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I've waited a while before writing this article. I wanted the emotion of the time to go away so that I knew I wasn't just writing from a knee-jerk response. My rant is against the 'Matric Rage', an annual unsupervised holiday at the coast for Matrics who have completed their final exams. The idea is something of a 'coming-of-age' celebration where young people can be left to their own devices to usher in the new life after school.

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The Matrics who are in a buoyant mood after the stress of their exams, use it as a time of casting off restraint to experience a new-found freedom without parent supervision.

HEREIN LIES MY PROBLEM: IT SEEMS LIKE WE RAISE KIDS TO THINK THAT THE RESTRAINTS WE IMPOSE AT HOME ARE A BONDAGE AND NOT A BENEFIT. RULES TO BE 'ESCAPED' FROM WHEN YOU HAVE YOUR FREEDOM.

No, we must teach our kids that our rules at home are there as 'boundaries in pleasant places' for your protection and wellbeing. Please don't assume I'm judging you, I fail in this area as a dad and Principal and I want to do better, but my heart is sore when kids believe that school or home rules are a killjoy, a subjugation.

In the most recent Matric Rage, a young girl was photographed on the dance floor, totally inebriated and without a stitch of clothing. The pics had been widely distributed on social media after friends had egged her on to remove item after item of clothing. She was apparently furious at her friends for allowing this to happen while she was in this state. Listen, young lady, if you are going to be furious, then start with yourself as a responsible adult. But let us also remember that as parents we are also given this solemn responsibility of parenting and we are not to put our children in the line of temptation where it is avoidable.

Perhaps you are thinking, "oh, come on, I'm sure this is the exception, most kids are self-controlled and mature". Well, I know that when Rage arrives, clubs at these venues stock up with extra alcohol and authorities have special measures for distribution of condoms. They're certainly not expecting to welcome "self-controlled and mature" young adults. Our own students have come back and told me stories that shock and sadden me. Or perhaps you say, "yes, I accept that these things are happening, but my child will never do it. We have raised our kids to know right and wrong." Just remember, many parents of pregnant teens and driving-underthe-influence kids in jail have said the same. Even the strongest can fall.

I am fully in favour of granting kids greater and greater levels of autonomy and trusting them to behave with maturity and responsibility. My problem is that the Matric Rage is **billed** as a time of licentiousness and anarchy, so why are we sending our kids into it?

LET CHILDREN LEARN AUTONOMY WITH RESPECT FOR THEIR BODIES AND OTHERS IN SETTINGS WHICH CELEBRATE THIS RESPECT, NOT IN SETTINGS GEARED TOWARDS LAWLESSNESS AND REBELLION.

I'll end my rant with a plea. Parents, even if your child is only in grade one, I'm appealing to you to make a decision against Matric Rage for your child, let us teach them from a young age that celebration is not the casting off of restraint, it is in the honouring of pleasant boundaries of love. (Psalm 16)

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21 March	-	International Evening
23 March		SCHOOL CLOSES
24 March		SCHOOL CLOSES @ 11:45 for Pre-School and Foundation Phase @ 12:00 for Intermediate Phase and High School





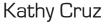
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In case of absenteeism a doctor's note must be provided for all summative assessments (tests, orals, practical assessments etc) missed.



On 27 January 2017 the LRC Learners were announced for the first two term of this year. A boy and girl was elected from each class to serve as class leaders and work alongside the Prefects. were asked to stand as the school lifted them up in prayer. Mrs. Cruz lead the prayer and asked for wisdom and for these learners to be fully equipped in their leadership roles.

After the learners were announced they

We are excited to see these learners flourish in their leadership positions.



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNWAVERING SUPPORT!



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RESULTS OF FRIENDLY ATHLETICS MEETING AT MARAGON ON 24 JANUARY 2017

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Matthew van Rooijen Boys u13 1 st 1500m	
3 rd 800m	
3 rd Long Jump	
Chloë van der Merwe Girls u12 1 st High Jump	
2 nd 75m Hurdles	
2 nd Long Jump	
Zoe Ndlovu Girls u10 1st Shot Put	
Cayden Strachen Boys u10 1st Shot Put	
Hannah Mhlanga Girls u11 2 nd 80m	
2 nd Long Jump	
3 rd 100m	
Chioma Olebuike Girls u12 2 nd 100m	
2 nd 150m	
3 rd Long Jump	
Kayle Richardson Boys u12 2 nd 100m	
2 nd 150m	
2 nd Long Jump	
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2 nd 80m	
Ibrahim Sheriff Boys u7 2 nd 80m	
Nyakallo Modise Girls u8 2 nd 80m	
Stella Matthes Girls u10 2 nd 1200m	
Tele Olowa Girls u13 2 nd High Jump	
Khiara Groenewald Girls u8 3rd 60m	
Jason Phillips Boys u13 3rd 200m	
3 rd Shot Put	

Well done to all of you. We look forward to an exciting Athletics Season!



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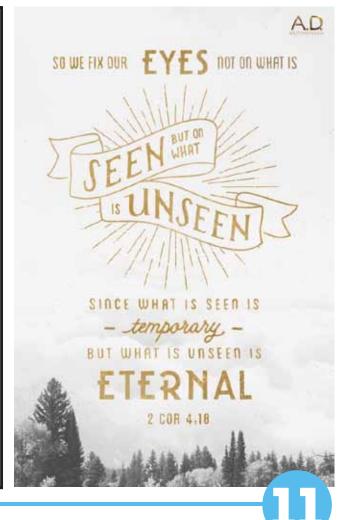
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