

RIDGEWAY COLLEGE

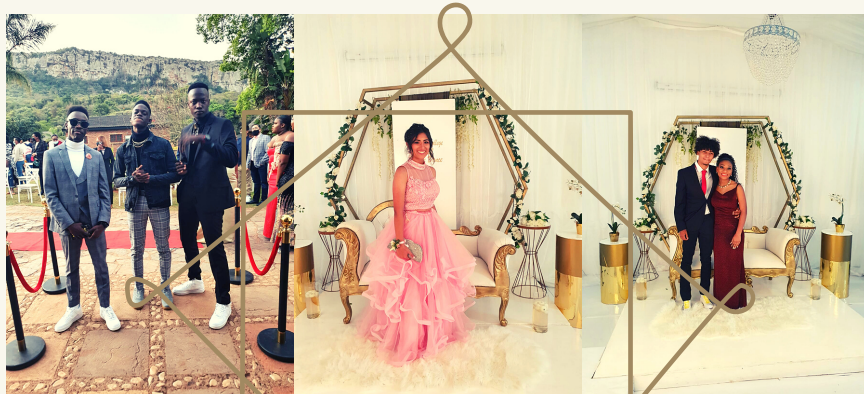


Dear Parents

“There are shortcuts to happiness... and dancing is one of them.”

A million years ago, when I was sixteen, a movie came out that rocked my world. It was “Footloose” and (apart from the catchy music and vibrant dancing) it told the tale of teenagers denied the right to dance and have fun. The fact that the lead actor was very cute was an added bonus.

I have watched the matrics of 2021 longing for that same joy and sense of fun. After nearly two years of cancelled functions and curtailed events, we were delighted to be able to hold a matric dance on Wednesday night. This rite of passage is important for our pupils and the excitement was palpable as the matrics relished the chance to do something normal again. It was a beautiful evening full of glitz and glamour. My sincere thanks to Mrs. Kujinga and the Grade 11s who drove to the fundraising, Mrs. Pretorius and Mrs. Rasool who did a huge amount of work in the planning and the all the staff who helped on the night. It takes proper team work to pull off such an event and, at the end of a busy term, I don’t know where the staff found the energy for this. My thanks to the parents too for helping us to keep the evening in perspective.



Matric Dance....

YOURS IN EDUCATION

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ART NEWS

We have entered the following three entries into a High School Exhibition hosted by the School of Arts in Pretoria. We will keep you posted in the outcome, which will be announced in October



"The aim of art is not to represent the outward appearance of things, but their inward significance.."

-Aristotle

Believe in yourself



Riyad



Ronewa



Juriba

The art "Corrupted Scales" addresses how corrupted humanity and how value is placed on distorted values. The world believes that it values peace, love, unity and nature but the actions of it's people show otherwise. We are full of false beliefs covered by half-truths. The art piece portrays a man-figure who represents humanity – an Everyday man of sorts. The scale is tilting as if it is valuing the leaf that represents the good of this world over the face mask which represents all false beliefs, corruption and greed – the negative aspects of life. In reality, the strings holding up the leaf are purposefully long to ensure that the face mask will always be of higher value than the leaf, thus ensuring that the negative aspects of humanity are met first before the effect on nature (the leaf) is to be considered. - Ronewa

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



A wonderful group of grade 9s visited Vhutshilo Mountain School to whom we donated clothing a few weeks back. This time, they went to paint murals for the children. They absolutely loved the outing and returned the next day to finish off their art. Grateful to Mr. Dawood (Timber City) for the discount on the paint and to Mrs. Moshapo and Ms. Shaw for accompanying them.



FUN RUN

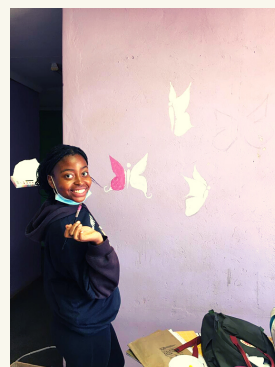
Well done and thank you to the 55-odd Ridgeway pupils and staff who did the IsAbility Fun Run last weekend, especially to Mr. Viljoen who co-ordinated the event. Agness Jeke won the gold medal in the 2.5 km!



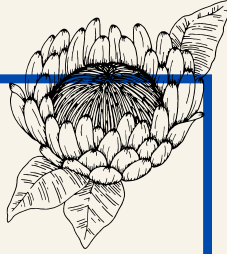
Agness



- Vhuhwacho Dabishi
- Lavhe Fambe
- Mokgadi Thosago
- CJ Thosago
- Rea Lekotoko
- Anesu Mapfumo
- Zohra Osman
- Thato Chaobi
- Funi Magada
- Tazana Ncachiwe
- Hussna Abdula
- Tinashe Gumbo
- Xihlovo Makhuwele



Grade 9 Artists

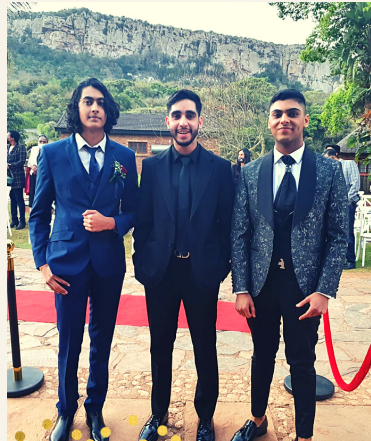


Heritage Day

CYCLING NEWS

Andani Raphalalani and his partner came in 3rd overall in the Magoebas Classic. It was a tough event in cold conditions, with lots of mud on the track at times and some steep hills to climb. This is an impressive result. Well done to him.

Andani Raphalalani.....



PAST PUPIL NEWS

We wish Idaishe Chondo all the best as she competes for her province at the SA Artistic Gymnastics Championships in October.



"Never stop dreaming..."

CRICKET NEWS

Ridgeway played in the final in the Limpopo Development Tournament on Saturday, winning by 148 runs. Sadly, we lost against Strikers on Sunday by 36 runs in a very closely contested match.

Man of the match for Sunday Ranwedzi Nengwekhulu in Grade 12. Our next game is on 19 October against Drillers.

MINA WORKSHOP

Our grade 8-10 girls attended a Mina Cups workshop which dealt with feminine hygiene. Grateful thanks to Mrs. Fourie from our Prep school for organising this and to the ladies who presented.



REMINDERS:

- Re-enrolment forms are now overdue.
- Valedictory Evening (Grade 10 – 12) will be at 5.30 on Thursday 14 October; Grade 8-9 will be at 8am on Friday 15 October. We have to split this due to social distancing and indoor capacity.
- Reports will be sent digitally at the end of the term.
- Opening date: Monday 11 October



"Our rich and varied cultural heritage has a profound power to help build our nation.." -Nelson Mandela