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WELCOME FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It is a pleasure for me to introduce the 2019 Bishops Magazine.

The magazine is a wonderful record of the boys' many achievements and activities over the past 12 months.

At Bishops our aim is to develop the 'whole boy' on his journey from boyhood to manhood. I am pleased that in 2019 the school has continued to thrive and provide a myriad of opportunities for each boy to find his special niche.

It is true that some boys are fortunate to be multitalented, but it is also true that every boy is talented at something. It is our duty to unlock that special talent in every boy, leading to a positive sense of self, and self-esteem.

Bishops' tapestry of academic, cultural, spiritual, sporting and leadership opportunities this year has been rich and varied, and our boys have achieved success at the very highest level in all these aspects of school life.

Over the past few years we have moved systematically to ensure that Bishops becomes more relevant in the country and world in which we live; a major step was to include our Social Sustainability Goals into the Bishops Future-Fitting Policy that is our blueprint for the next decade. I am pleased with the progress that we have made in giving a voice to minority groups as we tackle the historic overt and hidden biases we all carry. 'Diversity is having a seat at the table; inclusion is having a voice, and belonging is having that voice heard' is what guides our aims. This is an important and ongoing journey.

The year has not been without its challenges for our country, and these have had an inevitable impact on the school. The ongoing scourge of abuse and violence against women has been a constant theme, brought to a head by the tragic death of UCT student Uyinene Mrwetyana. This affected all of us, and is particularly relevant to boys' schools, as an all-embracing education must include what it means to be a 'good man'.

Guy Pearson



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COUNCIL NEWS

Role and constitution

The College Council is the governing body of 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 this 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 to act effectively as a Board of Directors for the school. The Council is responsible for the overall wellbeing of the school and involves itself in every aspect of school life, especially in such matters as strategy, structure, direction, finances, policies and pace. It has complete oversight over all financial matters and over 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, etc.

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. In February of this year I announced that Council had appointed Tony Reeler as the next principal of Bishops. Tony will take over the reins with effect from July 2020 when Guy Pearson retires.



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 and his team. The principal 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 respectively. 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, members of Council receive no remuneration, compensation or reimbursement of any kind for their contribution to the school.

The year in review

Bishops is extremely fortunate to have men and women of a very high calibre, with great experience and from diverse 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 quietly 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.

At the end of this year we will be saying farewell to one member of Council, Dr Elizabeth Fullard. Elizabeth has two education-related doctorates, headed up a teacher training college and two girls' high schools, and worked as a quality assurance reviewer for schools, so it's been a privilege to have had her on Council for the past five years and we shall miss her considerable experience.

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 may be affected or to the extent that old boys engage directly with the school. The principal keeps the OD Union informed of developments at the school on a regular basis, while the Chairman of the OD Union Committee is invited to Council meetings as an observer and acts as a trustee of The Bishops Trust ex officio.

Subcommittees

Council has four subcommittees as follows:

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 subcommittees 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 with 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 of 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. The Head Boy and his two Deputy Head Boys are invited annually to present to Council their strategies for leading the school.

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 12 parents or past parents of Bishops boys attending Council meetings.

Chairman and Principal

In my role as Chairman of Council, I normally meet with Guy Pearson once a week for an hour or two. Additionally, Guy and I often discuss matters as they may arise and, on occasion, may talk to each other several times a day.

It is said that the chairman of a school council 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 a critical relationship in 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 over the past two years.

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 to always focus on what is in the best interest of our learners. His 24 years of experience in leading schools has been invaluable and I would like to thank him for his continued 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. Earlier this year, Mr Jan Newman was elected Chair of The Bishops Trust, succeeding Ms Samantha Petersen. I would like to express my gratitude to Sam for her contribution to The Bishops Trust during her tenure.

The Bishops Trust has set ambitious fundraising targets in what are difficult financial times. The 175 Campaign seeks to raise significant funds over the next five years as we approach the school's 175th anniversary. The Bishops Trust has already raised more than R50 million towards the 175 Campaign. There remains much work to be done to reach our goal of building up a significant bursary fund and building the facilities that the school so badly needs, including more staff housing.

The first of the 175 Campaign capital projects, the Prep Library and Learning Centre, was recently completed at a total cost of R12.5 million. The new facilities are fully operational and have revitalised the Prep School campus.

It has once again 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

The ribbon is cut and the doors are open! Books are on shelves and children are delighted by the beautiful new space. The vision realised, we now have a 200m² light and airy library that successfully blends the teak sash windows with glass, aluminum, steel and new wood finishings. The soft furnishings, tables and chairs are contemporary and colourful, creating a series of comfortable reading and working spaces. The library is complemented by a glass-enclosed seminar room and a contained, landscaped reading garden. It is fitting that this first 175 Campaign project is situated in the classrooms built from the proceeds of the Centenary Campaign in 1949.

This state-of-the-art building is tailored for our young boys' educational needs, offering large bright spaces dedicated to interactive, flexible and student-centered learning. The room can accommodate multiple classes or be cordoned off to suit smaller groups. Whether boys require a quiet room for project work or just a comfortable corner to get lost in a book, this space is ideal.

Furthermore, the old Guest Library has been transformed into contemporary classrooms – they are bigger and brighter, which is particularly important for the Grade 4s and will allow for reading corners, activity areas and group teaching.

'I am blown away,' said a Grade 6 learner, while a Grade 3 boy commented, 'This is a dream come true,' when describing the new facilities.

This augurs well for the future of reading at Bishops, especially in an age when books compete with electronic and social media for the attention of our digitally-savvy children. Books at Bishops are here to stay!



The Bishops Trust

With the first major 175 Campaign project completed, The Bishops Trust continues to focus on raising funds for its two main areas of focus: capital projects and bursaries. This important work will continue under the leadership of Jan Newman (1976F), the new chairman of The Bishops Trust.

After school, Jan studied Law at Stellenbosch University and UCT before becoming an investment banker. He returned to Cape Town in 2005 after 20 years of working out of London and Johannesburg, and now heads up Nomura's business in sub-Saharan Africa. Jan is married to Karen, who is an architect, and they have two sons, Jack (2017B) and Harry (2018F)

Jan has served on The Bishops Trust since its relaunch in 2016. As a past parent and OD, he has extensive knowledge of the school and is well equipped to lead the 175 Campaign. The trust recently appointed UK-based firm Craigmyle Fundraising Consultants to assist the trustees in taking the 175 Campaign forward. Craigmyle has extensive experience in fundraising for independent schools. With their assistance, Council and the trustees are engaged in a process of reviewing the priorities of the 175 Campaign, with the main change being a far greater focus on fundraising for bursaries. The capital projects remain a vital part of ensuring that Bishops is well equipped to meet its future challenges, but increasing the diversity within our school – not only in terms of race, culture and sexual orientation, but also financial background – is essential if Bishops is to remain relevant within our community. For this, we need a strong bursaries fund.

