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Dear Parents

PTA MEETING, TONIGHT, 20 AUGUST

A reminder about our PTA meeting tonight, 20 August at 18:00 in the school hall. Vanisha Gordhan-Narotam (registered counsellor) will be our guest speaker. She will be facilitating an important and practical conversation around bullying, including what parents should look out for, how to talk to children about bullying, and how we can support both a child who is being bullied and a child who may be bullying others. The discussion will also cover how to help children who witness bullying, what steps they can take to safely report it to a parent or teacher, and the key conversations we should be having at home around kindness, empathy, respect and speaking up - with guidance relevant to children across different ages and grades.

UNIFORM

Due to the warmer weather currently experienced, learners will be allowed to change into Interim Uniform as from tomorrow, provided that it is either Full Winter or Full Summer uniform.

BIG WALK RAFFLE

A reminder about our Big Walk Raffle that is still open on the KarriApp and from the front office.
The following amazing prizes can be won:

- **Two Mamelodi Sundowns Soccer Shirts autographed by the team.**
- **Teboho Mokoena's personal Mamelodi Sundowns shirt – Autographed.**
- **Grant Kekana's personal Mamelodi Sundowns shirt- Autographed.**

Tickets can be bought at R10 per ticket on the KarriApp or from the front office. This raffle is not just for Martin School's parents, it is open to the public to also purchase and stand a chance to win these fantastic prizes. Please tell your friends and family to also buy tickets by scanning the QR code provided. Closing date, Friday 18 September at 19:00. The draw will take place at the Big Walk Prize Giving on Wednesday, 23 September at 08:00. Winners will be notified by phone and announced in our school's newsletter.

CHESS

On Saturday, 15 August, our teams competed in the Top School District Chess Trials. All five of our teams were selected to participate at this level. The results were as follows:
U/9 Mixed - 1st,
U/11 Girls - 9th,
U/11 Mixed - 1st,
U/13 Girls - 2nd
U/13 Mixed - 7th
Well done to our U/9 Mixed, U/11 Mixed and U/13 Girls teams, as they will be proceeding to Top Schools Gauteng next week.

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Grade 4 Prescribed Poetry:

We obtained 4 Gold certificates and 2 Honours certificates. Sikhulile Ngwenyama received a Prestige certificate and a callback to compete for a medal but unfortunately did not place.

Grade 6 Prescribed Poetry:

We obtained 2 Silver certificates, 1 Gold certificate and 2 Honours certificates. Sibabalwe Mtyapi received a Prestige certificate (A++).

Grade 6 Own Choice Poetry:

We obtained 1 Gold certificate and 3 Honours certificates. Narveen Munyongwa, Njabulo Mthethwa and Enrico De Vasconcelos received Prestige (A++).

HOCKEY

On Thursday, the 13th of August, the U/10, U/11 and U/13 hockey girls played friendly matches against Laerskool Goudrand, unfortunately all our teams lost their matches on this day.

On Tuesday, the 18th of August, the U/11 and U/12 Hockey girls played matches against Summerfields Primary School. The U/11 team won 2-0, and the U/12 team drew 0-0.
Well done girls and keep trying your best!

MINI HOCKEY

Well done to all our Mini Hockey girls who played so well against Laerskool Witfield on Wednesday, 19 August. Although the results didn't go our way, we are incredibly proud of the effort, determination and sportsmanship shown by every player. We look forward to our final match of the season against Parkrand Primary next week Wednesday, 26 August.

Yours faithfully
H. THERON
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