

# CLARK HOUSE

## NEWSLETTER

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### STRAIGHT FROM THE HOUSEMASTER'S DESK

Dear Clark House Community

Our primary goal within Clark House remains steadfast: to develop young men in an environment that fosters purpose and personal growth. We uphold high standards and promote a culture of accountability, encouraging each boy to take responsibility for their actions and achievements.

This term has certainly presented its challenges. With many demands packed into a short space of time, both staff and boys needed to be at their very best to thrive in this dynamic environment. I am pleased to report that despite these pressures, the team rose to the occasion. Encouragingly, discipline issues are continuing to decline as the "Clark House way" becomes more widely understood and embraced by our boys. This positive cultural shift is a testament to the ongoing efforts both of staff and learners to create a respectful and purpose-driven house environment.

As we approach the close of the term, it is a valuable moment to reflect on all that has been achieved. Looking ahead to Term 3, we are excited about new opportunities that await. In particular, our outreach initiatives will take centre stage, with Clark House leading the way in serving those less fortunate. We firmly believe in the importance of service and in making a positive difference in the lives of others. We are eager to leave a lasting Clark House mark through these engagements in the weeks to come.

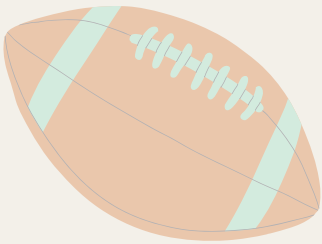


# PROVINCIAL REPRESENTATION

A huge congratulations to all our Clark House learners who have earned provincial selection in their respective sporting codes! Your hard work, dedication, and passion have truly paid off — and we could not be prouder.

To our parents — thank you for your unwavering support and encouragement behind the scenes. These achievements reflect not only individual effort, but also the strength of the entire Clark House family.

As you head into your National Weeks, we are all behind you! Seize every opportunity, soak up the experience, and wear your colours with pride. And as you shine on the national stage, remember to give thanks to all who have helped you on this journey — a grateful heart is a golden heart.



Enjoy this moment — you've earned it!



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# NEW MASTER STUDY



We are thrilled to unveil our newly renovated Masters' Study — a space designed with intention, heart, and purpose. This beautifully reimagined room has been created to inspire collaboration, foster relationships, and promote teamwork among our House staff.

Warm and welcoming, the space invites conversation, reflection, and planning — a true hub where ideas flow and connections are strengthened. It is not just a room; it is a space that encourages purposeful work as we guide and shape the young men in our care into men of substance.

We are truly grateful for this new environment that allows us to be at our very best — as leaders, mentors, and role models. We look forward to making the most of this special space, using it to deepen our relationships and enhance the work we do together in service of the boys of Clark House.

Here's to many productive hours ahead in our new Master Study!





# LIFE

## PROGRAMME

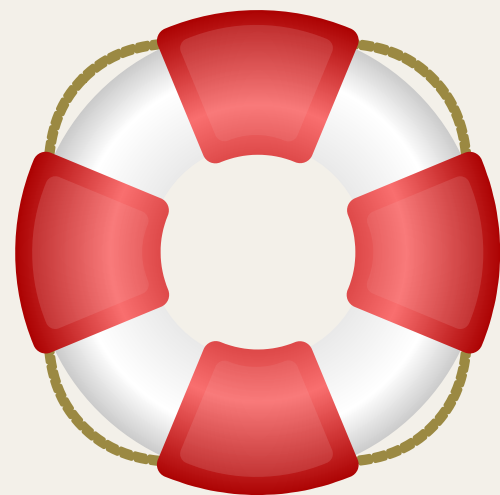
LEARN, INFORM, FUN & EQUIP



Our new LIFE Programme has officially kicked off – and what an evening it was! The initiative was introduced with the goal of teaching and equipping our boys with practical life skills that will not only serve them now, but also well into their futures. In an ever-changing world, we believe that learning beyond the classroom is essential, and this programme offers just that.