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- Dr Robert and Elaine Frater – Glycar SA

The Chairman's Club

- Simon Peile and Magda Wierzycka
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- Dr L Shah
- Justice Craig Howie



Jack Newman, Jan Newman, Raymond Ackerman, Simon Peile and Graeme Prevost

THE VUSA ACADEMY



The Vusa Rugby and Learning Academy

2019 has been a brilliant year for the Vusa Academy, with enormous growth and impact in all areas. More than 450 children in the Langa community now benefit from rugby, academic, crèche and recreational programmes on a daily basis. Our coaches continue to upskill (thanks to our amazing partners), and there has been a marked improvement in the standard of rugby and academics

The Vusa Academy has entered teams from U9 to U13 into the WP Rugby League (through the Busy Bee RFC). Playing against schools like Bishops, Rondebosch and Wynberg elevates the standard and exposes children to different environments and cultures. The children we work with are passionate about rugby, and seeing their heroes win the Rugby World Cup really motivated and inspired them further. There is little doubt that sport unifies people and creates hope.

Vusa's structured after-school programme includes academic support in Maths and English. The programme is run by Edunova, and learners' progress is monitored through CAMI interactive educational software. In a recent survey, 72% of children reported an improvement in their marks.

2019 saw the development of the crèche programme. Early intervention is key and Vusa coaches now run a daily programme at four registered early childhood development (ECD) centres in Langa, aiding in numeracy and literacy development.

One of Vusa's biggest drawcards is the provision of a hot daily meal. For many of the children who attend the programme, this is the only hot meal they receive each day. Springbok captain and Vusa brand ambassador Siya Kolisi has spoken in several interviews about the hunger he experienced as a child. When hungry, a child can think of little else, let alone learn and play sport. In order to support children with sport and education, we must address their other needs too, and this is why the feeding scheme and the recreational programme remain key focus areas.

Bishops and Vusa

Bishops continues to back the Vusa Academy, offering both 'in kind' and financial support. The Grade 10 Civics boys assist the crèche programme on Friday mornings and Bishops staff offer their time to expose children in Langa to more opportunities.

Grade 6 learners take part in interactive days, with boys visiting Langa for a day and then hosting a day of activities at the Prep School. It is incredibly powerful when children observe and embrace their similarities and differences. We hope to include additional peer-learning initiatives in 2020 that will benefit our boys as well as the children we support in Langa.



What's next?

2020's focus is to continue the development of the crèche programme. More than 78% of Grade 4 learners in South African still cannot read with understanding. We therefore hope to purchase a mobile library and resource centre that will travel between our four ECD centres next year, assisting with reading and early childhood development. Young girls are the most vulnerable members of the community and so we hope to encourage more girls to attend the academy. (Interestingly, women's rugby is one of the fastest growing sports in the world.)

How can you get involved?

In 2019 the Vusa Academy registered as a Charitable Trust and, with NPO and PBO status, it hopes to access CSI funding to ensure continued growth of the programmes. Introductions to corporates whose CSI programmes align with Vusa would be incredible. In addition, we collect the following:

- Donations of clothes, shoes and rugby equipment
- Donations of stationery, puzzles, books and educational toys for the crèche
- Food – dry ingredients or vouchers
- Donations of services and expertise (ie transport, teaching and coaching)
- Donations of experiences (eg trips to the Two Oceans Aquarium, the Cape Town Science Centre, and the beach)

All financial donations are acknowledged with a Section 18a receipt. 100% of Vusa beneficiaries are black, in line with Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment.

Brendan Fogarty

Should you wish to make a financial donation, please choose one of the following methods of payment:

BANKING DETAILS

Account Name: Vusa Rugby and Learning Academy

Bank: Standard Bank Rondebosch

Bank Account Number: 270625984

Account Type: Business Current Account

Branch Code: 051001

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THE ROBERT GRAY **AWARD**



Mr Raymond Ackerman, Mr Guy Pearson and Professor Robert Frater

Two distinguished ODs, Raymond Ackerman and Robert Frater, were honoured with the Robert Gray Medal on Founders Day.

This medal is awarded by the school to an OD who has made a significant and exceptional contribution in his field of endeavour, or to society in general. The recipient receives a gold Robert Gray Medal, a citation on a parchment scroll and his name will appear on the Honours Board at The Mitre.

Raymond David Ackerman was born on 10 March 1931, and entered Bishops in 1944 as a boarder in School House. He was a school prefect in his Matric year and a member of Ten Club.

After matriculating in 1948 with a first-class pass, he went to the University of Cape Town (UCT) where he graduated with a BCom Degree in 1951. He started his working career at Ackermans, the store his father, Gus, started, then went on to establish Checkers. In 1967 he bought four small stores in Cape Town trading under the name of Pick n Pay. He grew them into one of the largest super- and hypermarket chains in Southern Africa (there are currently around 1700 stores). Mr Ackerman established the principal of 'customer first' and invested heavily in staff training and relentless promotion – from within the company and on merit. He also instituted the first broad-based employee ownership scheme.

Mr Ackerman has also encouraged and involved communities in the commercial and philanthropic objectives of the company. He established the Raymond Ackerman Academy of Entrepreneurial Development for youth who have had limited access to tertiary education. He is also the benefactor of the Raymond Ackerman Golf Academy, which assists in the education of disadvantaged youth through golf. Among the many awards conferred on him are the 2011 CNBC All Africa Business Leaders Awards (AABLA) and several Honorary Doctorate Degrees from universities around the world.

Robert William Mayo Frater was born in Cape Town on 12 November 1928. He attended Bishops from 1937 to 1946, matriculating with a first-class pass. He was a school prefect, Head of Ogilvie, a Sergeant Major in the School Cadet Corps, Captain of Tennis, and a member of the 1st Rugby XV. He was awarded the Archbishop West Jones Scholarship in 1946 and studied Medicine at UCT, achieving a first class in Surgery. He underwent basic surgery training at the Royal College of Surgeons in the UK in 1955, and then took up a Fellowship in Surgery at the Mayo

Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, where he would work from 1955 to 1962. The seminal moment in his career came while observing open-heart surgery on a boy who was on a heart-lung machine, and he decided to specialise in the new field of cardiothoracic surgery. He became renowned for his work on repairing mitral valves with patches, a procedure that was revolutionary for its time. After the Mayo Clinic, Professor Frater returned to South Africa. He specialised in the repair of diseased mitral valves using autologous pericardial patches, and was the first to install a prosthesis for a defective aortic valve in a human being. In 1964, he took charge of the new Open Heart Operations at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York City.

The money generated by his unit was pooled to set up a world-class cardiothoracic laboratory, and over a 50-year period Professor Frater pioneered various life-saving techniques. As a result, he received the highest honour attainable in the medical profession in the US, and was declared the outstanding alumnus of the Mayo Clinic. After retirement, he formed Glycar S.A. in Pretoria, which produces bovine heart patches used to repair diseased heart valves in humans. These patches are exported around the world, most notably to the European Union.

The success of Glycar can be attributed to the skills development of its staff and the sharing of its achievements with them. Professor Frater is the only member of the company with a medical degree, while the other members of staff have been trained by him to fulfil their roles within the company. He also worked with Professor Francis Smit at the University of the Free State, pursuing projects that included forms of annuloplasty rings and three leaflet bioprosthetic valves. Here he established a cardiovascular research unit and was recognised with an honorary PhD from the University.

Paul Murray

SUSTAINABILITY

Bishops continues its stewardship of a just and sustainable future for all, as set out by the objectives outlined in our Future-Fitting policy (found at <https://college.bishops.org.za/FutureFitting/>).

We are still learning what it means to be a part of an embedded and interconnected system of planet, people and profit, and about the difficulties of breaking down 20th-century 'silos' for effective decision-making. However, we have undoubtedly made significant steps in implementing a lot of what we set out to achieve.

