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WELCOME FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It is a pleasure for me to introduce the 2018 Bishops Magazine.

The magazine is a wonderful record of the many achievements and contributions made by all members of the Bishops community in providing the all-round education that is so central to our educational philosophy.

It has been an excellent year for the school and I congratulate everyone who has contributed to our success. I believe that in a boys' school it is important that the Matric group sets the tone and the rest will follow its example. The Matric class of 2018 can be well pleased with their efforts, superbly led by Head Boy, Tim Sharples, and his Deputies, Okuhle Minyi and Jeff Malherbe. The academic programme remains our key focus and our boys continue to produce outstanding results in the National Senior Certificate exams as well as in various expos and olympiads. While the majority of our boys attend our local universities, particularly UCT and Stellenbosch, it is encouraging that up to 10% are successful in their applications to top universities in the US and UK. This affirms the high academic standards and expectations set by our excellent teachers and the good work ethic of our boys.

The magazine highlights the tremendous variety of opportunities available to the boys in the cultural programme, on the sports fields, in community

partnership, leadership, the Exchange Programme and the Epic, international tours and so much more.

This year we had a major focus on the 'Future Fitting of Bishops for a Sustainable Future'. This involves financial, environmental and social sustainability, and we have made great strides in setting the foundations that will take the school forward. At the start of the third term, the academic staff, together with representatives from the admin and support staff and some parents and boys, participated in a two-day conference facilitated by the Cambridge Institute for Leadership Sustainability. This was a very worthwhile conference and will contribute towards informing the way forward as we address these critical issues that are fundamental to our future. It is critically important that Bishops is a welcoming environment for all, irrespective of race, religion, gender or sexual persuasion.

The chapels remain central to the ethos of Bishops and I am very grateful to Father Bob Commin who has been our interim chaplain this year. I would like to thank all of those who have contributed to our successes this year. The saying, 'it takes a village to raise a [boy]' is very true of the Bishops community.

Guy Pearson



ABOVE: Guy Pearson

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COUNCIL NEWS

RIGHT:
Simon Peile

Role and constitution

The College Council is the governing body for the Bishops Pre-Prep School, the Prep School and the College. The reference to 'College' in the name of the governing body refers to the whole school's historic name, the Diocesan College.

The Council comprises 12 men and women and is constituted by an Act of Parliament, No 11 of 1891, as amended in 1942. In terms of that Act, the school is also incorporated as an Anglican Church school. The Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town is known as the Visitor to the school and is entitled to attend and vote at all meetings of Council.

The role of Council is effectively to act as a board of directors for the school. The Council is responsible

for the overall wellbeing of the school and involves itself with every aspect, especially to the extent that such matters involve the strategy, structure, direction, finances, policies and pace. It has complete oversight over all financial matters and all aspects of the school relating inter alia to the overall operation of the school, the investments of the school, the risks that the school is exposed to, diversity at the school, the use of technology, the development of land and buildings, the excellence of facilities and the recruitment and retention of the best teachers, coaches and support staff.

While the Council manages the school like a business, we do not manage it as a business.

Council is responsible for the approval of the operating budgets for the school each year and for the funding of and allocations to capital projects, such as new buildings, science laboratories, libraries, sports facilities, and so on. Operationally, the school budgets to break even or make a small surplus each year.

Council sets the fees for the school and determines the staff salary increases each year.

By far the biggest responsibility of Council is that of finding, recruiting and retaining a new principal for Bishops from time to time. That process was last undertaken in 2011 when Guy Pearson was selected to be the new principal of Bishops with effect from January 2013. The Principal of the school reports to the Council.

Council does not involve itself at all in the normal operational aspects of the school, nor does it interfere in any way in the day-to-day management of the school. That is the domain of the Principal, Guy Pearson, and his team. Guy also has oversight and responsibility for the Pre-Prep and Prep schools. The Pre-Prep and the Prep schools are extremely well run on a day-to-day basis under the leadership of Sharlene Groom and Greg Brown. With a couple of exceptions, all staff appointments within the school are the responsibility of the Principal and his Executive.

Members of Council serve voluntarily and give freely of their time, effort and experience. Accordingly, they receive no remuneration, compensation or reimbursement of any kind for their contribution to the school as members of Council.

The year in review

Bishops is extremely fortunate to have men and women of a very high calibre, with great experience and from a diversity of backgrounds, serving Bishops on Council and its committees.

The 12 members of Council, the trustees of The Bishops Trust and the members of our four subcommittees continued to work behind the scenes



again this year, for the benefit of the school. I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to each of them for volunteering so much time, knowledge and experience to Bishops.

During this year we welcomed three new members onto the College Council, all parents of boys at Bishops. In January we welcomed Mr Mothobi Seseli, a successful entrepreneur in the financial services industry. Mr Greg Deans and Mr Graham Molyneux both came on board in May. Greg joined as Chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee and Graham stepped into the role of Chairman of the Finance and Risk Committee when Mr Andrew Selby emigrated. All three bring tremendous expertise to Council.

OD Union

The Council does not involve itself in operational matters relating to Bishops old boys or to the OD Union, other than to the extent that the reputation of the school might be affected or to the extent that old boys engage directly with the school. Council, the school and I enjoy an exceptionally strong and collaborative relationship with the leadership of the OD Union.

We currently have about 7800 ODs and about 2750 members of the Bishops Society, which comprises parents and past parents at Bishops as well as individuals who have played significant roles in the life of Bishops in the past. The activities of the Bishops Society are coordinated by Dr Paul Murray.

Subcommittees and The Bishops Trust

Council has the following four subcommittees:

Finance Committee – chaired by Mr Graham Molyneux
Remuneration and Nominations Committee – chaired by the Chairman of Council
Building and Grounds Committee – chaired by Mr Greg Deans
Investment Committee – chaired by Professor Geoff Everingham

Membership of the various committees is made up of Council members, independent experts in the relevant area of focus for the committee, ODs, parents and members of staff.

All subcommittees make recommendations to Council for its consideration. The Chairman of Council is ex officio a member of all subcommittees of Council.

Council is also responsible for the efficient functioning of The Bishops Trust.

The Principal and I also meet with the Archbishop occasionally, although we will speak to each other more frequently when urgent matters arise.

Elections to Council

In terms of the Act constituting the Diocesan College, the Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town and the Council each elect six members of Council. In practice these days, Council and the Archbishop discuss and agree on all elections to Council.

Members of Council are elected for an initial term in office of five years and this term may be extended at Council's discretion for a further five-year term.

Council meetings

Council meetings are held at least quarterly and are attended by the 12 members of Council. The chairs of the Prep and College Parents' Associations and the Chairman of the OD Union attend Council meetings as observers. The Principal, the Deputy Principal, the Headmaster of the Prep School (who also represents the Pre-Prep School) and the School Business Manager also attend Council meetings.

In terms of the Act, decisions are to be taken by members of Council only, but in practice all attendees at Council meetings take part in discussions and decision-making. Almost every decision of Council is unanimous.

ODs and Parents at Council meetings

There are currently five ODs and 11 parents or past parents of Bishops boys attending Council meetings.

Chairman and Principal

In my role as Chairman of Council, I normally meet with the Principal once a week for an hour or two. Additionally, Guy Pearson and I often discuss matters as they arise on a daily basis and sometimes we talk several times a day.

It is said that the Chairman of Council of a school serves as the closest confidant of the Principal as well as being his harshest critic in private. The relationship between a chairman and a principal is critical to the running of any successful school. There needs to be a high level of trust and frankness in the relationship and I am happy to say that I have really enjoyed the quality of the relationship that Guy and I have had during my first year as Chairman of Council.

I am always impressed with the calm approach that Guy takes to the many varied and complex matters that he has to deal with every day and his determination always to focus on what is in the best interest of our learners. I would like to thank him for his excellent leadership of Bishops over this past year.

He is also very fortunate to have Mareé by his side and we thank her too, for all her love and support for Guy and for Bishops.

The Bishops Trust

The Bishops Trust is the body that has from time to time raised major funds for Bishops and is currently leading the Bishops 175 Campaign under the chair of Samantha Petersen.

The Bishops Trust has set ambitious fundraising targets in what are difficult financial times. The Bishops Trust has raised just over R50 million towards the 175 Campaign. There remains much work to be done to

reach our goal of R175 million and build the facilities that the school so badly needs, including more staff housing.

In December we will start the long-overdue, complete revamp of the Prep library. We also need to continue to improve and rebuild other existing facilities, fund scholarships and bursaries and build a decent-sized endowment fund of which we can be proud.

Succession

One of the most important roles of the Chairman of Council and my fellow Council members is to manage the succession process to select and appoint a new principal when a vacancy arises. Guy Pearson gave Council extensive notice of his decision to retire at the end of 2019. The process to find the next principal of Bishops is well underway. I appointed a selection committee of excellent individuals with extensive experience in the education sector, which is also representative of the wide diversity within the Bishops community, to assist me in this process. We are working with a global search agency with considerable experience in the education sector. The position was advertised globally, and Council hopes to be able to announce the successful candidate by Easter of 2019.

It has been a privilege for me to serve Bishops this year and I would like to extend my gratitude to all the members of the Bishops community who have shown me support.

Simon Peile

THE BISHOPS TRUST



The Prep Library and Learning Centre

2018 has been a significant, ground-breaking year for The Bishops Trust. The fundraising thermometer is nearly tipping R50 million. The Hamilton Mvelase Bursary Fund is currently supporting nine students by way of fees, and the countdown has begun for our first capital project which is due to begin in December.

Bishops has recently embarked on a 'future-fitting' sustainability exercise that highlights the notion that our core role in education is evolving. Factual knowledge is available at the touch of a button and our boys require preparation for an entirely different world, one where entrepreneurial skills



and critical thinking paired with ethical character will supersede learned knowledge in the job market. Early preparation is critical and Bishops Prep must create a foundation for modern education.

If we believe that our boys need to develop multiple ways of learning, then we must provide them with the spaces that support multiple strategies of teaching. It is therefore critical to launch this capital campaign with the Prep Library and Learning Centre.

The Prep Library and Learning Centre will be a modern, progressive resource centre that:

- encourages focused learning
- offers a space that is mobile, flexible, varied and connected
- can be adapted to accommodate innovative learning approaches and technologies
- provides an ergonomic learning environment with ideal light and acoustics
- supports opportunities for students to learn independently and in small or large groups, which will offer variable levels of independent and interactive participation



- will facilitate the four critical 21st-century skills of communication, creativity, collaboration and critical thinking.

The bookshelves will be mobile and adaptable depending on needs and space requirements. There will be reading corners, window seats and a reading garden will be incorporated to ensure comfortable and beautiful spaces where our young boys can continue to foster a love for reading and research. With the boys now using iPads, this resource centre will also incorporate class learning spaces and functionality. The forecast cost of this project is R11.5 million. This includes furnishings and adaptations to classrooms, which will have to be moved in terms of spatial planning. At the time of going to print, R8.8 million has already been donated to this project. Recognition for donations will be awarded in accordance with the 175 Campaign guidelines.

'Make no little plans. They have no magic to stir men's blood and probably themselves will not be realized. Make big plans; aim high in hope and work, remembering that a noble, logical diagram once

recorded will never die, but long after we are gone will be a living thing, asserting itself with ever-growing insistency.' *Daniel Burnham* (American architect and urban designer)

Upcoming project in 2019 - The Multifunctional Centre

The Mallett Centre, currently used as an indoor sports venue and home to the gym, is the only space big enough to accommodate large gatherings. This venue is in urgent need of an upgrade in its appearance and functionality, and the vision is to create a multifunctional centre positioned near the Riverton Road entrance.

- This multifunctional sports centre will accommodate basketball, squash, indoor hockey, fencing, climbing, change rooms and a dedicated gym.
- The gym will be built to function independently of the sports hall so that access to the gym will not be restricted when the sports centre is in use.
- This centre will also function as an events venue and will be large enough to house parents and pupils together and will be the planned venue for major school events such as the annual Prize-Giving, Valedictory and Matric Dances.
- The new centre will be built around the existing tennis courts with a pavilion to accommodate courtside tennis requirements.
- Erecting this building will require the demolition of the existing Mallett Centre, which will then create space for additional classrooms. The name 'Mallett Centre' is planned to be used for one of the new buildings to be built as part of this new fundraising initiative.



Bursaries

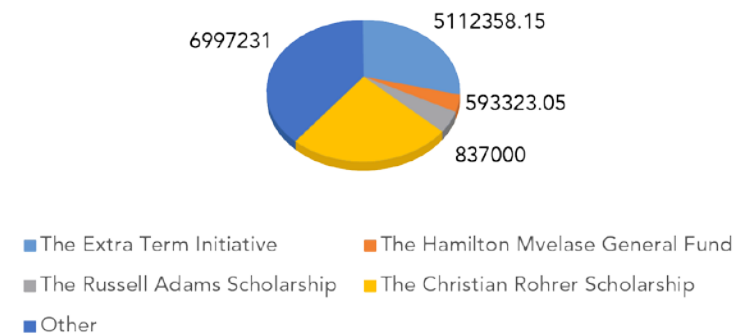
Generosity and altruism are common characteristics within the Bishops community and The Bishops Trust Bursary Programmes have been well supported. We are grateful for each and every contribution.

The programmes you have supported so generously have an enormous impact on the recipients. Several OD and parent groups have initiated additional

scholarships. Through these philanthropic initiatives we can cast a wider net and offer a Bishops education to talented boys who could otherwise not afford the opportunity, as well as allow boys to remain in the event of a change in their family circumstances.



Bishops Trust Bursaries



The Bishops Trust is a registered PBO. Donations qualify for a Section 18A receipt.

Please contact Nikki Matthews at the Bishops Trust Office to discuss the many ways in which you may want to be involved.

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- B Alheit
- Anonymous
- Willy and Tania Simpson
- Andries and Elise Malherbe
- Gavin Michael Betty
- Tim Loughton
- Peter Vagn-Jensen
- Liliane Limimenyande
- Andrzej Ogonowski
- Robert Kirkland
- Dean Coles
- Parents of the Class of 2017
- David Collins – Dune Engineering
- Mike Kirsten – Edge Capital (Pty) Ltd
- Colin Douglas
- Jason Ormrod
- De Villiers Graaff
- Hugh Hacking
- Bradley and Louise Haller
- Katherine Heath
- James Henry
- Hamish and Zanne Horrell
- David and Lynda Hyneke
- Sandra Jenman

- Cherise Khoury
- Joe Lanning
- Joseph Lappin
- Greg Love
- Lorraine Martin
- Harry and Natasha Moolman
- Anita Nicolopulos
- Jessica Opie
- Miles Osler
- Rohit Patel
- Enslin Perold
- Anna and Matthew Pfaff
- Helene Planting
- Brendan Prestage
- Felix Ratheb
- Jenna Robbertse
- George van Niekerk
- Elmien de Kock
- Louis Stassen
- Stefan and Wendy Rohrer
- Karen Newman
- Neil Warren
- Rod Lowe
- Cheryl Macdonald
- Lyndon and Sally Burt
- Anne Diggie
- Rob and Debbie Coombe
- Anonymous
- Karen Lupini
- Mark Alexander
- Beth Barty
- Kevin Aron
- Za Halle
- Lisa Comitis
- Toni Bowker
- Grant Nelson
- Helena Janisch
- Anonymous
- David Carter

- Dr Sydney Cullis
- Ian Farlam
- Peter Farlam
- Anonymous
- Robert Wilkinson
- Nick Dempsey
- Paul Huish
- Clyde Rossouw
- Sonja Sanders
- Niki Savva
- Felix Scheder-Bieschin
- Linsey Schluter
- Andrew Shultz
- Dominic Sides
- Jack Stewart
- Willem Taylor
- Sunil Thakersee
- Samantha Petersen (The Letchme Trust)
- Anthony Thunstrom
- Leon Traut
- Jan van den Heever
- Rob and Therea Velosa
- Shelley Viljoen
- Ania von Bormann
- Jacqui Warner
- Nicky Webb
- Paul Weich
- Thomas Welsh
- Andrew Whitelaw
- Tristyn Wilson
- Clyde and Linley Rossouw
- Archie Bell
- Anonymous
- Richard and Gwenthwyfar Burton
- Kathy Leslie
- Michael Burton
- Blair Phelan

- Matthew Norton
- Dylan Evans
- Dayaan Cassiem
- Ghaalieb Kenny
- Anonymous
- Robert Jack
- Joseph Hughes
- Ayden Labuschagne
- Robert Moubray
- Anonymous
- Justice Craig Howie
- Lawson Howes
- Dr Philip Hazel
- Adam Pike
- Scott McLean
- Josephine Fisher
- Dane Stirrat
- Anonymous
- Timothy Counsell
- Nicholas Dalling
- Ebrahim Levy
- Tanyana Robb-Quinlan
- Ramsay James
- Genevieve Le Cordeur
- Lance and Marileen Harrod
- Rene Barry
- Sandra Hunt
- Anonymous
- Anonymous
- Robby Brink
- Anonymous
- Ezinzile Trust
- Karen Els
- Tom Breslin
- Nicky Bicket
- Graham Thomas
- Niall Caroll
- EB Shelf Investment Number Seventy One (Pty) Ltd

SUSTAINABILITY

RIGHT:
The UN's Sustainable
Development Goals,
signed by 193 countries



smaller annual goals that help the school move towards achieving overall objectives and principles.

Since the co-development in 2017 of the Bishops 'Future-fitting' policy (see <https://college.bishops.org.za/FutureFitting/>) by an ad-hoc working group committee, which was made up of a diverse set of school stakeholders, the next phase in putting Bishops on the roadmap towards a sustainable and just future was to get approval by the Executive and begin the education, broader dissemination, evaluation and implementation of the plan. From the outset the policy document is meant to be a living and reflexive roadmap that constantly needs to undergo review and scrutiny, providing an overall long-term 2030 objective, keeping in line with the 2030 Agenda of the UN in the form of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), while also providing

The Bishops Executive approved the 'Future-fitting' policy and so the work of a more formalised sustainability committee began, a committee made up of parents, boys, staff members and Exec members, and facilitated by sustainability co-ordinators Cheryl Douglas and Gerry Noel. Due to the water crisis, massive gains were quickly made by Operations in ensuring that Bishops developed a sustainable water-management infrastructure. The campus is now almost entirely off-grid in terms of municipal water supply while still maintaining a holistic and integrated management system that ensures aquifer monitoring and recharge. Behavioural changes to water consumption were also made by both boys and staff, which further helped Bishops in reframing a new understanding of water being a precious, and limited resource. Lest we forget, 'Day Zero will remain a threat in years to come due to the effects of climate change.'

All eyes were also set on a whole-school two-day Sustainability Conference that was held on the Bishops

campus during the July holidays. This conference was facilitated by the University of Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership (CISL). World-class speakers and facilitators helped guide and support staff and boys, over a short period of time, through the complexities of sustainability and the role that Bishops needs to take on both a global and local scale. The question remained: how do we future-fit Bishops for a world of environmental, economic and social uncertainty? A future where we thrive as an institution of excellence not elitism and diversity not homogeneity, contextual to South Africa while still being a global influencer. There were three main outcomes from this conference that are going to need all hands on deck for many years to come:

1. The need to integrate a more comprehensive social sustainability agenda into the future-fitting roadmap that deals with making Bishops a more inclusive and welcoming place to be, no matter

one's race, gender, sexual persuasion and religious or cultural background. Work on co-developing this has already begun and will be a big part of 2019 and beyond.

2. Improve integrated communication throughout the school, as Bishops does so much already that is not known to its own constituency.
3. Consolidate the roadmap for future-fitting Bishops and see strong leadership being practised throughout the school.

Much work is still needed and it is only going to be made more difficult in the absence of Cheryl Douglas, who leaves the school on early retirement next year. Cheryl has been a part of educating on sustainability for more than 10 years and her energy, enthusiasm and incredible intellect will be sorely missed.

Gerry Noel

COLLEGE



STAFF NEWS

We welcomed the following new staff members:

Marvin Bester (Life Sciences), Chris Ekron (Life Orientation) and Nadia Snyman (Afrikaans). In addition, it was wonderful to welcome the Reverend Bob Commin as our interim chaplain. Bob was a chaplain at Bishops from 1975 to 1980. We also welcomed our new deputy head of Academics, Michelle van Schalkwyk, who joined us from Herschel where she has played a significant leadership role as head of Mathematics, and deputy head of both Pastoral Care and Academics.

Gavin Maasch (English), Ninga Mohlabe (Maths) and Thandeka Tshabalala (Maths) were selected for the Bishops Intern Programme. Kyle Bowman (Founders), Edward Bester (School), Aphiwe Qaba (School), Lihleli Xoli (School), Matthew Shone (White) and Lwandile Msutu (White) joined the boarding Houses as stooges.

The following staff members were promoted: Ronald Jacobs to House Director, Ogilvie; Ruan Ellis to Assistant House Director, Birt.

Verna Leverzencie joined the BSU in the position of Administrator and Learner Support, Alex Riley joined the ICT Department as a Support Technician, Basil Mondzinger joined the maintenance team and Mark Sickie joined as a school driver.

Rhoda Manie's granddaughter, Maya Horne, was born on 18 July, sharing a birthday with Madiba who would have been 100 years old on that day. Rhoda says that she hopes Maya will share some of his ideals. Already little Maya is sweet, but feisty, says grandma. Her name means 'gracious character' in old Persian, 'courage' in Maori and 'princess' in Arabic. A new grandchild, Florence Luna, was born on 27 July (Red Moon), to Bill and Yvonne Bulgen. Cheryl Douglas welcomed her first grandson, William Sholto Douglas, who was born in America to Matt (OD) and Meaghan. Lerato Motlanke, Founders dorm staff member, welcomed a baby girl, Othandwayo Mahaliah Boitumelo.

Congratulations to Graham and Brigitte Robertson on the marriage of their daughter Jenny to Jason Schnell on 6 January. Neil Robertson (Gray 2012) flew out from America, where he is doing his Masters in flute performance at the University of Michigan, and played the organ at the service. The couple has settled in Rustenburg. Kyle Richter (2013), son of Warwick and Stephany, married his Canadian sweetheart, Alisha Kuchelyma, in Banff, Alberta, in early April. They are currently teaching English in Utsunomiya, which is

an hour's train ride to the north of Tokyo. Fiona and Pavo Viotti were married in Plettenberg Bay on 22 September. After meeting in Vail, Colorado, in 2008 and spending time together travelling in South East Asia, backpacking through South America and living and working in Cape Town, Gerry Noel and Megan Schumann were married over New Year at a three-day festival wedding in the Cederberg. They have become the... Schnoels!

Yvonne Bulgen's husband, Bill, retired Bishops Estate Manager, was recently awarded a Gold Level for his handmade eco surfboards, Woodpecker Natural Surfboards. The certification is awarded by Sustainable.Org for 100% organic and sustainable surfboards. This is a first in Africa and Bill is one of only five surfboard shapers internationally who have received the Gold Level Award.

Cara Cato's son, Kyle, earned his Cadet wings at Ysterplaat, having completed the Advanced Aero Tech Cadet Programme with the South African Airforce. Chaplain Commin represented South Africa in a Grand Masters Hockey Tournament in Barcelona.

Our head of Life Sciences, Olga Peel, was the recipient of the Kader Asmal Excellence Award in the Western Cape for her voluntary services as director of the Cape Town Expo for Young Scientists. She was nominated for the National Award.

Willem Steyn completed his maiden Comrades Marathon in a time of 11 hours and 24 minutes.

Rosemary Wilke was in the chorus of the Gilbert & Sullivan opera, *Ruddigore*, at the Artscape. The production received rave reviews. She was also elected to the position of the SWR ISMA Chairperson, and ISMA National Chairperson.

After a lean and barren period, the academic staff of the College staged a major theatrical production directed by maestro Wayne Tucker. The chosen play, *Noises Off* by Michael Frayn, is a classic farce that rattles along at a furious pace, featuring all of the slamming doors and wardrobe malfunctions associated with the genre! The success of the production lay in the collaboration between academic, support and maintenance staff, ODs and honorary ODs, who worked tirelessly, juggling very busy school and life commitments with an equally busy rehearsal and set-building schedule. Many hours of overtime went into the wonderful piece, as well as a fair amount of blood, sweat and tears! Those involved were Rosemary Wilke, Warwick Richter, Nadia Snyman, Gerry Noel, Caroline Bester, Burgert Maree, Jacky Withers, Sharief Petersen, Michael Withers, Wesley Cupido, Andreas Mhlebi, John Goliath, Wellington Kundhlande, Cedric Opperman, Basil Mondzinger, Lennox Peterson, Rhoda Manie and Trevor Pasquallie.

At the end of the year we bade farewell to Paul Murray (28 years), Michael Withers (27 years) and Cheryl Douglas (23 years). We also said farewell to our interns, Monique Nyback, Kirsten Ehlers, Ninga Mohlabe, Gavin Maasch, Sam Majaca and Yanga Guwa, and our interim chaplain, Reverend Bob Commin. Anthony Fortuin, our network manager, retired after 19 years. Faldelah Majiet, one of the longest-serving Bishops cleaners, left due to ill health also after 19 years. Hilton Brink, who taught all the Bishops drivers how to reverse park with a trailer, retired with an impeccable track record after 10 years.

Our beloved Tony Noon, who had been at Bishops for 21 years, became ill towards the end of the year and was unable to continue working. Tony was so much more than a driver – he was a role model and mentor to many staff and was respected by all the boys.

Sadly, with the Prep Boarding closing at the end of the year, the position of House Mother of the Prep became redundant and we had to say farewell to Erica Leppan.

Graeme Klerck and Wayne Tucker completed their extremely successful tenures as House Director of Kidd House, and head of English respectively.

BELOW:

Graham Robertson, Jenny Schnell, Jason Schnell, Brigitte Robertson and Neil Robertson

RIGHT:

Maya Horne; Fiona and Pavo Viotti;
Gerry and Megan Noel;
Kyle and Alisha Richter



Long Service

The following academic staff members were awarded their long-service certificates – an impressive 120 years in total:

5 years	
Stephen Mendes	Prep
Sharlene Groom	Pre-Prep

10 years	
Jenny Campbell	College
Rhoda Manie	College
Penny Graney	Prep
Chris Groom	Prep

15 years	
John Knight	College

20 years	
John Lanser	College

35 years	
Peter Hyslop	College

The annual support staff long-service awards were held on 8 November, celebrating an impressive 255 years of service in total.

5 years	
Mhlonitshwa (Wilson)	White dorm staff
Mkhwanazi	
Quinton Low-Shang	Central kitchen
Jonathan Holtmann	Building Manager
Patricia Levendal	Founders dorm staff
Erica Leppan	Prep House
	Mother
Nwabisa Simelela	Central kitchen

Sean King	Business Manager
Sally Borchert	Relief nursing sister
Lorraine Chateau	Founders House Mother
Donovan Murray	Grounds/Functions Manager

10 years	
Mabel Andrews	Founders dorm staff
Ziyaad Fataar	IT Technical Manager
Trevor Kolbe	Electrician
Linda Koegelenberg	School House Mother
Clarissa Pieters	Baking kitchen
Alison Cunold	PA, Prep Headmaster

15 years	
Diane Murray	HR Manager

25 years	
Elizabeth Snyders	Pre-Prep Teacher Assistant
Felicity Clemence	Admissions Secretary
Litha Mhlebi	Maintenance
Alfred Blom	Cleaning

30 years	
Maria Tieties	Prep Cleaning Supervisor

RIGHT:
Veronica Ngxono, Bernadette Mitchells, Gertruida Phillips;
Olga Peel; Tony Noon and Sebastian Stemmett





STAFF FAREWELLS

Paul Murray

Dr Paul Murray was appointed to the Bishops staff as a history teacher in 1991 by then principal John Gardener. The rest, as they say, is history! Dr Murray has become one of the most loved and respected teachers of his time at Bishops. He has served the school with wholehearted passion and commitment for 28 years. I do not think there is anyone living (save the aforementioned Mr Gardener) who knows more about Bishops and its history than Paul Murray.

His contribution speaks for itself: head of History for 26 years; teacher-in-charge of the Bishops Society, Past Parents' Society, and the Lingua Franca and Forum societies; founder and teacher-in-charge of the Historical Bench; and honorary secretary of the Bishops Rhodes Scholarship and Mary Gray Scholarship.

He served as a chief marker, examiner and moderator for the National Senior Certificate (NSC). He coached rugby, tennis and squash, started the Bishops Marketing Department, and authored *A Brush with Bishops*, which was illustrated by Richie Ryall. He

was the school archivist and tour guide for every OD Reunion. He was House Director of Birt House and a tutor in Founders House for many years.

Paul Murray is the quintessential schoolmaster and like all great teachers of this kind has been known for his eccentricities. From his strange diets and dress sense to various fitness regimes, he has kept us entertained.

He obtained his MA Degree cum laude from Stellenbosch University in 2002 and the degree of Doctor of Philosophy of History from the University of Pretoria in 2013. But, most importantly, Paul Murray will be remembered as a master history teacher, a true inspiration to the thousands of boys he has taught and the teachers he has mentored. During a time when the numbers of history students are dwindling at most schools, the opposite applies at Bishops – it is the most popular of the choice subjects, a testimony to Paul's incredible passion and leadership of the History department.

Two members of the department describe Paul's influence as follows:

Paul has been an absolute inspiration to us; he has not only guided us in our teaching, but also given us the leeway to explore our own methods of teaching history. I can honestly say that he has never once failed to respond to a query, or been too busy to assist us with any aspect of our jobs – you can literally message Paul at any time of the day. The success of this subject is testament to his leadership, his attention to detail and, particularly, his ability to get the best out of the diverse group of teachers in his department.

He is an extraordinarily knowledgeable man, able to talk coherently on any topic of discussion, while never giving the impression that he is lecturing you – a rarity among us teachers.

Paul is held in such high esteem by his pupils – I believe that this comes from his willingness to respect each student that he teaches, and to recognise their potential. He doesn't see them as mere 15-year-olds, he sees them as who they may one day be. It is through this approach that he has empowered generations of young men to believe in themselves, an achievement that all teachers should strive for.

I walked past a Grade 10 boy recounting to a friend the two-hour lecture on the history of the Cederberg he had just listened to. He said: 'I swear, either Dr Murray knows everything about everything or he makes it all up.' I know for sure that it is the former, a more knowledgeable man I have yet to meet.

Paul not only has a great love for the Memorial Chapel and its history, but has also been faithful in his service and testimony to God. He has been a regular preacher and leader in the serving of the sacraments at Eucharist services.

Fortunately, Paul is not completely lost to Bishops and will continue to fulfil the role of school archivist from next year. We honour and thank Dr Murray for his incredible contribution to Bishops.

Guy Pearson

Michael Withers

Michael Withers retires at the end of the year after 27 years of service to Bishops. He was employed in 1992 on a part-time basis and was appointed full time in 1993 as the head of Business Economics. During his tenure, he has taught A level and first year UNISA Business Studies, Accounting and Economics as part of the Post Matric course and was a founder member of the current Economics department in 2005.

Michael has been involved in an enormous range of activities outside of the classroom. He was Assistant Director in Kidd House for eight years before moving across to Ogilvie as a tutor; was the teacher-in-charge of tennis for many years and has managed multiple hockey sides; ran the Scuba-diving Society, the Bishops Business Society and managed the Entrepreneurial Programme for Matrics; he has acted in a number of both school and staff productions, including the roles of Vince Fontaine in *Grease* and Selsdon Mowbray in *Noises Off*, and has hiked every year in the Cederberg as part of either the Adventure Course or the Bishops Epic, missing just one Orange River trip.

Michael will be sorely missed for his wonderful sense of humour, his generous friendship and collegiality, quirky exam papers and tests, his proofreading skills, his beautifully written subject and tutor comments and his immense organisation and efficiency.

While we say goodbye to him as a colleague, we look forward to seeing him around the school for the next few years as both husband to Jacky and father to Tom.

Sean Henchie

Cheryl Douglas

Cheryl Douglas joined the Bishops staff as a Life Sciences teacher in 1996. Over the next 23 years she has had a major influence on the school. She has been an innovative and dynamic teacher in the classroom, always looking at her own work critically and able to make useful suggestions to boys about their learning. Her ex-pupils return regularly to tell her what they have achieved and many of them have gone into Life Sciences-related careers, mostly because of her ability to teach and inspire them. Cheryl's philosophy is about always questioning the 'purpose' of the status quo in education and she continuously pushes the boundaries of her own practice and of those around her.

During her time at Bishops, Cheryl was head of Life Sciences, senior marker of Life Sciences in the NSC, chief judge at the Cape Town Expo for young Scientists, founder of the Global Issues Network, ran the Philosophy Society, was the joint co-ordinator for Sustainability and co-author of the 'Future Fitting Bishops' policy, overall co-ordinator of the 'Big Ideas' programme and first female Assistant House Director of Kidd House. She created and ran her own NGO, the Teaching Biology Project, and ran numerous conferences, including the ISASA Education for Sustainability Leadership Conference in 2017. She has been a strong advocate for digital technology in supporting teaching and learning and has been recognised as a Microsoft Innovative Expert Educator along with being lauded with numerous international

awards and travelled the world from conference to conference sharing her expertise wherever she went.

Next year Cheryl is going to focus on promoting education for sustainable development through the Impact Trust and its Routes to Resilience Programme, which equips and prepares the greater teaching and learning communities of this country for a future of uncertainty and a diverse set of challenges. Behind all of these professional accolades is an intelligent woman, wife and mother, who exhibits passion, positivity, strength and a great sense of humour, a woman who has dedicated most of her life to Bishops and education in South Africa. She has overcome cancer, directly taught and changed the lives of hundreds of young learners and colleagues and relentlessly challenged the education system for the better.

It will be sad to see Cheryl go and although she will not be lost to education, her loss to Bishops will be felt for many generations to come. We salute Cheryl for her work and dedication to the boys, staff and greater community of Bishops and South Africa.

Olga Peel and Gerry Noel

Anthony Fortuin

Our Network Manager retires from Bishops after two decades. When Anthony joined Bishops in 1999, 'wireless' meant listening to music or a programme on your radio; people saved their files on 'stiffies' and 'floppies'; and the Bishops network consisted of a central computer lab connected to the Internet via a dial-up modem. How different modern technology is from those early days. Anthony has steered our technical team through this great change with wisdom, calm, dedication and dignity. He has prioritised

learning and teaching and has gone the extra mile to make sure that the boys and staff are well-supported and able to depend on highly functional and stable systems. Anthony sees problems as challenges, and any challenge as an opportunity. He tackles these opportunities with empathy and humour. His big-thinking work ethos and energy have created many possibilities, alternatives and solutions. A recent independent review of Bishops' ICT infrastructure and systems confirmed that we are meeting, even exceeding, industry standards. This glowing review is in no small way a result of this remarkable man's dedication and yet he has been self-effacing and never sought recognition for his achievements. The retirement of this respected and much-valued colleague sparks mixed emotions. On the one hand, Anthony deserves a well-earned rest from the pressures of technology but, on the other, we are sad and not just a little apprehensive at the prospect of losing our level-headed and dignified colleague, who has set such high standards.

Sally Bowes

Kevin Kruger

Kevin, or KK as he is affectionately known, came to Bishops in 1996 from Westerford. During his initial stint here he quickly established himself as an effective and resourceful science teacher. He also ran rowing single-handedly and very successfully for a significant number of years. In my 10 years as head of Science, I have had precisely *one* complaint about Kevin Kruger's teaching – and that from a parent irate because he set too many tests! He always found ways for boys to become engaged in their work and achieve excellent results. Ever-adventurous, he is the last remaining Science department member brave enough to routinely perform the catalytic oxidation

of ammonia demonstration. The resulting series of impressive explosions always provides a massive shock to his Grade 11s, whom he never warns. He is also well known for his innovative discipline measures, like getting latecomers to bring sweets for the rest of the class in the next lesson. He is an extremely well-resourced educator. He has an incredible wealth of knowledge, gained not only from the fact that he has travelled all over the globe, but also from reading extensively. He has the amazing ability to remember minute details of every trip he's been on or page he's read and therefore can call on an unbelievable range of facts covering almost any topic at will. Add to that his impressive ability to listen with genuine interest to anyone discussing almost any topic and you have probably one of the most engaging conversationalists I have ever met. Mention a place, event, or happening – Kevin has been there and/or read the book! All this has made his classroom a very interesting place for boys to spend time. Kevin has an incredible enthusiasm for life. He is an accomplished athlete, climber, hiker, kayaker and also a motorbike enthusiast. To all this he has now added beekeeping and surfing! Incredibly practical, Kevin has the ability to turn his hand to almost anything from building houses and fixing motorbikes, to building beautiful wooden surfboards. Again, this wealth of knowledge and practical experience made Kevin a hugely valuable member of the Science department and a very successful teacher whether it was in the science laboratory, on the sports field or on a mountain in the Cederberg. Kevin was also a core member of the Epic steering committee and his contribution to the success of the Epic over many years has been significant. Having accompanied him with a group of boys up Krakadouw Peak, I've witnessed first-hand his skill in not only showing boys how to enjoy the mountains but

also to do so safely. We do wish Kevin everything of the best as he begins his next adventure.

Keith Warne

Stephen Sproule

Stephen is held in awe by many aspiring and experienced mathematics teachers, both in South Africa and abroad. He is well known and highly respected for his thought-provoking and challenging approach to the teaching of mathematics. He has researched some of the different ways in which abstract thinking is processed. He strives to turn ideas into actions and is in his element when he is able to develop a task that sets a student on a path of discovery. Unlike many experienced teachers, who tend to rush their students into knowing what to do, Stephen takes his students on a journey, encouraging them to discover the facts along the way and to process everything in a manner that leads to deeper and longer-lasting, conceptual understanding. He is a philosopher and a mathematician and simply does not allow himself to be worn down by the fast pace of modern life. He has an agenda that is not time bound. He strives to develop young minds and to encourage students to think out of the box. Exactly one year ago, Guy Pearson made the following announcement: 'Our Deputy Head (Academic), Dr Stephen Sproule, has resigned and will leave Bishops at the end of April next year. Stephen will take up the position of Head of Mathematics at St Johns College in Johannesburg. Stephen is following his passion, which is Maths teaching, Maths curriculum development and the development of Maths teachers.' For those who knew Stephen well, this announcement, shocking as it was, made complete sense. Stephen is not an administrator and although he implemented several changes very successfully in the short time that he shared with us,

the long-term prospects of spending more time out of the classroom than in it, simply did not excite or energise him. As a problem-solver, he never accepted that anything was impossible and it is largely thanks to him that we are going to be trialling a different timetable in 2019. It is, however, a great pity and a source of frustration, that the seeds he was beginning to sow around the idea of running a dual programme – where boys could choose between following the national curriculum or the Cambridge curriculum – may never see the light of day. Although Stephen's time at Bishops was far too short, we thank him for the impact he had on us and wish him much happiness in the classroom and much success as he works with students aspiring to become teachers of mathematics.

Jenny Campbell

LEFT (Top to bottom):
Paul Murray; Cheryl Douglas; Kevin Kruger

RIGHT (Top to bottom):
Mike Withers; Anthony Fortuin; Stephen Sproule



ACCOLADES AT A GLANCE

EXTRAORDINARY

MICHAEL HOULIE

Michael Houlie achieved outstanding individual and team performances while representing South Africa in swimming at the 2018 Commonwealth Games in Australia. In the context of the overall Games and his specific events, Michael's achievements in the Gold Coast Games are quite significant. He was one of many teenagers at the Games, but he was one of the very few to make a final with a realistic chance of winning a medal. His events (the 50m and 100m Breaststroke) comprised a star-studded field, including the two greatest breaststrokers in the world over the last decade (current world record holder and Olympic champion, Adam Peaty, and fellow compatriot, Cameron van der Burgh). To make a final in such an elite field and to be competitive was a significant achievement in and of itself. At the Games he broke his own South African Age Group Record (for boys aged 17) in both the 50m and 100m Breaststroke. He reached the Men's final of the 50m Breaststroke, finishing in sixth place. Michael also made the semi-final of the Men's 100m Breaststroke, finishing in a

personal best time, and he won a bronze medal as part of the South African Men's 4 x 100 Medley Relay team.

As the fastest swimmer in South Africa in his age group, he qualified for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games in Argentina.

DAVID NAUDE

David Naude won three gold medals and one silver at the National Climbing Championships and was crowned the South African Open champion for Sport Climbing in the Lead Discipline. He is also the U17 champion in both Bouldering and Lead Climbing. He qualified for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games.

WILLIAM ROSE

William Rose captained the SA Schools' Rugby 7s team at the African Youth Games in Algeria. The team won the gold medal. William was selected to represent the SA U18 7s team at the Youth Olympic Games.

JONO BIRD

Jono Bird was selected for the South African U19 One Day cricket squad to tour the UK, and began his



ABOVE:

Michael Houlie at the Youth Olympic Games

international career with impressive scores of 51 and 142*, earning him the Man-of-the-Series Award. He also notched up his 100th 1st XI cap for Bishops – an amazing achievement for someone in Grade 11.

DANIEL LE JEUNE

Daniel Le Jeune was awarded his Springbok Scout Award by the 1st Claremont Scout Group. This badge is the top Scout award in South Africa. It concentrates on teaching the scout how to give back to the community. Among the requirements, the scout must complete at least 40 hours of community service, lead a hike of more than 30km in unfamiliar territory, and plan and construct a pioneering project.

BEN REID

After many rounds of auditions, Ben Reid was selected to participate in the *School of Rock AllStars* programme. This prestigious programme, consisting of rehearsals and performances, will culminate in a concert tour of North America. The *School of Rock AllStars* finalists were selected from thousands of participants worldwide and Ben was the only South African chosen. He had the honour of performing at international music festivals (including Lollapalooza in Chicago) alongside superstars such as Bruno Mars, The Weeknd and the Arctic Monkeys.

MICHAEL WILSON-TROLLIP

Michael Wilson-Trollip was asked to produce Richard Stirton's new album. Richard Stirton was the first winner of *The Voice South Africa* and is an accomplished global artist. Producing the album involved writing, arranging and recording the songs.

MICHAEL BECKURTS

Michael Beckurts completed his Epic experience in 2016 and a different programme was drawn up for him that involved us employing an Art teacher for the

time he spent at Elizabethfontein – which is one of our community bases and home to a primary school of the same name. Michael was so taken with the school that plans were made to make cards of the artwork he completed while on Epic. Michael decided that the proceeds of the sale of these cards would go to Elizabethfontein Primary. As a result of the funds he raised, a Grade R classroom in the form of a large wendy house was erected and fitted out. At the opening of this classroom, tribute was paid to Michael for his initiative in raising these funds. A certificate of commendation was awarded to Michael by Elizabethfontein Primary, in recognition of his fantastic efforts.

WESLEY HOLTMANN

At an awards function to acknowledge the achievements of schoolboy referees in the Southern Region of the Western Cape, Wesley Holtmann was awarded a Certificate of Excellence by the Referees' Association. Wesley has been a stalwart, not only at Bishops with his refereeing, but also in the Southern Region of the Western Cape. He has refereed at a number of high-school fixtures and tournaments where he has been highly rated as one of the best schoolboy referees in the schoolboy game at the moment.

CAPE TOWN CYCLE TOUR CHARITY RIDE

Michael van den Heever led a team of Bishops boys to raise funds for rhino conservation in KwaZulu-Natal. They took part as a charity team in the Cape Town Cycle Tour. They raised more than R20 000 and won the school section of the Cycle for Life competition. They were invited to Bayala Private Safari Lodge to participate in a rhino dehorning programme. Other members of the team were Grant Leslie, Sam Warren, Storm Lanfear, Aedan Foulkes, Alex Saurma and Jordan Walsh.

IMPOSSIBLE

Lukas Oelz organised a magic show, *Impossible*, to raise funds for TEARS. The show raised more than R20 000. The cast included Lukas Oelz, Nimba Mahlati, James Griffiths, John Smith, Felix de Bruin and Jake Oelz. Dominic Beaumont, Hamish McKenzie, Tristan Turner and Aidan Brand worked backstage and on AV.

WORLD INDIVIDUAL DEBATING AND PUBLIC SPEAKING CHAMPIONSHIPS (WIDPSC)

The 31st World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships was held at Bishops with a total of 185 registered coaches and students, of which 120 were competitors from 11 countries around the world. Five of our boys – Nicholas Peile, John van Niekerk, Joshua Mol, Thomas Janisch and Rohan Naidoo – were part of the South African delegation of 18, and were among the top-performing South Africans at the tournament. After the Grand Finals, Nicholas Peile ranked seventh in the world overall, and took third place in Persuasive Speech, and John van Niekerk won the title of World Champion After Dinner Speaking. In the regular rounds of the competition, Thomas Janisch ranked first in Interpretive Reading, with Josh Mol second and Rohan Naidoo 2nd in Persuasive Speech.

ACADEMIC

Matric Results

The Matric Class of 2018 achieved excellent results. Some of the highlights: 153 boys wrote and passed the examinations; 98% achieved a Bachelor's pass; there were 493 subject distinctions (3,2 per candidate); 13.4% of all subject results were above 90%; 44.1% of all subject results were above 80%; there were 65 A aggregates (42% of the class) and 13 boys achieved an aggregate of 90% and above; the top

student was Derek Reissenzahn with an aggregate of 97.5%, followed by Ryan Solomons with 92,8%; nine distinctions were achieved by Derek Reissenzahn; eight distinctions were achieved by Thomas Janisch, Christopher Kotze, Daniel Le Jeune, Rayhaan Omar and Nivar Rajoo; 14 boys achieved seven distinctions; 20 achieved six distinctions and 14 achieved five distinctions; 35% of the class achieved five distinctions or better. At the WCED Awards Ceremony, Derek Reissenzahn was recognised for coming second in the Western Cape, and Bishops received a Certificate of Excellence for being the top boys' school in the Province.

Cape Town Expo

The following boys achieved medals at the Cape Town Expo. Silver Medals: Tim Kotze, Cameron Clark, Kai Blatch, Noah Gonsenhauser, Jack Davis, Andrew Geerds, Oliver Kane Smith, Gerard Murray Cooke, Jay Sinha. Bronze Medals: Sameer Shabodien, Jonathan Mopp, Stuart Stevens.

Computer Programming Olympiad

A total of 7905 entrants were registered for the first round of the Programming Olympiad, and 701 were selected to take part in the second round. Liam Foxcroft achieved first place in the Western Cape, in the second round. He then progressed to the finals and was awarded a bronze medal after an intensive 10-hour coding contest that took place at the Standard Bank Global Leadership Centre.

Minquiz

The Bishops team, comprising Brandon Snider, Nivar Rajoo and Derek Reissenzahn, won the Provincial Round of the Minquiz. Derek Reissenzahn placed in the top two individual places.

National Science Olympiad

Bishops had three boys scoring in the top 100 in the National Science Olympiad: Christopher Kotze, Rayhaan Omar and Karl Stapelberg. Nivaar Rajoo was placed in the top 10, coming eighth overall, and was invited to National Youth Science Week. In light of these achievements the boys, as well as Callum Fraser, were invited to sit the National Physics Olympiad exam.

SAIPA Accounting Olympiad

In a field of more than 2000 entries, Thomas Barty achieved fourth place (81%) in the Western Cape.

UCT Mathematics Competition

The UCT Maths Competition had more than 7000 entries from 150 schools. A maximum of 75 students from one school may enter the competition. The overall result for each school is based on the scores of the top 30 students. In the 37 years the competition has been held at UCT, Bishops, Rondebosch Boys' High and Westerford have been the only schools to occupy the top three positions. This year Rondebosch Boys' High won the competition with Bishops coming second and Westerford third. A total of 77 students were invited to write Round 3: Aleksandr Selby: Bronze 11th; Alaric McGregor: Bronze 14th; Thomas Warner: Honourable Mention; Jonathan Couves: Participation; Robert Dugmore: Participation; Gabriel Dyssell-Hofinger: Participation; Dieter Karlein: Participation; Matthew Tripe: Participation; William Vine-Morris: Participation.

CULTURAL**Chess**

Rishay Thakersee finished 11th in the U14 Open section at the South African Junior Closed Chess Championships.

CTCA Young Creatives Award

Michael Beckurts won the 2018 Young Creatives Award for his ink drawing entitled *The Aftermath*. He captured the bleak scene of the fire-ravaged landscape in the Elandskraal district between Knysna and Sedgefield, where his grandparents had a harrowing experience and a narrow escape from the flames that surrounded their house. Michael says, 'This shows the power of nature and the strength of the human spirit and it brings me hope.'

Music

The Bishops band, *The Collective*, made up of Benjy Fisher, Jono Greyling and Hugo Janssens, competed against Camps Bay, Westerford, Cedar House and other schools at De Waal Park in a 'Battle of the Bands' competition. *The Collective* won the overall prize of Best Band and was awarded the floating trophy. They also won Best Musical Band and won sound equipment for the Music department. Benjy Fisher won the Best Instrumentalist prize.

Adam Motala participated in the piano section of the Cape Town Eisteddfod and was awarded two medals: Otto Bach Medal for Best Sonata 16 years and under; Burgess-Simpson Award for Best Performer 16 years and under, Contemporary.

John Smith participated in the Rustenburg Piano Festival and was awarded second place.

Tom Janisch achieved a distinction for his flute Grade 8 exam, as well as a mark above 80% for his singing Grade 8 exam. Kamal Sacranie achieved a distinction for his singing Grade 8 exam. He then sang an ARSM exam, which is a grade higher than Grade 8 and also achieved a distinction for this exam. Michael Wilson-Trollip achieved distinctions for both his piano and singing Grade 8 exams in 2017. This year he played a

further two Grade 8 exams – he achieved 85% for his oboe exam and a distinction for his organ exam. Obtaining four Grade 8 exams on four different instruments has never before been achieved by a music pupil in the history of Bishops.

President's Award

Thomas Barty, Hugo Janssens, Chris Kotze and Ciaran Manca achieved the Gold level of the President's Award.

Public Speaking

Euan Musselwhite, Rohan Naidoo, Robert Dugmore, Paul Malherbe, Will Makin, Khelan Dheda and Daniel Holgate competed in the International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition at St Clement's School in Toronto. Out of 125 competitors from 60 of the top independent schools in the USA and Canada and from 11 other countries around the world, Bishops ranked an amazing third overall, losing narrowly to the top two Canadian schools! In addition, Bishops had a clean sweep in the Interpretive Reading category, with Paul Malherbe



first, Rohan Naidoo second and Daniel Holgate third. Rohan Naidoo placed first for Persuasive Speech and Euan Musselwhite first for Impromptu Speech, and Bishops won the Best International School trophy for the third year running. Daniel Holgate’s full speech on ‘Acknowledging the Disabled’ was published in the magazine of the Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital Foundation as motivation for children with disabilities to live a normal and fruitful life.

LEADERSHIP

The following Matric boys were awarded distinction for Leadership: Idrees Abdulla, Thomas Barty, Michael Beckurts, Greg Bolus, Cameron Braun, Alex Castle, Linda Farr, Aedan Foulkes, Finn Geldenhuys, Liam Gordon, James Halle, Chris Haller, Dean Jacobs, Thomas Janisch, Alex Jankovich-Bevan, Hugo Janssens, Scott Jeffery, Sihle Kahla, Terry Kim, Matthew Klingenberg, Junho Ko, Christopher Kotze, Ryan Labberte, Thomas Lee, Daniel le Jeune, Grant Leslie, Oliver MacRobert, Jeff Malherbe, Jordan Meyer, Okuhle Minyi, Joshua Mol, Amo Mothibi, Daniel Nelson, Tom Newbury, Harry Newman, Alizwa Ngcwangu, David Nivison, Nicholas Peile, Terrence Pettersson, Connor Price, Theodore Psillos, Jason Pittaway, Derek Reissenzahn, Jayden Rossouw, Kamal Sacranie, Timothy Sharples, Calvin-Ziegler Smith, Ryan Solomons, Peter Thacker, Andre Truter, John van Niekerk, Matt van Westenbrugge, Nicholas Vine-Morris, Michael Wilson-Trollip

SPORT

Athletics

Oliver Stewart competed in the 2000m steeplechase and the 3000m (U18) in both the SA Schools’ Track and Field Championships and the SA Track and Field Championships. He finished fifth in the 3000m and won a bronze medal for the steeplechase in both competitions. At the Athletics Spring meeting, he set a new record for the mile.

Climbing

David Naude was awarded Junior Protea Colours.

Cricket

Jeff Malherbe and Victor Allen achieved a very rare feat when playing for the 6th X1 Cricket team against Wynberg Boys on 2 February. Jeff took three wickets, a hat-trick. What made it special is that all three victims were stumped by Victor Allen. It was found that a hat-trick in which all three batsmen were stumped has happened only once in the entire history of first-class cricket, in a County game in England back in 1893, ironically involving cricketing icon, WG Grace, in a match between Gloucestershire and Somerset. What makes Jeff and Victor’s accomplishment even more special is that it was achieved in the first three deliveries of the match.

Ross Martin achieved a Golden Triple Crown. Apart from winning matches against SACS, Wynberg and Rondebosch with the U14A team, he also achieved a rare feat by taking a hat-trick, scoring a century and taking a fifer in the same year.

Cycling

Grant Leslie rode the Cape Town Cycle Tour in an exceptional time of 2h55 minutes. He also achieved

first place in the Spur Mountain Bike Classic and first in group in the Stellenbosch Cycle Tour.

Maximillian Wolfson won his category to be placed first in South Africa at the SA Downhill Championships.

Esports

Bishops took part in the Esport Dota 2 (an online strategy game) at the Mind Sports SA Schools National Championships, and the following boys received SA High School National Federation Colours: Matthew von Bulow, Callum Fraser, Karl Stapelberg, Rayhaan Omar and Tristan Smith.

Futsal

Jake Greenberg was selected for the Maccabi South Africa U16 Junior Futsal team that will take part in the upcoming 15th European Maccabi Games in Budapest.

Fly-fishing

Stefan von der Heyden took gold in the individual competition at the International Youth Fly Fishing Competition against a Czech team.

Golf

Freddie Spencer had a very successful year on the golf front. He won the Nomads Inland National Order of Merit with scores of 74-70-70; won the IMG Junior Worlds Qualifier at Country Club, Johannesburg, with scores of 73-69; represented the Western Province Men’s Team at the 2018 SA Challenge Cup; was selected for the Golf RSA Junior Team for the 2018 SA Challenge Cup; achieved Western Province Golf Full Colours; was ranked ninth in the Junior U19 South African Rankings; was ranked fifth in South Africa U18; was ranked first in the Western Province U19 Rankings for the first three months of the year; competed at the

IMG Academy Junior World Championship at Torrey Pines in San Diego, California, and won the Bishops Golf Championships by 8 shots with a score of 67.

Hockey

Caleb Oliphant and Mustapha Cassiem were selected to the U16 SA High Performance Squad for the second year in a row. In addition, Mustapha Cassiem was awarded the following accolades: Most Valuable Player of the Tournament, The Top Goal Scorer (10 goals), and The Best Midfielder of the Tournament. He was selected to represent South Africa at Hockey 5s at the African Youth Games in Algeria.

Idrees Abdulla was selected to the SA U18 side and played three test matches against Australia.

Karate

Shariq Davids won a bronze medal at the South Africa Karate League Championships and is currently ranked second in U14/15 U57kg on the KSA All Styles ranking system. He represented the South African Protea Team at the 9th Commonwealth Karate Championship and obtained third position and won a bronze medal in the Kumite Division

Adam Suliaman and Jake Herbert were selected to represent South Africa U17 in the KSI Karate World Championships in Sweden. Adam was placed seventh in the world for Kata, and Jake was placed seventh in the world for Kumite.

Polo

Marek Kanigowski was selected to represent South Africa in the National Open Polo Team. Marek is one of very few ever to make the national team before turning 18.



Rugby

Justin Muller and William Rose were in the starting line-up for the Craven Week final, which saw WP defeat KZN 47-8.

50 tournaments. Daniel Stehlik and William Rose were named 'Forward of the Tournament' and 'Player of the Tournament' respectively.

Rugby 7s

The 2018 season ended with a superb victory at the 50th occasion of the Villagers Sevens. Bishops has the most successful record of any school at the annual event dating back to 1969, having won 22 of the past

Sailing

Zander Brooks was awarded his South African Sailing Western Cape Youth Colours. This is the third time Zander has been awarded Western Cape Youth Colours.

ABOVE:

Michael Beckurt's Young Creatives Award drawing

LEFT:

Daniel Le Jeune and Guy Pearson; 2018 PO Bronze Medal Winner Liam Foxcroft receiving his award from Vincent Mello; Distinction Tie Awards; Minquiz Team; President's Award Gold Level; Adam Suliaman

Tennis

Benjamin MacFarlane was number one in the South African U15 team.

Touch Rugby

Wafeeq Francis was selected for the SA Touch Rugby team, which participated in the Junior World Cup in Malaysia.

Water Polo

The following water polo players were selected for South African training squads. U16: Mikey Ford, Niall Maloney, Joe Kirsten, Caleb Oliphant, Connor Evans and Sam Hanssen; U17: Sam Elliott, Ryan Sneddon, Matt Smith and Kieraan Meyer; U18: Tom Lee, David Nivison, Bingo Ivanisevic and Matthew Klingenberg.

Ryan Sneddon (U17B), Noah Syndercombe (U17B), Kieraan Meyer (U17B) and Sam Hanssen (U16B) participated in the CANA Zone IV Water Polo Championships.

Niall Maloney, Joe Kirsten and Mikey Ford were selected to represent South Africa at the U16 Pan Pacific Youth Water Polo Festival to be held in Auckland, New Zealand. Connor Evans and Sam Hanssen were selected as non-travelling reserves.

The U14A team had a comfortable 8-4 win over Rondebosch in the final of the Mazinter Cup.

Weightlifting

Tristan Turner was crowned the SA Youth and Junior Weightlifting Champion in the 77kg category after the SA Championships. He snatched 80kg and 100kg in the Clean and Jerk in a personal best.

JERSEYS

Academic

Grade 12: Thomas Barty, Mark Bergh, Finn Geldenhuys, Francesco Guerrini, Jeff Malherbe, Joshua Mol, Nicholas Peile, Theodore Psillos, Nivar Rajoo, Kamal Sacranie, Brandon Thomas

Grade 11: Matthew Derman, Murray Gordon, Adam Stonestreet, Kenau Vith, Thomas Warner, Karl Weinert

Grade 10: Andrew Low, Daniel van Nimwegen

Grade 9: Gabriel Dyssell-Hofinger, James Elliott, Gus Farara, Jonathan Mopp

TIES

Distinction

Jono Bird (cricket)
Freddie Spencer (golf)
Idrees Abdulla (hockey)
Jake Herbert (karate)
Adam Suliaman (karate)
Thomas Janisch (music)
Kamal Sacranie (music)
Thomas Janisch (public speaking)
Joshua Mol (public speaking)
Nicholas Peile (public speaking re-award)
Rohan Naidoo (public speaking)
John van Niekerk (public speaking)

13-Year

Liam Agnew, Thomas Barty, Kit Bell, Travis Bradfield, Thomas Burton, Alexander Castle, Luca Comititis, David Court, Stefano Fernandes, Callum Fraser, Max Froelicher, Jack Graham, Christopher Haller,



ABOVE:
Schoolboy referee: Wesley Holtmann

Liam Jameson, Hugo Janssens, Scott Jeffery, Dimitri Kapoutsis, Matthew Klingenberg, Christopher Kotze, Oliver Macrobert, Ciaran Manca, Justin Maree, Alasdair McGregor, Jordan Meyer, Alizwa Ngcwangu, Hector Orrell, Nicholas Peile, Cullen Perlman, Jonathan Pletts, James Price, Karl Prins, Theodore Psillos, Nivar Rajoo, Alexander Rodinis, Jayden Rossouw, Ben Rubin, Kamal Sacranie, Timothy Sharples, James Shuttleworth, Tristan Sides, Ryan Solomons, Frederick Spencer, Karl Stapelberg, Julian Steyn, John van Niekerk, Keelan Vanmali, Andrew van Voore, Matthew van Westenbrugge, Michael Wilson-Trollip, Ryan Wonfor, James Young, Robert Young

Academic

Grade 12: Aedan Foulkes, Callum Fraser, Sihle Kahla, Josh Kirsch, Ryan Lawson, Grant Leslie, Ano Mtombeni, Harry Newman, Jayden Rossouw, Ben Rubin, Michael Steytler, Kalu Jay Varney
Grade 11: Caleb Anderson-De Waal, Mikhail Lovric, Jamie Naude, Brett Tucker, Rhys Williams
Grade 10: Seb Allison, Luke Beachy Head, Jock Buchanan, Stephen du Preez, Andrew Geerds, Tim Kotze, Luke Rissik, Jay Sinha, Jan Smuts, Alexander van der Leek, Oliver Werner
Grade 9: Torben Bergh, Aidan Burns, Bruce Campbell, Brian Daniel, Khelan Dheda, Gabriel Dyssell-Hofinger, James Elliott, Gus Farara, Liam Harrison, Daniel Holgate, Abdul-Mateen Kader, Ronan King, Paul Malherbe, James Mason, Seth Nieburg, Lukas Oelz, Nicholas Pabst, Jonathan Roche, Joseph Ruiz von Walter, Chris Scheepers, John Smith, Matthew Tripe, Dylan Wood

Accelerated Art

Irshaad Abrahams, Justin Bennie, Josh Carnell, Zain Dawood, Mohammed Desai, Gabriel Dyssell-Hofinger, Luke Haarburger, Mikhail Lovric, Hamish McKenzie,

Kieraan Meyer, Luke Negrine, Heath Steele, John Steyn, Tristan Turner

African Relations

Jack Clayton, Ubaid Francis, Winner Kazaka, Kabelo Rance, Rushay Shiba

All Rounders

Seb Allison, Joshua Elliott, Andrew Geerds, Nic Gleeson, Oliver Kane-Smith, Matt Pettit, James Rumbelow, Alex Russell, Karl Weinert, Maximillian Wolfson, Jonty Wright

Debating

Seb Allison, Ben Cheminais, Robert Dugmore, Will Makin, Jonathan Mopp, Rohan Naidoo, Luke Rissik, Sameer Shaboodien, Jay Sinha, Daniel van Nimwegen, Oliver Werner, Jonty Wright

Ensemble

James Aaron, Jack Beare, Dominic Beaumont, Miles Boeddinghaus, Francois Breytenbach, Drew Burton, Paul David, Joshua Elliot, James Frankenfeld, Nic Gleeson, Jonathan Greyling, Jakob Holm, Wesley Holtmann, Luca Liebenberg, Will Linley, Matt Marr, Simmele Mashwama, Kieraan Meyer, Euan Musselwhite, Jack Paine, Nathan Scott, Adam Stonestreet, Karl Weinert, Peter Worthington-Smith

GIN

Thomas Barty, Patrick Bowman, Thomas Coombe, David Cuthbert, Aedan Foulkes, Alex Jankovich, Euan Musselwhite, Reece Oellerman, Campbell Reyburn, Anton van Wyngaarden, Nicholas Vine-Morris

Interact

Simon Craig, Stuart Cottrell, Ryan Labberte, Will Linley, Cullen Perlman, Dylan Perlman, James Rumbelow



Public Relations

Aadam Abrahams Weltin, Jack Beare, Drew Burton, Nic Cattell, Jack Clayton, Simon Craig, Paul David, Kyle Deans, Fergus Fletcher, Murray Gordon, Wesley Holtmann, Josh Jacobs, Winner Kazaka, Matthew Leong, Luca Liebenberg, Tom Liefeldt, William Linley, Reece Oellermann, Kieran Seggie, Tomas Slaven, Ryan Sneddon, Max Tedder, Brett Tucker, Alex van Hoogstraten, Thomas Warner, Aaron Woodman

Rowing

Francois Breytenbach, Kyle Deans, Luke Flint, Tristan Lee, Nicholas McAdam, Shaun O’Brien, Jack Rowand, Rhys Williams

Service

AV: Cameron Clark, Luke Carter, Noah Gonsenhauser, Matthew Pettit, Callum Stegmann

Chapel: Max Downing, Adam Fernandes, Cameron Good, Gift Hokwana, Jakob Holm, Winner Kazaka, Kabelo Rance, Alex Russell, Kamal Sacranie, Dallas Wichmann



Hockey: Duncan Edelstein, Euan Musselwhite

Molteno Library: Miles Boeddinghaus, Callum Fraser, Joshua Gray, Matthew Leong, Alaric McGregor, Sebastian Prevost, Karl Stapelberg

Water Polo: Jock Buchanan, Mikey Ford, Niall Maloney, Aiden Murphy

Triangular

Idrees Abdulla, Tom Barty, Julian Dower, Sam Elliot, Ciaran Manca, Reuben Mndende, Daniel Stehlik, Oliver Stewart, Matt van Westenbrugge

ABOVE:
Battle of the Bands;
William Rose passes the ball in the match against St Andrew’s

HOMAGE TO THE CLASS OF 2018

BELOW LEFT:

Matrics 2018

BELOW RIGHT:

13-Year Tie recipients

FOLLOWING:

Valedictory Service and Matric Dance 2018









SPIRITUAL

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

I am called to this place
 It will be till the next chaplain arrives
You know about schools, you will be okay
 I open the school and it buzzes
 With eucharists, services and talks
 that burgeon into classrooms and sports fields
 of new boys and young men
 The summer dips into Autumn
 We start in sadness with Fr Wilke's passing from us
 his enormous contribution and absence
 is found in every corner of the chapels
 Robert Steiner, and Peter Fox of
 the United Church Rondebosch,
 preach at our College Evensongs
male voices and so loud, they say
 I work with the spirituality portfolio heads
 Who are keen to say prayers and read
 We raise R8000 for the Mark Hanley Fund
 To support a young woman at Elizabethfontein
 I mime, I rap, I dance

And give so many chapel talks
 Our servers raise crosses and candles,
 And lay ministers read and administer communion
 So many staff take chapel
 Enlarging the spiritual life of the school
 Easter is celebrated with Choral Vespers
 The music of *Spiegel and Spiegel*, and poetry
 Musicians, Singers create such beauty
 Founder's Day is celebrated with Bishop Gregorowski
 An OD of the school, while I play
 World Cup Hockey in Barcelona for SA
 septuagenarians
 In April of the year a new sadness grows
 Christian Rohrer becomes ill again
 Each Friday, family, friends, staff
 Meet with him in chapel to reflect,
 pray, laugh, cry and heal each other.
 Our College winter Evensong is enlivened
 By The Rev. Lorna Lavarello-Smith
 who teaches our grade 9s



And is appointed as the Chaplain of Herschel Girls
 The wet days burn with the fire of Confirmation
 And fifteen of our young men are confirmed
 by Archbishop Thabo In the St Cyprian's chapel
 Who charges us to fight our soul's
 And our country's corruption
 In September a large community gathers
 For a Service of farewell to Tim Hamilton-Smith
 And gives thanks for his dedicated service to Bishops
 In Spring the matrics and Tim Sharples are celebrated
 And blessed on their way in joy and sadness
Bishops Praise brings the entire school together
 And Guy and Bob dance *Singing in the Rain*
 For God's unconditional love of his children
Remembrance creeps in with All Saints and All Souls,
 we tie ribbons to remember Loved Ones
 and on the 100th Armistice Day
 114 grade 11 boys stand before the College
 to light candles and call to mind that
 number of young men who died
 between 1914 and 1918,
 the *Universal Soldier* is Sung by Nathan Scott
 the silence kept
 Christian dies in November having inspired
 So many of his peers, his family and friends.
 We turn our eyes towards Epic and bless
 the grade 10s on their journey in the Wilderness
 and begin to see the end of exams and catch
 glimpses of Christmas and new beginnings
 The year has been an amazing gift!

