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DAYS OF YORE

From the College Archives

100 Years Ago

Extract from College Magazine #45, dated June 1918

"Our numbers are rapidly increasing, so much so that the Government has bought, for the College, the adjoining house which was occupied by the late Mr. Henrique Shepstone, C.M.G."

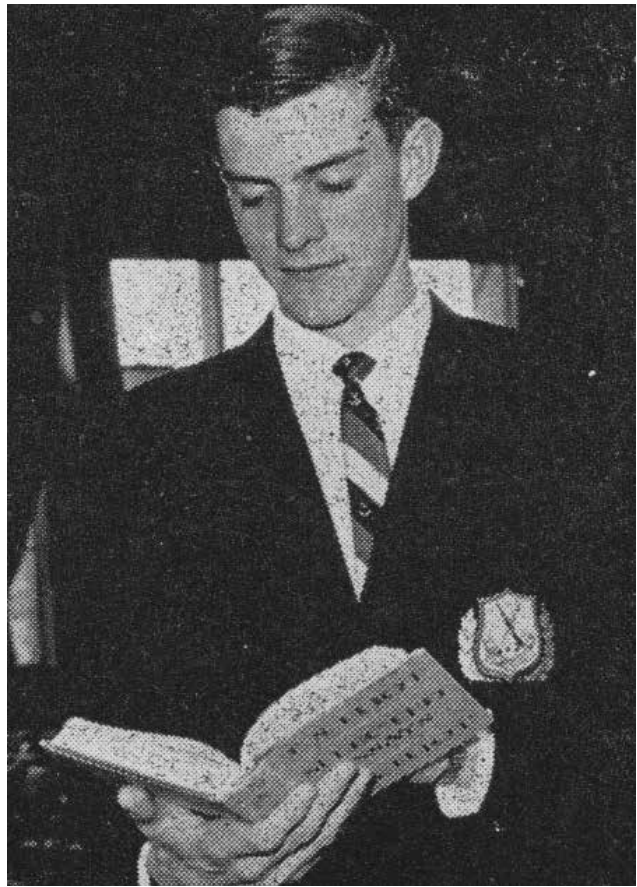
One hundred years later, in September 2018, the school was able to boast a brand new, imposing yet stylish boarding house alongside Mr Shepstone's former home, which at the time had been known as "Vera Holme".



"Vera Holme" as it appeared in the late 1920s. Note the verandah's elaborate, graceful Victorian gables, which have long-since been removed.

50 Years Ago

Extract from College Magazine #103, dated March 1969



One of the stand-out performers of that year was the Head Boarder Prefect, KP Elliott, shown above on Speech Day 1968, at which he was awarded the prize for First in Form VI. Young Elliott had grown up on the family farm in the Lowlands district of KwaZulu-Natal and had entered College in 1964 via Clifton Prep in Nottingham Road. After a very successful school career, he studied teaching at the local university and was appointed to his Alma Mater in 1973. Mr Elliott was appointed the twelfth Headmaster of Maritzburg College on 1 August 1992.

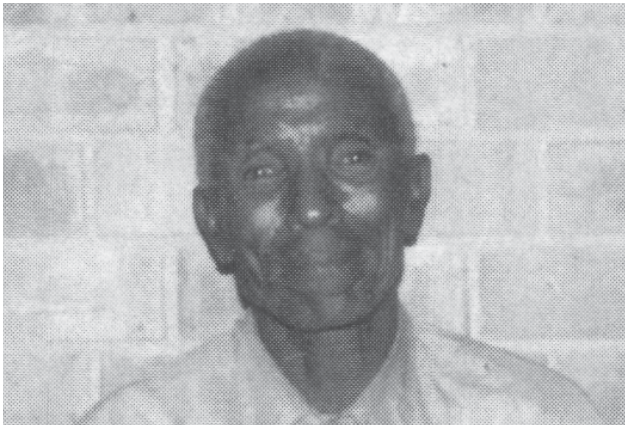


Left: "Vera Holme" as it is in 2018

Above: "Vera Holme" and, to its east, Shepstone House, which was opened in September 2018. See more on page 97.

25 Years Ago

Extract from College Magazine #128, dated April 1994



"Mr Joseph Hlela, who completed 40 years of service at Maritzburg College in 1993. He first joined the College staff in 1953, when Mr JW Hudson was Headmaster, and has served under six Headmasters." In May 2018, Maritzburg College was proud to name the "Joseph Hlela Walkway" in honour of the school's longest-serving staff member, who died six months later, aged 100.

10 Years Ago

Extract from College Magazine #143, dated October 2009

The guest of honour at the 2008 prize-giving was the future headmaster of Jeppe High School for Boys, Mr Dale Jackson, who in his address discussed his experiences in managing many of South Africa's top sportsmen, but who ended off with some important advice to the young men seated before him.

"Most of us will never be blessed with the ability to be a Springbok or indeed to win a prize at an event such as this, but each of us in this hall tonight is blessed with a special and unique gift.

I believe that our lack of achieving success is often due to the fact that our special gift or talent is not deemed by society to be special and so we hide from that gift or talent and don't pursue it with the passion it deserves."

"I often marvel that those who seem happiest are not the richest, not the most successful and certainly not the Springboks, but rather those who have followed their heart wherever it has led them, those to whom status, bank balances, suburbs and family history are secondary to loyalty and friendship.

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Maritzburg College seeks to achieve this by ensuring a balanced, stimulating and dynamic educational environment; care for each boy; an observance of Christian values and school traditions; and the pursuit of excellence in all endeavours.

A Prayer for Maritzburg College

Most gracious God,
 your son Jesus Christ sat among the teachers
 in the temple at Jerusalem,
 listening and asking questions,
 and all were amazed at his understanding.
 Grant to College a like spirit,
 that all who teach and all who learn
 may together grow towards that wisdom
 and love which come from you;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 Amen.

*[Composed by Old Collegian Elsie Ballot Scholar,
 Bishop Michael Nuttall (1951)]*

Maritzburg College Governing Body 2018

- Chairman:** RM Evans
- Vice-chairman:** DM Mundell#
- Treasurer:** ML Bruyns#
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 - AW Tedder#
 - K Thaver
 - RP Westley#
 - MR Woodburn#
 - LM Zunckel#
- Headmaster:** CJ Luman
- Educator representatives:**
 - CR Dutton
 - Mrs L-A Moffatt
 - LE Shezi
- Non-educator representative & Secretary:** Mrs SM Calmeyer
- Schoolboy representatives:**
 - NM Mchunu
 - NN Radebe
 - RD Stainbank
- Co-opted members:**
 - IS Colenbrander#
 - MC MacKenzie#
 - GS Little#
 - RM Delaney
- Ex-officio members:**
 - SM Jager#
 - D Rogers
- Co-opted to Disciplinary Sub-committee:** MS Dube

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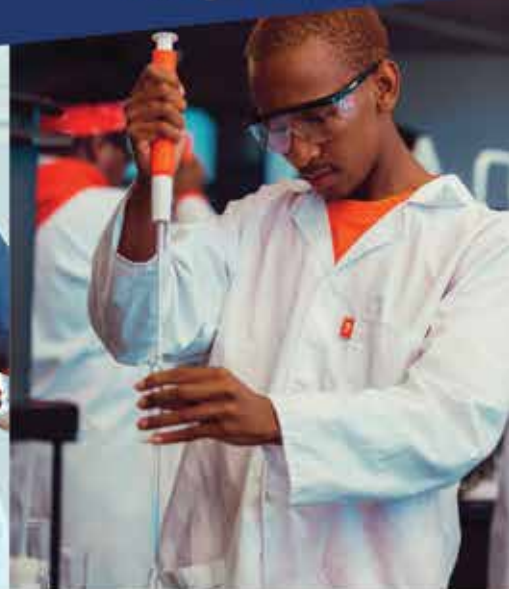
Governing Body 2018

- Back row:** MR Woodburn, LM Zunckel
- Fourth row:** ML Bruyns, MC MacKenzie, RP Westley
- Third row:** AW Tedder, L-A Moffatt, SM Jager, K Thaver
- Second row:** IS Colenbrander, SM Calmeyer, JF Finnie, CR Dutton
- Front row:** DM Mundell, RM Evans, CJ Luman (Headmaster)
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- Fifth row:** SM Thorpe, JS Botha, NJ Robberts, KLL Smith, D Coombes, LP Booysen, JP Heyns, CJ Barnsley, DJ Gademane, SM Ngcobo, M Troveri, TL Louch, SL Bosch, BP Dodd, S Ngema, M Shezi, N Makhathini, D Immelman, S Bentley
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- Third row:** EM Fraser, CA Naidoo, CA Smith, M Maharaj, A Gasa, M Rughoo, Dr RC Salmund, M-A Rembold, S Osborne, NF Deyzel, L Akerman, K Thaver, MS Greyling, AM Greyling, CA Tedder, SE Kritzing, KA Dovey, L Snyman, C Mhlongo, H Miller, EA Dewes, T Schofield, SM Calmeyer
- Second row:** P Lowe, M Reed, RK Emerson, M Jeewan, G Govindasamy, DJ Pryke, N Pillay, E Couperthwaite, A Sparrow, CR Dutton, D Hoffman, RG Gutteridge, RP Barbour, CJ Fraser, JE Tyler, CJ Nevay, BJ Bosch, SC Stickells, RP Chirengende, DC Trodd, SJ Mhlongo, C de Wet
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Mathematics

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Life Science

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(from July 2017) English, Physical Education

Deputy Headmaster: Pastoral Care

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Geography

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Economics, History

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Geography

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English*

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Geography

Director of Digital Learning

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Dip Prog (Java/Delphi), ICDL,
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Information Technology*, Mathematics,
Advanced Programme Mathematics

Director of Operations

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Mathematics

Director of Music and Performing Arts

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Music*

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Life Science, Natural Science

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Forder

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Geography

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Engineering Graphics and Design,
Technology

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Afrikaans

Nicholson

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Pape

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Snow

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Economic & Management Sciences

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English

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Afrikaans

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CJ Fraser Housemaster: Elliott House

RP Kyle Housemaster: Shepstone House

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KB Nipper, TJ Orchard, D Pryke, D Sherriff, KG Shezi, LE Shezi, M-J Smit,
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Z Mazwi

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(Rhodes), BA Hons (Philosophy)
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MIS (UKZN), Post Grad Lib Dip
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Museum Dip (Pretoria)*

Sanatorium

Sister KA Townsend
Sister L Richmond (left June 2018)
Jnr Nurse S Rajah (from July 2018)
Mrs J Gardiner (San Assistant 2018)
Ms J Saurombe (San Assistant) (from July 2018)

Science Technicians

Mrs R Sewmungal
E (Evasen) Rajah

Sports Staff

Director of Cricket

KB Nipper#

Director of Hockey

D Coombes

Director of Rugby

KLL Smith#

Junior Rugby Administrator & Recruiter

L Botha

First Team Water polo Coach

D Sherriff *BSportSci, PGCE (UKZN)*

First Team Soccer Coach

D Haswell# *BA (UKZN), 'A' Coaching Licence
(CAF)*

Biokineticist

JD Greeff *BA (HMS) Hons (Biokinetics) (NMMU)*

Co-curricular Administrator

Mrs SL Emerson

Sports Administrative Assistant

Ms NS Ngcobo

Sports Officer

MS Shezi#

Estates

Estates Manager

KD Hackland

Assistant to Estates Manager

SA Crosson

Estates Administrator

A Moodley

Driver

E (Eddie) Rajah

Dormitories

AM Kheswa, OB Ngcobo

Grounds

DJ Veitch# (Senior Grounds Foreman), E Bowes (Grounds Supervisor),
Ms CB Dlamini, MA Duma, MA Khumalo, HM Mthembu, VP Mtolo,
ZN Myeza, MA Zondi, T Zondi

Kitchen

WH Mbense

Laundry

CN Gasas

Maintenance

EP Jafta, SR Makhaye, BM Mkhize (Caretaker/keyholder), WP Zuma,
G Crosson, M Seager (Electrician)

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STAFF AND STAFF NOTES

Welcomes

The following staff joined Maritzburg College at the start of 2018:



Kyle Nipper
Director of Cricket



Brandon van der Walt
Geography



Maritzburg College was fortunate to welcome the following staff during Term 1, 2018:

Back row: Dylan Coombes (Director of Hockey & English teacher), Mike Reed (Natural Science & Life Sciences), Brent Dodd (Visual Arts)

Front row: Siphesihle Mabaso (Mathematics), Moushumi Maharaj (English), Kooraysha Moula (CAT – joined 2017), Manoj Jeewan (CAT, IT, Mathematics, Maths Literacy)

2018 also saw the welcoming of the following:
Term 1:



Matt Warr
Life Science



Chris Nevay
Head of PE



Sally Upfold
Marketing



Thanduxolo Zuma
EMS and Accounting



Daniel Haswell
1st XI soccer coach/
English, LO, Phys Ed



Bernard Kisbey-Green
Music



Ngcebo Thembela
Economics and Business
Studies



Anthony Sparrow
GRDS & Tech.

Term 2:



Cebesile Mhlongo
Maths



Caitlin Brent
Events Co-ordinator
(part time)

In Term 3 we welcomed:



Ndumiso Makhathini
English



Nollie Duvenage
Geog, Phys Ed, English



Jonathan Tyler
Agri Science



Adam Usher
Geog, History

Also welcomed in Term 3:

Shantal Rajah

Junior Nurse – San
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KG Shezi
Sports Officer



Nolwazi Ngcobo
Sports Admin Assistant –
part-time



Zola Mazwi
Talent Recruitment and
HPD Officer

**Tsepang Setipa –
Director of College
Business – joined
College in Term 4, 2018**

**Farewells**

During 2018 we bade farewell to a few staff members. This is always a sad time for us. We wish them well as they move on to new endeavours:

- **Mrs Bernice Borain**
- **Mr Gerhard Erasmus**
- **Mr Richard Moolman**
- **SRN Lauren Richmond**
- **Mr Doug Watson**
- **Mr Bruce Henderson**

Mr Dorian Larter joined the College staff in 2009 – his wife, Myrna, taught here for a short while, too – as a History teacher and a boarder master in Nathan House. Dorian was a popular, energetic and inspiring addition to the History Department, the BE and the hockey fraternity, and within a very short time he found himself fully committed to many aspects of College life.

He was soon promoted to subject head of History, to HoD of Second Form and, in 2013, as the Housemaster of Nathan House. Forever a proud Queenian and a man of strong Christian faith and deep humanity, Dorian was compassionate yet firm, and his strong moral compass made him the ideal person for these positions of leadership.

Each year, Dorian presided over the fortunes and misfortunes of a hundred of College's youngest boarders – managing, cajoling, inspiring and nurturing boys from different backgrounds and with different temperaments who at any time might be homesick, sleepy, boisterous or mischievous (or all four!). He worked tirelessly to improve the lot of his charges. While Nathan's, during his six-year tenure, remained a place rooted to the school's traditional culture, Dorian ensured that the old building provided a happy and stable sanctuary for each Second Form boarder and a place where each could thrive.

College is deeply indebted to the Larter family for all that they did for Maritzburg College, and we wish Dorian and Myrna and their girls well at Cowan House. That school is indeed fortunate to have gained a teacher of his calibre.

At the end of 2018 we also bade farewell to the following and wish them well in their future endeavours:

Mr Louis Botha, former legendary Principal of Pelham, joined the College rugby coaching fraternity in a part-time capacity in 2015 and did an outstanding job of overseeing rugby at U14 level. His commitment and dedication were infectious. We wish him and his wife, Ann, a fulfilling retirement.

Mr Shane Peach joined the IT department in October 2013 where he progressed to IT Network Manager. He has done a superb job and was also a very successful cricket and hockey coach. We wish him and his wife, Teri-Leigh, every success.

Mr Linda Shezi

Mrs Jenni Gardiner

Mr Sanele Ngema

Mr Dave Pryke

Mrs Melanie Greyling joined the staff in July 2008 as teacher of Life Sciences. She recently was promoted to Subject Head of Life Science and has been a superb mentor in Commons House. She leaves us to follow a career opportunity at St John's DSG. We thank her for her passion and commitment to College.

Mr Tony Nevill joined the staff in January 1998 as an English and History teacher. We thank him for his sage counsel, wonderful anecdotes and mentoring of younger staff, editing of magazines and testimonials. We thank him for 21 years of dedicated commitment to College and the boys in particular, and we wish him a long and well-deserved retirement.

Mrs Debbie Martin (past Deputy Head: Academics) penned this tribute to Tony:

"Mr Tony Nevill joined the staff in 1998 as an English and History teacher and this was a crucial appointment as he went on to serve the school with aplomb and boys who passed through his classroom for the next 21 years were indeed profoundly privileged.

It is important to consider what it was that Tony possessed that made him such an extraordinary teacher as his retirement signifies a loss for education. What was it that sparked such curiosity in the boys who jostled to be in his class? Perhaps it was his unquenchable love for learning which was contagious; or his wealth of fascinating facts and entertaining trivia; or his phenomenal memory for intriguing detail; or his jaw-dropping ability to fill boards with cursive notes off the top of his head and his free-hand drawings of perfect maps of numerous countries and places; or his ability to convey history as one interwoven, fascinating story; or his moving voice as he revealed the poignant layers in poetry or quoted poets and authors with ease; or his high expectation of the boys in his class who were encouraged to adopt an attitude of rigor as slapdash work would incur his wrath; or his humble and sage counsel; or his inimitable anecdotes and his wicked sense of humour which made his eyes twinkle as he chortled and swept everyone away with him? Indeed, it was all of these things, plus the admirable dimension of the values he espoused, and the role model he was, to the young men of what comprised a good man.

Not only was Tony an exceptional teacher, but he was also an exemplary colleague who shared his considerable expertise with such humility and generosity and he mentored so many History and English teachers. Even teachers of other subjects would sit in on his classes to learn from him and despite the accolades he received, he chose to remain a passionate teacher who did not seek promotion of any kind as it was the classroom where he flourished. He was also willing to assist wherever he was needed in editing magazines and testimonials and various other tasks.

An incident which made an indelible impression was, on arriving at Forder Oval one morning, while he was well into his seventies, he commented on what a particularly glorious morning it was and how fortunate he was to work at College, and that he had never had a day when he had not wished to stand in front of a classroom of boys, fondly referred to as 'bloody mugs'. His commitment and passion were striking and what a gift he has been to College. We are indebted to him for his years of golden service and we wish him a long, healthy and enriching retirement."

STAFF AND STAFF NOTES

Mr Bruce Collocott joined the staff in January 1990 as a teacher of Geography and a rugby and cricket coach. Bruce has filled many roles over the years including Form Head, HOD, Housemaster of Fuller, 1st XV rugby coach to name but a few, and has always been the perfect gentleman. We thank him most sincerely for the 29 years of dedicated service to College and wish him and Trish a happy and rewarding retirement.

Mr Nigel Sutherland wrote this tribute to Bruce:

"Bruce was one of a large group of teachers who arrived from Alexandra High in 1990. He immediately took up the reins as Head of Geography and Head of Department.

In the classroom he established himself as a non-sense teacher who seldom spoke off the topic as the boys tried desperately to red herring him. He set a high standard and expected accurate and precise answers and it was no surprise to regularly see his entire matric class achieve an A symbol in the final exam.

At times he would appear to be agreeing to an internal decision as he walked the corridors and hence he was awarded the nick name 'Noddy'.

Bruce enjoyed teaching but his real love was coaching sport. Over the years he chalked up a near College record of umpiring over 300 cricket matches and still had enough energy to immerse himself in the rugby season where his teams ran on 322 times.

The College annual magazines reveal a rugby win/loss ratio of 80%, a remarkable success rate which soon had him coaching at the highest level, namely first game. This opened the door and successful international tours to Australia (1994), England/Wales/Ireland (1997) and New Zealand (2000) followed.

Home-ground advantage meant much to Bruce as his wife Trish was able to attend the matches. Here her magic crystals could be flashed at the opposition with remarkable results and contributed no doubt to Bruce's high win rate.

Bruce was very involved in the U16 Grant Khomo week where he coached the KZN team to victory in 2004 and 2005. A narrow loss in the final in 2006 followed. He then turned his skills to being the convenor of selectors up until 2016.

The area of the staffroom reserved for the more 'mature teachers' is aptly referred to as 'Compost Corner'. It was here that Bruce spoke fondly of Trish and his daughters, Beth and Sarah, and more recently Calla and Rayf, his grandchildren. We were kept abreast of the family news on a daily basis.

As Bruce leaves us, College will be grateful for the time he spent on the sports field, for his excellent Geography results and his approachability as an HoD. However, these will fade with time and we will remember Brucie, the person: a bottomless level of patience, a never say die attitude to life, a quiet and at times stubborn leader and someone who after 30 years was never seen to lose his temper!

Brucie may you, Trish and your family enjoy 'Scotties' and wherever else your wanderings may take you, and know you are fondly remembered at College. As a matric boy put it last year, "You are a legend".

Go well good friend."

Milestones

Accomplishments

Long Service - 20 years



Tony Nevill, Biddy Parker, Cora Tedder, Ailsa Greyling, Graham Dorling

NSC results awards from 2017



Mr Sihle Mabaso, who joined the staff after teaching at Asibemunye High School till 2017, was selected as the KZN representative in the category 'Excellence in Teaching Mathematics', in the National Teaching Awards. These prestigious awards presented by the Department of Basic Education, recognise and promote the extraordinary efforts of the country's most dedicated teachers, while promoting and saluting excellence in the teaching profession. Mr Mabaso obtained first place provincially and was runner-up nationally. Well done!

Promotions 2018

Graham Dorling	Subject Head Geography
Drikus Hoffman	Day Housemaster Calder, then BE Housemaster Nathan House
Anthony Sparrow	Day Housemaster Fuller
Murray-John Smit	Assistant HOD Leadership
Ryan Kyle	BE Housemaster Shepstone House
Ricky Chirengende	Deputy BE Housemaster Shepstone House
Brandon van der Walt	Deputy BE Housemaster Hudson House
Sanele Ngema	Deputy BE Housemaster Clark House
Linda Shezi	Deputy BE Housemaster Nathan House
Mike Reed	Day Housemaster Calder
Leigh-Ann Moffatt	Assistant Day Housemaster Fuller
Fiona Deyzel	Assistant Day Housemaster Nicholson
Tarryn Louch	Assistant Day Housemaster Pape
Simon Stickells	Director of Music and Performing Arts
Kamany Thaver	Director of Cultural Affairs
Dylan Coombes	Boardmaster Hudson House



Domestic Announcements

Births:

Once again the Stork gathered frequent-flyer miles at College with the arrival of the following beautiful bundles of joy during 2018:



Murray-John and Lisa Smit welcomed **Abigail** in May 2018.



Evasen and Shantal Rajah welcomed **Eliandro Seth** on 17 August 2018.



Kyle and Philippa Nipper welcomed their daughter **Tenley Joy** on 31 August 2018.



Chris and Michelle Barnsley welcomed their handsome son, **William John**, in November 2018



Simon and Joni Stickells's second son, **Joshua John**, was born on 18 October 2018. Joshua is baby brother to Leander.

Sanele Ngema and Lucky welcomed their daughter, **Azania Gugulethu**, in December 2018

Engagements:

Weddings



Tim Orchard and Tessa van Huysteen celebrated their engagement on 31 December 2018.



Brent and Laura Dodd were married in April 2018.



Tamaryn Fletcher married Ryan Schofield on 2 June 2018 at Ndaka Safari Lodge, Nambiti Private Game Reserve.



SPEECH DAY

Speech Day took place on 12 October 2018 and marked the final official school day for the Matric Class of 2018. The guest of honour was Mr Neil Hinrichsen, CEO of KoiStrategy, which works to develop entrepreneurship in Africa.

Address by the Head Prefect, NM Mchunu



Maritzburg College – two words which mean so much to so many people. How do two words mean so much in the hearts of young men, their fathers and their grandfathers? What gives these words so much respect and so much weight when one announces that one has been a scholar at this great institution?

It's definitely not the grass, or the windows, or the walls – it is the men, women and boys who walk through these doors every day that make this place what it is. How does a mere place, a location, mean so much to a young man?

A year in the life of any establishment will always have ups and downs, highs and lows, sunny days and overcast days. 2018 has been such a year and it has borne good fruit and the seeds one has planted in the years that have past, have definitely been reaped. No man ever grew a good crop by simply sitting around and expecting the good crops to plant themselves. Hours are put in: early mornings, late nights and sacrifices are made to make sure only the best crops are produced.

If one does not do this the crop will fail and become just an 'unweeded garden'. This place we treasure so much is nowhere near being an unweeded garden because of the men and young men who plant good seeds which bear good fruit.

With every year that goes by we question if this place is changing. We fear that the place we love so dearly might not be the same when we return. It is clear that the more College changes, the more it remains the same. For something to get better and evolve it *must* change and that's exactly where College is now, better than ever.

I say this with great confidence and pride. College was once largely feared for its rugby dominance alone. In 2018 we have produced numerous South African colours in codes as diverse as hockey, canoeing, shooting and karate, to name but a few. Our once rugby-dominant school has found itself producing one of the finest choirs in the province. We also see our boys excelling academically and winning prizes throughout KwaZulu-Natal. Saturday mornings see the school come alive with teachers and boys working tirelessly in the Khanyisa programme to create a better future for those less fortunate. To the staff who give so freely of their time for the betterment of, not only our school but our country, we say "Thank you!"

We arrive at College in Second Form as mere rascals who have no idea what respect, commitment, honesty, integrity, self-discipline and courage mean. We question everything that is done here at College and try to rest on our own understanding and go against a system that has lasted for 155 years. Our egos clash as we fight over which primary school was better and fight over who didn't switch off the lights in D-dorm. We question team-testing and why we have to make our beds and stand at attention next to them ... So why do we make our beds and make sure they are spotless and made to perfection? Making your bed means a great chance of having a better day. Making your bed means

you've achieved something before your day has even started. Even if you have a bad day at least you know you will have a well made bed to sleep in that night.

It means making sure the little achievements in life are taken care of and step by step you learn to treasure them. We fight each other about where we come from and yet forget where we all are. That badge over our chest slowly begins to bond us closer together more than anything else. Those three colours start to stream into our blood and slowly the time comes to sing, 'Oh Boys of Nathan's' for the last time ... time passes in the blink of an eye, and there goes our first chapter of College life. Those days when we stood and admired men like the le Rouxs, the Goodsons and the Magubanes were tough, but we learnt everything we needed to. Those memories stick with us and remain close to our hearts.

At this school you take a Ballito surfer, a farmer from Eston and a boy from Ashdown - give them a basher, give them three colours: Red, Black and White, give them five years and you get a 'College Boy'. Brothers, we've come a long way. Along the way we've lost some soldiers, but we've certainly gained many more. It is not our geography, or the fact that we all came from different backgrounds, that made us different, but that we were different because one was in Lamond's, one was in Snow's, and the other in Fuller House ... Houses, classes and backgrounds fade away: we are all COLLEGE boys bound by a badge that unites us despite our differences.

The more time we spend at College the more we understand its noble traditions and why they exist. We get to understand College more and more and we understand why it's different from any other school.

As the time draws near to pack our bags and leave this place we call home, the more we realise just how much it means to us. College is not for five years, but for a life time ...

To my Sixth Form class of 2018 our time has now come to an end. In life there's a time for everything:

a time to say hello
 a time to laugh
 a time to cry
 a time to break
 a time to build
 a time to remember
 a time to miss
 a time to hate
 a time to love,
 and right now it's time to say goodbye.

Goodbye to everything we call life. Goodbye to standing to attention at the Prefect's study, goodbye to Saturday afternoons on the mighty Goldstone's, goodbye to the big hits on Satan's table, goodbye to Pape's, goodbye to the drag flicks, goodbye to Friday night shouts, goodbye to the scary long walks in Clark House at midnight, goodbye to Hudson Highway, goodbye to long walks to the dining room from Elliot House ...

But one day, boys, we will meet again and our hearts will be ignited by the memories we carry forever. We will have returned to our home, and our cries, laughter and prayers will be answered. We will share stories for all to hear, and reminisce on our time here together. For some of us this may be the last time we spend time with each other... this is life. One day we will meet again and be united once more. We do not know the plan God has for us, but I know we will reunite as one ... as College boys.

Right now it is not our choice but all good things must come to an end. Maritzburg College is no longer ours and we hand it over to a group of men who have the unique opportunity to be part of something great. It is my sincere hope that you gentlemen realise just how blessed you are. Today, for us, it is time to move on. We will embrace the future knowing that this place we have come to know and love is not merely a school, but a brotherhood, and that College is not just for five years, but for a lifetime.



Wherever life might take you, no matter the circumstances, regardless of the outcome, wherever you are, standing right beside you, with his arms stretched out will be a College boy waiting, waiting for an opportunity to pick up his fallen brother.

To the staff and boys of Maritzburg College it has been an incredible privilege to be your Head Prefect for the year 2018. It was an absolute honour to be able to call myself this and I will stand proud wherever life may take me, knowing I had the privilege of wearing those three colours: RED, BLACK, WHITE. Thank you to each and every one of you who have made this year one which I will never, ever forget. Thank you for trusting me to lead you.

Boys, I can fully testify that you only arrive when you have left and as we say our final goodbyes I can confidently say you have arrived.

Just as God chose Jesus his only son, College chooses you to be its noble son who takes pride in all he stands for and where he comes from.

Pro Aris et Focis

Address by the Headmaster, Mr CJ Luman

The Headmaster thanked the Head Prefect, N Mchunu, his deputy prefects, the prefect body and house leaders for their significant contribution and sterling work in leading Maritzburg College throughout the year.

Mr Luman's address focussed on the outgoing Sixth Formers and their legacy for 2018. He defined a 'legacy' as being a gift or a bequest that is handed down or conveyed from one person to another. It is something that is transmitted, inherited or received from a predecessor. His message was largely derived from a recently read book by Jim Kerr entitled "Legacy: What the All Blacks can teach us about the business of life", and a specific question which he posed: How do you leave the blazer in a better place?

He was hopeful that the Sixth Formers had all been good ancestors for the next generation as their greatest responsibility was to honour those who had come before them in the 155-year history of Maritzburg College, as well as those who would come after. He reminded the young men that their actions would echo beyond their time here and that true leaders were not only stewards of the future but should take responsibility for adding to the legacy.

Mr Luman reminded the audience of the Zulu word *ubuntu* – the essence of being human – and how we cannot exist as human beings in isolation. "People want to be part of something larger than themselves. They want to be part of something that they are really proud of, and for which they are prepared to make sacrifices", he said. He linked this to Maslow's 'Hierarchy of Needs' and the theory that people strive for a sense of belonging, self-esteem, self-respect, respect for others, recognition of talent and a sense of identity and purpose.

He hoped that the Sixth Formers had contributed to the collective identity and character of Maritzburg College, and had created a structure of meaning: a sense of purpose, belonging, team work, and most importantly, personal responsibility and had instilled in the lower formers a sense of great self-worth.

Mr Luman summed up his message by rhetorically asking, "What have you added to the legacy that is College?"

"This chapter of your life has come to an end and you are about to embark on a new, exciting chapter - it is about to be written in your journey towards realising your ultimate goals", he said. He reminded the boys that "the main thing is not to be too impatient – good things take time. Be committed, self-disciplined, brutally honest with yourself and do not be afraid to be courageous and make mistakes. Be a good apprentice."

He wished the Class of 2018 every success as they travel the road in pursuit of their goals, and concluded with a Maori Maxim:

"From listening comes knowledge
From knowledge comes understanding
From understanding comes wisdom
From wisdom comes well-being."

Pro Aris et Focis

Address by the Guest of Honour, Mr NR Hinrichsen



Mr Hinrichsen addressed the audience on lessons regarding entrepreneurship and delved into his many years of experience in this field. Having watched his father become a successful entrepreneur, Mr Hinrichsen's speech focussed on his personal journey as a potential road-map to success. Mr Hinrichsen is a Christian, as well as a Youth Minister and therefore his message was also based on Christian principles.

As a guide to the outgoing Sixth Form group, Mr Hinrichsen referred to the film 'The Lion King' as a map of guidance for their journey after school. The film follows the hero's path, which includes the trials, tribulations and challenges one can expect in the journey after school, and towards success. It is a journey that requires leadership and servant-ship.

The first step in the journey is to step out of one's safe space, the familiar, and to step into the unknown, the 'desert' - university for example. There one may feel scared and have fewer resources but one is embarking on a new adventure. Once one becomes familiar in this area, one moves to the 'forest', which Mr Hinrichsen refers to as 'the stage of growth'. It is in this stage that friends, mentorship, camaraderie and community are extremely important. This is the stage when one works to reach one's full potential and be the ruler or king of one's space. Along with this concept, comes another – of not forgetting who one is, one's identity and where one comes from.

Mr Hinrichsen highlighted dangers along this path which included being trapped in the desert: where one becomes a victim of their circumstance, as well as the failure to grow beyond the point of growth. This means that one must continue to strive to be the best that they can be, and grow into full stature in their community. Mr Hinrichsen commented on two groups of youth which are at risk but focussed on the message from the Apostle Paul, that one should always have faith, hope and love. These are the keywords of the path to success.



Mr C Luman (Headmaster), N Govender (3rd in Sixth Form), Mr N Hinrichsen (Guest of Honour), C Hollaway (1st in Sixth Form), Mrs J Finnie (Deputy Head: Academics), and M van Heerden (2nd in Sixth Form) after the Speech Day ceremony

PRIZE-WINNERS

INTER-HOUSE TROPHIES

Cock House 2018	Commons House
Forder Cup for Champion House 2018	Commons House

SIXTH FORM PRIZE-WINNERS 2018

Merit Certificates

MR Bayat, TD Bookhan, C Bower, DC Croudace, D Dhayaram, L Govender, NL Haasbroek, CA Hoffman, TS Moroney, NS Mpontshane, D Naidu, J Piek, M Reeves, WL Reich, CG Tooke, NP Welch, BG Wood, SS Zuma

Sixth Form Subject Prizes

Prize for Business Studies	M Bayat
Prize for Computer Applications Technology	Y Maharaj
Prize for Dramatic Arts	SDG Palmer
Prize for Engineering Graphic and Design	MN Marshall
Prize for isiZulu	SS Dube
Prize for Mathematical Literacy	JD Allen
Prize for Visual Art	JR Bilbrough
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Music	S Bridglall

Special Prizes

Maritzburg College Old Boys' Association Prizes for Service to the School	JP Campbell, C Hollaway, RD Stainbank and RK Zeelie
Phelps Canon Prize for Service to the School	NM Mchunu
Nora Cook Trophy for Altruistic Service	RD Stainbank
Charles Taylor Award for Good Fellowship	JP Campbell
Ian McAllister Prize for Academic Progress	WK Ndlovu
Joint winners of the Val Harley Trophy for Creative Writing	ML Abel and JH Clacey
Merit Certificate, the Prizes for History and English and the Olley Prize for History and English	PG Kidd
Merit Certificate, the Prize for Life Orientation and the Mike Brown Five Pillars Award	C Beekrum
Merit Certificate, the Prize for Life Sciences and the joint Prize for Achievement in Academics and Sport	AS Bradford
Merit Certificate, the Prize for Information Technology, the Epoch and Optima Prize for AP Mathematics, the Prize for Achievement in Academics and Culture and the Bidvest Waltons Prize for Third in Form	N Govender
Merit Certificate, the Prize for Geography, the PKF Trophy for Economics and the Nedbank Proxime Accessit for Second in Form	MA van Heerden
Merit Certificate, the Prizes for Afrikaans, Physical Science and Mathematics, the PricewaterhouseCoopers' Prize for Accounting, the joint Prize for Achievement in Academics and Sport, the First National Bank Prize and the Levinsohn Trophy for the DUX OF MARITZBURG COLLEGE	C Hollaway



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SPORT AND CULTURAL AWARDS CEREMONY

The Sport and Cultural Awards Ceremony was held on 19 September 2018 and the guest of honour was Mr Ashley Evert, Old Collegian and Manager of the BlitzBokke, the national Rugby Sevens team.

Address by the Guest of Honour, Mr A Evert



In essence, Mr Evert's speech focussed on what the driving force behind a young man's actions should be to become an outstanding young man. He drew on the principles applied in the management and collective efforts of the BlitzBokke.

His focus was on credibility and how it is composed of trustworthiness and expertise. He pointed out that our actions should be driven by our values, which determine a culture, for example, College's Core Values. Our actions should be guided by our principles, our values.

Mr Evert emphasised that we should all make the best of what we have. He noted how privileged boys are to attend College. He encouraged each one of us to determine who we are, and not let ourselves be defined by the dictates of social media. We should think before we speak or act and have conviction enough to stand up for that which we believe.

He maintained that each one of us should have a mentor, as well as be a mentor. This he insisted with great passion, as he felt that we can learn so much from others, but also guide and teach those who may need mentoring.

In conclusion, Mr Evert urged the boys to be men "of promise" – to keep their word and always deliver on it. This, he said, went hand-in-hand with being trustworthy and ensuring one's integrity. If we follow these principles, others will follow our example.



J Campbell



R Stainbank



D Evans



M Marshall and M Hlongwane



PRIZE-WINNERS 2018

Inter-House Trophies

Ray Bestall Cup for Junior Cricket	Lamond
Freakes Shield for House Cricket	Lamond
Brian Edwards Cup for Hockey	Forder
Critch Cup for Junior Rugby	Commons
Lamond Cup for Senior Rugby	Pape
Lindup Cup for House Rugby	Fuller
Bob Lambert Cup for Squash	Snow
The Sixth Form Cup for Shooting	Commons & Nicholson
Peel Cup for Tennis	Commons & Nicholson
College Cup for Inter-House Culture	Commons & Pape

Individual Cultural Trophies

Robertson Trophy for Outstanding Service to the Audio-Visual Society	NS Zulu
Mary-Ann Hartley Trophy for Most Outstanding Vocal Soloist	MN Marshall
Douglas Comrie Memorial Trophy for Outstanding Contribution to the Choir	MK Hlongwane
McGibbon Trophy for Best Stage Actor	IG Ndlela
Director's Award	SDG Palmer
Roger Heslop Memorial Trophy for Overall Contribution to Drama	JR McFarland
Usher Cup for Outstanding Work in Creative Movement	T Lowe
Parklane SuperSpar Trophy for the Most Promising Musician	K Ramharak
Conor Michael Larkin Memorial Plate for the Most Improved Musician	MA Thomas
Christopher Duigan Trophy for Excellence in Music Performance	JKH Wong
The Music Revival Trophy for Contribution to Music	S Bridglall
Lood Muller Trophy for Contribution to the Afrikaans Society	AJ Vermaak
Graham Holder Trophy for Best Debater	N Govender
Calder Trophy for Public Speaking	SS Zuma
Dustin Stevens Trophy for Best Public Speaker	C Beekrum
Maritzburg College Speakers' Circle Trophy for the Most Improved Speaker	M Reeves
The Armstrong Trophy for Best Prepared Speech	C Beekrum
Azalea Rotary Club Book Award for the display of qualities pertinent to the Rotary Four Way Test	JP Hoyle
The Kean Hemingway Memorial Trophy for Emerging Leadership and Peer Fellowship	JO Beauclerk
Graham Holder Trophy for Outstanding Contribution to the Media Centre	G Haripersad
Graham Holder Trophy for the Best Overall Contribution to Culture at College	MK Hlongwane & MN Marshall

Individual Sport Trophies

Hayden St John Ward Memorial Trophy for the Top Achiever in a Non-Official School Sport	CD von Benecke
Maritzburg College Trophy for the Chess Player of the Year	S Gounder
Ian Rogers Trophy for the Most Competent Rugby Referee	NL Mfeka
Craig Joubert Trophy for the Most Improved Rugby Referee	ZT Jali
Oscar Servant Trophy for the Most Promising Shottist	SD Verwey
Frank Lambert Cup for the Best Overall Shottist	JP Cooke
Shaun Olley Cup for the Most Consistent Shottist	RA Boone
MacLean Trophy for Best Shottist in the Standing Position	ULY Molefi
Johnstone Trophy for Strokeplay Champion in Golf	N Trodd
Oscar Servant Trophy for the Most Improved Golfer	EL Gough
Roy Foster Memorial Trophy for the Most Improved Water Polo Player in Form Five	BC Webster
Matt Kemp Trophy for the Most Improved Water Polo Goalkeeper	CR Dowell
Sean Burgoyne Fellowship Trophy for Water Polo	GB Lesur
Oscar Servant Trophy for the Most Committed Water Polo Player	T Prinsloo
Justin Joubert Trophy for the Most Valuable Water Polo Player	KD Raw
Lance Dobeyn Trophy for the Junior Champion Canoeist	GT Cooke
Maritzburg College Trophy for the Most Promising Canoeist	JR Goble
Oscar Servant Trophy for the Highest Placed Junior in the Dusi Canoe Marathon	DM Evans
Lance Dobeyn Trophy for the Senior Champion Canoeist	DM Evans
Greenhalgh Cup for the Most Valuable Basketball Player	LS Janse van Rensburg
Arnold Moseya Trophy for the Best Defensive Basketball Player	PB Simamane
Oscar Servant Trophy for the Most Improved Basketball Player in the 1st Team	ABP Mcoyi
Ron Jury Trophy for Best All-Round Basketball Player	Z Luthuli
'Slow' Ngcobo Memorial Trophy for Outstanding Contribution to Basketball	CS Dladla & LL Shange
Hatton's Cycles Trophy for Most Promising Junior Cyclist	NA Burczak
Maritzburg College Trophy for the Champion Cyclist	KA Blunt
Oscar Servant Trophy for the Most Committed Tennis Player in the 1st Team	RQ Christensen
Lucinda Lang Trophy for Junior Singles Tennis Champion	AD Styan
Grant Morrison Trophy for the Most Improved Tennis Player	TM Katzenellenbogen
Derek Howard Trophy for Senior Singles Tennis Champion	RQ Christensen
Maritzburg College Trophy for the Junior Table Tennis Champion	N Dlamini
Maritzburg College Trophy for the Senior Table Tennis Champion	Y Naidoo
Ted Anley Memorial Shield for the Most Competent Soccer Referee	CM Thomas



Luyanda Ntshangase Memorial Shield for the Most Improved Player in the 1st Soccer XI	MC Dorlly
Oscar Servant Trophy for the Most Committed Player in the 1st Soccer XI	K Mudali
Reece Tiffin Trophy for 1st XI Soccer Player of the Year	UK Mthembu
Aidan Nugent Trophy for the Under 14 Squash Champion	AT Ndwandwe
Dan Smith Trophy for the Under 16 Squash Champion	MCC Darch
Smythe Trophy for the Most Improved Squash Player	CS White
Oscar Servant Trophy for Senior Squash Champion	E Meyer
Natal Witness/Maritzburg Old Boys' Cricket Club Trophy for the Most Improved Player in the 1st Cricket XI	JR Gengan
Oscar Servant Trophy for Best All Round Cricketer in the 1st XI	JP Campbell
Leon Haarhoff Memorial Trophy for the Most Promising Junior Cross-country Athlete	OL Higgins
Darrol Day Cup for Junior Cross-country Winner	OL Higgins
Stalker Cup for Senior Cross-country Winner	N Msiya
Ryan Clive-Smith Trophy for the Highest Placed Senior in the Midlands Cross-country League	N Msiya
Shrives Trophy for the Most Committed Player in the 1st Hockey XI	AS Bradford
Oscar Servant Trophy for Fellowship in Hockey	RD Stainbank
Dieter Schlosser Memorial Trophy for the Most Improved Player in the 1st Hockey XI	GO Pio
Carr Trophy for Player of the Year in the 1st Hockey XI	JP Campbell
Skonk Nicholson Pin for the Most Improved Player in the 1st Rugby XV	EC Heuer
Skonk Nicholson Trophy for the Most Committed Player in the 1st Rugby XV	NM Mchunu
Olivier Trophy for the Player of the Year in the 1st Rugby XV	SS Dube
Wayne Lofthouse Memorial Prize for Courage and Tenacity in Sport	TW Nelson
Headmaster's Award for the Highlight of the Year	DM Evans
Headmaster's Award for the Best All-Round Sportsman	JP Campbell
Headmaster's Award for the Sportsman of the Year	DM Evans

PRIZE-GIVING

Prize-giving took place on Friday, 23 November 2018 and celebrated the academic achievements of College boys during the year. The guest of honour was Mr Lawrence Hoatson, Old Collegian of 1971, former chair of the School Governing Body and Managing Director of Tekwani Sawmills and Thirsti.

Address by the Headmaster, Mr CJ Luman



The Headmaster's address to the boys centred on the following story:

Once upon a time a powerful king decided to honour the greatest person amongst his subjects. He sent out heralds and messengers to every part of his kingdom to find the heroes of the land. On the appointed day, those chosen assembled in the Throne hall.

The wealthiest person in the kingdom was there and stood alongside the most influential author. The leading doctor stood with the famous scientist. There was a celebrated lawyer who had won many courtroom battles. A brilliant musician. A gifted artist. Men and women of talent, achievement and status.

The king gazed at the glittering assembly of talented and successful people and wondered how he could ever choose who was the greatest amongst them. Then he noticed a grey-headed man and a white-haired woman standing quietly at the back. People greeted them with respect and affection. They had eyes that shone with knowledge, understanding and love.



PRIZE-GIVING

'Who are these people?' demanded the king. 'Why are they here? What have they done?'

'My Lord,' replied the Chief Minister. 'You have met and spoken to all the greatest people of your kingdom. These are their teachers.'

And the people burst into cheering and applause as the King came down from his throne to honour them. For no matter how great the achievements, how great the person, all success begins with learning.

Nobody ever forgets a good teacher.

Honour those who teach.

Mr Luman's message to the audience, and more specifically the boys of College, was to acknowledge the role that teachers have played, and continue to play, in their lives in every aspect of their school experience. Teachers, he said, had hopefully inspired them with a strong belief in their ability to succeed and a lifetime commitment to good learning.

He acknowledged that many of the boys were making the most of these opportunities and not only entering doors, but also sometimes finding new doors themselves. He reminded the boys that to excel takes determination, effort and a positive 'can do' attitude.

The Headmaster concluded by congratulating the prize-winners as they had certainly seized their opportunities and had earned both admiration and respect.

Pro Aris et Focis

Address by the Guest of Honour, Mr L Hoatson



Mr Hoatson expressed his pleasure at having been asked to address the College community on such an auspicious occasion.

His address recounted his own life experience, both in his own family life, but also in his long career as a farmer and businessman. He did not always have it easy, and faced many challenges along the way. Always, however, he was conscious of God's provision for him and for his family and in what he called "miracles" where his various business dealings were concerned.

He commended the wisdom of the Book of Proverbs to us, saying it gives us the tools to manage our lives. He stated clearly that he believes it was God's guidance and his family's absolute faith that had enabled him to overcome huge financial difficulties and sometimes risky business ventures.

Citing the parable of the talents in the Bible he encouraged each boy in the audience to identify his own talents, since every one of us has God-given talents, and use them with determination and hard work to evolve a positive outlook on life. He urged the boys to be prepared to take risks in life, but attempt always to make a difference.



PRIZE-WINNERS

for the 2018 Academic Year

Academic Progress Prizes

Third Form	W Mdladla
Fourth Form	RR Price
Fifth Form	BK Symons

SECOND FORM**Merit certificates**

A Ahmed, N Chetty, ABI Ferraz, MB Fihlela, RJ Finnie, U Gina, TM Govender, LAO Hlophe, CI Hankinson, LA Kadir, R Maharaj, S Manack, NN Mazibuko, KN Mthimkhulu, SNN Ndaba, MQB Ngubo, S Osman, W Pillay, K Ramharak, TL Zimu and TV Zuma

Subject prizes

The Prize for isiZulu	NC Zwane
Merit Certificate and the joint Prize for Creative Arts	JE Lowe
Merit Certificate and the Prize for English	KL Subiah
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Technology	JB Peens
Merit Certificate and Prizes for Afrikaans and Life Orientation	CJ Prinsloo
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Third in Second Form	K Kisten
Merit Certificate, the Prizes for Mathematics, Social Sciences and the Prize for Second in Second Form	KB Goddard
Merit Certificate, the Prizes for Natural Sciences, EMS, the joint Prize for Creative Arts and the Prize for First in Second Form	TE Abramia

THIRD FORM**Merit certificates**

TS Conolly, BA Cotterrell, EH Coulthard, RJ Crookes, SG Delpport, GB Emberton, A Essa, JD Govender, KN Hansen, S Hanson-DeJager, CM Hibbert, HS Kemp, MP Laithwaite, L Magwaza, LL Maharaj, NA McFarland, BD Nuttall, MA Pearson, W Pretorius, BS Raw, B van der Merwe, JL van der Merwe and MJ Whyte

Subject Prizes

The Prize for isiZulu	N Zikalala
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Life Orientation	JM Lalor
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Social Studies	JO Beauclerk
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Third in Third Form	UPJ Maphumulo
Merit Certificate and the Prizes for Afrikaans, Creative Arts and the Prize for Second in Third Form	JR Le Roux
Merit Certificate, the Prizes for Technology, Natural Sciences, Mathematics, EMS, English and the Prize for First in Third Form	U Desai

FOURTH FORM**Merit certificates**

YS Atwaru, JM Bense, DL Bruyns, MCC Darch, LJ de Rose, JR du Toit, PJD Elliot, NH Greeff, K Hough, JI Moses, TKM Mbatha, Y Naidoo, N Ndlovu, NS Qwabe, CH Stubbs, T Thulsie, MC Veenstra, CL Vilakazi, and AJ Westley

Subject Prizes

The Prize for Afrikaans	C van Heerden
The Prize for CAT	B Duckham
The Prize for Dramatic Arts	K Thaver
The Prize for History	D Moodley
The Prize for Maths Literacy	MJ Kelly
The Prize for Music	MA Thomas
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Business Studies	JE Lowe
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Geography	OW Beauclerk
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Information Technology	S Kidsingh
Merit Certificate and the Prize for isiZulu	LV Mosiea
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Mathematics	MH Zunckel
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Visual Arts	Z Osman
Merit Certificate and the Prizes for Life Orientation, English and Agricultural Sciences	MH Smith
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Accounting and the Prize for Third in Fourth Form	TM Katzenellenbogen
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Economics and the Prize for Second in Fourth Form	SA Zondi
Merit Certificate and the Prizes for Life Sciences, EGD, Physical Science, AP Maths and the Prize for First in Fourth Form	I Maharaj

FIFTH FORM**Merit certificates**

A Abdool, MY Akoob, AD Baijoo, A Budke, SG Butler, LA Diedricks, M Essack, H Heeralal, RR Himwanth, Z Ismail, JV Keith, LH Menezies, SE Mntungwa, MD Ryan, ST Soorju, KN Smith, JJ van der Walt and UBM Zuma

Subject prizes

The Prize for Business Studies	SR Meiklejohn
The Prize for EGD	MR Green
The Prize for Maths Literacy	J Bester
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Accounting	JB Engelbrecht
Merit Certificate and the Prize for Economics	N Msiya
Merit Certificate and the Prizes for AP Maths and Visual Arts	J Collocott
Merit Certificate and the Prizes for History and Life Orientation	TR Drummond
Merit Certificate and the Prizes for CAT and Information Technology	CC McKenzie
Merit Certificate and the Prizes for Dramatic Arts, English and the Prize for Third in Fifth Form	JR McFarland
Merit Certificate and the Prizes for Afrikaans, Physical Science and the Prize for Second in Fifth Form	Y Akoo
Merit Certificate and the Prizes for Geography, isiZulu, Life Sciences, Mathematics and the Prize for First in Fifth Form	SS Dlamini



AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Awards 2018

The awards listed below were made during the 2018 calendar year. Awards made in 2017 are not detailed here.

Academic Tie:

JD Allen, KB Barrett, MK Hlongwane, AZ Hlubi, C Janse van Rensburg, CJ Jefferys, Z Luthuli, Y Maharaj, L Marucchi, WJ Michaux, BJ Noble, KA Tarr, RP Wilkins, MJ Willemse, KA Zvandaziva

Basketball:

B Mothebe, M Siwila

Choir:

SS Dlamini, BS Gumede, KR Howard, TMN Khoza, NFG Lushozi, W Mazwi, B Mothebe, O Ngcobo, N Phenyane, OHS Salim, TEJ Zondi

Debating:

K Harischandre, SN Maphanga

Drama:

BS Gumede, O Mthethwa

Ensemble:

W Moffett

ESports:

JQ Neizel, AR Nursovet

Media Centre:

U-F Khan, T Lowe, Y Mahomed, ML Mbambo, T Molo

Photography:

ML Abel, LM Foster, KS Thornton-Dibb

Rugby Referees:

S Ngwenya

Sound & Lighting:

KJ Chikowore

TechSquad:

R Bennett, EL Lamprecht, JC Smit, CMH Smith

Large White Badge:

Athletics:

CS Tyrer

Basketball:

AK Asampong, ABP Mcoyi, NK Ngcobo, PB Simamane, KA Zvandaziva

Canoeing:

SW Speed

Chess:

AD Baijoo, TE Hughes, K Maphumulo

Cricket:

KB Collyer, DKH Dyer, SL Elliott, C Fortmann, AD Todd, JJ van der Walt

Cycling:

A Budke

Golf:

SM Paxton

Hockey:

DC Godleman, K Kleiner, GS Will

Rugby:

KM Dlangalala, NS Mbatha, BP Nene, SB Pinkiney, BC Webster, MJ Willemse

Soccer:

AZ Hlubi, JV Keith, SN Kubheka, LT Mncwangi, N Msiya, JG Stoffels

Squash:

KH Govender, S Ngwenya

Swimming:

JG Aldum, BT Baldrey, JR Bilbrough, HT Brown, JR Duncan, KF Huizinga, CT Patterson, B Pretorius, KD Raw, LX Volker, BG Wood

Table Tennis:

C Bower, D Naidu

Tennis:

JB Engelbrecht, JV Keith

Water polo:

HI Hankinson, L Lenz, T Prinstloo, KD Raw, L Robinson, MDS Toich

Colours:

Academics:

Y Akoo, JP Campbell, WH Clacey, J Collocott, D Dhayaram, SS Dlamini, DB Edwards, Y Govender, DJ Lowe, M Malani, MN Marshall, LH Menezies, N Msiya, SD Piper, NS Zulu

Athletics:

NT Makanya, SE Mntungwa, SD Piper, MJ Willemse

Basketball:

SKN Dumisa, Z Khoza

Canoeing:

JL Giddings, SW Little

Choir:

RS Kumalo, LC Landsberg

Cross-country:

DM Evans, N Msiya, T Ross

Cycling:

DD Jackson, BK Symons

Debating:

N Govender, W Ndlovu, CG Tooke

Drama:

T Lowe, L Maboza, JR McFarland

First Aid:

SN Maphanga, LGC Mendes, M Mkhwanazi, JS Spooner

Golf:

NN Radebe

Media Centre:

R Bennett, C Bower, G Haripersad, LLT Zondo

Music:

JKH Wong

Photography:

ML Abel

Rugby:

EC Heuer, EG Hodgson, SSM Kekana, GB Lesur, B Nel, JJ van der Walt

Rugby Referees:

NL Mfeka

Service to Basketball:

M Siwila

Shooting:

RA Boone, JP Cooke

Soccer:

K Mudali

Sound & Lighting:

SK Duma, NS Zulu

Squash:

JHE Jacobsen, CD White

Swimming:

L Robinson

Table Tennis:

K Naidoo

TechSquad:

JJ Scheepers, LF Charles, D Dhayaram, Y Maharaj

Water polo:

BC Webster

Colours and Scarf:

Academics:

TD Bookhan, S Bridglall, JH Clacey, DC Croudace, NL Haasbroek, CA Hoffman, ML Mbambo, NS Mpontshane, WL Reich, SS Zuma

Canoeing:

KA Tarr

Chess:

S Gounder, M Kheswa

Choir:

MK Hlongwane, MN Marshall

Cricket:

AS Bradford

Drama:

MK Hlongwane, MN Marshall, IG Ndlela, SDG Palmer

Ensemble:

S Bridglall, EC Naicker, JKH Wong

Hockey:	L Lenz, T Prinsloo
Music:	S Bridglall
Rugby:	WL Hlophe, A Nzimande, PB Simamane
Soccer:	UK Mthembu, LN Zondi
Squash:	CD von Benecke
Tennis:	MV Maphumulo
Water polo:	C Slater

Honours:

Academics:	MR Bayat, C Beekrum, C Bower, L Govender, N Govender, C Hollaway, PG Kidd, TS Moroney, D Naidu, J Piek, M Reeves, CG Tooke, MA van Heerden, NP Welch, BG Wood, AS Bradford
Canoeing:	TR Drummond, DM Evans, BD Lawson
Cricket:	MN Khumalo
Cycling:	TA Cheatle
First Aid:	ML Abel
Golf:	LJ Barnard, RM Emanuel, EL Gough, N Trodd
Hockey:	AS Bradford, AM Greaves, C Hollaway, MV Maphumulo, SP Ngcobo, S Ngcongo, GO Pio, RD Stainbank
Rugby:	SS Dube, NN Radebe
Soccer:	TEJ Zondi

HEADMASTER'S CLOSED SCHOLARSHIPS

The following Grade 7 boys were awarded a **Headmaster's Closed Scholarship** to attend Maritzburg College from 2019:

R Paine	Merchiston
C Reardon	DPHS
S Msibi	Cordwalles
D Pillay	Scottsville
L Nkabinde	Pelham
T Nuttall	Epworth
T Truter	Laddsworth



National Senior Certificate Results 2018

(Note: These results are as supplied by the DoE at the time of going to print. They may not include all changes due to re-marked papers.)

Abel ML (GR,LI,VS)	PB	Khan U-F	PB	Oliphant I (HI)	PB
Afrikaner J (GR)	Pending	Khwela L	PB	Palmer SDG	PB
Aldum JG	PB	Kidd PG (AF,EN,GE,HI,LI,PH)	PB	Parker BL	PB
Allchin CWW (LI)	PB	Kleiner K	PB	Parker-Dennison L	PD
Allen JD (GE,ML)	PB	Kumalo RS	PB	Payn BS	PB
Alli A	PB	Leisegang DJK (LI)	PB	Pepworth J	PB
Anderson TG (GR,LI,VS)	PB	Lesur GB	PB	Phungula SW (LI,ZU)	PD
Asampong AK (LI)	PB	Levin LT	PB	Piek J (AF,GE,LF,LI,PH)	PB
Ayoob IMS (LI)	PB	Lion-Cachet J	PB	Pillay K (LI)	PB
Barrett KB (AF,EN,LI,VS)	PB	Lolliot MJR (GR)	PD	Piper SD (AC,EC)	PB
Baxter CB (ML)	PB	Lowe DJ (GR,MA)	PB	Pride TG	PB
Bayat M (CA,GE,ML)	PB	Lowe T (AF,LI)	PB	Radebe NN	PB
Bayat MR (AC,AF,EN,LF,LI,MA,PH)	PB	Luck NB (AF,LI)	PB	Randall DB	PB
Beekrum C (AF,EC,EN,LF,LI)	PB	Luthuli Z (LI,ZU)	PB	Reeves M (AC,AF,EC,EN,GE,LI,MA)	PB
Bilbrough JR (AF,HI,LI,VS)	PB	Mabande L	PB	Reich WL (AC,HI,LI)	PB
Blose N	PD	Maboza L	PD	Ripley-Evans DG (HI)	PB
Blunt KA (LI)	PB	Magaqa L	PB	Rossi L	PD
Bookhan TD (AC,AF,GR,IN,LI,MA,PH)	PB	Maharaj R	PB	Schmidt RG (AF)	PB
Botha W	PB	Maharaj Y (AC,CA)	PB	Seedat AA (ML)	PB
Bower C (AC,GR,LI,PH)	PB	Mahomed Y (AC,LI)	PB	Sewmungal C	PD
Bradford AS (AC,EN,LF,LI,MA,PH)	PB	Malani M (AC,AF,LF,LI,PH)	PB	Sewram R	PD
Bridglall S (AF,EN,GR,LI,MA,MU,PH)	PB	Maphumulo MV	PB	Shabalala S (LI)	PD
Brown HT (LI)	PB	Marais T	PB	Shange LL (ZU)	PB
Bux Z	PB	Marcus KN	PB	Shaw KW	PB
Campbell JP (AF,HI,LI,PH)	PB	Maroney KM (LI)	PB	Shockey TC	PB
Charles LF (CALI)	PB	Marshall MN (AF,GE,GR,LI)	PB	Shrives L	PD
Chikowore KJ	PB	Martens OJ (GE)	PB	Silver SB	PB
Choochan T	PB	Marucchi L (AF,LI)	PB	Sithole M (ZU)	PB
Christensen RQ	PB	Mbambo ML (LF,PH)	PB	Sivenarain S	PB
Clacey JH (AF,EN,HI,LF,LI)	PB	Mbambo SM (ZU)	PB	Skinner DP	PD
Clacey WH (AF,EC,EN,HI,LF,LI)	PB	Mbatha NS (VS)	PB	Slater C (LI)	PB
Clarke GJ	PB	Mbeje MN	PB	Smale SV	PB
Collyer KB	PB	Mbonambi T	PB	Smit JC (ML)	PB
Croudice DC (AC,AF,EC,LI,PH)	PB	McDonald D	PB	Smith CMH	PB
de Villiers LC (ML)	PB	McGladdery CR	PB	Smith RP	PB
Dhayaram D (AF,EN,LF,LI,PH)	PB	McGladdery RB (VS)	PB	Spalding TD	PB
Dimmick CR	PB	Mchunu NM (ZU)	PB	Speed SW (ML)	PB
Dladla CS	PB	Mcroyi ABP (VS,ZU)	PB	Spooner JS	PB
Dlamini NS (ZU)	PB	Mester NJ	PB	Stainbank RD	PB
du Toit AC (LI)	PB	Meyer E	PB	Stoffels JG (LI)	PB
Dube SS (VS,ZU)	PB	Michaux WJ (LI)	PB	Strong LB	PB
Duke MW	PB	Mkhize SM (LI,ZU)	PB	Swart LM (VS)	PB
Duma HS	PC	Mkhwanazi M	PD	Symington EO	PB
Duma SK (ZU)	PB	Mlambo SMP (ZU)	PB	Taljaard T (LI)	PB
Dumisa SKN	PB	Mncwangi LT (ZU)	PB	Tarr KA (GE,ML,VS)	PB
Edwards DB (GR,LI,PH)	PB	Moffett W (LF,LI)	PB	Teal CJ	PB
Elliott SL	PB	Mokoena STS (EC,LI)	PB	Thornton JJ (LI)	PB
Emanuel RM	PB	Moodliyar T	PD	Tooke CG (IN,LI,MA,PH)	PB
Ente BW	PB	Moore TJ	PB	Torino GCD	PD
Ford MJ (ML)	PB	Moroney TS (AC,AF,EC,EN,LF,LI,MA)	PB	Tyrer CS	PB
Foster LM (GR,LI)	PB	Mota M	PB	Uren MR	PB
Ganie MZ	PB	Mpontshane NS (EC,GE,MA,PH,ZU)	PB	van Heerden MA (AF,EC,EN,GE,LI,MA,PH)	PB
Geere CJ (HI)	PB	Mpunzana AB (ZU)	PD	Vanker O	PB
Gengan JR	PB	Mthembu T (LI,ZU)	PB	Vermaak AJ (AF,LI)	PB
Giddings JL	PB	Mthembu UK (ZU)	PB	Verwey LB	PB
Govender A	PB	Mudali K	PB	Viedge BC	PB
Govender L (AC,AF,EC,EN,GE,LI,MA)	PB	Mudunge TL (LF,LI)	PB	Von Benecke CD	PB
Govender N (AC,AF,GR,IN,LI,MA,PH)	PB	Muir WH (LI)	PB	Vostloo JG	PB
Govender Thyi (LI)	PB	Munn JJ	PB	Walden B (LI)	PB
Govender Tryl	PB	Myeni M (LI,ZU)	PB	Walden CK	PB
Govender Tryn	PB	Naicker EC	PB	Walker TRJ (LI)	PB
Govender Y (EC)	PB	Naidoo S (AF,LI)	PD	Walstroom AL	PC
Gracie JD	PB	Naidu D (AC,AF,EC,LI,MA,PH)	PB	Wattruss KMG (LF,LI)	PB
Greaves AM	PB	Ndlamienze LD (ZU)	PB	Welch NP (AC,GR,LI,PH)	PB
Haasbroek NL (GR,LI,VS)	PB	Ndlela BN (LI)	PB	White CD (HI,LI)	PB
Hariprsad G (LI)	PB	Ndlela IG (DR,ZU)	PB	Wilkins RP (PH)	PB
Henriksen SL (ML)	PB	Ndlovu W	PB	Will GS (LI)	PB
Herman RD	PB	Neizel JO	PB	Willemse MJ (AF,GE,LI)	PB
Hlatshwayo TMK (LI)	PB	Nel B	PD	Wilson L	PD
Hlongwane MK (EN,HI,LI,VS,ZU)	PB	Nelson TW (ML)	PB	Wollentine M (GR)	PB
Htubi AZ (LF,LI,ZU)	PB	Ngcobo NK	PD	Wong JKH (MU)	PB
Hodgson EG	PB	Ngcobo TE (ZU)	PB	Wood BG (AC,EC,EN,LI,MA,PH)	PB
Hoffman CA (AC,AF,LF,LI,PH)	PB	Ngcobo TP (ZU)	PB	Wood SB (AF,LI)	PB
Hollaway C (AC,AF,LF,LI,MA,PH)	PB	Ngubane SJ (LI,VS,ZU)	PB	Xaba L	PB
Hoosen S (HI)	PB	Nhlangutela MLJ (ZU)	PB	Xhakaza SS (ZU)	PB
Ishwanthlal S	PB	Noble BJ (LI)	PB	Zeelie RK (AF,LI)	PB
Jackson DD (LI)	PB	Noor Mahomed Y (LF)	PB	Zondi AP (ZU)	PB
Jamalooddeen TM (AF,LI)	PB	Norman TT	PD	Zondi ST (ZU)	PB
Janse van Rensburg C (AF,EC,LI)	PB	Ntsele LO (LI,VS,ZU)	PB	Zulu NS (AC,PH)	PB
Jefferys CJ (EC)	PB	Nursoviet AR	PD	Zuma SS (LI,ZU)	PB
John BL	PB	Nzuza MS (LI)	PD	Zvandaziva KA (MA)	PB
Kasambala ES	PB	Oberholzer JH	PD		

Subject distinctions, i.e. A symbols, are indicated by the use of the following symbols in brackets:

AC = Accounting; AF = Afrikaans; CA = Computer Applications Technology; DR = Dramatic Arts; EC = Economics; EN = English; GE = Geography; GR = Engineering and Graphic Design; HI = History; IN = Information Technology; LF = Life Sciences; LI = Life Orientation; MA = Mathematics; ML = Mathematical Literacy; PH = Physical Science; VS = Visual Arts; ZU = IsiZulu

In the result column on the right, PB denotes a pass qualifying for entrance to a University course, PD denotes a pass qualifying for entry to a Diploma course, PC denotes a Senior Certificate, X denotes Fail.



KHANYISA OUTREACH PROGRAMME



Khanyisa Tutors 2018

Back row: D Croudace, L Diedericks, A Shimelis, L Landsberg, H Heeralal, C Harper, T Bookhan

Front row: Mrs S Webley, N Welch, G Haripersad (captain), T Mudunge, Mrs M-A Rembold

The Khanyisa Project is a wonderful initiative to uplift teachers and pupils from the surrounding areas in Physical Science and Mathematics. To achieve this goal approximately 17 teachers attended 13 sessions in which the Grade 12 syllabus for each subject was covered. Eighty-four pupils attended seven Saturday sessions that covered the same work in each subject. The Mathematics lessons were given by Mrs S Webley whose vast knowledge of the subject and her detailed preparation ensured that the teachers' knowledge increased by leaps and bounds and that the learners had a good chance of improving their marks.

The sessions were well attended and both the teachers and pupils worked extremely hard. Books and answer books for all the grades were handed out to teachers while the pupils received summary notes and worksheets.

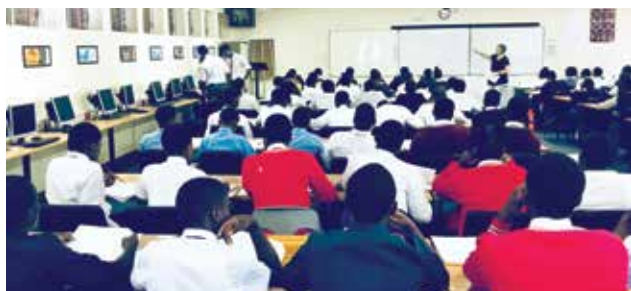
With great enthusiasm and with the financial assistance of Hulamin, we started lessons in English First Additional Language. We welcomed Mrs L Mthembu who has inspired the learners and teachers alike. There were only four sessions of each since we only started in the third term, but in this short space of time Mrs Mthembu made an indelible impact on these young peoples' lives.

We congratulate the pupils on their excellent behaviour and work ethic. In my thirty years of teaching I have never come across such an eager desire to learn. I was inspired by both the teachers and pupils alike. The teachers completed a questionnaire to evaluate the programme and all of them said that they had greatly benefitted from it and were expecting their future results to improve greatly.

Our thanks to the College Foundation and Hulamin for the opportunity given to the school to 'pay it forward'. Thanks also to Mrs V Chedie who handles the administration of the programme, and the peer tutors who gave of their time and knowledge to help others. Their altruistic service did not go unnoticed. Thanks to G Haripersad for leading these young men.

I believe this programme will go from strength to strength and I do not think we can ever fully realise the far-reaching effects of it.

Mrs M-A Rembold



Mrs M-A Rembold teaching on a Khanyisa Saturday

LEADERSHIP & PUPIL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Leadership

College provides many opportunities for all boys to grow and develop their personal and leadership skills that will prepare them for life after school, and ultimately determine their success. They are exposed to a succession of leadership-growth opportunities and interactions with their peers to develop relationships and inter-personal skills that will give them the confidence to take up a meaningful place in society and make a difference in our community and elsewhere in the world.

A number of boys attended camps this year and this afforded them the opportunity to be extended and be put in an uncomfortable space at times, which we all know is where we grow most. The on-going transition through the four-year camp programme continues to show tremendous dividends in the social development of all boys who attend. College boys tend to challenge themselves by taking the 'hard road' as this ultimately leads to better growth and greater development of young men. Several boys who initially did not want to attend, and even one young man who tried on many occasions to leave a camp, have thanked me countless times for helping them through the challenges to complete the experience. They have gained self-respect and confidence, and experienced a life-defining moment.

Our relationship with the forever-professional 'Spirit of Adventure' (SoA) and Roseland's Outdoor Adventure Centre (ROAC) continues to provide tremendous service-delivery and marry our camp programmes with our classroom leadership focus, and the mentor programme, to produce a challenging experience and self-development initiative. Our Third Form boys engage in a 35km hike over three days in the Umkomaas Valley, co-ordinated by Old Collegian, Mr Nathan Bam. A community project at Linwood School in the valley had all the boys assisting in building a play-ground, book-shelves and also to read to and play with the junior children. After forming relationships, the day culminated in everyone performing for each other and then joining arms for the National Anthem – a nation-building and spine-chilling experience.

Our Camps are structured as follows and have peer/school and individual focuses.

Second Form (SoA) at Shongweni: encompassing group activities, kayaking, abseiling, obstacle courses, swimming, a night hike, team-building and enjoyable competitions, with a service leadership theme: learning about the place one occupies; learning the value of being a member of teams and groups.

Third Form (ROAC): a hike in the Umgeni River valley's pristine riverine habitat where boys discover their strengths and areas of focus; a life-changing outreach experience and an opportunity to show their real steel; self-discovery and moral values; identifying one's strengths of character.

Fourth Form (SoA) at Cobham: a 'self-catering' hike in the breath-taking mountains and valleys of the Drakensberg, sleeping in caves and tents, and swimming in mountain streams and under waterfalls, with a personal focus on individual growth and self-leadership, assisted by acting prefects. Putting personal skills and strengths to work for one's own good.

Fifth Form (SoA) at Shongweni: our future leaders identify with themselves and grow their personal effectiveness and harness the leadership skills inherent in College boys, while enjoying rap-jumping, abseiling, kayaking, obstacle courses, raft-building competitions and strategising how to effectively lead College forward in an ever-changing environment; finding a leader; becoming a leader.

Fifth Form Leadership Camp (SoA) at College: the 120-odd young leaders arrange and run a sports day for approximately 150 primary school girls and boys from Edendale Primary School. This event hones their leadership and problem-solving skills, and teaches them about effective communication and social development.

The foregoing summary all ties together the Speakers' Circle opportunities, Representative Council of Learner commitments, Social Awareness Forum, together with various other courses and seminars to which our boys are exposed, to ensure that they are prepared to lead the school in their final year.

Mr D Pryke

Careers and Tertiary Studies

The department continued to provide and supply many matric and senior boys with a range of information regarding their career and tertiary programmes. During the year, we hosted all the major South African Universities, as well as a few overseas institutions, as there continues to be a demand shown in queries about studying internationally, particularly in the United States, the United Kingdom and Australia.

Following Stellenbosch University who celebrated Maritzburg College as one of their Top-100 feeder schools last year, Wits University congratulated College in 2018 on being one of their top feeder schools. Their certificate applauds Maritzburg College's effort "in preparing your matriculants for excelling in higher education. We know that you value education in its holistic sense and look forward to welcoming learners who are well rounded and excited about making a contribution to society in all spheres."

A number of vocational presentations were also offered by people in various professional fields. Some of these highlights included Tutors' Worldwide, PKF chartered accountants, KPMG, Colenbrander Incorporated, Allan Gray and Pangea Trading.

For the fifth year running and through our good relationship with UKZN, the University's scholarship committee again approved scholarships to 15 College Old Boys (who matriculated in 2017) currently studying at UKZN in their first year. Each scholarship is to the purse value of R15,000 and is drawn from the Professor Hattersley Scholarship Fund.

These scholarships are for entrant students who studied at Maritzburg College and are in the specific disciplines of Science, Engineering, Commerce and Education.

In August, 12 senior boys were invited to attend the Hulamin career day in Pietermaritzburg where this Industry was showcased and bursary opportunities for tertiary studies were discussed. Our College boys did us very proud and subsequently three of them have applied for bursaries from Hulamin.

During the third term, Mrs dos Santos was also very involved in the much-anticipated and successful Third Form Information Evening which was extremely well-attended by both parents and boys and served to be most informative in this crucial decision-making process. From feedback received, many parents found it helpful, particularly when new subjects are introduced.

This year also saw the continuation of our Grade 11 Work Experience Programme. Research shows that work experience definitely shapes and helps to formulate one's career path. Although this is not a compulsory exercise, almost 60% of our boys participated in this important programme. The feedback and evaluation forms completed by the participating Corporates were mostly very informative and encouraging.

In conclusion, to see our matric boys leave College with a sense of direction and purpose, well-informed and prepared for their future tertiary studies is hugely rewarding and one of the main objectives of the Careers and Tertiary Studies Department.

Mrs L Dos Santos



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Prefects 2018

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Middle row: B Noble, S Dube, L Mabande, N Welch, K Collyer, T Mokoena, J Oberholzer, E Kasambala, C Beekrum, N Govender, S Speed
Front row: N Radebe, R Zeelie, R Stainbank, Mr M-J Smit, N Mchunu (Head Prefect), Mr D Pryke, C Hollaway, J Campbell, A Vermaak

It was an exceptional year for the Prefect body under the astute leadership of Head Prefect, Nthuthuko Mchunu. He has a massive presence and held all of us accountable. The method of choosing Senior Prefects was changed this year. In the past, if you were the head of a boarding house, by default you were a Deputy Head Prefect. This year, the very best five leaders were selected to fill these prestigious positions and the portfolios allocated accordingly. Every prefect was allocated a portfolio for which they were accountable and these portfolios were measurable.

The prefect body of 31, served the school with dignity and respect for all and the motto of "ruling with respect and not from a position of fear" rang true. They were an example to all in their crucial roles of pupil leadership and management.

The prefect body continues to be a true representation of all facets of the school, and all ethnic groups at Maritzburg College. As a result, there is holistic support from all boys.

The addition of Mr Smit to the Leadership team as Assistant HoD: Leadership, with his excellent organisational skills and insight into modern leadership, has added huge value to the leadership programme. He is a man who lets his actions do the talking.

It is often the small things that make the biggest statements in life and I believe the following two stories will sum up the success of leadership at Maritzburg College.

A letter was received from a Second Form parent in which he told us that a prefect for whom his son was 'fagging' had been to every single water polo match his son had played. In conversation and getting to know this young man, the parent came to realise that the prefect did not know a single rule about water polo and was simply there to support his 'fag'. The father was so astonished that he went public, saying that if this is the type of leader College is producing in 2018, "College boys are going to make a significant difference in our world."

I will never forget the day I had a knock on my door and one of the Prefects asked if he could discuss a concern with me. This young man, who has dyslexia, was concerned about the fairness of team-testing for those junior boys who had learning challenges and he felt very strongly that they should be assessed by different means. Knowing and understanding the massive challenges these young men were facing, he personally offered to run team testing for all those boys who qualified to ensure this was a fair process. Now that is true leadership!

Who says leadership at College has not changed for the better?

Mr D Pryke





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Representative Council of Learners (RCL) 2018

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Third row: B Thompson, V Soni, B Reddy, Z Nzimande, A Knoetze, J Campbell, M Khuboni, N Ndlovu, C Martin, C Nandh, N Zondo
Second row: N Govender, R Stainbank, Mr D Pryke, N Mchunu, B Noble, Mr M-J Smit, C Beekrum, N Radebe
Front row: G Cooke, A Ndwandwe, D Naidoo, L Xaba, A Isaacs, A Khumalo
Absent: B Wood, C Jefferys, A Bradford, C Hollaway, S Mokoena, E Hodgson, R Zeelie, J Bilbrough, M Willemse, G Lesur, N Luck, A Asampong, M Reeves, S Elliott, C Hoffman, T Hlatshwayo, L Bourne, B Pretorius, B Meier, E Qwalela, T Rasmussen, H Corbett, L Gasa, C Osborne, Q Pitout, M Ngcobo, W Pretorius, J Beauclerk, W Tekata, A Zungu, D Thompson

It was 2008 and we had just been promoted. After being elected as prefects at the end of 2007, Mr S Ngema and I were voted in as the Representative Council of Learners (RCL) Chairman and Vice-chairman, respectively, which meant that we had been elected to the School Governing Body (SGB), as was the system back then. I can still remember sitting with Mr Ngema in our first SGB meeting. There were many grey-haired individuals in the room and we were rather awestruck by the level of leadership that surrounded us. Our 'deer-in-the-headlights' facial expressions must have been obvious for all to see, and yet the SGB members were gracious and taught us well. Industry leaders, lawyers, the top-brass of the teaching staff and brilliant parents, the SGB of Maritzburg College was, and still is, full of highly successful and influential members of society. Seen through the fresh eyes of impressionable 18 year olds, being a member of the SGB was a daunting task, however, we did not realise the enormous opportunity that was in front of us: to learn about effective governance from top leaders. It is from this same opportunity, and from this premise, that I write about the RCL of Maritzburg College.

Among the many activities in which learners engage at Maritzburg College, the RCL is yet another area of involvement. It is an integral part of the school system and an official requirement of running a school. The RCL is a sub-committee of the SGB and, through democratically run processes, it offers nominated learners an opportunity to voice the issues and concerns of their peers. Through the Council, learners are given the opportunity to think critically about the management and governance of the school and engage in discussion with various stakeholders. These issues are then referred to management, or the SGB, feedback is given and decisions are made. Each year the RCL is unique, and fascinating issues are always raised. Boys who are members of the RCL will grow their perspectives regarding the running of organisations and improve their communication skills as they discuss and debate. Importantly, the RCL members work together with other leaders in the school and form important relationships within the school.

Areas of discussion include Academics, Culture, Pupil Wellbeing, Boarding Establishment, Sport and Facilities. The RCL body offers even the youngest members of our school the chance to learn many skills

and lessons, and to contribute to the effective running of Maritzburg College. We attended various Department Leadership Training sessions which helped the learners grow in their knowledge of their roles within the school. The RCL, led by B Noble (chairman), B Wood (secretary) and C Jefferys (vice-chairman), has enjoyed a successful 2018, bringing many pertinent issues to light and assisting in the problem-solving of these challenges by offering various solutions and ideas.

Mr M-J Smit



SUBJECT DEPARTMENTS

Accounting

The Accounting Department has once again had a very successful year. The Class of 2018 are to be congratulated on their excellent results in the final examination. Out of a class of 65 boys, 30.8% achieved an A symbol and another 27.7% achieved a B symbol which means that more than half of them achieved above 70%. The class average was 69%. One of our boys, B Wood, obtained a mark of 99% for his final exams. We did, unfortunately, have one failure. Forty Grade 11 and 12 boys participated in the SAIPA Accounting Olympiad and their results were mostly very pleasing.

The classroom computers, together with the VDP systems, have again been used extensively by all the teachers in the department and the excellent standard of PowerPoint presentations on all topics has proven to be a valuable addition to the learning process.

On the staffing front, thankfully none of our teachers have left the school and at last some continuity can be established.

In May, 49 of our Sixth Form Accounting boys and two staff members had a morning excursion to Deloitte's in Umhlanga. The group was very warmly welcomed by the facilitators and staff at Deloitte's. On arrival the boys were treated to coffee and muffins and thereafter had a couple of speakers chat to them about Chartered Accounting, other career options, the best universities in South Africa to study commerce, and the availability of scholarships from Deloitte's. The boys found the talks most informative and were happy to meet some College Old Boys currently doing their Articles at Deloitte's.

Finally, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to Mrs Randall, Miss Townsend and Mr Zuma for their hard work and enthusiasm for our subject.

Mrs C Tedder

Afrikaans

The 2018 National Senior Certificate examination papers for Afrikaans were of a challenging standard, especially Paper 2 (Literature) as there were more questions which required higher cognitive skills. This paper demanded more insight and interpretation in comparison with previous years. Learners were well-prepared for Paper 1 (comprehension and grammar) and Paper 3 (writing) allowed for creativity, especially in the essay section. Top results were achieved with a 100% pass rate. One hundred and ninety-two candidates wrote the exams and 33 distinctions were achieved with an aggregate of 65%. The top achievers were T Moroney, C Beekrum and MR Bayat with 93%, placing them third in the Umgungundlovu District. The Maritzburg College 2018 NSC Afrikaans FAL results earned us the top position in this district. We are very proud of our learners and their achievements.

In the last two years there were no changes in the staffing of the Afrikaans Department. We are fortunate to have this kind of stability at Maritzburg College. Eighty percent of the Afrikaans teachers have more than 20 years of experience in teaching Afrikaans First Additional Language.

Teachers in the department were, once again, involved with Afrikaans stage-productions under the leadership of Mrs Talke, assisted by Mrs Landsberg. After months of script-writing, musical synchronization and rehearsals, history was made by presenting a Cultural Show, 'The Fire of Love', combining the Afrikaans, Zulu and Hindu societies of the school. The script came from Mrs Talke's pen and the show was performed on three consecutive evenings at the end of August. Mrs Talke (Director), Mrs Landsberg (Musical Director) and A Vermaak, Head of the Afrikaans Cultural Society, are to be congratulated and thanked for their contribution to the success of this cultural endeavour.

The Junior and Senior Taalbond exams were written in April. This is probably the only forum in which a pupil is able to obtain a certificate

that will confirm his standard of bilingualism in both English and Afrikaans. Ten senior and nine junior candidates entered and achieved pleasing results. The Senior Afrikaans Olympiad was written in May and 37 pupils entered this competition. The Junior Afrikaans Olympiad was written in September with 15 entries. Boys are enthusiastic about participating in these exams and have achieved good results. The Afrikaans Department will continue to enter candidates for these exams to extend the pupils' Afrikaans abilities.

Maritzburg College had been selected to host three cluster meetings for the SBA Senior Moderation as well as the External Matric Oral Moderation in 2018. Mrs de Wet was appointed as Assistant Moderator, together with the Afrikaans Subject Advisor, Mr Dan van Wyk, for the Umgungundlovu District. The school was also requested to host the last SBA moderation for all the schools in this district. At this meeting the Grade 12 SBA marks were moderated and finalised before being sent to the Department of Education.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my colleagues for their ongoing support and commitment. We are fortunate to have dedicated and passionate Afrikaans teachers who go the extra mile, which is evident in stressful times and during demanding sports-seasons when teachers are involved in the co-curricular programme of the school.

Mrs C de Wet

Business Studies

2018 was the third year in the existence of Business Studies and only the second year that our matrics sat for the NSC examination. Sixty-four boys wrote the NSC examinations. Unfortunately, none of them achieved A symbols but two achieved B symbols. The national average was low and has declined over the last four years. Many schools are concerned about the marking process and assessment of Business Studies at a national level and investigations have been carried out to address these issues.

We strongly believe that a spirit of entrepreneurship must be included in our curriculum. To this end, 17 Fourth Form boys started a journey with 'Step-Up'. The boys were encouraged to raise R1 100 through initiatives of their own. They were exposed to outside speakers on topics ranging from banking to life-coaching. Weekly management meetings were run by the boys, where minutes were recorded, finances were reported on and the chairman set new goals. The theory was put into practice and the boys had to run a production-line to pack food parcels. A total of 5 000 parcels were then donated to Inchanga Primary School. This school has 230 orphaned learners who live in a very impoverished community.

To ensure all our Fourth Form boys put the subject into practice, we ran 'Khwela's Corner' when we hosted Pretoria Boys High School in April for rugby and hockey games. They come down with approximately 14 buses (about 800 boys) that were our target market for purchasing food at 'Khwela's Corner' – where we had the opportunity to fund-raise by selling hamburgers, egg and bacon rolls, chips and wors rolls.



Braaiing at Khwela's Corner

All three of the Business Studies classes were involved in the cooking, selling and serving of food during the day, which turned out to be a great experience for the boys, considering that they would soon be operating their own mobile kitchen. The proceeds for the day will



go towards buying the initial stock, purchasing the equipment and branding the mobile kitchen.

The Fifth Formers undertook several excursions in the third term. Mr Chirengende's classes visited Aquelle and Mrs Akerman's went to the Spar Distribution Centre in Phoenix. Both groups were exposed to and engaged with real business and realised the complexity of it, be it in production or logistics.

Mrs Genevieve Chubb, a Director of Colenbrander, illustrated the complex BBBEE scorecard to our Sixth Form boys. Their eyes were certainly opened to the legal implications of the new scorecard.

We partnered with Allan Gray and participated in their six-week online Entrepreneurial Challenge. This course offered boys exposure to new trends and ideas that are emerging in the world. Thirty-five boys take part and over 390 schools entered. We will certainly enter again next year and hope to make a top ten finish.

The second year of the Entrepreneurial programme, called 'Red Cloak', took place. Red Cloak is an entrepreneurial initiative in which boys are encouraged to develop business ideas to present to venture capitalists. We had thirty applicants who put their ideas to The Chamber. The Chamber consisted of a number of staff members: Mr Thembela, Mrs Akerman, Mr Chirengende, Mr Gutteridge and Mrs Dos Santos.

After facing some gruelling questions both during and after their presentations, candidates who applied were left to wait and see who would progress to the final round. Five teams progressed to the final round. After months of intensive research and preparation the finalists had to present their idea to The Chamber. The finalists were T Mthembu, R Bennett and C Whiting.

On the staffing front, we look forward to continuing to challenge our boys to think out of the box. I have no doubt that with two stalwarts by my side this will be achieved. Many thanks go to Mr Ngcebo Thembela and Mr Ricky Chirengende. With their enthusiasm and passion, our subject will continue to grow in numbers.

Mrs L Akerman

Computer Applications Technology (CAT)

Computer technology has invaded almost every sphere of our lives and it is, therefore, inevitable that it would feature as a major component of education. Computer Applications Technology (CAT) equips learners with knowledge, skills and values to create, design and communicate information in various formats. CAT has both practical and theoretical aspects. The practical aspect focuses on the Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel and Access) and the designing of webpages.

CAT is a relatively new subject at College. It was introduced to the Fourth Form at the beginning of 2016. The Class of 2018 were the first group of matriculants to write the NSC examination. Of the 33 boys who wrote the CAT examination, three received an A symbol and two received B symbols and they were encouraged to send their scripts for remark. College was one of the few schools in the district to achieve a 100% pass rate.

From the number of pupils that have chosen CAT, one can deduce that it is becoming a popular subject-choice at College, as many realise it is an important subject that will equip them with the new technological skills that are needed in today's world.

The Computer Olympiad was introduced at College this year and three learners from Fifth Form participated and qualified to participate in the second round. We plan to allow the boys from Second to Sixth Form to participate in 2019.

Special thanks go to Messrs M Dibben and L Shezi who teach Computer Literacy to Second and Third Formers, Mr S Bosch who teaches Computer Literacy to Second and Third Form and CAT to the Fourth Form, and Mr M Jeewan who teaches CAT to the Sixth Form. I would also like to place on record my sincere thanks and appreciation to Messrs J Maistry, S Peach and R Tooms for their assistance in ensuring that our department runs efficiently. Sadly, we bade farewell to Mr Shezi who leaves College at the end of 2018 to teach at Michaelhouse.

We wish him well and thank him for his valuable contribution to our department. We look forward to welcoming Mr Mkhwanazi who will be joining the department in 2019.

The CAT/Computer Literacy department has had a successful 2018 and we look forward to another productive and stimulating year in 2019.

