



FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents

I was proud and privileged to have been able to officiate and support the two Grade 9 Public Speaking dinners held last week.

Unlike many other schools which offer Public Speaking as an extramural to a select few, at Reddam House Umhlanga Public Speaking is offered as a compulsory subject to all students in Grades 5 to 9 thus every student is trained in the skill of being able to speak in public. The Grade 9 Public Speaking curriculum culminates in a dinner to which Grade 9 parents and staff are invited annually. The Grade 9 students took full advantage of the opportunity to show off their Public Speaking skills in their delivery of a variety of prepared and impromptu speeches. I was proud of how they rose to the challenge and conquered their fears.

Public Speaking skills form just one component of our broader curriculum in which we aim to develop confident and self-assured young adults who are equipped with global competencies to take on the challenges of a complex 21st century world. Globally competent students are aware, curious and interested in learning about the world and how it works. However, in addition, they are also able to effectively communicate both verbally and non-verbally with diverse audiences.

I am excited to announce that an additional period entitled 'Global Competency' has been added to the Grade 8 and 9 timetable next year in which we will be deliberately teaching other skills associated with 21st century learning, namely:

research skills to allow our students to access inquiry-based learning using multimedia literacies; thinking skills to empower our students to access critical, creative and lateral thinking; social skills to learn the values of mutual respect, tolerance and acceptance and personal skills of tenacity and adopting a Growth Mindset. In addition Coding has been added to the Elective choice of subjects in Grade 8.

As I sit here waiting to speak, my heart is pounding and my body is weak.

I feel the sweat building under my arms, slowly filling my shoes and dripping from my palms.

I am scared, I am nervous; I am worried I will fail, in front of all of these people who are waiting for me to unveil my speech.

Public speaking is hard, it is my greatest fear, especially when I choke up, mumble and my speech is not clear.

I have tried breathing and meditation to calm my mind, along with therapy and supplements in the hope to find, a cure for public speaking phobia that has me entwined in a bind.

As I stand and deliver this speech to my peers, I catch a glimpse of my teacher which helps settle my fears.

One word, two words, three words, four, my speech has begun and my confidence soars.

My teachers nods and confirms that I am doing fine, which further calms my nerves and settles my mind.

I am now near the end with only a few words left to say, when my class stand to their feet, clap and yell 'Way to go Tay'.

My teacher smiles as he says 'Tay you have done us proud because you have overcome your fear today of speaking in front of a crowd.'

I am glad that it is over and I was able to complete my speech, develop inner strength and confidence which at times has been hard to reach.

As I take this strength and confidence into my next public speaking test, I can finally lay the anxiety, and fear experienced with public speaking to rest.

A poem written and read out at the Grade 9 Public Speaking Dinner by Taina Meekers

The Grades 8 to 11 continue to tackle the demands of their end-of-year examinations whilst plans are feverishly underway in preparation for the exciting end-of-year Lazer Show and Sunset Proms as well as various gift-giving and community service initiatives. I encourage all members of the Reddam House Umhlanga family to give their support to these endeavours.

ADAM ROGERS
HEADMASTER

GENERAL NEWS & INFORMATION

Annual Administration Review

The Annual Administration Review for 2019 will take place from 19 – 26 November 2018 (inclusive). Parents need not come in personally to complete the Administration process, providing that all of the necessary forms received in the registration pack are completed and returned to the school before 26 November 2018. Parents are welcome to arrive at the administration block at any time between 07h30 and 15h30, Monday to Friday, where staff will be available to assist in the completion of the Administration Review process. If parents are unable to complete and return the necessary documentation during the allocated period, they should please advise the Bursar's office via email (carol.craig@reddam.house) so that an alternative arrangement can be made.

My School Card

We encourage parents to please remember to swipe your My School card when shopping at any of the affiliated stores. These stores include Woolworths, Walton's, Engen, Flight Centre and Loot. The full list of affiliated partners can be found on the My School website.

<http://www.myschool.co.za/partners/partner-profiles> A portion of your spend is given back to the school and these funds will be utilised towards the beautification of our school grounds as well as the purchase of books for the library. Should you not have a card, application forms will be sent out during the Administrative Review week.



Uniform Shop Opening Times

The Uniform Shop is located in the Creative & Performing Arts Centre. Trading hours during the term are Monday to Friday 07h00 – 09h00 and Monday to Thursday 12h30 – 14h30.

