Dear Parents/Guardians

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We have come to the end of a long, hot and very busy term and it is difficult to believe that 12 weeks have rolled by. Nonetheless, I think that we have had a very good term - the contents of Circulars 1 - 5 attest to this and I would like to thank all those staff, students and parents who have contributed to it being such a good term.

1. STAFF
We sadly bid farewell to Mr Brooks today. He has decided to return to the corporate world after 10 years in education. Mr Brooks has been an invaluable member of staff, both inside and outside the classroom, and we have benefited enormously from his presence here. Quite apart from teaching Mathematics and Information Technology, Mr Brooks has been a passionate coach of a number of sports, including cricket, rugby and soccer, and he has been a critical member of the IT support staff as we have embraced e-learning over the last few years.

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If it is to be it is up to me!
There are many things that we will miss about Mr Brooks - amongst these are his passion for all that he does, his helpfulness (he will always go out of his way to assist at all hours of the day and night!), his ability to deal with a multitude of IT related queries and issues (his programming experience has been invaluable here) and his cheerful, engaging and outgoing personality. We thank Mr Brooks for his extensive contribution to Hillcrest High and wish him well in his next career.

Also leaving us today are Mr van Rensburg, who has been locum tenens for Mrs Gordon whilst she has been on accouchement leave, and Mrs Marais, who has resigned after just a short time here due to a change in her personal circumstances. We thank them both for their contribution to the school in the short time they have been here.

In other staff news, Miss Cousins is getting married tomorrow. We hope she will have a wonderful wedding day and we wish her and her husband - to - be much happiness in their married life together.

2. REPORTS
Enclosed with this circular is a copy of your child’s first term report. It will give you a very good idea of how your child has started the 2017 academic year. Please remember that the marks on this report are calculated from control tests, class tests and assignments only.

I would like to congratulate:

(a) the students who have come first in each registration class:

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12R  HANNAH  URFOLD  
12W  ASHLEY  FOX  

(b)  our top students in place order:

GRADE 8
DYLAN SUTTON, ANOUK KLIJNSTRA, TARYN BODDY, JESSICA VAN LAAR,  
SIPHOKAZI DLAMINI, ALLYSSA PETRONIO, RUTH BROODRYK,  
JORDAN KNOX-WHITEHEAD, TORA KEATING, JESSICA ILG

GRADE 9
TYLA DE WAAL, PIA-JAIDE KURTEN, EMMA HODGSON, KIARA BARTHOLOMEW,  
DANA MURPHY, QINISO DLAMINI, WARREN SEARLE, KAE LIN ROGGE,  
SAYITHA JUGDAW, MORGAN PAYNE

GRADE 10
ROSS BLACKBEARD, JYOTHISHNA JUGDAW, AYLAL NUTTALL,  
DANI JANSSEN VAN RENSBURG, HANRU JANSSEN VAN RENSBURG, ALEX LOUTER  
SHIVONNE LLOYD, TIARA MOODLEY, ALISON HEPPLESTONE, MEGHAN COOPER

GRADE 11
LAURIE AUCAMP, MANDY PITCHERS, BIANCA JAGLAL, NATALIE FORTMANN,  
MICHAELA SOLOMON, NOMPOLO KHOZA, COURTNEY LEWIS, JOANNA SPRIGHTON,  
ALEXANDRA PRETORIUS, ALEX KUSEL

GRADE 12
ASHLEY FOX, MANDIE MARAIS, HANNAH URFOLD, MUVHUSI MMBARA,  
TIMON DE WAAL, MICHAELA NAIDOO, CHANAN ROUILLON, KEAGON CHAVOOS,  
BRUCE HOLLINGTON, KAYLA TIMM

A reminder, finally, that our parent information evenings will take place as follows:  
Grade 8 4 MAY  17h00 - 19h00  
Grade 9 11 MAY  17h00 - 19h00  
Grade 10 – 12 3 AUGUST  17h30 – 20h00  
In all cases the venue will be the school hall.

We will be following up on those students who have not performed well this term early in the new term. These students, and their parents, will be called to an interview at which intervention strategies will be discussed. This will hopefully prevent a repeat of the poor performance at the end of next term.
3. AWARDS
We presented awards in our final assembly this morning to those of our students who have excelled in the various extra-mural activities that we have offered this term. These extra-mural activities would not take place without staff involvement and so I thank all the coaches and ancillary personnel (e.g. catering staff) who have been involved in them.