Ms K Moula

Dramatic Arts

The Dramatic Arts Department has enjoyed a full calendar of academic and co-curricular activities. On the academic front the boys are developing important life skills through the various activities in which they engage. Among the dramatic skills being developed, it is encouraging to note that the boys are also developing self-confidence; they are embracing diversity in a positive, enquiring manner and they are respectful of the various cultures which they encounter. Moreover, the boys are enthusiastic about engaging with the technical aspects of theatre. They have attended live performances as well as *Jongosi*, the school's programme at the Hilton Arts Festival. Some of our performances included Drama@Kearsney; Children's Theatre at Ridge Roots; Rites and Rituals and Medieval Morality Plays.

The Fifth Form learners participated in a two-day programme of Workshop Theatre at the Drama@Kearsney Festival. They enjoyed the opportunity of working with acclaimed playwright, Neil Coppin. They reflected that this experience honed in on skills they had developed in class and found this to be a valuable experience. In addition, they performed two children's stories to a discerning audience, the 'Ridge Rooties'. Children's Theatre continues to be a rewarding experience for both actors and audience with valuable life lessons being taught and learnt through performance.

Fourth Formers were given the task to use their workshopping skills to create a performance of *The Summoning of Everyman*, a medieval morality play. The performance was staged as an outdoor performance in the Fifth Form Quad during September. Our Third Formers had the pleasure of becoming medieval community members and followed the actors from one setting to another as the play progressed. This was a very successful project and the boys reflected that they are now aware of the demands and challenges that an actor experiences performing outdoors.

Improvised 'Feasts, Festival, Rites and Rituals' by the Third Form is becoming a firm favourite among the boys. This programme has the value of encouraging unity in diversity and respect for diverse cultures and their traditions, and it allows the boys to get to know more about their peers from a cultural perspective.

The highlight on the Dramatic Arts calendar is the Sixth Form Theme Programme evening. Our boys have done the Drama department proud with the excellent results they achieved in the external performance examination. The boys continued to show their mettle in their final examination. They were subjected to a stringent theory paper which was set to assess learners at a metacognitive level in many aspects of the paper. Our learners achieved an admirable set of results. Top of the class is Isifiso Ndlela who achieved a distinction, closely followed by the rest of this talented class. The class achieved a 100% pass and a class average of 75%. We would like to put on record our thanks and appreciation to the very talented Matric Dramatic Arts Class of 2018 for their overall contribution to Drama at College. We wish them every success in their future endeavours.

Dramatic Arts not only has the tacit value of developing soft skills which are required in *all* careers, more importantly it has the value of developing well-rounded individuals – ambassadors for College – who can be the catalysts for creating social cohesion in a broader society. We look forward to a successful and rewarding year in 2019.

Mrs K Thaver

Economic Management Science (EMS)

The year 2018 was always going to be a challenging one for the Economic Management Science (EMS) department as we introduced a new way to teach the curriculum in order to be CAPS aligned. This was a challenge that was taken on by the teachers with gusto and credit goes to all of them. The merging of experience and young vibrant ideas proved to be a great recipe for success, particularly for our Second Formers. The department, which was small compared to other years, comprised Mrs Caren Randall, who has considerable teaching experience, Miss Cheryl Townsend, an astute accounting professional, Mr S'celo Zuma, who has previous practical experience from working in the corporate world, and Mr Sanele Ngema, a resourceful and gifted educator.

EMS is a feeder-subject to Business Studies, Economics and Accounting. One of the department's main goals is to foster and cultivate an entrepreneurial spirit in the boys. To this end our Third Form project in the second term is geared towards the boys thinking of their own business idea and drawing up a business plan for it. The business plan includes components that are relevant to the three senior subjects and it prepares them well and provides a good foundation for these subjects. The best business plans are then translated into a practical component and boys can sell their products at a rugby festival held at the school. The boys are guided by Mrs Randall who has vast experience of running market days and expos.

The department will be parting with Mr Ngema who has been the Grade 8 co-ordinator and I thank him for his tireless efforts in ensuring the pleasing marks attained by the learners. The department is also gaining a wealth of experience as Mrs Tedder and Mr Pillay, both subject heads, will join the department in 2019, alongside Mrs Harris who will be joining the school from Carter High School. I will be handing over the reins to Mrs Randall who will be taking over as the new Subject Head – she will certainly continue to nurture excellence in the department.

Mr R Chirengende

Economics

The year 2018 proved an eventful and successful one for the Economics Department. Central to its success was the commitment and collegiality of the staff, namely Messrs N Pillay, M Marwick, N Thembela and S Ngema.

Academically our performance was excellent when compared to that of 2017. Of a total of 58 learners, 15 achieved A symbols and 18 achieved B symbols with an outstanding overall average of 75%. These results were most pleasing and placed College results among the best in the province.

Economics students, from Grade 8 to 12, are able to participate in the JSE Schools Stock Exchange Challenge. In previous years our teams have consistently finished in the top five. This year we were not as successful as before but for the month of April, three College teams finished in the Top 10 in the equity category.

The 2018 Fifth Form Economics Tour to Johannesburg was, yet again, a resounding success. Twenty young men made the trip and gained valuable exposure to the world of business and received practical advice from prominent business leaders about career opportunities.

On a sad note we bid farewell to Mr Ngema who leaves at the end of 2018 to take up a post at St David's in Johannesburg. Mr Ngema has been a key member of the Economics Department and has played a significant role in organising the Economics Tour. We thank him for his invaluable contribution to the department and wish him well with his new challenges.

Lastly, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the Economics Team of Messrs M Marwick, N Thembela and S Ngema for their tireless efforts, passion and commitment to the teaching of Economics.

Mr N Pillay

Engineering Graphics & Design (EGD)

Firstly, I would like to thank the winning team of staff in the Engineering Graphics & Design (EGD) department: Messrs N Robberts, G Govindasamy, S Bosch and our new Head of Technology, Mr A Sparrow, who came from Wynberg High School. We hope that he has a long and happy stay with us.

For the first time we introduced our Second and Third Formers to more than just the old Technical Drawing syllabus. They were exposed to some theory of pulleys, gears, hydraulics and pneumatics. Combined with EGD, we will be preparing our pupils for a lot more of what the real world requires of them.

From Fourth to Sixth Form, the pupils are required to complete the Departmental Practical Assessment Task. We were surprised by the number of very well thought-out projects from our senior boys.

Sadly, we will not be taking part in the Land Rover 4x4 Schools World Championships this year despite the fact that we were invited. The date was changed from December 2018 to April 2019, which meant that the team that we had prepared, would no longer be at school. We have passed all our information to our sister school, Girls High. We are very proud to say that they will be sending two teams to the event. One of the teams will carry our name, namely, "Team Rhino".

College was also invited to attend the launch of the new look 'Solid Works'. As the pupils are well aware, we have received 200 free licences from MECAD. Thanks to Mr Wessel van Heerden from MECAD, our boys are able to work from home or at the school on their projects using this programme. The idea is to prepare our pupils from an early age for the real world. Mr van Heerden, via the company, has also agreed to become more involved with arranging for high-profile members from the industry to address our pupils on what is required in the industry, and how they may be absorbed into it. We hope to have representatives of companies addressing our boys at least once a term in 2019. The aim is to see if we can get our boys employed and have their studies paid for, by the time they leave school. We will also encourage them to get some work experience with the prospective companies while they are still in school. We are very excited about these prospects.

Finally, we wish the Class of 2018 boys the very best for their future ventures. Seventy-five boys wrote the National Senior Certificate examinations and achieved 15 A symbols, 13 B symbols and 19 C symbols. These results compared well with our expectations, and in comparison with other schools in the province.

Mr B Bosch

English

It has been another busy and exciting year for the English Department. The year started out on a positive note as the Grade 12 learners watched a theatre performance of Shakespeare's 'Hamlet' at the Hilton College Theatre in February. This is an annual event for the matrics and an excellent opportunity to prepare for the NSC Exams.

The nationally-recognised De Beers English Olympiad is another annual programme on our calendar and we were immensely proud of all the boys who participated. The boys are commended for their participation. The following boys were awarded certificates:

Gold (80%+): M van Heerden

Silver: T Moroney, P Kidd, W Michaux and C Martin

Many other boys received certificates for their participation. We are pleased that our entries for next year's Olympiad bodes well.

Our Department also hosted the third Conference for English Teachers in association with the English Academy of Southern Africa in May. The event boasted a range of excellent speakers in the Languages area, covering a wide range of topics, and teachers from our district and surrounding areas offered positive feedback and praise about the day. We were pleased to have Prof. Thurman (Wits University), Mr Bulara Monyaki (DBE: National) and Dr Betty Govinden (English Academy of



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Southern Africa), as guest speakers. The English Academy has offered much support and has agreed to do so in 2019, as it considers our conference as its flagship event of the year.

We sadly bade farewell to Mr Tony Nevill and Mr Sanele Ngema and wish them well in their future endeavours. Mrs Lindiwe Mthembu will be joining the English Department in 2019.

We take this opportunity to wish all our matric learners the very best as they continue with their endeavours post-school. The English department is proud of their 100% pass rate in English and the 14 A symbols that have been attained by the class of 2018. Congratulations!

On this note, we look forward to a year of growth and positive thinking in 2019.

Mrs R Govender

Geography

The Geography department in 2018 was well staffed with ten enthusiastic educators continuing to inspire and guide the young Geographers in order to gain an appreciation of our environment. We are fortunate to have the experience of Messrs Sutherland, Collocott, Talke and Emerson teaching the large Sixth Form group. Evidence of this are the pleasing results: 11 A symbols, 47 B symbols and an average of 65% in the National Senior Certificate examinations.

We were fortunate to replace Mr Bruce Henderson, who left us for a spell overseas with his family, with Mr Adam Usher who moved from St Charles College. He is an experienced teacher who has certainly settled in to the rigorous routine at Maritzburg College and the boys really enjoy his style of teaching.

The FET CAPS syllabus is a relevant one which the boys all seem to enjoy. For the Second and Third Form we have instituted a syllabus that aids the learners in relevant topics that assist in their studies, should they make Geography one of their electives in their senior years.

The Geography syllabus requires consistent work and includes research in all the grades. The skills of data collection and analysis are developed throughout all the grades and presentation of this data improves drastically over time. The Grade 12 learners researched the impact of man on rivers and some brilliant assignments were produced. The Grade 11 learners researched development in urbanisation and the Grade 10 boys produced a population census on their own grade. It is so important that our learners focus on global events which broaden their horizons.

This year the Geography department went on a staff development weekend to the Wild Coast. We took a long hike and viewed some magnificent landmarks and coastal features, as well as a study of the estuary at Manteku, that will certainly aid the educators in teaching the Grade 9 and 12 syllabus.

It was with sadness that we had to bid farewell to Mr Collocott who retired at the end of 2018. He has served the school from 1990–2018, became a Subject Head in 2006 and will be sorely missed. On behalf of the Geography department we wish him and his wife a very happy and long retirement.

I thank the Geography staff and Mrs Jeanette Finnie for their support in my first year as Subject Head and I certainly look forward to their ongoing support in the years to come.

Mr G Dorling

History

The History department was very sad to lose the services of Mr Dorian Larter (who was promoted to Deputy Head at Cowan House) and Mr Bruce Henderson (who took up a position abroad). We acknowledge the considerable role they have played in the department, not only as competent History teachers and academic leaders, but also the mentoring role that they have fulfilled with younger staff. Our loss are

other schools' gains and we wish them well in their careers in education.

Another loss came at the end of the year when Mr Tony Nevill retired after numerous years' service to Maritzburg College. Those boys who passed through Mr Nevill's classes will remember him fondly, his huge general knowledge and his ability to entertain without the modern tools, just by bringing history to life. Mr Nevill, you will be sorely missed, but do enjoy your deserved retirement.

Despite this huge setback the department is fortunate to have passionate, dedicated and professional educators. Messrs Waters, Barbour and le Roux provide excellent grounding in equipping our young historians with skill sets needed not only for History but the other subjects. The grounding in the junior forms makes the job of the senior teachers much easier and Messrs Marwick, Orchard, Nevill and Dutton just have to point the young historians in the right direction.

The 2018 matric results were pleasing, The grade attaining an average of 73%, 11 A symbols and 22 B symbols. Credit must go to the learners who were able to take their C and D symbols to a B in matric through hard work and perseverance. What was clear from the results is that any boy studying History is capable of a good mark, it is just a question of how badly he wants it.

One of the aims for 2018 was to make the department CAPS compliant and in this regard we have succeeded. The syllabus appeals to young men and a Second Former will start with Maritzburg College's history, followed by the Industrial and Mineral Revolutions in Britain and Southern Africa, then Colonisation leading up to World War One.

The Grade 9 syllabus has to be one of the most exciting a boy could wish for. It deals with the first half of the 20th Century, from the First World War to the rise of Hitler, World War II and the Holocaust.

The Grade 10 syllabus begins in China in the 17th Century when that enormous country was a world power. There is a chapter on the Songhai Empire in West Africa in the 15th and 16th Centuries. Mughal History is briefly covered. The focus then shifts to European expansion; the Spanish Conquest of Central America; the Portuguese in Southern Africa and the Dutch East India Company. By mid-year the French Revolution is covered in some detail – it being the "mother" of all revolutions. The Southern African section of the work deals with the period after 1750 – 1910: the rise of Shaka; the Mfecane; Moshoeshoe and the consolidation of what is now Lesotho; the Anglo-Boer War; and the Union of South Africa in 1910.

As a natural progression from the French Revolution, Grade 11 work starts with the Russian Revolution and its aftermath; the Stalinist era until World War II; communism and its opposite, capitalism, are discussed; the Wall Street Crash and its economic and social impact. Ideas of Race in the late 19th and 20th Centuries are dealt with and also eugenics and its application in the USA, Australia and Namibia. This leads almost automatically to Nationalism and Apartheid in South Africa, 1940s to 1960s.

The Grade 12 work begins with China and its transformation under Mao Tse Tung. The Civil Rights and the Black Power movements in the USA, are described. Finally, the end of Apartheid and the new political dispensation in our own country are discussed, ending with the ongoing process of reconciliation and reconstruction.

Mr C Dutton

Information Technology (IT)

Information Technology (IT) is the study of the various interrelated physical and non-physical technologies used for the capturing of data, the processing of data into useful information and the management, presentation and dissemination of data. Information Technology studies the activities that deal with the solution of problems through logical and computational thinking. It includes the physical and non-physical components for the electronic transmission, access, and manipulation of data and information.

Despite the challenges of the new curriculum and the introduction of Delphi, the 2018 matrics rose to the occasion and are to be

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congratulated on their excellent results. Six boys from College and six girls from GHS wrote the NSC Information Technology papers in 2018. From College we achieved three As and two Bs. GHS produced one A, one B and four C symbols.

Learners in 2019 will be given access to an IT shared folder on Google Drive, One Drive and Moodle. Resources such as notes, past papers and lessons will be uploaded to the various clouds. Learners also have access to YouTube lessons which are uploaded to the Maritzburg College YouTube channel.

Special thanks to Ms K Moula, and Messrs M Jeewan, M Dibben, S Bosch and L Shezi who teach Computer Application Technology and Computer Literacy to Forms 2 to 5. We would also like to place on record our thanks and appreciation to Mrs J Finnie, Mr B Dibben, Mr S Peach, and Mr R Tooms for their assistance in ensuring that our department runs efficiently. We look forward to an exciting and challenging 2019.

Mr J Maistry

Life Orientation (LO)

We are very proud of the results which the Matric class of 2018 achieved in the NSC final examinations. These included 87 subject distinctions, with a subject aggregate of 76%, and a 100% pass rate.

We said goodbye to two staff members from our department this year. Mr Linda Shezi has left us to begin a new chapter at Michaelhouse and we wish him well. Mrs Dee Dickens has also moved out of the Life Orientation Department to focus on Natural Science. We thank them both for their dedication and commitment to the department and their assistance in contributing to the smooth running of the operations on a daily basis.

In 2019 we are very happy to welcome Mr Zola Mazwi to the Life Orientation Department. He is motivated and has already built up a valuable connection with the boys through his dealings with the school. We have no doubt that he will bring much in the way of experience and energy into our Life Orientation classes.

Life Orientation is a diverse and time-consuming syllabus and I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all the staff who have once again gone above and beyond their duties to ensure that 2018 was a smooth and very successful one.

Mrs P Lowe

Life Sciences

Life Sciences involves the study of life processes and the interdependence of things in the natural and man-made environment. It is a fascinating subject that equips one to understand the relationships between living organisms, technology, the environment and society through scientific processes. This year has once again been a busy but stimulating and fulfilling one.



His Fifth Form class looks on with interest as Mr Reed discusses plant diversity.



A Sixth Form Life Sciences practical: getting to grips with the structure of an eye.

At the start of 2018 we welcomed Mr Michael Reed from Uplands College in White River who we were happy to have join the Life Sciences department with his wealth of experience and relaxed, friendly demeanour. We sadly said goodbye to Mr Dave Pryke, who has been with us for two years and we wish him and Ellie everything of the best in their new endeavour in Pretoria. We thank him for his hard work and commitment to the boys that he taught.

Practical work continues to be the highlight of the syllabus for the boys as it aids in enhancing their understanding and enjoyment of the theory and processes learned. We are fortunate to have at our disposal large, beautiful grounds which our boys can use to see Life Sciences in action showcased by Mr Reed taking a walkabout to generate interest in the amazing structure and functioning of plants. Through this process of learning and doing, we hope that our boys develop an interest and appreciation of the subject.

Once again the successful execution of the Grade 10 and 11 practical examinations lends itself to the recording of our heartfelt thanks to Mrs Cindy Sewmungal for the preparation of practicals and the various administrative duties she undertakes, always with a smile.

Our matrics of 2018 did us proud with a 100% pass rate, 17 A symbols, 32 B symbols and a class average of 69% achieved from 88 matric entries. That means that 55% of the matric Life Science class achieved A or B symbols. This is a fantastic effort from the matrics and staff involved.

It is with a heavy heart that I leave the Life Sciences department at the end of 2018 and I would like once again to convey my sincere thanks to, and appreciation of, each member of the Life Sciences department for their professionalism, dedication and willingness to go beyond what is expected, and for their support of me as the Subject Head.

Mrs M Greyling

Mathematics

What a privilege it has been to lead this department this year. The Mathematics department consists of a group of highly qualified, passionate and committed people. Some have been teaching for many years and this experience and knowledge was shared with the younger, less experienced teachers to ensure growth and confidence in their abilities.

Four new teachers joined the Mathematics team this year. They were Miss C Mhlongo, a first-year teacher, Mr S Mabaso, previously at Asibemunye High School, Mr M Jeewan, previously at Linpark High School, and Ms K Moula, previously at Howick Secondary. All of them have added tremendous value to our department.



This has been the fourth year that we have had Mrs L-A Moffatt as a remedial Mathematics teacher at College and we are confident that this service has contributed positively towards improving the results of under-achieving boys.

We are very grateful to the Epoch Optima Trusts which once again granted a generous sum of money to the Maritzburg College Mathematics Department. This has assisted us in meeting the goals of improving participation in higher mathematics, increasing the number of disadvantaged learners who have access to quality mathematics education and increasing the quality of our results.

We entered 256 boys in the Harmony Mathematics Olympiad, with 134 making it through to the second round. We registered a group of 15 Grade 12 learners with the IEB to write Advanced Programme Mathematics. Eight Grade 11 learners and 12 Grade 10 learners committed themselves to an internal Advanced Mathematics course.

A total of 183 boys wrote Mathematics in the NSC Examinations with 16 obtaining A symbols and 21 B symbols. The pass rate for Mathematics was 95%. Maritzburg College was placed first in the Umgungundlovu District in Mathematics. These are undoubtedly results of which to be very proud.

On a personal note, I would like to thank my team for their tireless efforts throughout the year. I appreciate all of your hard work, positive attitudes and energy and I look forward to working with you again next year.

Mrs F Deyzel

Mathematics Literacy

It has been a pleasure and honour to lead the Mathematical Literacy team for 2018, and I can proudly say that we have achieved many of the goals that we set out to achieve at the beginning of this year.

Our team of Messrs D Kleinhans, D Sherriff and K Guise-Brown have actively involved all the boys in the different aspects of the Mathematical Literacy syllabus and many have achieved good results with their help. Special thanks to Messrs Guise-Brown and Kleinhans for accommodating the new boys who changed over from Mathematics to Mathematical Literacy during the course of the year, as this meant a change in their timetable.

As the year progressed we saw many learners changing from Mathematics to Mathematical Literacy, as they seem to be struggling with the subject. Many are under the misconception that this subject is 'easy' and will require very little work, but they are quite surprised at the level at which they are required to work. This was dealt with during the Form 3 Subject Choice Evening as parents and learners were informed about what to expect when choosing this subject. Parents were also informed via the D6 communicator about possible career options that learners may follow if they choose this subject.

A total of 61 boys wrote the 2018 NSC Examination with 11 obtaining A symbols and 18 obtaining B symbols. The pass rate for Mathematical Literacy was 100%. These are exceptional results of which the school can be proud.

As we look forward to 2019, there will be changes in staff and these will benefit the learners and the school with very few disruptions during the year. With the numbers of learners in the subject increasing we are planning ahead to ensure that all learners are provided with textbooks and workbooks and that all possible resource materials are readily available on Moodle so that we may have a successful year.

We would like to thank all the educators, Mr J Maistry and Mrs J Finnie for all their assistance during the course of this year.

Mr M Jeewan

Music

Music, as a subject at College, is growing from strength to strength. Our numbers have increased steadily each year. This also has highlighted how the co-curricular programme has increased the subject numbers. Our boys are all achieving on the highest level. Both Matric boys who wrote the NSC Music examinations attained well-deserved distinctions. We are very proud of their achievements.

During the year a large number of boys succeeded well in external examinations, and the following boys attained distinctions:

S Bridglall for Grade 7 Theory of Music – Trinity College of Music; A Zondi for Grade 2 Pianoforte - Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music; M Thomas for Grade 4 Bass Guitar – Rockschooll.

I would like to thank Messrs Heyns and Kisbey-Green for their untiring efforts with our boys. A special mention must be made of Mr Heyns for his efforts in subject music at College. The results he achieves there are not unnoticed.

Mr S Stickells

Physical Science

The Class of 2018 Physical Science students achieved pleasing results in the NSC examinations. Our top student, C Hollaway, achieved a remarkable 97% which placed him fifth in the district. Twenty-three boys attained distinctions and 26 achieved a B symbol.

On this happy note 147 boys opted to do Physical Science in 4th form, 143 in 5th form and 123 in Sixth Form in 2019. These numbers are an indication of how highly the subject is valued, but sadly many boys realise half way into the year that it is just too difficult and then change subjects.

The subject is very demanding and the work done in Grade 10 is the foundation for Grades 11 and 12. A strong Mathematics mark is an absolute requirement.

The curriculum requires that we complete at least one practical per term per grade and this is the 'fun' part of Physical Science. The department is fortunate to have a very efficient technical assistant, Mr Evasen Rajah, who ensures that these practicals go as smoothly as possible. The teachers have found that the boys cannot read instructions and now advise boys to cook at home and follow a recipe to the last teaspoon. We have even put videos of the junior practicals on Moodle.

Mr Trodd and Mrs Rembold taught the top two academic sets in Grade 12. Our other staff include Mrs Kritzinger, Dr Salmond, Mr Hoffman and Mrs Couperthwaite. Mrs Rembold gave extra lessons to the matrics and Grade 11s in the first three terms of the year and then included Grade 10 in the last weeks of the third term and into the fourth term. Sadly, the boys did not use these lessons to the fullest extent and generally only flocked to the lesson when there was a test in the near future.

Every year the top 60 Grade 11 and 12 boys are selected to write the National Science Olympiad. This year only three boys achieved a certificate: C Hoffman, C Tooke and H Heeralal.

C Tooke, N Govender and S Duma attended the annual Mintek Science Quiz at Edgewood. The team reached the second round easily, but missed second place by one point. It is always a great experience pitting one's brain against learners from other schools. Our boys always do us proud as there is no coaching beforehand.

The Second Form Natural Science boys were treated to an outing to Umgeni Valley in September thanks to a very generous gift from Mrs L Landsberg (mother of a Fifth Former). The day was a huge success under the guidance of Old Boy, James Kidd. The boys had to find creatures in the stream, they could slide down a natural rock slide and take a long and hot walk across the lovely veld of the valley. Even the two teachers, Mrs Kritzinger and Mrs Couperthwaite, had a wonderful time, although they did not attempt the rock slide.

Mrs E Couperthwaite

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Technology

This year saw some changes in the Technology department. For the first time the subject split away from Engineering Graphics and Design (EGD) and saw Mr A Sparrow take control as Head of the Subject. Technology is the feeder subject to EGD and is available to the junior boys. While graphic communication was still a big part of the syllabus this year, new sections were introduced. The boys were exposed to mechanical systems where they learnt about a number of basic mechanical concepts and were able to see their use in everyday life.

They were exposed to the design process that every product goes through before being made available to consumers. They had the opportunity to work through this process by making products that they designed.

In 2019 we look forward to exposing the boys to a number of new sections. These introduce the boys to concepts that come from the major engineering and manufacturing disciplines. They will have the opportunity to put the theory that they learn into practice in designing new products that they will build themselves. They will learn to research, design, make and then evaluate their efforts and make necessary changes to their products. It should be a busy but exciting year.

Mr A Sparrow

Visual Art

"Creativity is not just for artists. Subjects like design and technology, music, art and drama are vitally important for children to develop imagination and resourcefulness, resilience, problem-solving, team-working and technical skills," says Tristram Hunt, Director of the Victoria and Albert Museum. "These are the skills which will enable young people to navigate the changing workplace of the future and stay ahead of the robots, not exam grades."

Art is an important way to develop dexterity, confidence and competence in using one's hands. It helps boys develop craftsmanship as well as academic knowledge.

And so 2018 has been an exciting and fruitful year in the Art department.

New art teacher, Mr Brent Dodd, has brought boundless energy, fresh ideas and new skills. He has set up a welding department and taught the Fourth and Fifth Form boys the necessary skills to create steel sculptures.

We consider the junior years vital for teaching fundamental drawing and observation skills. In addition to this, Second Formers explored pen and ink and discovered that everyone is an artist. Third Formers learned printing in the form of a linocut, as well as the basics of water colour painting.

Fourth Formers painted exciting still-life subjects in acrylics, using African masks in a way that recalled the work of Irma Stern. Their task to create a three-dimensional sculpture or installation of a mythological creature resulted in diverse artworks, some welded, some stitched, some glued. Following their studies in the History of Art, they made a visit to the Natural History Museum to learn more about local rock art as well as the Lydenburg Heads and clay pots of the amaZulu.

Fifth Formers learned oil painting by creating a still-life from old engine parts. They also made their first etchings on the theme, 'The things I carry with me.' Their third theme, 'Revolution' was an opportunity to explore an idea conceptually, search for a genuine personal connection to it and then create an artwork from this. Diverse and powerful art arose from this process.

Our matrics worked hard towards their third term Exhibition with works on the themes: 'The Kitchen', 'Face Value' and 'Layers'. The exhibition was opened by Sanele Kunene, Masters Fine Art student in Digital Media and teacher, who spoke of the value of a career in the Arts. The exhibition was captivating in its diversity of media – illuminated engraved polycarbonate, plaster casts of heads, painted, transformed and illuminated, shadow art, an artwork created by multiple layers of

painted glass and images that had to be illuminated by the viewer with a torch, thus making him a part of the artwork. This year also included a very strong group of printers, with outstanding linocuts, reduction prints, etchings, monotypes and woodblock prints being created. Our matrics went to the Tatham Art Gallery to view the 2017 Matric art exhibition, and also to experience, face to face, Jane Alexander's 'Oh Yes Girl', Willie Bester's '1913 Land Act', as well as original works by several other artists that form part of their syllabus – such as Irma Stern, Cecil Skotnes, Judith Mason and Walter Battiss.

The art teachers also enjoyed a workshop on portrait painting by Heather Gourley-Cunningham, winner of the Sanlam Portrait Competition, and a fascinating insight into the work of acclaimed local artist Hussein Salim when they attended his workshop on creating art from recycled materials and old paint left-overs. These opportunities to be at the receiving end of art instruction, as well as having the chance to create art in the company of other artists have been essential in keeping ourselves engaged in the creative act as opposed to merely teaching it.

Our matrics achieved a 100% pass rate, and an average of 76%. An A symbol was achieved by 41%, and we are very proud that only one scored below a C symbol.

Plans for 2019 include teaching airbrushing and creating a dedicated welding room for sculpture.

Mrs S Osborne

isiZulu

The growth in the Zulu Department has been an amazing highlight in 2018. There are now three Second and Third Form classes. The quality of learners, who are always willing to learn and work hand-in-hand with their teachers, was supported by quality results produced in 2018. There is an excellent contribution and influence from fine staff in the department. This on its own makes everyone's life easier.

The department once again enjoyed a wonderful year in which it managed to achieve 31 distinctions, 13 high Bs and 4 Cs. As in the past, the Department's results are very good and consistent. The department always guarantees a 100% pass rate.

The department still sets goals to be achieved by learners. Every learner taking isiZulu looks forward to the Fourth Form excursion. This is where they are reminded of their culture, as well as their roots. This outing plays a significant role in the thinking and lives of these boys. The Fifth Form Cultural Evening, which is also a highlight in the department's calendar, is also a goal to be achieved by every boy learning isiZulu and this event is growing every year. We thank the parents, staff and boys for their support to make this wonderful event a success. We appreciate and are delighted to be part of such a big family. We have now introduced the Culture of Soccer at the end of Sixth Form. This event appears to be very successful.

This year we will be saying goodbye to Mr L Shezi who has successfully served the department for three years. He will be joined by a College Old Boy, Mr Mkhwanazi. We wish Mr Shezi all the best in his new environment and thank him for the value he added in the department. We look forward to another successful year.

Mr J Mhlongo

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College Museum/ Archives

The year 2018 was a reasonably quiet one in the Museum. A small temporary display was mounted to commemorate the Nelson Mandela Centenary Year. An interesting video with biographical information and three songs dedicated to Madiba can be seen on one of the TV screens.

The Museum received some special donations. Amongst them were:



Founding headmaster, William Calder's, Victorian writing box in walnut, with fittings and detail inlay in brass.

*Presented to
William Calder Esq.,
By his pupils on occasion of his
leaving George Watson's School
as a token of their esteem & regard*

- A Victorian walnut writing box, which had belonged to William Calder, the first Headmaster of College (1863 – 1867). It has been beautifully restored and is now on display.
- RD Clark's walking stick, which is on loan to the museum from Mr Matthew Marwick.
- Some motor rallying memorabilia of Mike Hooper, who obtained his Springbok and Protea colours in this sport.
- An old wrist watch, which belonged to JW Hudson.
- A Konica Slide Copier, used in the library, to make copies of mounted slides or transparencies in film format.

A new display on transformation in SA education and more specifically in KwaZulu-Natal, is planned for 2019.

Mrs H Ridley

Counselling

The Counselling Department has moved into the main office block mid-year and now boasts a private outside entrance providing easy access to counselling. 2018 has been a busy year with many walk-ins proving that trends are changing and an increased number of boys are exhibiting help-seeking behaviour. Another encouraging change has seen a number of boys who regularly avail themselves of counselling services direct struggling peers through the doors of the Counselling suite. This is very positive as we are ever attempting to throw the net wide to reach as many boys as possible who require psychological assistance, in order to improve their quality of life. At Maritzburg College, our staff is commended on identifying learners who are not coping with life events and highlighting this need, which can be sensitively addressed by the School Counsellor. Parents too, often request counselling for their sons.

Boys from all forms are able to request counselling. Dayboys and boarders are able to take advantage of these services which are highly confidential and provide a safe space within which our boys can engage and problem-solve. As an adolescent, it is to be expected that challenges arise on the home front or in the school arena – relationship issues, parental conflict etc. and these can be addressed with the simple move of booking a consultation. Appointment times are sent out via our House system each morning which facilitates consultations for the boys and grows the network existing between the Counselling department and the Housemasters, who closely administer pastoral care.

Mrs R Wulfsohn

Information, Communications and Technology

Maritzburg College realises the value of information, communication and technology in our school and community. Technology is infused into every area of the academic curriculum, cultural activities and sporting environment. To support the various sectors of our College community we provide the following:

- Wi-fi in the academic school block, boarding houses and Indoor centre
- Learner Management System (Moodle) which consists of past papers, PowerPoint presentations, video links to lessons, examination timetables, examination breakdowns and sporting highlights
- YouTube channel consisting of academic video lessons, sporting highlights and marketing features
- Papercut, to ensure that every boy has access to printing

OTHER DEPARTMENTS

- Three computer labs, two of which have recently been upgraded with the third to follow in 2019
- Office 365 for students and staff, giving them access to OneDrive, MS OneNote, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, MS Excel and other Microsoft apps
- State of the art Firewall restricting student and staff access to inappropriate content and cyber threats
- Infrastructure to support iPads, tablets and smartphones
- Network Administrator, IT Technician, IT Development assistant and a Techsquad to assist students and staff
- Regular staff training and network sessions pertaining to the integration of technology in the classroom
- Clickview, a personal video library
- D6 Communicator.

We are in the process of continually researching and testing emerging technologies and techniques to ensure that College remains at the forefront of technology in education.

Every educator has access to either a laptop, iPad or desktop computer. Seventy-five percent of the educators have been provided with laptops and iPads. This ensures that they have the necessary tools to provide a modern education for every student. These resources help to narrow the digital divide between student and educator. We are currently awaiting the SA launch of Microsoft Classroom, Microsoft's tailored educational app, which we will implement into our environment.

In 2019 we will be using Microsoft Teams to create online classrooms for networking, sharing and collaboration.

Mr J Maistry

Media Centre

Maritzburg College Media Centre is the academic hub of the school and supports both teachers in their teaching and learners in their learning. On request, we provide focused collections for the boys to easily access relevant titles for their projects and assignments.

This year saw all new computers installed into the Media Centre computer room and the colour printer was upgraded. Our local Wi-Fi hotspot has been strengthened, much to the delight of the boys who spend afternoons with us.

Due to the drop in print newspapers, we have subscribed to a dozen new magazines, many at the request of our learners, and we had to acquire another magazine rack to hold all the mags. The Media Centre upgraded the eLibrary: we now stock over twelve hundred ebooks and over five hundred audiobooks.

The sign-in process has been streamlined so that the learners use the same login as they do to access the school computers, which means fewer passwords to remember. This does not mean that we are moving away from traditional books, as we continue to add new titles each week, both in fiction and non-fiction. Many new books are requested by our learners, which indicates their interest in reading.

The Media Centre remains a hive of activity during the day, both before school, during breaks, and after school where learners will work, or play chess.

During the afternoons there is also an increase in recreational readers who occupy the couches and beanbags. And sometimes, after a hectic school day, the Media Centre is the perfect place to unwind, or sleep it off.

Mr R Gutteridge



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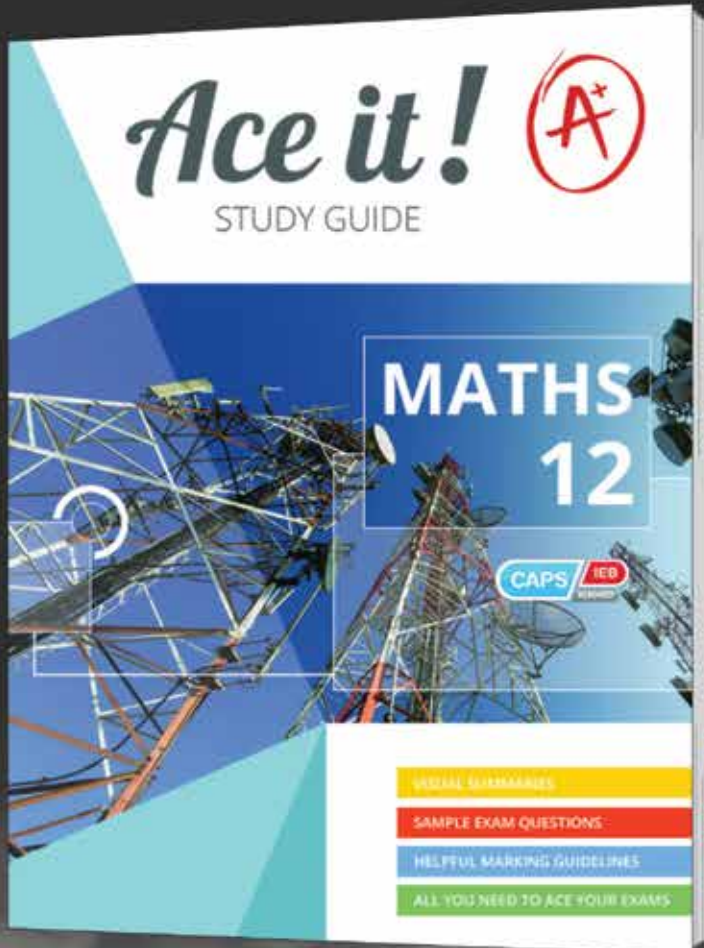
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ENGLISH WRITING

And the Mountains Echoed

It was a long, hard journey from Forrend to Beziar, made even longer and harder by the rain that was hammering down steadily and the slicing breath of the wind that chilled flesh to the bone. Lord Berring was neither cold nor tired, but that was because he sat comfortably in his fur coat, safely inside his carriage, quite smug, as it trundled up through the tight turns of the mountain pass.

Lord Berring contemplated why the four mercenaries he had hired had insisted on meeting in Beziar so urgently. He supposed they were eager to collect their pay and be on their way before news of their exploits had reached too many ears, making it harder for them to travel. He was thinking just how easy it had been when suddenly he realised that he was no longer moving.

He grumbled to himself as he clambered to get out. He reluctantly stepped out into the downpour, immediately becoming drenched. He was halfway through threatening the driver before he realised that the driver was nowhere to be seen, and that two of the mercenaries he had hired now stood in the road obstructing the pass, which was barely wide enough for the carriage alone.

"What are you doing? I thought that we were meeting in Beziar?"

The mercenary with the long sword strapped to his back stepped forward, and his reply cut through the rain. "We thought that we would save you the trip, given the bad weather and all."

"How thoughtful. Is it done then?"

There was a short silence before the other mercenary began to stroll forward. "How stupid do you think we are? Did you think that we wouldn't find out?"

At this Lord Berring paled. It hadn't been so easy after all.

"Did you think that we wouldn't find out and that we would just torch the village like mindless idiots? We heard about how they were the ones to report your extortion scheme, which cost you your spot on the Council. They weren't so stupid either. They knew you would be looking for revenge. You told us they were cheating you on the grain tax, that they were thieves. The only thief I see is you."

With that, Lord Berring turned and ran, but he didn't get far before the other two mercenaries, who had circled behind him, cut him off, dragged him back to his carriage and threw him inside.

It wasn't long before Lord Berring's carriage slid off the mountain pass and the mountains echoed with the sound of his scream and splintering wood.

M Abel (Sixth Form)

The Uncomfortable Truth

There was knock at my door. I had my whole family at my home for Easter Lunch, grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins, the whole parade. The knocking got louder and more excessive.

"Mr Parsons, please open up! SAPS. We're here for Michael," said a female voice.

I rushed to the front door and greeted the police officers. The lady officer spoke, "Mr Parsons, we need to speak to your brother. May we come in?"

I allowed the officers entrance to my home and led them through the foyer to the dining room. Before I could tell Michael that the officers were there for him, the woman launched herself across the room and tackled

my brother to the ground. After that it was a blur. She put him in cuffs, said some things about his rights and walked him to the car like he was a dog on a leash.

A week later the letter from the Department of Justice arrived in the mail. Michael was due to appear in court the next day. I travelled to the Magistrate's Court, alone, still ignorant as to what my brother was being tried for. I skulked into Court Room 3 and took my seat. The atmosphere was depressing. No-one spoke, coughed, or even breathed. The only noise was the continuous moaning of the old air conditioner above the judge's lectern. I looked to my brother, suited up but nervous, his face in his hands. He was definitely not the poster boy for arrogance. I then turned my attention to the prosecutor's bench. That's when I saw her.

She wore a sleeveless dress, yellow with a red floral pattern. But that was not what caught my attention. Her arms were covered in bruises. Some were in the shape of big, gorilla-like hands. She had what looked like rope burns on her neck and wrists, and scratches on her chest that looked to have been caused by fingernails. I began to pray that whatever had happened to this poor woman, my brother was not the one to blame.

After my extensive observation of the courtroom's inhabitants, the formal argument commenced. The attorney tasked with prosecution, David Arthur, looked more confident than a lion chasing a limping impala. On the other hand, my brother's attorney, Chadwick Jones, was about as jittery as a Chihuahua with Tourette's. David kicked off the proceedings with an airtight argument in which he referenced every piece of evidence he could use: DNA under his fingernails, bruises on his knuckles, hair found in her bedroom, and the piece of evidence that still sickens me to this day, the rape kit. When Chadwick stepped up, he stuttered for a bit, trying to find his first words. He then followed that by tripping on his way to the witness stand and finally, when he started his argument, his voice cracked to a harmonious falsetto. Chadwick produced a pathetic attempt at a rebuttal and it was then that I realised what my brother had done.

It didn't take long for the judge to come to his verdict. He stepped up to the podium, cleared his throat and announced Michael's guilt. The whole courtroom cheered. Everyone was hugging one another, tears were shed and glee filled the room. The rapist was being locked up. It still makes me tremble saying that today, but that's the uncomfortable truth: my brother is a rapist.

P Kidd (Sixth Form)



J Collocott (Fifth Form)

Climbing the Mountain to Manhood

Ever since I can remember, I had always wanted to be just like my dad. I copied everything he did; from the way he spoke to the way he stood, even the way he would fidget with his hands when he was frustrated or nervous. But the one thing I had always wanted to imitate was his incredible hunting and shooting skill. For many years I had begged in vain to accompany him on his hunts. That all changed on my thirteenth birthday.

It was still very dark on a cold winter morning on my uncle's farm in the Eastern Cape. Despite the darkness and the sleep in my eyes, I could see the massive mountain we were about to climb in search of the elusive Mountain Reedbuck; a medium sized antelope with forward curling horns.

We were about halfway up the mountain as dawn broke. I was exhausted and frozen stiff, but I didn't even think about complaining, as I had to prove to Dad that I was ready. I had to 'suck it up and take it like a man', as Dad always used to say.

To my relief, we stopped at an overhang to glass for our quarry, which often sunned themselves on the north-facing slopes on icy mornings, such as this one.

Dad's eagle-eyes spotted a decent ram surrounded by his harem of ewes, some 600 metres away, much too far for a shot; even an experienced hunter would struggle at such a distance. Dad began to formulate an approach for our stalk in the hope that it would bring us within range, a maximum of 350 metres. With my young shooting skills and confidence levels, we needed to get within at least 250 metres.

This proved to be a challenge as the wind was swirling about and the loose rocks made it slow going. After about three hours of stop-start stalking, we were within range and setting-up on a rock. "Now Stu, wait for him to stand up and turn broadside, then place the crosshairs just behind his shoulder about two thirds of the way up, and squeeze the trigger, don't pull it." Dad instructed me calmly. "Yes Dad, just like we practiced," I said, trying to hide the nervous quiver in my voice.

Suddenly, to our left, a fallow deer stag broke cover and alerted the reedbuck, who started trotting away. Dad let out a shrill whistle which stopped the reedbuck. "Now!" he said.

I squeezed the trigger of the .308 and the mountains echoed. The ram dropped in his tracks. We approached him slowly. Dad said that I must go and thank the animal and spend a few minutes of quiet time with him to show respect.

He was an exquisite specimen, full of battle scars and ticks, his horns worn and full of scratches and cracks. He had almost no teeth, indicating that he was very old. He was beautiful, an amazing example of God's work. At this moment I had taken one of my first steps toward manhood. On the mountain, was the first time I saw Dad cry, tears of joy and pride.

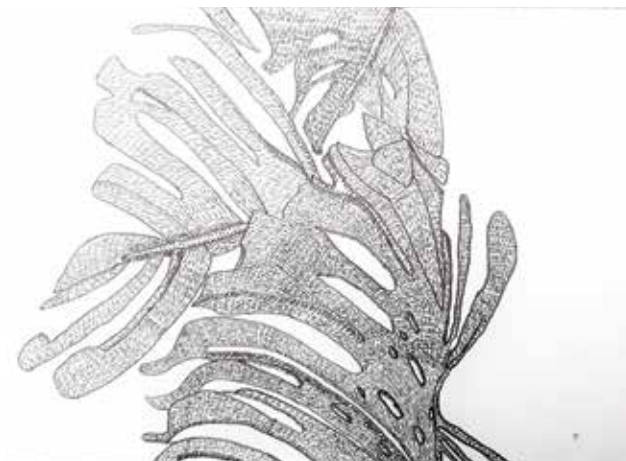
I have since taken many more animals with the same amount of respect and gratefulness. Sadly, I have also lost my hunting partner, who has moved on to new hunting grounds. But he has not left me, he lives through me, through the way I talk, stand and fidget. I know he is always looking down on me as I climb this mountain into manhood.

(For you, Dad)

S Wood (Sixth Form)

No ordinary thunderstorm

The man lay on a dusty couch. Above him, grey doves swooped drunkenly amongst the steel beams which were speckled with dirty orange liver spots of rust. Around the lounge stretched the cavernous, but far from empty, expanse of the warehouse. Machines and devices of various species crowded desks and tabletops and crates of mechanical and electrical trinkets decorated the barrier between the dangerous creatures of the warehouse and the world outside like wallpaper. Suddenly, the inventor sat up. He felt the small clouds of ideas in his



C Vahey (Second Form)

mind coagulate into one dense and saturated entity.

Rising from the seat, and slightly unsettling some particulate matter, he began to walk toward his drawing-board as swiftly as a lazy breeze. But he quickly increased his pace, and the gentle wind soon became an unruly gale which in turn became a raging tempest, fueled by the man's inspiration. Flakes of rust were swept from the floor and dust, from divine devices of creation and benevolent implements of restoration and malicious tools of destruction, was cast into the air in the wake of the inventor.

He sat at his desk with a pencil balanced on his ear and arranged his drawing instruments. They clinked and jangled like the first few rumbles of thunder before a tropical storm. Gently, the ruler was placed across the page. Slowly and carefully he retrieved his pencil and aligned it; not only with his ruler, but with his visions. The tip of the pencil cut across the page like the first bolt of lightning tearing the night sky. The inventor wielded his illustrator apparatus as Zeus would his own weapons while hurling down thunderbolts upon the mere mortals below him. Rapidly, more bolts of lightning filled the pages' horizons.

The thunder and lightning in the warehouse grew in volume, frequency and intensity. It became more literal as the machine worked. Sounds echoed around the building as drills pierced metal, the shrill whine frightening the birds to take flight. The man lit a welding torch and fiery sparks danced. One fowl looked upon the inventor and, while transfixed by the light, flew into a steel beam. It fell as if struck by lightning.

The inventor stood and gazed at his creation, the rains of satisfaction washing over him.

Inspiration and passion in the mind of an inventor brings forth no ordinary thunderstorm of creation.

R Bennett (Fifth Form)

A camping trip

As a teenager I had always dreaded the very concept of camping. The tedious task of climbing monolithic mountains so as to sleep on precarious slopes and rocky edges while instructors lounged in lodges. The flimsy tent, the distasteful concoctions enclosed in a packet, that they called food. The detestable camping instructors who spouted axiomatic blather and the atmosphere all culminated in one horrible experience. The thing I dreaded most about camping was the unhinged and unpredictable state of the weather. Though, as I was to find out, it could either be enlightening, or destructive.

At school, I was an academically astute student who only minded his books and not much else. So, when put in a situation where physical prowess was essential, I was sure to fall behind. I staggered along the jagged edges of a mountain during a camping trip. The air was heavy and as the temperature rose to unbearable degrees, our group took a path that did not seem to have been walked on in millennia, which made walking difficult. The camping instructor seemed impervious

to it all, as he directed us through the fauna that had shrivelled up and withered away. His incessant ramblings about team spirit did nothing to alleviate the situation. He droned on and on about how we, as city children, needed this excursion and how our lack of effort and disinterest showcased our ignorance. He was a detestable being whose presence made me feel this sense of contempt towards him.

The treacherous walk seemed to last forever as the beating sun and chaotic environment appeared ceaseless. We finally reached camp at midday and were met with an infuriating sight. Copious amounts of trees enveloped the surroundings and there was one firepit and one cabin. There were sixteen of us travelling with one instructor, so we understood what we were going to do. We were left to fend for ourselves in the dense forest, while he at least had a cabin. It was difficult to hide our livid faces and gradually this hatred grew stronger and stronger. His condescending figure stood at the door of the cabin as we made our tents. He spoke for a little while but was abruptly interrupted by a crackle in the concealed sky above. It was midday but the sky seemed to come to life with the roaring thunder. As if emulating our own unsettled minds, the sky turned dark and ominous. Rain pelted the ground as we expeditiously ran for cover.

The camping instructor was just as frantic as we were which only added to our own anger at his ignorance. Earlier, he had strutted about, blathering about his competence, especially in his intuition and didactics. Now he was reduced to a coward whose only instinct involved self-preservation. The sky continued to roar as lightning laced the sky. The vicissitude was unprecedented and we were ill-equipped to handle the situation. Though we were in our tents, we could feel the tumult that was occurring outside. The rain changed from a calm patter to a violent storm, which was further aggravated by the wind. We could feel the earth beneath us quake as the lightning sliced through it. We could hear trees fall to the ground and we kept wondering whether or not they would fall on us, or whether we would be blown away by the wind. Our minds raced and our hearts palpitated at frightening levels as we anticipated our own demise. This storm raged on and on for hours on end and the things that plagued our thoughts were, "Who is left?" and, "When will it be our turn?"

Several hours later we felt the sky quieten and the earth's rumbling subside. All that was left was to go outside and deduce the fate of my brethren. When my disorientated self stepped outside I was met with a ghastly sight. The chaos that had ensured had left behind a sight to behold. All the trees that had fallen had missed the tents by inches. The cabin was completely and utterly destroyed. By some stroke of luck, the instructor had survived, but was not left unscathed. The absurdness of this anomaly was etched into our minds. We found some satisfaction in the destruction of the cabin and in the grandeur of the placid sky. It was truly no ordinary thunderstorm.

A Duma (Fifth Form)

The invitation

John Matthews held the gun to the right hollow of his temple. The rain was still pouring down from above, heavy and desperate. Every part of him was soaked, from his softened blazer to his drenched socks. His eyes were red and his mouth hung open in a plea for words that just wouldn't come. John Matthews wanted to be a dead man, but in that moment, he looked more alive than ever before.

It had happened at the party, I had been invited and so I casually attended. He, however, had received a separate invite, John Matthews was not the type of person who usually attended parties. A girl whom he liked thought it might be funny to see him at this one. She had drawn up an invitation and given it to him. This invitation said that it was a costume party. It wasn't.

He arrived in a suit. This wasn't the worst thing he could've arrived in, considering the context he'd been given. I took it that his aspiration was to become a lawyer. The girl immediately swooped to his side and welcomed him. She took his hand and led him through the crowd, giggling, as she went. It was a joke. It was all a joke. He was just the only person who didn't understand it.

The girl continued to lead him up the stairs and into a bedroom where

the rain was beating down hard and fast on the window pane. She took off her jacket and promised to take off more if he'd just do what she told him to do. She pressed her body against his and gave him a passionate kiss, before retiring to an armchair in the corner of the room. He lay on the bed and did what she instructed him to do, without question and without hesitation. Then, from the corner of his eye, he saw the closet door creak further open. There was a man inside it, standing furtively with his cell phone aimed at the bed and his finger taking pictures.

John Matthews then stormed out of the house and into the enigmatic night. The darkness seemed to swallow him. I looked around me and all I could see were laughing faces. I had to leave too. I had to follow him.

I traced my way through the dark with only a hope that I was on the right path. A park appeared on the other side of the road and I made my way to it, thinking faintly that if I were in his position, this is where I would go. Through the trees, standing in a small clearing, was a lone figure. I saw a gun in his hand and wondered anxiously whether he'd had it the whole time. "It is of no importance," I told myself quietly, trying not to startle him. Something shuffled through the leaves below me. I looked down and saw a rat, making its way from one tree to another.

I became anxious; frantic in my attempt to reach him. I saw him look at me and my heart suddenly sunk. There was a bang. John Matthews had pulled the trigger.

C Knight (Fifth Form)

An African thunderstorm

It had sat on the horizon menacingly throughout the morning. Many described it to be akin to a lion basking in the day's early and sweltering warmth. Indeed, it stalked like a lion, carefully advancing, confidence and caution incarnate. It was as if the rolling mass knew that it was inescapable. It was as if it intended to spark the most primal fear in those who saw it. At midday the storm broke.

At first, onlookers were enthralled by the power of its majesty. Its banks appeared to be brimming with light, refracted and warped into flowing stained glass. As the last of the sun's light was obscured, the storm took on a new glow. A sinister red hue bathed those below it, obscuring the familiar features of its audience and their surroundings, invoking a crushing sense of dread. Most had already retreated to the comfort of their own homes, while others had begun to send silent pleas for mercy to the heavens, only to have their prayers swept aside by the tumult of the winds and the sheer strength of the storm's echoes.

The storm growled as it passed, like a lion defending its pride. It was a rumble that began ten fathoms deep inside one's soul as if one's very existence was being challenged by the immensity of the sky above. The growls would begin to rattle, and even shatter windows as the challenge went unanswered, despite the cries and protests of those caught in the storm. The rumble would build up into a crescendo of shrieking winds and earth-shattering quakes that rocked the foundations of homes and uprooted trees. It was then that they began to taste the change in the air and wait with bated breath, for the strike to follow.

The true demonstration of the storm's power lay in the bolts with which it smote the homes and residents alike. It began with a moment of serenity in the midst of the chaos. As if the clouds sought to draw a single deep breath before its strike. Then with hardly a moment's respite it would release its breath with a sigh and a sound like a celestial being cracking a whip comprised of the constellations themselves. The bolts were red and violent, destroying all they touched with wanton rage, turning trees to cinders and cars into bubbling slug.

Few had been brave enough, or indeed foolish enough to linger in the open. Yet those few who had claimed afterwards to have experienced indescribable catharsis in the ruins. As if the ferocity of nature was able to burn away the sins of those brave enough to withstand it. None were struck as the storm rasped undeterred by the damage it caused. It continued its prideful journey into the horizon until it was swallowed up by the seam between the sky and the land.

C Martin (Fifth Form)

Some people feel the rain, while others just get wet

White stallions charged the beach before dissolving between our toes and into the sand. Ocean's salty breath ran its fingers through our hair whilst I laid my head against his chest. Off in the distance lounged the vibrant colours of Cape Town; the mountain cradled its natural and manmade beauty. The sun smiled one last time before hiding herself behind the darkening clouds. I turned to face him. Our eyes met. His cheeky smile drew closer and closer. The sky must have felt just as emotional as us; the first tear slipped from the desert of clouds and snaked down Luc's face.

For a moment the ocean lay flat. An endless, black plain stretched out farther than we could see. All too soon, the sky split in half on the horizon; the bone-chilling siren's scream followed after. Luc pulled me closer and his arms constricted around my waist. The ocean spread out its hands on the shore; long fingers grasped at us, leaving us soaking wet and with the taste of salt hanging on our lips.

Luc and I found ourselves in front of a turquoise curtain. I pressed my fingers into it and felt its cold grip wrap around my wrists. Shelter hid behind its protection.

"Shall we go in?" I asked Luc. I gazed into his eyes. Swirls of hazel danced around his pupils. His face lit up with childish glee and he threw his shirt to the rocks and ran into the rain.

I followed suit. The cold bit into my stomach as the rain slashed at me with furious strikes. I found my way to Luc and he slid his hands into mine; I couldn't feel much but I knew they were there. He spun me around and we danced to the song of the storm. Thunder echoed around us and lightning clapped us on. The waves swelled behind us and spat in our faces, but we didn't care.

The storm laid itself to bed and fell off to sleep. Luc and I sat with hair in our eyes and sand in our hair. The sun crept from behind the mountain; the edges turned to gold and her warm grin kissed Luc's cheeks. Cape Town lazily began to stir as white stallions charged the beach again.

J McFarland (Fifth Form)

South Africa has a future and I am a part of the future

South Africa is a place filled with opportunities in different career-fields. It is a place that is hungry for young entrepreneurs and there is a high demand for skilled people.

The reason I say that I am a part of the future is that I am motivated to bring change to this country. Nelson Mandela once said, "Be the change you would want to see in our society." I am interested in the business and technology sector. I see myself being self-employed and having thousands of employees. I want to be creative, inspiring and innovative.

My goal is to stay focused and work hard to achieve good grades and go to a highly credited university, preferably in England. I would enjoy studying Information Systems, which help businesses to improve their software and give a better performance. Later be self-employed; to achieve this I will need to work very hard. I will have an Outreach Programme by which we will help children with disabilities to achieve their goals. We will also provide funding for high school learners to attend university, but only those who produce exceptional results.

In South Africa we face huge problems, which include poverty and also high numbers of persons infected with HIV/AIDS. The Odwa Mthethwa Outreach Programme will create job opportunities to tackle poverty and unemployment and also provide ARVs for those who are infected with the disease. This is South Africa, this is my home and it is my duty to make it a better place.

O Mthethwa (Fifth Form)

"The world suffers a lot. Not because of the violence of bad people, but because of the silence of the good people." Napoleon

I am a soldier, gung ho and fearless. I trek through forest and desert alike, seeking and tackling danger with the aplomb of an artist at the height of his art. I am always in the right – fighting for justice, liberty and the American way. Until ...

Ten years ago ...

The smell of gasoline filled the air. It followed a burning path through my nostrils, down my throat and into my gut, causing untold damage. But the smell of gasoline was not the only smell out there, I could smell fear – my fear. Today had been a particularly gruesome day. Bodies lay, either benign, or in the throes of pain. I crouched down, eventually falling flat on my stomach and pulled myself forward with my arms. Intermittently, I spat out the sand that had inadvertently found its way into my mouth. I ignored the taste and moved on.

A platoon of enemy soldiers wandered on what was once the main road. They laughed uproariously as they pushed the locals around, ordering some, dragging women into the nearby rooms, and swatting children across their ears.

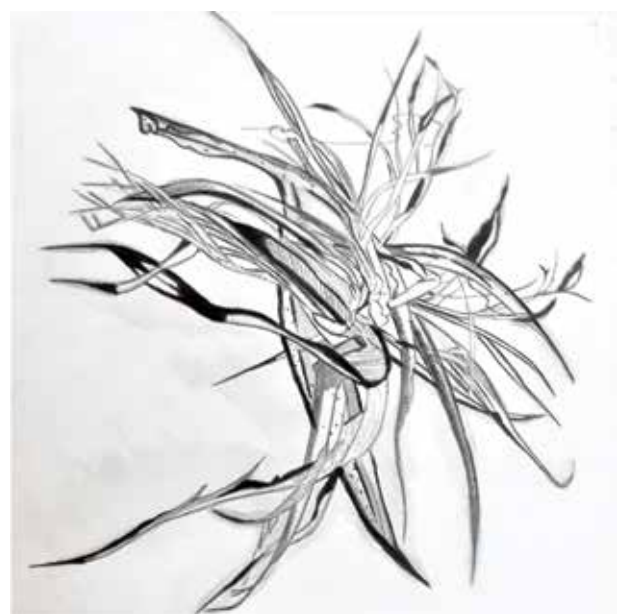
I punched a few co-ordinates into my hand-held and waited quietly, not daring to move. Sweat trickled down the front of my shirt, pooling uncomfortably at the waistband of my pants. Suddenly, my ears pricked. The cacophony of sound continued unabated as everyone missed what was to come. I didn't ...

There was an enquiry, one of those that sat to appease, rather than to provide justice. On that day in the busy market place, three thousand civilians lost their lives, including eight hundred and sixty-three children. Despite my evidence and argument that ground forces would have drastically reduced the civilian casualties, I was told that drone warfare was the weapon of choice of the American government.

Today, the bashful sun slid behind the clouds, relieving the day of its brightness. This was apt, for the brightness had also disappeared from my life. I made my way to the podium, cleared my throat and began, "If anyone wants evidence of the futility of war then listen to the screams of terror from the children who die."

Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori.

M Essack (Fifth Form)



L Mawela (Fourth Form)



The Concrete Jungle

The concrete jungle: one of the largest habitats in the world. It grows faster than any other habitat and someday it will surely be the largest.

The trees tower above you. Metal and concrete shoot into the sky as they reach up and try to block out the sun. When the sun is blocked by these twisted hunks of concrete and metal, it finds a new way down. The glass in the windows catches the light and throws it down to the floor. Some of the light stays with the glass, and dances like fire high above you in the tallest windows.

The light cannot reach everywhere. In the tight alleys the darkness fills the air and cruses the light of day – here they wait – the panthers. They lay in the shadows and wait for somebody to make the grave decision to step out of the sunlight and take a shortcut through the darkness. They strike fast, the pale light that snuck into the darkness glinting off the steel knives as their rain down on the prey. The panthers work fast and take what they can before disappearing into the darkness, leaving the prey to die alone.

The jungle is busy. People fill the streets and move like a snake, twisted and turning through the undergrowth as they find their way through the jungle. People make their way to the trees and climb. Staying up in the canopy for hours at a time as they work to earn a living. They work hard, taking everything that the tree has to offer before staggering home, fatigued from the climb and dizzy from the height.

Everything works in harmony. The people build magnificent trees with steel and concrete and use these trees to live and survive. The light protects the people, and the darkness protects the panthers as they hunt their prey. This harmony is what makes the jungle grow as it slowly takes over the rest of the world.

J Hoyle (Fourth Form)

A Fisherman's Toil

On this beach sand is replaced with smooth, mottled pebbles. The waves lap against the shore whilst the foamy sea water escapes between the pebbles and back into the ocean. The azure sky is peppered with delicate, white clouds that drift ever-so slightly in the salty breeze. The distant sun casts its feeble rays upon the calm ocean and quiet shoreline. A lone fisherman interrupts the silence with the crunch of the pebbles beneath his worn gumboots. His grey, lifeless eyes are fixated on his small fishing boat that is moored to the neglected dock.

The boat bobs gently in the calm ocean. The wake that it creates travels for miles before eventually dissipating. The boat is minuscule in comparison to the vast, blue depths of the ocean. Its barnacle-encrusted hull is exposed – a sign of its non-existent catch. Flecks of paint have peeled off for years in the corrosive conditions. Black smoke pours from the exhaust and taints the fresh air. Is this the price of earning a living?

The man's hair is hidden by a faded cap but his beard is exposed to the elements. It is grey and frizzy, dotted with droplets of sea water. It hides much of his wrinkled face and cracked lips. The salty air fills his hairy nostrils as his experienced, calloused hands work away at the knotted net. The rope coupled with decades of salt forms an abrasive foe.

The pulleys strain and buckle as they toil away, dragging the catch from the dark depths to the eager and hopeful fisherman. As the net reveals itself the excess water drips off back into the ocean. Bit by bit it is hauled onto the deck in a soaking mess. The fisherman's focused face returns to its sombre, seemingly lifeless state. Alas another week has passed yet the net is as empty as it has ever been. The shimmering, silver pleasures which the ocean once held in abundance are now replaced with the very same litter that man once dumped years ago.

I Maharaj (Fourth Form)

Safari

I woke up to a variety of incredible sounds which were music to my ears. The soft morning light pierced my room, awakening me. I climbed into my ice-cold car and the engine started with a loud roar. The cool air rushed past me as I admired birds hovering in the distant light. The dew glistened on the long green grass, swaying in the gentle breeze.

Above me, slept a golden-coated male leopard lying lazily in an African Flame tree. In the fork of this tree, there lay a limp impala carcass dripping rose-red blood. What an amazing sight!

A little later down the uneven road, I came upon a pride of lion resting under an ancient Acacia tree, shielding themselves from the harsh rays of light. Their cubs were gorging themselves on the scraps of a massive buffalo kill, thanks to their large and majestic father.

Eventually I arrived at Lake Panic Bird Hide and already there was a lot of activity around the water's edge. In and around the lush reeds, you could hear the popping sound of barbel gulping for air in the oxygen depleted water. Preying on them was the man-sized Saddle-billed Stork. He froze next to the water using the dark reeds as camouflage. As soon as its prey came into striking distance it lunged forward and with immense power stabbed its target with pin-point accuracy. African Jacana raced around on the lily-pads with their abnormally large feet, creating incredible photographic opportunities. Kudu and Nyala were shy when they arrived to quench their thirst, only drinking where the bush was thick near the water's edge.

The sun went down slowly, engulfing me in magnificent oranges, pinks and yellows.

That night I sat listening to sounds echoing through the bushveld. It was the perfect way to end the best day of my life.

J Maher (Fourth Form)

It was the best day of my life

Suddenly, my dad marched into the house, out of breath and calling my name.

I was lying on the couch at the time and I scrambled to my feet and ran to him. He told me he needed a hand with a task on the farm. I couldn't believe what I was hearing when he said it. After all this time I am finally going to work on the farm! I galloped down the passage and into my room, frantically searching for my favourite sun-bleached cap, brown leather boots and classic woolen farmer socks. I grappled with an apple as I walked past the fruit bowl on the way out of the door and walked proudly behind my dad to the farm track.

I was shaking with excitement as Dad explained to me that I would be helping with the top-dressing of the lands in preparation for the new season. We arrived in the lands and I immediately got to work opening the bags with the knife Dad had bought me last Christmas. It was tedious work, with the constant cutting, lighting and filling motion of us on the tractor, working endlessly to the fill the vast space in the spreader. However, I felt completely alive feeling the sweat dripping off my nose and the constant aches in my muscles as I lifted the heavy bags with the crew.

My body was filled with a new sense of urgency and determination, as if a fire had been set alight within my soul. I felt proud to be a part of my Dad's business. I no longer had the feeling of being a city boy living on a farm, but the feeling of being a farm boy, having the potential to actually run this farm in the future. I did the work to my full capacity and by the end of the day I was absolutely exhausted.

As I sat exhausted in the seat of the truck pondering over everything that I had experienced in such a short period, I felt a great big hand pat me on the shoulder and in a gentle yet empowering voice say, "Well done, boy! I'm proud of you."

M Smith (Fourth Form)

Sunrise

Suddenly, unexpectedly, the sky changes. It transitions from the inky jet black of night into the peaceful electric blue of early morning. It signals the awakening of the world, when every being begins its day.

It is a rapid yet peaceful change, and with it we leave the fears of the night behind and prepare for the new challenges of the day.

The perfectly blue canvas of morning sky becomes tainted by fiery oranges, darkening as we draw closer to the horizon. These oranges erupt from the edge of the world like lava from Mt Vesuvius, slowly, quietly enveloping everyone and everything.

Eventually, this orange monster begins to infiltrate the homes of the townsfolk, forcing them out of their cosy beds. It is their natural alarm clock. Confused by the dreams of the past night, they scramble around the dimly lit world, preparing for the new opportunities that will arise with the sun.

The initial rays of pure gold pierce the horizon, signalling the arrival of their creator. These rays penetrate the sky, spreading a searing light throughout the town. Nothing can hide from it; it exposes all secrets hidden in the shadows of the night.

Finally, with a flash of blinding light, it peeks over the horizon. With it, a wave of heat floods the streets, warming up the dreary folk who are commuting to work. It lazily elevates itself over the horizon, spreading its light to all the reaches of the world.

Not everyone who succumbed to the temptation of sleep is awoken by the sunrise this morning. Some are left sleeping for all eternity. To those, however, who have been woken by the stunning beauty of a sunrise, enjoy it. Tomorrow, there might not be one.

J Govender (Third Form)



M Abel (Sixth Form)

What is 'normal', anyway?

What exactly does 'normal' mean? Time and time again, everywhere I go and everywhere I've been, there is talk of: "He/she is weird." This confuses me because 1) Is it normal that judgements like this are what we deal with every moment? And 2) Is that person 'not normal' being themselves?

I personally think that this is a flaw in our world and it is something that has always been around. Throughout the ages, we have always feared, judged and shunned what we can't comprehend, or find what we don't regard as 'normal'. But who is to say we are the 'normal' ones?

I've never seen, let alone heard of, a rulebook or a guide on being 'normal' or anything that validates our thoughts of what 'normal' is. That's all it is, a 'thought'. Life is not black or white, it's a grey area and, accordingly, nothing and no-one is normal or abnormal. We are who we are.

It's a misconceptualised ideology which I think we have made to hide our insecurities. Why is that even a problem? Based on my religion, there's only one person who can pass judgement, but this is a belief. I have no right in saying Christianity is right and no-one has the right to tell me what I believe in is not 'normal'.

So, I say, who are you to tell me I'm wrong and weird? It's your prejudiced mindset that's weird. I'm white, that's normal. I'm black, that's normal. I'm Asian, that's normal. I'm homosexual, that's normal. Don't impose what you expect on others. And if you disagree, tell me, "What is 'normal'?"

L Magwaza (Third Form)

My Favourite Season

The birds, perched high in the trees, sing sweet songs of joy. Winter has passed and Summer is on her way in. Rays of warm sunlight claw at your sheets, attempting to tear you out of your dreams. The sun is up and Summer is here.

The sky is an artwork as the sun climbs up over the horizon, casting beautiful blends of blues and purples as far as the eye can see. Few clouds dot the sky, promising a stunning day. Throughout the country creatures awake, eager to face the Summer sun. Hundreds of trees explode with colour, dotted with sweet, exquisite flowers.

One of the best things Summer brings is the hot days at the beach. The salty air manages to relax you instantly as the scorching sand sears your feet. The waves, crisp and powerful, cool you as they wash over your grateful body. The sweet juice of a watermelon trickles down your throat as you admire the beautiful panoramic view the ocean has to offer.

As the afternoon sets in and the clouds begin to gather, many animals and humans begin their journey home. The first drops of rain come softly, followed quickly by the much faster, heavy, rain. The water thrashes down on your roof, searching for a way in. The sky is a lightshow, each flash followed by a loud crack, each time louder than before. The storm quickly passes, leaving stars in the sky and a fresh scent in the air.

Now it's the night's turn. She paints the sky with black, slowly adding a dusting of white so perfect it shimmers. Slowly the people retreat to their beds, exhausted by the sun and thick humidity. Peacefully as you drift to sleep, you can hear the crickets thanking the sky for the rain. Slumber finds all with ease, readying everyone for the next day.

M Pearson (Third Form)

Heritage Day Report

In today's assembly we were moved by Mr Talke's speech. His speech spoke volumes about unity in our country and the pride we should take in our South African heritage.

As I stood in the Sixth Form quad, taking in the words spoken by Mr Talke, I was enveloped by pride. I do not usually take a moment to bask in my heritage, but this assembly not only gave me that moment, it gave me goose bumps. I truly felt proud to call myself a citizen of South Africa. As we began singing the National Anthem I sang not with my voice, but with my heart.

E van der Merwe (Third Form)

The problems young people face today

Today, in this society, in this cruel world, life is hard, life is tough for everyone, every single one of us. It's quite strange, days go by where we are on top of the world, where we feel like we can conquer the world, but sadly for most of us, these days are very few. Most days, we are tired, exhausted from that dreadful test, or that gruelling sports practice. We all arrive home wanting it to be finished, for it to be over, and just wanting to give up. This is a huge problem in the lives of many people.

We are awake late at night with a sense that the world is asleep, but not us. Not a sound except for the grinding pencil on paper, a sound that we all get lost in. Then a sigh of anger echoes in the room as the thought of more work hits us – a hit that most of us can't get up from. The greatness we want to achieve feels like too much, that it is not worth it, and we start to wonder what the point is. Through all of this we forget...

We forget what it means to be human, how much there is to be happy about, how lucky we are to be alive in this beautiful world. We forget what it means to live, because all we have the strength to do is to survive. We are missing the joy, the happiness; things that make us who we are, things that define us as humans.

Well, all we need is a few people to fix this problem, a few people to remind us of how lucky we are, to remind us of the joy and the meaning to life. All we need to do is push through it all. We might feel like it's too much to handle, but all we need to do is to stop for a while and think. Think of the beauty in this world, realise how lucky we are and then keep our eyes on greatness. Think of the feeling we will get when things we've been endlessly working for arrive. We will realise that all the effort, all that work, was worth it.

We will look back and realise that all the pain and suffering we have been through, be it mental or physical, was worth it. We will tell ourselves that next time we will never give up that easily, like the rest of our generation. We will always have something to work for and we will never again fall victim to the plague in our generation of giving up.

R Finnie (Second Form)



B Tedder (Fifth Form)

Borver Week

This was the place to be. It was the greatest test and challenge I would ever face. I can't begin to describe the feelings that rushed through my body and mind the moment I stepped out of my grandfather's cherry-red Volkswagen at seven o'clock on Monday morning. This was the beginning of an adventure and I was pumped with adrenaline, but that was brought to a halt when I met up with some of my friends. Everything was calm on the first day, with the exception of some prefects shouting. However, at four o'clock the next morning, my entire orientation weekend was flipped on its head. As the prefects came storming down the hallway of Clark House, I knew 'Vietnam' had begun... Of course, with everyone being in a state of panic, it was quite a mission to get outside. As we jumped into the pool, I felt the water washing over my body, sending a jolt of adrenaline through it. This was only the beginning and we were terrified, but we bonded together, thanks to brotherhood, and we faced 'Vietnam' together. The most difficult part was rolling and running up a hill, as I got dizzy. Thanks to the encouragement from others, I did it and after that, I was ready to become brothers with the other boys/borvers. But for that time, I just wanted to go home and get a proper night's sleep, although leaving for home felt weird.

J Lowe (Second Form)

Forever Free

Nelson Mandela, a great man and a hero to everyone all over the world. He is an inspiration to all the children in the world. His message was that everyone is equal, white or non-white. He also stated that education is the most powerful weapon you can have.

Nelson Mandela was born in 1918 in the Transkei. His real name is actually not Nelson. He was given that name by his school teacher, who believed that everyone should have an English name.

He joined the African National Congress at a young age to help the fight against Apartheid. He fought for many years of his life. The government caught him and put him in prison on Robben Island.

Black people were oppressed. They had to carry passport-like documents around wherever they went, and if asked for, and they did not have them, they were sent to prison. Black people were not allowed in white people's areas. They weren't even allowed to sit in the first class area of the train, even if they paid for it!

They eventually released Mandela from prison, and he did not hold a single grudge against anyone. When Mandela was elected as president in 1994, South Africa knew they were going to be forever free!

Y Maloni (Second Form)

The most important day in my family's life

Bang! Bang! The sky is lit up with the exquisite colours of the fireworks. Diwali, a very significant day in all Hindu homes across the globe. All the colourful action takes place at night, but in the day it's the wishing and giving of a special plate of eats to friends and family.

Diwali is called the Festival of Lights and is celebrated to honour our God, Rama, the Seventh Avatar. It is believed that on this day, Rama returned to his people after he fought and won the battle against the demons and demon king, Ravana. Diwali, which is often referred to as the Festival of Lights, is celebrated all over India. Hindu's from all around the world will unite in the celebration of Diwali. A couple of nights before Diwali, dhiya's are lit and are placed in various places around Hindu homes. This symbolises light over darkness, and that is also what Diwali symbolises.

This day is important to my family and I because it is a very religious and auspicious day in our home, and it all starts with morning prayers. Every Hindu boy and girl looks forward to this day. I celebrate Diwali with family from far and wide. The part every child looks forward to on Diwali is the buying of fireworks. From 'pop-pops' to 'Indian Kings' with bills amounting to as much as R7000.00. When night closes in, it all begins

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with the biggest vegetarian feast. Then the celebrations begin (with all our pets safe and sound). Once fireworks are lit, the sky looks as busy as a bee. The sky is full of colour and all you have to do is stand back, watch and admire.

The celebrations are all over by the next day and Diwali would have ended as late as eleven o'clock. Diwali is a magical day for me and my family. Diwali truly is a festival of lights.

R Maharaj (Second Form)

The problems that young people face today

It all started when my mom received an unusual phone-call. Unfortunately, it wasn't good news. My mom dropped the phone with sudden shock and stared at me with concern. Then she muttered those life-changing words to me. At first, I didn't quite get it because of my age, but my cousin came and explained, using her words carefully, that my father was no longer with us. I paused, grief-stricken.

The atmosphere became humid and I could hardly breathe when my mom came to comfort me. The days went by extremely slowly, each one with immense pain. But it passed. It took time, but I persevered. I also had to stay strong for my mom because I saw she wasn't surviving. So I needed to do something. Things got hard financially, and emotionally sometimes. We weren't making ends meet although my mom was trying her best. She was stressed about getting me into a fabulous high school, but fortunately I had a gift. This gift led me to College and I got a scholarship from Alan Gray, meaning mom wouldn't have to worry about payments. I am blessed to have received this scholarship, but most importantly, I'm proud to have a mother who gives out her best, and I wouldn't be here without her. Young people of today must understand that it's not over until you decide it is.

You must not be dependent. There will be that time in your life when you lose a loved one, but they wouldn't like to see you giving up on life. Sometimes people use this as an excuse, but they forget there are people who never met their parents, but some of them are successful. Just doing what you know will make them proud, wherever they are.

M Ngubo (Second Form)

Forever Free

My vision was made possible by a dim lightbulb that hung overhead. A rusted shackle clutched tightly to my ankle. My weak eyes could only make out a chipped, ugly tin bucket in the corner of the eerie room. Green paint was peeling off the cold concrete walls. The locked iron door had a slot in it, through which they shoved stale bread and burnt meat. I peered over the bucket and realised that it was already half-full of human waste. The nose-turning stench sent me stumbling backwards in disgust. My bare body shivered all over. I reached to the lightbulb for warmth but had no luck.

My cold ears heard footsteps outside, getting louder and louder. There was then silence for a moment. Dusty rags were pushed through the slot in the door. I then heard a deep voice bellow, "Put on zee rags. Joo will be going to zee ring tomorrow." A cloud of confusion enveloped my mind. Who was that? What ring?

I put on the blood-stained rags. I was grateful for the very little warmth that they provided me. My eyelids felt heavy and I tried to sleep, but there was a constant dripping sound that kept me awake all night.

The next morning, the door was flung open, and a big, muscular figure moved towards me and removed the painful shackle from my weak ankle. He asked if I was okay, and told me that he was there to save me. All fear vanished from my tired body and I fell into a peaceful sleep.

When I awoke, I was in a warm hospital bed, my ankles were shackle-free, and refreshing light flooded the room.

My mind was at peace once more.

J Peens (Second Form)



J Bilbrough (Sixth Form)



AFRIKAANSE SKRYFWERK

'n Pa se rol

Sommige pa's sê dat 'n seun se eerste liefde sy meisie is. Ander pa's sê dit is 'n seun se gunsteling sokkerspeler of Hollywood aktrise. Op my eerste dag op aarde, was my pa die liefde van my lewe. Hy is my grootste rolmodel en sy rol as 'n pa is die belangrikste in die wêreld.

My pa is soos enige pa-figuur: liefdevol, versorgend en opvoedkundig. Sy unieke karakter, pedantiese maniere en simpatieke persoonlikheid is die redes waarom ek my pa bewonder. Aan die anderkant is hy 'n sterk, trotse man. Nou is ek so dankbaar oor my pa se rol in my lewe. Hy is my beste vriend, my menslike boekmerk en my alles ...

Daar is 'n eindelose lys van dinge wat my pa vir my gedoen het. Hy het die taak om elke oggend wakker te word, net om my skoolkos voor te berei ... en hy het dit baie ernstig opgeneem! Hy sit langs my tot laat in die nag om my met my huiswerk te help. Sy woorde van aanmoediging inspireer my om myself te verbeter.

As daar een persoon is wat 'n massiewe impak op my lewe gehad het, is dit my pa. Ek onthou die dae toe hy my geleer het hoe om 'n regte man te wees. Alhoewel my pa stokoud is, sal hy my nog leer hoe om onvoorwaardelik lief te hê. Ek sal altyd in sy voetspore volg, want ondervinding is die beste leermeester.

Elke keer vergelyk ek my pa met 'n betekenisvolle analogie. Romeo het vir Juliet metafores vergelyk, waar hy sê dat Juliet die vuurtjie in sy lewe was. Hy praat oor die belangrikheid van haar rol as sy geliefde. Hierdie metafoer is geskik vir my pa. My pa is die vuurtjie in my lewe. Hy is my sielsgenoot wat my persoonlikheid aansteek. As daar 'n tyd aanbreek wanneer my pa nie meer hier is nie, sal my vuurtjie nie geblus wees nie, want hy sal in my gedagtes voortleef en die persoon wees wat betekenis aan my wêreld gee.

In werklikheid sal Pa se vlammetjie altyd in my hart wees en vir ewig brand. Pa, jy is 'n man met die beste vaardighede. Jy is die rede waarom ek suksesvol is. Die rol van 'n pa is moeilik, maar jy is 'n kampioen. Jy is my beste vriend, my menslike boekmerk, my alles!

Dankie, Pa. Ek sal jou altyd liefhê.

C Beekrum (Sixth Form)

Niemand sal die storie ooit vergeet nie!

My maag draai terwyl ek na die plafon staar. Dit lyk witter as gewoonlik. Ek probeer om my ore met my kussing toe te hou, maar dit verdoof nie die geluid van die kerkklokke nie. Dit is soos naalde wat my oortromme deurboor. Ek wil net gister vergeet, maar die gebeurtenis is 'n tatoeëermerk in my brein: dit sal nooit weggaan nie ...

Dit was my eerste dag by die nuwe skool. Alles was helder en silwerskoon. Ons het gedurende pouses speletjies gespeel: altyd krieket, rugby of sokker. Dit was pret, maar ek het iets opgemerk. Een seun het met sy kop tussen sy knieë op die hoek van die veld gesit. Ek het gewonder hoekom niemand met hom speel of praat nie, maar hulle het gesê dat hy vreemd is. "Hy moet elke dag dokter toe gaan," het een kind opgemerk. 'n Ander kind het gesê dat hy nie al sy varkies op hok het nie.

Ek het hom gedurende Wetenskap genader. Hy het alleen voor in die klas gesit en het niks gesê nie. "Hallo, kan ek hier sit?" het ek gevra. Die seun het met onskuldige oë na my gekyk en sy kop geknik. Ek het hom daardie dag ontmoet en dit het vir my gevoel asof ons mekaar al jare lank ken. Ons was vir die hele jaar onafskeidbaar. Na daardie dag was hy nie weer alleen nie ...

Dit het baie goed geveer om uit my bed te klim. Ek loop stadig tussen die bome deur. Die voëls sing asof hulle hartseer is. Ek plaas die blomme langs die groot grafsteen. Dit het sy naam daarop. 'n Traan rol oor my wange. "Niemand sal jou ware storie vergeet nie! Ek belowe jou," sê ek. As ek net geweet het dat hy kanker gehad het.

N Govender (Sixth Form)

Niemand sal dié storie ooit vergeet nie

Ek het amper gesterf. Ek dink elke dag nog steeds aan daardie traumatiese ervaring. Dit spook aanhoudend by my.

My nagmerrie-ondervinding het begin toe ek 'n moeilike fietsry-, stap- en kajaktoer deur die Peruaanse Andes aangepak het. Ek het in die intensiewe sorgeloosheid in Lima, Peru, beland, nadat ek deur lede van 'n imboorlingstam geskiet is. Dit het gebeur terwyl ek met 'n kajak die Amasonerivier opgevaar het.

Ek het pas twee weke van die 5 200 kilometer reis deur die Amasone afgehandel, toe dinge eensklaps verander het. Ondanks die feit dat ek deur die weermag aan die inwoners bekengestel is om te verseker dat ek veilig deur hierdie gedeelte van die rivier kon vaar, is ek geskiet.

Nadat ek gewond is, het ek nie die krag gehad om terug in die kajak te klim nie. Ek het gedink dat dit die einde van my lewe was. Ek was vreesbevange, erg beseer en het baie pyn verduur.

Ek het my liggaam deur die oerwoud voortgesleep. Uiteindelik is ek deur die plaaslike inwoners wat aanvanklik huiwerig was om te help, opgespoor. Aangesien ek geen geld gehad het om hulle aan te bied nie, het hulle ure lank baklei oor wat hulle met my moes maak.

Eers toe ek bloed begin opgooi het, het hulle my in 'n kombers toegedraai en per boot na 'n hospitaal toe geneem. Daar het ek Pravi, 'n dokter, ontmoet.

Pravi het daarin geslaag om my ma se kontakbesonderhede in die hande te kry en het haar van 'n openbare telefoon af gebel. Hy het haar in sy gebroke Engels vertel dat daar 'n ongeluk was.

Die oomblik toe my ma van my ongeluk te hore gekom het, het sy die volgende boodskap op Facebook geplaas: "Ek het hulp nodig! Het iemand 'n kontak in Peru? Cameron het 'n ongeluk in die oerwoud gehad en ek weet nie waar om te begin nie." Sy het Pravi se telefoonnommer gegee en gevra of iemand wat Spaans kon praat, vir Ravi sou kontak. Wat daarna gebeur het, was ongelooflik.

Kommentaar het begin instroom. Vriende en vreemdelinge het aangebied om te help vertaal. My ma het uitgevind dat ek na 'n hospitaal toe geneem is. Mense het laat weet dat hulle na daardie hospitaal sou gaan om meer inligting vir haar in te win.

Ons het besef hoeveel goeie mense daar in die wêreld is. Binne twee uur was daar mense langs my bed. Nadat ek gestabiliseer is, het Pravi gereëf dat ek per vliegtuig na Lima geneem is.

By die hospitaal in Lima het dokters bevestig dat daar 'n koeël naby my hart en keel vasgesteek het. Ek het toe besef hoe gelukkig ek was om te leef. Hierdie ervaring sal my vir die res van my lewe bybly.

C Hollaway (Sixth Form)

Die dag toe hy ons verlaat het

Daar is 'n tyd om te bly en 'n tyd om te gaan, 'n tyd om te lag en 'n tyd om te huil, 'n tyd om herinneringe op te bou en 'n tyd om herinneringe te herleef.

Na drie jaar van harde studies aan die Universiteit van KwaZulu-Natal het my broer sy graad in die onderwys behaal. Na drie maande van aansoeke, onderhoude en 'n handvol briewe is hy 'n pos as Wiskunde-onderwyser in Amerika aangebied.

Met net 'n paar weke van voorbereiding tot sy beskikking was my broer se tasse almal gepak. Ek het myself altyd verbeel dat ek bly sou wees wanneer hierdie dag aanbreek, maar noudat die dag om te groet, voorlê, voel ek leeg. Al kry ek 'n groter kamer, 'n gemakliker bed en 'n bietjie meer stilte, is ek regtig ontsteld dat hy ons gaan verlaat.

Geen meer kaal-onder-die-tuinslang-hardloop nie, geen meer taai hande, vuil monde en te veel energie van lekkers saam eet nie. 'n Traan loop oor my wange soos die herinneringe in my gedagtes na my hart toe vloei. Geen meer suigstokkie-deel of springmielies-eet terwyl

"Shrek" oor en oor op die groot skerm vertoon nie. Geen meer skelm-drink of wenke oor meisies nie.

Spyt kom te laat en vandag is ek vol daarvan. Ek wens ons het meer tyd saam spandeer, want die afgelope tyd het ons skaars met mekaar gepraat. Met woede in my stem mompel ek die vraag: "Hoekom het ons nie meer tyd saam spandeer nie?" Ek voel hoe my wange warm raak terwyl die spyt my kop oorweldig.

Die geluid van die motordeur trek my aandag. Sy tasse is in die kar en hy is reg om te vertek. Ek druk hom styf vas en met 'n paar trane in my oë sê vir hom dat ek hom liefhet ... en hy sê net: "Ontspan, Broer, ek gaan net saam met my meisie vir die naweek berge toe. Ek sien jou Sondag weer ..." Op daardie oomblik voel ek hoe my liggaam ontspan, hoe die spyt my stadig verlaat ...

Maar ...

Nou is dit sy tyd om te bly, my tyd om herinneringe op te bou ... en my gesin se tyd om te lag oor my eenvoudige fout!

C Janse van Rensburg (Sixth Form)

'n Donker wolk op die horison

"Ag, nee! Ek is nie meer 'n kind nie! Ek is in graad elf en ek wil saam met Andre-hulle na hul dans toe gaan!" het ek daardie nag gesê. My ouers het doodkalm gebly en weer geweier. Hulle hou glad nie van Andre-hulle nie. My ma het nog altyd gesê dat hulle soos 'n donker wolk op ons horison is. Ek was woedend en ek het besluit om my eie planne te maak.

Ek het die motor buite my huis gehoor toet en my hart het in my keel geklop. Ek het my ouers gegroet en blitsvinnig by die voordeur uitgegaan. Hulle het gedink dat ek op pad na Luke se huis toe was, maar Andre-hulle het ongeduldig vir my buite my huis gewag. Dit was so maklik om die wol oor my ouers se oë te trek. Een, twee, drie ... en ek was in Andre se rooi kar.

Iets het nie heeltemal reg gevoel nie, maar ek was vasbeslote om die nag te geniet ... Dit was 'n bewolkte nag, maar daar was 'n opwindende atmosfeer by die dans en almal was plesierig. Die onderwysers het streng toesig gehou, maar Andre het 'n bottel vodka die saal ingesmokkel. Ons het almal daarvan gedrink en 'n rukkie later het ons so dapper soos leeus gevoel.

Andre het nog meer vriende na sy huis toe genooi en verder daar partytjie gehou. 'n Groot skare tieners het by sy huis aangekom en kort voor lank was die musiek kliphard. Alkohol het vrylik gevloei. Ek het gevoel asof ek gesweef het en die wêreld was 'n pragtige, groot borrel.