Chaplain Commin



BELOW:
 Drew Burton plays 'The Last Post';
 The laying of the wreath



ABOVE: 114 Grade 11 boys commemorating the 114 ODs who died between 1914 and 1918

TRIBUTES

FATHER TERRY WILKE

*It's your road
and your road alone,
Others may walk it
with you,
But no one
can walk it for you*
(Rumi)

How, in a few sentences, does one map the life journey of a person? How does one honour the path of a soul, and how does one allow the simple sounds of one's language to echo the enormity of contribution to a myriad of lives by a single man? All of nature works in cycles and our lives are about circles; the inner joy of life is found in one's ability to complete these circles and, more importantly, to help others to complete their circles. Terry understood this deeply. He understood that part of completing the circle was to find silence, and in that silence lay his ability to care and love people as deeply as he did. Terry's circles were always about love, about nurturing,

about guiding, about holding and supporting, whether through celebration or loss. Terry understood intimately the concept of the Bishops family; he understood the depth of influence that the chapel played in marking the poignant moments in each family's journeys, and he was always there for them – truly offering them the space and warmth they needed at the time. I often found Terry standing quietly in one of the chapels, comfortably encased in their beauty and with a sense of knowing that therein lay the heart and soul of Bishops. What more could we have asked of a chaplain and, more importantly, of a curator of the spiritual journey of staff and boys? Well, towards the end of his journey, Terry gave us all the greatest gift – he showed us how to complete the circle of life with patience, with silent knowing, with a sense of calmness that we all long for and, most importantly, with a deep sense of peace – all of which he taught!

So, when we write obituaries, are we referring to the life of the person with all its varied definitions of societal success, or are we talking about the other successes – the successes of the journey? So how do we quantify this success? Maybe it is about the length of the journey; maybe it is about the intensity of the journey; maybe it is about the breadth of the journey, or maybe it is just about how much we have loved. As John of the Cross said, 'At the end of our life, we will be judged on love'. If this is the ultimate barometer of a successful journey, then Terry, you have completed

your journey with love and you have travelled side by side with love. We now look back as a community and can only feel love!

*You are far from the end of your journey
The way is not in the sky
The way is in the heart
See how you love*
(Attributed to Buddha)

Mark Mitchell

CHRISTIAN ROHRER

Adapted from Ivan Stassen's tribute:

How does one encapsulate Chrissy's life and try to explain the immense impact he has had on those close to him? He influenced so many lives, helped make so many memories, and taught us so many life lessons that it will be difficult.

I look back now to Grade 10, when I got the opportunity to do Epic with Chrissy, which was a highlight in his Bishops career and in his life, and I am so grateful that I was able to share the experience with him as his Epic partner. He was adamant that he wanted to get the most out of Epic, and so taking shortcuts on the walks was definitely not an option. He was also the last one to surrender to sleeping in the hut due to the pouring rain at the base of Krakadouw Peak, or in the strongest of winds on the first night of our solo hike. And he forced me, as his partner, to endure these weather conditions with him. It is memories like these of Chrissy that we, his friends, will cherish for the rest of our lives.

Chrissy radiated kindness and positivity. I think the only time I ever heard him say something rude about

someone was when he was speaking about me, or Ross (Goodwin) – to me, or Ross. He never spoke behind a back or made a joke that was hurtful; but it was more than that. It was not just that he would not say these things, but I doubt he ever thought them either. His heart was pure. And that is why everyone loved him so much.

Chrissy was a leader. I am certain we all know that, but he never felt the need to be in the spotlight and led in his own way. Chrissy led like this on the sports field too, leading by example through the intensity with which he trained and played, and not necessarily putting emphasis on his words. He loved his sport; he found so much joy in it, and through sport Chrissy made so many new friends, especially outside of Bishops, not allowing school boundaries to limit his friendships. I'm sure the boys here today who have played alongside Chrissy will back me up when I say that it was an absolute pleasure to be in his team. My earliest memory of Chrissy is watching him run through the opposition with ease during our interclass soccer games in Grade R. I watched him run with that same ease during hockey games for the 1st team, some 10 years later. However, with all his talent he never showed arrogance and I think we all continue to strive for the same sportsmanship he displayed.

He excelled in his position as Head Boy, even while he was battling the cancer. Through this role he was able to influence the broader Cape Town community, and I think one can see that by the number of people who have joined us today to celebrate Chrissy's life.

It was this quiet leadership that so many of us relied on over the past two years. Ironically, during everything he endured he was the rock for so many of us around him. He truly embodied the Latin slogan that we had for

our Africa trip: *Tenaci invia est via* – For the tenacious, no road is impassable. The day after Chrissy found out that the tumour had returned in his lung, he decided to climb Devil's Peak – he was one of two in the group who actually made it to the top. This is an example of his strength and determination, but also showed that it was his life and that he would live it the way he wanted to.

Chrissy's attitude and positivity over the past nine months enabled us to make some of our fondest memories with him, with the smiles and laughs trumping the tears and heartbreak. I miss him. I miss his smile. I miss ruffling his hair. I miss walking into the Rohrer house to find him in his favourite spot, lying on the couch watching TV. I miss the disappointed look he gave when he heard about the weekend's antics. I miss the one standard dance move he would do to every song. I miss his *Brooklyn 99* references and the Beatzy Boys. 'Noice. Smort.' Every morning I wake up and want to send him a message before reality hits me, so I carry him in my heart instead. He loved the song 'Never Enough' from the film, *The Greatest Showman*, and it was very special to us. The lyrics mean more to me now than ever before, so I've decided to recite the chorus for you:

*Because without you
All the shine of a thousand spotlights
All the stars we steal from the night sky
Will never be enough
Never be enough
Towers of gold are still too little
These hands could hold the world but it'll
Never be enough
Never be enough
For me*

Ivan Stassen

TIM HAMILTON-SMITH

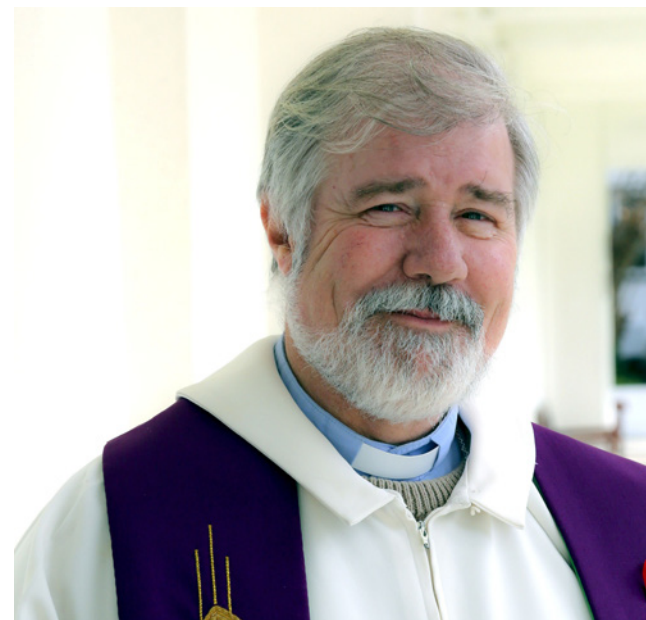
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Simon Peile

VERNON WOOD

In February this year we heard the tragic news that Vernon Wood had died of a heart attack. Vernon had a distinguished career in teaching and joined the school in a new position in 2009, that of headmaster of the College, which meant that he was responsible for the day-to-day affairs of the College. He left Bishops in 2016 to take up the position of executive director of the Independent Quality Assurance Agency, and those involved report that he revolutionised this office in his short time as their leader. Most importantly, we will remember him as a man of integrity and honour – a wonderful role model to all of us.

Guy Pearson



ABOVE: Terry Wilke; Christian Rohrer; Tim Hamilton-Smith; Vernon Wood

ACADEMICS



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Deputy Head Academics: Michelle van Schalkwyk

Within a week of my starting at Bishops as Deputy Head: Academics, I held my first meeting with the Heads of Subject Departments (HODs). In my handover I was informed that the agenda of each HOD meeting is headed in the following way:

Our aim is to empower our pupils to take their place in the global world that they enter, and to be positive participants in the shaping of that world.

- They will be self-motivated individuals who pursue excellence.
- They will engage with people and communities in a sophisticated way.
- They will approach situations knowledgeably, imaginatively and sensitively.

The first example of the above vision in action must surely be in the new initiative called Big Ideas; an alternative programme that takes place in the second half of the year for Grade 9 boys who had to self-motivate to be included in the programme. The boys have indeed been exposed to very different people and communities. They have been confronted with new situations and alternative perspectives, which have stimulated their imaginations. They will certainly approach new situations with increased knowledge and sensitivity. I applaud the creative and strategic vision of Gerry Noel and Cheryl Douglas and their team for charting this new territory with such energy and courage. I have a sense of excitement about the possibilities ahead when I look at the calibre of the staff members I am slowly getting to know.

We are moving towards a time when technologies aim to reproduce and even surpass human abilities. American author and educator Carol Ann Tomlinson said, 'Excellence in education is when we do everything that we can to ensure that our boys become everything that they can.' How do we prepare our boys for this unknown landscape? We dedicate ourselves to teaching them how to manage and indeed thrive on the opportunities that will present themselves in the exciting times ahead. More specifically, we need to look beyond the content and to teach intentionally:

- Accountability and Adaptability
- Communication skills
- Creativity and Intellectual Curiosity
- Critical thinking and Systems thinking
- Information and Media Literacy
- Interpersonal and collaborative skills
- Problem solving
- Self-direction
- Social responsibility

To date, each subject department at Bishops has been tasked with reflecting on how many of these 21st-century skills are inherent in what and how we teach. Also imperative is knowing what focus we are placing on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in each of our subjects. Knowing where we stand in each of these areas will assist us in addressing any shortfalls. In this way, we can ensure that we are doing everything that we can to inspire each individual to become everything he can be.

Michelle van Schalkwyk

PREVIOUS: Matric Dux, Derek Reissenzahn



ABOVE: Michelle van Schalkwyk

PRIZE-GIVING



CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL'S ADDRESS

Principal Mr Guy Pearson, Mrs Pearson, parents, staff and friends, members of Council, the chair and past and present trustees of The Bishops Trust, members of the PA Committee, ODs and young men of Bishops, a very good morning to you all. It is wonderful to be here with you and to be able to welcome you to our 2018 College Prize-Giving ceremony. We also welcome Bishops Preparatory head Mr Greg Brown, Mrs Brown, Bishops Pre-Preparatory head Mrs Sharlene Groom, the school chaplain and the head of our sister school, Herschel, Mr Stuart West. Thank you all for being here this morning. It is also special to be able to welcome Mr John Gardener, past principal of Bishops from 1988 to 1992, and his wife Mrs Gardener, as well as past member of staff Mrs Betty Solomon and former head of Herschel,

Mrs Pamela Duff. We really do appreciate your having taken the time to be with us. Representing our old boys, we extend a very big welcome to the president of the OD Union, Mr Raymond Ackerman and Mrs Ackerman, as well as vice-president Mr Brian de Kock, members of the OD Union Committee and the secretary of the OD Union, Dr WP van Zyl. It is also my pleasure to welcome Mr Peter Sharples, father of the 2018 Head Boy, Tim Sharples, as well as Mr Siviwe Minyi and Mrs Desmilene Minyi, and Mr Andries Malherbe and Mrs Elize Malherbe, parents of our two Deputy Head Boys.

As a school community, we were deeply saddened by the passing away, two weeks ago, of Mr Tim Hamilton-Smith. Tim was a faithful servant of Bishops, joining the staff in 1967 as a 23-year-old teacher in the Geography department. Tim was appointed Housemaster of Founders House in 1981 and vice-principal in 1993, a position he held until his retirement. But it will be on the squash courts and rugby fields that Tim will be remembered most warmly by the boys he coached over the years. On his retirement from Bishops in 2007, he and his wife Carolyn moved to the OD Union,

where Tim took over the role of OD secretary until 2014. His contribution to Bishops and the OD Union over nearly 50 years was enormous, and he will be greatly missed. Carolyn, Annabel and Fiona remain in our thoughts and prayers.

I am delighted to report that this has once again been a most successful year for Bishops. On behalf of Council, the ODs, the parents and the young men of Bishops, I would like to extend our sincere thanks to all the academic and support staff members for everything they do for us. It has been an enormous pleasure for me personally to get to know all the members of both the School Executive and the College Executive a lot better over the course of the year. I am constantly impressed with their commitment to, and their passion for, Bishops and the boys entrusted to their care. We are indeed extremely fortunate. Please join me in a big round of applause to recognise Mr Pearson and all of the academic and support staff for their outstanding work this past year.

Since last year we have offered classes in 14 grades, from Grade N to Grade 12, and in 2018 the number of boys who attended Bishops was 1425. Well, we hope they all attended!

We are indeed fortunate to be supported by so many enthusiastic and committed parents and past parents, as well as a vibrant and energetic OD Union.

The 12 members of our Council and the members of the four subcommittees continue to work diligently behind the scenes for the benefit of the school. So, too, do the chairs and members of the Parents' Association Committees, the OD Union Committee, the trustees of The Bishops Trust and so many parents. I would like to express my sincere thanks and

appreciation to each of them for volunteering so much time, knowledge and experience, always at no cost, to the school.

During this year we welcomed three new members onto the College Council, all parents of boys at Bishops. In January we welcomed Mr Mothobi Seseli, a successful entrepreneur in the financial services industry. Mr Greg Deans and Mr Graham Molyneux both came on board in May. Greg joined as chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee and Graham stepped into the role of chairman of the Finance and Risk Committee when Mr Andrew Selby emigrated. All three bring tremendous expertise to Council.

On behalf of Council, I would like to extend our gratitude to Mr Andrew Selby, in his absence, who not only served on Council for three years as chairman of the Finance and Risk Committee but was also intimately involved, as chairman of the Bishops Trust, in launching the 175 Campaign and the Extra Term initiative. The Bishops Trust has continued its work under its new chair, Ms Samantha Petersen. Fundraising for the 175 Campaign has continued through 2018 and the first of the building projects, the Prep Library and Learning Centre, is about to commence in December. The trustees of The Bishops Trust have made R8,5 million of the R11,5 million project cost available and the Prep Parents' Association is assisting the Trust to raise the balance through a focused campaign involving the two lower schools. Furthermore, the Trust has continued to receive generous donations towards the scholarships and bursaries fund, which will allow a number of talented and deserving boys who would otherwise not have had the opportunity, to enjoy the privilege of a Bishops education. There is still much for The Bishops Trust to do to achieve the objectives of the 175

Campaign which, once reached, will have a profound effect on the facilities of the school and our ability to equip our learners with the best all-round education available. I urge you all to support this important campaign to the full extent that you are able. To those of you who have already contributed, thank you. Future generations of Bishops families will be in your debt.

I would also like to thank His Grace Archbishop Thabo Makgoba, the Archbishop of Cape Town, and the Visitor to Bishops, for his support of the school and for providing valuable guidance to us, both directly in person and also through his appointment to the College Council of Bishop Garth Counsell, as well as through his support for the school chaplain.

I would like to record my personal thanks to Guy Pearson, who has been such a pleasure to work with since I took over the chairmanship of the College Council in January. The professional relationship between the head of a school and its chairman is an important one. We meet every week to discuss the more complex issues he is dealing with and to discuss the progress of strategic matters. Between these meetings we are often in contact by phone and even WhatsApp, when appropriate. I assure you that the life of the principal of Bishops is never dull. I believe that I am the eighth chairman that Guy has served under since he first became a headmaster in 1996, and he has certainly been very helpful to this new chairman. I am continuously amazed by the sheer volume and variety of issues the principal is required to manage on a daily basis. Guy takes this all in his stride, resolving issues with wisdom and care. Behind every decision made is a deep belief that whatever is decided must be in the best interests of the boys. Bishops has been very fortunate to have had Guy Pearson at its

helm these past six years and we have also been very fortunate that he has Mareé at his side providing him with support. Thank you, Mareé, for all that you do for Bishops.

Next year will be Guy's final year as principal and the process is under way to find the next principal of Bishops. I will keep you informed as the process progresses.

I would also like to thank my own family for their support. My wife, Magda, is always an inspiration to me with her incredible work ethic and her willingness to stand up and be counted when it comes to doing the right thing, often when others prefer to keep their heads below the parapet. Last year, when after 14 years of working together on a daily basis building a business, I chose to step down from some of my responsibilities at Sygnia, I never expected that my life would quickly become busier than it ever was before. As Aristotle said, 'Nature abhors a vacuum'. We are about to complete our 15th and final year as parents at Bishops as our younger son, Nicholas, will shortly be sitting his final Matric exams. It is as a result of our experiences as Bishops parents that we have such a strong belief in the potential of Bishops and what the school stands for.

Standing in front of the entire contingent of College boys today, 40 years after I was in your position, gives me an opportunity to reflect on some of the things I wish I had known then – adjusted, of course, for the changes that we have seen in the world over the intervening years. At that time, we had a very narrow focus in terms of the careers we considered following and where we would study next. Most of us looked no further than UCT and preparing for the safe professions such as accounting, law, engineering



ABOVE: Simon Peile

or medicine. South Africa was isolated from the rest of the world and our own exposure was limited. In today's world of global interconnectedness, you have the ability to look further afield and dream bigger. Many of the traditional professions are undergoing seismic changes due to the exponential advances in technologies and thus the focus on developing the so-called 21st-century skills of critical thinking, communication, collaboration and creativity is every bit as important as mastering the content that makes up the curriculum that you are taught, if not more so.

In terms of the recently released *Times Higher Education World University Rankings*, South Africa has three universities ranked in the top 350 universities in the world, with UCT leading in 156th position. This is clearly worrying. On a positive note, access to the leading universities in the world is easier than you might think, with many top universities actively seeking students from outside their home countries and providing significant financial support when this is required. So do your homework and consider the options available to you. A good start is to sit the American SAT exams, even if you are not currently planning to attend an American university. You can sit these exams multiple times and they are a great way to benchmark yourselves against your global peers. We are very proud of the fact that the standard of education provided at Bishops is globally competitive and our students typically perform strongly against their international peers, and we increasingly see many of our matriculants offered positions at highly rated foreign universities.

Many employers, my own company included, increasingly consider a minimum of two degrees as an entry level job requirement. To quote a Harvard University professor who is a personal friend: 'Today a

first degree is what high school or matric used to be in our day'. This means more years spent at university, but it also allows you to focus your efforts in the initial years on rounding out your education before tackling the skills that might be required by the job market later on. This will be good news to those of you who still have no idea of the direction you want your careers to follow, but maybe not such good news to parents who might have to fund these longer university careers – particularly if your sons have no interest in leaving the comforts of your home.

Well done to all of you who will be receiving prizes here today. These prizes are a small recognition of all the hard work you have put into your studies and your other activities at school. The real rewards, however, will come later in life, not only to those of you who win prizes today, but to all of you who have worked hard and have given of your best. You have all made us proud and I am confident that you will continue to do so in the future, long after you have left this school. A special thanks must go to all of the Matrics who have led the school these past 12 months. You have indeed done yourselves proud. Today is a very special day for you and I hope that when you leave this hall later this morning you will enjoy every moment of your Valedictory Service. Today you will be closing a major chapter of your lives and I wish you all every success in the future, especially in your final exams in the weeks to come.

An important part of the Bishops education is the set of values you develop, that will provide you with guidance throughout the rest of your lives. The school is rooted in the Christian faith and this foundation anchors the moral values that come with a Bishops education. Our young men are expected to uphold strong ethical principles, have a clear moral compass,

be shining examples of ethical leadership, be compassionate, respectful and selfless, while having the courage to stand up for what is right.

These values are tested to the limit when it appears that they are flaunted by others in society with apparent impunity. South Africans have lived through many years of fraud and corruption dominating the headlines, with the rule of law being deliberately eroded and criminals acting as if there will be no consequences to their actions. On a daily basis we learn more about the extent of the rot in our government and in our state-owned enterprises through the hearings of the Commission of Inquiry into State Capture. The private sector is also far from blameless, with its own corruption scandals and with private companies aiding and abetting in the looting of state-owned enterprises and the Government Employees' Pension Fund.

As you young men of Bishops go out into the world, you will face many temptations to take shortcuts, or to make easy money. You might find yourselves pressurised into doing so by others. My hope is that you will be able to gain strength from what you have learned here at Bishops and have the courage to stand fast and do the right thing. To quote former United States First Lady Michelle Obama, 'I have learned that as long as I hold fast to my beliefs and values – and follow my own moral compass – then the only expectations I need to live up to are my own.'

I would like to finish by wishing you all every success in this final term of 2018 followed by a wonderful vacation and a blessed Christmas. Thank you very much.

Simon Peile



PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Chairman of Council Mr Simon Peile and Mrs Wierzycka, president of the ODU Mr Raymond Ackerman and Mrs Ackerman, our special guest Mr Peter Sharples, all other honoured guests, members of staff, parents and friends, and young men of Bishops.

It is a pleasure to give my annual report at Prize-Giving 2018. This has been an excellent year for the College, notwithstanding the many challenges facing educational institutions and our country. The year started with the news of the excellent performance of the class of 2017 in the final NSC exams, with 15% of the class achieving aggregates of 90% and above, while 50% of all subject results were distinctions.

On average each boy achieved 3,5 distinctions. At the WCED Awards Ceremony in January, our Dux Christopher Aubin was awarded a certificate for being the top English student in the Western Cape, while Christopher, Kwangben Ko and Felix Burt were awarded Certificates of Merit for coming in the top 20 in the Western Cape.

In August we were pleased to announce that the 2016 recipient of the Mary Gray Studentship to St John's College, Cambridge, Nicholas Janisch, would be going to Cambridge in September 2018, to commence his studies in Mathematics and Physics. Of interest to you all will be the fact that 10% of the class of 2017 have been accepted and taken their places at top international universities for undergraduate studies. This is wonderful affirmation for our excellent teaching staff and the standards they set, and confirms our view that the NSC curriculum delivered by the Department of Basic Education serves its purpose for us at this time.



ABOVE: Guy Pearson

This year saw the introduction of the exciting Big Ideas programme for a select group of pupils in Grade 9. This initiative has been developed by Cheryl Douglas and Gerry Noel and aims to use complexity theory to tackle the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals. The Sustainable Development Goals are being used as the content framework, in order to help boys develop 21st-century skills (among them communication, creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, empathy and resilience). We hope to see this programme grow organically in the future so that more boys can benefit, although we need to be conscious of the fact that it does not necessarily suit all boys.

One of the hallmarks of Bishops is the strength of our cultural programme and 2018 has been a productive year. The a cappella group Simply Blue has had a very busy year, which included a tour to Greece in the mid-year holidays, the play *Of Mice and Men*, a John Steinbeck classic, was brilliantly performed, while the Eisteddfod, in my view, just gets better each year! Our debating and public speakers excelled in the World Champs held at Bishops in March, with Nicholas Peile coming third in Persuasive Speaking and seventh overall, and John van Niekerk elected the champion in After-Dinner Speech. We have been royally entertained during the year by our superb musicians, whether in ensembles or as soloists. Our Matric musicians were particularly superb and special mention must be made of the brilliant Michael Wilson-Trollip. He is the first boy in the history of Bishops to achieve Grade 8 level in four different instruments in the ABRSM exam: distinctions for piano, oboe, organ and singing – a remarkable achievement!

Our sportsmen have more than held their own on the playing fields, both from an individual and team

perspective. As we speak, Michael Houlie, David Naude and William Rose are representing South Africa at the Youth Olympics in Argentina. Michael swam the fastest-ever times in the 50 and 100-metre breaststroke at this event and had the honour of being the flag bearer for the South African team. We have competed very well in team sports such as rugby, hockey, water polo, cricket, squash and rowing; we have 17 oarsmen leaving this evening for the Head of the Charles Regatta in Boston. In total, 18 boys achieved national representation while there were more than 70 provincial representatives at Bishops this year.

The Bishops experience is rich and varied and includes myriad opportunities for each boy to find his niche. I have just mentioned the tip of the iceberg; there is so much more – from clubs and societies to the Epic and Exchange programme, French tours to Europe and trips to Phinda and Umfolozi to The President's Award scheme (four Gold Awards to Matric boys this year – Christopher Kotze, Thomas Barty, Hugo Jansens and Ciaran Manca) and service and community partnerships to name a few. The House system plays an integral part in creating an environment in which each boy has a special place where he belongs, and my thanks go to all the House Directors and all their Assistants who provide this 'home from home'.

Over the past two years we have had a major focus on the Future Fitting of Bishops for a Sustainable Future. This involves financial, environmental and social sustainability and we have made great strides in setting the foundations that will take the school forward. At the start of the third term all the academic staff, together with representatives from the admin and support staff and some parents and boys, participated in a two-day conference facilitated by the Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership. This was a

very worthwhile conference, which will contribute towards informing the way forward as we address these critical issues that are fundamental to our future. Much of the groundwork has been laid; now we need to develop a framework to take this process forward in a formal and deliberate way. Our aim is to make Bishops a welcoming and inclusive environment for all, irrespective of race, religion, gender or sexual persuasion.

While we celebrate our successes today, we are very conscious that none of this could be possible without the contribution of so many. First and foremost, I need to thank our parents for entrusting your sons to our care. I have often said that being a Bishops parent is a huge commitment, not only in terms of finances but also in terms of supporting your sons in the very busy Bishops programme. I am sure I speak for every boy here in thanking you most sincerely for your support and commitment. The PA has reinvented itself this year under the leadership of Malcolm Gray and is far better aligned to provide support for the Executive in establishing that very vital link between parents and the school.

At the beginning of this year we welcomed Simon Peile as our new chairman of Council. Simon has shown in a short time that he has all the attributes of an outstanding chairman. I have been particularly impressed with his willingness to listen but also his very clear vision of the direction the school should be taking. To him and all the Council members, and indeed all of those who serve on our subcommittees, our sincere gratitude.

The president of the ODU, Raymond Ackerman continues to be our 'North Star' in guidance and leadership, not only of the ODU but for us all. We also

thank the chairman, Adam Pike and secretary, WP van Zyl as well as Nicole Durand for the positive way in which they have engaged with the school this year.

We are fortunate to have the services of an exceptional Business Manager in Sean King and I thank him, as well as Greg Brown and Peter Westwood, for their roles on the School Executive.

Dr Stephen Sproule left Bishops at the end of Term 1 and at the beginning of the third term Michelle van Schalkwyk joined us as Deputy Head of Academics. She is the first female to be appointed to the Bishops Executive and brings with her a wealth of experience, energy and passion for education. To Michelle, and the other members of the College Executive, Peter Westwood, Warren Wallace and Mark Mitchell, my sincere appreciation. It has been a very busy year for Mr Wallace and Mr Westwood in particular, as they have led the social sustainability initiatives – often a complex and time-consuming task. I thank every member of the Bishops academic, admin and support staff for their contribution in providing the environment in which our boys can thrive.

In an organisation as large as Bishops it is inevitable that we have our share of tragedy and sadness and this year has been no different. In February we heard the tragic news that Vernon Wood had died of a heart attack. Vernon Wood had a distinguished career in teaching and was at Bishops for nine years. Mr Wood left Bishops in 2016 to take up the position of Executive Director of IQAA (Independent Quality Assurance Agency), and those involved report that he revolutionised this office in his short time as their leader. Most importantly, we will remember Mr Wood as a man of integrity and honour, a wonderful role model to all of us.

No sooner had we recovered from this than our chaplain, Father Terry Wilke, passed away after a long battle with cancer. Terry had been the chaplain at Bishops for 10 years and made his mark in his own way. He had a special gift for bereavement counselling and walked many a journey with Bishops staff, parents and OD families as they dealt with sickness and death. So many families experienced his kindness, compassion and pragmatic approach in times of crisis and grief. Terry was a great listener and was a wonderful mentor to many in the Bishops community.

We are extremely grateful to Father Bob Commin who has stepped in as our chaplain this year. We have all been enriched by his wonderful gift of words and storytelling. We welcome the Reverend Monwabisi Peter as our new chaplain at the start of 2019.

At this time we need to hold in our prayers last year's Head Boy, Christian Rohrer, whose cancer has sadly returned. Chris will be having two tumours removed from his brain on Monday and our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family.

At the end of the third term we said farewell to Kevin Kruger, who left Bishops to take up the position of head of Science at Oakhill in Knysna. Kevin was at Bishops for two stints, from 1996 to 2003 and then from 2007 to 2013. An excellent science teacher, he was well respected by boys and staff. He enjoyed tutoring, coaching sport, beekeeping and being involved in his passion for the outdoors, especially the Epic where he led many hikes and was part of the Epic leadership team. We wish him well in this new challenge in his life.

At the end of the year three very special and long-serving staff members are retiring from Bishops, with

a total of 78 years of service between them! Cheryl Douglas joined the Bishops staff as a Life Sciences teacher in 1996. Over the next 23 years she had a major influence on the school. She has been an innovative and dynamic teacher in the classroom, always looking at her own work critically and making useful suggestions to boys about their learning. Her ex-pupils return regularly to tell her what they have achieved and many of them have gone into Life Science-related careers, mostly because of her ability to teach and inspire them. Cheryl's philosophy is about always questioning the 'purpose' of the status quo in education and she continuously pushes the boundaries of her own practice and of those around her. During her time at Bishops Cheryl was head of Life Sciences, senior marker of Life Sciences in the NSC, chief judge at the Cape Town Expo for young Scientists and founder of the Global Issues Network. She also ran the Philosophy Society, was joint Sustainability co-ordinator and author of the 'Future Fitting Bishops' policy, was overall co-ordinator of the Big Ideas programme and the first female Assistant House Director of Kidd House. In addition, she created and ran her own NGO, the Teaching Biology Project, and ran numerous conferences including the ISASA Education for Sustainability Leadership Conference in 2107. She has been a strong advocate for digital technology in supporting teaching and learning, and has been recognised as a Microsoft Innovative Expert Educator. Cheryl has been lauded with numerous international awards and has travelled the world from conference to conference, sharing her expertise and knowledge. Next year Cheryl is going to focus more on promoting Education for Sustainable Development through the Impact Trust and their Routes to Resilience Programme, which equips and serves the greater teaching and learning communities of this country for a future of uncertainty and a diverse set of challenges.

We salute Cheryl for her work and dedication to the boys, staff and greater community of Bishops and South Africa.

Michael Withers retires at the end of the year after 27 years of service to Bishops. He was employed in 1992 on a part-time basis and was appointed full time in 1993 as HOD Business Economics. During his tenure, he has taught A level and first-year UNISA Business Studies, Accounting and Economics as part of the Post Matric course and was a founder member of the current Economics department in 2005. Michael has been involved in an enormous range of activities outside of the classroom. He was Assistant Housemaster in Kidd House for eight years before moving across to Ogilvie as a tutor; he was the teacher-in-charge of Bishops tennis for many years and has managed multiple hockey sides; he ran the Scuba Diving Society, the Bishops Business Society and managed the Entrepreneurial Programme for Matrics; he has acted in a number of both School and Staff productions (we all look forward to seeing him in *Noises Off* a little later in the term); and, barring one trip to the Orange River, has hiked every year in the Cederberg as part of either the Adventure Course or the Bishops Epic. Michael will be sorely missed for his wonderful sense of humour, his generous friendship and collegiality, his quirky exam papers and tests, proofreading skills, beautifully written subject and tutor comments and his immense organisation and efficiency. While we say goodbye to him as a colleague, we look forward to seeing him around the school for the next few years as both husband to Jacky and father to Tom.

Dr Paul Murray was appointed to the Bishops staff in 1991 by John Gardener as a history teacher. The rest, as they say, is history! Dr Murray has become one of the most loved and respected teachers of

this generation at Bishops. He has served the school with whole-hearted passion and commitment for 28 years. I do not think there is anyone living (save the aforementioned Mr Gardener) who knows more about Bishops and its history than Paul Murray. His contribution speaks for itself: head of History for 26 years, teacher-in-charge of the Bishops Society, Past Parents Society, and the Lingua Franca and Forum societies, founder and TIC of The Historical Bench, honorary secretary of the Bishops Rhodes Scholarship and Mary Gray Scholarship. He served as a chief marker, examiner and moderator for the NSC. He coached rugby, tennis and squash; started the Bishops Marketing Department and was author of *A Brush with Bishops*, illustrated by Richie Ryall. He is the school archivist and tour guide for every OD Reunion. He has been House Director of Birt House and a tutor for many years in Founders House. Dr Murray is the quintessential schoolmaster and, like all great teachers, is known for his eccentricities! With everything from his strange diets and dress sense to his various fitness regimes, his trusty bicycle and vintage motor car, he has kept us entertained.

Dr Murray believes in lifelong learning. He obtained his MA Degree cum laude from Stellenbosch University in 2002 and the degree of Doctor of Philosophy of History from the University of Pretoria in 2013. Most importantly, Dr Murray will be remembered as a master history teacher, truly an inspiration to the thousands of boys he taught and the teachers he has mentored. In a time when the numbers of history students are dwindling at most schools, at Bishops it is the opposite, with history the most popular of the choice subjects – testimony to his incredible passion and leadership of the History department. We honour and thank Dr Murray today for his incredible contribution to Bishops.

I would like to end by paying tribute to the class of 2018. It has been a very good year for Bishops and as a group you have set a good example. The school has been well led by Tim Sharples who will always be remembered for his tremendous humility and integrity – a great Head Boy! He has been well supported by his Deputies Okuhle Minyi and Jeff Malherbe, head of the SRF Logan Tait, and all the heads of Houses and Matrics in general. I want to single out Michael Beckurts today. Michael has been a true inspiration to all of us with his courage and tenacity in the face of adversity. He has taught all of us the true meaning of not being disabled but being differently abled. Thank you Michael. We wish the Matrics all well for the final

stretch; you are a strong group academically and we expect great results from you.

To every Bishops boy, I thank you for your contribution. While we recognise prizewinners today, each of you has contributed in some way or another. Let us remember that the excellence we have achieved in so many areas of school life cannot, and should not, be isolated from the importance of building and showing character, morality, humility, compassion and a total perspective on life.

Pro Fide et Patria.

Guy Pearson



ABOVE: Peter Sharples and Derek Reissenzahn

HEAD OF SCHOOL'S ADDRESS

Molweni Manene naManenekazi, Sanibonani bo, Dumelang, Thobela, Ndaa, Avusheni, Goeiemore aan elk en een, Livukile, Mangwanani, Namaste, Shalom Aleichem, Asalaam alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh. I greet you all in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Good morning Mr and Mrs Pearson, Mr Peile, special guests, honourable members of staff, parents, Matric class of 2018 and Bishops gentlemen.

It is indeed rather surreal to be standing before you all for the last time, doing my last-ever speech for, God willing, a long time to come. I know by this time in the year, many of you are probably as tired of hearing my voice as I am, and I know it is now time to hand over the baton to next year's leaders. Matrics, I would like to think that under our leadership, our beloved Bishops has been able to thrive. We are indeed only custodians of the Mitre, our time is nearly over but we have made our mark. We are surely going to miss everything this

school has made available to us outside of and inside the classroom – we have truly learnt so much from our coaches, mentors and teachers and I think we are well prepared to tackle the world. One of my favourite lines of Matric French poetry that Madame van Selm taught us, that resonated with me so greatly throughout this year of leadership, is, '*Seigneur, je suis fatigué, je suis né fatigué et j'avais beaucoup marché depuis le chant du coq.*' If you don't understand French, ask the French teachers, Dan Le Jeune, Peter Thacker or Chris Kotze – you could possibly try your luck with Marco or Patrick, but I'm not sure they would be able to give you the correct translation. But if you know, you know. Before I am relieved of my duty as Head Boy, I would like to thank the people who made the year so successful. Firstly, to the Bishops gentlemen, thank you for being such a great group of boys to lead, right across the grades. I would like to thank you for being so willing to be led and I hope we've inspired you this year to be the best versions of yourselves.

Grade 8s, you were great mentees to us Matrics. Well done on a fantastic first year at College. Hopefully you will never forget your crazy bunch of mentors. I don't think you will be able to! Grade 9s, thank you for being as good as Grade 9s come. Keep on making us proud on the sports field and in the classroom and, above all, be kind to one another. Grade 10s, you've had another successful year. Please stay humble and remember to always keep God first. Even though half the time the rest of the school could barely understand your own made-up language. Good luck with Epic and everything else that lies ahead. Grade 11s, we are expecting big things from you all. It's been awesome getting to know you and to lead you this year. It was very enjoyable playing Open sports with you and we hope that you have learnt a lot from us Matrics – especially you Kloosman. Good luck for next year, boys. Cherish every moment – before you know it, your time at College will be over!

And then to my brothers in arms, the Matrics: we made it! I could ask for no better group of boys with whom to have led. Indeed we set the tone for the year and I'm very grateful and proud of you all for your efforts, no matter how small. There truly must be something special about our birth year, the year 2000. In this year's group, I am certain, many boys would have done a perfect job in the role of Head Boy. I mean, in our heads of Houses group alone, we have four ex-junior school Head Boys. So a big thank you to all of you. In particular, a big thank you must go to my two amazingly talented friends and deputies, Jeff and Okuhle, who made my life a lot easier. To be honest, I struggled to answer when people asked me who is head of Academics and Culture and who is head of Sport, as both Okuhle and Jeff are such brilliant all-rounders. I suppose you could understand my dilemma with Jeff's Grade 8 violin and rugby talents

and Okuhle's Simply Blue voice and hockey talent. It was pretty hard to decide; in the end I would just say Jeff is head of Sport since he's in Founders with Mr Mallett and I was the one always scrummaging behind him on a Saturday morning, and then I would say Okuhle is head of Music and Culture since he's in Gray House with Mr Wensch – and because he would stay at school until 10pm or later almost every day for societies and the like. My most sincere thanks to you and your families, Jeff and Okuhle, for everything, including our 7.20am Wednesday meetings!

2018 has been challenging, yet rewarding. For me, from the start, I said that the success of the year would be dependent on the happiness of all those at Bishops. In many respects, the year therefore has been a very successful one but there have also been the sad moments. Most notably would be the passing of Mr Wood and our chaplain, Father Wilke. Both these Bishops staff members played a very important role in my school life and in many other students' lives too. In fact, my standing here before you today can largely be attributed to Mr Wood, who managed to introduce me to a very generous sponsor, Mr Ulrich Brown, who helped to keep me here. Unfortunately, he has also passed on, but it is thanks to both Mr Wood and Mr Brown's efforts that I managed to stay at this amazing school. Indeed, it is my prayer that they are both happy today looking down on us at their beloved Bishops.

The passing of Father Terry Wilke also left a huge void in my heart and in the school. It was truly an honour to have known Father Wilke. You might not think that we would have shared the best relationship – Catholic boy, living it up at an Anglican school, it's almost the same but not quite the same Whatsapp group. But Father Wilke's love for God and the Bishops' chapels



ABOVE: Head of School, Tim Sharples



ABOVE: Peter and Tim Sharples

was an inspiration to me. I will always remember Father Wilke for his kindness, the banter he shared with all of us (especially Mr Mitchell and his Music department) and for his ability to jump onto his red bicycle to race from preaching in chapel to Prep assembly and then down to mentor the youngsters at the Pre-Prep. I'd like to also thank Mrs Wilke on behalf of all the boys, for the invaluable work she continues to do for our school.

Fortunately, Father Bob managed to bring some joy back into the school and keep us highly entertained. Father Bob always kept us guessing in chapel with everything from his magic tricks and self-composed poetry to Mozart and other classical music and his own interesting rendition of a rap song!

We are so fortunate to have some of the best teachers in the world at Bishops and we are grateful to all the teachers for their important contributions in our lives. *uVictor Hugo wathi Lowo uvula amasango esikolo, uvala iingcango zentolongo.* He who opens the doors to the school, shuts the doors to the prison.' If you don't understand my Xhosa in the speech, please don't miss out – just make use of the FAX Factor – which stands for Find-a-Xhosa. Titshalakazi Kritzinger counts and Mam' Kritzinger understands very well, or you can ask Mr Jacobs – Alizwa has been teaching Mr Jacobs a lot of Xhosa since he moved from Birt to Ogilvie! But in essence, what I am saying is, we salute you all as our teachers.

*Sithi: Thambo-dala, kade bem-qo-ngqotha!
Dizadala, kade bem-khwa-hlaza!
Maz – e - nethole!
Ningadinwa nangomso.
Baseza noonyana bethu!
Sithi phambili ngeemfundo phambili!*

As my Dad put it to me earlier in the year: 'You know, Tim, other schools are great, but that which separates Bishops from the rest is the teachers.' And then he started to name some. 'Other schools don't have teachers of the same calibre as the Mr Richters, the Mr Courts, the Mrs Campbells, the Mr Walshes, the Mrs Douglasses, the Mr Suddings, the Mr Ledwidges, the Mr Holtmans, the Mrs McPetries, etc.'

Teachers, I apologise if your name wasn't called out, my Dad is old school; he only really knows the teachers who taught my older brothers. And he's also bad with names – half the time Dad calls me by my brothers' names. I'd say I have to agree with Dad, though. I mean, I don't think many other schools can boast about having three doctors in their ranks. Unfortunately, after this year it'll be only two and Bishops is going to miss Dr Murray very much. But to the other teachers, there's now an opening! I wonder who'll be the next doctor – my bet is on Mr Vam for a PhD in Maths. But in actual fact, our teachers are actually all so good that they often come in twos: we've got the famous Malletts, Mr Mallett and Miss Mallett, we've got the quirky Mr and Mrs Withers (Bishops will definitely miss you next year, Mr Withers), we've got Mr and Mrs Bester (however, don't get confused – they are not related), we've got the Mr Smith triplets, we have Mr Noel and Mr Noel-te and we had the two Bradleys but now we've just got the one Mr Bradley and one fantastic Mrs Gardner – belated, congratulations to you, Ma'am!

To Mr Pearson, my Dad assures me that the sign of a great headmaster is his ability to attract and keep the best teachers. And my Dad knows this as his Dad was a headmaster. So if they're the best teachers... that would mean... But to be honest, I've always thought of Mr Pearson as President Barack Obama. I'm not sure if

it's because of his charisma, or the fact that his hair has become whiter and whiter since his time in office, or if it's because he and his wife are such a powerful couple who are practically inseparable, much like Michelle and Barack Obama. So thank you very much, Mrs Pearson, for everything you do for us as well, and for supporting Mr Pearson – *siyabonga kakhulu*.

I'd like to give a personal word of thanks to Mr Wallace and Mr Westwood. Mr Wallace, I am grateful for everything you have done for me this year – your door has always remained open to me despite your very busy schedule. Some days, Mr Wallace would even make time for us Matrics by changing the norm and coming to eat lunch with us in the dayboy dining room to discuss business. And then to Mr Westwood, who also happens to have grown up in my country of birth, thank you very much for the great example you have set for us all throughout the year. We appreciate your efforts in trying to maintain Bishops' tradition and high standards and to keep God at the centre. Mr Westwood is very humble and my Dad tells me that despite Mr Westwood's unassuming nature, he was in fact a great fly half!

I would like to also thank the amazing Birt House tutors consisting of the brilliant Ms Bassett, Ms Rutter, Mr Swift, Dr Stevens, my own tutor, the fantastic Mr Hyslop (who just so happens to be the longest-serving teacher at Bishops – wasn't I lucky?) and Mrs Freund (who, although not officially part of Birt, has always sort of felt that way as her son and my older brother's good friend was also my mentor in Grade 8). And, in particular, I would like to thank our phenomenal House Director Mr Pasquallie and his fantastic Deputies, Mr Smith and Mr Ellis, for all their help and guidance over the course of the year.

Lastly, in South Africa there is an unofficial proverb that says, 'One's contacts speak louder than one's

qualifications'. I'm not sure how true this is, but what I do know for sure is that I most definitely had the best contacts in the business this year. From my best friends who also doubled up as my PAs, my aunts and uncles, Mrs Hendricks in the Admin block, my current teachers and retired teachers (like the amazing Mama Siyengo for her continued support), to Mr Farlam at the BSU, Mr Van Zyl at the OD Union, the ADT guards, Auntie Bonnie in the printing room and Uncle Rasheed Goliath at the astro, I'm very grateful to you all and we shall miss you. I would also love to take this opportunity to thank all my many mentors and good friends who work as the service staff here at Bishops. Bishops is truly much more than just a school and is much richer for having these amazing staff members. Indeed, it is true when they say that some things cannot be taught in the classroom and that anyone can always teach you something. To name just a few, a big thank you to Mr Julius Madolo at the pool for his wisdom and counsel, Mr Pardon in the kitchen for his spiritual guidance and for trying to teach me chiShona, uMama Gloria waseGray House, Mama Lizi, Auntie Gertie, Auntie Bernie, Auntie Sonja, Ma'Athabile and to all the other amazing service staff for their love and guidance. *Baie dankie. Enkosi. Ngiyabonga kakhulu*.

Something I really value about my brothers attending Bishops before me, is that they all made a name for themselves – and for me – especially my big brother Ben, who made an effort to get to know everybody, and everybody still knows him. This is not always a good thing, especially with the teachers, but in my case it is. I will never forget when I first met one of the lovely ladies cleaning the classroom after school. Before I could even introduce myself, this lady could tell me that I was a Sharples and could tell me more about my family than I even knew! I now know this amazing lady as Mrs Daries or Auntie Brenda, also known to friends as Ma Brrr after the great Brenda Fassie. Fortunately, I have been able to hear Tannie

Brenda's pearls of wisdom throughout my college career and to see Tannie Brenda every day in Birt House has been a blessing. *Die liefde van Jesus is inderdaad wonderbaar. Ek gaan Tannie-julle verskriklik baie mis*.

Lastly, a big shout out to my family: to my Mum, still my biggest supporter and pillar of strength; to my amazing brothers and sisters, my best friends since birth; and to my awesome Dad, who's known to many of my close friends as Uncle Peter. Peter is the rock upon which Jesus built His Church, and Uncle Peter is the rock upon which our family is built. Dad has done so much for me this year, he even learnt how to use WhatsApp for me –well, ish... Nevertheless, thanks Dad, and I love you.

Matrics, *ixesha lethu liphelile. Umzamo omhle siwuzamile, ugqatso silufezile. Kaloku, uJesu*

uyaphila. Our country, your country, needs you. Do not disappoint our nation. Go out into the world and make us proud. To all the Matric parents: we as your sons thank you. We do not know what the future holds, but you have stood us in good stead. Thank you for sending us to this amazing school, we would have been nothing without you. *Njengokuba ndaqala ngokuthi "Ndiliyoko-yoko, ndinje nje nje nguMama, ndiliyoko-yoko, ndinje nje nje nguMama*.

Ndee gram, halala, halala, halala, halala, halala

Tim Sharples



ABOVE: Jeff Malherbe receives The OD All-Rounder's Prize

PRIZE LIST

2018

GRADE 8	
Robert Kotze	Grade Prize 1st
	An OD's Mathematics Prize
	Economic and Management Sciences Prize
	Life Orientation Prize
Erik Todd	General Good Effort
	Grade Prize 2nd
	English Prize
	Science Prize
	Biology Prize
	Geography Prize
Ben MacFarlane	French Prize
	General Good Effort
	Grade Prize 3rd
	Non-practical Music Course Prize
Carl Elvin-Jensen	General Good Effort
	History Prize
Robbie Dicey	General Good Effort
	Afrikaans Prize (shared)
	General Good Effort
Michael Beaumont	Drama Prize
	General Good Effort
Benjamin Reid	Practical Music Course Prize
	General Good Effort

Jack Moyle	IsiXhosa Prize (Second Additional Language)
Sipho Ndlovu	IsiXhosa Prize (First Additional Language)
Thomas Maurel	Art Prize
Dieter Karlein	Technology Prize
Lukas Barnard	Afrikaans Prize (shared)
Sebastian Boeddinghaus	General Good Effort
Dominic Farmer	General Good Effort
Josh Grindley-Ferris	General Good Effort
Yusuf Isaacs	General Good Effort
Aadam Jaffer	General Good Effort
Suhayl Khalfey	General Good Effort
Liam Petersen	General Good Effort
Joshua Smith	General Good Effort
Chris Welby-Solomon	General Good Effort
Special Mentions	
English	Sebastian Boeddinghaus, Robert Kotze
Afrikaans	Robert Kotze, Sebastian Le Grange
French	Luke Davis, Thomas Saurma-Jeltsch
Mathematics	Suhayl Khalfey, Dominic Farmer
Life Orientation	Bruce Sherwood, Matthew Malan, Sebastian le Grange, Ben MacFarlane, Suhayl Khalfey, Michael Beaumont
Science	Ben MacFarlane, Chris Welby-Solomon, Jonathan Couves, Rahul Chagan
	Robert Kotze, Jack Moyle
Biology	Robert Kotze, Robbie Dicey
Geography	Erik Todd, Ben Reid
History	Storm Lanfear
IsiXhosa (SAL)	Nimba Mahlati
IsiXhosa (FAL)	Daniel Neuhoff
Art	Suhayl Khalfey; Sebastiano Panieri
Music	Luke Botha, James du Preez, Thomas Mason, Rupert Holmes
Drama	Ben MacFarlane, Suhayl Khalfey, Robbie Dicey
Technology	Michael Beaumont; Ben MacFarlane
	EMS

GRADE 9	
Gus Farara	Grade Prize 1st
	General Good Effort
Gabriel Dyssell-Hofinger	Grade Prize 2nd
	The Gladys Manning Memorial Prize
	Strakosch Prize – Mathematics
	Additional Mathematics Prize
	History Prize (shared)
	Life Orientation Prize (shared)
James Elliott	General Good Effort
	Grade Prize 3rd
	Economic and Management Sciences Prize
	Life Orientation Prize (shared)
Paul Malherbe	General Good Effort
	English Prize
	Mary Clarkson Prize for Creative Writing/Junior Writing Prize
	Drama Prize
	General Good Effort
Khelan Dheda	Strakosch Prize – Biology
	History Prize (shared)
	General Good Effort
James Mason	French Prize
	Geography Prize
	General Good Effort
Ben Halle	Art Prize
	Technology Prize
	General Good Effort
John Smith	Practical Music Course Prize
	General Good Effort
Joseph Ruiz von Walter	Strakosch Prize – Science
	General Good Effort
Torben Bergh	Afrikaans Prize
	General Good Effort

Mihlali Mbeteni	IsiXhosa Prize (First Additional Language)
Liam Harrison	IsiXhosa Prize (Second Additional Language)
Ollie Kennedy-Smith	Non-practical Music Course Prize
Ronan King	General Good Effort
Chris Scheepers	General Good Effort
Seth Nieburg	General Good Effort
Lukas Oelz	General Good Effort
Dylan Wood	General Good Effort
Special Mentions	
English	Gus Farara, Khelan Dheda
Afrikaans	James Elliott, Peter Myburgh, Luca van Wyk
French	Matthew Tripe, Gus Farara
Mathematics	James Elliott, Gus Farara, Torben Bergh
Life Orientation	Khelan Dheda, Gus Farara
IsiXhosa	Alex Myeki, Seth Nieburg
Science	Gus Farara, Khelan Dheda, Gabriel Dyssell-Hofinger
Biology	Paul Malherbe, Joseph Ruiz von Walter, Gus Farara
Geography	John Smith, Gabriel Dyssell-Hofinger
History	John Smith, Gus Farara, James Mason
Art	Bruce Campbell, Adam Clarke, Nassar de Kock
Music	James Elliott, Ollie Kennedy-Smith
Drama	Torben Bergh, Jonathan Roche
Technology	Luka Oelz
EMS	Gabriel Dyssell-Hofinger, Gus Farara, Nicholas Pabst

GRADE 10	
Daniel van Nimwegen	Grade Prize 1st (Archbishop West-Jones) (shared)
	English Prize (shared)
	The Lascelles Birt Memorial Mathematics Prize
	The Guy Currie Science Prize
	Strakosch Prize – Physical Science
	General Good Effort

Andrew Low	Grade Prize 1st (Archbishop West-Jones) (shared)
	The Andrew Henderson Memorial Biology Prize (shared)
	Strakosch Prize – Life Sciences
	Economics Prize (shared)
	English Prize (shared)
	General Good Effort
Christopher Dicey	Grade Prize 3rd
	Strakosch Prize – Maths
	General Good Effort
Robert Dugmore	English Prize (shared)
	Additional Mathematics Prize
	Music Prize
	General Good Effort
Stuart Stevens	Economics Prize (shared)
	Accounting Prize
	General Good Effort
Tim Kotze	Art Prize
	Life Orientation Prize
	General Good Effort
Rohan Naidoo	The Andrew Henderson Memorial Biology Prize (shared)
	General Good Effort
Jonathan Mopp	English Prize (shared)
	General Good Effort
Alex Saurma-Jeltsch	The Pauling French Prize
	General Good Effort
Jono Bateman	The Stanley Clarke Junior History Prize (shared)
	General Good Effort
Adam Morkel	The Stanley Clarke Junior History Prize (shared)
Jan Smuts	The OD Prize for Afrikaans
Cameron Clark	Information Technology Prize
Steven Du	Geography Prize
Will Makin	Dramatic Arts Prize

Elyas Ayyoub	IsiXhosa Prize (Second Additional Language)
Aya Ngcwangu	IsiXhosa Prize (First Additional Language)
Conor White	Maths Literacy Prize
Anton Coutts-Trotter	General Good Effort
Michael Ford	General Good Effort
Oliver Kane-Smith	General Good Effort
Gerard Murray-Cooke	General Good Effort

GRADE 11	
Joshua Elliott	Grade Prize 1st
	Strakosch Prize – Physical Science
	Life Science Prize (shared)
	Economics Prize
	General Good Effort
Euan Musselwhite	Grade Prize 2nd
	The Edna Hodgson Prize for English
	History Prize
	The Pauling French Prize
	General Good Effort
Jakob Holm	Grade Prize 3rd
	Afrikaans Prize
	Music Prize
	General Good Effort
Thomas Warner	Strakosch Prize – Maths
	Additional Mathematics Prize
	General Good Effort
Tomas Slaven	Information Technology Prize
	Life Orientation Prize
	General Good Effort
Reece Oellermann	Life Science Prize (shared)
	Strakosch Prize – Life Sciences
Matthew Leong	Geography Prize
	General Good Effort

Ubaid Francis	Accounting Prize
Tristan Turner	Art Prize
Matt Marr	Dramatic Arts Prize
Jonty Mondry	Maths Literacy Prize
Gift Hokwana	IsiXhosa Prize (Second Additional Language)
Caleb Anderson-De Waal	General Good Effort
Jack Clayton	General Good Effort
Liam Foxcroft	General Good Effort
Murray Gordon	General Good Effort
Mikhail Lovric	General Good Effort
Sabri Numanoglu	General Good Effort
Rushay Shiba	General Good Effort
Adam Stonestreet	General Good Effort

GRADE 12	
Derek Reissenzahn	Grade Prize 1st
	Edward Ridge Syfret English Prize
	Mark Newton-Thompson Afrikaans Prize (shared)
	Harry Robinson Prize for Mathematics and Science
	An Old Boy's Prize for Science
	Victor Lewis Prize for Biology
	Stanley Clarke History Prize
	Economics Prize
	Life Orientation Prize
	General Good Effort
	Grade Prize 2nd
	Gorham Mathematics Prize
	Gray House Old Boys' Prize for Additional Maths
	The Thresher Prize for Physics
	General Good Effort
	Grade Prize 3rd
Thomas Janisch	General Good Effort

Francesco Guerrini	PricewaterhouseCoopers Prize for Maths and Accounting
	Accounting Prize (shared)
	General Good Effort
John van Niekerk	Mark Newton-Thompson Afrikaans Prize (shared)
	Dramatic Arts Prize
Daniel Le Jeune	First Pauling French Prize
	General Good Effort
Michael Wilson-Trollip	Music Prize
	General Good Effort
Michael Beckurts	Visual Arts Prize
Alizwa Ngcwangu	IsiXhosa Prize (Second Additional Language)
Linda Farr	IsiXhosa Prize (First Additional Language)
Sihle Kahla	Mark Newton-Thompson Afrikaans Prize (shared)
Grant Leslie	Helen Liddell Geography Prize
Terrence Pettersson	Maths Literacy Prize
Brandon Snider	Information Technology Prize
Brandon Thomas	Accounting Prize (shared)
Thomas Barty	General Good Effort
Kit Bell	General Good Effort
Finn Geldenhuys	General Good Effort
Liam Gordon-Turner	General Good Effort
Christopher Kotze	General Good Effort
Ryan Labberte	General Good Effort
Jeff Malherbe	General Good Effort
Ano Mtombeni	General Good Effort
Nicholas Peile	General Good Effort
Theodore Psillos	General Good Effort
Ben Rubin	General Good Effort
Kamal Sacranie	General Good Effort

OTHER SPECIAL PRIZES	
Joshua Mol	The Ashburnham Prize for English Reading
Khelan Dheda	The Hands Memorial Essay Prize
Khelan Dheda	The Junior Reading Prize
Logan Tait	The Writer's Prize
Nicholas Peile	The HJ Kidd Speech Prize
Paul Malherbe	The English Verse Prize
Robert Kotze	The Charles Morris Essay Prize
Rohan Naidoo	The Headmaster's Junior English Speech Prize
Jakob Holm	Die JSM Viljoen Afrikaanse Skrywersprys
John van Niekerk	Die Louis Esselen Afrikaanse Toespraak Prys vir Huistaal
Peter Thacker	Die Louis Esselen Afrikaanse Toespraak Prys vir Addisionele Taal
Jonathan Greyling	Die Afrikaanse Voordragprys
Ryan Lawson	Martin Silberbauer Prize: Most-improved Geographer
Thomas Janisch	The Warham Searle Prize for Southern African History
Derek Reissenzahn	Sybil McGregor Prize for Historical Research
Nicholas Peile	Bertha Solomon Prize for South African History
Nivar Rajoo	Michael Cameron Computer Prize
Michael Beckurts	Rembrandt van Rijn Medal
Michael Beckurts	Leonardo da Vinci Medal
Michael Beckurts	The Sam Butler Drawing Prize
Michael Beckurts	The Pierneef Cup for Art
Theodore Psillos	The Graham Coote Prize for the Best Contribution to an Ensemble
Theodore Psillos	The Piano Prize
Michael Wilson-Trollip	The Sholto Cole Organ Trophy
Michael Wilson-Trollip	The John Joubert Cup for Composition
Michael Wilson-Trollip	The Brian Guillemard Prize for Major Contribution to Music in the School
Michael Wilson-Trollip	The Prize for the Best Contribution to the Choir (shared)
Nicholas Peile	The Prize for the Best Contribution to the Choir (shared)
Jonathan Greyling	Instrumentalist's Prize (shared)

Kamal Sacranie	Instrumentalist's Prize (shared)
Kit Bell	The Prize for the Most Improved Musician (shared)
James Caro	The Prize for the Most Improved Musician (shared)
Aedan Foulkes	The Masey Prize for Environmental Studies
Thomas Warner	The Solomon Prize for Excellence in Competition Mathematics
Dieter Karlien	The Bizony Cup for Excellence in Junior Competition Mathematics
Michael Beckurts	Rotary Club of Claremont 'Service Above Self' Award
Jeff Malherbe	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (F)
Connor Price	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (S)
Nikhil Reddy	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (W)
Okuhle Minyi	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (G)
Nivar Rajoo	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (O)
Andrew Knight	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (K)
Tim Sharples	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (B)
Andre Truter	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (M)
Michael Wilson-Trollip	The Bob Snape Prize for Enthusiasm
Bunathi Mbityi	Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (F)
Fezile Nyathela	Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (S)
Oliver Diggle	Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (W)
Alex Saurma-Jeltsch	Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (G)
Alexander van der Leek	Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (O)
Adam Suliaman	Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (K)
Mitch Labberte	Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (B)
John Steyn	Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (M)
Okuhle Minyi	The George Hodgson Prize
Brandon Snider	The Philip Stent Trophy
Brandon Snider	The Speciality Prize for Smaller Sports
Tim Sharples	The Roston Franks Memorial Floating Trophy
William Rose	The Tuppy Owen-Smith Trophy for Excellence in Sport
Michael Roche	The Doug Todd Trophy for Sport
Jayden Rossouw	The Jamison Prize for Athletics
Jeff Malherbe	The OD All-Rounder's Prize
Michael Houlie	The OD Merit Prize

BIG IDEAS CLASS



At the end of Term 2, Grade 9 learners were invited to apply to be part of a 'Big Ideas' class that would run in the Biology, History, Geography, and Economics and Management Science time slots in Terms 3 and 4. Teachers Gerry Noel, Fiona Viotti, Angus Firth and Sean Henchie facilitated, while Cheryl Douglas (Global Issues Network) acted as course co-ordinator, and Burgert Maree and Carrie Bester assisted where possible.