This year has seen the continuation of four significant actions:

1. The acknowledgement and integration of diversity, transformation and inclusion into our overall future-fitting vision. Bishops recognises that in order for it to be a sustainable institution of excellence within a South African context, we need to address social elements that are at play within our school seriously, ensuring that we create a welcoming environment irrespective of origin, ethnicity, language, gender, religious and political conviction, social and economic status, physical and intellectual ability, age, nationality or sexual orientation. We have therefore set out a list of achievable, yet also ambitious, goals that are outlined in the first policy objective of the Future-Fitting policy.

2. The completion of our borehole water and purification system ensures that the school is predominantly 'off-grid' from municipal

water supply. We recognise that we are a water-scarce city, despite having had plentiful seasonal rain this past year, and our future water security is at massive risk due to climate change. We have gone one step further in our holistic thinking to ensure that we also protect our ground-water supply, by creating a wetland area at the lower end of the College campus. Here we have built water-retention ponds to promote the infiltration of rainwater back into the ground, thus recharging our water table.

3. An overhaul of our waste system from a four-bin to a two- or three-bin system to simplify and improve our recycling efficacy. The first batch of new bins is set to arrive in March 2020 and will be introduced alongside a boy-run awareness campaign *#everypiececounts* to drive behavioural changes, educating our community around reducing, reusing and recycling waste as much as possible.

4. The expansion of curricula such as the Big Ideas programme to two classes and the investigation and cocreation of potential 'other' curricula based on 21st-century competencies, values and attitudes for all our boys in Grades 8 and 9 that will deal with the explicit promotion of socio-emotional skills needed for the future of work and sustainable living.

This is a complex and ongoing journey that we find ourselves on and we are continuously working towards a better, more sustainable Bishops, year by year.

Gerry Noel

COLLEGE



STAFF NEWS

Previous page:
Tristan Carter, Will Linley and Wayden Moses

We were delighted to welcome our new chaplain, Father Monwabisi Peter, his wife, Nokulunga, and his two daughters to Bishops.

Father Monwabisi joined us from St Andrew's Preparatory School. We also welcomed the following new members of the academic staff: Shaun Hewett (HOD History), Hama Mtowodzwa (IT), Kuthula Ntshontsho (Physical Science), Sa-eed Slamdien (Life Science), Julian Vincent (Economics) and Alungile Williams (isiXhosa and Technology).

Chris Ekron was appointed to the position of Sports Coordinator and Life Orientation/EMS/Economics teacher, and Casey Anley was appointed full-time in the BSU as the Academic Support Coordinator. We extended a warm welcome to the following interns: Victoria Nkosi (Mathematics), Aaminah Patel (English), William Shabangu (Mathematics), Roseanne Withey (Mathematics), Dayne Williams (BSU) and Siarnna Zass (BSU).

We also welcomed Unathi Cengani (Driver), Denise Frank (House Mother: School House), Tony Ndevu (Security Supervisor), Nicole van der Leer (Admin Assistant), Jody October (Projects Coordinator) and Joshua Rossouw (ITC Intern).

At the end of the year we bade a sad farewell to Olga Peel (HOD Life Sciences) and Casey Anley (Academic Support Coordinator). We also said goodbye to Linda Koegelenberg (House Mother: School House), Rosemary Wilke (Marketing and Events Manager), Sean Heuvel (Projects Supervisor) and Nic Marais (IT Technician).

We congratulated the following staff on their promotions/responsibility changes: Wayne Tucker (Assistant Deputy Head: Academics), Mervin Walsh (House Director: Kidd House), Gerry Noel (Assistant House Director: School House), Barry Emms (HOD English), Anne Stevens (HOD Science), Graeme Klerck (Epic Director to succeed Graham Robertson in 2020), Gloria Bassett (TIC Civics) and James Swift (TIC Camps).

Alungile Williams celebrated his marriage to Kamva. The happy couple welcomed their son, Mikhulu, later in the year. We congratulated Marvin and Ruth Bester on the birth of their son, Luke Robert, and Donovan, Phillipa and Jordan Abrey welcomed Cameron James into their family. Lerota Mothlanke gave birth to a baby boy, Nkosiyabo ('Our King'), who was delivered by Founders' House Mother Lorraine Chateau and her two dorm staff colleagues, Patricia Levendal and Mabel Andrews. Wesley Cupido and his wife became proud parents to Luke.

Mervin Walsh was awarded first prize (Best on Show) for the Gallery Critique at the Association of Woodturners of South Africa's (AWSA) annual symposium, for the bowl that he turned from a piece of figured kiaat.

Campbell Smith ran his first Cape Town Marathon. He was joined in the endeavour by Burgert Maree and Warwick Richter. All three also completed the Winelands Marathon. It was Warwick Richter's 99th marathon and his son Kyle's (OD) first, so 100 for the Richter family in total.



Burgert Maree and Campbell Smith



Founder's Day Staff Tug-of-War Squad



Carol Witbooi and Felicia Bentham



Hendry Andrews and Mark Erlangsen



Chief Scout of South Africa, Dr Brendon Hausberger, hands Kyle Cato his award

Nella Freund swam around the Tremiti Islands in the Adriatic Sea, off the coast of Italy, on a week-long SwimTrek holiday.

On Founders Day, the staff tug-of-war team, managed by Warwick Richter, captained by Ronald Jacobs, and consisting of a dapper cohort of the young and not-so-young, came from behind to comfortably defeat the hand-picked semi-professionals who made up the OD squad! The many hours of rigorous training, coupled with the term-long focus on team selection and fine-tuning, paid off handsomely in the end.

Cara Cato’s son, Kyle, earned his Springbok Colours for Scouts.

Long-Service Awards

5 years

Campbell Smith

10 years

Trudy Hoefnagels
Keith Warne

15 years

Dave Mallett
Deirdre Slemon

20 years

Leon Glanvill
Graeme Klerck
Rodney Warwick

30 years

Gloria Bassett

The following Support Staff were awarded their long-service certificates:

5 years

Bronwyn Gabriels	PA to Business Manager and Deputy Principal
Eric Ras	IT
Nureen Maged	Aftercare Assistant
Shadrack Nongalo	Groundsman

10 years

Rosemary Wilke	Marketing and Events
Myrtle Page	First Cook
Beauty Thompson	Third Cook
Sonya Hamdulay	Cleaner
Randall Baartman	Groundsman
Sebastian Stemmett	Risk Manager
Nella Freund	Resource Centre Manager
Verity Erlangsen	Aftercare (Prep)

15 years

Channel Strydom	School House Dorm Staff
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25 years

Yvonne Bulgen	Science Lab Technician
Sharon Alberts	Cleaner

30 years

Rosie Hugo	Second Cook
Hendry Andrews	Cleaner (Prep)

Bishops also recognised the long service of outsourced catering, cleaning and grounds staff:

Origin

Sintyo Nolan	5 years
Anneline Whitehead	5 years
Raseeda Daniels	7 years
Nadeema Paulse	10 years
Pardon Kundhlande	10 years

Bidvest

Neliswa Mavumbela	5 years
Veronica Ngxono	5 years
Lizzie Mpambela	5 years
Gertruida Phillips	8 years
Gloria Zenzile	9 years
Bernadette Mitchells	12 years

Turfworks

Nontobeko Gonya	5 years
Sifundile Qondo	6 years
David Mto	11 years
Liza Nicholas James	14 years



Luke Bester



Mervin Walsh's Best on Show bowl



Anneline Whitehead, Rosie Hugo and Diane Murray



Cameron James Abrey and family



Nella Freund on the Tremiti Island swim

STAFF FAREWELLS

Olga Peel

Olga was a welcome addition to the small Life Sciences Department when she joined in a part-time capacity in 1998. She was a breath of fresh air, sweeping away cobwebs with her innovative teaching in the classroom and her attention to detail. Most importantly, she was an asset to the department as she always had a ready supply of cakes, biscuits and jams for departmental meetings. She became full-time during Grant Nupen's tenure as principal and has given Bishops a total of 21 years of loyal service. Olga quickly established herself as an invaluable colleague, someone who thrived in a collaborative teaching environment and who embraced the use of technology when the laptop programme was first introduced. In her time at Bishops, she was Head of the Life Sciences Department, was Head of Swimming for 12 years, and managed and coached hockey.