Maar daardie borrel het gebars toe ek in 'n tronksel wakker geword het. Die bure het gekla en die polisie het Andre se huis binnegestorm. Die gebruik van dwelms is 'n ernstige misdaad en ons ouers moes ons by die tronk kom uithaal. Ek sal nooit die uitdrukking van teleurstelling op my ouers se gesigte vergeet nie. My ma het saggies gesê: "Nou is jou hele horison vol donker wolke ..."

A Baijoo (Fifth Form)



K Barrett (Sixth Form)

Doodbang

Dit is in die middel van die nag en ek lê doodstil in my bed. My keel is kurkdroog, maar ek is te lui om yskoue water uit die yskas te gaan haal. Ek lê nog 'n bietjie langer en uiteindelik besluit ek om lekker koue water te gaan kry.

Ek staan stadig op en loop versigtig na die deur toe. Ek maak die deur stadig oop en probeer om suuttjies te beweeg sodat ek nie my ouers wakker maak nie. Ek staan voor die yskas. Voordat ek 'n kans kon kry om die yskas oop te maak, hoor ek die klank van 'n glas wat in die sitkamer breek. Ek staan leweloos en weet nie wat om te doen nie.

Vinnig, maar versigtig, sluip ek na my klein boetie se kamer om sy kamerdeur te sluit. Ek staan buite sy kamer en probeer om my asem terug te kry. Uiteindelik besluit ek om na my ouers se kamer te hardloop om vir hulle te vertel wat ek gehoor het. Op pad loer ek by die sitkamerdeur in.

Ek sien twee groot mense wat soos reuse lyk in die sitkamer. My hart klop blitsvinnig en ek is doodbang. Ek skrik en hardloop na my ouers se kamer. Ek maak die deur oop en skree gedemp om hulle wakker te maak. Hulle skrik wakker en vra: "Wat's fout?" Ek verduidelik alles so vinnig dat ek alles weer oor moet vertel.

My pa staan vinnig op, haal sy vuurwapen onder sy kussing uit en sê: "Bly hier en bel die polisie!" 'n Paar sekondes later hoor ek die knal van twee skote. My ma begin bid en ek begin huil. Hierna is dit doodstil en al wat ek hoor, is my broer wat huil.

Ek sien blou en rooi ligte wat buite ons huis skyn. Ek hoor my boetie wat ophou huil en ek word yskoud. Ek hardloop vinnig by my ouers se kamer uit en ek sien hom in my pa se arms. Daar is orals bloed aan my pa se linkerbeen. Een van die misdadigers het my pa skrams raakgeskiet.

Nadat ons alles vir die polisie vertel het, het my pa 'n glasie koue water vir my gebring. Ek het senuweeagtig gelag en hom bedank. Ons was verlig en dankbaar dat dié noue ontcoming verby was.

M Beckerling (Fifth Form)

Soms is die liefde moeilik om te verstaan

Soms is die liefde moeilik om te verstaan. Die liefde kan wonderlik wees, maar kan ook baie hartseer veroorsaak. Dit is hoekom die liefde moeilik is om te verstaan. Die liefde is altyd soos 'n volksverhaal aan die begin: 'n Man ontmoet 'n vrou en hulle raak smoorverlief op mekaar. Ongelukkig is die lewe vol hindernisse en dit is waarom hierdie stelling waar is.

Geen verhouding is beter as 'n slegte verhouding. Ek het 'n verhouding met 'n pragtige meisie gehad. Al my vriende wou met haar uitgaan. Ek was egter die gelukkige een ... so het ek gedink! Dié pragtige meisie het my hart gesteel. Sy kon niks verkeerd doen nie. Ons verhouding was met liefde gevul. Ons het elke sekonde saam spandeer.

Met verloop van tyd het my oë oopgegaan. Ek was besig om my lewe te verwoes! My punte het verswak en ek het begin om soos 'n ou tannie gholf te speel. Ek het vir haar totsiens gesê. Dit was die beste besluit van my lewe. Geen verhouding is beter as 'n slegte verhouding.

Die regte verhouding sal jou lewe verbeter. Die liefde weeg swaarder as goud. Die liefde kan jou lewe verbeter. Dit help nie om by die verkeerde meisie te gaan vlerksleep nie. Jy sal weet as jy die regte meisie ontmoet. Sy sal jou hart steel en jou gelukkig maak.

Die liefde is moeilik om te verstaan. Dit kan jou propvol laat voel ... of dolleeg! Jy moet nie ongelukkig voel as jy nie liefde in jou lewe het nie. Die agteros kom ook in die kraal! Jy moet jou oë vir die regte persoon oophou. As jy die regte persoon vind, sal julle soos vinkel en koljander wees!

J Barnard (Fifth Form)



Dit was 'n dom ding om te doen

Die son glimlag oor die see en die golwe breek op die strand. Die voëls sing en die wind fluit saggies. Kinders bou sandkastele en swem in die yskoue water. Die smaak van roomys is in hul monde en die reuk van sonskerm lê op elke kind se rug. Die vier vriende is op 'n boot. Hulle luister na musiek en dans ... dit is 'n perfekte dag ...

Jacques vra: "Wie sal in die water swem?" Ashley antwoord: "Ek sal nie vandag swem nie, want die water is yskoud." Charlize lag en Tiaan glimlag: "Ek dink Ashley sal swem." "Hoekom?" vra Ashley. Skielik stoot Tiaan vir Ashley die see in. Dit was 'n dom ding om te doen. "Wat is die swart ding in die water?" vra Charlize. "n Vin," antwoord Jacques. Sy gesig is spierwit.

Die vin is swart soos die nag. Ashley swem gelukkig en ontspanne in die see rond. Sy weet nie van die haai agter haar nie. Die haai het skerp tande en is so sterk soos 'n leeu.

"Ashley! Daar is 'n haai in die water!" Ashley skree. Sy is doodbang. Die haai swem vinniger. Ashley swem angsbevange weg, maar die haai sleep haar onder die water in. Die see word bloedrooi ...

"Waar is Ashley?" huil Charlize. Tiaan sê saggies: "Ek kan haar nie sien nie." "Waar is die haai?" vra Jacques. Die drie tieners is doodbang, want hulle dink die haai het Ashley doodgebyt. Die wolke word donker en die see is nou grys. Die voëls sing nie meer nie. Die wind huil soos die drie tieners. Tiaan skree: "Ek sien iets in die water!" Jacques sê: "Dit is Ashley se been ... maar waar is haar liggaam?"

J McFarland (Fifth Form)

Skerp tande

Die koue wind het deur my lang Desemberhare gewaai. Die warm son het op my nek geskyn en my wakker gehou. Die vuurwarm pad het ons kaalvoete gebrand, maar ons het nie daaraan gedink nie. Die enigste gedagte in ons koppe was die perfekte golwe op daardie perfekte dag.

Na die vyf kilometer se stap en 'n gebrande nek en gesig, was ons daar, by ons gunstelingstrand, die beste strand ... Lucienstrand. Ons het op die koppie gestaan en het na die groot golwe gekyk. Ons was bang, want dit was die grootste golwe wat ek nog ooit in my lewe gesien het, maar ons was meer opgewonde. Ons het ons borde gevat en in die water gespring.

Na die lang swem, het ons saam met die groot golwe uitgekom. Vyftien minute en drie perfekte golwe later het ek 'n growwe voorwerp teen my been gevoel. Ek het teruggekyk en 'n groot, donker skaduwee gesien. Toe het ek besef – dit was 'n reuse haai. Ek was net 'n meter van hierdie groot dier af. Ek het geskreeu, maar geen klank het by my mond uitgekom nie. Skielik was hy weg ... maar ek het geweet dat dit nie vir lank was nie.

Toe ek na die strand geswem het, het daardie duiwel van 'n haai sy spierwit oë met sy skerp tande uit die water gestee. Elke tand was dieselfde grootte as my groot vingers. Ek het van my bord afgespring en na die strand teruggeswem. Die honderd meter swemresies het soos 'n honderd kilometer gevoel. Ek was op die strand en die gelukkigste man in die wêreld! Toe ek na my bord langs my kyk, het ek net die een helfte gesien!!

J Bense (Fourth Form)

Die haai van Mosselbaai

Haai daar, my naam is Vin Jan en ek swem hier in die waters van Mosselbaai. Ek is ongeveer vyftien jaar oud en is tien meter lank. Hier is my lewe lekker, want ek is bobaas. Met my vlymskerp tande en groot vinne maak ek almal vreesbevange as ek verby hulle swem; selfs die water hardloop weg van my af as ek so vinnig soos 'n marlyn wil swem.

Ek en my ander groot, wit pelle met die name Frikkie en Koos, eet wanneer en waar ons wil. Skole visse kom swem hier verby Mosselbaai, want daar is baie Plankton, maar ek kan nooit hierdie groot ouens waarvan hulle praat, sien nie. Die dag sal kom wanneer ek hulle sal wys wie 'n ton vis die vinnigste kan eet ... en dan sal hulle besef ek is die baas.

Somtyds dink ons dat hierdie skole visse eintlik niks leer nie, maar Frikkie is die een wat altyd sê dit is omdat ons die onderwysers opvreet! Wel, een ding wat ons vir hulle leer, is dat ek bobaas is! Daar is ook nie 'n lekkerder smaak as 'n groot, sappige, soutvis nie, want soms is ek so honger dat ek 'n Blouwalvis wil opvreet!

Partykeer het 'n bobaas soos ek ook erge tye van beproewing agter die vin. Ons moes een keer drie maande lank op die ander visse se geselskap wag, terwyl Frikkie na Seemeeue in die lug probeer duik het. Dit is hoekom ons Nuwejaarsdag in Mosselbaai vier – al die visse kom hou hier partytjie! Ons eet dan net visse en visse en nogmaals visse.

In my lewe is ek die bobaas! Ek kry wat ek wil, wanneer ek wil. Saam is ek en my ou Frikkie en Koos die vinnigste en sterkste visse in die see. Maar een ding is so helder soos water – ek is die haai van Mosselbaai!

B Dry (Fourth Form)

Die silhoeët teen die muur

Ons nuwe huis. 'n Nuwe begin. Die huis wat ons gekies het, is geensins 'n nuwe huis nie. Dit is die tipiese huis wat uit 'n rillerfliek kom. Ek kan niks aan hierdie probleem doen nie, maar ek is bekommerd. Daar is iets verkeerd, ek weet nie wat nie, maar iets is fout. Beslis! Ek voel dit in my are!

Ek word wakker. Dit is die eerste dag van skool. Ek ken niemand hier nie. Fantasties ... Ons ry van die huis af. Ek sien iemand in die truspieëltjie. Hy is oud en beweeg nie. Hy glimlag en waai vir my. Dit is die vreemdste glimlag in die wêreld.

Skool is skool, maar hierdie glimlag is al waaraan ek kan dink. Op pad huis toe, sien ek niemand in die pad nie. Wanneer ek die huis binnestap, voel ek koue rillings teen my ruggraat afrol. Dit is tienuur en aandete is verby. Ek sit in my kamer. Dit reën baie hard. Die weerlig flits.

Ek lê op my bed en sien die spieël teen die muur. Ek kyk na daarna. Die weerlig verlig die kamer. Toe sien ek die silhoeët teen die muur. Ek sien 'n man in die spieël. Die man in die pad staan buitekant my venster. Hy glimlag en waai. Ek skree en kyk agtertoe. Daar is niemand daarbuite nie. Ek hardloop na my ma se kamer toe en gaan slaap daar. Koue rillings gly langs my rug af ...

Die volgende dag word ek wakker. Al waaraan ek kan dink, is die man in die spieël. Toe ons skool toe ry, sien ek niemand in die pad nie. Ek kan nie fokus nie. Na skool soek ons na die man in die huis langsaan, want ek is seker dit is dieselfde man as in die spieël. Ek kan dit nie glo nie ... daar is niemand nie. Miskien verbeel ek my dit. My ouers dink so.

Ons is in die sitkamer. Dit is weer tienuur. Ek kan nie slaap nie. Ek loop kombuis toe om iets te gaan eet. Ek staan voor die mikrogolfoond. Daar is weer weerlig buite. Ek voel net soos die vorige nag. Ek maak die mikrogolfoond oop en haal my kos uit. Die ligte gaan af. Die kamer word yskoud. Ek slaan die mikrogolfoond se deur toe. Daar is 'n weerkaatsing agter my. 'n Silhoeët. Ek sien hom en ek snak na my asem. Nou weet ek hy is werklik ... en ek weet ... ek is nie alleen nie ...

T Katzenellenbogen (Fourth Form)

Kliek

Elke week begin met 'n "kliek", elke dag, elke jaar, vakansie en naweek – die lys hou aan. Die "kliek" is nie die geluid wat iemand soms in sy nek of rug voel nie. Nee, dit is ook nie wanneer 'n selfoon aangeskakel word nie. Die "kliek" is die klank van 'n sitplekgordel. Dit is die begin en einde van elke dag van ons lewens.

Ek klim in die motor en maak my sitplekgoedel vas ... "kliek" ... Dit is die eerste dag van die skoolkwartaal. Die week voel altyd te lank en dit wil nooit eindig nie. Ek sit in die klas en dink aan die naweek. Ek kan nie wag om weer in daardie motor te klim nie. Later begin die seuns verveeld raak, want daar is soveel werk en al wat ons kortkom, is rus. "Kliek" ... die week is verby ... die naweek begin.

"Kliek" ... ons ry nou plaas toe om heerlik in die son te bak en net rustig te wees. In ons agterkoppe dink ons aan die "kliek" wanneer die naweek tot

'n einde kom en ons terug skool toe moet gaan.

Almal raak altyd opgewonde oor die vakansie-"klied" – dit is die hardste "klied" van die jaar. Die vakansie-"klied" neem ons strand toe, flied toe en ook na ons vriende toe. Die "klied" begin en eindig nie net ons lewens nie, maar beskerm ons ook teen seerkry.

Dit is vreemd dat 'n sitplekgordel ons lewens so kan beperk. Die "klied" is die einde en begin van ons vakansies en ons dae, weke en jare van skoolgaan. Die eerste "klied" word in ons babastoeltjies gehoor, en dalk is die laaste "klied" die begin van ons einde ...

L Muller (Fourth Form)

D-dag

Die nag is donker ... pikdonker ... en dit is stil. My venster is oop en ek voel hoe die koue wind inwaai en my hoendervleis gee. Ek hoor diep stemme buite en ek's bang. Die wind laat dit voel asof die nag nader en nader aan jou kruip. My ma skreeu en my pa skiet met sy pistool! Dan is daar weer stilte.

Ek kan hoor hoe hulle nader aan my kamer beweeg. "Waar's jy?!" skreeu 'n man. Ek hoor hom aankom terwyl ek onder my bed wegkruip. Ek sien hoe vinnig hy instap ... en dan weer uitstap. Hulle ry in hul motor weg.

My ma en pa is weg, skoonveld, en ek weet nie waar hulle is nie ... miskien is hulle dood ... ek weet net nie.

Dit is reeds drie dae sedert ek uitgevind het dat my ouers weg is. Ek gaan buitentoe en sien hoeveel mense alreeds doodgeskiet is. Ek het 'n pistool, water en 'n paar ander goed gesteel om te oorleef. Ek weet nie eintlik wat aangaan nie, maar ek dink dit is die begin van D-dag. Dit is nie een dag lank nie, maar 'n paar jaar lank. Ek moet seker maak dat ek oorleef.

"Kom hier!" Ek hardloop weg. Ek het al 'n paar mense doodgeskiet om myself te verdedig. Skielik ... doef ... ek val!

Dit is stil, soos die nag. Ek voel dronk in my kop.

Ek is in 'n wit kamer op 'n hospitaalbed. "Johnny," sê my ma. "Ma ..." fluister ek.

X Pretorius (Fourth Form)



M Mlotshwa (Fourth Form)

Die dag van afrekening

Biep ... bieep ... bieep ... skree my wekker. Dit is halfvyf in die oggend en nog te vroeg om te studeer. Vandag is egter die die dag van my Wiskunde-eksamen! Ek klim uit my bed uit. Dit is yskoud en ek voel soos 'n pikkewyn in die suidpool. Ek maak my boeke oop en my oë lees die eerste paragraaf. My oë raak swaar en my liggaam sê: "Ons moet slaap!" My kop sê: "Ja, jy is doodreg!"

"Johnnyyyyyy!! Jy's laat, my kind!" Ek klim uit my bed soos 'n man wat 'n honderd jaar oud is. Ek trek my skoolklere aan, maar my kouse lyk verkeerd en ek maak 'n nuwe tipe dasknop. My boetie sê: "Haai, China," en hy lag. Hy sê dit elke oggend, want my oë lyk soos 'n Chinees s'n. Ek sit met my boeke langs my op 'n bladsy met te veel x-, y- en ander tipe vrae. Ek eet my eier en drink my gesonde vrugtesap. Ek wens Wiskunde was so maklik soos kos-eet! My ma sê my hare lyk soos 'n voëlne, maar sy weet nie dat daar niks onder my hare is nie!

Ek loop met my skoolsakke na die bakkie toe en my pa speel dieselfde liedjie, nes elke ander oggend. My ma loop uit die huis uit met 'n klein bakkie vol vrugteslaai. My pa dink hy is snaaks en op pad skool toe sê hy: "Wat doen jy wanneer jou ma vir jou 'n bakkie gee en die bakkie wegy?" en hy begin lag. Ek het nie tyd vir eenvoudige grappies nie. Ek fokus op die taak wat voorlê ... die vak Wiskunde ... dit klink soos 'n vloekwoord, want dit is vir my die duiwel se vak. Die bakkie sing liedjies terwyl ek die laaste inligting hersien. Die son skyn op my gesig en ek voel soos 'n soldaat wat op pad oorlog toe is.

Ek groet my pa vinnig en hardloop skool toe. Mnr. Le Roux weet ek is laat, maar kan net lag wanneer ek soos 'n wit Ferrari aangehardloop kom. Ek vind my plek in die eksamenkamer. Dit lyk asof ek die Comrades gehardloop het! Ek sit en wag vir die groot geveg tussen my en Wiskunde ... en my ouers ... wanneer ek huis toe gaan!

C Stubbs (Fourth Form)

As ek maar net gister kon terugkry

Wat maak elke dag so spesiaal? Seker die feit dat jy nooit weer daardie dag in jou lewe kan herhaal nie. Jy moet dus elke lieue oomblik van jou lewe ten volle geniet.

Gister was so perfek. Ek het myself gate-uit geniet. Ek wens nou dat ek gister meer waardeur het. Al die fantastiese aktiwiteite wat ons as gesin saam gedoen het, was kosbaar. Ten spyte daarvan dat gister so perfek was, het ek nogsteeds baie foute gemaak, soos om my ouers nie te bedank nie. Ek wil hierdie foute dolgraag regstel, maar ek kan nie, want gister is verby.

Die meeste mense wil gister terughê, want hulle wil hul foute ongedaan maak. Die waarheid is egter dat, wanneer ons nie fouteer nie, ons nooit uit ons foute sal leer nie; dus sal die mensdom ook nie vooruitgaan nie. Dit is 'n saak van onmoontlikheid dat die mensdom nie foute sal maak nie.

Gister het ek 'n lewensbelangrike les geleer – om elke oomblik van die dag te geniet, want in my leeftyd sal ek nooit weer daardie dag beleef nie. Leef elke dag asof dit jou laaste dag is, want jy weet nooit of daar 'n more is nie. Vandag is more se gister.

S Delport (Third Form)

'n Aand in Afrika

Die sonstrale het deur die blindings gekruip en my wakker gemaak. Ek het vas geslaap en wou nie opstaan nie, maar ek moes. Daar was 'n groot avontuur wat op my gewag het!

Nadat ons 'n smaaklike ontbyt en 'n verfrissende glas lemoensap gehad het, was ons reg om op safari te gaan. Ons het met 'n groot, knorrende bakkie gery wat ons regdeur die reservaat geneem het. Die wind het deur

my hare gewaai en die vars lug het my longe gevul terwyl ons gery het. Orals om my was die natuurskoon asemrowend. Alles was net so mooi, van die klein ou Karoobassie tot die groot Kameelhoutdoringboom.

Net na twaalfuur het ons bo-op die berg stilgehou. Daar het ek soos 'n uil op 'n klip gaan sit om die natuur te bewonder. Hoog in die lug was 'n kaalkoparend wat in die wind gesweef het. 'n Trop sebras het verby ons gegalop en die gedreun van hul hoeve het almal se koppe laat draai. Die tyd om terug te keer, het egter aangebreek. Die wuiwende grasvelde het in die wind gedans. Later daardie middag het die bloedrooi son begin sak terwyl twee olifante verby ons gestap het. Hulle harde trompettergeluide het die voëls uit hul bome laat vlug. Die son het deur die donker wolke gebreek en ek kon letterlik sien dat elke wolk 'n silwer randjie het.

Terwyl ek daardie aand om die kampvuur gesit het, het ek met 'n glasië rooiwyn in die hand na die sterre gekyk ... en na die sagte, veraf gehuil van 'n jakkals geluister.

J le Roux (Third Form)

Die einde is in sig

Die sweet stroom teen my gesig af, my hart klop soos 'n trom in my keel, my longe voel soos pap en my spiëre kramp van al die oefening.

Ek is al halfpad deur die nare Amashova, die honderd en sestië kilometer resies vanaf Pietermaritzburg na Durban toe. Vir drie uur lank het ek teen hierdie monster-opdraande getrap om in die tweede posisie te bly.

Ek ry agter Marco Snyman, die gedugte wenner van die vorige drie jaar se Amashova-wedrenne. Verlede jaar het hy hierdie resies in 'n nuwe rekordtyd gewen. Hy was ook die afgelope twee jaar die naaswenner van die Tour de France. Hierdie man het nie van gister af begin fietsry nie. Ek het gevoel dat ek g'n kans teen hierdie groot, sterk en ervare fietsryer het nie, maar tog kry ek dit reg om kort op sy hakke te bly!

Ons bereik uiteindelik die pylvak van die resies. Van hier af is dit meestal afdraand – my gunsteling fase van hierdie wedren. Stadig maar seker kruip en nader en nader aan Marco ... en steek hom verby!

Al wat ek van die einde van die resies onthou, is dat dit plesierig was ... maar nie vir Marco nie! Ek het nie 'n sekonde lank ophou trap nie ... en toe was die einde in sig! Marco het my probeer inhaal, maar dit was te laat, want ek, Jacques van der Merwe, het die resies gewen!!

J van der Merwe (Third Form)

Die mens se beste vriend

'n Hond is definitief 'n mens se beste vriend. Hoekom sal dit enigsins anders wees? 'n Hond is betroubaar en altyd getrou teenoor sy eienaar. Mense wat buite die dorp op plase woon, gebruik honde om mee te jag. Mense wat in die stad woon, gebruik honde om hulle te beskerm. Kinders is lief vir honde, veral as hulle klein is. Honde word deur baie mense om verskillende redes gebruik. Selfs blinde mense gebruik honde. Honde is baie slim diere. 'n Hond is 'n dier wat jou altyd sal liefhê. As jy hom seermaak, sal hy jou 'n paar minute later vergewe. Honde sal hard werk en hard probeer om hulle eienaars tevrede te stel. Alhoewel honde nie so lank soos mense lewe nie, sal hulle lewenslank 'n spesiale vriendskap met jou deel. My honde het my baie lief en ek vir hulle. Hulle is my beste pelle, selfs in tye van nood. Daar is dus altyd 'n goeie vriendskap tussen 'n mens en sy hond. Wees dus die persoon wat jou hond dink jy is, want jou hond sal altyd lojaal teenoor jou wees!

A Carter (Second Form)

'n Kampvuur om te onthou

Die Verweygesin is stadsmense. Chris bly nog sy hele lewe lank in die middel van Kaapstad. Sy pa Danie en sy ma Lizele het op plase grootgeword, maar as advokaat en geëkstroieerde rekenmeester het hulle hier in Kaapstad ontmoet en gebly. Chris sien nie uit na sy vakansie nie. Hulle gaan die hele eerste week kampeer. Hy wens hy kon net by die huis bly en televisiespeletjies speel.

Die dag breek aan en hulle is op pad. Om dit erger te maak, mag Chris aan geen elektroniese toestel raak nie. Toe hulle uiteindelik by "nêrens" aankom, is Danie al siek en sat van ry. Daar is 'n pragtige riviertjie wat verbyvloei en 'n asemrowende uitsig. Dit is die perfekte plek om te rus. Lizele is in haar noppies met hierdie klein plekkie. Eers sukkel Chris met al die tentpenne. Gelukkig is sy pa daar; anders sou hy onder die sterre moes slaap. Wat weet hy van kampeer af? Hy hoop maar net more is beter.

Wanneer die oggend aanbreek, stap Chris en sy pa riviertjie toe om vis te vang. Eers dog Chris hy gaan flou raak van verveling, maar wanneer die karp begin byt, is hy dadelik op en wakker. Hy is verbaas as hy besef hoe hy dit geniet! Terwyl Lizele en Danie gaan voëlkyk, swem Victor om effens af te koel. Hy vang krappe en gly van die rotse af. Dit het hy nooit verwag nie! Hy en sy pa kap hout vir die aand se kampvuur. Die hele gesin sit en kyk na hoe die son agter die heuwel verdwyn.

Daardie aand langs die kampvuur besef Chris hoe wonderlik sy dag verloop het. Hy is glad nie meer spyt nie. More is die groot dag. Hy gaan sy eerste bok jag. Hy het nooit gedink hy sal daarna uitsien nie. Die hele gesin voel gelukkig terwyl hulle aan die oggend se vis smul.

C Prinsloo (Second Form)

Wagter, die held van honde

Net nog 'n paar minute. Trrrrreeennng! Uiteindelik staan Isak verlig op om uit die tragiese laaste les van Geskiedenis uit te kom. Dit laat 'n uur soos drie voel. Sy bene is al lam gesit. Die fietsrit terug huis toe sal hom net goed doen. Windfontein is 'n klein dorpie buite Klerksdorp. Hy sny altyd deur die woud om vinniger by die huis uit te kom.

Isak skrik toe hy skielik iets uit die hoek van sy oog sien beweeg. Stadig beweeg hy nader. Hy gooi 'n klip. "Woef!" hoor hy. Dis net 'n hond. "Kom hierse," sê hy met 'n sagte, skril stemmetjie. Die hond beweeg nader. Isak lees die naam wat op die hond se halsband staan. "Wagter," sê hy, "ek moet jou vir my ouers gaan wys."

Toe hy by die huis aankom, skree hy: "Ma, Pa, kom kyk wat ek gekry het!" Sy ma en pa loop verbaas uit. "Kan ons hom hou, asseblief?" vra Isak. Sy ma kyk na sy pa. "Nee, glad nie. Ons vat hom more veearts toe," sê Pa. Ma se "Ag, Daniel" word met 'n "Nee, Charlize, jy weet nie watter siektes daardie ding het nie," beantwoord. Pa stap die huis in. "Ek is jammer, Liefie, maar jou pa is reg," troos Ma.

Die volgende oggend breek aan. Isak is teleurgesteld om sy Saterdagoggend op so 'n slegte noot te begin. Hy groet sy ouers, vat die hond en begin sy fietsrit veearts toe. In hulle klein dorpie het die veearts ook hokke vir verlore diere. Isak besluit om weer deur die woud te sny. Dit het die vorige aand gereën en die paadjie is glibberig. Toe Isak om die draai kom, gly die fiets se wiele onder hom uit en hy val amper teen die hoë krans af. Gelukkig haak sy baadjie aan 'n tak vas. Hy skree om hulp, maar niemand kan hom hoor nie. Die tak begin breek. Wagter gaan vinnig tot aksie oor en byt aan Isak se baadjie vas. Stadig trek Wagter hom op. Hy het Isak se lewe gered! Isak het sy arm gebreek. Hy en Wagter huppel-huppel terug huis toe. Sy ouers sien hom deur die venster aankom. "Isak!" skree hulle. Hy val reg by die voordeur flou.

Isak word in die groot hospitaal in Klerksdorp wakker. Sy arm is in gips. Isak vertel sy ouers van alles wat gebeur het. Sy ma bars in tranes uit. Sy pa sê: "Weet jy wat, my seun? Daardie hond het jou lewe gered. Ek dink ons kan hom hou." "Dankie, Pa," roep Isak opgewonde uit. "Jy ry nooit weer langs daardie paadjie deur die bos nie, hoor jy my?" vermaan Pa en Isak belowe. Van daardie dag af was Isak en Wagter onafskeidbaar.

C Prinsloo (Second Form)

ISIZULU IMIBHALO YOKUZIQAMBELA

Mhla ngifika endaweni entsha

"Sizo hlala endaweni ekude" Umama wangitshela lokhu loku ngo Masingana. Ngangijabule kakhulu. Ngacabanga ukuthi izobe injani lendawo entsha, abantu bakhona banjani futhi kwenziwani uma ufuna isikole esikahle. Kulendawo esasihlala kuyona kwaku umama, ubhuti omdala kanye nami. Ubhuti omdala wayezosala ngoba waya enyuvesi manje waye ngakwazi ukushintsha inyuvesi ngokushesha. Lokho kwasho ukuthi useyoqedela izifundo zakhe khona. Umama wangitshela ukuthi zizosuka uma sekuvalwa izikole ngoZibandlela.

Lolu suku lwafika ngavalelisa ebanganeni bami Kanye nabafundi. Abantu base sikoleni banginikeza izipho, ukudla Kanye nokunye. Indlela okwakuningi ngayo ukudla ngathi babeqinisekisa ukuthi ikati lingalali eziko. Saphuma isikole ngabona imoto kamama ima ngasesikoleni ngangena emotweni sangena indlela silibhekise eManzimtoti. Umama wayehamba ngesivinini esikhulu. Okwakwenza ukuthi agijime ukuthi kwaku kude Emanzimtoti. Sama endaweni yokuthela upetiloli sagwcalisa sathenga nokudla. Sathenga ukudla okuningi ungafunga ukuthi sinezambane likapondo ngendlela esasifinya ngendololwane ngayo. Yasuka imoto kwasuka izintuli.

Safika endaweni entsha. Umizi omusha wawumuhle kakhulu ngase ngijahle ukungena ngaphakathi ngibone ukuthi kunjani. Ngesikikhathi ngangena angiphoxekanga. Safaka izinto esasiziphethe ngaphakathi. SASijabule kakhulu. Ngesonto lokuqala ngazihlalela ngaphakathi ngangazula ngibuka umabonakude. Ngesonto lesibili umama wathi kumele ngiyofuna abangani ngidlale ngaphandle. Ngangibona abantu engingadlala nabo abaningi kodwa ngingafuni ukuthi ngiye kubona ngoba ngicabanga ukuthi bazithi ngiyaphapha. Ngenhlanhla beza kumina bangikhulumisa bangisa ezindaweni eziseduze. Ngemuva kwalolo suku angizange ngiphinde ngihlalel ekhaya ngisho kukhona izivakashi, ngasengihlezi ngihleli nabangani bami.

Kwafika uMasingana kwavilwa izikole. Ngangijabule kakhulu ukuya esikoleni. Into eyayinkinga ukuthi ngangingazi muntu, abantu ababehlala ngasekhaya babefunda kwezinye izikole. Kwakufanele ngiqalemaphansi. Ngagcina ngimtholile umngani fithi ngathola abanye abahlal ngasekhaya ekade ngingabazi.

Ngijabula kakhulu ngalolushintsho olwenzeka empilweni yami futhi sengisizakale ezintweni eziningi. Bengisada kuxoxla ubaba ukuthi ngiphatheke kanjani. Ngiyayithanda indawo yami entsha engihlala kuyona.

W Mncwabe (Sixth Form)



K Nene (Second Form)

Ukubaluleka komshado empilweni

Umshado yilapho khona abantu ababili behlanganiswa futhi beba umndeni omunye. Umshado ukwazi ukusiza abantu ukuthi bakwazi ukuthembana nokuthandana kakhulu. Umshado uyakwazi ukwenza abantu ukuthi bajabulise abazali babo ngendlela elungile. Abantu abaningi abanaso isiqiniseko sokuthi bangashada nini nalomuntu abathandana naye

Umshado into ebalulekile empilweni zethu futhi futhi kubalulekile ukuthi sikwazi ukubona uma sekuyisikhathi sokushada. Kubalulekile nokuthi abantu bangasheshe bafune ukushada, kufanele baqale bamazi kahle umuntu abafuna ukushada naye ukuthi unjani. Kumele ukwazi ukumthanda umethembe, umhloniphe wazi zonke izinto ngaphambi kokushada naye. Lokho kuzokwazi ukuxazululwa kwezinkinga eziningi obanazo uma senishadile.

Okubalulekile ngomshado ukuqinisekisa ukuthi ukushada kuzobasiza yini ezimpilweni zabo. Eshadweni zifa ngamvunye uma senishadile uma uthatha isinqumo esingalungile Umshado akuyona into yokudlala into ebalulekile empilweni. Umuntu oshadile kumele akwazi impilo yakhe yonke ngeke isafana izoshintsha futhi izoba nesikhathi esiningi Kanye nezingane eziningi abe nezinto eziningi ezinhl.

Zikhona izindlela zokushadisa abantu, kukhona umshado wesingisi bese kubakhona umshado wesintu oyisiko. Kubalulekile ukuthi umuntu akwazi ukuzikhethela umshado awufunayo ozmujabulisa futhi ujabulise nabazali. Imindeni yomibili kufanele ukuthi ijabule. Eshadweni kumele kube nomfundisi ngoba uyena ozokwazi ukushadisa labantu ababili abashadayo, abafisa ukuzibona bobabili empilweni yonke.

Kumele bathandane baze bahlukaniswe ukufa. Umshado into enhle kakhulu futhi ekwazi ukuhlomosa abantu ukuthi babe munye.

P Ndlovu (Sixth Form)

Ingxoxo

Isemini bebade uBheki noJabu esikoleni bakhuluma ngokubaluleka kwemfundo.

uBheki: Yazi ngezinye izikhathi asinakiukuthi imfundo ibaluleke kangakanani, simane sense nje izinto zesikole ngoba kumele sikwenze (usho ehleka).

uJabu: Yebo, phela ngezinye izinkathi simamne sense nje, futhi amehlo kaphathelani ngomabheka ashiye. Kumele sizifundele thina singathembeli kwabanye ngoba imfundo ibalulekile.

UBheki: Imfundo ibalulekile, uma ngicabangisisa manje ngiyabona ukuthi empeleni kumele engabe siyafunda kakhulu siyazimisela ngoba imfundo ibalulekile. (usho lokhu ecabanga)

uJabu: Mina nawe siwugwayi nenhlaba, ngiyakuthanda ngoba sikhuluma ngezinto ezibalulekile empilweni. Basuke beqinisele uma bethi imfundo iyisikhiye sakho sempumelelo.

uBheki: Abantu bangakuphuca konke empilweni kodwa imfundo into abangeke bakuphuca yona noma sekuthiwa kwenzekani, futhi imfundo isicabha sempumelelo.

uJabu: Umuntu ongenamfundo ofuna ukuba udokotela uyoze abambe utalagu ngesandla ngoba nje ngeke kusozekwenzeke. Impilo yamanje idinga imfundo, ifuna abantu abafundile (uJabu noBheki bahleke).

uBheki: Ukhozi olubambayo oluzingelayo, imfundo ibalulekile ngoba uma ubheka kahle yonke imisebenzi yamanje ifuna abantu abafundile (uBheki ubukeka ekhathazekile).

uJabu: Njengoba sifuna ukuba onjiniyela ngeke sibe yibo uma singenayo imfundo.

uBheki: Iso lilodwa kaliphumeleli, njengoba yini ngaphandle kwakho, futhi sengibonile ukuthi singawushintsha kanjani umhlaba ube indawo engcono uma singenayo imfundo?



L Hlophe (Second Form)

uJabu: Yazi njengoba sikhuluma ngakho ukubaluleka kwemfundo ngithola ukuthi kumele sisebenze kanzima, siphase kahle sizimisele esikoleni ngoba imfundo ibalulekile.

uBheki: Ngokuba nemfundo ungaba yinoma yini oyifunayo ngoba imfundo iyakusiza wenze noma yini futhi unolwazi uyoze ufe nalo.

uJabu: Hheyi! Ngathi ungayiphinda leyo, kodwa uyabona ukuthi imfundo ibaluleke kanjani. Kumele sizitshale ukuthi le mfundo soyisebenzisa kahle ukuqhakazisa ikusasa lethu.

uBheki: Yebo, njengoba elithola leli thuba lokuthola imfundo kangingi abanye abangenalo leli thuba lokuya esikoleni njengathi.

uJabu: Yiloko kumele sifunde sisebenze ukuze sizokwazi ukusiza abanye bakwazi ukuthola imfundo ngoba uma umhlaba wonke ufundile ngabe sesiphila emhlabeni ongcono.

uBheki: Noma ngabe insika isidliwe ngumuhlwa uyohlala unayo imfundo, akekho ozokuphuca.

uJabu: Yazi ungidabula inhliziyo. Izibindi ziyonikwana.

uBheki: Ngiyaxolisa mngani, ewu insimbi yavele yakhala sisakhuluma ngodaba olumnandi kanje.

uJabu: Ungahlupheki wena sisazobonana uma kuphela isikole. Ungakhohlwa ukuthi imfundo ibalulekile.

S Ngubane (Sixth Form)

Mhla abazali benzela udadewethu umcimbi wokuthweswa kweziqu

Umuthi ugotshwa usemanzi, ngisho lokhu ngoa uma udadewethu akaqondiswanga endleleni esemncane ngabe angikhulumi udaba olunjena. Mina ngikholelwa ukuthi umuntu uhalaliswe kukho konke okuhle akwanzayo.

Ezinyangeni ezimbili ezidlule kungakashayi usuku, abazali bami babengitshela ukuthi bafuna ukwenzela udadewethu umcimbi oyindumezulu. Ngangidonsa ngendlebe kwamalungiselelo alo mcimbi ngoba ngangifuna kube umcimbi omuhle futhi oyindumezulu. Kwehla usonga, othisha bakhe basenyuvesi bazinikela bathi bafuna ukusisiza kwamalungiselelo.

Abantu bomndeni nabangani baveza ukuthi isilo siyowafinyeza amazipho ngoba sagcina sesibona ukuthi kubo bonke laba bantu ababefuna ukusisiza obani ababezokwenza izinto ezithize. Sagcina sesithola abantu abazosiza ukuhlobisa nababezohlaba inkomo.

Usuku lwalusondela ngokushesha, abantu bonke babenza indaba ngoba ngaphandle kwabo okuningi akwenziwe. Sasesithole nendawo ebesizokwenzela kuyo lo mcimbi. Umcimbi wonke wawusihlangana ulunga sekubonakala konke ebesikulungisa.

Kwukuwusuku lomcimbi, yoke into yayishlangana. Omama babesaqala ukupheka, amadoda name phela sasesihlaba inkomo. Abantu babesaqala ukulunga nathi sesilungele ukuhamba silibhekise eBotanical Gardens, lapho okwakuzokuba khona umcimbi. Ukhozi oluhle olungenampepha, yiwo-ke umcimbi kadadewethu lowo. Udadewethu wayejabule kakhulu waze wakhala ngoba le nto esasimenzele yona yayiyinhle kakhulu.

Udadewethu wayethweswe ukuba unjinyela, bonke abangani bakhe babegcwele emcimbini bezomhalalisela. Sasinezikhulumi eziningi kodwa labo ababalulekile kwakuyimi nabazali bami. Ngashaya inkulumo enzima kwakhala wonke umuntu. Kwafika konke ukudla nenyama abantu baphaketwa, badla baze bakhotha izitsha zabo. Umcimbi waphela itshe loma laba inhlama sahlala sodwa njengomndeni, udadewethu wasibonga.

Usuku lwaluphela abantu sebehamba abanye besilinde ngaphandle, abantu beza kithina bezobonga ngay yonke into eyenzekile nesikwenzile. Umbono wami ngalolu suku ukuthi lwaba yimpumelelo ngoba udadewethu wayejabulile, abantu bancoma ngayo yonke into futhi umndeni wethu wasebenzisana kahle.

Yeka uqothovane usinda ngokuzimbela yilikho udadewethu enzelwe umcimbi onjena ngoba isikhova sidla amehlo aso. Kumele sisize siphumelele.

S Phungula (Sixth Form)



S Makhatini (Third Form)



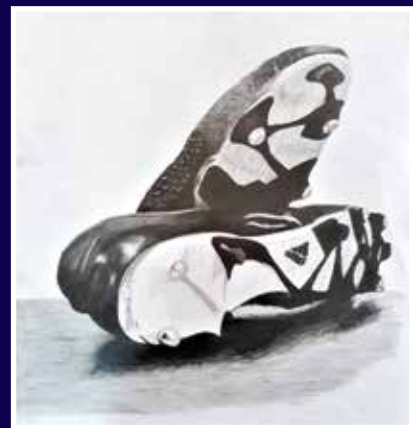
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S Ngubane (Sixth Form)



L Ntsele (Sixth Form)

CULTURAL AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

PERFORMING ARTS

School Productions

Guys and Dolls



Guys and Dolls tells the classic musical tale of unscrupulous gamblers, glamorous showgirls and high-principled missionaries doing battle in the corrupt streets of 1940s New York.

This ever-popular show contained some of the best-loved songs in musical history, with *Luck Be a Lady*, *Sit Down You're Rocking the Boat*, *A Bushel and a Peck*, and *Take Back Your Mink*. Combined with an hilarious script, *Guys and Dolls* promised to be fantastic entertainment for the whole family.

The musical, presented by Maritzburg College and Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School (GHS) under direction of Simon Stickells and musical director, Gert van Rooijen, was a show to remember. Having established a strong theatrical and musical relationship and rapport over many years, and using their combined resources to the fullest, the collaborative effort and talent of these two schools brought audiences a superb performance. This was the year, however, that some College boys really shone. Kudos to the Matric members of the production, with special mention of M Hlongwane, I Ndlela and M Marshall for the portrayal of their lead roles.

It is remarkable when a director has the resources of his school behind him to stage productions, however. When we have the combined resources of two schools, we are truly fortunate. With the GHS 'dolls' coming on board with the 'guys' of Maritzburg College, it was a production to remember. This production of *Guys and Dolls* is arguably one of the most exciting shows of which I have ever been a part. The team involved Mrs Thaver, Mrs Fraser, Mr van Rooijen, Mrs Stickells, Mrs Puler, Mrs Osborne and Mr Dodd, Mrs Fuhri, Mrs White and Mrs Hoyle, all of whom heavily invested their time in the production. I thank them sincerely for being a rock of support for me as the director.

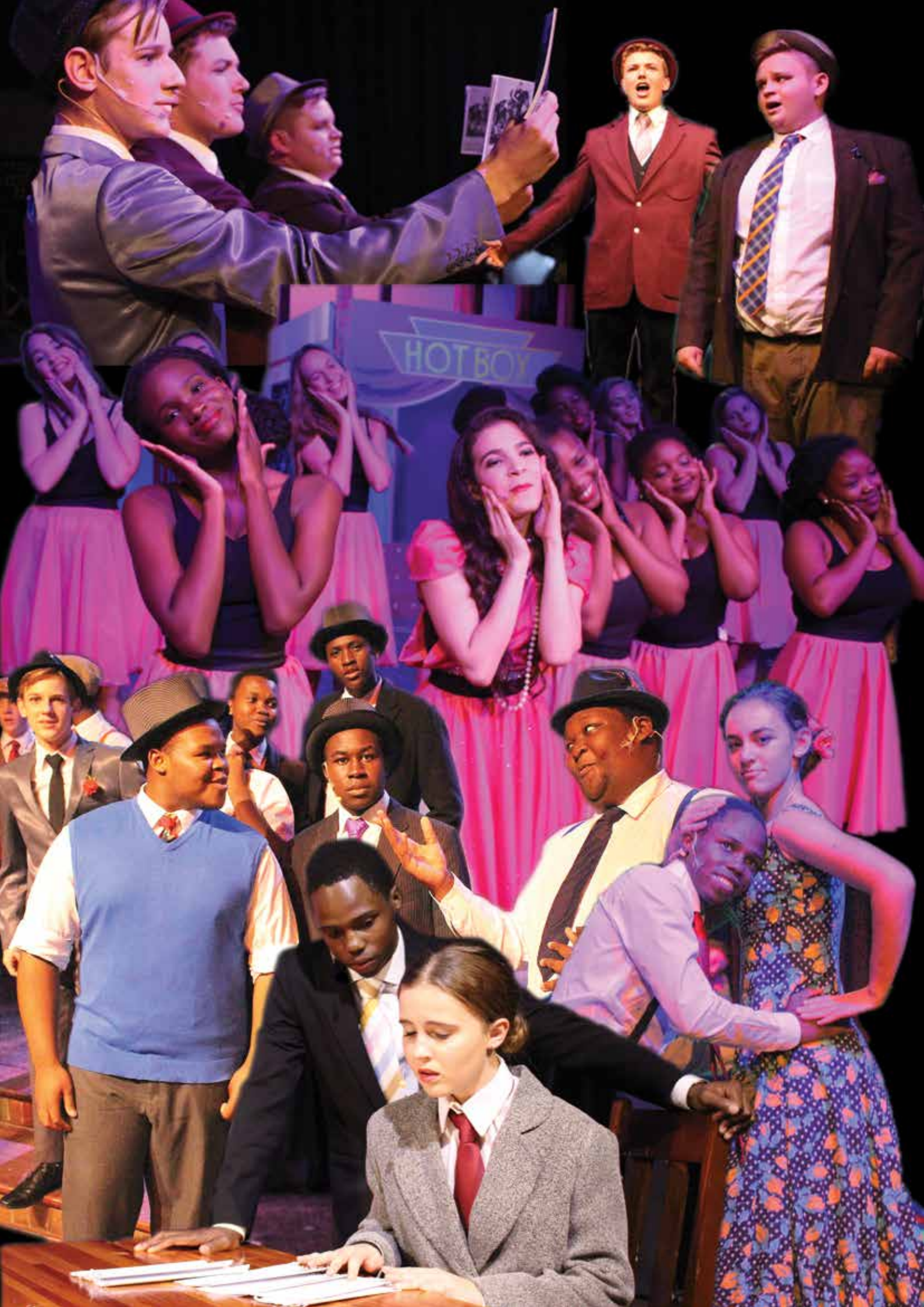
One can see how the improvements to the theatre and the systems put in place for our shows are now starting to pay off. I would like to thank Maritzburg College for supporting the productions in the Olivier Cultural Centre. To my technical crew which, for once, had the sanity of the GHS girls, the work they do behind the scenes does not go unnoticed. It is a real life-skill to do the work that everybody notices, but nobody sees.

Mr S Stickells



College Actors' Workshop

Back row: J Scheepers, K Harischandre, V Soni
Front row: N Mkhize, I Ndlela, Mrs E Fraser (MIC),
 J McFarland, C Martin
Absent: S Palmer





MUSIC

School and Chamber Choirs



School Choir

- Back row:** K Howard, M Fuhri, L Landsberg, T Khoza, E Naicker, K Mthethwa, K Mthimkhulu, S Tshabalala, B Gumede, S Dlamini, N Lushozi, M Thomas, A Westley, S Hutton, P Phala, S Mbonambi
- Middle row:** B Nduku, S Maphanga, C Kisbey-Green, N Lawson, A Mfeka, S Khumalo, N Madide, W Mazwi, B Gous, T Zimu, M Mkhize, M Dube, B Tarr, O Ngcobo, T Segonyana, T Lehloenyana, S Manyati
- Front row:** N Phenyane, S Bridglall, O Salim, S Ntuli, J Maistry, N Mbatha, M Hlongwane, Mr S Stickells, M Marshall, T Nkosi, T Zuma, K Ramharak, Z Khoza, TEJ Zondi, B Mothebe

The Music Department has grown from strength to strength this year. We are fortunate to now have Mr Jacques Heyns as a full-time music staff member and with his expertise the subject work and the school's piano programme has grown in both number and ability. Also joining the staff on a part-time basis this year was Mr Bernard Kisbey-Green. He has already made a huge impact on our saxophone and drums programme. One of the biggest highlights of the year was that the School Choir attended the World Choir Games in Tshwane. I am sure that this is a memory that many boys will hold onto forever. They had the opportunity to perform with and befriend choirs from all over South Africa and the World. They competed in the Open Competition of the Show Choir Section and achieved a Silver medal, finishing fourth in the section.

While the Jazz band has performed on numerous occasions, some of the highlights this year have been our performance at Cordwalles Preparatory School for Boys; the centenary of the Caledonian Pipe band concert and at the "Bands to the Max" evening at Epworth High School. At the "Bands to the Max" evening it was one of the first occasions that the band has played for other schools and they did so with aplomb. The Gospel Choir evening, held in the Alan Paton Memorial Hall this year,

was a real highlight of Gospel music for the school. Many thanks to Mr Memory Ncgobo for all his efforts in this regard.

At the SASMT Eisteddfod this year the Music Department really took part to the highest degree. In total, College entered over 48 items this year. This is a very impressive increase from the 14 items entered last year. The work done behind the scenes by boys and teachers really paid off.

Part of the official naming of the Pearson Music Centre was our Prestige Concert. This annual event at the school is aimed at showing what our boys achieve over the year. Boys paid some touching tributes to staff for the work done with them over the years. The concert was a rousing success and a testament to the progress we have made over the last year with our ensembles and soloists.

The final event of the year was the annual Carol Service at the One Life Church South Site with Pietermaritzburg Girls High School in November. This year the fundraising was in aid of CHOC and a total of R 19 000 was raised.

Mr S Stickells



Chamber Choir

- Back row:** T Khoza, A Westley, T Lehloenyana, N Lushozi, B Tarr
- Front row:** L Landsberg, M Marshall, Mr S Stickells, B Gumede, B Mothebe
- Absent:** M Fuhri



Gospel Choir

- Back row:** K Howard, N Lushozi, A Zondi, B Gumede, S Tshabalala, A Ntuli, S Manyathi, TEJ Zondi
- Middle row:** O Ngcobo, S Khumalo, M Mazwi, T Zuma, N Mbatha, A Ntuli, N Madide, C Kisbey-Green, S Dlamini
- Front row:** B Mothebe, T Hlatshwayo, M Hlongwane, R Kumalo, Mr M Ngcobo, T Ngcobo, S Zuma, L Shange, S Mbambo



Jazz Band

Back row: J Maistry, S Tshabalala, M Thomas, A Westley, J Munitich, K Thaver, C Kisbey-Green, B Finlayson
Front row: S Maphanga, W Moffatt, S Bridglall, Mr S Stickells, H Wong, E Naiker, M Fuhri

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JSE Schools Challenge



Team: Black Market

(L-R) N Ndlovu, N Zuma, AS Zondi, S Ximba

The JSE Schools Challenge is a game in which students from Grade 8-12 are able to learn about the stock exchange, the economy and have a 'real world' experience of share trading. The aim of the challenge is to educate, encourage and allow the youth of South Africa to understand the JSE and its role in wealth generation.

Each team of four members is given R1 000 000,00 in virtual money to invest on the stock exchange and they compete with more than 800 teams all over South Africa to produce the highest growth.



Team: Wolves Of Wall Street

(L-R) M Graham, C Simmonds, D Brink, R Will

Maritzburg College teams have been very consistent over the years regularly finishing in the top five. This year we were not as successful as in previous years, but for the month of April, three College teams finished in the Top 10 in the equity category attaining positions 4th (Team Black Market), 7th (Team Wolves of Wall Street) and 10th (Team Rhinos of Wall Street).

Mr N Pillay



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Clubs and Societies



Afrikaans Society

Back row: K van der Berg, L Muller, A Heydenrych, W Pretorius, H Corbett, N Greeff

Middle row: S Koekemoer, K Thaver, C Stubbs, J Lowe, A Knoetze, D Jacobsz, Z Gxarisa, U-F Khan

Front row: T Prinsloo, A Asampong, T Spalding, Mrs G Talke (MIC), A Vermaak (Captain), Mrs E Fraser, J Oberholzer, L Maboza, C van Heerden

Over three days in August Maritzburg College performed their first collaborative Cultural Show which was organised by the Afrikaans Society. The Afrikaans, Hindu and Zulu Societies joined talents and participated together in the Afrikaans driven play, *Fire of Love*. The theme of the play focused on learning about different cultures and traditions. Mrs Talke wrote the script and the play was directed by Mrs Talke, Mrs Thaver and A Vermaak, the captain of the society. Mrs Landsberg was the music director and Mrs Fraser was responsible for make-up and

costumes. This show enabled boys who do not take Drama as a subject to perform on stage and they fully enjoyed themselves. The production assisted the school in building on important social awareness aspects.

The Afrikaans Society also participated in a few ATKV competitions, and plan to extend this in 2019, as well as participating in Happiness Week and other social activities. An Afrikaans writing group was also initiated this year.

Mrs G Talke

Art Club

This year has seen the continuation of the Maritzburg College Art Club as a co-curricular activity. We have enjoyed a well-established group of both staff and pupils. There has been a focus this year on the importance of making art through painting. A 'journey', so to speak, rather than a destination.

An artwork is started and completed in one afternoon, focusing on the development of a fluent art language. The club continues to be a space to explore creative ability, especially for those who have not taken art as a subject, but who have always wanted to learn new skills and experience new forms of art.

We believe that art club serves as an inter-disciplinary field that studies the perception, cognition and characteristics of art and its production. We use painting as a form of psychotherapy, 'debriefing' the strictures of the academic day. The boys find the peaceful space both rewarding and rejuvenating.

The Art Club accommodates both junior and senior boys in their sporting commitments by alternating between Monday and Tuesday afternoons. We look forward to exploring three dimensional sculpture as a focus in the new year, encouraging any individual, art student or not, to enjoy the skill of being creative.



Mr B Dodd

N Zakwe (Fifth Form)





Camera Club

Back row: A Ahmed, R Duckham, J Peens, D Thornton-Dibb, N Bhengu

Middle row: M Chenery, A Veitch, R Finnie, K Tullis, M Foster, J Munitich, M Fuhri, R Grant

Front row: Y Martin, K Thornton-Dibb, L Foster, Mrs D Gademan (MIC), M Marshall (captain), M Abel, T Brauteseth

Absent: T Woodburn, B Duckham

The Camera Club has had a very successful year with growth in numbers. The club has internal competitions where the boys submit work, both of their own choosing; and centred around themes they have been challenged with. These competitions have been enthusiastically supported with as many as 30 photos submitted per month. The boys have been taught how to judge work using various criteria and have evening workshops to seek out and capture that 'special shot'. It is pleasing to see these lessons being used in following competitions. The support and interest has been excellent. The number of cellphone

shots has grown and have frequently performed better than the SLR digital cameras. The boys are learning that when inspiration strikes, any device will do to make sure the moment is captured and the art of the photograph extends beyond just the 'selfie'. The boys are always willing to supplement the Marketing Department's needs at various sporting events, functions and school productions. The potential for growth in the club is an exciting challenge and we look forward to another successful year.

Mrs D Gademan



T Woodburn (Fourth Form)



M Marshall (Sixth Form)



K Tullis (Fourth Form)



Chess Club

Back row: K Moodley, Y Martin, N Whatmore, M Khan, K Maphumulo
Front row: S Gounder, A Zvandaziva, Mr N Thembela (MIC), S Hlatshwayo, M Kheswa
Absent: A Baijoo, A Mfeka, S Cele, S Mbentse

The College Chess team dominated the Midlands region and performed extremely well in 2018 with S Gounder the top player in the Midlands league. The entire Chess squad also came first in the interschool A, B and C leagues hosted by College. Our stiffest competition came about during the Gauteng exchanges when we played against KES and PBHS.

The A-team players this year were K Zvandaziva, M Kheswa, N Whatmore, A Baijoo, K Maphumulo and S Gounder. Gounder and M Kheswa deserve special mention for being selected for the second consecutive year to represent the Midlands region in the DSR Winter Games in Durban this year in June.

We faced fierce competition when we were hosted by King Edward VII School (KES) in May. However, we came back with a solid win when we had home-ground advantage in August. Pretoria Boys' High proved to be stronger in both encounters at home and away. Gounder won the Chess Player of the Year award for his unconditional contribution to Chess and also for winning a number of titles throughout the year.

Mr N Thembela



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College for Christ (CFC)

Back row: S Little, M Laithwaite, L Mtolo, W Willemse, M Nel, D Evans, M Smith
Front row: C Knight, C Tyrer, Mr R Barbour (MIC), M Willemse, S Henriksen, T Francis
Absent: Mr C Barnsley

Mr R Barbour

Mr C Barnsley stepped in to join Mr Barbour in the running of CFC, and has been outstanding in keeping the ministry alive and well. We are very excited to have been running the Alpha course in the day-time slot for CFC, and in the evenings in the boarder CFC we screened a biopic film called *A Case for Christ*. It provides some concrete evidence of the resurrection of the historical figure of Jesus, and subsequently the solidarity of Christianity – it has therefore been very popular amongst the boys who have watched thus far. We successfully handed out about 400 Gideon Bibles to boys in the school, and on a regular basis we have boys coming to ask for their copy. As always, it is very exciting to see boys hearing and sharing the truth with their peers, and spreading the good news of Jesus Christ as a saviour, friend and loving father. We have reinstated the Sunday evening chapel services and have a number of staff who have volunteered, and sacrificed family time, to come and share on a Sunday night.



Debating Society

Back row: Z Osman, N Qwabe, W Ndlovu, M Laithwaite, H Heeralal, K Harischandre, M Whyte
Middle row: V Soni, A Ndlovu, L Sinclair, D Moodley, H Mewalall, L Moseia, U Mtsi, K Martin
Front row: A Ndwandwe, R Uren, N Govender, Mrs E Couperthwaite (MIC), C Tooke, J Lowe, J-S Klapprodt

Mrs E Couperthwaite

The UN debate did not take place this year owing to financial restraints on their part. To compensate, six boys entered a public speaking competition called 'Speak' at Clifton in Durban. It was a valuable experience in public speaking, but also in researching an issue they felt strongly about. Harischandre was awarded a certificate for Best Prepared Reading.

College also debated out of Province at KES, PBHS and at home against PBHS. KES beat us, as did PBHS Seniors at home. The juniors beat PBHS twice; at home and away. The seniors won the home debate.

Debating is always an activity which is viewed as the one you do if you are very vocal. This is a misconception as the activity involves an in-depth knowledge of current affairs, the ability to speak coherently and to be able to support an issue you may not believe in.

The three most senior boys were able to do just that. C Tooke, N Govender and W Ndlovu were a wonderful 1st team with a great attitude that lasted to the very final debate. Tooke was a quiet leader, but the boys listened to him. The First Team missed the quarter-finals by a whisker. W Ndlovu blossomed this year in every way and was awarded several Best Speaker awards. All three boys were awarded Colours in Debating and N Govender received the Graham Holder Trophy for Best Debater in 2018.

Tooke and Govender also attended the Provincials but were not selected for Nationals.

The second senior team still has a great deal to learn but I am confident that they will achieve well. V Soni, C Martin, K Harischandre and H Heeralal will have to pull out all the stops to beat the unbeatable Epworth Senior Girls team next year. V Soni has been elected as captain for 2019.

The Junior First team showed huge promise, but also missed the quarter finals by a very small margin. U Mtsi is a fantastic speaker who has also come into his own this year. The other two members of this team; L Moseia and D Moodley, form a strong core and are a very talented trio. The other juniors still need to learn how to put it all together.

The Grade 8 teams suffered a huge dropout owing to the very short coaching time. There was a serious lack of commitment and College eventually dropped one team and only had one team in the league.

League results:

- Grade 8:** College 1 – won 3, lost 3
 College 2 – lost 2
- Juniors:** College 1 – won 2, lost 3
 College 2 – won 3, lost 3
 College 3 – won 2, lost 4
- Seniors:** College 1 – won 3, lost 3
 College 2 – won 3 lost 3

The following debaters won

Best Speaker awards:

Grade 8: J Lowe (twice)

Juniors:

U Mtsi (three times), M Laithwaite, C Baldrey, D Engotto

Seniors:

N Govender, K Harischandre, W Ndlovu (twice), V Soni

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES



eSports

Back row: A Mulligan, J Scheepers, A Budke

Front row: B Lind, R Bennett, Mr C Barnsley (MIC), D Dhayaram (captain), W Deighton

Absent: L Little, Y Maharaj, R du Preez, J Neizel, B Merrington, A Nursovet, M Webley, C Grant, J Maharaj, A Westley, C Kisbey-Green

The eSports society comprises teams of boys who play various eSports video games competitively against other schools throughout the country. 2018 was a busy and transitional

year for eSports at Maritzburg College.

In addition to DOTA 2, Hearthstone and Counter Strike: Global Offensive, Overwatch was added to the list of titles played by the school.

Additionally, Maritzburg College became a founding member of the High School eSports League (HSEL) in 2018. The league is made up of schools from around the country that are seeking to raise the profile of eSports. The highlight of the calendar was the first knockout cup that was hosted in conjunction with VS Gaming. The titles played in the cup were Counter Strike: Global Offensive and DOTA 2, and the grand final was to be played at Comic Con in Johannesburg. Unfortunately, neither of the school's teams made the finals, but they were competitive in the cup nonetheless. Furthermore, the school's Overwatch team, led by J Maharaj, competed in VS Gaming's Overwatch league, in which they played against adult and university teams; they made a good showing and even competed in the first division for one season.

The eSports society hosted the 'College Arcade Night' at the end of the second term with the TechSquad. The College Arcade Night helped to raise funds to put towards new equipment such as LAN cables. This equipment goes a long way to ensure that the teams can practise effectively and that they are able to reach their full potential. We would like to thank those who supported us in this successful endeavour.

The eSports society was led by D Dhayaram in 2018. We would also like to thank the IT department for their assistance throughout the year.

Mr C Barnsley



First Aid Society

Back row: T Woodburn, M Fuhri, H Heeralal, S Maharaj, N Mnguni, R Barker, S Manyathi

Front row: L Mendes, J Spooner, Miss A Greyling (MIC), M Abel, Mrs S Kritzinger, S Maphanga, T Sampson

Twenty-four pupils successfully completed a Level 1 First Aid course in March. Eleven pupils did duties at all the rugby, soccer and hockey matches. Our First Aid programme would not be as successful as it is without the tremendous support of Sisters Lauren Richmond and Kylie Townsend and we are indeed truly grateful that we have doctors who freely volunteer their services on Saturdays.

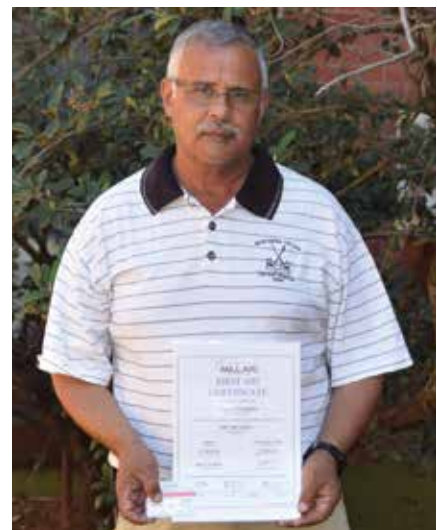
The First Aiders did their duties in a committed manner and spent many hours next to the sports fields.

The following boys received awards for their superb service to First Aid:

Honours: M Abel (Barns)

Colours: J Spooner (Snow) and S Maphanga (Pape)

Miss A Greyling



Mr Shaun Crosson completed Level 1 First Aid



Mr S Jager, Mr Eddie Rajah, Mrs A Trout, Mr Evasen Rajah, Mr M Marwick and Mr E Bowes successfully completed Level 1 First Aid





Hindu Society

Back row: K Kisten, K Subiah, M Maharaj, H Heeralal, S Naidoo, U Jacobs, D Lutchman, C Naicker, P Singaram, T Thulsie, K Thaver, A Maharaj, A Baijoo, N Moodley

Middle row: S Maharaj, S Moodley, H Mewalall, R Maharaj, K Govender, G Naidoo, A Premchand, N Moodley, B Hulloowan, N Bhikraj, S Maharaj, T Ramlall, Y Bandu, S Reddy, K Naidoo, A Sitaram

Front row: K Govender, D Naidoo, S Bridglall, N Govender (vice-captain), Mr N Pillay, C Beekrum (captain), Mrs K Thaver, K Pillay, S Ishwanthlal, A Barath, S Pillay

The Hindu Society has had a full season of cultural and outreach activities. The boys spent an informative day at the "Goshala" (a sacred cow sanctuary) in Thornville. Staff and parents joined the boys in rendering *bhajans* (religious songs) before having an interesting discourse on Hinduism from the resident priest.

The boys, in collaboration with Mediclinic and Stop Hunger, participated in the packaging of food hampers for the poor.

The third term saw the boys engaging in the cultural collaborative production, *Fire of Love*. They had the enriching experience of being a member of a full production. The Cultural Show, directed by Mrs Talke, was a wonderful opportunity for the them not only to share an extract of a Hindu wedding ceremony which is an important, colourful rite of passage for most Hindus; it also allowed them to learn a little more about the Afrikaans and Zulu cultures.

We were pleased to enter 28 Boys in the 2018 *Ved Niketan* Examination in September. Boys from Third to Sixth Form wrote Level 2 in this exam and our Second Formers wrote the Level 1 exam. The examining body is the Arya Samaj – South Africa. We await the results with much anticipation.

The highlight of the Hindu Society calendar is the Annual Hindu Society Cultural Evening which took place in October at the Olivier Cultural Centre. This show was the culmination of a wonderful season of lessons learnt. The boys engaged in earnest preparation. The show was a resounding success and an enriching experience for all who attended.

The programme reflected the culture of Hinduism with prayers recited and sung from scripture. The boys performed *Shri Krishna*, a play directed by Mrs K Thaver. The play teaches that man needs to see the Lord in all to achieve the happiness and peace he desires. The other artists include our own Ms Nolwazi Ngcobo who serenaded the audience with her breath-taking performance of a Hindi-English fusion song. Vishkir Dayanand, a final year medical student is a graduate and teacher of Bharatanatyam. He mesmerised the audience with his poise and precision as he performed the invocation dance and paid homage to Lord Rama in the dance *Shri Ram*. H Mewalall and K Ramarhak are to be commended on their duet musical performance, with Mewalall on tabla and Ramarhak on piano. S Bridglall, member of the 2017/2018 executive committee, gave an outstanding performance on the piano. He is a gifted musician who attributes his achievements thus far to his teachers and his dad and mentor, the late Bisham Bridglall, a flautist. Kamz Govender, an accomplished stand-up comedian, was MC for the evening and he had the audience in stitches with his anecdotes, musical interludes and antics.

Culture at College is the melting pot of our diversity. The boys and staff alike are richer from experiencing and engaging on cultural platforms. It is our diversity, team spirit and collegiality which makes Maritzburg College so unique.

Mrs K Thaver



CLUBS AND SOCIETIES



Interact Club

Back row: C Knight, N Phenyane, K Naicker, N Mfeka, J McFarland, J Zondo, J Hoyle, N Assumani, H Hankinson, L Mendes, K Chetty
Middle row: T Khoza, C Naidoo, O Ndlovu, T Nzimande, S Mntungwa, C Whiting, L Zondi, E Hamadziripi, M Charfaray, B Reddy, H Heeralal
Front row: C Tooke, C Beekrum, M Uren, M Hlongwane, Mrs T Schofield, T Mudunge, H Brown, L Strong, J Bilbrough
Absent: C Teal, S Kubheka, K Naidoo

The 2018 Interact Club maintained about 40 members, with M Hlongwane as captain. This fine young gentleman led the club by example and inspired members through his calm and resolute approach to all that he does. We thank him for his outstanding leadership, all the hard work and for being a wonderful influence.

Every Monday afternoon the same group of seventeen Grade 7 learners from Edendale Primary School would come to College for conversational English, maths and natural science tutoring. The Interact Club paid the weekly transport fee for the learners. Wednesday afternoon visits to Northdale Hospital, alternating with weekly visits to the Salvation Army, continued this year. At Northdale, the boys assisted by labelling medication in the pharmacy and at the Salvation Army they entertained the boys aged 4 to 18 and played with the babies in the nursery. The Interact Club were able to erect soccer posts at the Salvation Army field.

Happiness Week at College this year saw Interact working closely with other cultural societies. Together with the Tech Squad, Interact did a basic computer skills course with the 17 students from Edendale Primary. The club was also involved in the making and packing of sandwiches for 'Bread Buddies'.

S Kubheka was sponsored by the Azalea Rotary Club to attend the week-long Port Shepstone Youth Leadership Camp during the October holidays. This interschool function has always been of great value, increasing the pupil's self-esteem, confidence, social and emotional intellect.

Interact was able to help out once again at Capital Christmas where we collected donations for CHOC.

Once-off activities where the Interact boys helped during this year included:

- Assisted Rotary at the Dusi Canoe Marathon.
- Interschool Interact Fundraiser event hosted by College.
- Easter eggs donated to the Salvation Army.
- Interact Club volunteered as marshals at the cross-country hosted by College.
- Interact Club ran the College shop at every Goldstone's home game.

- 1000 Paws SPCA fundraiser at Hilton College during the July holidays - the boys assisted in setting up the event as well as working on the day.

My gratitude to all members, from Second to Sixth Forms, for all their hard work and dedication this year. Thank you for always being willing to participate and help at any given opportunity. A special thank you goes to Mrs Dee Dickens for running the Interact Club over the years. Thank you for all of your help with the planning, organising and running of activities.

Mrs T Schofield





MC Ink

Back row: J Scheepers, S Singh, Z Sheik, J Hoyle, J Lowe, H Heeralal, O Salim, N Lushozi, P Phala, N Seyoum

Front row: M Uren, C Tooke, Mrs W Erasmus, U-F Khan (vice-captain), G Haripersad (captain), Mr R Gutteridge (MIC), T Lowe, C Whiting

The MC Ink writers have again produced good work, led by G Haripersad, with U-F Khan as the vice-captain. Our writers are often published in the newsletter #RedBlackWhite, as well as providing assembly readings.

Five of our poets participated in 'words@Kearsney', a sub-category of 'culture@Kearsney': G Haripersad, P Phala, N Lushozi, Z Sheik, C Whiting, all acquitted themselves well. During Happiness Week, our lads posted poetry and 2-sentence horror stories around the school. This year's 'Night of the Writers' saw us host poets from Pietermaritzburg Girls High, St John's DSG, and Hilton College for an evening of poetry and writing prompts.

Mr R Gutteridge

Below are sample poems:

I am selfish

Life has taken what I hold dear.
I could not stop it, I could not resist it.
Of course I am selfish.
Have you ever watched your mother's life disappear knowing your
futile tears will not save her?
Yes, I am selfish.
Life has given life has taken.
How can I let you see the pain I feel?
Tears heal, they say, but how can I share my inability to cry?
How can I share these shoes I walk in?
These shoes that stink smell of rotting emotion and a decomposing
heart?
Yes, I am selfish
Wouldn't you be?

K Maphumulo (Fifth Form)

My Dear Lightning

Gaze at her from afar;
be foolish enough to get any closer
and never again will a lively eye fall upon her ashen face.

She shines infinitely brighter than all the stars of the universe
(Even if not only for a minuscule fraction of their lifespan)
And yet she will always brand herself into the memories of all.

Sadly, her beauty is her curse.
Never will she love,
always will torrents pour all around her.

G Haripersad (Sixth Form)

numb.

ashes, embers, smoke, rain, all
falling onto my skin
yet i am numb
unfeeling, unmoving
a statue made of flesh with a stone heart and
although the world is illuminated
by light, by fire, by rage, by war
i stand alone amongst the rubble
isolated
and at the same time, i am not
i am both, either and neither
i am one, none and somewhere in between
like some twisted parody of schrodinger's cat
dead, and somehow, by some means alive
a zombie, doomed to an eternity with a beating heart
and an empty mind
and it is this
these words, these pages, these lines
which make me feel alive
truly, wholly alive
the only thing separating me from being a man
and a cold, unfeeling ghost
and it is this,
this macabre passion, which keeps me going
like some demented machine of perpetual motion inside
my soul
i'm a stagnant, static sociopath
siphoned by the sickeningly sultry sounds of
insssssanity
and it's funny
how a heart can feel so little
and yet so much
how a person can live
without being alive
and it begs the question
as though I were some dark parody of a lone tree in a forest
if i live
but don't feel
am i truly even alive at all?

P Phala (Fifth Form)

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Media Centre Monitors

Back row: J de Waal, K Kisten, P Phala, M Moosa, H Heeralal, L Zondo, A Veitch, B Nuttal, J Zondi, R Bennett, J Hoyle, R Hassim, Y Martin, S Manyathi

Middle row: N Seyoum, R Barker, T Moloji, M Webley, C Whiting, G Naidoo, J O'Brien, R Uren, J-S Klapprodt, L Dashwood, Z Mthembu, B Meier, M Charfaray, S Hanson-De Jager

Front row: R Duckham, M Mbambo, U-F Khan, Mrs S Thorpe, C Bower (Deputy Head Monitor), Mr R Gutteridge (MIC), G Haripersad (Head Monitor), Mrs C Smith, T Lowe, R Pillay, C Whiting

Absent: C Emslie, E Zimasa, G Jordan, S Cele, Y Mahomed, S Khuzwayo, N de Villiers, S Ndlovu, B Hadden, J Muthuraymuthu

The Media Centre monitors were led by G Haripersad, assisted by C Bower, who both helped organise and motivate our squad. This year we introduced a structured team system which was roundly applauded by the monitors who said that it led to greater integration of the various forms. This system not only nurtured leaders among the sixth formers, but also helped assimilate the new boys into the Media Centre monitors squad.

The monitors were very involved in a number of displays in the Media Centre, including social awareness displays, the Happiness Week display, and a display that took a different slant on promoting books:

using the colour of the cover! The cover colours were changed each fortnight and the library community was exposed to many different types of books. They put together a special version for Reunion weekend which used red, black and white book covers.

We enjoyed two socials with the library monitors of Pietermaritzburg Girls High, as well as the annual Library Monitors' Tea to which we invite all the staff to bid farewell to our sixth formers. This year Mrs Finnie presented each with a small gift as a token of our appreciation of their five years' effort in keeping the Media Centre presentable.

Mr R Gutteridge



Muslim Students Association

Back row: T Abramia, Z Osman, U-F Khan, Y Akoo

Front row: S Manack, S Osman, Ms K Moula (MIC), A Ahmed, A Abdool

Absent: A Haffejee, Y Parak, I Patel, T Patel, Y Mahomed, E Dhoda, I Valley, T Choochan, M Moosa, A Ebrahim, I Ayoob (captain)

We saw a decrease in the number of members of the Muslim Students Association (MSA) in 2018 owing to the new time-table structure. Many learners were used to having the meeting during the second break and did not want to meet after school because of other commitments. The MSA has met every Tuesday after school.

During the meetings discussions were held on different topics and learners were encouraged to air their views. Learners learnt about different practices of different castes and shared knowledge about other religions as well. Various verses were read and explained.

First term learners raised funds and collected money to help Cape Town in the water drive. Money was handed over to the Gift of the Givers to purchase water to distribute in Cape Town. Learners also participated in Happiness Week.

I thank the outgoing captain, I Ayoob, and wish the captain for 2019, Y Akoo, all the best.

Ms K Moula

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES



Sound and Lighting Society (formerly Audio-visual)

Back row: M Els, B Nuttal, C Kisbey-Green
Middle row: T Khoza, M Fuhri, L Kwela, J Munitich
Front row: E Kasambala, S Duma, S Zulu, Mr S Stickells (MIC), A Asampong,
 J Ichikowore, L Maboza

Mr S Stickells

The Sound and Lighting Society has been busy as always this year. We have been very fortunate to have had an upgrade of our sound desk. This now allows the Sound and Lighting team to also run prize-giving events.

The highlight of the year for the Sound and Lighting crew was the *Guys and Dolls* musical. A big team of lads helped with all parts of the show, from moving the massive set, to an extremely high level of technical expertise for the production. They are praised for their professionalism and excellence.

They have also provided technical support at all the cultural evenings and various conferences within the school.

Some other highlights of the year were the Brendon Peel mentalist and the Flamenco show.



Speakers' Circle

Back Row: J Billbrough, D Evans, C Schultz, S Phenyane, K Harischandre, B Noble, J McFarland, L Menezies, G Haripersad,
 B Kgoroge, J Keith, J van der Walt.
Middle Row: C Knight, N Haasbroek, N Lushozi, O Salim, S Little, C Martin, I Ndlela, B Gumede, Z Jali, V Soni, M van Heerzele,
 I Olifant, S Mntungwa, K Huizinga
Front Row: M Reeves, P Kidd, C Tooke, T Mudunge (vice-chairman), Mr B Mdutyana (MIC), C Beekrum (chairman),
 S Zuma (secretary), T Anderson, W Michaux, L Strong

The Speakers' Circle group comprised 40 boys this year. The public speaking programme aims to develop the boys' confidence and style of speaking when addressing a group of people. Progress in Speakers' Circle is achieved by working through nine different projects over the course of two years. These projects focus on a variety of facets of public speaking. When all nine projects have been completed, the boys receive a certificate of achievement. Not only do they learn the art of communication, but emphasis is also placed on the social etiquette and graces expected in formal situations. Public speaking is an essential life-skill and the boys are encouraged to realise its value.

The Office Bearers in 2018 were: Chairman – C Beekrum; Vice-chairman – T Mudunge; and Secretary – S Zuma.

A special mention must be made of the six members who completed their manuals and received their certificates. 2018 also saw six boys participate in the Clifton Speak tournament at which Harischandre was awarded a certificate for Best Prepared Reading: "The Art of Communication Is the Language of Leadership".

Mr B Mdutyana

Below are two speeches delivered by members of the Speakers' Circle:

The Degenerating Generation

Tonight, I'm going to tell you a little secret. As you sit here, big-eyed and anxious, I'm going to spread some knowledge on a group of people that are under scrutiny. The speech I'm delivering is about an inconvenient truth that affects all of our lives. It is about necessary evils that dominate our existence every single day. It is about enjoying a modern lifestyle and keeping up with the trends. However, it is at the cost of losing our humanity. Look around you and analyse what you see. Examine the person sitting by your side and sum them up in a little picture. Now what does he represent? Yes, your neighbour may be a college boy. He may be a member of the speakers' circle. He may be your ordinary teenager. But think beyond the walls of imagination. What peril is symbolic of people his age? Some of you may be thinking we're part of the post-apartheid era or the pioneers of the 21st century. Others may argue and say that it's just a "Paradox of our Times". But the inconvenient truth is that we are all just part of the "Degenerating Generation".



Between 1995 and 2012, a new generation surfaced amongst our populous. The 'iGeneration', the 'Post-Millennials' and 'Generation Z' are a few of the names which represent the most impersonal age to walk this Earth. The reason that we're degenerating is because the faster we're moving forward, the more we're actually going backwards. This is a problem greater than the eye can see. It reminds me of a plague that is spreading silently yet exponentially. It's obvious that our generation is unlike any other. We have a different sense of style, society and values.

The humorous part is that the symptoms are even more obvious. In reality we've grown up in an era obsessed with selfies. We're now dependent on these yellow blips we call emojis to express our love and laughter. The average person's ambition isn't to change the world or save lives. But instead, they want a thousand Instagram followers and a verified Twitter account. We're social zombies that feed on Wi-Fi and data bundles. We perceive ourselves based on the opinions of others. While we should be changing these bad habits, all we change is our WhatsApp statuses. When we were younger, we used to be thrilled at the sight of Legos and toy cars. Now eleven year olds look forward to getting the latest iPhone for Christmas. It's a case of constantly wanting to satisfy our unlimited demands.

Our social accounts and addictive devices aren't the only factors to blame for our regression. How many of us know what it's like to achieve something that you worked so hard for? On the other hand, how many of us thrive on the idea of instant gratification? Nowadays we have this mentality of wanting something and wanting it now. We feel entitled to the niceties of life without breaking a single sweat.

We want that dream job, that sports car and our room in that penthouse. The more important thought is whether we want it on a silver spoon or whether we are willing to work for it.

My greatest concern is that we're becoming more impersonal by the day. We continue to lose a distinctive touch with the rest of our species. The "PostMillennials" are losing their way. We are losing our way. We have less real interactions, fewer real friends and a decline in the creation of real memories. When was the last time you asked your parents: "How was your day, Mum?" or "Dad, how're you feeling?" Today, we get consumed by one word answers like "hmmm", "yep" and "kay". Our responses remind me of robots who only have minimal social capacity to mingle with other people. Our degeneration is like a malignant cancer tumour. If you're weak and susceptible, you'll get infected.

In conclusion I'd like to leave you with a few words of wisdom. The other day I read a poem entitled "The Paradox of our Times" written by his holiness, the Dalai Lama. These words are profound and are sure to leave a lasting impression on each of your minds. I quote ...

"The paradox of our times is that
 We have taller buildings, but shorter tempers
 Wider freeways, but narrower minds
 We spend more, but we have less.
 We have bigger houses, but smaller families
 We have more degrees, but less knowledge
 We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values.
 We talk too little, love too seldom, and hate too often
 We have learnt how to make a living, but not a life. We have added years to life, but not life to years.
 We've been all the way to the moon and back
 But have trouble crossing the street to meet the new neighbour.
 We have conquered outer space, but not inner space.
 We've cleaned up the air, but polluted our soul.
 We've higher incomes, but lower morals.
 We've become long on quantity but short on quality.

These are the times of tall men, and short character;
 Steep profits, and shallow relationships.
 These are the times of world peace, but domestic warfare.
 These are the days of two incomes, but more divorces;

Of fancier houses, but broken homes.

This is a time when technology can bring this poem to you,
 And a time when you can choose,
 Either to make a difference.... or just hit, delete. "

So the choice is ours for the making. Either we fall under this inconvenient truth and become victims of this modern plague. Or, we can change our habits and make the world a better place. But until then, we will always be coined as the "Degenerating Generation"...

C Beekrum (Sixth Form)

Rose Tinted Spectacles

As I put on my rose tinted spectacles, I Turn on my bright screen and swipe right, the piercing light stinging my eyes making the water. My face is lit up in a room of darkness. The fantasy world in front of me I now enter. A world where I can simply review someone's life in just 10 photos and where we exist behind a mask of perfection.

As I scroll down my endless feed, I see beautiful places, smiling places and people who look as they have found true happiness. I realized that in this world we display the very best of our lives. We take snapshots with snapchat of the good times but not the lonely ones and pictures of the tasty meals but not boring ones.

The statistics portal stated that the daily time spent on social media by internet users worldwide wide in 2017 135 minutes per day! That's 2:15 minutes approximately 14% of your day! Beauty mode added to our phones has now become the norm. Millions of rands are being pumped into apps where we put filters to hide our imperfections...humans aren't perfect. In fact, the net worth of Snapchat is just 7,6 billion dollars. Pew Research discovered that 51% of people are logging onto Facebook over three times per day.

This world of fantasy becomes our escape with a thousand followers it just doesn't make sense when we realize it's back to 999. We get obsessed with who likes us and who reacts to our posts when our real friends are right in front of us but blurred out. There we sit eyes transfixed, mesmerized and hypnotized on this 78 by 158 mm screen. Our friend taking out of the relationship not words not conversations and not memories...but one message and that is "what's on my screen is more important than you".

We are now entering this fantasy world before saying good morning to the ones we love. We spend hours checking the tally of our likes adding up to a number we think acceptable. If not, we start again to try a different and angle or different time of day to post our worth.

According to various websites it seems that posts at around 5pm will receive the most interactions. I found myself researching this a couple months back before proceeding to post a picture. This made me sit back and ask the question why? Why did I need my likes to be at its highest? It was as if the ratio of likes to worth was directly proportionate with the increase of likes resulting in the increase of my worth...The more likes I had the more important I was. I think this shows us the shocking truth about our rose tinted spectacles.

Every profile speaks a story, the existence of a person written in just about four lines. But behind these screens lives real people, people that might be lonely, might be depressed and people that not have it all worked out...But how would I know? How would I know if all I see is happiness and a life's story that looks all okay.

Two hours on social media! 14% of our day we simply can't afford to loose. Let's use this time to be productive, go for a jog, play an instrument, be innovative and creative or just use this time to relax. Take in the darkness of your room and dream. Let's stop merely existing and start living! The world is ours, explore it. A journey ahead of us, experience it!

So let's take off our rose tinted spectacles and put the phone away.

D Evans (Fifth Form)





Rugby Referees' Society

Back row: S Hlatshwayo, C Hibbert, J McFarland, M van der Werff, R Price, D Thackray, M Pearson

Front row: A Matsheke, Z Jali, Mr B Mduyana, N Mfeka (captain), Mr S Ngema (MIC), S Ngwenya, C Dowell

The members of the Maritzburg College Rugby Referees' Society enjoyed yet another successful season. Numbers were satisfyingly high and it was impressive to watch our young men officiate in games at College and other schools in KwaZulu-Natal. The society was led with great enthusiasm by the captain, N Mfeka. He was awarded Colours for rugby refereeing, for his loyalty, dedication and commitment to excellence over the last two seasons. He was also deservedly awarded the Ian Rogers Trophy for the Most Competent Rugby Referee, while the Craig Joubert Trophy for the Most Improved Rugby Referee was awarded to Z Jali. We will follow the refereeing journeys of both young gentlemen with interest, and we wish them well in their post-school refereeing careers. It is worth noting that our captain, N Mfeka, was also appointed as Assistant Referee number six

for the Sharks versus Pumas Currie Cup game at King's Park earlier in the year.

We got off to a nervous start in the season as we made the decision that every schoolboy referee must spend some time in the middle every Saturday. The majority of the boys found this to be a daunting task and naturally there was unease and discomfort. Our resident referee, who is a Currie Cup and Super Rugby official, Mr Vusi Msibi, volunteered his time in the afternoons to facilitate practical sessions where the boys learnt by doing under the guidance of the world's fittest referee. Confidence grew week after week. The learners were hungry for knowledge and used every opportunity to ask questions. It was a great display of what happens when passionate students meet a passionate teacher. The

growth was exponential. Those who were probably the most grateful were the College rugby staff – who no longer had to put on their shorts and pick up their whistles and law books to referee on Saturdays. The boys had found a place to make their mark at College and their presence was felt. The boys were confident and did not allow themselves to be bullied, not even by the College crowd. This assertion is backed up by the fact that R Price was awarded the 'Rookie of the Year' trophy at the Midlands Rugby Referees prize-giving in October.

The Boksmart rules prohibit anyone under the age of 16 from refereeing high school games, so we adapted and found creative ways not to prevent our younger referees from getting valuable experience in the middle. We got senior referees to shadow referee with the young men on the field. We also volunteered the services of our referees to local primary schools such as Cowan House, where the rules do not prevent our younger referees from officiating. It was a year of setting a pathway and breaking barriers.

My thanks go to the hardy handful of members who included the aforementioned duo as well as A Matsheke, S Ngwenya, J McFarland, B Meier, C Dowell, R Price, C Hibbert, M van der Werff, M Pearson, D Thackray, S Westermeyer, S Goldstone's Hlatshwayo and also to the experienced referees at the local MRSSU (notably, Messrs K Wessels, K Marais, K Rugbar, G Little and P an der Merwe) for the considerable support they offered the College referees throughout the season. Finally, we thank the dedicated whistlemen amongst the College staff, who all offered inspirational examples to the boys – Messrs V Msibi, and B Mduyana.

Mr S Ngema



TechSquad

Back row: E Lamprecht, J Scheepers, K Kisten, P Phala

Middle row: A Mulligan, R Bennett, L Charles, L Shongwe, C Kisbey-Green, W Deighton, Z Sheik, R Hassim

Front row: M Charfaray, N de Villiers, G Haripersad (captain), Mr C Barnsley (MIC), D Dhayaram, R Naidu, C Vahey

Absent: Y Maharaj, L Janse van Rensburg, C Smith, C Teal, M Moosa, T Sampson, C Gold, M Todd, J Smit, M Joubert, A Westley, K Harichandre, B Duckham, R Duckham

TechSquad at Maritzburg College encompasses a range of computer-related activities, from computer maintenance to daily computer room duties, as well as assisting teachers in the classroom where necessary. The society has enjoyed a successful 2018, with all members dutifully fulfilling their roles and going over and above of what is expected of them. The society was captained by G Haripersad.

There were many highlights throughout the year. Several boys hosted training sessions on software and hardware during the course of the year. At the end of the second term, the TechSquad hosted the annual College Arcade Night, at which people could socialise, game on consoles provided, or bring their own hardware to game. The event was a success and was enjoyed by all who participated. A special mention is made of Mr Thembela and the boys from the Business Studies entrepreneur programme, who ran a food truck during the course of the night. Another notable event was the TechSquad's involvement in Happiness Week, during which the society provided basic computer training to a group of primary school children.

Mr C Barnsley



Exchange Student



Exchange student, Scott Ruttle, proudly receiving his Old Boy's tie from A Vermaak, the Head of Hudson House

Scott Ruttle came to College from Ireland in September 2017 and stayed until the end of the first term in 2018. He was a boarder in Hudson House.

He writes: "Last September, I arrived at College full of anticipation. A number of my cricket friends attended other colleges in South Africa for one term as part of our Transition Year Programme in Year 4 of the Senior School cycle - I was arriving at my new home for the next eight months and taking a year out of my school, Wesley College in Dublin, Ireland.

As I arrived, I was struck by the size of the campus and noticed that everyone was wearing shorts - within the hour, I was wearing the same shorts - something quite unusual in Ireland. Straight to the Shoppe and I was fitted out in my uniform and brought to my new home, Hudson House. A quick change of clothes and it was off to cricket training. It took me a couple of weeks to get used to the College traditions and when mastered, I came to see them as very special and unique to College - something to be valued and held onto.