From dancing and cooking to changing a car wheel, lifesaving techniques, table etiquette, first aid, basic healthcare knowledge, and much more, the boys were exposed to a variety of valuable skills. The evening was filled with energy and enthusiasm, with the boys thoroughly enjoying each hands-on activity. We are committed to fostering well-rounded individuals in our boarding establishment, and initiatives like the LIFE Programme contribute meaningfully to this vision.

We look forward to hosting many more evenings like this as we continue to prepare our boys for life beyond school.



# JUNE EXAMINATIONS



## **All smiles as exams come to an end!**

Well done, boys — your time, effort, and commitment through this exam period have truly been commendable.

The long hours of preparation, the focus, and the determination you've shown will no doubt be rewarded. Exams are never easy, but they remind us of a valuable life lesson: hard work always pays off. Every page studied and every question tackled builds character and resilience — skills that serve far beyond the classroom.

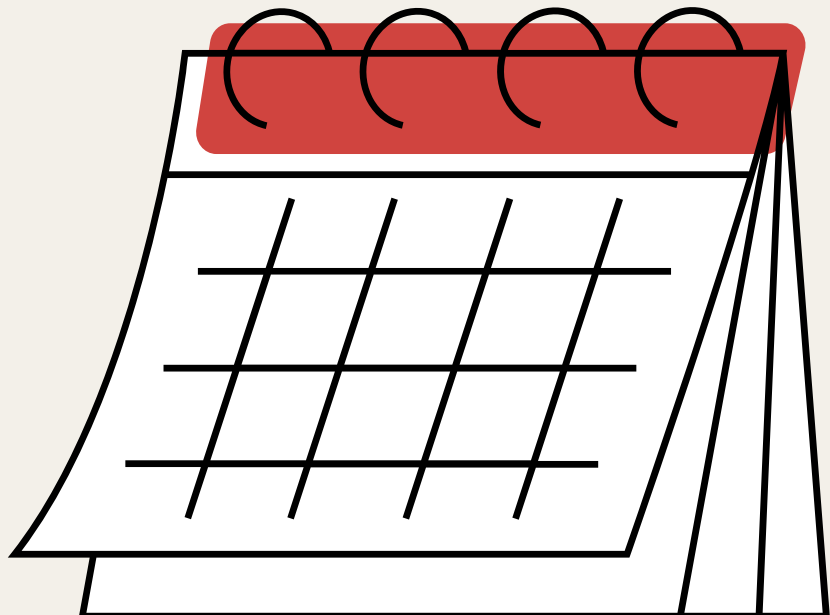
As you close this chapter, take pride in knowing that your dedication matters and that success follows effort. Now it's time to take a deep breath, smile, and enjoy a well-earned rest. You've earned it!



# LOOKING AHEAD AT **TERM 3**



- 21 July - Boarders return
- 22 July - Term 3 starts
- 24 July - CH BE Formal dinner
- 25 July - Affies exchange (AWAY)
- 29 July - 3<sup>rd</sup> Form parents evening
- 1 Aug - PBHS hosting
- 4 Aug - 5<sup>th</sup> Form parents evening
- 11 Aug - 4<sup>th</sup> Form parents evening
- 6 Sep - Family day (Compulsory attendance)
- 25 Sep - Sports & Culture Awards Ceremony
- 3 Oct - Term 3 ends



# **Wishing You a Wonderful School Holiday!**

As the term comes to a close, we would like to wish all our learners, their families, and friends a happy, safe, and restful holiday.

May this break be filled with laughter, quality time with loved ones, and well-deserved relaxation. Take the time to recharge, reflect, and enjoy the moments that matter most.

We look forward to welcoming you all back refreshed and ready for the new term ahead.

**“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.” — Matthew 11:28**

**A Prayer:**

*Heavenly Father, thank You for guiding us through this term. We pray for Your protection over our learners and their families during this holiday. May their days be filled with peace, joy, and restoration. Grant safe travels to all and bring us back together renewed and ready for the term ahead. In Jesus' name, Amen.*

**Safe travels and happy holidays!**