

# NICHOLSON'S

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TERM 2 – JUNE 2024

# HOUSEMASTER'S REPORT

As term 2 draws to a close, I reflect on the house as a whole and how we have contributed to the success of Maritzburg College. The Nicholson House boys have achieved success in all aspects of this busy and productive term. The boys have excelled in their academic and extracurricular endeavours demonstrating grit, determination, and the resilience that Nicholson House is known for.

Term 2 is always the busiest and toughest term with winter sport taking centre stage. The demand of every boy is unwavering, and this is where we see the boy's strength of character come to the fore. The Red Bull contributed across a wide range of activities, from 1<sup>st</sup> team sport to various cultural activities as well as the unrecognised heroes of First Aid. We are extremely proud of the achievements every Nicholson boy attained during this busy time, including provincial hockey and rugby selection, playing in soccer finals and receiving highest of honours for music. The commitment and teamwork displayed by our Nicholson House boys has been truly inspiring. It would be remis of me not to mention how proud we are of Mr Tshabalala who finished another Comrades Marathon in sub 10 hours.

While term 2 is synonymous with winter sports commitments, it is also an academically critical time for all the boys with a gruelling exam schedule. The true test for all the boys is how well they can balance the rigors of the academic programme, while balancing all their extracurricular activities. The Nicholson House boys have shown remarkable diligence while striving for academic excellence.



The House Competition's leader board saw multiple changes, we have moved up and down but currently find ourselves in 5<sup>th</sup> position with only a handful of points difference. Term 2 draws to a close with Inter-House Hockey, Rugby and Soccer. I am positive that the Red Bulls will make us proud in all events. Looking forward to term 3, we will start off with House plays. I am sure the balanced nature of the house will highlight the immense talent of Nicholson's.

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to the boys and all the staff for their hard work and dedication throughout this term. It is through our collective efforts that Nicholson House continues to thrive.

I wish everyone participating in holiday sports tournaments and activities the best of luck. Safe travels, rest well. I look forward to welcoming you back, ready to tackle term 3 together.

Your Housemaster

Mr M Sanders



## **TERM 2 - ACHIEVEMENTS**

#### ACADEMICS - GOOD REPORT TEA



S Gumbi with Mr Sanders

#### CO-CURRICULAR, SPORT & MERIT AWARDS

MH Moosa provincial trials debating

S Gumbi provincial trials debating

O Mdekazi - Cultural merit

G Mnyaiza – significantly improved academics

R Raghu – significantly improved academics

L Cooke-Tonneson – exemplary behaviour

N Dlamini – Academic merit

R Fitz – Academic merit

N Folscher – Academic merit

J Gasarasi – cultural merit

N Machwane – significantly improved academics

Z Singh – Academic merit

D Naidoo – sport citation

S Gumbi – academic merit

P Shuttleworth – sport citation

S Bridglall – cultural merit

- S Nhlapo sport merit
- K Khawula behaviour
- M Myaka academic merit
- J Planateau de Marroussem
- C Cherayi Sport citation, Under 17 Craven week
- K Clements Sport citation
- C Ncwane academic merit
- L Fitz sport citation
- K Jenkins sport citation
- K Mngwengwe sport citation
- U Asmal academic merit
- N Curry Academic merit
- S Mayeni cultural merit
- R Singh Academic merit
- L Sithole Academic merit
- A Sibisi Academic merit
- T Naidoo Academic merit
- N Mathapershad academic merit
- Z Msane leadership merit
- B Pearson academic merit
- S Kapotwe academic merit

### **REUNION DAY 2024:**

The 18<sup>th</sup> of May gave hundreds of College boys a spectacular experience. For some it was an exclamation mark for five indelible years. For others it was the first spark of a fire that will turn into their love for Maritzburg College, a day when College boys, old and new, gather to show a pride and patriotism for their alma mater. Reunion Day!

Alumni from decades before graced our turf, showing that true camaraderie transcends generations. With emotions running high, memories being made and nostalgia meandering through the retraced footsteps, it was clear that College tradition and passion stays in the blood. Nicholson's own Sithole, Maphisa and Maartens contributed to the school-side wins, making me feel Nicholson and College proud.

#### J Gasarasi

# COMRADE'S MARATHON - 2024



Nicholson's very own Mr L Tshabalala after, yet another, successful run

# SEE YOU SOON - TERM 3: 9 JULY 2024



