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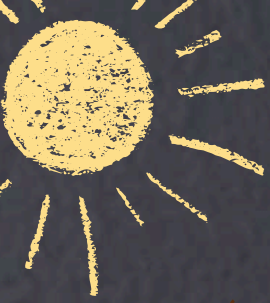
CHOIR AND JAZZ CONCERT WITH PEARSON HIGH SCHOOL



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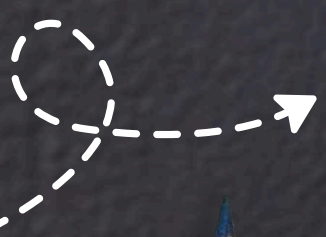
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Welcome

BACK TO SCHOOL



Academic House badges

based on term & results of year



Arangies, Hannah
Cooper, Grace
Dekker, Rachel
Flack, Lara
Henn, Dani
Hilliard-Lomas, Taylin
Niesler, Alexandra
Phamane, Vuyokazi
Smuts, Jessica
Watts, Nina
Wegierski, Sophia

Bennie, Megan
Benvenuti, Gabriella
Blake, Abigail
Botha, Emily
Brand, Christy
Dlikilili, Lilitha
Harper, Emma
Hodsdon, Jessica
Hodsdon, Kathryn
Isaacs, Jennah
Isaacs, Lila
King, Eden
Le Roux, Garcelle
Miller, Ariel
Nelson, Adison
Ransom, Reiley
Waters, Megan
Wilson, Elisabeth

Bourne, Madison
Bourne, Megan
Cruickshank, Alison
Garces, Isabella
Hackland, Hannah
Karsen, Melissa
Laubscher, Mikalla
Modlinger, Michaela
Ruthford, Zara
Scrace, Cassidy
Surmon, Malika
Swartz, Anya
Tarboton, Jade
Yip, Ellie



Agar, Olivia
Barrett, Riley
Brooks, Emma
Campbell, Keira
Chetty, Keyuri
Joseph, Yumna
Kwayimani, Aqhama
Latti, Lia
Liu, Yanling
Miller, Eva
Muller, Nicola
Pietersen, Alveca
Savage, Annabella
Turner, Isabella
Van der Merwe, Nicola



Booyesen, Hannah
Couvaras, Alexia
Delplanque, Isabella
Donald, Emma
Hut, Charlotte
Johnson, Jemma
Ntshokolwana, Iminathi
Parish, Rebecca
Reid, Rachel
Rooke, Aryanna
Smith, Zeekuh
Van Olst, Tessa
Van Wyk, Gabriella



Arendse, Peyton
Beaumont, Isabella
Flier, Rebecca
Griffiths, Gemma
Hendrikse, Charissa
Henn, Frankie
Heymans, Joah
Hollander, Fabia
Holm, Karoline
Petersen, Jodi
Prinsloo, Mina
Ralaivaosaona, Sandatia
Ramjugernath, Dayita
Saaiman, Naylan
Van Woudenberg,
Stephanie
Williams, Layla



Arnolds, Nuha
Baxter, Megan
Baxter, Robyn
Bergstedt, Tylo
Boshoff, Meghan
Brink, Cara
Brits, Marcelle
Cloete, Zoie
Combrink, Anna-Sophia
Currie, Samantha
De Kock, Jemma-Jayne
De Vries, Isabella
Fink, Julia
Gibson, Amy-Leigh
Groenewald, Sarah-Ellen
Hodges, Errine
Jooste, Sadie
Landman, Mayah
Le Roux, Kaylee
Marchinkowski, Zoe
Martin, Faith
Morgan, Rebecca
Moss, Katharina
Mossop, Kika
Newton, Lilly
Oscroft, Sarah
Pettipher, Jenna
Schagen, Lia
Van Almenkerk, Emma
Van der Walt, Kharsin



Beffa, Sienna
Benden, Isabella
Blignaut, Grace
Campher, Emma
De Waal, Niki
Evans, Amy
Forssman, Gianna
Griffiths, Caris
Hagen, Olivia
Hobbs, Grace
Jansen van Rensburg, Emma
Krige, Danielle
Matheza, Anothando
Meyer, Zia
Mwansa, Shalom
Rubino, Catherine
Van der Merwe, Emily
Van Wyk, Claire
Viljoen, Phillipa



