

# NICHOLSON'S



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# HOUSEMASTER'S REPORT

Term 3 kicked off with boys and staff welcoming Mr Alan Redfern as the new Headmaster of Maritzburg College. We wish him well and many years of success as he guides College to even greater heights.

As the term draws to a close, I reflect on how Nicholson's have contributed to the success of Maritzburg College. The Nicholson House has 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 for which Nicholson House is known.

The House leader board has seen multiple changes, both up and down. We currently find ourselves in 4<sup>th</sup> position with only a handful of points difference. Congratulations go to all our debaters who won both junior and senior interhouse debating. Thank you to everyone who has participated in and assisted with all house activities this term. True house spirit was shown in these events, with everyone stepping up to assist in any way they can.

Nicholson House is known for our strength in leadership from our boys. We continue to produce strong dynamic leaders. Congratulations go to Matthew Lock who has been selected as acting prefect, and to our six House Leaders for 2026. I wish them all strength and success in their roles at Maritzburg College and Nicholson House.

My heartfelt thanks go to the boys and Nicholson mentors for their on-going dedication throughout this term. It is through our collective efforts that Nicholson House continues to thrive. Many thanks to all our staff who have given of their time to attend camps and ensure our boys are well represented and cared for. Nicholson is fortunate to have staff of such high calibre.



To our 6<sup>th</sup> form boys, we all wish you all the best as your time at Maritzburg College draws to a close. Study hard and enjoy the last few months. Make memories that will last forever!

I look forward to welcoming everyone back safely in term 4. Our focus will shift toward finishing strong through the remainder of the summer sports season, and the final examinations. Heads down and finish strong!

#### Your Housemaster



Mr M Sanders

# TERM 3 - ACHIEVEMENTS

Nicholson's continued its prowess with numerous awards recognised this term.

#### SPORTS & CULTURE AWARDS - TERM 3

A Lewis - Academic Tie

C van Heerden - Colours & Scarf (Academics)

A Maluleke - Honours (Academics)

P Shuttleworth - Large White Badge (Volleyball)

#### **SPORTS & CULTURE AWARDS CEREMONY 2025**

Nicholson House - Bongani Khumalo Cup for basketball

DJ Cruikshank & PA Louwrens - Hayden St John Ward Memorial Trophy for Top Achievers in a non-Official School Sport (fly-fishing)

RH Potgieter – Tregarthen Memorial Cup for U14 Athletics Champion

L Bezuidenhout – John Geeki Cup for U15 Athletics Champion

NA Curry – Maritzburg College Trophy for Most Promising Canoeist

NP Koller - Sean Burgoyne Fellowship trophy for Water Polo

MR Lock - Oscar Servant Trophy for Most Committed Water Polo Player

D Naidoo - Maritzburg College Trophy for Most Valuable Volleyball Player

# **HOUSE LUNCH 2025**

The annual house lunch, held for 6<sup>th</sup> form, took place in term 3. House leader, J Odell spoke on behalf of the 6<sup>th</sup> form, expressing their appreciation of Nicholson House, the house master, assistant house master and mentors.



# **ACTING HOUSE LEADERS - 2026**

Nicholson house is proud to announce the following boys as acting house leaders for 2026.

Brendan Barnard Nathan Curry Lynton Fitz Likhona Kosani Masomusa Myaka Oliver Pritchard

#### **ACTING PREFECTS – 2026**

In the long standing tradition of Nicholson boys going on to become Maritzburg College leaders, 2025 sees M Lock elected as acting prefect and house leader.

#### GOOD REPORT TEA - TERM 3

S Gumbi, S Khumalo, S Khumalo did us proud on the academics front.

### **INTERHOUSE COMPETITIONS - TERM 3**

#### **HOUSE PLAYS 2025**

The boys took on pantomime-style acting this year in their performance of 'The Brave little Tailor'. Thanks go to director D Moodley and his cast.

#### **INTERHOUSE DEBATING 2025**

S Gumbi and J Padaychee ensured an all-round for Nicholson's in the interhouse debates. They won both junior ansd senior debates, both receiving best speaker recognition in addition to winning their debates, single-handledly.

Enjoy the holiday!

