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From the Head's Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians

With the end of year approaching rapidly – our campus remains a busy hub of activity; with our boys writing exams, teachers invigilating and marking, and the usual round of planning meetings taking place. In all of this, it is useful to take a few minutes to focus on an important part of College life – that of the pastoral care of our boys.

Pastoral Care or the well-being of our boys remains the paramount focus of the Housemaster, Assistant Housemaster and Mentors of the respective Houses. They as a team are continuously working to ensure the College boy's well-being and are often the unsung heroes of the pastoral care system.

The mentoring program this year is complete and was reasonably successful by all accounts. There are some challenges - one being the loss of time and continuity during the busy winter season. This will be looked at for 2019.

Character Education will be the focus for 2019 and beyond. Planning in this regard has already started at the recent strategic meeting with the governing body. A new program aiming at strengthening and building our boys' character on four levels i.e. academic virtues, civic virtues, performance virtues and moral virtues (values) will start from next year, and peer tutoring will also feature prominently in 2019.

We are aiming to revive our Boys' Focus group and are planning programs and events around this. Furthermore, we are hoping to see the establishment of a College DADS group/club to further enhance dad's roles with their sons at school.



College is very pleased to announce the appointment of a new Director of Business, Mr Tsepang Setipa. Mr Setipa will join the school from 19 November, to lead the newly formed College Business Division. In addition to overseeing both day-to-day and strategic operations of Fundraising, Sponsorships, Marketing, Recruitment and Event Management, Mr Setipa will be focused on ensuring effective delivery and support of all College's associated bodies - the Old Boys' Association, Foundation and MCC supporters' club. Mr Setipa has Master of Business Administration and Master of Business Entrepreneurship qualifications, and is currently studying towards his PhD in development finance. He is an accomplished project management professional with experience in business development, resource mobilisation, financial and strategic management. He comes to College from having run his own consultancy providing management and advisory services to both the public and private sectors as well as lecturing at NMU and MANCOSA. Mr Setipa is married to Ati and they have three children.

We look forward to welcoming Mr Setipa and his family into the College family.

Chris Luman
Headmaster

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Academic Achievements

Focus on...Engineering Graphics & Design

4x4 in Schools Technology Challenge

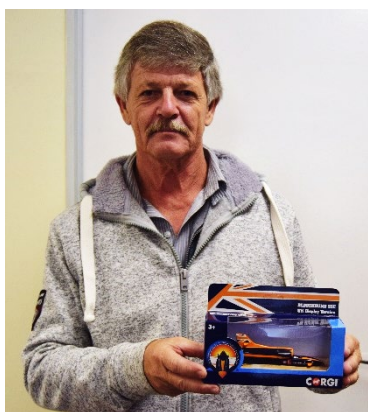


TEAM RHINO SOUTH AFRICA

This year, Maritzburg College had two boys represent Team Rhino in The Land Rover 4x4 Schools Technology Challenge. William Moffatt and Matthew Cornelius joined a team STEM challenge project which requires students aged 11 – 19 to build a radio controlled four-wheel drive (4x4) vehicle to certain specifications. It must successfully navigate and complete obstacles on an off-road test track which is just as demanding as a real off-road situation, and the vehicle must emulate the capabilities of a full size 4x4 vehicle. Each team enters their vehicle into a Regional Final to compete for a place at the National Final. The National Champions from each country are then invited to compete at the Land Rover 4x4 in Schools World Finals! As both boys are in sixth form, they are unable to attend the World Champs in April 2019, however, William will be mentoring two GHS girls who are taking their places on the team.

The Bloodhound Project

Another project that Maritzburg College will be getting involved with was inspired by The Bloodhound Project, a global engineering adventure to build a supersonic car. Being supersonic means travelling faster than the speed of sound – but it is being designed to be even faster as the group want to beat the current World Land Speed Record and go faster than 1000mph. The Engineering and Graphic Design department will next year create their own vehicle (however on a much smaller scale).