Cronje, Danielle
De Kock, Layla
Franke, Sophia-Mara
Gordon, Leah
Hadlow, Amelia
Hodsdon, Sarah
Janelidze, Mariam
Kleynhans, Peyton
Ligthart, Sonya
Louw, Larissa
Morris, Grace
Niesler, Rebecca
Olivier, Zoe
Roos, Marie-Elizabeth
Smit, Harriet
Snyman, Claudia
Stoms, Lauren
Tatana, Mbali
Van der Linde, Lana
Wentzel, Raquel
Worship, Chrissa
Yip, Emma



Bohmer, Anu
Cillie, Tyra
Currie, Danielle
De Kock, Montana
Fitzhenry, Sophia
Gultig, Hannah
Holtmann, Dannika
Knight, Hannah
McLachlan, Xenia
Morton, Tayler
Oelofse, Hannah
Pratt, Katie
Pyke, Jaeda
Shrimpton, Layla
Simelane, Ayomide
Snell, Kirsten
Theron, June
Van Almenkerk, Annabelle
Van Wyk, Morgan



Aitken, Jasmine
Bennie, Caitlin
Botha, Kristin
Botha, Mea
Briers-Danks, Ashleigh
Bruce, Melissa
Daniels, Shiloh
Du Plessis, Ingrid
Farrell, Chloe
Jappie, Layla
Kilpin, Amelia
Mackinnon, Juliet
Maggott, Emily
Mansfield, Isabella
Michell, Caitlin
Rawoot, Sara
Reyneke, Tallulah
Rhoda, Kauthar
Turner, Amber
Walker, Sofia
Wilk, Sienna
Williamson, Kristin
Zaphi, Kelsey



Amner, Abigail
Barker, Nikita
Du Plessis, Shene
Ernstzen, Kaitlin
Fernandes, Arabella
Fourie, Anouk
Gouws, Taliya
Jacobs, Mia
Lambrechts, Tilly-Tallulah
Laubscher, Maya
Michael, Kendra
Milton, Chloe
Mulder, Jade
Peter, Lakhanya
Purves, Kate
Schipper, Jemima
Schulz, Anwen
Schulz, Mia
Seyffert, Victoria-Lynn
Singe, Simone
Te Roller, Jade
Venter, Ankia



Appies, Zetah
Arnolds, Zakiyah
Barnard, Cara
Barnard, Kate
Booyesen, Katrien
Broekhuysen, Madison
De Waal, Lisa
Durand, Anja
Elms, Amy
Godlonton, Gabriella
Hocor, Eliana
Kingham, Victoria
Louw, Lisa
Maritz, Olivia
Mendes, Amber
Nalumango, Nalani
Pospech, Julia
Slabbert, Hannah
Soderland, Samantha
Stanford, Léa
Toop, Kirsten
Van Graan, Denise
Wiid, Abigail

Braaf, Luca
De Jager, Emily
De Villiers, Amy
Donald, Mackenzie
Dugmore, Suede
Forsyth, Isabel
Gouws, Jana
Krige, Sophie
Law-Morris, Meghan
Meiring, Tessa
Mulindwa, Elizabeth
Nell, Jordan
Proudfoot, Rynne
Rimmer, Meika
Shaw, Keira
Stapelberg, Meghan
Te Water, Jenna
Viljoen, Taelan
Vos, Emma
Waite, Goiya

Blignaut, Ruby
Blood, Hannah
Booyesen, Zoë
Bowker, Courtney
Champanis, Alysa
Dzama, Anesu
McCulloch, Megan
Mckenzie, Brodie
Nel, Emma
Petersen, Martanique
Philp, Emily
Prinsloo, Danielle
Stoms, Katherine
Uheida, Ream
Williams, Siena

Choir and Jazz Evening - what a way to end the term

Roy Ayers

The Rhenish choir were given the wonderful opportunity in June to perform with the familiar musicians from Pearson High School in Qheberha. The concert took place in the Rhenish hall on June 12th and was a lovely evening of music and rhythm.

