Hart Yr3** For consistently striving for excellence in writing and spelling.

# Primary School News

## Reminder: SP Outing to Green Point Biodiversity Park.

### Friday, 4 November

Please can parents who are lifting be at school to leave **promptly** at **09h00**. We will then leave the park at **13h00** to return to school. We still do not have enough lifts for all of us, so if you are available to assist us, please let the office know.

The students are reminded of the following:

- wear a T-Shirt that is the colour of your house (with PE tracksuit top if it is a chilly day)
- wear PE shorts (if it is a sunny day) or PE tracksuit pants (if it is a chilly day)
- wear socks and takkies, (no sandals please!)
- bring along a disposable lunch and plenty of water or juice (Friday hotdog orders will be delivered to the park)
- wear a hat
- put on suntan lotion if necessary
- bring your clipboard & pencil case along

Many exciting activities have been planned including an Inter-house observation quiz. We look forward to an informative and exciting outing together and will be looking at various inquiries as part of our unit, 'Sharing the Planet'.

Kind regards,  
Senior Primary Staff

## The Sports Column

### Gala

We still haven't received the final news about next week's swimming gala. A letter will be handed out and sent home next week once we have all the details and events.

Teams will be selected according to the events on offer. Please note that there will be no swimming for children who are not taking part in the gala as the coaches will have to be present at the gala.

### Cricket

Yesterday afternoon the U11s continued their unbeaten streak when they beat Pinelands North Primary at Swan Cottage. Our boys went in to bat first and put a quick 100 runs on the board in their 15 overs. Gregor Bell top scored with 36 runs, Ben Cragg scored 26 and Peter Hart, our 9 year-old in the team, scored 6 not out.

When ISHB took the ball they gave Pinelands a tough time, with Louis Henkel striking first in the 2<sup>nd</sup> over. Two Pinelands batsmen managed to stick around for quite a while and started making a lot of runs, but once Ayrton du Bois took his wicket, things started going our way. Some

great fielding with 2 run outs and some brilliant bowling kept the score down and we restricted them to 67 runs. Peter Hart took 3 wickets with the ball and had a run out – well done Peter! Gregor Bell also took 2 wickets.

Well done U11s! Next week the U10s play Eisleben Primary in an away match and the U11s play Pinehurst Primary at home.

Weekly Forecast Week 5 & 6			
WEEK 5 Mon 7 Nov - Fri 11 Nov			
7	Mon	Tennis YR 5&6 @ DGS <b>U10 Cricket Match - Eisleben Primary (A)</b>	2:45 - 3:45 2:45 - 5:00
8	Tue	Cricket Practice ALL	2:45 - 3:45
9	Wed	Tennis YR 3&4 @ DGS <b>U11 Cricket Match - Pinehurst (H)</b>	2:45 - 3:45 2:45 - 4:00
10	Thur	Basketball YR 3&4 @ SC Basketball YR 5&6 @ SC	2:30 - 3:30 3:30 - 4:30
11	Fri	<b>Swimming GALA @ Camps Bay Primary</b> NO SWIMMING Practice @DGS	2:30 - 3:30
WEEK 6 Mon 14 Nov - Fri 18 Nov			
14	Mon	Tennis YR 5&6 @ DGS <b>U10 Cricket Match - Kommetjie (H)</b>	2:45 - 3:45 2:45 - 5:00
15	Tue	Cricket Practice ALL	2:45 - 3:45
16	Wed	Tennis YR 3&4 @ DGS <b>U11 Cricket Match - Pinelands Primary (A)</b>	2:45 - 3:45 2:45 - 4:00
17	Thur	Basketball YR 3&4 @ SC Basketball YR 5&6 @ SC	2:30 - 3:30 3:30 - 4:30
18	Fri	Swimming @DGS Outdoor Education	2:30 - 3:30 2:30 - 5:00

# Primary School News

## Santa Shoeboxes



Thank you to all the Junior Primary families that responded and who are willing to make up a Santa Shoe box of the children from Ikaya le Themba. We are still short of about 40 boxes, so would like to open the invitation for participation to our Senior Primary families. Should you like to contribute to this very worthwhile cause, please contact Mrs. Karin Wallace (Year 2) for further details or send an email to the office and she will follow up with you.

## MySchool Card

The Parents' Association would like to thank those parents who have our school as the beneficiary for their MySchool card. Through your support the amount of money raised is about R24,000.00. This is a significant figure and we are thus in a position to use the funds for some much-needed items for the whole school.

For those parents who do not have a MySchool card, please consider getting one. It does not cost you anything but every time you make a purchase at Woolworths or the other MySchool partners, a percentage of the purchase price is donated to our school.

