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## From the Headmaster's Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians

This week we are focusing on COURAGE through our Character Education programme and I addressed the boys on this at the weekly assembly.

In the words of one of our bravest leaders, Nelson Mandela:

*"I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it."*

Richard Branson highlighted the importance of having faith in yourself, thinking "yes" not "no", living life to the full, and never giving up.

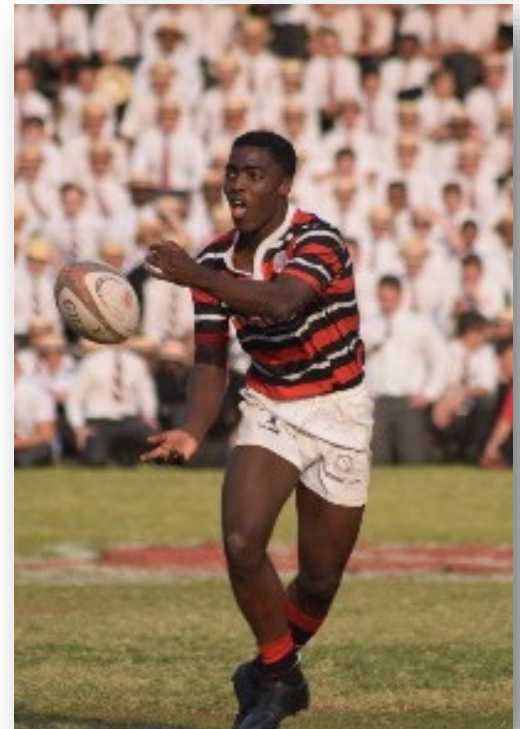
Steve Job encouraged us to *"Have the courage to follow your heart and intuition. They somehow already know what you truly want to become."*

A dictionary definition states the following :

"Courage is the ability to confront fear, pain, danger, uncertainty, or intimidation. Physical courage is courage in the face of physical pain, hardship, death, or threat of death, while moral courage is the ability to act correctly in the face of popular opposition, shame, scandal, or discouragement."

What does that mean for you?

- Courage is taking responsibility for my own life and stop blaming everything outside of me for the reason why I am not successful on my own terms.
- Courage is wading into what IS MY life and facing what I need to change in my life.
- Courage is identifying in my life what is good and building upon it and knowing that what is not good for me needs to be changed, and then working to change it.
- Courage is working to see that my educational dreams and goals are realized.
- Courage is recognizing the special talents and ability I have to offer my world, my community, my family.
- Courage is having a voice for myself.
- Courage is stepping out of my comfort zone to be the best that I can be.
- Courage is stepping up to the plate of my life and my future.
- Courage is BELIEVING IN MYSELF.



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My challenge to all our boys is this: **Are you ready to be courageous?**

Chris Luman  
Headmaster

# Academic Achievements

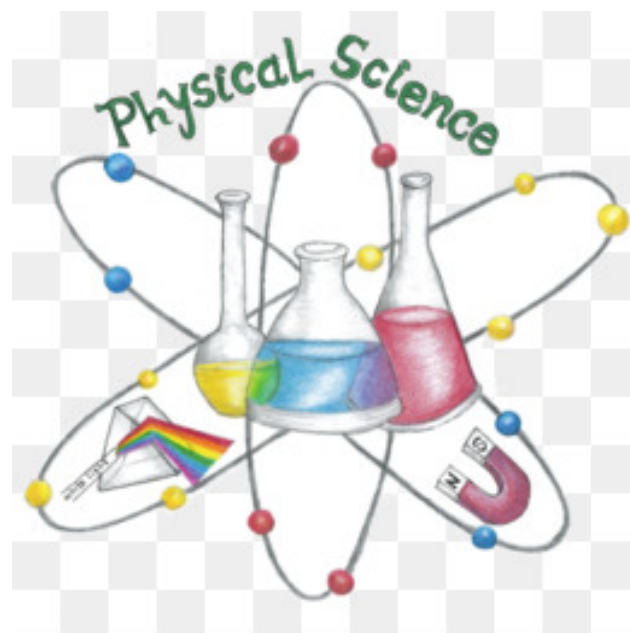
## Focus on... Physical Science

Physical Science introduces boys to investigative thought processes, mathematical problems, abstract thought and advanced problem-solving. It has theoretical and practical components. This subject is comprised of both Chemistry and Physics. It covers a very broad range of topics within these two learning areas.

According to Subject Head Liesl Couperthwaite, second term is the panic term. We have to do Department of Education practicals which are often bulky and have errors in them. We also have a very tight schedule which is not helped by the many public holidays and other days which we miss lessons in.

In 6<sup>th</sup> form we deal with some difficult work which is to a great extent intuitive, while 5<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> form meet the "Electricity Dragon".

Physical Science is an academically demanding subject. It requires a strong mathematical background, an enquiring mind, an ability for problem-solving and a rigorous work ethic. It is ideal for the academically able boy who has an interest in Chemistry and Physics. It is strongly advised that if a boy does not achieve a solid C for Maths at the end of Grade 9, then he should not choose this subject.



## Focus on... Art

Recently, the Art Department held a screen-printing workshop with Khulekani Cele from the Centre for Visual Arts at UKZN. Khulekani is an experienced printer in all kinds of printing processes, and has great experience in teaching at a tertiary level. He gave a 3-hour short course where learners and teachers were able to learn how to create a two-colour print, and we were delighted with our results.

The Art Department hopes that boys will use screen-printing by itself or in combination with other techniques, to push their creative boundaries and explore other ways of making art.



