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## From the Head's Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians

In my message to you last week I mentioned that Maritzburg College has set school-wide goals for 2019;

1. To provide a foundation for College boys based on character education & our core values
2. To foster a growth mind-set amongst staff and pupils
3. To continually enhance effective and meaningful communication with all stake holders
4. To continue to promote transformation and social awareness within the College Community

I would like to expand further on these and ask HOW do we fulfil these?

We will continue to focus on our Core Values throughout the year. Boys should strive to live by them at all times, and use them to make good choices while understanding the consequences of their actions. Respect is always a much debated topic and must work both ways and for staff and students, senior and junior.

What is a growth mindset? People believe that their most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work; however brains and talent are just the starting point. A growth mindset means having a love of learning, and a resilience that is essential for great accomplishment. It is not now how good you are – it is how good you want to be.

Effective and meaningful communication works at all levels; teacher/pupil, coach/pupil, teacher/parent, SGB/parent community, verbally, electronically, face - to -face, verbal and non-verbally etc . If there are issues or concerns, PLEASE raise them through the various channels so that we can deal with them.

How do we promote Transformation and Social Awareness? It's about being mindful of others and how they might feel when you say or do something hurtful. We need to practice mindfulness in our mind, body and soul. Practice mindfulness through positive thoughts and positive actions so that it becomes second nature.

A highlight on campus this week was the end of "Borver Week" and the special Tie ceremony held on Monday when our Form 2 boys received their ties from their House Leaders followed by their entry into the Alan Paton Hall for their 1<sup>st</sup> assembly as members of the College family. We have included some of these highlights later in this newsletter.

2019 will see the start of the Character Education mentorship programme begin on campus. I spoke to our boys about this and the importance of good character. The intelligence you were born with is important, but there are also other key factors that will help you succeed in life; essential ingredients include determination and grit, and the winning difference appears to be a mixture of motivation, perseverance and character – a determination to succeed. These are a number of ways to show character at College and these are highlighted later in this newsletter.



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Chris Luman  
Headmaster



# Academic Achievements

## Focus on... Academic Excellence

In our 1<sup>st</sup> assembly this term, we acknowledged the 2018 examinations results of our boys with a number receiving academic awards.

### Academic Tie

M Badat  
 AD Baijoo  
 A Budke  
 SG Butler  
 C Del Grande Martin  
 A Duma  
 DKH Dyer  
 M Essack  
 DJ Furmage  
 TS Govindsamy  
 MR Green  
 E Hamadziripi  
 Z Ismail  
 CW Knight  
 L Lenz  
 JM Maharaj  
 E Mahomed  
 K Maphumulo  
 SE Mntungwa  
 K Naidoo  
 JJ Nell  
 DP Odell  
 T Prinsloo  
 KD Raw  
 L Robinson  
 JJ van der Walt  
 EM Zimasa  
 J Zondi/Mtolo

### Colours

A Abdool  
 MY Akoob  
 LJ De Rose  
 JB Engelbrecht  
 RR Himwanth  
 TM Katzenellenbogen  
 JV Keith  
 S Kidsingh  
 I Maharaj  
 TKM Mbatha  
 CC McKenzie  
 MD Ryan  
 KN Smith  
 MH Smith  
 SA Zondi  
 UBM Zuma  
 MH Zunckel

### Honours

Y Akoo  
 J Collocott  
 LA Diedricks  
 SS Dlamini  
 JR McFarland  
 N Msiya  
 ST Soorju

### Colours and Scarf

TR Drummond  
 H Heeralal  
 LH Menezies



Snow



Forder



Barns



Lamond



Commons



Nicolson



Strachan



Calder



Fuller



Pape

## Top 10 in 2018

Every term the top 10 academic achievers from each form are invited to tea with the Headmaster and other senior staff where they are recognised for their efforts. This is a special occasion and these boys can be justifiably really proud of their results!