Olga volunteered her holiday time for several years, working for the NGO Teaching Biology Project with Cheryl Douglas. She is currently a senior matric marker and has at various times throughout her career involved herself in webpage design, the International Boys' Schools Coalition (IBSC) and, in particular, the successful hosting of the IBSC's 2015 Conference at Bishops. She has also assisted on the Social Sustainability, Games and Calendar Review committees. In 2014 Olga was involved in the Independent Quality Assurance Agency's (IQAA) 'School in a Mirror' evaluation guidelines. As a tutor in Ogilvie, she has loved being part of the vibrant nature of the House, including the variety shows.

She has been passionate about heading up the Cape Town Expo for Young Scientists in Cape Town. Her energy has been channelled into encouraging and motivating young scientists nationwide, judging at international science fairs, such as the Intel ISEF, and training and selecting local judges. She was also the recipient of the Kader Asmal Teacher Award in recognition of her 20 years of service to the expo.

Olga has made a difference throughout her entire teaching career. She cares deeply and passionately about gender parity in employment and education, and has supported raising awareness of gender violence and climate change. At Bishops, she has always put the Life Sciences Department first, has nurtured new teachers and has consistently produced work of a superior standard.

Jacky Withers and Gerry Noel

Rosemary Wilke

I first met Mrs Wilke just over 10 years ago. I was called into the office and invited to lunch with the new chaplain and his family – his wife was apparently into theatre and it was decided that perhaps we would have something in common. 'What a lady!' I thought. 'She's going to creep into my heart!' Well, I found out later that Mrs Wilke never creeps into anything and many a time I have told her that she is as subtle as a London bus. So, there was no creeping into any hearts, she barged into everyone's hearts in full musical-theatre style and in her own inimitable way (no understudies necessary)!



Olga Peel



Rosemary Wilke



Casey Anley

She is down to earth, very warm and caring, dramatic, accident prone, and always willing to help where she can. What adventures we had exploring Edinburgh, the Memorial Theatre and Artscape together.

Mrs Wilke threw herself into life at Bishops with gay abandon and I don't think there's any part of the campus she has not been involved in at some stage or another in the past 10 years: marketing, roadshows, conferences, cricket, rugby, theatre, the chapels, the magazine, the branding, golf days, Prize-Giving, Eisteddfods, Mothers and Sons lunches, POPs, Epic, tours, flowers, sacraments, Valedictories, PR, Experience Bishops, the theatre bathrooms, and I am sure there are many more. We've all enjoyed a little bit of Mrs Wilke magic.

I have always admired her strength, her courage, and her passion for life and for people. Her acerbic wit and sharp sense of humour have been the source of many aching laughs, and there have been some tears too. I'm sure I speak for everyone when I say that the experience of knowing her and working with her has been a rich and rewarding one.

Mrs Wilke decided to take early retirement and has secured an amazing position as PA to the Secretary General of the Anglican Communion Office in London, liaising with all the Anglican Archbishops worldwide.

Wayne Tucker

Casey Anley

Casey Anley has been the backbone of, and driving force behind, the academic support at Bishops for five years.

She has made it her mission to give the best possible support to learners with various learning challenges, not waiting to react and 'fix' concerns passively, but rather working proactively towards a system that values and incorporates these learners in the best possible manner, always being considerate to academic staff whose workloads could not tolerate more add-ons. Casey always gives 110%. She is true to many adjectives used to describe someone of excellence and passion: proficient, reliable, sensitive, organised, generous, forward-thinking... a visionary.

She has a heart of gold and inspires individuals. Those individuals are not only the learners she works with, but the colleagues and academic staff she interacts with. Her work with the Allan Gray bursary learners has been very close to her heart, aiming to help these learners assimilate into the Bishops environment and flourish. The boys Casey has worked with as well as her colleagues are saddened by her departure, but a new adventure beckons. Her knowledge, warmth, radiance, calm and generous presence, and expertise will be sorely missed. We all trust it is not a permanent goodbye, but rather a 'till we see you again'!

Burgert Maree

ACCOLADES AT A GLANCE

Extraordinary

Jono Bird

Jono Bird excelled for the Western Province Cricket team and was justifiably selected for the Cobras team for Cubs Week, where he scored an impressive century. He also made his first-class debut for the WP Senior team and was selected for the SA U19 team. He opened for this team against Pakistan and scored two consecutive centuries during the series.

Jake Greenberg

Jake Greenberg took part in the 15th European Maccabi Games in Budapest. He co-captained the South African U16 Futsal team that went on to win silver, narrowly losing out in a tense penalty shootout to Great Britain.

Wesley Holtmann

Wesley Holtmann was selected by the Western Province Rugby Union to referee in an international Sevens rugby tournament hosted in Mauritius.

Academic

Matric results

The Matric Class of 2019 achieved exceptional results. Some of the highlights are as follows: 150 boys wrote the NSC examinations; there was a 100% pass rate; 98% of the boys achieved a bachelor's pass; there were 506 subject distinctions (3,37 per candidate); 13,6% of all subject results were above 90%; 46,6% of all subject results were above 80%; there were 56 A aggregates (37% of the class) and seven boys achieved an aggregate of 90% and above; the dux was Jakob Holm with an aggregate of 95,7% (fourth overall in the Western Cape), followed by Euan Musselwhite with 94,4% and Joshua Elliott with 94,3% (both in the Western Cape top 20); nine distinctions were achieved by Jakob Holm and Euan Musselwhite; eight distinctions were achieved by Joshua Elliott, Liam Foxcroft, Rushay Shiba, Max Tedder, Kenau Vith, Thomas Warner and Andrew Williams; 12 boys achieved seven distinctions; 14 achieved six distinctions and 14 achieved five distinctions; 33% of the class achieved five distinctions or better; Liam Foxcroft and Thomas Warner achieved 100% for Mathematics, Joshua Elliott achieved 100% for Economics, Euan Musselwhite achieved 100% for History.



Jono Bird

Cape Town Expo for Young Scientists

The following boys excelled:

Lukas Oelz and Matthew Lewis: Gold medal, Top Grade 10 learners (Energy), Eskom Best Energy Project, African Bank additional award, Category prize (Engineering); Khelan Dheda: Gold medal, Top Grade 10 learner (Biomedical); Niels Tiaden: Silver medal; Keenan Mills: Bronze medal, Top Grade 10 learner (Environmental Science); Peter Myburgh: Bronze medal; Daniel Kruger: Bronze medal.

