



# Strachan House News



Term 4 - 2021

## HOUSEMASTER'S REPORT

Strachan House has had a wonderful year. It is in our view that when starting a year, we strive to give our best, yet more importantly, to finish it off with added success. The house spirit improved tremendously towards mid-year, when Inter-house events were reintroduced after the debilitating and strict Covid regulations were eased. The boys needed to vent and release their pent-up energy. They refocused and applied their talents which lay dormant. We boast some wonderful results and great participation from the Strachan House boys. In this time Strachan House improved their overall position from 9<sup>th</sup> place to 4<sup>th</sup> place on the leader board. The mentor programme was executed with passion. Our mentors who form the core of our team guided their boys through the storm. Thought provoking topics were delivered and discussed, assisting the development of opinions, ideas and allowing the boys to express their own experiences in life. We are a very fortunate house, where a large amount of energy was spent focusing on the academic programme of the school. We boast having the top position for academics among the ten houses. I, as the housemaster, am so proud of the team. Scholars and staff both dedicated long hours to making a success story of Strachan House.

I sadly will be leaving the Strachan House team as their housemaster. I will be relocating my position as housemaster to the boarding establishment while a very capable Mr M Zuma will continue steering the Strachan House ship in 2022. I wish him all the very best. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated mentors and assistant housemaster of Strachan House for their hard work. The effort and unique perspectives of each member assisted in the development of the house. I salute you.

Mr S Bosch

## A WELCOMING WORD FROM THE INCOMING HOUSEMASTER

It is a pleasure to be involved and at the helm as Housemaster of such an amazing house. Strachan House has seen a high turnover of Housemasters over the past year. I look forward to carrying on from the huge steps and progress that Mr Bosch has achieved in the past 6 months. Thank you and well done to Mr Bosch, Mr Warr and Mentors for a job well done. A special mention must also go to all the boys for their role in making the year a success. Strachan is in good hands and will go from strength to strength. I am excited to meet, assist and lead the house in 2022 and beyond.

Mr M Zuma

# OUR LEADERS FOR 2022



## Strachan House Prefects:



**ZZ Shongwe (House Captain)**



**SS Mbonambi**



**TL Zimu**

## Strachan House House Leaders:



**S Gibson**



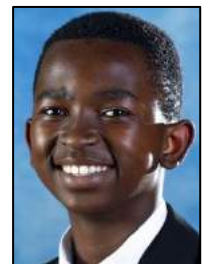
**N Mazibuko**



**D Naidoo**



**C van Rooyen**



**T Zuma**

# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR



Even though we were limited in terms of co-curricular activities, Strachan House never gave up and achieved outstanding cultural, sporting and academic performances when the opportunity arose. We celebrate another year of fine achievements and we fondly look back at times of character building. We wish our matric boys the very best as they leave College and venture to fulfil their adult responsibilities within the world.



# ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING



At our annual Prize Giving ceremony for 2021, our Strachan House boys did us very proud. Below is a list of all our prize winners this year:

## Merit Certificates:

S Naidoo, JC Steyn, BR Gademan  
ME Jewaskiewitz, LK Matshoge  
LA Myeza, C Robinson  
BL Zuma, NN Mazibuko  
N Moodley, TV Zuma



## Individual Cultural Trophies:

The Kean Hemingway Memorial Trophy for Emerging Leadership and Peer Fellowship:

**C. Robinson**



## Individual Sport Trophies:

- Arnold Moseya Trophy for Best Defensive Basketball Player:  
**SS Mbonambi**
- Oscar Servant Trophy for the Most Improved Basketball Player in the 1<sup>st</sup> Team:  
**ZZ Shongwe**
- Warren Shuttleworth Memorial Trophy for U15 Swimming Champion:  
**C Robinson**
- Jimmy Anderson Memorial Shield for U16 Swimming Champion:  
**RM Lottering**
- The Olivier Trophy for Sport and Culture:  
**SS Mbonambi**



## Academic Subject Prizes:

- Merit Certificate and the Prizes for Economic Management Sciences and Technology: **SJ Tredgold**
- Merit Certificate, the Prize for Afrikaans and the Prize for Second in 3<sup>rd</sup> Form: **RF Jacobsz**
- Merit Certificate and the Prize for Computer Applications Technology: **MI Todd**
- Merit Certificate and the Prize for Economics: **TL Zimu**

# ONE HOUSE LEADER PASSING ON WORDS OF WISDOM TO THE NEXT



Strachan house 2021, this year I was given the opportunity to captain the house. Our leaders had added responsibility, leading from the front, a challenge we looked forward too. We hand down the reins to those chosen for the job, we leave this amazing community we call Strachan with pride filled hearts.

I'd like to encourage you all to continue to value and support the arts, sports, music and education in our school and community. These are very special. It is something very personal to us all, while we all share at the same time. As I'm sure you've seen, we're all so closely knitted in everything we do. Sport and education can enhance and support all learning, something valued and cherished. With the support of our amazing teachers, tutors, parents, and the wider school community, we have built our foundation on top of something extraordinary. The quality of support provided to us in the house is a testament to countless hours of hard work, collaboration and inspiration. We should all be incredibly proud of what we've achieved.

Mentorship has been very positive, uplifting and has cemented itself at College. The house leaders of Strachan House, N Zondi, O Higgins, S Du Plessis and C Sims-Handcock showed strong leadership from the start and always made sure the boys were comfortable, expressing themselves openly. I'd like to encourage you to continue this effort into the foreseeable future.

In conclusion I'd like to congratulate ZZ Shongwe, SS Mbonambi, TL Zimu for being appointed as prefects for Strachan house. As a prefect from Strachan house, we are incredibly proud of you three and wish you the very best.

Ayakha Mthalande