The following received awards:

**CULTURAL**
**PUBLIC SPEAKING**
TIC : MRS R. JORDAAN
TIMON DE WAAL FULL COLOURS
MANDIE MARAIS FULL COLOURS

**GOSPEL CHOIR**
TIC : MS M. MBANJWA
PHETHILE KHUMALO HALF COLOURS

**SERVICE**
**ENTREPRENEURIAL TEAM**
TIC : MS E. BURGER
DAMON KNOX-WHITEHEAD HONOURS
MPILO VILAKAZI HONOURS
CHRISTOPHER KESSLER HALF COLOURS
TEAG THERON MERIT

**SPORT**
**ATHLETICS**
TIC : MR SURGESON
COACH : MR MUNDELL
ZWEIHLE NTULI HALF COLOURS
TEAG THERON HALF COLOURS
TORA KEATING MERIT
JASON SMITH MERIT
NTANDO XABA MERIT

**CRICKET**
TIC : MR WINDSOR
COACHES : MR BROOKS & MR GETHING (1st), MR KLEWINGHAUS (2nd), MR MOFFATT (U15), MR MADELEY & MR HEIM (U14)
DAMON KNOX-WHITEHEAD HALF COLOURS
JOSHUA MORCK HALF COLOURS
CONNOR STEEDMAN HALF COLOURS
JOSHUA STROEBEL HALF COLOURS - RE-AWARD
KYLE BUICK MERIT
CRAIG DOWDALL MERIT
ZITHA MLONYENI MERIT
RONAN WHITE MERIT
CALEM WILLIAMS MERIT
KALOZO TSOAELI MERIT
GIRLS INDOOR HOCKEY
TIC & COACH : MR WINDSOR (1st)
COACHES : MS SMITH (2nd), MR SURGEON & MS DAVISON (U16), MS WOOD (U14)
MBALI MBANJIWA HALF COLOURS
MICHAELA SOLOMON HALF COLOURS
JESSICA STEYN HALF COLOURS
TALLYN TREGEAR HALF COLOURS
HLENGIWE ZONDI HALF COLOURS
BRITTANY-LEE MCCALUM HALF COLOURS - RE-AWARD
SKYE COURTENAY MERIT
NATALIE FORTMANN MERIT
GEMMA LOCHNER MERIT
MELANIE VON ALBACH MERIT
STACY WINFIELD MERIT
TALLYN TREGEAR PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT

RUGBY
TIC & COACH : MR NOBLE (1st & 2nd)
KEEGAN JANSEN VAN RENSBURG PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT
LINAMKELE MCWABENI PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT
CALVIN POTGIETER PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT

TOUCH RUGBY
TIC & COACH : MS DAVISON (1st & 2nd)
COACHES : MR STEEL (3rd), MS EMMS (4th)
ALEXANDRA GIBSON HALF COLOURS RE-AWARD
KATELYNE ILG HALF COLOURS RE-AWARD
JENNIFER LENZ HALF COLOURS RE-AWARD
HLENGIWE ZONDI HALF COLOURS RE-AWARD
NIKITHA GOVENDER MERIT
AYLA NUTTALL MERIT
AMBER MURPHY MERIT
CHANAN ROUILLON PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT

SOFTBALL
TIC : MR STEEL
EVELYN BISSETT JUNIOR COLOURS
HANNAH CARNEY JUNIOR COLOURS
MEGAN LAVENDER JUNIOR COLOURS
CASSITA MCCALUM JUNIOR COLOURS
KAYLEIGH WADE JUNIOR COLOURS
BRITTANY-LEE MCCALUM FULL COLOURS RE-AWARD
SHANNON O'HALLORAN FULL COLOURS RE-AWARD
MELANIE VON ALBACH HALF COLOURS
SHANNON O'HALLORAN PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT
SWIMMING
TIC: MRS MOODLEY
COACHES: MR SURGESON, MRS MARTINSON, MR FARQUHAR

