



RHENISH NEWS

For parents & daughters

16/04/2010

From the Principal's Desk

Term 2 of 2010 has started with a bang! Everyone is rushing to get the school and arrangements in place for the National Girls' Schools' Festival of Sport and Culture which Rhenish is hosting from Friday 23 to Monday 26 April. Even if your daughter is not in one of the teams, please encourage her to come along and watch sport and culture of a national standard.

Venues for Festival: Hockey and Netball will be at Coetzenburg; Tennis at Rhenish, Bloemhof and Rhenish Primary; Squash at Coetzenburg Old Mutual courts; Orchestral Eisteddfod at Rhenish Primary; Chess, Drama and One Act Plays at RGHS, and Public Speaking and Debating also at RGHS. Please take advantage of this great opportunity to see and hear the best that girls' schools have to offer, and also to support our home team.

Rhenish Birthday Celebrations on Friday 30 April: We will be starting the day with a Birthday Assembly at 08:00, where we will light the 150 birthday candles! At 9:30, the Grand Procession (consisting of the Primary and High School learners, Parents and Old Girls) will be forming up outside of the high school in Kotze Street, in the three x 50 Year Eras - making up the 150 years. There will be a band, a horse drawn carriage, a vintage car, and an eco-friendly electrical vehicle - one for each period - apart from the marchers. We will be walking to the Braak, where we will stop for about 15 minutes for a brief ceremony, in front of the Rhenish Church and the Rhenish Institute, to honour the memory of the founders of Rhenish. Then we will move on down the main street, to the Moederkerk, where we will have what we hope will be a wonderful Thanksgiving

Service. There will be refreshments afterwards for the adults in the Hofmeyer Hall, and for the children in the Church Gardens. Everyone will then make his or her own way home or back to school.

Birthday Celebrations continue: We want all of our boys and girls and their families, from both schools, to join us on the RGHS grounds for an **evening of fun, culminating in a fireworks display at around 7:45pm to round off the great day!** Start arriving from 4:30pm & spread out your blankets, bring your own picnic or braai ingredients and drinks. We will have the braai fires going - you relax and enjoy some family time! The evening should end around 8pm, but before it gets dark, there will be a mass "75-a-side" soccer game to get everyone in the mood for the World Cup! Take part in this 150 and be part of this once-in-a-lifetime experience! You will then be able to say: "I was there!"

Endler Prestige Concert Thursday 13 May: bookings are now open for this special event. There are only a limited number of tickets available, so book early by contacting Mrs Mary Shaw (021 887 6807) at RGHS or during Breaks at the Primary School (021 883 3152)

Serious Alert! Would all Parents please take note that we have had at least one confirmed case of **Measles** among the Grade 9As. Please be warned that this now notifiable disease may have potentially serious side effects. Consider taking your child/ren to a clinic and letting them get a booster dose of the appropriate vaccine. The Health Dept is currently busy doing booster-vaccinations for all Primary school learners, but

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the high schools have to manage by notifying parents, as we are doing in this letter. Please take this notification seriously and consult your doctor or pharmacist.

Rhenish Girls' High School Open Day: Please tell friends and family who may be considering sending their daughters to Rhenish next year, of the Open Day on Tuesday 11 May from 16:00.

News of the Supermoms! Work on the school and hostel gardens and the central quad, as well as in the school buildings, is proceeding at a feverish rate, to get everything ready for the Festival and the Birthday. We are so grateful to all the Moms - and Dads even, who have been involved in so many ways in making this happen. The tennis court re-fencing is also making great progress. Thanks to parents who are contributing to this process - I trust that you are happy with what you are seeing! Thank you too to those of you who have made donations towards all of this work - whether in terms of money, time, goods or work - we are so grateful! Please come in and see where you can help, if you have not already become involved. ♦ *Columbine Commaille*

*CONGRATULATIONS TO
Isabella Kuijers for winning the prize
For BEST DESIGN of the logo we then
chose for the Girls Festival!*



CIVVIES WEEK

Monday 19th to Friday 23rd will be a 'Civvies week' at Rhenish.

Pupils may buy a R30 pass for the week or a R10 day pass for each day that they wear civvies.

This is an opportunity to don the last of your summer favourites or show off your new winter wardrobe.

All funds raised are for the 2010 Matric Dance

REQUEST FROM OUR PTA

Your **Assistance is required - PLEASE - FOR THE GIRLS' FESTIVAL WEEKEND** Friday 23 April - Monday 26 April

We will be using this golden opportunity to raise funds for Rhenish - in particular for the purchase of a school bakkie. Could you assist with:

- Cupcakes, Brownies etc - in sealed packaging, e.g. purchase from a supermarket
- Nice packets of biscuits
- Long life milk
- Tea and Coffee (Nescafe)
- Sugar

Please deliver to School Reception on Friday 23rd of April.

- An hour of your time to assist with the serving of Tea or helping in the Tuck Shop.
Saturday 24th 8am to 5pm
Sunday 25th 8am to 5pm
Monday 26th 8am to 12:30pm

Please advise Karen Halvorsen (Gr 12) should you be available. Karen's email is karen_halvorsen@yahoo.com

There are really only three types of people in this world:

Those who make things happen....
Those who watch things happen....
And those that say: "WHAT HAPPENED" !

Which one shall we choose to be ???