



CLARK HOUSE

NEWS LETTER

“A FEW GOOD MEN”



TERM 4

House Master's report

Another of the shortest terms in recent College History. And how it flew past too. We had but a few weeks of teaching and then the exams were upon us. The house's approach to the exams was a very efficient system, again this year I believe, as we had a far better monitoring of the sessions. Boys were self-motivated too which is very encouraging. There were extra compulsory study sessions, and then the boys needed to be outside to stretch their legs, get some sunlight and the blood pumping before tackling the prep and late prep study sessions in the evenings. One thing is for certain there was no shortage of opportunity for boys to do their utmost and achieve what they deserve. Campbell Knight, boarder prefect, has been burning the midnight oil, and beating the sun to the rise, to hit the books both for trials and finals, we look forward to what he will achieve as a result of his hard work. We as a house are very proud of this natural leader, who carried himself with a great presence and sense of purpose as he took ownership of the 3rd form, and they respected him thoroughly it would seem. He was an outstanding roll model and set a wonderful standard for his charges, of what it means to be one of the few good men. Thank you Mr. Knight. As is the case usually at this time of the year we have to say goodbye to some staff, and in this case a very instrumental part of the personality of the house, Mr. Ndumiso “Makattack” Makhathini, my wonderful assistant housemaster, whose has become somewhat of an institution here at College, and gentleman I believe who live on in the hearts and memories of all the boys he has mentored and worked with. He leaves us only to go to Shepstone's, but we thank him for his care and commitment to the old house is his time spent with us. He will be missed. We have waiting in the wings Mr. Shaun Sinclair who will be my very capable, new assistant from January 2020. We wish you both all the best in your new positions and in new houses. Mr. Lukas Booyesen takes up a job teaching in China from December, and we thank you sir, for the role you have played in the lives of these youngsters, and in the life of the school. The term had barely started and it was over, the mattresses were being pack away from the quad as the last bell was being sounded in the closing hours of 2019. As always a very busy jam packed year, but filled with learning experiences for all of us. God bless to all the Clark House community and have a wonderful rest over the festive period, and please be safe.

Sincerely,

Ron Barbour.

ON THE LAST NIGHT, AS A TRADITION>
THE CLARK HOUSE FIFTH FORM SLEPT
ON THE CLARK HOUSE QUAD.





Leaders for 2020

As is customary, It was a term of many expectations for our 5th Form boys who were hoping to be appointed to become prefects and house leaders for next year. The 5th form is a gifted and talented form with a number of natural leaders, and all round nice guys. They have been an absolute blessing in the house this year, and I think that is evidenced in the calibre of boy who have been selected as prefects, and house leaders alike . We look forward with much positive anticipation, to what they will achieve next year, as they have a had fine example in the outgoing prefects- who have thus far been the best team of prefects I have had the privilege of working with in Clark house. They have been lead by a true gentleman in Brad Reddy, who embodies the concept of servant leader, and who is the living example of what we are trying to achieve in our boys by the time they have reached this stage, in their time at College. We wish them everything of the best for their finals and last few weeks of life at College, and in our special home from home.

We are proud to acknowledge and congratulate the following boys who have subsequently been announced as prefects from Clark house, and who will for the most part be doing their duties in the house over the next year. They are: **D Bruyns, P Elliot, K Goedeke, J Robinson, C Nandh, M Zunckel.**

We are also very proud of the boys appointed from our Clark House 5th form to be day house leaders, **BM Mbanjwa and TM Masvikeni (Calder), LV Mosiea and N Zondo (Commons), CH Groeneveld (Fuller), JD Culverwell, and MC van Dam (Nicholsons), LJ de Rose, WA Horn, JD Watson (Pape), and R Klusener (Snow).**

A special thanks to the boarder masters Messrs R Paterson, M Ngcobo, J Greeff, S Mkhwanazi, L Booysen, and the bull dog Mr N Makhatini (who I must commend, as the boys have come to love and respect), that have helped maintain the discipline and keep the House running smoothly. Mr Makhatini must also be acknowledged for his latest promotion to Head of Department- Prefects. We look forward to a successful and enjoyable 2020.

God bless,
Ron Barbour.

2020 CLARK HOUSE PREFECTS



P Elliot (Head of House)



C Nandh



K Goedeke



J Robinson



M Zunckel



D Bruyns