



# FEEL THE PRIDE

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*Good luck to all our learners for their final exams. Study hard and remember you have a bright future ahead of you.*

## SOME TIPS AND TRICKS

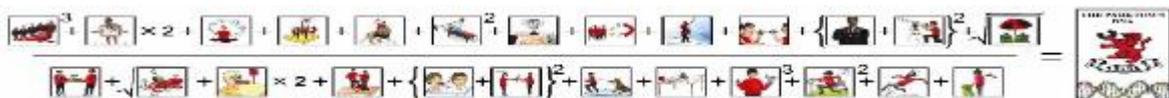


### Preparing for EXAMS.

- DO NOT Study EVERYTHING the night before
  - it is less tiring and stressful to study for an hour everyday for a week than 8 hours the night before the exam/test.
- Read over your notes
  - use a highlighter
  - write major points on margins
- Do not memorize words. Understand them
  - pay attention to the ideas you're learning, don't try to remember what the words look like.
  - (if you know the concept, you'll recognize it on the test no matter how it's worded)
- When taking notes, don't write them word for word.
  - use your own words, it will help you think

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*"The secret to getting ahead is getting started."- Anonymous*





## CRICKET

Congratulations must be extended to the U15A Cricket side which recently played two Johnny Waite fixtures, namely, on the 16<sup>th</sup> October vs. De La Salle College and on the 18<sup>th</sup> October vs. Edenglen High School. The team put together outstanding performances in both of the games. Special mention must be made of the following boys for their performance versus De La Salle:

Maselino Pooe for scoring 65 runs

Zul-Kifl Davis for scoring 50 runs.

Zi'Shaan Nanabhy for taking 7 wickets in 2.3 overs and only conceding 1 run.



Darian De Bruin 136\* and Nicholas Catt 92. Well done on your great batting performance vs. Edenglen (*above right*).



*Above:* Wishing Keith Dudgeon (Class of 2013) all the best in his debut game for the Dolphins.





**Below:** Our young cricketers enjoying themselves at the Shaun Pollock Festival in September.



### TENNIS

On Saturday the 28th of October, Parktown Boys competed in the Junior Inter-high Tennis Championship. We found ourselves in the proverbial 'Group of Death', coming up against some of the best schools in Gauteng – but the team made us truly proud! O'Neill Chihwayi, Amit Vallabh Keshav, Lebone Maja and Thomas Greyling all rose to the challenge and put on a really great show. The coach of Helpmekaar even commented (after we sank their hopes of finishing top of the group with an amazing performance by O'Neill and Amit) that our boys really surprised him and were incredibly tenacious athletes. We finished 11th overall and the day was a great success. We cannot wait to see what these young men will be able to achieve as 1st Team players in the not-too-distant future!





### ***JOHANNESBURG JUNIOR COUNCIL***

The school would like to thank the outgoing JJC councillors, Andrew Boyley and Moein Elzubeir, for their contribution and service to the council in 2017 and for representing the school with pride and distinction.

Grade 10 learners, Mbasa Bashman and Matthew Thomson, have been selected to serve on the Johannesburg JJC in 2018. It is an immense honour to be selected to represent one's school on this body in one's Grade 11 year and the school trusts that they will use this opportunity to serve their school, their communities and humanity at large, with the selfless distinction that is required of all JJC councillors.

### ***STUDENT EXECUTIVE COUNCIL CAMP***

The 2018 SEC attended a camp from Sunday, 29 October – Tuesday, 31 October at Spirit of Adventure outside Rustenburg. The newly-elected leaders displayed character and potential, distinguishing themselves as passionate individuals who have the interests of the school at heart.

The 2018 SEC set the following objectives for the coming year:

- Reinforce positive traditions
- Unite peer group and gain co-operation
- Bridge student-teacher gap
- Make grade 8s feel part of the school
- Unite the SEC
- Make school meetings enjoyable
- Lead by example
- Provide a platform for students to speak out
- Make disciplinary systems effective
- Urgency to school meetings and assemblies
- Instil pride in appearance
- Have fun





### ***HONOURS BLAZER***

The school extends its congratulations to Gabriel Matthews on his award of the white Honours Blazer for 2017. Gabriel achieved the following Full Colours in all three disciplines during the course of his matric year: Sport (Rowing); Culture (Drama and Heart of the Lion) and Academics. In the photograph below, Gabriel is pictured with Mr A de Wilzem (Director of Culture & Heritage) and his parents Stephen and Carmen Matthews shortly after the award of the blazer at a special ceremony to mark his achievement.