Their car will measure 800ml long once completed. The

model has already been created, and next year, it will be enlarged. The objective is to break the current world record for an 800ml car by beating the 550mph record. Mr Bosch and his team are aiming to achieve 700mph! A group of 10 – 15 boys, together with Mr Bosch, Mr Bosch Junior and Mr Sparrow will be involved in the project next year. Mr Bosch is confident they will break the record...watch this space!

Join us for the Capital Christmas

The Capital Christmas carol service, taking place on 21 November at the One Life South Site Church, is a collaboration between the GHS and Maritzburg College music departments. This year, we have also invited the Pietermaritzburg Children’s Choir to perform alongside the GHS and College choirs.

The service includes carols, readings, choir and band performances as well as community signing.

All proceeds go to CHOC.

Capital Christmas

Venue: One Life Church, South Site, Alexandra Rd, Bisley

Date: 21 November 2018

Time: 18:00—18:30

Cost: Donation to CHOC

Featuring:
Pietermaritzburg Girls’ High School and Maritzburg College Combined Wind Band & Choirs and the Pietermaritzburg Children’s Choir

Logos: Maritzburg College, Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School, CHOC (Childhood Cancer Foundation South Africa), Rotary.

College Culture

Focus on...Interact

Our Interact Club is another of the very successful co-curricular groups at college. Due to the dynamic nature of the type of person that community / outreach work attracts, the Interact Club has a good credit balance, which allows for the club to 'pay-it-forward' to others in need.

This year has been a busy one for the Interact team. Every Monday afternoon, the club pays for the transport for the same group of 17 Grade 7 learners from Edendale Primary School to come to College for conversational English, Maths and Natural Science tutoring. This year, the Interact Club continued to alternate visits every Wednesday afternoon to Northdale Hospital and the Salvation Army. At Northdale, the boys assisted with labelling medication in the pharmacy and at the Salvation Army they entertained boys aged 4 to 18, played with the babies in the nursery, and were able to build soccer posts at the Salvation Army.

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



Once-off activities that Interact helped with in 2018 include:

- Assisting Rotary at the Duzi Canoe Marathon
 - An Inter-school Interact Fundraiser event hosted by College
 - Donating Easter eggs to the Salvation Army
 - Volunteering as marshals at the cross-country hosted by College
- Running the College Shop at Goldstones every home game
 - Helping with the setup and running of the 1000 Paws SPCA fundraiser at Hilton College in the July holidays



Focus on..First Aid

A small number of our boys quietly and diligently serve their school as part of the First Aid team – providing support for many of our supporting events during the year. This co-curricular programme is an important part of the school and requires commitment and dedication that sees the boys spend countless hours next to the sport fields. The programme is led by Ailsa Greyling, and also relies on the tremendous support from the San Sisters as well as a number of doctors who freely volunteer their services on Saturdays.

This year, 24 pupils successfully completed a Level I First Aid course in March, and 11 pupils did duties at all the rugby, soccer and hockey matches. The following boys were rewarded for their superb service to First Aid:

- Honours: M Abel (Barns)
 Colours: JS Spooner (Snow)
 SN Maphanga (Pape)
 LGC Mendes (Calder)



Sporting Spotlight

Cricket

College's cricket teams producing an exceptional set of results against Alex and Michaelhouse this past week.

On Friday, our 1st XI stayers side took on Alex in the CSA T20 tournament. Alex won the toss and elected to bat eventually making 56 all out with the last wicket falling in the 20th over. Walking out to chase the low target, the College batsmen wasted little time in knocking off the runs within the first 6 overs, and won by 9 wickets.

On Saturday, College won all 9 of their matches against Michaelhouse. They also won all other fixtures played against Hillcrest, Hub and Wembley with outstanding results of 14 matches played and 14 won!

