



# Strachan House News



**Term 3 - 2025**

## **HOUSEMASTER'S REPORT**

Another exceptionally busy term has drawn to a close. Over the past weeks we have embarked on sports exchanges, hosted parent and subject information evenings, conducted leadership voting, and announced the Acting Prefects and House Leaders for 2026, all while beginning the Trial Examinations. As the term ended, our leadership camps took place alongside the start of work experience. Amid all this, regular day-to-day school life continued.

Our young Strachan House men embraced every opportunity with energy and determination, excelling across a wide range of activities, as highlighted in the pages that follow.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the outgoing House Leaders. Their dedication and efficiency have been invaluable to the smooth running of the House and the successful management of all Inter-House events.

We would also like to express our gratitude to our larger matric group. They have consistently shown themselves to be dependable and inspiring, setting a positive example for the younger members of the House. As they step away from the House system to concentrate on their NSC Final Examinations, they leave behind a lasting legacy of excellence and high standards, and their presence will be deeply missed.

We encourage all our boys to use the holiday wisely—balancing productive preparation with well-deserved rest—so they can return ready to tackle Term 4 and the approaching examinations. We hope they enjoy meaningful time with family and friends and come back refreshed and re-energised.

**Mr Warr and the Strachan House Team.**

# OUR HOUSE

This term saw the resumption of the House Competition with a variety of events including cross-country, debating, tennis, shooting, squash, table tennis and House plays.

The Strachan House men stepped up to the challenge and we had a surplus of volunteers come forward to offer their skills and talents.

We posted the following results:

Plays: 2<sup>nd</sup>

Squash: 2<sup>nd</sup>

Tennis: 9<sup>th</sup>

Debating: 2<sup>nd</sup>

Shooting: 2<sup>nd</sup>

Table tennis: 1<sup>st</sup>

Chess: 6<sup>th</sup>

Special mention must be made of our table tennis team, earning a well-deserved 1<sup>st</sup> place. Our Shooting team were laser focused and managed an excellent 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall. Our squash and debating teams, came an admirable 2<sup>nd</sup>. Under the guidance of **D Gademán**, the House Play cast excelled in an inventive retelling of Jack and the Beanstalk. Powered by an excellent performance from **D Berner**, we came in 2<sup>nd</sup> overall.

With only a handful of House points left up for grabs, we are sitting in 2<sup>nd</sup> position, just 4 points off 1<sup>st</sup> so the Championship Cup is still within our grasp!



The Strachan House play  
cast

# FROM THE BOYS

Term 3 saw a number of boys receive recognition for a variety of contributions to the life of College.

The start of the term saw a very pleasing number of boys attending a Good Report Tea for coming in the top ten of their respective grades at the end of Term 2.

**B Fourie** was selected to represent the KNZ schools team who will compete at Nationals during the upcoming holidays. In debating, the following boys were placed in the top 10 at the PMB Debating League finals: **N Luvuno, A Mhlanzi, A Ngcobo and D Gademan**. On the squash court, **V Premchund** was part of the College team who finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the country at the Top Schools tournament.



**B Fourie in action**



**ABOVE:**  
**V Premchund, 2<sup>nd</sup> from left with the MC squash team**

**BELOW:**  
**A Mhlanzi (centre) looking ready for a debate.**



We also saw a vast number of Strachan House men receive awards at the recently held Sports and Cultural Awards Ceremony, a highlight of which can be found below:

Conor Michael Larkin Memorial Plate for Most Improved Musician: **J Knock**

Graham Holder Trophy for Best Debater: **A Mhlanzi**

Greenhalgh Cup for Most Valuable Basketball Player: **NB Ngcobo**

Shrives Trophy for Most Committed Player in the 1<sup>st</sup> Hockey XI: **DC Jackson**

Ian Rogers Trophy for Most Competent Rugby Referee: **AD van Wyk**

Frank Lambert Cup for Best Overall Shottist: **N Naidoo**

MacLean Trophy for Best Shottist in the Standing Position: **N Naidoo**

Maritzburg College Trophy for Senior Table Tennis Champion: **TS Royappen**

We are incredibly proud of all these young men.



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The Third Term also saw the eagerly awaited voting and announcement of the various Leadership portfolios for 2026. After a rigorous and comprehensive voting process, both the Acting Prefects as well as Acting House Leaders were announced.

Strachan House Acting Prefects:

**M Askham**



**C Sweetnam**



Strachan House Acting House Leaders:

**D Gademan**



**H Hackland**



**A Hadebe**



**M Harris**



**E Mpapa**



**N Naidoo**



We are extremely proud of all of these boys and look forward to seeing their positive contributions over the course of the next year. With the 6<sup>th</sup> Form busy with their Trial Examinations, the Acting Prefects and House Leaders have already assumed duties in the school.