



END OF TERM NEWSLETTER – MICHAELMAS 2014

FROM: THE RECTOR

Thursday 4th December 2014

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I write to you at the end of an era – John Greenacre retires at the end of this term after a lifetime of service at Peterhouse. I quote from my Speech Day address:

John Greenacre also officially departs at the end of this term as he reaches his 80th birthday. John has been here since January 1959 and thus he leaves after 56 years of unbroken service – surely he is the longest ever serving school master anywhere in the world. He has at various times been an A Level Mathematics teacher, Housemaster of Paget (1966 to December 1977), Housemaster of Grinham (1990 to 1994), Senior Master (1977 to 2002) and Acting Rector during Lent 1994. He has coached tennis, squash and cricket; he ran both the bridge and chess clubs for nearly 40 years (1962 to the early 2000s), he participated in numerous Kalahari expeditions and trips to the Chimanimani, he has run the pupils' bank since 1979 and in semi-retirement he has looked after our Archives and has been Petrean Secretary. The stats are mind-boggling; John has served under all 6 Rectors, he has completed 168 terms, he must have taught something like 50,000 lessons and spent the equivalent of a whole year in the chapel but surely the record which gives him most satisfaction is the time it took him to travel from the Peterhouse pyramids to Coronation Park, Harare way back in the early 1960s – 25 minutes in an E Type Jag! John, on an occasion like this I can only scratch the surface. There will surely never be anyone who will come near to your longevity of service; what you have achieved is quite simply incomparable. We will be saying farewell to John at a formal dinner at the end of term and I am delighted to add that even in full retirement John will continue to live on site and be part of the community he has served so well. I give you the Peterhouse legend that is John Greenacre.

As I write preparations are in hand for John's Farewell Dinner when family, friends and colleagues past and present will gather to celebrate John's remarkable service to Peterhouse. I wish him well in his retirement.

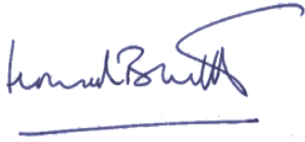
I am very pleased to be able to report that work on Paget is reaching its conclusion and I anticipate that the Paget boys will be able to return to their House at the start of the Lent term 2015. The quality of the refurbished accommodation will be first class – excellent furniture, spacious studies and living spaces and separate ablution areas for the various year groups; I'm sure that parents and pupils will be very impressed with what they see.

Work on Grinham will begin at the start of next term and, all being well, will be completed by the start of the Trinity term. Malvern is due to be refurbished during the Trinity term.