Sixty boys applied to join the class and 30 were selected based on the motivations they submitted. The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were used as the content framework in order to help the boys develop the 21st-century skills of communication, creativity, critical thinking,

collaboration, empathy and resilience. The boys submitted weekly reflections on what they had learnt and experienced. They were exposed to experts in various fields, taken on excursions and organised their own meetings and interviews. When things went wrong, a 'Fail Faire' was held to work out how to move forward. Boys and teachers learned to use Microsoft Teams, and readings, assessment rubrics and instructions were made available to them on this workspace-sharing platform.

The first few weeks of Term 3 formed part of the 'Loading Heads' phase where they learnt about the SDGs, design and systems thinking and how to do research. The boys were then put into teams based on which SDG they most wanted to work on. They went 'Into the Cloud' (see Uri Alon on TED Talks) as they researched an issue that was meaningful to them. Teams blogged about their projects and wrote up the process as a narrative report, which was assessed, and the groups then presented their findings in a team 'FameLab' format to an invited audience as the final assessment of the year. We hope that this process has fundamentally changed the boys' ways of thinking and



ABOVE: Dan Corder, Christopher Forbes, Thomas Bester, Mac de Romijn



that they will put their ideas into action, not only this year, but grow them in the future. The Global Issues Network at Bishops provides a forum where boys can use their initiative and creativity to put their ideas into action.

The commitment of the teachers involved with this class was paramount to the success of the initiative. It involved a paradigm shift and a willingness to adapt as the course developed and it required many hours of thinking and preparation. The group of teachers involved met weekly, shared ideas on a WhatsApp group and Staff Teams. The involvement and commitment of Nella Freund in the library and Nicki Gerhardt and Sally Bowes in the IT department were also essential to the success of this class. It was wonderful to experience the enthusiasm of the staff and boys involved as we all learned about and from each other.

Cheryl Douglas and Gerry Noel

The following article appeared in the *The Tatler* on Thursday, 15 November. The group in question, Tom Bester, Max de Romijn and Chris Forbes, chose Goal Number 5: Gender Equality from the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. They were also interviewed on Good Hope FM.

MAKING SEXISM UNCOOL AT A BOYS' SCHOOL

Bishops has implemented a Big Ideas initiative as part of its Grade 9 Curriculum, whereby groups of boys select one of the United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals, and develop a programme aimed at assisting in the achievement of their chosen goal. The boys work in small groups under the mentorship of a teacher.

One such group, consisting of learners Thomas Bester, Max de Romijn and Chris Forbes, has chosen Sustainable Development Goal number 5, which is the promotion of gender equality, and specifically aims to 'call out sexist language and behaviour'.

After doing extensive research, and spending time interviewing young women – special mention must be made of the Westerford High School Grade 12s who impressed them with their frank discussions and willingness to share their views – they used the insights gained to develop a strategy they could implement, starting at their own school.

The boys came up with the idea to make sexism uncool. The key for them was to ask the senior leaders in the school to feature as brand ambassadors for their campaign, using the slogan 'Not at my school'. According to Thomas Bester, the thinking was that 'if a cool guy says it is uncool to be sexist, the other boys would follow'.

The group developed pink button badges with the slogan 'Not at my school' and encouraged their chosen brand ambassadors to wear them publicly. In addition, they are selling these button badges for R5 each, and will be donating the proceeds to the NGO Woman Against Rape. They have also started an Instagram campaign to publicise their message.

A further element of the campaign was the development of posters featuring their brand ambassadors with the same message, which they display prominently at various venues at Bishops.

According to Max de Romijn, they want to approach other schools and encourage them to support the initiative by implementing the campaign at their schools. 'Here's a challenge to you Rondebosch,' says Forbes with a twinkle in his eye.

Their hope is that 'Not at my school' will become a rallying cry among boys and young men that assists in some small way to achieve United Nations Sustainable Development Goal Number 5 of Gender Equality.

LEFT:

Big Ideas at Good Hope FM

RIGHT:

Big Ideas Poster featuring Murray Gordon, Deputy Head of School (Dayboys) 2019



MOLTENO LIBRARY

Because the College Library serves as a multifunctional resource centre, rather than a traditional library, a variety of activities took place here during the year.

It continued to be one of the most popular venues for the boys to enjoy breaks and Open Periods, as its spaces cater to different needs, whether it be gaming or playing board games in the Social and Research Commons, working collaboratively in the Seminar Rooms, or reading and studying in the quieter Reading Commons. The library was also used regularly

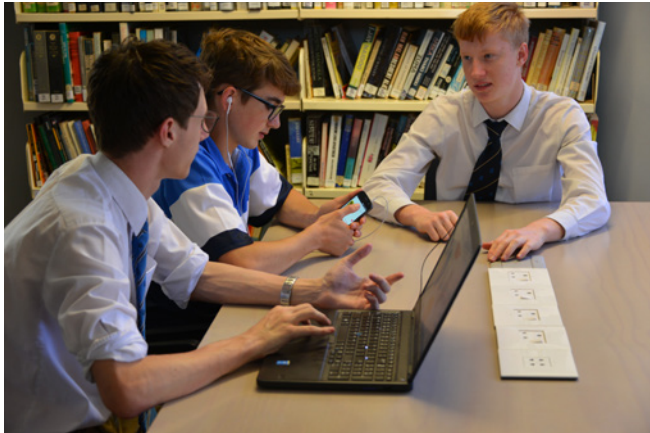
by teachers to take classes, providing a change of environment from their classrooms and more versatile seating.

Nella Freund (Resource Manager) and Nikki Gerhardi (IT Facilitator) continued to give lessons in research and referencing skills with a focus on digital and information literacy, in line with the academic vision of the school. These are vital skills for the boys to develop, living as we do in a world full of biased and curated online information, and fake news. We also focused on teaching them how to write effective research assignments, developing their communication and critical-thinking skills.

The rollout of Turnitin (a web-based plagiarism-detection service) continued through Grades 10, 11 and 12 and all boys are now required to submit research assignments using this tool. Turnitin is used not only to detect levels of plagiarism, but also as



ABOVE: Head Library Monitor, Nicholas Peile, Junior Monitor, Caleb Francis



a means for boys to understand the consequences of plagiarism and the associated importance of referencing.

The Grade 9 Big Ideas project in the second half of the year mainly took place in the library, initially as a venue for the whole class in the 'loading heads' stage, and then providing ideal spaces for the smaller groups to break away and collaborate on their chosen SDG projects. Nikki and Nella helped the boys develop their understanding of systems thinking and action

research, as well as the application of theory in a practical way and how to produce well-written, exciting narrative reports.

Throughout the year, the library was used as a venue for many societies, including the popular Debating Society that meets on a weekly basis, Science Café that gets together once a month in the evening, and Book Club.

Nella Freund



CULTURE



HEAD OF CULTURE REPORT

Deputy Head Culture: Mark Mitchell

I AM

Two of the most

powerful words:

For what you put

After them

Shapes your reality

It is funny how so much of our lives is spent living a narrative that we have learned about ourselves from someone else, and it is funny how we often start believing this narrative which, ultimately, determines how we behave, what we do and how we define success for ourselves. I am sure you all can relate to comments like: 'Oh, you are so good at art' or 'You are such a good sportsman!' Often our programming results in us taking on these comments and then allowing them to determine our future paths. The compliments people give us should not determine our paths forward, however, in many people's lives they do. I feel that the real aim of education is to teach boys to let go of their taught narratives and, as they grow older, to become more bold in taking 'educational risks'. We need to become more comfortable with the uncomfortable and, in those moments, to realise that our uncomfortable feelings are often just because we are standing in a space that we either do not know or one that challenges what we do know. It is to realise that we have learnt to judge things from our 'taught' world view.

So, what has this all got to do with a Cultural programme and its relevance? Everything. I hope that in this year, which has been a year of huge societal

upheaval and re-evaluation, the Cultural programme has given you all a space in which to revisit what you believe and, in particular, challenge your own belief system. I hope that, through hearing guest speakers in society meetings, having philosophical discussions around various topics, having to be someone else on a stage, by challenging yourself to explore a genre of music that you are not au fait with or exploring a medium of art that is not what you are creatively comfortable with, you have been challenged. If you have done this, then I believe that you have taken a step in redefining yourself and have taken a step towards being an authentic person – an increasing rarity in our society.

When we look at many of our current leaders, we often see them making decisions that affect their careers negatively – and their fundamental error was that they did not make the decision from their social construction of reality but rather by following the crowd, the less authentic route!

I hope that through all your interactions with the Cultural programme over the past year, you have met people who have sparked a passion in you, have set you on a path that you knew nothing of, but one that truly resonates and leads you to your authentic self. I AM ...

'Being different isn't a bad thing. It means you're brave enough to be yourself.' Luna Lovegood, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*.

Mark Mitchell



ABOVE: Mark Mitchell

DRAMA



OF MICE AND MEN

‘A highly successful production that should at least grace one of the stages at Edinburgh!’

The stage version of Steinbeck’s novella was released in the same year that the book was published and has earned many accolades and awards in its time. Interestingly, Steinbeck also wrote the play adaptation at the same time that the novella was on the bestsellers’ list, and opened on Broadway to rave reviews. That was then.

So I guess the challenge for Wayne Tucker as director was how to produce and direct a piece of drama that was a setwork here in its prose form, and also backed up by the movie version with top stars like Gary Sinise (George Milton) and John Malkovich (Lennie Small). How do schoolboys (and a girl) bring something new to this American classic without necessarily replicating what has been delivered so successfully on Broadway

and on the silver screen? What could be different? How do kids reflect the deep issues of the effects of the Great Depression on migrant labour and the loneliness of men bereft of meaningful relationships, with their dignity in tatters? It was with these questions and reservations in mind that I sat in the audience with, admittedly, some doubts about how this cast of young men could, or would, grapple with these seriously adult emotions and experiences.

The curtains opened to reveal a black-and-white scene with moving clouds – straight out of an old film! The subdued evening lights, beautifully designed by Wayne Tucker and Kieran Cattell, warmed the stage and George (Jonty Wright) and Lennie (Jack Paine) started their conversation just as in the movie – American accents and all. It was quite startling how much Jack Paine sounded like his movie counterpart Lennie. In addition, the difference in physical size between the two leads almost matched that of the Sinise-directed movie, exacerbating the childlike brain capacity of the gigantic Lennie compared to the sharpness of that of the diminutive George. When the two bed down for the night and we are exposed to their not-so-far-fetched dream of saving enough money to buy a piece of land to call their own, live free from the bullying of farm bosses and ‘live off the fatta the lan’, we became acutely aware, in the unspoken text, of the conditions they are forced to endure. So,



the stage was set to take us on the ill-fated journey into the lives of these two oddly-coupled friends.

At the bunkhouse, cleverly designed by Nic Mayer, we met the one-handed swamper, Candy, so believably played by Simon Craig, with the rest of the motley crew – Slim (Nic Gleeson), Carlson (Euan Musselwhite) and Whit (Luke Rissik) – a seemingly normal buzz of workers going through the motions. Here, Tucker and his cast managed to create a more convivial, true-to-life atmosphere with sometimes-lighthearted banter, and the audience breathed easily for a while – until the arrival of the irascible Curley (Adam Fernandez) with his glove-covered fist, looking for his wife and a fight. The power relations were immediately clear when the cocky boss's son flitted from one character to the next like an alpha bantam rooster in a chicken coup, all because of a singular hen, his wife (Gemma Morris) and his chronic insecurity about her fidelity. Lennie, with his obsession for petting cuddly little animals, is immediately drawn to the attractive young woman, foreshadowing the tragedy to follow.

Eventually we met the cranky Crooks (Calvin Nyoni), who represents the extent of American racism and the double-dose of alienation experienced by African Americans and the difference in levels of social ranking at that time. This loneliness and craving for human company was poignantly expressed in the ridiculous, almost comic nature of the 'conversation' between Crooks and Lennie where, despite the obvious difference in intelligence, Crooks will always be inferior to the simple-minded, but white, Lennie. Lennie's inability to recognise or acknowledge colour as a socially divisive phenomenon is surely a comment by Steinbeck on the ridiculous nature of racism and discrimination.

So, given the fact that just about every member of the audience would have been familiar with the plot and the poignant moments in the play, how did Wayne Tucker and his cast of amateurs keep the audience riveted throughout the performance? For me, it was the immediacy that can only be brought through the medium of theatre. For instance, when Lennie eventually breaks Curley's wife neck, the collective expression of shock from the audience was electric. Indeed, the remonstrating and pleading, followed by the sudden stillness, was highly effective and sensitively delivered. And in the final scene on the banks of the river, with Lennie on his knees and a choking George behind him lovingly reciting their now-doomed fantasy, the crack of the revolver shot was no less emotional than in the initial movie rendition. I can guarantee that there was not a dry eye in the house at that moment.

Once again, a splendid, highly entertaining, emotional rollercoaster from director Wayne Tucker, assistant director Carrie Bester and their excellent cast and crew. Congratulations on taking on the challenging task of presenting a complex piece of theatre and managing to focus on the essential elements that make up a satisfying drama that induces anger, laughter and, eventually, tears. A highly successful production that should at least grace one of the stages at Edinburgh!

John Holtman

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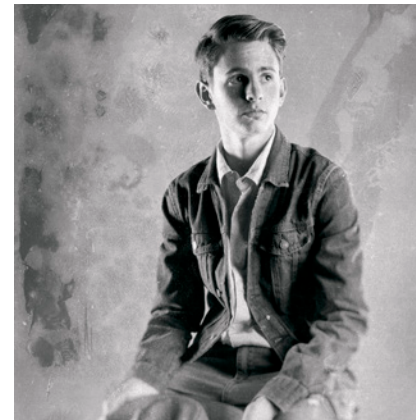
Jonty Wright; Jack Paine; Adam Fernandes

CENTRE (Left to right):

Calvin Nyoni; Euan Musselwhite; Jemma Morris

BOTTOM (Left to right):

Luke Rissik; Nic Gleeson; Simon Craig



MUSIC



MUSIC

‘Music gives a soul to the universe Wings to the mind Flight to the imagination And life to everything’

Plato

Teacher-in-charge: Mark Mitchell

So, another year of music-making has been completed here at Bishops. It has been a year of music to say farewell to people close to us, music of contemplation in Holy Week, music of praise and thanksgiving in the Memorial Chapel, music of celebration in concerts, music to enjoy with friends, and music just for personal enjoyment as we sit and play our instruments. In between all the frenetic days of 2018, music has still found its place in Bishops and in our daily lives. As Plato so aptly put it, music gives ‘a soul to the universe’ (and by this, I mean Bishops).

The year started on a sad note with us having to say farewell to our Chaplain, Father Terry Wilke. An integral part of the service of celebration at St George’s Cathedral was the contribution by the Bishops Brass Band and Choir. It was also wonderful to have two ODs (Grant McLachlan and Stephen Carletti) arrange the hymns for the service for Choir, Brass and Organ.

Each year we have a number of boys involved in both the Cape Town and Afrikaans Eisteddfods and once again a number of them were awarded prizes.

Cape Town Eisteddfod

Adam Motala (piano) was awarded the Otto Bach Medal for Best Sonata (16 years and under) and the Burgess-Simpson Award for Best Performer (16 years and under – Contemporary)

Kaapse Afrikaans Eisteddfod

James Griffiths – medal for Best Woodwind Player (14 years)
Paul Malherbe – medal for Best Recital (14 years)
Matthew Newton – a silver medal for Brass (13-14 years) and a gold medal for Brass Players (Senior)
Oliver Werner – medal for Best Woodwind Player (15 years)
Robert Handley – Special Award for achieving 98% in his section and the medal for the Recital section (13 years)
Cameron Braun and Theo Psillos – Special Award for achieving 95% in the Duet section and the medal for the Best Duet (Senior Section)

Once again we had pianists involved in the Rustenburg Piano Festival, an event that attracts players from all over the Western Cape. John Smith participated and was awarded second place.

In late April, one of the Bishops Bands, The Collective (Benjamin Fischer, Jono Greyling and Hugo Janssens), participated in the Schools Battle of the Bands

and they emerged as the overall winners of the competition. They won a cash prize as well as sound equipment for the school.

Besides the daily performances of music in the Chapel, we also held ‘by-the-boys, for-the-boys’, lunchtime concerts each term. The diverse range of music genres presented has been incredible. In addition, we also ran a lunchtime concert series featuring guest performers, with the aim of exposing boys to musicians from outside the Music department and to other forms of music-making. In the first term the band Androgenius (of which Michael Wilson-Trollip is a member) performed music in a variety of styles. In the fourth term the Bokamosho String Quartet, who were the winners of the National Ensemble Competition, performed for us.

Holy Week this year was rather special as it fell within the term, so we celebrated in the Memorial Chapel with a Vesper Service and a wonderful Concert of Sacred Music, performed by staff and friends using period instruments. The works performed were Sinfonia ‘Al Santo Sepolcro’ in B minor RV169 for strings (Antonio Vivaldi), ‘Schlage doch, gewünschte Stunde’, for alto, strings, bell and basso continuo (Melchior Hoffmann), and ‘Stabat Mater’ P77 for voices, strings and basso continuo (Giovanni Pergolesi).

The Music Ensembles have also played a major role in bringing music to the Bishops environment with regular performances during the biweekly assemblies. The Jazz Band once again took part in the St Joseph’s Jazz Festival, and the Bishops Orchestra joined the Herschel Orchestra for an evening of orchestral music in the Memorial Chapel in August. In October, we once again hosted the annual Matric Recital, where the Matric boys showcased some of the works for

their final practical examination; it was also a time to acknowledge their enormous contribution to the department over the past five years. Also in October, the Bishops Rock Band Programme showcased their year’s work at an exceptional evening of music at Café Roux in the city centre. We also hosted two vocalists concerts in the fourth term, which gave boys who do not take music as a school subject an opportunity to demonstrate their skills. The annual Bishops Composers Concert was also held in October – an evening of great creativity and one that truly demonstrates the complete musical journey some boys have taken, from learning their instrument to actually writing music. The great compositional potential was astounding.

The Bishops Society Concerts have continued through the year, the final one being an evening of chamber music under the guidance of Beverley Howman, who collaborated with friends to produce an extraordinary evening of chamber music featuring piano trios by Beethoven and Mendelssohn.

The year ended with the Bishops Brass Band participating in the memorial held for our 2017 Head Boy, Christian Rohrer.

So, we have given soul to the environment, but I do hope through something like the Bishops Composers Concert, through the process of music creation, we have given, in Plato’s words, ‘Wings to the mind. Flight to the imagination’. Above all, we hope that through all the public performances in Chapel services and the biweekly assemblies, through the various ensemble concerts and the individual lessons taught, we have given ‘life to everything’ here at Bishops.

Mark Mitchell

SIMPLY BLUE

Teachers-in-charge: Marion Gardner and Stephen Carletti

Tenor 1: Finn Geldenhuys, Jakob Holm, Simmele Mashwama, Theodore Psillos, Charlie Yates

Tenor 2: Dean Jacobs, Joshua Mol, Kamal Sacranie, Adam Stonestreet

Baritone: Junho Ko, Will Linley, Matt Marr, Matt van Westenbrugge

Bass: James Aron, Terry Kim, Okuhle Minyi, Nicholas Peile

Beatboxer: Jack Beare

Simply Blue had a busy year, performing at Bishops functions, local schools, retirement villages and corporate events such as the brand launch at Kelvin Grove for Greeff properties. The annual theatre show, together with Herschel's a capella



group, Fusion, was a popular event and a great success. At the handover supper show the group put on an impressive performance, both in terms of musicality, and energetic and confident dance moves – their stage presence was a hit! We said goodbye to the Matrics, and welcomed the new members to the group: Dominic Beaumont, Paul David, Robert Dugmore, Benjamin Fisher, Matt Pettit, John Steyn, Aaron Woodman and Jonty Wright. The new group, under the leadership of Will Linley, immediately showed that they are capable of continuing to produce the quality performances set by previous groups.

Marion Gardner



ABOVE: Simply Blue 2018

LEFT: Head of Simply Blue, Joshua Mol

VISUAL ART



VISUAL ART

PREVIOUS: Michael Beckurts

Teacher-in-charge: Peter Hyslop

The Class of 2018 Art Exhibition

The opening of the Bishops Class of 2018 Art Exhibition took place on Friday 2 November.

An impressive range of styles and approaches were evident in the artwork on display. Jack Graham and Campbell Reyburn exhibited vigorous and expressive oil paintings. William Frater was clearly willing to fully embrace the creative process, and the works of Gus Monday, Tom Newbury and Linda Farr displayed honest grappling with identity and personal experience. Peter Thacker's and Jason Pittaway's work demonstrated broad-ranging technical

accomplishment. Fergus Alexander explored visionary, dream-like subject matter and James Shuttleworth skilfully tackled social commentary. David Nivison's portraits displayed a warm and empathetic treatment, and Michael Beckurts' body of work clearly demonstrated his creative mastery.

The prizewinners for The Sophy Gray Art Prize were as follows: in first place, Michael Beckurts for his animated film, and in second place David Nivison for his charcoal drawing depicting two dancers. Commendations were awarded to Peter Thacker, Gus Monday and Linda Farr.

Virginia MacKenny, judge of the Sophy Gray Art Prize and associate professor at UCT's Michaelis School of Fine Art, commended the boys for the high standard of their work in her opening address, making special mention of the strength and quality of their drawings.

Peter Hyslop



ABOVE: Michael Beckurts: 'Self Portrait'



ABOVE: Michael Beckurts: 'The Aftermath'

ABOVE: David Nivison: 'Dancers'

EISTEDDFOOD



EISTEDDFOD

The World Economic Forum report ‘The Future of Jobs 2018’ states that by 2025 more than 50% of current workplace tasks will be performed by machines, as opposed to the current 20%. The main challenge identified in the workplace will be to retrain workers, who will be pressed to update skills especially in the area of ‘creativity, critical thinking and persuasion’.

Many of our daily educational processes are still very much ingrained in the chalk and talk philosophy. So

it is hard for our boys to move from the security of this system – with minimal guidance other than a prospectus and a timeline – into one that has multiple outcomes that are purely determined by their skills and world views. The Eisteddfod, in its own way, challenges the boys each year to develop a new way of thinking and managing themselves. It requires the boys to engage with their fellow Housemates and to ask each other to step into spaces that are often unknown to them, to stand in another’s shoes, to see things from a new perspective (and often one that is foreign to their own construction of reality). Many sections in the Eisteddfod ask boys to step into creative spaces or critically evaluate topics. These spaces are where the boys really grow.

One of the highlights of the Eisteddfod is the Inter-House Play section, which runs over two nights. This year we clearly saw the significant influence of the introduction of Dramatic Arts as a subject at Bishops,

in both the quality of the scripts and the sophistication of the stage presentations. The theme was a quote by Robert Swan: ‘The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it.’ It was rewarding to see a deeper understanding and exploration of this theme. Even more pleasing was the fact that there was far less slapstick humour and a generally more sensitive approach in the handling of characterisation.

The Debating section not only demanded critical thinking and persuasion but also asked the various participants to explore current areas of challenge relating to society. The juniors considered censorship, exploring whether it is actually necessary in a free society, while the seniors looked at the relevance of national borders and whether they are outdated. Our dream for the Eisteddfod is to see it move from being an Eisteddfod in the traditional sense to becoming a ‘Festival of Critical Thinking and Creativity’. In this space, boys will be asked to engage with present-day challenges, and in the process engage with leaders in today’s society and to consider the realities of our world.

After all was practised and performed the following were the final results:

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| • Visual Arts Owl | Ogilvie House |
| • Performance Owl | Gray House |
| ◦ Drama | White House |
| ◦ Movement | Ogilvie House |
| • Speech Owl | Gray House |
| • Music Owl | Gray House |
| • Inter-House Singing Owl | Kidd House |
| • Prelim Owl | White House |
| • Boarding House Owl | White House |
| • Overall Eisteddfod Owl | Gray House |

Mark Mitchell







SOCIETIES



ACCELERATED ART

Teacher-in-charge: Katherine Spindler

The Accelerated Art Programme (AAP) is designed to develop the technical skills and broaden the knowledge of those showing exceptional talent and/or commitment to the visual arts. Classes are open to boys across all grades in the College, whether or not they take art as a subject. Under the leadership of Katherine Spindler, a professional painter and part-time teacher at Bishops, AAP provides a dynamic, innovative and nurturing environment for boys who enjoy making and thinking about art.

Sessions consist of master classes, talks by artists, snacks and drinks, good music, gallery visits and, of course, making artwork. This year AAP has flourished under the passionate vision of Michael Beckurts and Peter Thacker, who have worked enthusiastically to initiate a range of diverse projects including drawing, collage, surface printing, monotype, close up large-scale doodles drawn with drawing extensions and collaborative stop motion animation.

Monoprinting

Monoprinting has always been a popular technique with the society. In Term 1 we began by making short studies of our faces. We were encouraged to look carefully and were made aware of Yugoslavian artist Marina Abramovic's work 'The Artist is Present'. Once we were familiar with the structure of the face, we created multiple monotypes by painting with thin oil paint on pieces of perspex, which we ran through the press with a damp sheet of Fabriano on top.



ABOVE: Michael Beckurts' illustration of AAP

The oil paint is transferred from the perspex onto the Fabriano to create a unique monoprint. We signed and editioned our prints and some of them were later exhibited at the Eisteddfod.

Large-scale doodles

In Term 2 the society produced large-scale doodles using brushes, pencils and pens that were attached to the ends of long sticks so that we would not labour over our drawings. We were therefore encouraged to experiment and develop our own unique styles in a relaxed space. This project was largely inspired by Matisse, Keith Haring and Saul Steinberg.

Charcoal animation project

Creating a charcoal stop motion animation project has become a tradition over the past few years. This year we created a three-minute charcoal animated music video to the hit song 'Africa' by Toto. Inspired by the world-famous charcoal animations of William Kentridge, this project went down very well with the boys.

Charcoal is an ideal medium as it is expressive, tactile and forgiving. Frames for the movie can quickly be articulated with charcoal and easily altered to create the illusion of movement. It is a form of palimpsest as the frames are reused and altered but still bear visible traces of their earlier forms. Individual frames cannot be perfect and this teaches the boys the importance of spontaneity and working loosely.

Our society watched the animated film 'Loving Vincent' which consisted of hundreds of paintings that were altered thousands of times. Watching this film at the outset of our project was inspirational and definitely helped us with our undertaking. On completion of our collaborative animation, the society

was visited by a filmmaker and an animator from Anotherlove Productions who responded to what we had made and gave the class a unique glimpse into what working in the industry looks and feels like.

Designing our first hoodie for the society

This year we introduced a few firsts. Michael Beckurts designed an AAP hoodie, sticker and poster. Michael's astoundingly detailed illustration of the society at work was exhibited at his final Matric exhibition. A larger reproduction of this illustration can be viewed in the Wind Tunnel behind the Resource Centre, where it now seeks to attract new members. A smaller edition of signed prints was also produced for members of the society.

Outings

Throughout the year the society has also enjoyed visiting several exhibitions in the city. We were the first school group to visit the new Norval Foundation in Tokai, where we saw a wide range of work by African artists. We also made it onto the foundation's Instagram account!

On a personal level, being involved in AAP has been the highlight of my time at Bishops. I encourage all boys who love art to give it a try. Those interested in joining AAP can apply by sending an email to kspindler@bishops.org.za.

Katherine Spindler and Michael Beckurts

ABOVE:

Peter Thacker and Michael Beckurts draw each other; Trae Turner's drawing for the animation

BELOW:

Michael Beckurts' large doodle; Enjoying our distorted reflections in sculptural piece at the Norval Foundation



AFRICAN RELATIONS

Sharing, celebrating, understanding unity and Ubuntu are what the African Relations Society stands for and promotes. The society's mission is to engage with current affairs concerning Africa as a whole and in relation to the rest of the world. These discussions take place fortnightly on a Thursday during Open Period. The society occasionally hosts events as well as guest speakers who are passionate about Africa. The aim of the guest speaker is to educate members about many African cultural practices, traditions and beliefs – essentially, cultural diversity in South Africa.

Earlier this year, the society was fortunate enough to host Mr Richard Khontyo, a former grounds supervisor at Bishops who retired in March 2017 after 33 years of service to the school. Mr Khontyo spoke about traditional healers and herbalists, briefly touching on their similarities and how they consult members of most rural communities. He also spoke

specifically about what awaits a young Xhosa boy as he approaches early adulthood. 'Ukoluka' is the cultural practice of coming of age, when a young man goes through traditional circumcision and is sent to the bush or the mountains for three to four weeks. This cultural practice indicates the transition into one's adulthood and the leaving behind of one's childhood. Mr Khontyo's lecture was an eye-opening experience!

A cultural event was hosted in the Memorial Theatre in September. This event was facilitated by Drumming SA and members were given the opportunity to learn about vibrant African djembe drumming rhythms, interlocking rhythms, drum solos and African dancing.

The society is in the process of partnering with Relate – a non-profit organisation that shares our values of Ubuntu – in a campaign to promote Ubuntu within our school community and South Africa.

2017 has seen the society grow and excel. Twenty-five new members joined during the course of the year. Ties for commitment shown to the society for more than two years have been awarded to Andrew Knight, Sihle Kahla and Alizwa Ngcwangu. The leadership committee for 2018 is Alizwa Ngcwangu (chairperson), Sihle Kahla (deputy) and Sanele Mayosi (executive member).

Alizwa Ngcwangu



ABOVE: African Relations Deputy Chairperson, Sihle Kahla

ASTRONOMY

Teacher-in-charge: Graham Robertson

Our members share an interest in all things relating to the observable universe. Meetings range from student presentations and forum discussions to guest speakers. The knowledgeable and witty Mr Robertson ensures members have an enjoyable and educational time. Regular outings are a key feature, and we’ve enjoyed visits to the South African Astronomical Observatory where talks are held twice a month, followed by a tour of the facilities and a viewing through the telescopes. We also enjoyed a highly anticipated visit to the refurbished Planetarium in the first term. (Incidentally, the Planetarium boasts a higher Google rating than the Cavendish Ster-Kinekor!)

A highlight came in the form of the annual excursion to Sutherland. A visit to South Africa’s ‘proudly’ coldest town is a must, and a private tour of the largest telescope in the southern hemisphere is a once-in-a lifetime opportunity for everyone, not just the scientifically inclined. We visited the world-famous Southern African Large Telescope (SALT) for an amazing three-hour tour that involved examining some of the most intricate – and expensive – mirror arrays on the planet, a testament to the remarkably high quality of and investment in South African science. It was an incredible learning experience. Later that evening we headed out for some serious stargazing without big-city lights or pollution – what an astounding experience!

Callum Fraser

BEEKEEPING

Teacher-in-charge: Kevin Kruger

The small group of aspiring beekeepers slowly and enthusiastically gained experience while working the hives on the College property. The regional drought has affected honey production and consequently honey was only harvested once during the year. The boys tentatively gained confidence doing so, which will stand them in good stead when they look after their own bees in years to come.

Kevin Kruger

DANCE

Teacher-in-charge: Phil Court

It is hard to believe that my wife and I have been running the Dance Society for 30 years! We have used the same recipe year after year: 20 Matric boys meeting up with 20 Grade 11 Herschel girls to learn the steps to various dances like the waltz, cha-cha-chá, rock’n’roll, jive, foxtrot, quickstep and rumba. We meet nine times a year, alternating between schools, and end off the year with a formal dance, a black-tie affair with dance cards and various competitions. It is always very rewarding to see the progress everyone has made and how well they dance!

Phil Court



DEBATING

Chairperson: Thomas Janisch

Teacher-in-charge: Aneen Kritzinger

The society meets every Monday during Open Period, with meetings covering debating strategy and style, confidence in public speaking and arguing your way out of a difficult situation. There has been great enthusiasm from the younger grades especially, and the future of the society looks bright. Our boys competed at various provincial championships, with Rohan Naidoo and John Smith being chosen to represent Western Province. Debates took place against nearby schools in the Rotary League, with the junior team winning the League this year. Another highlight was the fiercely contested Inter-House Debating at Eisteddfod. Gray House won the junior and senior categories. With the appointment of Rohan Naidoo as chairperson of the society for 2019, we are in safe hands.

Thomas Janisch

DEMOCRITUS

Teacher-in-charge: David Ledwidge

We have embarked on a variety of projects, ranging from the development of a 'vacuum gun' to the design and construction of a self-fly plane. (Initially it was intended to be a drone, but due to financial constraints we developed a plane instead.) Under the very capable leadership of Andrew Geerdts, membership increased, and the various projects generated a lot of interest. Our aim is to see the current projects through to completion next year and then to develop them further or look for new projects that interest the members. During the course of the year we hosted a few guest speakers who introduced topics of considerable interest to the boys. These included a talk on sophisticated drones by Orms. James Patterson (OD) showed us how the application of drone technology, together with sophisticated imaging and computer analysis of this imaging, is being used to assist farmers in various parts of the world.

David Ledwidge



ABOVE: Captains of Debating, Tom Janisch (senior), Nimba Mahlati (junior)

DRAMA

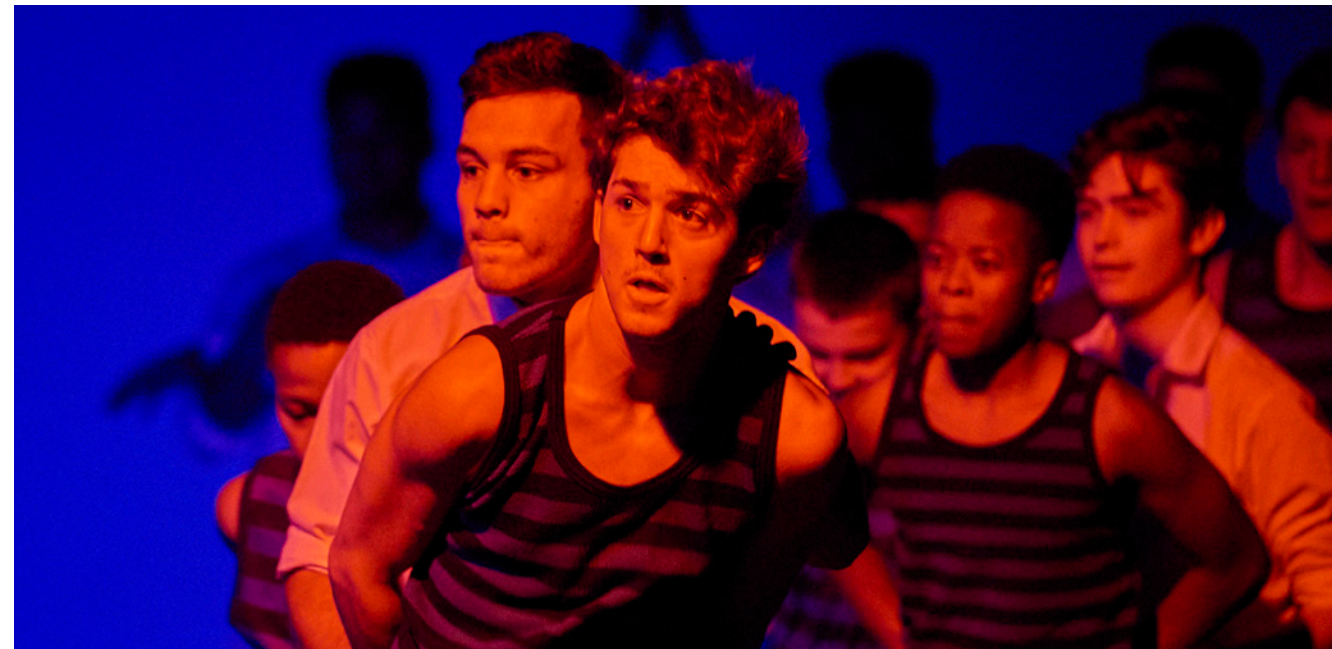
Teacher-in-charge: Wayne Tucker

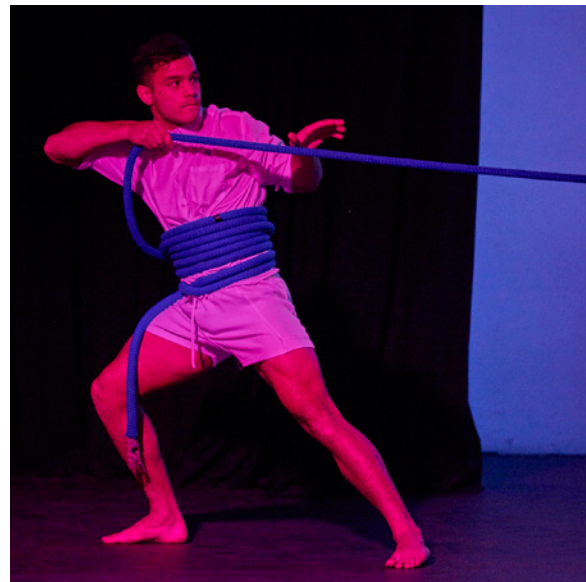
Drama Society members took part in the major first-term production of the American classic *Of Mice and Men*. Members Jonty Wright and Jack Paine played the roles of George and Lennie respectively. Members were also involved in positions in the sound and lighting box, as production and backstage assistants, and in props and prompting. They were also involved in sound and lighting for the staff production of *Noises Off*. With many exciting productions on offer in the greater Cape Town area, members were treated to *Shakespeare in Love*, *Endgame* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. They were also part of five animated and dynamic workshops, which were facilitated by Rian Visman and Sharief Petersen. Boys were introduced to warm-up/focus exercises that consisted of circle games like 'Duck Splat' and 'Wa Skeeda' as well as mime, where they were tasked with observing and identifying an emotion or profession being enacted by a group, with physical cues only. Rian also asked the boys to take part in an 'imagination' game in which they had to reflect on a situation (eg being left alone in a waiting room) and to describe their experiences to everyone in the circle. This allowed the boys to relax and focus their energies on creating narratives through improvised play. For the improvised scenes, the boys created a story with believable characters, some relatable dilemma and a central message. It was the audience's task to guess each group's theme and the nature of the characters.

Both the Eisteddfod Drama and Movement sections were of a high standard and had the Memorial Theatre bursting at the seams. The topic for the 2018 Drama category was based on Robert Swan's quote: 'The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it.' The Drama section was adjudicated by Melissa Sanderson, Fiona Tanner and Morné Krüger, all extremely well-versed in the nuances of performance and the dramatic arts. The directors were given a comprehensive list of do's and don'ts by the adjudicators before the event, and this certainly helped with the quality of the final product. The Movement section was adjudicated by Anni Goedhals and Elvis Sibeko. Once again, we were privileged to have adjudicators of such high quality. White won the Drama section and Ogilvie the Movement section. The overall Performance Owl winner was Gray. John Smith (Gray) was named Best Actor. Logan Tait (White) won Best Director and Best Script.

Full Colours: Dominic Beaumont (Technical), Christopher Haller, Hamish McKenzie (Technical), Jack Paine, John van Niekerk; Half Colours: Simon Craig, Luke Rissik, Peter Thacker, Jonty Wright.

Wayne Tucker





FIELD AND STREAM

The society had an active year and was involved in a number of activities off campus.

Thirteen Bishops boys, two students from the LEAP School and two exchange students from Australia were accompanied by Mike Withers and Leon Glanvill on the White Rhino Trail during the April holidays. This trail takes place in the Hluhluwe-Imfolozi Park over five days, with groups of five boys each walking with two armed rangers. Although the three groups did sight rhino, the population is decreasing sharply and it appears that little is being done to manage poaching in KwaZulu-Natal. Boys were asked to keep journals and the following observations were made:

'We had hardly hiked very far when we came across elephant and rhinos. Fortunately, the lions were on the opposite bank of the river – about 200m away. I have never seen such big elephant turds – the size of soccer balls. There ain't anything like this in Australia! Sitting on the rocky outcrop and having dinner next to a rather rambunctious troop of baboons was a bit daunting. Funny to think that they wanted to sleep close to us as they felt safe.'

'Today we did not argue our fears away – fear of spiders, animal eyes while on guard duty, etc. We feel equipped to understand ourselves better and trust the wisdom of our guides. We turn our vulnerability inside out. We are all starting to look inward and see what is important. It is a journey on the outside and the inside.'

'The bush gets thicker at night, noises seem louder and the colour of light more defined. I am out of my comfort zone and yet, I really want to stay longer. My endurance has been tested, my character examined. I know me better.'

The last night of the trail was spent at Bayala Private Safari Lodge and Camp, which borders onto Phinda Private Game Reserve. This offered a contrasting experience to the trail, as here the boys could wash, sleep in beds and eat meals they did not have to prepare. It was a wonderful way to ease back into the 'normal world'.

The Grade 9 Moms and Sons' Ranger Course took place in the July holidays at the Bayete Zulu Game Reserve, and a total of 12 people completed the course. It proved to be a very rewarding experience for all, and the perfect opportunity for moms and sons to discuss issues and to build on their relationships in a safe, neutral environment. We completed a variety of activities that included studying the geology of the area, exploring the sand forests, going to a cave once occupied by early humans and examining fossil beds from the Cretaceous Period. The boys managed to pull off a cooking feat of note and made some amazing food in the cook-off against the moms. Bishops helped fund the dehorning of a rhino. It had been dehorned 18 months earlier and the regrowth needed to be removed. It was an emotional experience – knowing that one has to tamper with nature to help guarantee the survival of such a fine animal. The bird-ringing programme saw a total of six birds caught for the second time. (They had previously been caught in the mist nets in 2017.) This ringing programme adds to the data and understanding of the movement of species in this area. We also spent more than 67 minutes in honour of Nelson Mandela's 100th birthday, when we

planted fruit trees and granadilla bushes at a local school. The boys spent a couple of nights at Bayala and had the opportunity to complete game drives and also to set up camera traps. We were fortunate to capture images of a leopard that had passed by the camera less than an hour before.

In the October break, a group of 13 Grade 8 boys headed to Nature's Valley to explore the ecology of this beautiful coastal region. They stayed in Lindy and James van Hasselt's house. Activities included hiking, visiting a cave that still has hand tools and other items indicating occupation thousands of years ago, bird-ringing, and fishing to help remove an alien species from the river, among other things. They worked alongside a group of highly qualified people from the Nature's Valley Trust. Three of the boys who came along are on bursaries at Bishops and this gave them an opportunity to enjoy a new range of activities.

Leon Glanvill

ABOVE:

The group of moms and sons after the rhino was dehorned

BELOW:

Sam Bury about to release a blue waxbill after it had been ringed; Annelie and Philip Smith with Aidan and Nicola Brand next to the tree they planted



FORUM

Chairperson: Nicholas Peile
Teacher-in-charge: Paul Murray

Forum was established by Michael Fisher in 1976. In 1991 it was taken over by Dr Paul Murray who has run it ever since and, even though he retires from full-time teaching in 2018, he will continue to administer it from the Museum/Archives where he will be based at the Raymond Ackerman Centre. The society is similar to Ten Club except that it has outside speakers who are invited to address it. Its patron is Professor Dr Philip ‘Taffy’ Lloyd (OD) who sadly passed away this year. The Society is honoured to have had Professor Lloyd, a Nobel Prize winner, serve in that position. As with the other societies such as Lingua Franca and the Historical Bench, Forum seeks to provide the boys of the College with the opportunity and challenge to broaden their knowledge of culture and art, as well as to stimulate and inspire students through interesting talks and presentations from *conoscenti* in the field.

The first of the meetings this year was addressed by Dr Paul Murray on the topic of ‘The Lamentable Loss of Latin’. Dr Murray holds a Latin Major from Stellenbosch University and discussed the benefits of Latin as a subject, despite the current post-humanist era, which sees practically no value in studying it. In certain of the schools in the US, he explained, Latin is on the rise. It is still taught at several UK schools including the Dragon School in Oxford. The next meeting was conducted by Zulfiqar Awan, a lecturer in philosophy at The Dallas Institute, who addressed us on the topic of humanism and its importance in our world today. His PowerPoint presentation gave examples of the trajectory of the world on its path to moral corruption. He presented the members with an antidote based upon the study of reason and humanism. The third meeting was conducted by Rohan Millson (OD) who spoke about his book *Why Animals Aren’t Food: And how low-carb and paleo diets sicken and kill us*. The final meeting of the year was conducted by Robert Wilkinson (OD and Rhodes Scholar), who addressed the society on an interesting subject: should Bishops admit girls? While Robert conceded he was by no means an expert on the topic of education or co-education in particular, he admitted to being a passionate OD with a Swedish partner and a very young daughter who prams through College every day on her way to playschool at St Thomas, and who would love to play for Bishops one day. His aim was to share the question and initiate a modern conversation that the school community really should be having.

Paul Murray

GLOBAL ISSUES NETWORK

Teacher-in-charge: Cheryl Douglas

The Global Issues Network (GIN) was started in 2007 and running it for the past 12 years has been a highlight of my teaching career at Bishops and has buoyed my faith in the ability of young people to create a sustainable world. Originally, we used the book *High Noon: 20 Global Problems, 20 Years to solve them* by JF Rischard, and the United Nation’s Millennium Development Goals as the basis for identifying problems that needed to be investigated. Now we use the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as the basis for action. GIN boys meet every second Wednesday during Open Period and are mentored by a committee member as they grapple with issues and what action they can take to make a difference. GIN also meets two evenings a term and we usually have speakers inspiring the boys around a range of topics – ‘Food Wastage and Sell-by Dates’ and ‘Container Ships and Global Trade’ were two of the most recent. We ended the year on a high note when GIN ran a combined meeting with African Relations. Boys spoke openly and honestly about privilege and racism and the meeting was skilfully facilitated by Sihle Nontshokweni.

The Sustainable Agriculture Society (SAS), run under the auspices of GIN and initiated entirely by the boys, created and maintained the school vegetable garden and harvested and distributed vegetables to support staff.

Boys may be awarded Global Issues Network ties if they meet at least two of the following three criteria: Attendance, Initiative and Doing (AID). They have to submit a motivation to be considered for the award to the committee and present their project(s) to all the GIN boys. The aim of GIN is to motivate boys to take action and not simply talk about problems. Thank you to the GIN and SAS committee this year and to the 2019 committee for their commitment to GIN, and especially to Gerry Noel for running SAS this year and agreeing to take on GIN from 2019 as I retire at the end of the year.

Cheryl Douglas

IMPACT

Teacher-in-charge: Keith Warne

Impact has had to rebuild a little this year after a number of our core members matriculated at the end of 2017 and so we started 2018 a little down on numbers. A small group of chaps, however, began to emerge whose commitment and enthusiasm was impressive and they quickly began to attract others. Our regular Wednesday meetings have largely taken the form of wide-ranging discussions around hot chocolate and epic chocolate-chip biscuits supplied by Origin. Discussion topics have included: How trustworthy is the Bible?; How to interpret the Bible; Evolution vs Creation; Evidence for the resurrection; and Science vs Faith. I continue to be encouraged at the depth of thought evidenced in these discussions and the willingness shown by boys to open up and engage with complex, important issues around living out their Christian faith. I am always amazed at how deeply engaged boys are at trying to make sense of the often-confusing world we live in, as well as the sincerity of their own personal convictions. Some of our regular members include Aydan Csizmadia, Ben Mitchell, Ben Reid, Chris Welby-Solomon, David Warton-Hood, Dylan Wood, James Rumbalow, Jonty Couves, Keenan Mills, Maximillian Wolfson, Sam Bury and Matthew Newton. Impact is developing into a safe space where boys can explore issues around the Christian faith secure in the knowledge that their opinions will be respected and questions accepted. I have been very impressed by the willingness of boys to listen to each other and the scope of their knowledge.

Keith Warne

INTERACT

Teacher-in-charge: Peter Hyslop

Schools for the Liesbeek legacy project 2018 and onwards

The Bishops Interact Club has decided to work towards a project on water scarcity and management that we can drive in conjunction with other schools. To start the project, we involved all the members in a litter clean-up along the canalised section of the Liesbeek River, starting near the Rosebank Green then working upstream towards St Joseph’s College.



ABOVE: Schools for the Liesbeek legacy project

We were delighted to be joined by learners from neighbouring schools, the Earth Children group from Rustenburg Girls’ High, members of the St Thomas Church youth group Inspire, Interact Club members from Rondebosch Boys’ High and Interact representatives from the schools we work with under the Rotary Club of Claremont umbrella, Claremont High, Sans Souci and SACS. Herschel unfortunately were unable to attend due to other commitments.

We all met at the St Thomas Rondebosch Church Hall, and then Kyran Wright, nature conservation officer from the Cape Town City Council, led the group of 116 learners to the Rosebank Green, where he spoke about the conservation work being done in the area by organisations like Friends of the Liesbeek, as well as outlining the importance of developing urban rivers in contrast to having utilitarian canals. Phil McLean, chairperson of Friends of the Liesbeek, also joined us and provided invaluable educational input for the learners present.

Everyone then climbed down into the river and embarked on a litter run, collecting a huge quantity of refuse, which included hauling a bed and mattress out of the river!

After the clean-up we returned to the St Thomas Church Hall where everyone enjoyed a delicious morning snack, followed by a fascinating presentation by Dr Kevin Winter from UCT on water scarcity, water management and urban river systems. Then learners from all the schools were involved in brainstorming sessions, working towards developing ideas for a joint project. We were fortunate to be guided by experts Kyran Wright, Reverend Rachel Mash (representing the environmental group Green Anglicans) and Phil McLean. After the report-back sessions from

the various discussion groups, everyone enjoyed a delicious braai and time to socialise.

We are hugely indebted to the Rotary Club of Claremont who sponsored the tasty food we enjoyed, the Parish of St Thomas (and their youth wing Inspire) who hosted us, parishioners of St Thomas Church who cooked the food for us and Bishops who loaned us their braai drums for the day. The City Council was incredibly efficient in collecting all the refuse that we brought back to the St Thomas Church premises from the river.

As a follow up, the club compiled a summary of the day’s discussions and, as a result of the interest shown by learners from other schools, will propose the following project:

All the schools that worked together on the initial clean-up will develop a collaborative Schools for the Liesbeek project, involving greening, tending and landscaping the section of the river we walked along and cleaned up on that Sunday. We will work closely with Friends of the Liesbeek and experts such as Kyran Wright from the City of Cape Town and Dr Kevin Winter from UCT in framing the extent and nature of the project. We as members of the Bishops Interact Club believe that this could be an important opportunity for cementing and strengthening our relationships with our partner schools.

Peter Hyslop

INTERNATIONAL

Teacher-in-charge: Phil Court

Andy Court (OD) was our first speaker of the year. He told us about his sport, climbing the limestone cliffs of Tonsai in Thailand and his 1400km cycle from Northern Vietnam through Laos and into Thailand. Tom David (OD) shared the adventure he had with Warren Handley (OD): they climbed Kilimanjaro and then walked 6000km through six countries back to Johannesburg on two dollars a day, all in aid of early childhood development. Nella Freund (staff) and Mark Mitchell (staff) teamed up to tell us about their trips to Nepal. Nella went trekking from Shivalaya to Tengboche (4000m) on the route to Everest Base Camp (EBC), and took the nerve-racking flight from Lukla back to Kathmandu. Mark flew to Lukla and then hiked up to the EBC. He had organised a permit to climb to Camp 3 on the Lhotse face (7300m/24000ft). He went through the arduous acclimatisation process that involved crossing the dangerous Khumbu Icefall several times. Tom Fair (retired staff) spent time travelling in Australia, in particular in Tasmania and the Northern Territory. He shared all sorts of interesting anecdotes and information about his experiences Down Under. Peter Westwood (staff) and Phil Court (staff) also teamed up to share about their respective trips to the United States and Channel Islands. Peter focused on his visit to Annapolis, where his daughter was married at the US Naval Academy, and Washington DC, with all its museums and monuments. Phil did a whirlwind tour of Jersey and Sark.

Phil Court

INVESTMENT

Chairperson: Khelan Dheda
Teacher-in-charge: Michael Vamvadelis

The Investment Society is the newest addition to the vast array of clubs and societies at Bishops, yet is now the largest society in the school, boasting more than a hundred regular members. It was founded by Khelan Dheda, a Grade 9 student, at the beginning of this year with the aim of exposing boys of the College to the world of investment and finance, or at least stimulating interest in a career in this field.

The society meets every two weeks on Wednesdays (Week A) at Open Period, and is generally composed

of talks, Q&As, competitions and discussions. During the first term, we began introducing basic financial instruments and reasons why you should invest your money, as well as useful resources to begin learning about investing. We also entered numerous teams into the JSE Challenge, which is an annual investing competition run by the JSE for high-school students. It involves running a virtual portfolio over a time period of six months.

During the second term, we started having ‘pizza competitions’, where the first person in the society who managed to find a resource, answer a question or solve some investment-related problem correctly would get a pizza ordered in for them. The winners of the first two were Khaleel Hassan (for coming up with the best and most reasoned idea for a technology stock) and Daniel van Nimwegen (for finding a set of criteria for investing in a company within the *Intelligent Investor*). We also introduced individual simulator accounts. Finally, we covered basic investing scams, how to recognise bubbles in the market and criteria you should look at when evaluating a stock, so that boys could introduce more scientific and rigorous analysis to their ideas.

Khelan Dheda

LINGUA FRANCA

Chairperson: Harry Newman

Teacher-in-charge: Paul Murray

Lingua Franca was established by Mr Michael Fisher in 1969. In 1991 it was taken over by Dr Paul Murray, who has run it ever since, and even though he retires from full-time teaching in 2018, he will continue to administer it from the Museum/Archives where he will be based. The society has followed a pattern similar to that of Ten Club, but with visiting or outside speakers only (as opposed to Ten Club, where the members themselves facilitate discussions). In particular, it seeks to provide the boys of the College with the opportunity and challenge to broaden their knowledge of a number of pressing matters and issues, in order to stimulate and inspire students through interesting talks and presentations.

The first meeting saw Matthew Pearce (OD), well-known South African sports commentator, address the group on the position of SA Rugby. Mr Pearce outlined the situation, including the politicking and intrigue in the industry. The members appreciated his valuable insights.

The second meeting was presented by Dr Paul Murray, on the topic of political Rome. The talk explored the monuments and history of the city, as well as the legacy it left. Dr Murray is an expert on this topic – he has visited Rome more than 30 times during his lifetime and has completed significant study on the city, giving the boys access to an unparalleled resource of information. The talk covered everything from the legends and legacy of Ancient Rome to the geography of modern-day Rome, not forgetting the best tourist spots and ice-cream parlours!

The third meeting centred on the Land Debate with a PowerPoint presentation outlining the historical points, followed by a discussion among the members under the chair of Harry Newman.

The final meeting featured an interesting and engaging account by OD and Rhodes Scholar Dr Robert Plummer, who shared his experiences in publishing with a talk entitled ‘Book publishing in South Africa – a personal view’. He delivered a fascinating account of the ideology of publishing, which books make it and which don’t, and why.

Paul Murray

PHILOSOPHY

Teacher-in-charge: Cheryl Douglas

As I retire at the end of this year, I leave the Philosophy Society, which I have run since 2001, in the capable hands of Robert Dugmore (Ogilvie, Grade 10) and his committee. The boys have always been at the heart of this society, either organising speakers or presenting themselves, and my role has simply been to ensure that the venue is left tidy after they have had their refreshments. The discussions are always interesting and robust and the topics varied as each committee member is responsible for organising one meeting a year around a topic that interests him. A group of Bishops boys from the Philosophy Society may also choose to attend the UCT Foundations in Philosophy course, which is run annually in the third term. The theme of the 2018 course was ‘Ethics in the 21st Century’.

Cheryl Douglas

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Teacher-in-charge: John Holtman

The Bishops Public Speaking Society enjoyed a tremendous year – 2018 saw the society not only increase in membership, but also flourish under the leadership of chairpersons Nicholas Peile and John van Niekerk, ably assisted by Thomas Janisch and Josh Mol. During the April holidays, we had the distinct privilege of holding the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships (WIDPSC), which hosted more than 200 high-school students competing from around 11 countries worldwide. This number included five of our members – Nicholas Peile, John van Niekerk, Thomas Janisch, Joshua Mol and Rohan Naidoo. The competition, held over six days, saw Nicholas ranked third in the Persuasive Speech category and seventh overall. Thomas came first in Interpretive Reading in the preliminary rounds and John van Niekerk was crowned World Champion in After-Dinner Speech – a spectacular achievement. WIDPSC was also instrumental in sparking the interest of the younger members of the society (who served as timekeepers and ballot runners) and gave them a sense of the quality of speeches expected in these competitions. The juniors paid close attention and, as a result, brought what they had seen and heard to the Eisteddfod, in which the finals were of top quality.

To continue this successful trend, six of our boys participated in the National Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships in September in Merrifield in East London, with five of them being selected to represent South Africa at the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Competition in Canada in April 2019. They are, in ranking order: Rohan Naidoo (third), Paul Malherbe (sixth), Euan Musselwhite (seventh), John Smith (ninth), and Khelan Dheda (19th).

In addition to these successes, Euan Musselwhite, Rohan Naidoo, Robert Dugmore, Paul Malherbe, Will Makin, Khelan Dheda and Daniel Holgate (who joined us from the Czech Republic with his dad), competed in the International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition at St Clement's School in Toronto where we once again achieved spectacular results and set new records. Out of 60 of the top independent schools in the US and Canada, and a further 11 countries around the world, including Scotland, England, South Korea and Bermuda, Bishops ranked an amazing third overall, losing narrowly to the top two Canadian schools. In addition, Bishops had a clean sweep in the Interpretive Reading category, with Paul Malherbe (first), Rohan Naidoo (second) and Daniel Holgate (third). Rohan Naidoo achieved a first for Persuasive Speech and Euan Musselwhite a first in the Impromptu Speech category. Bishops won the Best International School trophy for the third consecutive year.

John Holtman



ABOVE: Heads of Public Speaking, Nicholas Peile and John van Niekerk

SCIENCE CAFÉ

Teacher-in-charge: Marvin Bester

The Science Café met four times this year and enjoyed presentations on a variety of topics by Dr Tlou Masehela, Dr Romy Parker, Karusha Moonsamy and Mashudu Ramano. It has been an exciting and successful year. Attendance increased steadily and many learners showed a keen interest in the society's vision, which is to bring the idea of science across to the layperson in a relaxed setting. The number of meetings will increase to six next year. Dylan Wood writes: 'Although it was only officially called a society this year, it has gone from strength to strength with more and more boys attending and discussing serious scientific matters. What is nice about Science Café is that the meetings aren't too long, but not too short either, taking place from 6pm-7pm.'