The Rhenish choir opened with two songs and was followed by different instrumentalists from both Pearson and Rhenish. The Rhenish choir continued their set with 2 more songs: You Will Be Found from musical phenomenon, Dear Evan Hansen, and Vuelie from Disney's Frozen. Pearson wow-ed us in the second half of the evening with a beautiful performance from their own choir and talented instrumentalists. What a privilege it was to hear from Pearson's music department and share our own love for music with them.

Our concert evening with Pearson proved to be not only a celebration of music, but also a chance to say our farewells to Dr Jerling who led the choir for the past two years. The choir owes so much to our amazing conductor, and we thank her for the love, time and musical passion she has poured into every Tuesday afternoon practice, not to mention every performance. We wish her all the best in the next season of her life.

Another thank you is owed to

Pearson High School, who took the time to drive so far to be with us. Their music department is beyond talented, and we hope for many more collaborations in future between our two schools. We were so blessed to share a stage with them, and hear the musical magic they had to offer. Another thank you goes to the Rhenish staff which include; Mr Piron, Mrs Van Amstel and Miss De Villiers, who made this event possible. Without your weeks of preparations and logistical arrangements we would never have had such an incredible opportunity to collaborate with Pearson.

We hope this concert evening will become a long standing tradition between the schools, and the beginning of a friendship between Rhenish and Pearson.

"The true beauty of music is that it connects people. It carries a message, and we, the musicians, are the messengers."



GLU (God Loves You) Camp 2024

Alex Bowley (GLU Head)

During the July holiday, the GLU Society had the privilege of attending the annual GLU Camp. A Christian camp that took place at the breathtaking Kijk in de Pot Campsite just outside of Stellenbosch.

The camp offered diverse activities aimed at spiritual growth, community building, and personal development. We were fortunate enough to have Mrs Christelle Pretorius (former GLU liaison), Mrs Camilla Dhlamini (youth leader) & Mrs Anri Powell (model & businesswoman) as our amazing, knowledgeable speakers, who guided discussions and provided valuable insights into faith and practical Christian living.

Their teachings were inspirational and thought-provoking, challenging us to deepen our faith and live out biblical principles daily.

Each day began with a speaker followed by various workshops and small group sessions that allowed the designated topics to be further discussed.

Our Vice and Head had the following to say about camp:

“After being away from my hostel friends for a week and a half during the holiday, I was excited and happy to interact with my friends again. But after the first night’s social high, I realised how blessed I was to connect with people whose faces

I’ve only seen it in passing. Although I learnt many lessons and made many special memories at camp, the fellowship between us girls was my highlight. This camp brought the GLU community so much closer, and I’m so excited to see how we will continue to grow closer as a community and closer to God.”

-Kaitlin Erntzen

GLU camp was such a blessing; the excitement the committee girls had as they were setting up as we waited for the other girls to arrive was lovely. I was given the task of face paint as girls began to arrive, which allowed me to talk and connect with girls from the get-go!

We had the privilege of having three wonderful speakers who came and blessed us with wisdom and knowledge.

My highlight was having the time to properly meet and talk to girls I never knew before and now seeing them in the corridors at school and being able to say hey and hug them; a real community was formed over the freezing wet weekend we spent together. Despite the cold rainy weather, we grew closer together and closer to God and what a blessing that was and will be!

In conclusion, the GLU Camp provided a well-rounded experience that combined spiritual enrichment with the beautiful outdoors and sisterly

bonding. We are incredibly grateful for the opportunity to have attended. We would highly recommend this camp to anyone seeking to grow in their faith and build lasting connections with fellow believers.



2024 History Tour

Caitlin Bennie



I can say with certainty that all 25 Rhenishers who went on tour were ecstatic to spend ten days in Europe. We visited five countries - Germany, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland and Austria - and seven cities.

On 14 June, we met at the airport excitedly and flew to Qatar, where we had a long layover. We then flew to Berlin, Germany.

Berlin was buzzing with activity - the Euros 2024 soccer tournament was being held in Germany while we were there and there were many fans. We went on a walking sightseeing tour and saw a remnant of the Berlin Wall, lots of beautiful architecture, Checkpoint Charlie, the Reichstag building (the German parliament), the Berliner Dom and other important historic buildings - and we

learned a lot. It was so interesting to learn about Berlin's history - from its imperial era to the Nazi rule during World War II to the Cold War era when the city was divided by the wall. We thoroughly enjoyed our time in Berlin - an incredible, vibrant city, and we all felt so lucky to be there.