# College Culture

## Focus on...Barns House

Housemaster Mrs Mary-Ann Rembold is extremely proud of the seven South African representatives in Barns House! Well done to all these boys... it has been really superb to witness each one using his God-given talent at such prestigious levels.

Brogan Tedder and Wandile Hlophe were chosen to take part in the SA Rugby training squad for two consecutive years. Bryce Lawson represented SA in Canoe Waterpolo in a tournament in Belgium and is training for this year's Africa Championships. Rorke Anderson has been chosen to captain the SA Deep Sea Angling U/19 team to take part in the Senior Game Fishing Nationals in St Lucia from the 29th April. Ben Jackson was chosen for the South African High Performance Hockey training squad. Qualakhahle Mkhize is only 15 years old, but played for the U/16 SA Basketball team in the African Union Sports Committee Games. The team achieved a silver medal. Our youngest SA representative Richard Duckham competes with adults in the Remote Control Car Racing arena. He has been invited to race in the Phillipines. He was awarded this honour because he was in the top three in the SA champs.

We are indeed extremely proud of each of these young men!

## Focus on... Photography Club



Headed up by Mrs Debbie Gademan, the camera club has had a successful half year so far, with ample sporting activities early on to photograph. The boys worked hard to capture images during the house gala while trying to keep equipment dry in the rain. We have had one Top Shots competition so far, won by Y Martin with his unusual image of light. Our theme for the first term was "the human form" which was won by T Brauteseth capturing a thought provoking image of feeding the homeless. Our next exciting challenge will be the Kearsney competition in June.



Front row: B Lawson; R Duckham; R Anderson; B Jackson  
Back row: Q Mkhize; B Tedder; W Hlophe



# Sporting Spotlight

## College vs St Charles College

This weekend was a Pietermaritzburg day with Maritzburg College taking on St Charles in the main in rugby, hockey and squash fixtures, but also playing Voortrekker, Carter and Linpark.

### Rugby

The 28 College teams played outstanding rugby across the board showing true gut, determination and courage with the traditional redblackwhite team spirit. Our 1<sup>st</sup> XV won their game 31-7. The overall summary of results saw College play 28 games, win 19, draw 1 and lose 8. Against SCC, College played 14, won 13, drew 0 and lost 1 game.

### Hockey

College's hockey teams played against St Charles in the main with some outstanding results. Our 1<sup>st</sup> XI won their match 4-2. Against SCC; College played 17 matches, won 14, drew 2 and lost 1. Overall; we played 19, won 14, drew 3 and lost 2.

### Squash

College won all their squash matches vs St Charles College this weekend. Our 1st Team won 15 – 0, U16 won 15 – 0 and U14 won 13 – 5.

### Cross Country

College had a strong showing in the first cross country league event of the season winning both the senior and junior races.

#### Senior boys results:

- 1<sup>st</sup> N Msiya
- 4<sup>th</sup> S Harvey
- 5<sup>th</sup> D Evans

#### Junior boys results:

- 1<sup>st</sup> S Arnold
- 3<sup>rd</sup> D Craig
- 5<sup>th</sup> K Goddard

### Table Tennis

Our table tennis team competed in A, B and development leagues over the weekend. Results saw the teams play 32 games, winning 17 of these and losing 15.





Our Old Collegians excel in so many avenues in life: from business, to academics, cultural and sporting..... and here is yet another Old Collegian achieving in his field:- Body Building.

In the first show of the year Kurt Schonert

(2006) came away with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place and an invite to the NABBA National (Amateur Body-Builders' Association) British finals in June. Well done Kurt!

Nothing keeps a College Old Boy down! Cedric Mkhize (2003) who was paralysed in a car accident in 2007, has not let this injury keep him from competing in the sporting arena and this inspirational Old Collegians took part in the recent 2019 aQuelle Tour Durban.



## **Our Care Package Programme**

Every College boarder worth his salt will tell you there is no happier moment than receiving some local currency, a letter or a package from home!

These deliveries are often the highlight of the week and are fallen upon with much glee and enthusiasm! Sadly, there are a number of our boys who never get to experience this during their time as boarders at Maritzburg College.



The College Foundation's "Care Package" programme currently supports over 30 College boys – providing them with regular boarder "tuck" (an essential comfort food!), some personal care items but most of all some true College "love" and the knowing that someone cares and wants to ensure that their College experience is as memorable as possible.

Volunteers from our College community can be paired with a scholarship boy who has been identified by our support structures and a care package can be delivered to him via the College Foundation Office. For volunteers who may find this commitment challenging due to location or other factors we offer to put together and deliver the care package on behalf of the volunteer. In this case the volunteer merely sends a personal note to be included in the package and covers the cost of the care package.

Volunteers can commit to a quarterly delivery during the first week of each new term (4 x care packages per year).

Once-off contributions are also very welcome!

For more information or to enlist as a volunteer in our Care Package programme please visit our Foundation website:

<http://collegefoundation.co.za/volunteer-opportunity/care-package-programme/>

**Thank you for your support!**

## Focus on...Fawlty Towers

Congratulations to our talented cast, production staff and backstage crew on a very special show!



### Important Dates

**MAY**

- 04 Hockey & Rugby vs Kearsney (away)  
Table Tennis league
- 05 Cycling: Greytown Festival  
Squash: KZN Interschools
- 06 Computers & Proverto Olympiads
- 07 Rugby Craven Week & Grant Khomo trials  
Soccer 1<sup>st</sup> vs Alex
- 08 Public Holiday – Election Day
- 10 Hockey vs Carter
- 11 Hockey & Rugby vs DHS  
Veterans Reunion



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