Marvin Bester

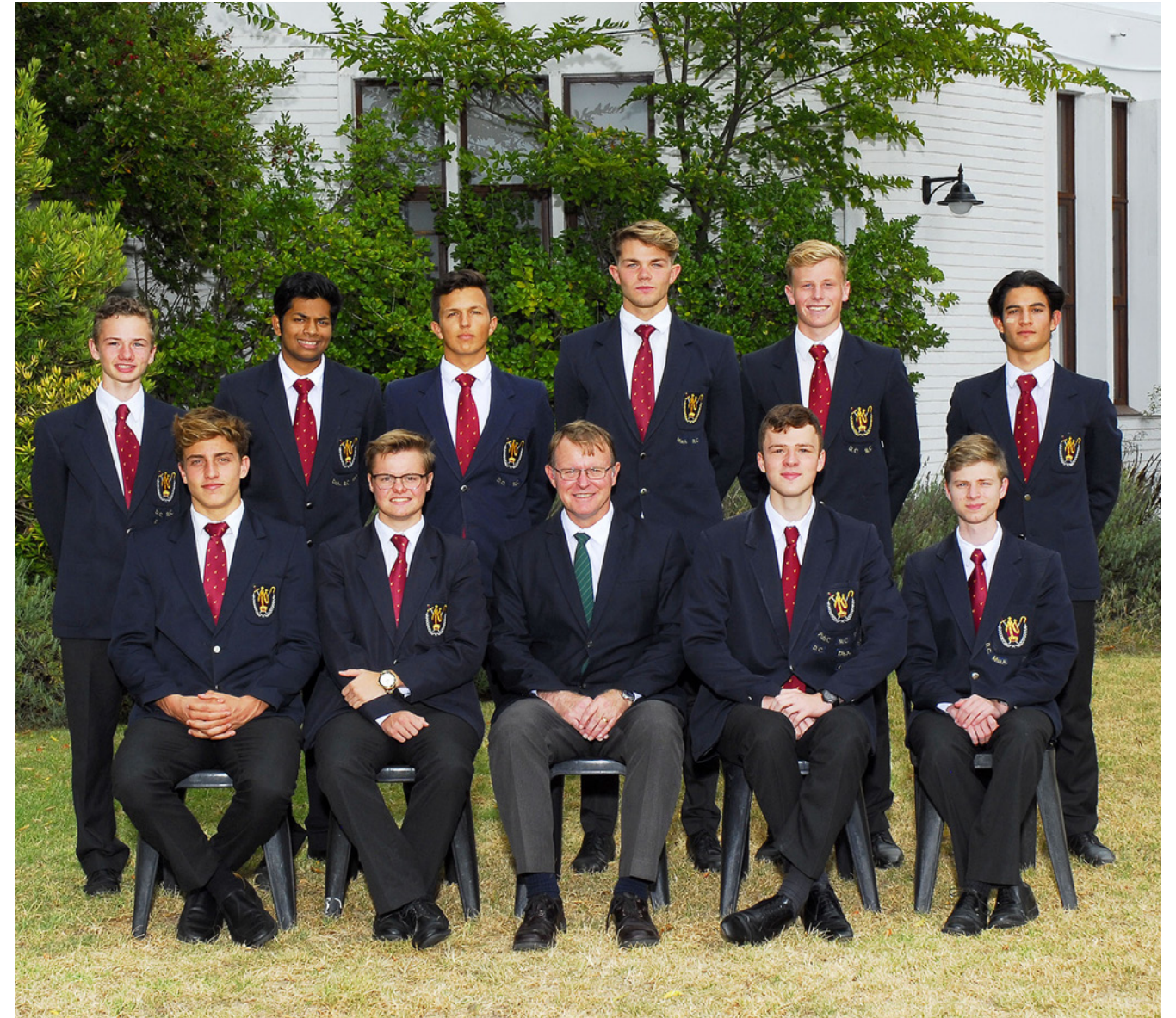
TEN CLUB

President: Peter Westwood

Secretary: Michael Wilson-Trollip

Ten Club is a prestigious society in the College – most well-known for its red tie with the Roman numeral X. As the name suggests, it consists of 10 members, who conduct in-depth research into a topic of their choice and present their findings in the form of a presentation. Members feed off the stimulating power of swirling intellectual and cultural students, some of whom could be deemed as experts in their field, expressing themselves in every dimension imaginable.

The first meeting did not give the members a chance to ease in to the challenging subject matter – their minds were blown by Derek Reissenzahn and his near-unpronounceable topic of 'Neocameralism'. Ryan Labberté presented on 'The Potential of Blockchain' – a very pertinent topic in today's world – in which he explored the various ideas and mechanisms of cryptography.



ABOVE | Standing (Left to right): Tom Janisch, Nivar Rajoo, Brandon Snider, Finn Geldenhuys, Ryan Labberté, Francesco Guerrini

Seated (Left to right): Ryan Solomons, Derek Reissenzahn, Peter Westwood, Nicholas Peile, Michael Wilson-Trollip

Ryan Solomons began the second meeting with his presentation on ‘Pseudoscience’. Much to Mr Westwood’s, and the boys’, discomfort, he took an entire bottle of sleep-deprivation medication to prove his point on the placebo effect. The evening concluded with Thomas Janisch’s presentation on the very relevant topic of ‘Media Sensationalism’. His insightful viewpoints on the matter sparked many discussions that went well over the allocated 30-minute presentation time.

In our third meeting, Michael Wilson-Trollip presented on ‘Music Producers and The Music Industry’, which included a live demonstration and deconstruction of a song he had written.

There were three speakers at the fourth meeting. Brandon Snider discussed ‘The Carrying Capacity of the Earth’ and the implications thereof. Nivar Rajoo presented on ‘Friend Limits – Dunbar’s Number’ and the theory that posits that 150 is the optimum number of individuals with whom any person can maintain stable relationships. The concluding speaker of the evening, Francesco Guerrini, presented on the fascinating topic of ‘Artificial Intelligence’.

The final meeting, which is often attended by the boys’ parents, had Finn Geldenhuys present on ‘The Education System and Why it is Failing’ – an exceedingly brave topic choice, especially in the presence of Mr Westwood, parents and the head of Academics. An interesting and entertaining presentation by Nicholas Peile on ‘The Psychology of Cults’, concluded the evening, leaving everyone with the knowledge of what a cult is, and also how to form one!

Michael Wilson-Trollip

THE HISTORICAL BENCH

Chairperson: Callum Fraser, assisted by Khelan Dheda
Teacher-in-charge: Paul Murray

Despite its name, The Historical Bench concerns itself primarily with the discussion of current affairs and politics, with the occasional interesting deviation. The society meets on the first Monday of each term and is composed of around 30 boys drawn from across the College, led by Dr Paul Murray. The format of meetings is as follows: a question about current affairs or politics is posed to the society, with contextual reading material provided beforehand. At the meeting itself, a presentation is given to the boys to further develop a detailed understanding of the topic, with a final debate and vote to answer the initial question. The society aims to develop critical thinking among students and to help foster an interest in politics and the issues of the day, as well as to stimulate interest among boys in these important issues.

The first meeting of the year, presented by Dr Paul Murray, addressed the state of relations between North Korea and the United States, as well as the issues regarding the North Korean missile crisis and the response of the US and other countries. An interesting discussion ensued, ranging from the Cold War to Trump, and many boys learnt a fair amount about geopolitics and political ideology.

The second meeting of the year was presented by Khelan Dheda and Callum Fraser on the economic impact of Brexit upon the UK and the EU. This evolved into a general discussion on Brexit, and explored many of the intriguing dynamics and movements within UK politics today. Many good questions were raised during the presentation and debate, and quite interestingly, despite the best efforts of the society to remain neutral, the vote favoured the resolution that the UK was mistaken in leaving the EU. A great deal of research and thought was put into the presentation, which provoked an excellent discussion on the issue.

In Term 3 we discussed the NATO summit and Khelan Dheda gave a talk on the US Trade War that generated much enthusiastic participation from the members. It was emphasised that NATO still has a strong role to play in geopolitics. Once again students had the opportunity to engage in some important thinking on global topics that actually impact our futures.

In Term 4 there was a general discussion on international topics of interest, which included the China-US Debate and the image of current US President Donald Trump. His very different, sometimes quirky style of leadership became the focus of discussion. Dr Murray started The Historical Bench in 1999, when Bishops was 150 years old, and he will continue his role as teacher-in-charge from the Mitre.

Paul Murray

PASTORAL



PASTORAL

‘Pastoral care is essentially fostering a school environment that enables each individual boy to be happy, engaged, productive, inspired and recognised.’ (College Website)

Deputy Principal and Pastoral Head:

Peter Westwood

At Bishops, the House system is core to the pastoral care of boys and the fact that Houses are actual buildings, as well as representative of the people in them, nurtures an increased sense of belonging. And once a boy feels he belongs, that is half the battle won. The House staff are all experienced in looking after boys. They understand the general trends in the behaviour of boys as they move through their teens and yet realise that there are as many variations to this general trend as there are boys in their House. Within the Houses the tutor groups create mini-families with a few boys from each grade.

The Bishops Support Unit, with its counselling and educational psychologists, provide both a helpful space for boys who are finding various aspects of life difficult and guidance for boys, parents, teachers and caregivers through the assessments that are done. Bishops is also fortunate to have a chaplain who gives both spiritual direction and support in times of crisis.

While activities in the academic, sporting and cultural spheres of College life enable the growth of the

individual through the various challenges they meet, the Epic in Grade 10 is probably the biggest life-changing event for many boys. Seen as something of a rite of passage, it brings about a visible change in attitude and approach from most boys going into their Grade 11 year.

This year various focus groups, under the guidance of Mr Wallace, considered issues of diversity and how Bishops could be a welcoming school. One of the results has been stronger leadership by boys within the school to educate and support their peers and younger boys in the Houses.

Each year we say to the Matrics that they have a great responsibility to set the tone for the year in which they are in charge. 2018 had its challenges as all years do, but the Matric group, under the leadership of Timothy Sharples, Jeff Malherbe and Okuhle Minyi, is to be congratulated on creating a largely happy environment that was conducive to the growth of boys towards becoming young men.

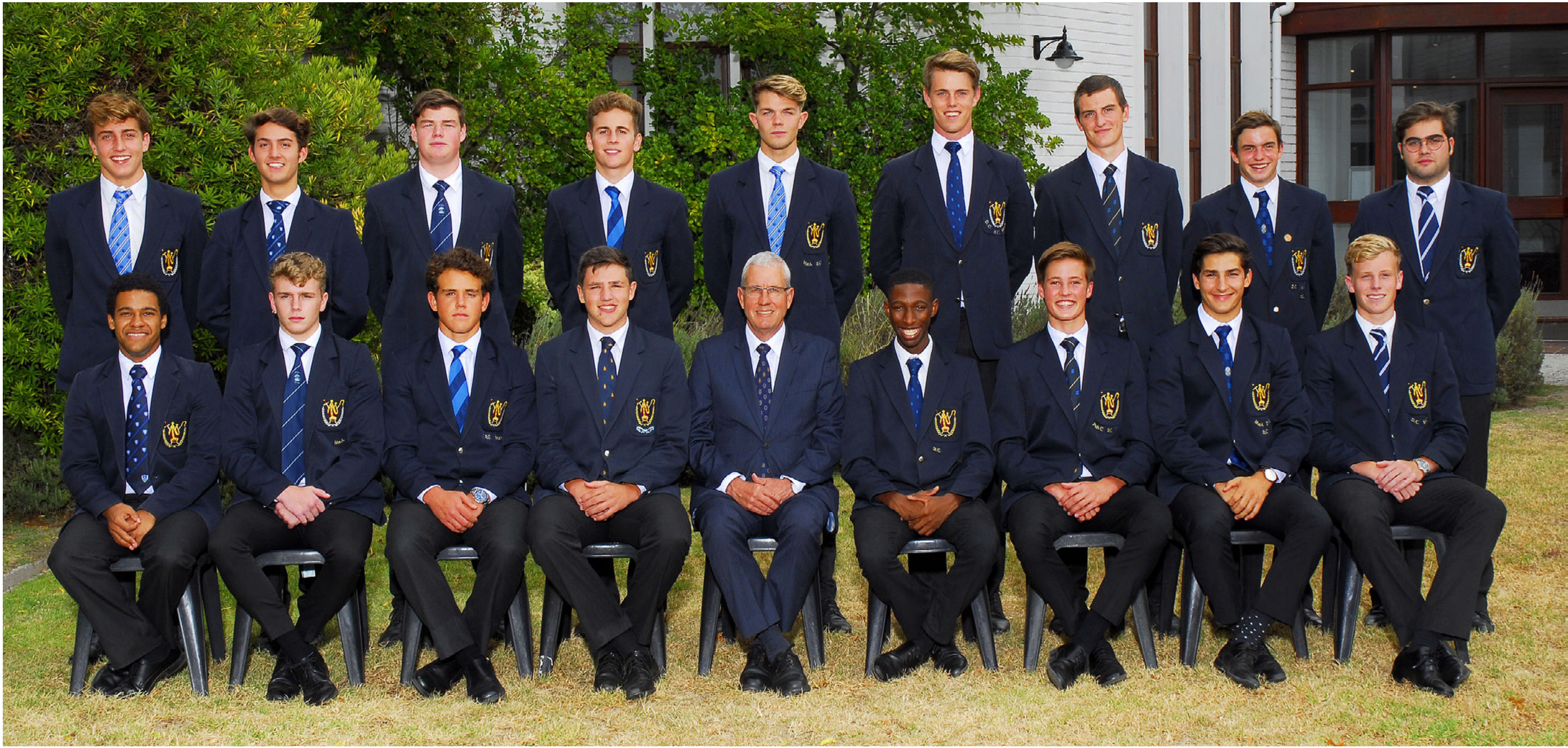
My thanks to all those who in their various engagements with our boys helped them to be happy, engaged, productive, inspired and recognised.

Peter Westwood



ABOVE: Peter Westwood

HOUSE REPORTS



FOUNDERS HOUSE

House Director: Dave Mallett
Assistant House Director: Barry Emms
House Mother: Lorraine Chateau
Tutors: Bev Kemball, Dave Ledwidge, Paul Murray, Richard Smith
Head of House and Deputy Head of School (Boarders): Jeff Malherbe
Deputy Head of House: Greg Bolus

Looking back on a year that has flown by, it is pleasing to see that Founders has flourished, yet again. Under the leadership of Jeff Malherbe and Greg Bolus, Founders maximised its potential. The House is renowned for its sporting prowess within the College and 2018 was no different. We had a strong showing in the U15 and U16 Inter-House Rugby competition, claiming second place in both. Individually, the boys excelled yet again, with the House inundated with 1st team sportsmen. Our 1st Water polo team had a total of six Founders

boys, while the 1st Cricket team boasted three Founders cricketers. A total of eight Founders boys represented the 1st Rugby team, while one Founders boy represented the 1st Hockey team. Certain boys in the House must be congratulated on representing Western Province in their sports, with Keagan Blanckenberg and Sacha Feinberg-Mngomezulu playing in the U16 Grant Khomo Rugby Week. Sacha went on to be selected for the South African U16 Elite Squad. Many Founders boys have been selected for the prestigious Ireland Rugby Tour in 2019. Founders' strong water polo presence continued, as Jake Stewart and Sam Aitken made the U16B WP side and U15B WP side respectively.

Even though we are not well known for our cultural ability, the House had a strong showing at Eisteddfod. This was made possible by the influential leadership of Harry Newman and Jeff Malherbe. There was also a great performance in the Movement competition led

PREVIOUS:
Heads of Houses

RIGHT:
Founders Inter-House singing

FOLLOWING:
Jeff Malherbe receives the Matric Farewell invitations; Thomas Lee and Miles Froelicher; Founders movement



by Tom Lee, as well as in the Inter-House play led by Chris Haller. We staged a successful variety show with amazing musical performances, dance routines and hilarious skits – the Grade 11s stole the show!

Sipho Ndlovu and Jeff Malherbe were acknowledged at the annual Prize-Giving. Founders is grateful for the contribution the class of 2018 made to the House over the past five years and we hope that the friendships formed within the four walls of this prestigious establishment stay with the boys forever.

Congratulations to Tom Liefeldt (Head) and Alex van Hoogstraten (Deputy) for 2019.

Dr Paul Murray, a long-time tutor as well as an influential person in the lives of many of the students, retires at the end of the year. Founders House will miss him dearly, but we hope that Dr Murray stays as involved as he possibly can.

Floreat Founders!

Tom Liefeldt



SCHOOL HOUSE

House Director: Leon Glanvill

Assistant House Director: Mervin Walsh

House Mother: Linda Koegelenberg

Tutors: Trudy Hoefnagels, Kevin Kruger, Keith Warne, Rodney Warwick

Head of House: Calvin-Ziegler Smith

Deputy Head of House: Connor Price

It is hard to think that School House was once the entire school – classrooms, headmaster's residence, etc. The very design of the building is such that one has to wonder if Sir Herbert Baker had a fetish for stairs! Yet, like all buildings and significant places, the structure is made alive because of the people who occupy its halls. School House is blessed to have a very inclusive population of boys and staff. They make a family that is both quirky and dynamic. That is one of the reasons it could be considered the best House in the school. The variety of people has allowed the House to build on the rich traditions and values of

Bishops without ignoring and embracing the changes South Africa faces. The main objective this year has been to build on and enhance the House pride and passion.

The journey for 12 Grade 8 boys started with anxious days as they tried to grapple with a new school. Before long, they felt right at home and won a standing ovation for their performances at the cabaret. I wish to thank Connor Price and Terrence Pettersson for their outstanding leadership of these boys. The Grade 9 lads are already consumed by what Bishops has to offer and therefore well immersed in College life. Calvin Nyoni was a calm pastoral head to this rambunctious bunch. As I write, the Grade 10s have bought their food to put in boxes for EPIC – there are serious debates as to whether a particular brand of tuna is better than another. Our Grade 11 group is loyal and proud. They have already made a positive start to their leadership in the House. I thank Ethan Roberts and Thomas Rudston who managed these two grades respectively. Kamal Saccranie poured his heart and soul into the Eisteddfod while Josh Kirsch



never once let the cheerleading squad down. Kudos to David Cuthbert for his involvement in the Green/ GIN portfolio. Calvin-Ziegler Smith found leading the House very different to what he expected and Simmele Mashwama was very wise in his role on the Diversity and Transformation Committee. John Grieve grew in stature and had a brilliant rowing season. He led any challenge that took place in the House – from quad sports to ‘owning’ any game in the Rec room. Mark Bergh showed his academic prowess, while Fergus Alexander did the House proud on the golf courses as captain of golf. Honour must go to William Rose, who achieved what no Bishops boy has ever done. He was selected to captain the South African U17 and then the U18 Junior 7s Rugby team, and went on to play at the 2018 Youth Olympics. This is a most outstanding achievement and we are excited to see where his rugby career will take him.

As the year scales down, the exciting prospects of 2019 become a reality. At the end of Term 3 we said a fond farewell to Kevin Kruger. He was an outstanding teacher and mentor. His absence is already noticed. We also bade a sad farewell to Mervin Walsh. He has been appointed as House Director of Kidd House. Mervin has been a very caring man to so many School House boys and he leaves behind a legacy of goodness, ‘dad jokes’ and happy laughter. Floreat School House!

Leon Glanvill

ABOVE:

Drumming Circle in School House Quad

RIGHT:

Kamal Sacranie;
Hugh van Hasselt, Ross Martin and
Michael Beaumont preparing to zipline;
School House Outing to Clifton



WHITE HOUSE

RIGHT:

Dean Jacobs;
White Inter-House singing;
White House Matrics and Staff

continued to display tenacity and determination when competing against our rivals on campus.

Winning Inter-House events is one thing (and in many ways it is important), but there are other ways in which to judge the success of a House. Another way the quality of the boarding House experience can be assessed, is the manner in which the members of the House and the staff function as a collective and relate to one another. This includes the way in which the junior boys are treated and how the Matric boys set an example in this regard. It is about people in the end. Even though it is wonderful to have access to some great facilities, a happy and well-functioning House is one where people have mutual and appropriate respect for one another. The White House Matrics of 2018 – under the able leadership of Dean Jacobs – helped to build the reputation of this fine institution. We have no doubt that under the new leadership, with Ubaid Francis at the helm, we are going to see this place go from strength to strength as we continue to build on the momentum gained thus far.

Jean Nolte

House Director: Jean Nolte

Assistant House Director: Willem Steyn

House Mother: Angela Fordham

Tutors: Jarred Bradley, Phil Court, Aneen Kritzing, John Lanser, Warwick Richter

Head of House: Dean Jacobs

Deputy Head of House: Logan Tait

White House experienced an extraordinarily successful year on a variety of fronts. The highlight of the year, from the perspective of Inter-House events, must surely have been the fact that we won the treble. We managed to bring home the Heats Week, Relay Sports and Sports Day trophies. These were not the last of the victories for 2018. The House also remained competitive on the cultural front and the Borders Owl and the Preliminary Owl returned to White House for another year. Many more victories would follow as we



GRAY HOUSE

House Director: Joc Wrench
Assistant House Directors: John Knight and John Holtman
Tutors: Donovan Abrey, Cheryl Gammon, Glen Gibbon, Rhoda Manie, Caleb Nel, Wayne Tucker
Head of House and Deputy Head of School (Dayboys): Okuhle Minyi
Deputy Head of House: Matt van Westenbrugge

Our achievements in many aspects of school life have exceeded expectations, be it by way of performance in the cricket nets of the UK (Jono Bird in the Youth ODI Series) or in the recording studios of North America (Ben Reid in the School of Rock AllStars Program). We’ve seen rowers travel to Boston for the Head of The Charles Regatta, and a downhill mountain biker competing in Europe for six weeks.

A number of our boys have assumed leadership positions in sport: Wesley Holtmann was captain of First Aid and Matt van Westenbrugge of Athletics; Shane Goodsell was the joint captain of Tennis along

with Brandon Snider, who also captained the Squash team; Peter Worthington-Smith was the vice-captain of Sailing, and Daniel le Jeune was Swimming captain. We had all the heads of the Rowing Club in our House: Drew Burton as captain, Nicholas McAdam as boat man, and Shaun O’Brien as vice-captain.

Jono Bird represented the SA U19 Cricket team against England in the Youth ODI Series, and began his international career with impressive scores of 51 and 142*, earning him the man-of-the-series award. In the fourth term Jono also made his List A debut for Western Province, scoring a century. He also earned his 100th cap for the Bishops 1st XI along with 3 centuries for the Baggy Blues. Unsurprisingly, he has earned his Distinction tie as well as Full Colours for cricket for his achievements.

Other cricketing achievements this year include Max Stewart, who took two 6-wicket hauls for the 2nd XI and Robbie Dicey, who took a 5-fer for the U14As. Max Wolfson continued to dominate the SA National Downhill Mountain Bike scene in his age group, a sport that is not that common at Bishops. He then

went on to compete in Europe for six weeks during their summer season, with very creditable results. Cameron Parker-Forsyth, Storm Lanfear and Ben MacFarlane came 2nd (by just eight seconds) in the Discovery World Triathlon Schools Challenge – an excellent achievement for three juniors competing in an U18 competition. Andrew Rackstraw came first in the Senior Max Karting Division and followed this up with a win in the Formula Libre races at the Killarney Race Track.

Our water polo boys also performed well throughout the year. Kieraan Meyer (U19), Jock Buchanan (U16), Joe Kirsten (U16) and Cameron Parker-Forsyth (U16) all made Western Province teams in their respective age groups. Joe Kirsten (U16) and Kieraan Meyer (U17) also went on to make the SA team in their age groups.

Gray House hockey players have yet again made us proud, with the U14s placing first in the Inter-House tournament, and the U16s and U19s coming second and third respectively. Overall, the Inter-House Hockey trophy came back to Gray House. John van Niekerk also represented our Bishops 1st XI Hockey.

Matt van Westenbrugge and Alex Castle represented the Bishops 1st XV, earning Half Colours and Full Colours respectively. In the Inter-House Rugby tournament our U14s came second in their age group.

Gray House has had a number of WP and SA representatives, including Rufus Florin (U19) and Ben MacFarlane (U15), who made the WP Tennis team in their age groups, with Ben also making the SA team. Chris Gutuza made the U15 WP Golf team, Matthew von Bulow and Rayhaan Omar earned their way to WP E-Sports Colours, Brandon Snider (U19) and Aidan Burns (U16) made the WP Squash team in their age

group and Tristan Sides made the U19 SA Paintball team.

There are many rowers in Gray House who performed well at various regattas, both locally and in Boston, US, at the Head of The Charles Regatta, where Jack Paine, Drew Burton, Shaun O’Brien, Nic McAdam and Oliver Werner participated. Oliver Werner also brought home a silver medal from SA Champs at the start of the year as part of the U16 Coxed Four.

Gray did well in many Inter-House events too, including first place in Junior Basketball, Senior Squash and Junior Soccer, second place in Senior Soccer and third place in Golf.

Academic ties were awarded to Jock Buchanan, Oliver Werner, Michael Steytler, Aidan Burns, James Mason and John Smith. Matthew Derman, Brandon Snider and Tom Janisch were awarded their Academic jerseys. It was great to see Jack Paine take a leading role in this year’s school play, *Of Mice and Men*, with Luke Carter working backstage and our own tutor, Wayne Tucker, directing. In the March holidays, Tom Janisch and John van Niekerk competed in the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships. Tom made the finals for Interpretive Reading and John was the overall world champion in After-Dinner Speech. Ben Reid was selected as the only South African to participate in the *School of Rock AllStars Program* that toured North America in July, with recording sessions and performances in major venues. After literally hundreds of hours of work, Daniel le Jeune achieved his Springbok Scout Badge – a prestigious achievement indeed.

We are very proud as a House to be able to sum up our Eisteddfod feat as follows:



The Ensemble Group song was *You are the Reason* by Calum Scott, and the House's Chosen Song was *You're the Voice* by John Farnham. Gray came third in the Art Owl, won the Speech Owl, the Music Owl, the Performance Owl and the overall BIG OWL. The Gray Eisteddfod committee – Tom Janisch, Daniel le Jeune, Jason Pittaway, John van Niekerk, Okuhle Minyi and Matt van Westenbrugge – worked tirelessly.

At our House Dinner, John van Niekerk was awarded Matric of the Year and Ben MacFarlane Grade 8 of the Year.

The following boys were awarded Distinction ties: Tom Janisch (Public Speaking and Music), John van Niekerk (Public Speaking) and Jono Bird (Cricket). Full School Colours were awarded to the following boys: Tom Janisch (Public Speaking, Debating and Music), Drew Burton (Music), John van Niekerk (Public Speaking and Drama), Jono Bird (Cricket), Alex Castle

(Rugby), Brandon Snider (Squash), Nic McAdam (Rowing) and Matt van Westenbrugge (Athletics). Half School Colours were awarded to the following boys: Wesley Holtmann (First Aid), Peter Worthington-Smith (Sailing), Oliver Werner, Neil du Toit, Matt Pettit and Kit Bell (Music), Karl Prins (Music and Cycling), John van Niekerk (Hockey and Debating) and Matt van Westenbrugge (Rugby and Music).

We'd like to recognise the contribution of our group of Matrics this year, led by Okuhle Minyi (Head of House) and Matt van Westenbrugge (Deputy).

Drew Burton and Luke Richardson

ABOVE:
Gray Matric Dinner

RIGHT:
Friday Braai-day in the House;
Gray Matrics with Owls; Gray Matrics



OGILVIE HOUSE

House Director: Ronald Jacobs

Assistant House Directors: Graham Robertson,
Burgert Maree

Tutors: Caroline Bester, Olga Peel, Dave Russell, Jacky Withers, Michael Withers

Head of House: Theodor Psillos

Deputy Head of House: Tom Barty

Ogilvie entered a new era this year with the departure of Glen Gibbon after 10 years of loyal service as House Director. We are grateful for his all-round contribution and his willingness to share his knowledge and be of assistance whenever called upon.

The beginning of the year was met with excitement, with the Grade 12 leaders, the new Grade 8 intake and me as the new kids on the block all eager to set goals.

We celebrated the achievements of the boys who performed exceptionally well over a myriad disciplines this year. Our boys received Full Colours and Half Colours for academic excellence, debating and

music. A number of boys received Full Colours and Half Colours in sport and we had South Africa and Western Province representation in hockey, squash, rowing, golf, E-sport, karate, fly-fishing, sailing and weightlifting. The boys received Distinction ties for a number of disciplines, and three boys were recipients of Gold President's Awards. We enjoyed unparalleled success in a number of Inter-House events, winning Inter-House Sailing, Fencing, Rowing, Golf, Senior Basketball and Junior Squash. We came second in Inter-House Athletics, the Eisteddfod and in the Senior and Junior Tug-of-war. We won the Visual Arts Owl and the Movement Owl at Eisteddfod. The boys won 30 gold diplomas and a total of 70 certificates – what a stunning achievement!

We experienced a highly successful Ogilvie Variety Show with the vibrant House committee and the entire Ogilvie community coming together for an enjoyable night. Having mentioned these notable successes, it is the gees instilled in the House that is the cherry on top. The leadership of Theodore Psillos and Tom Barty cannot be underestimated and I salute the Matrics of 2018. I could not have asked for a smoother start to my tenure as House Director of Oggy, and I sincerely thank the entire Ogilvie Community.

Ronald Jacobs

TOP:
Theo Psillos; Ogilvie boys

BOTTOM:
Ogilvie Inter-House singing; Theo Psillos



KIDD HOUSE

House Director: Graeme Klerck

Assistant House Directors: Alex van Selm and Gerry Noel

Tutors: Stephen Carletti, Cheryl Douglas, Ruan Ellis, Fiona Viotti, Bradley Smith, Nadia Snyman, Dean Sudding

Head of House: Joshua Mol

Deputy Head: Aedan Foulkes

As this is my 10th and final year in Kidd House, I thought it appropriate to write the final House report.

Mervin Walsh has recently been appointed as the new House Director and Fiona Viotti (Mallett) as the new assistant. Gerry Noel will move to School House next year as the new assistant and we thank him for his four years of loyal service to the House; he has done so much in the short time he has spent here. Congratulations to Mrs Viotti, not only on her promotion, but also on her recent marriage to Pavo. At the start of the year we also welcomed Ms Nadia Snyman and Mr Bradley Smith as new tutors.

RIGHT:
Kidd Matric Class 2018;
Reuben Mndende (U19 Sprint Cup)

Andrew Low was commended at the first assembly of the year on achieving full Academic Colours at the start of his Grade 10 year. Soon after, Reuben Mndende was awarded the U19 Sprint Cup on Sports Day. Jonty Wright starred as one of the leads in the school play, *Of Mice and Men*.

The Kidd Matric group, under the leadership of James Shuttleworth and Sheridan Laudien, banded together to raise R2000 for charity with their annual Valentine Roses initiative. This went to The Cape Town Society for the Blind.

Noah Syndercombe made the SA National Water Polo U17 side.

At the start of the winter sports season the Kidd U14 7s Rugby side blew away the opposition to win the Inter-House competition and the following day the U16 Kidd Hockey side won their Inter-House tournament too. The U14 Kidd Hockey side followed suit.

Josh Mol and Nicholas Peile did superbly in the World Public and Debating Championships during



the holidays. Josh was second in the Interpretive Reading section, and Nicholas not only came third in the Persuasive Speech competition, but achieved a seventh place overall in the world. Both these boys received Distinction ties. Thomas Warner was a Gold Award winner in the UCT Mathematics Competition.

Connor Dempers (Geelong Grammar School, Australia), Simi Mehlomakulu (Rijnlands, Holland) and Andrew Geerds (Providence Day School, US) were selected for the Exchange Programme.

Kidd House started off the second semester in fine fettle, with the Eisteddfod Singing Owl safely back in the trophy cabinet. The Grade 10s won best performance for a House for results achieved for their grade in the June exams. This was followed by our players making it to the final of the Inter-House Junior Basketball competition.

It was also great to see so many Kidd boys obtaining



Academic jerseys: Gabriel Dyssell-Hofinger, Gus Farara, Thomas Warner and Brandon Thomas. At the end-of-year Prize-Giving Joshua Mol and Nicholas Peile earned Academic jerseys, Gus Farara came first in Grade 9 and Gabriel Dyssell-Hofinger came second. Andrew Low came second in Grade 10. Commendation vouchers were earned by Daniel Neuhoff, Sebastiano Panieri, Suhayl Khalfey and Thomas Mason during the second semester, which shows that Kidd has a fine academic future.

In leadership, Joshua Mol, Aedan Foulkes, Nic Vine-Morris, Cameron Braun and Nicholas Peile all achieved distinctions. Following this, Will Linley was appointed as Head of School, with Kieran Seggie and Charlie Yates taking up the positions of Head and Deputy Head of House respectively, soon after the exciting leadership camp.

Some exceptional individual achievements included David Naude's selection for the Junior Olympics for

rock-climbing, Adam Suliaman's seventh position in the world for kata at the KSI Karate World Championships and Liam Foxcroft's bronze medal in the recent SA Programming Olympiad.

At the recent Kidd House Dinner, David Naude walked away with the Kidd Performance of the Year floating trophy, and the Junior and Senior Kidd Cups (awarded for spirit in the House) were awarded to Paul Malherbe and William Bromley respectively.

The most expensive tie at Bishops – the 13-Year Tie – was awarded to Travis Bradfield, Tom Burton, Stefano Fernandes, Nicholas Peile, Alex Rodinis, James Shuttleworth, Keelan Vanmali, and James and Robert Young, just before the Valedictory Service.

Perhaps the saddest news was the passing of Christian Rohrer (Head of School in 2017) early in November, after a long battle with cancer. Christian was a wonderful young man who was much loved, particularly in Kidd, and was a shining example in so many ways to the many boys who crossed his path, but particularly in the way he exemplified courage and embraced life and 'generously forgave life for happening to him'. He will be sorely missed!

Kidd continued to make peanut-butter sandwiches (from 18 loaves of bread) each week throughout the year for Koeberg Primary School's feeding scheme, raised funds at their variety show for Sisanda

FunDaytion and held a Sisanda Connect day towards the end of Term 3, with many boys giving up a Saturday morning to allow kids to have fun at the Science Centre.

I wish the Matrics of 2018 all the best. They have been an enjoyable group of leaders to work with and I wish them well as they set out to conquer the world. I am sure the Grade 11s, under a most able leadership trio next year, will step up admirably to take over the leadership mantle, and that the Grade 10s will embark on yet another fantastic Epic, where they will learn so much more about themselves.

Kidd House has been such a big part of my life over the past 10 years and I do hope it will continue to be a happy and enjoyable home away from home as Mervin Walsh takes it into a new and exciting era.

Floreat Kidd House!

Graeme Klerck



RIGHT:
Eisteddfod Inter-House Singing

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Weekly sandwich-making sessions;
Kidd House exchange students: Andrew Geerds, Simi Mehlomakulu and Connor Dempers;
Kidd House Grade 10s won best performance for a House in the June exams



BIRT HOUSE

House Director: Trevor Pasquallie

Assistant House Directors: Ronald Jacobs and Campbell Smith

Tutors: Gloria Bassett, Peter Hyslop, Andrea Rutter, Anne Stevens and James Swift

Head of School: Tim Sharples

Head of House: Ryan Labberté

Deputy Head of House: Tom Newbury

This has been another successful year for Birt. Our Grade 8s started the year off by winning the New Boys Heritage Test. Birt teams were runners-up in a number of Inter-House events: the Golf Challenge, Senior Rugby, Junior Hockey and Senior Basketball. We finished fourth in Inter-House Rowing, Touch Rugby and Senior Soccer. On the cultural front, Birt came close to winning the Prelim Owl and finished third

RIGHT:
Michael Houlie, Youth Olympics Champion;
2018 Birt Leaders: Tom Newbury (Deputy) and Ryan Labberté;
2018 Birt Matrics

FOLLOWING:
Birt House Staff

overall in the Eisteddfod and displayed their talent at the biennial Birt Revue held in the Old Gym and the Memorial Theatre.

Birt remains the Best Academic Performing House. At Prize-Giving a number of our boys received recognition for academic excellence during the year: Daniel van Nimwegen and Joshua Elliott received the Grade Prize for first place in Grade 10 and Grade 11 respectively, and James Elliott received the Grade Prize for third place in Grade 9. Special prizes were awarded to Khelan Dheda (The Hands Memorial Essay Prize and the Junior Reading Prize), Ryan Lawson (The Martin Silberbauer Prize in Geography) and Michael Wilson-Trollip (Organ, Composition, Best Contribution to the School, Best Contribution to the Choir and The Bob Snape Prize for Enthusiasm). In addition, Tim Sharples received the Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness, as voted by the House, and the Roston Franks Memorial Floating Trophy. In Grade 10, Mitch Labberté was awarded the Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy and in Grade 12, Michael Houlie received the OD Merit Prize, awarded to a Matric who has attained the most distinctive or prestigious





achievement during the year. The following awards were made at our House Dinner: academic prizes went to James du Preez (Grade 8), James Elliott (Grade 9), Daniel van Nimwegen (Grade 10), Joshua Elliott (Grade 11) and Ryan Labberté (Grade 12). Special awards were made to Michael Houlie (Sports Achiever), Michael Wilson-Trollip (Cultural), Dylan Perlman (The Canon Trophy), Chris Scheepers (Birt Spirit) and Chris Hodgson (Birt Sapling Award). The Matrics handed over their Matric gift to the House earlier in the year. The gas braai has already been put to good use and creates a wonderful gees in the House.

There were many individual achievements, most notably Michael Houlie’s record-breaking feat at the Commonwealth Games (Bronze) and Youth Olympic Games (Gold). Michael Wilson-Trollip produced the new album of an international artist; Freddie Spencer

competed in the Junior World Golf competition in San Diego, US, and was awarded a Distinction tie; Hugo Janssens was awarded Gold in the President’s Award, and both Khelan Dheda and Daniel Holgate represented SA at the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships. Daniel was placed third in Reading and the team won third place overall. Callum Fraser and Adam Morkel received SA Colours in E-Sport and Junior Squash respectively. Jake Herbert received a Distinction tie for his participation at the World Karate Championships.

Finally, appreciation is expressed to the teaching staff of Birt, all of whom play vital roles in the day-to-day running of the House.

Trevor Pasquallie

MALLETT HOUSE

House Director: Marion Gardner
Assistant House Directors: Jenny Campbell, Michael Vamvadelis
Tutors: Marvin Bester, Angus Firth, Sean Henchie, Sue McPetrie, Sharief Petersen
Head of House: Finn Geldenhuys
Deputy Head of House: Ryan Solomons

At the beginning of the year Marvin Bester joined the Mallet family as a tutor. The Matrics chose to try out a fresh idea for the new-boy orientation: the Grade 8 and 12 boys bonded over a game of laser tag, followed by a family bring-and-braai.

The first opportunities for Mallett to prove itself came at Relay Sports and Sports Day. Highlights included watching Oliver Stewart run the 3000m at an amazing pace, lapping many of the other runners at least once; our U19 4 x 800m team and our U14 medley team both winning their races in style, and a number of other races where teams ended up in second or third position. We achieved a credible third place overall. Special mention should be made of our top three achievers: Oliver Stewart did exceptionally well in the

middle-to-long distance races, breaking the U19 800m record. This means that he currently holds the records for 800m in all age groups. He also won the 1500m and 3000m, earning a total of 27 points towards our House’s total score. Idrees Abdulla won the U19 400m in style and came second in the 200m and 800m races, earning a total of 22 points. Junsu Park came first in the U14 long jump and second in the U14 100m and shotput, earning 22 points overall.

Throughout the year, the boys continued to impress and excel in all Inter-House sporting competitions, which included our incredible victory in the senior Inter-House Hockey tournament. We also contributed to every single first-team sport and were home to both the 1st Team Hockey and Cricket captains, with many other boys competing in sporting tours. A number of our boys were selected to represent South Africa in various sporting disciplines.

Michael van den Heever led a team of Bishops boys to raise funds for rhino conservation in KwaZulu-Natal. They took part as a charity team in the Cape Town Cycle tour and had raised more than R20000 at the

end of the charity drive. They won the school section of the Cycle for Life competition and were invited to Bayala Private Safari Lodge and Camp to participate in a rhino-dehorning programme. The team was made up of cyclists including Grant Leslie and Sam Warren.

The top solo musicians performed at our annual cultural evening We also showcased part of the Eisteddfod House movement and the House bands. This year we were extremely proud of all of our boys for the tremendous effort and countless hours of practice they put in to the Eisteddfod, and our second place was something to be proud of! Terry Kim and Jono Greyling were a force to be reckoned with, as were our cultural Matric leaders. Finn Geldenhuis, Terry Kim and Jack Beare represented Mallet in Simply Blue.

2018 was the first year in which all six top senior art awards were won by one person – Michael Beckurts! Michael was also given a standing ovation in recognition of the amazing contribution that he made to the Elizabethfontein Primary School in the Cederberg. Michaels’ facilitator, Ali Hakizamana, deserves recognition as a much-loved member of the Mallett family. Since starting at the College with Michael four years ago, Ali has become an integral part of Mallett House. When he first joined us, we heard about Ali’s background – how he had to flee Burundi to escape the fighting during the civil war and learn to fend for himself in a number of foreign countries, and how he ended up in Cape Town. His courage and perseverance have always been an inspiration to us all. Ali’s constantly cheerful character will be sorely missed next year.

Ma Force d'en Haut!
Finn Geldenhuis



ABOVE: Oliver Stewart
RIGHT: Ryan Solomons; Jono Greyling; Finn Geldenhuis



EPIC et al



EPIC

The Grade 10 class of Bishops has been associated with the Cederberg for more than 50 years – an association that has morphed over the years into the Bishops Epic. 2018 was our 12th year and my 9th year of running it. While we retain a similar structure from year to year, each year carries its own set of characteristics, memories and experiences.

The success of Epic is dependent on a wide range of organisations and individuals and I am always amazed and humbled at the positive comments I receive from people living in the Cederberg area. These range from the grandmother of a child at Elizabethfontein Primary School, and a landowner grateful to us for clearing alien vegetation on his property, to the owner of a business in Clanwilliam who appreciates the financial injection for the town, and a CapeNature employee who comments that it is so good that city children get to experience nature.

An aspect of Epic 2018 that stood out from other years was the issue of anxiety. By far the majority of boys who come on Epic are properly equipped in terms of

their mental preparation, but we shall need to focus on this aspect more in 2019.

An exciting development this year was the ‘super-sizing’ of our alien vegetation clearance project at Elizabethfontein. Our boys had great fun learning new skills and ‘playing’ with some pretty serious machinery, courtesy of Ron Clark, who brought tree-felling equipment on site and oversaw the operation.

One of the many heartening stories from Epic resulted from a crisis – a boy needed to be hiked off the mountain after nightfall and, in conjunction with Wild and our own staff, we called out an ambulance and mountain rescue group. All our boys go through a first aid course run by Wild Medix in the Epic Preparation week and there is no doubt that as a result of this, the boys knew what to do – not only in their communication by satellite phone, but also in their treatment of the patient and in bringing him down the mountain to meet up with the rescue team. Wild Medix could not have been more satisfied with the group’s treatment of the patient. The good news is

that all went well and the boy in question completed the Epic.

Epic challenges a boy on a number of fronts – the obvious one being physically. There is no doubt that those who worked on their fitness had an easier time. It has been so good to see how many families make a special effort each year to do walks in order to ensure their sons are adequately prepared. Another aspect we upgraded was the cycling and mountain-biking component. All boys underwent a bike competency test along with the usual fitness test in Term 3, and those who required further skills with their cycling were given the opportunity to do a two-part course with our cycling professional. In addition, the bikes were replaced this year, which made a massive difference to the enjoyment and safety of this part of Epic. We also ensured that each group has at least one mountain-biking experience – either at Sanddrif or at the newly opened





route at Jamaka. We're most grateful to the Parents' Association for their generous contribution to the cost of the bikes.

For a number of years now, a group of mums gets together and ensures the craft activities are properly organised. The job is way more than that though, as we always ask for donations in cash and kind, and these need to be incorporated into the plan. The past year saw creativity taken to new levels – sheets, bath mats, towels, towelling robes and face cloths donated by the Mount Nelson Hotel were converted into an array of superbly crafted and dyed curtains, tablecloths, duvet covers, cushions, educational toys, bags, hats and mats. Teachers at the schools visited received gifts and each child received a specially made

bag containing toiletries. Thanks to the group so ably headed by Bridget Carter.

Thanks to further donations, a jungle gym was erected at Elizabethfontein near the Grade R classroom, two classrooms received brand-new air-conditioning units, mirrors were put up in bathrooms and a large sandy area outside the school hall was paved. In addition, Grootkloof (Jamaka) now boasts a sign for the school mounted on an outside wall, window panes broken in a fire in February were replaced, the jungle gym we erected two years ago was revarnished, and the school is most grateful for the donation of foosball and table tennis tables. Both schools also received a wonderful array of books, puzzles, toys, Lego and sports equipment.



Once more, Tyrone Adams did a sterling job in heading up all the maintenance tasks.

An experience like this creates memories and many a story will be told in the years to come. What an opportunity these boys have had and what a privilege it is for the staff to journey with them. Many parents comment to us about how their sons 'have changed' as a result of Epic. As teachers, we feel the same. The grade has – along with those who had incredible exchange experiences – changed so much, and we know the time and effort put into the experience ranks as one of the best investments that can be made.

Epic is a team activity that is made as successful as it is by those who participate directly and by the many

staff members who do tireless work behind the scenes. Residents and service providers in the Cederberg area also provide invaluable support. We are also most grateful to those parents and businesses who loaned vehicles, gave advice and donations and provided the support their sons needed. Well done to the Grade 10s of 2018 for a superb Epic!

Graham Robertson



EXCHANGE

Teacher-in-charge: Phil Court
Each year our Grade 10 boys are given the opportunity to spend a term at an overseas school as part of our Exchange Programme. This is an exciting experience of personal growth, independence and widening of horizons. This year 34 boys were selected to attend 32 schools around the world.

Phil Court

NAME	SURNAME	HOUSE	SCHOOL
Seb	Allison	Birt	Pembroke School, Adelaide, Australia (Term 3)
Luke	Avis	School	Colegio Anglo Colombiano, Bogota, Colombia
Matthew	Bowman	White	Dean Close, Cheltenham, UK
Robert	Ferreira	White	Hale School, Perth, Australia (Term 3)
Connor	Dempers	Kidd	Geelong Grammar School, Geelong, Australia
Stephen	du Preez	Birt	Lancaster Country Day School, Lancaster, US
Neil	du Toit	Gray	Virgen de Europa School, Madrid, Spain
Connor	Evans	White	Framlingham College, Framlingham, UK
Andrew	Geerdts	Kidd	Providence Day School, Charlotte, US
Noah	Gonsenhauser	Ogilvie	Montgomery Bell Academy, Nashville, US
Euan	Groenewald	White	Culford School, Culford, UK
Matthew	Guy	Birt	St George's College, Buenos Aires, Argentina
Sam	Hardie	Birt	Ridley College, St. Catharines, Canada
Dan	Kirsten	Gray	King William’s College, Isle of Man, UK
Mitch	Labberte	Birt	Christ Church Grammar School, Perth, Australia
Zimvo	Mahlati	Gray	The Scots College, Sydney, Australia
Samuel	Marthinussen	Founders	Ridley College, St. Catharines, Canada
Cameron	May	Gray	The Scots College, Sydney, Australia
Simi	Mehlomakulu	Kidd	Rijnlands Lyceum Wassenaar, Rijnland, Holland
Sacha	Mngomezulu	Founders	Llandovery College, Wales, UK
William	Morley	Founders	Orchard College, Curicó, Chile
Caleb	Oliphant	White	Rijnlands Lyceum Wassenaar, Rijnland, Holland
Luke	Rissik	White	Haileybury, Hertford, UK
Joshua	Seymour	Mallett	Belmont Hill School, Belmont, US
Tano	Sivertsen	White	Schweizerische Alpine Mittelschule, Davos, Switzerland
Damian	Smith	White	Baylor Academy, Chattanooga, US
Victor	Smith	Ogilvie	The Lawrence School - Sanawar, Himachal Pradesh, India
Jan	Smuts	White	King’s Bruton, Bruton, UK
Callum	Stegmann	Ogilvie	Private Wirtschaftsschule Begeman German School, Munich, Germany
John	Steyn	Mallett	The Lawrence School - Sanawar, Himachal Pradesh, India
Liam	van Schalkwyk	Mallett	Kents Hill School, Readfield, US
Jordan	Welsh	Birt	St Peter’s College, Adelaide, Australia (Term 3)
Oliver	Werner	Gray	The Episcopal Academy, Pennsylvania, US
Conor	White	Gray	The Doon School, Dehradun, India

ACTIVITIES WEEK

Once again the Grade 9 group ended its year by partaking in various activities around the Western Cape. Owing to limited rain up-country, the annual Orange River trip had to move slightly further upstream and launch from Hopetown, which meant an easier journey up the N1 as opposed to the N7. Luckily, there was still a good run of white water and unspoiled river banks on which to camp each night. Thirty-eight boys went on the trip and enjoyed four hot days rafting down the river with Gravity Adventures.

As in previous years, Gravity Adventures also conducted camps in the Kogelberg Biosphere Reserve and the West Coast National Park. At Kogelberg, the boys abseiled, tubed down the Palmiet, and hiked, while at the West Coast National Park they mountain-biked, hiked and sea-kayaked on the Langebaan Lagoon. On their way to the national park they stopped at !Khwa ttu Culture and Education Centre where they enjoyed a San experience.

Fourteen boys joined Mr Mallett at Elands Bay for a surf camp, where they caught decent waves for three days either at Elands or other surrounding spots on the West Coast. Eight boys signed up for the Knysna

mountain-biking trip with Mr Knight, and spent a number of days exploring the trails in and around the Knysna Forest.

For the second year, Leon Glanville took 15 boys to Phinda Game Reserve and Utshwayelo Lodge in KwaZulu Natal where they spent time with highly experienced guides in the bush, and also engaged in marine conservation, snorkeling and turtle monitoring. The three-day entrepreneurial workshop, organised by Campbell Smith and run by Cape Town Boot Camp, also took place for the second year. Held at Little Stream in Constantia, this was not as physically-challenging for the boys as the other options, but was still fun-filled and taught useful business skills. The workshop guided the boys through the fundamentals of starting up a successful business, with the end goal of having the students pitch their business ideas to a panel of judges.

Barry Emms

OUTREACH PROGRAMME (CIVICS)

Teacher-in-charge: Anne Stevens

The Civics programme for all Grade 10s took place during the last lesson of every Thursday. Boys were involved in a variety of activities. Twenty boys assisted with the SMILE literacy programme in which 75 children from Masiphumelele School came to Bishops each week for lessons in conversational English. Other service activities included weekly visits by groups of boys to Vera School for Learners with Autism, South African Riding for the Disabled Association, Maitland Cottage Hospital and Little Explorers Early Education Centre Pre-school. Other groups of boys turned 30 loaves of bread into sandwiches each week, and yet another worked in the Bishops sustainable planting area. Our learners also engaged with 100 Grade 9 to 11 students from LEAP Science and Maths School in

soccer, basketball, art, marimbas, mountain biking and audio visual. Next year, we hope to extend the number of service activities to allow all Bishops and LEAP learners to perform some form of service.

Anne Stevens

SPORT



SPORT

Deputy Head Sport and Discipline: Warren Wallace

Sport at Bishops provides our boys with the opportunity to excel at activities outside the traditional classroom environment. For those competing on the sports field it is a great motivator and gives boys, who sometimes may be less academically able, a chance to shine. It remains an integral part of developing creativity and problem-solving skills, building self-confidence and encouraging innovation and teamwork.

After a difficult start to the season, our 1st XI Hockey finished strongly while our 1st XV Rugby performed credibly and courageously. Our rugby season ended with a superb victory at the Villagers 7s, successfully defending their title. Golfer Freddie Spencer won the Nomads National Order of Merit and the US Junior Championship World Qualifier tournament. Soccer continues to grow as a school sport and we now have three teams in the league.

Our water polo teams did extremely well after a contentious first term debacle with Rondebosch. The junior teams performed skilfully, and this bodes well for the future, as the U14A team was the only unbeaten side at the festival hosted by Hilton College. They had

a comfortable win over Rondebosch in the final of the Mazinter Cup. The U15A team placed second at this interschools event after an exciting final that saw them lose in a penalty shoot-out to Reddam.

A squad of 17 rowers competed in the Head of the Charles Regatta. The boys were appreciative of this opportunity, enjoyed the collegiality and with it the sense of school pride that came with representing the College.

The highlight of the year was having three boys selected to represent South Africa at the U18 Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Aries, Argentina. William Rose in 7s rugby, David Naude in climbing, and in swimming, record-breaker Michael Houlie who won gold in the 50m breaststroke. In cricket, Jono Bird was awarded a Distinction tie for his outstanding cricket achievement in being selected for the SA U19 ODI team. Jono also became the youngest player (17 years) in South African cricket history to have scored a senior List A century on debut when he blasted 104 for Western Province against Easterns. Stefan von der Heyden represented South Africa in fly-fishing, where he participated in the Czech Republic. He won the gold in the individual competition in his age category.

These performances are testament to the value of sport and show how the boys are extraordinary ambassadors for the College.

Warren Wallace



ABOVE: Warren Wallace

ATHLETICS

RIGHT:

Captains of Athletics,
Ciaran Manca, Ross Martin (U14),
Matt van Westenbrugge

Teacher-in-charge: Burgert Maree
Captains: Matt van Westenbrugge and Ciaran Manca

The first term has become synonymous with early-morning running, as Houses aim to get fit(ter) in order to claim one of the three coveted athletics trophies for their respective trophy cabinets.

Relay Sports, which takes place in the third week of the term, sets the tone for Heats Week and Sports Day. It is a closely contested event and the trend over the past few years has seen the boarding Houses emerge as victors. This proved to be the case again, with White House claiming the top spot and taking the Relay Sports trophy back to the furthest corner of campus. Founders missed victory by a mere point and Ogilvie rounded off the podium.

Heats Week dominated the fourth week of term. Winning the Heats Week trophy is an accurate reflection of the efficient organisation of the sport leaders in each House and their ability to identify their

athletes’ strengths and weaknesses. This year’s Heats Week results are again noteworthy – all three boarding Houses took top places on the podium, a significant feat as the boarding Houses have considerably fewer boys who can compete within the restrictions applicable to all Houses. White, School and Founders did themselves proud and ran away from the rest of the school with a significant points difference. White House clinched victory with 1761 points and took home yet another trophy, followed closely by School House and Founders in third position.

Sports Day ran as smoothly as ever. Great performances were seen throughout the day, with Oliver Stewart setting another record in the U19 1500m. White House came out tops on Sports Day too, claiming their third athletics trophy, cleaning up the opposition in a year that was destined for them. Victores Ludorum went to Shariq Davids, Suleiman Hartzenberg, Dylan Plaatjies and Oliver Stewart.

The annual Triangular between Bishops, Rondebosch Boys’ High and SACS was held at Rondebosch. Despite the drought and considerably firmer surfaces to compete on, Bishops athletes participated in a spirit of excellence and determination and we did ourselves proud. The Triangular remains a prestigious event, with athletes from all three schools exhibiting great sportsmanship.



At the Western Province Athletics Prestige Meeting, Bishops athletes represented well. Suleiman Hartzenberg, Kyle Beley, Elyas Ayyoub, Nassar de Kock and Oliver Stewart were all awarded medals for their individual events.

The Bishops Triangular tie is the latest in the tie line-up. It is awarded to athletes who have represented Bishops in three Triangulars, two of which need to be in their senior years (Grades 10 to 12). Congratulations to the following athletes who were awarded the first set of ties: Reuben Mndende, Ciaran Manca,

Idrees Abdulla, Tom Barty, Sam Elliott, Matt van Westenbrugge, Daniel Stehlik, Julian Dower and Oliver Stewart.

The following athletes achieved Half and Full Colours. Full Colours: Elyas Ayyoub (U17 1500m), Oliver Stewart (U17 3000m) and Matt van Westenbrugge (U19 110m hurdles); Half Colours: Idrees Abdulla (U19 400m).

Burgert Maree



ABOVE: Triangular athletes: Tom Barty, Idrees Abdulla, Jack Brasher; Sports Day U19 1500m; Sports Day U19 110m Hurdles

AVENUE MILE



Teacher-in-charge: Phil Court

The Avenue Mile is now an established event on Founders Day. A large group of boys from across all Houses and grades sets off for the start after the morning Chapel Service. OD and guest speaker at the service Christopher Gregoroski had spoken about the lessons he had learnt in life from running and this, no doubt, inspired even more boys to participate in the event. Burgert Maree had his hands full getting the race underway at the narrow start line on White Road. Oliver Stewart (Mallett) set off at breakneck speed with a few ‘wannabes’ trying to match his pace. Oliver broke Jonathan Oscroft’s U19 1500m record on Sports Day and had his sights set on Aldred Boyd’s 1998 Avenue Mile record. He ran a brilliant race, negotiating all the turns, pavements, subway and



traffic to cross the finish line in a record 4 minutes 33 seconds, becoming the fastest Bishops boy over a mile in the school’s 169-year history. Elyas Ayyoub (Ogilvie) finished second in a creditable time of 4 minutes 51 seconds (Personal Best for him) and in so doing joined an elite group of Bishops boys who have broken the 5-minute barrier for the Mile. Julian Dower (Birt) finished third in 5 minutes 19 seconds. Oli Kennedy-Smith was the first junior runner to finish in 5 minutes 43 seconds (8th overall). More than 100 boys took part in the Mile, some racing for glory, while others dressed up for the occasion.

Phil Court

ABOVE:
Oliver Stewart, Elyas Ayyoub, Julian Dower;
Colourful Grade 8s at the finish line

BASKETBALL

Teacher-in-charge: Glen Gibbon

Basketball continues to be a top choice as a summer sport at Bishops. The majority of boys would not have played the sport before coming to the College, so the learning curve is usually very steep. Basketball remains one of the truly international sports, ranked just behind football in global popularity. Our club, on SOCS, enjoyed a win rate of 60%, winning 19 of the 32 fixtures this year.

The 1st team achieved some outstanding results, playing against our usual opposition of Rondebosch, Wynberg, SACS, Westerford and Pinelands. Under the leadership of Justin Maree (captain) and Tim Sharples (vice-captain) the team played superb fast-break basketball to offset the lack of height in the paint

under the boards. Played 12; won 7; points for 330.

The U16 team had a mixed season with Christopher Forbes and Benjamin Jack leading the side. Played 11; won 3; points for 179.

Clearly the ‘team of the year’ is the new U14 side, which maintained an unbeaten run through the entire season. This is a rare feat and the boys must be congratulated on their skill and dedication to the game and working hard as a unit. Played 9; won 9; points for 254.

Well done to the winning Inter-House teams: Ogilvie (senior) and Gray (junior).

Glen Gibbon



ABOVE: Captains of Basketball, Justin Maree (1st team), Kristinn Kolbenisson (U14A)

CANOEING

Teacher-in-charge: Kevin Kruger

With a large number of Matric canoeists leaving in 2017, our 2018 group was small. This allowed for more inclusivity, which was reflected in the enthusiasm

shown during practices at Sandvlei. The canoeists’ competency in K1s increased markedly, as did their stamina.

Kevin Kruger

CLIMBING

Teacher-in-charge: Trevor Pasquallie

Bishops Climbing secured the services of Access Adrenalin, which provided qualified mountain guides for our Saturday outings. Our excursions took us to Silvermine, The Hole (above Muizenberg), Lakeside Pinnacle and Trappieskop (Kalk Bay). Off-duty SAPS members accompanied us to ensure safety in the Table Mountain National Park. Boys attended the CityROCK Climbing Film Festival at Cavendish Square, and took part in the Boulder League competitions. They registered with Western Cape Climbing, which allowed them to participate in provincial and national competitions.

The following boys received the first Bishops Climbing Colours: David Naude (Distinction tie), Liam Foxcroft (Full Colours), and Duncan Edelstein and Nicholas Peile (Half Colours). As the African champion, David represented the continent at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games (YOG) in Buenos Aires where he placed 20th overall.

Trevor Pasquallie



ABOVE: Captain of Canoeing, Stefano Fernandes; Captain of Climbing, David Naude

CRICKET

Team	Played	Won	N/R or draw	Lost	Points for	Points against	Points difference	Win ratio
1st XI	38	17	5	16	6242	6240	2	44.7%
2nd XI	13	6	2	5	2278	2505	-227	46.2%
3rd XI	12	3	0	9	1823	2000	-177	25.0%
4th XI	11	4	0	7	1306	1521	-215	36.4%
5th XI	6	3	0	3	631	657	-26	50.0%
6th XI	4	3	0	1	608	486	122	75.0%
U15A	17	6	0	11	2306	2466	-160	35.3%
U15B	11	4	0	7	1439	1505	-66	36.4%
U15C	5	0	0	5	447	623	-176	0.0%
U14A	24	16	0	8	3805	3479	326	66.7%
U14B	12	5	0	7	1667	1693	-26	41.7%
U14C	9	2	0	7	758	1085	-327	22.2%
U14D	10	4	0	6	924	1015	-91	40.0%
Totals	172	73	7	92	24234	25275	-1041	42.4%



ABOVE: Captains of Cricket, Abel Mokwena (U14A), Jayden Rossouw (1st XI)



ABOVE: Jono Bird

I have always appreciated the fact that Bishops cricket is bigger than any individual and that we are merely custodians of something very special. We are in the business of creating opportunities and inspiring young talent and we do this by providing boys with quality coaching, the best facilities in the Western Cape and the opportunity to tour and play against boys from all over the country.

Although Term 1 of 2018 will be remembered for the severe drought in the Western Cape, which caused most schools and clubs to suspend cricket, we were able to continue with games as we had access to borehole water and were therefore able to maintain pitches and critical areas. As we are very much aware

of the positive contributions and social impact of cricket in our previously disadvantaged communities, we also invited Heathfield Primary School and an NGO called Dlala Africa to use our facilities to continue with cricket development in their areas.

In 2017 we were able to field six open teams and seven junior teams and in 2018 we were fortunate enough to do the same. Two of the highlights of 2018 were our 1st XI reaching the final of the WP Knockout T20 for the third consecutive year and Jono Bird and Abel Mokwena being selected for WP. Jono was selected for the U18 Coke side and Abel for the U15A side. However, the single biggest highlight was Jono Bird's selection to the SA U19 ODI side that played in an ODI series against England. Thanks to Jono's contributions with the bat, SA won the series 2-0. In his two innings Jono made scores of 54 and 142 not out. On return he was subsequently selected to represent the WP men's side where he made an astonishing 104 from 102 balls on debut.

Part of our vision is to give back to our community and we decided to partner with the JP21 Foundation. The Foundation does amazing work in the Mitchells Plain and Strandfontein areas and we are excited about all the possible outcomes from this partnership. After our recent golf day, we were able to hand over R42000 to the Foundation in support of their efforts. (Please read more about the wonderful work they do at jp21foundation.org)

I am happy to report that two big projects were signed off this year. The San Nets were rebuilt and provide Prep and College boys with top synthetic net facilities. In addition, four new scoreboards were erected and all cricket fields at the College now have electronic scoreboards. These boards were designed to double

up as rugby and soccer scoreboards in winter. I would like to thank our loyal Golf Day supporters over the years as most of the funds required for these projects have been raised at these events.

I would like to end off by thanking all academic staff, all coaches, all our wonderful parents and particularly the players. Cricket is a tough game that drains you mentally and physically. It is a cruel game and most often an extremely time-consuming game. Thank you. Without your sacrifices and ongoing support Bishops cricket would struggle to cope with the demands and onslaughts of the modern era.

It has been my privilege to lead Bishops cricket over the past six years and I thank all the wonderful people who have made this journey such a worthwhile experience. It is time for me to hand over the baton and I wish my successor the same level of satisfaction and fulfilment that I was fortunate enough to experience.

Willem Steyn

First XI

The 1st XI had a mixed season in many ways. The different formats of the modern game provide the players with so much variation and this team's strength was in chasing down totals batting second – whether in T20 cricket or in the longer format. We are very lucky to have floodlights on the Frank Reid cricket field, so many of the 1st XI games were day/night matches and the team performed at its best when batting second under lights – a rare strength for a schoolboy team. As far as the results go, the records show that in 2018 we played 42, won 20 and lost 17, with just five games ending in no result (limited overs) or a draw. Highlights of the year included a fine win over Wynberg

(away) – the game in which our excellent captain, Jayden Rossouw, took 7 wickets – and a wonderful win over the National T20 champions St Andrew's (Bloemfontein) in an exciting run-chase in Pretoria in March.