For your convenience, the Uniform Shop will be open during the holidays as follows:

Thursday 06 December 2018	7am – 10am (School closes)
Friday 07 December 2018	8am – 10am
Saturday 08 December 2018	8am – 10am
Monday 10 December 2018 – Thursday 13 December 2018	8am – 10am

UNIFORM SHOP CLOSED FROM 14 DECEMBER 2018 – 01 JANUARY 2019 (both days inclusive)

Wednesday 2 January 2019	9am – 2pm
Thursday 3 January 2019	9am – 2pm
Friday 4 January 2019	8am – 10am
Saturday 5 January 2019 – Thursday 10 January 2019	9am – 12pm
Friday 11 January 2019	8am – 10am
Saturday 12 January 2019	9am – 12pm
Sunday 13 January 2019	9am – 12pm
Monday 14 January 2019	8am – 3pm
Tuesday 15 January 2019	8am – 3pm
Wednesday 16 January 2019	7am – 9am (School re-opens. Normal trading hours resume)

*As an added convenience, families who are new to the school are welcome to email: sales@unirite.co.za or call 082 – 888 1810 / 076 – 070 0667 to set up an appointment any day before 14 December 2018 for a personal fitting.

Regrettably, NO appointments are scheduled during January 2019.

From The Heart – Christmas Hamper for the Support Staff

Each year end we put together a Christmas hamper for the support staff, ground staff, cleaning staff and security staff who work at Reddam House Umhlanga, to show our appreciation for the wonderful work that they do throughout the year. In total we have 13 support staff, 13 ground/ maintenance staff, 13 cleaning staff and 13 security staff which makes a total of 52 staff members.

Each College student is asked to bring a specific item or two at a collective cost of approximately R70 as follows:

Grade 8R (Ribbonaar)	800g Peanut Butter and Marie Biscuits
Grade 8M (Edwards)	2,5kg Samp and 2,5kg Flour
Grade 8H (Miller)	2,5kg Samp and 2,5kg Flour
Grade 9R (van Wyk)	5kg Sugar
Grade 9M (Beach)	1 litre Custard and 900g Jam
Grade 10R (Edgar)	200g Bakers Biscuits and 200g Romany Creams
Grade 10M (Kriel)	2,5kg Samp and 2,5kg Flour
Grade 11R (Lailvaux)	5kg Maize Meal and 1kg Morvite Porridge
Grade 11M (Skinner)	250g Coffee and Tea bags (100)

Students are to please hand the above items to College Reception by Monday, 26 November.

Lazer Show

All Reddam House Umhlanga parents, students, members of their family and friends are invited to join us for the annual Lazer Show which takes place on the College field on Wednesday 5 December. Bring your chairs, a picnic blanket and your picnic and join us for sundowners from 5pm. The Lazer Show will commence at 7pm. Entrance is free and students may wear "civvies."

Notice from the Library

Mrs Robinson, our Librarian, is anxious to start stock taking in the library but there are still a large number of books outstanding. This is despite several reminders to students to return their books. Please encourage your children to return their books to the library. Please note that books not returned by Monday 19 November will be charged to parents' school accounts.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Arrangements for the Last Week of School

Parents and students are reminded of the compulsory activities in the final week of the term:

Wednesday 28 November	Grade 8 – 11 examinations end
Thursday 29 November	Hand back of examinations and checking of marks. Although teachers will review content in Grade 10 and 11 as this will impact on their academic success the following year, in Grade 8 and 9 it is still important for students to receive feedback on the examinations and - more importantly - carefully check through their examinations for any errors which might have occurred. School ends at 13:00.
Friday 30 November	Hand back of examinations and checking of marks. School ends at 13:00.
Monday 3 December	LO Island Day. A doctor's certificate must be produced to support a student's absence. As part of the Life Orientation syllabus, students are required to complete a minimum of four certificate tasks by the start of their Matric year. This must be made up of a minimum of 10 hours community service and 3 tasks which have developed the life skills of the students. This compulsory school day will be used to expose our students to various community service activities as well as life skills courses such as basic mechanics, First Aid; Life Saving to name a few. School ends at 13:00 18:00 Sunset Proms Concert in the Muir Auditorium. Students attending must wear "step outs."

Tuesday 4 December LO Island Day: community service and life skills programme. A doctor's certificate must be produced to support a student's absence. School ends at 13:00.

Wednesday 5 December LO Island Day: community service and life skills programme. A doctor's certificate must be produced to support a student's absence. Students need NOT wear "step outs." School ends at 13:00.

17:00 Lazer Show on the College field. Students may wear "civvies."