Dramatic Arts

Jonty Wright was involved – and performed exceptionally well – in dramatic arts both at the College and beyond. He takes dramatic arts as an 11th subject outside of school under the auspices of the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art and completed his Gold level, for which he got a distinction. He obtained numerous gold diplomas in local eisteddfods and was awarded the Best Junior Performance at the Afrikaans Eisteddfod. He worked alongside Matthew McConaughey, Idris Elba and Dylan O’Brien in two international Hollywood productions: Stephen King’s *The Dark Tower* and the popular science-fiction trilogy *The Maze Runner*.

Economics Olympiad

A number of our Grade 11 and 12 Economics boys made it through to the final round of the Proverto National Economics Olympiad. Daniel van Nimwegen won the Grade 11 section, and Luke Richardson won the Grade 12 section.

English Alive

Zac Young had his essay published in *English Alive*, an anthology of poetry and prose written by students from all over the country, which is compiled by the South African Council for English Education.

Mathematics

The UCT Mathematics Competition had more than 7000 entries from 150 schools. A total of 77 students were invited to write Round 3 (38 Juniors and 39 Seniors) and the Bishops boys placed as follows: Ilyaas van Graan (8): Participation; Dylan Wood (10): Honourable Mention; Cameron Clark (11): Honourable Mention; Robert Dugmore (11): Bronze; William Vine-Morris (11) and Liam Foxcroft (12): Honourable Mention; Thomas Warner (12): Bronze. Bishops was placed second overall.

Liam Foxcroft, Thomas Warner, Robert Kotze and Oscar von Seidel were invited to participate in Round 3 of the SA Mathematics

Olympiad. Oscar von Seidel and Robert Kotze were selected as national medalists and placed in the top 10 juniors in the country.

Bishops was awarded the top performing school, for the second consecutive year, in the University of Pretoria Mathematics Competition. Matthew Tripe came first in Grade 10.

Robert Kotze, Oscar von Seidel, Erik Todd, Ilyaas van Graan, Thomas Warner, Robert Dugmore, Cameron Clark, Gabriel Dyssell-Höfing, Daniel Holgate, Matthew Tripe and Dylan Wood were selected to represent Western Province in the SA Mathematics Team Competition.

Programming

Liam Foxcroft was selected to take part in the finals of the Programming Olympiad.

Cultural

Debating

Bishops hosted the provincial ABSA Debating Tournament. Out of the 10 participating schools, Bishops managed to secure first place and was awarded the title of Provincial Champion. In addition, out of the 50 delegates, all four of our speakers finished in the top 10: Rohan Naidoo (first), Robert Dugmore (second), Jonty Wright (sixth), and Luke Rissik (seventh).

Five of Bishops’ best debaters competed for the national title. After five rounds of debates, Robert Dugmore, Luke Rissik, Jonty Wright, Rohan Naidoo and Jonathan Mopp qualified for the semi-final. Rohan Naidoo was selected to compete in an international debating tournament in China.

Music

The Brass Band participated in the Stellenbosch Music Eisteddfod and were awarded a Cum Laude. They won their section and were invited to perform in the Prize Winners’ Concert. Matthew Newton was awarded the prize for the Best Senior Brass Player. Matthew Newton played in the finals of the Johan Vos competition and won his section of the competition.

Four of our musicians were selected to perform in the prestigious Royal College of Music Prize Winners’ Concert: Oliver Werner (Flute), Nogantshi Mangaliso (Guitar), Jonty Wright (Voice) and Jakob Holm (Cello).

President's Awards

Dominic Beaumont, Christian Garry, Wesley Holtmann, Kieraan Meyer and Thomas Warner achieved the Gold level of the President's Award.

Public Speaking

Eight Bishops boys participated in the National Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships at Michaelhouse. Rohan Naidoo was selected as the National Public Speaking Champion. He will be joined by Paul Malherbe (second), Luke Rissik (fourth), John Smith (sixth), Khelan Dheda (ninth), and Jay Sinha (13th) when they represent the South African team at the World Championships in Shanghai.

Rohan Naidoo, Luke Rissik, Jay Sinha, Jono Mopp, Lukas Oelz, Nimba Mahlati and Khelan Dheda participated in the International Independent Schools' Public Speaking Competition. Rohan Naidoo achieved Best International Speaker for the second year running. Luke Rissik won the Interpretive Reading section, and Bishops placed second overall out of more than 80 of the top independent schools in North America, as well as Hong Kong, China, South Korea, England, India and Bermuda, among others.

Leadership

The following boys were awarded a distinction for leadership: Jack Beare, Dominic Beaumont, Kyle Beley, Francois Breytenbach, Drew Burton, Tom Byron, Nic Cattell, Sachin Chagan, Michael Coles, Paul David, Joshua Elliott, Benjamin Fisher, Liam Foxcroft, Ubaid Francis, James Frankenfeld, Nic Gleeson, Murray Gordon, Jack Hampshire, Jakob Holm, Wesley Holtmann, James Howard, Matthew Leong, Tom Liefeldt, Will Linley, Matt Marr, Nic McAdam, Hamish McKenzie, Euan Musselwhite, Reece Oellermann, Sebastian Prevost, Luke Richardson, James Rumbelow, Alexander Russell, Rory Schram, Kieran Seggie, Rushay Shiba, Ryan Sneddon, Adam Stonestreet, Tristan Turner, Thomas Warner, Karl Weinert, Isaiah Wharton, Aaron Woodman, Peter Worthington-Smith and Charlie Yates.

Sport

Climbing

Rock Master is an international climbing competition that features South Africa's best climbers. David Naude won the Bouldering section, making him the youngest winner in this competition. David also won Western Province Gold for Sport Climbing in Lead, Speed and Bouldering, and represented Western Province at the National Championships.

Cricket

Ethan Kieffer attended the Cricket South Africa U17 National Camp and was selected to represent the Cricket South Africa Talent Acceleration Programme (TAP)

The following boys were selected to represent Western Province: U19A: Jono Bird; U17A: Ethan Kieffer; U17B: Travis Norris; U15A: Abel Mokwena, Ross Martin; U15B: Storm Matthews.

Cross Country

At the WPA Cross Country Championships, Oliver Stewart won the race and became the WPA U20 Champion.

Fencing

The following fencers excelled at Fencing Western Cape's Ranking Competition: Uzuko Mnyombolo: Bronze in U17, U20 and Senior Foil; Jermaine Lwande: Silver in U17 Epee; Ethan Ellis: Gold in U20 Epee and Silver in U20 Foil; Daniel Richards: Gold in U15 Epee; Aiden Richards won U15 Bronze and U17 Bronze.

Hockey

The following boys were selected to represent Western Province Boys' Hockey: U18A: Mustapha Cassiem, Caleb Oliphant; U18B: Chris Clark; U18 Disas: James Howard, Jock Buchanan, Fezile Nyathela, Uzayr Sondag; U16A: Rupert Holmes; U16B: Daniel Neuhooff; Disas: Brett Horn, Bryce Herbert; U14 Disas: Devon Marshall. As a result of their excellent performances in these teams, two Bishops players were selected to represent South African sides: Mustapha Cassiem: U18A side (in addition, Mustapha was awarded two trophies, Most Valuable Player of the Tournament and The Top Goal Scorer); Caleb Oliphant. James Howard and Bryce Herbert were awarded Most Valuable Player trophies at the U18 and U16 Regional tournaments respectively. Brett Horn (U16) and Devon Marshall (U14) won gold medals with the WP Disa teams. Mustapha Cassiem was also selected to represent the WP Men's A team.