Once again, the Bishops open cricket teams found it harder to compete with our main rivals in the fourth term due to the exodus of Matrics from the sport after March; something that seems unique to Bishop and a great shame. The star of the team was Jono Bird, who played several match-winning innings for us but, unfortunately for this group of players, Jono rarely played his big innings on the important Saturdays against our traditional rivals. This is something he will want to change – if national selection and fitness allows – next year. Jono has already scored more runs for the 1st XI than any other Bishops cricketer in history and still has a year to go! The rest of the team tended to play around these two players, with the captain often doing the bulk of the bowling and our batsmen relying too heavily on the prodigious talent of our SA U19 opening batsman. Next year others – and there is no shortage of talent – will need to step up to the plate.

The following players represented the Bishops 1st XI in 2018: Jayden Rossouw (captain), Jono Bird, Travis Norris, Matthew Lennett, Josh Elliott, Gregor Bell, Na'eem Adonis, James Howard, Keagan Blanckenberg, Ethan Kieffer, Seb Allison, Max Stewart, Tom Burton (vice-captain), Alex Castle, Stephen Fourie, Michael Wesson, Ziggy Dalton, Matthew Schwulst, Ryan Labberté, Okuhle Minyi, Gerard Murray-Cooke, Jack Hampshire, Michael van der Merwe, Tim Kotze, Gareth Watson and Imraan Coovadia.

John Knight



ABOVE: First XI Cricket Team

Second XI

The 2nd XI started the year with a 219 opening partnership between Matthew Lennett (119) and Michael Wesson (97) against Paarl Gym. This was followed by wins over Paarl Boys, Hurst (UK), Newlands Cricket School and SACS. A draw against Wynberg and a narrow 19-run loss against Grey High saw the 2nd XI set up the final game of the season against old rivals Rondebosch. After scoring only 163 runs all-

out the odds were stacked in favour of Rondebosch. Keagan Blanckenberg, however, had other plans and with Michael van der Merwe standing up bowled the spell of the season. His 6-fer resulted in Rondebosch bowled out for 135, giving Bishops a 28-run win. Special mention must be made of our Matrics, Ryan Labberté (captain), Okuhle Minyi, Brandon Thomas, Matt Schwulst and George Jones, who served the team with distinction, with Matt Schwulst being the

leading run scorer. Other regulars included Mustapha Cassiem, Keegan Blanckenberg, Dan Kirsten, Michael van der Merwe, Seb Allison, Max Stewart, Imraan Coovadia, Na’eem Adonis and Michael Wesson.

A new-look 2nd XI started off the second half of the season by winning the Oakhill T20 Festival in Knysna in late September, registering wins in all five matches played. The side was captained by Michael van der Merwe and there were particularly good wins over regular tough opposition from Wynberg and Grey PE. Gareth Watson was awarded the Bowler of the Tournament Award for his 9 wickets in 5 games, at a miserly average of just 7,2. Ross Vintcent top-scored for Bishops with 115 runs (dismissed only once) in 4 innings, with a healthy strike rate of 132. During Term 4 the team played five 50-over matches, but the same form was somewhat lacking, registering just one victory. While the bowling was generally fairly effective, the team never really managed to post decent targets for the opposition, as our batsmen struggled to put on big scores. Only Michael van der Merwe achieved a half-century with his 59 against Wynberg.

Players included Kyle Bain, Chris Clark, Imraan Coovadia, Ziggy Dalton, Jack Hampshire, Tim Kotze, Munathi Mbityi, Gerard Murray-Cooke, Jay Sinha, Michael van der Merwe, Ross Vintcent and Gareth Watson.

Willem Steyn and Joc Wrench

Third XI

The 3rd XI struggled this year, only winning three out of 12 matches. A few notable mentions include a 97 by Kyle Bain against Paul Roos Gymnasium, which took the team to their only win of the fourth term. Nic Gleeson also performed exceptionally well when he

tried chasing down a target of 301 set by Wynberg Boys.

Players included Cameron Good, Mustapha Cassiem, Kyle Beley, Ubaid Francis, Fergus Fletcher, Sachin Chagan, Luke Richardson, Kieran Seggie, James Farmer, Kyle Bain, Oliver Diggle, Thomas Warner, Ian Sherwood, Jack Ritchie-Roux and Nic Gleeson.

Marvin Bester

Fourth XI

It must be said that sometimes the task set by the opponents appeared to be overwhelming, but the boys always remained in good spirits and took to the field with positivity. There were some defeats to deal with, but there were also some wonderful victories along the way.

Players included Undi Ngxangane, Troy Bisnath, James Farmer, Nicolas Fredericks, Alexander Russell, Fergus Fletcher, Jack Ritchie-Roux, Thomas Warner, Matt Marr, Berkley Hollingum and Nic Gleeson.

Jean Nolte

Under-15A

The goals for the U15A side were: 1) improve as individuals; 2) get the process right; 3) build a team that is committed to each other. Although results did not go our way this year the team has shown improvement and that’s important as this group goes into senior cricket next year. The challenge was always to make this group believe they were able to achieve if they worked hard. The most noticeable win in the first term was against Wynberg, by two wickets, under lights on the Frank Reid – this is an indication of what the boys can achieve.

Players included Jake Greenberg, Aidan Burns, Jarren Bacher, Josh Carnell, James Elliott, John Fisher, Ryan Goodsell, Rowan Howard, Imad Khan, Josh Mansfield, Peter Myburgh, Thomas Bester, Ben Forsyth and Daniel Holgate.

Chris Ekron

Under-15B

There were outstanding results with equally outstanding individual performances but the season also included some close, but disappointing, results. The team attended an outstanding Cricket Festival in Knysna in September where the boys won two out of their three games. Armaan Trikam scored consecutive 50s on tour and weighed in with some crucial wickets. The ‘Spin Twins’ Luca van Wyk and Seth Nieburg always kept it tight and took wickets when needed. Dylan Wood (captain) and Gus Farara (vice-captain) were strong leaders.

Paul Schooling

Under-15C

While results did not go our way, we always approached the game in a positive manner and with enthusiasm. We were somewhat hamstrung in the second half by a number of injuries, which meant the team often had to use non-cricketers to make up numbers.

Players included Laine Alexander, Charles Bicker Caarten, Aidan Currey, Daniel Davidson, Dylan Davies, Tshepiso Oliphant, Max Rebe, Gareth Walsh and Jack Walker.

Sean Henchie

Under-14A

The U14A team was able to win many games that could have gone either way. Mention must be made of Ross Martin, who achieved an incredible feat – took a hat-trick, scored a century, and took a fifer this year! This team beat the three local boys’ schools in consecutive day/night matches. Rupert Holmes (vice-captain) is a special player and Ismail Bhorat also came to the fore as a formidable cricketer. The loss of Abel Mokwena (back injury) proved a huge setback for this team. Abel’s captaincy, explosive batting at the top of the order and deft bowling were sorely missed.

Mervin Walsh

Under-14B

The record established by this young team was a fairly modest one, it has to be said. Victories were few and far between and the unit really only ‘clicked’ on a couple of occasions. The boys’ coach remains confident in their ability, however, and feels sure that this team will go on to produce the goods in years to come. There is undoubted potential within the ranks and, with time, these players will surely grow in confidence and self-belief. The team was always competitive and the young men certainly tried very hard to improve their fortunes out in the middle. It was especially promising to see how much they had improved when comparing their fourth-term results with all they had achieved during their first term at the College. What a pity they were not able to get across the line to claim victory against Rondebosch in their final match of the year! In a game where the lead changed hands on numerous occasions, the Bishops boys put themselves into a particularly strong position from which to seal the deal, only to lose their last five wickets in a flurry of overs, despite the ample time that they still had at their disposal. Defeat on this occasion

by just two runs will surely inspire the team though. There were a few other highlights over the course of the year: two matches against a girls’ team from Devon easily spring to mind, as does a hard-fought win at Paul Roos in early October, while many noteworthy individual performances were recorded against Groote Schuur. Their finest hour, however, was reserved for the home match against SACS in the fourth term, when our top order really made a name for itself, cruising to a comfortable win even when confronted with the most daunting of targets!

Warwick Richter

Under-14C

From that very first match against Paarl Boys’ High School in the heat of midsummer, right to the end of the season when the boys were involved in a cliffhanger, the team tried hard and they always gave one hundred percent commitment. Our weakest area was probably in the fielding department, where we just let ourselves down with several dropped catches. Bowling was generally good and opposition sides tended to battle to post significant totals. Ultimately, runs on the board are what the game is all about. With the coin always landing on the wrong side for our captain, we generally found ourselves batting second, and although chasing small totals, we just could not get over the line. So there were some close finishes, with us falling just short. Notable individual performances were Robbie Handley’s 24 not out against Paarl Boys’ High School and Conrad Green’s 41 runs against Rondebosch Boys’ High School in the first term. Undoubtedly, our best and most exciting match was against Rondebosch in the first term, where the match went down to the last over – us scoring marginally over 100 runs and them falling short by a mere handful of runs!

Players included Shariq Davids, Dominic Farmer, Conrad Green, Robbie Handley, Yusuf Isaacs, Zimvo Joxo, Adam Lewis, Aidan Lotter, Zolile Muleya, Michael Naude, Fiekie Petersen and Kyran Spotswood.

David Russell

Under-14D

The team improved as the year progressed and ended up with two sensational wins against archrivals Rondebosch, a tie against Wynberg, a victory over a strong Pinelands XI and a convincing win against SACS. The losses were all very tight affairs. Nicholas Bradfield was an inspirational captain who had a big hand in the second win against Rondebosch and the draw in the Wynberg game. David Border was by far the find of the season. He proved to be the man for the big occasion. Mention must be made of his role in the draw against Wynberg. Batting first, Bishops were on the rack at 12/4 after 5 overs. David joined Sebastian Le Grange at the crease, and the two of them put on a 40-run partnership for the 5th wicket. Sebastian weighed in with 30 and David 20. Wynberg went in to bat and after his spell, David had figures of 4-0-15-6! Wynberg, however, recovered from his devastating spell and with the scores tied on 95, the last Wynberg batsman was caught out brilliantly at backward point by none other than David off Nicholas Bradfield’s bowling. Kristinn Kolbeinnsson was a handy opener and very good ‘keeper’; Max Molyneux and Yasin Omar played decent roles as all-rounders; Christian Gross and Craig Ressel were reliable seamers and Zami Moyo, Sam Schluter and Aydan Csizmadia were solid in the middle order.

Dean Sudding

CYCLING

Teacher-in-charge: Donovan Abrey

The Bishops Cycling Club continues to make the best of the local trails – we ride the Table Mountain and Kirstenbosch trails each week. The club takes part in the interschools’ races at the UCT cycling track on Tuesday afternoons. Our captain, Grant Leslie, has consistently achieved outstanding results in these

races, as well as many others. Of special mention is his outstanding time of 2 hours 55 minutes in this year’s Cape Town Cycle Tour and his achievement of Full Colours. We are also planning a revamp of our existing mountain-bike track to include endurance-style jumps and other more challenging components.

Donovan Abrey

FENCING

Teacher-in-charge: Jacky Withers

It’s been a quiet year for fencing, especially since the departure of our Matric fencers. My goal for 2018 was to rejuvenate the competitive side of the club with more interclub competitions. Ethan Ellis participated in the Eden Open and won silver in Cadet Epee and bronze for Cadet Foil. Blues Fencing Club hosted an interclub event in the fourth term and Patrick Habiyaemye and Ethan Ellis won bronze in Cadet Epee, while Uzuko Mnyombolo and James du Preez won bronze medals in Cadet Foil. Jermaine Lwande won silver in Cadet Epee. Apart from the ranking competitions, the highlight of this year was the Bishops Championship evening, which included the finals in two weapons, as well as the Old Boys’ and Inter-House finals. Club certificates were awarded to James du Preez, Sebastian Boeddinghaus, Miles

Boeddinghaus, Abdul Kader, Carl Elvin Jensen and Daniel Thom. Bronze awards were awarded to Ethan Ellis, Max van Veen, Jermaine Lwande and James du Preez. Silver awards were awarded to Patrick Habiyaemye, Uzuko Mnyombolo and Ubaid Dullah Samsodien. The Inter-House Cup was won by Ogilvie and the Best Swordsman Cup in Epee was awarded to Terry Kim, and in Foil to Alaric McGregor. The Service Cup was awarded to Terry Kim. The captain for 2019 is Christian Garry and Ethan Ellis is vice-captain. The OD Challenge was one of the highlights of the evening, but the ODs managed to win for the seventh year in a row.

Jacky Withers



ABOVE: Captain of Fencing, Terry Kim; Captain of Cycling, Grant Leslie

FIRST AID

Teacher-in-charge: Anne Stevens

The team of 28 first aid boys, led by Wesley Holtmann (captain) and Dominic Beaumont (vice-captain), started the year with multiple duties at Inter-House Heats Week, Relay Sports, Sports Day and other athletics meetings. After the first term, as the real work of the winter season approached, the boys were given a short seminar by Wesley Holtmann on the expectations of referees, as well as a brush-up on the use of trauma boards. The winter season was

a busy one as the first aid team had to cover all home soccer, hockey and rugby fixtures in between their own sports commitments. At the end of Term 3, our usual training took place. We had a super response from the Grade 8s for places on the training course. Fourteen boys were selected and achieved their Level 1 certificate and eight previous members upgraded their qualification to Level 3.

Anne Stevens



ABOVE: Captain of First Aid, Dominic Beaumont

GOLF

Teacher-in-charge: Mervin Walsh

2018 capped a stunning year for our 1st team golfers. For the first time in many years our 1st team boys, Fergus Alexander (captain), Freddie Spencer, Daniel Davidson, Christopher Gutuza, Peter Thacker and Jack Ritchie-Roux, were crowned 2018 WP Schools Golf Champions. After winning the South A League, the team went on to beat the winners of the North A League, The Golf School of Excellence (TGSE), 3.5-2.5. Special mention must be made of Daniel Davidson and Christopher Gutuza. These two fine golfers were in Grade 9 this year. Daniel remarkably fought back in his match against his TGSE opponent; having been 5 down after 11 holes, he finished his match all square and in doing so, his half-point gave us the victory!

Freddie Spencer's achievements this year have been sensational. He won the Nomads Inland Noom with

scores of 74-70-70 at Benoni Country Club. He won the IMG Junior World Championships Qualifier at The Country Club Johannesburg with scores of 73-69. He represented the Western Province Men's Team at the 2018 SA Challenge Cup and was selected for the GolfRSA Junior Team for the 2018 SA Challenge Cup. He received Western Province Golf Full Colours, was ranked 9th in the Junior U19 South African Rankings, 5th in South Africa U18 and 1st in the Western Province U19 Rankings for the first three months of the year. He competed at the IMG Academy Junior World Championships at Torrey Pines in San Diego, California. At College, he won the Bishops Golf Championships by 8 shots with a score of 67, breaking the record by 6 shots. He was also part of the victorious Bishops Diocesan College team to win both the South and North League for 2018.

Mervin Walsh

HOCKEY

Teacher-in-charge: Sean Henchie

The 2018 Hockey season was a successful one with 270 boys in 15 sides representing Bishops. We played more than 200 matches throughout the season and participated in four festivals as well as a Knock Out Tournament

The 1st team was ranked 5th in the SA Schools National Rankings, and the U16A and U14A sides have done exceptionally well in the Cape Town League, both finishing second. We did well in the Knock Out Cup. The U16Bs competed manfully, losing in the quarter-finals; the U14As lost in the semi-finals, and the 1st team lost to a spectacular golden goal in the final.

- In the U14 age group, Brett Horn, Rupert Holmes, Daniel Neuhoff and Adam Lewis were selected for the Disa side.

Team	Played	Won	Drew	Lost	Goals for	Goals against	Win ratio
1st XI	32	20	7	5	81	46	62.50%
2nd XI	14	7	1	6	29	32	50.00%
3rd XI	12	6	4	2	20	17	50.00%
4th XI	11	4	4	3	25	10	36.40%
5th XI	9	4	2	3	16	21	44.40%
U16A	21	13	3	5	55	19	61.90%
U16B	15	7	2	6	31	26	46.70%
U16C	12	5	1	6	28	24	41.70%
U16D	13	5	1	7	19	22	38.50%
U16E	9	1	2	6	10	34	11.10%
U16F	10	1	2	7	11	32	10.00%
U14A	21	14	2	5	72	26	66.70%
U14B	12	4	1	7	21	18	33.30%
U14C	12	7	1	4	26	19	58.30%
U14D	11	8	1	2	45	10	72.70%
Totals	214	106	34	74	489	356	

- In the U16 age group, Mustapha Cassiem, Imaad Khan, Caleb Oliphant and Ben Cheminais were selected to WP sides, and Tim Kotze and Jock Buchanan played in the Southern Zone regional tournament. Both Caleb and Mustapha were selected to the SA U16 High-Performance squad.
- In the U18 age group, Idrees Abdulla and Danny Nelson were selected for WP sides, and Chris Clarke, Josh Elliott and Kit Bell were selected for the Disa team. Idrees Abdulla was selected for SA Schools and played three test matches against Australia.
- Mustapha Cassiem was selected to represent South Africa in Hockey 5s at the African Youth Games held in Algeria. The team won the tournament and qualified for the Youth Olympic Games; however, SASCO decided to take the girls’ team instead.

Our ODs continue to represent Bishops Hockey at the highest level – seven ODs represented Western Province at the 2018 Men’s Inter Provincial Tournament

and both Ryan Julius and Dayaan Cassiem represented the South African men’s side at the Commonwealth Games. Dayaan has been selected to represent South Africa in the World Cup in November.

Awards:
Full Colours: Idrees Abdulla, Thomas Barty, Mustapha Cassiem, Daniel Nelson and Jayden Rossouw.

Half Colours: Christopher Clark, Joshua Elliott, Murray Gordon, James Howard, Caleb Oliphant, Warwick Pitman, James Price, Luke Ranoszek and John van Niekerk.

1st team awards: Player of the Year: Idrees Abdulla; Sportsman of the Year: John Van Niekerk; The Players’ Player: Idrees Abdulla.

Service ties for hockey umpiring: James Howard, Luke Richardson, Josh Elliott, Euan Musselwhite and Duncan Edelstein.

Sean Henchie



LEFT:
First XI Hockey Team

RIGHT:
Captains of Hockey, Daniel Neuhoff (U14A), Idrees Abdulla (1st XI); Mustapha Cassiem in action; Idrees Abdulla beating two Wynberg defenders



ROAD AND TRAIL

Teacher-in-charge: Bev Morris

Imagine a sun-dappled mountain trail, the soothing sound of an urban stream, the challenge of a long sweeping hill... These are some of the sights and sounds that await runners each week in the Road and Trail running group. The sport offers the boys an opportunity to get fit and to build endurance in both mountain and urban surrounds. The emphasis is on the setting of personal fitness goals, enjoyment and camaraderie. Boys may run with the group throughout the year, or join only for the summer or winter season.

Sebastian Stemmett sees to it that we have sufficient buses on a Monday and Thursday to take the group

to a variety of settings around Cape Town. We are fortunate to have three very keen ODs running with us – Julian Dean-Brown, Jonathan Crowther and Christian Cotchobos bring their knowledge of the mountain trails, their real love of the sport and responsible guidance to the boys. Peter Hyslop, Sue McPetrie and Sam Majaca join me to provide a safe and happy opportunity to run, regardless of fitness levels. Boys are encouraged to take part in Park Runs as well as the variety of trail and road runs on the sporting calendar. We aim to foster a lifelong love of running and healthy living.

Bev Morris

ROWING

Teacher-in-charge: Brad Smith

The year started with a new venue for the January camp – we moved from Nerina Guest Farm to Umshanti at the Buffeljags Dam. The reason for this was to keep the entire club at one venue while still ensuring good training and quality water to row on.

The U14s and U15s went to Johannesburg for the Victoria Lake Regatta (hosted by the Victoria Lake

Club), which is held over a 1km course on the lake. This was the first time the U14s were allowed to attend a tour so early in the year and they learnt some valuable lessons, floating but only just. The U15s had a more positive experience, achieving a silver medal and beating the course record.

Our U16 and open age groups made their way to the Eastern Cape for the Buffalo Regatta. All crews were able to compete and had mixed results. Most notable



ABOVE: Captain of Road and Trail, Michael Wilson-Trollip; Captains of Rowing, Noah du Randt (U14), Jack Graham (Open)



were the Second Eight, which managed a silver, while the U16 Eight, Coxed Four and Pair followed in a similar fashion, nudged out by St Benedict's to grab the silver in two of the boat classes.

Western Cape Championships proved challenging. Although the water looked amazing and the forecasts assured us that it was going to be a dream weekend, the wind rose and races were postponed.

SA Championships is always a challenge, with only a select few crews from each age group being chosen. The only medal achieved was the silver that went to the U16 Coxed Four.

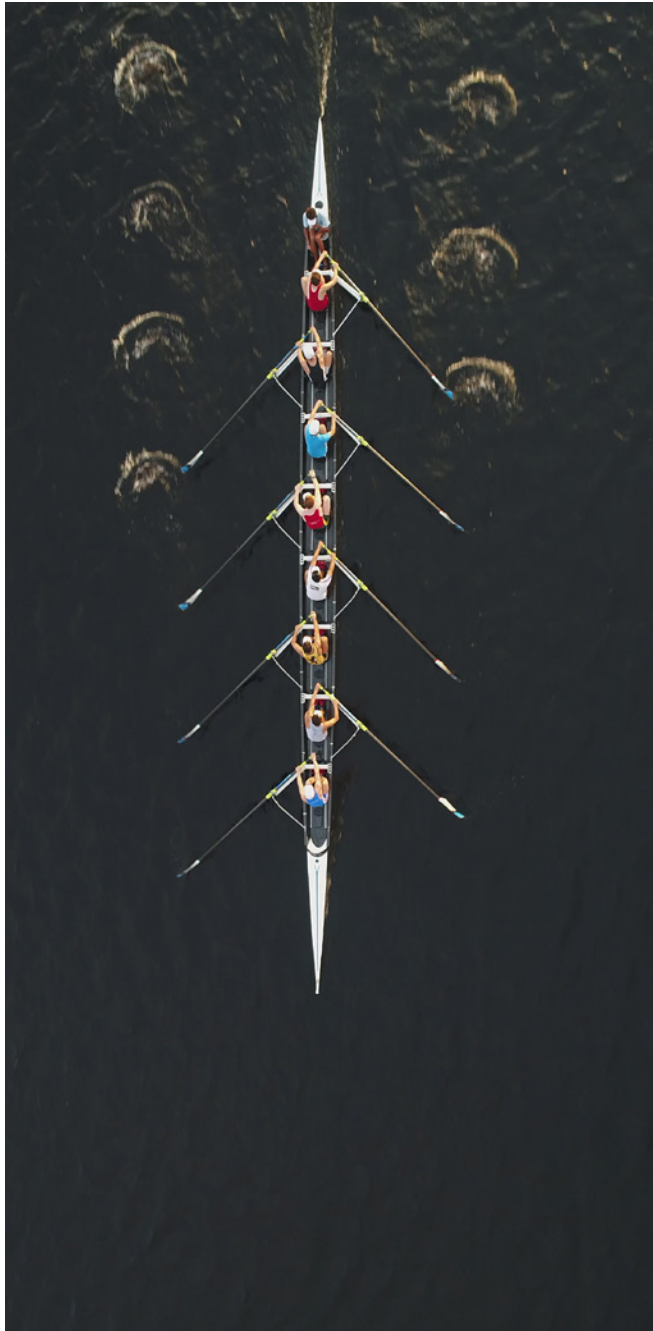
The second half of the year began with a rowing camp at Robertson. The U16s travelled to the Gauteng Championships. The open age group, consisting of 17 boys, was granted the opportunity to head to Boston to race in the Head of the Charles Regatta.

The Knysna Midway Regatta was met with much excitement, but gale-force winds and massive waves caused some of the boats to sink. Notwithstanding the disappointment of the first day, the following day was set up for some great heads racing as there was no wind. Bishops finished the day on a high.

The Misverstand Spring Regatta saw us come up against SACS and Rondebosch. The day proved to be better than expected as almost every boy left the regatta with a medal. This heads race over 5km saw a tight tussle between Bishops and Rondebosch in both the U15 and U16 events, with Bishops coming off second best in both.

The final sprint event of the season was the Gauteng Championships where the U16s enjoyed some fantastic racing.

Brad Smith



RUGBY

TEAM	Played	Won	Drew	Lost	PF	PA	PD	Win Ratio
U18A	19	13	1	5	558	339	219	68.40%
U18B	14	9	0	5	333	238	95	64.30%
U18C	12	7	0	5	246	304	-58	58.30%
U18D	12	8	0	4	281	219	62	66.70%
U18E	9	3	0	6	140	188	-48	33.30%
U18F	7	3	1	3	111	113	-2	42.90%
U18G	4	1	0	3	26	71	-45	25.00%
U16A	17	14	0	3	534	203	331	82.40%
U16B	12	4	0	8	216	234	-18	33.30%
U16C	10	3	0	7	115	281	-166	30.00%
U16D	1	1	0	0	19	17	2	100.00%
U15A	19	14	3	2	535	208	327	73.70%
U15B	11	5	0	6	171	213	-42	45.50%
U15C	11	6	0	5	165	181	-16	54.50%
U15D	8	4	1	3	132	177	-45	50.00%
U14A	16	7	1	8	322	331	-9	43.80%
U14B	12	1	0	11	75	428	-353	8.30%
U14C	10	2	0	8	63	310	-247	20.00%



ABOVE: Captains of Rugby, JJ Muller (1st XV), Daniel Neuhoff (U14)

The Western Province Premier A League is the most gruelling schoolboy competition in the world. Nowhere will you find a schedule as relentless as this one – with local derbies (Rondebosch, SACS and Wynberg) regarded as ‘easier’ fixtures, compared with our four ‘N1 opponents’ (Paarl Gim, Paarl Boys, Paul Roos and Boland Landbou) that are all ranked in the top 10 in the country. Let me say, however, that we’re proud to participate in this league – following in the footsteps of decades of Bishops teams before us. But what are the challenges we face while trying to remain competitive and relevant in this cauldron of a competition?

- I’ve identified three key areas that need to be addressed:
- 1. Grade 8 intake
 - 2. Concussion concerns
 - 3. The importance of team sports

Grade 8 intake

At present, there is no doubt that we are more than holding our own against our local rivals in the Southern Suburbs, but the same cannot be said of our record against the Boland schools. A sobering statistic is that in our matches against Paul Roos, Paarl Boys, Paarl Gim and Landbou this year, Bishops won 7 out of 66 games! However, if we are to keep our heads above water, it is critical that we benefit from a natural intake of rugby talent from our feeder schools and elsewhere.

Concussion concerns

Anecdotal evidence suggests that Bishops suffers more concussions than any other school in the WP Premier A League. Are our boys more vulnerable than others to the physical impact of this contact sport, or could there be another reason for these skewed statistics? Bishops is one of only three Premier A

schools that runs a concussion programme from school – but when we look at the trends over the past couple of years, it is interesting to note the curious spike in concussions during the exam periods and in the weeks before fixtures against the Paarl schools! As coaches, we joke about the so-called ‘N1 Fever’ that lays low our lads before these fixtures.

The importance of team sports

This year, for the first time in 30 years (according to our veteran U14 coach, Phil Court), Bishops has struggled to produce three U14 teams each Saturday. While injuries have certainly contributed to this dire state of affairs, we picked up an alarming statistic at the beginning of the winter season. No fewer than 50 Grade 8s (out of a possible 165) signed up to play squash. Signing up for squash in itself is no crime (I’m an enthusiastic social player myself), but what is troubling is that these lads were looking to play *only* squash and nothing else. The ethos at Bishops has always been that individual sports like squash are played in addition to a team sport – be it rugby, hockey, cricket or water polo.

If Bishops wants to continue playing in the WP Premier A League, then it is incumbent on us to enter at least three teams in each of the U14, U15 and U16 age groups and five teams in the U19 division.

Dave Mallett

First XV

Preseason training started five weeks before the first game at the Porterville Rugby Festival. We placed a big emphasis on running conditioning as well as speed work. The boys were committed and this made our jobs as coaches much easier. At the festival, we played a tough match against the Hopefield 1st XV, but the

glimpses of magic were most encouraging. A gruelling tour to St Stithians followed, where we were pitted against some of the top schoolboy rugby sides. Our first opponent was Grey and we enjoyed 70 minutes of great Bishops rugby where we had our opponents moving all over the field on attack and held them out on defence. We were comfortable 27-10 winners. The next match was against the hosts, St Stithians, who had the support of a large crowd. The game was played in tough conditions, but this did not stop our boys from scoring great tries from all ends of the park. After these first two victories the boys had to put their success behind them and look forward to what was going to be a tough game against Michaelhouse. This fixture is always difficult but the boys showed their character and won convincingly 40-12.

As we had won our first four games of the season, the boys were confident going in to what is arguably one of the toughest schoolboy leagues in the world. We started with a win against Tygerberg, and a tough fixture against SACS. Both sides were desperate for a win and again our boys showed great character and toughness and held out with 14 men to beat SACS 19-6. What followed were four fixtures in a row against teams that were all in the top 10 of the schoolboy rankings. First up was Paul Roos who finished the season as the top team in SA. The boys were magnificent in the first half as they pushed Paul Roos all the way, and led 14-12 at halftime. However, the substantially bigger Paul Roos pack came to the fore and was able to win the game. Twenty minutes of poor rugby cost the boys a great victory against Boland Landbou; however, they showed tremendous fight to come back after being 24-0 down, eventually losing 24-14. Wynberg, who was having one of the best seasons in their school’s history, followed. In what was a seesaw battle, and classic derby, Bishops came

out on top, 33-29. The match against Paarl Boys (away), who had been unbeaten at home for three years, was played in very wet conditions. In one of our bravest performances, with our side missing key players due to injury, the team showed tremendous guts before being pipped 13-14 in a memorable clash. The last game of the term was the usual derby between Rondebosch and Bishops. Another titanic battle ensued with the game going back and forth; however, our boys showed great composure and used the conditions to their advantage, tactically outsmarting Rondebosch and enjoying a 25-20 victory.

The Independent Schools Rugby Festival in the June holidays has always been a great tradition. We had tough fixtures against the hosts, Kingswood, and an unbeaten Hilton side. The festival also ran over the annual Craven Week, which meant that we were missing five of our regular starters. The first game against Kingswood was different for our boys as it was the first time they would play under lights for the 7pm kick-off. Here, our forwards dominated and put the backs on the front foot, allowing for some great tries and we won that match 19-10. The final game of the festival saw us going up against Hilton, to date unbeaten. Once again the forwards laid the foundations for the backs to finish off – and finish off they did with a 24-17 victory.

The start of the third term is always tricky as the boys come back after a long holiday; however, they showed no signs of rust when they put Strand to the sword, beating them 81-5. Next, we came up against a well-polished Paarl Gim team (away). Disappointingly, this fixture ended up being our most comprehensive defeat of the season. SACS (away) was a stuttering performance but Bishops was never in danger of defeat; we ended up winning 22-20. Our traditional

rivals St Andrew's came to town and the first half was the best showcase of rugby the Bishops team had played all year – we looked really slick and dominated all facets of the game. The second half saw us take our foot off the pedal, but we still ran out convincing 38-22 winners. One of the most anticipated matches on the calendar was the reverse fixture against Wynberg and what a game it was! Both sides went at each other very hard for 70 minutes, playing some great rugby and thrilling the crowds in the process. It took a last-minute penalty from Wynberg to knock over our boys who fought until the very end. Finally, it was time for the last game of the season, which was the big one against Rondebosch. The conditions were horrendous for both teams, with gale-force winds and rain spoiling the brand of rugby that both teams wanted to play. We played with the wind and in spite of complete territorial advantage, were only able to take a 5-point advantage into the half-time break. In a typical 'game of two halves', it then took everything in us to hold Bosch out and in the end, the 10-all draw was probably a true reflection of the game. Special mention should be made of the two players who led the team into battle each week: Justin Muller and his deputy, William Rose.

Players: Ollie MacRobert, Jeff Malherbe, Alex Castle, Aiden Macdonald, David Courie, Tim Sharples, Ano Mtombeni, Matt Van Westenbrugge, Justin Muller (captain), David Nivison, Matthew Klingenburg, Izzy Wharton, William Rose (vice-captain), Liam Kloosman, Jordan Meyer, Luca Liebenberg, Michael Roche, Alex Jankovich-Besan, Victor Allen, Harry Newman, Tom Burton, Bingo Invanesivic.

Wesley Chetty

Second XV

With regular call-ups from the 1st XV, building continuity was tough. The players must be commended for their efforts and commitment every week, as this served as the basis of building our team character and the gusto needed to play in such a demanding league. Memorable victories included the tight encounter against Boland Landbou, great rugby against St Andrew's, and the 46-7 thrashing we gave Wynberg. The boys were always willing to put their bodies on the line and this was rewarded with the sought-after Triple Crown at the end of the season.

Players: Raafiq Adams, Tio Bakre, Kyle Beley, Gregory Bolus, Tom Burton (vice-captain), Stephen Fourie, Jack Hampshire, Alex Jankovich-Besan, Cole Kruger, Matthew Lennett, Aiden MacDonald, Innocent Macha, David Nivison, Theodore Psillos, Matthew Smith, Daniel Stehlik (captain), Luke Stevens, Michael Steytler, Anton van Wyngaarden, Dallas Wichmann, Aaron Woodman, Charlie Yates, Robert Young, Tom Rudston (manager).

Dave Mallett

Third XV

The year started off in celebratory fashion with a thumping win over a below-par Tygerberg side. This victory gave us a false sense of security and the following week we were humbled on our own turf by a quality SACS team. What followed was a winning streak that included victories over Paul Roos, Boland Landbou and Wynberg. With the core of our squad either injured or playing for the 2nd XV, the first Rondebosch derby was an uphill battle and we were pipped in the final seconds. We started Term 3 by sweeping aside an English touring side before putting in a great effort away at Paarl Gim – unfortunately,



the scoreline did not reflect the game. The SACS (away) fixture saw us narrowly going down in the final minutes. What followed were two closely-fought derby wins over Wynberg and Rondebosch.

Players: Terrence Pettersson (captain), Jonathan Pletts, Dallas Wichmann, Michael Steytler, Max Martin, Sam Elliott, Innocent Macha, Aaron Woodman, Michael van der Merwe, Ryan Sneddon, Caide Priestersbach, Ubaid Francis, Luke Stevens, Reuben Mndende, Ryan Labberte, Liam Agnew, Max Stewart, Matthew Smith

Justin Rowe-Roberts

Fourth XV
At the beginning of the season our challenge was not to let the off-field hype get the better of us, but rather use it to help us perform on the field. One of the highlights of the season was beating Paul Roos after being two tries down; however, we lost to both Paarl Boys and Paarl Gim. Special thanks to our captain, Matteo Lupini, and our vice-captain, Brett Tucker.

Players: Julian Dower, Slaide Marquis, Cameron Good, Luke Flint, Sean Murphy, Zander Brooks, Matthew Leong, Mbongeni Mavuso, Michael Wesson, Michael Mondry, Stuart Cottrell, Josh Kirsch, Tano Sivertsen, Max Stewart, Junho Ko, Hugo Janssens, Hector Orrell, Drew Burton, Connor Price, Brett Tucker (vice-captain), Matteo Lupini (captain)

Zukile Ncub

Fifth XV
Season statistics tell the story of a team that changed constantly around its core and provided the 4th XV with a continuous stream of talented players. Upfront, our most notable performer was George Jones who

played hockey for the second team on Fridays and still ended the season as our top try scorer. For the backs, Sihle Kahla and Marco de Nysschen provided spectacular moments. Our best results included a 35-21 win over SACS (away), as well as a hair-raising victory over Boland Landbou (10-7).

Players: George Jones, Jamie Naude, Ryan Wonfor, Aedan Foulkes (captain), Drew Burton, Hugo Janssen, Max Tedder, Alex van Hoogstraten, David Kingdom, Simon Craig, Noah Syndercombe, Rory Schram, Cameron Braun, Nic Gleeson, Logan Tait, Thomas Van Breda, Julian Dower, Jack Clayton, Dean Jacobs, James Young, Aidan Murphy, Sihle Kahla, John Grieves, Stuart Cottrell, Adam Fernandez, Nikhil Reddy, Michael Coles, Marco De Nysschen, Michael Mondry, Liam Gordon-Turner (captain)

Darryl Ndjadila

Sixth XV
The team had a good couple of wins and a few narrow losses to good rugby schools. As captain, Ryan Campbell created a conducive environment where working hard, learning and having fun coexisted. Not only was he inspiring, he displayed the class so pivotal to our team.

Players: Linda Farr, Hugo Janssen, Jordan Velosa, Tom Byrone, Rory Schram, Liam Jameson, Kyle Elliot, Ryan Campbell, Thomas Van Breda, Noah Coleman, Matthew Sherrel, Max Tedder, Thomas Slaven, Nikhil Reddy, Simon Craig, David Kingdom, Gift Hokwana, Tristan Le Fleur, Adam Fernandez, Drew Burton, Sean O’Brian, Alexander Van Hoogstraten

Sam Msani

Seventh XV
‘The Mighty Marshmallows’ began the season with one very lofty aspiration – to have fun at all costs. It was quite evident from the start that all the boys favoured social interaction over sports development and once I understood this and stopped threatening the lads with demerits we really began to bond as a team. All in all the results for the season were to be expected considering our philosophy. However, our single victory against Rondebosch in the final game of the season overshadowed any perceptions of failure and the boys, with their heads held high, found their nirvana.

Players: Tristan Sides, Travis Bradfield, David Court, Liam Jameson, Daniel Le Jeune, Justin Maree, Julian Steyn, Andrew van Voore, Patrick Bowman, Joshua Mol, David Kingdom, Grant Leslie, Ryan Solomans, Tristan Lee, Matt Marr, Rushay Shiba, Alexander Russell, Peter Worthington-Smith, Jan Smuts, Damian Smith

Caleb Nel

Under-16A
The team entered this division with a reputation of being a side to be reckoned with. They were competitive in all facets and this made them a versatile and unpredictable team on the field as their strength in all the positions allowed them to vary their game and catch the opposition off-guard. Their kicking game put the opposition on the back foot on numerous occasions and they were able to gain ascendancy and play a good territorial game. This was then complemented with a positive attitude on defence. Once possession was gained, they displayed an excellent set of handling skills that allowed them to bring the pace men into the equation after the

forwards created the go-forward that the backs needed to operate from. This team managed to secure victories in all their games against their Southern Suburbs rivals and they were particularly impressive against SACS and Wynberg in the second round of these derby fixtures – both played on foreign soil. The two wins against Rondebosch were most pleasing too – even though difficult weather conditions prevailed. Did I mention that they beat Paul Roos and Boland Landbou?

Players: Keagan Blanckenberg (vice-captain), James Bolton, Mustapha Cassiem, Nicholas Christodoulou, Connor Evans, Mikey Ford (captain), Wafeeq Francis, Euan Groenewald, Ollie Jones, Dan Kirsten, Joe Kirsten, Sam Marthinussen, Masood Meyer, Sacha Mngomezulu, Aya Ngcwangu, Undi Ngxangane, Cameron Parker-Forsyth, Sam Rudston, Adam Suliaman, Keegan van Wyk, Ross Vintcent.

Dave Mallett

Under-16B
There were some outstanding performances, like the 59-0 victory over Boland Landbou and the sublime 45-7 victory over Rondebosch; however, there were too many bitterly disappointing losses, like the two against SACS, the loss to Rondebosch in the first derby and the penultimate game against Wynberg. Most disappointing for me were the two second halves in the return games against Wynberg and SACS. In both cases the game was evenly poised at half-time, only for us to concede three tries in the second half to teams hungrier than us. The final game of the season made up for much of the disappointment.

Players: Ethan Keiffer (captain), Sadock Magai, Zimvo Mahlati, Undi Ngxangane, Teubes Van Niekerk, Luke

Grindley-Ferris, Luke Avis, Seb Alison, Ian Sherwood, Josh Levy, Mitch Labberte, Niall Maloney, Charlie Barratt (exchange), Fred Nash (exchange), Cameron May, Greg Metcalf, Aya Ngcwangu, Ethan Keiffer, Ross Vintcent, Matt Dinan, Dylan Plaatjies, Simi Mehloimakulu, Luke Shuttleworth, Cameron Parker-Forsythe, Adam Suliaman

Barry Emms

Under-16C
‘We’re going to get slaughtered!’ These were my unfortunate thoughts when, what was left of my team after being rather seriously decimated by all sorts of illnesses and maladies in the preceding week, ran out to face an intimidating Paul Roos team. Even though we were playing at least one team down (their U16E team) they looked as if they could easily take on our Bs. So, going 5 points up within no time was a surprise to say the least! That it came after some impressive rucking, ball retention and straight running simply added to our amazement. A well-deserved 28-12 victory was the unexpected result. Unfortunately, two weeks later, we played like a shadow of the team that had defeated Paul Roos and only seemed to kick into gear late in the second half and were resoundingly beaten. This pattern unfortunately seemed to become our modus operandi and we ended the season with only three wins.

Players: Luke Beachy-Head, Francis Bayly, Sadock Magai, Zimvo Mahlati, Jean-Luc Fourie, Luke Negrine, Sam Bury, Nick Koch, Liam van Schalkwyk, Will Makin, Daniel Mudge, Ben Gukelberger, Sam Hanssen, Jake Stewart, Lawrence Masha, Max Nixon, Jonathan Border, Rayan Hendricks, Matt Dinan, Andrew Koen and Chad Francis

Keith Warne

Under-15A
The odds of a team drawing 29-29 two weekends in a row to Paul Roos and then Boland Landbou must be near impossible. However, the main reason this season was unforgettable was because of the attitude and values that these boys demonstrated while playing some exhilarating rugby at the same time. There are three main points here that need to be highlighted. Firstly, never in my coaching career of 10 years have I seen a team that demonstrates such patience on attack and defence. Call it ‘phase rugby’, call it ‘building or withstanding pressure’, call it what you will, but I believe this is a demonstration of the team’s grit and resilience, the ability to absorb shock and to respond calmly and decisively. Secondly, the team demonstrated a willingness to learn. Individual skill development is emphasised at this level and it was incredible that these boys would ask question after question around how they could better themselves and their rugby. Finally, this team was made up of an honourable group of young men who made it clear that they wanted to be remembered as being ‘good okes’. Some highlights of the season have to be our successful Independent Schools Rugby Festival where we beat the favourites Helpmekaar with the famous ‘Scaley Mallett-Tony’ try in the latter part of the game, after defending our try line for what seemed like an eternity, as well as playing some incredible support rugby that saw us drawing spectators from near and far. We also defended a 13-man Rondebosch maul in both derby matches that demonstrated our ability and strength in overcoming an aspect of rugby that arguably kills any enjoyment for both spectators and players, and has very little benefit for the growth and development of skilful rugby players.

Players: Ilyaaaz Arnold, Torben Bergh, Alastair Bruce, Aidan Burns, Bruce Campbell, Josh Carnell, Jordan Dare, Nassar de Kock, Ben Forsyth, Suleiman

Hartzenberg, Benjamin Jack, Imad Khan, Joshua Michau, Alex Myeki, Luke Parker (vice-captain), Chris Pittaway, Jonathan Roche (captain), William Ross, Joe Ruiz von Walter, Benji Voogt.

Gerry Noel

Under-15B
The rugby was both hugely rewarding and horribly frustrating at times. The team was plagued by injuries and particularly concussions throughout the season so it was difficult to maintain stability in selection and practices, which meant we never really got into any rhythm. Incredibly, 32 players represented the U15Bs! Nevertheless, the boys played their hearts out each week and managed some stunning victories, the most memorable of which was probably the last game against SACS. At one stage, we were looking good to take a double triple crown but the unforeseeable prevailed and this was not to be. We practised mostly with the As and I believe this had a very positive effect on the players as a whole and certainly meant some developed enormously and will certainly give the selectors something to think about in 2019.

Players: Samuel Aitken, Adam Clarke, John Fisher (vice-captain), Gray Fogarty, Ben Forsyth, JP Freddy, Liam Harrison, Benjamin Jack, Chad Louw, Joshua Michau, Keenan Mills, Peter Myburgh, Daniel Nelson, Marc Nelson (captain), Oliver Nicklin, Scott Nixon, Jack Pace, Dylan Redding, Joseph Ruiz von Walter, Schyler van der Westhuizen, Luca van Wyk, Benji Voogt.

Angus Firth

Under-15C
The skill level of many of the players improved, with a visible change in attitude towards their approach to

rugby. As usual, we were hit by injuries towards the end of the second term and illness towards the end of the third. After excellent wins against SACS and Wynberg in the first half of the season, we ended off with a forgettable match against Rondebosch. The boys were motivated to set the record straight and after recording second-round victories over the same opposition, the return match against Rondebosch went down to the wire with a close 7-10 loss.

Players: Irshaad Abrahams, Thomas Bester, Aidan Brand (vice-captain), Matt Byron, Berkeley Graaff, Liam Harrison, Sergey Huish, Liyema Liwani, Jermaine Lwande, Josh Mansfield, James Mason, Keenan Mills (vice-captain), Peter Myburg, Siphon Ndlovu, Daniel Nelson, Oliver Nicklin, Mangaliso Nogantshi, Ben Reid, Christopher Schuyling van Doorn, Luke Solomons, Solomzi Tshiki, James Turner, Areeb Tyler, Donald Wilkin, Dylan Wood (captain).

Ronald Jacobs

Under-15D
Our first match against SACS was a well-fought 24-24, but overall, we probably let this game slip. A tough match against Boland Landbou followed. After being down 4-28 despite good play by James Mason and Jody Whittaker, we made a commendable effort, but still lost 17-28 – with Whittaker and Solomzi Tshiki both scoring (Tshiki’s being a great breakaway try). Our first win came in a 10-man game against Wynberg (34-29) with tries scored by Luke Bruchhauser (2), Nic Claassen (2) and Tshiki. This was followed by a heavy away defeat against Paarl (0-43). Our remaining matches were a triumphant return match against SACS (12-10) and a return 10-man game against Wynberg – unfortunately this time we suffered a 14-28 loss. Our season ended on a wonderful highlight against Rondebosch – in a

hard-fought battle the team snatched a last-minute 7-5 win due to a spectacular try (and conversion) by Mpofana Skwatsha.

Players: Benjamin Audinwood, Luke Bruchhauser, Josh Brummer, Nic Claassen, Dylan Davies, Max De Romijn, Gabriel Dyssell-Hofinger (captain), Sergey Huish, Daniel Kruger, James Mason, Mhlali Mbeteni, Callum Musselwhite, Tshepiso Oliphant, Max Rebe, Justin Reid, Mpofana Skwatsha, Sebastian Sturrock, Finn Tedder, Solomzi Tshiki, James Turner, Hugh van Hasselt, Jody Whittaker, Donald Wilken.

Rodney Warwick

Under-14A

The stand-out performance in the early stages of the season was the match against Curro, where the boys managed to maintain a high level of focus and aggression throughout the game. The boys worked hard, ably assisted by a group of outside coaches. EMOM workout and conditioning sessions were introduced to give the boys a taste of things to come in the new year. In both games versus our local rivals during the first half of the season, we were well beaten. However, during the second half of the season, we showed huge character and fight, not to mention skill and, if not for some silly errors, we should have won both games. Against Wynberg, we were really good on attack and scored arguably the best team try of the year – Storm Lanfear scored after a kick-pass from Nick Steinhagen with brilliant build-up play. The loss to Rondebosch in the final play of the game was tough to take, but there was so much that was good and heartening about the first half and they showed great character on defence into the wind.

Players: Jaytee Abrahams, Luca Broggian, Shariq Davids, Adam de Waal, Dylan Krause, Storm Lanfear, Andrew Lawson, Abel Mokwena, Daniel Neuhoff (captain), Fiekie Petersen, Michael Richardson, Jack Ryan, Max Seymour, Bruce Sherwood, Karl Smit, Nick Steinhagen, Michael Sun, Sebastiaan Terblanche, Connor Todd, Trae Turner, Luke van Wyk.

Dave Mallett

Under-14B

The team faced some tough opposition and a combination of small numbers in this age group, plus countless injuries meant that we had many obstacles to overcome. The final game against Rondebosch was a closely contested match with a narrow 5-10 loss, but the improvement and development across the board was evident.

Players: Lukas Barnard, Kyle Bastick, Oscar Baum, Luke Botha, Rahul Chagan, Sean Craig, Ronan Dutton, Murrough Epstein, Josh Grindley-Ferris, Jaeseo Hyun, Aadam Jaffer, Zimvo Joxo, Andrew Lawson, Jack Moyle, Zolile Muleya, Max Olbrich, Craig Ressel, George Rodinis, Motheo Seseli, Karl Smit (captain), Dean Sneddon, Sebastiaan Terblanche, Connor Todd, Trae Turner, Thomas Withers.

Fiona Viotti

Under-14C

It was a difficult season this year due to the shortage of boys playing rugby. If it were not for the boys who play hockey joining us, we would not have been able to field a team each Saturday. Nevertheless, the boys had lots of fun practising and playing rugby. Each boy improved as a player during the season, had his moment or two ‘in the sun’, and never gave up. The

highlights of the season: Alessio Dundulachis’ warm-up screams and beating Rondebosch in the away game.

Players: James Barrett, Kyle Bastick, Oscar Baum, Luke Botha, Nic Bradfield, Rahul Chagan, Wonyong Choi, Robbie Dicey, Alessio Dundulachis, Murrough Epstein, Bryce Herbert, Andrew Lawson, Aidan Lotter, Oyama Mandindi, Ferris Moser, Jack Moyle, Zolile Muleya,

Michael Naude, Musawenkosi Nyoka, Zac Oaker, James Raubenheimer (captain), Craig Ressel, George Rodinis, Motheo Seseli, Tyrone Slauck, Joshua Smith, Luka van der Merwe, Chris Welby-Solomon, Thomas Withers.

Phil Court



SAILING

Teacher-in-charge: Graham Robertson

This year has been an immensely fun and busy one for Bishops sailing, with a marked change in the number and performance of those who enjoy participating in this sport at the school. Under the leadership of Andre Truter the season has seen an influx of new sailors as well as the development of a core group of boys who are actively participating in regattas around the country. Our training sessions on Tuesdays and Fridays have become something

the boys look forward to, not only for the sailing but for the shared experience out on the water. A number of improvements have been made to the facilities on offer including the purchase of new boats and equipment. Overall this has created a renewed groundswell of energy and passion for the sport that just seems to be growing. The season was a really enjoyable one for all.

James Rumbelow

SHOOTING

Teacher-in-charge: Rodney Warwick

Boys were privileged to have the regular assistance of Mr Fedde van den Bosch at most of their practice sessions. Andre Truter captained the team with aplomb, and handed over the reins to Jack Beare in the fourth term. Jack proved himself with some excellent work on the range where his final average score was 89 – one point short of our award

for Full Colours, but which qualified him for a re-award of Half Colours. Our other squad members Lucas Oelz (85,6%), Ethan Ellis (83,66%), Donald Wilken (80,58%) and James Du Preez (71%) all improved significantly. Jack Beare was re-awarded the Shottist of the Term Award.

Rodney Warwick



ABOVE: Captains of Sailing, Andre Truter and James Rumbelow; Captain of Shooting, Andre Truter

SOCCER

Teacher-in-charge: Jarryd Bradley
Captain: Patrick Murinda

Soccer was launched in 2016 at Bishops, making 2018 our third season of the sport. It was marked by various challenges and somewhat erratic results but good improvement and growth in general. The inclusion of an U17 squad to the existing U15 and U19 line-up ensured a busy season down on the Oaks pitch.

The year kicked off with a large number of boys wanting to try out for a spot in the blue stripes. This year, the juniors were most eager and flocked to showcase their skills. The selection is always challenging, given the limited squad numbers, but there were plenty of talented young players from which to choose.

The U15 squad, under the leadership of Ronan King and Robbie Geldenhuys, showed tremendous improvement. They appreciated their manager and coach, Sebastian Stemmett, for his great guidance. His motivation, enthusiasm and passion carried the boys through a challenging season. The U17 side, probably feeling the pressure from the other two squads that had been around for longer, proved to be the most

successful. Under the leadership of Nic Cattell and Nicholas Powell, the team was a force to be reckoned with, with formidable strikers and goal scorers up front, a quick and skilful midfield, and a solid line of defence at the back. The U19 team, under the leadership of Patrick Murinda, Logan Tait and William Vagn-Jensen, went up against some strong sides. The passion was often tested more than the skill, but the boys were always well behaved and played with pride. They managed to end the season on a high note, after a draw against a touring side from Beaulieu College in Midrand. Since it was the last game of the season, the decision was made that there should be a winner... Bishops managed to claim the victory after a few successful penalties and great goalkeeping. It was also the first year that St Andrew's College brought soccer sides along on their rugby tour, and the soccer boys were very excited to be a part of the weekend's festivities and fixtures.

The Interfaith Day, or Rohan Bloom Interfaith Cup, is a football tournament that celebrates Rohan Bloom's fight against cancer, which he tragically lost in Grade 9. The day also celebrates diversity through something that unites us all – sport. The Interfaith Day includes Herzlia, Islamia and Bishops. Bishops had four teams that participated on the day (U12, U14, U16 and U19). This is always a great and enjoyable day, filled with respect, fun and emotions.

The future of Bishops soccer looks bright.

Jarryd Bradley



ABOVE: Brandon Snider (U19), Ronan King (U14)

SQUASH

Teacher-in-charge: John Knight

Bishops squash had another very successful season with all 11 teams doing well in their respective leagues. Among the highlights were our 1st team winning the Western Province Men's 6th League and Dr Paul Murray's U19C team going through the season unbeaten. Our U15 teams, run by Mr Dave Russell with experienced help from Mr Lionel White, were rarely defeated so the future of Bishops squash looks secure. Overall, our squash teams played with a fine spirit, and although we came up short at the last hurdle yet again in the WP Top Schools' knockout tournament, we did win several of the school leagues and are clearly ranked as the top squash school in the province in terms of player numbers and depth of talent.

The 1st team enjoyed the St Andrew's Festival in Bloemfontein in February and then the WP Stayers Festival in October. Bishops performed most creditably in both of these national events. The following boys were selected this year for Western Province teams to play in the inter-provincial tournaments: U19: Brandon Snider, Tim Wright, Nick Gleeson and Kenau Vith. U16: Adam Morkel, Greg Medcalf, Matthew Reid, Luke Shuttleworth and Aidan Burns.

Congratulations also to the following who were awarded colours for squash this year. Full Colours: Brandon Snider (captain) and Tim Wright. Half Colours: Adam Morkel and Greg Medcalf.

John Knight



ABOVE: Captains of Squash, James Boustead (U14), Brandon Snider (1st Team)

SURFING

Teacher-in-charge: Dave Mallett

2018 has been another great year for Bishops surfing (one of the less orthodox sports at the College). This has come to be expected – you will never hear of the Surf Club having had a ‘bad season’. After all, how can you have a bad season when you are doing the sport you love, out in the ocean at some of the most beautiful beaches in the world? The surf bus departs Bishops on most Wednesday and Friday afternoons in winter, provided there is enough swell. Boys are able to join the club as a major sport, in which case they are expected to attend all sessions. The majority of the boys who participate in the club, however, do so alongside another major sport, so they

join us as often as they can. Members do not compete against one another or against other schools; instead, we surf purely for our own enjoyment. The club boasts some talented surfers across all grades, but more importantly strong friendships are formed, resulting in an incredible vibe and sense of camaraderie in the water. As clichéd as it may sound, the saying ‘Any surf is a good surf’ perfectly describes the attitude of our members. This is why the Surf Club continues to grow from strength to strength, with a number of younger grades joining the ranks and thus ensuring the club’s future. The Surf Club celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2018.

Ryan Solomons

SWIMMING

Unfortunately, with the drought that has ravaged Cape Town, no swimming took place in Term 1 and with the old pool being repaired, there was no swimming in Term 4 either. This has been frustrating,

but we look forward to the sport continuing as in the past in 2019.

Michael Vamvadelis



ABOVE: Captain of Surfing, Ryan Solomons; Captain of Swimming, Daniel Le Jeune

TENNIS

Teacher-in-charge: Jarred Bradley

This was an exciting year for tennis at Bishops. It was competitive for the most part, with a few very competent players coming in at Grade 8 level and playing their hearts out to fill the gaps that were left by the strong Grade 12 boys. We had a few boys entering and trying out for the Western Cape Disas Tennis trials and they performed well. Bishops tennis has a great depth of players at the moment and we are fortunate to have players from across the grades in our top five tennis players, with our number-one player, Oliver Diggle, in Grade 10. The following couple of years should see some strong tennis, with a new wave of talented young tennis players making up the first three teams. Captained by Brandon Snider and Shane Goodsell, the boys set great examples when it came to tennis and to leadership. Our younger players and players from the lower teams have grown in confidence and skill under the valuable coaching of Tony Fawcett. Tony has a very hands-on approach and identifies the group’s weaknesses and then focuses on remedying them.

Many of our players are happy to boast that they have made it through the season without a loss,

whether in the singles or doubles format. Our first team players have once again been playing in the Premier league, and this has proven both rewarding and challenging for them. Their coach, Andre Schenk, has been working hard at making the first team, especially, strong and ready for tennis throughout the year. Annually, on Founders Day, a squad of tennis boys competes against some of our older, more experienced tennis players who have left their mark on the Founders tennis courts. Experience tends to prevail and is always a good teacher. The day is filled with fun, laughs and healthy competition. There is always a range of talent on a day like this and there is lots to learn, not only about tennis, but about life and humility.

This year saw the first tennis derby between St Andrews and Bishops, which took place along with the celebrations of Women’s Day. The day was aimed at the U15 age group and the College boys were joined by two of the boys from Bishops Prep who seemed excited, motivated and eager to play. They played extremely well and have to be commended for their efforts and attitude. This was a fun weekend – the boys had time to socialise around the fire on the Thursday night and enjoyed singles and doubles tennis on the courts, on what turned out to be a beautiful Friday morning. Herschel also invited us to be part of a mixed doubles tournament to end off the tennis season. The schools involved included Herschel, Rustenburg,



ABOVE: Captains of Tennis, Brandon Snider and Shane Goodsell

St Cyprians, Bishops, Wynberg and SACS. After a draw on the morning, Bishops was paired with Herschel and the fun commenced. There was a great vibe with coffee, music and treats, and the boys enjoyed mingling, some healthy competition and good camaraderie between the various schools.

Injuries have always been a challenge as the boys play a lot of tennis outside of the school league. I am hoping that there will be enough time for rest and

recovery before we take on the next season. Two of our courts have recently been resurfaced, contributing to the excitement around tennis. We have strong players and a competitive season to look forward to. Most of the boys in the higher teams have been playing together for a while and they should be pretty comfortable on the court. I look forward to what lies ahead.

Jarred Bradley

WATER POLO

GAMES PLAYED	GAMES WON	GAMES DRAWN	GAMES LOST	WIN RATIO
165	127	6	32	77%

The drought in Term 1 made things especially challenging and all involved did well to adapt to the ‘drought schedule’ of early-morning and lunchtime practices. The combination of student coaches and experienced staff members has worked well, and we commend them on their efforts. Special mention must be made of the U15B and U18F sides, which remained unbeaten all year – an amazing achievement.

The U14A, U15A and U19A teams participated in several tournaments and did their school proud. The U14A won gold at Mazinter and Pitcairn and bronze at Jeppe and Rondebosch; the U15A won gold at Wynberg and silver at Mazinter, and the 1st team won silver at Night League and bronze at SACS. Individual excellence included:

- David Nivison: KES and SACS Tournament Team (U18)
- Ryan Sneddon: SACS and Saints Tournament Team (U18)
- Matthew Klingenberg: SACS Tournament Team (U18)
- Axel Ivanisevic: Parktown and Wynberg Tournament Team and Attacker of the Tournament at Wynberg (U15)
- Jonny Roche: Wynberg Tournament Team (U15)
- Matt Lowe: Wynberg Tournament Team (U15)
- Nic Steinhagen: Attacker of the Tournament at Jeppe (U14)

A number of boys were selected for WP and participated at SA Schools:

- U14A: Jaytee Abrahams, Nic Steinhagen, Adam de Waal and Bruce Sherwood
- U14B: Dean Sneddon and Jack Moyle
- U15A: Matt Lowe and Luke Bruchhausen
- U15B: Luke Parker and Sam Aitken
- U16A: Joe Kirsten and Mikey Ford
- U16B: Cameron Parker-Forsythe, Jake Stewart, Jock Buchanan and Sam Hanssen
- U19A: Ryan Sneddon, Kieraan Meyer and Noah Syndercombe

The following are to be commended on national representation this year too:

- Noah Syndercombe, Ryan Sneddon and Kieraan Meyer represented SA U17B and Sam Hanssen the SA U16 invitational team at the CANA Zone IV Youth Water Polo Championships. They played a series of matches against Zimbabwe.
- Niall Maloney and Joe Kirsten represented SA U16 in New Zealand at the PAN PACS Championships and played against teams from New Zealand and Australia.

Fiona Viotti



ABOVE: Nicholas Steinhagen (U14), Thomas Lee (U19), Michael Roche (U19)

INTERNATIONAL TOURS

RIGHT | (Left to right):

- At the Rothschild mansion;
- Frogs’ legs!
- At the Citroën Museum;
- Admiring a canvas in Saint-Paul;
- The winner of the boules tournament, Tommy Rose;
- Swimming in the Med;
- HMS Matric;



FRENCH TOUR

Fifteen pupils from the College spent three-and-a-half weeks in the South of France during the winter holidays. The group left Cape Town the day after the close of the second term and was initially based in Nice. Here the boys spent their mornings in the classrooms of a local language school before tackling each day’s programme of visits and excursions on the Riviera. For the first fortnight of the tour, the boys were hosted by families involved with the school, in an effort to enhance their language skills and also their general understanding of the French way of life.

There were many highlights during this period. The ones that really stood out were sailing into the Monte Carlo harbour, a first encounter with frogs’ legs, a cycling trip around the Antibes peninsula and, following a train ride to the last French town before the border, a leisurely stroll into Italy!

The last 10 days of the tour were spent on the road in minivans driven by the Richters (College schoolmaster Warwick and his fearless wife, Stephany). The town of Arles served as an ideal base for the first four nights, allowing the boys to visit many Roman monuments, from the 2000-year-old amphitheatre just down the road from the hotel to the magnificent aqueduct at the Pont du Gard (which now ranks just behind Mont-Saint-Michel and the Eiffel Tower as France’s most-visited tourist attraction). Nearby Avignon was also on the programme, as was the Camargue region of the Rhône delta, where the young men spent a good couple of hours admiring the local flamingos in an ornithological park situated on the salt pans.

The boys then travelled to Aveyron for another four-night stay. Here they went kayaking on the Tarn river and visited a number of the many medieval villages that are scattered around this region, including the town of Roquefort-sur-Soulzon, which has earned international renown for its marbled blue cheese (the tasting of which proved to be especially challenging for almost all within the tour party!). Not far from our base, the famous and breathtaking Millau Viaduct was much admired by the pupils, for it truly is a miracle of modern engineering and architecture.