Welcome to our German Exchange Teacher

An enthusiastic addition to the College staffroom was German student teacher, Nikolaus Reichsgraf von Schemettau, a final year Bachelor of Education student from the University of Munster. Nikolaus, who taught English and Geography to junior classes, made his mark very quickly, and each day could be seen enthusiastically bustling from one class to another, or discussing German pedagogy with Mr Maistry over a cup of coffee, the intricacies of water polo with Mr Waters, the correct pronunciation of 'Uber' with Mr Booysen, or the hydrological make-up of the Rhine water system with Mr Dorling! Nikolaus had a three-month visa and stayed with the Marwick family for the duration. In mid-2017, Mr Marwick met Nikolaus at a braai in Greytown hosted by the Duttons and was so impressed with the young man's energy and intelligence that he immediately mooted the idea of Nikolaus having a stint on the College staff. He was especially looking forward to getting to know more College boys, continuing his duties in Nathan's, and learning more Zulu - courtesy of Mr Mhlongo. Welcome to College, Nikolaus - herzlich willkommen.

Exchange student makes College his home

Daniel Kennedy, who is from Bandon Grammar School in Cork, Ireland, chose Maritzburg College for his transition year (a compulsory year between Grade 10 and 11 to do work experience, travel etc.). He has visited South Africa many times as his parents lived in South Africa before emigrating. According to Daniel, a number of boys from his year wanted to come to College when they heard from Scott Ruttle (who was here in 2017/2018 for his transition year) that he had had a great time. Daniel will be at College until March 2019. He plays provincial cricket for Munster and has been playing cricket at College, too.



Friends re-united. S Zunckel and T Elam enjoying a visit to S Ruttle in Ireland

The boys were very welcoming and I have made some incredible and lifelong friends - some of whom have already visited me in Ireland. I enjoyed boarding, the fun and friendships and Tuesday's roast dinner. The academic side of College was more challenging for me and, at times, I felt quite lonely. However, I was kindly invited out at weekends to friends' homes in Durban, Ballito, the Drakensberg Mountains and Pietermaritzburg which afforded me the privilege of enjoying life outside College. My participation in sport was key to settling into College, I enjoyed the coaching and had many happy Saturdays playing matches. I made great friends on the teams and my teammates parents were very kind to me as were the teachers within College, especially Messrs Brandon Swart and Kyle Emerson.

Until I see you all again at the College Reunion in 2029, I leave you with the Wesley College motto, "Prove all things, hold fast to that which is good". Best wishes to College, the boys and your families."

Scott Ruttle



Nikolaus Reichsgraf being welcomed to the College BE by the housemaster of Nathan's, Drikus Hoffman

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Battlefields Tour 2018

The touring party, led by Messrs Dutton and Haw, and which included some parents, left College at 07:00 on the morning of Tuesday 24 September. Transportation was a 60-seater air-conditioned coach (although the air-conditioning broke down just outside Mooi River – so we could feel how the British soldiers did). We were accommodated at the Mpati (formerly Vulindlela) Bush Camp, which is situated about 7 km from Dundee.

The tour guide, Mr Simon Haw, the acclaimed battlefields maestro and official historian of College, kept the boys entertained with anecdotes and recollections of the battles. It was indeed a privilege to have him share his knowledge with us.

The following battle sites were visited:

- Battle of Willow Fountain
- The Winston Churchill capture site at Frere (1899), and Chieveley Military Cemetery the site of the Battle of Colenso (1899) and the "Saving of the Guns" (six VCs in six minutes)

- Battle of Talana (1899), including a visit to the Talana Museum
- Battle of Blood River (Ngcome) museum. We hoped to visit the site of the death of the Prince Imperial
- Isandlwana battlefield (1879). The Isandlwana battlefield and the Fugitives' Trail – including paying homage to the Old Collegians' memorial and the various graves of fallen OCs. We paused at the scene of "Young husband's last stand"
- Rorke's Drift battle site (1879) and museum
- David Rattray's Fugitives' Lodge at Fugitives' Drift, and visited the memorial to Lts NJA Coghill and T Melville (both VC winners)
- Battlefield at Elandsplaagte (1899) (Mr Haw's speciality)
- Spioenkop battlefield and graves
- Ladysmith (1899-1900), where we visited the Siege Museum, Caesar's Camp and Wagon Hill Cemetery (the grave of OC, "Yorkie" Tucker).

Mr C Dutton



South African Society for History Teaching (SASHT) Conference

Mr M Marwick attended the 32nd annual conference of the SASHT in Cape Town in October 2018 at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology in Mowbray, Cape Town.

The conference started off on a sparkling note, with a fascinating address by the cartoonist, Zapiro (real name, Jonathan Shapiro), who described his 20 years as a cartoonist during the time of the Struggle and the pre-1994, inexorable rise of the ANC under the future president Mr Mandela – all key parts of the current Grade 12 history curriculum.

Other interesting talks and workshops at the conference included the historical significance of symbols and symbolism, the decolonisation of the FET history curriculum through the use of poetry, a study of the experiences of new history teachers in Cape Town high schools, pre-service teachers' experiences in enacting a transformative curriculum in South Africa's history classrooms, using Google Tour Builder to bring history excursions and tours to the classroom, and using cosmopolitan memories in South African history as teaching material.

Another particular highlight was the opportunity to visit the new District Six Museum & Homecoming Centre, at which the conference dinner was held.

Mr Marwick's thanks go to the school and the Governing Body for allowing this trip and its opportunity for personal and professional enrichment.

Mr M Marwick



At the SA Society for History Teaching (SASHT) conference in Cape Town, Mr M Marwick (far right), representing the College History department, poses with his new friends from Wynberg BHS.



Reunion Weekend



OTHER ACTIVITIES

Maritzburg College Old Boys' Association Induction Ceremony



Friends of College Ceremony



In September we celebrated with and recognised a small group of people who have individually made significant contributions to our school over past years. These people were awarded our Friends of College status – and we took this opportunity to thank them sincerely for everything they have done for Maritzburg College.

The recipients (pictured alongside from left to right with Headmaster, Chris Luman) were:

Ann Houghting – formally in charge of the School's Sanatorium;

Mark Turnbull – former Governing Body member;

Mrs Anusha Rajpaul – former Governing Body member;

Dave Anderson – past staff member;

Win Whitear – past staff member and

Craig Elstob – former Governing Body member and sponsor.



Remembrance Day

The Maritzburg College Remembrance Day ceremony took place on Friday, 9 November at the First World War Memorial in front of Clark House. This year marks the centenary of the end of World War I in 1918 on "the eleventh of the eleventh at the eleventh hour". After years of carnage and bloodshed, the guns on the Western Front finally fell silent, as the world began to take stock of the bloodiest conflict in human history (at the time). During the war, Maritzburg College offered up 800 of its past pupils for service in the South African and Imperial forces in the fight against Kaiser Wilhelm's Germany. This tally was no mean feat, given that only 1 919 boys had ever been entered into the old admission book by the time war broke out on 4 August 1914. The martial culture in the fledgling Colony of Natal was clearly a strong one, and the old boys of Maritzburg College – like those of other traditional all-boys' schools in the Colony – flocked to join up and to "do their bit" for King and Empire. Unfortunately, 97 Old Boys and three teachers did not return, and their names are etched on the First World War Memorial. For this year's ceremony, we focused on the 27 OCs who died in 1918-19, and the obituary read out was that of Lt Eric Ainsworth Goodwill, a 23-year old pilot with the Royal Air Force, who died of "concussion" on 3 November 1918 – just eight days before the war ended. Lt Goodwill was the last College Old Boy to die during the conflict itself – although three more Old Boys were to die before being demobilised. The Remembrance Day ceremony was followed by the unveiling of plaques on the school's Wall of Remembrance.



Fifth Form Economics Tour to Johannesburg

The 2018 Fifth Form Economics Tour to Johannesburg was once again an overwhelming success. Twenty young economists made the trip and gained valuable exposure to the world of business and received practical advice from prominent business leaders about career opportunities and the ever changing corporate monster. Most of the businessmen who hosted us were themselves College Old Boys, who were always willing to share their personal experiences and passionately explained how they wished that they had had the opportunity that our boys have received – to get a sneak peek of the various options before they make their career decisions. They also shared valuable words of wisdom and encouragement with the boys, and stressed the importance of having confidence, working hard and networking. Some of the Old Boys who hosted us were Mike Brown (CEO of Nedbank) and George Kerby (Head of Treasury, Nedbank) who are both Old Collegians from the Class of 1983. We were also privileged to have an audience with the Deputy Minister of Finance at the Treasury Headquarters in Pretoria. We also had the chance to take in and experience the diverse and fast-paced culture of the financial hub of Africa and found ourselves in various corners of 'Jozi' including Soweto, Orlando, City Deep and Tshwane. Another highlight of the tour was the visit to Daytona Motors in Sandton, where the boys drooled over Aston Martins, Rolls-Royces and McLarens. As has become the custom, our top performing learner, C McKenzie, was able to drive around the richest square mile in Africa in a McLaren.

Day one began with a visit to the Apartheid Museum, followed by a brief tour of Soweto, which included a visit to Vilakazi Street (the only street in the world to have housed two Nobel Peace Prize winners) and a wholesome buffet supper at the famous Wandi's Place in Dube, Soweto.

Day two was the beginning of the 'business' part of the tour. Our first stop was the National Treasury offices in Pretoria. We were fortunate to spend half of the day engaging in meaningful dialogue with the professionals and public servants who control the state purse. The Minister of Finance had agreed to be a participant in the dialogue, however the President had called him to accompany him overseas on state business. Fortunately, the Deputy Minister of Finance was kind enough to postpone his flight to Parliament in Cape Town in order to meet and engage with the young future leaders of the country. The person who organised the gathering was Mr Sibani Nzimande who is an Old Collegian from the Class of 2010. He himself was a member of the 20-man team of boys who took the bus to Johannesburg back in 2010. Now that he is a Chartered Accountant working for the National Treasury, he felt compelled to give back and ensure that the tour that had taught him so much continues to grow in its value-adding capacity. For that we are eternally grateful to him and his thoughtfulness and passion for his *alma mater*.

After a brief visit to the Union Buildings, we took the Gautrain back to Johannesburg and headed to Nielsen Sports where Old Collegian, Kelvin Watt (1987), once again treated us to a front row seat experience as part of the audience in the Dan Nichol Show, which airs on SuperSport every Wednesday at 19:00. Before being charmed by Dan, we learnt about the business side of sport and some of the many ways one may marry one's passion for sport and business. Mr Watt's commitment to the Economics Tour is only matched by his love for his old school.

Day three began with a visit to the Industrial Development Corporation offices in Sandton. It was fantastic for us aspiring economists to get a feel for how economists help to make sure that one of the most successful state-owned enterprises manages to be profitable while facilitating the development of strategic industries that create jobs which are desperately needed in South Africa. This part of the tour was facilitated by Mr Msizi Masikane who is an Old Collegian from the Class of 2008. He also felt very strongly that he should use his position as a chartered accountant in such a key institution to transfer as much knowledge as possible to the young men who found themselves walking in the shoes he walked in only eleven years ago.

We then moved a few paces down the road to the offices of Bowman Gilfillan, a leading African law firm. The Managing Partner, Alan Keep, is also an Old Collegian. We were not fortunate enough to meet him this year, but we were hosted very well despite his absence. We asked all

our questions and allayed our fears, misconceptions and myths relating to the legal profession.

What followed was probably the most special part of the tour. We were treated to an evening at the Johannesburg Country Club in Auckland Park, with various Old Collegians. The boys were treated to an entire night of sharing tables and intimate time with Old Collegians who are titans of industry. This evening was organised by Old Collegian, Paul Miller. Mr Miller is an incredibly passionate Old Collegian and has an unmatched enthusiasm for mentoring College Boys and offering support where he can. We wish to thank Messrs Greg Straw, Shaun Katz, Broughton Amiss and Paul Miller for the frank discussions over dinner with the young men. The knowledge gained from this engagement is enough for us to compile a mentorship handbook for an MBA programme. The College Brotherhood is alive and thriving, despite the very considerable age-gap between the Old Collegians and the learners.

The next day began with a visit to the Nedbank headquarters where we were hosted by the CEO of Nedbank, Mr Mike Brown, and the head of Treasury at Nedbank, Mr George Kerby. It is always special to be hosted by the Executive in charge of a JSE listed company and an absolute privilege to have him share both his professional as well as his personal adventures.

Our final business visit was to City Deep, to the headquarters of Steinweg Bridge (Pty) Ltd where we were hosted by the company CEO and Old Collegian, Mr Colin Emanuel. We were given a very detailed presentation on the company's operations and global footprint. We were also treated to a real life analysis of how the China-US trade war was affecting everyday global business. We also enjoyed a tour of the premises to get a better perspective on how complex and often demanding such a massive and strategic operation can be.

Our last day on tour ended with an evening of leisure at Sandton City where, amongst other things, we had an informal and intimate sit-down with seasoned investment banker, Awele Okonta, who shared with us what the typical life (and earnings) of an investment banker is like. We were very grateful to him for taking some of that very little bit of leisure time that he does have to engage in a skills and experience transfer with our College boys. It was pleasing to hear him share with us that he also learnt a lot from our boys and was pleasantly surprised by their level of interest and insight at such a young age.

Mr N Pillay



"Bear market economics?"

Leavers' Dance

A Golden Night at the Grammy's was a night filled with stars as our 2018 matric class celebrated at their Leaver's Dance.



OUT & ABOUT

Second Form Boarders' Arrival Borver Week



Cordies @ College

College hosted a group of Grade 6 learners from Cordwalles, in an initiative designed to let them experience being a College Boy for a day. Thanks to our committed and creative teachers, Mr Dodd, Mrs Greyling, Mr Stickells, Mr Thembela, Mr Mazwi and Mr Kyle, the boys had a great time taking part in both academic and co-curricular activities, as well as enjoying a 'zarm' and one of Mrs Lawson's special cupcakes!



Elevate Education at College

As part of offering an enriched curriculum, College again ran the Elevate Education Workshops. Aimed specifically at our Second and Fifth Form boys, the programme began with study skills workshops to help kick-start the academic year. These sessions were given by Elevate Education, an international organisation with a reputation for achieving behavioural change. The company has become an international leader in education, working with the highest performing schools in South Africa, Australia, UK, USA, and Singapore. Feedback from the boys after the session was excellent. As part of our involvement with Elevate Education, some staff attended a seminar in May aimed at raising student performance.



English Teachers Conference

The Maritzburg College English Department, in association with the English Academy of Southern Africa, hosted the third Conference for Teachers of English. The event was a resounding success as teachers were treated to a range of engaging speakers in all spheres related to teaching English. Our keynote speakers included Mr Chris Luman (Headmaster of Maritzburg College); Mr Bulara Monyaki (National Co-ordinator for Languages in the Department of Basic Education) and Professor Chris Thurman (Head of English and Associate Professor – Wits University). Mr Luman offered teachers a fresh perspective on leadership and mentoring, and Mr Monyaki presented an optimistic view of the impact of the language teacher in his presentation aptly titled, "Like a pebble". Prof Thurman, who is also a council member of the English Academy and the President of the Shakespeare Society of South Africa offered teachers an enlightening view of the teaching of Shakespeare in the classroom. Teachers felt motivated to reflect on their teaching of the playwright's works, which have been prescribed texts in the curriculum for decades. He addressed issues in Shakespeare and the decolonisation debate succinctly and openly, by presenting a balanced argument to consider divergent views.

We were also treated to outstanding talks on 'Hamlet' presented by Maritzburg College teacher, Mr Chris Barnsley, and Dr Betty Govinden from the English Academy. Author and academic, Fiona Khan; IT

Director at Maritzburg College, Mr James Maistry, and Brenda Harris from Digibooks, focussed on the ways in which technology may be used in teaching English. Mr Noelin Naidoo (HOD at Alexandra High School), Belinda Kidd and Bernice Borain (both from St Johns) presented papers on encouraging learners to think creatively in writing. Mr Alen Zimunya (Carter High) looked at plausible readings related to the Grade 10 prescribed text, "Mother to Mother". Jeanette Finnie (Deputy Principal at Maritzburg College) and Claudia Vosters (Thomas More) shared their insights on learner engagement and offered useful approaches on Grit and Brain Theory, respectively.

Amidst the dialogue and engagement, colleagues enjoyed wonderful food, goodie bags, lucky draw prizes and the warm hospitality of our campus. The conference left many of the delegates with innovative ideas, academic discourse, practical approaches to teaching the language, and the need to reflect on teaching pedagogy from different perspectives. Maritzburg College is proud of its commitment to participate in the professional development of English teachers and we are equally proud of our relationship with the English Academy of Southern Africa. We feel heartened by the overwhelmingly positive feedback received and look forward to continuing with this Conference in years to come.

Mrs R Govender



Headmaster Mr Luman



Mrs J Finnie



Hindu Society



The MC Hindu Society recently spent an informative day at the 'Goshala' (a sacred cow sanctuary) in Thornville. Staff and parents joined the boys in rendering 'bhajans' (religious songs) before having an interesting discourse on Hinduism from the resident priest, followed by fun-filled moments feeding the cows.

Maritzburg College Club Lunch



Turning 155, and Blending History with Relevance



Head Prefect, N Mchunu, receives the birthday gift of a Zulu 'umkhonto' from Deputy Head: Boarding, Mr Matthew Marwick, under the watchful eye of esteemed OC Alan Paton.

On 2 March College celebrated its 155th birthday. On that day, under a hot March sun in 1863, a young Scottish schoolmaster, Mr William Calder, opened the doors to a new high school located in a building in old Longmarket Street, and began giving lessons to 36 boys, famously referred to in the school's history as "colonial ruffians"; boys who were to be the Foundation Scholars of the then Pietermaritzburg High School. From these beginnings in a humble carpenter's shop, Maritzburg College has flourished and prospered, recognised today as one of the country's leading schools, modern and relevant, and embracing all that is best in South Africa's ever-changing environment.

In recognition of this landmark birthday, College's Deputy Head of Boarding, Mr Matthew Marwick paid tribute to another part of the school's history and took the boys back to 1879, and the bloody battlefield of Isandlwana in Zululand, where over a thousand British and colonial troops were wiped out by a Zulu *Impi*. Seven Old Boys died at Isandlwana, and their sacrifice was immortalised when the great headmaster, Mr RD Clark, chose the words *Pro Aris et Focis* as the school's motto – according to Mr Clark, they had died protecting 'Hearth & Home'. It is important to note that the school's powerful symbolism of carbine and assegai, its colours of red-black-white and even its war-cry of "Jimeloyo-Ji!" all come from Isandlwana. Four months after the battle, in May 1879, a party of British and colonial troops returned to Isandlwana to retrieve whatever bodies and guns remained on the battlefield. Among those troops was a young soldier from Greytown, Charlie Tatham, who picked up a Zulu throwing spear, an *umkhonto*. Sixty-four years later, in 1943, by which time he was a very old man, Mr Tatham gave that *umkhonto* to a 12-year old boy, Bev Wimbush, who was visiting his farm. Bev came to College as a boy and in later life was a devoted, loyal Old Collegian. He died four years ago, aged 83.

Bev's three sons also went to College, and one of these sons, Gavin has given this *umkhonto* to College in honour of his late dad. At the school assembly Mr Marwick called upon one of our own 'Zulu warriors', Head Prefect, Mchunu, to receive the *umkhonto* from Isandlwana on behalf of the school. It will be displayed with honour in the Victoria Hall.

Mr M Marwick



Pump House Jump



After the jump: J Campbell, R Stainbank and J Gengan



After their jump: D Edwards, M Mbambo, W Moffett and K Shaw



Passing of the Drum



Outgoing Head Prefect, N Mchunu, passes the drum (symbolic of passing on the leadership) to newly elected Head Prefect for 2019, T van Aardt.



HoD: Leadership, Mr R Kyle, and the newly elected Deputy Head Prefects (L-R) D Dyer, K Raw, T van Aardt (Head Prefect), Mr M-J Smit (Assistant HoD: Leadership), D Evans and N Lushozi.



Incoming Head Prefect 2019, T van Aardt, recites the Prefects' Pledge.

Ryan Moon Visits College

It was a pleasure to welcome OC Ryan Moon and his family back to his *alma mater*. Ryan attended College from 2010 to 2014; he played 1st team soccer for three years from 2012-2014 and was captain of the team in 2014, his Matric year. He still holds the 1st XI record of 28 goals scored in a single season (including four hat tricks) in 2013, as well as the Pietermaritzburg High Schools FA Cup record of eight goals in the tournament, also set in 2013. After matriculating, Ryan signed for local club Maritzburg United. He has since moved to Kaizer Chiefs and has also been capped twice by the South African national team, Bafana Bafana, scoring two goals for them thus far and is in the squad for the COSAFA Cup. At the school assembly, after sharing some inspirational words with the boys, Ryan presented the school with a Kaizer Chiefs shirt, and was in turn given an Old Boys blazer before joining in the College war cry, 'Jimeloyo Ji'.



School Shoes Donation



School shoes (406 of them) were donated by the 2018 Maritzburg College Sixth Formers as they left their English NSC exam – which will make a small, but significant change in the lives of the less fortunate. Spearheaded by Mr Nigel Sutherland (above) five years ago, local NGO Blue Sky Society Trust's SoulzSole initiative once again teamed up with The Lion Match Company and Aramex which, in addition to helping with the collection drive for new and pre-owned school shoes, provided each recipient with a Lion Quality shoe polish and a pair of socks.



Shepstone House

The new Shepstone House was officially opened on 25 September 2018. Historically, the 'old' Shepstone House was a separate residence outside the school premises, before it was purchased by the school in 1918 from the Shepstone family and incorporated into the school grounds. Over the years it has served as a junior boarding house, later a San, and at one time housed post-matics. In 2018, Shepstone House was home to a small group of pioneering Fourth Formers. From January 2019 it will be able to house its full complement of 90 boarders.



At the opening of Shepstone House



Some of the Old Collegian donors to 'Project Jimeloyo' – the building of the new Shepstone House – pose with former headmasters, Mr K Olivier and Dr RD Forde, at the official opening of the new boarding house:

Back row: Messrs R Kennedy, P Rodseth, W Hulbert, G Payn, N Rodseth

Front row: Messrs D Greenland, B Kennedy, K Olivier, J Keane, RD Forde, A Smith



Guest of honour, former College parent Mr Geoff Shepstone, unveils the plaque.



Mr M Marwick, Deputy Head: Boarding, addresses the invited guests.



Shepstone House

Zulu Cultural Evening



Barns House

Housemaster:	Mrs M-A Rembold
Assistant Housemaster:	Mr S Botha
Mentors:	Mr B Dodd, Ms A Phillips, Mrs L Akerman, Mrs D Gademan, Mr N Thembela
House captain:	S Mokoena
Assistant House captain:	N Govender
House leaders:	K Maroney, J Aldum, N Luck, T Nelson and M Mbambo



Our House motto means 'Actions not words'. This is the motto we want Barns boys to live by. We encourage them to take responsibility for their actions. We continue to encourage them to be courteous, selfless young men who show great respect for their fellow man.

We want to take the opportunity to thank Mr S Botha, our Assistant Housemaster. He has been a great asset to our team. He led the boys on the sporting front in the House competitions.

He always encouraged the boys to do their best and was there on the side of the field to encourage and motivate at all times. He also dealt with the discipline of the boys and was caring, firm and supportive. Heartfelt thanks also go to the mentors for their input in the boys' lives. Their role is both crucial and pivotal in the pastoral care of our young men. Their support of the Housemaster is also much appreciated and their guidance, invaluable.

S Mokoena has been an enthusiastic leader. He is a servant-leader who leads by example and with humility. He is responsible and dedicated in

all spheres of his life, and ensured a good balance of encouragement and strict discipline. As a result, he was well-respected and highly regarded.

Barns House ended third in the House competition this year, increasing its status by five positions from 2017. A fantastic effort! This was due to good performance in all areas, the motivated participation of the boys and the encouragement from house leaders.

In terms of our achievements in 2018, several of our teams did us proud – our enthusiastic participation in cultural events, as well as in cycling, soccer and shooting ensured that we were placed third in these events. Our chess team was placed second overall. Our real stars, however, were the canoeing boys who came first for the third year running in the House competition. Well done, gentlemen!

We also had some exceptional individual performances from our boys. Six of our boys were chosen to represent South Africa and 11 in provincial sporting teams – B Tedder, B Lawson, W Hlophe, B Jackson, Q Mkhize and R Duckham. M Hlongwane played the lead role in the musical production of 'Guys and Dolls' and was also the choir leader for 2018. The choir attended the World Choir Games in Pretoria and performed exceptionally well. N Govender was placed third academically in Sixth Form. Well done to these young gentlemen – they have done us proud.

In terms of outreach this year, we collected sports equipment and bought some soccer balls that we donated to a school in Roselands that has a new soccer pitch, but had no equipment. Our boys also donated money for the 'Water for Cape Town' drive. Outreach is such an important part of what we as a House stand for – consideration for and thoughtfulness of our fellow man.

Mrs M-A Rembold

Calder House

Housemaster:	Mr D Hoffman / Mr M Reed (from July)
Assistant Housemaster:	Mr T Orchard
Mentors:	Mr N Croeser, Mrs E Fraser, Mr M Ngcobo, Mrs J Orchard and Mrs P Lowe
House captain:	E Hodgson
Assistant House captain:	A Asampong
House leaders:	J Thornton, S Mlambo, C von Beneke and H Brown



2018 has been a year of change within Calder House with Mr G Erasmus ending his time at College and Mr D Hoffman taking on the position as Head of Nathan House. Both are thanked for their contributions to Calder House. Through all of this our mentors have managed to keep the ship afloat through their dedicated and enthusiastic service to the House and boys. The House captain, E Hodgson, and his leadership team must be commended on their dedicated service and on the fact that they finished strong,

ensuring participation in inter-house events by leading from the front.

We enjoyed a fairly pleasing result in the inter-house competition, finishing sixth, considering we were placed in tenth place at the start of the third term. Calder House claimed both the water polo and senior basketball inter-house titles, showing areas of strength within the House.

This year outreach has been a big focus for us and we are seeking to build and continue growing this aspect of the House over the next few years. For the third year now we have continued our relationship with the Pietermaritzburg Community Chest by supporting the 'Adopt a Mom' campaign. This is a project which the boys thoroughly enjoyed. The second half of the year saw us hoping to branch out and we have recently joined forces with the Jes Foord Foundation in support of the 'Handbag' project. This is an initiative which we hope to grow at College and to eventually branch out into the greater College community. Special thanks go to Mrs D Hamilton and her friend for their enormous contribution to this cause as they collected over thirty handbags containing all the necessary 'goodies', and to all the boys and mentor teachers who made valuable contributions to this worthwhile project.

The future is a bright one for Calder House and we look forward to it with great excitement. Our new leadership group, ably supported by our enthusiastic mentors and pupils, seek to take Calder House to new heights through their service to the House and by establishing a unique House spirit and participation in all facets of College life.

Mr M Reed



Commons House

Housemaster:	Mr D Trodd
Assistant Housemaster:	Mr L Shezi
Mentors:	Mrs M Greyling, Mrs K Thaver, Mr S Mabaso, Dr R Salmond, Mrs L Dos Santos
House captain:	R Stainbank
Assistant House captain:	N Mbatha
House leaders:	M Reeves, T Lowe, K Mthembu, T Anderson and I Ayob



There were many positive aspects during 2018. The new boys who arrived in Second Form once again finished near the top of the log after all the activities in the first week. The rest of the members of Commons House fed off this success and, under the excellent leadership of R Stainbank and his leaders, Commons moved from being middle of the log in 2017 to finishing top for the first time in 2018. The Commons boys' commitment made an outstanding difference, which was very rewarding for all involved.

The participation of Commons House in the various inter-house competitions was undertaken with a deep sense of purpose and with the aim of getting the job done. Our challenge going into 2019 is to live up to the high standard set and with the determination that slipping down the table is not negotiable.

L Diedricks, the House captain of 2019, has the challenge of maintaining this high standard. The new leaders, however, look promising, are motivated and want to make a difference in their areas of expertise.

I would like to thank all those involved in the running of the House and all those who actively participated in the system. I believe that those boys who did participate, irrespective of the level, will have a real sense of achievement. They will feel that they made a real contribution to the House and will feel part of the champion House!

In closing, it is never easy to say farewell to staff, especially those who have made a valuable contribution in all aspects of House activities. I would firstly like to thank Mrs M Greyling for her sterling work over the last five years, most of us will miss her no-nonsense but caring personality. Secondly, I would like to thank Mr L Shezi for his short, but effective role as Assistant Housemaster. I wish them both well in the future and the new challenges that lie ahead.

Mr D Trodd

Forder House

Housemaster:	Mr N Sutherland
Assistant Housemaster:	Mr G Waters
Mentors:	Mrs F Deyzel, Mrs L-A Moffatt, Mr B van der Walt, Mrs G Talke and Mr T Zuma
House captain:	R Zeelie
Assistant House captain:	J Campbell
House leaders:	S Elliott, L Govender, D Leisegang, D Lowe, R Schmidt



From the inception of the House system it was widely recognised that it would take time to achieve its mandate, namely greater participation and a House spirit. This year took us closer to this objective and over time the House spirit has improved and individual attention to each boy within the House is now a major factor.

On the sporting front we occupied the third position once again running out of steam towards the end of the year. Having said that, we led at times and it was only the last three inter-house

events that let us down having earlier in the year won the chess, Virtus Challenge and the band events. The termly newsletters cover individual achievements and awards in great detail. Participation is crucial at school level. Whether coming first or last, a life lesson is learnt that cannot be bought at the local grocery store. Winning and losing will need to be processed early in life to acquire the skill to realise life will carry on regardless of whether one has won or lost.

The outgoing prefects, C Dladla and J Campbell and Head of House R Zeelie, are thanked for their contribution to the running of Forder House as are the House leaders for their support and involvement. It was with excitement that we heard that four Forder House boys had been selected as school prefects for 2019 (D Evans, D Meuwese, C Schultz and K Huizinga). Evans was subsequently elected to one of the Deputy Head Prefect positions with Huizinga and Schultz being named as the Forder House captain and vice-captain respectively.

The House leaders for 2019 J McFarland, T Nzimande, M Downs, B Brummer and M Nel will have their work cut out for them next year as the programme to introduce the House leaders into the next level will be in full swing.

It is with sadness that we heard that Mr Graeme Waters will be leaving Forder House to head up another programme at College. His booming voice and passionate advice echoing around the Clark House quad (our House assembly area) will be sorely missed and we thank him for all that he has done for the boys. Mrs Lisa Akerman will be the new Assistant Housemaster and we look forward to welcoming her to Forder House.

Mrs Fiona Deyzel leaves us to take up the position of Assistant Housemaster in Nicholson House and Mrs Leigh-Ann Moffatt left us earlier in the year to take up the position of Assistant Housemaster in Fuller House. We hope they enjoyed their time with us and leave with fond memories of Forder's.

To those returning next year we look forward to another competitive programme and year in the life of dealing with boys on the verge of becoming men. Get involved, make a difference in someone's day and smile more often.

Mr N Sutherland

Fuller House

Housemaster:	Mr B Henderson / Mr A Sparrow (from term 3)
Assistant Housemaster:	Mrs B Borain / Mrs L-A Moffatt (from term 3)
Mentors:	Mr C Barnsley, Miss C Townsend, Mr S Stickells, Mr N Duvenage, Mr D Kleinhans
House captain:	C Hollaway
Assistant House captain:	J Gengan
House leaders:	C Hoffman, L Magoza, O Martens, I Ndlela, C White



Fuller has had an extraordinary year, able to boast being the overall winners of the inter-house rugby and achieving two third place finishes in basketball and in the Virtus sports challenge. However, not much else went well for the boys of Fuller.

Mr Bruce Henderson left at the end of the second term after being Housemaster since mid-way through 2015. Mr A Sparrow, the then Assistant Housemaster, took over the reins and

Mrs L-A Moffatt joined the team as Assistant Housemaster. The House mentors remain unchanged for 2019.

With a completely new leadership team in 2019, from the top down, Fuller is looking forward to a new outlook with renewed enthusiasm and pride amongst our boys. There will be a strong focus on building

good relationships between all boys in the House; a sense of pride and belonging, a home away from home being the end goal. To lead them will be our new House captain and Vice-captain, J Duncan and B Webster respectively. They are backed up by a great team of House leaders and mentors.

The 2018 Second Formers have fitted in well and have now completed their first full year of College life. Well done! We look forward to welcoming the new boys of 2019 and hope that they feel right at home from day one.

The prefects and House leaders of 2018 are thanked for their efforts in leading the boys this year. It is not always easy to lead others, especially one's peers.

The mentors are thanked for their input into our boys' lives. They have a very important role to play in mentoring others, which these days is becoming more and more important and difficult to do. Despite all of the administration they have to complete, it is great to see the relationships they have been able to form. The mentors of Fuller are a special group of hard-working people who make the role of Housemaster much easier.

Well done to all those boys who achieved their academic goals at the end of 2018. We wish the Class of 2018 well for the future, may you ever remain hard-working College men. In 2019 may we strive to live up to all aspects of the 'Fuller quote'.

Mr A Sparrow

Lamond House

Housemaster:	Miss A Greyling
Assistant Housemaster:	Mr C Dutton
Mentors:	Mrs K Moula, Miss C Mhlongo/ Mr B Mduyana/ Mr M-J Smit, Mr A Sparrow/ Mr J Tyler, Mr S Ngema, Mr M Warr
House captain:	J Bilbrough
Assistant House captain:	S Speed
House leaders:	M-J Ford, N Haasbroek, C Jefferys, T Mudunge, K Watruss



Lamond House is named after famed Old Collegian Housemaster, Sholto Erroll Lamond, who had a 49-year association with the school. He arrived at College as a young schoolboy in 1902, the same year as Mr EW Barns, and remained as a student when the Natal University College was housed in the wood and iron building situated in College's grounds. He was Dux of College in 1908 and 1909, and apart from a short break at DHS in 1926-1927 (his 'locust years' as he called them), he taught at the school until his retirement

in 1950. In short, Mr Lamond was a member of the staff from 1911 until 1950, and was Vice-principal from 1924 to 1950.

Lamond House is indeed blessed with the mentors that we have. Mr A Sparrow until March 2018, Mr M-J Smit until March 2018, Mr B Mduyana until March 2018, Mrs K Moula, Miss C Mhlongo from April 2018, Mr S Ngema and Mr M Warr. Mr Sparrow was appointed as Assistant Housemaster of Fuller House. We thank him for his brief but meaningful input during the first term. Mr M-J Smit was appointed as Assistant HOD of Leadership. We were very sad about his leaving, but also very proud of his achievement and wish him the very best.

Mr S Ngema is also sadly leaving the Lamond nest, as he has accepted a position at St David's in Johannesburg. We thank him for his caring but firm approach to his mentor role. We wish him good luck and will definitely miss him.

We welcomed Mr J Tyler and wish him a long and happy stay in Lamond House. Miss C Mhlongo took over from Mr B Mduyana and has proved to be a caring mentor.

Mr Dutton is our very able and wise Assistant Housemaster and I would like to extend my gratitude to him for his assistance during the year.

As always, the young men from Lamond's approached all the inter-house competitions with fervour, giving their all in every competition. We finished fifth overall at the end of the year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of the boys who helped us to attain this position.

Lamond boys were yet again involved in all spheres of the co-curricular programme at College, whether it was in the cultural or sporting sphere. Quite a number of our boys were selected for various representative teams and we are extremely proud of them.

We were fortunate to have J Bilbrough as our House captain as he led by example. His gentle, yet firm way of dealing with people stood him in good stead. Assistant House captain, S Speed, did a sterling job and his organisational skills were put to good use. His empathy with the younger boys was also appreciated. House leaders, M-J Ford, N Haasbroek, C Jefferys, T Mudunge and K Watruss fulfilled their roles very efficiently and did an excellent job of organising and motivating the boys whilst participating in all the various inter-house activities. We thank them most sincerely for their hard work.

May our House go from strength to strength in 2019.

Miss A Greyling

Nicholson House

Housemaster:	Mr G Govindasamy
Assistant Housemaster:	Mr N Robberts
Mentors:	Mrs C Randall, Mrs E Couperthwaite, Mrs D Immelman, Mr C Nevay and Mr R Chirengende
House captain:	M Willemse
Assistant House captain:	A Bradford
House leaders:	D Naidu, A Mcoyi, M Wollentine, S Silver, K Kleiner



The year 2018, as anticipated, has been challenging, demanding and fast. When we look back it seems that we were just the other day helping the Second Formers to adjust to their new school and reminding the Sixth Formers that this was the start of the countdown to the end of twelve years of schooling. We have learnt to appreciate the times we live in and give the best we possibly can. It is pleasing to note that we were able to live up to that.

The boys in Nicholson House were a pleasure to work with even though some may have been a little more difficult than others. The saying 'boys will be boys' rings ever true when I have to deal with difficult boys. I must admit, though, that discipline always prevails and our boys are accustomed to that.

The smooth and efficient running of our House is credited to the mentors. On a daily basis they interact with the boys. Their task is by no means a simple one. Their duties range from the prescriptive to non-routine matters. We are blessed with a group of professionals who respond to each situation and afford the necessary help. A big thank you to Mr R Chirengende who leaves the House at the end of this year to take up other duties in the school. He has certainly left an indelible

mark on the boys in his mentor group. We welcome Mrs F Deyzel who will assume the role of Assistant Housemaster from 2019. We do hope her stay with us will be a long and rewarding one.

Our proud record of academic achievers once again must be acknowledged. These boys set high standards for themselves and see the attainment of their goals as reward for the hard work they put in. It is pleasing to note that their passion lies not only in their achieving, but also in their supporting other boys.

A big thank you to N Welch, A Bradford, S Dube and M Willemse for the outstanding work they did as prefects. We are indeed indebted to this team who executed their duties well and were good examples to the rest of the College family.

Our House leaders accepted the challenge of their role with much enthusiasm. This task is by no means an easy one. Their duties kept them busy every morning and during House activities. The sterling work done by these boys must be acknowledged. Due to their professionalism and commitment, we enjoyed good discipline and camaraderie in the House. All boys under their care were full of praise for this team.

J Beauclerk received the Kean Hemmingway prize for leadership. This award is determined by a vote of the Third Formers. It is heart-warming to note the recognition amongst the boys of a future leader.

Many Nicholson House boys received awards for their achievements in the areas of academics, sports and culture. These are listed in the Awards section of the magazine.

This year we chose to help the Suid Afrikaanse Vroue Federasie, whose Home provides frail care. The boys were asked to bring in food items and money. We are proud to say that this organisation was surprised and overwhelmed by the generosity of the Nicholson House boys. We donated a large amount of groceries and an amount of R1520. A big thank you to the boys, staff and parents who made this possible. We look forward to an even greater donation next year.

Mr G Govindasamy

Pape House

Housemaster:	Mr B Bosch
Assistant Housemaster:	Mr M Reid / Mrs T Louch (from term 3)
Mentors:	Mr S Bosch, Mrs S Thorpe/Mr N Makhathini, Mrs S Kritzinger, Mrs M Maharaj, Mr D Haswell
House captain:	B Noble
Assistant House captain:	T Moroney
House leaders:	T Govender, M Maphumulo, T Moroney, T Spalding, E Symington



2018 proved to be a rather busy year for Pape House. To start with, we welcomed Mr Mike Reed as our new Assistant Housemaster, only to lose his services later in the year when he was appointed as Housemaster of Calder House. We then welcomed Mrs Tarryn Louch as our new Assistant Housemaster. She has been a breath of fresh air and we sincerely hope that she is with us to stay. Our next addition was Mr Ndumiso Makhathini who replaced Mrs Sandra Thorpe, and he has slotted in very well.

Pape House again tried hard to compete and climb the leader board, but we certainly lacked some skills to become as competitive as we would have liked. We gave of our best in all areas, and the boys are commended for it. For the third year running, an event in which we

could excel was the senior Tug-o-war, which we won convincingly – well done boys!

Mentor feedback for 2018 was positive and the House system has really rooted itself at College. The boys are all accepting of one another and are prepared to offer mentorship freely. The House leaders led from the front and were always visible and willing to run the House without having to be prompted.

Our Project Flamingo – for Cancer – really did well this year and the seriousness of the disease encouraged our boys to make generous donations to the cause. We will continue with this project in the new year and will be asking boys and parents to donate generously for this very worthy cause. We have discussed the Project with two other Houses who will be joining hands with us to make the College contribution more substantial.

We would like to wish Mr Sheldon Bosch everything of the very best with his promotion to Assistant Housemaster of Commons House in 2019. We wish to thank him for the years of hard work and dedication to Pape House.

We welcomed Mrs Elma Fraser, who will be replacing Mr Bosch. We know that she will bring new expertise and care to our House and we hope that her stay with us will be a long and happy one.

Finally, I would like to thank the team for all their hard work and dedication in the past year. They really are a family of note.

Mr B Bosch

Snow House

Housemaster:	Mrs C Tedder
Assistant Housemaster:	Mr J Mhlongo
Mentors:	Mr L Booysen, Mrs G Landsberg, Mrs G Quin, Mrs M Troveri, Mr M Shezi
House captain:	N Radebe
Assistant House captain:	W Michaux
House leaders:	L Charles, S Ngubane, M Marshall, A Walstroom, W Muir



As another year draws to a close it is time once again for reflection and taking stock of 2018. Our House motto *Nosce te Ipsum* means 'Know thyself'. I believe that this is one of the most important concepts in life because only when you truly know yourself and understand what you are capable of, will you be able to push yourself to achieve great things in your life. Our heartiest congratulations to all our boys who achieved or surpassed their academic, sporting or cultural goals this year.

Our House captain and House leaders made it their goal to get every single boy in Snow House to participate in all inter-house events this

year and they certainly achieved this. Snow House was placed in second position overall. We did not have many sporting stars in our House, but it was the collective effort and spirit that prevailed that helped us to achieve this. The following were the activities in which we excelled this year: third in cricket, first in squash, third in tennis, second in rugby, first in basketball, third in table tennis, first in cycling and third in athletics.

I would like to thank our mentor teachers and Mr Mhlongo, the Assistant Housemaster, for their input and valuable contributions to moulding our boys into perfect gentlemen. After a short stint with us, Mr Doug Watson was replaced by Mr M (KG) Shezi.

To the House captain and House leaders, thank you for a job well done. You all took your particular portfolios very seriously and each of you played a meaningful role in making Snow House a safe and a happy place to be. I particularly want to single out our captain and Vice-captain. Radebe and Michaux have set the bar very high for our future leaders by always setting a good example. The Snow House boys were happy and willing to follow their lead. To all our Sixth Form boys 'hamba kahle', look after yourselves and best of luck in your future endeavours.

Finally, to all our Snow House boys, congratulations on a successful and eventful year! We look forward to a great 2019.

Mrs C Tedder

Strachan House

Housemaster:	Mr N Pillay
Assistant Housemaster:	Mr J Lyons
Mentors:	Mrs T Schofield, Mr D Sherriff, Mrs W Erasmus, Mrs S Webley, Mr M Jeewan
House captain:	G Lesur
Assistant House captain:	N Zulu
House leaders:	D Edwards, U Khan, E Meyer, B Wood, N Zulu



The House system, introduced in 2014, has been invaluable in the development of our learners. The mentorship programme, increased competition, increased pastoral care and greater leadership opportunities for the boys have made the system easy to embrace.

Special thanks and congratulations must go to you the boys of Strachan House for what has been a rather eventful year.

We achieved a satisfactory sixth position overall, posting good results in some events. Strachan House performances in the inter-house competition were mixed. We achieved commendable results in swimming, table tennis, hockey, soccer, squash and tennis and were placed sixth overall at the end of the year. I must applaud all mentors and the boys for their participation, enthusiasm and dedication in working towards a common goal.

My appreciation must go to the House captain, G Lesur, vice-captain, N Zulu, and House leaders for doing a sterling job in getting the boys organised and motivated for the various House events.

We are extremely proud of T van Aardt for being appointed the Head Prefect of Maritzburg College for 2019. He was an overwhelmingly popular choice among his peers and teachers. We have full confidence

that this young man will fulfil his duties to the best of his ability and will be a credit to both Strachan House and Maritzburg College. In addition, eight other boys have been elected as prefects, which is a first for Strachan House.

On behalf of the Assistant Housemaster and the mentors I wish the matriculants well in their future careers.

Many Strachan House boys received awards for their achievements in academics, sports and culture. These are listed in the Awards section of the magazine.

The following boys have done remarkably well in their respective codes of sport and Strachan House is indeed proud of their achievements.

- Y Naidoo was selected to represent South Africa at table tennis in the U18 Age group for the ITTF African Junior and Cadet Championships, that were held in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire in April. In addition, he was selected to participate in an International Friendly Junior Tournament in the Seychelles as well
- T Drummond was selected for a South African canoe polo development tour to Europe in August
- M McCleary was placed fourth in the SA Enduro Champs MTB and first in the KZN Enduro Series.

I wish all Sixth Form learners well in their end of year examinations. To the House captain, G Lesur, vice-captain N Zulu and House leaders, B Wood, U Khan, D Edwards and E Meyer, a big thank you for shouldering the responsibilities of Strachan House in 2018. Your enthusiasm in organising the various events coupled with your personal involvement was very much appreciated and must be applauded. To my Assistant Housemaster, Mr J Lyons, thank you for your unwavering support in managing the House. The Strachan House mentors are thanked for their commitment.

To the Strachan House team, continue to be positive as you have always been. We look forward to another successful year.

Mr N Pillay

2018 Inter-House Competition

The inter-house competition in 2018 has been an exciting race. Commons House did well to lead throughout most of the year after stating their intent by winning the school gala and cultural competitions – the major events in the first term. That was followed by some strong showings in the second term and then a major victory in the school Athletics Championships. These triumphs, and some consistent

performances in other events, put the 'oranje' of Commons House in line to be the worthy winners of both the Forder Cup for Champion House and the Cock House Champions (sporting champs). Snow House were in the chase for most of the year and can also be proud of their 'silver' place finish. The final log positions in the competition for the Forder Cup were as follows: *Mr B Swart*

POSITION in 2018	House	Bonver Week	Virtus Sports Challenge	Cricknet	Swimming	Shooting	HCC 4 events *	Tennis	Rugby	Hockey	Chess	Cross-Country	Table Tennis	Soccer	Squash	Basketball	Athletics	Canoeing	Water polo	Cycling	Academics	Overall points
1	Commons	7	4.5	2.5	10	9.5	9.5	9.5	8.5	7	7	8	4.5	4	6	3.5	9	5	9	7	5	136
2	Snow	9	2	8	3.5	6	5	5	8.5	6	6	6	6	7	10	10	8	4	2	9.5	3	124.5
3	Barns	7	7	6.5	1.5	8	7.5	3	6	2	9	7	2	8	3	6.5	3	10	5	8	8.5	118.5
4	Forder	1.5	10	5	5	1	7.5	2	6	10	10	9	3	5	8	2	6	7	3	9.5	5	115.5
5	Lamond	10	9	10	6.5	4	4	1	3	3	8	10	1	1	5	1	10	9	7	2	8.5	113
6	Strachan	4	6	4	8.5	7	2	7.5	1	9	3	4	9.5	9	9	3.5	7	1	1	5	1	102
7	Calder	3	3	2.5	8.5	5	6	4	6	1	4	2	9.5	3	1	5	5	8	10	5	7.5	99
8	Pape	1.5	4.5	6.5	1.5	2	9.5	7.5	4	8	5	1	7.5	2	8	9	4	6	8	1	2	98.5
9	Nicholson	7	1	9	6.5	9.5	1	9.5	2	4.5	1	3	4.5	10	5	6.5	1	3	6	3	5	98
10	Fuller	5	8	1	3.5	3	3	6	10	4.5	2	5	7.5	6	3	8	2	2	4	5	7.5	76

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Report by the Deputy Headmaster: Boarding



Inaugural Boarders' RCL 2018

Back row: C Thunder, P Elliot (secretary), B Ngubane, M Ndaweni, M Msomi, J Beauclerk
Front row: C Schultz, S Elliott (Head of Elliott House) (vice-chairman),
 R Stainbank (Senior Boarder Prefect) (chairman), T Moroney, B Kgoroge
Absent: L Maboza

The Maritzburg College boarding establishment continued to grow and prosper in 2018, a year that saw its numbers increase – as part of the school's strategic view of the BE – from 445 to 485.

The undoubted highlight of the year was the long-awaited opening of Shepstone House in the final week of the third term. Soon thereafter, the first batch of Form 4 boarders took occupation of the top floor and reports indicated that they were rather satisfied with their surroundings. We were very grateful for the support that "Project Jimeloyo" received from multiple quarters – including sponsors like the Classes of 1977 and 1998, the Rodseths, the Payns, the Stewarts, the Kennedys and the Commons. The House was also able in the last days of 2018 to welcome its incoming Housemaster, Mr R Chirengende, who has taken over from Mr Kyle, who will assume the position of HOD: Leadership at College and will switch over to the Deputy Housemaster position in 2019.

As with any organisation made up of almost 500 testosterone-fuelled young men, there were various transgressions by the boys during the year that kept Mr Guise-Brown – as overall head of discipline in the school – and me occupied. While some of them were innocuous enough, there were a number of boys who were obliged to take short, unplanned sabbaticals from the BE, and it is hoped that they and their peers will, by these actions taken by the school, have been reminded that rules at a big, traditional, all-boys' school like College are important and must be obeyed. We, the BE community, are very grateful for the support in this regard by the disciplinary committee of the SGB, who adopted a fair but no-nonsense approach to severe breaches of the Code of Conduct.

On the staffing front, the number of resident staff remain stable at 43 – an enviable number! Earlier in the year, we bade farewell to Mr G Erasmus (Michaelhouse), Mr R Moolman (UK), Mr D Larter (Cowan House Prep) and Sr Lauren Richmond (Hilton), and at the end of the year Mr L Shezi accepted a position at Michaelhouse, my old classmate Mr D Pryke moved to St Alban's in Pretoria and Mr S Ngema moved to Johannesburg, to take up a position at St David's. We thank this fine lady and these fine gentlemen for their respective contributions to the BE – in Mr Larter's case, over many arduous yet successful and hopefully happy years as Housemaster of Nathan's.

From December 2017 onwards, we were joined by Messrs C Nevay (Selborne College), A Sparrow and Old Boy N Makhathini (both Wynberg BHS), former Protea hockey player D Coombes (Northcliff High), N Duvenage (Czech Republic via Merchiston Prep), former Dolphins cricketer and Old Boy K Nipper and Z Mazwi (Durban Prep), and by Srs S Rajah and J Saurombe in the Sanatorium. Moreover, with Mr Larter's departure, staunch Old Boy Mr D Hoffman took over as the Housemaster of Nathan's from the start of the third term, and settled in with aplomb.

At the final meeting of the Boarder Parents' Committee in October, Mr J Culverwell was appointed as the Chairman of the BPC with effect from

January 2019, taking over from Mr G McGladdery. I salute the tremendous efforts that Guy made to the cause of the boarder community during his tenure. I look forward to working with Joe from January onwards – as well as with the SGB representative, my good friend Mr L Zunckel.

There were a number of aspects of BE life that enjoyed some attention in 2018:

- Following elections held at the end of 2017, the inaugural boarders' RCL met regularly throughout 2018 under the inspired leadership of the Head Boarder Prefect for 2018, R Stainbank (chairman) and the Head of House of Elliott's, S Elliott (vice-chairman). I think we all agreed that the meetings were valuable and that especially our discussions about boarder privileges and traditions – which, lamentably, had provided grounds for division in 2017 – were productive. The strong foundation laid by Stainbank and his team will be built upon by the incoming committee for 2019, led by the eminently forthright K Raw.

- Similarly, the so-called "traditions booklet" was re-examined and discussed, and copies of the booklet were in September provided to all the acting prefects – a first for the school.
- In late 2018, it was decided at an SGB level that the school will formally formulate and develop a #CollegeCulture, which will have a strong BE application. We welcome this, and I am sure that various elements of the BE will play a leading part in its roll-out from 2019 onwards.
- In August, a "Shouting Committee" meeting took place under Mr D Pryke. While it may be a challenge in 2019 to re-discover the impetus and energy of that meeting, we in the BE are confident that many of the excellent suggestions that bubbled up at that meeting need further exploration.
- Mentoring – perhaps a rather exhausted term in the BE these days – had its ups and downs in 2018. While the relationships between staff, prefects and boys in Nathan's remained understandably close, in the other Houses the role of the BE "mentor teacher" remained less clear-cut. That being said, in Hudson's Mr Emerson continued with his successful fireside chats of last year, Mr Kyle in Shepstone's instituted a fun evening at the end of the third term that involved arm-wrestling and table-tennis competitions. Towards the end of 2018 Mr Fraser in Elliott's continued with his exeat interviews with every boy, and Mr Barbour in Clark's continued with his big brother / little brother focus.
- At the end of 2018, a new digital sign-out process had been developed and will be implemented in 2019. My thanks go to especially Mr K Emerson and Mr S Bosch for their initiative and hard work in that regard.

However, despite the progress made during the year, by the end of 2018 it was clear to me and others that there remained a few issues around which further discussion with and introspection by the College boys were required. These included a discussion about the difference between the healthy ideal of 21st Century masculinity that College attempts to instil in its young men and the so-called "toxic" masculinity that can develop, as well as the all-important difference between servant-based and ultimately altruistic "whistleblowing" and much-maligned "snitching". These issues will be discussed at BE mentoring sessions at the beginning of 2019.

In closing, I'd like to pay tribute and thank the BE Housemasters and duty staff (including the good ladies in the Sanatorium), Mr K Hackland and his team of artisans and workers, Mrs B Parker for her unmatched efficiency and commitment, Mrs K Roberts for her personal assistance to me, and Mrs H Lawson and her catering team, who have ensured that the gaunt, malnourished College boarder of yore is forever a thing of the (very distant) past!

Mr M Marwick



Clark House

Housemaster:	Mr R Barbour
Boarder Masters:	Messrs M Ngcobo, L Booysen, S Stickells, S Ngema, N Makhathini, J Greeff
Head of House:	C Hollaway
Prefects:	E Hodgson, G Lesur, L Mabande, S Speed

It was very fitting that 2018 started off with the annual Obstacle Course Challenge because as a House we had to overcome a number of our own obstacles, in order to come out the other side with our heads held high - which we did, and tackled all, good and bad, as learning experiences.

The first weekend back, which is always a special time for boys to reconnect after the summer break, concluded with a swim, and playing some of that time-honoured Barns tradition of touch rugby.

C Schultz was appointed as our senior boarder RCL member, and did a fine job in relaying all the important developments back to the House.

The Sanatorium ladies deserve medals of the highest order, following the illness outbreak we experienced in first term. I take this opportunity to thank and acknowledge the constant care and attention our boys receive from Sister Townsend, Mrs Gardiner and also Sister Richmond who left us mid-year. These ladies are really the BE moms to our boys and I believe that each one has a special place in all the boys' hearts. The speed with which they respond to emergencies at any time of the day is truly commendable and greatly appreciated.

The Dusi was, as always, a greatly anticipated event this year, and proved very successful for 'Boarder of the Month' of February, H McKenzie who won the U18 race with D Evans (another College boy in the same age group). Well done, Hamish, and all the best in your new ventures.

The Night Series at Voortrekker kicked off the very early start to our rugby season, with our rugby boys already in the depths of their pre-season conditioning testing and training in the high performance centre with our very qualified and experienced school biokineticist, and new Clark House boarder master, Mr Jason Greeff who joined us after we said farewell to Mr Richard Moolman.

Clark House welcomed Mr Ndumiso Makhathini to the staff. He has quickly established himself as a stern disciplinarian, being a College Old Boy and fresh from Wynberg Boys High. He has found his feet very well,

and has fitted wonderfully into our special House. I hope he will be happy here in the Old Red Brick for many years to come.

We are extremely grateful for the understanding and support of those involved regarding the challenge of the ever-changing sign-out procedures. All the Houses were working together to experiment with many variations, trying to ensure the safety of our boys, as well as improve the efficiency of the process. Though I'm sure, at times, this did not seem the case, we are making progress.

The stage production of "Guys and Dolls" enjoyed the talents of some of our boys, as well as those of sound engineer, and newly appointed Director of Performing Arts, our very own Mr Simon Stickells at the helm of this very successful musical. We will miss you as you play to the tune of the new Shepstone House. Thank you for your service and collegiality.

The infamous and challenging trials period was especially fruitful for the occupant of the Crow's Nest, C Hollaway, who achieved the position of Dux of the school: an outstanding effort, and true reflection of the calibre of this man of few words, natural leader and all-round nice guy.

Many of the Clark House boys excelled in the fields of academics, sports and culture. The details may be found in the Awards section of the magazine.

The third term held high expectations for the Fifth Formers who were hoping to be appointed as prefects and house leaders for 2019. The Fifth Form is a gifted and talented one with several natural leaders and we look forward to what they will achieve next year.

I take this opportunity to thank the out-going prefects who were excellent this year in assisting the Clark House staff manage our boys and look after the most beautiful building on the school property.

As in any big institution there are unsung heroes who tirelessly work behind the scenes to keep our boys and our House ticking over. Thank you Mr Hackland, Mr Crosson and your wonderful team for looking after the old red brick lady, who needs more and more care and attention as she goes on in years. Thanks to Miss Hackland at the pupil office for ensuring the chaps are always in the know as to what is going on in the school, ensuring that they have all they need, even feeding them sometimes. Your generous heart, professionalism, and gentle nature is a breath of fresh air in the life of a boarding house. Thank you Mrs Lawson for your miracle meals made marvellously with so much love, as if these boarders were your own sons.

BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT

A special word of thanks to a man who probably loves this school more than most will ever know; for his constant presence at roll calls, raids, and rituals, and to his striding out clad in his faithful 'Dlamini' stirring the troops on the quad. Mr Marwick, your support, suggestions and trust are treasured deeply. Thank you for your innovations and for guiding the BE through the murky, grey waters of this transitional period from a Victorian, traditional boarding establishment system to a twenty first century institution, for our nearly 500 boarders.

And finally, a heartfelt debt of gratitude to the boarder masters Messrs S Ngema, S Stickells, M Ngcobo, J Greeff, L Booysen, and the bulldog, Mr N Makhathini, for your trust, conviviality, camaraderie, and patience. The family time, down time that you sacrifice to carry out your commission is invaluable. It is my utmost privilege to serve beside men of such calibre and vigour, who constantly strike a balance between discipline and humour, command and request. You are the heartbeat of the house, and the system surges along because of you and your

efforts. It is unfortunate in many ways, that the true reach of your care will only be truly felt in reflection by these boys, years from now, as they think back on their time in the old red brick.

Sadly, we said farewell to Mr S Ngema at the end of the year. You have been dependable and patient, firm but fair and loved by those who know you. All the best in the next chapter of your life *mfowethu*.

In Clark House we will always endeavour to produce gentlemen, who recognise the worth in their Clark House brothers and think of others first. Boys who see it as a privilege to become a Clark House man. Young men who work hard, but stay humble, who leave their ego at the door and are always the first to help. After all, we are the custodians of the fine heritage of this great House. And what a joy it is to have shared these times with the boys and men of Clark House.

Mr R Barbour



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Elliott House

Housemaster: Mr C Fraser

Boarder Masters: Messrs P Snyman, S Bosch, N Duvenage, A Sparrow, B Swart and S Botha

Head of House: S Elliott

2018 has been a productive year for Elliott House in the cultural, sports and academic spheres. This year we had 61 boarders in Elliott House. It took a while for them to settle in, but they were definitely a cut above the rest and I would like to thank them for making it an enjoyable year. Most of the boys went through the year without receiving a bolt and that attests to the fact that discipline in the House was of a very high standard. This year Elliott House was represented on the Boarder RCL by T Moroney and L Maboza, with S Elliott as the Head of House. These boys served as a platform for the boarders to voice their opinions and give accurate feedback on the day-to-day structures, and routines of the House.

A Walstroom and M Maphumulo were both selected for the U18A Inland Hockey side. Throughout the season they have shown true grit, as many times they were to be seen on Pape's Astro fine-tuning their skills and tweaking their game. You have once again proved that hard work is rewarded. Thank you for making Elliott House proud. We wish you every success with your future in hockey.

We were very fortunate to have a great blend of talent in Elliott House as some of our boys played an integral part in the "Guys and Dolls" production. I Ndlela fashioned a very authentic American accent and did a fine job of playing the role of Nathan Detroit. L Maboza, who played the role of Joey Biltmore, and A Asampong also showed their mettle as the chorus dancers of the production. Behind the scenes N Zulu and J Chikowore contributed to the successful running of the show as part of the theatre crew. We can also boast some musical talent in Elliott House as H Wong provided musical accompaniment through some superb keyboard playing.

Elliott House boys did the House proud with their achievements in the different spheres of school life and all these accomplishments are recorded in the appropriate sections of this magazine. They all received certificates at the sixth form boarder farewell dinner in October.

I would like to thank all the boarder masters, Messrs P Snyman, S Bosch, S Botha, A Sparrow, B Swart, and N Duvenage for all their hard work, doing their duties well and for supporting me during the year. They play an invaluable role in the practical functioning of the House and the routine would not be possible without them. I would like personally to thank Mr Bosch for all his efforts in transforming our archaic ways into a more digital and technologically advanced daily routine. He assisted us in making our roll-calls, consequence-recording and meal-lists very streamlined by using the most revolutionary technology available to us. We are working

towards a more technologically advanced Elliott House and without Mr Bosch's input this would not have been possible.

From a mentoring perspective our boarder masters have done their utmost to positively impact upon our boys lives in both academic and co-curricular domains. Our masters did their best to touch base with all of their mentees each term to track their performance. Our boarder masters also went the extra mile this year and made a concerted effort to have more one-on-one meetings with the boarders. In these meetings our masters also gave guidance to our boys with regard to their future plans and difficult decisions they have been faced with throughout the year.

In the first two terms we managed to give the interior of the House a bit of a facelift. Mrs Bev McGladdery was kind enough to assist in the process of obtaining new curtains and blinds. We are truly indebted to her and we appreciate her efforts. Mr Dave Commons has also been very generous in donating furniture to Elliott House to add a modern, homely touch to our Common Room.

College also has an abundance of sporting greats across all codes, many of whom have donated framed provincial and national jerseys to College over the years. Mr Marwick has made some of these jerseys available to us which we have mounted on our walls in Elliott House. It makes for a very stirring scene as you enter the Elliott House Common Room.

Mr Hackland and his staff have also been very busy to improve Elliott House as they have been painting the interior in Elliott House since the start of the second term. It is very pleasing and I am sure the boys are chuffed with their fresh, more attractive living environment.

A special word of thanks to Mr Hackland, Mr Crosson, their maintenance team and laundry staff for all their hard work in Elliott House throughout the year and for keeping "Alcatraz" in a presentable condition at all times. To Sister Townsend and Mrs Gardiner, thanks for taking such good care of the Elliott House boarders when they were ill or injured. Thank you to Mrs Parker for all the administrative work you do for Elliott House and to Miss Hackland for assistance with administration and the newsletters. I would also like to thank Mrs Lawson for feeding the Elliott House boarders and staff so well. The food you prepare is scrumptious and Maritzburg College is very lucky to have you and your staff.

Lastly, I thank Mr Marwick for his help, support, advice during the year, his input into the BE and for always seeking ways to improve the BE.

To all the Sixth Formers, thanks for being a mature group and for finishing off in a dignified way. All the best for the future. I hope each and every one of you attains the goals you have set for yourself.

Mr C Fraser



Hudson House

Housemaster:	Mr K Emerson
Assistant Housemaster:	Mr B van der Walt
Boarder Masters:	Messrs T Orchard, C Dutton, D Sherriff, R le Roux, C Nevay and V Msibi
Head of House:	A Vermaak
Prefects:	N Welch, A Zvandziva, J Oberholzer, W Michaux

Hudson House had five prefects this year and eight Masters who did duty in the House. Hudson House is the biggest boarding house in the school and in 2018 it was home to 152 boys. The dedicated and efficient team of boarder masters and prefects ensured that the daily running of the House was seamless and that the boys were well looked after and encouraged to remain disciplined, diligent and respectful towards others. As is seen in the Hudson's DNA, each boy, regardless of his form, is expected to be organised, self-disciplined and mindful of his fellow man in Hudson House.

Hudson House was ably led by the Head of House, A Vermaak, who enjoyed the respect of the boys and staff alike. This young man exceeded expectations and embraced his role with conviction and a maturity that ensured he was an effective leader. His friendly disposition and rapport with the boys in the House enabled him to be both compassionate and kind, but firm and consistent when needed. He, together with his team of prefects, ensured a high level of discipline and focus in the smaller things that are sometimes overlooked.

On a staffing front, we welcomed a fresh, new team. Mr Brandon van der Walt was promoted to a new position in the Boarding Establishment as Assistant Housemaster. His energy and enthusiasm is contagious and the way in which he interacts with the boys allows him to play a big pastoral role too. Mr Chris Nevay joined the team from Selborne College and Mr Goi le Roux moved across from Nathan House.

Hudson House has always enjoyed a distinctive identity and a unique Hudson's camaraderie. It is this fabric that makes the House a special place and something which allows the boys to truly call their boarding house, a home away from home. The academic achievers continued to shine this year with many boys consistently being placed in the top 20 in their respective Grades. The consistent high achievers in Third Form were U Maphumulo (first in form), O Beauclerk and J Lalor. M Smith and C Stubbs were the best placed Fourth Form boys. S Dlamini continued to impress by claiming first in form throughout the year in Form 5 and M Ryan, J Collocott and N Msiya were the next best achievers.

The House has a proud history of producing many top sportsmen in school colours and at Provincial and National Levels. All boarders are expected to participate in the co-curricular programme at Maritzburg College which keeps them busy and fit and, most importantly, teaches them to deal with the life lessons that sport and working within a team presents. Some

stand-out achievers this year on the sporting front are; M Khumalo (U17) for his selection to the SA U19 rugby team: he went to the U19 World Cup in England. D Dyer was selected for the SA U17 Indoor Cricket World Cup Team. K Hadebe (Grant Khomo) and A Nzimande (Academy Week) were selected for KZN rugby teams. B Jackson and D van Niekerk were selected for the SA U16 High Performance Squad and N Pio was selected for the SA U17 Hockey Team. We have a host of Provincial selections across many codes, as well as a number of cultural leaders, actors, debaters, singers and musicians. We celebrate and share in the boys' success at the House Dinners and in quarterly newsletters. The involvement of all the boys in the House is noteworthy, as it ensures that they spread the balance of their time at school.

Each year the 'Boarder of the Year Award' is voted for by the boys in each form. They vote for and choose a candidate for displaying qualities that are the essence of a Hudson's boy: "for displaying camaraderie, loyalty, friendship, commitment and achievement." The 2018 recipients were; U Maphumulo in Third Form, J Muggleton and N Mndaweni shared the Form 4 award, and T van Aardt and K Raw shared the Fifth Form award.

We were exceptionally proud to have three of the five Senior Prefects for 2019 come from Hudson House. Namely: T van Aardt (Head Prefect), K Raw (Head of Boarding/Head of Hudson House) and D Dyer (Head of Nathan House).

I thank Mr Marwick for his role as Director of Boarding. The hours he spends ensuring that our BE is run efficiently, are countless. He is committed to making the College BE a better place and this is evident in the work he does. He is commended on another successful year.

The running of an efficient House must also be accredited to numerous other groups of people. Mr Hackland and his estates staff who take care of the maintenance, cleaning and laundry are commended on doing a superb job during the course of the year. Mrs Lawson and her team in the kitchen ensure that the boys enjoy tasty meals. The food that our boys receive is arguably the best in the country, backed up by the compliments we receive from many schools that visit our BE for festivals and tours. The Sisters in the San are marvellous in what they do. They are the mothers of the BE and they take care of our 450 plus boarders with such dedication and compassion, and are on call 24/7.

We wish our Hudson House Fifth Form leavers all the very best for their final year and thank them for the contribution they have made during their three years in Hudson's. They have added to the rich history of the biggest House in the school and we hope that 2019 is a happy year for them in Elliott House. Hudson House remains a proud part of the College BE and all is set for an enjoyable and successful 2019.

Confido et Conquiesco.

Mr K Emerson



Nathan House

Housemaster:	Mr D Larter and Mr D Hoffman
Deputy Housemaster:	Mr L Shezi
Boarder Masters:	Messrs G Waters, M-J Smit, S Zuma, B Mduyana, D Coombes, Z Mazwi and R le Roux
Head of House:	R Stainbank
Prefects:	B Noble, E Kasambala, T Mokoena, N Mchunu

The class of 2022 were as expectant and enthusiastic as any new boarder when they stepped onto the hallowed turf of Maritzburg College for the first time. The diversity of cultures and personalities was soon put aside and the establishment of a unified College culture was started as early as the farewell meal with their parents. From the outset it has been the goal to establish a moral ethic to run through the House, focusing on the core values of Maritzburg College. Certainly 102 young men living by their own rules would result in anarchy. Nathan House and College offer a unique system that creates an individual who is one hundred percent a team player. We have not perfected this practice yet, but as a school we endeavour to focus and improve, the role of the Nathan House boys being a key element in attaining that goal. An unknown author once penned, *"Each person setting his own moral standard leads to the same kind of confusion we would have if each driver made his own traffic rules."*

From the time that parents left the College campus it was quite clear that most boys would embrace life in Nathan House. There were, however, going to be a few who would not – boys who could not deal with the emotion of being separated from their parents, or with living where 'personal space' is a thing of the past. This is where I must thank the Boarder Masters, Mrs Wulfsohn (our counsellor) and prefects for the hours that were spent counselling and guiding these young men and also, at times, their parents. However, some were not able to push through and made their way back to the security of home. They did not go without a brave attempt and some inventive methods of trying to make it work, but we did lose more youngsters than we would have liked. I have deep admiration for those who did manage to stick it out and have made it through the tough times, some only settling finally in the fourth term. Well done to them and also well done to the parents for staying on course. These lessons will be invaluable as life takes its path for these young chaps.

2018 certainly produced many successes. Many of the boys performed well academically, with K Goddard doing particularly well by finishing second in form, leading the Nathan House charge. There have been some very notable achievements on the sports front, a number of Nathan House boys playing hockey at provincial level, as well as athletics, and even angling.

Even more encouraging was the representation of the Nathan House fellows on the cultural side of life, with the choir and stage productions all having representation from our boys this year. Well done to them on a good effort. It is also encouraging to see the enthusiastic support at both rugby and cricket on Saturday afternoons on Goldstone's. To quote a Second Form parent from a few years back, "This for me just epitomises the true gentleman that College produces in our boys and the respect they have for one another".

Our emphasis as a Nathan House team, is to instil in the boys the importance of the core values for which College stands – honesty, integrity, courage, self-discipline, commitment and respect. Whether or not this is achieved will only be measured in the type of man that a boy becomes one day. A big thank you must go to the Head of Boarding, Mr Marwick. The work you do under immense pressure on a daily basis is tremendous. We know that you always have the best at heart for the boys and the school. I also want to thank Mr Larter, who laid a solid foundation at the start of this year and made a huge contribution to the effective running of and the special culture in Nathan House. Mr Larter really made it that much easier for me to take up my new role at the helm. A sincere thank you must also go to the gentlemen who worked tirelessly this year to be mentors to the boys of Nathan's— the boarder masters. Without you this house would not be what it is. Your passion for College and the development of the boys is unmatched. Thank you for all your support. Finally, a big thank you to the parents and boys of Nathan's this year. Thank you for sticking it out when it got tough and for trusting us with your precious sons, even when it was difficult to do so from a distance. May the years to come continue to be prosperous and meaningful as you develop into mature young men.

Mr D Hoffman





Athletics

Back row: S Piper, M Maharaj, L Mendes, M Willemse, K Huizinga, S Malila, B Reddy
Front row: K Mthimkhulu, S Mntungwa, J Bilbrough (captain), Mr A Sparrow (MIC), N Ndlovu, S Nene, N Mosebi

A number of athletes participated in various league meetings and the 'Puma School of Speed' event all held in and around Durban during the first term. O Higgins represented the KZN Secondary Schools' team at the SA Schools' Championships. Higgins, W Pretorius, K van den Berg, N Ndlovu and J Bilbrough were selected for the Pietermaritzburg and Districts Invitation team at the annual Menlo Park meeting; they acquitted themselves extremely well. Van den Berg was placed first in the U14 100m, Higgins came first in the U15 800m and Ndlovu was also first in the U16 100m, equalling the current record of 10.9s.

The school's Athletics Day was held at the new Pietermaritzburg Athletics Stadium. It was the first athletics event to be held there. The world-class facilities at this venue allowed us to have all of our athletics items on the same day in the format of a full athletics meeting – which meant all the boys were able to watch their peers competing for their respective Houses.

Lamond House, once again, won on the day, which was cold and quite wet to start with. Commons was placed second and Snow House third.

Athletics Champions for 2018

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| U19: G Will (Pape) | U15: W Pretorius (Lamond) |
| U17: K Huizinga (Forder) | U14: N Mosebi (Commons) |
| U16: B Emms (Commons) | |

The Mike Viljoen Trophy for the best individual performance went to N Mosebi who broke the record for the U14 100m, posting a time of 11.5s.

During the third term a number of athletes took part in the Grey Invitational athletics meeting. The best performances were: N Mosebi placed first in the U14 200m and third in the U14 100m. O Higgins came first in the U15 1500m. B Emms was first in the U16 high jump.

Mr A Sparrow







1st Team

Back row: N Ngcobo, N Mbanjwa, Z Khoza, S Dumisa, A Zvandaziva, P Dladla, A Asampong
Front row: B Mcoyi, C Dladla, Mrs J Orchard (MIC), N Luthuli (captain), Mr Z Oosthuis (coach), M Nzuzi, P Simamane
Absent: Mr J Wilcock (assistant coach), L Janse van Rensburg, M Siwila, A Mpunzana

Review by master-in-charge

The fact that College was able to field up to 19 teams on many a Saturday indicates the popularity of basketball at present. College played 22 fixtures in 2018, which meant that on most Wednesdays teams played against the local schools. It was pleasing to note that the U14 age group was particularly strong this year, which bodes well for the future of the sport at College.

Overall 2018 has been a successful season despite the fact that the 1st team did not do as well as the coaches had hoped they would. The Stayers' team however, began their season on a very positive note.

Many of the 1st team players participated in the pre-season Spring Festival. Owing to the winter sport programme continuing into the third term, the team was not at full strength, but the festival did however provide an opportunity for the players to get back into a basketball mind set. They also travelled to the St John's Tournament in February and won four of the seven matches played. This tournament has teams from various countries in Africa so it is a good bench mark for the team. The U16s participated in the Michaelhouse and the St Stithians Tournaments. They were placed fourth in the Michaelhouse tournament and finished third in the St Stithians tournament. N Ngcobo was selected for the All Stars team which was a huge honour as the team was made up of only five players.

At the end of 2018 we bade farewell to two coaches who have both worked tirelessly to ensure that the standard of basketball is maintained. I would like to extend, on behalf of all those associated with the sport, our gratitude to Mr Sbonza Dladla, who coached the 2nd team, and Mr Darien Bester, who coached the U15B side. Their input at the practices and matches will be missed. It has been a privilege working with them both.

The basketball fraternity extends its sincere thanks to:

- Mr Ken Hackland and his team for always having the facility ready for practices and matches. We are aware that it is often a very difficult task as the Hall is used for Assembly and other functions.
- Messrs Luman, Guise-Brown and Swart for their unfailing support throughout the year.

- Mrs Heather Lawson for being so willing to provide refreshments for players and supporters for the many home games.
- The coaches for giving so freely of their time and expertise to ensure that the standard of basketball at College remains high.

*"Talent wins games, but teamwork and intelligence wins championships."
 Michael Jordan*

National and Provincial Selections:

Inland U16:	R Hyde, L Mawela, M Darch
KZN U16:	N Ngcobo
Inland U18:	Z Khoza, S Dumisa, Q Mkhize
South Africa U16:	Q Mkhize

Mrs J Orchard



Z Khoza in a match against MCS



1st Team

Working with young men in a team setting always gives one an opportunity to try and put the boys in the best situations in which to succeed. Sometimes you succeed in reaching your goal and sometimes you are left with the feeling that money was left on the table, to borrow a business phrase. This was certainly the feeling with this year's first team. There were simply not enough games and enough time for this team to gel completely, but as the season progressed, the boys' play improved.

Though the overall results did not show favourably in the win/loss column, I am very proud of the endeavour shown by this group of players. Their growth individually and the sense of pride and courage shown by the boys at the end of season St John's basketball tournament showed a marked growth in the collective belief of the group.

The 2018 senior season, however, did not start off on a good note, as many of the players could not arrive for the pre-season camp for various reasons. This is normally a critical time to refocus the team after the December holidays. Subsequently, many of the adjustments made by the coaching staff, in terms of strategy and team line-ups, could not be effectively implemented. This led to many games not being so much about implementing a game plan but about finding a style of play that suited the contrasting skill levels in the team.

Consequently, being slightly under prepared for the first match of the season against Westville, College headed down the N3 nervously, wondering what the outcome would be. Westville, who are always a tough fixture at home, exposed some individual frailty in the College boys and won the game 54-48. Individual defensive lapses cost the team dearly as any momentum gained was squandered by poor decision making.

This match served as a template for many of College's matches, with a lack of consistency in both defensive and offensive cohesion. College simply missed far too many open shots at the basket to justify a win and was at times defensively exposed.

Our next match was against DHS who, though no longer the force they once were, still had a few talented scholarship players and a competent coaching staff. College's naivety on defence on the day was again ruthlessly exploited by DHS and they ran out 75-68 victors.

Our return fixture against our cross-town rivals, St Charles College, took place on a stormy Friday evening. With half of the games rained out on the day, the Saints indoor facility was packed to capacity, as supporters from both schools turned the evening into a standing room only event. This was one of College's better displays of the year even though the score-line of 63-52 indicates a comfortable victory for St Charles. The College team acquitted themselves admirably and played with great passion and almost snatched victory in the dying minutes of the game. The support given by the College boarders on the evening was greatly appreciated by the team.

Buoyed by their performance a week before, College headed to Hilton looking to avenge their defeat to Hilton in the Stayers season. Some shrewd coaching by the Hilton coaching staff, however, forced College into offensive positions that they were not used to and nullified any defensive pressure that College may have placed on them. Hilton ran out 58-43 winners.

After the mid-term break we welcomed Michaelhouse to the College campus. On the day, College showed a great deal of grit to come back from a large early deficit but again the lack of consistency and efficiency on offence and defence came back to bite College as Michaelhouse won the game 75-56.

College ended the season with our annual trip to the St John's tournament in Johannesburg. In summary College played seven, won four and lost three games. As was mentioned earlier, the problems that had dogged the team throughout the season were still there, but the team, now used to playing with each other and also playing with a bit more confidence, displayed a bit more cohesion and won a few tightly contested games. Boys who had been expected to play important roles in the team took their places and ended their seasons on a high note.

Stayers 2018

Preparations for the Stayers season started early in 2018 as the pre-season spring league kicked off in the first week of the third term. A large number of boys attended pre-season practices, which was an encouraging sign.

Many of the players who would have made the Stayers team could never consistently get to practice due to winter sport commitments. This did, however, give other boys opportunities to play against top tier teams. It also gave the coaching staff a chance to assess the quality of the players available and showed a large, passionate group of boys who love the game and love competing and representing the school.

Though College finished last in the league it was invaluable in giving fringe players an opportunity to compete at the highest level in KZN basketball. The fruits of these matches were clearly evident with many of the players who represented College playing with a high level of intensity when they returned to their teams.

When the Stayers' team was finally chosen we did find that we were behind some of our major competition in terms of team cohesion and strategy. This showed in the early season games against Kearsney and St Charles where College's opponents were simply far more organised and polished than College was.

However, by season's end there was a semblance of a team culture and identity. The last game of the season, against a highly ranked Michaelhouse team, gave College the necessary belief that the second half of the season in the first term of 2019 may be a vintage one. I am proud of the growth of the boys during this time and want to thank Mrs Orchard for her tireless efforts in giving the boys every opportunity to excel.

Player Critique:

N Luthuli (*captain, guard*): An injury half way through his Stayers' season limited his effectiveness. When healthy he was a dynamic scorer who, in spite of his slight frame, was fearless in attacking the basket. As a 'follow me' type of leader, he struggled at times to lead the team, when he was not physically able to do so. Award: The Best All-round Basketball Player.

C Dladla (*vice-captain, forward*): Despite being slightly built for his position and also short of pace, he progressed steadily in his senior season, but never quite reached his full potential. Award: Service to Basketball

M Nzuza (*vice-captain, forward*): A nagging ankle condition limited his productivity and effectiveness on the court. He was always a great presence in the team and, in spite of this injury, he always played with a great deal of enthusiasm.

B Mcoyi (*guard*): He was the starting guard for most of the season and used his quickness to be a pest to opposition guards. He was a player who with a bit more confidence would have contributed in far greater areas of the team.

A Mpunzana (*forward*): He started off slowly but by season's end had reached a high level of play. His play at the St John's tournament was of a particularly high standard and carried the College team with some gutsy performances.

N Ngcobo (*KZN U16, centre*): A player who really could have been a star performer, but his skill set never quite matched his desire. He clearly loved the game and aspired to being great. At times his shot selection and decision making were questionable and with more game time he would have been a far "savvier" basketball player.

P Dladla (*centre*): He always played hard and gave of his best but was somewhat limited offensively. However, he executed our defensive schemes consistently during game situations.

S Dumisa (*Inland U18, guard*): A player who really loved the game of basketball but at times tried to play a brand of basketball that was past his skill set. With a little more mental and physical maturity I trust he will achieve his goals.



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Z Khoza (*Inland U18, guard*): He used the season as an opportunity to switch positions. He is a talented player but needs to become physically stronger to maintain his level of productivity.

P Simamane (*guard*): A tough, strong player who stepped in for Luthuli after his injury. He sometimes tried to do too many things on the court, not focusing on his core competencies. A more mature approach to the game in regards to his particular skill set may lead to him being more effective. Award: The Most Improved Player.

A Asampong (*centre*): He could have been a really effective player with a little more skill. He played the game with a great sense of enthusiasm and worked hard in games, but was really let down by an inability to put the ball in the basket consistently.

L Janse van Rensburg (*forward*): He joined College half way through the season and took a while to find his feet in the College environment. He was a skilled player who, once settled, was College's most effective player. Award: Most Valuable Player.

A Zvandaziva (*forward*): He was a burly player who had blistering straight line speed. With just a little more finesse and basketball skill, he could have dominated games due to his physique. He was a valuable contributor to the team and always helped the team keep focus.

N Mbanjwa (*centre*): A player who possessed some skill but did not put in the necessary effort from a physical preparation standpoint at this level. For him to be effective there needs to be a commitment to being better in all facets.

M Siwila (*guard*): He was a small player for 1st team basketball and was primarily brought into the team as a shooter. He displayed some nice touches at times but was very undisciplined in terms of understanding the team balance on offence and defence.

Other players who also represented the 1st team: S Trollip and N Phenyane

Results:

1st team:

vs Westville 48-54, DHS 68-75, Alex 104-44, St Charles 52-63, Hilton 43-58, Michaelhouse 56-75.

St John's Tournament

St Benedict's 23-46, Falcon 21-19, Michael Mount 24-34, Wynberg 23-21, Bishop Bavin 21-17, Maru-a-Pula 31-28, St Stithians 23-35

Stayers:

vs Northwood 52-36, Kearsney 49-60, Hilton 61-41, Weston 77-30, St Charles 41-44, Treverton 84-20, Carter 62-18, Westville 64-55, St Nicholas 117-17, Alex 50-47, Michaelhouse 55-62, Grace 48-26

Messrs Z Oosthuis and J Wilcock

2nd Team

The second basketball team had a very good season. In the first term they managed to win the majority of their games and enjoyed playing against the 1st teams from Weston and Treverton. These two games proved to be very competitive and the team managed to beat Weston but lost to Treverton.

During the season, the players were enthusiastic and supportive of one another and the energy shown at the practices was also displayed during the games. Having two coaches enabled us to analyse the players effectively and to come up with good combinations. In the fourth term only three games were lost, those being against Kearsney, Hilton and St Charles. Both coaches and the team were delighted with the promotion of S Trollip and N Phenyane to the 1st team.

We thank all the 6th form players who came out to play for the team despite the pressures of final examinations.

Regular players:

L Shange (*captain*), B Randall, S Mbatha, K Howard, S Bushell, S Trollip, N Phenyane, A Asampong, C Tyrer, C Baxter, D Cooper, M Mothebe, S Mbanjwa, C van der Merwe, M Siwila, J Cooper, J Smit, C Dladla and B Mcoyi

Results:

First term

vs Kearsney 26-29, Westville 9-30, Glenwood 71-16, Weston 1st 49-37, Treverton 1st 30-38, DHS 46-7, Michaelhouse 60-23, St Charles 52-63

Fourth Term

vs Kearsney 32-39, Michaelhouse 28-23, Westville 33-23, Northwood 71-13, Hilton 19-31, St Charles 24-31

Messrs S Ngcobo and S Dladla

3rd/4th team

This was a year to remember. Both the boys and I had a tough challenge ahead of us at the beginning of the year. The boys were now seniors and were about to start the journey coming from U16s. There were a lot of changes, such as playing on the main court, and many people watching them was one of the toughest. I had the challenge of coaching a senior team, coming from the junior level, and this was going to be rather difficult. But they were challenges which we were ready to tackle.

From the first day of training the boys were ready. They had that 'I want to play' attitude in them and proved themselves in training and on game day. They were really a passionate group of boys. The boys took everything they learned at practice and produced it at our games. During the first term we won four games and only lost to the Treverton 1st team.

The fourth term was a rather challenging season. Balancing exams and basketball was very difficult, especially since most of the lads were in Fifth Form, but still the boys pulled through and played their hearts out. With more than half of the team being promoted to 2nd team, it was another challenge for us. We won three games and lost only to Michaelhouse in the last fixture of the season.

Overall, I was very happy at the way the boys played and their dedication to the game. I wish them a very successful year in 2019.

Regular players:

J Govender, K Maphumulo, K Hollenberg, P Mpurana, T Kgoroge, S Westerdyk, T Lehloenyane, N Njimi, A Matsheke

1st term

vs Westville 35-13, won Triangular tournament (Westville/Hilton/College), St Charles 33-20, Hilton 35-15, Weston 2nd 25-14, Michaelhouse 35-23

4th term

vs Kearsney 30-18, Hilton College 20-16, St Charles 20-17, Michaelhouse 13-22

Mr M Mkhize



U16A

This season was really successful as most of the boys who played grew from being young kids to being young men. With a lack in numbers available, the team had to use all they had to play and compete at the highest level and the future of College basketball is bright. Despite the fact that there were only a few on the bench, the team managed to succeed. Everyone who was in the team played a role in the team's success and was very determined and enthusiastic.

The highlight of the season definitely was participating in the St Stithians U16 tournament where College was placed third out of 15 teams. It was a wonderful learning experience.

I thank the boys, school and parents for their support; they made it easier for us to get out there and be the best we could be. I hope the boys can take the lessons from each day we spent together and use it to better themselves and those around them with true College commitment.

Player Critique:

N Ngcobo (*captain, KZN U16*): A multi-talented player with a lot of heart, drive and passion. He will make a very good 1st team player in 2019.

R Hyde (*Inland U16*): He is a very skilful and fundamental player. He is encouraged to continue playing the sport as he has the ability to dominate a game defensively and offensively. He will play an important role in his final years at College.

C Desplace: He was most certainly the player of the season. He worked hard at both ends of the court, being a role model for the other players. He never shied away from any challenge.

T Mthombeni: He has the potential to be a great player if he spends more time on the court, as he is equipped with all the necessary skills.

R Fuller: A young, skilful and talented lad who is fun and easy to coach as he pays attention to what he is told. With hard work he will be a future star for the school.

Q Mkhize (*Inland U18, SA U16*): He is another potential star and if he continues to work hard and improve his playing abilities he will go far with his basketball. He was selected for the South African U16 team to play at a tournament in Gaborone in December.

C Venter: A new player to College basketball who had been working hard during the course of the off season. Once he had settled in, he found ways to add a lot of value to the team.

J Rajah: He is a very good example of what hard work can do and where it can get you. He became the team's best shooter and never shied away from challenges. He was a core player for the greater part of the season.

S Stanton: A player who has a lot of fundamental skills but needs more experience and game time to put his talents to work. He tended to make a lot of mistakes during the course of the season, but by the end was playing really well.

L Moseya: He is another player who really stepped up and was a core player for the team throughout the season. He grew with every game, from being a defensive player to one of the team's top scorers.

T Gibbons: He proved to be a very good replacement player who always played at the same pace. He was well composed during tense situations and was always eager to play.

L Radanna: One of the most hard working players in the team. Very shy but as soon as he got into the game he always gave the team something special.

B Brooks: He is very energetic and tireless. As soon as he learns to channel his energy in the right direction his decision making will ensure that he becomes a really good point guard.

N Bhengu: He proved to be a great replacement from the B team and ended up being one of the best players in the team.

S Manyathi: He needs to spend more time training at his craft and will be a really good player when he understands the rules better and uses

this knowledge to his advantage.

L Hadden: He is also a player who has the potential to be a very good player if he spends more time on the courts bettering himself and his craft. He played a vital role in a few of our games.

K Shandu: He is a player who needs to put in as much work for basketball as he does for soccer. He is capable and willing to work hard for the team.

L Mawela (*Inland U16*): A hard-working solid player with great potential. He needs to spend more time on the court to reach his full potential as a basketball player.