In the 1st XI match, College won the toss and sent the hosts in to bat. Wickets fell at regular intervals during the innings due to some tight bowling and exceptional catching and fielding, with Michaelhouse ending their innings on 109 all out (Khumalo 3/16, Elam 2/27). College batted well and wrapped up a convincing victory by 6 wickets.

There were standout results from our 2nd XI who scored 338/8 (Akerman making an excellent 128, Askew 48, Stainbank 36*, Saayman 65*). Michaelhouse replied with a meagre 93/10 (King taking 4/20) and giving College the win by 245 runs.



2nd XI
Photo: Pete Stainbank



Basketball

College's basketball teams played Michaelhouse on the weekend, with some exciting matches and close scores. The 2nd, 3rd, 5th and 7th teams enjoyed good wins while the 1st team was unlucky to lose a very closely fought match and a final score of 55-62. There were also wins for the U15C & U15D teams as well as for all the U14 sides.

A summary of results sowed College played 15, won 10 and lost 5.



U16A/3rd basketball
Photo: Jenny Orchard

Waterpolo

Our water polo teams took on Michaelhouse last weekend in number of fixtures winning 2 of their 7 matches, losing 3 and drawing 2. with good wins for the 2nd (7-2) and U15B (10-7) sides, and some very close losses and good draws.



1st team waterpolo
Photos: Justin Waldman





A very successful Durban Branch Function

The MCOBA Durban Branch chairman, Wayne Huinink (1989) changed the pace slightly when he moved the venue for this year's branch dinner from the Durban Country Club to the Distillery 031 in Umgeni Road. Over 50 OC's gathered at the exciting new venue and were treated to an informative evening, which included speeches from the Headmaster, the President of MCOBA as well as Andrew Rall (1993), the owner of Distillery 031. This networking opportunity for the OC's was well received and we look forward to another fantastic gathering of the #RedBlackWhite men in the near future!



Our #BigBasher Christmas Appeal

It's that time of the year again when new parents start visit the College Shoppe to kit their boys out for the start of their College journey. Current parents will also be standing staring with concern at the blazers and uniforms their sons have outgrown this year, contemplating a visit to the College Shoppe.

For many parents this is a very stressful time, as we all know how expensive school uniforms can be, and there are many parents and boys who find themselves in situations where they need some help.

Our very first #BigBasher campaign, launched way back in 2016, was set up to help these very boys in need.

We've been blessed by the support of our Old Boys, parents and families who have not only given financially but have also donated "pre-loved" uniforms, sport kit and other essential items that their sons have outgrown or that they no longer need.

One of our well-known Old Boys, David Miller (class of 2006) has added his voice in support of this campaign. Take a look!



<https://youtu.be/XrTBZ6H8mvE>

Visit us online to make your gift or contact us should you wish to donate any uniform items or other essentials.

Please Support...

**Sven Klusener
Fundraiser**

Date: 16 November 2018
Venue: Victoria Country Club
Cost : R 2,000 per 4 ball
Time: 11h30 (Shotgun start)

Contact Haydn Zunckel for more information on 082 498 3235 or email jonathan@gurtech.co.za

Campus Roundup

Focus on...thanking our College Ladies

There is an amazing team of ladies who quietly and without fanfare go about making many of the aspects of College life work. From making zarms, working in the tuck shop, and helping with catering at home games, to serving on committees and dedicating many hours and hard labour to ensuring our grounds always look so beautiful – these are College mums, grans, wives and family members.

We are so fortunate to have this wonderful team of ladies who go way beyond the call of duty and give many hours of their time to the school.

Recently, we took some time to thank this wonderful group at a luncheon held in Kent Pavilion.

Important Dates

November

9	Remembrance Day Service
10	Cricket / Basketball / Water polo vs Clifton
16	1st XI Cricket Dinner
19	Form 2 – Form 5 Exams End
20	Nathan House Formal Dinner
21	Capital Christmas Carols
22	BE Christmas Dinner
23	Prize Giving & Term 4 Closing



THANK YOU LADIES...



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