On 17 June, we stopped in Dresden, Germany. We only spent a short time there, but we immediately grasped its beauty and history, saw some sights such as the Semperoper and the Dresden Frauenkirche, and walked around enjoying pretzels and bratwurst. We enjoyed the city's beauty and grasped more of Germany's culture away from tourist-centric Berlin.

We continued that day to Prague, Czech Republic.



We only ventured into the city centre the next day, and we were all blown away. Prague was stunning, with breathtaking architecture. First, we stopped near Prague Castle, at the Royal Garden, with picturesque views. As the tour guide described, Prague Castle was a “city in a city”. The church and the castle buildings there and the ‘town squares’ were so lovely. We then walked down into the bustling city, through the town, onto the famous Charles Bridge. It felt very cool to be walking across it- seeing the pretty Vltava River and the city across from it was great.

We then walked to Old Town Square, which was incredibly beautiful and saw the astronomical clock, built in 1410 and a highlight for many. We learned much about the city’s rich history on our walking tour (we walked around 20 kilometres that day!).

After we went for lunch, we saw

some more of Prague’s iconic sights, like the ‘Dancing House’, the John Lennon wall and some saw the famous Book Tower. We then had a few hours of free time spent immersing ourselves in the city. We saw the astronomical clock chime and met up for a “ghost tour” of Prague in the evening; our tour guide told us about the more gruesome side of Prague’s history as the sun set. No one wanted to leave that night- we’d all fallen in love with the city and vowed to come back some day.

We arrived on the evening of 19 June in Kraków, Poland. We went on a walking tour, led by a lovely guide, through the old town, and most of us were blown away by the city’s beauty when we stepped onto the Rynek Glowny, the town centre.

It’s a student town reminiscent of Stellenbosch as we walked through the university grounds near the campus. As the

sun set, we visited the Wawel Royal Castle, up on a hill, with beautiful architecture and the Renaissance-era courtyard, which was breathtaking in the light of the sunset.

We visited what is known as the Basement or the Cellar in English, a small basement tucked away in an underground bar; it was the location of the most renowned political Cabaret in Poland, beginning in the communist era.



We sang the Gwijo song Rhenish so loves, Mtaka Mama, and with the stillness and sound of the song in that little basement, full of history, we felt the energy, and some were left emotional, including our tour guide. When we walked out of the door, some locals gathered to listen.

Kraków was so beautiful and a city no one had expected to be as peaceful and lovely as it was. We spent the rest of the evening watching the people in the busy streets and admiring the city at night.

20 June was a day many had greatly anticipated; for some, they had waited years.

We set out in the early morning to visit the Nazi concentration camp, Auschwitz-Birkenau, located some miles away from Kraków. Over 1 million people were murdered there.

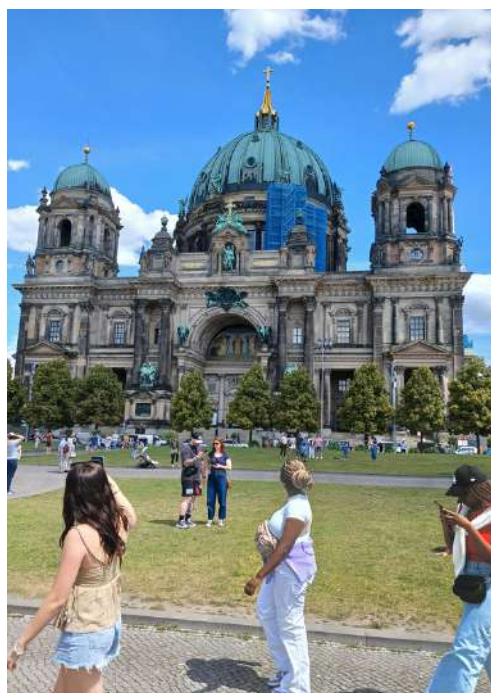
It is not easy to describe what we saw. Everything you read, see, watch or hear - does not prepare you for the experience of the camp. We visited the Auschwitz I camp first - the labour camp. It was intensely emotional to walk through the museums of the belongings of the victims, their hair, and their shoes. To be in a gas chamber where thousands of people died. To see their pictures. We found a new perspective on everything we knew before about the horrors of the Holocaust.