Horse Polo

Marek Kanigowski was selected to represent the South African Polo team. The team secured a 10-5 victory over New Zealand and Marek won the Most Valuable Player Award. He was the youngest member of the team and scored five of the 10 goals.

Ice Hockey

Oliver Beek was selected to play for WP U16 and U18 in the Ice Hockey IPT. He was also invited by the International Ice Hockey Federation to partake in a development camp in Vierumäki, Finland. Only two players in his age group per country were selected.

Indoor Hockey

Following the Pro Series Indoor (PSI) National Hockey Tournament, James Flint, Brett Horn and Daniel Neuhoff were selected for the Africa All Stars Indoor Hockey Team to tour Germany and Holland.

Karate

Kai and Reyne de Klerk participated in a Karate South Africa National Selection tournament and both were awarded Protea Colours. They took part in a World Karate Federation KSA tournament and Kai achieved Double Bronze for Individual and Team Kata, while Reyne was awarded Double Bronze for Team Kata and Kumite. They represented South Africa at the All Africa Karate Tournament, and at the World Karate tournament in Chile. They also represented Western Province at the South African National Championships. Kai won a bronze medal in the Open Junior Kata division and Reyne won a gold medal in the Elite Cadet middleweight Kumite division.

Zuhayr Mohamood participated in a regional competition and won the Kumite division. He was awarded a gold medal. He won a silver medal for Unison Kata, and a bronze medal for Individual Kata.

Shariq Davids was selected to the National Protea All Styles Karate Team to represent South Africa at the World Championship in Santiago, Chile. He was selected for the Cadet (14/15) Boys U70kg category, based on his number one ranking in Karate South Africa. He placed ninth in the World Championships.

Rowing

Matt Pettit qualified, through Western Province Rowing, as an official rowing umpire. He is the youngest school-boy rowing umpire in the country.

After a fantastic result at the SA Championships – first in the coxless four and second in the first eight – five boys made the selection to represent Western Cape at the South African Senior Championships. They were also invited to the National Trials. Francois Breytenbach, Shaun O’Brien, Mitchell Fussell, Oliver Kane-Smith and Nicholas McAdam were awarded their WP Colours.

Rugby

Sacha Mngomezulu was selected to the South Africa U18 Sevens training squad. He participated in an international U18 tournament held in Windhoek playing against Namibia Barbarians, Namibia, Germany, Botswana and Zimbabwe. The SA team won all their fixtures.

The following boys were selected for provincial teams to participate in the U18 Craven Week and Academy Week: U18 Craven Week: Connor Evans, Liam Kloosman, Sacha Mngomezulu, Isaiah Wharton; U18 Craven Week XV: Keagan Blanckenberg; U18 Academy Week: Luca Liebenberg; U16 Grant Khomo Week: Nassar de Kock and Suleiman Hartzenberg.

Connor Evans was selected for SA Schools to play in an international series against England, France, Wales and Argentina. The SA team was unbeaten.

Oliver Jones was invited to attend the Wales U18 Rugby training squad.

Squash

The following players were selected for Western Province: U19A: Adam Morkel; U19B: Greg Medcalf and Nick Gleeson; U16A: Aidan Burns; U16B: Armaan Trikam; U14: Dylan de Groot. The U19B, U16B and U14A teams won Gold.

Tennis

The following boys were included in Western Province sides: David Allardice (U19), Jack Brasher (U19A), Ben MacFarlane (U15), Chris Hodgson (U15A) and Malick Majiet (U15B).

Ben MacFarlane was selected for the South African U15 team and represented the country in a tournament against Zimbabwe.

Touch Rugby

Josh Abrahams was included in the Western Province Junior Touch Rugby side.

Triathlon

A Bishops Triathlon Team called Triple Trouble, consisting of swimmer Nick Steinhagen, cyclist Storm Lanfear and runner Connor Todd, came first in a time of 1:23:00 in their age group in the Sprint School team category in the Discovery World Triathlon Series.

The following boys participated in the Discovery Triathlon World Cup and Duathlon events. In the Triathlon sprint event, the Bishops A team in the 16-18 years category, made up of Cameron Parker-Forsyth, Oscar Baum and Ben MacFarlane, won gold medals at the event in a time of 1:03:46. In the Triathlon sprint event, the Bishops Triple Trouble team in the 12-15 years category, made up of Nicholas Steinhagen, Storm Lanfear and Connor Todd, won gold medals in a time of 1:00:23. In the Duathlon sprint event, the Bishops Blitz team in the 12-15 years category, made up of Noah du Randt, Thomas Maurel and Ben Derman, won gold medals in a time of 1:19:17.

Water Polo

The following boys were selected for SA Water Polo teams: U15 (travelling): Nic Steinhagen and Jaytee Abrahams; U15 (non-travelling reserve): Adam de Waal; U16 (non-travelling reserves): Matt Lowe, Max Cary and Luke Parker. This confirmed them as among the top 25 players in the country in their age groups.

Max Cary and Jake Stewart were selected for the WP U18B side, and Kieraan Meyer and Sam Hanssen were selected for the WP U18A side that participated in the Currie Cup Tournament. Goalkeeper Adam de Waal (U15A) was selected to represent WP U18B at the same tournament.

Ryan Sneddon and Sam Elliott were recognised for the impressive achievement of having received more than 100 caps for the Bishops first team.

Nic Steinhagen and Jaytee Abrahams participated in the CANA Youth Championship in Windhoek representing SA U15. They were unbeaten, with scores of 16-1 against Namibia and 12-2 against Zimbabwe in a round-robin festival.

Mikey Ford was selected as reserve for the SA U17 team that toured to the EU Nations Junior Men's Water Polo Cup in the Czech Republic.

The following boys were selected to represent Western Province at IPT U14B: Trento Lambrechts, Jack Lea and Adam Buckham; U14A: Ryan Caffery and Ben Hatty; U15B: Jack Moyle, Tim van Heerden and Sebastiaan Terblanche; U15A: Adam de Waal, Jaytee Abrahams, Nic Steinhagen, Louie Hart and Dean Sneddon; U16B: Axel Ivanisevic, Luke Bruchhausen and Will Ross; U16A: Jonny Roche, Matt Lowe and Max Cary; U19B: Jock Buchanan, Joe Kirsten, Mikey Ford, Niall Maloney and Sam Hanssen; U19A: Ryan Sneddon and Kieraan Meyer.