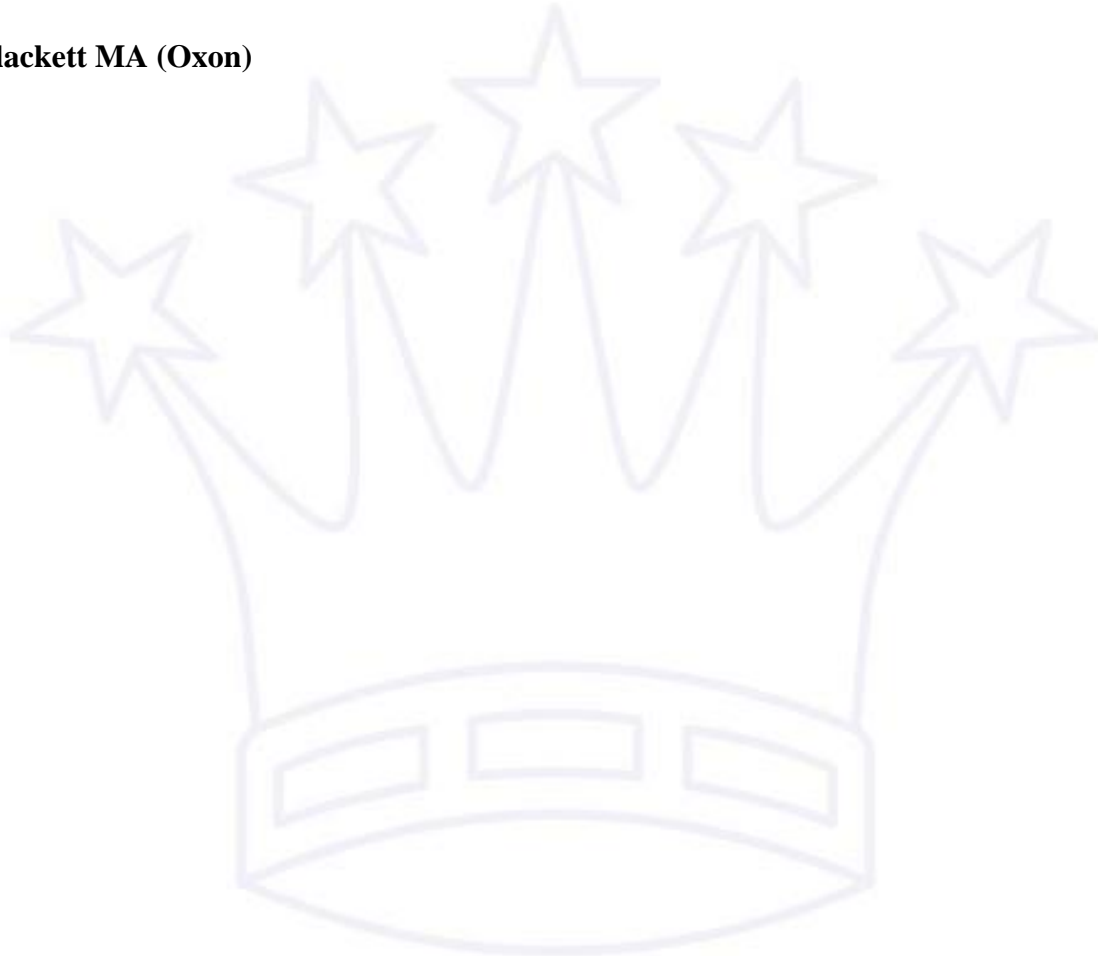
This term has been very much about public (IGCSE, AS and A level) and internal examinations. Andy Griggs our Director of Studies and his deputy Lenard Mudiwa have once again ensured that our exam season has been efficiently and effectively run – many thanks to them.

I wish you all a very pleasant Christmas break and look forward to seeing you and your sons in the New Year.

Yours faithfully,



Howard Blckett MA (Oxon)
Rector



FROM: THE BUSINESS DIRECTOR

Dear Parents & Guardians

Firstly may I wish you a very happy and safe holiday with your children, a Merry Xmas and may 2015 exceed your expectations.

The Peterhouse accounts department will be open until midday on Friday the 19th December reopening on Monday the 5th January. Parents are encouraged, where possible, to make arrangements with regards to next terms fees before we close as time is very limited to attend to parents of 1,150 children in the week before they return to school. Please ensure when making your school fee payments, that you pay the balance on your child's statement ([which may include a carry-over from 2014](#)) which will be emailed to you next week, and that you quote your child's name as the reference when making your deposit. Please email your deposit through to the respective member of the Accounts Department below, so that they may identify your payment and issue your Fee Clearance Letter. Fee Clearance Letters will only be emailed out during the first week of January:

Proof of payments made into CABS, need to be emailed to Peggy Morgan
(debtors@peterhouse.co.zw)

Proof of payments made into Barclays, need to be emailed to Juliette Kwesha
(debtors2@peterhouse.co.zw)

We urge all parents who wish to avail themselves of the CABS or Credfin Payment Plan Schemes to make communications with them as soon as possible in order to get the paperwork processed, well ahead of next term. Their respective contact details are as follows:

Cabs School Card - Munyaradzi Mushangazhike
(MunyaradziM@cabs.co.zw) Tel: [+263 4 883823](tel:+2634883823) - 50 ext 1220
Credfin - Bev Craven (bc@credfin.org) Tel : 442737, 442901, 481003, 495545

There will be a representative at CABS Northridge Park from 9am to 3pm on Thursday the 8th January.

Kind regards,



Mark Whitaker

POINTS OF INTEREST

1. ACADEMIC

1.1 Interhouse Results

6 th	Ellis
5 th	Snell
4 th	Malvern
3 rd	Grinham
2 nd	Founders
1 st	Paget

- 1.2** The results of the Cambridge IGCSE, AS and A level examinations will be released on Wednesday 21st January at 10.00am. Candidates will be able to access their results on-line, and to this end I will be e-mailing details of the web site, user name and password soon after the start of next term to this year's A Block and 6th Form parents. Pupils in 5th form this year will be given a hard copy of the information when they return to School in January.

