



Somerset College

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Dear Founders and Vineyard House parents

We have almost survived yet another busy term with so much happening.

Our Grade 10s are currently away on their camp in the Cederberg and the dining room is certainly quieter this week. We know that they are enjoying the challenges of the outdoors and we look forward to their return.

Next Thursday 17 September, all Grade 9s will be walking up the Helderberg Nature Reserve in preparation for Trek next term. Transport has been arranged for the boarders that day and they will be getting packed lunches and snacks. We know that there are mixed emotions as they look forward to their Trek adventure.

The Preliminary Examinations have been keeping the Grade 12s out of mischief over the last two weeks. They have had more time and space to prepare for these important assessments and they have approached these examinations in a mature manner. We trust that they will reap the rewards of their efforts.

This has provided the opportunity for our Grade 11s to begin taking over the responsibility of leadership in the boarding houses. They have led the evening meetings before prep, conducted the room inspections and supervised the juniors during prep time. They have shown commitment in their duties and have taken their new role seriously. It is encouraging to see the support that our new Heads of Boarding, Annabel Waterson and Leopold Raith, have from the boarders. They are both strong leaders and have the interest of each boarder at heart.

Our team of Grade 11s have spent a great deal of time preparing for our annual Boarders Dinner next Thursday 17 September. This event is held each year to celebrate our Grade 12s and to enjoy a special evening together. The dress code is formal and it promises to be a memorable occasion.

Yours sincerely,
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