M Darch (*Inland U16*): His talent was recognised very early on – from the U14 age group he was used as a substitute for the U16 team. He was one of the stand-out shooters in the team. He would have been a great asset to the 1st team but unfortunately gave up basketball for squash.

Results:**First term**

vs Westville 21-20, DHS 47-30, Alex 38-7, St Charles 42-21, Hilton 38-10, Glenwood 60-8

Michaelhouse tournament

vs Michaelhouse 21-25, DHS 27-17, Treverton 46-17, Alex 41-18, Westville 14-18, Michaelhouse 41-23 (finished 4th)

St Stithians Tournament (finished third)

St Charles 19-17, Sacred Heart 29-8, St Alban's 24-21, Royal Bafokeng 28-18, Waterford 24-10, Jeppe 29-25, PBHS 30-21, St Stithians 12-23, American International School Johannesburg (AISJ) 50-43

Fourth Term

vs Michaelhouse 34-26, St Nicholas 50-15, Westville 37-18, Carter 49-13, Treverton 74-4, St Charles 23-18, Hilton 41-27, Kearsney 32-39, Northwood 38-21

Mr L Mbhele

U16B

The results produced by this team are testimony to the growth of basketball at College. Of nine games played, the team enjoyed eight victories and only one loss, against Westville in a very close game. Some games were won by one or two points which emphasised the competitiveness of basketball in our schools. We had a good, competitive run with DHS and Hilton and were able to be victorious in both matches by 23-21 points as with Carter High and Hilton where we won by only one point. Boys dedicated themselves fully to the team and were always fighting for their positions, wanting to be in the starting five at all times. It was a wonderful season enjoyed by participants.

Regular players:

T Hlatshwayo, Z Gxarisa, A Keith, N Reece, T Hall, S Ningiza, C van Selm, S Mnyani, H Trodd, N Mkhize, N Bhengu, T Gibbons, M Khuboni, S Manyathi, S Ndlovu, L Hadden

Results:

vs Westville 15-23, DHS 23-21, Hilton 23-21, Michaelhouse 24-16, Carter 45-44, Northwood 48-11, Kearsney 33-20, Hilton 19-18, St Charles 50-13

Mr J Mhlongo



BASKETBALL

U16C

The boys had a very successful season, winning seven out of their ten games. The boys were challenged at the beginning of the fourth term with the teams changing from the U16 age group to the open age group. With the College never-say-die attitude, the boys quickly gathered their inner strength and took on the rest of their fixtures with true 'Red, Black and White' determination. The boys came to all practices and games and for that I commend them. I wish the boys all the best moving forward. Faka induku boys.

Regular players:

J Barrett, Z Amod, K Hammer, J Bouguenon, T Hlatshwayo, S Khuzwayo, J Cocks, J Lee, U Mkhize, N Qwabe, T Parsons, E Burton, B Pepworth, T Kumalo, M Madikane, A Ntuli, T Nzimande

Results:

First term

vs Hilton 27-10, Westville 33-9, St Charles 23-13, Michaelhouse 30-8, Treverton (2nd) 38-34

Fourth term

vs St Charles 14-32, Hilton 24-21, MCS (1st) 14-62, Michaelhouse 25-27, Kearsney 20-15

Mr B Mduyana

U15A

The season started off with a couple of new faces being selected into the team. During the previous year, a few of the top players had left and this was an opportunity for new players to rise to the occasion and earn their spots in the team. U15 is a tough adjustment year with most players having to define or redefine their roles and positions in the team moving forward and in preparation for U16 and the first team.

At the beginning of the season we set out to be a shooting team – as we were undersized, we had to add that element to our game. Although we were not very good at shooting as a team in term one, we improved in the fourth term as a result of the hard work and dedication from the boys. More than 90% of the team can shoot the ball effectively and this opened up our game immensely.

Term one played out like a fairy tale, we lost only one game and had a few nail-biting wins which brought us together as a team. Term four was not as good though, but when we ironed out the kinks we were able to show our pedigree in a few games. By the end of the season each player had experienced personal growth and began to come into their own within the structure of the team.

Most Valuable Player: M Buthelezi

Most Improved Player: Z Shongwe and B Nduku

Player of the Season: L Luthuli

Player Critique:

M Spooner (captain): He was one of the top shooters in our team. With a natural leaping ability, he also has the potential to become a great man-to-man defender and this is something that would elevate his value to the team immensely going forward. He played as our point guard this year, but a better fit for him would be as the shooting guard.

Z Shongwe: He plays at a lightning speed and has the potential to become a very good player, but what shines the most about him is his heart and natural leadership qualities. He absolutely loves the game and leads by example at all times.



L Mawela in action at a home game

L Luthuli: He was one of the top scorers in the team. He can shoot, he can drive and he can finish over and under big players, and is one of the best defenders in the team. He has an amazing work ethic and love for the game of basketball and applies himself diligently to the game.

M Dube: He joined the team in the fourth term and hit the ground running. He was the fastest player on the court with a ball and his strength and explosive style of play allowed him to finish well through contact.

N Smith: He has an incredible work ethic and a will to improve, and it is this very quality that saw him rise from being an U14B player who just made it into the team. By the end of the season he became a good shooter and also a good defender.

M Buthelezi: One of the top scorers in the team, his ability to get into the lane and run the fast break caused problems for the opposition. He could shoot the ball consistently from the mid-range and from beyond the arc. He improved a great deal over the course of this year, mainly because of his excellent work ethic.

K Hlengwa: He had a good season, although he struggled adjusting from post player to three guard. He has a good square up game, can shoot the ball at a fair rate and has great anticipation on defence.

F Johnston: He was our muscle man, our enforcer. His speed and explosiveness off the square up made him very difficult to defend and his strength allowed him to finish through contact. He had a good season.

R Dippenaar: He joined the team from the U15B near the end of term one as a post player and improved in this position steadily over the year. He has the potential to become a great guard defender which would be a huge asset for the team. He has been a pleasure to coach.

B Nduku: He struggled to find his place in the team in term one as this was a huge jump from primary school basketball to U15A basketball, but in the fourth term he cemented his position as the starting five post player. He showed massive potential to be a dynamic big man who can potentially play in the low block and at the guard position.



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BASKETBALL

R Naidoo: He was one of our top shooters and a starting five player in term one, but had his focus pulled from basketball by soccer and as a result had to work hard to reclaim his role in the team. His shooting ability and his ability to play the high post are his strengths.

L Mcoyi: He joined us for the last few games of the season in term four. He is a very good shooter and a natural point guard, who distributed the ball to the right place every time. He tended to avoid contact and therefore had fewer drives to the basket than the rest of the team.

M Woodhead: He was in and out of the U15A in term one and came back better in term four. He has a good shooting touch and needs to work on being able to use this consistently.

A Mlotshwa: He joined us near the end of term one and gave us speed and movement coming off the bench as a point guard. He has much to learn in his position but is fully capable of realising his potential.

W Trodd: He joined us for the last few games in term four and hit the ground running. His ability to catch and shoot made him a deadly player and he was also able to find his teammates in the lane after a drive to the hoop. He will be a major asset to the team moving forward.

Results:

First term

vs Westville 28-26, DHS 30-15, Alex 35-16, St Charles 30-27, Hilton 34-18, Michaelhouse 13-28, Glenwood 24-15

Fourth term

vs Northwood 41-13, Kearsney 19-24, Hilton 21-26, St Charles 21-20, Carter 57-6, Westville 56-9, Alex 38-8, Michaelhouse 30-36

Mr B Mkhabela

U15B

The U15B basketball team had a successful season. There were a number of memorable matches during the year, in particular the win against Kearsney when we went into extra time and won the game by one point. Many players in the team showed much improvement during the year and several moved up into the A team. These fine young men have been a pleasure to coach and have been willing to do their best during practices and during games. I wish them all well as they move into the U16 age group next year.

Regular players:

M Shaw, T Nkosi, C Trodd, W Trodd, A Dlamini, T Makhobotloane, R Kingham, A Ndlovu, M Dube

Results:

First term

vs Westville 16-20, DHS 36-14, Hilton 30-29, Weston 31-32, Michaelhouse 29-31, Carter 48-17

Fourth term

vs Northwood 27-13, Kearsney 22-24, Hilton 30-16, Weston 46-16, St Charles 22-23, Carter 37-12, Westville 18-16, Michaelhouse 22-33

Messrs D Bester and A Usher

U15C

The U15C team was a group of boys with mixed personalities that complemented one another well and it showed through their great undefeated first term season. The pressure was on, as College is all about striving to be the best at all times. The boys worked hard together and had some great moments doing it. Even though we lost our undefeated streak to Westville in the fourth term, the boys kept their heads held high and finished the season strong.

Regular players:

L Magwaza (*captain*), A Mbambo, S Chili, T Chili, L Janse van Rensburg, K Montana, K van der Merwe, N Dlamini, M Clarke, J Henman

Results:

First term

vs Carter 15B 40-8, Michaelhouse 46-8, Hilton 47-4, Westville 22-12

Fourth term

vs Michaelhouse 27-14, Westville 25-27, St Charles 24-11, Northwood 23-17

Mr N Khambule

U15D

The team worked hard and managed to win most of their games. The boys were really dedicated and almost every week a player was promoted to the C team. The highlight of the year was against St Charles, as we were down the whole game but ended up winning by a single point in a crunch game that went to the end. The boys fought and worked hard to make sure we got that win. They all grew and improved during the season and if they spend more time practising they have the potential to be future stars.

Regular players:

S Nsengiyumva (*captain*), B Ndlovu, J White, Y Gwala, Y Matyolo, S Malinga, T Sekgonyana, P Shabani, J Jansen

Results:

First term

vs Westville 14-4, DHS 11-3, St Charles 35-15, Michaelhouse 13-13, Treverton 10-34

Fourth term

vs Northwood 31-9, Kearsney 17-11, St Charles 29-28 and 23-19, Westville 14-19, Michaelhouse 37-22

Mr L Mbhele



N Mkhize and S Bushell in second team action



U14A

The boys this year were a pleasure to coach. They had a great season and they followed instructions to the letter, resulting in a structured team at practice and during matches. The team had chosen N Vilakazi as their captain and despite his very quiet nature, he led from the front. They still have much to learn but will grow into competent and confident players. Due to their willingness to learn, they should get there easily. The season went well, with only one loss during the year. The most improved player was S Mbonambi and the most outstanding player was C Janse van Rensburg.

Regular players:

N Vilakazi (*captain*), W Hadebe, C Henman, T Zimu, S Mbonambi, TM Govender, D Craig, Z Sithole, J Larkan, S Myende, C Janse van Rensburg

Results:

First term

vs Westville 20-13, DHS 45-13, Alex 38-7, St Charles 43-12, Hilton 35-22, Michaelhouse 45-21, St Nicholas 21-11, Glenwood 71-0

Fourth Term

vs Northwood 54-14, Kearsney 29-24, Hilton 31-14, St Charles 14-28, Treverton 48-17, Carter 32-15, Westville 40-26, Alex 68-6, Michaelhouse 21-11

Mr S Mazibuko

U14B

The U14B team had a very successful season, especially in the first term when we won most of our games. The boys then put an enormous amount of time and effort into off-season training and the results spoke for themselves. They were unbeaten in the fourth term despite having a few A teams as opposition. Training sessions were incredibly rewarding as each young man always arrived with the intention to become a better version of himself as a player and College boy by the end of each session. The teamwork and unity stood out as a highlight of the season. The captain, S Ntuli, led by example and put his body on the line, game after game. The teamwork and care for each other was inspirational and it was truly a privilege to coach such an amazing team.

Regular players:

S Ntuli (*captain*), K Hattingh, U Sithole, K Zondo, J Munn, A Khumalo, M Mntungwa, M Ivins, A Isaacs, Z Gumbi, T Nemato, P Mncube, L Mdletye, T Sithole

Results:

First Term

vs Westville 8-8, DHS 10-9, Hilton 20-30, Weston U14A 20-16, Michaelhouse 49-24, Carter U14A 12-13

Fourth Term

vs Northwood 40-8, Kearsney 18-14, Hilton 32-16, St Charles 35-6, Carter 32-17, Westville 27-20, St Nicholas A 25-13, Michaelhouse 27-16

Mr S Ngema



R Hyde (U16A) goes up for a basket in the match against Northwood



Z Gxarisa (back) and S Mnyani in the U16B game against Northwood

U14C

The team had a shaky start to the season, with a narrow loss against Westville, but as the season progressed, the team grew stronger with the boys giving 100% at every practice and fixture. The team continued with great determination and ended the first half of the season having only suffered one defeat. In the fourth term, the team maintained a positive attitude, with spectacular performances against Hilton, Michaelhouse and Northwood. This was despite the fact that the team had not played basketball for two terms.

Throughout the year, the boys carried themselves like champions. They embodied the values of commitment and self-discipline. The team finished the season strong, with a 25-13 win against Michaelhouse to wrap up a phenomenal season.

Overall the team played 12 games and won nine, lost one and two were abandoned owing to the weather.

Regular players:

A Nzimande (*captain*), S Dlamuka, S Nkosi, M Fihlela, A Ndlovu, T Zuma, K Mowabi, N Masilela, J Taylor, Z Gumbi, S Shezi, O Mhlong

Results:

vs Westville 8-9, DHS 52-7, Hilton 49-0, Michaelhouse 30-8, Glenwood 15-5, Northwood 40-11, Kearsney 8-0, St Charles 36-18, Westville 27-25, Michaelhouse 25-13

Mr S Zuma

U14D

The U14D team had a very successful year and produced pleasing results. This group of boys arrived at each practice session with a desire to get better. In the first term they played five matches and lost only one, to DHS. The highlight of the first term was winning 64-8 against Michaelhouse. The fourth term arrived and the boys came back with the same hunger and determination. The team worked as a unit, with each player putting the team first, which led to an unbeaten fourth term. It was a pleasure to coach these young, talented individuals.

Regular players:

N Mbatha (*captain*), W Pillay, E Kingham (*vice-captain*), J Taylor, S Shezi, A Mfeka, N Sosibo, J van der Merwe, O Mhlongo, M Hendricks, A Ndlovu, G Mubiana

Results:

First term

vs Westville 15-4, DHS 2-12, Michaelhouse 64-8, Clarendon 32-8, Glenwood 12-11

Fourth Term

vs Northwood 12-6, Kearsney 39-12, Weston 14-12, St Charles 69-2, Westville 20-18, Michaelhouse 48-16

Ms N Ngcobo

U14E

It has been a great honour to coach such a self-motivated and an incredibly talented team. They played an exciting brand of basketball in both terms and each training session was a learning curve for the team - they knew exactly what calibre of player they wanted to be.

There were hiccups here and there, especially in the first term, but the fourth term was less choppy and they finished the season with a bang. I have no doubt that these boys will soon make College very proud.

Regular players:

A Ngubo (*captain*), K Dwenga, M Ngubo, Z Mncwabe, S Ngcobo, A Barnard, T Zondi, A Mndima, L Hlophe, N Zwane, A Dlomo

Results:

First term

vs Westville 6-5 and 6-26, Clarendon 32-8, Scottsville 15-17

Fourth term

vs Northwood 28-1, Kearsney 31-8, Bisley 16-0, Westville 18-10

Mr S Mabaso





Canoeing

Back row: D Brink, J Maher, M Foster, J Haasbroek, J Bense, T Woodburn, J Squires, T Brauteseth, C Simmonds, J Cumming, B Raw, J Nelson, W Hodgkinson, J Moller
Third row: R Patterson, C Shaw, L Arnold, B Tarr, N Cook, A Tedder, G Joubert, J Meyer, A Dick, R Finnie, T Farla, S Horn
Second row: C Goble, J Sharpe, O Mlambo, R Ross, C Ollerhead, K Rhodes, I Hemmingway, S Arnold, G Cooke, J Goble, J Patterson, JJ Campbell, K Tedder, T Ross
Front row: S Little, B Lawson, S Speed, Mr B van der Walt (MIC), D Evans (captain), Mr S Bosch (coach), K Tarr, T Drummond, J Giddings

The College Canoe team has been revitalised with the energy of the good old days that put College on the map as the premier canoeing school in South Africa. The club went through some restructuring, where we lost stalwart MIC, Rob Marriot, who relocated to Port Elizabeth. This opened the door for Brandon van der Walt who took over the role of directing excellence for 2018. Messrs D Larter and G Erasmus also left the team after many years of service, to pursue promotion positions elsewhere.

There was something in the water down at Camps Drift which was going to make 2018 a year to remember for Maritzburg College. With over forty second-formers showing an interest in the sport, it sparked the momentum for higher formers to follow suit and get involved. The Natal Canoe Club, Starsky Products and Granny Macs Catering were the driving force behind our dream team.

The season kicked off with D Evans and H Mackenzie going head to head at the Capital Caterers Kayak Centre Schools League. Evans and Mackenzie alternated positions on the top step of the podium for the first few river races.

The KZN Schools River Champs was the first major showdown between the two. Unfortunately, due to the nature of river racing, the heavy rains earlier in the week, resulted in a collective decision to allow only seniors and competent paddlers to race through the lower gorge, due to dangerously high river levels. Evans snatched the victory to claim the title of KZN Schools River Champion.

In the U14 category, Michaelhouse put up the challenge to J Goble, G Cooke and I Hemmingway, who all added their own flavour to the racing. Cooke took the early lead in the series, while Hemmingway remained consistent in his performance, while Goble only came into his own later in the series where a solid six months of dedication pulled him up into contention.

In the Grand Prix races around the country, our boys continued to perform at the highest level. J Giddings and the Tarr brothers, Kelly and Ben, claimed the SA Schools K3 Title at the Liebenbergsvlei Canoe Marathon. Evans and Mackenzie flew the College flag high at the Dusi Canoe Marathon where they finished in 12th position overall. Evans carried this momentum throughout the year and won the Silver medal at the National Marathon Championships, where he was selected to represent South Africa at the World Marathon Championships in Portugal.

Hoping to go one better on last year's Silver Medal at the World Championships, Evans and Mackenzie saw an opportunity on the first portage of the 21km race and capitalised on it, where they surged ahead in a solo breakaway. The gutsy attempt was closed down with a lap to go. The powerful Danish crew crossed the line fractionally ahead of Evans and Mackenzie, who were later relegated to the Bronze Medal, behind the Spanish, after deviating from the racing line.

The team finished the season with twenty of College's finest taking on the mighty Fish River Canoe Marathon. Some notable results included Evan's Junior Title. College Old Boy, Andy Birkett, won the race overall and College Master, Brandon van der Walt, finished in fourth position overall.

In a year that has been categorised by outstanding results was true testament to the hard work and dedication that has been put in by our now forty-man strong team. The early morning running and gym sessions have supplemented the six paddling sessions a week.

2018 was the beginning of a new era at Maritzburg College that has set the benchmark for the prospect of something incredible next year.

Mr B van der Walt

"If it's important to you, you will find a way, if not, you will find an excuse." - Unknown

CRICKET



1st XI

Back row: S Elliott, D Dyer, A Todd, M Khumalo, T Elam, R Klusener, J van der Walt, C Fortmann
Front row: J Gengan, Mrs C Tedder (scorer), Mr D Pryke (head coach), A Bradford (captain), J Campbell,
 Mr K Smith (assistant coach), Mr J Greeff (biokineticist), B Noble
Inset: C Hollaway (vice-captain)

Review by master-in-charge

Approximately 300 boys were given the opportunity to represent Maritzburg College on the cricket field in 2018. We fielded 26 teams which included six Open teams, five U16 teams, seven U15 teams and eight U14 teams. Having this large number of teams requires a dedicated staff and Maritzburg College was extremely lucky to have had the support and backing of many wonderful coaches. The coaching staff was made up of full-time staff, external coaches as well as KZN Inland players who assisted with the A teams.

Maritzburg College has had a very good year with regards to the cricket results, returning a win percentage of more than 80% which is an improvement on 2017. There were also four occasions, against DHS, Glenwood, St Charles and Michaelhouse, where we had a strength versus strength clean sweep of wins (in completed matches) against our opposition. This was only achieved once in 2017. All our A teams did extremely well in 2018 and achieved some exceptional results with special mention going to our U16A team who went unbeaten. All these teams were ranked well within the Top 10 teams in SA according to the SA Schools Ranking System which is a great improvement on 2017.

2018 saw Maritzburg College for the first time merge the U16 age group with the Opens in the third and fourth term. This had its challenges and was something new for all our boys but it was embraced and some brilliant cricket was played by our new Open age group towards the end of the year.

The A teams all participated in festivals during the Michaelmas holidays which included another successfully hosted Oppenheimer Michaelmas Cricket Week, the U16 week in Durban, the U15 week at Grey High School and the U14s at Hilton College.

There was also an increase in individual star performances, with more hundreds and more 5-wicket hauls achieved by our boys, and achieved in fewer fixtures than in 2017.

The following boys were selected for provincial teams to take part in the inter-provincial tournaments in December 2018:

KZN Inland U19: J Campbell, J Gengan, M Khumalo, A Bradford (non-travelling reserve)

KZN Inland U17: D Dyer, S Mbatha, J van der Walt

KZN Inland U15: L Gasa, M Laithwaite, M Ngcobo, A Simelane, S van Staden, T Guise-Brown (non-travelling reserve)

SA U19: M Khumalo

An increase in KZN Inland selections is proof that Maritzburg College cricket is moving in the right direction. Other than our Provincial selections we also had one SA U19 selection in M Khumalo, who toured England in July this year.

Sadly, we bade farewell to Mr Pryke, the 1st XI coach who has spent two years in this role. His input into our cricket programme has been superb and we wish him well in his new post.

Our cricket season would not have been the success that it was without some very important people doing great work behind the scenes. A big thank you goes to: Messrs Hackland and Veitch and their whole grounds staff for the immaculate wickets the boys play on; Mrs Lawson for her lunches that everyone wants to come back for; Mr Luman for his constant support; and Mr Swart and his team for making sure everything ran smoothly in 2018.

Mr K Nipper

1st XI

The first team prepared for the season against an Inland Academy XI in three one-day matches on Goldstone's. After a slow start and losing to Hilton in the Night league T20 Semi-final, College went on a fantastic run of form dominating against St Charles, Hilton, Michaelhouse, and Glenwood. College again participated in the St David's Two-day Cricket Festival, as pre-season preparation for the second half of the season. The batters spent significant time in the middle, bowlers got through numerous overs and all players attained important cricket fitness. The 1st XI had a successful Michaelmas Week beating St John's and Westlake (New Zealand) convincingly, but losing to Affies in the penultimate over and to Grey College by one wicket with a ball to spare. We had several injuries and had to fill the fifth bowling berth, but this gave opportunities for debutants to gain experience and show their steel. The second half of the season was extremely successful, with the 1st XI going unbeaten in the fourth term in all Saturday fixtures.

The highest run scorer was J van der Walt, with J Campbell achieving the highest one-off score. The most wickets and the best figures of the season both went to M Khumalo. There were three boys who earned their fiftieth caps, namely J Campbell, A Bradford and J Gengan. Three other boys gave excellent service to College, namely: C Hollaway, B Noble and S Elliott. Our congratulations go to these senior boys and we thank them for their service to Maritzburg College 1st XI.

Higher selections:

Inland Mynahs:	C Fortmann, T Elam and R Klusener
Inland U17:	J van der Walt and D Dyer
Inland U19:	J Gengan, J Campbell, M Khumalo and A Bradford (reserve)
South Africa U19:	M Khumalo

As a unit, I believe our batters have been more patient in getting themselves in and have learned to bat for longer periods of time. Our bowlers need to increase their percentages and learn the art of patience, focusing on bowling dot-balls. However, our fielding was extremely impressive, especially our catching and we pride ourselves on being one of the fittest and best fielding units in the country. Maritzburg College was ranked sixth in the country at the end of the year.



SA U19 bowler, M Khumalo during Michaelmas Week on Goldstone's

To our coaching and support staff, a massive thank you. Cora Tedder continues to add tremendous value, not just in scoring, but providing statistics in every format possible at the drop of a hat and even doing cricket portfolios for all senior boys. Jason Greeff was forever present with warm-ups, post-match stretching, rehabilitation and strengthening of the squad. Kevin Smith quietly added his advice, until a game grew tense and then he flew out of the Kent Pavilion mumbling some of the best 'Queen's English', proving his passion for success which rubbed off on all of us. Kyle Nipper was always organised, always helpful and always adding additional perspectives from which we all learned. However, it is the unsung heroes that need a very special thanks: Dave Veitch, Ken Hackland and his team for always having 'everything sorted' and producing immaculate playing conditions on the legendary Goldstone's; Heather Lawson for her puddings and after-match snacks that increased all our waistlines. Brandon Swart and Stacey Emerson for organising and running an extremely successful Michaelmas Week, and last, but by no means least, Mrs Gail Bradford for the Goldstone's teas and Mr Michel Bradford for organising lunches for the parents and visiting families. This all adds tremendous value and makes the College cricketing experience what it is.

I write this with a very heavy heart and thank all of you for your unstinting support and friendship. I thank you for the privilege of coaching Maritzburg College 1st XI and entrusting your sons to me.

Player critique:



1st XI captain, A Bradford, en route to a century against Westlake

A Bradford (*captain, Colours and Scarf*): Had a slow start to the season, but showed his true colours as a leader when it really counted. He was fantastic at Michaelmas Week and the second half of the season, and was extremely unfortunate not to make the Inland U19 side to go to the Coca-Cola Khaya Majola Cricket week. He is a deep thinker of the game, has confidence in his knowledge and backs himself when making a decision. His keeping was exceptional this year, and he is one of the most composed batsmen I have had the pleasure of coaching. He scored a great hundred against Westlake and was definitely the find of the season with the ball, returning figures of 5 for 23 against Westville to win the match.

C Hollaway (*vice-captain, Large White Badge*): With an uncanny ability to get late swing, he was our go-to bowler, before Khumalo stepped up. He was a consistent performer, coming out of the Inland U17 team, and bowled a very heavy ball. He owned the all-rounder birth and was a very under-rated batsman who ran superbly between the wickets and

had the temperament to win matches. He hit the ball hard and straight. He was a committed fielder and was the heart of the side. He had the second best figures in the 1st XI: 5 for 21.

J Campbell (*Honours, Inland U19*): His move to opening revolutionised his batting. He had a superb technique and could play all round the wicket once he got himself in. He had exceptional powers of concentration and always wanted to bat through the innings. He was a supreme athlete who set the tone in the field and stopped countless singles in the inner-ring and was a fantastic slip fielder. He missed a portion of the second half of the season due to a serious hamstring injury, but could have scored over 1000 runs had he played. In addition to innings of 85 against Westville and 98 against Hilton, he registered the highest score of the year of 131 against Affies. He was awarded the Oscar Servant Trophy for Best All Round Cricketer in the 1st XI.

J Gengan (*Honours, Inland U19*): Whether starting with the new ball or bowling first change, he was crucial to the result of each match. He had a remarkable knack for moving the ball away from the right hander for the first few overs and then bringing it back later in his spell. He bowled a heavy ball with significant bounce and always added value on and off the field. A real team-man with a great sense of humour and a tremendously positive attitude. He won the Natal Witness/Maritzburg Old Boys' Cricket Club Trophy for the Most Improved Player in the 1st Cricket XI. If only he had managed to master a slower ball.

B Noble (*Large White Badge*): A bit of an enigma. He always looked cool, calm and collected, but under it all was a tremendous desire to succeed and he worked extremely hard at his game. He often got in and hurt bowlers, but struggled to convert to big scores. As an impressive slip fielder and a quality ground fielder, he was a pleasure to coach.

S Elliott (*Large White Badge*): He could easily also have been adjudged the most improved player in the team. Bowling two yards quicker and hitting the seam with regularity, he had high percentages and moved the ball both ways. He was an extremely under-rated batsman who did not have sufficient opportunity to show what he could do, but his time will come. A tremendous athlete, with great hands and a superb arm. He was totally committed to the cause.

M Khumalo (*Honours, SA U17*): This young man took over the reins as the enforcer, and led the attack with aplomb. His percentages were extremely high and his late in-swing was devastating to right-handers. He bowled with aggression, pace and guile. He had a tremendous slower ball and bowled superbly at the death. A fantastic athlete with flair and an excellent arm. He is a very impressive fielder with great hands. As a batsman, he showed us glimpses of his array of shots and power-hitting. He has an extremely exciting future ahead of him.

J van der Walt (*Large White Badge, Inland U17*): The highest run-scorer for the 1st XI this year and a player who, when he gets in, will go through. He hits the ball with tremendous power, both straight and square of the wicket and does not hesitate to go over the inner-ring. He is as tough as nails and always leaves it all on the field. He plays through injury, 'gets going when the going gets tough', and thrives on being challenged, backing down for nobody. He is a superb fielder with great hands and a good arm, being able to field in all three areas. He kept wicket on many occasions and added tremendous value as a team-man.

D Dyer (*Large White Badge, Inland U17*): He stepped up this year and scored the most runs at St David's. He has turned into a reliable run-scorer who is a true finisher and runs superbly between the wickets, especially with van der Walt. He is an exceptional fielder with great hands and a superb arm, who should be getting more run-outs. An under-rated bowler, he needs to bowl a yard or two faster and hit his areas more consistently, to become a true all-rounder.

A Todd (*Large White Badge*): A gutsy performer who times the ball well and is at his best when his feet are moving. His confidence to go over the inner-ring is significant and he has the ability to open the batting, or bat in the middle order. He is a superb fielder with good hands and a superb arm. When he has positive body language he plays his best cricket.

C Fortmann (*Large White Badge, Inland Mynahs*): The hero of the last match, hitting a six off the last ball to win us the game against Clifton. He ended up taking the third most wickets in the team, but would openly

admit that he could be more consistent as an off-spinner. He needs to keep his pace quick, summing up the conditions earlier. He did a superb job with the ball, but needs to bowl more dot-balls. As a batter, he is very underrated and is a 'gem' that has just been discovered. He is a sound fielder, with good hands and a strong arm.

T Elam (*Large White Badge, Inland Mynahs*): He has taken a significant number of wickets and has the ability to make the breakthrough, but needs to improve his percentages, especially from ball one. If he bowls with more pace and greater energy, he could be the X-factor of the spin-department. He has done his job with the bat, playing positively and having an array of shots. He can open the batting, or bat in the middle order. He needs to work at his power-hitting, and has a huge role to play in 2019.

R Klusener (*Large White Badge, Inland Mynahs*): An exciting, hard-hitting batsman who can bat anywhere in the top six. He is positive and backs his ability which is significant. He is an energetic fielder who is totally committed to the team. As a bowler, he has a lot to offer and needs to work hard at increasing his pace and variations.



A Todd and J Campbell open the batting vs Affies at Michaelmas Week

First Term:

vs Westville (Away) (Limited to 50 overs)

College were not at their best in the season-opener at Westville. Bowling first on a grassy wicket and under overcast conditions, College started well but were too inconsistent, allowing Westville to reach 220 for 6. The pick of the bowlers were Gengan and Fortmann, hitting their areas and ending with economical figures. College got off to a slow start and were reduced to 16 for 2. Campbell and Noble fought back well and, as the required run rate increased, Campbell stepped on the gas and was the last to go for 85. He showed true College fight, but ran out of partners and College were 28 runs short.

Westville 220 for 6
(Gengan 1/27, Fortmann 1/36, Khumalo 1/37)

College 193 all out
(Campbell 85, Noble 40)

College lost by 28 runs

vs Voortrekker High (Goldstone's) (CSA T20)-Stayers

College won the toss and elected to bowl first. Hollaway bowled superbly destroying the Voortrekker top order and they were limited to 71 for 7 in their allotted 20 overs. College were clinical with the bat and knocked off the runs in the 10th over, with no wickets down, Noble and Bradford carrying their bats.

*Voortrekker 71 for 7
(Hollaway 4/23)*

*College 72 without loss
(Bradford 32*, Noble 30*)*

College won by 10 wickets

vs Imbali Hub (Goldstone's) (CSA T20)

Van der Walt and Hollaway shone for the College 1st XI as they dominated Imbali Hub. College were put in on a very sticky surface. They negotiated the power-play well, then Bradford joined van der Walt and the run rate accelerated with some composed cricket and excellent running between the wickets. When van der Walt was joined by Dyer a 105 run partnership pursued which included some serious power-hitting, taking College to 186 for 5.

Imbali Hub started positively with a 37 run opening stand, but the College attack, led by Hollaway, worked as a unit and never allowed Imbali Hub into the game.

*College 186 for 5
(van der Walt 84, Dyer 43)*

*Imbali Hub 64 for 7
(Hollaway 3/6, Fortmann 2/17)*

College won by 121 runs

vs Hilton (Varsity Oval) (CSA T20 Semi-final)

College were beaten by a Hilton side who simply played better cricket in their CSA T20 semi-final at the Varsity Oval. Batting first, College lost early wickets and were never able to shake off the pressure the Hilton bowlers exerted. Further hindered by some terrible running between the wickets. College ended on 94 for 9 after their 20 overs. Not having to take too many risks. Hilton batted steadily and reached the target in the 19th over.

*College 94 for 9
(van der Walt 23, Noble 20)*

*Hilton 95 for 2
(Fortmann 1/17)*

College lost by 8 wickets

vs DHS (Goldstone's) (Limited to 50 overs)

College 1st XI played some superb cricket, but the Maritzburg thunderstorms had the final say. College took advantage of a good batting surface with an excellent opening partnership of 152 between Todd and Campbell. Bradford and van der Walt continued the onslaught for College to end on 298 for 4.

DHS's opening pair got off to a good start, but once the first wicket fell at 42, College's hunger was evident and they showed patience to take wickets regularly, reducing the opposition to 63 for 3 and then 132 for 6 before the heavens opened when they were on 174 for 7. College dominated throughout the day and were always in total control, but the weather had the final say.

*College 298 for 4
(Campbell 78, van der Walt 73, Bradford 70, Todd 59)*

*DHS 174 for 7
(Fortmann 2/23, Khumalo 2/24, Hollaway 2/43)*

Match abandoned because of rain

vs St Charles (Away) (Limited to 50 overs)

College 1st XI were brilliant in all disciplines as they dominated St Charles on their home turf. Put in to bat on a hard surface with some moisture on it, College batted superbly. After Todd went early, Campbell came in, again in prolific form. Bradford, Noble, Dyer and Hollaway all batted well and College set up a very impressive total of 233 in their 50 overs. College bowled with discipline and patience, but most impressive was their energy in the field. St Charles made no attempt to chase down the target, perhaps hoping for the rain to come. College captain, Bradford, was one step ahead, and bowled three spinners, including himself, to ensure College got through to a comfortable 107 run victory. All the bowlers came to the party, but special mention must be made of Hollaway who, although being extremely ill the entire day, led from the front, bowling 4 overs and taking 1 for 5.

*College 233 for 10
(Campbell 89, Noble 45, Dyer 23, Hollaway 23)*

*St Charles 126 for 8
(Gengan 2/12, Elliott 2/20)*

College win by 107 runs

vs Hilton (Away) (Time)

College 1st XI played some of their best cricket to date when they completely outplayed Hilton in all disciplines on Hilton's home turf. College took full advantage of good batting conditions. After Campbell and Todd batted superbly up front to put on a 79 run opening stand, Bradford and then van der Walt continued to apply the pressure for College to end on 213 for 6. College came out firing. Hollaway, with Khumalo supporting him from the other end, both struck early and Hilton were reduced to 42 for 6, supported by some fantastic catching. Gengan and Khumalo bowled superbly ending with three wickets apiece, well supported by Hollaway. Hilton batted bravely for a draw and ended on 128 for 9.

*College 213 for 6
(Campbell 98, van der Walt 32*, Bradford 32, Todd 26)*

*Hilton 128 for 9
(Gengan 3/24, Khumalo 3/31, Hollaway 2/29)*

Match drawn

vs Michaelhouse (Goldstone's) (2½-day match)

College 1st XI were on fire in their 2½-day match against Michaelhouse on Goldstone's. Bowling on a very tame Goldstone's track, College showed their class when they bowled out Michaelhouse for a meagre 94. Senior statesman Hollaway, was rewarded with a 5 wicket haul that was just reward for a determined and disciplined bowling performance. College lost early wickets, but a partnership between Todd and van der Walt of 104 set up the platform to post an impressive total of 244. Todd's 85 deserved a century. The next hour of play was something quite special and was one of the finest moments on Goldstone's. Michaelhouse were reduced to 2 for 5 and 9 for 6, with some incredible bowling from Khumalo and Gengan, well-supported by some excellent catching. College were clinical in finishing off the match on Sunday and showed serious killer instinct to bowl out Michaelhouse in their 2nd innings for 85, with Khumalo being the chief destroyer with 7 wickets.

*Michaelhouse 1st Innings: 94 all out
(Hollaway 5/21, Khumalo 2/11)*

*College 1st Innings: 244 all out
(Todd 85, van der Walt 61, Dyer 31, Hollaway 21)*

*Michaelhouse 2nd Innings: 85 all out
(Khumalo 7/22, Gengan 2/26)*

College won by an innings and 65 runs

vs Glenwood (Away) (Limited to 50 overs)

College 1st XI finished off a very impressive first half of the season with an excellent 6 wicket win at Glenwood. Losing the toss, College were absolutely clinical in the bowling department. Glenwood were never allowed to get going and found themselves at 30 for 7 in the 19th over. After drinks, Glenwood came out 'guns blazing' and played some attacking cricket by going over the top to anything full, and were eventually bowled out for 74. College got off to a comfortable, but rather slow, start on an unbelievably slow outfield and when Glenwood struck twice in one over to reduce College to 31 for 4 after 29 overs, there was some concern in the ranks, especially after Glenwood bowled 7 maidens in a row. However, the cool head of captain Bradford, joined by the expansive hitting of Noble, finished off the game in style.

Glenwood 74 all out
(Elliott 3/11, Hollaway 3/12, Khumalo 2/7)

College 75 for 4
(Noble 27*, Bradford 16*)
College won by 6 wickets

St David's Two-day Cricket Festival

vs KES (2-day match)

The first of two 'Test-matches' in the St David's Cricket Festival was to be an amazing game of cricket with huge lessons to be learned. This longer format of the game gives captains the opportunity to refine strategies to get batsmen out, affords bowlers the opportunity to bowl long spells and 'work out' batsman. Solid batting in the middle order allowed College to reach 256 for 9 in their allotted 65 overs of the first innings. KES, with a strong batting line-up, had two centurions and posted 364 for 8 in their first innings. College scored 254 all out in their second innings, with Dyer leading the charge with a superb unbeaten 76, well supported by van der Walt's 70. This left KES a total of 144 to score in 17 overs. An epic T20-style match ensued with some exceptional batting from KES and they deservedly won the 2-day match in the penultimate over of the game.

College 1st Innings: 251 for 9 declared
(Campbell 51, Bradford 46, Dyer 45, Noble 41, Khumalo 31)

KES 1st Innings: 364 for 8
(Khumalo 3/74, Bradford 2/57)

College 2nd Innings: 254 all out
(Dyer 76*, van der Walt 70, Bradford 34, Hollaway 31)

KES 2nd Innings: 144 for 1
College lost by 9 wickets

vs St Alban's (2-Day Match)

College won the toss again and elected to bat first on a wicket that was very dry and going to deteriorate over time. Todd batted superbly and was well supported by Noble and, especially, Dyer who carried his bat. College reached 240 for 9 in their allotted 65 overs. Gengan led the charge and bowled a superb spell to reduce St Alban's to 121 for 7, before an interesting declaration in their first innings. College took the game to St Alban's in the second innings batting with authority and declared on 183 for 5, with van der Walt particularly impressive. College set the opposition a formidable score of 302 in their second innings, but just did not have enough to complete the job. To their credit, St Alban's batted well, but College should have found a way to get those last 3 wickets. St Alban's ended on 258 for 7.

College 1st Innings: 240 for 9 declared
(Todd 70, Dyer 66*, Noble 42)

St Alban's 1st Innings: 121 for 7 declared
(Gengan 4/36)

College 2nd Innings: 183 for 5 declared
(van der Walt 54*, Noble 45, Elam 23, Dyer 21*)

St Alban's 2nd Innings: 258 for 7
(Elliott 3/36)

Match drawn

vs Northwood (Goldstone's) (Limited to 50 overs)

College won the toss and bowled first due to moisture in the track. The opening pair of Elliott and Gengan bowled superbly up front reducing Northwood to 44 for 5, but, without Hollaway and Khumalo, College were unable to finish off Northwood. Some responsible batting, with a few chances going begging, allowed Northwood to reach 268 for 8 in their allotted 50 overs. College got off to a slow start following some disciplined bowling from the Northwood openers. Campbell and van der Walt accelerated the innings, but tight bowling kept College under pressure and the run rate increased significantly and College were never really in the chase. Fortmann and Saayman displayed some College fight, but in the end to no avail.

Northwood 268 for 8
(Elliott 3/38, Saayman 2/53, Gengan 2/68)

College 204 for 8
(van der Walt 52, Campbell 40, Saayman 28*)
College lost by 64 runs

vs Kearsney (Goldstone's) (Limited to 50 overs)

Weather was always going to play a role and had the last say as lightning and then torrential rainfall won the day. Kearsney won the toss and bowled first due to overcast conditions. This was probably a good toss to lose. College batted well upfront with Todd and Bradford getting starts, but with Dyer going well, joined by Noble, and the innings well set to post a substantial total, down came the rain with associated thunderstorms.

College 95 for 3
(Todd 29, Bradford 23, Dyer 21*)
Match drawn



J van der Walt strikes out towards a century against Westlake

Michaelmas Week**vs Affies (Goldstone's) (Limited to 50 overs)**

Affies won the toss and elected to bowl first on a cool opening day of the 2018 Michaelmas Week. College batted superbly, getting to 104 before losing Todd on 52. A quality innings from Campbell was still to come and College put on a more than competitive total of 235. In their defence of this total, Maritzburg College started well, reducing Affies to 23 for 2 and 81 for 3 with Khumalo bowling with pace and aggression, ably assisted by Elliott and Fortmann. However, two brilliant knocks took Affies home in the penultimate over, with College squandering several chances that could have made the difference.

College 235 for 6
(Campbell 131, Todd 52)

Affies 237 for 3
(Khumalo 1/35)

Affies won by 7 wickets

vs Grey College (Goldstone's) (Limited to 50 overs)

Maritzburg College won the toss and elected to bat first on a hot, humid day on Goldstone's. College lost wickets at regular intervals, but captain Bradford dug in, to carry his bat, ably assisted by Campbell, Elam and Noble. College posted 199 for 6 in their allotted 50 overs. An epic game of cricket was to unfold. A brilliant spell by Khumalo (5/36), turned this match into a nerve-racking spectacle. Grey College were reduced to 150 for 9 in the 40th over, but College, with several chances, could not finish the job. Grey College needed 8 runs off the last over with 1 wicket in hand and admirably crossed the line.

Maritzburg College 199 for 6
(Bradford 78*, Campbell 35, Elam 23* and Noble 20)

Grey College 200 for 9
(Khumalo 5/36)

Grey College won by 1 wicket

vs St John's (Goldstone's) (Limited to 50 overs)

College 1st XI were brilliant in all disciplines, as they dominated St John's. St John's got off to a solid start and were looking very comfortable at 100 for 3 in the 24th over. They were 177 for 6 in the 40th over, but some disciplined bowling from Khumalo and Fortmann, well-assisted by Bradford, saw St John's collapse to 185 all out in the 44th over. College were clinical in their run chase with Elam batting well up front, assisted by Bradford and Dyer. Van der Walt played a determined and responsible innings, taking College home with 10 overs to spare and ending on 72 not out.

St John's 185 all out
(Khumalo 3/9, Fortmann 3/31 and Bradford 3/46)

College 186 for 4
(van der Walt 72*, Elam 40, Bradford 24 and Dyer 21*)

College won by 6 wickets

vs Westlake – New Zealand (Goldstone's) (Limited to 50 overs)

College 1st XI completely outplayed Westlake. Batting first, Maritzburg College put on a mammoth total with two centuries constructed with patience and superb running between the wickets in extremely hot and humid conditions. Westlake showed early resistance getting to 84 for 3, but Elam bowled superbly and took wickets at regular intervals. Westlake eventually capitulated in the 36 over.

College 291 for 7
(Bradford 107, van der Walt 100)

Westlake 140 all out
(Elam 4/46, Bradford 2/3)

College won by 151 runs

vs Hilton (Goldstone's) (Limited to 50 overs)

No play took place on Goldstone's because of overnight rain and wet conditions throughout Saturday. Match called off at 07:00.

vs St Charles (Goldstone's) (Limited to 50 overs)

College won the toss and elected to bat first on a good batting surface. St Charles bowled well upfront, hitting good areas and College lost wickets at crucial times, nobody taking responsibility to bat through. The arrival of Khumalo sparked a flurry of runs with some innovative batting and allowed College to reach 204 for 9. College struck early, but some disciplined batting from St Charles' middle order kept them in the game. With 4 wickets down, St Charles were on track for a possible victory, but the introduction of captain Bradford, turned the match on its head, as he demolished the St Charles batting line-up with some exceptional off-spin bowling, returning figures of 5 for 23 in 5.4 overs. Khumalo, Gengan and Dyer also bowled superbly.

College 204 for 9
(Khumalo 48*, Dyer 33, Elam 32 and Noble 22)

St Charles 175 all out
(Bradford 5/23)

College won by 29 runs

vs Westville (Goldstone's) (Limited to 50 overs)

College 1st XI showed tremendous patience to beat Westville comfortably. This was the last game for the matrics and an emotional day for them and their families. College lost the toss on a sticky wicket and were put in the field. Not a bad toss to lose. College bowled well, but let several chances go a-begging. Gengan, Khumalo and Fortmann hit their areas consistently, ably assisted by Dyer and Bradford. Westville lost wickets consistently and stuttered to 178 for 9 in their allotted 50 overs. College started patiently to be 34 without loss after 10 overs, but lost both openers in quick succession, shortly after the power-play. Bradford and van der Walt rebuilt patiently and the run rate increased from 3.7 to nearing 6 when Dyer strolled to the crease. His energy and running between wickets with van der Walt was exceptional as usual and they took the game through to its conclusion with 3 overs to spare.

Westville 178 for 9
(Khumalo 2/24, Gengan 2/29 and Fortmann 2/34)

College 179 for 4
(van der Walt 63*, Dyer 36*, Bradford 28, Todd 21)

College won by 6 wickets

vs Helpmekaar (Goldstone's) (Tour match) – Stayers

College batted superbly to post 258 for 5 in their allotted 50 overs against a strong touring Helpmekaar unit. Bruyns and Dyer led the charge with Todd adding valuable support. However, College bowling was too strong for the Helpmekaar batsmen and they were skittled out for 165. Fortmann bowled well up front and Dyer finished them off.

College 258 for 5
(Bruyns 67*, Dyer 62 and Todd 43)

Helpmekaar 165 all out
(Dyer 3/6 and Fortmann 3/34)

College won by 93 runs



CRICKET

vs Michaelhouse (Away) (Limited to 50 overs)

College completed the double against Michaelhouse with a comprehensive win at Balgowan.

College elected to bowl and bowl they did. Michaelhouse were reduced to 18 for 4 in the 12th over and then 69 for 8 in the 28th. They were dismissed for 109 in the 38th over. All bowlers picked up at least one wicket, except for Elam, who got two, and destroyer-in-chief, Khumalo, who got three. College batted well with Todd playing the anchor role. Despite some soft dismissals, College were in total control and could have won by a greater margin. Noble provided some entertainment with a quick-fire 36 that took the game away from the opposition, College getting home in the 32nd over with 6 wickets in hand.

Michaelhouse 109 all out
(Khumalo 3/16 and Elam 2/27)

College 113 for 4
(Noble 36 and Todd 20^{*})

College won by 6 wickets

vs Northdale Hub (Goldstone's) (CSA T20) – Stayers

Won – walkover

vs Carter High School (Goldstone's) (CSA T20) – Stayers

Carter won the toss and elected to bat first amassing a meagre 40 all out. Elam's leg-spin was a handful and he ended up with a 4-wicket haul. The College bowling attack were simply too strong for the Carter batsmen, albeit a bit loose with too many extras. College made light work of the Carter attack with van der Walt and Elam reaching the total in the 4th over.

Carter 40 all out
(Elam 4/7, Gumbi 2/2, King 2/3)

College 41 for no loss
(van der Walt 17^{*} and Elam 17^{*})

College won by 10 wickets

vs Sweetwaters Hub (Goldstone's) (CSA T20) – Stayers

College won the toss and elected to bat on a good Goldstone's wicket. Elam and Heuer batted well up front, and College were 71 for 2 when Klusener stole the show with a brilliant quick-fire 54 off just 30 balls. College amassed 148 for 2 in their allotted 20 overs. College bowled well as a unit, but the Hub side showed some impressive resistance and only fell 19 runs short. Fortmann bowled tightly, with the wickets being taken by Elam, Mbatha and Khumalo.

College 148 for 2
(Klusener 54^{*}, Heuer 46, Elam 21)

Sweetwaters Hub 129 for 8
(Elam 3/23, Mbatha 2/22 and Khumalo 2/24)

College won by 19 runs

vs Clifton (Away) (T20) - Stayers

College had an amazing match against Clifton in the closing fixture of the year, winning off the very last delivery.

Clifton elected to bat on a very good batting track. College struck early with Khumalo charging in downwind. Clifton chipped away, but lost wickets consistently with Fortmann and King doing the damage, assisted by Dyer, and limped to 104, eventually being bowled out with more than an over to spare. College batted with aggression up front and were in total control until three quick wickets fell in the space of two overs. This completely changed the game and placed College under massive pressure. Elam and Todd batted well in the middle overs, but left the mammoth task of 27 runs needed off the last three overs. But in strode the hero of the day, Fortmann, who, needing 3 runs to win off the final ball, promptly hit with the wind to clear the fence for victory.

Clifton 104 all out
(Fortmann 3/19, King 2/13 and Dyer 2/22)

College 108 for 5
(van der Walt 31, Todd 25, Elam 22)

College won by 5 wickets

Mr D Pryke



First XI Statistics – BATTING

Name	Matches	Innings	Not out	50s	100s	Highest score	Total	Average
A Bradford	22	22	3	3	1	107	574	30.21
J Campbell	14	15	2	5	1	131	673	51.77
D Dyer	22	20	9	2	0	76*	495	45.0
T Elam	11	12	1	0	0	32	189	17.18
S Elliott	21	6	2	0	0	9	16	4.0
C Fortmann	16	6	1	0	0	7	25	5.0
J Gengan	21	7	4	0	0	4*	14	4.67
C Hollaway	11	10	1	0	0	31	124	13.77
M Khumalo	22	10	3	0	0	48*	121	17.29
R Klusener	9	4	0	0	0	8	15	3.75
B Noble	22	20	2	0	0	45	438	24.33
A Todd	22	20	1	4	0	85	417	21.95
J van der Walt	22	20	4	9	1	100	760	47.5

First XI Statistics – BOWLING

Name	Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average	Runs/over	Balls/wicket	Best bowling
A Bradford	22	51	3	213	13	16.39	4.18	23.54	5-4-0-23-5
D Dyer	22	41	1	172	5	34.40	4.20	49.2	2-0-4-1
T Elam	11	36	1	210	8	26.25	5.83	27.0	10-0-46-4
S Elliott	21	98	13	360	17	21.18	3.67	34.59	6-2-11-3
C Fortmann	16	164	15	655	21	31.19	3.99	46.86	6-4-1-31-3
J Gengan	21	173	26	699	26	26.89	4.04	39.92	10-2-36-4
C Hollaway	11	109	17	381	23	16.56	3.49	28.43	15-1-6-21-5
M Khumalo	18	154	33	415	34	12.21	2.70	27.18	13-5-3-22-7



M Khumalo is congratulated by the 1st XI team after bowling out an Affies batsman

A stack of several old, leather-bound books is shown in a close-up, slightly blurred perspective. The books are stacked horizontally, with the spines facing the viewer. The leather is aged and shows some wear. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light brown.

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2nd XI

The 2018 season was a very successful one with the team only losing three matches the entire year. This success was built on some fantastic camaraderie between the players which translated into a series of fine performances on the field. The team was an effective blend of seasoned veterans and fresh youngsters, all held together by a fine skipper. The players backed up their fine spirit with serious efforts during the week at practice.

In the first term there were a number fine performances with the wins over St Charles and Hilton being the most pleasing. The match against St Charles was a great example of College determination wearing down an opposition and triumphing in the end. The innings of E Heuer was particularly pleasing and Z Saayman's bowling performance was just too good on the day. Hilton were undone by a great team performance with Saayman again being amongst the wickets with a fine haul. T Elam led a fairly comfortable chase with a fine knock.

The third and fourth terms brought a raft of changes to the team as a number of matrices placed their academics ahead of cricket, and the amalgamation of the U16 age group into the seniors brought a new look to the team. The only constant was the skipper, R Stainbank, who admirably continued to fight the good fight. There were two standout performances, mainly the games against St Charles and Michaelhouse. The match against St Charles was a great example of what happens when a rampant pace attack rips through an opposition on a very bowler-friendly wicket. N Nsuntsha and J Maher were the destroyers in chief as the St Charles batsmen could not handle the speed and accuracy at which they were bowling. The match against Michaelhouse was an absolute shellacking as R Akerman attacked their bowlers with great enthusiasm and scored a fine 128 with Stainbank, H Askew and Saayman providing the backup to allow College to post a mammoth 338/4. Michaelhouse did not mount much of a run chase as M King ripped through their batsmen with ease.

The 2018 2nd XI was an absolute pleasure to be a part of as the boys were always up for the challenge and their outlook on life never changed. This, in no small way, could be attributed to the way Stainbank led the team throughout the year. He never got flustered and always had the team's best interests at heart, both on and off the field. The way he conducted himself during the year allowed him to become a fine role model for the junior members of the team and a great example of how captaincy can bring the best out of a person. My thanks also go to Messrs Reed and Nevay for the dedication and expertise that they brought to the team during the 2018 season.

Regular players:

R Stainbank (*captain*), J Gracie, B Noble, K Collyer, T Elam, T Cloete, Z Saayman, S Ruttie, N Nsuntsha, B Gumbi, E Heuer, S Zunkel, R Akerman, D Bruyns, H Askew, C Stubbs, J McCabe, J Maher, M King, S Mbatha

Results:**First term**

vs Westville:	won by 56 runs (Gracie 66)
vs DHS:	won by 7 wickets
vs St Charles:	won by 68 runs (Heuer 57, Elam 45, Saayman 4/25)
vs Hilton:	won by 6 wickets (Elam 45, Saayman 4/24)
vs Michaelhouse:	lost by 5 runs (Saayman 34, Stainbank 4/28)
vs Glenwood:	won by 7 wickets (Saayman 45*, Ruttie 4/26)

Terms 3 and 4

vs Northwood:	lost by 22 runs (Akerman 3/28)
vs Kearsney:	Match abandoned
vs St Charles:	won by 9 wickets (Maher 4/15, Nsuntsha 3/13)
vs Westville:	lost by 94 runs
vs Michaelhouse:	won by 245 runs (Akerman 128, Askew 48, Stainbank 36*, Saayman 65*, King 4/20)
vs Clifton (20/20):	won by 8 wickets (Tullis 28, Saayman 22*, Maher 2/2, McCabe 2/6)

Mr T Orchard

3rd XI

The 3rd XI had a successful year. In the first term the team was made up by mostly sixth formers and in the fourth term by U16 players moving up to the open age group. In both terms the cricket on display was of a high quality and the commitment to the sport and the school was never in question. The boys were always full of desire and commitment as most of them were aiming to push their way into the top two teams in the school - on many occasions boys found themselves playing in the 2nd side owing to consistently good performances. The only two losses of the year came against a good Voortrekker 1st team in the first term and Michaelhouse, a rare bad game for the boys.

The team always enjoyed a good balance of able batsmen, wicket-taking bowlers and great fielders. In the first term the bowling attack, comprising Wattrus, McDonald, Ngcobo and Govender, consistently sent batsmen back to the pavilion. They were backed by fine batting from Willemse, White and Moore. In the fourth term Beauclerk and Maher were always devastating with the new ball, backed by Pio, Msomi, Mitchell and Keith. Tullis, Brokensha, Zunkel and Engelbrecht ensured the team got runs on the board, as they scored freely in most games.

Many thanks go to parents who always braved the hot summer Saturdays to offer encouragement and support on the side-lines, and to Mr Duvenage who joined the team in the fourth term. The boys grew through his approach and cricket knowledge.

Regular players:

K Wattrus, D McDonald, T Ngcobo, G Pio, T van Aardt, J Keith, N Govender, M Willemse, C White, T Moore, J Engelbrecht, L Jansen van Vuuren, R Brokensha, P Elliot, M Zunkel, T Msomi, J Engelbrecht, O Beauclerk, J Maher, K Tullis, G Pio, J Keith

Results:

vs Westville:	won by 9 wickets
vs Voortrekker 1st XI:	lost by 209 runs
vs St Charles:	won by 34 runs
vs Hilton:	won by 6 wickets
vs Michaelhouse:	lost by 9 runs
vs Glenwood:	won by 175 runs
vs Northwood:	won by 199 runs
vs Development Hub:	won by 117 runs
vs Westville:	won by 49 runs
vs Michaelhouse:	won by 6 wickets

Messrs R Chirengende and N Duvenage



4th XI

It was a pleasure and a privilege to coach these young men. The boys really enjoyed themselves and they played very entertaining cricket. They got along very well under the captaincy of M Downs, who led by example. From the beginning of the fourth term the boys were determined to do well and they worked hard, which was evident at practices and matches. They enjoyed the 20 over format and the pressure that comes with it. The team had a mixture of U16 and open players and the junior boys embraced the opportunity of playing with their seniors. They produced pleasing results, losing only to St Charles College. The highlight of the season was playing our final match against Michaelhouse on Goldstone's. There was so much excitement knowing that we would be playing on our main field. This was one moment that most of the boys said they will never forget.

Regular players:

M Downs (*captain*), S Ngwenya, J Muggleton, C Nandh, D Jonker, M Smith, H Rousseau (*wicket keeper*), M Veenstra, O Beauclerk, T Ngcobo, R Wilken, T Watson, C Mitchell

Results:

vs Northwood:	won by 7 wickets (Mitchell 5/9)
vs Westville:	won by 97 runs (Downs 74)
vs St Charles:	lost by 43 runs
vs Kearsney:	no result due to lightning
vs Michaelhouse:	won by 19 runs
vs DHS:	won by 207 runs (Engelbrecht 117, Payne 78, Pio 5/9)
vs Glenwood:	won by 1 run
vs Westville:	won by 79 runs
vs St Charles:	won by 4 wickets
vs Treverton 1st:	lost by 13 runs (Moroney 5/29, Will 94)
vs Michaelhouse:	won by 8 wickets

Mr L Shezi

5th XI

The 5th team was a very balanced team; the side was fortunate to have a strong blend of bowlers as well as very skilled batsmen. Coaching these boys was easy and delightful because they understood what was expected from them and they worked very hard to rectify whatever errors there may have been in their game. Their discipline and tactical awareness were the most impressive traits they possessed. There was good competition amongst the boys and it was very good to see a culture of peer support in the team.

The season was unfortunately short but we tried to make the most of the time we had. The team was captained by M Ryan, a well-disciplined young man, who conducted himself immaculately on and off the field. He played a huge role in strengthening the team chemistry and motivating his troops when things looked to be going south.

Regular players:

M Ryan (*captain*), B Gumede, D Odell, L Munro, D Kennedy, B Thompson, G Will, N Whatmore, L Mtolo, A Unsworth, C Groeneveld

Results:

vs St Charles:	lost by 8 wickets
vs Westville:	won by 5 wickets
vs Kearsney:	lost by 44 runs
vs Westville:	won by 5 wickets (McClarty 37)
vs Glenwood:	won by 24 runs
vs Westville:	won by 2 wickets
vs Hilton 4th:	lost by 92 runs
vs KES 1st:	lost by 7 wickets
vs Northwood:	won by 183 runs

Mr F Mhlongo

6th XI

The 6th XI had a relatively successful 2018 season, winning most of their fixtures and losing only two, which were both on staggers. They played a very positive brand of cricket which was entertaining to watch. The boys trained with a great attitude and this stood them in good stead for their Saturday fixtures. A big thanks to all the boys for their efforts and the parents for their support during the year.

Regular players:

A Breedt, K Bezuidenhout, Y Bhika, M Nel, A Groenewegen, T Johnson, J Wilkins, M Ryan, D Odell, L Mtolo, R Swartz, J-R Ayliffe

Results:

vs DHS 4th:	won by 60 runs (Ayliffe 51, Bhika 4/9)
vs St Charles 5th:	won by 7 wickets
vs Hilton 5th:	won by 89 runs (Swartz 82)
vs Westville u16C:	lost by 68 runs
vs Glenwood:	won by 25 runs (Swartz 76)
vs St Charles 5th:	lost by 2 wickets
vs Hillcrest 2nd:	won by 51 runs

Mr A Landman



T Elam batting in the Michaelmas Week game against Westlake



U16A Cricket

This group of boys came together after a mixed season the previous year. They decided as a team to change their approach to the game and how they wanted to play. This took courage from the boys, but as the saying goes, fortune favours the brave.

We started with a pre-season friendly festival playing against Howick 1st XI, Thomas More 1st XI and St Charles College. We fared extremely well in this festival and found our new direction, positive and fearless cricket. Against Westville, R Klusener and K Goedeke put on a 170-run partnership on a very tough pitch with an even slower outfield. DHS were next and after we dismissed them for an under par score of 156, Klusener and Goedeke had another unbeaten 50 each and a 120-run partnership to win by eight wickets.

We were sent in to bat on an extremely sticky wicket at St Charles and had to fight hard to win. Our bowlers were impeccable in our lines and we were ruthless in the field, restricting St Charles to 134 all out, J McCabe devastating their middle order with five wickets. Against Hilton, stabilised by a classy knock by Klusener, we chased down a competitive total to win by four wickets. Our two-day fixture against Michaelhouse was unfortunately cut short by rain, after we set a solid first innings target. Our last fixture of the term was against Glenwood. The boys had been rocked by some terrible news on the eve of the match, and they dedicated the game to one of their classmates. After a fine century from Klusener, Glenwood were strangled by some very tight bowling, leading to a 32-run win and an unbeaten season for these young warriors.

From day one, these boys made my job as a coach extremely easy. They had an unquenchable thirst and desire to work on their game and improve. With an attitude like theirs, as a team, it was always going to be hard for any opposition to compete with. They did themselves proud and I am sure that they will do the badge proud too in the years ahead. I really look forward to watching their progress in the Red, Black and White and beyond.

Player Critique:

R Akerman: A very good start to the season looked to set him up for a great season. Unfortunately, the many starts he made did not turn into big scores. A good temperament that will hold him in good stead for next year.

H Askew: A very capable player who did not have many opportunities with the bat but definitely has more to offer. A competent leg spinner who could be a big threat.

R Brokensha: He came into to the A side towards the end of the term after a good start with the B side. He managed to get a few starts and must keep working to turn those starts into substantial scores.

D Bruyns: A slow start to the season meant that he required some work on his batting. He found his form in the latter stages of the term with some very good performances.

K Goedeke: After a rocky pre-season festival, Goedeke had a superb start to the season with 101 not out versus Westville and 67 not out versus DHS. He also had a good season with the ball and was someone the team could rely on at any stage of the game.

M King: He had a great first term with the ball and was the top wicket taker for the team. Taking 21 wickets at an average of 10.1 is brilliant. He finished with best figures of 6 for 30 against Westville to help his team get over the line.

R Klusener: He had a brilliant U16 season and managed to finish with a batting average above 50 which is exceptional, scoring five 50s in the space of six games and then 107 against Glenwood to top it all off. A great season that hopefully he takes into his remaining years at College.

S Mbatha: He was a touch unlucky this year and didn't manage to realise his full potential. He has the ability to bowl quickly and some extra work and dedication can help him achieve at a higher level.

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J McCabe: He had a steady season with the bat, contributing at crucial times for the team. His off spin was brilliant this year, claiming 19 wickets and capping it off with 5 for 23 against St Charles.

C Stubbs: He had a few good starts with the bat this year but never kicked on. He is a hard worker and his energy on the field as a keeper was something that kept the team going in the tough situations.

K Tullis: He didn't have many opportunities with the bat this year and his hard work towards his game will stand him in good stead later on. As a keeper he also put in a great deal to improve.

M Zunckel: He had a relatively decent term with the bat and has the ability to hit the ball hard which was vital at the back end of an innings. His bowling was steady and he made some telling contributions to the team.

Results:

- vs Westville: won by 56 runs
(Klusener 72, Goedeke 101*, King 6/30)
- vs DHS: won by 8 wickets
(Klusener 58*, Goedeke 67*, McCabe 4/38)
- vs St Charles: won by 42 runs
(Bruyns 54, McCabe 5/23)
- vs Hilton: won by 4 wickets
(King 3/28, Klusener 72, Akerman 40)
- vs Michaelhouse: match drawn
(Klusener 52, McCabe 53, McCabe 3/36)
- vs Glenwood: won by 32 runs
(Klusener 107, Bruyns 45, King 3/43)

Mr R Moolman

U16B

The U16B team had a splendid season producing pleasing results. The boys got along very well and the spirit was always high in the team. Their eagerness to learn and succeed was evident during practices and matches. This really was a special group of young men who really pushed themselves. Some of them were duly rewarded with promotion to the U16A, such as B Emms who scored consecutive 100s, 125 vs Michaelhouse and 155 not out versus St Charles. These boys won all their matches in the first term. C Stubbs captained the team and his sound leadership ability to make decisions on his feet and his true knowledge of the game made him a huge asset to the team. When he moved up to the U16A the captaincy was shared amongst the boys in the team and they did an exceptional job. There was always a healthy competition between the U16A and B. It was definitely rewarding to see the boys develop in skill and overall understanding of the game. A special thanks to the parents who were always there to support us. It was a privilege working with these young men and I wish them the very best for the future.

Regular players:

C Stubbs (*captain*), B Emms, J Muggleton, M Smith, P Elliott (*wicket keeper*), M Veenstra, R Brokensha, O Beauclerk, W Woolridge, N Msomi, C Mitchell, L Jansen van Vuuren, J Maher

Results:

- vs Michaelhouse: won by 145 runs
(Emms 126, Jansen van Vuuren 94, Elliott 44*)
- vs St Charles: won by 273 runs
(Emms 155*, Msomi 4/9, Beauclerk 4/10)
- vs Westville: won by 2 wickets
- vs Glenwood: won by 3 wickets
- vs DHS: won by 200 runs
(Woolridge 5/13, Beauclerk 4/21)
- vs Hilton: won by 9 wickets
(Mitchell 4/17)

Mr L Shezi

U16C

The team had a fairly successful season, winning four of the six matches played. From the beginning of the season the boys grew into confident young men, playing some very good cricket. Their confidence certainly grew over the season and their all-round performance improved. The enthusiasm was certainly obvious in their fielding, with some players making amazing stops or catches and they had a never-give-up attitude when it came to the batting. After losing the first two matches, the team won the remaining four matches with relative ease.

Twenty boys played for the C side, which is a huge turnover of players. A number of boys were promoted to the B team. Well done to them.

The highlight of the season was the match against Glenwood, which the team won quite comfortably. Glenwood set a total of 104/6 after 20 overs and the team reached this total, losing only two wickets in the chase. Possibly the worst match of the season was against Kearsney U16B team. The team was put into bat and only succeeded in making a small total of 135/8. Kearsney chased this total down in fifteen overs, losing only one wicket.

I thank the parents who supported the team every Saturday. I really enjoyed coaching these young men and I wish them all the best in their ongoing cricketing careers.

Regular players:

H Anderson, K Bolton, J Culverwell, C Dowell, C Groeneveld, D Jonker, B le Roux, J Muggleton, C Nandh, T Parsons, R Price, T Rasmussen, D Spires, B Thompson, R Unsworth, R Vincent, J Watson, R Wilken, R Will, B Wynn

Results:

- vs Westville: lost by 1 wicket
(Jonker 43, le Roux 30, Price 4/21)
- vs Kearsney: lost by 9 wickets
- vs St Charles: won by 9 wickets
(Spires 3/9, Unsworth 36*)
- vs Westville D: won by 9 wickets
(Muggleton 52*)
- vs Development: won by 40 runs
(Thompson 3/9)
- vs Glenwood: won by 8 wickets
(Wilken 53)

Mr G Dorling



J Gengan bowling on Goldstone's



U16D

The U16D team had a tough season of cricket in 2018 during which they played some exceptionally tight games. Unfortunately in most games, they could not pull off a win, the tightest of which was a tied match against Westville. All these games could have gone the other way in terms of results but the boys can be very proud of what they achieved this year.

The lads showed great skill in getting their games so close and this made them appreciate the game so much more. They played the game in a great spirit and were a pleasure to coach.

Regular players:

M Claasen, J Kruger, N Allen, B Wynn, C Shaw, M Graham, J McClarty, N Whatmore, G Nel, Z Osman, D Spires

Results:

- vs Westville: *lost by 5 runs (Kruger 50)*
- vs Kearsney U16C: *lost by 6 runs (Wynn 51)*
- vs St Charles: *won by 150 runs (McClarty 107)*
- vs Westville: *drew (Kruger 73)*
- vs Kloof 2nd: *lost by 39 runs*

Messrs M Diedericks and F Mhlongo



M King bowling



D Dyer strikes out for the boundary

U16E

The team had a challenging but successful season. We had many players moving up to the higher teams which meant we constantly had to restructure our team and remodel our playing style. In spite of that, this team was characterised by its high morale and ambition to reach greater heights.

The boys were a wonderful group to work with; they showed respect at all times and they were true ambassadors of Maritzburg College. Most boys showed maturity and a good understanding of the game. What was most heart-warming, however, was their eagerness to learn new things and improve their game.

Regular players:

I Maharaj, N Whatmore, B Hulloowan, U Ngcobo, C Hemingway, N Greeff, B Dry, C Shaw, Z Osman, M Graham, G Nel, L Putuma, T Rasmussen

Results:

- vs Westville: *won by 9 wickets (Rasmussen 71, Putuma 56*)*
- vs DHS U16C: *won by 10 wickets (Hulloowan 4/2)*

Mr F Mhlongo



A Todd on his way to a half-century against Affies



"Howzat?!" Keeper S Elliot and first slip fielder, J van der Walt



U15A

Back row: S Delpert, C McKean, J Walden, A Simelane, M Laithwaite, L Gasa

Front row: K Gace, M Ngcobo, Mr M Reed (coach), C Hibbert (captain), Mr S Peach (coach), S van Staden, T Guise-Brown

The U15A team came into the year with high expectations after a stellar U14 year in 2017. It was an extremely talented group of young men with high standards and big ambitions.

The season started with a trip to Westville for a pre-season festival which was a resounding success with some superb results for the team, as well as some commendable individual performances. The highlight of the festival was definitely the nail biting chase against Jeppe where the boys showed a maturity beyond their years to get over the line.

After the highs of the pre-season tour we came up against a strong Westville side where things did not go our way as we did not play the brand of cricket that we were used to and ended up on the wrong side of the result. It may have been a blessing in disguise because that made everyone realise that there was still some work to do if we wanted to achieve our potential. Two good wins followed and a poor day against Hilton gave us our second loss of the season. This team had a brilliant 'bounce back' ability and always seemed to be able to put a poor performance behind them. Two comfortable wins, against Michaelhouse and Glenwood, ended the first term on a high for the boys and they gained in confidence as a result.

The second part of the season started with a dominating performance against Northwood and an unfortunate rained-out game against Kearsney. These were the only fixtures leading up to what was going to be a tough tour to Grey PE for their festival over the Michaelmas holidays. At the festival, the boys were treated to some tough and challenging fixtures against top schools from around the country. The tour started off brilliantly with good wins against SACS and Selborne, followed by two close losses against Grey High and Affies. These two schools finished the year as the number 1 and 2 ranked schools in the country and it was a great way to test ourselves against the best. This was a learning experience for the boys and they all grew as individuals and as a group.

The tour had prepared the boys well for what was to follow in the fourth term. We played some superb cricket to beat St Charles comfortably, turn the tables on a strong Westville team who had beaten us in the first term, and record a comfortable win against Michaelhouse. This was a fitting end to what was a brilliant year for the boys. The effort and dedication that they put into their cricket throughout resulted in some great results and ranked them fourth in South Africa according to the SA Schools' sports website.

Player Critique:

C Hibbert: A talented all-rounder who works extremely hard at his game. He is a real thinker on the field and contributed to the team with more than just bat and ball. He had some brilliant bowling performances with a couple of 4-wicket hauls, the best of these coming against Glenwood with 4/26.

K Gace: A very compact cricketer who was technically very sound with the bat and a skilful bowler with many variations. He may not have reached his full potential this year but he made some valuable contributions with both bat and ball.

M Ngcobo (KZN Inland U15): He is a talented batting all-rounder who bowls very hand off spin when required. He got quite a few starts this year but just didn't manage to kick on to get that one big score. He scores very quickly and may just need to manage that a bit better. He is a natural leader and was key to the team's success this year.

S van Staden (KZN Inland U15): He had a wonderful year, batting superbly and proving to be a rock in the top order. He scored a sublime double century (202) against Northwood, a special knock that he can be extremely proud of.

T Guise-Brown (KZN Inland U15 non-travelling reserve): He is an extremely dedicated young man with great ambition. He made some valuable contributions with the bat this year but unfortunately often got out when he had started well. His big scores are just around the corner and he must keep up the hard work.

S Delpert: He had a relatively good season and made some telling contributions to the team. He was a reliable middle order batsman and had the ability to score very quickly. He scored a brilliant 80 against Grey PE (number one ranked school in SA) and a well-constructed 100 against a strong Helpmekaar team.

C McKean: He was a very valuable part of the team and their success this year. He is a talented all-rounder with the ability to tie up an end and get crucial wickets, as well as the ability to finish games off with the bat.

J Walden: He played some superb cricket this year and was a true team player. He had some great innings with the bat including a few 40's and a 58 against Glenwood. He also showed his ability with the ball on a few occasions.

L Gasa (*KZN Inland U15*): He was the team's opening bowler and took on the role with both hands. His consistency in his line and length always put the batsmen under pressure. A superb 28 not out against Westville showed that he also had some ability with the bat.

M Laithwaite (*KZN Inland U15*): He was nothing short of brilliant this year. He is a true wicket-taker with his leg spin and his accuracy and control was something to be admired. He picked up two five-wicket hauls this year, the best of them being 6/33 against SACS.

A Simelane (*KZN Inland U15*): Although new to Maritzburg College, he fitted right in. He is a fast bowling all-rounder who had batsmen jumping all over the place. He has raw pace but also bowled with great accuracy. He picked up a few 4-wicket hauls, the best being 4/18 against Selborne. He also made some splendid contributions with the bat.

Results:

vs Noordheuwel:	won by 8 runs
vs Westville:	drew (van Staden 113)
vs Marais Viljoen:	won by 136 runs (Guise-Brown 97, Hibbert 4/22)
vs Jeppe:	won by 4 wickets
vs Westville:	lost by 65 runs
vs DHS:	won by 6 wickets
vs St Charles:	won by 8 wickets
vs Hilton:	lost by 7 wickets
vs Michaelhouse:	won by 8 wickets (Guise-Brown 68*, Laithwaite 5/27)
vs Glenwood:	won by 77 runs (Walden 58, Hibbert 4/26)
vs SACS:	won by 8 runs (Laithwaite 6/33)
vs Selborne:	won by 7 wickets (van Staden 78, Simelane 4/18)
vs Grey High:	lost by 69 runs (Delpport 80)
vs Affies:	lost by 13 runs
vs Northwood:	won by 149 runs (van Staden 202)
vs St Charles:	won by 9 wickets (van Staden 69)
vs Helpmekaar:	won by 31 runs (Delpport 100, van Staden 50, Simelane 4/40)
vs Westville:	won by 42 runs
vs Michaelhouse:	won by 6 wickets (Delpport 65)

Messrs S Peach and M Reed

U15B

The first term saw our cricket season start off very slowly with a loss to Westville. Even though we lost, it was clear that there was potential to create a very good cricket side working with the likes of our fast and furious opening bowling pair of S Wilson and A Mthlale. We then had the elegant bowling skill of S Harvey come in and take four wickets for only 26 runs. The boys really came together after our first match and we went on to win every fixture for the rest of the year. Our skipper, C Michaux, did a great job through the year until he was promoted to

the U15A side after scoring a century (190 not out). C Pascoe then took over the reins and saw us to the end of our unbeaten 4th term season. We had a few very good innings by D Farrar who recorded a century in the last game of the 1st term. Our last game of the year was against Michaelhouse. It was a thriller of a match in which we bowled them out for 68. We then went into bat and were immediately under pressure after we lost two wickets in the first two overs and were five down at tea. Thanks to B Hlatshwayo, who came in and hit 36 off of just 13 balls, we went to our final win of the season.

I thank the team for the great season and all the heart they showed for the game of cricket and for Maritzburg College. It was a pleasure to coach these lads.

Regular players:

M Michaux (*captain*), C Pascoe (*captain*), R Swift, D Ferrar, B Hlatshwayo, T Conolly, J Wilson, S Wilson, S Harvey, T Adams, N Cook, A Mthlale, G Emberton

Results:

First term

vs Westville:	won by 116 runs
vs DHS:	won by 10 wickets
vs St Charles:	won by 3 wickets
vs Hilton:	won by 7 wickets (Mthlale 5/10)
vs MHS:	won by 8 wickets
vs Glenwood:	won by 227 runs (Pascoe 46, Ferrar 113)
vs Northwood:	won by 117 runs (Michaux 69)

Fourth term

vs St Charles:	won by 229 runs (Michaux 190, Ferrar 69)
vs Westville:	won by 3 wickets
vs MHS:	won by 6 wickets (Harvey 4/14)

Mr R Tooms

U15C

Here was a team of young men who played their cricket for the love of the game and for each other.

The season did not start off the way we intended it to against a strong Westville team, where we batted well, but too slowly, and fell short of the target. Against a talented Kearsney B team, we once again fell short of the target.

A hard fought success against Weston 2nd XI was followed by rather more comfortable wins against Hilton and Michaelhouse and a 10 wicket victory over Glenwood, when we bowled superbly to dismiss them for 51 runs.

The cricket season re-commenced in the third term with a match against Northwood when we chased down a total of 84 in just six overs. Further excellent wins ensued against St Charles, Westville and Hub. Our match of the year was arguably against Westville when the team put together a near flawless batting performance to score 217 runs and then ruthlessly limited Westville to a meagre total of 44 runs.

I consider it an honour to have been the coach of this team and thoroughly enjoyed bearing witness to the individual development of each player. I am very proud of each boy, particularly because of the



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consistent effort put in during training sessions and matches, even in scorching hot conditions. I wish them well with their future endeavours and will be following their cricket with a keen interest.

Regular players:

G Emberton (*captain*), J Haasbroek, J du Plessis, G Esterhuizen, R Dobeyn, S du Plessis, S Khuzwayo, T Conolly, J Beauclerk, C Prinsloo, A Ismail, J Moller

Results:

vs Westville: *lost by 33 runs (Cook 48)*
vs Kearsney U15B: *lost by 25 runs*
vs Weston 2nd: *won by 12 runs*
vs Hilton: *won by 65 runs (Haasbroek 50*)*
vs Michaelhouse: *won by 83 runs (Haasbroek 54)*
vs Glenwood: *won by 10 wickets (Moller 4/1)*
vs Northwood: *won by 9 wickets (Dobeyn 4/27)*
vs St Charles: *won by 6 wickets (Khuzwayo 5/24)*
vs Westville: *won by 173 runs (J du Plessis 73, Emberton 53)*
vs Hub: *won by 8 wickets (Emberton 46*)*

Mr D Hoffman

U15D

The u15D team had a relatively successful season. The boys played with considerable skill and their attitude towards their cricket must be commended. The year started off with a brilliant game against Westville which ended in a nail biting tie. After one loss on a stagger, the boys found some form and started putting in some great team performances as well as some special individual ones, with the highlights being two centuries from Ismail and superb figures of 6/8 from March. The boys really enjoyed their cricket in 2018 and it showed in their performances.

Regular players:

C Baldry, N Mokoena, N Zondi, B Harper, E Walsh, J Sparks, C Schultz, E March, J Lalor, D Thomson, L Verbiest, A Ismail

Results:

vs Westville: *draw*
vs Kearsney U15C: *no result due to rain (Ismail 53, Walsh 54)*
vs St Charles U15C: *lost by 9 wickets*
vs Hilton: *won by 149 runs (Ismail 105*, Lalor 51*)*
vs KES U15A: *won by 175 runs (Ismail 144*, March 6/8)*
vs Glenwood: *won by 10 wickets (Baldry 4/11)*
vs Northwood: *won by 8 wickets*
vs Hillcrest U15A: *won by 8 wickets*
vs Westville: *lost by 6 wickets (Walsh 75)*
vs Wembley U15A: *won by 61 runs (Prinsloo 66, Harper 4/20)*

Mr N Mahmoud

U15E

The U15E cricket side had an enjoyable season, playing six matches, winning four and losing two. A number of games were rained out. The team was well-captained by all-rounder T Zondi. The opening batsmen, A Veitch and T Brown, often got the team off to a good start, especially against St Charles U15C. The powerful hitting of L Verbiest and B Kilburn saw the team scoring quickly. D Thomson was reliable in the middle order and S Shange worked the ball into spaces to accumulate runs. J van den Berg showed great promise in the first term. O Higgins improved tremendously as an opening bowler and was well supported by O Cele and L Biyela. N Mokoena is a really good cricketer and will play higher up one day. Shange and Brown provided the spin options, with Shange regularly taking wickets.

The fielding was good with Veitch keeping wicket very well and the boys getting their bodies behind the ball. The team spirit was excellent and Mokoena took some unbelievable catches. The team also practised well on the hottest of days and this transferred into the matches, where they were stronger than their opponents in all aspects of the game. I thank the team for their commitment and wish them well in the future. Other players to represent the E team were M Whyte, D Jacobz, W Willemse, K Hope-Johnstone and J Maistry.

Regular players:

T Zondi (*captain*), A Veitch, T Brown, L Verbiest, B Kilburn, D Thomson, S Shange, J van den Berg, O Higgins, O Cele, L Biyela, N Mokoena, M Whyte, D Jacobz, W Willemse, K Hope-Johnstone, J Maistry

Results:

vs Voortrekker U15A: *won by 8 wickets*
vs Kloof U15B: *won by 8 wickets*
vs Treverton U15A: *lost by 5 wickets*
vs Westville: *lost by 5 wickets*
vs Westville: *won by 3 wickets*
vs St Charles U15C: *won by 5 wickets*

Mr B Collocott

U15F

The U15F team of 2018 was a team made of talented boys who could both bowl and bat. The boys enjoyed playing so much that everyone wanted to bowl every game. At practices it was the same thing - everyone was eager to bowl whenever he was not batting. Even though the season was short with some of the games being cancelled and others called off due to rain, the boys enjoyed their time at practices. During the third and fourth term season there were some boys who improved and got a chance to move up, namely W Willemse and S Makhathini.

Regular players:

A Dlongolo, L Serafim, S Makhathini, J Pakkari, S Reddy, N Mkulise, R Sunker, E Govender, I Moosa, W Willemse, A Chowdhury, J-S Klapprodt, L Maharaj, L Dayimani, K Hope-Johnstone

Results:

vs Westville: *won by 76 runs (Laurens 4/8)*
vs DHS u15C: *won by 10 wickets (Mokoena 4/8)*
vs Westville: *won by 3 wickets*
vs Inland Development: *lost by 50 runs (Laurens 4/15)*
vs Inland Development: *lost by 5 wickets*
vs Inland Development: *match drawn*
vs Alex High: *won by 103 runs (Makhathini 73)*

Mr C Musasiwa





U14A

Back row: O Currie, M Ponter, A Woolridge, F Worthy, D Naidoo, S Mchunu, R Marais
Front row: C Hohls, R Murray, B Delpont (captain), Mr K Emerson (coach), J van Zyl (vice-captain), A Ferraz, A Bharath

It is always tough starting out the season with so many team mates whom you have never met before and it often takes time for the side to gel and find combinations. Cricket is a game where one can easily get caught up in focusing on results and figures. When one looks at U14s, the most important aspect is that these young cricketers are learning and improving and that they continue to develop a hunger for the game. The group that arrived at College in 2018 was talented and driven, and by the end of the season they had learned a great deal about the game and about their own abilities and had started to become better 'thinking cricketers'. Early on it was evident that the team needed to focus on its fielding and that hard work and attention to detail would bring about an improvement.

The season started with a win against Westville and then rained stopped play against DHS. A very disappointing loss against St Charles, on a day where everything seemed to fall apart, was the lowlight of the first half of the season. A strong Hilton team provided too much of a challenge and the last two games saw convincing wins against Michaelhouse and Glenwood. The team had performed well, H Delpont had shown good form with the bat and scored two fifties and S Mchunu was the most consistent wicket taker. Slowly partnerships with both bat and ball were starting to take shape.

After a long winter break, the team regrouped and had a few matches before the annual Hilton College Festival. T20's against DHS, SACS and St Charles were a great way for the team to get back into their cricket. We were outplayed by Northwood in a 50-over game and then the following week were bowled out for 70 by Kearsney before the rain came down. This was a big wake up call for the young team and they were able to see that in cricket the margins between winning and losing, achieving and failing, can be very small.

The tour up to the Hilton Cricket Festival in the third term holidays is always a worthwhile experience, playing some of the best cricketing schools from around the country. The team did their school proud and played some of the best cricket at the festival in many years. They claimed wins over St Alban's, Wynberg and Kingswood and had Rondebosch nine wickets down fighting for survival in the declaration match. Some stand out performances were J van Zyl making 98 runs and then taking five wickets against Rondebosch, 129 the next day against St Alban's and then a faster than a run-a-ball 77 against Kingswood in the T20. A Woolridge also achieved back-to-back 50s against Rondebosch and St Alban's.

Returning for the fourth term, the team was able to avenge their loss to St Charles with a convincing win by six wickets after bowling them out for 146. A most exciting match ensued the next weekend when Westville came to Snow's. College posted a confident 270/7 off their 50 overs, with Van Zyl making 99, but the pitch was good and there were plenty more runs to be scored. Needing 5.5 runs per over to win, Westville matched the required run rate and needed just three runs to win off the last over. Cheered on by the large crowd that had gathered on the banks of Snow's, A Bharath bowled a fantastic over which only allowed two runs. With the scores tied on the last ball of the match, the Westville batsman tried to scamper through for a single and got run out which sealed the result as a tie. Good cricketing lessons were learnt by the team as they were exposed to an exciting and challenging end to a cricket match. The next week we chased 245 runs and beat Michaelhouse by four wickets. The season ended with a disappointing result against Clifton in a T20. Playing on a very small field, Clifton were better on the day and scored 144, which proved to be too much.

This team of highly talented and strong individuals was a pleasure to coach as they ploughed effort and energy into every practice. They had a hunger to learn and develop their cricketing ability. The team was ably led by Delpont and van Zyl. Delpont showed maturity during the season as he learned from experience and moved his fielders around with purpose. There is much ahead for these players and I am confident there will be KZN Inland selections and big milestones achieved from this group next year and in the future.

Player Critique:

H Delpont (captain): A motivated and hard-working cricketer who showed enthusiasm at all times whilst on the field. He is a good timer of the ball and began to understand his strengths as a batsman. Continued work on his technique will see him bat deeper in matches and make bigger milestones.

J van Zyl (vice-captain): On his day, he is unstoppable as he times the ball with precision. He was able to bat at a run-a-ball, and faster, or take his time and work hard for his runs when it was more difficult in the middle. He is a consistent off-spinner who dried up runs and took many crucial wickets for his team.

CRICKET

A Ferraz: He did well opening the batting and playing a vital role in laying a platform for the team. He improved technically and as he gets stronger the runs will come more freely. He started bowling leg-spin and showed great improvement.

O Currie: He had to learn to be more patient at the crease and when he played to his strengths he was a joy to watch as he hit the ball with power.

S Mchunu: An impressive all-rounder whose ability improved during the season. With the ball he dried up runs from his end and took wickets. He is a competent batsman who embraced the role as opener well.

F Worthy: Injury during the season restricted his opportunities. He was an able middle order batsman with a good technique. As he grows in confidence he will dominate opposition bowlers.

A Woolridge: A middle order batsman who strikes the ball well. As his decision making improves and he shows maturity at the crease he will play more towards his strengths.

M Ponter: He bowls with a very efficient and clean action that allows him to generate good pace and bounce. He has the ability to clear the boundary with the bat and also played some graceful drives through the covers.

C Hohls: He got the most out of the new ball as he swung it into the right-hander at good pace, often picking up some early wickets with his accurate yorkers. As his consistency improves and he becomes less expensive, he will become a true strike bowler at both the start and end of the innings.

A Bharath: The most improved bowler in the team. Starting off in the B team, he worked hard at his game and his consistent line and length made it difficult for the opposition to score runs

R Marais: Injury brought an early end to his season. He opened the bowling and when he hit a consistent length was very difficult to play. He is an able batsman with a good technique.

D Naidoo: His in swingers beat many a batsman. His downfall was that he was not consistent enough and often bowled too many bad balls in an over. He was a great asset in the field.

R Murray: Played in the A team for the first half of the season. He did not take many wickets but his pace and bounce and natural angle across the right hander made it difficult for them to score off him.

R Goncalves: He played the last three matches of the season and was a useful off-spinner who varied his pace well. With bat in hand he timed the ball well but needed to bat for longer in a game.

