

Forder House News



Term 4 - 2019

HOUSEMASTER'S REPORT

Standing down is a bitter sweet moment for me; however the time is right to hand over the reins and take a back seat as Forder's surges ahead.

The past 6 years have been a highlight of my career at College as Forder house lurched from 10th position in the inter house competition in 2014 to placing second this year, half a point behind Commons, the winning house. A fairy tale end proving elusive.

To witness the growth of a boy from a pimpled 13 year old to a hairy young man is a tremendous privilege as you see them grapple daily with behaviour associated with hormonal surges and trying to find out where they fit in. This is where the housemaster steps in and together with the mentors guides the young lad in the right direction.

To all the boys who have been members of Forder house and to the present batch, thank you for just being boys and doing what boys do best. To the mentors and my assistant this year, Mrs Lisa Akerman who has taken up the reins of housemaster, continue with the caring work you do on a daily basis and I will always fondly look back on a special time in my career.

Sans Peur (without fear)

Nigel Sutherland

HOUSE LEADER REPORT



It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to Mr Sutherland who has stepped down at the end of this year. He has been the heartbeat of Forder House for the past 5 years. He has given countless amounts of his time for the well-being of the house and the boys. Without his guidance and support, the house would not be the same as it is today. He has been a role model and mentor to many, leaving an everlasting impact on many boys and staff. His big smile and friendly nature will be missed by all in Forder House.

K Goedeke (House Captain)

We are excited and honoured to be leading Forder House in 2020. Below are a few of our goals.

- 1. Mentor boys to become Forder Men.
- 2. To increase participation in all house competitions.
- 3. To increase the "gees" in the house.
- 4. To bring the Forder Cup home as a tribute to Mr Sutherland.

L Muller (V Captain)

OUR HOUSE

PRESTIGIOUS AWARD WINNERS

We are incredibly proud of the following young men who have continued to excel in their areas of excellence.

David Evans, recently took part in the World Champs Canoe Marathon event in China. He placed second with the leader within 1 second of him. He was awarded the Headmaster's Award for the Sportsman of the year.



SHIRT SIGNING

Matrics signing each other's shirt just before Speech Day has become a tradition that is special to our boys. We will miss you all.



James McFarland has received a host of accolades that are a testament to his character and determination:

- Mike Brown Five Pillars Award
- Roger Heslop Memorial Trophy for Overall Contribution to Drama
- Graham Holder Trophy for the Best Overall Contribution to Culture at College
- Prize for English and Dramatic Arts
- Calder Trophy for Public Speaking
- Val Harley Trophy for Creative Writing
- Dustin Stevens Trophy for Best Public Speaker He has been a true role model to many of our boys.





2nd Form Camp – Spirit of Adventure

It was an eye-openinig three days. When we arrived we had a talk on things we wanted to achieve on camp. We came up with goals regarding personal growth, leadership skills, teamwork and obviously a little bit of fun. The days were full of risky, fearful and enjoyable activities. Many of the 2nd formers have cvercome their fears of darkness and deep water. The last day was hard, knowing that we had to leave. We have all learnt so much from this camp and it has shown that you need to always work as a team. Many friends have been made and lessons have been learnt. C Lang and S Msibi.

3rd Form Camp – Richmond

We were all excited for the camp. We wondered what it would be like and what we would do.



When we got to the start we were confused because we couldn't see any camp and we were in the middle of nowhere. When we found out what we had to do we were both excited and dreading the task ahead. We had to hike to the campsite, but there was a catch. We had to hike



to different points illustrated on the map given to us, in order to collect points that would be used to get the ingredients needed to make supper.

When we got to camp we were exhausted. Luckily there was a cool river. We jumped in and what a relief we got! The second day we heard some unwanted news, another hike! But it got even worse, we had to hike to a mountain called Boys to Men and then hike up it. The name Boys to Men suits the mountain well, because wow that was a really hard hike. We were actually quite sad to leave but were happy not to have to hike anymore.

S Manack

Good report tea

Congratulations to our top academic boys for holding our flag up high.



N Sutherland, M Van Rooyen, C Lang, T Ganie, S Manack, K Goddard

FROM THE BOYS

Our 2nd Formers have written moments of memories regarding their houseleaders and prefects in Forder House. Below is a graffiti wall of their thoughts.

Nel-your kindiness meent e lot

McFabland your passion for the echool is anazing

MECINESE * ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT EVERYTHING

H downs is always kind

T Nzimande - you have taught me that you do not have to be first in order to lead.

Huizinga - Always wanted to see the best in us



Last but certainly not least, we would like to thank Mr Sutherland for his passion and guidance. He is a true legend. Please view our video of the tunnel the Forder Boys made to honour Mr Sutherland. https://youtu.be/W5w2U7 97Dw