We then walked through the second camp - Birkenau, the

death camp - across the infamous train tracks and saw the barracks that some women stayed. We felt like our views on the horrors of the Holocaust had changed after our visit - it was eye-opening. Many of us now understand why it is so important to visit places like Auschwitz-Birkenau. We gained insight into the mass genocide committed that you can't learn unless you visit somewhere like that.

That afternoon, we passed through Bratislava, Slovakia. We could not stop but were graced with beautiful views of the Danube River, the Bratislava Castle, and the Bratislava Old Town.

We continued to another greatly-anticipated stop: Vienna, Austria. We went on a walking tour in the morning and learned a lot about the city's history that we didn't know - for instance, we learned that Vienna was divided into four sections after WWII (even Mr van der Hoven didn't know that!).



We saw sights such as the Soviet War Memorial, the Vienna State Opera, the Hofburg Imperial Palace, the Sisi Museum, the Spanish Riding School and the beautiful, imposing St Stephen's Cathedral.

We then visited the Mozarthaus and walked around the museum, even through Mozart's apartment. We learned a lot about his life. After lunch, we walked to the Parliament Building and the Hundertwasser House, both exciting sights.

The following day, we visited the Schönbrunn Palace in Vienna. It was beautiful, and we walked through the ornate palace and rooms of the old royal family. We also stood on the balcony overlooking the Schönbrunn Garden, which had a breathtaking view. It was a nice send-off of our time in such a beautiful city.

We continued that day to Salzburg, on the other side of Austria.





on 23 June, we set out on a bus tour of the city and stopped at the Nymphenburg Castle; we were treated to pretty views of its garden. We then walked to the Court Garden outside the city library, which was incredibly beautiful.

well as Mrs van der Hoven for ensuring we all had the best ten days on tour. Thank you for keeping us safe, ensuring we always enjoyed ourselves and helping us when needed. Thank you for your energy, good humour and sacrifices! I'm sure everyone had an incredible time. We learned so much and gained a lot of valuable life experience. Plus, we had so much fun!

We spent the rest of the day in the city centre. Munich was abuzz with much joy; it was their Pride festival, and Germany was playing a Euro 2024 match that evening. Everyone in Munich was filled with excitement and happiness, and we enjoyed our time there, too.



As some avid Sound of Music fans were among us, we were very excited to see some filming locations from the movie. We saw some beautiful sights, like the Salzburg Cathedral and the Mirabell Gardens, and walked around the city, getting a feel of it. It was perfect weather, and we thoroughly enjoyed our time there.

The next day - the last day - we walked to the Deutsches Museum in Munich and found its innovative science and technology very interesting. Then we went to the airport, and with heavy hearts, we boarded our flight en route home.

We travelled on to Munich and

I would like to thank Mr van der Hoven, for organising and managing the tour, Ms Shaw, as