Have a look at their website:

<http://www.myschool.co.za/>

## Green Faire

Congratulations to all the children who took part in the talent contest on Saturday morning at the Green Faire – Daniella Piaoini, Ansha-Lee Maarmann, Erin Gemmell, Samantha Sadler and in particular to Ayrton du Bois who came a joint first with a band from Llandudno. Ayrton will be making a recording with the band as part of his prize.

## Dates to Diarise

### **Friday, 4 November**

- Outdoor Education

### **Monday, 7 November**

- Under 10 cricket Match  
vs Eisleben (a)

### **Wednesday, 9 November**

- Under 11 cricket Match  
vs Pinehurst (h)

### **Thursday, 10 November**

- Dr Tate Presentation  
Riverside Terrace @ 18h30

### **Friday, 11 November**

- Swimming Gala  
Camps Bay Primary (a)  
NO swimming training

### **Monday, 14 November**

- Under 10 cricket Match  
vs Kommetjie (h)

### **Tuesday, 15 November**

- EY1 Outing  
Golden Arrow bus and  
Hout Bay Beach

### **Wednesday, 16 November**

- EY2 Outing  
Golden Arrow bus and  
Hout Bay Beach
- Under 11 cricket Match  
vs Pinelands (a)

### **Thursday, 17 November**

- SP Music/Talent Evening  
18h30 @ Ambleside

### **Friday, 18 November**

- Outdoor Education

# High School News

## CIA and Student Affairs Update.

The term continues and becomes fuller and busier each week - whoever thought there was a lull in the energies at this time of year was sadly mistaken!

Good news has been arriving from all directions this week. The endeavours and requests of the Student Indaba have materialised in the shape of new snooker cues and chalk (received with an emotional hug by those snooker aficionados of the IB class!) and new table tennis nets and balls - received with as many thanks but conspicuously less emotion!

The plan to establish a basketball court is well on its way with the hoop purchased and Nicholas in IB1 spearheading the drive to clear the court.

Some success in swimming also worth noting: The girls' medley relay team won their Gala on Tuesday and spirited efforts from all the team were most appreciated.

The CIA programme for next term is being finalised and we hope our successes in Tennis and Swimming will continue into next term, with Surfing and the One-Act Plays making a popular return.

A final good luck to the Tennis players competing today and next week and congratulations to the Student Indaba for seeing through their efforts to improve the break time activities - now we just have to sort out the grass!

All the best  
Mr. Landi

**Daniel Landi**  
**Director of Student Affairs**

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For the High School we have supplied the following:

- Re-furbished the pool table and replaced accessories.
- Replaced the table tennis nets, bats and balls.
- Bought a basketball hoop - the plan is to level out the ground on the side of the building to be used as a basketball court.
- Picnic benches and tables will be purchased for the students to use at break.

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## Theatre Club

Last chance to reserve your place for a performance of 'Phantom of the Opera'!! Please email Judi Richardson at [jlirich@yahoo.com](mailto:jlirich@yahoo.com) or book with Mrs Dunbar in the office. The details are as follows:

<u>Date:</u>	Wed, 7 December
<u>Venue:</u>	Artscape
<u>Time:</u>	20h00
<u>Cost:</u>	R150.00 per Student R200.00 per Teacher R350.00 per Parent

Monday, 7th November, is the last day we can accept bookings.

## ISHB Internal Examination Timetable

Parents and students were emailed the ISHB Internal Examination Timetable for all MYC, IGCSE1 and IB1 students last Friday. These examinations start on Wednesday, 23rd November.

## School Bell Survey

We are doing a snap survey to see if we should consider installing a school bell. Students have been sent the survey on their school email addresses. Please encourage your child to complete the survey.



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12 DECEMBER – 16 DECEMBER 2011 (First clinic week)  
5, 6, 9 & 10 JANUARY 2012 (Second clinic week)

Cricket, Soccer & Field Hockey



#### VENUES

<b>Bellville/Durbanville:</b> Kenridge Primary School	Cricket, Soccer & Field Hockey (First week only) 12 – 16 Dec 2011; 5, 6, 9 & 10 Jan 2012
<b>Somerset West:</b> Beaumont Primary School	Cricket & Soccer 12 – 16 Dec 2011; 5, 6, 9 & 10 Jan 2012
<b>Newlands:</b> Kelvin Grove	Cricket (no seniors) & Soccer 12 – 16 Dec 2011; 9 & 10 Jan 2012 only
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6-8 years	09h00 - 12h00	R160	R280	R360	R450
9-13 years	09h00 - 13h00	R180	R300	R400	R480

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#### COURSE FEATURES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

- Sports specific drills and skills by specialised coaches
- Fun team building exercises
- Captaincy and leadership skills
- Evaluation certificates and prizes awarded on the last day
- Sports attire to be worn
- White clothing to be worn for cricket
- Clinics will proceed regardless of weather
- Bring along a light snack, cool drink and sunscreen
- We reserve the right to cancel a clinic without prior notice

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- Holiday coaching clinics

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