



HUDSON HERALD

Term 4 2024

Dear Hudson House Community,

As 2024 draws to a close, we take a moment to reflect on what has been a truly remarkable year. From the bustling days of Term 1 to the achievements of Term 3, this year was filled with growth, camaraderie, and triumphs that embody the spirit of Hudson House.

Celebrating Achievements

Our boys have consistently pushed the boundaries of excellence, not only in academics but also on the sports field and beyond. Throughout the year, we saw Hudson House boys achieve provincial and national recognition in rugby, hockey, canoeing, and fly fishing. The leadership of our First Team captains and the Higher Honours awarded to exceptional students have been sources of immense pride for our house.

Academically, our top-performing boys were commended for their hard work and also encouraged to give back by mentoring their peers. This initiative fostered a spirit of mutual growth and support, emphasizing the importance of brotherhood that defines Hudson House.

Unforgettable Moments

The year began with a bang in Term 1, featuring the inaugural obstacle race, where our boys claimed bragging rights. The unveiling of the new Common Room set the tone for a year of progress and community building. Term 2 continued the momentum with the much-anticipated "Build a Burger" day and significant renovations, including transforming the dormitories into modern, shared living spaces that elevate our boarding experience.

Term 3 was marked by poignant farewells and new beginnings. We bid goodbye to Mr. Simon Brill, whose dedication left an indelible mark on Hudson House, while welcoming inspiring additions to our house culture, such as the breathtaking mural in Bester's Quad. This artwork serves as a daily reminder of perseverance, discipline, and the power of teamwork.

The formal events of the year, including the Vogue Ball and Hudson House Formal Dinner, were elegant showcases of our values and an opportunity to give back to the community through partnerships like Thandanani.

A Culture of Growth

At the heart of Hudson House lies our commitment to creating an environment where boys thrive. Discipline, respect, and accountability have been central themes throughout the year, ensuring every boy grows into a well-rounded individual. Prefects of 2024 exemplified these principles, demonstrating exceptional leadership and embodying the values we hold dear.

Renovations

As we enter the end of the year there is an exciting renovation taking place in Hudson House and we are sure the boys are as excited as we are about the new Common Room. The excitement is contagious, and we can't wait for all the dorms to be completed.

Here is a recap of what invasion happened this year already. A special thank you must go to Mr. & Mrs. Emerson for their drive and commitment towards Hudson House and to the Estate staff under the guidance of Mr. Hackland and Mrs. Elliott for always going the extra mile.

4th FORM DORM RENOVATIONS



Head of House for 2025 - Cyril Cherayi



Important information

Term 1 will start on Wednesday, 17 January 2024, all boarders are to return the day before, Tuesday **16 January 2024**. Hudson House will be open from 15:00. Please let me know should your son wish to return earlier.

- The first weekend back will be a closed weekend and we will have a full summer fixture vs Westville
- Boys must please return with the correct haircut, or they will be punished.
- Any communication regarding Hudson House boarders should be sent to recruitment@mcollege.co.za as this is the preferred channel of communication.
- Please make sure you read all the necessary communication from Mr. Emerson and myself to stay up to date with the latest news.

Regards
Wian du Plessis
Hudson Housemaster



The standard you walk past is the standard you become – Ben Ryan