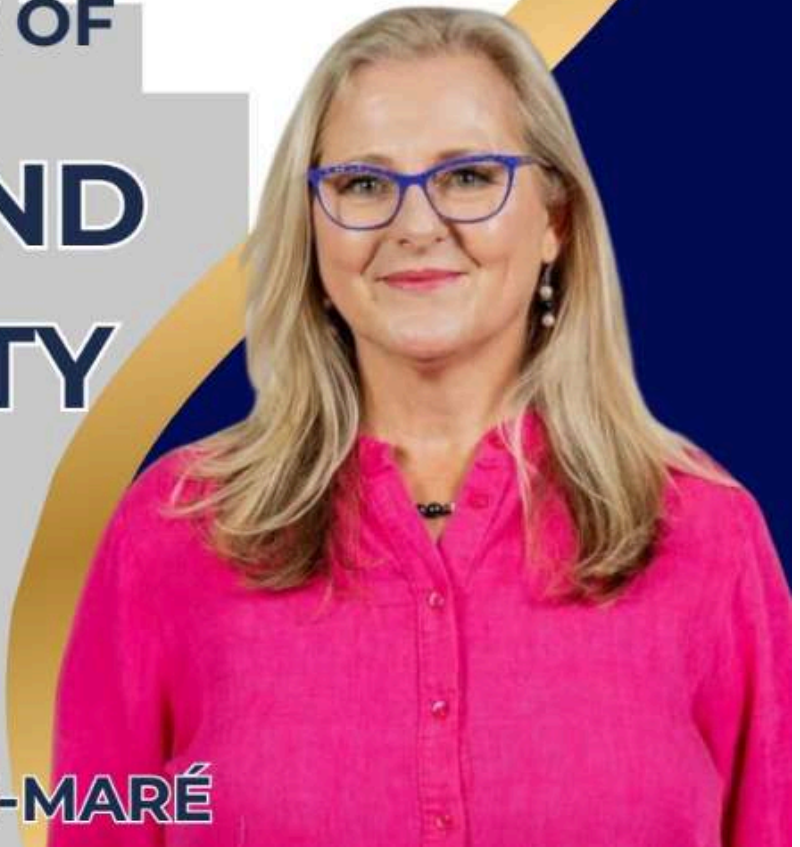
From the Old Girls' Desk...

Yesterday a Rhenisher today Deputy Minister



**SOUTH AFRICAN
DEPUTY MINISTER OF
ENERGY AND
ELECTRICITY**

SAMANTHA GRAHAM-MARÉ



Samantha Graham-Maré, class of 1986, was recently sworn in as the South African Deputy Minister of Energy and Electricity.

The Rhenish family is immensely proud of you and eagerly anticipates seeing the RGHS values represented in our new GNU government.

Dominique Golder



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- INDEMNITY FORMS MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED IN ORDER TO SECURE YOUR SPOT.
- TRANSPORT BY SCHOOLBUS - MEET AT ROSE GARDEN AT 14H30.



**USIKO STELLENBOSCH
AFTERCARE
AT STELENZICHT SCHOOL**



**WEDNESDAY,
24 JULY 2024**



14:30 - 16:00

WE ARE ALSO GOING ON:

07/08, 21/08, 04/09, 18/09

Hockey IPTs

A couple of our Rhenishers were selected to represent Boland in various age groups during the past holiday in the IPTs held in Bloemfontein.

The following Rhenishers were part of the silver medal-winning Boland U16 Girls Hockey Team:

Lily Newton
Pippa Viljoen
Sarah - Ellen Groenewald
Katherine Sickle
Grace Hobbs
Eva Miller
Rosy Quinlavin
Nicola Van Der Merwe
Chris Gerber (Boland U16 Coach)



From this U16 group, the following Rhenishers were selected for the U16A&B South African Girls Hockey Team

SA U16 A Team
Grace Hobbs
Pippa Viljoen
Sarah - Ellen Groenewald

SA U16B Team
Katherine Sickle



Leah du Plessis was also selected for the U17 South African Team.

Individual awards:

U16 IPT
Grace Hobbs most valuable defender of the tournament

U18 IPT
Kaitlyn van Binsbergen - Top Goal scorer (B section)



Congratulations to Alicia Pinkhard and Jade Tarboton on their selection for the Western Province U18 Women's Ice Hockey Team that participated in the 2024 Junior Inter Provincial Tournament, which took place from 16 to 23 June 2024 at Forest Hill, Centurion, Gauteng.



Bella Murray has been selected for the SA U18 Women's Water Polo Team as a non-travelling reserve.



Nalani Nalumango represented the Cape Winelands in the U18 Netball IPT during the recent holiday. Her team ended in 3rd place.



Mekayla Stevens will be competing in the World Dance Movement 2024 in Italy.

She competed in the Cape Town Eistodfod during June 2024 where she was crowned the winner of the duet category and the winner of her solo category.

She will be performing her solo and three of her duets in July 2024 in Italy in honour of her dad who recently passed away.





Winter Water polo

Paul Roos Gymnasium

- 15 July - 15 August (5 weeks)
Senior girls (Grd 9-12)
 - Tues + Thurs 16h00 - 17h15

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