En route back to the airport for the flight home, the group spent two last days among the blooming lavender fields of the Valensole plateau, also making the most of the chance to swim and relax in the crystal-clear waters of the nearby Lac de Sainte-Croix. The final excursion of the tour took the boys to the world’s foremost Citroën museum in the small provincial town of Castellane, high up in the Alpes-de-Haute-Provence.

The FIFA World Cup certainly added an additional touch of excitement to the adventure. It was great fun to share in the joyful celebrations of the French as their national team progressed from the pool stage, through the qualifying rounds and on to the champion’s trophy. The triumphant scenes that were witnessed in the town square of Millau after the semi-final victory against Belgium will doubtless remain with the boys for a long time.

All in all, the tour proved to be a great success. Well done to the pupils who served as such fine ambassadors for the College so very far from home.

Vive la France!
Warwick Richter

ROWING TOUR

Head of the Charles Regatta

A squad of 17 boys (a Single, Double, Coxed Four and an Eight) and two coaches journeyed to Boston, US, to compete in the Head of the Charles Regatta. This regatta is held in high esteem in the rowing community across the globe and international crews participate, with up to 86 crews for each event. The regatta boasts around 12000 competitors and sees around 20000 eager spectators line the banks. The

race format is a heads race, which means that crews set off in 15-second intervals over a course of three miles (just short of 5km).

Our squad had a great week of preparation while also seeing the sights of the area. This included visiting the likes of Brown University in Providence and Harvard in Boston (from whom we borrowed boats), and watching an American football game between rival universities Harvard and Princeton. Further activities saw us immersing ourselves in Boston’s history and culture. The week culminated in the race held on the Charles River, which runs through several university campuses and under a number of bridges, making it a tricky course to navigate. The conditions proved trying, with gale-force head winds and a temperature of around 5 degrees.

Results

Single Scull: Oliver Werner placed 26 out of 36 crews.
Double Scull: Jack Rowand and Kyle Deans placed 18th out of 43 crews.
Coxed Four: Christian Morris, Tristan Lee, Jack Paine, Luke Flint and Nicky Sieff placed 70th out of 85 crews.
Eight: Declan Watling, Stefan Breytenbach, Shaun O’Brien, Nicholas McAdam, Oliver Kane-Smith, Francois Breytenbach, Drew Burton, Mitch Fussell and Rhys Williams placed 29th out of 85 crews.

Brad Smith



SIMPLY BLUE’S TOUR TO GREECE

Simply Blue, accompanied by Mrs Gardner and Mr Carletti, set off for a tour of Athens. Summer in Greece is always expected to be sunny, but unfortunately it rained for the first few days, which was most unusual for this time of year. Summer music concerts in Greece are typically held outdoors, so the first two shows were cancelled, which was a disappointing start. But the boys were not deterred and decided to busk on Constitution Square in the centre of Athens. They drew a large crowd that stayed to watch their 20-minute performance. Fortunately the rain held off for the group to see all of the historical sights on the itinerary, which included the Acropolis, the Meteora monasteries, Delphi, Olympia and Nafplio.

The weather changed completely for the second part of the tour and it was incredibly hot, especially during our visit to the beach resort of Loutraki. The warmer weather meant attendance at the performances picked up. We had a great reception in Corinth, and the final



performance in Nemea enjoyed a full crowd. A touring youth choir from Romania as well as local choral groups joined us for some performances.

‘African Medley’ and ‘Circle of Life’ from our repertoire were particularly well received by audiences, as well as a well-known Greek song that we had prepared, accompanied by our attempt at Greek dancing.

A highlight at the end of the tour was a cruise to three islands close to Athens. Activities on the cruise included a demonstration of Greek dancing. We had the opportunity to participate and many members of the group had the chance to develop their Greek dancing skills. Simply Blue was also invited to perform our African numbers, which were really enjoyed by everyone on the ship.

Marion Gardner

SALVETE VALETE



SALVETE		
Grade 8		
Abdullah, H	Barnard, L D	Bastick, K
Bennett, J G	Boeddinghaus, S J W	Bourgonje, J
Chagan, R	Choi, W	Ciolli, L
Couves, J B	Craig, S R	Csizmadia, A D
Davids, M S	Davis, L B	De Bruin, F
De Waal, A L	Derman, B M	Dow, R A
du Preez, J C	du Randt, N F	Dundulachis, E
Dundulachis, A	Dyer, R J	Elvin-Jensen, C T
Farmer, D J W	Flint, J I	Giles, T R
Grindley-Ferris, J	Gross, C R J	Hodgson, C A
Holmes, R K	Hyun, J	Jaffer, A
Joxo, Z L J	Kalyan, S D	Kim, K H
Kolbeinsson, K A	Koster, W G	Lanfear, S N
Lawson, A M	Le Grange, S	Lewis, A V
Malan, M A	Mandindi, O	Martin, R C
Mason, T J	Mitchell, J B	Mokwena, A L
Mommsen, N D	Moodley, C	Moyle, J M
Nair, T	Newton, M R	Nyoka, M G
Oaker, Z	Omar, M Y	Osman, F
Park, J	Petersen, R	Petersen, L
Raubenheimer, J A	Reid, B C D	Richardson, M G
Roji, O	Russell, M S H	Saurma-Jeltsch, T N
Seymour, M O	Sherwood, B R M	Siebert, C
Slingers, C S	Smith, J R	Steinhagen, N C

Sun, M Z	Todd, E T	Todd , C G
Unite-Penny, C T	Van Gemert, J S	van Hasselt, H A
Von Seidel, O E C	Welby-Solomon, C V	

Grade 9

Dare, J	Mansfield, J R	
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Grade 10

Avis, L	Bisnath, T	Francis, W
Kappatos, G	Van Niekerk, T	Vintcent, R M

Grade 11

Macdonald, A	Mitchell, T C	Rushmere, L E
Syndercombe, N M		

Grade 12

Collis, T		
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VALETE

Grade 12

ABDULLA, I	AGNEW, L B	ALEXANDER, F M
ALLEN, VRDG	ARON, J M	BAKRE, T
BARTY, T J	BECKURTS, M K	BELL, G
BELL, K S	BERGH, M O	BOLUS, G V M
BORDER, G D M	BOWKER, C D	BOWMAN, P T
BRADFIELD, T	BRAKHOFF, M C F	BRAUN, C M
BROMLEY, W R	BURTON, T P	CARO, J A
CASTLE, A A	COMITIS, L J	COOMBE, T R
COTTRELL, S D	COURIE, D	COURT, D P L
CUTHBERT, D T	DE NYSSCHEN, M	FARR, L G Z
FERNANDES, S A	FOULKES, A J	FOURIE, S J
FRASER, C K	FRATER, W E	FROELICHER, M S
GELDENHUYS, F K	GOODSELL, S	GORDON-TURNER, L
GRAHAM, J L	GREYLING, J H	GRIEVE,J K
GUERRINI, F N	HALLE, J C	HALLER, C J
HARTMAN, B D	HENDERSON, R J	HOULIE, M J
IVANISEVIC, B	JACOBS, D T	JAMESON, L S
JANISCH, T J	JANKOVICH-BESAN, A J	JANSSENS, H J
JEFFERY, S A	JONES, G N	KAHLA, S
KAPOUTSIS, D	KIM, T	KINGDOM, D J
KIRSCH, J T	KLINGENBERG, M C	KNIGHT, A M
KO, J	KOTZE, C J	KRUGER, C M
LABBERTE, R J	LAUDIEN, S R	LAWSON, R M

LE JEUNE, D H	LEE, T-R P	LESLIE, G J
LONGMORE, A M	LUPINI, M	MACROBERT, O K
MALHERBE, J F	MANCA, C J	MAREE, J
MASHWAMA, SK	MCGREGOR, A A A	MEYER, J W
MINYI, O	MNDENDE, R Z	MOL, J M
MONDAY, G B	MONDRY, M M	MOTHIBI, A
MTOMBENI, A	MULLER, J J	MURINDA, P T
NELSON, D M	NEWBURY, T C	NEWMAN, H J
NGCWANGU, A A	NIVISON, D L	NYONI, C
OMAR, R	ORRELL, H M	PEARCE, N A
PEILE, N A	PERLMAN, C J	PETTERSSON, T D
PITMAN, W S	PITTAWAY, J A	PLETTS, J
PRICE, C S	PRICE, J D	PRINS, K M
PSILLOS, T	RAJOO, N	RANOSZEK, L P
REDDY, N	REISSENZAHN, D G	REYBURN, C
ROBERTS, E P	ROCHE, M G	RODINIS, A G
ROSE, W J	ROSSOUW, J C	RUBIN, B B
RUDSTON, T A	SACRANIE, K A B	SCHWULST, M D
SHARPLES, T J C	SHUTTLEWORTH, J A	SIDES, T
SMITH, C-Z	SMITH, T A M	SNIDER, B M
SOLOMONS, R	SPENCER, F D	STAPELBERG, K M
STEHLIK, D	STEVENS, L W	STEYN, J K P

STEYTLER, M C G	TAIT, L M	THACKER, P J
THOMAS, B M	TRUTER, A F	VAN DEN HEEVER, M A
VAN NIEKERK, J	VAN VOORE, A A	VAN WESTENBRUGGE, M
VAN WYNGAARDEN, A C	VANMALI, K D	VARNEY, K J
VINE-MORRIS, N S	VON BULOW, M W	WILSON-TROLLIP, M G
WONFOR, R M	YOUNG, R C	YOUNG, J A

Grade 8

RAMIAH, D	SELBY, A H
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Grade 9

KHOJANE, L P	SPROULE, L E	TYER, M A
WARNER, D C		

Grade 10

GRINDLEY-FERRIS, L	SHUTTLEWORTH, L A	STEWART, M
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Grade 11

AGNEW, B D	LE FLEUR, T	LEVENDAL, V
SPROULE, S L	TUDHOPE, R W	



PREP

WELCOME FROM THE HEADMASTER

As I write this, the bell has not yet rung and the playground resounds with the sound of boys' excitement and exuberance as they enjoy one another's company and games of all kinds. The following pages reflect the achievements of our boys, their cultural expressions and their experiences, such as in a Grade 7 Tour or a House outing. What is difficult to show, though, at this level, is the inculcation of values and skills that underlies all of our school programmes. Learning to read and be numerate also involves developing good work habits, organisational ability and time management; sport is so much about the development of life skills; art, drama and music about perseverance, expressing oneself and learning to appreciate the arts; a camp about the outdoors and adventure, but also about developing independence

and resilience. In a world where children are increasingly kept busy in organised activities, and often pressurised to do as much as possible from an early age, while simultaneously being protected as much as possible from hurt, difficulty and disappointment, the development of good character traits and values are more important than ever. What you read on these pages is ultimately about Bishops working to develop good men – men of courage, integrity, empathy and respect for all humankind and the environment. No matter what he achieves in later life, how successful he is in society's terms, we hope he will be a good man, truly benefitting others because of this.

Greg Brown



ABOVE: Greg Brown

STAFF NEWS

FAREWELLS

TOM CAMPBELL

Tom arrived at the Prep 23 years ago and immediately took over the running of the Science department. Those were the days of no tenure and no responsibility allowances. Tom obviously sorted out the department and we have seen the improvements. It has really developed in terms of a venue and curriculum under his guidance and leadership. The Science lab has always been a most enjoyable and interesting place, where the boys loved going, but it has always had one thing missing, according to Tom. Something that he asked for routinely for many years until he realised that it just wasn't happening, a Science lab telephone!

If we were affectionately to give Tom a nickname, what would it be? Tom 'Pink Paper' Campbell? You are renowned for handing out a few in your years, Tom. Would it be Tom 'Shell Project' Campbell or Tom 'Dalebrook' Campbell? These are two of the very special projects that you brought into the

Science curriculum, both thoroughly worthwhile and much enjoyed by all the boys. No, I think the nickname should go along the lines of Tom the 'Ultra-Professional' Campbell because that's what you have been – thoroughly professional and meticulously organised in everything that you have done. Your care, guidance and time given to the boys in your teaching has been superb. Every lunch break you made yourself available in the lab helping boys either with their Science or Maths. So focused were you on their care that I often had to remind you to go out and do your break duty.

Tom took over Charlton House from Keith Griffiths in 2002. It was a daunting task as Keith had done such a wonderful job, but Tom put his own mark on the House and ran it very efficiently. The Charlton events were always on the calendar first, his pastoral care and guidance of the boys being his primary focus. Did you know that Tom also ran swimming at the Prep for 11 years? Again, every practice and gala was organised to the last detail. I was the boarding House Master for some of the time and one of my jobs was to backwash and chlorinate the pool to keep it blue.

Tom was very involved in the Wild Life Club and camps, completed many Orange River trips and Grade



7 leavers’ camps and many Cederberg camps. He was always meticulously organised, right down to the allocation of chocolates per boy. I know this because on one of our Grade 6 camps, I was feeling a little peckish after an activity and helped myself to the tiniest of KitKats from the food store! Boy was there an inquisition! And then when I owned up, did I receive a lecture! For the last few years you have run the Grade 7 Tour, again with expert planning, attention to detail and meticulous recon of finances. You are well loved in the Accounts department at the College because of your attention to every little detail.

You have always involved yourself fully in any staff activity, making a delightful fool of yourself in the staff cabarets prancing around in your tutu, playing in the staff cricket and soccer matches and swimming races against the boys in the galas. And I’m incredibly impressed that you have continued to referee rugby matches all these years, but I must say that you are the only ref I know who warms up for longer than the match itself! But, I take my hat off to you Tom, I gave up reffing years ago and I’m much, much younger than you.

Who is going to represent us on the remuneration committee, something you have taken to heart, always being a strong and supportive voice for the Prep? Who is going to teach us how to use the sundial? Nobody knows how that thing works! Who is going to remind us about the next eclipse and indeed explain it to the boys? What about the flags? I recommend you teach Bruce as he can reach halfway up the flag pole already! Tom, with his wonderful attitude towards the wellbeing of the staff, has always worried about a change room for staff and a bench to sit on while changing. Well, you eventually got your bench, Tom, after the staff toilets were redone and moved from next to Zeta’s

kitchen. With Chris always reminding us about our daily planning, I thought about your lesson plans for next year.

Tom’s retirement lesson plan:

- Wake up smiling
- No stress
- Learn to live without bells
- Relax
- Visit family and friends and your three grandchildren
- Put your feet up
- Take naps
- Take time to travel
- Every day is a holiday
- Follow your dreams

Tom, you have been a very valuable member of the Prep these last 23 years, always giving 100 percent in the many areas that you were involved in. You have been incredible in your preparation, your attitude, loyalty and pastoral care, whether to a boy or a staff member. We will miss your input and wise council on our headmaster’s committee and at the staff meetings. We will miss your meticulous organisation in so many areas. Thank you for your friendship and for being a special member of the Bishops family. To conclude I have adapted a poem for you:

Tom

No bells to alarm
no books to correct
no parents to charm,
nor money to collect,

no mindless repetition,
no children left behind,

no scolding, no detentions
no young minds to refine,

no pink papers to get,
no watching out for bullies,
no tests to set
no more break duties,

no uniforms, no dress code
no walking to sport down the road

whatever the powers-that-be have contrived –
you put in the hours
and somehow survived.

Amidst your teachings,
and meetings
your camps and your sport
you still found time to help
and guide the boys in your care
in the science lab they knew
you would always be there to a struggling boy.

Now you have done your best
time to go out and enjoy,
or maybe get some rest!

It is time to stop living at work
and start working at living
when travelling, exploring, and relaxing
are your job description.

Tom, we wish you a happy, healthy retirement filled
with God’s richest blessings.

Rob Riches

ERICA LEPPAN

Erica is incredibly reliable and organised and has done a fantastic job of ensuring that all communication with parents is efficient and effective. She sets high standards and does not appreciate poor behaviour, bad attitudes or laziness from anybody. She is, however, very loving and kind and simply expects each person to perform to the best of his or her ability. She also has a real love for learning and discovering new things, and challenged the boys and staff with daily quizzes, debates or topical discussions.

She takes a deep and personal interest in people and shows sincere compassion, always making a special effort to ensure that people feel loved.

Her energy is boundless and I have long given up trying to keep up with all the early-morning runs, swims, cycles and triathlons. With no more wake-ups, laundry, music concerts, dentist appointments and sports events to attend to next year, who knows, her eighth Comrades Marathon might still be possible.

Erica took on the position as House Mother at van der Bijl in 2013 and embraced this role to 52 full-time boarders in total.

Erica, you will be terribly missed by the entire Bishops community.

Greg Shuttleworth

ANNE MCDONALD

As you know Anne is a narrative therapist, so I think it is only fitting to take some things from her choice of therapy to say a few words about her.

As the narrative therapists say, there are many

different sorts of stories by which we live our lives and relationships – stories about the past, present and future. So I would like to tell you a couple of stories about Anne.

Firstly, I would like to give Anne a book filled with little stories in the form of messages from everyone at the Pre-Prep, Prep and the BSU. They all tell the stories about her connections with each group and their wishes for her in her retirement. The BSU decided that since she spent so much time in the playroom, we would celebrate her retirement by taking a photo of all of us with some of the familiar toys. As an additional reminder, I want to give her a little toy of her own to use with her morning coffee.

Anne’s love for walking is widely known and most mornings, depending on the weather, you would find her walking to school. Some mornings she would arrive wet because she started out thinking it wasn’t going to rain and then the weather changed. I have a fond memory of Anne always changing her shoes as she arrived at the BSU or for grade meetings. I think her puppy, Finn, is going to be very happy having Anne around more to take him on walks with her.

Anne is an incredibly hard worker and this was seen when she was completing her Master’s Degree to become an educational psychologist. Initially I was very hesitant to be her supervisor since we were work colleagues but after a lot discussion and Anne promising me that she would be the model intern, I agreed. Anne proved to be very diligent, graciously accepting my comments and all the times I sent her reports back for a third or fourth time. Jokes aside, I don’t think I had to do that at all and Anne proved to be an excellent intern and has turned out to be an amazing psychologist.

Being a counsellor at a school is not for the faint-hearted and Anne and I have often had discussions in our weekly meetings regarding boys and the difficult conversations we were needing to have with parents. I often used to say to Anne that she would have to put her ‘big-girl panties’ on when we were facing parents who didn’t really want to hear what we had to say. So, Anne, I wanted to give you some big-girl panties as a reminder of the times when you did put them on. But in saying that perhaps these ones would be more appropriate for your next chapter. I wish you all the best as you retire from Bishops. I know we will definitely refer many assessments to you, and we will definitely miss your wise counsel.

Marleen Harrod

GREG SHUTTLEWORTH

We start Greg’s story some 46 years ago when he was born on the Bluff in Durban. It is said: ‘They make them tough on the Bluff’, but I have yet to see Greg be anything but a companionable old softy. He was forced into child labour at 18 – he became a bouncer at a small casino, throwing passers-by *in!* Then he became a DJ, and then, always being good with his hands, went on to become a croupier. (Coming from Durban, you can’t say ‘dealer’.)

But, it was at Edgewood Teachers’ College that the legend really began. After majoring in drama, sport and philandering (sorry, that should read philosophy), Greg started his life as a teacher. Armed with a build like Hugh Jackman, the looks of Johnny Depp, and with the persuasive skills of John Cleese, Greg moved to Cape Town as a stowaway in a cargo ship. He landed himself a job at the Bishops Training Academy – Pinelands North Primary – where Murray tells me the headmistress is still waiting for his planning book. After

a term of training, he grabbed a job at Bishops. Midge carefully considered the situation and decided that the stooges, me and Rick Skeeles, should mentor him. What could go wrong?

Greg proved to be a highly enthusiastic teacher – always passionate about his learners and leading the way in using technology in the classroom; he was fun, exciting and talented and a great storyteller. However, it was on the sports field that we met ‘Mad Dog’ Shuttleworth. Dale Steyn’s infamous ‘Crazy Eyes’ have nothing on Shutts in full flight.

He was a super strike bowler for the Pinelands C team and a leading member of the Pinelands A drinking team. Stories abound about how many cool-down drinks he needed after a match. It is little wonder that Greg took over the management of the Stags cricket team. At one game they didn’t let him open the bowling, and some say he sulked in cow corner for quite a while. Let me be perfectly clear here: Mad Dog was, and still is, a brilliant sports coach. His rugby, cricket, chess and squash teams always excelled due to his animated coaching. Murray and I were humbled by him on his short expedition to the Astro turf. After being shown where the goals were and which end of the stick to hold, Greg went off and guided his team to an undefeated season.

Perhaps it was the vast distances from Edgemead to Bishops, perhaps the old Audi or the occasional hangover, but if we have to be honest, Greg had a few issues getting to meetings on time. We all held our breath as the Audi swerved into a parking bay outside Midge’s house, and an apologetic Greg would tiptoe into the meeting. But Greg, you did not falter on your organisation of the exquisite trips to Egypt. I know you have many happy memories from those trips and have

been able make your history lessons come to life as a result.

I wish you and your family much happiness as you leave for London. The Bishops boys lose a dynamic and gifted teacher. The staff lose a loyal and caring colleague. And I hope, I don’t lose a close and fabulous friend.

Mark Erlangsen

LONG SERVICE

ZETA TIETIES

When Zeta and I started working together many years ago we were both young, lively and energetic. I had a lot more hair. Thirty years later and nothing has changed for you, Zeta. You still have that same drive and youthful energy. Zeta started in the kitchen as the ‘Sandwich Lady’, and then moved up to the dormitories in the Boarding House. We had 90 boarders in those days. From there she went on a cooking course and was promoted to second cook in the kitchen. Her cooking was so good that every holiday when she went home to her family they made her do all the cooking. In 2008 Zeta moved across to Stanmore House where she became the cleaning supervisor, and here she looked after us – always organised, forward thinking, helpful and wonderful to work alongside. Zeta we congratulate you and thank you for your 30 years of loyal service in the Bishops Family.

Rob Riches



GRADE 7

LEAVERS DINNER

HEADMASTER'S ADDRESS

Good evening, Ladies and Gentlemen and Leavers of 2018.

Thank you for your gift and the plaque that goes with it. We want it to be for something special in the new library, hence it is a bit of a mystery as we have yet to decide what that 'something special' should be. When the library emerges out of the old Grade 6 classrooms, we will know and will be sure to let you know too. Thank you also to Hasheel Govan and Nic Allison for their speeches, Nikolaos Augoustatos and Jack Whitaker as Masters of Ceremonies, and all the

boys ably organised by Mrs Kieswetter who had a role to play this evening. Well done to you all on your song that opened the evening, and thank you to Ms Clapperton and Mrs Sheard for preparing you.

In 2005 Thabo Mbeki was President, Jacob Zuma had to step down as Deputy President as a result of suspicion of his involvement in corruption, and the Constitutional Court ordered Parliament to amend its marriage laws to include same-sex unions. Across the world the Kyoto Protocol – intended to cut greenhouse gas emissions – came into effect; the legendary Pope John Paul II died and four million people flocked to the Vatican to pay their respects; the Irish Republican Army announced the end to armed conflict; Lance Armstrong won a record seventh straight Tour de France (this would go pear-shaped later); in the movie world *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* and *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* were

released; and YouTube was launched. And you boys remember none of this because you were only born in 2005. Probably the most important memory for your moms and dads of that year was your birth and the major excitement that came with the birth of their son. Parents, I am sure you will identify with this poem that Guy Pearson always uses at Valedictory:

*Handprints on the cupboards
and shoes in the hall.
Toilet seats up and
there's mud on the wall*

*Every sports channel
to them will appeal.
And the front room doubles
as a football field.*

*The shelves in the kitchen
are continually bare.
There's toys on the couch
and jeans on the chair.*

*Wrestling and mud
and cars and noise
I'm sure you can guess, I'm the
mother of Boys.*

And here they sit this evening, young teenagers entering adolescence and heading off to College. How did this all happen so quickly? William Gibbs at 6 foot is the tallest in the Grade – I couldn't believe how many boys were suddenly looking taller and bigger as they came up onto the stage at Final Assembly yesterday. And Ollie Carey will be up there in a few years' time too; he's just hanging back for a while. Hairstyles have become more important

and Zac Heyns is developing the surfer look, Johnny Marcopoulis' sweeping fringe is part of the charm he has with the girls and Liam Day's hair is the most perfectly sculpted and neatest in the grade. They've been to their House teas, met their mentors and apart from their camp are raring to go.

I want to congratulate this year's Student Council under Nikolaos Augoustatos' chairmanship. You have been strong, dedicated and really interested in the issues of the school. My best debate was when a petition for the relaxation of the hair rules was tabled and Anthony Smith strongly supported their call. Nikolaos countered with 'we're conservative and there's nothing wrong with that', to which Anthony responded 'but there's nothing right with that either'. Well done, too, to the Heads and Deputy Heads of Houses – we changed the system slightly this year and you boys have responded well to that so you leave us something solid to build on next year.

As a staff we have really enjoyed this year with you – you have been a very positive, happy and engaging class and even when there have been difficulties – and there have not been many – we have been able to talk things through and find some resolution. I really enjoyed being on Grade 7 tour with you and at the cricket festival at Selborne with the U13As – you are naturally polite, friendly, engaging and generally caring of others. These are wonderful characteristics – don't lose them.

A week ago you voted for the Williamson Fellowship Trophy – voting really for someone who most displays these characteristics all the time. Your vote was overwhelming, and it was for Jack Howard. Congratulations, Jack.

I want to thank you all as parents for your support of your boys and the school during their years at the Prep. It has been wonderful to get to know you, and your boys are very fortunate to have you. Thank you, too, to all of you involved in the organisation and preparation of this evening – you have done a great job. To the committee, thank you for all your hours and ideas and to Leanne Allison, whom I asked to coordinate the event, well done – you have steered the ship so calmly and efficiently. Thank you, Leanne. Please accept a small token of our appreciation.

Boys, I want to leave you with one thought and it will hopefully emphasise what I commented on about earlier. A while ago I attended a talk by David Grier, the man who famously ran the Wall of China, both ways. It is 4200kms long and as he said, essentially 100 marathons straight after one another. It’s like Mr Mitchell on turbocharge steroids! David Grier has been doing extreme adventure runs for 12 years. The funds raised go largely to the Smile Foundation – which provides life-changing operations to children born with cleft palates who otherwise would have no choice but to live with their deformity – but also to the building of crèches across rural South Africa and many other projects besides. So people like David Grier set themselves huge challenges – challenges they must conquer while exposing themselves to unknown risks that they must survive – and they open themselves up to rare experiences that are encountered as a whole by very few. David Grier, together with his running partner, is the first person in modern times whom we know has run the entire length of the Great Wall of China. That was in 2006, running the 4020km in 93 days – and he did it again this year, running in the opposite direction. He has also done the complete South African coastline, run the length of the UK, crossed the length of Cuba and completed what

everyone thought would be impossible: a run from the northernmost temple in Kashmir, India, to the southernmost temple at Kanyakumari – 4008km in just over 90 days. His presentation was very interesting, full of the trials and tribulations of such a journey: injuries, illness, exhaustion, getting lost, support vehicles breaking down and a few hair-raisingly dangerous moments as part of a journey that takes huge courage, determination and real grit.

And in the midst of all this he records a number of chance meetings he had with people along the way and I was struck by one in India. He saw a very poor, very old lady sitting at the side of the road in a small rural village. I remember the photograph of this woman, excruciatingly thin sitting on her haunches in threadbare clothes, and David Grier told his guide that he wanted to give her a few rupees but the guide advised him against it. However, being an extreme adventurer, you don’t always take the advice of others so he went ahead and offered her money in any case. To his great surprise she declined it and instead asked him to ‘give her his hand’. She placed it across her chest and said, ‘I just want to be loved, respected and accepted for who I am.’ Somebody with absolutely nothing in terms of material wealth just wanted what we can all so easily give one other – love, respect and acceptance of each other for what we are.

Boys, we wish you all the very best for your years at College and high school and beyond. You go with our hopes and dreams for your success and we shall follow your progress with great interest.

God Bless. Thank you.

Greg Brown

KWAZULU-NATAL TOUR





POTJIEKOSDAG

The Afrikaans department held its annual Potjiekosdag in celebration of the end of the Grade 7 Afrikaans year. This day is the culmination of classwork where boys are taught about the components of a three-course meal, how to design a menu and how to plan, delegate and execute the cooking of their own starter, potjiekos lunch and dessert. On the day of the event the Grade 7 group arrived excited and ready to cook and celebrate. Each group was responsible for any items they deemed necessary: tables, chairs, gazebo, cutlery, crockery,

tablecloth and table decorations. They also needed to supply their own potjie and ingredients, and to decorate their tables appropriately. Prizes were awarded for the best table decorations. The groups set up their tables on the basketball court, and their potjies were placed on the ground under the big tree in front of the van der Bijl boarding house. We enjoyed the sounds of Afrikaans music while classes competed in tug-of-war and egg-throwing competitions on Rossall field. At lunchtime the groups presented a sampling of their potjies to the judges, and prizes were awarded to the best three potjies. This is a highlight on the Grade 7 calendar as it celebrates their time at the Prep and as part of the Afrikaans department.

Clayton Turner





ACADEMICS

PRIZE-GIVING 2018

HEADMASTER'S SPEECH

Mr Simon Peile, Chairman of Council, Mr and Mrs Pearson, Bishop Garth Counsell who represents the Archbishop on Council, special guests, parents, staff and boys.

It is a pleasure to be able to address you today, reflecting on the year past as well as looking ahead. I am extremely excited to be able to tell you that the Prep is ringing with the sound of jackhammers as walls and doorways are opened up, the Grade 6 floors have been ripped up and the old library and computer room are unrecognisable. So the first project of the 175 Campaign is well under way, thanks to the efforts of The Bishops Trust and the generosity of our donors, some of whom are sitting here today. Of course, this is only the first project of the Campaign and the Trust will still be actively working on building up funds to enable further capital projects to be completed.

This project is due to take seven months so we aim to be in the new venues during the course of July. Those classrooms out of commission have transferred to the boarding house on a temporary basis. Last week a number of charitable institutions, including an orphanage, children's home and a centre for abused women and children in Khayelitsha, happily received more than 40 beds and cupboards from us, effectively clearing our dormitories.

And so the van der Bijl boarding house has closed. Known originally as Birt House situated next to its neighbour, Bramley, it was built on the site of the original Rossall House bought by the school in 1919 and used as a boarding house for Prep-age boys studying at the College. So this year is the 99th year of Prep boarding on the Rossall campus and the last. It is sad. Firstly, it is a first-rate Prep boarding facility, better than most in the country and secondly, it has provided a home from home for many boys who have loved the experience, and I think the last six boarders this year – all in Grade 7 – would tell you that. It had moved on radically from cold showers, lumpy porridge and Lifebuoy soap to termly boarding only and boys arriving in Grade 1. I meet Old Diocesans who tell me

about being put on the train in Beaufort West with a trunk, at the tender age of five, to be collected by their new House Master or Matron at Cape Town station, only to see their parents next at Easter.

Between van der Bijl and Bramley there were 90 boarders up until the late 1990s, but Bramley was forced to close at the turn of the century due to a drop in numbers and 18 years later the same has led van der Bijl to close. This is not for want of trying or marketing – independent schools have sprung up in most country areas that originally provided us with boarders. The modern parent does not want their child to board at a young age any longer, so while senior school boarding is flourishing, Prep boarding numbers around the country and the world in fact are drastically reduced and many schools have closed their boarding houses.

I want to pay tribute to three van der Bijl House Masters in recent times – Rob Riches, Mark Erlangsen and Greg Shuttleworth, who each did a great deal to modernise the facility and how it was run, making it far less institutional and, as I said earlier, a home from home. I want to thank them as well as our outgoing House Mother, Erica Leppan, for the passion they put into van der Bijl in caring for the boys for the last 30 years.

At the start of the year, Guy Pearson reported on the Matric results of the Bishops Class of 2017: results were again excellent with an average of 3.5 distinctions per boy; three of our boys were among the top 20 in the province and Chris Aubin, a former Prep boy, achieved the highest English mark in the Western Cape.

At the Prep, two of our Grade 7 boys were awarded College Scholarships; the school was represented at the International Maths Competition in Bulgaria; and

boys have achieved provincial representation in chess, swimming, hockey, tennis, squash and water polo. Our choir entered the Royal Schools Music Examination for the first time and were very successful. I think we can be equally proud, though, of our high levels of participation in sport and music, the camaraderie in our C sports teams, and the personal improvements so many boys made, not all of which are necessarily shown when we celebrate our winners and levels of excellence. Having read a huge number of reports this weekend I know that these are seen and recognised by your teachers and House Masters.

Being a school of 1450 pupils means that we form a large community that experiences a range of joys and sadnesses. And while there have been very many happy moments we have also experienced some extreme sadnesses. Vernon Wood, former College headmaster and deputy principal, died very suddenly of a heart attack early in February. He had made a considerable contribution to Bishops in his time here, not least of which was the organisation of the International Boys' Schools Coalition's conference hosted at Bishops in 2015, described as arguably one of the best ever with its theme 'Lessons from Madiba'. At the time of Vernon's passing, he was director of the Independent Schools' Quality Assurance Agency and busy with a number of innovative developments for implementation. His loss is felt very keenly in the educational world where he was admired. I am personally grateful to him for his friendship over the years.

Father Terry Willke, who was our chaplain for nine years, died only a few days later having left Bishops at the end of 2017 for medical reasons. Father Terry was a gentle man, sensitive and truly gifted in the field of bereavement counselling and caring for the bereaved.

Every OD and parent knew that they could turn to him in a time of crisis and he would be there with a quiet ‘How can I help?’ And then he would take over gently and sensitively.

We were all saddened when we heard that last year’s College Head Boy, Christian Rohrer, had fallen ill again after a battle with illness during his Matric year. A year in which he amazingly carried out as many of his Head Boy duties as he could, and achieved six distinctions in his final matric exams. Christian had been at Bishops since Grade R and in his Grade 7 year had been voted by his peers as the recipient of the Williamson Fellowship Trophy. And it was this characteristic of care for others that came through in the last two years as he inspired those around him with his stoicism, his realism and positivity and a quiet strength that gave others peace and some relief. He lived every good day to the fullest but sadly passed away a few weeks ago, as you know.

May those we have lost rest in peace.

I want to thank Father Bob Commin for stepping in as chaplain this year. In some difficult times you have provided a special sense of calm and solace, we have appreciated your great gift for storytelling and your ability to relate to so many in such a broad congregation. We have been very fortunate.

Walking through the Pre-Prep I am often confused with Mr Pearson. For the boys at that age, if you’re in a suit, grey-haired and wearing spectacles, you could be either. I sometimes have to stop arguments between boys about who I am and I am not sure they all believe me. Grade Ns have no problem. They walk straight up to me and say, ‘Who are you?’ My best, though, is when the Ns and Rs know who I am and want to place

me in the pecking order – ie how important I am in the scheme of things – with questions like ‘are you the boss of the school?’; another would interrupt, saying ‘are you the boss of the whole school?’ with arms flung wide. But my very best was a boy who said, ‘Don’t be silly, Mr Brown is the President.’

One of the Grade 1 classes has piloted a flexible seating model. There are work stations where you can work standing up, others where you kneel, sit on the floor or even normally at a desk with a chair. When I feigned ignorance and asked the class why there were all these options, one boy replied, ‘to make us more clever’. He was on the right track and it was very successful for that class. But what I think this trial emphasised is that we do need to remain aware of different approaches, and I am happy to see teachers experimenting with these.

We changed our teaching of isiXhosa a few years ago to a communicative approach that puts vocabulary and speaking at the forefront of the learning, and it has been very successful. We did the same with Afrikaans at the start of the third term and we look forward to similar success. Ultimately we want boys to be able to use a language that they have been taught and these changes are the right way to go. This year we have also started adding Coding to the Technology curriculum and we expect to see this area grow over time, being taught and applied in other subjects as well. Next year we will see the introduction of Drama lessons for all grades at the Prep.

We hosted a Sustainability Conference before the start of the third term this year, for staff as well as representatives of Council, Parents Associations and College boys. Hosted by the Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership, we looked at environmental,

social, and financial sustainability as part of our Future Fitting of Bishops for a Sustainable Future. A great deal of work has been done in these areas, not least by the Social Sustainability Committee together with a number of focus groups across the school, and this group will offer its recommendations for the Future Fitting document. It will provide guidance to ensure Bishops is a welcoming place for all, regardless of race, religion, sexual orientation, culture or background – a place that is dynamic and growing, a place where diversity is seen as interesting and celebrated.

At the beginning of the year we welcomed a number of new staff in the Prep: Gareth Jordan as head of Maths, and Mandy Gloak and Xolani Mathyeke as Grade 4 and 5 Form teachers respectively. I am pleased to say all have settled in well and already made their influence felt in the school.

Today we also have to say farewell to five staff who together have spent 99 years at the school. An average of nearly 20 years! Rose Harris leaves us to start up her own cottage school for learners with special needs. In doing this, she does education in Cape Town a great service as schools such as these are desperately needed. Over the years Mrs Harris has made her contribution largely in Grade 1, and chess grew substantially as an extramural across the grades under her leadership.

Greg Shuttleworth has been a Grade 5 teacher, passionate imparter of all things Egypt, a highly motivating and committed sports coach across a number of sports, House Master and Boarding House Master over a number of years. He has been extremely passionate and naturally inspiring. He leaves to take up a post at Lambrooke Prep in the UK, a highly regarded school where his wife is already teaching.

Anne McDonald retires at the end of this year after 15 years as the counsellor at Prep and Pre-Prep. She was the pioneer in this role, tasked with its set-up, execution and ultimately evolution. And it has become an essential role now, one we could not live without, as we deal with emotional transitions, group dynamics, conflict resolution, emotional development and so much more. I don’t think it was ever imagined that Bishops would have a Play Therapy Room, but it has become part of the fabric of how we work with the younger boys when necessary. Anne has proved a wonderful colleague, enormously patient when we do not always understand an issue, and approachable and deeply caring. She will now build up a small private Educational Psychologist practice.

Tom Campbell retires after many years at Bishops, 10 as a schoolboy and more than 20 as a schoolmaster. He is a legendary Science teacher and it is hard to imagine the Science Lab without his presence and all the experiments, with the occasional explosion and foul smell that sometimes accompanied them. He has coached most sports at the school and organised countless camps and outdoor excursions. Always open to a new challenge, he happily learnt to coach water polo five years ago for the first time in his life. He will now have time to do the things that he wants and no doubt the odd bit of teaching when he is free.

And finally, Ann van Breda. She has taught at the Pre-Prep since 1992 and now she has decided to go off a few years before retirement. Known to the Pre-Prep boys as Mrs Van, she has seen the addition of two Grades, Grades R and N, during her time here. A highly accomplished and experienced teacher, she has always inspired confidence in boys, parents and colleagues. No production or concert at the Pre-Prep will be the same without her total control backstage in

the role of stage manager. As a senior in the staffroom, she has often been the voice of reason and wisdom, and colleagues will miss her humour and experience. I know she hopes to do a lot of travelling and especially to spend time with her grandchild in London. And it is a great pleasure to have her handing out the prizes today.

On behalf of the school, I want to thank these men and women for investing in Bishops to the extent that they have done, and for all they have brought to the school. We wish you much happiness and success going forward. Thank you. *Hambani Kakuhle.*

As we reflect on the year I hope that each of our boys, when considering the sum of his school experiences, can say that it was a good year for him at Bishops. It cannot be perfect, there are always disappointments and losses, but when you take everything together I hope you can say that.

I want to thank the School Executive, Guy Pearson, Sean King, the business manager and Peter Westwood, the deputy principal, for their support for the Prep and Pre-Prep. I commend my deputies, Sharlene Groom, Rob Riches and Chris Groom, all staff – academic, administrative and support – for their passion and commitment to ensuring that our boys remain inspired to learn and become the best that they can be. Thank you too to my wife, Lynne, and PA, Alison, for their support.

Thank you to all of you, the parents, for your support for your sons and the school, the Parents Association under Charmaine Cheminais’ chairmanship and Simon Peile and members of Council for their leadership and guidance over the year. It is Council’s decision in large part that determined that the Prep Library and

Learning Centre should be the first 175 Campaign project to be implemented, and I thank them for their confidence in our plans.

To the Grade 7s who leave us for College and other high schools, as well as boys leaving in other grades, we wish you well. May your times ahead be exciting and happy and may God hold you in the hollow of his hands.

Thank you.

Greg Brown

PRIZE LIST 2018

Grade 4	
Class Prize:	
4D	Matthew Ramsay
4G	Luc Dicey
4M	Ketan Govan
Second in Class Prize:	
4D	Cameron Joubert
4G	John van den Heever
4M	Naethan Mol
Grade 5	
Class Prize:	
5L	Kieran Hollis
5M	Matthew Walker
5S	Daniel van den Heever
Second in Class Prize:	
5L	David Tripe
5M	Michael Bailes
5S	Gabriel Comitis
Grade 6	
Class Prize:	
6A	Christopher Gray/Andrew Betty
6M	Nicholas Basson
6S	Michael Kotze
Second in Class Prize:	
6A	Benjamin Karlein
6M	Jacob Fried/Noah Bouwers
6S	Rohit Patel

Grade 7	
Class Prize:	
7C	Cole Crawford
7M	Michael Kruse
7T	Hasheel Govan
Second in Class Prize:	
7C	Daniel Fletcher
7M	Nicholas Allison
7T	Michael Comitis
Scholarships to College:	
General Scholarship:	Jack Whitaker
Music Scholarship:	Morné Ogada
Marjorie Blinkhorn Prize for English:	Michael Kruse
Mathematics:	Daniel Fletcher
Science:	Sam Berrisford
Afrikaans:	Christopher Leith
Xhosa:	Xhanti Ngxangane
Social Sciences:	Hasheel Govan
General Knowledge	
Senior:	Bafokeng Lehloenya
Junior:	David Tripe
Art	
Grade 3:	Iqsaan Salie Mark
Grade 4:	Connor Sara
Grade 5:	Kieran Hollis
Grade 6:	Jacob Fried

Grade 7:	Kayan Jaga & Michael Kruse
Design Technology	
Grade 3:	Harrison Pettit
Grade 4:	Naethan Mol
Grade 5:	Noah Macnab
Grade 6:	Max Estcourt
Grade 7:	Dylan van Coeverden de Groot
Gertrude Peters Essay Prize:	Michael Kruse
Creative Writing Prize:	Jack Whitaker
Doug Clarke Reading Trophy:	Cole Crawford
Heather Donnelly Trophy for Public Speaking:	Michael Comitis/ Jack Whitaker
Music	
Piano:	
Senior:	Morné Ogada
Junior:	Joseph Bolus/ Sebastian von Bormann
String:	
Senior:	Morné Ogada
Junior:	Gabriel Comitis
Guitar:	Tristan Dahl
Woodwind:	
Senior:	Morné Ogada
Junior:	Liam Chester
Brass:	
Senior:	Nicholas Allison
Junior:	William Prestage
Drums:	
Senior:	Michael Kotze

Junior:	Kieran Hollis
Vocal:	
Senior:	James Grieve
Junior:	Michael Mafunda/ Michael Viljoen
String Ensemble:	Stuart Whitelaw
Wind Band:	Nicholas Allison
Choir:	Tristan Carter/Michael Comitis
Performer’s Prize:	James Grieve
Marimba Band:	Dylan van Coeverden de Groot
Service to Music:	Nicholas Macdonald
Service to Cricket:	Nicholas Allison
Cricket Cup:	Cole Crawford
Brad Gornall Rugby Cup:	Haashim Pead
Hockey Cup:	Devon Marshall
Swimming Cup:	CJ Gordon
Water Polo Cup:	Benjamin Swift
Special Prizes	
Sheila Wolfe Prize for Chivalry:	Tristan Carter
Bishops Prep Prize for Musical Excellence:	Nicholas Allison/ Dylan van Coeverden de Groot
Craig Brown Memorial Trophy:	Rowan Piorkowski
Mike Bromfield All-Rounder’s Award:	Nicholas Allison
GC Charlton Prize for Sporting Excellence:	CJ Gordon
Pieter van der Bijl Prize for Academic Excellence:	Hasheel Govan

CITATIONS

1.

Sheila Wolfe Prize for Chivalry
This trophy, donated by the O’Brien family, is presented for politeness and helpfulness to all. This year the award goes to **Tristan Carter**.
2.

Bishops Prep Prize for Musical Excellence
This prize is awarded annually to a Grade 7 pupil for all-around excellence and distinction in Music. There is an expectation to show commitment and enthusiasm in all aspects within the Music department. The level of performance within the ensemble and solo context should be exceptional. The recipient should lead by example. This year, this prize is shared between two pupils: Nicholas Allison and Dylan van Coeverden de Groot.
- Nicholas Allison**
 - As a pianist, he has achieved Grade 5 level and has distinguished himself as a performer, not

only at the school’s Wednesday Assembly Concerts but also at the Cape Town Eisteddfod.

- He has also set high standards for himself with the cornet, as is evidenced by his recent rendering of ‘The Last Post’ and ‘Reveille’ at the Prep Remembrance Day Service. He achieved 84% in the Grade 5 ABRSM examination this year and his contribution to the Bishops Prep Wind Band as First Trumpet and Brass Ensemble is highly valued and deemed exceptional.
- As an enthusiastic and committed member of the Marimba Band, he contributes as a lead member and produces work of an excellent standard. We therefore commend Nicholas and salute him as a music scholar of exceptional calibre.

Dylan van Coeverden de Groot

- He plays both the piano and the trombone to a high standard. In piano he has earned an Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music Grade 5.
- He passed the Grade 3 theory exam with distinction.
- He also achieved a distinction in the ABRSM Grade 4 Trombone practical exam.
- Not only has Dylan excelled as a solo performer but he has also been a valuable member of three ensembles – the Brass Ensemble, First Trombone in the Wind Band and he is one of the lead members in the Marimba Band.
- Dylan performed as a soloist in the Grade 7 Tour Ensemble to KZN.
- We congratulate him on his wonderful musical achievement.

3. Craig Brown Memorial Trophy

Craig Brown was a pupil at Bishops from Grade R to 7. He died in his Grade 7 year at the age of 13 due to multiple brain tumours. Craig was a strong individual with a keen sense of justice, a boy who would take a stand even when it was not popular and he showed much courage in the face of adversity. His parents donated this trophy to the school in Craig’s memory, to acknowledge boys who display similar characteristics. Today this award is presented to **Rowan Piorkowski**.

Last year Rowan underwent intensive treatment for leukemia at the end of his Grade 4 year. Despite his young age, he remained extremely positive. In hospital he regularly expressed appreciation for what his doctors and nurses were doing for him, and remained cheerful and concerned about others. Throughout his treatment and recovery period and the rest of this year he has been a real example and inspiration to us all.

4. All Rounders’ Award

This award is donated by Mike Bromfield, and is presented to a boy who has a high level of achievement and participation in academic, sport and cultural activities. The recipient of this award is **Nicholas Allison**. Nic has achieved an 87% year aggregate. He played 1st Hockey, Rugby and Cricket, was vice-captain of Hockey and Rugby and was captain of the 1st X1 Cricket side. He was also a squad swimmer, represented the school in athletics and in the Pentangular Cross-Country, and played U13B soccer. He was a member of the Wind Band, Brass Ensemble, Grade 7 Tour Ensemble and the Marimbas. He has achieved Grade 5 level in the ABRSM exams in cornet and piano. He was head of van Der Bijl House and a member of the Junior Students’ Council.

5. GD Charlton Prize for Excellence in Sport

This award goes to **CJ Gordon** for his achievements in swimming. He represented Western Province Aquatics at the South African National Junior Championships. He has achieved rankings at the U14 level in 50m Freestyle, 16th in the country; 50m Breaststroke, 11th in the country; 100m Breaststroke, ninth in the country. CJ qualified to compete in six events at the upcoming Western Province Summer Championships in December. He was the school’s swimming captain in 2018 and is swimming champion at U14 level this year. Congratulations CJ.

6. Pieter van der Bijl Prize for Academic Excellence

This award goes to **Hasheel Govan** for achieving the top marks in his grade this year. Congratulations, Hasheel.

SCIENCE AND ART EXHIBITION





CULTURE

ART

2018 was a busy year with our annual art exhibition being the highlight. Exhibitions always bring an energetic mix of excitement from the boys – who are incentivised to complete their artworks for display – and stress for the teacher and helpers to meet the numerous deadlines. This year was no exception. More than 1000 artworks were framed, labelled and mounted in all the available spaces in the art room – only the ceiling was spared.

The aim was to display at least one artwork from each student and, in fact, many boys had three or four pieces on display. The work was creative and vibrant and reflected the talent our boys have. The exhibition was also viewed by an external group of training art teachers from the Butterfly Art Project, as part of their education and preparation for art lessons.

A welcome asset to daily organisation was the 2018 Bishops Art Calendar, which was produced as a fundraiser in conjunction with the Parents’ Association. Selected pieces were professionally printed to create a beautiful visual collection of the boys’ art.

Art Club grew organically during the year, with three afternoon sessions necessary to accommodate the 120 boys wanting to attend. Fortunately, Maike Feltmore was available to assist. She will be greatly missed as she has moved to Pinelands North Primary to take up her own art teaching post.

We were very proud of Nicolas Lanfranchi (Grade 4) who won a drawing competition for Grade 3 and 4 boys sponsored by Liberty Life. The topic was ‘What I want to be when I grow up’ and Nicolas drew an impressive sketch of himself playing football.

The parents were not left out of our art programme and we ran three very successful Moms and Sons Art Workshops during the course of the year. It was most rewarding to see the results of the canvas-block paintings worked on collaboratively by learners and their mothers.

During the third term, the Grade 7s had the benefit of additional teaching from a guest artist. Larissa Hollis is a talented portrait painter and a Bishops parent. She kindly gave her time to help with teaching the boys how to paint a landscape using acrylics.

The year ended with the entire school simultaneously drawing different buildings at College and engaging with the different architectural styles that make up the Bishops history.

It was a busy, successful and satisfying year, with creativity and innovation awakened and celebrated in the art room.

Sue Johns



DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY



MUSIC

In Term 1, our Ensembles – the Wind Band, String Ensemble and Marimba Band – prepared for the Prep Carnival. It was a very windy day and the boys took strain trying to read and play the music while keeping the music stands and music from blowing away. Inter-House Singing ended the first term on a high note. This is the only event in the school calendar where all the boys are involved. The four Houses were well prepared by their trainers, Sandee Clapperton (Bramley), Kathleen Eggers (Charlton), Vasti Knoesen (van der Bijl) and Tina Sheard (Brooke). The Mallett Centre was filled to the brim with excited parents, siblings and friends. Our two adjudicators, Colleen Hart and Andrew Bentley, were both entertained and enthralled. The winner of the competition was Charlton.

The annual exchange programme with Durbanville Prep School saw us taking our Marimba and Wind Bands to Durbanville and sharing in an Assembly/ Concert with their Music department. It was good for our boys to see and hear the Durbanville Prep Choir – a completely different sound to our choir, as theirs is a co-ed school with more girls participating than boys. Our Beginners’ Concert saw 43 new musicians cross the stage, from piano, voice and strings to brass, winds and drums. Several boys were entered into the Cape Town Eisteddfod and many medals

and awards were earned. Our Ensemble Concert was a huge success. We prepared the Memorial Chapel and all our Ensembles played: Choir, Brass, Grade 7 Tour Ensemble, Junior Strings, Senior Strings, Combined Strings, Wind Band and the Marimba Band. The concert concluded with audience participation, with the song ‘Oh You Can Kiss Me on a Monday’ accompanied by the Marimba Band.

After a three-week break, the emphasis in the Music School was to encourage our boys to return to a regular practice routine. This was important as we had many entries for the Kaapse Afrikaanse Eisteddfod (KAE), and the second practical sitting of the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music (ABRSM) exams. We hosted several afternoons of the KAE Junior Piano section, coordinated by Tina Sheard. Our boys were entered into categories (Piano, Singing, String and Woodwind sections) and were rewarded with many prizes, section winners and medals. Our ABRSM practical and theory examination results were exceptional – 98 boys took their practical exams in the June and September sittings, with an average mark of 83%. The world average is 76%. For theory we had 44 entries, our largest entry to date. This is due to the fact that we started a new theory project. We have four afternoon classes a week, which take place after sport. These have been very successful, with 50% of

the boys earning distinctions (90% and above) and our average mark was 82%. A special mention goes to our choir, under the direction of Mark Mitchell and Sandee Clapperton, who for the first time was entered for an ABRSM Initial Choir examination. This meant hard work, discipline and focus on the different elements of the exam. They passed with a B+. Three boys, David Handley (violin), James Grieve (cello) and Morné Ogada (violin), played in the SAMRO Hubert van der Spuy National Youth Competition.

We hosted the ABRSM High Scorers’ Concert in our Jagger Hall in Term 4. Several boys from Prep to College and our Prep Choir performed at this prestigious event. Our Leavers’ Concert is always a highlight, and this year was no exception. There were 30 items on the programme, finishing with our Marimba Band. This band is made up of 18 Grade 7 boys and is directed by Tina Sheard. The Memorial Chapel was packed with parents for both Carol services. Our Junior and Senior String Ensembles played at the beginning of these services and what a full, rich sound they produced. The Brass Ensemble accompanied one of the carols and the choir sang

superbly well, fruits of their hard labour throughout the year. Our Wind Band, directed by Sandee Clapperton, performed passionately at our Prize-Giving.

We welcomed our new brass teacher, Renaldo Wales, at the start of the year. We wish him many happy years in our Music School. At the end of Term 2, we said farewell to Coila Enderstein and Reese Barkhuizen, two of our piano teachers. Coila is off to Holland and then to Germany to further her studies. Reese emigrated to Canada and is now working full time at a private music school in Toronto. We welcomed Francois Botha and Yohan Chun as our two new piano teachers to replace Coila and Reese. Very soon after their appointment, they were married. We wish them well for the future. Kathleen Eggers resigned at the end of Term 3 as she needed time to prepare for the birth of her baby. We congratulate Kathleen and Jens on the arrival of their daughter, Anna Kathleen, in December. Throughout the year, we had 29 Wednesday-morning assembly concerts with more than 300 boys performing on stage.

Stuart Scott



AFRIKAANS EISTEDDFOD MEDAL WINNERS		
Iqsaam Salie Mark	Silver medal	Violin: 8 years and under
Hayden Smith	Silver medal	Piano: 9 years and under
Michael Viljoen	Silver medal	Flute: 12 years and under
Michael Viljoen	Gold medal	Overall winner: Woodwind Junior section
Tristan Carter	Silver medal	Singing: 12 years
Morné Ogada	4 Silver medals	Woodwind Recital: 12 years and under Piano Recital: 12 years and under Violin: 12 years and Concertino section
James Grieve	5 Silver medals	Singing: 11 years Folksong Afrikaans Song: 13 -14 years Baroque Aria
James Grieve	2 Gold medals	Overall winner: Junior Singing section Overall winner: Senior Singing section



CODING CLUB

The inauguration of our-new coding club this year was met with great excitement. Each week the Grade 4s learnt a different skill using Scratch and Code.org. At first, they put their minds to the test and created code for making repetitive patterns and shapes. Thereafter, they spent a few weeks learning how to code a game. Each boy chose his own unique design and sprites within the structure of the game. I have no doubt that this is just the start of a wider, more in-depth Bishops coding community.

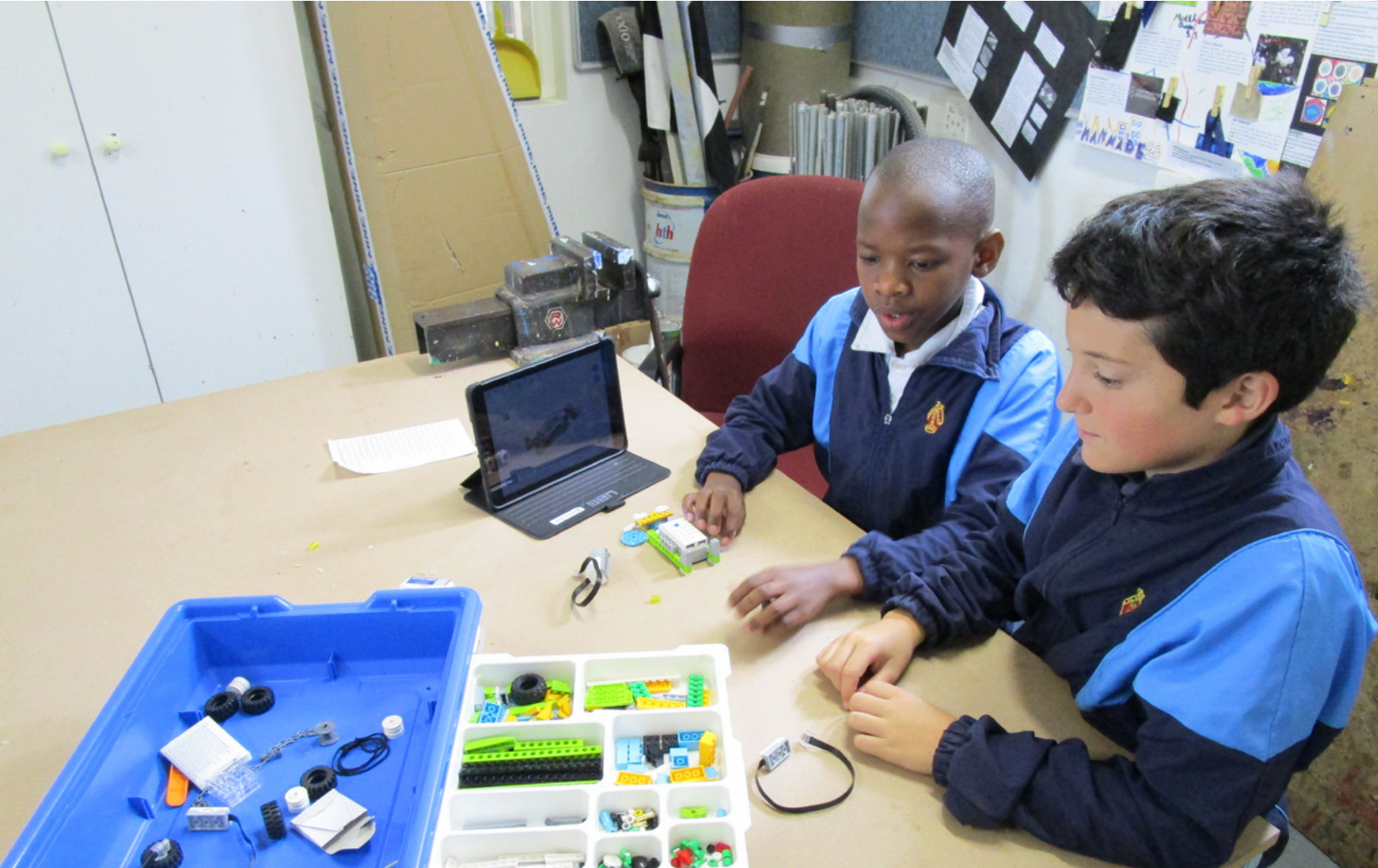
Mandy Gloak

YOUNG ENGINEERS CLUB

We pioneered a Young Engineers Club as an extramural option for boys who showed special interest in this area. One term was allocated to Grade 6 boys and one to Grade 7s. The Grade 6s had the opportunity to make a microelectronics project where a microphone signal could be sent via a radio frequency to an FM radio. They were instructed by one of the dads, Mr Duncan Forest, who is an expert electrical engineer. The delicate soldering and attention to detail was handled very well. The Grade 7s started their club by assembling a pop-pop boat. Requiring accurate soldering and careful assembly,

the little boat used the energy from a candle to heat a diaphragm that, in turn, heated and forced water out of a jet. This knowledge was then taken forward when the boys developed a steam turbine. The real test was applied when the boys tried to take the turbine’s movement energy and convert it into electrical energy... a difficult task indeed.

Mark Erlangsen





PASTORAL

HOUSE REPORTS



BRAMLEY HOUSE

Housemaster: Penny Graney
Assistant Housemaster: Steve Mendes
Head of House: Ethan Probert
Deputy Heads of House: Michael Comititis and Devon Marshall

The year started with a braai at the Prep pool for all to reconnect and to meet the new families. There was much excitement, and many cheers when the Houses were announced to the new Grade 3s. Our mentorship programme between the Grade 7s and Grade 4s began with Laser Quest and continued throughout the year. I am confident that friendships were formed and much was learnt from strong role models.

The Grade 7s volunteered to create portfolios for the year. This was a new innovation and proved to be very successful. Each boy led the House in a specific area and responded to his task in a responsible and enthusiastic fashion.

Our Charity Portfolio made a huge impact. We collected secondhand books and donated them to the SPCA bookstore; cans of fruit were donated to a shelter; and our movie-night money was donated

in voucher form to the Ukuthemba Foundation that works with local authorities to help orphaned and abandoned children.

Bramley was successful on the sports front. We won the Athletics Trials Trophy and the overall Athletics Trophy. Our relay teams excelled on Sports Day, swooping up the U10, U11 and U12 awards. This was a significant achievement, as Bramley has not won this event for many years. The Athletics set the tone for the year and we collected much silverware for Tug-of-War, Cross-Country, Hockey, Chess, Soccer, Debating, Cricket, and the coveted Merit Trophy in Terms 1 and 4.

Camp was held at High Noon, with boys from Grades 4 to 7 enjoying the night away, hiking, playing games and forming friendships. The highlight of the year was our games evening. We all played bingo, built marshmallow towers, and racked our brains in the brainteasers, movie and music quizzes, among other activities.

Penny Graney



BROOKE HOUSE

We were all excited when the new Grade 3 boys were selected and they were ceremoniously welcomed into the House. It was so pleasing to see how the older boys took these wide-eyed youngsters under their wings. The next event was our mentorship day, and each Grade 4 boy was assigned a Grade 7 mentor. We spent the afternoon participating in various ice-breaking and team-building exercises. This was followed by a House braai for everyone around the Prep pool.

Housemaster: Willem Louw
Assistant Housemaster: Khwezi Mqomboti
Head of House: Cole Crawford
Deputy Heads of House: Trento Lambrechts and Jack Whitaker

The boys arrived refreshed and ready to tackle the year with gusto. During the first House meeting the emphasis was placed on setting attainable goals for the year and then identifying practical ways of achieving them.

In August we had our annual games evening and the majority of the funds raised went in support of our chosen charity, Zonnebloem House, a foster home that hosts six children between the ages of eight and 16. The event was enjoyed by all and it was pleasing to have Zonnebloem House in attendance and enjoying the evening with us. This was followed by our annual camp, and this year we took the whole House to High Noon. The boys participated in various team-building and leadership activities and enjoyed sitting around the fire braaiing marshmallows and telling campfire stories.



In Term 4 we had our Grade 6 leadership evening. The purpose of this event is to prepare the boys for their respective leadership roles in Grade 7. We also delegated a portfolio to each boy and talked them through their responsibilities as senior members of the House and the role they play in guiding the younger boys to represent the values of the Mitre.

