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The Spirit of Hospitality

The hospitality industry is all about people. There is constant contact with people internally within the hospitality organization and externally with the customer and stakeholders. To create a successful hospitality environment takes effort and means teamwork and cooperation. Appearance and the proper etiquette is necessary but most important of all is the attitude that is displayed by hospitality professionals. It is a way of life for hospitality professionals and it is our responsibility to truly embrace the 'Spirit of Hospitality'

Heimo Ferreira is a culinary lover at heart, and decided to study at PHS to obtain an overall understanding of the hospitality industry. He is working for the De Brasserie restaurant in the Strand. He is a Chef de Partie and supervises the cold section as well as the pastry section. Heimo says that his days are varied and includes preparing all the cold food for service, delegating tasks to the commis Chef's, on occasion performing stock counts, overseeing other Chef's and assisting the head Chef with plating. Heimo believes that the diversity of what is being taught at PHS can prepare anyone for a career move in hospitality. He says that he brushed up on his culinary experience at PHS but also has gained a clear understanding of the functioning of a restaurant. In addition to gaining theoretical knowledge he has also gained practical experience in hospitality operations. Heimo advises that the learning experience at PHS must be enjoyed and to take one step at a time. He encourages students to participate in activities and to make the most of their experience at PHS.



Spotlight on PHS Alumni - Heimo Ferreira

PHS congratulates the following top academic achievers who all achieved an academic score above 75%. In first semester, Michaela Scott, Michelle Krebs, Casey Roskilly. In second semester, Yolani Abrahams, Johanne Loubser, Suné De Wet, Lizzi Kotze and Tayla Swanepoel. We are proud of you and keep up the good work.



Top Academic Achievers

Bizfit visits PHS

Mr Mike Smit, Business Coach from BizFit visited PHS. Mike shared some vital tips with the PHS students. He spent some time with the second semester students currently enrolled for the subject Business Communication. His presentation was entitled "Roadmap to success". Mike shared that everything in life revolves around relationships and how important it is to get along with other people. Other important attributes for being successful includes how you communicate with others, your appearance, your dress code and your value systems. You should first be able to lead yourself then you can lead others. Mike's presentation was very insightful and of great value to the students.



We won an Avocado Competition

The South African Avocado Growers Association (SAAGA) organised an Avocado Competition and invited various educational hospitality establishments to enter. PHS entered the competition. The PHS students had to prepare various dishes and upload the action photographs onto SAAGA's Face book page whereby fans and friends could vote during the month of June. PHS received the majority of votes and won R10 000 for the School. PHS congratulates Chef Matthew Vigario and his team. Well done, we are proud of you.

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