BRETT MANNING HONOURS
ANDREW KESSLER FULL COLOURS
MATTHEW UGLIETTI FULL COLOURS
RHYS DEDLOW FULL COLOURS RE-AWARD
CHRISTOPHER KESSLER FULL COLOURS RE-AWARD
DEMI BENADE HALF COLOURS
ROBERT FARMER HALF COLOURS
TANITH LOADER HALF COLOURS
CHANET PRETORIUS HALF COLOURS
TALLYN TREGEAR HALF COLOURS
DANIELLE VAN SCHALKWYK HALF COLOURS
MARTINE HALL HALF COLOURS RE-AWARD
COURTNEY LEWIS HALF COLOURS RE-AWARD
BRANDON NEL HALF COLOURS - RE-AWARD
CHRISTIAN OBERHOLZER HALF COLOURS - RE-AWARD
MANDY PITCHERS HALF COLOURS RE-AWARD
DANICA RUDD HALF COLOURS - RE-AWARD
JOANNA SPRIGHTON HALF COLOURS RE-AWARD
KAELIN ROGGE JUNIOR COLOURS RE-AWARD
CIARA BUTT MERIT
JAMES GELDART MERIT
CHARLES HALL MERIT
TIANA HOLLAND MERIT
MIGUEL SCHEEPERS MERIT
JEREMY STOPS MERIT
BELINDA HENNING MERIT RE-AWARD
DANIEL SALOMON MERIT RE-AWARD

Congratulations to you all once again!

4. ACHIEVERS

4.1 ACADEMICS
We have performed extremely well in two academic public speaking competitions.

4.1.1 EG JANSEN REDENAARSKOMPETISIE
You will recall that our senior team of Mandie Marais and Timon de Waal had advanced to the finals of this prestigious Afrikaans public speaking competition. The finals were held two weeks ago and our team emerged as the winners. This is a really outstanding achievement and I am enormously proud of Mandie and Timon. I think I am correct in saying that we are the first English - medium school to win this competition in the 50 - odd years that it has been running. The trophy is now proudly displayed in the main foyer.
4.1.2 ROTARY - DAILY NEWS TEAM SPEAKING COMPETITION
Our team of Teag Theron, Jamie Fourie and Joanna Sprighton spoke in the semi-finals of this competition at Danville Girls High two weeks ago. The team spoke superbly, earning accolades from the judges for the mature and balanced way in which they had approached their topic, Rape Culture, How do we Change a Mindset?

Competition was, of course, tough and we knew the result was close by the length of time the judges took to come to a decision. We were disappointed not to win (of course, I felt we should have been the winners!) but knew that we had lost narrowly to South City Christian College who were declared winners. Mrs Atkinson subsequently queried a decision about timing (the rules governing the lengths of each speech are very strict) and we heard yesterday that we had now gone through to the finals that will be held at Howard College Theatre on 25 April. Another excellent achievement. We extend best wishes to our team as they go forward to the final round.

Other notable academic achievements have been:

4.1.3 MATHEMATICS OLYMPIAD
A large number of students participated in the first round of this year’s Old Mutual Mathematics Olympiad and I am delighted that 55 have advanced to round two. I would like to congratulate all these students, but must make particular mention of Jordan Knox - Whitehead who scored 100% in round one, a first at Hillcrest High!

The other students who have advanced are:

LAURIE AUCAMP
ROSS BLACKBEARD
JOSHUA CAMERON
KEAGON CHAVOOS
BRADLEY COOPER
LIAM CORTON
DIEGO DE ALMEIDA
KYRA DE BEER
JESSICA DEMPERS
QINISO DLAMINI
REECE FULLER
ASHLEY FOX
GEORGIA GIFFORD
CARMEN GOODWIN
GEORGE GAUSTELLA
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JESSIE MCFARLANE
ADAM MENNE

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SHREYA MOODLEY
GRANT MULLER
JULIA MUNDELL
DANA MURPHY
VACHARIYA NAIDOO
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JENNA ROSSNERODE
JOCELYN ROUILLON
MATTHEW SAULEZ
WARREN SEARLE
CHANE STRYDOM
HANNAH UFPOLD
JESSICA VAN LAAR
MEGAN VAN NIEKERK
4.1.4 SCHOOL ENTERPRISE CHALLENGE 2016
We have recently heard that Mpilo Vilakazi (Grade 11) was runner-up in the category “most enterprising student” in this global competition. There were more than 5000 entries. Mpilo won a camera valued at $250. An outstanding achievement. Well done!