Jerseys

Academic

Grade 12: Jack Beare, Jakob Holm, Tom Liefeldt, Reece Oellermann, Luke Richardson, Rushay Shiba, Tomas Slaven, Tristan Turner and Andrew Williams

Grade 11: Jono Bateman, Jock Buchanan, Ben Cheminais, Christopher Dicey, Michael Ford, Gerard Murray-Cooke, Rohan Naidoo, Alex Saurma-Jeltsch and Stuart Stevens

Grade 10: Daniel Holgate and James Mason

Grade 9: Robert Kotze and Erik Todd

Ties

Distinction

Jonty Wright (Dramatic Arts)

Marek Kanigowski (Horse Polo)

Khelan Dheda (Public Speaking)

Paul Malherbe (Public Speaking)

Jay Sinha (Public Speaking)

John Smith (Public Speaking)

Connor Evans (Rugby)

Sacha Mngomezulu (Rugby)

13-Year

Dominic Beaumont, Jono Bird, Francois Breytenbach, Brad Bullough, Drew Burton, Tom Byron, Ryan Campbell, Findlay Casey-Smith, Nic Cattell, Chris Clark, Paul David, Freddie Davis, Sam Elliott, Fergus Fletcher, Rufus Florin, Liam Foxcroft, Christian Garry, Cameron Good, Murray Gordon, William Hamilton-Russell, Jack Hampshire, Berkley Hollingum, Wesley Holtmann, Michael Hooper, James Howard, Josh Jacobs, Marek Kanigowski, Matthew Lennett, Tom Liefeldt, Slaide Marquis, Mbongeni Mavuso, Hamish McKenzie, Kieraan Meyer, Sean Murphy, Euan Musselwhite, David Naude, Sabri Numanoglu, Shaun O'Brien, Liam Orpen, Jack Paine, Dylan Perlman, Andrew Rackstraw, Luke Richardson, Nathan Scott, Matthew Smith, Ryan Sneddon, Michael van der Merwe, Thomas Warner, Karl Weinert, Michael Wesson, Isaiah Wharton, Andrew Williams, Rhys Williams, Aaron Woodman and Peter Worthington-Smith.

Academic

Grade 12: Tom Byron, Simon Craig, Julian Dower, Fergus Fletcher, Nic Gleeson, Winner Kazaka, Will Linley, Hamish McKenzie, Sabri Numanoglu, James Rumbelow, Michael van der Merwe, Alexander van Hoogstraten and Dallas Wichmann

Grade 11: David Allardice, Elyas Ayyoub, Dylan Barow, Tristan Barow, Cameron Clark, William Morley, Jordan Welsh and Jonty Wright

Grade 10: Nicholas Ammann, Charlie Bicker Caarten, James Clarke, Gray Fogarty, James Griffiths, Keenan Mills, Emiel Pretorius, Alec Rippon, Luca van Wyk and Stefan von der Heyden

Grade 9: Michael Beaumont, Sebastian Boeddinghaus, Luke Davis, James du Preez, Carl Elvin-Jensen, Aadam Jaffer, Dieter Karlein, Suhayl Khalfey, Robert Kotze, Storm Lanfear, Ben MacFarlane, Thomas Maurel, Jack Moyle, Michael Naude, Sebastiano Panieri and Erik Todd

African Relations Society

Sam Bury, Khelan Dheda, Zimvo Mahlati, Aya Ngcwangu and Dallas Wichmann

All Rounders

Aidan Burns, Matthew Derman, Christopher Dicey, Gray Fogarty, Christian Garry, Ben Halle, Sam Hardie, Seth Nieburg, Nicholas Pabst, Joseph Ruiz von Walter, Alex Saurma-Jeltsch, Jay Sinha, Ethan Topat, Jordan Welsh and Dallas Wichmann

Ensemble

Sebastian Allison, Paul David, Christopher Dicey, Robert Dugmore, Neil du Toit, Noah Gonsenhauser, Oliver Kane-Smith, Joshua Lapid, Andrew Low, Adam Motala, Matt Pettit, John Steyn, Oliver Werner, Max Wolfson, Aaron Woodman and Jonty Wright

GIN

Lukas Oelz

Interact

Kyle Beley, Matthew Bowman, Ben Cheminais, Anton Coutts-Trotter, Matthew Derman, Duncan Edelstein, Matthew Guy, Wesley Holtmann, Joshua Lapid, Matthew Leong, Sabri Numanoglu, Sameer Shaboodien, Tristan Turner, Alexander van der Leek, Liam van Schalkwyk and Andrew Williams

Public Relations

Seb Allison, Luke Avis, Elyas Ayyoub, Dylan Barow, Tristan Barow, Matthew Bowman, David Boyes, Jock Buchanan, Ben Cheminais, Christopher Dicey, Robert Dugmore, Neil du Toit, Andrew Geerdts, Euan Groenewald, Ben Gukelberger, Zimvo Mahlati, Will Makin, Gerard Murray-Cooke, Aya Ngcwangu, Caleb Oliphant, Cameron Pandiani, Luke Rissik, Alex Saurma-Jeltsch, Sameer Shaboodien, Jay Sinha, Jan Smuts, Callum Stegmann, Adam

Suliaman, Emil Tellefsen, Daniel van Nimwegen, Jordan Welsh, Maximillian Wolfson and Jonty Wright

Service

AV: Aidan Brand, Patrick Habiyaemye and Ethan Topat

Chapel: Aidan Brand, Luke Haarbarger, Nic Koch, Niall Maloney, Fezile Nyathela, Cameron Pandiani and Max Wolfson

Cricket: Neil du Toit, James Farmer and Daniel Holgate

Flags: Sam Bury and Slade Tait

Rugby: Wesley Holtmann, Thomas Kingdom, Tom Liefeldt, Nathan Scott and Thomas Warner

Water polo: Luke Bruchhausen, Joe Henderson, Matthew Lowe, Kieraan Meyer and Jonny Roche

Triangular

Elyas Ayyoub, Kyle Beley, Jack Brasher, Joe Kirsten, Shaun O’Brien, Dylan Plaatjies, Sam Rudston, Keegan van Wyk and Michael Wesson



Guy Pearson and Jono Bird



Guy Pearson and Ben MacFarlane



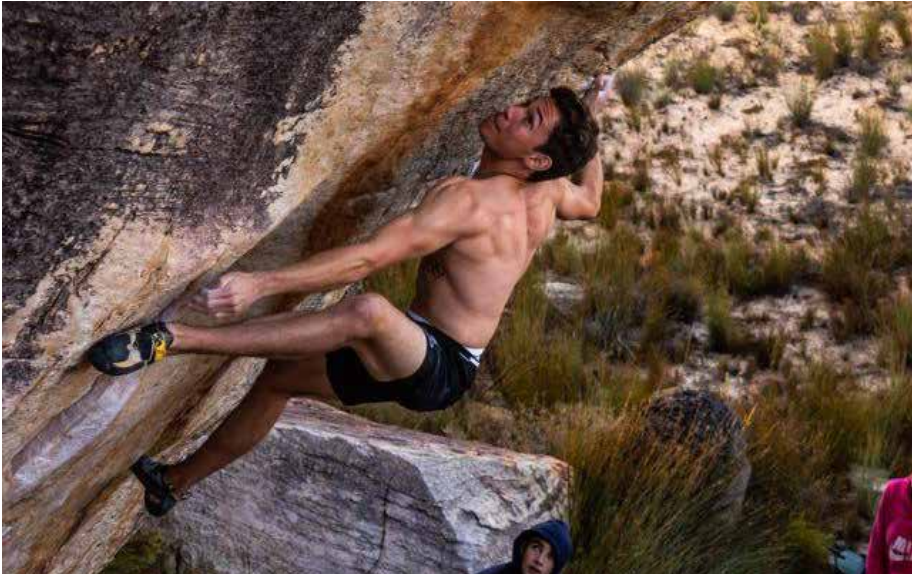
Guy Pearson and Jonty Wright



Oliver Kane-Smith, Nicholas McAdam, Guy Pearson, Shaun O'Brien and Francois Breytenbach



WCED Award Ceremony: Guy Pearson, Thomas Warner, Euan Musselwhite, Josh Elliott and Dr Nele Holm on behalf of Jakob Holm



