



Term 1 - 2025

HOUSEMASTER'S REPORT

As we come to the end of term 1, I'd like to thank the men of Barns house on their commitment and hard work this term. Upon reflection, term 1 is never an easy term... It is jam-packed with multiple interhouse events, heavy academic loads and intense common timetables. For some, it is their first time being at College, arriving bright-eyed and bushy-tailed, ready to start the next chapter of their schooling career; and for others, the final chapter, as they work to etch their names in the history books.

This year's batch of 2nd formers have impressed me! They have shown great potential to become successful in their various spheres. There are some seriously talented and intelligent individuals beginning to show their faces in Barns house. I commend a group of these youngsters on their impressive win in the U14 section of the interhouse swimming, where they completely dominated in the pool... Well done, Gents. I would also like to commend the rest of 2nd form on their patience and resolve during these first few months.

I believe that another contributing factor would be that our

House leaders have set a high standard that the young men of Barns can model themselves on. The impressive thing about this year's leaders is that they embrace the house credo of "Acta non Verba" (Actions not words), who lead by example and practice what they preach. They are respectful, understanding, selfdisciplined, and nurturing... qualities that we see less of these days. So, I would like to thank, not just the house leaders, but all of the older forms in Barns house and hope that they will continue to keep and molding supporting the generation of respectable and respectful Collegians.

To close off, I would like to thank everyone in Barns house for their hard work this term. Enjoy your well-earned holiday and get some rest. But when you return, be ready to grab the bull by the horns, because next term is not only Winter sports season, but also exam season, and boys are going to have to find the balance if they wish to succeed.

Have a wonderful holiday.

Mr Simon Brill Housemaster



INTERHOUSE EVENTS

Barns house started a bit shaky this year and has achieved a mixed bag of results in the interhouse events. However, it is not how you start, but how you finish, and I have faith that the boys will step up and work towards improving upon this terms results. The participation in house competitions has been good and I commend those who got stuck-in.

Well done, but there is definitely some room for improvement.

Virtus challenge:	6 th
Athletics:	6 th
Swimming:	6 th
House singing:	6 th
Basketball:	7 th
Borver Week:	6 th

"MEN OF CHARACTER. MEN OF VIRTUE. MEN, WORTHY OF RESPECT"











BARNS HOUSE AWARDS: TERM 1

M. Mphoyanga: *Merit Award*

Yashveer Singh: Merit Award, KicksART Prize for Creative Arts

John Sparrow: *Merit Award*

Yusuf Dhai: *Merit Award*

Evan Hunter-Smith Merit Award

Jatin Sewlall: *Merit Award*

Pablo Desebrook: Lapel Badge (Debating)

Dom Du Toit: Large White Badge (Cricket), Merit Award, Colours

(Academics)

Reece Wilson: Large White Badge (Cricket)

Scott Venniker: Large White Badge (Water Polo)

Ebenezer Mitewu: Colours and Scalf (Ensemble), Academic Tie

Siphosethu Khumalo: Honours (First Aid)

Lwandile Bhengu: *Merit Award, Colours (Academics)*

Christopher Mundell: *Merit Award, Prize for Accounting, 3rd in Form 5,*

Honours (Academics)

Luke Uhlmann: Prize for Maths Literacy

Nkhanyezi Thusi: Academic Tie