1.3 Start of Lent Term 2015

Please note that we expect all pupils to return on the first day of next term, including those awaiting IGCSE Results.

2. CULTURAL

1.1 Results

Interhouse Results

6 th	Founders
5 th	Ellis
4 th	Snell
3 rd	Paget
2 nd	Grinham
1 st	Malvern

Chess vs Hillcrest
Peterhouse Won 4-3

Quiz	Interhouse Quiz	
	1 st	Founders 62
	2 nd	Paget 58
	3 rd	Malvern 51
	4 th	Ellis 48
	5 th	Snell 44
	6 th	Grinham 33

2. SPORT

2.1 Results

Interhouse Results

6 th	Founders
5 th	Grinham
4 th	Paget
3 rd	Malvern
2 nd	Snell
1 st	Ellis

Archery Peterhouse has had a very successful conclusion to our Archery endeavours in 2015. Peterhouse won the final inter schools competition at Hellenic (We have been unbeaten this year)

Peterhouse A won the gold medal for the best senior team for entire competition
Peterhouse B won the bronze medal.

Best Senior Combined Score for the year: Brendan Eggersglusz.

Many thanks to Graham Ross who is a constant support and inspiration to the Teams.

Basketball U14 Basketball Results

Group Stage	vs	St Johns College	won 20-11
	vs	St Johns High	won 22-13
Semis	vs	Gateway	won 31-4
Final	vs	Churchill	won 23-20

Tournament @ Hillcrest

Group Stage			
vs St Georges	lost	19-20	
vs Watershed	won	33-25	
vs Gateway	won	30-18	

Semis			
vs Falcon	won	32-20	

Final			
vs St Johns	lost	26-36	

Certificate for Most Valuable Player (Peterhouse) Takura Moyo
Most Valuable Player Shield (Tournament) Tadiwanashe Dzvimbo
Peterhouse were Runner –Ups for the tournament

Cricket Peterhouse Staff/Boys v Hwedza Alistair Travers Memorial match (40 overs)

Played at Peterhouse 30 Nov 2014

Peterhouse won by 1 wicket with 3 balls to spare!

Hwedza made 156 all out

Peterhouse 160 for 9 (Carl Robinson 38 not out)

Rowing Chisi Ragatta @ Mazowe

Category		Position	Crew
A			
1x	Single	7	Dane van Duren
B			
1x	Single	5	Dane van Duren
C			
4x	Quad	1	Kenneth Raynor
2x	Double	1	Kenneth Raynor
		3	Rindai Machokoto
D			
4x	Quad	2	David Rogers
2x	Double	1	David Rogers
		4	Timothy Matasva

Triathlon Boys 14-15 Quarter Distance

Brett Elliott 2nd
Oliver Philp 3rd
Michael Benade 5th
Callum Waterfall 6th

Boys 16-17 Half Distance

Gideon Benade 1st
Rupert Anschutz 2nd
Bruce Benade 4th
Hugo Philp 7th

Boys 18-19 Standard Distance

Clemens Anschutz 1st

Full colours awarded to Clemens Anschutz.

Volleyball

vs St George's
U14 won 2-0
1st won 3-0

3. MISCELLANEOUS

3.1 Tree Planting

Some D block boys planted about 300 indigenous trees on Saturday in Calderwood Park- lets hope that it will rain and give them a good start.

We have an on-going program to rehabilitate areas in the park by planting indigenous trees and removing exotics and in time we plan to return the area to its natural state.

3.2 The Peterhouse Boys D Block Play For 2014

The performance of “The Emperor’s New Clothes”, written by Hans Christian Andersen and ably directed by Mr Edson Chivandikwa, was a great success. The play was presented on Saturday 29th November 2014 at 7 p.m. The audience, who included members of the Borradaile Trust, appreciated the dramatic appeal of this farce and the efforts of the boys who learnt so many words.



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Link to the SVH Newsletter: <http://www.springvalehouse.co.zw/downloads/section/3-newsletter.html>