4.2 SPORT
(a) A number of additional students have been selected for KZN U15 badminton teams viz. Bethany Lowry-Niemandt (Grade 8 - U15A), Taryn Boddy (Grade 8 - U15A) and Weney Foulkes (Grade 9 - U15A)
(b) Brett Manning (Grade 11) swam in the SSA Level 3 championships last weekend earning two gold, two silver and two bronze medals
(c) Joshua Morck (Grade 12) has been selected for the PADSSA U18B boys hockey team - he will participate in the KZN trials in May
(d) Hlengiwe Zondi, Mbali Mbanjwa (U18A), Jessica Steyn (U18B), Stacy Winfield (non-travelling reserve), Tallyn Tregear (U16A) and Kelly Kilgour (U16B) have been selected for PADSSA girls hockey teams
(e) A number of students have been selected for representative action netball teams viz. Candice Schroeder (KZN Midlands U23 and KZN Midlands U16 mixed team), Ayla Nuttall (KZN Midlands U16 and SA U16B), Alexia Tarr (KZN Midlands U23), Siphokazi Khuboni (KZN Coastal U15, SA U15), Nonjabulo Ndlovu (KZN Midlands U15), Amber Murphy (KZN Midlands U16 mixed team), Buhlebethu Kubheka (KZN Coastal U14) and Smphiwe Mhlanga (KZN Coastal U14)
(f) Sydney Verster (Grade 9) took part in the SA Artistic Roller-skating Championships in Hammanskraal recently and placed 4th overall

4.3 OTHER ACTIVITIES
(a) Dani Jansen van Rensburg (Grade 9) spearheaded the drawing of a mural last year and entered it into the Global Youth Mural Contest run by People to People International with the theme “Building Bridges”; as a result, our PTPI chapter has received a certificate of achievement for “outstanding and creative work”.
(b) Catherine Graham (Grade 8), attended a Patrol Leaders Training course as a member of the 1st Pinetown Guide Troop recently. There were 32 participants on the course and Catherine was the only member of her troop who participated.

4.4 HONESTY
Jack Roberts (Grade 9) handed in money that he had picked up

It is, once again, a great pleasure to be able to congratulate so many of you on your achievements.

5. INTER – HOUSE ACTIVITIES
There have been no inter-house sporting activities this term. However, points have been awarded to houses based on the ACADEMIC performance of pupils in the houses this term. Based on these calculations, the points position at the end of the first term is as follows:

- Hawkins: 8 Points
- Talbot: 6 Points
- Garrett: 4 Points
- Delport: 2 Points
6. HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES
Mandy Pitchers, Alex Louter and Georgia Gifford flew to Germany on Wednesday as part of our exchange programme with Lennestadt Gymnasium. They will return to school on 18 April.

Our 1st boys and girls hockey, netball and rugby teams are travelling to Johannesburg today to participate in the annual Easter Festival being hosted by Hyde Park High. We wish them well in this tournament. I attach the fixtures for our teams as Annexure A.

Our U15 netball team travel to the University of the North West at Potchefstroom next Monday to participate in the annual netball training course that we have found to be so valuable over the last few years.

My thanks to the staff who will be accompanying these teams on their local tours viz.
Mr Windsor, Mr Noble, Mr Magubane, Mr Surgeson, Ms Fourie and Ms Davison (Easter Festival)
Mr Summerton and Ms Couch (North West University)

7. FINAL COMMENTS
(a) A reminder that BLAZERS ARE A COMPULSORY PART OF THE SCHOOL UNIFORM FROM 1 MAY - all students should, by now, have a blazer
(b) BOYS need to have A DECENT HAIRCUT this holiday so that their hair will conform to school regulations for the whole of next term.

I trust that all our staff and students will enjoy a relaxing break and that the Christian members of our school community will have a very happy and blessed Easter.

Yours faithfully

C.M. GIRVIN
HEADMASTER

THE JOYFUL EASTER-TIDE

1. This joyful Easter-tide,
   Away with care and sorrow!
   My Love, the Crucified,
   Hath sprung to life this morrow.

2. Had Christ, that once was slain,
   Ne’er burst His three day prison,
   Our faith had been in vain;
   But now hath Christ arisen,
   Arisen, arisen, arisen!

3. My flesh in hope shall rest,
   And for a season slumber;
   Till trump from east to west,
   Shall wake the dead in number.

4. Death’s flood hath lost his chill,
   Since Jesus crossed the river:
   Lover of souls, from ill
   My passing soul deliver.
ANNEXURE A

EASTER SPORT FESTIVAL 2017

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