We celebrated both the Grade 7 boys’ and Mr Mqomboti’s five years in Brooke House with a House brunch and a reflection on their time there. These Grade 7 boys are well equipped for the exciting journey that lies ahead. Mr Mqomboti has been appointed as the House Director of van der Bijl, and we wish him well in his new position. During his time with Brooke House he was well loved by the boys and he will be remembered for his dedication and nurturing demeanour.

Willem Louw



CHARLTON HOUSE

Housemaster: Bruce Mitchell
Assistant Housemaster: Grant de Sousa
Head of House: Michael Kruse
Deputy Heads of House: Nikolaos Augoustatos and Richard Horton

Our Charlton boys started the year off with a bang – we won the Spirit Cup at Sports Day. The boys did us proud by singing their lungs out for the entire afternoon, inspired by our Grade 7 cheerleaders, under the entertaining leadership of James Morkel. Our boys then continued their tremendous singing by winning the Inter-House singing competition. They were magnificent on the night and performed with passion and joy.

At the end of the year they won the Spirit Cup again for their enthusiastic singing at Relay Sports. This was certainly the year of singing trophies for Charlton. Our Grade 7 boys held a movie night and a games evening

to raise funds for the Animal Anti-Cruelty League in Epping. Our Grade 7 charity leaders visited them along with Annie, our adopted dog from the shelter, to see what it was all about.

The entire House enjoyed a family picnic at Clifton and a family braai at the Prep pool. Our Grade 4 boys and their families were entertained by their Grade 7 mentors at Kirstenbosch. Our Grade 5 boys had a fun games evening at Grand West. Our Grade 6 boys planned their activities and their portfolios at a leadership evening, and our Grade 7 boys spent a night on top of Table Mountain and celebrated the year with a farewell dinner at the Waterfront.

Our boys did us proud in the classroom as we won the Academic Trophy throughout the year.

Bruce Mitchell



VAN DER BIJL HOUSE



Housemaster: Greg Shuttleworth
Assistant Housemaster: Clayton Turner
Head of House: Nicholas Allison
Deputy Heads of House: Thomas Jacobs and Thomas Rowand

It is with mixed emotions that I write this report.
 On reflection, I am delighted with the year our van der Bijl boys have enjoyed, but am also far too aware that this will be my final year as House Director to such an amazing House.

Our boys have given of their best in all areas of school life. We started the year with the eagerly anticipated Eisteddfod singing competition and our boys delivered polished renditions of ‘Don’t Stop Believin’ and ‘We’re Not Gonna Take It’.

It has been a year of some very near misses, with many of the Inter-House trophies being narrowly lost by a single goal, try, point, run or percentage. The Inter-House Relay Sports Day was a highlight and our athletes, cheerleaders and passionate supporters are to be applauded.

Our seniors displayed maturity and led with diligence and enthusiasm. The mentorship programme proved to be a huge success and it was wonderful to see how often our juniors turned to their senior mentors for guidance.

Next year marks the beginning of a new era for van der Bijl. For the first time ever, the House will be made up of only day boys. After seven years of loyal and dedicated service, the House bids farewell to Mr Turner, with the reins being picked up by Mr Siko and Mr Mqomboti.

*“If you can keep your head when all about you
 Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,
 If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
 ...
 ... you’ll be a Man, my son!”*
 Rudyard Kipling

Greg Shuttleworth



EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Grade 6 Camp and Go-Kart Fun, Grade 4 Shakedown and Grade 3 Medieval Banquet







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Captain: Callum Jenman
Vice-captain: Cole Crawford

The year started with two days of trials for Sports Day qualifying standards. We hosted Sports Day, the Bishops Quadrangular, the Boys’ Schools Athletics Pentangular, our mass participation event, the Inter-House Relay Sports and Inter-House trials. We participated in the annual Rhenish Primary School Foundation Phase Athletics Meeting, and in the Paarl Boys’ Schools Athletics Pentangular.

SPORTS DAY TROPHIES 2018	
INDIVIDUAL CUP WINNERS	
U6 Cup	Luke Eedes
U7 Cup	Jack Gibbon
U8 Cup	Luka Wakefield
U9 Cup	Andrea Mynhardt
U10 Cup	Luke Dicey
U11 Cup	Rynard Gordon
U12 Cup	Luka Mynhardt
U13 Cup	Callum Jenman
UNDER-13 INDIVIDUAL CUP WINNERS	
U13 100m	Haashim Pead

U13 200m	Michael Comitis
U13 400m	Callum Jenman
U13 800m	Callum Jenman
U13 Long jump	Anthony Smith
U13 High jump	Timothy Walsh
U13 Shot put	Aiden Norris
RELAY BATON WINNERS	
U10	Bramley House
U11	Brooke House
U12	Bramley House
U13	Bramley House
TRIALS TROPHY WINNER 2017 for 2018	
Bramley House	
SPORTS DAY SPIRIT CUP WINNER	
Charlton House	
SPORTS DAY TROPHY WINNER	
1st	Bramley House
2nd	van Der Bijl House
3rd	Brooke House
4th	Charlton House

Bishops hosted the 51st Bishops Quadrangular athletics meeting between Bishops Prep, Rhenish Primary School, Western Province Prep School (WPPS) and Wynberg Boys’ Junior School (WBJS).

RESULTS			
SCHOOL	1ST PLACES	2ND PLACES	3RD PLACES
Bishops	15	14	14
Rhenish	0	4	10
WPPS	12	9	6
WBJS	14	13	12

Commendable performances by Bishops athletes (first and second places only):

1.	Luc Dicey	1st	U10	800m, 1st: Long jump
2.	Connor Day	2nd	U11	800m
3.	Lucca Mynhardt	1st	U12	800m, 1st: 400m, 1st: Long jump
4.	Luan Krige	2nd	U12	800m
5.	Ben Koenig	1st	U11	Long jump
6.	Tristan Thirion	1st	U10	200m, 2nd: 75m, 2nd : 100m
7.	Rynard Gordon	1st	U11	200m
8.	Connor Fletcher	1st	U11	Shot put
9.	Noah Edmunds	2nd	U11	Shot put
10.	Luca Wakeford	2nd	U8	50m
11.	Nicholas Dorrington	1st	U10	75m, 1st: 100m
12.	James Grieve	2nd	U12	75m, 2nd: 100m
13.	Michael Davidson	2nd	U12	High jump
14.	Jayden Bosch	2nd	U11	High jump
15.	Jacob Skillicorn	1st	U12	Shot put
16.	Callum Jenman	2nd	U13	400m
17.	Oliver Carey	1st	U14	100m
18.	Bishops	2nd	U7	4x50m Shuttle relay
19.	Bishops	2nd	U8	4x50m Shuttle relay
20.	Bishops	2nd	U9	4x100m Relay
21.	Bishops	1st	U10	4x100m Relay
22.	Bishops	1st	U11	4x100m Relay
23.	Bishops	1st	U12	4x100m Relay
24.	Bishops	2nd	U13	4x100m Relay

Bishops hosted the 6th Annual Southern Boys’ School Pentangular between Bishops Prep, Rondebosch Boys’ Junior School, South African College Schools (SACS), Western Province Prep School and Wynberg Boys’ Junior School. The event was a great success and the athletes performed well.

RESULTS			
SCHOOL	1ST PLACES	2ND PLACES	3RD PLACES
Bishops	9	18	14
SACS	18	9	17
WPPS	4	7	7
WBJS	13	11	2
RBJS	10	8	13

Commendable performances by Bishops athletes (first and second places)

1.	Haashim Pead	2nd	U13	200m
2.	Callum Jenman	1st	U13	100m, 2nd: 800m, 2nd: 1500m
3.	Lucca Mynhardt	1st	U12	800m, 1200m, Long jump
4.	Luan Krige	2nd	U12	800m, 1200m
5.	Adam Constant	2nd	U12	150m
6.	Reuben Truter	2nd	U12	High jump
7.	Noah Edmunds	2nd	U11	800m
8.	Connor Day	2nd	U11	1200m
9.	Ben Koenig	2nd	U11	100m, Long jump
10.	Tristan Thirion	2nd	U10	80m, 100m
11.	Nicholas Dorrington	1st	U10	100m, 2nd: 800m
12.	Luc Dicey	2nd	U10	Long jump
13.	Jack Gibbon	1st	U7	75m, 2nd: 50m
14.	Bishops	2nd	U7	4x50m Shuttle relay
15.	Bishops	2nd	U8	4x50m Shuttle relay
16.	Bishops	2nd	U10	4x100m Relay
17.	Bishops	1st	U11	4x100m Relay
18.	Bishops	1st	U13	4x100m Relay

INTER-HOUSE RELAY SPORTS RESULTS		
RESULTS	HOUSE	TOTAL
First	van der Bijl	37
Second	Bramley	44
Third	Brooke	53
Fourth	Charlton	61

Rhenish Primary School Foundation Phase Athletics Meeting

Our U7 to U10 athletes participated at the Rhenish Primary Foundation Phase Athletics Meeting in mid-30° heat. The boys were superstars, showed amazing team spirit and ran their best. All the races run were heats and only the fastest three times were awarded

first-, second- and third-place certificates. After two false starts our U7 60m athlete Jack Gibbon set the overall fastest time as well as breaking the U7 60m record. Nicholas Dorrington, U10, achieved an overall first place in the 80m and the 100m. Ethan du Preez (U7), Luca Wakeford and Jack Nelson (U8), Andrea Mynhardt and James Lesbirel (U9), and Tristan Thirion (U10) tried hard for a podium place. The combined U7, U8, U9 and U10 Shuttle relay team finished in third place.

Despite cold and rainy conditions at the Paarl Boys’ Athletics Pentangular, Bishops did well. The participating schools were Bishops, Paarl Boys, SACS, Wynberg and Rondebosch.

Clayton Turner

RESULTS			
Bishops made medal positions in 20 of the 27 events. Gold: 7, Silver: 6, Bronze: 7			
AGE	EVENT	NAME OF ATHLETE	RESULTS
U10	800m	Ryan Whiffler	3rd (2:49.03)
U11	800m	Connor Day	2nd (2:41.50)
U12	800m	Luan Krige	1st (2:31.3)
U13	800m	Callum Jenman	2nd (2:33.24)
U10	400m	Luc Dicey	Absent
U11	400m	Rynard Gordon	1st (1:11.68)
U12	400m	David Handley	3rd (1:04.13)
U13	400m	Michael Comitis	3rd (56.92)
U10	200m	Tristan Thirion	3rd (30.94)
U11	200m	Ben Koenig	1st (29.15)

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U12	200m	James Grieve	4th (29.71)
U13	200m	Haashim Pead	3rd (27.31)
U10	100m	Nicholas Dorrington	2nd (14.03)
U11	100m	Noah Edmunds	2nd (13.88)
U12	100m	Reece Quin	4th (13.63)
U13	100m	Cole Crawford	5th (13.43)
U7	80m (race A)	Jack Gibbon	1st (12.45)
U7	60m (race B)	Ethan du Preez	3rd (9.98)
U8	80m (race A)	Luca Wakeford	3rd (12.38)
U8	60m (race B)	Troy Webb	Did not place
U9	80m (race A)	Andrea Mynhardt	4th (12.15)
U9	60m (race B)	James Lesbirel	2nd (9.12)
U7-U9	6 x 80m relay	As Above	1st (1:24.26)
U10	4 x 100m Relay	1. Mynhardt (U9)	2nd (1:01.95)
		2. Dorrington	
		3. Whiffler	
		4. Thirion	
U11	4 x 100m Relay	1. Edmunds	1st (59.59)
		2. Koenig	
		3. Day	
		4. Gordon	
U12	4 x 100m Relay	1. Handley	4th (59.57)
		2. Grieve	
		3. Krige	
		4. Quin	
U13	4 x 100m Relay	1. Comitis	1st (54.08)
		2. Jenman	
		3. Crawford	
		4. Pead	

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1st Team: M Brodziak, J Egypt (c), D Fletcher, F Gaertner, A Thakersee, S Whitelaw, C Crawford.
Played 15 Won 14 Drew 1 Lost 0
2nd Team: J de Sousa, N Augoustatos, B Koenig, N Macnab, A Norris, E Chan, B Pironi
Played 13 Won 9 Drew 2 Lost 2
3rd Team: MZ Bhorey, G Comitis, C Nanoo, L Hofmeyr, C Craig, A Pironi, M Scheder-Bieschin, D Malan, R Ganyeka
Played 10 Won 6 Lost 4



The chess boys had an exceptional year. Many of the players matured in their thinking and game strategies, with the younger boys engaging in and enjoying practices. Currently there are 40 chess players, with 25 boys having the opportunity to play in matches. This has been a great learning experience for many boys, and has highlighted players with potential. A special mention must be made of our out-of-league fixtures, where 10 boys played against DVJS. It was a wonderful afternoon with a super victory in our favour. The Grade 7s enjoyed a wonderful tour to KwaZulu-Natal, winning all their matches. To cap a magnificent year, we once again won both the league and the Bishops Prep chess tournament.

Grant de Sousa



CRICKET

RESULTS			
U13A:			
Beat Sweet Valley by 2 wkts	N Allison 30 & 3/28, J Crafford 3/23	Beat Queens by 241 runs	C Crawford 117*, N Allison 87*, A Dallas 27
Beat SACS by 5 wkts	A Norris 37, C Crawford 27	Beat Dale by 87 runs	A Dallas 91, A Norris 56, M Brod- ziak 2/18
Drew with SACS	A Norris 29, N Allison 25	Lost to Grey (PE) by 34 runs	A Norris 65, M Brodziak 20
Beat Dulwich by 7 wkts	A Norris 41*, T Jacobs 21* & 3/12	Beat Selbourne by 8 wkts	K Joseph 34*, A Dallas 26, M Brodziak 3/12
Drew with Wynberg	C Crawford 40, K Joseph 36, E Probert 2/38	Beat Sweet Valley by 5 wkts	C Crawford 55*, T Jacobs 26, N Allison 2/15
Beat Wynberg by 8 wkts	T Jacobs 22, N Allison 2/7, A Norris 2/12	Beat WPPS by 8 wkts	K Joseph 25*, A Norris 3/10, E Probert 2/11
Beat Sweet Valley by 8 wkts	E Probert 3/11, T Jacobs 2/1, J Crafford 2/6	Lost to SACS by 80 runs	M Brodziak 25, K Joseph 22, T Jacobs 2/38
Beat WPPS by 7 wkts	K Joseph 39*, M Brodziak 4/11	Beat Wynberg by 5 wkts	C Crawford 52*, E Probert 5/36
Beat WPCC by 47 runs	C Crawford 61, A Williams-Ash- man 2/18	Beat WPPS by 5 wkts	K Joseph 62, T Jacobs 53
Lost to RBPS by 6 runs	C Crawford 29, D de Groot 29	Lost to RBPS by 38 runs	C Crawford 53*, T Jacobs 21
Drew with RBPS	C Crawford 32*, T Jacobs 21, A Norris 3/26	Lost to RBPS by 5 wkts	A Norris 29, A Dallas 28, M Brod- ziak 2/39
Beat Dale by 147 runs	C Crawford 50*, T Jacobs 39, A Dallas 30*	Beat Groot Drak by 7 runs	
U13B:			
Beat Sun Valley by 7 runs	N Chahwahwa 29, D Marshall 24	Beat Sweet Valley by 5 wkts	N Macdonald 31, N Chahwahwa 21
Lost to SACS by 81 runs & 8 wkts	R Horton 16, N Macdonald 3/16	Lost to SACS by 38 runs	N Chahwahwa 46, C Smith 24,
Lost to Westminster by 3 wkts	K Jaga 23, T Stewart 2/16	Lost to SACS by 4 wkts	D Marshall 27, S Berrisford 3/16
Beat Fish Hoek by 5 wkts	Z Heyns 41*, D Marshall 20 & 3/7	Beat Wynberg by 35 runs	H Paed 52*, D Marshall 44, N Macdonald 3/5

Lost to Wynberg by 47 runs	R Horton 38* & 2/19, N Augous- tatos 3/27	Lost to Wynberg by 18 runs	N Augoustatos 55*, N Chahwah- wa 42
Beat Wynberg by 10 runs	D Marshall 3/6, N Augoustatos 2/16	Beat WPPS by 97 runs	N Augoustatos 52*, D Marshall 50*
Beat Sweet Valley by 46 runs	R Horton 28*, N Augoustatos 2/7	Lost to WPPS by 50 runs	J Whitaker 47 & 3/12
Beat WPPS by 7 wkts	D Marshall 21* & 3/10, J Whita- ker 3/1	Lost to RBPS by 127 runs	N Augoustatos 43, M Kruse 33, J Whitaker 28
Beat WPPS by 8 wkts	H Paed 48*, M Kruse 3/19	Lost to RBPS by 91 runs	K Jaga 2/21, N Macdonald 2/25
Lost to RBPS by 30 & 115 runs	R Horton 51, N Chahwahwa 28		
U13C:			
Beat Sun Valley by 5 wkts	T Walsh 19, X Ngxangane 2/10	Beat Mnt Road by 56 runs	J Steyn 26*, S Berrisford 17*, T Walsh 16
Lost to SACS by 55 runs & 9 wkts	A Graaff 22*, J Whitaker 17*	Beat WPPS by 7 wkts	A Smith 14*, T Walsh 13* & 4/12
Lost to St Josephs by 54 runs	L Kakaza 10, S Berrisford 2/2 & 16*	Lost to RBPS by 9 wkts & 115 runs	A Graaff 19*, B Norton 12
Lost to Wynberg by 4 wkts	A Graaff 26, F Gaertner 2/2	Lost to S Valley by 12 runs	J Steyn 16, B Wagener 2/36
Beat Wynberg by 46 runs	J Whitaker 32*, CJ Gordon 20	Lost to Wynberg by 5 wkts	Z Heyns 24, J Traut 2/11
Lost to Sweet Valley by 3 wkts	CJ Gordon 16*, J Traut 2/9	Beat Wynberg by 48 runs	X Ngxangane 21, J Steyn 20, B Wagener 3/17
U12A:			
Lost to Sun Valley by 29 runs	J Grieve 50 & 2/12	Beat RBPS by 4 wkts	A Constant 25, A Steyn 20, T Louw 3/13
Lost to SACS by 6 wkts	T Louw 4/27	Lost to Sweet Valley by 91 runs	J Oelz 14, D Handley 2/21
Lost to SACS by 5 wkts	A Constant 46, D Handley 26, A Steyn 3/40	Beat SACS by 6 wkts	J de Sousa 37, J Grieve 2/12, M Kotze 2/12
Beat Primrose Hill by 5 wkts	T Louw 4/11	Beat Wynberg by 8 wkts	A Betty 29, A Constant 20, J Grieve 4/22
Beat Wynberg by 5 wkts	J Oelz 57	Lost to Wynberg by 6 wkts	J de Sousa 59, A Constant 34
Beat Sweet Valley by 2 wkts	A Constant 21	Drew with WPPS	D Handley 32, J Grieve 3/22
Beat WPPS by 5 wkts	A Constant 50*, M Kotze 2/28	Beat WPPS by 7 wkts	A Constant 48, D Handley 40*, C Gray 2/19
Lost to WPPS by 20 runs	D Handley 20, J Grieve 2/5	Tied with RBPS	A Constant 39, A Betty 39, D Handley 2/7

Beat RBPS by 48 runs	J Oelz 59, A Constant 52, A Steyn 5/19	Beat RBPS by 7 wkts	A Constant 55*, A Betty 37, M Kotze 2/23
U12B:			
Beat Sun Valley by 34 runs	R Stewart 40*, J Oelz 23	Tied with RBPS	T Head 25, D Malan 23 & 3/28
Lost to SACS by 55 runs & 6 wkts	N Basson 25, M Davidson 21*	Beat Sweet Valley by 5 wkts	D Malan 22*
Match Abandoned vs Fish Hoek	D Malan 36*, R Stewart 20*	Beat Wynberg by 6 runs	W Moolman 4/12, N Basson 38
Lost to Sweet Valley by 8 wkts	K Davies 36	Lost to WPPS by 5 runs	R Stewart 22, J Bailey 2/18
Beat WPPS by 2 wkts	R Stewart 22, T Ludlam 20, J Campbell 3/19	Beat RBPS by 4 wkts	R Patel 27, W Moolman 2/8
U12C:			
Beat Sweet Valley by 24 runs	C Davies 30	Beat Sweet Valley by 124 runs	R Walker 52*, W Moolman 5/3
Beat SACS by 5 wkts	A Dyaphu 4/11	Lost to SACS by 4 wkts	R Walker 65, J Bailey 42
Beat Sweet Valley by 136 runs	L Johnstone 75*, J Kotze 2/6	Beat Wynberg by 3 wkts	Z Berman 24
Beat RBPS by 6 wkts	A Dyaphu 3/12, A Nayar 2/12	Beat WPPS by 66 runs	R Walker 51 & 2/8, L Johnstone 3/11
U11C:			
Beat R’bosch East by 22 runs	R Rossouw 2/6, D Martin 2/8	Beat Sweet Valley by 7 wkts	J Childs 20*, T Geyer 3/23
Lost to SACS by 5 & 7 wkts	B Watt 20*, R Rossouw 2/21	Beat Wynberg by 66 runs	T Geyer 22, M Hunt 2/3
Beat M Road by 23 runs & 9 wkts	J Breslin 11*	Beat WPPS by 127 runs	C Mushonga 32*, W Prestage 30
Beat Wynberg by 88 runs	C Mushonga 26*, R Rossouw 2/7	Lost to RBPS by 6 wkts	U Ngcwangu 18*
Beat RBPS by 5 runs	F Wagener 20*, R Rossouw 2/7	Lost to Sun Valley by 9 wkts	C Mushonga 17
U11D:			
Lost to SACS by 7 wkts	J Rinquest 13*, M Hunt 1/13	Lost to WPPS by 17 runs	L Carter 2/8
Lost to Forres by 7 wkts	C Mushonga 29*	Beat Sweet Valley by 37 runs	J Breslin 33*, J Rinquest 17*

Beat Wynberg by 4 wkts	V du Plessis 3/8	Lost to SACS by 38 runs	M Hunt 29, L Carter 19
U11A:		Lost by RBPS by 5 wkts	J Robb-Quinlan 44, L Sara 3/12
Lost to Sun Valley by 9 wkts	J Gomes 13*	Lost to RBPS by 8 wkts	B Koenig 23, G Martin 2/27
Drew with SACS	J Robb-Quinlan 21, B Koenig 20	Lost to Sweet Valley by 15 runs	R Piorkowski 43, B Koenig 23, D vd Heever 2/9
Lost to SACS by 65 runs	D van den Heever 21, L Sara 2/34	Lost to SACS by 47 runs	N Edmunds 24*, B Koenig 20
Beat Kirstenhof by 135 runs	J Robb-Quinlan 70*, A Thakersee 35*, B Koenig 26*	Beat SACS by 29 runs	R Piorkowski 64, J Gomes 2/17, J Bosch 1/13
Drew with Wynberg	J Robb-Quinlan 69, J Bosch 60, J Bolus 3/12	Beat Parklands by 10 wkts	R Piorkowski 23*, G Martin 3/2, J Gomes 3/3
Beat Wynberg by 9 wkts	J Robb-Quinlan 44*, L Sara 3/20, D vd Heever 3/9	Beat WPPS by 6 wkts	J Robb-Quinlan 56*, R Piorkowski 30
Beat Sweet Valley by 4 wkts	A Augoustatos 23, D vd Heever 3/3	Beat WPPS by 83 runs	J Robb-Quinlan 48, B Koenig 41*, J Bolus 3/8
Drew with WPPS	A Thakersee 22, G Martin 3/28, J Gomes 2/3	Lost to RBPS by 58 runs	J Bolus 20, G Martin 2/28, J Gomes 3/13
Beat WPPS by 10 runs	J Gomes 40, B Koenig 19, D vd Heever 3/13	Drew with RBPS	B Koenig 33, J Bosch 15
U11B:		Lost to WPPS by 15 runs	N Macnab 23, R Gordon 21, M Owen 2/3
Beat Sun Valley by 5 wkts	N Macnab 17, M Walker 2/9	Beat Sweet Valley by 1 wkt	S Sixaba 3/13, D Martin 2/13
Lost to SACS by 92 runs & 10 wkts	S Sixaba 2/25	Lost to Wynberg by 14 runs	M Walker 2/7
Beat Kirstenhof by 9 wkts	M Fair 23, N Macnab 17 & 2/11	Lost to WPPS by 17 runs	N Macnab 19, S Sixaba 2/5
Beat Wynberg by 72 runs	W Prestage 14, S Sixaba 5/3	Lost to RBPS by 8 wkts	
U10A:			
Beat Sun Valley by 9 runs	L Dicey 45, L Hofmeyr 30, M Mafunda 2/12	Beat Sweet Valley by 47 runs	L Hofmeyr 35, L Dicey 30*

Lost to SACS by 27 runs	M Mafunda 4/6, B Cotterell 2/16	Beat SACS by 90 runs	J Kilkenney 40, R Tuscher 21, M Mafunda 3/13
Beat SACS by 22 runs	L Dicey 26, M Mafunda 23	Lost to SACS by 8 runs	L Dicey 31, J Lanning 20*
Lost to Wynberg by 8 wkts	L Dicey 31	Beat Wynberg by 7 wkts	J Kilkenney 50*, L Dicey 28, B Cotterell 4/19
Lost to Wynberg by 3 wkts	Beat Fish Hoek by 25 runs	Beat Parklands by 1 run	M Mafunda 37 & 3/1, M Ramsay 24
Lost to Sweet Valley by 20 runs	B Cotterell 2/15	Beat WPPS by 3 wkts	J Kilkenney 39, M Ramsay 30*, L Dicey 4/24
Drew with WPPS	M Mafunda 2/11, J Kilkenney 2/12,	Beat WPPS by 9 wkts	L Dicey 34*
Beat WPPS by 35 runs	L Dicey 38*, L Hofmeyr 2/14	Lost to RBPS by 60 runs	M Ramsay 3/2
Beat RBPS by 24 runs	L Dicey 60*, R Whiffler 3/6	Beat RBPS by 8 wkts	L Dicey 39* & 3/8, L Hofmeyr 3/7
Drew with RBPS	L Dicey 77, R Whiffler 4/16		
U10B:		Beat WPPS by 10 runs	K Rinquest 35
Beat Sun Valley by 25 runs	Beat SACS by 20 runs	Beat Sweet Valley by 48 runs	R Tuscher 49*
Beat Fish Hoek by 5 wkts	Beat Wynberg by 3 runs	Beat SACS by 7 wkts	Lost to Wynberg by 2 wkts
Beat Sweet Valley by 9 wkts	C Cedras 21	Lost to RBPS by 8 wkts	Lost to RBPS by 6 wkts
U10C:		Beat Fish Hoek by 7 wkts	N Souter 17, O Aspinall 2/12
Beat Sun Valley by 11 runs	J van den Heever 3/12	Lost by RBPS by 8 wkts	N Souter 20, J Stewart 11*, S Khan 2/14
Lost to SACS by 7 runs	T Thirion 38, O Aspinall 3/14	Lost to SACS by 8 wkts	N Coleman 14
Lost to Wynberg by 2 & 4 wkts	Beat Sweet Valley by 4 runs	Beat WPPS by 21 runs	D Coetzee 14, J Moolman 12, T Pugnalin 11*
Beat Sweet Valley by 28 runs	T Pugnalin 2/18	Tied with RBPS	N Coleman 40*
U10D:		Beat Wynberg by 1 run	J Moolman 17
Match tied vs Sun Valley		Beat Cannons Creek by 7 wkts	D Coetzee 20
Lost to Fish Hoek by 10 runs	M Allan 16*, L Hacking 2/5	Lost to Sweet Valley by 9 wkts	J Planting 12
U9 Cobras:		Beat GK Academy by 59 runs	D Perold 25, J Viljoen 14, S Joseph 12, J Horton 10
Lost to SACS by 4 runs	D Perold 14, S Joseph 10, M Schultz 2/9	Beat WPPS by 71 runs	C Anderson 17, D Perold 16, M Schultz 11

Beat WPPS by 52 runs	C Anderson 14, D Perold 13, M Schultz 13	Lost to SACS by 20 runs	D Perold 11, S Joseph 10, J Horton 9
Lost to SACS by 4 runs	D Perold 13, T Williams 3/7, M Davies 2/9	Beat WPPS by 45 runs	D Perold 16 & 2/3, J Viljoen 15, S Joseph 12
Beat Wynberg by 20 runs	D Perold 15, T Williams 11, S Joseph 10		C Anderson 11, T Lascaris 9, M Schultz 3/5
Beat WPPS by 38 runs	D Perold 19, T Williams 14, M Schultz 12	Beat RBPS by 33 runs	D Perold 12, T Williams 10 & 1/1, M Schultz 4/2
Beat RBPS by 7 runs	D Perold 15, C Anderson 11, J Viljoen 10, J Horton 1/3, M Davies 1/4	Beat RBPS by 15 runs	T Williams 15 & 2/10, C Anderson 10, J Townshend 10, M Warner 9, J Viljoen 2/0
U9 Dolphins:		Lost to RBPS by 2 runs	K Lind 14, M Warner 10, T Tanfield 9
Lost to SACS by 17 runs	Beat WPPS by 15 runs	Beat WPPS by 32 runs	M Arnold 12, J Townshend 9, M Warner 9
Beat SACS by 6 runs	K Lind 9, J Townshend 9	Lost to SACS by 6 runs	Lost to WPPS by 9 runs
Beat Wynberg by 10 runs	J Viljoen 11, J Townshend 10, K Lind 9	Lost to RBPS by 16 runs	K Lind 10, M Arnold 9, J Townshend 2/2
Beat WPPS by 24 runs	J Viljoen 15, K Lind 13, M Arnold 12	Lost to RBPS by 28 runs	M Arnold 7, T Lascaris 7
U9 Knights:	Lost to SACS by 13 runs	Beat WPPS by 11 runs	Lost to SACS by 32 runs
Beat Wynberg by 32 runs	Beat WPPS by 9 runs	Beat RBPS by 14 runs	Lost to WPPS by 13 runs
Lost to SACS by 20 runs	Beat Turfhall by 34 runs	Match tied vs RBPS	
U9 Lions:	Lost to SACS by 20 runs	Beat Mt Road by 10 runs	Tied with SACS, beat WPPS by 23 runs
Beat Wynberg by 24 runs	Lost to RBPS by 11 runs & 20 runs	Lost to WPPS by 43 runs	Beat Islamia by 32 runs
U9 Tigers:	Lost to SACS by 37 runs & RBPS by 38 runs	Lost to WPPS by 2 runs	Beat SACS by 13 runs
Beat Wynberg by 8 runs	Beat Turfhall by 15 runs	Beat RBPS by 4 runs	Tied with WPPS, beat Islamia by 10 runs
U9 Titans:	Lost to SACS by 25 runs	Lost to RBPS by 22 runs	Lost to WPPS by 1 run
Tied with WPPS	Beat Wynberg by 5 runs	Lost to WPPS by 9 runs	Lost to SACS by 9 runs
Beat Islamia by 24 runs	Lost to RBPS by 38 runs		

Under-13A

The 1st XI can look back with pride on an excellent season. We were more confident bowling first, relying on an impressive attack to contain the opposition and then attempt to chase down a low score. Effective as it might have been at times, this mindset had to change. The team was blessed with an abundance of all-rounders. Therefore, during the final term and when conditions were favourable, we tried to bat first and play a positive brand of cricket. The Cape Schools’ Week in East London proved to be a very successful campaign and the boys gained much experience and confidence. It was great to post high scores with the bat while also delivering quality and consistent bowling displays. When looking back on the season, we have registered some wonderful results and qualified for the T20 Final out of six teams. Unfortunately, we were unable to defend our 2017 title. The boys have been magnificent in practice and given of their best out on the field. Their sportsmanship has been exemplary, and they have supported each other as a team. They are a talented group of cricketers and I will keenly watch their progress at the College.

Team: N Allison (captain), M Brodziak, A Constant, J Crafford, C Crawford (vice-captain), A Dallas, D de Groot, R Horton, T Jacobs, K Joseph, J Morkel (scorer), A Norris, E Probert.

Murray Anderson

Under-13B and C

These teams were the social teams of the school. Our boys simply enjoyed their cricket, no matter how they fared. They played some superb cricket at times, although they were a little inconsistent. We would demolish our opponents in one match and inexplicably lose comfortably in the next.
B Team: N Augoustatos, K Brand, N Chahwahwa,

K Jaga, M Kruse, N Macdonald (captain), D Marshall, H Pead, D Searle, C Smith, J Whitaker.
C Team: S Berrisford, O Carey, D Cooper, F Gaertner, W Gibbs, D Hendricks, Z Heyns, L Kakaza, X Ngxangane, B Norton, T Stewart, J Steyn (captain), J Traut, B Wagener, T Walsh, J Whiffler, S Whitelaw.

Bruce Mitchell

Under-12A

The side managed to finish the season on an awesome high. They played a solid game of cricket, complementing one another with the ball and bat. Each player has made a truly meaningful contribution, and the team must be commended on its resilient attitude and team spirit.

Team: A Betty (captain), A Constant, J De Sousa, C Gray (vice-captain), J Grieve, D Handley, M Kotze, T Louw, J Oelz, R Patel, A Smith, A Steyn.

Xolani Mathyeke

Under-12B

The side enjoyed a relatively successful cricket season and ended on a high note by beating our traditional rivals, Rondebosch. Three players made a few appearances for the A team. One of the major highlights for the season was an excellent comeback to force a draw against Rondebosch in the first term, after we struggled to be in the game early on.

Team: D Malan (captain), R Stewart (vice-captain), T Ludlum, J Skillicorn, M Davidson, J Campbell, R Forrest, T Head, D de Rauville Rohm, M Voogt, W Moolman, J Bailey.

Xolani Mathyeke

Under-12C

The team was well balanced, with a good number of bowlers, batsmen and all-rounders, which provided selection headaches. The boys practised and competed well.

Team: A Nayar, C Ridgway, L Johnstone, R Walker, C Davies, Z Berman, A Dyaphu, J Bailey, W Moolman, J Kotze, T Walsh.

Xolani Mathyeke

Under-12D

We had a tough challenge during the fixtures, especially in the fielding department, playing with eight players in Term 1 and nine players in Term 4. In the last term the boys were more knowledgeable and had a better understanding of the setups. The commitment during the practices was better in all aspects of the game.

Team: J Archibald, U Calana, J Colyvas, S Jack, A Jackson, J Lappin, A Mngxekeza, T Siko, W Waterford.

Thando Siko

Under-11A

Each boy knew his role in the team and they all worked hard at practice to improve their skills in all three disciplines. They have started to have a better understanding of this complex game, realising that the level of focus and intensity needs to continue throughout the match. They must be commended on their win against a very powerful SACS team. It was in this game that they played to their potential in batting, bowling and fielding, with a positive attitude.

Team: A Thakersee, R Piorkowski, J Robb-Quinlan, B Koenig, G Martin, D van den Heever, J Bosch, N Edmunds, J Gomes, A Augoustatos, J Bolus, L Sara.

Rob Riches and Matthew Riches

Under-11B

The side had a slow start, and a thrilling win over Sweet Valley in the last over of the game was the highlight of the season. It was great seeing the boys develop, grow and get chances to display their skills in the higher teams.

Team: R Gordon, F Wagener, M Walker, S von Bormann, S Sixhaba, W Prestage, G Comitis, N Macnab, A Schierenberg, M Fair, W Heath,

Nanele Tyali

Under- 11C

The team showed steady improvement throughout the year. Batting was often the mainstay of the team’s strength with many boys chipping in with a cameo performance as we maintained a strict regime of giving every boy a turn in every match. It was very pleasing to watch as a number of boys became very dependable with the ball in hand. This was an exceptional team with a very good win ratio and an impressive team ethic.

Team: M Owen, T Geyer, C Mushonga, J Childs, B Watt, R Rossouw, R Webb, U Ngcwangu, J Arendse, R Jenman, F Irvine-Smith, J Breslin, W Prestage, M Hunt.

Mark Erlangsen

Under-11D

The results might have not been on our side, but there was an improvement in the skills and on-field discipline. Many of the boys put in effort during practice and reaped the rewards.

Team: D Tripe, B Peroni, A Dawood, V du Plessis, L Carter, M Hunt, B Maki, J Rinquest, G Lind, K Setai, L Reynolds, M Bhorey, K Hollis.

Mark Erlangsen

Under-10A

The boys matured tremendously, resulting in a very enjoyable, exciting and successful end to the season. Despite the fielding still being somewhat erratic, many excellent catches were held. Batting and bowling improved considerably too.

Team: B Cotterell, R Whiffler, C Sara, R Tuscher, T Ngxangane, J Lanning, M Ramsay, L Dicey, M Mafunda, L Hofmeyr, J Kilkenny.

Greg Shuttleworth

Under-10B

We focused hard on learning and applying the basics of cricket this year. At the same time, it was important to experience as much enjoyment as possible.

Team: J Baptista-Horne, S Bey, C Cedras, N Dorrington, M Finch, M Haller, R Jack, A Lampe, R Levy, K Rinquest, H Smith, J van den Heever.

Willem Louw

Under-10C

The boys practised hard and enjoyed their cricket. It was good to see some of their basics improving as the term progressed. Many of the boys developed as cricketers and improved in their different roles. As a team, we put a lot of emphasis on enjoyment and having fun while playing.

Team: A Beach, L Cobbledick, D Coetzee, J de Waal, J Huntingford, J Moolman, K Numanoglu, T Pugnalin, N Souter, J Stewart, M Whitelaw.

Cassa Cassiem

Under-10D

The boys developed their cricketing ability as the season progressed. The rotation with the players making up the C squad gave many boys the chance to play. The weekly net sessions gave the coaches an opportunity to work personally with the boys.

Team: O Aspinall, O Briggs, C Creedon, S Crookes, L Hacking, O Howie, S Khan, J Planting, Z Taylor, S Thomas.

Chad Carney

Under-9

A total of 58 very enthusiastic young cricketers participated this season. The increased numbers allowed us to enter seven teams into the league and an enormous amount of fun was had by all every Tuesday at Western Province Cricket Club. The aim of mini-cricket is to introduce young boys to the basics of the game and to develop a love for this traditional summer sport. I am indeed indebted to our coaches who worked tirelessly throughout the season to achieve this. The correct technique and cricket etiquette were never compromised and it was very rewarding to watch every player develop as they were introduced to the many skills required to be a successful player. Many of the players were introduced to hardball cricket at the voluntary sessions held every Friday in the Steffan Coutts-Trotter Indoor Cricket Centre. Some players were also fortunate to play some hardball matches using mini-cricket rules. I was very impressed with the talent on display this season and I look forward to following the progress of these players in the years ahead. A big thank-you to Matthew Riches for his support this season. Bishops will miss his incredible expertise, passion and professional approach next season as he continues his teaching career at Pinehurst Primary.

Chris Groom

The following boys played Under-9 cricket this year:

Anderson, Callum	Joseph, Shafiek	Sanders, Xaverius
Arnold, Maahier	Kahn, Sarfaraz	Scholtz, Julian
Badroodien, Hamaad	Khoury, Jude	Schultz, Matthew
Banyard, Oscar	Lascaris, Thomas	Seymour, George
Bestel, Luc	Lesbirel, James	Shaboodien, Zaydaan
Brink, David	Lind, Keanin	Sides, Cuan
Brunton, Tristan	Macnaughton, William	Skillicorn, Luke
Cable, Daniel	Maltz, Stirling	Spaun, Benjamin
Chahwahwa, Kuda	Mills, Joshua	Tanfield, Tommy
Constant, Nathan	Mynhardt, Andrea	Townshend, Jack
Dalling, Nicholas	Osler, Jonty	Traill, David
Davies, Max	Patel, Arman	Turner, Travis
Dutton, Harry	Perold, Daniel	Velosa, Joshua
Estcourt, Jock	Pfaff, Frederick	Vermaak, Harry
Francis, Connor	Pillay, Kaleb	Viljoen, Jack
Graaff, Campbell	Pironi, Attilio	Waligora, Matthew
Henry, Nicholas	Ramjee, Shivam	Warner, Max
Horton, Jonathan	Ratheb, Alexandros	Williams, Travis
Jenman, Thomas	Rinquest, Deen	
Jonker, Cameron	Salie Mark, Iqsaan	



CROSS-COUNTRY

Captains: Sam Berrisford and Olie Carey

The season began with Tuesday practices and Friday races for the seasonal runners. These races were hosted by different schools in the Southern Zone Region. Three of our runners, Noah Coleman, John van den Heever and Ryan Voigt, qualified for the Western Province Trials and tested their skills against the best athletes. Our ranks were swelled by additional learners keen to develop a healthy lifestyle and build fitness for other sports.

Friday Race Team – Seasonal Runners:

U9: T Jenman, K Chahwahwa, L Traut, H Dutton, D Cable, K Pillay

U10: N Coleman, F Moran, R Whiffler, J van den Heever, R Jack

U11: J Cameron, J Breslin (**Zonals Championships**), R Voigt, M Maurel, L Chester, S von Bormann

U12: A Mngxekeza, T Welsh, T Siko (**Zonals Championships**), R Quin, T Welsh and S Jack

U13: S Berrisford, M Kruse, L Day, C Harrod

U14: O Carey, P Gilson

In preparation for the Pentangular Cross-Country event, we held our Inter-House competition. Bramley House won both the Performance Cup and Participation Cup. The much-anticipated Pentangular was enjoyed with great zeal

and excitement amid a frolicsome atmosphere. Once the races began, the air was filled with cheering and tons of encouragement for the runners. SACS emerged as the overall winner, with our team taking second place.

- Pentangular Team**
- U9:** A Mynhardt, C Anderson, S Bailes, O Banyard, H Dutton, T Jenman, J Lesbirel, K Lind, J Osler, D Perold, C Sides, L Traut
- U10:** L Dicey, L Cobbledick, N Coleman, A Esposito, J Gordon, R Jack, J Kilkenny, J Lanning, M Mafunda, N Mol, J van den Heever, R Whiffler
- U11:** C Day, M Bailes, J Breslin, N Edmunds, R Jenman, C Joubert, G Martin, W Prestage, V Ryan, D Tripe, S von Bormann, R Webb
- U12:** J Grieve, S Jack, L Krige, T Ludlam, A Mngxekeza, R Quin, T Siko, A Steyn, T Welsh
- U13:** S Berrisford, N Allison, L Day, C Jenman, A Kleye, M Kruse, B Swift, J Traut, T Walsh, J Whitaker

Donations from the Bishops Prep community and Charlton House helped make the 2018 Outreach Programme to the children of Villiersdorp a success too.

Thami Siko



HOCKEY

RESULTS	
U13A	U13B
v SACS 1-1 & 1-1	v SACS 0-3 & 1-2
v RBPS 1-0 & 0-1	v RBPS 4-1 & 1-1
v Durbanville 4-4	v Durbanville 1-0
v WPPS 1-1	v WPPS 1-1
v W'berg 1-0 & 9-0	v W'berg 0-2 & 3-0
v Reddam 6-0 & 2-0	v Reddam 3-0 & 2-0
v Swt Valley 6-0 & 1-1	v Sweet Valley 8-0 & 4-0
v St Charles 0-1 & 3-2	v Clifton Prep 5-0
v Clifton Prep 2-4	v St Charles 1-0
U13C	U13D
v SACS 5-0 & 1-0	v SACS 2-2 & 1-1
v RBPS 0-2 & 1-0	v RBPS 1-0 & 1-0
v Durbanville 0-1	v Durbanville 0-0
v WPPS 4-0	v WPPS 'C' 0-4
v W'berg 4-0 & 3-0	v W'berg 2-0 & 7-2
v Reddam 3-0	v Reddam 1-1
v Clifton Prep 1-3	v Clifton Prep 1-1
v St Charles 0-2 & 1-0	v St Charles 2-0
v Sweet Valley 6-1	v Reddam 3-1
v Timour Hall 4-0	

U12A	U12B
v WPPS 2-0 & 2-1	v SACS 3-0, 1-0 & 1-2
v W'berg 0-1 & 2-1	v RBPS 2-1 & 2-1
v Reddam 7-0 & 3-0	v Durbanville 4-0
v Sweet Valley 2-2	v WPPS 3-0 & 2-2
v Grove 3-0	v Reddam 12-0 & 7-0
v SACS 0-0	v Sweet Valley 2-5
v RBPS 3-3	v W'berg 1-2 & 1-1
U12C	U12D
v SACS 3-1 & 6-0	v SACS 3-2 & 1-0
v RBPS 1-3 & 5-6	v RBPS 1-2 & 3-0
v Durbanville 4-0	v Durbanville 2-1
v WPPS 1-0 & 2-1	v WPPS 1-0 & 4-1
v Sweet Valley 2-5	v Sweet Valley 3-1
v SACS 1-1 & 3-1	v SACS 1-2 & 1-0
U11A	U11B
v SACS 0-2 & 0-1	v SACS 0-0 & 1-0
v RBPS 1-4 & 2-2	v RBPS 0-2 & 1-2
v Durbanville 0-6	v Durbanville 0-5
v WPPS 2-0 & 5-0	v WPPS 3-0
v W'berg 1-2 & 2-2	v W'berg 3-1 & 2-1
v Reddam 3-0 & 0-1	v Reddam 1-0 & 1-2
v Sweet Valley 1-1 & 2-2	v Swt Valley 3-1 & 0-4

U11C	U10A
v RBPS 0-3 & 0-3	v Durbanville 3-4
v Durbanville 0-7	v WPPS 1-4 & 3-2
v SACS 0-3 & 1-5	v W'berg 1-3 & 6-2
v W'berg 0-0	v Reddam 7-0 & 5-0
v Reddam 3-0 & 1-1	v Sweet Valley 3-5 & 4-4
v Swt Valley 1-1 & 2-4	v SACS 4-2
	v RBPS 2-2
U10B	U10C
v SACS 1-2 & 3-2	v SACS 0-3 & 2-2
v RBPS 1-6 & 3-6	v RBPS 0-9 & 1-4
v Durbanville 2-2	v Durbanville 1-3
v WPPS 1-1 & 2-2	v WPPS 1-3 & 3-4
v W'berg 2-1 & 3-0	v W'berg 1-1 & 4-0
v Sweet Valley 5-3 & 7-2	v Reddam 7-0
v Reddam 8-2 & 4-1	v Swt Valley 2-1 & 3-1
U10D	U10E
v SACS 0-5 & 0-3	v SACS 1-1 & 0-4
v RBPS 1-5 & 1-5	v RBPS 0-5, 1-1 & 1-5
v Durbanville 2-4	v Durbanville 1-8
v WPPS 0-1 & 7-1	v Reddam 0-12 & 3-2
v SACS 1-2 & 3-2	
v W'berg 3-2 & 3-3	
v Swt Valley 3-2 & 6-2	
v Reddam 3-0	
v Int School 3-0	

Under-13A
The 1st team enjoyed a tough, but rewarding season. Making the transition from eight-a-side hockey to full-field, 11-man hockey is never easy. They had to develop their skill level, sense of space and ability to scan a far greater area in order to enjoy their good results. We also enjoyed matches against touring teams from St Charles, Clifton Prep and Durbanville Primary. A highlight for the boys was qualifying for the Top Schools’ Tournament. Although we gave our best, settling for two draws in the group stages meant that we didn’t qualify for the semi-finals and had to settle for fifth place overall after beating SACS in a Bishops-dominated encounter. Special congratulations to Devon Marshall on his selection for the Western Province U13 Team.

Team: N Allison, S Berrisford, O Blatch, J Crafford, A Graaff, J Grieve, Z Heyns, K Jaga, T Lambrechts, C Leith, D Marshall, D van Coeverden de Groot, B Norton, T Jacobs, R Truter.

Steve Mendes

Under-13B
The team produced a favourable mixed bag of results and never failed to create scoring opportunities in abundance. They must be congratulated for winning both their matches on tour by playing an attacking brand of hockey. Team: K Brand, M Brodziak, M Comitis, T Jacobs, M Kruse, N Macdonald, H Pead, J Steyn, T Walsh, J Whitaker, L Day.

Richard Goedhals

Under-13C

During their regular season games, they only conceded one goal (away to Sweet Valley). They played cohesive, attacking hockey, scoring more than three goals in a game more often than not, but could also grind out the occasional one-nil win. Since their U12 days, they have all grown in leaps and bounds.

Team: N Augoustatos, O Carey, D Cooper, A Dallas, F Gaertner, P Gilson, C Harrod, J Marcopoulos, X Ngxangane, M Ogada, T Rowand, D Searle, J Whiffler.

Richard Goedhals

Under-13D

The boys worked hard at practices and never gave up in their matches. They played their hockey with smiles on their faces and ended the season in an impressive fashion.

Team: C Nanoo, T Carter, H Govan, W Gibbs, G Irvine-Smith, R Bosini, S Nankin, D Carter, A Smith, J Egypt, B Bechis Finotto, C Smith, X Ngxangane, J Marcopoulos, F Gaertner, Z Moolla, T Cullum, D Cooper.

Matthew Riches

Under-12

This year’s U12 division stood out as a group with their confident playing style, on-field determination and their ‘bragworthy’ results. It was the improved ability to score goals that separated this age group from our collective opposition: 119 goals for and only 53 against. In particular, the B team shone in this department. However, the success of the season should also include the boys’ attitude and commitment; one should reflect on their willingness to play hard from the first whistle to the last, their

ability to fit into any position on the field and, most importantly, to believe in themselves. By these measures, we really did have a successful season.

The A team had to hit the road running, as six of the nine boys in the squad went to England on a cultural exchange and returned to play their first match (the only match conceded) against Wynberg after just one practice. After that, this exceptional group gelled beautifully and, under the inspiring leadership of Reuben Truter, kept the opposition defending their circle for most of the game time. Our defensive line – Luke Johnstone in the goals, Michael Voogt, Chris Gray and Albert Steyn – was the most dogged I have ever coached. Andrew Betty, Michael Kotze and Thomas Ludlam distinguished themselves with their ability to fit into any role on the field. The right-hand side of the field, when it shone, was brilliant, with Reuben delivering the ball to David Hanley on the wing with machine-like repetition. David had the skill to charge at the baseline and deliver the ball to the penalty spot, where a goal-hungry Zach Berman would wait menacingly. The season ended on a fabulous note when this team lifted the annual Day-Night Hockey trophy. It was a very difficult day. Extreme cold, hail, wind and torrential rain marred the qualifying matches. Later in the evening, the weather improved as did the team’s play. They sailed through the semi-final and dominated Rondebosch in the final for a magnificent tournament win.

A Team: R Truter, L Johnstone, M Voogt, T Ludlam, C Gray, A Steyn, A Betty, M Kotze, D Hanley, Z Berman. The B team also participated in the Day-Night Tournament. In all but one game, they contested to a very close result. They were elated when they beat the Reddam A team in their last exciting game. These boys can all be very proud of their efforts this season,

in particular their 41 goals for and only 14 against. B Team: A Savva, A Nayar, J Kotze, N Leith, A Mngxekeza, J Bailey, A Jackson, A Muir and T Dahl (goalie).

This C team’s coach stirred up fiery performances each week with his enthusiastic coaching style. The core of this team has been together for two years now and they have developed into a formidable hockey side. C Team: J Lappin, S Jack, T Welsh, M Davidson, A Muir, R Patel, L Krige and T Schooling (goalie).

The D team was outstanding. Each player was easily interchangeable with a C-team boy for skill. D Team: U Calana, N Bouwer, B Karlein, T de Waal, W Waterford, T Wilson, B Jenman (goalie), N Bosini, T Siko Jnr.

Mark Erlangsen

Under-11A

It was a tough start, but the boys improved throughout the course of the season. They focused hard at practices, took what they learnt and put it to good use. The boys are quick learners and were able to use the skills taught with confidence. There were many changes to the team and the boys adapted well in their matches. They had some strong wins and many very competitive matches. Despite some tough challenges, they never gave up. Each player made a valuable contribution to the team.

Team: A Augoustatos, C Day, W Heath, G Martin, C Mushonga, R Piorkowski, J Robb-Quinlan, L Sara, D van den Heever, S von Bormann, M Walker, B Wolfson.

Under-11B

The boys started with a positive attitude and this set a

great tone for our season. They learnt many new and challenging skills at practices. They tried extremely hard to use these skills in their matches and the hard work paid off, with some highly competitive matches and a few great wins. The boys never gave up and showed fighting spirit in every one of their matches. There were many changes in the team throughout the course of the season, but the boys adapted well and they all played as a team in every match.

Team: G Comititis, O Cross, R Jenman, L Sara, A Schierenberg, K Setai, D Tripe, J van der Watt, R Voigt, B Watt.

Under-11C

Each boy grew as an individual and learnt to play as a team. It was a busy start to the season and they learnt to focus harder at practices. They started to show understanding of what was being taught at practice and began to implement it in matches. The team faced some tough opponents and they played in some very competitive matches. Despite the challenges, they never gave up in their matches and showed true determination.

Team: E Bouwers, L Carter, A Dawood, L Lehmann, D Martin, R Rossouw, E Senol, A Thakersee, J Thunstrom, M Viljoen, G Weich.

Leanne Hamman

Under-10A

The precision of passes, accuracy of goal striking and solid defence led to a wonderful set of results. As the season unfolded, the team grew together as one, working as a group. By the end of the season they began reading the game more accurately.

Team: L Dicey, J Kilkenny, M Mafunda, R Tuscher, K Rinquest, R Whiffler.

Under-10B

The team dominated the astro. Their passion for the game and desire to win led them to many victories along the way. In just 13 games they managed to score a bumper 42 goals! They developed in skill and strategy throughout the season, taking their coaches’ guidance to heart.

Team: L Hofmeyr, R Jack, A Lampe, C Sara, M Ramsay, N Souter.

Under-10C

The team had a tricky start to the season and struggled with their first few games. However, with determination and perseverance, they turned the season around. They picked up new skills quickly, which was evident in the latter matches. What a beautiful juxtaposition of a young team that grew not only in skill but also mentally throughout the season.

Team: D Coetzee, J van den Heever, M Grawe, J Huntingford, H Smith, J Stewart, A Esposito.

Under-10D

The ‘never-give-up’ attitude of these boys was beautiful to witness and was especially evident when they were down in a match – they were superstars. They learnt to read the game for the first time and showed great potential for the upcoming years.

Team: L Cobbledick, J de Waal, M Haller, L Moyo, Z Ndindwa, J Planting, Z Taylor, D Vorweg.

Under-10E

The squad learnt to work as a team no matter which six boys were on the astro at any given time. They had a tough few games, but persevered through them, never losing their love for the game. Lessons were learnt and characters were built during these times. All this for an epic season finale. After losing 12-0 to a certain team in the second term, these boys came back with a vengeance. Playing the same team, they left their heart and soul on the astro and pulled off a 3-2 victory.

Team: A Beach, C Creedon, S Crookes, C Dlamulira, K Govan, S Khan, N Lanfranchi, L Michaletos, M Petersen.

Mandy Gloak

Under-9

Our boys put every effort into learning new skills each week and then applying their newfound abilities during their matches played at Hartleyvale on Wednesdays. The competition against Rondebosch, WPPS, Wynberg and SACS was tough, but our boys made us proud as they gave of their best each week. Congratulations to the U9s for their dedication, competitive spirit and good sportsmanship.

Yellow Team: C Anderson, T Jenman, J Escourt, T Tanfield, D Perold, M Davies, G Seymour, J Lesbirel.
Blue Team: J Osler, J Townshend, T Lascaris, D Traill, X Sanders, B Doel, L Bestel, J Velosa.
Red Team: S Maltz, D Cable, T Turner, C Jonker, N Henry, S Ramjee; L Biko, F Pfaff, Z Shaboodien.
Green Team: J Scholtz, J Mills, I Salie Mark, T Brunton, N Constant, C Graaf, A Love, C Hawes, S Khan, C Francis, W MacNaughton.

Laurelle Fry



RUGBY

RESULTS
U13A
v SACS 7-55 & 0-54
v Durbanville 0-60
v WPPS 33-39 & 45-47
v Wynberg 35-12 & 52-0
v RBPS 33-17 & 22-12
v St Charles 21-7
v Durban Prep 7-47
v Niko Brummer 17-29
v Van Reede 0-24
v Blanco 29-12
v Primrose 40-40
U13B
v SACS 26-19 & 14-29
v Durbanville 0-20
v WPPS 31-5 & 50-5
v Wynberg 15-32 & 47-10
v RBPS 7-27 & 12-22
v St Charles 14-7
v Durban Prep 0-48
v Niko Brummer 12-14
v Laurus 20-24
v Busy Bees 15-0
v 0-50

U13C
v SACS 0-25 & 12-46
v Durbanville 0-17
v RBPS 27-12 & 27-20
v Wynberg 22-29 & 22-25
v Clifton Prep 12-21
v Durban Prep 0-47
v Busy Bees 12-19
v St Charles 26-33
v Durban Prep 12-22
v RBPS 5-38
v SACS D 32-15
v Wynberg 44-12
U12A
v SACS 0-17 & 5-50
v Durbanville 10-8
v WPPS 25-7 & 35-12
v Wynberg 12-19 & 17-28
v RBPS 24-17 & 5-0
v Selborne 12-25
v Durban Prep 12-17
v Primrose 46-0
U12B
v SACS 10-20 & 12-24
v RBPS 20-5 & 12-7

v Wynberg 26-14 & 32-7
v Selborne 12-21
v Durban Prep 25-10
v Busy Bees 25-5
v Hamedians 27-5
v WPPS 30-12
U12C
v SACS 5-45 & 15-22
v Durbanville 14-12
v WPPS 15-30
v Durban Prep 21-25
v Busy Bees 7-10
v Wynberg 7-35 & 15-27
v SACS 17-30
v RBPS 0-22 & 25-15
U11A
v SACS 0-12 & 28-10
v Durbanville 7-21
v WPPS 24-14 & 48-10
v Wynberg 7-10 & 34-10
v RBPS 5-24 & 12-14
v Durban Prep 0-19
v Niko Brummer 54-0
v Laurus 32-0
v Blanco 26-0
v Primrose 32-5
U11B
v SACS 12-7 & 12-10
v Durbanville 0-38

v WPPS 27-0 & 36-5
v Wynberg 5-12 & 24-0
v RBPS 5-31 & 5-12
v Durban Prep 5-38
v Busy Bees 19-15
v Hamedians 19-20
U11C
v SACS 22-20 & 12-19
v SACS D 42-20 & 65-22
v Durbanville 5-29
v RBPS 27-15 & 27-10
v Wynberg 12-25 & 30-22
v RBPS 10-22 & 27-10
v Wynberg 46-10
v Durban Prep 5-22
v Busy Bees 24-22
U10A
v SACS 5-22 & 12-26
v Durbanville 7-47
v WPPS 26-5 & 14-0
v Wynberg 0-21 & 12-28
v RBPS 5-22 & 19-32
v Primrose 12-0
U10B
v SACS 0-19 & 12-15
v Durbanville 0-57
v WPPS 20-19 & 5-20
v Wynberg 0-14 & 19-26
v RBPS 19-20 & 7-17

v Busy Bees 12-15
v Hamedians 12-20
U10C
v SACS 0-40 & 0-54
v SACS D 17-15 & 12-10
v Durbanville 0-35
v Wynberg 10-10 & 34-10
v RBPS 17-10 & 17-24
v Busy Bees 10-10
U9A
v SACS 0-15 & 5-25
v Durbanville 0-15
v WPPS 20-5 & 35-5
v Wynberg 20-0 & 20-10
v RBPS 5-35 & 30-20
v Kirstenhof 20-5
v Primrose 35-0
U9B
v SACS 10-10 & 15-35
v Durbanville 0-35
v WPPS 35-0 & 45-5
v Wynberg 20-0 & 10-10
v RBPS 5-15, 0-10 & 5-5
v Kirstenhof 20-10
v W'berg 15-5
v Busy Bees 5-5 & 10-5
v Hamedians 20-5
v Sweet Valley 25-0

U9C
v SACS 0-20 & 10-25
v Durbanville 0-40
v WPPS 30-0 & 40-15
v Wynberg 10-20 & 10-15
v RBPS 0-15 & 15-35
v Wynberg 5-5
v Kirstenhof 25-10
v Busy Bees 20-10
U9D
v SACS 0-30 & 10-25
v Durbanville 5-40
v Wynberg 30-40 & 30-0
v RBPS 0-60 & 0-30
v Kirstenhof 40-5 & 30-20
U9E
v SACS 0-50 & 5-60
v Durbanvile 0-50
v RBPS 0-55 & 0-50
v SACS 10-30
v RBPS 20-45 & 10-40

Under-13A

The team’s biggest achievements are not easily seen on the win/loss ledger. Their dedication to one another, the exciting brand of rugby they played, their never-say-die attitude and the vast improvement in the second half of the season received high praise from various quarters. There were many times that the bounce of the ball seemed to go against us – so vividly illustrated when Wetpups beat us 47-45 at

home. After three straight losses at the start of the season, the tenacity and courage of the team was epitomised in their away win against Wynberg. The team spirit was particularly prevalent on tour. Despite many injuries and illnesses, the boys managed a win and a draw in KZN. The Bishops pack – who were often far lighter than their opponents – seldom took a step backward and became very competitive at the breakdowns. The backs improved tremendously as the season progressed. They always seemed to have time on the ball and this allowed us to play our expansive game that was enjoyed by all. To single out individuals from the team would be pointless. They won and lost together, and as a result were a pleasure to coach. A special mention must be made of the leadership of Richard Horton and Nicholas Allison, who captained the team with aplomb.

Team: R Horton (captain), N Allison (vice-captain), N Chahwahwa, L Kakaza, M Brodziak, B Swift, X Ngxangane, C Gordon, A Norris, H Pead, C Crawford, D Searle, C Jenman, L Day, T Stewart, E Probert, T Lambrechts, T Jacobs, K Joseph, S Swartz, J Crafford, A Graaff, S Berrisford.

Chris Groom

Under-13B

The team enjoyed playing a high-tempo style of rugby, with continuity the order of the day. The boys worked hard during training, improving their game sense and developing their decision-making skills. Each boy was given the opportunity to captain the side and each boy was required to sing a song of his choice in front of his team mates. The rugby outshone the singing by some margin. Highlights of the year were beating SACS and putting up a brave performance against an unbeaten Rondebosch side.

Team: Y Ahmed, S Swartz, T Lambrechts, T Rowand, T Jacobs, K Brand, Z Heyns,T Cullum, J Crafford, K Joseph, D Hendricks, S Berrisford, A Kleye, N Macdonald, B Norton, J Phillips, C Smith, D Fletcher, L Day, B Swift, A Williams-Ashman, A Graaff, A Dallas.

Gareth Jordan

Under-13C

The team played champagne rugby with the ball on attack. Our boys ran switch lines, did dummy-switches, ran ‘unders’ lines, skip-passed behind their backs, looped around and did many more dazzling moves with the ball in hand. This they learnt from simply playing all sorts of made-up games during practices. We really played a beautiful style of rugby. Our defence, on the other hand, was rather feeble and we had to ensure that we scored tries.