### Form 2

- 1 Abramia TE
- 2 Goddard KB
- 3 Kisten K
- 4 Zimu TL
- 5 Prinsloo CJ
- 6 Peens JB
- 7 Mthimkhulu KN
- 8 Finnie RJ
- 9 Mazibuko NN
- 10 Pillay W

### Form 3

- 1 Desai U
- 2 le Roux JR
- 3 Maphumulo UPJ
- 4 Emberton GB
- 5 Beauclerk JO
- 6 Lalor JM
- 6 Pearson MA
- 8 Essa A
- 9 Laithwaite MP
- 10 van der Merwe JL

### Form 4

1. Maharaj I
- 2 Zondi AS
- 3 Katzenellenbogen TM
- 4 Smith MH
- 5 Zunckel MH
- 6 Kidsingh S
- 7 Mbatha TKM
- 8 de Rose LJ
- 9 Lowe JE
- 10 du Toit JR / Stubbs CH

### Form 5

- 1 Dlamini SS
- 2 Akoo Y
- 3 McFarland JR
- 4 Collocott J
- 5 Diedricks LA
- 6 Msiya N
- 7 Soorju ST
- 8 Menezies LH
- 9 Heeralal H
- 10 Drummond TR

## Focus on...How to show Character

1. Make use of the opportunities at College and attempt as many academic, sporting and cultural pursuits as possible, because that is how you will find out what you really love doing. Passion for a subject, sport or cultural activity is the greatest motivator of all.
2. Give everything your best shot but accept that you cannot be good at everything. They say it takes 10 years to become successful in any one field.
3. Accept constructive criticism as the way to make yourself better at what you are attempting. Become your own coach and be tough on yourself. Confucius teaches that perfection can be reached through practice and effort.
4. Understand that it is effort that truly makes the difference. Perseverance and hard work will guarantee success.
5. Take on challenges. Everyone who succeeds puts in hours of work. The harder they work the more they succeed.
6. Learn from your failures. Thomas Edison, one of the greatest inventors said, 'Most of life's failures are people who did not realise how close they were to success when they gave up.' He also said success is 1% brilliance and 99% perspiration.
7. Be optimistic. Set your goals and believe you will achieve them.

Finally remember the 10- year rule: At the end of the next ten years, where are you going to be? What will you be good at? What will you have accomplished?

## Focus on... Barns House

Barns House is led by Mrs Mary-Ann Rembold with Mr Steve Botha as Assistant Housemaster. Mentor teachers include Mr Brent Dodd, Mrs Debbie Gademan, Mr Ngebo Thembela, Mrs Adrienne Phillips and Mrs Lisa Akerman.

Recently, the Roselands Trust and Roselands Education Centre acknowledged 3<sup>rd</sup> Form boys from Maritzburg College, and in particular, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Formers from Barns House, for their donation of sports equipment towards Linwood Combined School, Roselands Trust's community service project. The school's 3<sup>rd</sup> formers attended the Roselands Outdoor Centre as part of their annual character-building hike and stay in the Umkomaas Valley. The boys then spent a day doing community service at the local school, Linwood Combined School, located in the Xgolobeni Valley.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> form boys from Barns House took it upon themselves to collect and donate sports equipment and blankets to the school. This extra initiative was well received, with many big smiles and tears of joy! Hockey sticks, soccer balls, cricket bats and balls, squash rackets, soccer and rugby boots and much more were donated! The children

appreciated it, especially the boys who were very excited to receive soccer balls.

Every donation counts, and every cent contributed helps make a difference. Barns and Maritzburg College 3<sup>rd</sup> formers can rest assured that their donation is being used for the upliftment of the school's youth.

## Leadership @ Maritzburg College



*Head Prefect Travis van Aardt surrounded by his Deputy Head Prefects; Kei Raw, Dave Evans, Nhlanhla Lushozi and Dean Dyer, with Mr Ryan Kyle (HOD Leadership) and Mr MJ Smith (Asst HOD)*

At Maritzburg College, we believe leadership lives amongst our boys. We believe in our boys' potential, and that lessons in leadership will serve them very well into their lives after school. This is the foundation on which the College Leadership Programme is built.

