

# ELKANAH HOUSE

## Weekly Newsletter

### Weekly Newsletter - High School

Dear Parents

16 May 2019

Uber is fast making inroads as one of the most convenient modes of transport in urban areas and an increasing number of learners are using this service. The use of Uber by minors has raised concerns amongst many schools. This entails learners being collected by Uber without any notification from parents, which poses a potential security risk.

The use of Uber by our own students seems to be relatively rare, which is good, but I would like to draw your attention to Uber's Terms and Conditions which stipulate that the service is not available to persons under the age of 18 years unless they are accompanied by an adult.

As a result of this I would like to advise you that Elkanah House will not be liable for any incidents resulting from the use of Uber by pupils who are brought to or fetched from school using this mode of transport, and I actively discourage you from using this transportation for the school run.

Should this be the only mode of transport for your child, in an emergency situation, please be advised that Uber itself advises passengers to check the following aspects before getting into the car:

- Whether the registration plate, vehicle colour and model match the information provided on the Uber App.

We have had no incidents of violence or inappropriate behaviour reported to us, but adherence to the statutory age of 18, and the advice from Uber to do the checks before getting into the car are of vital importance.

Vivienne Jones  
Head : High School



### DATES TO Diarise

**18 May**

Last Day of Sport  
Grade 10 - 12

**25 May**

Last Day of Sport  
Grade 7 - 9

**23 May - 14 June**  
Grade 10 - 12 Exams

**4 June - 14 June**  
Grade 7 - 9 Exams

**17 June**  
Public Holiday

**21 June**  
Last Day of Term  
School Ends 12pm

### Quote

"The Lord make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace."  
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## A Visit to Sophakama Primary School in Dunoon

Last Friday, our Swiss Exchange Student, Laurent Vandebroek and Grade 10 Elkanah House learner, Emily Raubenheimer, had a wonderful opportunity to visit Sophakama Primary School, an under-resourced school of 1 600 learners in the Dunoon area.

The visit was made possible by Emily's dad, Irené Raubenheimer, as his ROGZ Academy has partnered with the school principal, Sabelo Makubalo, over the past few years. We had the privilege of attending their choir practice, reading stories to a Grade 3 class as well as sitting in on a Grade 7 lesson on Prepositions.

Submitted by: Mrs Liz Broad



## FLYING HIGH

It is a well-known fact that most Geographers are high-flying (albeit well-grounded) members of society. This is especially true of two grade 11 Geography students who are both studying towards their Private Pilot Licence (PPL). Daniel Toerien and Richard Scott have already accumulated nearly half of the 45 hours required for their certification, and both have already completed their solo flight - i.e. flying completely unaccompanied by an instructor. The boys are to be congratulated on their achievements to date, and we look forward to them attaining their wings in the not-too-distant future.

Submitted by: Michael Stanton/Subject Head : Geography



Daniel Toerien



Richard Scott

## Physical Science

Senior Science students write the Harmony Gold Science Olympiad for the very first time.



## Afrikaans

Three very talented young actors from Pit Productions in Johannesburg entertained our Grade 12 Afrikaans students with the most enjoyable show, presenting the book *Hoopvol* as well as part of our poetry curriculum.

Teachers as well as Grade 12 agreed that not only was it a brilliant show, but educationally worthwhile and valuable.

Submitted by:  
Mrs Eveline Gilfillan/HOD: Afrikaans



## History

Sometimes the weather is so nice, we take the students outside.

Pictured right: Mrs Hendricks' 8Q History class involved in a rigorous debate and role play about the French Revolution.

Who says learning is not fun!

# Grade 9 Science Expo

On Tuesday evening, the Grade 9s presented their group science projects to their teachers and parents.

Thanks to Daniella Zinanni for capturing some of the group work, pictured below.



Hein Calitz & Jason Hill



Daniella Zinanni & Gabriela Jacobs



Quinn Waters & Dorian Jacobs



Kira Warren & Jessica Toms



Hudson Skinner, Stacey Greenan & Leo Karner



Gabriella Abbott & Kyra Nairn

# Sports Results

## Girls Hockey

U13 v Parow North - Won 5-0: Player of the match - Abigail Toms  
U14 v Fish Hoek High - Drew 0-0: Player of the match - Emily Haarhoff  
U16 v Fish Hoek High - Won 1-0: Player of the match - Siyanda Zazini  
1st XI v Fish Hoek High - Won 3-2: Player of the match - Erin Kroot

On Sunday 12 May our 1st XI Team competed in the WP Girls' Schools Hockey Spar Challenge. They played against Rustenburg (lost 3-0), DF Malan (lost 1-3) and Bredasdorp High (won 2-0). Justine Brink was the team's player of the tournament.

## Girls Soccer

1st XI v Fairmont High - Won 2-0: Player of the match - Leyya Lee  
U19B v Edgemean B - Lost 3-0: Player of the match - Natasha Nyoni  
U15 v Fairmont - Lost

## Boys Soccer

U14A v CBC - Drew 3-3: Player of the match - Luke Choice who scored a hatrick  
U14B v Herzlia - Lost 6-0: Player of the match - Armand van Niekerk  
U16 v Edgemean - Lost 2-1: Player of the match - Noah Kemp  
U19B v Milnerton - Lost 4-3: Player of the match - Ethan Poole

## Netball

U13A v Marconi Beam - Lost 17-9: Player of the match - Caitlin Payze

## Boys Hockey

1st XI v Tygerberg High - Won 2-1: Player of the match - Chris Dugmore