Team: J Steyn, S Whitelaw (captain), B Wagener, J Bacher, L Bolus, T Walsh, A Dallas, D Fletcher, L Elliott-Jaaback, A Smith, R Ferreira, J Traut, O Carey, J Marcopoulos, P Gilson, C Smith.

Bruce Mitchell

Under-12A

We had a wonderful start to the season with a gutsy win against Durbanville. The boys showed real character. The games we lost during the season were often very close, with a bounce of the ball or a lack of finishing counting against us. What was most impressive was the number of boys who stepped up into the A team due to others being away on exchange or because of illness or injury – some grew into real stalwarts of the squad. There is work to be done on honing basic skills; passing, catching and running into space are key to playing the Bishops

game. These are tough skills to learn and players need to keep working hard at mastering them – when executed correctly these lead to breathtaking rugby. The last game of the season, against Rondebosch in the driving rain, was a classic.

Team: R Forrest, J Campbell, N Basson, M Escourt, J van Wyk, A Dyaphu, A Smith, L Johnstone, A Steyn, M Voogt, R Walker, J de Sousa, A Muir, T Ludnam, T Head, R Stewart, J Skillicorn, A Constant, D Handley, A Mngxekeza, L Krige.

Brendan Fogarty

Under-12B

The age group has good depth, which allowed us to select quality players each week. The team had a welcoming attitude, which made it easy for boys to move sides during the season. The team adapted well to the game plan and embraced the running style we wanted. They defended well and took pride in their team.

Team: A Liwani, J Gibbs, M Escourt, J van Wyk, L Johnstone, L Boustead, C Gray, T Siko, A Muir, T Ludnam, C Davies, D Malan, T Louw, J Kotze, R Quin, D Handley, J de Sousa, L Krige, Z Johnston.

Brendan Fogarty

Under-12C

Not phased at all by fancy playbook moves, all the team wanted to do was play rugby in its simplest form. Results might not have been in our favour, but the boys showed commitment and determination. It was fitting to see the boys put in a massive team performance against Rondebosch to end the season on a high note.

Team: J Archibald, J Bailey, A Betty, U Calana, S Cheminais, J Colyvas, M Davidson, D de Rauville Rohm, S Esposito, J Fried, S Grewe, Z Johnston, J Lappin, B Lehloenya, C Logie, W Moolman, K Moonsamy, L Moorgas, C Ridgway, J Samassa, T Scheder-Bieschin.

Khwezi Mqomboti

Under-11A

The season started with the Sevens Rugby Tournament at Wynberg. Splitting the squad into backs, loose forwards and tight forwards gave all boys an opportunity to display their skills and running ability. Ball retention was the team’s strength and they looked best on attack with ball in hand. Much time was spent working on defensive lines and the results of this hard work were beautifully illustrated in their match of the season against SACS. The boys defended their line bravely for a nail-biting opening 10 minutes, and then cut loose in order to secure a very memorable victory. Our trip to Beaufort West was definitely a highlight. The season ended with two fantastic Sevens Tournaments.

Team: M Bailes, J Bosch, C Day, N Edmunds, J Gomes, R Gordon, B Koenig, A Laspatzis, C Mushonga, U Ngcwangu, R Piorkowski, D van den Heever, S von Bormann, F Wagener, A Augoustatos, R Webb.

Greg Shuttleworth

Under-11B

This was a special and talented group with great depth evident, and we played great running rugby. They played exciting rugby, led by their powerful forward pack, and had some excellent backline moves. Their success can most definitely be attributed to their hard

work and dedication throughout the season.

Team: A Augoustatos, M Bhorey, G Bottega, J Breslin, T Geyer, W Heath, R Jenman, K Logie, N Macnab, B Pironi, W Prestage, L Reynolds, A Schierenberg, S Sixaba, R Webb.

Xolani Mathyeke

Under-11C

Our focus was to develop the basic skills of passing and catching, tackling and general awareness on the field. We worked on a strong defence set-up and drilled the concepts of pillar, post and lead. We tried not to be predictable by incorporating some set moves off the line-out and scrum as well as backline-attacking running lines. These attacking moves gave the boys a lot of confidence, as they knew exactly what was expected of them and the team. We coached the team to clearance-kick or attack-kick under pressure, which surprised many an opposition.

Team: J Rinquest, A Nyarashe, D Martin, M Ressel, M Viljoen, A Johnston, F Irvine-Smith, M Fair, G Lindt, J Childs, M Maurel, N Macnab, C Joubert, D Buswell, M Hunt, V du Plessis, L Reynolds.

Clayton Turner

Under-10A

This season has been a good one in terms of the development of each player, and they have responded well to the challenges they faced, often against much bigger opposition. They bought into a total rugby game play, which provided many players with the opportunity to experience other positions during phase play. It worked in some matches and in others the wheels fell off, but one learns more from losing

a hard-fought battle than winning a walk-in-the-park match. In the words of American golfer Ken Venturi, ‘I don’t believe you have to be better than everyone. I believe you have to be better than you ever thought you could be.’

Team: K Bacher, S Bey, D Coetzee, L Cowan, L Dicey, N Dorrington, J Gordan, A Lampe, J Lanning, N Mol, M Ramsay, T Thirion, J van den Heever, R Whiffler, M Haller, L Hofmeyr, J Rhys, N Souter.

Grant de Sousa

Under-10B

The side enjoyed a long and challenging rugby season. Having to adapt to 15-man full-field rugby, the boys took a while to get going, but once they had grasped the concepts, we had the pleasure of witnessing spectacular tries being scored, boys displaying correct and accurate tackling techniques, and an improvement in the handling of the ball. Although most of the games didn’t go in our favour, the boys always displayed true sportsmanship and always played to the final whistle.

Team: M Allen, M Finch, J Stewart, F Moran, N Souter, C Chuter, M Haller, B Cotterell, C Sara, R Jack, J Huntingford, R Levy, N Coleman, J Baptista-Horne, M Haller, V Freddy, J Planting.

Nanele Tyali

Under-10C

This squad of boys improved in leaps and bounds as they participated in the 15-man game for the first time. It was good to see several players promoted to the B team during the season. Our policy was to make sure that everyone in the squad had a regular opportunity

to play. We were often not necessarily fielding our strongest combination and this was especially telling against stronger C sides. The captaincy of the team rotated in every match, giving nearly every boy an opportunity to lead. Our final match against Rondebosch was a tight affair with a very strong wind blowing. Having beaten them in the first round, we were determined to give a good account of ourselves. Playing into the wind, we were 24 to nil down at half time. It was most satisfying that we scored three unanswered tries in the second half, to lose narrowly by one try.

Team: L Antoni, O Aspinall, A Beach, O Briggs, C Cedras, C Creedon, A Esposito, L Hacking, O Howie, M Krige, J Moolman, T Pugnalin, S Robbertse, M Scheder-Bieschin, K Sixaba, H Smith, S Thomas, M Whitelaw.

Tom Campbell

Under-9

All the boys arrived at the first practice session champing at the bit, so there was obvious disappointment when we spent the first few sessions on correct and safe technique when it comes to the contact situation. They grasped concepts quickly and implemented the skills they learnt with great ease. After the initial trial sessions they were selected into their respective teams and the hard work started in earnest. On match day the enthusiasm and excitement was a joy to watch. They overcame the initial butterflies and had a good outing with some determined individual performances. Every single boy in every single team worked hard in those initial stages, and after the first couple of games things started to fall into place. Boys were running with confidence and starting to show glimpses of understanding the game

and what is required to play rugby in an intelligent but physical way. In every team you had your range of players, from the physical enforcers to the boys who thrived when there is space available and the game opens up. There was a place for all personalities, talents and body shapes.

- Under-9A:** K Chahwahwa, A Mynhardt, L Bestel, C Anderson, K Lind, T Jenman, J Estcourt, J Horton, G Seymour, T Tanfield.
- Under-9B:** J Viljoen, T Williams, S Joseph, T Lascaris, J Lesbirel, D Rinquest, H Pettit, L Skillicorn, A Pironi, M Arnold.
- Under-9C:** S Bailes, O Banyard, H Badroodien, M Davies, M Warner, A Edwards, A de Fondaumiere, N Henry, H Dutton, J Khoury.
- Under-9D:** B Spaun, C Hewetson, Z Shaboodien, J Velosa, J Osler, S Maltz, A Ratheb X Sanders, S Gibbs, H Vermaak, F Pfaff, L Traut, D Brink.
- Under-9E:** N Constant, D Traill, C Jonker, D Brink, N Dalling, C Nogantshi, C Graaff, T Joubert, T Brunton, T Turner, A Kleynhans, M Waligora, A Ratheb, L Biko.

Willem Louw



SOCCER

RESULTS
U13A:
v St Charles 4-0
v Dale Junior 2-1
v Diski 0-3
v Wynberg 2-0
v RBPS 1-3
v Busy Bees 3-2
v Red River 3-2
U13B:
v St Charles 4-2
v Dale Junior 0-0
v Diski 0-7
v Wynberg 1-2
v RBPS 3-2
v Busy Bees 0-5
v Red River 6-1
U13C:
v St Charles 2-1
v Dale Junior 0-2
v Wynberg 4-4
v RBPS 4-3
v Busy Bees 0-4
U13D:
v St Charles 2-1

v Dale Junior 1-5
v WPPS 0-6
U12A:
v Diski 1-1
v Wynberg 1-1
v RBPS 1-1
v Busy Bees 5-2
v Red River 4-1
U12B:
v Diski 0-5
v Wynberg 3-2
v RBPS 0-0
v Busy Bees 0-1
v Red River 2-1
U12C:
v Wynberg 0-4
v WPPS 1-2
v RBPS 2-0
v Busy Bees 1-6
U11A:
v Diski 2-0
v Wynberg 1-1
v RBPS 0-0
v Busy Bees 9-1
v Red River 8-0

U11C:
v Wynberg 5-1
v RBPS 4-2
v Busy Bees 1-0
U11D:
v RBPS 0-4
U10A:
v Diski 0-2
v Wynberg 2-5
v RBPS 2-0
v Busy Bees 4-0
v Red River 2-0
U10B:
v Diski 0-7
v Wynberg 1-2
v RBPS 1-2
v Busy Bees 0-2
v Red River 1-0
U10C:
v Wynberg 1-3
v RBPS 1-2
v Busy Bees 2-5
U10D:
v RBPS 0-1
v WPPS 3-2
U9A:
v Diski 6-0
v Wynberg 3-0
v RBPS 1-1

v Busy Bees 2-0
v Red River 7-0
U9B:
v Diski 2-1
v Wynberg 5-1
v RBPS 5-0
v Busy Bees 1-6
v Red River 1-1
U9C:
v Wynberg 0-2
v WPPS 2-4
v RBPS 1-0
v Busy Bees 0-8
U9D:
v RBPS 0-0
v Wynberg 0-4

The world’s most popular sport is growing at Bishops Prep, with more fixtures against other schools and clubs than ever before. We make good use of the six weeks at the end of the rugby season and before cricket begins in the fourth term. After a week of skills work, the boys compete enthusiastically for two weeks in the Inter-House competition. This year the winning House in the Senior Cup was Brooke, with van der Bijl the runners-up. In the Junior Cup the winning House was Bramley, with Charlton the runners-up.

Under-13
The season started with the U13A team participating in the Inter-Faith Tournament organised by United Herzlia Schools. The Inter-Faith Tournament was an excellent

introduction to the game of diskì, placing our boys against well-oiled U14 teams and the boys showed great skills and resilience. All the teams showed good application of the skills learnt during the PE lessons and skills sessions and they should be commended for displaying great sportsmanship during this season.

A Team: Nashe Chahwahwa, Callum Jenman, Xhanti Ngxangane, Seth Swartz, Devan Marshall, Sam Berrisford, Jack Crafford, Haashim Pead, Andrew Dallas, Dean Cooper, Thomas Jacobs, Lihle Kakaza, Kashief Joseph, Tye Stewart, Liam Day.

B Team: Zac Heyns, Devan Searle, Daniel Fletcher, Matthew Brodziak, Kieran Brand, Johnny Marcopoulos, Cole Crawford, Aidan Norris, Thomas Rowand, Ben Norton, Richard Horton, Kayan Jaga, Danyaal Hendricks, Nic Allison, Michael Kruse, Christopher Leith, Nicholas Macdonald.

C Team: Dylan van Coeverden de Groot, Cayden Smith, Joshua Petersen, Benji Bechis Finotto, Nikola Augoustatos, Oscar Blatch, CJ Gordon, William Gibbs, Thomas Cullum, Kallan Jones, Ben Swift, Antony Smith, Luke Elliott-Jaaback, Oliver Carey, Timothy Walsh, Jack Whitaker, Michael Comitis, Fabian Gaertner, Trento Lambrechts, Ziyaad Moolla, Bouwe Wagener, Duncan Carter, Roston Bosini, Josh Egypt, Hasheel Govan, Jamie Chester, Josh Traut, Luke Bolus, Jett Bacher, Jack Howard, Patrick Gilson, Stuart Whitelaw, Morne Ogada, Craig Harrod, Johann Steyn.

Under-12
The age group enjoyed a competitive season this year. The focus was very much on speed of play and movement, with the intention to out-run and out-pass our opponents. It is amazing how quickly our boys adapted to playing soccer and it was pleasing to watch

some good interplay, well-timed runs and excellent goal-keeping skills. The highlight of the soccer programme is seeing boys of varying ability come together to play in a constructive, competitive and pressure-free environment.

A Team: A Betty, A Constant, C Gray, J Grieve, D Handley, A Jackson, A Mngxekeza, L Mynhardt, T Siko, J Skillicorn, A Steyn, R Truter, R Walker, T Welsh.

B Team: Z Berman, N Bouwers, D de Rauville Rohm, J de Sousa, A Dyaphu, T Head, L Krige, T Louw, D Malan, A Muir, J Oelz, J Samassa, T Scheder-Bieschin, R Stewart, M Voogt.

C Team: J Archibald, N Basson, N Bosini, L Boustead, U Calana, J Campbell, S Cheminais, M Davidson, T de Waal, S Esposito, M Estcourt, R Forrest, S Jack, L Johnstone, B Karlein, J Kotze, M Kotze, J Lappin, B Lehloenya, C Logie, W Moolman, K Moonsamy, L Moorgas, A Nayar, R Quin, C Ridgway, A Savva, T Schooling, A Smith.

Under-11
The teams can look back with immense pride at what they achieved this season. The whole age group had great depth, so it was tough competition for all the players. They were very motivated and disciplined sides and keen to learn and improve on each and every outing, demonstrating great skill and teamwork. The boys played with the necessary spirit and determination, and had a successful season.

A Team: C Day, N Edmunds, A Laspatsis, C Mushonga, B Pironi, A Augoustatos (goalie), A Ncgwangu, T Geyer, B Koenig, A Schierenberg, J Gomes, K Sixaba, J Bosch, R Piorkowski, J Robb-Quinlan.

B Team: J Breslin, J Childs, J Bolus, C Joubert, L Sara, D Martin (goalie), G Lindt, W Heath, M Walker, S von Bormann, D van den Heever, R Gordon, F Wagener, J Arendse, R Jenman.

C Team: D Tripe, B Maki, K Logie, D Buswell, M Bailes, N Macnab (goalie), A Thakersee, M Fair, M Bhorey, A Johnson, W Prestage, C Fletcher, G Comitis, K Setai, R Voigt.

D Team: L Carter, M Hunt, F Irvine-Smith, R Kader, G Martin, M Maurel, A Nyarashe, L Reynolds, J Ringquest, J van der Watt, B Watt, B Wolfson.

E Team: G Bottega, L Chester, O Cross, A Dawood, V du Plessis, L Lehmann, M Owen, M Ressel, R Rossouw, L Schluter, E Senol, J Thunstrom, M Viljoen, G Weich.

Under-10
We managed to field four teams that played matches against local rival schools. Soccer is very popular among the boys and it was wonderful to see how enthusiastic they were at practices and how many had wonderfully natural soccer skills. The boys always played to win, but still showed great sportsmanship. At practices, we focused on developing general skills so they could express themselves more in years to come.

A Team: O Briggs, C Chuter, L Cobbledick, L Dicey, J Lanning, M Mafunda, N Mol, F Moran, T Pugnalin, K Rinquest, R Tuscher, R Whiffler.

B Team: L Antoni, O Aspinall, J Baptista-Horne, J de Waal, N Dorrington, V Freddy, J Gordan, L Hofmeyr, J Huntingford, R Jack, A Lampe, R Levy, J Planting, M Ramsay, H Smith.

C Team: K Bacher, S Bey, C Cedras, D Coetzee, B Cotterell, L Cowan, M Finch, M Grawe, M Haller, O Howie, M Scheder-Bieschin, N Souter, Z Taylor, T Thirion.

D Team: A Beach, D Bursey, S Crookes, A Esposito, D Heyneke, H Hughes, M Lanfranchi, L Michaletos, Z Ndindwa, M Petersen, J Stewart, S Thomas, D Vorwerger, M Whitelaw.

Under-9
The teams were excited to get stuck into their soccer season and there was much passion and enthusiasm during the practice sessions, where skills, passing, teamwork and positional play were the focus areas.

A Team: C Anderson, L Bestel, K Chahwahwa, M Davies, J Horton, T Lascaris, J Lesbirel, K Lind, A Mynhardt, C Nogantsi, J Osler, D Perold, A Pironi, Z Shaboodien, T Tanfield, J Viljoen.

B Team: H Badroodien, S Bailes, O Banyard, D Cable, J Estcourt, C Hewetson, T Jenman, S Joseph, A Patel, S Ramjee, L Skillicorn, B Spaun, J Townshend, M Warner, T Williams.

C Team: D Brink, N Constant, A de Foundaumièrre, H Dutton, S Gibbs, J Khoury, S Maltz, H Pettit, F Pfaff, A Ratheb, D Rinquest, I Salie Mark, J Scholtz, C Sides, L Traut, J Velosa.

D Team: T Biko, N Dalling, B Doel, A Edwards, C Francis, C Graaff, C Hawes, N Henry, A Horrell, C Jonker, T Joubert, S Khan, A Kleynhans, A Love, W MacNaughton, J Mills, X Sanders, H Vermaak, M Waligora.



SQUASH

A Team: D de Groot, R Truter, N Macdonald, A Constant
B Team: A Nayar, A Smith, M Kotze, R Stewart, N Basson, J Oelz, A Savva
C Team: T Swanich, G Martin, J Traut, S Grewe, L Sara
D Team: J Robb-Quinlan, T Scheder-Bieschin, T Head, T Stewart

More than 50 players got an overall ranking on the ladder. Ladder positions are keenly fought for to enable playing in the Friday league matches. We have four teams entered into the leagues and they all gave

good accounts of themselves. Many league matches went down to the wire, often being taken deep into the final game. Dylan de Groot, Reuben Truter and Nic Macdonald all made WP teams that won gold and silver medals in the inter-provincial tournaments. Charlton House won the Inter-House Trophy with Bramley and van der Bijl both ending joint second. Dylan de Groot won the Individual Squash Trophy for being the best player.

Bruce Mitchell



SWIMMING

Captains: CJ Gordon and Jake Phillips

The severe drought experienced in the Western Cape resulted in the postponement of all swimming activity. Swimming sessions were replaced with land-based fitness, flexibility and strength programmes. The relaxing of all water restrictions in Term 4 allowed us to continue our swimming much to the delight of the boys.

We hosted an A/B combined gala with the four boys' schools and finished second overall. Western Province Preparatory School hosted the C League Gala, which also proved to be a huge success for our swimmers. With the cancelling of the Championship Gala in the first term, we combined it with the Relay Gala in the fourth term to allow all our swimmers the opportunity to compete for the age-group trophies.

Steve Mendes



TENNIS

Captain: J Crafford
A Team: J Crafford, J Whitaker, O Blatch, R Truter
B Team: M Kotze, N Augoustatos, C Leith, N Leith, N Macdonald
C Team: S Berrisford, M Comitis, L Mynhardt, J Samassa, J Bailey, N Basson, M Kruse, J Oelz
U11A: J Breslin, G Comitis, L Dicey, M Fair, J Bolus, R Kader

The boys gave of their best at all times, which made for an enjoyable season. It was encouraging to see how many of the boys improved their tennis skills. The squad players, who played in matches, had some outstanding results, and showed great sportsmanship. Tennis is booming and this is very encouraging.

Grant de Sousa



WATER POLO

Under-13

The teams had a tough, yet rewarding season this year. We fielded four teams in the league, a good indication of the enjoyment the boys had practising and playing during the season. Coaches focused on teaching basic skills using a fun innovative game-based approach. The drought curtailed some of our training as we could only use one pool. While an inconvenience, it was necessary in our attempts to save water. We managed to work around this with land work and fun games in the Mallett Centre.

The A side fared well in a tough league. The season started with the Reddam Action Tournament, a fun, small-ball, high-action, double-points ‘splash’ over two days. A great way to start the year. The Grey Junior

School Tournament was most enjoyable and the boys got a taste of what it’s like to go on tour – long days at the pool, the highs and lows of tournament polo and meeting new host families. The rugby season was good for the boys, as they returned to the pool, bigger, stronger and excited for the last term of water polo. Our standard of play was much improved at the SACS tournament, clear evidence of good coaching and the boys taking on board the coach’s tuition. While our overall position was a little disappointing, the boys cannot be faulted for their enthusiasm. Congratulations to goalie Jordan de Sousa who was selected for the Western Province U13B team to take part in the Schools Water Polo South Africa (SWPSA) Inter-Provincial Tournament in East London.

The B team had a great season with several boys being promoted to the A side. They managed to balance hard work and fun brilliantly, which resulted in them playing good polo and gelling as a team.

The C and D teams played and practised well and seemed to have great fun judging from the amount of noise made at practices!

We got the balance right – mass participation, a focus

on skill, and ensuring that enjoyment is of paramount importance.

A Team: Jordan De Sousa (goalie), Ben Swift (captain), Trento Lambrechts (vice-captain), Austin Graaf, CJ Gordon, Jake Phillips, Daniel Fletcher, Zac Heyns, Oscar Blatch, Cole Crawford, Thomas Callum, Cayden Smith

B Team: Josh Peterson, Cayden Smith, Aidan Norris, Callum Jenman, Thomas Rowand, Andrew Kleye, Jett Bacher, Thomas Callum, Johnny Marcopoulos, Cole Crawford, Jamie Chester

C Team: Yusuf Ahmed, Jett Bacher, Kieran Brand, Ethan Probart, Kallan Jones, Che Nanoo, Garrett Irvine-Smith, Luke Elliott-Jaaback, Patrick Gilson, Craig Harrod, Jamie Chester

D Team: Roston Bosini, Oliver Carey, Craig Harrod, Ryan Ferreira, Hassim Pead, Devan Searle, Tye Stewart, Johann Steyn, Seth Swartz, Timothy Walsh

Under-12

This age group boasts good depth, and competition for places in both the A and B teams is healthy. The boys made excellent progress over the year and they must be commended on their fine attitude towards working hard to catch up with our traditional Southern Suburbs rivals. The highlight of the year was the Cannons Creek U13 Waterpolo Tournament, where our U12 boys went toe-to-toe with an older opposition.

A Team: Jack Campbell, Ayabulela Dyaphu, Luke Johnstone, Benjamin Karlien, James Kotze, Jacob Oelz, Jake Skillicorn, Josh van Wyk, Michael Voogt, Ross Walker

B Team: Caden Ridgeway, Max Estcourt, Toran Head, Thomas Ludlam, Daniel Malan, Arran Muir, Alex Savva, Alexander Smith

C Team: Nicholas Basson, Liam Boustead, Sebastian Cheminais, Tristan Dahl, Jacob Fried, James Gibbs, Zach Johnson, Reece Quin, James Samassa, Theodor Scheder-Bieschin

Under-11

This group had a slow start to the water polo season. Coming out of their first year of water polo, the focus was on mastering the basics of the sport – catching, passing, swimming and game structure. We were met with some tough opposition, but fought on. Term 4 was a major turnaround. The boys came back determined and keen to learn. Across the board, there was a sense of camaraderie and enjoyment among the boys, which made our jobs as coaches so much easier.

A Team: Alex Laspatsis, Noah Edmunds, Connor Fletcher, Daniel van den Heever, William Prestage, Jaden Bosch, Ryan Webb, Ben Koenig, Michael Bailes

B Team: Owen Cross, Andaman Schierenberg, William Heath, Austin Johnston, Ryan Voigt, Jordan Childs, Keagan Logie, Matthew Owen, Rynard Gordon, Jack Breslin

C Team: Matthew Maurel, Dominic Buswell, Connor Day, Caden Mushonga, Michael Viljoen, Sebastian von Bormann, John van der Watt, Dylan Martin, Jaan Rinquest

D Team: Viggo du Plessis, James Thunstrom, Luca Bottega, Michael Ressel, Luc Schluter, Grant Weich, Liam Chester, Fouke Wagener, Benito Pironi, Cameron Joubert

Under-10

This is the first time that the boys have played water polo and much was learnt during the year. Our focus was learning the skills of eggbeater treading, throwing and catching the ball, positional play and then match play. We were fortunate enough to have an A and a B team as well as a large C and D squad. This allowed us to play matches against good competition every week. The improved skills level and understanding of the game was evident with thinking, strategic water polo being played.

A Team: Noah Coleman, Leo Cowan, Murray Finch, Vanchesco Freddy, Anthony Lampe, Joe Lanning, Noah Souter, John van den Heever

B Team: Kai Bacher, Ben Cotterell, Luc Dicey, James Gordon, Matthew Haller, Joshua Huntingford, Rhys Jack, Michael Mafunda, Finn Moran, Tristan Thirion
Team C and D: Odin Aspinall, Daniel Coetzee, Alessandro Esposito, Maximilian Grawe, Naethan Mol, Dylan Vorweg, Henry Hughes, Marcus Krige, Zak Ndindwa, Max Petersen, Sebastian Robbertse, Matthias Scheder-Bieschin



INTERNATIONAL TOURS

DULWICH TRIP
On 26 April, 12 Grade 6s were packed and ready for the Bishops leg of our exchange programme with Dulwich London Preparatory School in the UK.

It was with much excitement that we left Cape Town International Airport and headed off to Heathrow, London. After some hiccups and a long flight, we arrived in a chilly London and were transported to the school to meet our host families. Time was spent at the school, learning and experiencing different teaching styles and methods, as well as spending time touring through London. We were very impressed by the technology and infrastructure of the school. We were spoilt by having our very own tour guide, Craig Gordon, a teacher from Dulwich who arranged an amazing walking tour through the heart of London. Especially exciting was a walk through the House of Lords with Lord Anthony St John (OD), and the Earl of Sandwich. They spent time telling the boys how topics are debated in Parliament.

Other memorable elements of our trip were experiencing the London Bridge underground tour, ferrying down the Thames to Greenwich, having lunch at Burrough Market, seeing *The Lion King* at the Lyceum, enjoying a tour through the West Ham United Stadium, cycling around the Olympic Village and sliding down the Orbital, which is the longest enclosed

slide in the world. Special educational outings included enjoying the Natural History Museum, the interactive displays at the Science Museum and a trip up to the Greenwich Meridian station. Feeling the need for some exercise, we went pedalling in pedalos on the Serpentine, played football and did gymnastics on the grass fields at Greenwich. The boys managed to swim at Dulwich Prep pool often and even started training for the upcoming hockey season in the school gym.

We mastered the use of the Underground and train services, and were most impressed by their speed and efficiency. Costa's, Shake Shack and Pizza Express were some of our hot spots for lunch. The boys spent weekends with their host families and were treated to many fun activities including walking around Wembley Stadium, water-skiing on the Thames, camping, going to the theatre and even watching Premier League Soccer matches. Before we knew it, it was time to say goodbye and head back to Heathrow and return home. Twelve very tired, but happy boys climbed aboard the plane, watched movies and slept peacefully. All in all, the trip was an incredible experience for everyone. We learnt so much and developed super friendships. A truly unforgettable experience. The two weeks spent there were incredibly full and enjoyable.

Penny Graney and Mark Erlangsen



SALVETE VALETE

SALVETE		
Grade N		
ADAM, Ilaan	ANDERSON, Alessio Pietro	BODDY, Charles
CONSTANTINOOU, Alexandros	CUPIDO, Danyal	DANIELS, Logan, Lee
DARNé, Cole Campbell	DE KOCK, Luan	EBBS, David Anthony
EDWARDS, Harry Douglas Deare	EEDES, Daniel P	EMMS, Finnley Israel
FARQUHARSON, Adam	FERGUSON, Finn	FRASER, Louis
GEORGE, Christian D	GOMES, Zac Usher	GORDON-DAVIS, Zachary
HACKWILL, Cassian William	HARNEKAR, Esa	HARCOURT-WOOD, Leo
HENDRICKS, Rushdi Humayun	HEWETSON, Troy Thomas	HOFMEYR, Angus
JOHNSON, Holden William	JORDAAN, Tristan D	JOUBERT, Joshua Caleb
KALIL, Nicholas James Michael	KHAN, Adam Jibril	KHOURY, Liam James
KIRKPATRICK, Robert	KLERCK, Connor James	KOTZE, Jonathan
KUTTEL, Luke Christopher	LIN, Keegan Yan Hei	MAFANYA, Matshezandile Mateo
MAPUKATA, Zuko J	MATELAKENGISA, Vukosi	MCCOLLUM, Michael Ryan
MCFADYEN, Leo Harrison	MOGOTLANE, Ande Mothokwa	MOOLMAN, Matthew Ben
MOTSUMI, Otsile	NAYLOR, Cullin Patrick	PARKER, Dair James Clarence
PENTZ, Cameron	PRAIN, Murray	PROTOULIS, Pano John
RIXTON, Jason Thomas Doria	ROBBINS, Orlando Makoea	SCHOLTZ, James P
SHAIK, Adam	SMOLDERS, Benjamin C	TURNLEY-JONES, Adam
TWYCROSS, Daniel	VAN REENEN, Maximilian	VAN ZYL, Oliver Thomas
VENN, Nathan Ramsay	WARNER, Matthew Nicolae	XIAO, Ming-gu

XU, Hanting		
Grade R		
AMLAY, Imran	BIRT, Anthony	CHU, Alexander
DAVIDS, Joseph	DAWOOD, Altaf	FORRESTER, Maximilian
HENDRICKS, Ross	HUDSON, Joseph	JORDAN, Phoenix
KUYS, André	MOODLEY, Kartar	NEVIN, Casey
REED, Jake	THOMALLA, Oliver	VORWERG, Owen
WHITBURN, Joshua		
Grade 1-7		
BAILEY, Jamie	BODDY, Henry	BODDY, Oliver
BIKO, Luthando	BOUSTEAD, Liam	BRIGGS, Oliver
CARTER, Duncan	CHILDS, Jordan	COETZEE, Daniel
DAWOOD, Aadil	FOX, Matthew	KOTELANA, Amohelang
KRIGE, Willem	LAMPE, Anthony	MARTIN, Dylan
PEAD, Haashim	RATHEB, Alexandros	SANDERS, Xavier
SEYMOUR, George	SKILLICORN, Luke	TAYLOR, Zachary
WATERFORD, Walter		
VALETE		
ABRAHAMS, Taufeeq	ALLAN, Michael	ALLERTON, Jack
FRASER, Louis	GANYEKA, Rohan	KILKENNY, James
KILPIN, Oliver	KILPIN, Thomas	KRIGE, Louis
KLEYNHANS, Alex	MARTINEZ, Peter	OGADA, Morné
PETTIT, Harrison	PHILLIPS, Jake	SEARLE, Devan
SELBY, Matthew	STUART-FINDLAY, John	VON HOESSLIN, Nathan
WATKINS-BALL, Francis		
WELSH, Nicholas		



PRE-PREP

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT'S REPORT

What a wonderful experience, being part of this dynamic, forward-thinking school. Bishops is proud of the staff and children that form part of this learning space. From the free-play area in Grade N to the more structured space in Grade 2, our aim is to develop loved, confident, independent and well-mannered young men of the future. Despite the curriculum and prescribed learning that we need to cover, we manage to wedge it all between fun, movement, art, music and play, in a creative and peaceful space. Every day we are prepared for something new, the unexpected, and the many laughs and hugs. Who would not be excited with each day that unfolds?

Staff Matters

We have been privileged to maintain some excellent teachers and administrators and it is no surprise that the ladies who left us had many years at this wonderful school. Nicky van Zyl, our fabulous, patient, kind and loving secretary, left Bishops after 18 years in our administration section. Ann van Breda retired after many loyal years of dedicated service, and Rosemary Harris left to explore other avenues in the education arena. We have been honoured and privileged to have been able to serve with these ladies and wish them well as they explore new opportunities and seasons in their lives. Heather Fraser delivered a beautiful little girl, Charlotte, this year and Siophan Wright became Siophan van der Westhuizen, marrying Shane. Melody Durrheim celebrated her engagement to Craig Green.

Outreach

We have been extremely aware of those organisations that need support. There have been many opportunities for donations over the year, from soft toys for The Teddy Bear Clinic, in support of child victims of sexual offences, to pet food for the SPCA, Mdzananda Animal Clinic and our very own feral cat family. We made coin contributions to the National Association of the Deaf; donated books during Readathon Week to various schools as well as Little Libraries, which reaches far and wide distributing books to those who have none. Poppy Day yielded a wonderful cash collection as well as clothes, shoes and food hampers for the assistants and security guards. Groups of mums also spoilt our security guard Lundi, who is having a baby this December and we are so grateful to all who contributed.

Grade N

Our second year of Grade N has come and gone in a flash. Our fledglings who arrived in January have grown wings and are ready to move up to Grade R where new opportunities await. We have loved the messy and tactile art room where we have made masks, drawn under tables while lying on our backs, done marble paintings, made treasure boxes, made watches and constructed binoculars for bird-watching.

The garden continues to be a favourite and important area for the little boys to strengthen and develop their gross motor skills. They love the mud play and sandpit and a highlight for some of them is playing soccer on the field, after snacks, with Mr Vincent.

Our outing to the Iziko Museum in the city was another highlight. We learnt a lot about dinosaurs and fossils and enjoyed a picnic snack in The Company's Garden. We were also visited by the 'Bird Man', Martin Odd, who brought his birds, big and small. We enjoyed a puppet show, *An African Tale*, and loved being entertained by Gilly Southwood, one of the best storytellers around. The boys also took part in the traditional activity of writing letters to their parents, putting stamps on envelopes and walking to the post box close to the school.

Altogether a fun and productive year in Grade N where we have seen the boys gain independence, grow and develop through play.

Grade R

Term 1 brought a fresh group of very excited Grade Rs. It was time for 'Big School' and the boys were ready for the challenge! Our outing to the Green Point Park proved to be an exciting one, incorporating our 'Senses' theme and highlighting sustainability and the importance of conserving our flora and fauna. Some boys tasted sour figs for the first time!

Term 2 welcomed the ever-popular Salt River Fire Station outing. The boys loved all the informative facts – which number to call in an emergency, how to STOP, DROP AND ROLL, or STAY LOW AND GO, GO, GO! The boys always enjoy this outing and many left thinking this would be their dream job! They soon reported that it is far too dangerous, and that you would have to be a very brave



ABOVE: Sharlene Groom; Rosemary Harris and Ann van Breda

man to tackle it. The firefighters put on an incredible show of their training drills and their super fire engines. Between sirens blaring and a demonstration of how the jaws of life work, our boys were enthralled and in awe. We spoke about firefighters and other community helpers that brought about much discussion on the topic ‘Strangers and Safety’. Creating an awareness of safety and safe places or safe people to talk to was essential for our little ones.

In Term 3 we focused on ‘Our Heritage’, which dovetailed with a group of wonderful presenters from FANSA productions. Diversity among people of the world was the topic of discussion. We were all engaged in the presentation, with boys dressing up, doing rain dances, learning different languages and discussing traditions and cultures from around the world. Through awareness of cultural diversity, our children become tolerant and learn to understand that similarities as well as differences can be celebrated.

By this time, our boys had grown and matured so much, we hardly recognised them from the little ones who first walked over the Grade R threshold. Term 4 brought about much more independence – parents dropped our confident little boys off with a cheerful goodbye, and boys were ready to face their jam-packed day! Our Christmas Carol Service and Nativity Concert were the highlights of this term. The boys and teachers practised endlessly to make the service an exciting and blessed one for all the parents and grandparents.

Grade 1

2018 got off to a great start. All the boys were eager to get back to school. The teachers were not too sure if it was to settle down and learn to read and write, or to see their friends again! During the year we happily welcomed three new boys to the school, Amo Kotelana, Matthew Fox and Henry Body.

Our boys are very blessed to be involved in numerous themes throughout the year that take us off into different parts of our city. In Term 1, we visited the Two Oceans Aquarium and took a trip down to St James Beach. Seventy-two excited boys, and their parents, boarded the train at Rondebosch Station armed with buckets and spades, fishing nets and all the equipment needed for a happy morning on the beach. It was a beautiful day and much fun was had by all – swimming, building sand castles and exploring the rock pools. We got to visit the World of Birds in Term 2, and learnt all about farm life in Term 3 at De Grendal wine farm. Our themes at the beginning of Term 4 were ‘Money’ and ‘What People Do’. During our maths lessons the boys learnt about money, its value and how to use it in a practical way. This led to our Trading Day, a highlight of the term. Each boy had to make 10 items that he thought his friends would like to buy. On the day, the boys were responsible (with lots of help from their teachers) for setting up their stalls and advertising their ‘goods’. Then the fun began, with each class having an opportunity to go to the other classes to ‘shop’, while the host class played the role of the shopkeepers. At the end of the day everyone was happy, having sold all their goods and sporting a shopping bag full of exciting goodies to take home. The boys were also able to visit Kiddies’ Campus, which gave them an opportunity to experience a variety of occupations.

Readathon Week was a highlight for many of our boys, as they participated in ‘Crazy Hair Day’ and Crazy Sock Day’, and dressed up as a character from a book. Well done to Storm Silander on reading the most pages in Grade 1. Hooked on Books and The Book People visited us again this year to get the boys even more excited about some new book titles. We also had a special story time with hot chocolate and biscuits, together with some of the special people in our lives.

In keeping with Heritage Day, we ended Term 3 with a ‘Proudly South African’ theme. One of the main focuses of this theme was to discuss similarities and differences, and this helped the boys to appreciate and show respect for one another. We dressed up, learnt our National Anthem, shared South African foods and did exciting art projects. We even participated in some South African dancing! Before we knew it, it was time to prepare for Christmas. We ended the term with our class party and annual Carol Service in the Memorial Chapel.

Grade 2

What a fun and busy year the Grade 2s had, filled with excitement and memories for a lifetime. Our theme in Term 1 was ‘Insects’, and our outing to Butterfly World brought to life everything we had been talking about. Jonah de Villiers exclaimed, ‘We saw interesting snakes and beautiful butterfly sculptures!’ The boys also participated in the Bishops Mini Argus. They came to school all geared up with their scooters and bicycles and were taken on an adventurous journey around the school.

During Readathon Week, we encouraged all boys to read as many pages as possible and record the names of the books and pages read each day. This fun-filled week kicked off with a ‘Crazy Hair Day’, followed by ‘Crazy Tie Day’ and then ‘Crazy Sock and Shoe Day’. It was the one time the boys could bend the school rules – just a tiny bit. We ended the week with ‘Favourite Book Character Day’ where the boys came dressed as a character from a story they knew and loved. We had everyone from Harry Potter to Charlie and Mr Willy Wonka from the Chocolate Factory.

We experienced enchanted illusions at the Magic Classroom at the College of Magic. Maxim Lanfranchi said, ‘It was very magical!’ Dominic van Reenen said, ‘It was amazing and I absolutely loved every minute.’

Seth Burns felt that after seeing it close-up, magic was worth all the practice.

In early September, some of our hockey boys were fortunate enough to be invited to play in a tournament at Western Province Cricket Club Astro turf. We were very proud of the skills these boys demonstrated on the field, and even more so of their excellent sportsmanship and gentlemanly manners.

To end off our hockey season, all the boys were invited to play a match together with their parents on the Bishops Astro turf. The best rule was that only the boys could score goals and not their parents! Lots of fun was had by all involved.

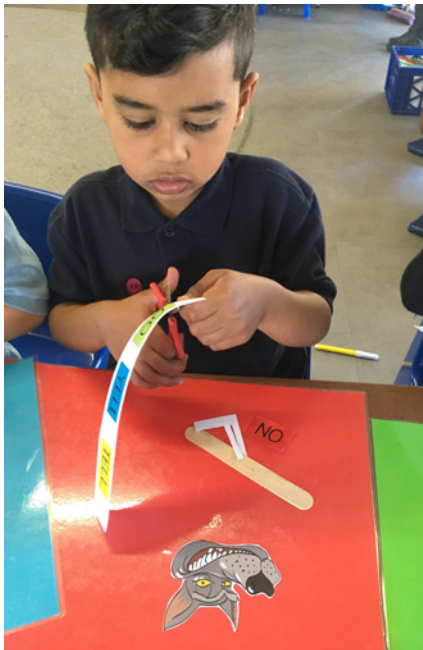
It was a very foggy, humid day in Stellenbosch when we visited the Polkadraai Strawberry Farm, but Cape Town’s unpredictable weather was not going to spoil the boys’ experience at the farm and they had such a fun time.

There is one incredibly special event that the boys look forward to for the entire year – the Father and Son Camp Out! The boys thoroughly enjoyed spending time with their dads and were on their best behaviour amid all the immense fun.

Congratulations to Mrs Swanich and her fantastic musicians for a job well done. The boys practised hard and put on an amazing performance in front of family and friends in the Bishops Memorial Theatre. The boys charmed us with their musical and singing talents.

We ended off our year celebrating with an exciting treasure hunt and a fun-filled Christmas class party with lots of special treats.

Sharlene Groom













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The photo photographed at dawn by Patrick Ryan (1985/5). An award-winning Cape Town photographer, Patrick wanted to capture a "timeless" feel of the changing morning light. He took different frames every five minutes from dawn till about 5.30am, then combined them into a single image using Photoshop to create the effect of light moving across the sky and mountains. To purchase a print of this photo, contact p.ryan@patrickryan.com. See www.patrickryanimages.com.

Oh clouds unfold!

OD photographers reveal wonderful shots from above and below, though not always of green and pleasant lands.

Clouds are a beautiful sight, and in this issue, we have a collection of aerial shots from our photographers. These shots show the beauty of our coastline and the way the clouds unfold over the land. The photos are taken from a high angle, looking down on the landscape. The clouds are white and fluffy, and they are scattered across the sky. The land below is a mix of green and brown, with roads and buildings visible. The overall effect is one of a vast, open landscape, with the clouds adding a sense of depth and scale.

In the news

ODs making headlines in South Africa and across the oceans

Fo(u)r the record
In January, South African rising star **MadHatters** featured on the front page of the *Cape Times*. After leading fourth place in the 2018 *Stellenbosch* triathlon, the group of four (and many more) ODs - **Colin Barnett (2014/8)**, **Grant Sall (2014/8)**, **Lauren Goss (2014/8)** and **Matthew Beynon (2014/8)** - took 30 days to cover the 5,000km from La Graciosa in the Canary Islands to English Harbour in Antigua, and in the process set a new African World Record as the youngest four-man crew to race across the Atlantic.
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Flying high for agriculture

CEO of Australia's James Watson (2007/8) is making headlines in improving the way farmers farm. Australia, which James co-founded in 2014, specialises in using drone technology and software to help farmers with early identification of pests and diseases on their crops. In 2018, Australia reported that the company was already carrying a payload of about 500,000 hectares of farms, 80% of which are in South Africa. James, who has a master's in aerospace and aeronautical engineering from MIT, tells us they use machine learning and artificial intelligence to analyse drone and satellite imagery (see illustrated below), sending alerts to farmers as he needed. He's currently working on a more autonomous problem-detection system that also counts the fruit and the yield, warning farmers about problems without any human intervention.

A Tea For The Birds
Editorial left, pictured with his wife, Amanda, and Peter O'Grady's (2017/8) Haggis (Lachlan) was named 2018's National Farmer of the Year by the Agricultural Writers' Association. Peter took over the Haggis from his father in 1984, adding five farming units to the original farm to increase productivity, turnover and profit. The unit is operated independently, but the business is owned by Peter and his brother, Lachlan. Peter's business is a family business, and he is proud to be a part of it. He is also a member of the Agricultural Writers' Association, and he is proud to be a part of it. He is also a member of the Agricultural Writers' Association, and he is proud to be a part of it.

Energy buff

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The Bookshelf

An old bookstore on new premises - and new books by Old Boys

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From The Old Diocesan, Issue 2

THE PIONEER: MARK SHUTTLEWORTH

RIGHT:
Keeping a low profile.
Mark Shuttleworth, circa 2014.
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It’s hard to know how a conversation with one of our school’s most prominent Old Boys might pan out. What do you talk about with a multidisciplinarian ex-cosmonaut who straddles an elusive area between IT, big business and deep thinking? Well, among other things, bee-keeping, Bitcoin and why you should specialise in two things at the same time. Oh yes, and space.
By Tim Richman

Mark Shuttleworth (1991W) is a difficult man to get hold of. No surprises there, really. One of the highest-achieving ODs of our time, it takes eight months to pin him down for an intercontinental interview. After

a couple of false starts, the chosen hour for our chat finally ticks over – and then I can’t remember my Skype log-in. The wonders of tech.

The more pressing concern is that I have no way to gauge Mark’s commitment to the interviewing cause. For a one-time space hero, he certainly keeps a low profile; no-one at Bishops seems to know where he is; he doesn’t respond to emails himself; his PA (eventually) tells me his most recent publicity photo is four years old... Will he be a reluctant interviewee, dialling in out of some residual sense of duty to his alma mater? Or, as his ongoing (even lower-profile) financial support for the school might suggest, perhaps he’s keen to chat but just can’t find the time.

The last time I saw Mark in the flesh it was prize-giving, 1991. As the departing head boy, he told us to take advantage of the opportunities that Bishops presented us and to dream big. Then he followed his own advice. In 1999, at the height of the dot-com boom, he sold

his pioneering internet security company, Thawte Consulting, for either \$575m or \$700m, depending on your source. A couple of years later, at age 28, he validated his surname and spent nine days on board the International Space Station (ISS). (Today, in the pantheon of space heroes the Shuttleworth name sits not far from immortals like Alan Shepard and Anatoly Solovyev. Mark remains the seventh youngest person to go into space.)

His achievements on their own are remarkable. Together, they are unique. I wonder if it’s been something of a letdown since – a literal return to earth.

How do you top those two or three years? Today, Mark runs Canonical, which supports the open-source Ubuntu operating system that he has been instrumental in developing. Canonical’s client list includes Netflix, Tesla, Deutsche, and its influence is profound. But is the quiet computing revolution he’s orchestrating enough? Do you wear the world heavily after talking to Nelson Mandela while orbiting the earth at 28,000km/h?

We connect through the miracle that is the internet – that thing that Mark spotted and mastered before all the rest – and the first thing he says is how glad he

is to be connecting. He looks comfortable and light of spirit – and he engages. The conversation takes extended and unintended diversions down paths that are invariably interesting and loaded with insight. He makes mental leaps that don't always coincide with the words coming out of his mouth, and he punctuates his answers with the phrase, "You know what I mean?" Sadly, not always, but it's a ride nonetheless.

Mark's range of expertise and interests – and his willingness to explore them in some depth – mean that our allocated hour flies by. We barely touch on his day job at Canonical, I find out next to nothing about his day-to-day life, and I forget to ask him how he remembers his passwords. But he does tell me that he tries to spend two months in South Africa every year. Given the exceptional ground this short conversation covers, I'm hoping this is the launch of the annual Shuttleworth interview...

Many ODs have been canvassed to put a question to you, and the winner is: "Do you secretly wish you were in Founders House?"

Haha. It wouldn't be a secret if I answered that question.

Fair enough. Then let me start with a softball question. What teacher did you learn the most from at Bishops?

Gosh, I had a really good relationship with Hugo Leggatt who was my science teacher for a good chunk of time and also my housemaster at White House. He had a very diverse set of interests – history, the outdoors, science – and he was a great mentor, he really encouraged me to be curious and interested about what was out there. The thing that he subtly conveyed to me was that so much of what we consider "great history" happened remarkably easily for people who were just interested in stuff that was going on. The net effect was that it didn't seem intractable to be

interested in what was going on anywhere in the world, and to want to be part of that. I really credit him with creating that sort of straightforward expectation.

Do you agree with the Malcolm Gladwell formula for success: above-average competence, 10,000 hours of practice, and a large dose of luck?

Yeah, all of those things. You have to credit luck. I know that in various things I've done, there are always other people who have had similar ideas, worked as hard. And sometimes I got lucky and sometimes they got lucky. I often meet people, especially in the tech industry, who have been successful and are completely blind to either the inside track they had or the luck they had along the way – until they've been around long enough to have had a couple of swings of the bat. And then you start to see that luck always plays a role – but so does the 10,000 hours, and that instinctive sense of knowing whether something sounds right or seems possible.

Tell us how you went from university straight into running a business from your parents' garage.

I tell you, the roller coaster of life. [After gaining a Finance Honours] I very precociously thought I'd have a good shot at the Rhodes Scholarship, and I didn't get it. [It went to Anton Cartwright (1990F), now a Senior Associate of the Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership.] I was slightly mortified, and genuinely at a loose end. It was a very good lesson in presumptuousness. But it left me with a sense of an opportunity. A sudden gap. So I threw myself into it right after university, at home, much to my parents' distress, and that 10,000 hours thing – getting really immersed in something that was wild and strange, and therefore not something that a lot of people were paying attention to – made it relatively easy in the end to connect the dots. I wasn't competing with, for example, 100,000 Stanford graduates.

“In your dreaming, think big. Go beyond the perimeter of the school. As South Africa and indeed the world warms to a new age of communication, there is no reason why Bishops boys should not be at the forefront of the movement.”

– Mark Shuttleworth, Head Boy's Prize-Giving address, 1991

You were pioneering effectively?

Yeah, more like bushwhacking. Haha. A good workout.

Do you follow Thawte today?

No. I'm kind of delighted every time it pops up in a browser but it's not my focus. It's interesting to see the Bitcoin phenomenon – because it's back to crypto, right? It's back to a lot of the same mathematics, back to a lot of the same questions about who was going to take what risk. But as the guy from Microsoft said to me, everything I *didn't* have was on the line. I had nothing to lose, whereas the IBMs and the AT&Ts had a lot to lose. Doing it from a garage in Durbanville turned out not to be a bad idea.

So, on to Bitcoin, a favourite WhatsApp group conversation... What are your thoughts?

I do think we're still very early in the process of understanding modern economics. It's only 20 years since central banks notionally went independent. The idea of money is still pretty shallow and pretty poorly understood. Crypto is a very physics-centric way of thinking about the problem of neutral value. When you have something that is essentially useless that is hard to create, it becomes effectively a reasonable store of

value; you may not need it but if you have to get one you'll have to do something for it, swap something for it, or go and do a bunch of work. Whether you dig metal out of the ground or spin a couple of electrons around, it doesn't make any difference. I've always thought Bitcoin is plausible as money in the same way as gold is – it serves exactly the same purpose in exactly the same way. But it does have the exciting property that if the mathematics changes you're [in trouble]. Which has happened in the world of cryptography. Whole edifices get built and then torn down overnight because we find a new mathematical insight. These things are all built on the idea that some things are difficult mathematically, but a new algorithm will change what's difficult. Long division is difficult until you find an easy way to do it, then suddenly it's not difficult.

Do you see a future for blockchain and crypto?

I think a physics-based definition of money is a lot healthier ultimately than a human-reputation-based definition of money. Because it turns out humans don't really maintain their reputations more than two to three generations. But the laws of physics – you can probably count on those.



Do you hand over your credit card details for internet transactions, or do you look for the Thawte brand?

I think that stuff now is best handled by third-party payment processes, like PayPal, so you're not actually handing over your details to different institutions. You've taken a risk you can manage – only one scary trip rather than motorcycling to work every day.

Now, your trip to space. Are there any misconceptions that have arisen over the years about your trip to space or is it fairly straightforward?

It's fairly straightforward. I think the path that might surprise people, coming back to the opening questions, is that in simply going there all of these mythologies of complexity get shaken out and you're simply dealing with people and problems. From the contemplation of it, it seemed very grand. You know, you're going to go to a country you've never been to, and you're going to negotiate with a government that's got a bit of a reputation, to do something that is kind of legendary. In practice it means, buy a plane ticket and start going to meetings and see what happens. A lot of the reasons we might give ourselves not to just try something go out the window once

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Aboard the International Space Station, April 2002. "I really felt like we moved the needle in interesting ways." Photograph © Getty Images

you simply go there and start engaging with people. And I think that's true for pretty much anything. If I wanted to get into something profoundly new I would simply go somewhere and start talking to people and then figure [things] out. It doesn't mean you're going to get it done, but all of the things you might tell yourself about why you might not get something done are almost certainly fictitious. You just need to go there. Moscow was a very complicated place. It was a real mess. But in the end, it was just a question of meeting all the different actors and figuring out what they needed to do to do it properly. You know, talk to the people who make space suits and make a plan to make a space suit, and talk to the people who certify cosmonauts and make a plan to get certified, and stitch all of that together, and, with a bit of luck...

So, when you were sitting in your Soyuz capsule ready for blast off, were you a 100 percent trusting in the process that you'd gone through?

No! How could you be? The gantry was quite rusty. Haha! There were lots of reasons to turn around and head straight back. But the only time I can remember being genuinely fearful of the process was the day before. Until then, it was really a challenge. What are the obstacles? Can I get through the tests? Can I contract with all of these parties, and will they honour their obligations? A million little challenges. The day before, you get signed off. You sit as a crew in front of the panel and they go through a long list of things that have been checked, and then they sign a piece of paper saying that that crew will go to space. Only at that stage was it truly my own choice, and there was a very nice Russian chap called Oleg who was super-

happy to take my place. And I shat myself, because it really came down to: do you actually want to do this? So I slunk off into an abandoned swimming pool and sat there, and my South African phone rang, which is a number that only family would have, so I thought, ah, here's the call to get me out of this funk, and it was the wrong number, and I thought, ah screw it, let's just go. It was literally someone looking for Petrus...

Of that long checklist, what was the greatest challenge? Learning Russian, the technical aspects of flying into space, the politics?

The complicated piece was the layering of all of those things at the same time. The Soviet state had just collapsed. Literally, people had been told, we can't pay your salaries, you should form a company doing what you used to do – good luck! And then I showed up, and I ended up having to negotiate with 17 or 18 different groups. Until about two months before, I didn't have a contract to fly, but I had contracts to get trained, to get medically certified, to study ballistics, to study survival, all with different groups. Then layer on top of that complications in South Africa on how to fund it, because that required exchange control approval... Essentially, I was trying to live in Star City, figure out how to build relationships with the various different astronaut corps, negotiate with different groups of Russians, learn how to be a cosmonaut and kind of figure out how to deal with all the back-end politics, and build a science programme all at the same time. It was layers of complexity. I had to stitch that all together, and that's what made it really interesting.

You say “interesting”, not unpleasant or particularly challenging. You enjoyed the whole process?

Marco Polo has this great quote attributed to him that says adventure remains when misery is forgotten, and that’s true. You go out on that limb, it’s scary, it’s cold, it may be wet, it’s uncomfortable. In my case you’re sleeping in a hotel room that you know is bugged – haha – and not a very comfortable hotel room either. So you go out there because you want to see what’s there.

So, then, the big question. It’s 16 years now since you were in space, they say it cost \$20 million, plus all the training, the media spotlight, expectations of a country on your shoulders, being pigeon-holed as the first Afronaut... Was it worth it?

Hugely so. My memories of it are all about the people and the dynamics between people. And there’s all of this technical stuff and physical stuff, but somehow that evaporates and you’re left with this sense of camaraderie, of having done something interesting under difficult circumstances. It is deeply satisfying, ultimately. And I really felt like we moved the needle in interesting ways. Previously there was a lot of hostility to any sort of private involvement in space, but by looking them in the eye and saying, I’m going to run a science programme and an education programme, I’m going to get fully certified and trained, I’m not just a passenger – it changed the perception for a certain number of them of what it would be like to work with the private sector. They could see that I had latitude to do things that they didn’t have, and I could use that sometimes to do things better than them within the constraints they had.

So would you consider space tourism and your space trip in particular as a forerunner to SpaceX and the like?

Absolutely. I mean the very idea that NASA would come on track with a private entity was anathema. They told me they essentially had to change their founding documents to make it possible. It was a deeply institutional thing.

On to modern philosophy. If you are, shall we say, multifaceted and can steer your energy in whatever direction you want, how do you decide, in a world full of data and opportunities and possibilities, what you’re going to do?

There’s a lovely bit of science that showed very clearly that people make decisions and then rationalise them. Sometimes you’ll meet people who will give you long, detailed insight into what they’re looking for in a partner, but if you meet them 20 years later none of that would have been relevant. The way they would have met the person who they spend time with is a complete accident. I think this is true of much of what we do. What we are good at is feeling lots of different ways forward and then picking one. I’ve gotten into bee-keeping, and the way a hive allocates its time effectively, or how it decides where it’s going to move to, is exactly the way a brain works. The brain has lots of ideas at the same time, and they compete with each other until one wins. They get weighed up against each other at a level that you can’t rationalise. This is where I think the 10,000 hours comes in. At the end of the day, the more you’re seeing something, or becoming immersed in something, the better your instincts are. So we all tend to make decisions instinctively. You can then choose how much time you want to spend rationalising, but all you’re doing is essentially making up a reason for what you’ve done. If I look at the things I’ve done, it’s simply been that



Early successes: Mark (left) giving “an excellent and mature performance” of the Modern Major General in the school production of *The Pirates of Penzance*, 1990, and (above) his Prize-Giving address, 1991.

there’s an idea percolating and it grew against other ideas, until eventually I said, all right, let me immerse myself in that. At the end of the day I really think you have one life, it’s a short life: have diverse interests and then pursue something that connects them in a new way. If I am lucky enough to talk to a bunch of students or school kids, I’ll say, go study two different things at the same time, and go make sure that those are both things that interest you, and you will almost certainly be a more interesting person and have a more interesting life as a consequence. And that’s it.

To tech, which is where the interest is, the money, the controversy, the potential redemption of mankind... Tell us about the tech Stonemason society where you and the Zuck and Elon and Tim

Cook all meet up and run the world.

Haha. All I can say is that all of them have pitfalls. All of them have blind spots. They all could’ve come out of Wynberg, Rondebosch or Bishops. All of them have put their 10,000 hours into something that was a bit different at the time, and all of them have got a bit lucky. And the worst thing they could do is not be clear about that in their own minds.

Do you think some of them aren’t?

Yes, because I think if you are in the spotlight it looks like a mirror but it’s really a cartoon. The representation of you is really a cartoon, a caricature. And that’s always true, whether it’s mampara of the week or tech god – it is always a caricature, so you really can’t be too invested in it. If you are, you will go a little gaga...

Is tech going to save or destroy us?

We won't get out of the pinch we're in without tech. But tech does a lot of damage too. It's very much a two-edged sword.

So many extremely influential tech people were very young when they became so influential. Zuckerberg is the obvious example. Can we entrust the future of the world to such young and inexperienced minds?

No choice. Of course you can. We all make mistakes, but the advantage of youth is that you can spot the inequalities and imbalances that remain. All of us have fought for change at varying times in our life but then we become complacent, we become comfortable with life as it is. I think we fundamentally have to entrust the world to the next generation and imbue them with a sense of optimism, of what's possible, and the energy to go do what they think needs to be done. Facebook has arguably made some terrible mistakes but it also connects people in a wonderful way. The same with Google, same with Microsoft... It's easy to be a critic but I try to think, how do we make things go forward faster so that we do less damage on the way. A lot of what I do with Ubuntu is specifically aimed at shortening the cycle between each peak of innovation – if we shorten that cycle, we are essentially making things better faster. I take great satisfaction in how Ubuntu has enabled people to operate off a level playing field with the very biggest companies. Being Google doesn't necessarily give you an advantage over the guy who wants to be the next Google, because there isn't anything to afford in terms of getting started. They've got nothing to lose.

Which is what you had in the past.

Exactly. Also, it's a great way to, I hope, level the playing field geopolitically. You can be smart and in India and use Ubuntu, and you can be smart in California and use Ubuntu, and you've got 24 hours in the day. Good luck.

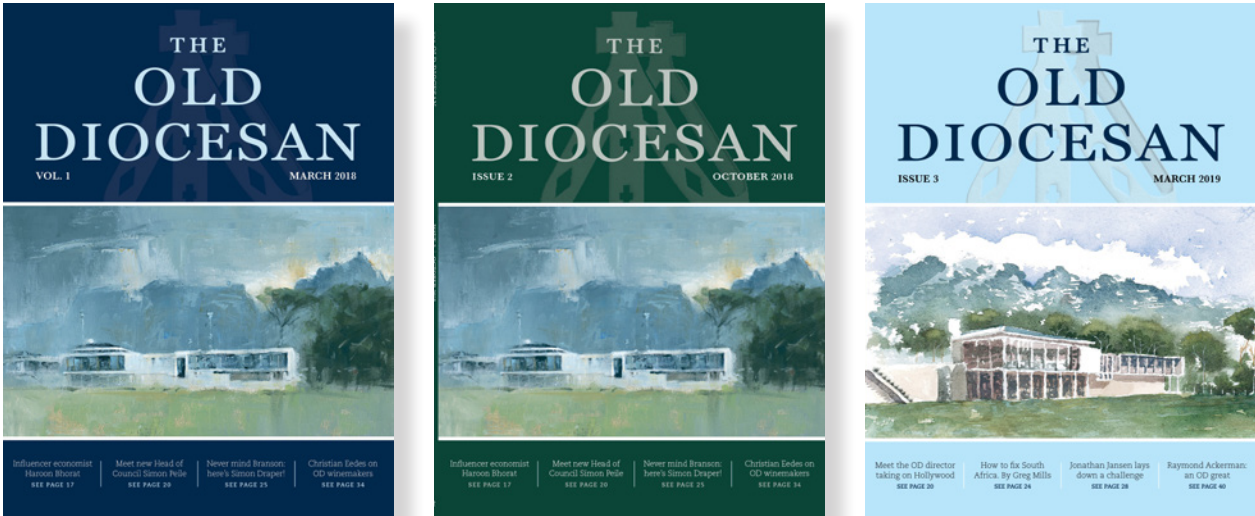
How's it going getting Ubuntu out there? Summarise in a minute!

It's a profoundly interesting exercise. It's challenged me on multiple levels. It's extraordinary how diversely it's being used. It underpins swathes of modern technology, which is a huge responsibility. And it gives me a window into innovation at the largest companies and also the start-ups. So that's very satisfying. It presents its challenges, but for me that's what I was looking for. I was looking for the hardest problem that would have the biggest impact that was really singularly dependent on someone who had the unusual combination of time and resources and interests that I had. I could have done things that lots of other people could do, or I could try to do something that very few people were trying to do.

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