The programme aims to create opportunities to experience leadership training and practical leadership for all our boys, through various activities, including leadership camps,

leadership curriculum in the Life Orientation syllabus, various practical leadership opportunities (mentoring, peer-tutors, camp leaders etc.), training seminars & workshops, evaluation of performance in leadership activities, and leadership aptitude testing.

Our leadership structure at Maritzburg College is made up of a Head Prefect and four Deputy Head Prefects, one of whom is Head of Boarding. This year we have 28 prefects in the school, each of whom has a portfolio that they oversee. There are 10 House Captains and 10 Vice House Captains. Also making up the leadership structure are 50 House Leaders. One major positive of the House Leaders structure is that it allows for more boys to experience leadership through the House Programme. Prefects and House Leaders play an important role in maintaining the College ethos.

Our main aim with the Leadership Programme is to teach the boys, and give them an opportunity to experience leadership in preparation for the real world.



# Sporting Spotlight

There were strong sporting performances from Maritzburg College boys over the weekend. Highlights included the performances of our cricket, basketball and waterpolo teams in the first round of fixtures against Westville. With only a couple of days back at school, College's teams played with commitment, courage and determination.

## Cricket

The Maritzburg College 1<sup>st</sup> XI Cricket side got their year off to a good start with a win at home against Westville. Batting first Westville were eventually bowled out in the 50<sup>th</sup> over for 209. D Dyer was the chief destroyer with 4/31. College's 1<sup>st</sup> XI won comfortably by 4 wickets with 4 overs to spare. There were also good results for a number of other teams, the 2<sup>nds</sup> winning by 57 runs and the 3<sup>rds</sup> by 207 runs. A summary of the matches against Westville shows College winning 11 of the 18 played, losing 6 and 1 match with no result.

## Basketball

After a closely fought game, Westville 1<sup>st</sup> team were the winners with a score of 49-43 despite the College basketball boys showing true fighting spirit right up until the final whistle. Overall results were played 17, won 11, lost 5 and drew 1 – a good start to the year.

## Waterpolo

College's waterpolo teams faced some tough competition from Westville. Our 1<sup>st</sup> team had a very good game with fantastic support from our boys, but lost to Westville 3-7. Overall the waterpolo teams won 3 of the matches played, losing 5 and 2 with no result.

## Canoeing

With Dusi on our doorstep, a number of College boys took part in the weekend's 50 miler. Dave Evans had a great race finishing in 10<sup>th</sup> place and Scott Little in 21<sup>st</sup> place overall. Evans was also the 1<sup>st</sup> junior paddler home and Little the 3<sup>rd</sup> junior.

## Squash

Our Squash team lost 3-5 to Westville at home.







**Contribute to telling  
College's Cricket History**



Former Maritzburg College staff member, Mike Hill (1951), is writing a book on the history of College cricket and is looking for anecdotes, personal stories and special photos of the 1<sup>st</sup> XI. If you can assist Mike, please contact him at [msh12@telkomsa.net](mailto:msh12@telkomsa.net)



**Borver week 2019 officially ended with the 2<sup>nd</sup> formers receiving their ties from their House Leaders (including some assistance in getting these tied) followed by a formal procession into the Alan Paton Memorial Hall to join the rest of the College family. Well done and WELCOME.**





## Important Dates

### January

- 21 Tennis vs Hilton  
MC Club Meeting
- 22 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Isandlwana
- 25 Championship School Gala
- 26 Canoe: Dash & Crash  
Athletics: KZN Schools League  
Cricket & Waterpolo vs SCC
- 27 Nathan House Picnic  
Basketball: MHS U16 festival  
Canoe: Campbell's to Dusi Bridge



## Virtus Challenge 2019

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