



# Strachan House News



Term 2 - 2019

## HOUSEMASTER'S REPORT

The second quarter has been very eventful it is with a heavy heart that I have to relinquish my position of Strachan House Housemaster due to my added responsibilities in my new portfolio as HOD Commerce.

I have been with Strachan House for more than 6 years and over the years, we have bonded as a family. I appreciate the opportunity to have worked with my colleagues to develop the boys through their years at College and to watch them grow into strong, determined young gentlemen. Even though I will miss Strachan House, I am looking forward to the challenges of my position in this new phase of my career. I have such mixed emotions writing this message because while I'm excited for my next step, I will sincerely miss you all. You all have made my time at Strachan House so rewarding.

Congratulations to Mr Lyons who has been appointed as the new Housemaster for STRACHAN house and I wish him well going forward.

Besides the inter house competition our boys have done Strachan House proud through their various achievements in the sporting and cultural fields.

Strachan house has also committed to the SPCA and Isabel Beardmore Old Age Home as part of our annual outreach programme

## HOUSE LEADER REPORT



Strachan house has always been a big part of my school career, its like a smaller family within one big family that is College. Having the opportunities to lead Strachan house has definitely been one of the many highlights of my matric year thus far. A big part contributing to this is the boys of Strachan house. The energy and effort that is given off by the boys for our house, whether it be during house competitions, out on the sport field or on the stage, really does make a difference and creates an enthusiastic and positive vibe. This all started with us dominating our first house competition, 'The Virtus Challenge' at the beginning of this year where we won the Tug o' war competition by dethroning 5 times champion Pape House. By being consistent in the manner in which we take on future house competitions and activities, I believe Strachan house will go from strength to strength in the up coming events

# OUR HOUSE

House events, competitions and outreach  
HOUSE EVENTS

## OUTREACH

This year Strachan house has decided to embark on a two-fold outreach program.

The first aspect of the outreach is an SPCA initiative where we are collecting old pillows, sheets and blankets for the



animals at the SPCA shelter. Our plan is to visit the SPCA in the third term to deliver the collections as well as spend a day volunteering with the animals. The 2nd and 3rd Form boys have shown a great interest in this initiative.



The second outreach aspect involves the Isabel Beardmore Home for the Aged. We have been running a R10 per boy collection within the House. The boys have responded well to the call

for donations and we hope to make as large a donation as possible to the Home as well as spend some time with the men and ladies at the home.

The boys from the T3 Mentor class have been leading the charge in terms of donations and we congratulate them for that.

The collections will continue running after the June holidays and we urge all boys and parents to get involved with these exciting projects



**STRACHAN HOUSE BAND: Z Jali, AS Zondi, H Mewlall, Ma Thomas and SD Hutton**

Strachan house is extremely proud of the house band. They finished a commendable 3<sup>rd</sup> in the interhouse competition.

We have improved our log position from the first term. We are currently in joint 4<sup>th</sup> place. We had fairly good results in Tennis. We had mixed results during the Arts Week competition, but our House band did well by finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in that category.

Soccer, rugby, hockey and table tennis competitions are scheduled for the last day of term 2 and we hope to improve our log position further.

# SPORT ACHIEVEMENTS

The following boys are to be congratulated for their achievements on the sports field. They have achieved at a high level and are to be commended on their superb performance.

## HOCKEY

*KZN Inland U18A Hockey*    *KZN Inland U16A Hockey*



*S Nqongo*



*AT Mthlane*

*KZN Inland U16B Hockey*    *KZN Inland U14B Hockey*



*GD Winlock*



*MBJ Thomson*

## RUGBY

*U18 Craven Week*

*U18 Academy Week*



*SSN Nngiza*



*CV Dlamini*

*U16B Grant Khomo Invitational Team*



*DP Jacobz*

## KZN SWIMMING TEAM



*GL Joubert*



*C Stephens*



*TN Truter*



# FROM THE BOYS

## SOCCER



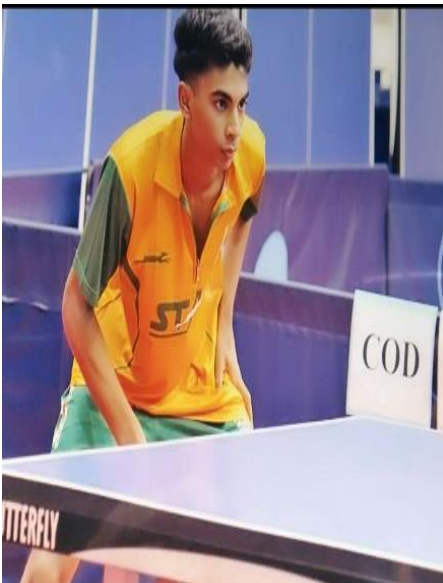
Vice captain **Z Gxarisa** in action in Europe, representing the Pietermaritzburg u19 Soccer team.

This u19 team was selected from last years FA cup involving abot 25 schools in which Maritzburg College finished second. The

Team went on a European tour to Netherland , Germany and France. The team finished a commendable 7<sup>th</sup> out of 16 teams. They also visited the Johann Cruyff Stadium and trained with the Ajax academy in the Netherlands.

## TABLE TENNIS

**Y Naidoo** represented the u18 SA National Table



tennis team at the ITTF African Youth, Junior and Cadet Championships in Ghana in April. Well done!

## GOOD REPORT TEA

We would like to congratulate following learners for their achievement and encourage them to maintain their efforts.

**Form 3** : NN Mazibuko – 3<sup>rd</sup> in Form 3

TL Zimu – 4<sup>th</sup> in Form 3

**Form 5** : AS Zondi - 3<sup>rd</sup> in Form 5



**Mr. N. Pillay (Housemaster), AS. Zondi, TL. Zimu, NN. Mazibuko, Mr. J. Lyons (Assistant Housemaster)**

## *In Conclusion*

I would like to thank the boys of Strachan House for their commitment and enthusiasm displayed during this term and the past few years. A special thank you, to the mentors, prefects and house leaders for their efforts thus far.

On behalf of Strachan House, I wish you and your family an enjoyable and safe winter vacation. To the Strachan House boys continue to be positive as you have been for the next two terms.

*N Pillay*

N Pillay (Housemaster)