## ***ROWING***

Parktown finished 4<sup>th</sup> at the recent Gauteng Championships. There were strong performances by our 1<sup>st</sup> VIII and age group crews which sets us up well for the second half of the season. Pictured below is the u16 Four which claimed a bronze medal at the championships. Congratulations to (L-R) David Van Der Walt, Ethan Affat, Ethan Pauwels and Douglas Haffner.



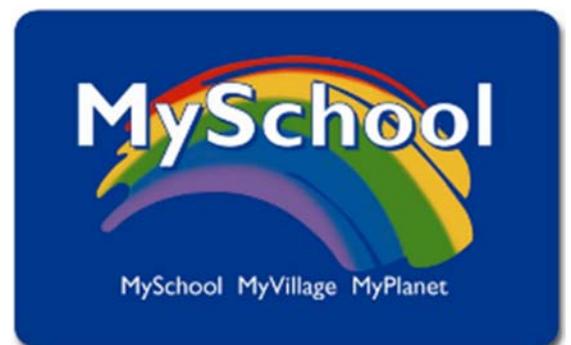
## ***SHOOTING***

The school's sincere congratulations are extended to Benjamin Clarke (in Grade 11) for being awarded Full Colours in Shooting for 2017. This is a most notable achievement for Ben and he will be officially congratulated at the school's next assembly in January 2018.

Well done also for the award of Scrolls to Thando Peter (Grade 12: Re-award) and to Thomas Klintworth (in Grade 11). Luke Mok (in Grade 10) received a Silver Certificate whilst Declan Klintworth (in Grade 9) was awarded a Participation Certificate. Well done to these young Parktonians!

## ***MY SCHOOL CARD***

Remember to swipe your MySchool card this holiday season to earn points for school!



## ***MEMORIAL DAY***

The memorial day was commemorated at the school on Sunday 5 November.

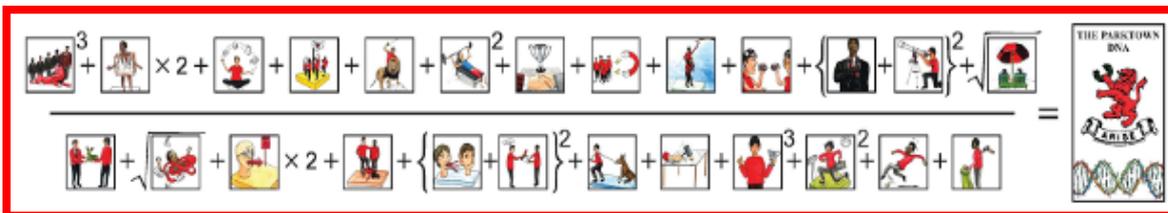
[Watch clip of the school band](#)





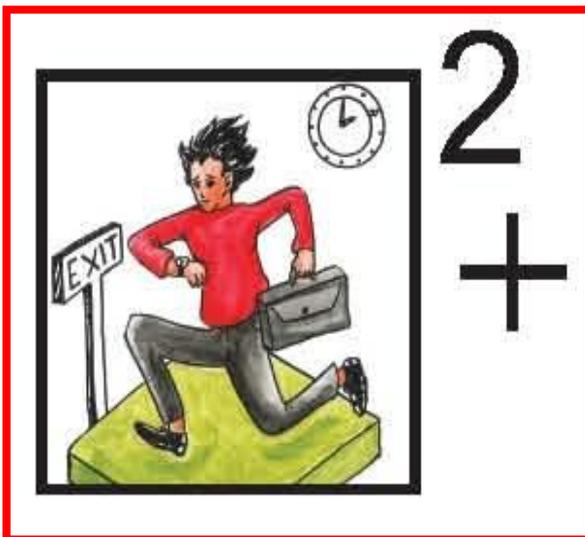
## PARKTOWN DNA

The Parktown DNA encapsulates our values: Those aspects that we want to live up to in the numerator and those anti-values we want to avoid and eradicate in the denominator:



**FEATURED ANTI-VALUE: 'The "Clock Watch" mentality'.**

# THE "CLOCK WATCH" MENTALITY



From our Z-Card (Bottom line):

By dedicating our time and focusing our energy we will:

- Develop the school
- Be leaders in education
- Build character

This applies to extramural programmes as well as to our work in the classroom.

Vivid example: This is how we make Parktown and ourselves great: By fulfilling our duty, whether it is big or small, whether we are tired or not. Many 'big things' depend on fulfilling your small duty to perfection.

