

VG NEWS

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Our Vision: At VGHS we support and respect one another in a safe and happy environment. Our broad spectrum of activities and facilities enriches all, as we strive for excellence.

SERVING OUR COMMUNITIES

TOP NOTCH AWARDS

Mrs Babu – for the extra care (First Aid)
Palesa Moss – For featuring (in the background) in a picture with our very own Vin Diesel
Kuhle Mxakaza & Siyathamba Yeko – For saving a stray dog before it was hit by a car.

MERIT STARS

Congratulations to the following girls who received their merit badges:

Grade 8: **S. Jacobs** 280, **S. Mancingwana** 290.

M. Makiva 290, **L. Bodlani** 300, **S. Mzokwana** 280, **L. Evans** 280, **S. Ndungane** 295 & **M. Jonkers** 280.

Grade 9: **N. Nojoko** 310 & **L. Skeyi** 280

Grade 10: **N. Boltina** 345, **L. Hlatshaneni** 285.

M. Ngqunge 290 & **O. Osode** 290.

Grade 11: **B. Nondwayi** 310 & **R. Nohashe** 310.

OUR GIRLS

PORTFOLIO HEADS FOR 2010

Ms Hayes

We are proud to announce the portfolio heads for 2009: **Ashley Alner**, **Danielle Wiblin**, **Lelethu Ndabeni**, **Anitha Babu** and **Kuhle Mxakaza**. **Ashley** will head the publicity committee, **Lelethu** the Uniform and Hair and the functions committees, **Anitha** will run the academic support group while **Kuhle** will head up discipline.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS

CIA

Mrs Retief

On 12 August we had the Christians in Action Term Evening. We watched the much talked about movie "Fireproof". The movie focuses on the value of marriage vows. People who marry undertake to stay together in good and bad times. It becomes clear that to achieve this is no easy task and one cannot rely on emotions. To stay committed to marriage, you have to make decisions and it is hard work. The movie also makes it clear that by discovering the love of God, people are able to learn how to truly love their spouse. While the evening was cold, our hearts were warm. God loves us unconditionally, therefore we are able to love too.

SPORT MATTERS

HOCKEY

On Saturday, 8 August our girls played against Collegiate the scores where as follows
U14A Lost 0 – 5
U16A lost 0 – 5

And on Wednesday, 12 August the U14s played against Alexandria the score was 1 – 2 to Alexandria.

NETBALL

The netball girls played against Westering on Wednesday, 12 August the scores where as follows:
U14A Lost 3 – 17
U16A Won 10 – 9
U19A lost 18 – 24

OUR WIDER EDUCATION PROGRAMME

JUNIOR CITY COUNCIL

Ms Hayes

Danielle Wiblin, a grade 11 learner, has recently been elected junior mayor of the Junior City Council for Grahamstown. The council, comprising learners from many schools around town have decided on a Recycling initiative as their first project. After a visit to the dump and an introduction to the two bag system, they have decided to work on implementing this system in their schools before launching a broader campaign to encourage individuals and corporates in town to support this worthwhile initiative.

GRADE 10 OUTING

Ms Hayes

On the 6th of August the Grade 10s embarked on an adventurous journey to the Grahamstown Army Base. Once reaching their destination the girls were put through drills, obstacle courses orienteering. Later they were sent on a hike to test these skills, and were shown how to use various types of equipment used by the army.

JUST GO FOR IT!

PHOTO DAY

Photo day is on Tuesday 25 August. Girls who would like to take individual photos may do so at a cost of R65.

COMING UP

21/08 Mather Pike House Camp
22/08 10:30 OGU Matric Induction at Vicky's
25/08 Photo Day
25/08 16:00 Music Department performs for Brookshaw 300Club
26/08 14:30 Interhouse Netball
26/08 17:30 Afrikaans Beste Sprekers Kompetisie
27/08 18:00 Matric Arts Concert
28/08 Hall used by Hospice
28/08 Grade 12 Provisional Exams Begin
8:30 – 10:30 English Paper 1
12:30 – 15:30 CAT Paper 1
29/08 Gr 10 Spring Formal Social

THINKING OF...

Menzi Mkiva who's grandfather passed away.



DAILY NOTICES

BIRTHDAYS:

- **Ntombozuko Mahlaza & Bongoletu Mtshabe.**

ACADEMIC:

- Gr 12s: Damelin in PE is hosting and exam preparation week 28 Sep – 2 Oct in English, Maths, Maths Lit, Life Science, Physical Science and Accounting. Any question and names to **Mrs Retief TODAY!**
- Academic Support – revised due to Athletics program.

CO-CURRICULAR:

- The following Ruthville girls now owe R10 for the house function or half and hour of community service. See **Ms Hastie** immediately: **B. Bala, T. Gumenge, Shanice Hilpert, S. Mafane, K. Coko, V. Majija, N. Manze, N. Namba, L. Nekile, N. Quntu, T. Randall, N. Richards, N. Sixaba, L. Werner, K. Wilson & X. Yose**
- Lots of girls haven't signed up for the Athletics team, the Grade 8 – 10 must sign up.

MEETINGS:

- Magazine Committee meeting @ 2nd break in UB2.
- **Miss Mkaza's** smartie girls must meet her today at 1st break is **Miss Hayes'** classroom. (Beaded earrings)