Results:

vs Westville:	won by 92 runs (van Zyl 41, Delpport 71, Mchunu 5/16)
vs DHS:	match drawn (rain) (Delpport 67, Mchunu 41, Graham 40)
vs St Charles:	lost by 7 wickets
vs Hilton:	lost by 8 wickets
vs MHS:	won by 8 wickets (Mchunu 4/6)
vs Glenwood:	won by 134 runs
vs SACS:	won by 7 wickets (Woolridge 37*, Delpport 28)
vs DHS:	won by 77 wickets (Currie 28, van Zyl 28*, Delpport 32, Hohls 5/17)
vs Northwood:	lost by 7 wickets (van Zyl 49, Ponter 41)
vs Rondebosch:	match drawn (van Zyl 98 & 5/18, Woolridge 52)

vs St Alban's:	won by 44 runs (van Zyl 129, Woolridge 53, Mchunu 3/36, Bharath 3/41)
vs Wynberg:	won by 5 wickets (Delpport 29)
vs Kingswood:	won by 53 runs (van Zyl 77, Worth 48* & 3/33, Ponter 33)
vs St Charles:	won by 6 wickets (Delpport 60, van Zyl 3/13)
vs Westville:	match drawn (van Zyl 99)
vs MHS:	won by 4 wickets (Delpport 79, van Zyl 89*, Mchunu 4/6)
vs Clifton:	lost by 90 runs

Mr K Emerson

U14B

The U14B cricket team of 2018 was one that was characterised by extremes. We saw this in the first term against Hilton. In an exceptional bowling and fielding display, we bowled them out for 142, but fell short of that total by 27 runs. As a team, mental toughness when things go wrong and performance under pressure are important. These are great life lessons - sport is educational after all. The team showed that they were capable of playing incredible cricket, as a team and as individuals. Our victories over St Charles, Glenwood and Westville (in the first term) were a testament to this. The destructive batting of Smith, Goncalves, Murray, Carter and Pieterse was incredible to watch when they were on form. Graham and Botha's opening bowling partnerships often got the team off to really good starts. They were backed up by Mosebi's steep bounce, Bharath's swing, Naidoo's line and length, Murray's pace and the spin of Goncalves, Noor Mahomed and Pieterse. Sinclair proved that he was a real asset to the team behind the stumps. Many of the bowlers could also be counted on to get the team out of some batting tight spots. There were times, however, when my first few grey hairs sprouted. We would have the opposition 65 for 7 and allow them to make 100 more runs after fumbles and dropped catches, or we would have an opening batting partnership of 101 runs and then only contribute 80 more as a team. The focus for this group going forward is to develop their consistency as a team. This will be a step of maturity for them.

Through the season, it was enjoyable to see A Ferraz, A Woolridge, F Worthy and A Bharath become regular A-team players. R Goncalves followed suit later in the season. R Murray and D Naidoo were in and out of the A team but hopefully they can cement their spots in the team in future.

The boys enjoyed a successful season winning seven of their 10 games. I will follow each player's progress with interest and wish them well for their future at Maritzburg College.

Regular players:

R Goncalves, R Smith, M Pieterse, R Graham, A Carter, J Botha, D Naidoo, A Noor Mahomed, L Sinclair, N Mosebi, R Murray, A Bharath, F Worthy, A Ferraz, A Woolridge

Results:

vs Westville:	won by 4 wickets (Worthy 45 and 5/18)
vs DHS:	won by 55 runs (Woolridge 56)
vs Michaelhouse:	lost by 42 runs
vs St Charles:	won by 10 wickets (Ferraz 42*, Goncalves 63*)



- vs Hilton: *lost by 27 runs*
- vs Glenwood: *won by 10 wickets (Goncalves 44*)*
- vs Northwood: *won by 277 runs (Goncalves 97, Graham 88, Smith 53)*
- vs St Charles: *won by 9 wickets (Goncalves 6/27 (Smith 51*, Murray 50*))*
- vs Westville: *lost by 17 runs (Murray 50)*
- vs Michaelhouse: *won by 85 runs (Botha 4/4, Graham 4/9)*

Mr M-J Smit

U14C

The U14C Cricket team enjoyed a very successful unbeaten season. The team really came together well very early and performed well. They showed true fighting spirit when required and did themselves and College proud.

Regular players:

J Miller (*captain*), S Hamilton, R Smith, J Lowe, K Meisegeier, T Koller, D Steyn, S Luffingham, T Luffingham, S Pillay, T Shaw, B Luthuli, C Fulton, K Ramlal

Results:

- vs Westville: *won by 27 runs (Hamilton 37, Luthuli 3/18)*
- vs DHS: *won by 7 wickets (S Luffingham 6/7, Smith 21, Miller 26)*
- vs Weston U14A: *won by 135 runs*
- vs Hilton: *won by 75 runs (Smith 48, Hamilton 20, Miller 36*, S Luffingham 4/5)*
- vs Michaelhouse: *won by 68 runs (Prinsloo 44, S Luffingham 21)*
- vs Glenwood: *won by 1 run (Smith 93*, Hamilton 26, Fulton 3/25)*
- vs Northwood: *won by 112 runs (Miller 54, Ramlal 54, Prinsloo 60*, Meisegeier 4/13)*
- vs St Charles: *won by 45 runs (Lowe 37*, Meisegeier 29, Lowe 3/15)*
- vs Westville: *won by 102 runs (Miller 69, Meisegeier 63, Luthuli 4/20)*
- vs Hillcrest U14A: *won by 112 runs (Hamilton 54, Prinsloo 41, Meisegeier 29*, S Luffingham 26*, S Luffingham 2/10)*

Mr S Botha

U14D

This was a team of committed young Collegians who steadily grew in stature as the year progressed. They learnt that the game's fundamentals of hitting the ball straight, bowling a tight line and length and holding those vital catches are still so important and relevant today.

Two losses in the first term were comprehensively avenged in the final quarter. Ten fixtures were played in the course of the year with eight resounding victories being recorded. Three stagger fixtures were played and these were also notable wins. Three fixtures were lost in the course of the year due to inclement weather.

The team was ably led, initially by K Meisegeier until he earned a deserved call-up to the C team. His deputy, J Jansen van Vuuren, was a competent replacement who led the team quietly and efficiently. He, too, gained promotion in the fourth term to the C team. His deputy, C van der Vliet, proved to be an enthusiastic leader for the remainder of the year.

Regular players:

K Meisegeier (*captain*), J Jansen van Vuuren (*captain*), C van der Vliet (*captain*), G Harrison, J Lowe, T Luffingham, B McGregor, T Abramia, J Glyn-Cuthbert, R Finnie, T Wolhuter, A Styan, K Ramharak, N Dladla, O Mabizela, M Nilsen

Results:

- vs Voortrekker: *won by 21 runs (Jansen van Vuuren 60*)*
- vs Michaelhouse: *won by 79 runs (Dladla 4/4)*
- vs St Charles: *lost by 33 runs*
- vs Glenwood: *won by 9 wickets (Jansen van Vuuren 56, Nilsen 2/12)*
- vs Northwood U14C: *won by 7 wickets (Abramia 2/9, Lowe 2/10, Glyn-Cuthbert 3/6)*
- vs St Charles: *won by 32 runs (Styan 30, Lowe 2/9)*
- vs Westville: *won by 39 runs (Ramharak 58, Glyn-Cuthbert 39)*
- vs Michaelhouse U14C: *won by 82 runs (Harrison 2/3)*
- vs Westville: *lost by 16 runs (Jansen van Vuuren 4/36, Penny 47)*
- vs St Charles: *lost by 41 runs*
- vs Hilton: *won by 80 runs (Dladla 4/3)*
- vs Michaelhouse: *won by 10 wickets*

Mr L Orchard

U14E

Overall, the boys had a good season considering the fact that we had an ever-changing line-up with players being moved to the D team on a regular basis. Some stand out performances provided some well-deserved wins, often on the stagger. Well done to the boys, and I wish them all the best for the season in 2019.

Regular players:

K Ramharak, R Uren, C van Rooyen, N Parmanand, T Wolhuter, D Antoniades, G Hampson, W Muggleton, B Frodsham, T Abramia, J O'Brien

Results:

- vs DHS: *won by 131 runs (Prinsloo 108)*
- vs Westville: *lost by 2 wickets*
- vs Glenwood: *won by 93 runs (Ramharak 43)*
- vs Hillcrest U14A: *lost by 6 wickets (Walther 44)*



CRICKET

vs Westville:	lost by 11 runs (Ndwandwe 42)
vs St Charles:	won by 5 wickets
vs Kloof U14A:	won by 101 runs (McGregor 94*, Abramia 60*)
vs Voortrekker U14A:	lost by 146 runs
vs Northwood:	won by 7 wickets (Chiliza 32)

Mr M Dibben

U14F

The U14F cricket team had a very productive 2018 cricketing season. The boys always gave everything on the field, at games as well as at practices. Only because of their commitment and dedication were they able to reach great heights in their cricketing prowess. This was especially evident in their games against Westville when they were victorious on both occasions, beating Westville by 8 wickets in their first encounter. Slabbert did us proud by not only taking an astonishing 5 wickets for 11 runs, but also scoring a hat-trick. During the second encounter with Westville, the boys defeated their opponents by the considerable margin of 108 runs. They also learned each other's strengths and weakness, and began to develop the ability to 'read' each other during the game. It soon became evident that they were developing in leaps and bounds – not just in an individual capacity – but also as a team. This bodes well for the future, as cricket is, after all, a team sport. In all, it was a great season for the boys and it was a joy and privilege to work with such a promising and enthusiastic group of young cricketers. I wish them the very best in their future cricket.

Regular players:

R Barker, E Dhoda, D Naiken, B Naidoo, S Arnold, K Nene, M Dhuki, K Kisten, S Cele, C Miller, L Singh

Results:

vs Westville:	won by 2 wickets
vs Voortrekker u14B:	won by 3 wickets
vs Inland Development:	lost by 9 wickets
vs Voortrekker u14B:	won by 40 runs
vs Glenwood:	won by 6 wickets
vs Westville:	won by 108 runs
vs Westville:	won by 8 wickets (Slabbert 5/11 including a hat-trick)

Mr R Pillay

U14G

The U14 G cricket side hosted many talents. From the outset the boys became aware of what they needed to do and boasted fantastic results throughout the year.

Under the leadership of captain, A Brown, players were always neat and well-behaved and showed the utmost respect to the game. Boys were always dedicated and gave their best, no matter what the outcome was. The game they played showed flair, enthusiasm and the desire to come out on top of every challenge that they were faced with.

It was nothing short of an amazing season for the coach as well as the young lads. I wish the boys the very best for their future cricketing endeavours.

Regular players:

A Brown (captain), R Sheosunker, S Ramdeen, M Puller, C Norman, L Sing

Results:

vs Westville:	won by 131 runs (Lubaid 71*, Brown 58)
vs DHS U14E:	won by 4 wickets
vs Inland Development:	lost by 8 wickets
vs Westville U14F:	lost by 5 wickets (Jacob 51)
vs Kloof U14B:	won by 4 wickets
vs Pelham 3rd:	won by 78 runs
vs Northwood:	won by 232 runs (Barker 107*, Brown 69)

Mr T Hoosen

U14H

The U14H side had a tough season but learned some valuable lessons throughout the term. Playing against some very tough opposition, the boys fought hard and gave of their best, and in doing so produced some entertaining cricket. The boys must be commended on their attitude towards their cricket at matches as well as at practices. Many of these boys moved up to the G team which is testament to the fact that they put a great deal of effort into their cricket. I am sure that they will continue to play the game in the spirit that they have shown this year.

Regular players:

M Dukhi, K Kisten, S Manack, K Nene, R Barker, S Cele, J Singh, C Miller

Results:

vs Westville:	lost by 30 runs (Muggleton 57)
vs Inland Development:	lost by 160 runs
vs Inland Development:	lost by 5 wickets
vs Westville u14G:	lost by 7 wickets
vs Inland Development:	lost by 129 runs

Mr R Pillay





Cross-Country

Back row: L Mendes, S Harvey, C Baldrey, L Zondo, A Veitch, B Reddy, T Rhodes, J Maher, J Moller, O Beauclerk, B Baldrey
Middle row: J Keith, G Westerdale, A Hlongwane, R Wilken, R Finnie, O Higgins, C Knight, S Arnold, T Ross, G Joubert, S Nene, L Arnold, D Odell, T Drummond
Front row: L Dayimani, J Barnard, N Msiya, D Evans, Mrs L Akerman (MIC), S Speed (captain), Mr B van der Walt (coach), O Martens, S Little, A Greaves
Absent: K Kirsten, N Trodd, C Stephens, L Dashwood, C van Rooyen, M Zunkel, M Smith

Maritzburg College has enjoyed a very successful cross-country season with both senior and junior boys being top of the League. The boys have worked very hard to maintain their positions in the face of strong opposition.

In the junior team O Higgins and S Harvey consistently achieved first and second positions at all the meets and were dubbed the 'twins' of Maritzburg College cross-country. J Moller and S Arnold maintained their positions in the top ten in every meeting and S Nene is also to be commended on his achievements.

In the senior team D Evans, T Ross, D Speed, N Msiya, N Trodd, A Greaves and C Stephens all took spots in the Top 10 during the season. They all worked very hard to gain their position at the top of the League.

We have had a very enjoyable season with a large contingent of boys taking part and contributing towards Maritzburg College's success in cross-country. All the hard work has paid off!

The most challenging course of the season, without a doubt, is the route at The Wykeham Collegiate with a long arduous incline, and a close second is the Michaelhouse route. Our favourite course is our home course at the Collegians Club which is flat, fast and includes laps.

Special thanks to the boys for making this season a memorable one, each one of them did their bit to ensure we walked away victorious. It would be remiss to ignore two other integral members of our team, Mr Sparrow and Mr van der Walt, whose input to the team was invaluable.

The inter-house competition took place at the end of the second term, and saw the use of the new barcode system for the whole school. This system proved to reflect results quickly and accurately.

The longstanding records were not broken despite some desperate efforts. Congratulations to O Higgins for winning the junior race and N Msiya for winning the senior division.

Mrs L Akerman





Cycling

Back row: D van der Watt, M Foster, C Stephens, J Barrett, M McCleary, S Westerdyk, J Slabberts, M Uhlmann, T Cheattle, D Wright, B Collins
Middle row: A Sellick, C McDaniel, M Chapman, T Zimu, K Bullock, B Frodsham, J Anastasis, F Lo Piccolo, N Surian, T Reddy, T Beachcroft-Shaw
Front row: L Foster, A Budke, Mrs L Akerman (MIC), K Barrett, Mr D Lowe (coach), K Blunt (captain), Mr J Tyler (coach), B Symons, D Anastasis
Absent: N Burczak, A Suliman, C Zondi, S Westermeyer, J Thring, M Ellison

Cycling at Maritzburg College has made some remarkable and encouraging progress this year. Cycling as a sport has become a popular choice amongst our younger boys and this has helped increase its membership. Our cyclists have been very busy as they proudly and enthusiastically represented their school in a total of 17 activities.

We hosted our first exchange against Affies and raced at Cascades MTB Park. The competition was tough but we dominated on the course as our team's strength lies in handling technical courses.

College achieved the following outstanding results in the following KZN Inter-school events:

- 1st in the Quattro ROAG series
- 2nd in the KZN Spur MTB series
- Six cyclists have made the KZN team and will compete in the National Spur MTB series.

We also held our first inter-house competition and the boys were represented by a senior and junior rider in each House. This event took place at Cascades. Congratulations to Forder House, the overall winners.

The cyclists had the privilege of attending a course on response to emergency situations as well as a mechanical repair session with Mr David Lowe.

College is now represented by 32 boys at each event and we are consistently starting to dominate the podium positions in every age group and discipline.

We took part in seventeen formal activities during the 2018 school year under the leadership of the captain, K Blunt.

Other significant individual achievements were:

Spur Inter-schools KZN MTB Series

K Blunt	4th Junior
D van der Watt	2nd Youth
N Burczak	2nd Sub-Junior

National Spur Inter-schools MTB

Six of our boys rode in the national event and represented KZN: K Blunt, T Cheattle, D van der Watt, M Foster, A Sellick and N Burczak contributed towards the KZN team placing third nationally.

ROAG Series

T Cheattle	3rd Junior
D van der Watt	1st Youth
N Burczak	1st Sub-Junior

In each category we had three riders in the top seven places.

KZN Lap Challenge series:

K Blunt	3rd Junior
T Cheattle	4th Junior
D van der Watt	2nd Youth

The 2018 Champion Cyclist was K Blunt and the Most Promising Junior Cyclist was N Burczak.

Mrs L Akerman



Maritzburg College cycling team at KZN MTB lap challenge series



Golf

Back row: S Delport, N Trodd, S Paxton, E Gough, D Furmage

Front row: L Barnard, Mr D Trodd (MIC), L Parker-Dennison (captain), Mr P Snyman (coach), R Emanuel

It has again been a positive year for golf at College as far as the number of boys playing the game goes. This has contributed to the team producing their best results in many years. College finished first in this year's annual KZN Schools' Team Championship, the first time ever. One boy was also selected for the KZN B team and three for the KZN A team, which is very encouraging.

The golf week at Affies during the April holidays was very successful with College finishing in second place out of 14 teams.

The golf tour to the South Coast during the July holiday was again a great success with a large group of boys making the trip. Eight boys played three tournaments which were part of the KZN Golf Union's calendar at the end of the tour. College golfers dominated these foundation tournaments. They played seven different courses in as many days and on most days the boys played 36 holes.

College also won all their league matches this year, losing only to Affies in their Affies Week. College beat them at home.

Much hard work is still necessary for the young players to fulfil their potential, however, there is evidence of dedication by a number of junior boys who want to achieve at the highest level. What is of further encouragement is that only the golf captain, L Parker-Dennison, and R Emanuel will be leaving at the end of the year. The School Champion of the year was N Trodd.

N Trodd and L Barnard were also selected for the KZN Foundation team.

I thank Mr Darryl Trodd for all his hard work and dedication to golf.

Provincial selections:

KZN Schools A: N Trodd, L Barnard and R Emanuel

KZN Schools B: E Gough

Mr P Snyman

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Hockey

Back row: D Godleman, G Will, T Francis, K Kleiner

Middle row: T Prinsloo, S Ngongo, A Greaves, S Ngcobo, L Lenz, G Pio

Front row: C Hollaway, A Walstroom, J Campbell, Mr D Coombes (coach), R Stainbank (captain), A Bradford, M Maphumulo

Review by the master-in-charge

In 2018 College fielded 19 hockey teams, five open teams, eight U16 teams and six U14 teams. This meant we had approximately 270 boys playing hockey every week and makes us one of, if not the biggest, hockey schools in the country. College played a total of 242 games, winning 175 of them, drawing 31 and losing 36. This equates to a 73% win ratio. It must be stated that a number of the losses occurred on a stagger where lower College teams played higher opposition. The 4th, U16D, U14B and U14D teams all achieved an unbeaten season but a special mention must go to the U16B team who went a perfect 14 wins from 14 matches this year.

We had many memorable weekends on Pape's this year where the teams across the hockey fraternity performed brilliantly. Against Glenwood, in both the home and away fixtures, Kearsney, DHS, Clifton and St Charles the teams went unbeaten and we lost only a single game against Hilton and Affies.

Mr Dylan Coombes joined us in January 2018 as Director of Hockey and took over the reins as 1st XI coach. Our 1st XI had another successful season, playing some exciting hockey as they set out to be the benchmark in South Africa. This talented group of players did themselves and their school proud playing for the 1st XI, as well as provincially and nationally.

In 2018 College continued to dominate the KZN Inland selections and supplied the KZN Inland Hockey teams with 43% of the players. A total of 40 College hockey players played in the 2018 Inter Provincial Tournaments. The KZN Inland U18A team, U16A team and U14A team all won silver medals at their IPTs.

At the conclusion of the U18 IPT, College had eight boys selected for the various SA Schools' teams:

SA U18A:

J Campbell, A Bradford, M Maphumulo, A Walstroom and S Ngongo

SA U18B:

A Greaves

SA U17 High-Performance Squad:

G Pio and S Ngcobo

At the conclusion of the U16 IPT, four boys were selected for the

SA U16 High Performance Squad:

B Jackson, D Bruyns, D van Niekerk and C Osborne

Campbell and Maphumulo were fortunate to attend the Youth African Games in Algiers where they represented the SA Hockey 5s team. They won gold at the tournament and qualified for the Youth Olympics in Argentina.

Thanks go to the following:

- the College hockey coaches, who throughout a long season maintained a high level of coaching and enthusiasm to ensure that the players were upskilled and motivated to achieve and also have fun;
- Miss Greyling and her First Aiders who so excellently treated injured players on the hockey fields;
- Mr Veitch, Mr Hackland and his estates team for ensuring our facilities are unmatched and maintained at such a high standard;
- Mrs Emerson and Mr Watson for working so hard to find 'filler fixtures' for our teams every week;

and finally

- the boys who make up the Red Army, who played hard but fairly, and who always gave their best on the field.

Mr K Emerson

1st XI

College's Red Army, for a number of reasons had a season that will live long in the memory. It was firstly a successful year where there were many changes but there were also a large number of boys that went on to represent both province and country in successful campaigns.

2018's 1st XI would become a real team where work ethic and team work were the order of the day and all would contribute equally to the success of this group. The brand of hockey played was extremely exciting, where superior structure and clinical passing would create countless chances to score some exceptional goals, resulting in some sterling performances.

The season in numbers:

The team played a total of 24 matches recording 16 wins, six draws and two losses. Thirteen players went on to represent KZN Inland at the National tournament in July where they performed admirably. Five players were selected for the SA Schools U18A team at the conclusion of the National U18 week where they played in a three match test series against an Australian Schools U18 team. One player was selected to the U18B team and a further two boys made the SA U17 High Performance squad.

The opening phase of the season saw a sublime performance on Pape's by this team where they made their intentions for the season very clear by scoring some great team goals in a 5-0 drubbing of St Charles. They followed this up with a 4-1 victory against Glenwood also at home before embarking on the traditional Easter Festival tours. Two festivals were attended, the first of which saw College play four matches at the St Sithians Easter Festival where they recorded three wins and a draw. The annual Nomad's festival hosted at Grey College in Bloemfontein followed – College played five matches recording three wins, one draw and a loss.

Standout highlights of the year were comprehensive wins against Hilton College (3-1), Kearsney College (3-1) and KES (5-0) all on Pape's. Another highlight was salvaging a draw against a formidable Jeppe team at Nomads after being 2-0 down. The only loss in the regular season would come at the hands of Westville (1-2) away from home where, under some trying circumstances on the day, College just never got going and Westville pounced twice on lapses in defensive concentration, while we were not sharp enough up front. The only other loss this year came at Nomads where, having played five games in three days just after the four fixtures at Saints festival, a fatigued College outfit was upset by Grey High School.

This team played sublime hockey throughout this season, passing teams off the pitch and scoring absolutely superb goals in some seriously dominating performances. It was a season where the overall quality of College hockey was abundant from this talented group. It is often challenging to get a talented group to play cohesive hockey, but 2018's 1st XI came together early on and genuinely all behaved in a manner befitting a quality team.

A number of cogs that needed to turn in making this the successful season that it was and my hearty congratulation go firstly to the boys that made up this team. Every single one of them was an absolute pleasure to coach and performed superbly in his own right this season. Your work ethic, passion and energy for hockey is astounding and you made my job easy by bringing these exceptional attributes to the fore.

My sincere thanks go to:

- Mr Kyle Emerson, Master-in-charge of hockey and assistant to the 1st XI, for his constant support and passion for this beloved game. His running of hockey at College is exemplary and having him on the radio during match days contributed tremendously to the success of the team this season;
- Mr Ken Hackland, Mr Dave Veitch and their maintenance team who keep our facilities at a world-class standard; and
- The hockey staff and parents for their unwavering and passionate support of the Red Army throughout the season.

So many hands contributed positively to the season and the support given by all to College hockey is immensely valued.



The College captain, R Stainbank, feeding the ball forward

Player Critique:

R Stainbank (*Captain, KZN Inland U18A, honours, defender*): A pillar in the team's defence this year and often the unsung hero with the amount of positive defensive work carried out. His ability to read the game and anticipate play a phase ahead of his counterparts is his greatest strength. His distribution and tackling skills are first rate as is his ability to execute numerous skills in the attacking PC battery, often under serious pressure. Much of the team's success can be attributed to his exemplary leadership.

J Campbell (*Vice-captain, SA U18A, KZN Inland U18A, Honours, midfielder*): An explosive player with immense skill and pace, he was the thorn in the side of many defenders up against him. This coupled with his top class work rate saw him make a massive contribution to the success of this season. With his incredible defensive work and amazing creativity going forward resulting in many favourable outcomes, he was a formidable member of the team.

S Ngongo (*SA U18A, KZN Inland U18A, Honours, goalkeeper*): An influential player in an important position, he had a huge role to play this season. He showed immense progression as the season went on and got better with each match. Showing exceptional form at the U18 National week for KZN Inland meant he was selected for the SA Schools team. With yet another year at College he should fulfil a major role in the team next year.

C Hollaway (*KZN Inland U18A, Honours, defender*): An intelligent player who dominated his opposing attackers with the knack to anticipate and read the game exceptionally well. A quality defender who hardly missed a tackle this year, he showed superb defensive attributes. His elimination skills as an attacking right back were superb and many of our attacks were launched through effective attacking play from the right back position. He was an integral member of the team this year and was very unlucky not to have been selected for the SA Schools team.

D Godleman (*Large White Badge, defender*): New to the first team this year, he started nervously before establishing himself at left back where his defensive qualities were a stand out feature in thwarting many attacks in his channel. His ability to intercept and quickly launch counter-attacks will be relied upon heavily next year when he will have the opportunity of another year with the College 1st XI.

T Francis (KZN Inland U18B, defender): A supremely talented defender offering a superb drag flick too, he had an unlucky start to the season with an early injury. This meant he had to work even harder to establish himself in the team and he did this with valour. Returning in 2019, he will be major role player in the team.

G Pio (SA U17 Squad, KZN Inland U18A, Honours, defender/midfielder): As a new member in the 1st XI he slotted in strongly and quickly established himself as a regular in this team. With good defensive qualities as well as the ability to go forward from deep in the field, he was equally effective in attack and defence, as necessary. Blessed with good elimination skills, he often surprised opposition with silky runs up the field. He will be called upon in a big way when he returns to the 2019 setup.

A Bradford (SA U18A, KZN Inland U18A, Honours, midfielder/defender): As a senior member of the team he marshalled the midfield admirably with solid performances week in and week out. Technically gifted with superior vision, he always had more time on the ball than any of his counterparts. Through totally dominating the midfield and often getting on the scoresheet at crucial moments this season, he was a vital part of the College engine room.

M Maphumulo (SA U18A, KZN Inland U18A, Honours, midfielder): An exceptionally talented player, he was critical in a superb midfield often outplaying the opposition. In addition to the ability to eliminate defenders and score goals with one of the finest backhand finishes, he was critical in the success of the team this year.

K Kleiner (Large White Badge, midfielder): With an amazing work ethic he got better and better with each passing week as the season went on and always gave of his absolute best for the team. His ability to link up in close proximity to those around and eliminate defenders was his biggest strength.

L Lenz (KZN Inland U18B, Colours and Scarf, midfielder): A hard-working midfielder who always gave of his best. He has the ability and potential to eliminate opposing defenders and link up with those around him with ease. He was most effective when keeping things simple and connecting with other players. His efforts were rewarded with provincial selection this year and he will have a big part to play in the team next year.

G Will (Large White Badge, striker): An exceptionally hard working forward whose defensive work in the press was paramount to the success of the team. Very comfortable in the attacking circle, he worked hard to get into good space and scored many great team goals with simple tip ins. Reinforcing his abilities as a player with a superb drag flick meant that he added significant value to the team this year and was unlucky not to have gained provincial selection.

A Walstrom (SA U18A, KZN Inland U18A, Honours, striker): An electrically quick attacker with sublime elimination skills, he was the nightmare of many defenders. Add to this his ability to score from anywhere in the circle and he was an absolute necessity in the team. Blessed with the talent and ability to effectively eliminate defenders with an uncanny ease, he was deservedly selected to the SA Schools team. As top goal scorer this year, he was an integral member of the team.

A Greaves (SA U18B, KZN Inland U18B, Honours, striker): A striker blessed with great pace and superb stick work meant that he was at the heart of many a College attack this season. His work ethic was first rate and he was the creator of many goals through incredible injections of pace and elimination leaving defenders in his wake. He was a formidable member of the team.

S Ngcobo (SA U17 Squad, KZN Inland U18A, Honours, striker): An extremely hard-working striker, he always gave of his absolute best. He is an exciting talent with all the makings of a great player. He has the ability to read the game, eliminate defenders, score goals and all at speed making him a heavily relied upon player in the team. Returning in 2019 he will add significant value.

T Prinsloo (KZN Inland U18B, Colours and Scarf, striker): An absolute terrier up front with a work rate second to none, he was exceptionally effective in making life a misery for defenders. With his ability to steal possession from under the noses of defenders he was the cause of much pressure on opposing defensive units. Arguably his greatest asset is his ability to anticipate play and he scored several deflection goals this season. He will have a significant role upon his return to College next year.

Match Reports

vs St Charles College (Pape's Astroturf): Won 5-0

A cool rainy day made the playing conditions against St Charles tough. College had the bulk of the chances in the opening exchanges and opened the scoring after 10 minutes when Will latched on to a pass for a tip in. There was a torrential downpour in the first half which made the turf extremely heavy leading to a scrappy patch of hockey before the rain let up. College scored a further goal through Walstrom to go into the break 2-0 up. The second half saw College resume the high energy and tempo that they showed in the first half and fine possession hockey and good combination play brought a sublime deflection goal from Bradford and a further goal from Ngcobo. In the last moment of the game, Godleman crept unmarked into the top of the circle to record College's fifth goal. It had been a tough, physical encounter and a good start to the season.

Goal scorers: Will, Walstrom, Bradford, Ngcobo, Godleman

vs Glenwood (Pape's Astroturf): Won 4-1

A skilful and spirited Glenwood team arrived at Pape's for what proved to be a high tempo and physical affair. The College team's usual structured and clinical style was challenged by the physical and laissez-faire approach of their skilful counterparts, but the structure and control of the College outfit broke the deadlock in the ninth minute through Will. Shortly before half-time Will netted his second and then Prinsloo extended the lead to 3-0 at the break. The second half saw a very evenly contested battle with Glenwood producing some threatening play and College missing a few golden opportunities to extend their lead. Glenwood opened their account through a well-executed penalty corner which seemed to lift their spirits, but Will bagged his hat-trick for a 4-1 win.

Goal scorers: Will (3), Prinsloo



T Baker sweeping forwards



The start of the Easter holidays saw the College 1st XI travel to Johannesburg to the St Stithians Sports Festival where College would play four matches before leaving for Bloemfontein and the annual Nomads Festival.

St Stithians Festival

vs St David's Marist Inanda: Won 5-0

First up for College were local boys, St David's. The College boys got off to a flier and went 2-0 up early on through a sublime deflection goal from Prinsloo and another simple finish after good build up through Will. It was an exceptionally controlled performance where the College defence was not really put to the test at all. College extended their lead through an exceptional backhand strike from Maphumulo before Walstroom bagged a brace, closing proceedings at 5-0 to College.

Goal scorers: Prinsloo, Will, Maphumulo, Walstroom (2)

vs St Alban's College: Won 2-1

A spirited and energetic St Alban's surprised College in their next encounter by going 1-0 up very early on in the match and shifting into a half court press, making attacking space exceptionally hard to come by for College. It took until late in the first stanza for College to equalise clinically through Ngcobo. The second half saw St Alban's park the proverbial bus until the dying moments of the match before College won a much-deserved penalty corner. Through a clinical move Walstroom deflected home to see College 2-1 victors.

Goal scorers: Ngcobo, Walstroom

vs St Andrew's College: Won 3-0

College next met a much talked about St Andrew's team who were looking to improve on some already impressive performances. The College team, however, were up for the challenge and went a goal up through captain Stainbank from a penalty corner. Ngcobo bagged his second of the weekend, finishing easily for a great team goal. The match was sealed at 3-0 to College by talisman Walstroom, when some deft skill saw him outsmart his defender and strike into the net.

Goal scorers: Stainbank, Ngcobo, Walstroom

vs Bishops Diocesan College: Drew 3-3

Arguably the match of the weekend saw a skilful Bishops team push College through their paces in what was a high scoring affair. It was a ding-dong battle where some frustrating defending let College down. They did however show some great resolve and character in remaining composed under pressure to keep Bishops at bay. Hollaway, through some intelligent play, scored two almost identical goals from penalty corner play, slapping twice into the bottom right hand corner. Ngcobo hit the score sheet again for College to level things up at three apiece.

Goal scorers: Hollaway (2), Ngcobo



J Campbell looking for a way through

Fresh off a trip to Johannesburg the College 1st XI left for Bloemfontein and Grey College for the annual Nomads Festival. Their work was cut out for them, with some of the strongest schoolboy hockey in the country on display.

Nomads U18 Festival

vs St Alban's College: Won 5-0

College met St Alban's for the second time within a week, but this time took no prisoners and ran riot, scoring five unanswered goals. It was a totally dominant affair where St Alban's had absolutely no answer to an awe-inspiring performance. Walstroom and Ngcobo once more did the job upfront for College with three superbly taken goals. Bradford also bagged a brace, executing perfectly with two deflections from penalty corners for College.

Goal scorers: Bradford (2), Ngcobo, Walstroom (2)

vs Jeppe High School: Drew 2-2

College faced stiff opposition in what was dubbed the match of the festival when they faced an in form and highly spirited Jeppe team. College would be put to their biggest test yet when they found themselves in very foreign waters at 2 nil down at the half. This seemed to spur College on and the character and resolve shown by the team under these circumstances would prove to be invaluable later on in the season. College scored their first from a penalty corner when Bradford would slot home once more from a penalty corner with a perfectly executed deflection. Captain Stainbank stepped up to the plate next under some serious pressure from a penalty corner and calmly levelled things up with a well-executed drag flick.

Goal scorers: Bradford, Stainbank

vs Wynberg Boys High School: Won 1-0

College faced Wynberg Boys in their next encounter where only a single goal separated the two fine hockey teams. Ngcobo played a pivotal role in keeping a clean sheet in this particular encounter before Stainbank, once more under immense pressure, flicked home from a penalty corner, sealing a hard-earned result for his team.

Goal scorer: Stainbank

vs Selborne College: Won 3-0

Later that afternoon College faced Selborne. The Eastern Cape boys had every intention of making it a long afternoon for the College outfit but the College boys had ideas of their own. Starving Selborne of much quality possession, College took easy control of the match when in-form talisman Walstroom netted the opener. Greaves extended College's lead, finishing off a fine team effort, before Maphumulo sealed Selborne's fate with a well-taken goal late in the second half.

Goal scorers: Walstroom, Greaves, Maphumulo

vs Grey High School: Lost 0-2

Last up for College, in what was an exceptionally busy and draining period, was a very well-drilled and dangerous Grey High team. College rued missing some easy goal scoring opportunities when they were twice hurt on the counter attack. This was the only encounter in the season where College did not score a goal. Grey scored two in what was a very frustrating morning for the College XI.

vs Pretoria Boys High School (PBHS) (Pape's Astro turf): Drew 2-2

The two schools share a fine history on the hockey field and the 1st XI game is often a really heated match up. So it was on this occasion with the Boys High team full of energy and opening the scoring in the ninth minute through slick build up through the midfield and excellent work in the circle. College quickly clicked into gear and, despite several good saves from the Boys High goalkeeper, Campbell slapped home a penalty corner to level the score. PBHS again took the lead early in the second half where some creative midfield play saw them score a sublime goal from an acute angle on the baseline. Walstrom scored the equaliser through a penalty corner deflection. With the scores levelled at 2-2 it was College who had a barrage of chances to score but the PBHS goal keeper was in the mood to keep things even. 2-2 it ended in what was an exciting game with lots of chances.

Goal scorers: Campbell, Walstrom

vs Hilton College (Pape's Astro turf): Won 3-1

The early exchanges saw Hilton showing some good intentions with aggressive and organised play going forward, bolstered by good structure on defence. College were exceptionally good in controlling the possession and creating chances in front of goal. In the 12th, a diving Prinsloo deflected home an excellent pass from Maphumulo and shortly afterwards Campbell deflected the ball into the back of the net from a very precise penalty corner variation. College further extended their lead in the 26th minute of the first half where again some very slick passing saw Ngcobo find Maphumulo unmarked in the circle and he fired home to take College into the break 3-0 up. College once more continued to show exceptional periods of possession but it was Hilton who in the sixteenth minute earned and converted a penalty stroke. Much of the second half saw College not managing to extend their lead despite some great chances on offer and at the close of proceedings College were 3-1 winners.

Goal scorers: Prinsloo, Campbell, Maphumulo

Northwood School (Away): Drew 1-1

The match began with great tempo with College producing most of the hockey and creating many chances but not capitalising on this dominance. Against the run of play, Northwood picked up on a rare College error and scored after a goal mouth scramble, closing the half with Northwood 1-0 up. The second half got underway with College really dominating in all spheres, other than on the scoreboard. Multiple chances and penalty corners followed, but the Northwood defence stood firm until College captain, Stainbank, stepped up with a well taken flick from a penalty corner into the Northwood goal to draw level at 1-1. It was, however, too little too late and the match, whilst dominated by College, closed out at one goal apiece.

Goal scorer: Stainbank

vs King Edward VIII School (KES) (Away): Won 2-1

The first half saw the two teams playing open and expansive hockey with College dominating the possession and attacking play. It was the hosts, however, who opened the scoring in the 22nd minute after a goal mouth scramble and deflection. Numerous circle entries and large amounts of possession resulted in a number of goal scoring opportunities for College, but they only equalised on the stroke of halftime after a close range deflection. The second half saw a dominant performance from College who showed great build up play coupled with creative synergy through midfield, but the only score came through a quick break down the right wing in the 9th minute. College could have made it more through creating a number of goal scoring opportunities, but they never managed to extend their lead.

Goal scorers: Will, Walstrom

vs Kearsney College (Pape's Astro turf): Won 3-1

The match started very evenly with both sides looking a little nervous and not truly taking control. In the 7th minute, Kearsney pounced on a rare opportunity and scored from a penalty corner. Once again College had to fight back from an early goal down, which they did when Stainbank converted a penalty stroke. Three minutes later College took the lead through arguably one of their goals of the season so far. Some good build up play saw the ball move quickly into the Kearsney half with impact player and vice-captain, Campbell, running at the Kearsney defence. Some very quick combination play saw Campbell find Greaves who in turn rolled the ball to a diving Walstrom on the far post for a superb tip in. The second half saw one more goal added to the College tally as they controlled much of the game, keeping large portions of possession. Maphumulo was the scorer after the ball was moved swiftly through the midfield and into the circle. College continued their excellent form and played the half out comfortably. It had been a great game of schoolboy hockey, played in good spirit.

Goal scorers: Stainbank, Walstrom, Maphumulo

vs Durban High School (DHS) (Away): Won 3-0

The match was one-way traffic from the outset with College utilising all corners of the pitch with some great ball movement. They showed great patience and control with lots of numbers in the DHS circle. A penalty stroke after 22 minutes and a brilliant backhand deflection with two seconds left on the clock saw College enjoy a 2-0 halftime lead. Seven minutes into the second half College scored from a great penalty corner variation and they saw the match out, dominating on all fronts. They would have felt, however, that they should have converted a few more of the opportunities that they created.

Goal scorers: Hollaway, Prinsloo, Stainbank

vs Clifton School (Pape's Astro turf): Drew 1-1

Clifton made the trip up to Maritzburg College for a midweek fixture on Pape's. The match started with high intensity and furious pace, with some end-to-end hockey which saw College dominating the early exchanges. They missed a number of good goal scoring opportunities, however. A clever interchange of passes from a penalty corner saw College into a 1-0 lead, but they could not extend their lead further in the first half. The second half started in much the same manner as the first, where it was composure and control from College with all the possession and countless penalty corners but unable to convert this pressure into goals. Then a quick restart from Clifton saw the ball moved swiftly and a Clifton forward pounced to level scores at 1-1. With 12 minutes still to play College continued their onslaught but could not take the lead again. Two goals were disallowed and a frustrating day for College ended at 1-1. Squandered chances early on came to back to bite them.

Goal scorer: Maphumulo

vs Michaelhouse (Away): Won 7-5

This much anticipated clash produced a 12-goal thriller with non-stop end-to-end action. College started strongly with two early goals, but determined and skilful play from Michaelhouse dragged the score back to 2-2. College scored from a penalty corner to claim a 3-2 halftime lead. Two goals in the first 10 minutes of the second half seemed to place College comfortably in the lead at 5-2, but Michaelhouse fought back and, despite a further College goal, reduced the lead to 6-5 with four minutes remaining. A final goal in the final minute sealed the result for College. 7-5 it finished in what will live long in the memories of those present as a fine display of high quality, great energy and skilful, attacking schoolboy hockey.

Goal scorers: Will (2), Stainbank (2), Walstrom (2), Maphumulo



vs Westville (Away): Lost 2-1

College started the match with the best energy they would show all day and created no fewer than five golden opportunities to open a substantial early lead. But after failing to take advantage of any of them, College conceded two goals for a 2-0 halftime deficit. One expected the half time rev to spark some fire into the College outfit but they could still not push on and overcome the lethargy evident in all areas of the pitch. It took until seven minutes from the end for College to finally open their account when Walstroom finished from close range. This seemed to spark a little sharpness from College but it was too little too late.

Goal scorer: Walstroom

vs Glenwood (Away): Won 5-1

Glenwood came out with nothing to lose and proved to be a handful for the drilled College outfit. With many chances being created by College in the opening stanza they were putting Glenwood under pressure but couldn't open their account. In the 21st minute College broke the deadlock from a penalty corner, but the first half concluded with numerous chances for College with no improvement on the scoreboard. The second half got underway and College seemed to ramp things up a bit. Two more goals took College into a comfortable 3-0 lead and, despite an excellent Glenwood penalty corner, they maintained pressure on their hosts to bag two more goals. Proceedings concluded with College 5-1 victors on the day with a balanced performance.

Goal scorers: Stainbank, Will (2), Bradford, Ngcobo

vs Afrikaanse Hoër Seunskool (Affies) (Pape's Astro turf): Won 3-0

The annual fixture against Affies took place at Maritzburg College. Affies' hockey has come on leaps and bounds over the past few years and College were made to work hard for many results. The first half of the 1st XI match was dominated by College, with Affies not posing much of a threat. Two goals placed College in the commanding position of 2-0 at halftime. The second half was well-controlled by College and the feeling was that they should have taken more of their many chances,

especially from the number of penalty corners won. The only goal of the half came from Will, with a well-executed drag flick that sealed the match at 3-0.

Goal scorers: Will (2), Bradford

vs Pretoria Boys High School (PBHS) (Away): Drew 2-2

Maritzburg College travelled up to the Highveld in the return fixture against Pretoria Boys, hoping to turn a 2-2 draw around from the fixture at Maritzburg College earlier in the year. The opening exchanges were all College, but they just could not break the deadlock by capitalising on five or six great goal-scoring options. Two goals were disallowed in the first half and then, totally against the run of play, Boys High went up 1-0, which they maintained until halftime. College continued their dominance in the second half and were rewarded with two deflected goals from penalty corners. Boys High would have the last say, however, when they won a controversial penalty corner which College successfully defended. However, three re-awarded corners brought an equalising goal to Boys High. College showed exceptional class and character under trying circumstances.

Goal scorers: Bradford, Walstroom

vs King Edward VIII School (KES) (Pape's Astro turf): Won 5-0

College had won the previous encounter between the two sides by two goals to one in a close contest and the expectation was that it would be another close match. College however had other plans and put in one of their best performances of the year. Their intentions were clear in their clinical and sharp approach to everything they did, and they also had the lion's share of the possession. A first half blitz brought four excellent goals and a further goal in the second half rounded off a fine, clinical and dominant display to see a great season close on Pape's.

Goal scorers: Will, Walstroom, Maphumulo (2), Bradford

Mr D Coombes



The Red Army ready to strike

2nd XI

The 2nd XI had a very successful season in which they put together a brilliant set of results, losing only one match, 4-3 to Affies, as complacency crept in. The side was built around a strong structure from the year before and played some exceptional hockey for most of the season. The boys responded well to a gradual enhancement of skills with the highlight being the second 10-0 win over Glenwood with seven goals coming from deflections, and the skill we had focused on during that particular week. The short corner conversions were crucial to our success with T Francis being phenomenal in the accuracy of his execution. This team is one of the strongest in the country at this level and had one U18B Inland representative in Francis. The summary of results: played 15, won 12, drew 2 and lost 1, with 69 goals for and 11 goals against, with an overall win rate of 80%.

Regular players:

C Hoffman, S Elliott, J Wollentine, T Baker, T Francis, N Haasbroek, O Martens, R McGladdery, M Reeves, C White, L Lens, K Kleiner, S Mntungwa, J Andriessen, C Shaw, W Andriessen, B Gumede

Results:

vs St Charles 3-0, Glenwood 10-0, PBHS 6-1, Hilton 6-0, Northwood 1-1, KES 2-1, Kearsney 4-0, Carter 1st 5-0, Clifton 6-1, Michaelhouse 4-1, Westville 2-1, Glenwood 10-0, Affies 3-4, PBHS 1-1, KES 6-0

Mr D Pryke

3rd XI

The 2018 hockey season was one not to be forgotten, especially for the 3rd team hockey. From the get go the boys were determined to give their all for the Red, Black and White in every game and that was evident with a 6-1 win against St Charles at the start of the season. Throughout, the boys showed passion and resilience, making it hard for the opposition to get any form of momentum. Led by N Luck and T Ngcobo as captain and vice-captain respectively, the rest of the team always had these two boys to pick them up when situations were not in our favour, especially halfway through the season. Scoring was not an issue, as the boys managed to score 40 goals in 15 games, dominating opposition defences that stood in their way. A memorable season was had and the boys made sure that it was filled with fun, laughter and enthusiasm at every practice and on every match day. It was a pleasure coaching this group of talented players and I hope that they continue to play for the Red, Black and White.

Regular players:

N Luck (*captain*), T Ngcobo (*vice-captain*), B Gumede, T Cloete, A Groenewegen, D Edwards, J Barnard, S Little, W Andriessen, T Walker, L Kunene, L Mtolo, M Nhlangulela, S Mntungwa, H Rousseau

Results:

vs St Charles 6-1, Glenwood 6-0, PBHS 0-0, Hilton 2-1, Northwood 2-0, KES 4-3, Kokstad 1st D 2-2, Kearsney 6-1, Clifton 4-0, Michaelhouse 0-2, Westville 1-3, Glenwood 6-0, Affies 2-1, PBHS 0-4, KES 3-1

Mr D Shaw-Govender

4th XI

The 4th team had a challenging but exciting season. The team started slowly with a draw against St Charles. The team worked hard together, practising and having fun. The players had good wins against Hilton and 10 goals were scored in two games against KES. The 4ths had a very challenging game against PBHS in the second leg up in Pretoria but were able to come back with a draw. Fourteen games were played and ten of these were won and four were drawn. The team was undefeated, which was the result of training hard, dedication and passion for the sport. Having four players, S Mkhize, L Khwela, L Foster and L Swart, who had played for this team the year before, made a big difference. They knew exactly what the coach wanted for the team and also led the team with dedication and commitment. The players trained, travelled and played well as a team. They were very committed in their training and very passionate about the sport. We would also like to thank all the matric players namely: S Mkhize, L Khwela, L Foster, J Spooner, L Swart, M Abel, K Maroney and S Zuma, who sacrificed their studying time and came to play for their school for the last time. L Khwela was the top goal scorer. One of our players was promoted to the 3rd team, namely H Rousseau.

Regular players:

S Mkhize (*captain*), L Khwela (*vice-captain*), L Foster, L Swart, M Abel, J Spooner, K Maroney, S Zuma, K Howard, J Govender, T Johnson, T Moloi, A Maharaj, R Himwanth, L Diedricks, T Tamsen

Results:

vs St Charles 2-2, PBHS 2-0, Hilton 8-0, Northwood 1-1, KES 5-1, Hermannsburg 1st 2-0, KES 1st 1-0, Clifton 4-0, Michaelhouse 4-0, Westville 2-0, St Charles 2-0, Affies 0-0, PBHS 0-0, KES 5-0

Mr M Ngcobo

5th XI

The 5th team had a very productive and successful season in which they grew from strength to strength. Capably led by captain J Piek, they dominated most opponents, winning eight of the nine games played, narrowly losing to PBHS away in what proved to be a tightly contested encounter. A personal highlight was the come-from-behind victory over St Charles in vastly trying circumstances, showcasing the team's 'never say die' attitude, and belief in each other. A standout feature of the season was the great team spirit which was displayed at both practices and matches, with a focus on enjoyment and skill development rather than results. I thank the parents for their continued support as well as their commitment to hosting on exchanges. My deepest gratitude goes to every single member of this team who played with true College spirit, making this season thoroughly enjoyable and one that will, I'm sure, remain in our collective memories for years to come.

Regular players:

J Piek (*captain*), Y Akoo, A Bajoo, A Budke, M Chenery, L Diedricks, P Kidd, A Maharaj, K Maroney, M Marshall, S Meiklejohn, T Moloi, J Mtolo, N Sewnarain, A Sitaram, D Stopforth, R Wilkins, J-K Wong, L Zondo, S Zuma

Results:

vs Howick 3rd 7-0, PBHS 1-0, Hilton 6-0, KES 2-1, Kearsney 4th 2-0, Michaelhouse 4-1, St Charles 2-1, Affies 3-2, PBHS 0-1

Mr M Warr





U16A

Back row: C Osborne, J Jansen, M Veenstra, Q Lupton-Smith

Middle row: R Akerman, D van Niekerk, C Stubbs, L Jansen van Vuuren

Front row: R Crookes, Mr B Swart (coach), B Jackson (captain), H Askew (captain), R Brokensha, Mr C Nevay (coach), A Mthlane

Absent: O Field, D Bruyns

The 2018 U16A hockey season was a relatively good one for this team. The boys only ever gave of their best, and while there were a high percentage of drawn matches, the winning percentage would be very different if they had taken more of their chances. The team struggled to convert the numerous penalty corners they had over the season.

The season started off well with two matches before the team left for the annual Nomads' Hockey Festival in East London, with wins over St Charles and Glenwood at home. Confidence was high leading up to the Festival hosted by Selborne College. The results at the Festival did not go too well for College, with draws against Selborne, St Andrew's and Jeppe, and losses to Grey High and Wynberg. The Jeppe match was outstanding and a fro hockey, and arguably the match of the season.

As College sides do, the boys rebounded on return to school fixtures and went on an unbeaten seven match run.

The College side came unstuck against a determined Michaelhouse side, who deservedly won the match 1-0. The last five games saw College in a hard fought match with Westville, scoring at the death to earn the draw, wins over Glenwood and Affies, a loss to PBHS and a draw with KES on Reunion Day. A great pity for the boys is that in almost all the draws, numerous chances were left on the field. This can be backed up by the fact that College had 16 boys across the two Inland U16 sides, and four in the SA High Performance squad. Well done to D Bruyns, D van Niekerk, B Jackson and C Osborne on their selection to the South African U16 High Performance squad at the conclusion of the IPT held in Pietermaritzburg. The boys played in the final on their home turf only to come unstuck against Southern Gauteng.

The team was ably led by H Askew and B Jackson and they are commended for their commitment and dedication to the team.

Player Critique

D van Niekerk (Goalkeeper, KZN Inland U16A, SA U16): An able goalkeeper, he was very reliable between the posts. A good work ethic coupled with skill saw him a worthy selection into the SA U16 High Performance Squad. He will grow with continued commitment in the future.

B Jackson (Captain, defender, KZN Inland U16A, SA U16): A plucky and adept centre back. He was the heart of the defence and rallied the team well from this position. He has a good grasp of the basics and is skilled in distribution. His efforts during the season resulted in a worthy selection to the SA U16 squad.

R Brokensha (Defender, KZN Inland U16B): A very competent defender, he was more than up to the task when called upon. A thorough team player, he was one of the mainstays of the defence. A handy tackler and distributor, he should progress well into the future.

C Stubbs (Defender, KZN Inland U16B): A good defender who played at periods throughout the season. His determination and hard work to succeed saw him a regular player in the team in the final phases of the season. He plays with determination and works hard to constantly improve himself. He will grow well with continued focus in the years.

R Akerman (Defender, KZN Inland U16B): A solid outside half who held this position well during the season. His simple outlook on the game helped to create consistent performances. His build-up play was good and he was a thorough team player.

C Osborne (Defender, KZN Inland U16B, SA U16): An able right half with a strong attacking flair. He gave the team good go-forward options and is exciting to watch when he plays. He has the ability to play in multiple positions and was a worthy selection to the SA U16 squad.

M Veenstra (Midfielder, KZN Inland U16A): A strong midfielder and one of the anchors in the middle trio. He has strong ability to distribute and set-up play as well as delay the build-up through strong holding skills. His skill in controlling games was a strong point.

H Askew (Captain, midfielder, KZN Inland U16A): An exciting player who has a knack of being able to influence most aspects of the game. He has natural stick-work and the ability to read situations to create favourable outcomes. He is a busy player with an exciting future in the game.

A Mthlane (Midfielder, KZN Inland U16A): A very exciting player. He grew in strength and ability as the season went on. He has a sharp read for the game and has the key attribute of pace in his arsenal. He can become a key game-breaker in time to come and will be exciting to watch.

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D Bruyns (*Striker, KZN Inland U16A, SA U16*): A player with a good read for the game and good 'feel' in the final third of the field. He often gets himself into very good positions and can finish well. He will be a value-add player in most teams and was rewarded with a national selection after the IPT.

J Jansen (*Striker, KZN Inland U16A*): A quick and dynamic striker. He often was the nemesis of opponent's defence. He has good stick-work and fast 'hands' making a strong skill-set on attack.

R Crookes (*Striker*): Hard work saw him promoted from the B team during the season. He has good stick-skills and a developing set of elimination skills. He can put good pace on the ball and will be interesting to watch as he develops into the game. He has a solid work ethic and commitment to improvement.

L Jansen van Vuuren (*Striker*): A plucky and determined player. He worked his way back into the game after a significant period of illness in the preceding year. His commitment and continued work saw him restore the skills of his previous abilities. He did well during the year and will grow positively in the future.

O Field (*Defender*): He is a committed player who always gives of his best. His opportunities were mixed in the team but was always up to the task when called upon. He has the necessary physical attributes to do well in the future and will grow well into the game.

Q Lupton-Smith (*Striker, KZN Inland U16A*): A high energy striker who will run for his team all day. He works extremely hard for the ball, and reads the game well. He was a pillar in the short corner team, and set up many chances throughout the season. A wonderful team player.

Results:

vs St Charles 3-0, Glenwood 6-0, PBHS 1-0, Hilton 2-2, Northwood 1-1, KES 1-0, Kearsney 3-1, DHS 1-0, Clifton 4-1, Michaelhouse 0-1, Westville 1-1, Glenwood 3-0, PBHS 1-2, KES 1-1

Nomads Festival: *vs St Andrew's 2-2, Jeppe 2-2, Wynberg 1-3, Selborne 1-1, Grey High 1-3*

Messrs B Swart and C Nevay

U16B

The U16B side set out at the start of the season with a mission to play an exciting brand of hockey and to make College proud. They put in many hours of hard work in the build up to the season honing their skills. Our first match against St Charles set the bar for the rest of the season with us winning 4-0. The boys did not rest after this, hoping to improve and to continue obtaining similar results. They developed a unique style of play which suited their individual strengths. This, combined with an excellent team ethos, ensured the favourable results continued. During the course of the season we managed to score 54 goals, conceding only five and keeping ten clean sheets. This was an impressive set of statistics in its own right, but even more impressive was the fact that we had 15 different goal scorers during the season, with our top goal scorer being Jansen van Vuuren who scored 15 goals. The fact that each player had opportunities to contribute to the success of the team, whether it be on defence or attack, made for a very happy team. The players' hard work paid off with a number of them being selected into the KZN Inland U16B side, namely T Connolly, A Zondi, N Ndlovu, S Jansen and C Stubbs.

K Tullis is complimented on his captaincy throughout the season; he brought a calm but determined nature to the team and led by example. Another huge thanks goes to all our parents who continued to support us throughout the season.

Regular players:

K Tullis (*captain*), S Jansen, R Will, R Dobejn, C McKean, O Field, C Stubbs, T Connolly, S Manyathi, R Klusener, A Zondi, N Ndlovu, L Jansen van Vuuren, G Winlock

Results:

St Charles 4-1, Glenwood 3-0, PBHS 3-2 and 2-0, Hilton 5-0, Northwood 3-0, Clifton 2-0, Michaelhouse 6-1, Westville 4-0, Affies 6-0, KES 2-0

Mr M Reed



The Maritzburg College 1st XI team leads the College shout



U16C

The U16C hockey side played some remarkable hockey this season.

The team morale was evident and the boys played for each other. The skill level amongst the links was evident even if they may have lacked some pace on defence. The passing of the ball was the team's strength and the back four were solid on defence. The strikers did their job with several hat-tricks being scored. They only lost three times and only by one goal each time, all three losses being 3-2. Summary of results: played 15, won 12, lost three, with an overall win rate of 80%. Some of these boys do have the ability to play at the highest level.

Regular players:

T Brown, T Woodburn, S Hlongwane, Z Mthembu, J du Plessis, L Putuma, G Wintlock, J Lalor, L Nyawo, T Rasmussen, K Hope-Johnstone, D Jonker, B van der Merwe, J Cumming, R Sclanders, N Mthethwa

Results:

vs St Charles 4-0, Glenwood 6-0, PBHS 2-1, Hilton 6-0, Northwood 4-1, KES 2-3, Kearsney 2-0, DHS U16B 10-0, Clifton 5-0, Michaelhouse 1-0, Westville 2-3, Glenwood 3-0, Affies 3-1, PBHS 2-3, KES 8-0

Mrs E Pryke

U16D

This amazing group of boys was not just unbeaten in score, but also in spirit. They showed incredible fight and determination in every game – the most unforgettable was a come-back after being a goal down in the first few minutes. I am so proud to have had such a great team who really knew the meaning of teamwork. We were complimented on this many times and about the boys' manners and etiquette in general. Every player in this team contributed to a wonderful season and each one improved immensely during the year. I am once again so lucky to have had such a delightful team of boys who played hockey with integrity and for the love of the game.

Regular players:

N Greeff, M Graham, N Thomson, M Foster, J Goble, N Zondi, C Baldrey, S Strydom, G Nel, K Pillay, J Cumming, N Cook, S Harvey, R Sclanders

Results:

vs St Charles 3-0, Glenwood 3-1, PBHS 5-0, Kloof 2nd 4-1, Northwood 10-0, KES 9-0, Kearsney U16C 4-0, Clifton 8-0, Westville 2-1 and 4-0, Glenwood 10-0, Affies 2-0, PBHS 2-1, KES 2-1

Dr R Salmond

U16E

We had a very eventful and successful season of hockey under the captaincy of R Patterson. He held his own against the higher formers in the team and really kept the team motivated through the season. We went unbeaten until we came up against the boys of KES who beat us very narrowly 2-1 up at St David's on our trip to Johannesburg. We continued our winning run, away and home, until the third term where once again KES came to College and beat us 1-0. The season consisted of a lot of memorable moments from our 5km runs at practices to our games on the weekends. The boys really came into themselves when we were 2-0 down against Westville at half time and came out victorious 4-2. I would like to thank the boys for a great season and all the hard work they put into College hockey.

Regular players:

J Lee, N Nkalakata, C Goble, E March, S Makhathini, C Simmons, J Moller, S Shange, B Pepworth, S Harvey, B Ndlovu, A Veitch, M Laithwaite, U Mkhize

Results:

vs PBHS 5-0, Hilton U16D 3-1, KES 1-2, Kearsney U16D 4-0, Carter U16A 4-0, Michaelhouse U16D 3-0, Westville 5-1, Affies 6th 4-0, PBHS 0-0, KES 0-1

Mr R Tooms

U16F

The team enjoyed a very productive and fruitful season. The boys were an absolute pleasure to work with. Most players showed high enthusiasm and dedication. The team exhibited a strong culture of discipline and continuous eagerness and ambition to learn and improve their abilities. I personally enjoyed watching the boys growing and becoming better players with each and every game. This team was characterised by its undying spirit on the field and its manners and exceptional behaviour off the field. The team captain, J Nelson, showed commendable leadership skills and a mature approach towards the game and his peers. The team played a total of 11 games, with seven of those games resulting in a win, one draw and three losses.

Regular players:

J Nelson (*captain*), R Grant, M Mouton, N Maphumulo, L Serafim, E Towani, R Kingham, N Qwabe, K Hammer, M Els, A Dlongolo, K Govender, K Hemmingway

Results:

vs Howick U16B 1-6, PBHS 1-0, Hilton 6-0, Northwood 4-0, KES 3-3, Kearsney 2-0, Michaelhouse 3-0, Westville 0-1, Affies 1-0, PBHS 0-2, KES 2-0

Mr F Mhlongo

U16G

It has been a privilege working with the U16G hockey team. Not only did I witness growth on the hockey field but I also witnessed boys turning into men.

The team played eight games, all of which were 'staggered'. The season came to an end with the College having won two, drawn two and lost four. These results, however, are not a true reflection of the hard work and commitment the team gave throughout the season. Overall the season went well and all those who were involved should be proud of themselves as they showed great commitment and dedication from start to finish.

Regular players:

U Maphumulo (*captain*), A Dlongolo, E Towani, M Howard, A Loretz, M Mouton, R Grant, R du Preez, N Qwabe, J Nelson, C Naicker, K Hammar, J-S Klapprodt, J Daniel

Results:

vs Alex U16A 0-4, PBHS 6th 1-1, Hilton U16F 3-0, Grace College 1st 1-2, KES U16A 2-11, Grace College 1st 1-1, Affies U16F 1-0, KES U16D 0-3

Mr S Radebe



HOCKEY

U16H

The 2018 season consisted of a set of trying and difficult fixtures for the boys, who always gave their level best. Although the boys did not have many wins against opponents, they displayed outstanding etiquette and self-discipline with fine performances against the MCS A side, Voortrekker 1st team and Westville's D side. The captain, Qwabe, always made sure the boys conducted themselves correctly and always showed respect to the opponents and umpires. Khuzwayo took over the captaincy role once Qwabe moved up and instilled just as much discipline and respect.

Well done to all the boys on an outstanding performance throughout the season; they pushed, fought, toiled and never gave up hope when it came to playing for Maritzburg College.

Regular players:

N Qwabe (*captain*), S Khuzwayo (*captain*), M Mkhize, A Loretz, K Whittaker, J Daniel, K van der Merwe, E Frank, J Graham

Results:

vs Alex B 0-8, Westville E 0-7, Voortrekker 1st 2-4, Westville F 1-4



Mr T Hoosen

At the back, G Will, with C Stubbs and R Klusener

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U14A

Back row: O Currie, R Marais, S Hamilton, J Naude

Middle row: J Jansen van Vuuren, C Fulton, A Styran, T Latha, R Graham

Front row: C van der Vliet, Mr K Nipper (coach), A Carter (captain), M Ponter (vice-captain), Mr K Emerson (coach), A Chiliza

Absent: J Shaw

There is much emphasis placed on the initial pre-season phase at U14 level where the players are grounded in the importance of basics, teamwork and developing a culture that sees College boys train hard on the turf. The U14A players trained hard and soaked it all up, as they were eager to start their hockey journey at College.

The opening fixtures of the season were relatively routine victories, beating St Charles and Glenwood, as the U14A team started to play to the pattern and structure of a College team. There were patches of brilliant hockey in these games where the team impressed but the biggest challenges would arrive when the team got to Nomads, hosted by Jeppe. College lost the first game to Grey College in a game which they dominated and played some very good, structured hockey. However, the speed and strength of the Grey boys seemed to be a bit too much. They bounced back with convincing performances against PBHS and Wynberg, ahead of what would turn out to be their toughest game of the season. The Jeppe team was quick, skilful and strong and 'on paper' a few goals better than us. The College boys rose to the occasion and executed a game plan with precision. A 0-0 draw was the result in a wonderful contest.

The second term started with a home game to PBHS, which was won comfortably. The next weekend we hosted Hilton College and went down 3-1 as Hilton took their opportunities well. Against Northwood, College played the lion's share of the match, but could not finish off the many opportunities they created. One of the other highlights of the season was against Michaelhouse, with two goals in the last three minutes bringing a win.

Looking back over the long season, this team can be proud of the way they played. The process is far more important than the results and it was very clear that this team laid a solid foundation for their future years. Much was learned from winning and losing and this will hold them in good stead as they develop and progress through the College hockey ranks.

Player Critique:

A Carter (captain, KZN Inland U14B, right back): He grew into his role as right back and started many attacks down the right hand channel with his good ball speed. As his defensive skills improve and he learns to read the game better he will become more of a complete player. He led his team mates well as he demanded much from them at practice.

M Ponter (vice-captain, KZN Inland U14B, centre back): He had a calming influence on the team as he seldom appeared flustered in defence. He made many a telling tackle to stifle the opposition's attack as he began to read the game. He scored many goals from precise penalty corners.

C van der Vliet (KZN Inland U14A, striker): A humble and hard-working player who improved through the season. Explosive speed and skill made him invaluable in attack. His deft touches and control with the ball set him apart from most of his peers.

A Styran (KZN Inland U14A, midfield): A determined and competitive player who sets a high standard for himself. He found himself in good scoring positions in the circle and was the creator of many goals. His stick-work and ball control improved through the course of the season.

C Fulton (KZN Inland U14A, midfield): He is a player with a lot of potential, executes the basics well and shows good ball control. In time, speed and strength will be the final ingredients to unlock his potential.

R Marais (KZN Inland U14A, goalkeeper): A highly talented goalkeeper who made some outstanding saves during the season. He is a reliable keeper who set high standards for himself and as he learns to communicate better with his defenders, he will become the complete package.

A Chiliza (KZN Inland U14A, striker): His defensive game developed hugely during the season and he contributed towards turning over a lot of ball in the press. He needs to back himself in the circle and become more threatening as a striker.

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J Shaw (KZN Inland U14B, striker): A tenacious player who showed good promise this year. His decision making let him down at times, but he often combined well with the players around him to threaten the opposition defence.

R Graham (KZN Inland U14B, midfield/striker): His ability with the ball improved as his confidence grew during the season. He is a skilled player and when he got stuck in, he was a vital member of the team and looked threatening.

O Currie (KZN Inland U14B, striker): He was instrumental to the team's ability to press our opposition effectively. He got himself into good scoring areas in the circle and learnt to connect well with the other strikers and midfielders.

J Jansen van Vuuren (KZN Inland U14B, centre back): He is a talented player who sets very high standards for himself. He reads the game well and once he gets stronger and his distribution improves he will be able to control the game from his centre half position.

S Hamilton (left back): A determined and positive individual, he always practised and played with a determined attitude. He did the simple things well and as he grows in confidence and understands his strengths, he will assert himself more on the game.

T Latha (midfield): He provided many meaningful attacks up the left hand side and his ability to defend his opposite number improved. He kept things simple and worked hard at practice, implementing that which he learned.

J Naude: He showed great enthusiasm and improvement through the course of the season, and this resulted in him being called up to the A team. He did the simple things well and as he grows in confidence and understands his strengths, he will assert himself more on the game.

Results:

vs St Charles 3-0, Glenwood 5-0, Grey College 1-2, PBHS 3-0, Wynberg 2-0, Jeppe 0-0, St John's 4-2, PBHS 3-1, Hilton 1-3, Northwood 0-2, KES 1-0, Kearsney 2-0, DHS 2-2, Michaelhouse 2-1, Westville 3-0, Glenwood 3-0, Affies 5-1, PBHS 1-0, KES 1-1

Messrs K Emerson and K Nipper

U14B

This season produced some fine, exciting hockey and the boys should be really pleased with their unbeaten season. Every player learned a great deal about hockey as the season progressed, especially the concept of team-work and having good, solid basic skills. Hopefully each boy involved bettered his skill set over the course of the year and will take this newly found knowledge forward.

The boys are to be commended for their regular attendance, and dedication during practice; giving their all, not only during matches, but especially on the practice ground. They did an excellent job bouncing back from behind on the score-board on numerous occasions, making sure that they worked hard on defence and took their chances when it mattered. Their quick adjustment and eagerness was also noteworthy, as they were always willing to play their role in the bigger picture which is that of College hockey, playing for U14A or U14C should it be required of them.

This enthusiastic young bunch of boys is thanked for the manner in which they conducted themselves this season. Special thanks to captain, G Cooke, for a job well done.

Regular players

G Cooke (captain), A Ferraz, C Hohls, D Naidoo, P Mncube, T Wolhuter, S Ndaba, S Gibson, W Hadebe, M Mtungwa, J Naude

Results:

St Charles 2-0, Glenwood 3-1, PBHS 3-1, Hilton 7-0, Northwood 0-0, KES 3-1, Kearsney 6-0, Michaelhouse 2-1, Westville 3-2, Glenwood 5-0, Affies 3-0, PBHS 2-0, KES 3-2

Messrs D Larter and N Duvenage

U14C

The 2018 season proved to be a successful one for the U14C side. There was an enthusiastic attitude from the get-go and this, together with commitment, continued throughout the season. The players were organised and determined from day one and an improvement in their skills was evident each week. The boys tackled their matches with the traditional College fighting spirit and achieved strong wins against Kearsney, Carter U14A and KES. The only loss was a narrow one against a strong combined Westville U14A/B team.

The team was ably led by K Meisegeier and R Finnie, his vice-captain. They were proactive both on and off the field and always ensured that a high level of commitment was maintained throughout game time. The boys played an attractive game of attacking hockey with the defenders often creating scoring opportunities for the links and strikers.

J Penny top scored with eight goals, followed by E Kingham who netted six goals. The team played 14 games, winning 10 and drawing three. They played one team on a stagger (C vs A/B) and lost 0-1.

Thank you to the players for a wonderful season. They truly were a pleasure and a delight to coach and this kept us motivated. Their indefatigable College spirit was a blessing to all of us. Many thanks to each one of you and to your parents who were unfailing in their support of the team.

Regular players:

K Meisegeier (captain), R Finnie (vice-captain), O Mhlongo, E Kleu, L Kadir, S Nkosi, K Blunt, S Arnold, E Kingham, J Patterson, T Shaw, T Abramia, J Penny, B Walther, F Lo Piccolo

Results:

vs St Charles 2-0, Glenwood 3-0, PBHS 3-1, Carter A 7-0, Northwood 3-0, KES 3-0, Kearsney 6-0, DHS 3-0, Westville A/B 0-1, Westville 2-0, Glenwood 3-0, Affies 1-1, PBHS 1-1 and KES 1-1

Mrs J Orchard and Mr K Pillay

U14D

The U14D team had an excellent, undefeated season during which they conceded only four goals. From the very first practice session they gelled as a team and they showed true dedication and spirit. They very quickly learnt that an individual does not win a game, but rather a team that plays as one.

The growth and development of these boys was impressive and it gave me great joy to see them enjoying hockey and always giving of their best. Many of them have a great deal of potential, and I hope they will work hard and reach it. JJ Campbell ably led the team throughout the season and A Isaacs is to be congratulated on finishing as the top scorer. I would like to express my sincere thanks to S Elliott who assisted with the coaching during the course of the season. His advice and mentoring of the boys was invaluable. Finally, thank you to the parents of these boys who were present at every match.

Regular players:

JJ Campbell (captain), T Beachcroft-Shaw (vice-captain), A Ndwandwe, Z Matthews, A Isaacs, S Phungula, R Ross, J Peens, C Zondi, P Laurens, S Luffingham, T Luffingham, C Grant, L Pepeta, N Sosibo

Results:

vs PBHS 5-0 and 2-0, Hilton C 2-1, Northwood 3-0, KES 4-0 and 6-1, Hermannsburg A 2-1, Michaelhouse 4-2, Westville 1-0, Affies 5-0

Mr N Croeser



U14E

The season got underway with its usual excitement, and even more so as a set of Seconde Formers were forced to unite and come together as brothers. The boys struggled at the start of the season to understand the style of coaching and one another, which is clear from the results posted; however, it was much better towards the end of the season when they really stood up and showed their spirit. The results show this growth as there were nine wins, three losses and one draw, the three losses coming within the first five games. It was very pleasing to see the development of the boys and I look forward to seeing them reach great heights in the future.

Regular Players:

P Chamane (*captain*), P Sibisi (*vice-captain*), R Barker, L Donnelly, M Douglas, M Fihlela, G Hampson, O Mlambo, A Nzimande, S Pillay, W Pillay, M Rasalanavho, D Thornton-Dibb, M Todd, A Xulu

Results:

vs Howick U14C 0-4, PBHS 8-0, Voortrekker U14A 0-3, Northwood 4-0, KES 0-1, Kearsney U14D 7-1, DHS U14C 4-0, Michaelhouse U14D 6-1, Westville 1-1, St Charles U14D 7-0, Affies 4-2, PBHS 9-1, KES 7-2

Mr J Wilcock

U14F

Our U14F team had a challenging season, which started with consecutive losses, but as the season went on and team chemistry grew our boys started improving and winning. We unfortunately did not have regular matches, with many schools not having an F team, which resulted in us having to face higher teams, and that affected our confidence and composure, but we enjoyed our time on and off the pitch and the boys remained committed and patient even though they were not playing as regularly as their peers. I would like to thank all the parents who made sure they were present to support and cheer us on. I wish these fine young men all the best for all their future endeavours. It was a great pleasure coaching them.

Regular players:

K Ramlall (*captain*), K Zondo (*vice-captain*), N Parmanand, A Mdimba, S Manack, P Bhengu, T Zuma, B Masinga, N Mbatha, K Nsimbi, J van der Merwe, L Hlophe, A Mdimba, C Miller

Results:

vs Alex 2-5, PBHS 0-1, Grace College 0-3, Northwood 0-2, Grace College 2-1, Grace College 1-2, Affies 1-0, PBHS 0-3

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1st XV

Back row: M Nzuzi, B Webster, S Pinkiney, B Nene, T van Aardt, K Dlangalala, D Meuwese, H Hankinson

Middle row: M Willemse, B Nel, J van der Walt, A Nzimande, W Hlophe, G Lesur, K Collyer, N Mbatha

Front row: E Hodgson, S Dube, Mr J Greeff, N Radebe, Mr T Orchard (coach), N Mchunu (captain), Mr R Chirengende (coach), P Simamane, E Heuer

Overview from the Director of Rugby

Rugby at Maritzburg College is alive and well. No fewer than 30 teams started the season, showing just how dedicated our boys are to the game. As injuries took their toll the number decreased slightly but we still managed to field 27 teams on the final Saturday of the season. A credit to both boys and coaches.

The results throughout the teams were outstanding, with a success rate that has not been seen in many years. Unfortunately, some teams were required to play staggers to ensure they got game time and this sometimes ended in losses against far higher teams. Our 9ths and F teams were sometimes pitted against 1st teams and A teams from other schools. This is not ideal but is a problem we have to work through as many other schools have declining numbers, whereas Maritzburg College continues to grow its rugby programme. Whilst the majority of teams enjoyed a win rate of 75% and above, the 1st XV had a tough year. With many games being narrowly lost and momentum against them, the team fought hard but ended with a poor record. The boys, however, never gave up and steadily improved as the year progressed and produced some memorable moments. It goes without saying that the school stood behind the team and supported them through the tough times.

No fewer than seven teams/squads were involved in Festivals over the Easter Holidays and next year we are looking at increasing this number to 8. The 1st team travelled to St Stithians, the 2nds, U16As, U14As and Bs to Fichardt Park in Bloemfontein, the U15As to the Francois Swart Festival at Affies and our U15Bs to Northwood. These festivals allowed for boys to play against opposition they would not normally encounter and it also gave the coaches the opportunity to build their team culture and get a better idea of the talent in their respective age groups.

Our 7s teams were once again in action soon after the end of the normal rugby season. It is always difficult for our boys to adjust to the 7s format so quickly when the other schools have had a month to hone their skills. It was therefore a fantastic effort for our U18s to make the final in their first outing at Glenwood and to be leading 22-19 with time up on the clock against the hosts. Unfortunately, Glenwood managed to sneak over for a try to win the tournament. Our U15 teams also produced some fantastic rugby with both the A and B teams contesting and winning finals at different tournaments. Well done to all involved.

Our schoolboy referees are increasing in number and credit must go to Mr Ngema who has been outstanding in promoting this part of the game and growing each boy as a referee. The game is fully reliant on refs and it is heartening to see how Maritzburg College is leading the way in producing officials for the future. Well done all.

A special thank you to all the coaches who sacrificed their weekends and ensured our boys were well organised and ready for action. Thank you also to all the administration staff, groundsmen, First Aid, Referees and caterers for helping to make this a season to remember. Only Affies outplayed us as a school and we can confidently say that Maritzburg College is the top rugby school in the province. We will continue to strive to be better and aim even higher.

Congratulations to these boys who gained higher selection:

Craven Week:	S Dube, N Radebe
Academy Week:	A Nzimande, P Simamane, W Hlophe
Grant Khomo U16:	H Corbett, K Goedeke, K Hadebe, M King, M Masvikeni
Sharks U17 7s:	A Nzimande

Mr K Smith



Captain, N Mchunu, leads the College XV under Nicholson's Arch

1st XV

Overview

The 2018 rugby season started off with a bang at the Voortrekker Night Series held at the Peter Booyesen Sports Complex at the local Varsity grounds. Two matches were played at this pre-season festival with College overcoming a game Voortrekker team before losing narrowly to a full strength Westville side. Kings Park awaited the team next where the inaugural Sharks Schools Festival was held where College played three twenty-minute chukkas against Westville, DHS and Glenwood. The purpose of this was to let the summer sports boys get a taste of rugby for the first time and also to allow the boys to showcase their wares in front of the Natal Schools selectors.

The first official match of the season was a historic one where Goldstone's played host to a fired up St Charles team intent on upsetting the apple cart. This was not to be as College brushed off the school from Harwin Road with ease emerging as 32-12 victors. The next match was a more difficult affair with Glenwood making the trip up to Goldstone's. The match started in a lively fashion with College scoring in the opening exchanges but Glenwood pulled away and were comfortable winners in the end.

The College 1st XV then travelled up to the prestigious St Stithians Easter Rugby Festival to play three top notch teams in SACS, Grey High and Rondebosch. The festival provided a great opportunity to blood new players into senior rugby and to test the depth of the squad by playing some of the best teams in the country. Unfortunately, the team emerged with three losses with the most galling being the heavy defeat to Rondebosch on the final day.

Pretoria Boys High was the first match of the second term with the College 1st XV out to show what they were about after a tough Easter Festival. The weather gods did not smile on Goldstone's as the match was played in cold, damp conditions which prevented any enterprising rugby taking place. In what proved to be an absolute nail biter College emerged victorious by a single point against their foes from Pretoria. The Hilton fixture on Goldstone's proved to be the nadir of the season as College gifted the opposition ball and possession in abundance, allowing Hilton to record a very rare win on Goldstone's.

The Northwood fixture was played under lights and the difficult playing conditions had a massive influence on the score line with College scraping past a Northwood side intent on the upset. A highlight of the second term was the away fixture at Michaelhouse where College played some great attacking rugby to put away a fired up opposition on Meadows. This match was highlighted by the way the College players attacked their opposition relentlessly, allowing them to emerge victorious.

The third term played host to three very tough fixtures with Affies being the first on Goldstone's. Much to the surprise of everyone, except the College 1st XV, Maritzburg College came out firing and almost snatched a rare win against their Afrikaans brothers from Pretoria. This fixture will be long remembered for the way the team defended, preventing the opposition from getting any real traction in a match that they expected to win by a bigger margin. The second match of the term proved to be the best match of the entire season as College went up to Pretoria to play a pumped up PBHS on their home turf. The attacking verve of the College boys was too much for their hosts to handle, especially when combined with the speed at which the game was played, allowing the College team to emerge victorious 27-14. The last match of the season against KES coincided with Old Boys Day and the team hoped to cap off a trying season with a good win on Goldstone's in front of an expectant crowd. This was not to be unfortunately as KES scored two late tries to take the game away from a distraught College 1st XV, winning 28-17.

The team was ably led by N Mchunu throughout the season and my thanks go to him for the exemplary manner in which he carried himself during some very trying circumstances this year. My thanks also to Mr R Chirengende for his valuable assistance throughout the season.

Player Critique:

Forwards:

E Hodgson (Colours): A tenacious player who always gave of his best. He was an important ball carrier in the team who never shied away from the task at hand.

B Nel (Colours): A sturdy player who grew into his role as the season progressed. A dynamic runner with ball in hand when called upon.

S Dube (Honours, Sharks Week): A veritable Trojan who never shirked his responsibilities. A stalwart in the front row who was seldom bettered by his opposite number in the cauldron that is the scrum. His selection for the Natal Schools team was fine reward for an impressive season but he reserved his best performances for the third term. Some of his impressive carries left an indelible impression on all who witnessed them this year.

WHlophe (Colours and Scarf, Sharks Academy Week): A youngster in the team who, once he became accustomed to the physicality and speed of open rugby, showed what he could do at this level. He has a further two more years at this level and much is expected of him after such an impressive start to his career.

G Lesur (Colours): The heart and soul of the team who manfully soldiered on with a fractured hand when called upon. An impressive defender who often put in a monstrous hit to the delight of the College boys in attendance. The worthy winner of the Players' Player of the Year award which showed how much he was valued by his team mates.

S Pinkiney (Large White Badge): Another junior in the side who had an impressive debut season. A gifted fetcher who often caused the opposition much heartache at the breakdown. His progress will be monitored closely next year as he continues his career at College.

B Webster (Large White Badge): An unassuming player who quietly went about his business this season. Another player who returns next year where much is expected of him where he will no doubt develop into a fine forward for the College 1st XV.

N Mchunu (Captain, Honours): An absolute pleasure to coach and the way he grew into his role as captain was especially impressive. In full cry with ball in hand, he had the ability to tear opposition teams apart. His lung bursting run at PBHS which he finished off with an impressive piece of footwork to set up Radebe will live long in the memory of all who witnessed it.

D Meuwese (Large White Badge): A determined player who had a good debut season. He has some technical issues that he needs to work on if he is to improve on this season.

T van Aardt: A solid player who toiled manfully when called upon this season. He has to work on his conditioning if he is to build on this year.

H Hankinson: A bolter in terms of selection, who forced his way into the team after a string of impressive performances for the 2nd XV, but once in the team he looked the part. Much can be said of the heart which he shows on the field and he must carry this forward next season.

Backs:

P Simamane (Colours and Scarf, Sharks Academy Week): He is talented player with a lot of x-factor. He often created and scored tries in crucial moments and most of these tries were a sign of his great individual ability. He was deservedly named in the Natal Academy Week side and this experience will be of great value to him as he heads into his third and final year of 1st team rugby. He will undoubtedly be one of the players to watch next year.

J van der Walt (Colours): A gifted player who was thrust into an unfamiliar role in his first year of 1st team rugby. He took on the role with maturity and produced a lot of good defensive and tactical kicking performances at inside centre. A fractured wrist saw him miss a few games but he returned to the team in his preferred role of fly-half and gained valuable experience that will hold him in good stead next year.



K Collyer: A talented player who was both a tactical fly-half and a good option at fullback. His versatility meant he was used in both positions for the first team. His strengths are without doubt his game management and precise boot - he often had the ball on a string and placed the team in good positions with accurate tactical kicking. He probably would have wanted to have played more games for the team this year, but added value whenever he was called upon.

E Heuer (Large White Badge): He is equipped with a very good side step, proficient under the high ball and impenetrable on defence. These qualities meant when he found his place on the blind wing, he churned out good performances every week. He hated losing and this was shown by the fight he displayed even when the team was down. He will be a vital member of the team next year and should lean on the experience of his two years of 1st team rugby.

N Mbatha (Large White Badge): An astute player who had an air of professionalism about the way he played and conducted himself. He came into the team after a few players had been tried in the number 12 jersey and he made the position his own. He struck up a good relationship with Radebe in the midfield and opposition found it difficult to get through their rock solid defence. Equipped with a smart rugby brain, good step and silky handling skills, he often put other players into good positions.

N Radebe (Vice-captain, Honours, Sharks Craven Week): A player with tons of pace, great attitude and work rate second to none. His efforts earned him a place in the Natal Schools Craven Week side and it was due recognition for a player who was a stand out in the team. His ability to read the game and out-smart defences meant he was a marked man in every match but if he was not running rings around them, he was shutting them out with impressive defensive efforts. He scored crucial and exciting tries through the season and embodied the values of a true College player.

A Nzimande (Colours and Scarf, Sharks Academy Week): A player who lit up the field every time he had ball in hand because of his ability to beat defenders one on one with his fancy footwork. At home both on the wing and at full back he was a constant threat on counter-attack and he would make use of the slightest gap to get the team on the front foot. He was rewarded by being named in the Natal Academy week side and we all look forward to seeing him play in 2019.

M Dlangalala (Large White Badge): A dominant and dynamic runner who broke tackles because of his power and determination in contact. He adjusted well on the wing after being moved there from loose forward and a few more games as an outside back in 2019 should see him perfect his craft and become an important player for the team.

M Willemse (Large White Badge): An elusive runner with ball in hand who also possesses one of the biggest boots in schoolboy rugby. His determination saw him earning his place back in the 1st team and he produced weekly displays that ensured he became a regular until the end of the season. His uncanny ability always to find himself in good positions meant he crossed the whitewash many times for the team. His tactical kicking relieved pressure at crucial stages for the team.

Other players who also represented the 1st XV:

B Nene, D Cooper, C Allchin, M Nel, C Slater, K Zvandaziva, E Qwalela and M Nzuzi



P Simamane scores one of his two tries against St Charles College

Match Reports

vs St Charles College (Goldstone's): Won 32-12

This was the first clash between the two schools in 22 years. St Charles arrived on Goldstone's revelling in the role of underdog, with the aim of upsetting a Maritzburg College side who were still in a pre-season state of mind. To add some spice to the fixture the conditions underfoot were not conducive to an expansive style of play. St Charles drew first blood with a well worked try but College responded well with a converted try and two penalties to lead 13-5 at the end of the half. A much improved College team emerged for the second half, with the intent of running their opposition off their feet. They dominated the game and scored three further tries in an excellent display of attacking rugby to record a satisfying 32-12.

Tries: Simamane (2), Nzimande, Nel

Conversions: Collyer (3)

Penalties: Collyer (2)

St Stithians Easter Festival

vs SACS: Lost 7-35

College faced SACS at the prestigious St Stithians Easter Rugby Festival in their first match at the festival. Both teams were intent on running the ball with great vigour with SACS making the fewer errors while College inexplicably turned possession over whenever they were in an attacking position. SACS raced to an impressive lead with College floundering after a succession of costly defensive errors. College continued to attack gamely but only scored in the dying moments of the second half with Mchunu barging over for a consolation try with van der Walt landing the conversion.

Try: Mchunu

Conversion: van der Walt

vs Grey High School: Lost 15-30

College faced Grey High, from Port Elizabeth, in their second match of the Easter Festival. Both sides were looking for improved performances after their defeats on the first day. College started off sharply with speedster Zvandaziva racing from the College 22 metre area to dot down a wonderful individual try. Some naivety from College allowed Grey to score a simple try, but College went ahead through Willemse slotting home a relatively easy penalty. Grey hit back with a penalty of their own, leading at half time 10-8. Grey started the second half in a lively manner racing ahead with 13 unanswered points. College eventually hit back through Dube bashing over for a fine forwards try, converted by Collyer, putting the score at 23-15. With College attempting to mount a valiant comeback, Grey turned the ball over and raced away to dot under the poles to put the game to bed.

Tries: Zvandaziva, Dube

Conversion: Collyer

Penalty: Willemse

vs Rondebosch Boys High School: Lost 3-41

The last match of the Saints Festival was one to forget as Rondebosch comfortably beat a lacklustre College team. The match was tight in the first half with both sides making numerous errors but Rondebosch made the most of their chances to lead 17-0 at the break. College got back into the match through the boot of van der Walt but those proved to be the only points of the match for College. Rondebosch scored another 24 points, rubbing further salt into the wounds and winning the match 41-3.

Penalty: van der Walt

vs Glenwood High School (Goldstone's): Lost 12-37

Goldstone's welcomed a much vaunted Glenwood side in a televised inter-schools match. The first fifteen minutes proved to be an exhibition of College doggedness on defence in the face of wave after wave of Glenwood attack. Eventually a chink in the armour emerged and Glenwood scored a fortuitous try under the uprights which was duly converted. From the resulting kick-off, College number eight and captain, Mchunu, made a barnstorming run for van der Walt to score. Thereafter sustained pressure from Glenwood brought a further try and two penalties for a 20-5 halftime lead. The second half started off with a flourish with Glenwood exhibiting a display of serious skill and speed with two tries being scored in relatively quick succession which put College firmly on the back foot as their defensive frailties out wide were clinically exploited. College replied with a try after a Glenwood scrum was turned over. But the final word was Glenwood's – a misguided attempt to run the ball from College's goal-line gifted Glenwood an easy seven point try when the ball was sloppily turned over.

