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MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR SCHOOL PRINCIPAL



As we entered the season of Lent last week, we were challenged by Father Robert Bissel at our Ash Wednesday mass to “fast”, not only from those material pleasures such as chocolates or cool drinks, but to fast from those actions which create situations where others are hurt or harmed.

In Assembly this week I shared a story with the pupils of how I had “signed up” for a particular online app during the school holidays and casually clicked that I agree to the terms and conditions. In the following weeks I was inundated with emails from the company and their affiliates. Of course, I had agreed to this when I clicked the “I agree” button when I signed up.

Our Code of Conduct forms the terms and conditions to which we all agree when we join the school community. Like many of the terms and conditions found on websites and apps, it is quite a read with a number of things in “fine print”. I shared with the pupils this week the fact that they have all agreed and understood so there is no real opportunity to say “I didn’t know”.

However, I also pointed them towards the shortcut - the school's values. When all our actions and interactions are guided by **Respect, Responsibility and Integrity**; when we act with **Compassion** towards one another and when we strive to give our time in the **Service** of others, we will be adhering to the Code of Conduct. By doing this we create an environment where we are all able to feel safe and thrive.

So as we continue through the season of Lent and beyond, let us fast from actions which are contrary to our school values.

As we are now in the second half of the term the campus is as busy as ever. Congratulations to the MADD portfolio for their excellent MADD evening recently. There was an amazing array of talented performers and lots of fun and laughter. Best wishes to Ubuntu Bethu who host their cultural evening this evening. A number of sports tours departed this week and we wish those teams all the best.

As the end of the term approaches the academic programme moves into a cycle of formal assessment. We encourage all our pupils to strive to make effective preparations for their assessments ...



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#One Community, One Heart

"It has become appallingly obvious that our technology has exceeded our humanity"

~Albert Einstein~



Dear Parents, Guardians and Friends of Springfield,

Term One continues to gather pace and momentum. The girls have settled into their rhythm and routines, the chatter, laughter and excitement are still palpable and as we always say, long may it continue.

A huge thank you to our PTA, class reps and all who are working tirelessly behind the scenes to prepare for our school Carnival on Friday 1 March. There is so much excitement and we look forward to welcoming our families and friends to this incredibly special day that connects our community and helps us to live out our slogan of #One Community One Heart. You may even see some special guests "walking the plank" at the dunk tank!

Our Grade 7 class has just returned from their outdoor education camp, exciting off campus school outings are happening, and the busyness of the extramural programme and sport fixtures continue to keep the girls engaged. Some of the Grade 7s participated in the Inter-schools Literacy Quiz at Grove Primary and our first debating team participated in a debating competition at Parklands College.

On the Curriculum front, the exciting addition of the learning lab, has the Garde 4 to 7 girls engrossed in learning and our Quest (Project Based Learning) continues to shake up learning at our beautiful school.

Another exciting initiative introduced this year is the KLIKD programme which is being taught in our computer lab by Mrs Velensky. KLIKD is a leading South African digital safety and digital citizenship company. The programme aims to ensure our girls become responsible digital citizens.



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