Thursday 6 December Our Grade 8 to 11 Academic Prize-giving will take place at 08:30am in the Mini Theatre. ALL students are to wear "step outs." Parents of prizewinners will be notified beforehand by email. Tea for parents will be served at 08:00. School will end at approximately 10am. Reports will be issued shortly thereafter.

BOARDING

Our new Reddam Girls' Res is nearing completion and will provide en-suite accommodation to 15 girls in Grades 7 to 12.

We look forward to welcoming our first boy and girl boarders in Grades 7 to 11 into our boutique-style Reddam Res from January 2019. For more information please contact hadyn.skinner@reddam.house

REDDAM HOUSE UMHLANGA

TERMLY AND WEEKLY BOARDING | FOR GIRLS AND BOYS FROM GRADE 7

Boarding AT REDDAM RES

The benefits of boarding school, both for the academic performance and the personal growth of students, are widely recognised. Boarding encourages independence and provides a structured environment where students receive round-the-clock academic support and access to sporting and cultural facilities. We are very proud to offer this wonderful facility that both nurtures and inspires our students and creates a family environment for them away from home.



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CULTURAL INFORMATION

Sunset Proms

The annual Sunset Proms concert will take place on Monday 3 December at 18:00 in the Muir Auditorium.

Featuring music both old and new, this spectacular event will see performances from our youngest, to most seasoned musicians. Bands, choirs and orchestras from across the schools will all take to the stage in a feel –good celebration that only music can provide.



Demi De Charmoy, Brogan Rolfe, Macayla Oaks

Tickets are R40 (seating is Barnyard style) and will be available from the Prep School reception on 26th & 27th November between 7am & 8am and between 2pm & 3pm. Students attending must wear “step outs.”

Sunset PROMS

3 DECEMBER
17:30 FOR 18:00

ROBERT & ROBIN MUIR AUDITORIUM

R40 PER PERSON
(BARNYARD STYLE SEATING)

FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT
SENIOR PRIMARY RECEPTION
26 & 27 NOVEMBER 7AM - 8AM | 2PM - 3PM

031 566 5736 | info.umhlanga@reddam.house

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SPORTS NEWS & INFORMATION

SPORTS RESULTS

Cricket

First XI vs Ashton College
RHU: 200/8 (Dyllan Tweedy 101 not out)
Ashton: 92 (Luke Gardiner 5/7)
RHU won by 108 runs

Girls' Touch Rugby

RHU 1st Team vs Fatima 0-6
RHU 2nd Team vs Fatima u14A lost 0-8
RHU 1st Team vs Fatima 2nd Team won 3-2
RHU 2nd Team vs Durban North Primary School lost 3-10
RHU 1st Team vs Manor Gardens Primary School lost 0-4

Water Polo

vs St Henrys
Junior Boys' Team lost 2-3
1st Girls' Team lost 3-6
1st Boys' Team won 10-0

INTERHOUSE SPORTS RESULTS

Water Polo

- 1st Thongathi
- 2nd Umdloti
- 3rd Ohlanga

Junior Cricket

- 1st Ohlanga
- 2nd Umdloti
- 3rd Thongathi

Senior Cricket

- 1st Ohlanga
- 2nd Thongathi
- 3rd Umdloti

Girls' Touch Rugby

- 1st Ohlanga
- 2nd Umdloti
- 3rd Thongathi

Synopsis of Term 4 Sports Results**Girls' Touch Rugby**

Teams	Matches	Wins	Losses	Draws
1 st Team	7	2	5	
2 nd Team	6		5	1

Cricket

Teams	Matches	Wins	Losses	Draws
1 st Team	4	2	1	1
U15A	3	1	2	
U14A	3	1	2	
U14B	2		2	

Water Polo

Teams	Matches	Wins	Losses	Draws
1 st Boys' Team	19	7	12	
2 nd Boys' Team	7		6	1
Junior Boys' Team	1		1	
1 st Girls' Team	1		1	

DATES TO DIARISE**19 November**

Annual Administrative Review begins

27 November

12h00 – Matric Final Exams End

28 November

Grade 8-11 Exams End

3 December

18:00 Sunset Proms (Muir Auditorium)

5 December

17:00 Lazer Show (College Field)

6 December

08:30 Grade 8 – 11 Academic Prize Giving (Mini Theatre)
10:00 School closes

Sponsorship Opportunities

Our campus provides potential for numerous sponsorship opportunities for businesses or brands wishing to increase their exposure. Our first sponsorship deal was recently concluded with Walton's who have sponsored our electronic scoreboard on our new Astroturf. Anyone wishing to discuss sponsorship opportunities on our campus is asked to contact Ian Gardiner at ian@bchilli.co.za

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