Tries: van der Walt, Simamane

Conversion: Collyer

vs Pretoria Boys High School (Goldstone's): Won 15-14

The opening exchanges of the game were dominated by Pretoria Boys who kept on running against a desperate but steadfast College defence who were eager to prove that their defensive frailties were behind them. College simply could not turn the tide, but it took until shortly before halftime for PBHS to record a try (0-7). A fired up College team emerged from the halftime break intent on taking control of the match which at times had looked very likely to slip from their grasp in the first half. A scrum allowed the College number 8 and captain, Mchunu, to pick and go from some forty metres out. Then Simamane exploited the smallest of blindside spaces to score in the left hand corner and the conversion made the score 12-7. A penalty gave College an eight-point cushion, much needed because PBHS scored a converted try with a few minutes left. Despite strong pressure, College defended heroically and with massive discipline to close out the win.

Tries: Mchunu, Simamane

Conversion: Collyer

Penalty: Collyer

vs Hilton College (Goldstone's): Lost 18-29

After a fine start by College, Hilton began to gain purchase and dominate the match, the educated boot of their scrumhalf keeping College pinned deep in their own half. They scored two first half tries whilst College could only respond with a penalty. A penalty to Hilton early in the second half extended their lead to 15-3 and then a converted try gave them a decisive lead. College fought back with a try but Hilton put the match to bed with their fourth try (8-29). Two good pieces of rugby towards the end, as College played for some pride, made the final score 29-18 with Hilton the deserved winners on the day.

Tries: Mchunu, Pinkiney, Nzimande

Penalty: Collyer

vs Northwood (Away): Won 10-6

College played Northwood in a midweek fixture in Durban. The match was played in blustery conditions which, when combined with the high humidity levels, put paid to any notions of scintillating rugby. The match quickly fell into an uneasy rhythm of Maritzburg College attempting to give the ball air and making a plethora of handling mistakes, whilst Northwood lived off the numerous opportunities afforded to them. Northwood opened the scoring with a penalty and College responded with a penalty try for a 7-3 halftime lead. In the second half both sides struggled with the wet ball and neither could do more than add a penalty to their score, finishing the match at 10-6 in College's favour.

Try: Penalty try

Penalty: van der Walt

vs King Edward VII School: (Away): Lost 18-37

Maritzburg College travelled to Johannesburg to play KES in a much anticipated fixture. KES scored first with a well-executed try in general play exposing College's defence out wide. College hit back with a penalty, but, from the resulting restart, weakly gave possession to KES for them to score a very soft try in the left hand corner. College managed to string some phases together and, after a period of sustained pressure, Hodgson barged over the try line. Halftime arrived with the score at 16-8. The second half started brightly for Maritzburg College as Radebe burst through to score a try, duly converted by van der Walt. A turnover, when College were strongly on the attack allowed KES to race the length of field for a converted try. College tried to put themselves back in contention, but defensive lapses gifted KES two further converted tries and a 37-18 win.

Tries: Hodgson, Radebe

Conversion: van der Walt

Penalties: van der Walt (2)

vs Kearsney College (Goldstone's): Match abandoned.

A dark and gloomy Goldstone's welcomed the teams and rain threatened the proceedings. College started strongly and led by two penalties (6-0), but with the storm clouds gathering and lightning too close for comfort the referee abandoned the match for safety reasons.

Penalty: van der Walt (2)

vs Durban High School (Away): Lost 30-45

The match started well enough for College as they quickly assumed a six-point lead via the boot of van der Walt. DHS hit back with a well worked try via an impressive blindside move and then took advantage of defensive errors for two further tries. A third penalty and a converted try brought College back into the match at halftime, with DHS leading 19-16. A try to DHS immediately after the break was followed by a brilliantly executed College backline move and a converted try to narrow the lead to a single point (23-24). The match was in the balance, but three DHS tries put the issue beyond doubt, as College could only respond with one further try. DHS were deserved 45-30 winners.

Tries: Willemse, Simamane, Hodgson

Conversions: van der Walt (3)

Penalties: van der Walt (3)

vs Michaelhouse (Away): Won 27-23

On a blustery winter's afternoon Meadows played host to a titanic struggle between College and Michaelhouse. The match started off in fine style with Michaelhouse having the lion's share of possession and territory, whilst Maritzburg College held on as they sought to gain much needed traction. Michaelhouse raced to an eight-point lead, but, in the dying moments of the first half, Radebe crashed over the line to score a much needed try which was duly converted by van der Walt. Early in the second half College took the lead for the first time with a try, but Michaelhouse responded with a try of their own. Then College recorded a penalty and an unconverted try and Michaelhouse struck back with a penalty putting the score at 20-16. A wonderful team try gave College an 11-point cushion at 27-16 – just as well, as Michaelhouse grabbed a try at the death. A dramatic end to the match was on the cards but this was prevented by College regaining possession quickly and putting the ball out to record a much needed victory.

Tries: Mchunu, Radebe (2), Heuer

Conversions: van der Walt (2)

Penalty: van der Walt



vs Westville Boys' High School (Away): Lost 27-35

Bowden's played host to a thrilling but ultimately frustrating fixture for College. Westville took the lead early on and did not relinquish it for the rest of the match. Maritzburg College battled gamely throughout the match to overcome a Westville side that were very much up for the encounter in front of a very vocal home support on their Founders weekend. Westville scored three converted tries in the first half, while College replied with two unconverted tries for a 21-10 deficit. College hoped to score quickly in the second half to put themselves back in the match, but it was Westville who took advantage of a costly turnover for their fourth try. College struck back immediately with an excellent try, but once again College conceded a soft try from the restart. This made the score 35-15. College valiantly attempted a comeback and scored two fine tries, but ran out of time.

Tries: Mchunu (2), Dlangalala, Radebe, Heuer

Conversion: Heuer

vs Glenwood High School (Away): Lost 0-41

In the first twenty minutes of the match College more than held their own against a much vaunted Glenwood team, but simply could not convert all their possession and position into points. In the last ten minutes of the half, Glenwood showed why they are among the top teams in the country, punishing College with an excellent display of clinical finishing and scoring four tries in the space of ten minutes. The second half followed a similar pattern to the first, College enjoying plenty of possession and territory but unable to make it count on the scoreboard. Glenwood extended their lead by a further two tries but the College defence showed great heart as wave upon wave of Glenwood attacks broke down in the face of some stout College tackling.

vs Afrikaanse Hoër Seunskool (Goldstone's): Lost 13-17

On paper, the Affies side looked good value to have a comfortable runout on Goldstone's against a College team who had battled somewhat through the season. Maritzburg College however, were looking to restart their season after a few weeks off to regroup and regather with a number of changes being made. The first half could not have started any worse for College as the kick-off was poorly dealt with, gifting Affies a very simple try in the first 30 seconds of the match. This lapse in concentration proved to be a massive wake up call for College and time and again Affies were forced into error by a very aggressive and very determined defensive effort. After College hit back through a penalty, Affies extended their lead to 14-3 with a further try. A series of phases created space out wide for a very well worked try for College, which reduced the deficit by five points. The second half started in furious fashion as College began to sniff a memorable comeback in the air and Affies began to feel the pressure that College exerted. Affies extended their lead by three points, making the score 17-8. College struck again with a well weighted kick in behind the Affies defensive wall for their second try. In the final seconds of the match College was awarded a penalty which they duly kicked into touch in front of a College crowd baying their team on, in the hope of a successful lineout drive. Inexplicably, College opted to throw a short lineout and the ball

was spilled, gifting Affies the win and breaking many a College fan's heart.

Tries: Willemse (2)

Penalty: van der Walt

vs Pretoria Boys High School (Away): Won 27-14

On the weekend Maritzburg College travelled up to Pretoria for their annual exchange with Pretoria Boys High. The first match in Pietermaritzburg was a very dour affair with Maritzburg College winning 15-14 as both sides committed a plethora of errors. The match was a thrilling spectacle, with Maritzburg College opening the scoring in the dying minutes of the first half through Nzimande who raced away to score a try after he gathered a kick over the Boys High defence. Pretoria Boys had the majority of possession in the half but Maritzburg College showed glimpses of what they could do on attack when they had the ball. Pretoria Boys toiled manfully in the second half, but were denied on multiple occasions by a College team who defended their goal line admirably. College scored twice in the half, with both tries originating from deep within their own half of the field. However, Boys High punctured the College defence twice, which guaranteed a nervy ending to the match. A pulsating half of rugby ended with College winning 27-14.

Tries: Nzimande, Radebe (2)

Conversions: van der Walt (3)

Penalties: van der Walt (2)

vs King Edward VII School (Goldstone's): Lost 17-28

Maritzburg College played host not only to KES but also to the Old Boys' Reunion. The match started at a frenetic pace with both sides looking to play an expansive game, much to the delight of the large crowd. KES drew first blood in the match with a well worked try and College responded with a penalty. The rest of the first half fell into an uneasy rhythm where both sides attacked with great gusto, only to cough the ball up at the most inopportune moment with the try line beckoning. Right at the death of the half, an aimless kick from College was gathered up, recycled and turned into a try by KES, to extend their lead to 14-3. The second half largely resembled the first with both sides banging away at each other without any reward. College caught the KES defence napping when a penalty was taken quickly by College with KES expecting a shot at goal and the try, duly converted, and made the score 14-10. Time was running out as there were only ten minutes left on the clock. A memorable comeback was not to be, however, as KES took advantage of our inopportune errors to score two converted tries. In the dying moments of the match Radebe scored a wonderful individual try, but it was too little, too late.

Tries: Hlophe, Radebe

Conversion: van der Walt (2)

Penalty: van der Walt

Messrs T Orchard and R Chirengende



2nd XV

It was an absolute privilege and honour to coach the College 2nd XV in 2018. Drive and ambition to succeed were always evident and the boys reaped the rewards of all the hard work they put in. The motto of the group was to always play as hard as we could but to do it with smiles on our faces and enjoy every minute of every game. Although there were some disappointing results along the way, the team remained focused and lived up to the goals that they had set for themselves.

The season started with a very successful tour to Fichardt Park in Bloemfontein. The team produced some great pre-season rugby and came away with three wins from their three games. The only games where the team was outplayed were in the two fixtures against Glenwood; otherwise, they had some fantastic wins and played some great rugby. The two standout games were the 40-0 win over Kearsney and the 43-7 victory over Michaelhouse. The sweet victory over KES on Old Boys day was also a fantastic result, the group had to dig very deep to come away with a 19-17 win. The team had three captains during the season as players moved up to the 1st XV. N Mbatha, M Nzuza and K Collyer must be commended for the manner in which they led the group. Team culture is of paramount importance and the way these gentlemen led the group set the tone for everyone else.

I thank all the players for the manner in which they played and for what turned out to be a thoroughly enjoyable season.

Regular players:

N Mbatha (*captain*), M Nzuza (*captain*), K Collyer (*captain*), J Brink, D Meuwese, T van Aardt, B Webster, E Qwalela, J Aldum, C Slater, H Hankinson, D Cooper, H Muir, C Allchin, S Kekana, B Nene, B Noble, K Zvandaziva, K Dlangalala, C Shultz, B Tedder, M Ford, M Nel, A Breedt, M Willemse, S Pinkiney, M Beckerling.

Results:

vs Voortrekker 1st 33-19, Glenwood 12-55, Voortrekker Bethlehem 19-5, Vaalharts 1st 67-10, Fichardt Park 40-0, PBHS 20-6, Hilton 35-20, Northwood 18-7, KES 14-15, Kearsney 40-0, DHS 12-7, Michaelhouse 43-7, Westville 28-17, Glenwood 7-66, Affies 12-37, PBHS 17-11, KES 19-17

Mr R Kyle

3rd XV

The Thirds had an impressive season. They played 12 games: winning nine, losing two and drawing one. The only way to lead a team like the Thirds is from the front, and by example. It was fortunate then that the team captains were A Vermaak and M Ford, two uncompromising players, in both their style of play and their influence on the field. The team was also privileged to boast a number of influential players who contributed immensely to the team's success. From 1 to 15, the boys earned the right to represent the 3rd XV, some even playing frequently for the 2nd XV.

One of the biggest improvements by the team towards the end of the season was the overall team attitude, commitment and desire to succeed. The team will rue the chances that they missed to beat Affies and Glenwood, and given the opportunity for a rematch, I am certain that the outcome of those games would be different. The ability to learn from the mistakes of every game was critical to their success at the end of the season. They scored 61 points in the last two games – including overturning an early-season loss against KES – and only conceding three points in each of those encounters.

The matrics left an indomitable mark on the team and hopefully the boys who are left behind will continue that legacy, not just for the Third side, but for the Seconds and Firsts.

Regular players:

M Ford (*captain*), A Vermaak (*captain*), J-R Ayliffe, A Breedt, M Beckerling, M Nel, A Matsheke, J Thornton, J Aldum, S Butler, J Robinson, B Tedder, S Zunckel, B Noble, J Duncan, T Nelson, J Hendrikz, N Ntunsha, C Tyrer, C Schultz, C Dlamini, H Muir, K Zvandaziva, P Ndlovu, R Zeelie

Results:

vs Glenwood 15-13, PBHS 22-17, Hilton 14-14, KES 21-34, Kearsney 21-7, Michaelhouse 39-14, Westville 55-12, Glenwood 36-52, Affies 14-42, PBHS 27-3, KES 34-3

Mr N Makhathini



On final approach, M Dlangalala enjoys a five-point landing

4th XV

The season started with a tough match against a strong Voortrekker 2nd XV with College emerging victorious 25-12. Glenwood proved to be very wily opposition and it took a lot of courage to win 17-12. This fight continued against Pretoria Boys High, where we were able to snatch victory from the jaws of defeat in the dying seconds of the game winning 22-17. After a hard-fought victory against Hilton we took on KES in Johannesburg, always a tough ask. After leading 23-0 at half time we eventually lost 23-25 (our only loss of the season).

After the defeat College picked themselves up by their bootstraps to defeat a well drilled Kearsney side 36-8. DHS proved to be very difficult in Durban and College squandered a good lead to allow them back into the game in the second half but two late tries meant that College won 38-24. College played some great rugby against Michaelhouse followed by two very physical encounters against Westville and Glenwood in Durban.

The third term started with a match against Affies that was an uncompromising affair with no quarter given. College managed to get the upper hand in the scrums and the front row of Skinner, Mabande and Duma and the rush defence of the backline need to be complimented. College eventually ended victorious with the score 15-14. After the high of beating Affies we knew that PBHS were going to be tough opposition in Pretoria and that we would have to be on top of our game. We were once again lucky to come away with a 19-7 victory leaving the final match a revenge match against KES on Goldstone's. College emerged victorious 22-14 and it was a fitting end to a good season.

Although the boys were very disappointed in missing out on an undefeated season, they can be proud of the brand of rugby that they played. It was hard, focused, uncompromising College rugby and their attention to detail was evident in every practice. The passion for College rugby flowed through their veins, and week after week this was evident in their commitment at practices and in the matches we played. In looking back, however, it was their love of rugby that made the season so successful. Credit needs to go to the leadership group, in particular L Mabande and K Wattrus, who week after week were able to lift the boy's spirits.

Regular players:

L Mabande (*captain*), K Wattrus (*vice-captain*), J Duncan, J Bourne, C Tyrer, C Fortman, V Mitirara, S Mokena, S Mlambo, K Raw, D Pretorius, S Robertson, D McDonald, G Xaba, A Matsheke, M Myeni, D Skinner, H Duma, E Kasambala, S Butler, J Hendriks and R Zeelie

Results:

vs Voortrekker 2nd 22-17, Glenwood 17-12, PBHS 22-17, Hilton 24-12, KES 23-25, Kearsney 36-8, DHS 3rd 33-24, Michaelhouse 54-0, Westville 23-7, Glenwood 22-12, Affies 15-14, PBHS 19-7, KES 22-14

Mr C Dutton

5th XV

Blood, sweat and tears - that is the best way to describe our season. A talented group of fifth formers came through, led by the experience and mental toughness of the matric men, to form the greatest rugby side I've coached at College. From the beginning we set a goal to be undefeated and that goal set the tone for our season. The boys were always eager to challenge their bodies at our weekly Tuesday grid sessions.

Over the course of the season a total of 365 points was scored and we conceded 120 points. This was due to our fearless tackling and impeccable line speed. The 'Pigs' managed to press on and win nine games in a row until the real test came about in the form of Affies. The boys were more than fired up and the game could have gone either way, but on the day the ball bounced in favour of Affies in a tightly contested game which we let slip in the last three minutes of play. The

boys gave it their everything on the field. Our winning streak ended and we had to rebuild and finish strong. We travelled to PBHS with a few players nursing injuries and trying to recover in time for Reunion Day the following week. A strong PBHS side gave us our second defeat in a row, scoring a try in the final minute of play. Their win was well-deserved as they played hard and displayed the ability to retain the ball through phases. We came up against KES on Reunion Day, and the matrics who came through for their last showdown on Goldstone's, were fired up and ready to leave it all on the field one last time. The boys redeemed themselves after a two game losing streak and dominated the opposition from start to finish, ending the season on a positive note.

Special thanks to Mr Greeff who took the boys for warm-ups on numerous occasions, and to Mr Usher who coached with us in the 5th and 6th squads. A big thank you to Mrs Wulfsohn who offered her services in getting the boys psychologically prepped and left them with the words 'to live in the moment' which became our team motto. Finally, a big thank you to the parents for their support at every game and always being encouraging when things did not go so well. Good luck to the matric students in their future endeavours and to our Fifth Formers staying behind. Work hard and push to play two teams higher for next year. 2,3 COLLEGE 2,3 PIGS!

Regular players:

L Xaba, J Oberholzer, T Mokoena, C Jefferys, L Bourne, M Sithole, D Skinner, R Herman, E Kasambala, T Holgate, N Lushozi, B Reddy, T Elam, L Robinson, Z Khoza, B Brummer, B Pretorius, R Louch, N Reintges, C Dickason, M Toich, K Raw, S Ngwenya, T Gouws, C Patterson, M Kheswa, D Jordaan, W Mazwi, D Dyer, D Lowe

Results:

vs St Charles 3rd 38-3, Glenwood 36-7, PBHS 22-7, Hilton 15-11, KES 29-19, Kearsney 36-28, DHS 4th 68-0, Westville 48-5, Glenwood 22-14, Affies 18-25, PBHS 12-17, KES 33-8

Mr KG Shezi



Supported by B Webster, N Radebe shakes off the opposition



6th XV

It was an incredibly successful season for the mighty Sixth team. There was a good mix of experienced Sixth Formers and hungry Fifth Formers. We got off to a perfect start and were led by the capable and wise M van Heerden who was duly supported by our second captain, D Leisegang. We made the decision, as a team, that we were going to play expansive rugby and give the ball to our most devastating attackers – who were our outside backs. Our plan worked, and our wingers scored 80% of our tries. When a forward did score a try, it was often on the wing as well – after some skilful interplay by the rest of the team. The boys were unselfish and were happy to let the ball go to wherever the space was.

Our College parents were very vocal in expressing their appreciation of the exciting and enterprising rugby that the College men produced. We agreed that since people had taken their time to come and watch us play, it would be prudent of us to honour their time with rugby that was 'for the fans'. Our forwards held nothing back and gave blood, sweat and tears in setting us up for tries in the corners. The 5th and 6th team 'Bush Pigs' practised as a group and were fortunate to have Mr Shezi as the senior coach. He ensured that intensity was the order of the day at every session. I was impressed beyond all expectation by the boys' commitment to maintaining high intensity at every single practice, from start till finish. During the post-practice huddle one could always literally feel the pulse of the man next to him as his heart continued to race and pound minutes after the practice session had ended, demonstrating that the young men did indeed push their bodies to the limit.

In terms of results, the boys had a nine-game winning streak which was interrupted by two consecutive losses to Affies and PBHS towards the end of the season. The experienced Mr Usher joined us mid-season and helped to sharpen the finer details. His years of experience as a senior coach were evident in how clear, yet effective, his instructions were. Thank you to all the boys for the season and for teaching us coaches a lesson or two in humility, commitment to friends and family, kindness, controlled aggression and sacrifice. We wish all the matrics a happy and purpose-filled life and we look forward to seeing the Grade 11s continue to show College tenacity as they take over the role of being the senior players in next year's season.

Regular players:

M van Heerden (*captain*), K Mngadi, D Dyer, D Ripley-Evans, D Leisegang, H Brown, L Wedge, B Wood, T Shockey, T Anderson, C Reece, B Brummer, C Dickason, C Patterson, L Shrivies, N Lushozi, K Huizinga, B Baldrey, J Oberholzer, R Herman, R Christensen, R Louch, S Ngwenya, C von Benecke, M Downs, T Gouws, N Mester, M Uren, A Asampong, J Bilbrough, B Jamieson

Results:

vs Voortrekker 3rd 48-26, Glenwood 59-0, PBHS 15-0, Hilton 29-3, KES 34-17, Kearsney 46-0, Alex 1st 29-21, Westville 42-0, Glenwood 24-0, Affies 7-31, PBHS 19-20, Development XV 39-14

Mr S Ngema



Cheered on by H Hankinson, it's a try for D Cooper

7th XV

The team had a fairly successful season, playing 11 matches, winning eight, losing two to equal depth teams and losing one on a stagger. There was a large turnover of players which made it difficult to produce consistency in the team. At the beginning of the season, for the first two matches, Mr Marwick was the official coach. He chose to step down and assist Mr Sutherland and myself in coaching the squads which made up the 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th teams. I then took over as the official coach. Thanks should go to Mr Marwick for the fine job he did in his short stint as coaching the 7th XV. The young men that played for the team certainly had the skills and aspiration to play rugby at a higher level. The way that they concentrated during our skills training sessions and when warming up for matches certainly displayed the maturity level of much higher teams.

The highlights of the season were the two matches against Greytown 2nd team and Affies. At the Greytown match, a number of parents from Greytown were so impressed with the quality of play and team spirit that they could not believe that it was indeed the 7th team playing. The match against Affies could have gone either way, as a number of decisions went against a spirited and hard fighting College team.

I would like to thank all the parents for their support at the matches and the young men of the College 7th team for attending the many practices and showing so much enthusiasm. Well done the *Msataans*.

Regular players:

T Anderson, B Baldry, J Bilbrough, B Brummer, R Christensen, N Dlamini, M Downs, A du Toit, T Govender, J Hartley, K Huizinga, B Jamieson, L Marucchi, M Mbambo, T Mbonambi, B Payn, N Reintges, Z Saayman, R Schmidt, S Sibisi, K Smith, R Swartz, G Torino, S Trollip, M Uren, C van der Merwe, C Wessels, S Wood, A Zondi, N Zulu

Results:

vs Glenwood 82-7, Linpark 1st 12-25, PBHS 38-0, Hilton 55-0 KES 12-16, Kearsney 50-0, Development XV 67-0, Greytown 2nd 36-5, Affies 5-19, PBHS 12-10, KES 19-9

Mr G Dorling



W Hlope goes up in the lineout against Hilton College



8th XV

After coaching the Amabovu for many years with my colleague Graham Dorling, we decided to get involved with the 7ths and 8ths. The season was a remarkable one, with numerous highs and lows and at times it was a real eye-opener.

At the start of the season 11 teams, with 10 reserves, were selected after the trials and practices began in earnest. Throughout the season there was a core of 35 players who arrived at practice on time regardless of sun or rain and in the main they represented the 7th/8th teams. It was unfortunate that a fall-off in numbers occurred despite our efforts and especially in the third term, when we played against Affies and then PBHS away, this non-attendance weakened the sides considerably.

Early in the season this was certainly one of the more talented teams in recent years and it was a pity we could not have played Affies earlier as they were the only team to beat the 8ths. Throughout the season, with the captain, A Asampong, leading by example, the backs used the ball well from a drilled forwards unit.

The penultimate match against PBHS (away) was something to experience. After 15 minutes the score was 19-0 to PBHS. With B Viedge starting to kick wisely and the midfield ensuring the quick winger, D Randall, was given the ball the team slowly clawed their way back and in scorching heat they ran out 33-29 winners. What a game!

Few schools can match College team for team, resulting in many staggers or playing against other schools 1st or 2nd teams. Such matches are always close and it was reassuring to see the boys improving by the week. They fully deserved to win eight out of the nine matches.

A slightly different format will be used next year as many of the open age group teams will practise together. It's a mouth-watering thought and we're looking forward to the season already.

Regular players:

A Asampong (*captain*), B Viedge, J Hartley, J Bilbrough, T du Toit, Z Saayman, Z Khoza, S Wood, B Jamieson, J Engelbrecht, T Mbonambi, R Schmidt, C Wessels, T Lehloeny, K Gates, L Volker, S Duma, M Mbambo, S Botha, A du Toit, R Louch, D Randall, R Christensen, B Payn, B Kgoroge, G Torino, L Rossi, K Bezuidenhout, W Horn, C van der Merwe, N Mester, K Smith, S Sibisi, R Swartz, S Trollip, N Zulu, A Zondi, N Reintges, L Menezies, T Gouws, E Symington, N Dlamini, T Moroney, M Uren, K Tarr, N Mfeka, C Teale, L Strong, T Govender, M Mkhwanazi, L Ntsele, K Mingay, J Nell, Z Jali, C Tooke, W Mkhize

Results:

St Charles 4th 51-0, Glenwood 32-14, PBHS (H) 32-0, Northwood 4th 55-0, Development XV 57-5, Carter 1st 42-10, Affies 12-33, PBHS (A) 33-29, Development XV 36-12

Mr N Sutherland



Shouting captain, A Asampong

9th XV

As more and more so-called traditional boys' schools devote their resources to A and B teams and neglect the noble virtues of all-round participation for all pupils, a sad by-product is the decline in opportunities for teams like the 9ths. Although scores of Open players arrived at practice week in and week out, ready to don the Red, Black and White each Saturday and to wage patriotic war for their school, the sad reality was that opportunities in 2018 remained rather limited. In the end, seven matches were played in the 2018 season, of which three were won and four were lost (three of which were on a stagger). Of the team's victories, the 52-0 win over a game Hilton side was a highlight of the season, and the team also did very well to defeat the Glenwood 8ths 36-7. The most enjoyable match of the season was undoubtedly the triple-stagger clash against the Michaelhouse 6th XV in front of an admiring early morning crowd on Meadow's, in a match that the home side was only able to narrowly win in the final two minutes of the match. Notably, L Volker, who gave of his best in every encounter, played in all seven matches in the season.

My warm thanks go to the boys for their cheerfulness and patience, to my three colleagues at this level for their collegiality and cooperation throughout the season and to Mr K Smith for his endless effort to not only encourage the boys, but in difficult circumstances, to secure matches for them.

Regular players:

K Bezuidenhout, S Botha, M Bouguenon, S Dlamini, T du Toit, B Ente, B Kgoroge, T Lehloeny, T Mbonambi, J McFarland, N Mester, K Mingay, M Mkhwanazi, T Moroney, J Nell, L Parker-Dennison, B Payn, M Ryan, J Smit, N Stephenson, L Strong, E Symington, C Taylor, K Tarr, C Tooke, B Viedge, L Volker and J Wilkins.

Results:

vs Linpark 2nd 10-12, Glenwood 8th 36-17, PBHS 27-10, Hilton 52-0, Michaelhouse 6th 21-24, Linpark 2nd 22-35, Affies 5-51

Mr M Marwick

10th XV

The 10th team had a very short but positive season. While fixtures were difficult to come by, the players remained positive and many were elevated to higher teams as the season progressed. The 10th team is always required to play higher teams from other schools as Maritzburg College boasts the largest rugby programme in the country. Our two matches were against a 1st and 2nd team, which shows the commitment and courage of the boys. Well done to the boys for putting in the effort and being rewarded with higher selections. Some players went on to represent the school at 7th team level.

Regular players:

N Dlamini, C Tooke, M Mkhwanazi, J Smit, B Ente, T Moroney, N Stevenson, A Zondi, L Menezies, T Wilkins, K Mingay, M Bouguenon, B Viedge, C Taylor, M Ryan

Results:

vs Carter 1st 12-19, Linpark 2nd 27-12

Mr S Mchunu



U16A

Back row: C van Rooyen, M Zunckel, M King, B Emms, M Masvikeni, A Heydenrych, R le Roux

Middle row: K Morsink, B Ngubane, H Corbett, H Trodd, C Nandh, T Trollip, R Anderson

Front row: J McCabe, T Mbatha, Mr C Fraser (coach), K Goedeke (vice-captain), C van Heerden (captain), Mr R le Roux (coach), K Hadebe, N Mndaweni

At the conclusion of the 2017 season, the 33-man U16A squad was called to a meeting to discuss the way forward for this team. It was in this meeting that the boys decided they want to play an enterprising brand of rugby, rugby that is not only exciting to watch but also very enjoyable to play.

The effort and performance was always the most important thing for this team and they always did their best to ensure that the process is more important than the result. This group of boys decided to implement a values system which would govern their behaviour, both on and off the field, and they were driven by these values throughout the season.

Our season started off with the Voortrekker night series where we beat Westville 21-17, in a very competitive encounter, and Voortrekker 45-5. The next two fixtures were against St Charles, which was a very wet and muddy affair, and a thrilling come-from-behind victory over Glenwood. The U16A team travelled to Bloemfontein in the April holidays to participate in the Twizza Festival hosted by Fichardtspark Hoërskool. We won all of our matches convincingly and the boys thoroughly enjoyed their rugby.

Our season had got off to a great start and the second term was memorable. After a comfortable win over PBHS and tougher ones against Hilton and Northwood, we had to come from behind again against KES. Wins against Kearsney and DHS followed, but we had to fight like tigers against Michaelhouse towards the end to maintain our unbeaten record. That record was lost against Westville in a gruelling match and then Glenwood outperformed us the following Saturday.

In the third term, we registered a rousing win over a strong Affies team but lost to a very motivated PBHS in Pretoria. On Reunion Day, we had to work hard to beat KES in a rigorous test.

The College U16A team of 2018 will be remembered for the brand of rugby they played as well as for an 85% performance ratio, including a victory over every school they played against.

They were unbeaten for 14 consecutive games and scored 101 tries. I am sure the boys will cherish the season for the rest of their lives, as will their coaches.

Player Critiques:

J Mndaweni: A prop with great agility, pace and skill, he performed consistently throughout the season. He possesses a great attitude and work ethic, both on and off the field.

J McCabe: He inspired his teammates by playing the demanding role of hooker with the utmost courage and he can be proud of his contribution to the team. Although not massive in stature, he possesses great ability to beat defenders and create opportunities.

T Trollip: As the tight-head prop of the U16A team, he was an anchor in the scrum, while being a constant threat on attack. He possesses great skill for a large young man, not only able to crash over the advantage line, but creating opportunities by putting his fellow players in space.

T Mbatha: He put his body on the line every game, ensuring that the opposition did not get through our defensive line. He improved significantly from a regular B team player the previous year to becoming a pivotal part of the U16A team.

A Heydenrych: As an honest lock forward, he made a massive contribution to the success of the team by doing the hard work on the field. His line-out jumping proved to be of high standard, as well as the skill he showed in putting players into space with his off-load.

M King: His skill and work rate were indicated by his selection for the provincial KZN rugby team. He is a deceptively quick and effective ball carrier, as well as offering line-out options, and he made good decisions on the field.

C van Heerden (captain): An uncompromising, physical and determined loose forward, he loved to do the 'donkey work', as he consistently helped retain the ball, which allowed the team to play with much possession. As the captain of the team, he needs to be commended for leading the team with a cool head, and he made valuable and clever decisions on and off the field.

C van Rooyen: His work rate and fitness levels were noteworthy. As a line-out option, he provided the team with much possession, as well as a wonderful ability to steal opponents' ball in the lineout.

R Anderson: He had to make a massive change in his rugby, moving from centre to flank and he did this in good fashion. He is a sound ball carrier, and immensely physical, providing good go-forward ball on attack.

H Corbett: His skills and talent allowed him to be selected at hooker for the KZN provincial rugby team. An immense ball carrier, he specialised in getting over the advantage line and creating space for his teammates. His discipline improved wonderfully and he had a great season.

C Nandh: He specialised in the role of the open side flanker. Although not huge in stature, he proved powerful and explosive, especially with ball in hand. There was never a doubt that he would put the team first, as was proved by his high work rate.

H Trodd: A scrumhalf with enormous potential. He improved his speed during the season and was remarkable for his accurate, bullet-like passes. His communication and tackling improved during the season and he started to back his own abilities.

K Goedeke (*Captain, Vice-captain*): Very good decision-making skills, fearlessness and accurate goal-kicking made him a well-rounded player and earned him selection to the Sharks U16 Grant Khomo team. He also displayed excellent leadership capabilities as captain and vice-captain of the team.

K Hadebe: Elusive and explosive on attack, and very reliable on defence, he scored 17 tries in 16 games. The threat he poses with ball in hand and his stalwart defence was undoubtedly why he was selected for the U16 Grant Khomo team.

K Morsink: A ferocious defender and a powerful ball carrier, he also effected the most turnovers in the team and fulfilled the designated 'Jackal' role at centre. A hardened young man who executed many line breaks.

B Emms: A player with profound vision and spatial awareness, his ability to put others into space is what made him a great asset to the team. His distribution and offloading ability enabled him to assist many players in crossing the try-line.

M Masvikeni: A clinical finisher with a very powerful fend, his one-on-one attacking skill was exceptional. His speed and ability to make defenders hesitate assisted him to score 14 tries in 15 games and led to his making the U16 provincial Grant Khomo side.

R le Roux: A trustworthy last line of defence, he often made superb try-saving tackles. He is a confident player who can carve the opposition defence to shreds if given half a chance and who puts his body on the line for his team.

M Zunckel: He progressed immensely and showed much growth during the season. His acute running lines, natural feel for the game and finishing ability made him a valuable member of the team.

B Ngubane: He was adept at the grubber and chase option which worked very well for him this season. His inside ball running lines and finishing in the corner were tremendous.

Results:

vs Westville 21-17, Voortrekker 54-5, St Charles 25-10, Glenwood 35-21, Voortrekker (Bethlehem) 59-10, Welkom Gimnasium 64-10, Grens 64-12, PBHS 42-10, Hilton 33-17, Northwood 31-24, KES 31-24, Kearsney 52-28, DHS 48-10, Michaelhouse 22-20, Westville 22-32, Glenwood 17-42, Affies 37-32, PBHS 20-26, KES 24-12.

Messrs C Fraser and R le Roux

U16B

The team started off strongly with a convincing win over St Charles. Next was Glenwood, against whom they narrowly won 8-7. Over the weeks the team grew to be a very tight bunch of boys who gelled well and would give everything for one another. Despite their lack in size, the players made up for it in heart and tenacity.

The season got better as it progressed. The Soldiers were a side who never gave up and always put their bodies on the line for their team mates. This was shown in a tight match against KES when Beauclerk chased down the opposition wing and stopped him a metre from the line to secure the victory. The squad was captained by Muggleton who always led from the front, encouraging his fellow 'Soldiers' to fight till the bitter end. The team always ran on the field knowing that the hardest battles are given to the toughest soldiers. Saturdays were always the highlight of the week when a team of fifteen men ran onto the field and gave it their all.

The 'Soldiers' came out firing in the third term, drawing with Affies. The boys were not satisfied as they went on to beat PBHS and KES convincingly. The U16B season was a true reflection of what College brotherhood is all about. The boys can be truly proud of their 92% win rate.

Regular players:

J Muggleton (*captain*), S Herman, A van Dam, M Madikane, R Wilken, L Miller, M van Dam, J Culverwell, S Koekemoer, J Watson, P Elliot, B le Roux, V Joshua, M Zunckel, B Ngubane, D Pretorius-Spires, O Beauclerk, C van Rooyen, C Nandh, N Ndlovu, B Emms, B Brooks, R Anderson, G Xaba

Results:

vs St Charles 49-0, Glenwood 8-7, PBHS 46-0, KES 19-14, Kearsney 47-7, Westville 10-17, Westville 22-17, Glenwood 19-0, Hilton 29-14, Michaelhouse 43-0, Affies 14-14, PBHS 27-7, KES 23-12

Mr B Mduyana

U16C

The U16C started out with a tester against Voortrekker U16A in which we came out on top 22-5. Following this win, we knew we were in for a good season. The decision was made to put Dowell in the captain's seat and he proved more than worthy of this title as he led from the front and always had the team's best interest at heart.

We had our ups and downs this season with some hard choices having to be made regarding positions and boys having to shift teams. However, they kept their heads high and always came back fighting and ready to earn their place in the team. After each game we sat together and identified the weak points and what we would work on at practice. I feel this played a vital role in the team's success this season as the boys were eager to improve as players and as a team. All the credit for our season belongs to the boys, they were the ones who were willing to go beyond the call of duty, both at practice and behind closed doors. I feel the boys' communication with their coach and each other, and also the attitude with which they approached the game, were the biggest contributors to our season.

Regular players:

C Dowell (*captain*), B Mbanjwa, Z Nzimande, J Squires, A van Dam, M van Dam, M Smith, A van Straaten, S Herman, K Bolton, R van Zyl, R Price, W Hodgkinson, C van Selm, K Zondo, C Groeneveld, J Watson

Results:

vs Voortrekker A 22-0, Glenwood 31-0, PBHS 66-0, Northwood B 43-0, KES 33-0, Kearsney 24-0, Michaelhouse B 50-14, Westville 26-0, Glenwood 74-0, Affies 5-22, PBHS 27-7, KES 24-12

Mr A Landman



U16D

The 16D team of 2018 was affectionately known as the '16Demolishers' amongst the U16 age group. When the season started we hit the ground running, by setting goals for the team, and those were to play every game as well as we could, to concentrate on what we could control and, most importantly, to play for each other. That's where our team motto stemmed from, "do all the hard work to make the man standing next to you look good, that way the team will prosper". This was evident in every game we played because we only came second best to Affies.

We welcomed new players every week - be it a demoted player or a promoted player, there was not a single game in which we had the same team as the previous weekend. I must commend the boys on making the newcomers feel at home with the '16Demolishers'. They must be lauded for the way they played this season, for they knew the best way to attack is to defend. The most points scored against them was 14 points and they had a couple of clean sheets as well under their belts. Mention must also be made of the captain, J Bense, and vice-captain, B Mazoue, who kept cool heads and led by example. Their leadership was evident in games where we started on the back foot and at practices if boys were putting in less than optimum concentration effort. A special mention to A Dickson who was the only player to play in every game this season and deputised when our captain was called up.

Message to the boys: keep everything you acquired this season in your reservoirs and add it to what you will learn going forward. Remember if someone was born with a natural talent far beyond your own, hard work, dedication, discipline and sacrifice will close that gap and will take you a long way. I want to see you with that large white badge. All the best for opens next year. *2, 3 DEMOLISHERS.*

Regular players:

J Bense (*captain*), B Mazoue (*vice-captain*), A Dickson, A van der Venter, B Bowen, W Njimi, L Tyler, C Mitchell, C Vilakazi, A Sibisi, W Woolridge, O Higgins, C van Selm, J du Toit, L de Rose, B Werth, N Reece, L Little, K Hardy, R du Preez, K Hough

Results:

vs Linpark 45-5, Glenwood 58-0, PBHS 45-10, Curro Hillcrest 31-0, KES 10-7, Kearsney 41-12, DHS B 22-0, Carter A 31-0, Michaelhouse C 36-12, Westville 34-0, St Charles C 46-14, Affies 5-27, PBHS 85-0, KES 29-0

Mr X Vukubi



B Noble leads the chase against Voortrekker

U16E

The U16E team had a very challenging season, but played with heart and always gave of their best. Despite the many changes that had to be made during the season, mainly due to injury, and often being matched up against higher teams, the boys in Red, Black and White always played as a cohesive unit and never gave up. The records state: played seven, won four and lost three. I was extremely impressed with the development of the players and the spirit that they showed. It was rewarding to see players improve and enjoy playing rugby. A special thank you goes to the parents of these boys who were always present at matches and willing to assist where needed. I wish these boys the best of luck for the future.

Regular players:

N Allen, N Bhengu, J Bouguenon, S Branquinho, J Delaney, D de Rose, P Dlamini, R du Preez, J du Toit, R Goble, Z Gxarisa, K Hardy, K Hough, K Johns, J Kippen, R Lawrence, N Makanya, J McClarty, C Vilakazi, C Mitchell, O Mkhize, B Mazoue, I Muil, O Pride, T Parsons, D Peter, S Shabalala, S Sibisi, Z Shaw, B Thompson, S Worth

Results:

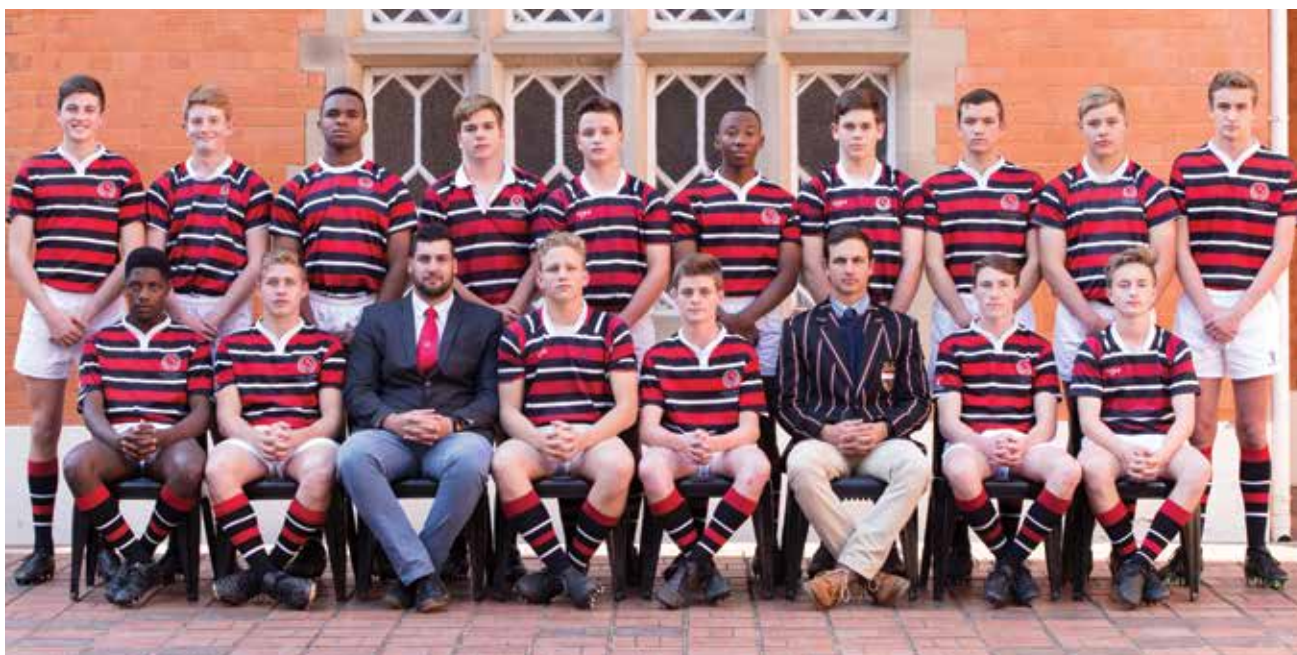
vs PBHS 39-10, KES 12-19, Voortrekker A 0-41, Carter A 31-0, Hilton D 45-10, Affies 0-50, PBHS 24-19

Mr J Lyons



Shouting captain, C Tyrer, giving it plenty of stick





U15A

Back row: S Goebel, H Kemp, W Takata, S Pretorius, R Swift, Z Mtshali, J Walden, W Pretorius, F Johnstone, J van der Merwe
Front row: B Hlatshwayo, Q Pitout, Mr D Sherriff (coach), C Thunder (captain), J Beauclerk (vice-captain),
 Mr D Hoffman (coach), W Trodd, W Jacobsz
Absent: T Adam

Rugby is a truly fascinating sport, which is very much like life. It has its laws which are the parameters within which the sport is played, but these are often interpreted differently, depending on the judge. There are several styles in which rugby can be played, all of which can be effective if correctly applied. There are some things which can be controlled by the players and then there are some, like the bounce of the ball, which cannot – much like life in its unpredictability. The U15A rugby season provided many life lessons to be learnt for me, personally, and I am sure for the boys, too.

We started the season on a positive note by beating a respectable St Charles outfit in wet conditions quite comfortably. Our match against Glenwood at home was the first of a few matches in the season which we should have won, but failed to make full use of our opportunities to turn it in our favour. Going up to Pretoria for the Francois Swart Rugby Week is never easy, but the team gladly took on the challenge. They showed tremendous character to bounce back in exceptional fashion to win against Waterkloof by a comfortable margin after trailing by 14 points, but lost to a very good Helpmekaar team. The boys did themselves very proud and developed well on tour.

Against PBHS, Hilton and Northwood we won well without always making the best use of our opportunities, but the out of province trip to KES after a long weekend brought disappointment, as we seemed flat against good opposition. We failed to take attacking opportunities against Kearsney, but produced a spirited performance against a very determined DHS team. Two of our better performances of the year were against Michaelhouse, where we played with high intensity, and Westville, where we absorbed an immense amount of pressure on defence and took scoring opportunities when they came our way. In the last match of the term we were looking to turn around the previous loss against Glenwood, but we were lethargic and lacked energy after the tough win over Westville.

After the June break, the match against Affies was played with a real sense of belief and confidence, despite the opposition's rugby pedigree. The return game against PBHS brought a disappointing loss, as we had beaten them earlier in the season. The final match against KES was an entertaining affair with both sides taking turns to score scintillating tries. The team gave it everything they could, but once again did not manage to get the desired result.

It was a season with many ups and downs, but a memorable one nonetheless. The boys can be very proud of their efforts and especially

how they all developed to become better rugby players. We did not always get the win we wanted or even deserved, but lessons were certainly learnt and they are lessons that can be applied throughout life. Characters were shaped, friendships were forged and rugby skills refined – what a privilege to be a part of such a process. This group of boys has wonderful potential and we have only seen the tip of the iceberg. Their future will be followed with much interest.

Player Critique:

C Thunder: As captain, Thunder led from the front with his strong ball carries and his immense strength in the scrum. He would lead the charge and his example would pick the team up when needed. His skill and all-round play was outstanding.

Q Pitout: He is an immensely strong and versatile hooker, whose strength in carrying the ball and ability to steal ball on the ground, much like a young Malcolm Marx, made him a great asset on the field.

R Swift: Our resident scrum expert, he took it on himself to make sure that our scrums were strong and would never go backwards. He also has great handling skills and feels that he is a fly-half stuck in a forward's body. He is a great rugby player whom we look forward to watching in the future.

J van der Merwe: He was the team lineout general, taking charge and getting good ball for our backs. A strong and versatile second rower, always doing the hard work at the breakdown but not afraid to have ball in hand either.

F Johnstone: A hard player who had a difficult season as he was sidelined for over six weeks with injury. He worked hard to make his way back into the team. He runs very hard with the ball in hand and is not afraid to put in some crunching tackles.

H Kemp: He is a very illusive player with a great skill set. His ability to offload the ball in tackles and make steals on the ground makes him a very versatile back-row player. He rarely misses a tackle and is a menace to the opposition.

W Pretorius: An extremely fit and hard-working individual, who just got on with the job of a flank. His fitness level made it easy for him to make his presence felt all over the field. He often won turnovers to get us out of trouble or shift the momentum in our favour.

W Takata: A big, strong blindside flank who is very quick and has everything you want in a rugby player. He made very strong carries, gaining meters every time. He is also very capable of hitting the opposition backwards on defence when he wants to.

J Roets: A hard-working individual who could often be found carrying, stealing ball or doing cross cover tackles, like a good eighth man. He has a bright future ahead of him.

S Pretorius: A very deceptive player who would often break tackles and run lines that only he could. His ability to identify space means that he is a great ball carrier and invariably makes metres. He is a very skilful player who often linked with the backs to set up tries. He is a great all-round eighth man who has a bright future in the game.

D Jacobsz: He did very well to cement his position in the side at scrum half and developed well throughout the season. He provided slick and accurate service to his team mates and grew in his ability to test the defence around the fringes and keep the opposition guessing.

J Beauclerk: (*Vice-captain*) He started the pre-season at scrumhalf but soon changed to what became his preferred position at fly half. He has a wonderful ability to identify space and exercise the right decision in order to get the team on the front foot. He grew in his ability to dictate play and consistently displayed his diverse skill set whilst effectively executing the game plan.

B Hlatshwayo: He was a strong and hard running wing who was not afraid to take on the opposition. He was reliable under the high ball and linked well with the rest of the back three. Not only did he score many tries during the season, he was also a strong tackler.

D Walden: He was a no-nonsense centre who was very direct in his ball carrying and he made good metres. Tackling, however, was his biggest strength as he was regularly seen taking his opponents backwards in contact. His kicking for goal improved as the season progressed.

L Mtshali: He was a stalwart in the backline and a persistent threat to the opposition. He had a keen eye for a gap and often found it by running the correct angles. He did not get brought to ground very easily and as a result was the top try scorer for the season. His defence grew solid.

T Adam: He was a very elusive runner with ball in hand and often displayed blistering speed. He has the potential to be a great wing if he is willing to work hard and be consistent with his commitment.

S Goebel: A versatile backline player, he was very capable of playing at both centre and wing. He kept working hard to cement himself a permanent place in the team on the wing. He was an especially solid defender and regularly executed text book tackles to stop his opposite number.

W Trodd: He ensured that we had a solid last line of defence as he was capable of punching way above his weight when it comes to tackling. His ability to read the game and positioning himself correctly developed throughout the season and his timing in joining the backline on attack became a weapon for breaking the defensive line.

Results:

vs St Charles 15-5, Glenwood 3-8 and 7-33, Eldoraigue 36-0, Waterkloof 34-19, Helpmekaar 12-24, PBHS 36-12 and 19-23, Hilton 10-0, Northwood 19-0, KES 6-20 and 31-32, Kearsney 10-17, DHS 21-17, Michaelhouse 38-12, Westville 24-15, Affies 15-31

Mr D Hoffman

U15B

The season started off with a tour to Northwood to play against A team opposition. The boys were very excited and played with a winning attitude and with great College fire. They made it all the way to the finals where they had to face a big KZN Development side. After a very competitive rugby match, they came out victorious and won the tournament. This winning attitude continued throughout the season, with the big forwards crashing the ball up and gaining metres with each drive and the backline using their footwork and skills to reach the try line. We learned a few tough lessons in the season, but the boys went back to the training fields and worked on their weaknesses to come back the following week and show what they are made of. The season ended on a brilliant Reunion Day performance. It went down to the wire, but the boys played for each other and made a remarkable comeback to gain a narrow win against KES. Thanks to the boys for the hard working attitude and the laughs that you brought to training and good luck for the future.

Regular players:

O Cele, C Michaux, T Zondi, J Kahler, B Harvey, E Coulthard, J Roets, D Ferrar, C Hibbert, S du Plessis, A Zungu, G Esterhuizen, K Mnikathi, M Dube, C Trodd, L Gasa, L Luthuli, B Els, S Goebel

Results:

vs Sutherland 12-10, Krugersdorp 34-0, KZN Development 13-12, St Charles 15-7, PBHS 15-5, Glenwood 10-18, Hilton 22-8, Northwood 34-7, KES 14-15, Kearsney 31-14, Westville 7-7, Michaelhouse 55-0, Westville 12-13, Glenwood 10-12, Affies 12-50, PBHS 22-12, KES 26-24.

Mr L Booysen

U15C

The season started with the U15C team getting to know their team mates' strengths. A strong Voortrekker U15A team posed a formidable challenge and only a late try saw the team achieving a draw. Winning against Glenwood was a morale booster as the Red, Black and White marched on. Confidence in their own ability was bubbling over and this buoyed them in wins against PBHS and KES. A tough game was had against the DHS U15B team with two second half tries needed to secure the win.

The College team experienced some changes as key players were recruited to the College B team. Our next opponents, Westville, had a strong attack and solid defence and the final whistle unfortunately saw College with their first loss of the season. We successfully negotiated the return game against Glenwood, but were outplayed by Affies' strong and speedy backline. The final match, against KES, was a tough encounter, as the first had been. This time KES emerged victorious.

Regular players:

A Alborough, M Palmer, M Whyte, J de Waal, J Haasbroek, C Versfeld, J Henman, K Hlengwa, C Prinstoo, S van Staden, M Shaw, S Wilson, J Wilson, N McFarland, Z Shongwe, B Kilburn, M Dube, G Esterhuizen, C Naidoo, D Ferrar, A Mundell, T Phiri, J McKay, T Zondi, J Watson, J Schtte, L Janse van Rensburg, M Ngcobo, C Trodd, S du Plessis, S Khumalo, B Els, M Mafanya

Results:

vs Voortrekker A 5-5, Glenwood 26-5, PBHS 22-0, KES 24-12, Kearsney 59-0, DHS B 14-5, Linpark A 49-45, Westville 12-13, Glenwood 19-7, Affies 0-44, PBHS 45-0, KES 12-18

Mr S Bosch



U15D

Expectations for the U15 group were not particularly high. This did not affect the U15D team at all, but rather proved to be the necessary fuel to the Red, Black and White D team machine. It was clear that our greatest weapon would be our speed, since our forwards were as fast as, if not faster than, some of our backs. This worked perfectly in our first game, against Voortrekker B team, when we won 32-5. What followed was a polished series of performances, an 88-0 win against PBHS, a 50-7 win against Glenwood and a 55-5 win against Hilton C team. The game against KES proved to be our first real challenge, where we had to come from a 14-0 deficit at half-time, to win 31-22. This edged the boys on towards the goal of getting better with each game. We went on to win five more games, conceding no more than seven points in each of them whilst scoring no fewer than 34 points in each of those games as well.

The first week of the new term proved challenging as school resumed on Tuesday, which meant there was no Monday training for us. This was a crippling factor to our season-long goal of beating Affies. Unfortunately we came undone against our Pretoria opponents, losing 31-0. The players needed no further motivation to finish the season strong. They showed a warrior-like attitude which has been synonymous with College for decades. This was evident in a 46-7 win on Reunion Day against KES in our return fixture. I wish every single one of the U15D boys the best for their futures and only success in their rugby.

Regular players:

C Prinsloo (*captain*), M Whyte, A Alborough, N Khumalo, C Naidoo, J Watson, M van der Werf, C Sims-Hancock, J Jenman, C Schütte, J McKay, J van den Bergh, L Janse van Rensburg, C Lee, M Shaw, N Mnguni, T Phiri, Z Shongwe, M Ngcobo, T Makhobotloane, S van Staden, B Cotterrell, A Khan

Results:

vs Voortrekker B 32-5, Glenwood 55-7, PBHS 88-0, Hilton 50-5, KES 31-22, Kearsney 66-0, DHS C 38-0, Michaelhouse C 37-7, Westville 47-17, Glenwood 38-7, Affies 0-31, PBHS 24-5, KES 46-7.

Mr N Mpofana

U15E

The team had a strong start to the season, with a 43-10 win over St Charles in a staggered game. The team continued this momentum with wins over Glenwood and PBHS over the next two weeks.

As the season progressed, the team grew stronger, with the boys giving 100% at every practice and fixture. Despite constant changes in the team because of injuries, the team soldiered on.

The team maintained a positive attitude throughout the entire season, with spectacular performances against Westville, KES and Affies. The team played four games on stagger and prevailed in all four.

The team was captained by Thackray and vice captained by Brown and Mahomed who led in superb fashion. Our focus was always on mental toughness, giving our all despite any and every setback and leaving everything on the field.

The team came back from their winter break to face a formidable Affies side. We led 11-5 in the first half, but an injury to one of our props proved to be a setback and we lost the game narrowly by 11-17. Despite this being the team's first loss, the boys carried themselves like champions.

The bonds that were formed by the mighty U15E team over this season will never be broken.

Overall the team played 14 games and won 13. Well done to the team.

Regular players:

D Thackray (*captain*), L Brown, A Mahomed, Z Shongwe, A Simelane, D Thomson, C Shultz, M Shaw, M Clark, B Harper, B Cotterrell, N Nxumalo, E Walsh, M Woodhead, J Jenman, L Verbiest, W Willemse, E Lushaba, S Chili, R le Roux, C Carey, N Khumalo, C Brummer, G Emberton, R Aranky, J Jansen

Results:

vs Voortrekker C 43-10, Glenwood 44-12, PBHS 48-24, Northwood 45-0, KES 47-5, DHS C 27-0, Michaelhouse C 33-0, Westville 48-14, Glenwood 73-21, Affies 11-17, PBHS 34-0, KES 37-0

Mr S Zuma

U15F

In the year 2018, I was honoured to be a part of yet another phenomenal rugby season with an amazing group of coaching staff. However, this year I was given the task to coach the U15F, which I found challenging, but from it I grew as a coach with many positives to reflect back on when it came to understanding the boys' strengths and weaknesses. The boys adapted to the many changes of players being moved up and down as the season progressed. They proved to be very strong when facing opposition of the same age group as they dominated and played exceptionally well, however, they struggled against most A, B and C teams from other schools, in which they played the majority of their fixtures against these sides. The boys showed a lot of courage, determination, sense of respect and an admirable sense of discipline on and off the field which was amazing to watch from the side lines. They were forever showing an undying spirit in each game.

Regular players:

K Mkhulise, N Khumalo, S de Jager, J le Roux, C Brummer, B Raw, B Harper, M Woodhead, C Lee, S van Staden, E Lushaba, G Emberton, K Aranky, L Verbiest, Z Shongwe

Results:

vs Hilton U15F 50-0, KES 51-0, Linpark U15A 22-26, Glenwood 31-29, Linpark U15A 12-39, Westville 0-55, Kloof U15A 0-66, Affies 0-48, Development XV 7-40

Mr T Chikwevero



J Oberholzer giving shouting his all



U14A

Back row: D Antoniadis, D Craig, K van den Berg, N Zulu, J Munn, S Mbonambi, M Pieterse

Middle row: S Ngcobo, R Murray, G Delport, A Knoetze, J Lowe, J Miller, K Wilken, N Zwane, T Sithole

Front row: N Mosebi, K Goddard, Mr M-J Smit (coach), J-J De Valence, L Prinsloo (captain), Mr S Botha (coach), K van der Nest, B Luthuli

The U14A team of 2018 enjoyed a very successful season playing 17, winning 13 and losing 4. The team scored 694 points at an average of 40.8 and conceding 218 at an average 12.8 points per game. They scored a total of 105 tries and conceded 31 tries. The expansive style of rugby they played led to the fact that wingers, N Mosebi and K van der Berg, scored 23 tries each, with S Ngcobo, the full back, scoring 10 tries.

The team did set some records beating Glenwood on the double, breaking a 10-year drought. As an U14 age group all the teams beat Glenwood on the double.

The team had very good pace out wide, and had a pack that dominated their opponents in the scrums and, to some extent, the line outs, providing ample ball to the backline to convert pressure into points. The season started off with a fixture against St Charles and after leading 10-5 at half time, they changed gear, running out eventual winners 41-5. The next fixture was Glenwood, before the holiday, and they managed a 17-14 win, for the first time in seven years.

The boys then embarked on a tour to Bloemfontein to participate in the Fichardt Park Rugby Festival. The first match was against Grens from King Williams Town, running out eventual winners 72-0. The boys showed signs of a good team as the forwards and backs inter-linked scoring some lovely tries. The second game was against Welkom Gimnasium and they won 68-0. The last game was against the hosts, Fichardt Park, and we beat them 62-0. The team showed some real potential, but, apart from Glenwood, had not been tested on defence.

The first game of the second term was against Pretoria Boys High, who did not pose much of a threat with College running out 76-3 winners, again showing moments of brilliance on attack and taking it to six consecutive victories.

College then faced Hilton on Snow's and for the first time was under pressure on defence. With two line out opportunities in the last five minutes to clinch the victory, we succumbed to the pressure, losing both line outs and losing 20-26.

The next fixture was a trip up to Johannesburg to play against KES, where again we were tested on defence and lost 17-20. Michaelhouse caught the U14 team on rebound, and again College played some very good rugby after absorbing a lot of pressure for the first 10 minutes, running out 52-0 winners after the game was stopped five minutes after half time. Kearsney was the next school to deal with and, after leading 15-10 at half time, we ran out 34-10 victors. A midweek fixture at Northwood was next on the cards and College did not bring their A game on defence, losing 36-28.

Another trip to Durban saw College take on their old rivals, DHS, sharing a half time score of 10 all and once again changing gear to run out 35-10 victors. Westville was the next victim of a second half onslaught. After a 15-7 lead at the break College ran away to a 48-14 win in the last game of the second term. Glenwood, away, was a tester for the return match and after being 7-7, very good defence managed to get the team to a 14-12 win, despite having very little possession.

The third term is always difficult, after a three week break, to get them back into the game. Affies was the first after the break which is always a tester and after being 35-5 down at half time the team decided to fight back and lost 49-12. A much more College like performance in the second half saved them from being on the receiving end of a 50 pointer.

The second fixture was a trip to Pretoria Boys High, for a return match. Usually they are a different side at home, but they, too, received a backlash from an angry U14A team, being destroyed 82-3.

KES was the third and last fixture of the term, at home on Old Boys Reunion Day. College owed KES for the narrow loss up in Johannesburg. It was always going to be a tough match and after trailing 8-10 at half time, it was College who scored two tries to one in the second half to run out 20-15 victors.

Player Critique:

B Luthuli: He is a true warrior and a very strong ball carrier, who has pace and good feet. He is a very good loose head prop, who dominated his opposition. He was also very good on defence.

D Antoniaides: He was the hooker for most of the season and was very good in the tight loose, was a strong ball carrier and he scrummed well. He has a bright future if he keeps up his training.

J-J De Valence: He too was a true warrior and a formidable tight head. He was very committed and always gave of his best. He was a strong ball carrier.

K van der Nest: He, too, was a player you would go to war with. He was at every practice and always gave his very best. He was very good in the line out and a player who was prepared to listen and apply what he was taught. He too was a strong ball carrier and a strong defender.

K Goddard: He started off at loose forward, where he was just as good as he was at lock. He was very good in the line out, a strong ball carrier. A tireless worker and defender of note.

D Craig: He was an outstanding flanker who worked tirelessly. He was always in support of the ball carrier and made the opposition fly half's life a misery. He is probably one of the most under rated players in the team who never missed a practice or game and always gave his absolute best.

K Wilken: He forced his way into the team after the tour to Bloemfontein. He is a tireless worker, aggressive defender and ball stealer of note. He cemented his place in the team after some strong performances.

N Zulu: He was part of the A-Team touring squad and soon after the trip claimed the number 8 position and made it his own. He really showed great improvement as a ball carrier, support player and his work at the breakdown was excellent.

A Knoetze: He is a real talent and a player with a bright future. He needs to work at his service as a scrum half, but he has a very good understanding of the game and executes his box kick with precision, which led to many a try by the wings.

L Prinsloo (captain): He captained the team and was one of the players who never missed a practice or game. He improved as the season progressed and by the end of the season was a crucial member of the spine of the team. He was a formidable goal kicker and scored 189 points for the team with his accurate kicking.

N Mosebi: He is a very exciting winger with incredible try scoring ability. He was joint second highest point scorer with 115 points, scoring 23 tries. His understanding with scrum half Knoetze led to many a try from a box kick. His counter-attacking skill also produced many a try as well as his ability to run off fly half Prinsloo.

J Munn: After a positional switch from wing to centre, he showed great understanding, and continually improved as a defender. He has very good footwork and distributing ability.

N Zwane: He, too, was a player who played every game and always gave of his best. He was a strong ball carrier with blistering pace, scoring nine tries in the season. He is a fearless defender and a player who always gave of his best.

K van den Berg: After a positional switch from centre to wing, he found his niche and became a finisher of note. With time and space, he was lethal and to add to his value, he was a strong defender. He is a player with great potential and has a bright future.

S Ngcobo: A man with the magic feet, he bamboozled many a potential tackler. He is very good on the counter attack and a great finisher scoring ten tries in the season. Most of those tries were on the counter attack. He was safe under the high ball and that was manna from heaven for him to counter attack.

G Delpport: He was a regular reserve for the A team and with continued good performances forced his way into the team for the last two games. He played with distinction, was a strong ball carrier and was good in the tight loose.

C Janse van Rensburg: He was a member of the starting line-up up until the Northwood fixture, where he damaged his collarbone. He deserved to finish off the season for the A team.

M Pieterse: He is a man mountain and a good ball carrier. Only injury and illness cost him his position in the starting line-up. He is a player with great potential.

S Mbonambi: He started in three games where he did well. He has a lot of potential and the physique to go really far.

F Worthy: He started in three games where he performed well. He has good distribution skills at centre and is a fearless defender.

Results:

vs St Charles 42-5, Glenwood 17-14, Grens 72-0, Welkom Gimnasium 68-0, Fichardt Park 62-0, PBHS 76-3, Hilton 20-26, KES 17-20, Michaelhouse 52-0, Kearsney 34-10, Northwood 28-36, DHS 31-15, Westville 48-14, Glenwood 14-12, Affies 12-49, PBHS 63-3, KES 20-15

Mr S Botha

U14B

A great season with a competitive group of rugby players. The U14B rugby team amassed 600 points in 16 games, with only 133 against. In the process they won 12 of their 16 games. The team practised well and showed a lot of improvement through the season. S Mchunu and J Lowe played all games, showing tremendous spirit and dedication. B Delpport and S Mbonambi would also have played all games if they had not been called up to the A team late in the season. With this continuity the team put in some fine performances, especially in the loss to Affies.

The front row players, T Sithole, B Delpport, C Hankinson, W Viljoen and B Mchunu, did an excellent job up front ensuring good scrum and lineout ball. K Hattingh at flank and S Mchunu at lock won plenty of lineout ball and both were very quick around the field on attack and defence. The other loose forwards, R Murray and S Mbonambi, were very versatile and carried and linked extremely well. Later in the season M Pieterse and C Janse van Rensburg added to the carrying ability of the team. The loss of K Wilken and N Zulu to the A team was immense, resulting in a number of close losses.

Initially the team was led by example by K Wilken, and then the inspirational J Lowe, at scrumhalf, took over the captaincy. The team responded to his good decision making and great passing ability. J Miller proved effective at both fly half and fullback, and proved to be a top defender in both positions. T Koller also played at fly half and showed great promise. F Worthy, G Heuer and T Roux were strong runners at centre while S Malila, and O Mabizela ran with purpose out wide. N Dladla on the wing proved to be a great finisher, scoring important tries.

Other players to represent the team during the season were Woolridge, J Larkan, Z Gumbi, L Sinclair and C Harvey. A number of other players from the C and D teams represented the team on a very successful tour to Bloemfontein. I would like to thank Mr Louis Botha for all the wonderful work he did with the pack of forwards and the team, making it a memorable coaching experience.

Regular players:

J Lowe (captain), B Delpport, S Mbonambi, T Sithole, B Delpport, C Hankinson, W Viljoen, B Mchunu, K Hattingh, S Mchunu, R Murray, S Mbonambi, M Pieterse, C Janse van Rensburg, J Miller, T Koller, F Worthy, G Heuer, T Roux, S Malila, O Mabizela, N Dladla

Results:

vs St Charles 17-0, Glenwood 45-5, Goudveld 65-0, HTS Louis Botha 71-7, Welkom Gimnasium 17-12, PBHS 73-0, Hilton 37-10, KES 21-29, Kearsney 63-0, DHS 10-17, Greytown 59-0, Westville 20-22, Glenwood 22-0, Affies 5-24, PBHS 63-0, KES 12-8

Mr B Collocott



U14C

The U14C team was skilled and eager to learn something new, both at training and on the field. The group had numerous talented forwards which at times gave headaches in selection, because whoever was selected would give a B team performance. To single out individuals would be unfair to all of those whose enthusiasm and endeavour made for an enjoyable season. In the backline we had a lot of movement with injuries happening and also some boys improving as the season went on. From a results perspective it was a tight season since we wanted to win all our games. Of the four games we lost, two of them were close and if we had succeeded with our kicks over we could easily have won them. Overall I was pleased with the boys and how much they had learned and gained over the months. From half-way through the season, the running and offloading rugby, which we were aiming for, became apparent.

Regular players:

T van Heerden (*captain*), S Maltman, T Sithole, J Botha, C Kirby, J van Zyl, C Harvey, J Glyn-Cuthbert, J Taylor, R Smith, T van Rooyen, S Malila, M Ngubo, Z Gumbi, T Hankinson, K Nene, A Woolridge (*vice-captain*), M Nilsen

Results:

vs Voortrekker U14A 15-15, Glenwood 19-0, PBHS 101-0, Glenwood U14D 50-0, KES 0-19, Voortrekker U14A 10-22, Alex U14A 27-0, Michaelhouse U14B 50-7, Northwood U14B 19-0, Westville 15-17, Glenwood 17-12, Affies 0-43, PBHS 39-0, KES 19-7

Mr C Musasiwa

U14D

The U14D group enjoyed a most successful season. They gave their 'all' at practice and focused on their handling skills. They learned that there were alternatives to crash-ball situations on attack. Above all they learned that a team sport, such as rugby, deserves concentration and focus all the time. As is the norm, a number of players gravitated up to the C and B teams during the season. This meant that there was upward movement from the E team into the D team. By the last game of the season, the team had undergone quite a personnel transformation. It also demonstrated the overall depth of the U14 age-group in 2018.

Stand-out matches were the home and away wins against Glenwood. In both fixtures the forwards took control and supplied an abundance of good ball to a willing back-line. The stagger fixture at Northwood against a very big U14C team was a game of big hits and turning a big pack around to tire them out and run them off their feet. A humdinger of a fixture was the nail-biting win over Linpark U14A, where the lead saw-sawed frequently and the match was eventually won by a successful conversion from the 15 metre line, following a relentless forward-drive from the College 22 metre. The away win at PBHS was very satisfying, as it featured a backline that had never had the opportunity to practise together, as player migrations and injuries were the order of the day in the week preceding this penultimate fixture.

The season's captaincy was shared between two players, R McGregor and M Puler. Both led the team with distinction.

The indomitable young men of U14D, 2018, were a pleasure to coach. They were always fiercely determined and gave of their best. I will be following their 2019 progress with interest.

Regular players:

R McGregor (*captain*), M Puler (*captain*), L Zimmerman, W Muggleton, M Ngubo, K Mthimkhulu, G Harrison, W Mfeka, W Smith, D Steyn, S Thabethe, E Dhoda, S Maltman, M Glyn-Cuthbert, N Zikalala, R Kirby, A Ngubo, S Goebel, R Gunning

Results:

vs Linpark U14B 52-0, Glenwood 69-0, PBHS 57-0, Hilton U14C 42-17, Northwood U14C 35-5, KES 7-12, Westville U14E 25-19, Alex U14B 67-0, Linpark U14A 38-37, Westville 7-22, Glenwood 35-5, Affies 0-50, PBHS 35-8, KES 26-7

Mr L Orchard

U14E

Mike Singletary, famous ex-49ers Head Coach and NFL Hall of Fame Footballer, shared this sentiment that applies to any sport: "Do you know what my favourite part of the game is? The opportunity to play."

These words ring true for the 2018 U14E rugby team. They just wanted to play and it was this attitude that made them one of the better U14E teams over the last few years. The overall result of 10 wins and 2 losses, with over 70 tries scored, reflects that this team wanted to play and wanted to win. Although every win was special, double victories over KES, Glenwood and PBHS must go down as the team's highlights. It must be added that within these 10 victories, four games were played against other schools' C teams, which makes the U14Es overall result that much more noteworthy.

Fortunately, we were able to maintain a core of players throughout the season which allowed the team to develop as a cohesive unit. The team was captained by a number of players, giving more boys a chance to lead on the field.

My thanks to David Ripley-Evans, U14E 2013 captain, and Michael Uren who assisted me this past season. Your commitment and passion is commendable. Thanks boys, you are champions! Thanks also to N Mchunu and the 1st XV who, before every game, came down to Leach's field to encourage their junior 'brothers'. This meant a great deal and made a lasting impression on every player.

Thank you to Mr Eric Robinson for your contribution. He sacrificed two afternoons each week in order to attend rugby practice and contribute meaningfully to the lads thorough preparation for the game that lay ahead. Each of the boys joins me in thanking you for your expertise and commitment.

Finally, to every boy who played for the team, thank you for a great season. To single out any particular player would be unfair as it really was a team effort each week. Well done and remember, "There may be people that have more talent than you, but there's no excuse for anyone to work harder than you do," (Derek Jeter.)

Regular players:

E Dhoda, J Egberink, J Glyn-Cuthbert, U Gina, J Goble, R Goncalves, M Hendricks, N Mbanjwa, N Mbhele, K Mthimkhulu, N Ndlovu, A Ngobese, K Nene, A Ntuli, A Ngubo, T Redman, J Sharpe, J Scruby, D Steyn, M Somi, J Thring, S Thabethe, G Westerdale, N Zikalala

Results:

vs St Charles C 22-17, Glenwood 71-0 and 27-0, Hilton C 49-0, Michaelhouse C 27-19, Kearsney C 34-5, Westville 15-39, PBHS 47-0 and 62-14, KES 19-17 and 23-5, Affies 0-35

Mr G Waters



Rugby Sevens

The 2018 Sevens season was a very successful one for Maritzburg College. There were three festivals respectively hosted by Glenwood High School, Maritzburg College and Durban High School. The first of which was held at Glenwood. The 1st sevens team as well as the U15B team managed to progress to both finals, but unfortunately fell short in the dying embers of these said matches.

The second festival was Maritzburg College's very own festival called the Skonk 7s festival. This event served as trials for the U17 Sharks Sevens side. A Nzimande made College very proud by making the U17 provincial Sharks Sevens side. The 1st Sevens team were not firing at all cylinders on the day and lost to Westville in the quarter-finals. The U15A team managed to go unbeaten at the festival. They overpowered Michaelhouse in the final and were crowned as champions of the cup section.

The very last tournament was held at Durban High School, but the tournament was called off due to dangerous playing conditions (standing water and lightning). The U18 side won all their games at this festival and were scheduled to play in the semi-final against Northwood, but the festival was abandoned before they could play. The U15A side also managed to progress to the quarterfinals at this tournament.

Both of our A teams were invited to the Champions of Champions tournament at Camp Discovery in October. The U19A side unfortunately fell short of making the bowl semi-final and the U15A side sadly did not make it past the Cup quarter-final. However, it was a great experience for our boys as they could measure themselves against the best in the country.

- Coaches 1st Sevens team:** C Fraser and R Chirengende
- Coaches U15A Sevens team:** R le Roux and B Mduyana
- Coaches U15B Sevens team:** L Booysen and X Vukubi



J Duncan in the sevens game against Mitchaelhouse.



B Nene leads the charge with D Meuwese in support.

Mr C Fraser



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SHOOTING

Shooting is a sport which attracts a select few boys. This year was no exception. The limited facilities and equipment we have makes our task of choosing the best new boys a little more difficult. After careful selection we identified the boys most likely to succeed in a sport that requires commitment and dedication. Shooting is gaining popularity especially as the sport is being recognised both within and beyond our school. College shooting is in a good place and we hope to improve on the results posted thus far.

We always strive to improve the level of achievement amongst our shotists. It is pleasing to know that all boys have displayed a marked improvement in their scores.

J Cooke, the captain, is an excellent leader and example to the boys. He has distinguished himself as a captain who gets down to the same level of the boys. He, together with his assistant, R Boone, set the pace in the range and this has had a positive influence on the rest of the team.

Both Cooke and Boone were the recipients of a Large White Badge and Colours and Scarf for their achievements in shooting. The attainment of these awards is not an easy one as the scores required have to be consistently high. Well done to you both.

Cooke, S Verwey, S Hutton, U Molefi, J Hoyle and C Vahey have all received their SAARA Academy Colours. These boys together with Boone and M Pearson have also been selected for the KZN team. We are proud that a large percentage of the teams are made up of College boys. We envisage receiving higher honours in the province in the near future.

Our boys have featured well in the league shoots achieving top positions on more than one occasions. Boone and Cooke have continually swapped top position in the under U20 section of the league shoot.

Vahey did College proud by winning the Gauteng Open in his division. This was a well-earned honour as he participated in an arena that was brand new to him.

The inter-house competition once again generated much excitement with boys that do not shoot, competing against the seasoned shotists. There is always a sense of anticipation because on the day, any boy can post a good score. The top junior was C Norman of Nicholson House, and O Mkhize of Calder House was the top senior. Overall top position was shared by Nicholson House and Common House.

We bid a sad farewell to Mr D Maclean, the team coach. Mr Maclean proved to be an invaluable asset to the boys, College and the sport of shooting. His track record includes his participation in the Olympics. His presence at the range and at competitions will be missed. I take this opportunity to wish Mr Maclean well in his future endeavours.

A big thank you to Mrs C Randall, my assistant, who diligently takes care of all the administration. Her efforts are appreciated.









I take this opportunity to wish all boys well for the new year and encourage them to keep shooting.

Mr G Govindasamy



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1st XI

Back row: L Mawela, S Manyathi (First Aid), T Moore, J Keith, T Whiteman, TEJ Zondi
Middle row: A Hlubi, J Stoffels, S Khubeka, T Jamalodeen, N Msiya, Z Gxarisa, M Maphumulo, L Mncwangi
Front row: S Phungula, Mr C Garaba (goalkeeping coach), U Mthembu (captain), Mr D Haswell (coach), K Mudali (vice-captain), Mr M Dibben (MIC), L Zondi
Absent: S Zondi, M Dorlly

Overview from the master-in-charge

As soccer continues to grow in popularity, so does the number of players that we have. This year we were fortunate enough to be able to field up to four teams in each age group, with the occasional E team appearance in the U14 age group. The A teams played in the second term, allowing the boys more fixtures throughout the year. However, another short third term, with only four weekends of fixtures, resulted in fewer fixtures for teams down the line. The boys enjoyed the level of competition, regardless.

The 1st XI enjoyed one of their most successful years in recent times as they made the final of the PMBHSFA 2nd Term League, taking on Haythorne. A very well attended match on AB Jackson's ended with Haythorne winning on penalties. At the Kloof tournament, the team made the quarter-finals, losing to Pinetown, who went on to reach the championship final. The team's most successful run came at the Maritzburg FA Cup. College was the only team to remain unbeaten in normal time throughout the tournament, eventually losing to defending champions, Hilton College, on penalties in the final.

Congratulations are offered to K Mudali and S Phungula, who both reached 50 caps for the 1st XI in 2018.

The following boys were selected for KwaZulu-Natal High School's teams:

- U14A:** A Vilakazi, T Nkosi
- U15B:** K Chetty, R Naidoo, J Shaik-Mahomed
- U16A:** Z Gxarisa, T Whiteman, M Dorlly
- U19B:** U Mthembu, L Zondi, S Zondi
- U19A:** T Zondi, S Phungula

In all, 2018 can be considered a very successful year for Maritzburg College football and the coaching and support staff should be thanked for this success.

Mr M Dibben

1st Team

Pre-season started with a meeting of the boys, who declared that their motto for the season would be "To make our school proud." This would be achieved by both their performances on the field and their attitude and behaviour off it. The team also decided to dedicate the season to former 1st XI player, Luyanda Ntshangase (2015), who was tragically killed by a lightning strike whilst training for Maritzburg United. A memorial service for him was held in the Alan Paton Memorial Hall and an award, 'The Luyanda Ntshangase Award for Most Improved 1st XI Player', was also dedicated in his memory.

This year, the boys were given team and individualised training programmes, taking into account their various commitments. This included a high performance gym programme to maximise their conditioning and is something that will be expanded going forward.

There was also a new philosophy and style of play to be implemented, which is aimed at creating a culture and brand for the sport at College. This year would just be the initial implementation of this goal, but I must compliment the boys on how they grasped the ideas and really trained and worked at it. The entire philosophy is a 40+ page document but in essence, it is summed up as:

The College ABCs

- **Attacking:** we believe in our ability to outscore the opposition and we play with that mentality
- **Bold:** we aim to be bold in our strategy and ideas to win the match
- **Committed:** we are committed to how we want to play and how we want to win

In terms of playing style, we defined it as: a team that plays quick, attacking football with combination play; prepared to be bold to start play at the back, incorporating quick wing backs; committed to high work rate on and off the ball, with lots of creativity, especially from midfield and wide players.

This is where tactically, there were a number of concepts for the players to grasp, as well as a training and conditioning programme which they most likely would not have been exposed to before. It was understood by the coaching staff that there would be adaptation required and the need for patience, as well as experimentation along the way but that this would be best for the team and the players, in the long run. There are certainly talented players in the squad (and at junior levels) who have the ability to play at higher levels and they will be best served by being introduced to these tactical concepts and training intensity at this stage.

In terms of the actual season, this can be broken up into three main sections: the Second Term League (incorporating the Kloof Tournament) and the third term Inter-School Fixtures (incorporating the KZN Tournament and the PMB High Schools FA Cup).

Second Term League

This was a highly competitive league, especially coming at the start of the season, with just a couple of 'friendlies' as preparation. We lost just one game, to finish second and qualify for the semi-finals, where we beat Alex. In the final, the boys put in a massive effort against defending champions Haythorne but after a pulsating 1-1 draw, we lost 7-6 after a lengthy penalty shootout.

Results:

vs *Ixopo* 1-0, *Carter* 4-2, *Haythorne* 1-2, *Linpark* 1-1, *Alex* 2-1, *Semi-Final vs Alex (1-1) won 4-2 on penalties*

Final vs Haythorne (1-1) 6-7 on penalties

Kloof Tournament

This is an annual tournament and attracts teams from all over the country. The team camped together for the tournament to ensure that preparation and focus was at a maximum. Although we only reached the quarter-finals, this was the first time this stage had been reached by College in six years.

Results:

vs *Kloof* 0-1, *Queensburgh* 1-1, *All Academy* 2-1, *All Stars Academy* 2-0, *Quarter-Final vs Pinetown* 0-2

KZN Tournament

This tournament was hosted by Kingsway High School. The team went one round further than the Kloof tournament in making the semi-final, before going down to Eshowe in a tightly contested physical battle.

Results:

vs *Kloof* 0-2, *Newcastle* 1-0, *Quarter-Final vs Port Shepstone* 2-0, *Semi-Final vs Eshowe* 0-1

Third Term Inter-School Fixtures

Without wanting to devalue the importance of these games, it was necessary to experiment slightly with tactics and positional changes. The focus here was to prepare for the upcoming PMB High Schools Cup and, of course, the Raw Cup fixture. Unfortunately, our final match of the season, which was to be played at Northwood, was cancelled owing to a severe lightning and a thunder storm in Durban. It was a sadly ironic end to the season after the memorial dedication at the start of the season.

Results:

vs *Queensburgh* 1-0, *Alex* 0-3, *Carter* 2-3, *Glenwood* 1-2, *Westville* 2-2, *Kloof* 1-4, *Hilton* 0-2

Raw Cup: vs DHS (away) lost 0-1

The Raw Cup fixture is an important one on the calendar. Established in 1889, it is believed to be one of the oldest sporting fixtures in the country. It is our resolve to keep the Cup at home next year, which will be the 130th anniversary of this fixture.

PMB High Schools FA Cup

This very popular tournament, hosted at Howick High, features schools from the PMB and KZN Midlands regions and has become very sought after amongst the competing teams. We were determined to win it for the first time and really played some exciting football. Indeed, our performance in the semi-final, a 4-0 win over Haythorne, was our most satisfying and complete performance of the season. At 1-0 up in the final, we were minutes from victory until a freakish goal from Hilton forced the match to the dreaded penalty shootout, which we lost 4-2. Nevertheless, the boys had set a bar for future teams, on and off the field.

Results:

vs *Grace* 4-0, *Wartburg* 2-0, *Howick* 3-2, *Ixopo* 1-0, *Quarter-final vs St Nicholas*: 2-0, *Semi-final vs Haythorne*: 4-0 (*Mthembu* 3), *Final vs Hilton (1-1) lost on penalties* 2-4

Player Critique:

L Zondi: He was the only player to start every match, which is a testament to his dedication to training and his conditioning. Although normally a central midfielder, we used him often at centre back. He never wavered in either position.

U Mthembu (captain): A fine team captain who led not by making grandiose speeches, but by setting an incomparable example on and off the field. His high work-rate was always impressive and he added to that by scoring a couple of goals late in the season, including a hat-trick in the FA Cup semi-final.

Z Gxarisa: He showed great maturity, despite being one of the youngest players in the team and having to fight for his position in the pre-season. Naturally wanting to go forward and overlap, he fitted into our game plan superbly.

T Zondi: Another player whose great efforts at training and work at the various technical aspects of the position saw him quickly become first choice number one. He improved tactically as he gained match experience.

T Whiteman: A skilful, quick player with fantastic ability to beat defenders in one-on-one situations. He has the technical ability to reach his potential and must focus now on his conditioning and consistency.

K Mudali (vice-captain): His all-energy style of play meant he was vital to the team in terms of pressing and counter-pressing, as well as his delivery of free kicks and corners. As vice-captain, his actions on the pitch motivated his teammates.

T Jamalodeen: He worked extremely hard in the pre-season to improve his conditioning and became a regular starter in the team. A solid, dependable defender who played the game hard, but fairly.

S Zondi: He started the season as a central midfielder but his height and ability to hold up the ball made him even more effective up front. As a striker, he worked hard on his composure in front of goal and ended the season as the team's top goal scorer.

S Phungula: He relished his role as the quiet 'hard man' of the team - unfortunately a few referees felt that he relished it a bit too much! He was a vital cog as a ball-winner of tackles and interceptions but could also play creatively too. He always showed confidence in stepping up to take crucial penalties.

M Dorly: He was awarded the 'Most Improved Player' award for the way he worked at his game both from a technical and tactical perspective. He possesses great energy and acceleration and has definite potential to develop into an exceptional footballer.



A Hlubi: A real team player who defined that notion in every sense by playing in virtually every position or role that was required of him and always gave a committed, solid performance. His stunning free kick goal in the last minute of the 2nd Term League semi-final against Alex will live long in the memory.

N Khubeka: A hard-working, bustling striker. He also possesses a clinical finish, as his goal return of seven in 13 games attests. A very good listener who employed the tactics required and this made others around him perform better. Only a nagging injury kept him from playing more often, and more is to be expected from him in future.

J Stoffels: A pacey winger-striker with a positive approach to the game that rubbed off on his teammates. He could've perhaps been a bit more selfish and composed in front of goal, which would've added to the contribution that his high work-rate deserved.

L Mncwangi: An uncompromising, take-no-prisoners defender who displayed versatility by being able to be used in any position across the back line. Opposition strikers certainly did not enjoy his close marking, ability to cover ground and especially his clattering tackles.

T Moore: A lanky striker who was used as target man and also tactically to defend set piece situations against taller opposition. The joker of the team who kept morale up with his corny banter!

M Maphumulo: He came into the squad after hockey season and injected a freshness into the team, especially during the FA Cup tournament. He possesses great skill, match intelligence and vision, which is aided by his ability to play with his 'head up'.

J Keith: He was a regular in the team during the Second Term League, as we searched for his best role in the team. He clearly enjoys the game (and qualified as referee during the year) and perhaps needs to adopt a sterner, hardened resolve to become a full-season regular.

N Msiya: His speed off the mark is a sight to behold and frightened many opposition defences. With greater experience and knowledge of when and how to apply it tactically, he will become an exciting player in future.

B Gumbi: A squad player who gave his best when called upon. His opportunities were limited by the many experienced midfielders in the squad, but there will be more opportunities for him to take advantage of in the future.

L Mawela: He is an acrobatic, agile goal keeper who trained hard and pushed for his opportunities to play. Those opportunities were limited but he was also the regular U16A 'keeper and the experience gained will stand him in good stead in the future.

Off the field we had a very busy season as well. In July we hosted a D-Licence coaching course for our coaches as well as coaches from other local schools and clubs. This course was instructed by Dutch World Cup legend, Johan Neeskens.

Our newly-initiated Referee's Society also trained a number of referees from College and surrounding schools and clubs. A number of the trainee referees achieved their SAFA Level 3 (senior) certification.

A note of thanks to the following:

- My wife and family, for putting up with my time away (and maybe my time at home as well!)
- Assistant Coach, Nic Haswell, for his effort which went way beyond what was expected of him and similarly to Goalkeeper Coach, Caniggia Garaba – we were surely the only high school team with a dedicated coach for that role and it certainly showed in the improvement of our goalkeepers in that critical position
- The parents and College staff who came out to support the boys – it was most valued and appreciated
- Master-in-Charge, Mr Dibben, for putting up with the numerous demands during the course of the season
- Messrs Hackland, Veitch and the ground staff for their efforts in maintaining the fields and equipment
- Messrs Greeff and Shezi for their supervision of the gym programme.

Mr D Haswell

2nd Team

The 2018 season proved to be a very enjoyable and successful one for the 2nd Team. This was due to a few key factors: Firstly, the 1st and 2nd teams operated and trained as one squad and this meant training sessions were always of a high standard and competition for a place in the team kept the boys constantly working hard.

The 2nd team developed a very strong team and work ethic and this was evident in their performances, with the players working incredibly hard for each other. This meant that their defence was rock solid and they conceded very few goals throughout both the second and third term seasons.

Furthermore, the 2nds competed in the newly established PMB FA High Schools B stream in the second term and this meant they played against mainly 1st team opposition. As a result, when the third term league started, the team had already played a number of highly competitive games and this helped them to put together a run of nine consecutive wins.

The players in the 2nds can be incredibly proud of both their performances in 2018 and the way in which they went about achieving them.

Regular players:

R Louch, N Msiya, L Mncwangi, K Hollenberg, D Ndamlenze, A Dlamini, B Gumbi, J Keith, M Willemse, T Moore, J Clacey, W Clacey, R Chetty, T Mthembu, S Myeza

Results:

vs Newton 1st 1-4, Alex 1-0, Carter 1-0, Westville 1-2, St Charles 2-1, Newton 1st 3-1, Carter 1-1, Kloof 2-1, MCS 1st 3-2, St Nicholas 3-5, DHS 0-2, Queensburgh 1-0

Mr N Haswell

3rd Team

We had a very good season with the boys and I cannot fault their effort, commitment and the desire to play for the badge and have pride in the school. During the beginning of the season, they had some challenges during the trials and first practice session where the first touch, ball control and passing were poor. They worked hard on these aspects throughout the season. We concentrated on improving each individual by teaching him the fundamentals of soccer by repetition and the importance of discipline on and off the field; the enjoyment of playing soccer; playing as a team; and diversity in the team, where everyone participates with equal status. I can proudly say that by the end of the season the players had come a long way towards achieving these objectives.

Regular players:

M Willemse, I Ayoob, C Thomas, L Kunene, T Ngcobo, C Harper, N Assumani, O Mthethwa, T Cameron, C Dladla, W Tarique, L Diedricks, B Gumede, J Govender, D Lutchman, L Wedge, N Zulu, B Kgoroge, S Butler, A Greaves, D Furrage, P Mpurwana, T Mokoena, S Dlamini, H Rousseau

Results:

vs Kloof 1-3, MCS 0-2, St Charles 1-2, St Charles 0-0, Howick 6-1, Voortrekker 1sts 0-2, DHS 2-3, DHS 4-3, Hilton 3-4, Hilton 2-0

Mr C Garaba





U16A

Back row: B Brooks, D van Niekerk, N Zondo, D Bruyns, S Manyathi, L de Rose, R Hyde, T Moseya, T Hlatshwayo, S Hlongwane
Front row: N Bhengu, K Shandu, Mr J Mhlongo (coach), L Mawela, Mr F Mhlongo (assistant coach), C Desplace, N Zuma
Absent: L Hadden, L Nyawo, U Mthethwa, N Makhanya, U Mtsi

The U16A soccer team had a wonderful season and their love and passion of soccer was unquestioned. Their commitment and dedication to practices and matches was always amazing. Hard work for their team and representing their school was in their veins. Playing fourteen matches and winning nine of them says a lot about the passion, dedication, commitment and quality of the team. Every game played was always a new challenge which had nothing to do with the previous game and had to be treated differently. The results achieved during the soccer season are evidence of the growth of soccer at Maritzburg College. We look forward to an even more exciting soccer season next year.

Regular players:

L Mawela, T Moseya, N Zuma, R Hyde, L Hadden, L Nyawo, C Desplace, U Mthethwa, T Hlatshwayo, N Makhanya, B Brooks, D van Niekerk, Z Amod, K Shandu, U Mtsi, N Zondo, D Bruyns, S Manyathi, L de Rose, S Hlongwane

Results:

vs Brettonwood 0-4, Alex 4-0, Kloof 1-1, MCS 6-0, Carter 3-2, DHS 1-2, Glenwood 3-4, Westville 1-1, Haythorne 6-1, St Nicholas 6-0, Hilton 1-2, Kloof 1-0, St Charles 2-0, Queensburgh 2-1

Mr J Mhlongo

Regular players:

K Pillay (captain), D Bruyns, L de Rose, V Joshua, L Mosiea, S Hlongwane, N Kheswa, C Stubbs, N Bhengu, S Manyathi, N Zondo, U Ngcobo, J Rajah, S Lurwengu, Z Mthembu

Results:

vs Westville 5-2, Kloof 0-0, MCS 2-0, St Charles 6-1, Voortrekker 4-1, DHS 4-1, Hilton 3-1

Mr F Mhlongo

U16C

Well done to the boys on an undefeated season. The boys were eager to attack but at times lost their defensive discipline. They sometimes lacked the confidence to shoot and as a result would often pass the ball until they reached the net, as well as into the net. The boys really enjoyed the game and showed this on the field of play, with impressive performances throughout the season. Going forward, they need to work on their positional discipline and confidence. There are some talented boys with great potential in the team and I look forward to watching them grow in their final years at College.

Regular players:

V Masembe (captain), M Madikane, Z Mthembu, C Vilakazi, A Thenjwayo, U Mkhize, R Lawrence, S Ndlovu, A Dickson, S Cele, L Skhosana, S Khuzwayo, S Khumalo

Results:

vs St Charles 1-0, DHS 3-1, Hilton 2-2

Mr Z Msomi

U16B

The team enjoyed a successful and exciting season. Most of the players showed high levels of enthusiasm and a strong will to learn. Discipline and behaviour were not an issue with this team, as all the boys showed high levels of maturity and respect for the coach and each other. This team was characterised by its dedication and hard work, as well as its undying spirit to conquer the opposition. The team chemistry was very positive all the time and there was always an atmosphere of brotherhood. The team was led by a very dedicated and committed young man, K Pillay, who marshalled his troops with fairness and justice. He, along with his teammates, helped to ensure that the team had an undefeated season. V Joshua top scored with 13 goals in seven games.



U15A

Back row: L Magwaza, S Harvey, A Keith, N Mokoena, C Baldrey, N Smith, S Khuzwayo

Front row: S Makhathini, J Shaik-Mohamed, Mr S Mabaso (coach), T Nkosi, Z Shongwe

Absent: R Naidoo, B Nduku, J Jansen, K Chetty, L Biyela, K Govender

It is always a privilege to coach a squad like the U15As. They brought different dynamics to the fore and that made the team a pleasure to be part of. There were at the same time many differences the boys had to deal with before we could develop a united team. After a few team building exercises as the season progressed, the boys started to show commitment to the team and respect for each other.

There was little time to work on their positional discipline, defence tactics and on-field communication. However, the boys seemed to have impressive footwork and basic tactical skills, enough to show their strength in the field of play. My compliments to the boys for supporting and motivating each other throughout the season.

The team's love for the game ensured that they enjoyed themselves in each and every encounter. They had a balanced number of wins, draws and losses, but they deserved more than they achieved. They were a marvel to watch. Some of these boys were invited to participate in the KZN trials and three of them represented the KZN Midlands team: K Chetty, J Shaik-Mohamed and N Smith. This group of boys will make College proud in the future as they mature in their game.

Regular players:

R Naidoo (*captain*), A Keith, C Baldrey, L Magwaza, N Smith, T Nkosi, J Shaik-Mohamed, B Nduku, J Jansen, K Chetty, L Biyela, S Harvey, K Govender, N Mokoena

Results:

vs All Stars 1-3, Westville 1-4, DHS 6-3, St Benedict 6-1, Carter 2-0, Alex 3-3, Westville 2-6, Kloof 1-1, St Charles 1-1, Voortrekker 7-1, DHS 1-0, Kloof 1-1

Mr S Mabaso

U15B

The soccer season at College is always tough, for we are pressed for time and games came flying from all directions. The boys took it all in and we had a wonderful season, losing only our first game. This did not in any way break their spirit for the games that followed. The results speak for themselves. The boys had fun and enjoyed playing soccer and that was priority number one for every training session and game day. All in all, it was a great pleasure to coach this team.

Regular players:

C Hibbert, M Clarke, O Cele, J Kahler, K Taylor, N Zondi, N Khumalo, L Gasa, C Prinsloo, G Esterhuizen, G Winlock, A Khan, D Jonker, L Biyela

Results:

vs Westville 2-3, Kloof 1-1, St Charles 3-2, Howick 1-1, DHS 4-0, Hilton 6-1

Mr N Khambule

U15C

The U15C had a good season although it was a very short one. They faced a well prepared St Charles side with which they drew 2-2. The boys showed great character against DHS where they triumphed 6-1. The final game of the season against Northwood was cancelled due to bad weather. It was a honour coaching these boys.

Regular players:

K Naidoo, S Nsengiyumva, E Govender, T Maphasa, S Malinga, S Pedzayi, K Shabane, L Dayimani, N Mkhulisi, S Shange, A Veitch, L Serafim, L Mbambo, S Zikhali, A Ismail, I Moosa, N Dlamini, N Bhikraj

Results:

vs St Charles 2-2, DHS 6-1

Mr B Ntuli



U14A

Back row: A Vilakazi, T Mthembu, U Mncwabe, A Isaacs, N Vilakazi, S Ngcobo, T Latha
Front row: S Nene, S Ramdeen, T Zimu (captain), Mr L Shezi (coach), J Powell, T Chiliza, K Nene
Absent: L Mdele

The soccer season kicked off in the second term with over 80 U14 boys registering. Trials were conducted over a period of two weeks to select the best from the group. From this group, the U14A squad was selected and the season began with huge promise. The young lads were so thrilled to represent their age group and the support they got from their peers was amazing. There was a healthy competition amongst the boys for places in the team and that motivated them to always do their best. From the beginning of the season they were united and the spirit was very high amongst them.

We had an excellent start to the season, winning 7-0 against MCS. Apart from our usual fixtures, we participated in a tournament hosted by Westville and we were unfortunately knocked out in the semi-final by Hilton and came third overall. The team was captained by T Zimu who showed exceptional leadership and was well liked by all the boys. I have high expectations for these young men and I am certain they will do well in the future. It was a privilege to work with them and they never lost the desire to win, even when the odds were stacked against them.

Regular players:

T Zimu (captain), J Powell, S Nene, AN Vilakazi, A Vilakazi, E Everton, U Mncwabe, A Dlobo, S Ramdeen, T Latha, L Mdele, T Nemato, R Naidu

Results

vs MCS 7-0, DHS 1-2, Haythorne 2-2, St Charles 3-5, Westville 0-2, Kloof 2-2, Carter 1-3 Alex 4-4, Queensburgh 1-4

Mr L Shezi

U14B

The 2018 soccer season was very short, yet excellent for the U14B team. The team was superb in training and also performed excellently during games. The team played five games and only one staggered game was lost which was against Howick U14A. The players proved that they could face any team without fear. The toughest game was away at DHS. They scored in the first few minutes and we equalised and the same thing happened again in the second half. Playing against the Durban schools is always a challenge, as many of their players play for clubs as well.

J Lowe and M Ngubo led the team with commitment and dedication during practices and matches. I was proud of this team and they give promise of a good future for College soccer.

Regular players:

J Lowe (captain), M Ngubo (vice-captain), A Ndlovu, R Naidu, D Naidoo, T Lutge, K Moabi, S Ndaba, T Nemato, W Hadebe, F Lo Piccolo, S Nkosi, T Sedze, S Shezi, N Masilela, M Mbambo

Results:

vs Kloof 3-0, Westville 2-1, St Charles 3-1, Howick U14A 2-4, DHS 2-2

Mr M Ngcobo

U14C and U14D

The U14C and D teams both had brief but enjoyable seasons. It was exciting to see so many boys at the first practice of the season, meaning we could field a D team and possibly even more teams next season. The boys were very coachable and fully committed to the sport throughout the season and they produced some satisfactory performances and results in their games. The performance of the season was undoubtedly the fixture against Kloof, where College was victorious in a high-scoring 7-4 match.

It was marvellous to see the hunger and enthusiasm the boys showed for the sport and I hope more fixtures can be arranged for these teams next season.

Regular players:

O Mhlongo, A Ndlovu, S Thabethe, N Zikalala, N Masilela, Z Gumbi, S Dlamuka, K Nsimbi, P Chamane, U Sithole, S Nkosi, S Phungula, T Sithole, C Fulton, A Styan, A Nzimande, O Sibisi, S Osman, D Craig, U Gina, Z Matthews, S Pillay, N Zulu, A Barnard, W Pillay, Z Moore, A Ngobese, M Rasalanavho, N Sosibo, A Xulu, S Manack, J van der Merwe, P Bhengu, D Hlophe, S Cele

Results:

vs Kloof 7-4, St Charles 2-1, DHS 2-1, Hilton 0-1, DHS 1-2, Hilton 1-3

Mr D Haswell



The proud U16A squad that finished third in the KZN HFSA U16 age-group tournament



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Squash Seniors

Back Row: CS White, M Darch, S Strydom, S Ngwenya, J McFarland
Front Row: M Maharaj, J Jacobsen, Mr A Dippenaar (coach), CD White, K Govender
Absent: E Meyer, C von Benecke (captain)



Squash Juniors

(L-R): S Maharaj, R Dippenaar, Mr A Dippenaar (coach), A Ndwandwe, N Moodley
Absent: N McFarland, A Premchund, W Willemse

I am happy to report that Squash at Maritzburg College is alive and thriving under the expert coaching of Mr A Dippenaar. At the end of each year we worry about our top Sixth Form players leaving – but year after year we have talented and exciting players coming through the ranks to take their place.

We are very happy that some upgrades will be done to our Squash area and we are looking forward to seeing the changes at the start of the season next year.

School Squash Champions:

U18: E Meyer **U16:** M Darch **U14:** A Ndwandwe

KZN Team Selections:

U18: E Meyer ranked No. 1
U16: M Darch ranked No. 1, S Strydom ranked No. 6, CS White ranked No. 7, K Govender ranked No. 8
U14: A Ndwandwe ranked No. 2, A Premchund ranked No. 3, N Moodley ranked No. 9, S Maharaj ranked No. 10

Top 8 Player Critique:

I have enjoyed the competitive spirit amongst the boys, and it was also the first time that I saw a camaraderie developing amongst the players as they started to play not only for themselves, but for one another and their school. All the junior players are now looking up to the senior boys and cheering them on. I look forward to another exciting and positive year with these talented boys.

E Meyer: It has been an eventful year for him as he decided to focus on his squash and to not play hockey this year. Although he had mixed results he has the ability to become a great squash player. I believe that discipline will be the key element for him to achieve his goals. If he puts his mind to it and stays focussed on the task at hand, there will be no boundaries to what he can achieve.

C von Benecke: Squash was his second sport after polocrosse and he was not able to put in the time and effort that was required. His game needs more variety that will come as he develops his skills and practises the drills. He was a very exciting player to watch especially when he was feeling confident.

K Govender: It was exciting to see the passion and dedication that he has shown this year. He is very eager to learn and he is prepared to spend the time on court to improve his skill set and to take his game to the next level. I am looking forward to next year and to see him achieving even more. He is a very good prospect for College Squash.

CD White: His squash has improved from last year and there was more consistency in his game. He has also shown more patience on the court and this was clear in some of his results. Overall he needs to practice his short game and hone his touch shots, for example drop shots and volleys. He also needs to work on unforced errors and giving away free points.

M Darch: He made the difficult decision at the end of the season to focus on his squash and take a break from basketball. He has set some goals for himself and I have no doubt that he will achieve them. With his work ethic and dedication to the sport he can achieve great heights, not just at KZN Squash level, but also at national level. He is a very talented player and I am looking forward to seeing him reach his goals next year.

CS White: His squash game really matured this year and for someone with his pedigree, of coming from a squash-playing family, the future looks great. He must learn not to put too much pressure on himself and learn to control his emotion during his matches; be more patient and the results will come.

S Strydom: His squash has improved so much this year and there is a new level of maturity in his game. He is always eager to learn and try out new things. He is definitely someone to watch next year on a local, provincial and national level. He has developed some great skills and touch, and he is not scared to put in the necessary hours of training.

S Ngwenya: This year has been a very flat year for him with his squash staying more or less at the same level. He is, however, still a player with a lot of style in his stroke play. Unfortunately, self-belief and the lack of conditioning is letting him down during his game and leading to far too many unforced errors. It was fortunate that he was able to go on the Stayers tour and I am looking forward to coaching him again next year.

J McFarland: He really impressed towards the end of the season at the Stayers tournament, with his discipline and fighting spirit displayed on the court. He would not give up and showed much maturity on the court. If he can put more work into his skills set, he will become a very competitive player.

J Jacobsen: With his fighting spirit on the court and his never-say-die attitude, he was able to compete and win some of his matches. However, I believe that he needs to be more accurate and consistent with his shots. He also needs to learn to make the right shot selection which will enable him to dominate his opponents. By improving his skills set this can be achieved.

M Maharaj: It was indeed a pleasure to see him compete and never give up. He needs to improve his consistency and skills set to take his squash to the next level.

N McFarland: It was really exciting for me to see the improvement in his squash. He has shown an eagerness to improve and I believe that with this positive attitude he will be a player to reckon with next year. He really impressed at Stayers and only lost one of his five games. He is a very exciting left-handed player.

Mr A Dippenaar (Coach)

Regular players:

2nd Team: J McFarland, A Todd, M Maharaj, B Westwood

U16 Team: CS White, S Strydom, N McFarland, W Willemse, J Goble, R Dippenaar

U14 Team: A Ndwandwe, A Premchund, N Moodley, S Maharaj, M Todd

Results:

Top 8

vs Glenwood 17-11, Hilton 24-1, Kearsney 18-10, Michaelhouse 19-13, St Charles 24-3, Westville 6-24

Top 20

vs PBHS 25-33 and 26-29

2nd/U16 Team

vs Glenwood 14-3, Hilton 15-0, Kearsney 12-0, St Charles 25-4

vs Westville 6-10, Voortrekker 9-2

U14 Team

vs Glenwood 15-3, Hilton 18-0, Michaelhouse 12-5, PBHS 13-9, PBHS 13 -4

St Andrew's Festival:

Without our No. 3 player and No. 6 players, who suffered injuries during the festival, the results were:

vs Bishops 8-10, St Alban's 5-13, St Dunston's 13-4, St John's 9-12, St Stithians 9-12

Cape Town Stayers Tournament:

Due to injury and other commitments, our No. 1 and No. 3 players did not play in this tournament and we posted the following results:

vs PBHS 6-16, Grey PE 15-4, St Stithians 15-6, St John's 14-9, DISAS (Western Province provincial side) 2-15

Finally, I extend a sincere word of thanks to our coach, Mr Dippenaar. Thank you for always being prepared to travel with the boys to all their matches and tournaments. Your expertise and dedication is much appreciated. My gratitude is also extended to our parents that always support the boys. A big thank you also goes to Mrs Heather Lawson and her staff for the refreshments at all our home games.

Mrs C Tedder



SWIMMING

Swimming at College has once again seen the school participating in both local and out-of-province galas. Club swimming is still dominating the school swimming scene; a school's success is based on the number of club swimmers one has. The team was ably led by L Verwey who gained Honours and was our top provincial swimmer. Other swimmers who have excelled at top level are C van Heerden and J van der Merwe.

Results of the Inter-House Championship gala:

Open Champion L Verwey (Commons)

U17 Champion C Stephens (Strachan)

U16 Champion C van Heerden (Commons)

U15 Champion J van der Merwe (Nicholson)

U14 Champion T van Heerden (Commons)

Overall relay results: 1st – Commons; 2nd – Nicholson and 3rd – Snow.

The Oscar Servant Trophy for the best performance was won by L Verwey for his achievement in the 50-yard Open butterfly race where he bettered Olympian swimmer, D Townsend's record of 24.7 (set in 2002) and set the new record at 23.64.

Mr G Waters



T van Heerden, Mr C Luman (Headmaster), L Verwey, C van Heerden, C Stephens, J van der Merwe and Mr G Waters (Swimming coach) after the Inter-House gala



L Verwey in breaststroke action

Table Tennis



1st Team

Back row: N Dlamini, K Naidoo, C Beekrum, K Govender, C Bower

Front row: Y Naidoo, Mr N Pillay (MIC), K Pillay (captain), Mr M Jeewan (coach), D Naidu



Maritzburg College table tennis teams with Pretoria Boys' High School at an exchange



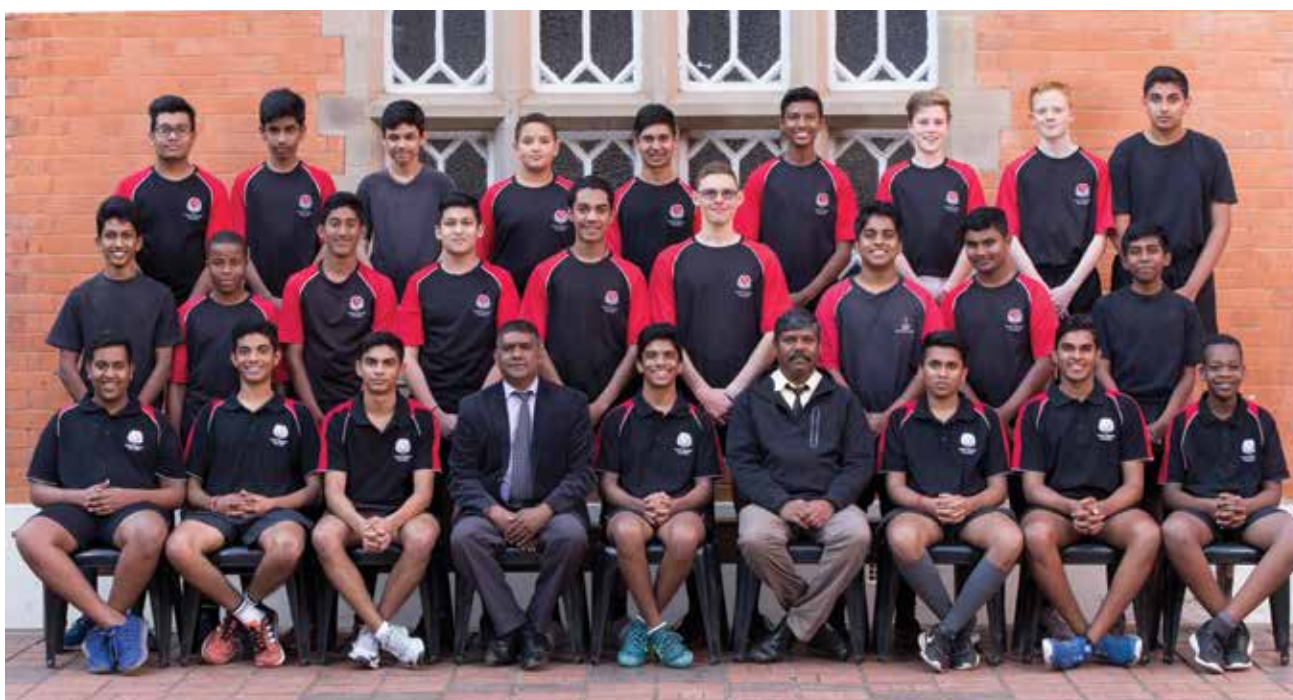


Table Tennis Squad

Back row: S Reddy, R Mohantal, S Kidsingh, B Hadden, B Hulloowan, L Maharaj, D Ferrar, C Grant, K Subiah
Middle row: P Singaram, L Pepeta, Q Govender, T Thulsie, S Maharaj, C Bower, H Mewalal, Y Bandu, N Chetty
Front row: K Govender, C Beekrum, Y Naidoo, Mr N Pillay (MIC), K Pillay (captain), Mr M Jeewan (coach), D Naidu, K Naidoo, N Dlamini
Absent: R Smith, T Abramia

This is the fifth year of table tennis as an official school sport and it is growing in popularity. This year has seen a greater improvement in our results and achievements. Our 1st team remains unbeaten in the school exchanges and in the Midlands league, twice winning handsomely against a strong Pretoria Boys High team and against all local schools.

This year we fielded six teams in the Midland League, three teams in the A league and three teams in the B League. The 1st team won the A League with the 2nd team finishing runners-up. College 4th team won the B League.

Regular players:

- 1st team: K Pillay, Y Naidoo, K Naidoo, N Dlamini, K Govender, C Beekrum
- 2nd team: D Naidoo, C Bower, Y Bandu, T Tulsie
- 3rd team: Q Govender, L Hadden, S Maharaj
- 4th team: N Govender, R Mohantal, H Mewelall, S Reddy, B Hulloowan
- 5th team: A Ferraz, C Grant, R Smith
- 6th team: L Maharaj, N Masilela, L Pepeta

Results:

1st Team:

PBHS (H) 13-7, PBHS (A) 8-2, Noyolo Academy 13-7, KES (A) 10-0, Affies (H) 9-1

2nd Team:

PBHS (H) won: 8-2, PBHS (A) 2-8, Noyolo Academy 4-16, KES (A) 8-2, Affies (H) 10-0

3rd team:

PBHS (A) 13-5, Noyolo Academy 1-6, Affies (H) 16-4

Midland Table Tennis League:

- 1st team (A league) won 8, lost 0
- 2nd team (A League) won 6, lost 1
- 3rd team (A League) won 5, lost 3
- 4th team (B League) won 7, lost 1
- 5th team (B League) won 5, lost 2
- 6th team (B League) won 6, lost 2

Some notable individual achievements:

- In April, Y Naidoo represented South Africa in the U18 age group in Côte d'Ivoire. He is ranked 12th in Africa in his age group;
- Y Naidoo won a gold, a silver and a bronze medal at the South African Junior Table Tennis Championships;
- N Dlamini and Y Bandu each won a bronze medal (U15) at the South African Junior Table Tennis Championship;
- Y Naidoo, K Naidoo (U18) and K Govender (U15) were selected to represent Umgungundlovu in the KZN Inter-District Tournament. Y Naidoo won the U18 boys final and represented KZN at the Inter-Provincial Schools' Summer Games.

Mr N Pillay



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Senior Team

Back row: M Laithwaite, J Engelbrecht, J Keith, C Groeneveld

Front row: K Kotoane, R Christiansen (captain), Mrs M Troveri (MIC), T Katzenellenbogen, M Maphumulo



Junior Team

Back row: C Hibbert, S Mbentse

Front row: N Cook, Ms D Immelman (coach)

Our captain, R Christiansen, was elected by the boys and he fulfilled his duties with enthusiasm and commitment. During the first term the Open tennis team and one junior team played matches on Fridays as part of the summer sport exchange. On Mondays our seniors played in the Open Midlands League where College performed reasonably well. Not many schools play tennis in the second term but we hosted PBHS and KES and travelled to PBHS and Affies for the winter inter-school exchanges.

The third term was a busy tennis term. College entered an U15 team for the Bonnefin League, played every Tuesday, and one team for the U19 Witness League which was played on Mondays amongst schools in and around Pietermaritzburg. Our junior tennis has enthusiastic players and is sustained by coaching offered to seniors and juniors with no additional charge to parents. Our coach is a Maritzburg College old boy, Mac Mthiyane. We had our farewell dinner in October and bade

farewell to two matric players, R Christiansen and M Mapumulo. I would like to thank them for their commitment and loyalty and wish them well for the future.

M Mapumulo U19, A Styan and N Cook U15 were selected to represent KZN Midlands at the Inter-District tournament in Durban. The Midlands teams acquitted themselves well.

Tennis inter-house matches were great fun and two players per House participated. Commons and Nicholson's shared the first place.

Senior Champion: R Christiansen

Junior Champion: A Styan

Mrs M Troveri



1st Team

Back row: H Hankinson, C Thunder, M Masvikieni, B Webster, M Toich, K Raw
Front row: T Prinsloo, E Hodgson, G Lesur (captain), Mr D Sherriff (MIC), C Slater, M Ford, L Lenz
Absent: K Morsink, Q Lupton-Smith, A Heydenrych, C van Heerden

The water polo season started with a training camp the weekend before school started. The boys trained hard and were ready for the season to officially start with the first fixture against Westville, which was a tough first game out. The team played hard but eventually went down 7-11. The team used all the games in the term to prepare for the KES Tournament. Some other fixtures were against DHS, St Charles and Hilton. The game against Michaelhouse was unfortunately called off due to lightning, when we were leading 4-1.

At the KES tournament we were in a pool with Rondebosch, St Stithians and Grey PE. The tournament was not as successful as we wanted, with our first game being against eventual finalists Rondebosch. We did not win a game until the final day which saw us go up against Parktown; a game that ended in a draw and College eventually won in the shootout 6-5 and ended fifteenth overall.

Our third term preparation saw the team getting ready for the annual Clifton Tournament. We had fixtures against Northwood and Kearsney before the Clifton tournament. The game against Northwood was a nail biter which saw both teams fighting hard to keep the lead, unfortunately Northwood took the win in the end 7-8. The game against Kearsney had to be called off due to lightning before the game started.

The Clifton Tournament had us in a pool with hosts Clifton, Affies and Reddam. All the teams beat us and had us finish bottom of our pool. Our next match was against Pearson, a hard fought game but we went down 2-6. This put us against Michaelhouse in the next game, which ended in a draw and sent the game to penalties. We won the game 7-6 after penalties. Our final game was against Glenwood, which we lost and ended 14th

The Fourth term started with the Top 10 school's tournament. After not doing well in tournaments this year the team was willing to just give it their all in the final tournament of the year. In our first game we had a good win 7-0 against new entry Reddam, Umhlanga. We then played Hilton and Glenwood and lost both games. Our last pool game was against Michaelhouse. After a superb game by keeper L Lenz we won the game 6-2. This put us against Kearsney in the quarter-final. We managed to take an early lead in the game and pushed it to 4-1 at the end of the first chukka. In what was a massive effort in defence we were able to hold on to the lead and won the game 4-3. In the semi-final

we were up against Glenwood again and lost 2-6. The final game was against Westville. The team was tired and had given everything in the games before. They lost 0-8 and we finished fourth overall.

The rest of the term we played St Charles, Thomas More, Westville and Michaelhouse. After a long year and some lows in previous tournaments, it was a big high for College polo with the team finishing fourth at the Top 10. The team has grown from strength to strength and is hoping for a successful 2019 season.

Player Critique:

G Lesur (captain): He has been a great leader to the team and to the younger players, bringing them into the team. He had a great season, and despite breaking his finger during the rugby season, it did not stop him from scoring some remarkable goals.

C Slater: He showed some great form in the goals and used all his experience in saving the team in tight situations. He had a wonderful season and we wish him all the best.

E Hodgson: He has become a deadly centre forward who is strong and physical. A lot of teams were unable to defend against him and his ability to find the back of the net.

M Ford: He is a committed and talented player who is always willing to do what is best for the team. As a centre back, he found his calling at the end of the season playing centre forward and relished in the opportunity. He is a great player and we wish him all the best.

K Raw: He is a very talented and committed player who has the ability to do great things in the pool. I would like to see him back his ability and be more confident in the pool. I look forward to seeing him grow and become a great player.

B Webster: He has everything one can ask for in a polo player: long arms, strong legs and he can swim hard. He is lazy at times, but if he focuses on his intensity and gives 100% he will become a great player. He has so much talent that has yet to be tapped into.

T Prinsloo: He is a pocket rocket of energy and does not let his size deter him from giving his all. He gets in the opposition's face and gets the job done. He has great talent and is very fit which allows him to be a good player.

L Lenz: He had a good season in goals, with many 'man of the match' performances. His talking and ability to dictate play is great on defence. He has strong legs and good reactions. I look forward a good season from him next year.

M Toich: He has shown great strength in the pool and is a force to wrestle with at centre back. I would like to see him become a bit fitter and be more confident in his attacking ability as he has a very powerful shot.

H Hankinson: He has grown in confidence this season but has still not reached his full potential. He has strong legs, but needs to be more aggressive and fight harder to get to the ball and protect it.

M Masvikeni: A very strong player who has a powerful shot. He can be lazy at times in the pool, but has a very good knowledge of the game. He has a bright future ahead of him and I look forward to seeing what he does next year.

K Morsink: He was hesitant when he first came into the team but has grown both in confidence and skill. He is not afraid of anything and always gives of his best. Able to play in any position, he is most at home at centre forward and shows great strength there.

Q Lupton-Smith: He is a very talented and committed player, not afraid to try new things and has always given of his all in games. He is always asking questions of the opposition and has the ability to find the back of the net.

C Thunder: He is a very strong and skilful centre forward. He is often able to make something out of nothing when in front of the goals. A young player who has a very bright future for College polo.

A Heydenrych: An enthusiastic and committed player, who has swimming ability and a strong shot. He has fitted in well with the team and is willing to learn.

C van Heerden: He has the speed and swimming background that has benefitted him in the polo pool. He easily outswims the opposition and finds himself in open space. He is confident and with every game gets better and better.

Results:

1st Term

vs Westville 7-11, DHS 14-0, St Charles 15-1, Hilton 3-14, Michaelhouse - called off due to lightning

KES Tournament

vs Rondebosch 5-21, St Stithians 0-23, Grey PE 7-12, Reddam Constantia 2-6, KES 5-7, Parktown 6-5

3rd/4th Term

vs Northwood 7-8, Kearsney no result, St Charles/Thomas More 8-2, Westville 7-17, Michaelhouse 5-8

Clifton Tournament

vs Clifton 3-23, Affies 3-15, Reddam 4-13, Pearson 2-6, Michaelhouse 7-6 (penalties), Glenwood 3-12

Top 10 Tournament

vs Reddam Umhlanga 7-0, Hilton 1-12, Glenwood 0-6, Michaelhouse 6-2, Kearsney 4-3, Glenwood 2-7

2nd team

The season started off with plenty of excitement at the water polo trials with the boys playing their hearts out to make the best possible side. The start of the season was very difficult and we faced strong opposition. The boys tried their best in every game and had success against a strong St Charles side. The team fared better in the third and fourth term and the boys started performing to their abilities. They were playing as a team and put in much effort to beat Westville and Michaelhouse convincingly after losing to both those sides in the first term. The effort and the way they conducted themselves at practice really shows that these boys are capable of achieving even better results next year. I am very proud of the boys and the commitment they have shown throughout the season. I wish you all the best for the future.

Regular players:

B Wood, H Muir, H Brown, J Thornton, M Reeves, D Lowe, M van Heerden, J Aldum, J Bilbrough, L Volker, J Robinson, B Jamieson, D Meuwese, L Bourne, C Patterson, B Pretorius, J Duncan, T Holgate, B Baldrey, R Louch, L Robinson, B Jackson, M van Dam, A van Dam, K Hardy

Results:

vs Westville- 4-11, St Charles 5-4, Hilton 3-13, Michaelhouse 4-9, Northwood 0-9, Westville 5-3, Michaelhouse 7-2

Mr L Booysen



C van Heerden ready to strike



M Masvikeni watched by members of the first team

Mr D Sherriff



U16A

Back row: Q Lupton-Smith, C van Heerden, A van Dam, A Heydenrych, M van Dam, R Anderson
Front row: B Jackson, C Dowell, Mr D Sherriff (MIC), K Morsink, K Johns

In water polo the U16 age group is a difficult one as not many schools have U16 teams. Our 16A team had some great success in the first term going unbeaten, beating Westville, DHS and Hilton; and then beating Northwood in the third term. The boys played well as a team. Four of the players (Morsink, Lupton-Smith, Heydenrych and van Heerden) were promoted to the 1st team.

DHS host an U16 water polo tournament which we entered. In our pool we played against Northwood, St David's, KES and St John's. Against Northwood the team played well and we won 14-2. The team was unable to beat the other three teams. This put us against Kearsney in the first playoff game which was intense as each team did not want to lose. With a minute to go the score was tied at 5-5 but with a big effort College was awarded a penalty. Morsink stepped up and slotted it in the back of the net and College won 6-5. Michaelhouse was next and the team won 4-2 and finished thirteenth out of 20.

This a very talented team, with talented individuals and players who are willing to learn and give their all in the pool. I am looking forward to seeing how many more of these players will represent the 1st team before they finish their time at College.

Regular players:

C Dowell, B Jackson, K Morsink, Q Lupton-Smith, A Heydenrych, C van Heerden, A van Dam, M van Dam, R Anderson, K Johns

Results:

vs Westville 11-1, DHS 15-0, Hilton 6-4, Northwood 17-2

DHS Tournament: vs Northwood 14-2, St David's 2-16, KES 3-8, St John's 3-4, Kearsney 6-5, Michaelhouse 4-2

Mr D Sherriff



C Thunder strikes strongly with precision



R Louch in action against Michaelhouse



U15A

Back row: A Alborough, K Taylor, J Jenman, S Goebel, B Els, S Horne, M Palmer

Front row: C Versveld, H Kemp, C Thunder, Mr G Waters (coach), S Pretorius, C Osborne, J van der Merwe

The U15A team had a very successful season – certainly one of the best at College over the last few years. The team was inspirationally and ably led by C Thunder, and on his promotion to the 1st team, S Pretorius took over this role. Both players used their strengths to make a significant contribution to the team's overall success. Thunder was our top goal scorer and Pretorius was a game-saver in the goals. It is fair to say that both players were most unfortunate not to have been selected for the KZN team.

This team was not just made up of two players though, and all eleven boys made continuous progress and gained in skill and tactical ability. They often won games, not necessarily because of their skill level but because of their ability to cover each other and their determination to play to win until the final whistle blew.

The progress of each player throughout the season was clearly seen in the team reaching the final of the Top 10 Tournament at King's Park at the close of the season. The semi-final game against Hilton College must certainly go down as the best match of the entire season. Having lost to Hilton earlier, we finally beat them on penalties in this game.

Thanks to all the parents for their unstinting support of the team throughout the season. To Mr Paul Pretorius, thank you for your generous sponsorship and efforts which saw the Maritzburg College Team stand out at the Ian Melliar Tournament at Wynberg Boys' High.

It was at this tournament that our boys showed their strength of character and team spirit which saw them win the 'Best Sporting Team' award. It has been a delight coaching this team, and I will eagerly observe their progress over the next few years.

Regular players:

C Thunder (*captain*), S Pretorius (*captain*), H Kemp, C Osborne, J van der Merwe, C Versveld, M Palmer, S Goebel, J Jenman, B Els, A Alborough

Results:

vs Hilton 4-7, Michaelhouse 10-5, Glenwood 1-1, Northwood 3-4, Westville 2-1, Michaelhouse 3-3

Ian Melliar Tournament

vs SACS 0-3, Rondebosch 0-6, Hilton 1-7, Affies 4-2, Grey PE 7-5, Eden Invitation 3-1

(finished 10 out of 20 teams, the best any team from College has done at the Ian Melliar Cup Tournament)

Top 10 Tournament

vs Hilton 3-5, Northwood 9-11, Michaelhouse 8-6, Kearsney 9-2, Glenwood (quarter-final) 6-3, Hilton (semi-final) 5-4, Clifton (final) 2-7

Mr G Waters

U15B

The water polo season started off strongly for the U15B side. The boys showed great passion and courage in all the matches they played. They always gave of their best, displaying great skill and discipline at all times. Their never give up attitude and commitment to the school and their teammates resulted in a successful season. The team played ten matches this year, winning eight and losing only two. Overall, the boys really excelled and developed into fine water polo players. It has been a great pleasure working with them and watching them develop and grow into fine young men. A special thank you to all the parents who supported us on a regular basis. I wish the boys well for the future.

Regular players:

A Alborough, L Brown, C Brummer, J Daniel, J de Waal, O Field, B Finlayson, R Goble, B Harvey, J McKay, N McFarland, J Munitich, B Nuttal, J Schtte, P Singaram, B van der Merwe, M van der Werff

Results:

vs Westville 4-3, College U14A 11-7, St Charles 11-4, Hilton 5-2, Michaelhouse 8-7, Glenwood 10-1, Northwood 8-4, St Charles U15A 3-5, Westville 5-7, Michaelhouse 10-5

Mr J Lyons





U14A

Back row: J Goebel, C Hankinson, C Kirby, K Goddard, G Westerdale, T van Heerden, G Heuer
Front row: C Harvey, J Campbell, J Scruby, Mr N Sutherland (coach), T Roux, S Gibson, K Wilken

It seems such a long time ago that the team travelled to Westville to play their first match. Being completely in the dark regarding the rules led to Westville being 2-0 ahead before the end of the first chukka. A spirited fight back resulted in a draw by the end of the second chukka which then unfortunately slid to a defeat. However, much had been learnt and the following match against DHS was a real humdinger with DHS winning the encounter.

At the Jeppe Tournament the boys really started to learn how to play the game but were defeated against Jeppe and Reddam. Thereafter they finished the tournament with good wins against PBHS and Parktown. Subsequent matches back home were won against Michaelhouse and Glenwood.

The fourth term started with a good win over Northwood and a loss to Kearsney. A week later the Top Ten tournament produced some very good polo at times but a close loss to Michaelhouse ended any thought of progressing to the quarter-finals. Wins were recorded against Northwood and Glenwood and losses against Clifton and DHS.

As far as structure goes, the best match of the season was unquestionably the home game against Westville where the team won, a massive turn around in fortune since the start of the year. Unfortunately, this momentum was not carried through to the following weekend when a close game saw Michaelhouse take the honours.

A nucleus team is starting to develop and with the Wynberg Water Polo Festival in Cape Town in September next year it will be imperative that somehow the momentum is carried through the winter sport programme. The boys are thanked for their continued support for polo and their attendance at the 5.30am sessions. Thank you to the parents for ensuring that the boys made it to these sessions and to the afternoon practices.

Regular players:

C Kirby, G Heuer, G Westerdale, J Scruby, C Hankinson, T van Heerden, S Gibson, T Roux, C Harvey, J Goble, K Goddard, J Campbell, K Wilken

Results:

vs DHS 6-9 and 1-4, Westville 8-4 and 7-5, Jeppe 0-10, PBHS 2-1, Parktown 7-1, Reddam 3-6, Michaelhouse 9-5, 9-10 and 5-7, Glenwood 8-2, 7-4 and 8-1, Clifton 1-14, Kearsney 5-7, Northwood 14-5 and 7-3

Mr N Sutherland

U14B

The 2018 water polo season started off with most of the boys new to the game of water polo, but they were nonetheless keen to learn. This willingness to gain knowledge and skills, coupled with fun and enjoyment to be had from simply taking part, meant that practices were fun and matches proved to be both a beneficial and pleasurable experience. The boys quickly realised they would need to work extra hard since they were new to this physical and demanding sport and the improvement in their play was an absolute delight to witness as the season progressed. The record states: played eleven, won four, lost six and drew one.

As the coach it was gratifying to see the improvement made by each player as the season continued. The highlights of the season were the wins against DHS, St Charles, Northwood and a pulsating draw against Michaelhouse in the final game of the year. Finally, thank you to the parents of these boys who were always present at matches, offering unwavering support to the team.

Regular players:

S Maltman (captain), JJ Campbell (vice-captain), S Ndlovu, B Gunning, D Naidoo, A Asad, K Goddard, N Lawson, M Douglas, B Gous

Results:

vs Hilton 3-15, DHS 9-6, St Charles U14B 11-4 and St Charles U14A 8-5, Michaelhouse 4-10 and 5-5, Northwood 10-5, Kearsney 2-10, Westville 3-11 and 5-7, Thomas More U14A 4-10

Mr N Croeser

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Top row: Goal keeper, L. Lenz, deflects the ball

Second row: First team ready for action at Michaelhouse

Third row left: R van Zyl **right:** K Morsink focusses on the ball

Fourth row left: T Prinsloo, **right:** H Hankinson shoots past St Charles

Bottom row left: Warming up, **right:** T Roux





NON-OFFICIAL SPORTS

Non-Official Sports

The following College boys have participated in and excelled at sports external to those offered at Maritzburg College and have achieved either at Provincial or National level.

The boys indicated below are those about whom the school has been notified.

SPORT	NAME AND FORM	SELECTED FOR / ACHIEVEMENT
Angling – Deep Sea	R Anderson (Fourth Form)	Captain of KZN U19 Angling team
Gymnastics	K Thornton-Dibb (Fifth Form)	KZN Gymnastics
Indoor Cricket	D Dyer (Fifth Form)	SA U18 Indoor Cricket
	T Cloete (Fifth Form)	SA U18 Indoor Cricket
	C Fortmann (Fifth Form)	SA U18 Indoor Cricket
Karate	H Heeralal (Fifth Form)	SA Karate
	S Moodley (Fourth Form)	SA Karate
	NN Moodley (Fifth Form)	SA Karate
Modern Pentathlon (incorp. Biathle & Triathlon)	G Westerdale (Second Form)	SA Modern Pentathlon Association team and SA Triathlon team
	OL Higgins (Third Form)	SA U17 Biathle team
Motosport - Enduro	M Green (Fifth Form)	Protea Colours for Motosport
Polocrosse	C von Benecke (Fifth Form)	SA U21 Polocrosse and Open SA Men's Development Team
	CD Shaw (Fifth Form)	SA U19 Men's Polocrosse
Surfing	D Peter (Fourth Form)	KZN Surfing
Touch Rugby	M Ngubo (Second Form)	KZN Touch Rugby
	B Emms (Fourth Form)	KZN Touch Rugby
Triathlon	C Stephens (Fourth Form)	KZN Triathlon Colours
Youth Orchestra	M Fuhri (Fourth Form)	KZN Youth Orchestra



Fifteen-year-old OL Higgins came second in the U17 Biathle race (run/swim/run) at the SA Pentathlon Series



M Green competing in the 4-day Sea to Sky Extreme Enduro in Kemer, Turkey. He came 5th in the Gold Class, competing against top professional riders from around the world





National Representatives

Back row: S Ngcobo (hockey), D van Niekerk (hockey), B Jackson (hockey), D Bruyns (hockey), Q Mkhize (basketball), H Heeralal (karate), S Moodley (karate), NN Moodley (karate)

Front row: G Pio (hockey), A Walstrom (hockey), M Maphumulo (hockey), Mr C Luman (Headmaster), Mr B Swart (Deputy Headmaster: Co-Curricular), J Campbell (hockey), A Bradford (hockey), S Ngcongo (hockey)

Absent: A Greaves (hockey), C Osborne (hockey), D Dyer (indoor cricket), T Cloete (indoor cricket), C Fortmann (indoor cricket), J Barnard (golf), C Shaw (polocrosse)



Provincial Representatives

Back row: K Chetty (soccer), M Ponter (hockey), M Foster (cycling), R Anderson (angling), K Goedeke (rugby), K Thornton-Dibb (gymnastics), D Bruyns (hockey), T Francis (hockey), Q Mkhize (basketball), M Darch (squash), M Masvikeni (rugby), Q Lupton-Smith (hockey), R Goncalves (angling), H Heeralal (karate), S Moodley (karate), NN Moodley (karate), M Veenstra (hockey)

Fourth row: D Jackson (hockey), H Askew (hockey), Z Gxarisa (soccer), C Stubbs (hockey), S Harvey (cross-country), A Carter (hockey), M Ngubo (touch rugby), O Currie (hockey), A Mthallane (hockey), U Molefi (shooting), J Mahomed (soccer), R Brokensha (hockey), A Sellick (cycling), D van der Watt (cycling)

Third row: D van Niekerk (hockey), R Graham (hockey), L Zondi (soccer), L Lenz (hockey), J Cooke (shooting), N Trodd (golf), L Barnard (golf), N Govender (debating), S Dube (rugby), R Stainbank (hockey), G Pio (hockey), E Gough (golf), T Cheatle (cycling), S Ngcongo (hockey), T Prinsloo (hockey), S Ngcobo (hockey), S Verwey (shooting), R Akerman (hockey)

Second row: N Radebe (rugby), U Mthembu (soccer), Mr M Reed (U16B Inland hockey coach), R Emanuel (golf), Mr K Emerson (U16A Inland hockey coach), M Maphumulo (hockey and tennis), Mr C Luman (Headmaster), Mr B Swart (Deputy Head: Co-curricular), J Campbell (hockey), Mr D Coombes (U18A Inland hockey assistant coach), A Bradford (hockey), Mr K Nipper (U16A Inland hockey assistant coach), C Hollaway (hockey), Mr L Shezi (U16A Inland hockey manager)

Front row: R Marais (hockey), S Maharaj (squash), J Jansen van Vuuren (hockey), A Chiliza (hockey), A Styan (hockey), C van der Vliet (hockey), C Fulton (hockey), C Vahey (shooting), N Burczak (cycling), A Ndwandwe (squash)



Barns House

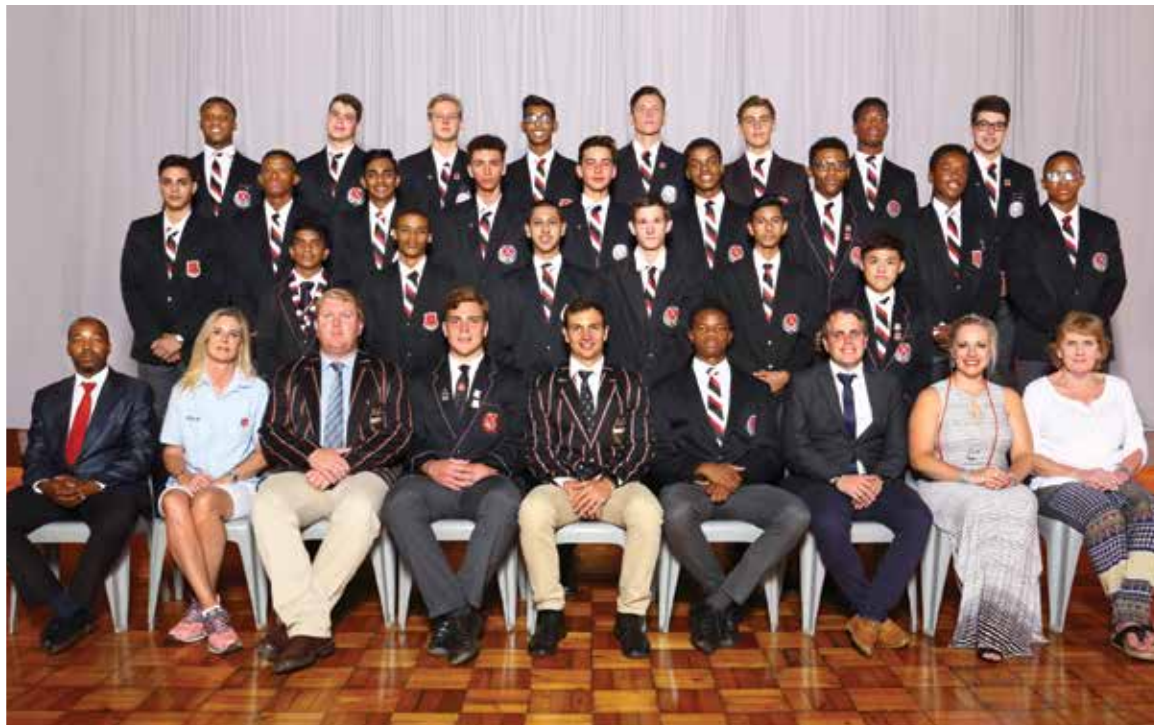
Back row: M Abel, L Parker-Dennison, K Blunt, S Ishwanthlal, W Moffet, C Allchin, C Slater, J Aldum

Third row: L Mabande, N Luck, I Olifant, D Jackson, M Mbambo, N Govender, L Shange, T Nelson, N Dlamini

Second row: M Hlongwane, K Maroney, K Tarr, G Clarke, S Mbambo, T Bookhan, S Henriksen, J Allen

Front row: Mr N Thembela, Mrs L Akerman, Mr S Botha (Assistant Housemaster), T Mokoena (House Captain), Mrs M-A Rembold (Housemaster), K Collyer (House Vice-Captain), Mrs D Gademam, Mr B Dodd, Miss A Phillips

Absent: S Hoosen, Y Mahomed



Calder House

Back row: S Mlambo, T Taljaard, J Thornton, A Govender, J Giddings, R Herman, K Chikowore, H Brown

Third row: A Alli, A Mpunzana, S Naidoo, T Norman, C von Benecke, L Khwela, R Kumalo, A Zondi, M Myeni

Second row: K Pillay, J Afrikaner, M Malani, T Marais, C Sewmungal, H Wong

Front row: Mr M Ngcobo, Ms P Lowe, Mr T Orchard (Assisant Housemaster), E Hodgson (House Captain), Mr D Hoffman (Housemaster), A Asampong (House Vice-Captain), Mr N Croeser, Mrs E Fraser, Mrs J Orchard





Commons House

Back row: M Reeves, T Anderson, L Verwey, T Shockey, D Randall, A du Toit, K Zvandziva, S Zuma
Middle row: R Sewram, B Parker, I Ayooob, M Lolliot, N Mbatha, M Mota, J Piek, G Torino, T Lowe
Front row: Mrs K Thaver, Mr R Moolman, Mrs M Greyling, Mr L Shezi (Assistant Housemaster),
 R Stainbank (House Captain), Mr D Trodd (Housemaster), Mrs L dos Santos, Mr S Mabaso Dr R Salmond
Absent: N Blose, Z Bux, T Moodliyar, U Mthembu, S Phungula



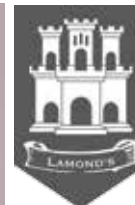
Forder House

Back row: J Pepworth, J Smit, S Elliott, L Govender
Third row: R Schmidt, D Leisegang, S Shabalala, M Mbeje, J Gracie, C Dladla, R Emanuel, M Sithole, D Lowe
Second row: E Naicker, Y Noor Mahomed, L Shrivs, L Ndlamlenze, M Bayat, M Mkhwanazi
Front row: Mr B van der Walt, Mrs F Deyzel, Mr G Waters (Assistant Housemaster), R Zeelie (House Captain),
 Mr N Sutherland (Housemaster), J Campbell (House Vice-Captain), Mrs G Talke, Mr T Zuma, Mrs L-A Moffatt
Absent: K Barrett



Fuller House

Back row: C White, C Baxter, B Ente, N Ngcobo, B Walden, L de Villiers
Third row: D Skinner, C Walden, C Beekrum, B Nel, I Ndlela, C Hoffman, S Smale, B Ndlela
Second row: A Greaves, T Mbonambi, O Martens, N Mpontshane, M Bayat, S Palmer
Front row: Miss C Townsend, Mr D Kleinhans, Mrs B Borain (Assistant Housemaster), C Hollaway (House Captain),
 Mr B Henderson (Housemaster), J Gengan (House Vice-Captain), Mr C Barnsley, Mrs T Louch, Mr S Stickells
Absent: Y Maharaj, A Seedat, L Maboza



Lamond House

Back row: K Marcus, K Shaw, T Moore, N Mchunu, M van Heerden, D Dhayaram
Third row: J Vosloo, L Levin, C Jefferys, M-J Ford, N Haasbroek, H Duma, L Marucchi, K Wattrus
Second row: T Ngcobo, S Sivenarain, A Hlubi, A Vermaak, E Kasambala, S Piper
Front row: Mr M Warr, Mr M-J Smit, Mr C Dutton (Assistant Housemaster), J Bilbrough (House Captain)
 Miss A Greyling (Housemaster), S Speed (House Vice-Captain), Mr A Sparrow, Ms K Moula, Mr S Ngema
Absent: M Ganie, T Mudunge, L Magaqa, Y Govender



Nicholson House

Back row: M Wollentine, J Clacey, C Tyrer, L Strong, N Mester, R McGladdery
Third row: S Bridglall, K Kleiner, W Clacey, S Silver, L Xaba, S Dube, T Walker, C Smith, R Wilkins
Second row: T Ngcobo, D Naidu, N Welch, J Lion-Cachét, L Ntsele, A Mcoyi
Front row: Mrs C Randall, Mr N Robberts (Assistant Housemaster), Mrs E Couperthwaite, M Willemse (House Captain),
 Mr G Govindasamy (Housemaster), A Bradford (House Vice-Captain), Mr R Chirengende, Ms D Immelman, Mr C Nevay
Absent: T Choohan



Pape House

Back row: T Moroney, D Ripley-Evans, E Symington, G Will, C Janse van Rensburg, M Uren
Third row: M Maphumulo, Thiy Govender, T Mthembu, S Wood, B Payn, M Nhlangulela, S Duma
Second row: S Dumisa, Tryn Govender, Tryl Govender, C McGladdery, O Vanker, R Christensen, Z Luthuli, C Tooke
Front row: Mrs M Maharaj, Mrs S Kritzinger, Mr M Reed (Assistant Housemaster), B Noble (House Captain),
 Mr B Bosch (Housemaster), T Spalding (House Vice-Captain), Mrs S Thorpe, Mr D Haswell, Mr S Bosch
Absent: D McDonald, J Munn, L Wilson



Snow House

Back Row: P Kidd, M Duke, L Foster, M Nzuzza, D Croudace, W Botha
Third Row: L Charles, J Oberholzer, W Muir, C Dimmick, W Reich, R Smith, S Ngubane, T Hlatshwayo, J Spooner
Second Row: A Walstrom, S Mkhize, M Marshall, R Maharaj, T Jamaloodeen, B John
Front Row: Mr K Nipper, Mrs G Landsberg, Mr S Mhlongo (Assistant Housemaster), W Michaux (House Vice-Captain), Mrs C Tedder (Housemaster), N Radebe (House Captain), Mrs M Troveri, Mr L Booysen, Mrs G Wylde



Strachan House

Back row: E Meyer, A Nursovet, B Viedge, C Geere, B Wood, J Neizel
Third row: U-F Khan, G Haripersad, T Pride, S Zondi, D Edwards, L Mncwangi, C Teal
Second row: T Coetzee, J Stoffels, K Mudali, W Ndlovu, S Xhakaza, L Swart
Front row: Mr M Jeewan, Mrs W Erasmus, Mr J Lyons (Assistant Housemaster), G Lesur (House Captain), Mr N Pillay (Housemaster), N Zulu (House Vice-Captain), Mrs T Schofield, Mrs S Webley, Mr D Sherriff
Absent: C Bower, L Rossi

SECOND FORM

Barns

Abramia, TE
Aldum, LR
Antoniades, DM
Beachcroft-Shaw, T
Blunt, KJ
Campbell, JJ
Currie, OW
Duckham, R
Egberink, JC
Fulton, CJ
Goebel, J
Gunning, BG
Hlophe, DL
Laurens, PJ
Maharaj, S
Mbanjiwa, NK
Mchunu, SM
Mfeka, AS
Mokoena, NR
Mthimkhulu, KN
Naidoo, M
Nyide, SM
Patterson, JR
Ramdeen, S
Sinclair, LI
Thornton-Dibb, DJ
Worthy, FA
Zondi, TG

Calder

Adam, TJ
Ahmed, A
Barnard, J
Bharath, AR
Chiliza, AT
Douglas, MS
Ferraz, ABI
Goble, JR
Hamilton, SM
Khumalo, A
Khumalo, NL
Latha, TM
Lo Piccolo, FG
Malani, Y
Mbentse, S
McCarter, MA
McGregor, BL
Mtungwa, MSC
Naiken, DAA
Ngubo, AEV
Pieterse, M
Ramharak, K
Sithole, UL
Smith, RB
Watson, LD
Zondi, CU
Zondo, KO
Zulu, NAS

Commons

Barker, RW
Bassa, M
Brown, AO
Chetiar, S
Dhoda, E
Dladla, N
Frodsham, BN
Gous, B
Hampson, GG
Isaacs, AE
Jansen van Vuuren, J
Kuzwayo, VK
Luffingham, SJ
Luffingham, TG
Mbambo, MS
Mdimba, A
Miller, CB
Mosebi, NJ
Myende, ST
Naude, JM
Nkosi, SM
Powell, JC
Puler, MM
Sheosunker, R
Sparks, JP
van Heerden, T
Zimmermann, LJ
Zwane, NC

Forder

Bartis, C
Bezuidenhout, B
Bhengu, PM
Carter, AC
Cassimjee, SR
Chetty, N
During, CWJ
Gilder, JW
Goddard, KB
Hadden, BA
Heuer, GD
Hohls, C
Kirby, CJ
Larkan, JG
Mabizela, OSS
Manack, S
Mdletye, LLM
Ndaba, SNN
Noor Mahomed, A
Nsimbi, KCC
Pelser, TGP
Pieterse, AM
Shezi, SS
Sibisi, OP
Singh, J
Slabberts, JW
Sosibo, NN
Steyn, D
Thabethe, SC

Fuller

Barlow, JL
Burczak, NA
Cele, SN
Craig, DA
Dlamuka, SM
Dukhi, M
Essa, U
Gcabashe, KAM
Gina, U
Graham, RDC
Harper, BC
Harrison, GA
Kleu, ED
Knoetze, AJ
Lowe, JE
Madide, NQN
Mfeka, LL
Naidoo, G
Ndlovu, A
Ngcobo, SE
Ntuli, ASV
Peens, JB
Penny, JK
Ponter, MK
Sing, LMJ
Taylor, JMS
van der Vliet, CL
Woolridge, AC

Lamond

Delpont, GH
Dwenga, KM
Finnie, RJ
Godleman, JM
Govender, TM
Gumbi, ZA
Kadiri, LA
Kingham, EJ
Lawson, NH
Malila, S
Marais, RF
Mbatha, NNL
Meisegeier, KP
Mhlongo, OS
Muggleton, WJG
Naidu, R
Ndlovu, N
Ngobese, AS
Prinsloo, CJ
Prinsloo, L
Redman, TR
Rhodes, KW
Ross, RA
Subiah, KL
Thring, JD
Tshaka, MM
Vilakazi, AM
Webley, MJ

Nicholson

Barnard, A
Chamane, PA
Chapman, MO
Cooke, GT
Dashwood, LA
Fihlela, MB
Glyn-Cuthbert, J
Hattingh, K
Hauff, PK
Janse van Rensburg, CB
Kisten, K
Koller, TI
Luthuli, B
Maltman, SH
Memman, HS
Miller, JJ
Mlambo, OL
Mncwabe, UL
Mubiana, LG
Nduku, BBV
Ngubo, MQB
Norman, CA
Nzimande, AO
Pillay, K
Roux, TP
Shaw, JS
Styan, AD
van der Merwe, JC
van der Nest, KJ
Vilakazi, ANS

Pape

Botha, JK
Coertse, ED
de Villiers, NA
Dlomo, TA
Goncalves, RCD
Hankinson, CI
Hemingway, IR
Hendricks, MJ
Lutge, T
Maharaj, R
Masilela, NZ
Masinga, BMV
Matthews, ZA
Mncube, P
Moore, ZJ
Motaung, TT
Ndawonde, MA
Ndwandwe, AT
O'Brien, JS
Pepeta, LS
Phungula, SA
Pillay, RG
Scrubby, JMJ
Sheik, M
Uren, RS
Vahey, CE
van Zyl, JW
Viljoen, WC
Xulu, AA

Snow

Arnold, SRK
Donnelly, LM
Everton, EE
Hadebe, WLP
Henman, CS
Ivins, MCD
Khumalo, ASM
Mathonsi, MMS
Mbhele, NL
Moabi, KJ
Moodley, K
Munn, JWD
Murray, RR
Ndlovu, A
Nemato, TJ
Nilsen, MM
Osman, S
Parmanand, ND
Pillay, S
Pillay, W
Sedze, TB
Sharpe, JS
Simelane, AO
Sithole, TN
Suliman, AAT
van den Berg, KH
Walther, BK
Westerdale, GH
Wilken, KJ

Strachan

Anastasis, JM
De Valence, J-J
Gibson, SJ
Grant, CD
Harvey, CN
Hilton, JH
Hlophe, LAO
Jacob, CJ
Mazibuko, NN
Mbonambi, SS
Memon, F
Moodley, N
Mthembu, TL
Naidoo, D
Nene, KS
Nene, SN
Ollerhead, CJ
Premchund, A
Ramlall, K
Rasalanavho, MU
Shaw, TL
Shongwe, ZZ
Somi, MN
Todd, MI
van Rooyen, NC
Wolhuter, TG
Zimu, TL
Zuma, TV



THIRD FORM

Barns

Akoo, MI
 Baldrey, CT
 Biyela, LN
 Brauteseth, TR
 Chili, KT
 Corbett, H
 Cotterrell, BA
 Dayimani, LL
 Engotto, DJ
 Goebel, S
 Govender, JD
 Hope-Johnstone, K
 Johnstone, FW
 Khuzwayo, SS
 Mahomed, AA
 Maphasa, T
 Mkhize, QA
 Mouton, MD
 Naidoo, CJ
 Patel, TM
 Patterson, RM
 Pearson, MA
 Shaw, M
 Tarr, BJ
 Thwala, KS
 Tyler, L
 Versfeld, CP

Calder

Ali-Mohammed, M
 Badroodeen, Y
 Clark, MR
 Delaney, JO
 Dlamini, N
 Downs, K
 Frank, E
 Gasa, LA
 Gopichand, S
 Govender, Ke
 Govender, Ki
 Grant, RL
 Horne, SD
 Jonker, DA
 Kähler, JR
 Maistry, JC
 Mbambo, LG
 Mncwabe, ST
 Moller, JJ
 Munitich, JS
 Shabani, KP
 Shange, SW
 Singaram, P
 Swift, RP
 Thunder, CSA
 van den Bergh, J
 van der Merwe, K
 Veitch, AR
 Vilakazi, AA
 Watson, JJ

Commons

Alborough, AW
 Bandu, Y
 Carey, CT
 Clifton, B
 Dlamini, AAM
 Dlamini, AAW
 Dobeyn, RW
 du Plessis, JG
 Essa, A
 Graham, JA
 Grove, KA
 Janse van Rensburg, L
 Kemp, HS
 Makhobotloane, TY
 Malinga, SAX
 Mchunu, BL
 Mlotshwa, AS
 Mtshali, ZL
 Mundell, AR
 Naicker, C
 Nuttall, BD
 Osborne, CD
 Pretorius, SJ
 Seyoum, NT
 Shaik Mahomed, J
 Surian, NC
 van der Merwe, B
 Verwey, SD
 Westermeyer, S

Forder

Aranky, RM
 Bhikraj, N
 Brummer, CJ
 Collins, BW
 Daniel, J
 De Waal, JC
 Dlongolo, AA
 du Preez, RJ
 Haasbroek, JA
 Hansen, KN
 Hartley, KJ
 Hlatshwayo, SD
 Ismail, A
 Jenman, JL
 Khanyile, L
 Kilburn, BS
 Matyolo, YV
 McFarland, NA
 Naidoo, RC
 Palmer, MR
 Pascoe, CD
 Pitout, Q
 Sunker, R
 van der Watt, DA
 van der Werff, MD
 van Staden, S-L
 Whyte, MJ

Fuller

Chetty, K
 Cocks, JM
 Conolly, TS
 Dorning, BG
 Ellison, M
 Gwala, YM
 Hanson-De Jager, S
 Hibbert, CM
 James, KH
 Jansen, JC
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 le Roux, JR
 Mafanya, MA
 Mamba, SN
 Mbambo, AAS
 Naidoo, N
 Ngcobo, M
 Serafim, LM
 Smith, NS
 Taylor, KS
 Tedder, AN
 van der Merwe, EW
 Verbiest, LW
 Walsh, EP
 Woodhead, MN
 Zikalala, N
 Zikhali, S

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Biffen, ED
 Delport, SG
 Desai, U
 Els, BN
 Goble, CK
 Goble, JG
 Goble, RI
 Govender, KE
 Harper, DR
 Higgins, OL
 Hlengwa, KL
 Howard, MP
 Kingham, RC
 Lalor, JM
 Mdladla, W
 Memon, NY
 Naidoo, TK
 Njapa, LSM
 Nkosi, TA
 Padayachee, S
 Pretorius, W
 Roets, J
 Sellick, AC
 Squires, JA
 Thakray, DM
 Walden, JR
 Zondi, TN

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Beauclerk, JO
 Brown, LD
 Cele, OW
 Coulthard, EH
 Crookes, RJ
 Farla, TS
 Ferrar, DB
 Harvey, SD
 Jansen, JCR
 Klapprodt, JS
 Lee, CG
 Lee, JC
 McCoy, LNK
 Mnikathi, K
 Mohanlal, R
 Muthuraymuthu, JC
 Nsengiyumva, SIG
 Nzimande, AA
 Pakkari, TJ
 Pedzayi, SS
 Raw, BS
 Sekgonyana, OT
 Sithole, LJ
 Towani, E
 van der Merwe, JL
 Westwood, BJ
 Whiting, C
 Willemse, WJ

Pape

Bullock, KE
 Chetty, TT
 Chowdhury, AM
 Cook, NC
 Dippenaar, AR
 Emberton, GB
 Field, OG
 Govender, EI
 Hammar, KJ
 Henman, JR
 Hlatshwayo, MB
 Khumalo, NJ
 Laithwaite, MP
 Luthuli, L
 Maphumulo, UPJ
 Mhlongo, A
 Moosa, I
 Naidoo, K
 Paulus, CC
 Pillay, Y
 Schtte, JC
 Shaw, Z
 Sheik, Z
 Takata, WM
 Whitaker, KJ
 Wilson, JA
 Wilson, SM

Snow

Brown, TR
 Buthelezi, MMK
 Dick, AM
 Dube, MR
 Finlayson, BS
 Gace, GK
 Guise-Brown, TJ
 Hullooan, B
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 Makhathini, SE
 March, EL
 McDaniel, CD
 McKean, CJ
 Michaux, CM
 Motana, KN
 Ndlovu, AS
 Ntuli, NN
 Parak, Y
 Ramdhani, KH
 Reddy, S
 Schultz, CEA
 Sosibo, MP
 Spooner, MJ
 Strydom, SW
 Trodd, CN
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 White, J
 Wright, DC
 Zungu, AHK

Strachan

Chili, SS
 Daly, M
 du Plessis, S
 Essack, D
 Esterhuizen, GL
 Francis, MC
 Harvey, BR
 Higgins, OI
 Hutton, SD
 Jacobsz, DP
 Keith, AZ
 Magwaza, L
 Maharaj, LL
 McKay, JL
 Meyer, JJ
 Mkhulise, NL
 Moosa, MU
 Mthalane, AT
 Mthethwa, NAD
 Naidoo, S
 Ndlovu, BM
 Nxumalo, NMS
 Ramlall, T
 Sims-Handcock, BC
 Thompson, NC
 Thomson, DA
 Whitehead, RP
 Winlock, GD
 Zondi, NM



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Akerman, RJ
Amod, ZR
Anderson, RM
Cele, SPBM
du Toit, T
Duckham, B
Elliot, PJD
Harichand, BC
Hlongwane, SS
Hlophe, WL
Hoyle, JP
Hyde, RJD
Jackson, BD
Janse van Rensburg, L
Kelly, MJ
Kruger, WJ
McClarty, JR
Molefi, ULY
Mundell, MD
Naidoo, ND
Nkalakata, NB
Patel, IM
Pretorius, X
Price, RR
Rasmussen, TGF
Sellick, KJ
Shaw, CB
Uhlmann, M
Vincent, RJ

Commons

Anderson, HB
Behrens, D
Bowen, BAJ
Brink, DB
Dhanilal, YP
Dlamini, P
Els, ML
Emms, B
Gibbons, TM
Hadebe, KM
Jansen van Vuuren, L
Kidsingh, S
Lawrence, RA
Lowe, JE
Mosiea, LV
Ndlovu, S
Ntuli, AHB
Parker, DJ
Phiri, TJI
Putuma, L
Sewram, Y
Smith, MH
Stubbs, CH
Thaver, K
van Heerden, C
van Selm, CN
White, CS
Zondo, N
Zuma, NSN

Fuller

Akoonjee, MA
Brokensha, R
Charlton, S
Ebrahim, A
Fuller, RD
Graham, MJC
Groeneveld, CH
Heydenrych, A
Katzenellenbogen, TM
Kisbey-Green, CM
Koekemoer, SH
Martin, YQ
Marx, J
Msomi, NA
Mthethwa, UI
Mthombeni, NTU
Nandh, CD
Ngcobo, N
Ngubane, BS
Phillips, A
Robinson, JH
Seedat, AR
Shezi, PR
Tedder, KM
Westley, AJ
Whiteman, TK
Williams, JJ
Woolridge, WH
Wynn, BJ

Nicholson

Beauclerk, OW
Branquinho, S
Claassen, ML
Culverwell, JD
de Wit, E
Deighton, WJ
Dry, BL
Gold, CM
Hardy, K
Janse van Rensburg, LS
Khumalo, SN
Loretz, A
Maharaj, I
Masembe, VDSK
Mohantal, S
Moosa, M
Mtsi, UN
Muil, IJ
Ntuli, A
Nzimande, ZT
Qwabe, NS
Sampson, TL
Singh, B
Thenjwayo, A
Tullis, KA
Unsworth, AD
van Dam, AC
van Dam, MC
van Niekerk, DOQ

Snow

Arnold, LMC
Atwaru, YS
Bhengu, N
Bolton, KR
Darch, MCC
Dorlly, MC
du Preez, A
Foster, MS
Hadden, LL
Hassim, R
Hlatshwayo, KT
Hough, K
Klusener, RS
Mahlambi, Z
McCabe, JM
Mkhize, NM
Mlotshwa, OML
Moodley, D
Moodley, S
Ndlovu, NS
Njimi, J-WA
Nyawo, LN
Osman, Z
Roberts, LG
Stanton, SNM
Trodd, HC
Venter, CM
Wilken, RA
Ximba, S

Calder

Allen, NJ
Alli, H
Arokiam, AT
Botha, ST
Brown, MS
Desplace, CA
Dowell, CR
Hall, T
Haridass, M
Herman, SM
Jansen, SW
Joubert, M
Khuboni, MT
Kippen, TC
Maharaj, S
Masvikeni, M
Mbanjwa, BM
Mbatha, TKM
Mitchell, CM
Mkhize, O
Moseya, T
Naidoo, P
Poole, CDG
Radana, L
Sclanders, RT
Smith, LA
van de Venter, AJ
Wessels, CJ
Woodburn, TM

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Askew, HM
Barrett, JL
Bezuidenhout, L
du Preez, R
Fuhri, MS
Goedeke, KE
Gough, EL
Govender, QG
Haffejee, A
Hemingway, CJ
Johns, K
Joshua, VLK
Joubert, CM
Kotoane, K
Kumalo, TAU
Lupton-Smith, Q
Maharaj, J
Mawela, L
Mkhize, TJMO
Mndaweni, NL
Mthembu, Z
Muller, LP
Pepworth, BN
Peter, J
Reece, NK
Trollip, TK
Veenstra, MC
Werth, BM
Wood, AN

Lamond

Bruyns, DL
Curtis, L
du Toit, JR
Freemantle, GR
Freemantle, WR
Gumede, N
Haasbroek, AJ
King, MJ
le Roux, B
le Roux, R
Little, LJ
Lurwengu, ST
Madikane, M
Manyathi, S
Mbatha, SW
Mohabir, TV
Moosa, HM
Moses, JI
Muggleton, JP
Pillay, K
Rajah, JT
Ross, T
Shongwe, SL
Simmonds, C
Tshabalala, SL
van Blerk, CE
Whatmore, N
Zunckel, MH

Pape

Bense, JM
Burton, E
Chetty, K
Cumming, JW
de Rose, LJ
Dickson, AJ
Greeff, NH
Horn, WA
Jooma, YA
Khuzwayo, SB
Kweyama, U
Lamprecht, EL
Lind, BA
Maher, JC
Mhlaluka, T
Morsink, KS
Mulligan, A
Ndlovu, N
Nelson, JD
Pretorius-Spires, DJ
Sibisi, AS
Thompson, B
Thulsie, T
Vally, I
van Zyl, RA
Vilakazi, CL
Watson, JD
Will, RA

Strachan

Archibald, MS
Bouguenon, JJ
Brooks, B
Charfaray, MS
Dlamini, CV
Gxarisa, ZI
Hodgkinson, WRC
Joubert, GL
Kennedy, DF
Mazoue, BJ
McCleary, MM
Mewalall, H
Mkhize, UT
Mngadi, SS
Mnguni, N
Mnyani, S
Naidoo, Y
Nel, GB
Ngcobo, UA
Ningiza, SSN
Parsons, TM
Peter, DJP
Pride, OJ
S'Khosana, LL
Shandu, KM
Stephens, C
Strydom, B
Thomas, MA
van Rooyen, CL
van Straaten, AR
Zondi, AS



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Barns

Abdool, A
Badat, M
Baker, TD
Baldrey, BT
Beckerling, M
Breedt, AH
Dladla, P
Emslie, CD
Harischandre, K
Kekana, SSM
Lawson, BD
Lutchman, D
MacKenzie, HB
Maharaj, A
Martin, CDG
Mbanjwa, NS
Mfeka, NL
Mkhize, WP
Mtirara, AG
Nene, BP
Siwila, M
Tedder, BLW
Thornton-Dibb, KS
Upton, CG

Calder

Akoo, Y
Ayliffe, J-R
Baijoo, AD
Barnard, LJ
Bourne, LR
Cheatle, TA
Dlamini, AP
Dlamini, MTK
Fortmann, C
Govender, JT
Hartley, JW
Johnson, TC
Khoza, Z
Mendes, LGC
Mncwabe, W
Ndlovu, PS
Ngwenya, S
Phenyane, N
Prinsloo, T
Sewnarain, NB
Sitaram, A
Symons, BK
van der Walt, JJ
van Herzeele, MTC

Commons

Akoob, MY
Andriessen, J
Andriessen, W
Brink, JS
Budke, A
Chetty, KD
Diedricks, LA
Dlangalala, KM
Khan, MH
Khumalo, MN
Kirsten, KJ
Kubheka, SN
Maharaj, M
Makanya, NT
Menezies, LH
Mngadi, KS
Ndlovu, OUS
Ngcobo, SP
Ngcobo, ZS
Pretorius, B
Raw, KD
Scheepers, JJ
Watson, TJ
Xaba, GL
Zimasa, EM

Forder

Bhika, YY
Brummer, BJ
Charles, KL
Downs, MJ
Dube, K
Essa, A
Evans, DM
Groenewegen, A
Gunkel, KR
Heuer, EC
Huizinga, KF
Kheswa, M
Kunene, LM
McFarland, JR
Meuwese, DB
Mingay, KBJ
Moloi, T
Naicker, K
Nel, M
Nell, JJ
Nzimande, TT
Phala, P
Reece, CM
Rhodes, TD
Schultz, CG
Sibisi, SL
van der Merwe, CN
Wedge, LT
Westerdyk, S

Fuller

Butler, SG
Chetty, R-L
Cloete, TP
Duma, A
Duncan, JR
Essack, M
Francis, TJ
Heeralal, H
Hollenberg, KC
Jacobs, U
Khoza, TMN
Lehloeny, TA
Mabizela, SM
Meier, BA
Msiya, N
Naidoo, Ka
Ngcobo, O
Nsuntsha, NB
Reintges, NJ
Rousseau, H
Smith, NA
Tamsen, T
Taylor, CJ
Webster, BC
Wilkins, JCO
Zuma, UBM

Lamond

Bennett, R
Chenery, M
Furmage, DJ
Godleman, DC
Gounder, S
Hamadziripi, E
Hanekom, IJM
Harper, CC
Howard, KR
Jamieson, BA
Lenz, L
Little, SW
Lushozi, NFG
Mahomed, F
Mazwi, W
Meiklejohn, SR
Mthethwa, O
Naidoo, C
Naidoo, Ke
Ryan, MD
Sikhakhane, SSM
Shimelis, A
Swartz, RS
Theron, AF
Volker, LX
Zondo, LLT
Zunckel, SR

Nicholson

Bester, J
Cooke, JP
Gouws, TA
Green, MR
Gumbi, B
Gumede, BS
Hendrikz, JR
Hepple, DJ
Himwanth, RR
Hlela, LS
Holton, K
Karrim, A
Kheswa, NC
Maphumulo, K
Moses, JB
Mtolo, J
Munro, LB
Nzimande, A
Odell, DP
Reddy, TI
Saayman, Z
Shaw, CD
Stephenson, ND
Whiting, C
Zakwe, NT

Pape

Bezuidenhout, K
Collocott, J
Cooper, D
Dickason, CR
Dyer, DKH
Gates, KC
Govender, KH
Govindsamy, TS
Grewan, KC
Hankinson, HI
Hoggate, TK
Hughes, TE
Jooma, SA
Khumalo, NC
Lutge, S
Maphanga, SN
Matsheke, AM
Mpurwana, POM
Mtolo, L
Patterson, CT
Soni, V
Stander, LH
Todd, AD
Toich, MDS
Zondi, TEJ
Zungu, SK

Snow

Assumani, NGJ
Bodmann, MA
Bushell, SA
Dlamini, SS
Engelbrecht, JB
Hlongwane, AA
Jordaan, DC
Knight, CW
Landsberg, LC
Louch, RM
Maharaj, JM
Mahomed, E
McKenzie, CC
Moodley, NN
Myeza, SAS
Paxton, SM
Pio, GO
Qwalela, E
Roberts, CT
Singh, S
Soorju, ST
Thomas, CM
Trodd, N
Trollip, SD
Zuma, TK

Strachan

Anastasis, DT
Boone, RA
Bouguenon, MT
Drummond, TR
Elam, TB
Ismail, Z
Jacobsen, JHE
Jali, ZT
Keith, JV
Kgoroge, BOT
Lachman, T
Mbanjwa, SL
Merrington, BS
Mntungwa, SE
Mothebe, B
Mthethwa, K
Ngcongo, S
Pinkiney, SB
Reddy, BD
Robinson, L
Salim, OHS
Simamane, PB
Smith, KN
Stopforth, DW
van Aardt, T
Zondi, LN



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Abel, ML
 Aldum, JG
 Allchin, CWW
 Allen, JD
 Blunt, KA
 Bookhan, TD
 Clarke, GJ
 Collyer, KB
 Dlamini, NS
 Govender, N
 Henriksen, SL
 Hlongwane, MK
 Hoosen, S
 Ishwanthlal, S
 Jackson, DD
 Luck, NB
 Mabande, L
 Mahomed, Y
 Maroney, KM
 Mbambo, ML
 Mbambo, SM
 Moffett, W
 Mokoena, STS
 Nelson, TW
 Oliphant, I
 Parker-Dennison, L
 Shange, LL
 Slater, C
 Tarr, KA

Calder

Afrikaner, J
 Alli, A
 Asampong, AK
 Brown, HT
 Chikowore, KJ
 Giddings, JL
 Govender, A
 Herman, RD
 Hodgson, EG
 Khwela, L
 Kumalo, RS
 Malani, M
 Marais, T
 Mlambo, SMP
 Mpunzana, AB
 Myeni, M
 Naidoo, S
 Norman, TT
 Pillay, K
 Sewmungal, C
 Taljaard, T
 Thornton, JJ
 von Benecke, CD
 Wong, JKH
 Zondi, AP

Commons

Anderson, TG
 Ayoob, IMS
 Bloose, N
 Bux, Z
 du Toit, AC
 Lolliot, MJR
 Lowe, T
 Mbatha, NS
 Moodliyar, T
 Mota, M
 Mthembu, UK
 Parker, BL
 Phungula, SW
 Piek, J
 Randall, DB
 Reeves, M
 Sewram, R
 Shockey, TC
 Stainbank, RD
 Torino, GCD
 Verwey, LB
 Zuma, SS
 Zvandaziva, KA

Forder

Barrett, KB
 Bayat, MR
 Campbell, JP
 Dladla, CS
 Elliott, SL
 Emanuel, RM
 Govender, L
 Gracie, JD
 Leisegang, DJK
 Lowe, DJ
 Mbeje, MN
 Mkhwanazi, M
 Naicker, EC
 Ndlamlenze, LD
 Noor Mahomed, Y
 Pepworth, J
 Schmidt, RG
 Shabalala, S
 Shrives, L
 Sithole, M
 Smit, JC
 Zeelie, RK

Fuller

Baxter, CB
 Bayat, M
 Beekrum, C
 de Villiers, LC
 Ente, BW
 Gengan, JR
 Greaves, AM
 Hoffman, CA
 Holloway, C
 Maboza, L
 Maharaj, Y
 Martens, OJ
 Mbonambi, T
 Mpontshane, NS
 Ndlela, BN
 Ndlela, IG
 Nel, B
 Ngcobo, NK
 Palmer, SDG
 Seedat, AA
 Skinner, DP
 Smale, SV
 Walden, B
 Walden, CK
 White, CD

Lamond

Bilbrough, JR
 Dhayaram, D
 Duma, HS
 Ford, MJ
 Ganie, MZ
 Govender, Y
 Haasbroek, NL
 Hlubi, AZ
 Jefferys, CJ
 Kasambala, ES
 Levin, LT
 Magaqa, L
 Marcus, KN
 Marucchi, L
 Mchunu, NM
 Moore, TJ
 Mudunge, TL
 Ngcobo, TE
 Piper, SD
 Shaw, KW
 Sivenarain, S
 Speed, SW
 van Heerden, MA
 Vermaak, AJ
 Vosloo, JG
 Wattrus, KMG

Nicholson

Bradford, AS
 Bridglall, S
 Choochan, T
 Clacey, JH
 Clacey, WH
 Dube, SS
 Kleiner, K
 Lion-Cachet, J
 McGladdery, RB
 Mcoyi, ABP
 Mester, NJ
 Naidu, D
 Ngcobo, TP
 Ntsele, LO
 Silver, SB
 Smith, CMH
 Strong, LB
 Tyrer, CS
 Walker, TRJ
 Welch, NP
 Wilkins, RP
 Willemse, MJ
 Wollentine, M
 Xaba, L

Pape

Christensen, RQ
 Duma, SK
 Dumisa, SKN
 Govender, Thiy
 Govender, Tryl
 Govender, Tryn
 Janse van Rensburg, C
 Luthuli, Z
 Maphumulo, MV
 McDonald, D
 McGladdery, CR
 Moroney, TS
 Mthembu, T
 Munn, JJ
 Nhlangulela, MLJ
 Noble, BJ
 Payn, BS
 Ripley-Evans, DG
 Spalding, TD
 Symington, EO
 Tooke, CG
 Uren, MR
 Vanker, O
 Will, GS
 Wilson, L
 Wood, SB

Snow

Botha, W
 Charles, LF
 Croudace, DC
 Dimmick, CR
 Duke, MW
 Foster, LM
 Hlatshwayo, TMK
 Jamaloodeen, TM
 John, BL
 Kidd, PG
 Maharaj, R
 Marshall, MN
 Michaux, WJ
 Mkhize, SM
 Muir, WH
 Ngubane, SJ
 Nzuzo, MS
 Oberholzer, JH
 Radebe, NN
 Reich, WL
 Smith, RP
 Spooner, JS
 Walstroom, AL

Strachan

Bower, C
 Coetzee, T
 Edwards, DB
 Geere, CJ
 Haripersad, G
 Khan, U-F
 Lesur, GB
 Meyer, E
 Mncwangi, LT
 Mudali, K
 Ndlovu, W
 Neizel, JQ
 Nursovet, AR
 Pride, TG
 Rossi, L
 Stoffels, JG
 Swart, LM
 Teal, CJ
 Viedge, BC
 Wood, BG
 Xhakaza, SS
 Zondi, ST
 Zulu, NS



2018 MCOBA President's Report

It was a misty morning in the middle of winter down on Goldstone's when I spotted one of our oldest Old Collegians (OC), Mr Des Galtrey (Class of 1944), cycling across to the Kent Pavilion, where he sat for the rest of the day reading the paper, chatting to passers-by and enjoying the atmosphere of a home fixture. College runs in our blood like few other institutions around the world. We remain proud College boys long after the final bell and many of us gravitate to other OCs on our journey through life.

The MCOBA is in a healthy place after the sterling work of our Immediate Past President, Mr Bruce Lesur (1989). He and his Executive Committee have done a commendable job over the past few years. Membership has grown considerably and both the online portal, Member-zone (<http://mcoaba.alumnnet.co.za>), and the smartphone app make booking for functions and interaction with the office so much easier. I encourage each and every OC to log on and check his classmates' news and update his own.

We currently have 14 branches in South Africa and international branches in the United Kingdom, Australia and North America. We also have ad hoc get-togethers in places like Dubai and across parts of Africa. It was encouraging for me as President to see in the last year a couple of branches starting to think laterally about how they could increase their membership and attendance to their branch functions within their communities. The North Coast Branch held their second successful "Blazer and Baggies" evening. It was wonderful to see OCs of all ages donning their school or Old Boy's blazers, and baggies for a fun reunion evening. The gatherings in Harding, Zululand, Underberg, Johannesburg, Cape Town, Pretoria and Durban were but some of the other events this year. I would like to thank all the Branch Chairmen for their continued commitment and hard work in organising these events and ensuring prospective parents and the OC community remain in touch with each other and the school.

A very pleasing development over the past year or so has been driven by our Vice-President, Mr Ngcebo Thembela (2003), who is also a teacher at College. He has started engaging with the younger OCs around the country (specifically educational hubs in Gauteng, the Western Cape and KZN). He has already held a few meetings and the passion among these OCs bodes well for the future of our Association.

Once again, we have had around 30 OCs send their sons back to College as boarders, and many more as day boys. We also shared a questionnaire with all OCs on the database and this was a useful exercise to determine the relevance of the MCOBA and it fed into the school's Social Awareness Task Team (SATT) process. By engaging and facing these issues, College and the MCOBA are ensuring that we remain relevant and move with the times to ensure a strong community in the future.



While Reunion Weekend was not in the usual second term, it was nonetheless very successful. As always, Ant Williamson (1990) started the weekend with an excellent golf day, and Greg Lawson (1984) co-ordinated the event superbly. Reunion Weekend has been set for August 2019 with our old rivals, Glenwood High School, being the opposition.

A strong Sixth Form joined the ranks of the MCOBA in 2018. The Sixth Form Induction Ceremony is a poignant ceremony in which the Association welcomes its newest harvest into its ranks. Given the quality of the young men inducted, we are encouraged about the future of the Association.

At the other end of the spectrum, the Veterans' Lunch, for OCs who matriculated at least 55 years ago, was just as moving. Once again, we had some of our oldest OCs share a wonderful time in the Victoria Hall. Apart from chaps who matriculated during World War II, we had a strong contingent from the class of 1958.

As one OC said to his daughter whose sons were at Kearsney, after they had both received a rather large drubbing on the astroturf, "Welcome to College, my dear!" It is this passion and fire that never dies in Old Collegians.

The Veterans' Luncheon and Sixth Form Induction Ceremony were, as usual, nostalgic and moving functions. These have always been two of my favourite events. To see so many Veteran OCs, who remain fiercely passionate about their school, despite the ever-changing landscape they have experienced over the 50 or more years since leaving school, never fails to fill me with a sense of pride and honour. To those Sixth Formers from the Class of 2018 who have stepped out into their futures with little more than a healthy dose of College grit and a value system of honour and respect for themselves and their school, I hope you will return as Old Boys, having left behind a bit of that which binds us together as College Men.

*Grant Little (OC 1985)
President of the MCOBA*



Vice-President, Ngcebo Thembela, and Zola Mazwi.



Old Collegians connecting at various MCOBA gatherings.



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