David Naude



Guy Pearson, Connor Evans, Ethan Kieffer and Matt Pettit



Guy Pearson and Sacha Mngomezulu

ACCOLADES AT A GLANCE



Guy Pearson, Drew Burton and Matthew Newton



Guy Pearson, Robert Kotze and Oscar von Seidel



Guy Pearson, Kai and Reyne de Klerk



Wesley Holtmann, Nathan Scott, Guy Pearson, Tom Liefeldt, Thomas Warner and Thomas Kingdom

HOMAGE TO THE **CLASS OF 2019**

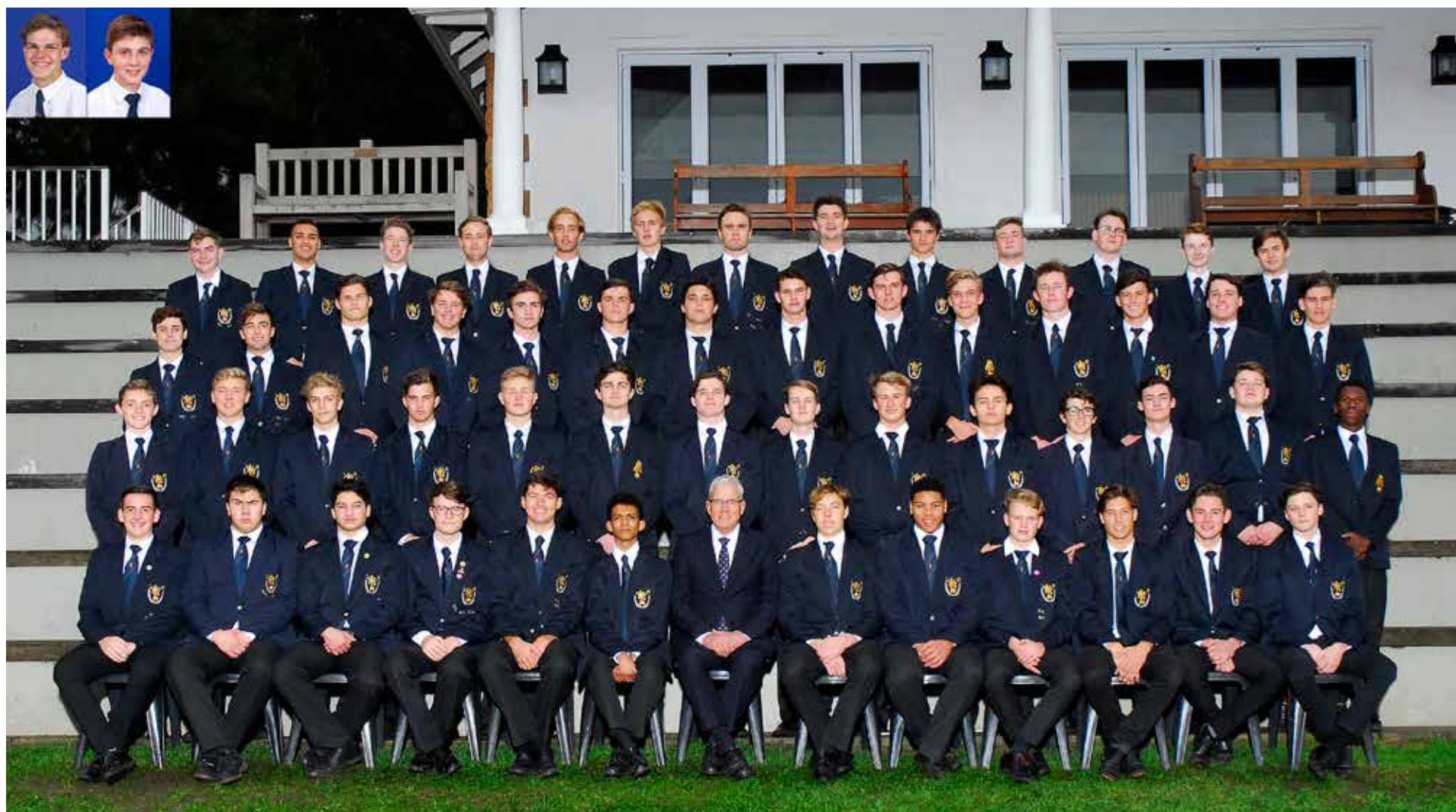


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BELOW LEFT:
Matrics 2019

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13-Year Tie Recipients

FOLLOWING:
Matric Dance and Valedictory Service





MATRIC DANCE





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VALEDICTORY SERVICE



SPIRITUAL



THE CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

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I cannot believe how quickly this year has gone by.

My family and I arrived in Cape Town on 7 December 2018, while everyone else was either fast asleep or gearing up to start the December holidays. As we unpacked, and prepared what was to be our home, we reflected on Ambrose, Bishop of Milan and a renowned teacher of faith. After finishing our evening prayer and our reflection on Ambrose, I went outside and sat in our backyard and continued praying. Bishop Ambrose is well known for the following words of wisdom that have been at the forefront of my 2019 chaplaincy at Bishops:

‘When we speak of wisdom, we are speaking about Christ. When we speak about virtue, we are speaking about Christ. When we speak about justice, we are speaking about Christ. When we are speaking about truth and life and redemption, we are speaking about Christ.’

Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, biblical exegete, political theorist, master of Latin eloquence, musician and teacher, makes reference to Christ in all the above sentiments. His thinking and practice – so pertinent in all that has happened in the spiritual life of our community – have been the guiding light in good and interesting

times. As I look back on how quickly this year has gone by, I clearly recall asking God for strength and wisdom as I prepared to start a new chapter of my ministry. God has been faithful, and He has undoubtedly carried our community throughout this year, hence we owe everything to Him for He literally allowed us to bask in His glory. Like the fragile clay pot that we may be, God has openly moulded us into what we are today. Our recurrent theme and quest in 2019 focused on creating and embracing opportunities to learn and unlearn; this remains a challenge that we will take forward as we go forth in the name of Christ. My prayer is that we will continue to devote our souls and bodies to His service for He is merciful and slow to anger.

God continues to reveal His presence at Bishops. My first service was the burial of the grandmother of a Grade 9 learner, followed by speaking at the start-of-year service in the Brooke Chapel. This marked the official start of what has been an exciting, fulfilling, yet, at times, tiring journey. At Bishops, there is never a dull day because each day, week, month and term is different. So too are the questions, issues and challenges faced by those called to minister in a complex and diverse community like ours. We start and end each week by gathering in the Memorial Chapel. For me, this is indicative of where things may start and end. An



incident, event or issue may start outside our spaces of worship, but everything affects the spiritual life of our community, hence I continue to believe that our acts of worship and talks in the chapel remain critical in supporting teaching and learning at Bishops.

I have received a lot of feedback with respect to the changes that my tenure has brought at Bishops. A lot of questions and comments around the celebration of our Eucharistic services have affirmed and indicated that the spiritual life of the school is alive and well. There has been some uncertainty and, therefore, perhaps a need to explain why we use incense and ringing bells and have processions in almost all our services. While I remain open and willing to listen, and take counsel and feedback where necessary, it is important to note that there are certain things – for example how we celebrate mass – that cannot change, as I am canonically bound to uphold and practise traditions and acts that I subscribe to and believe in, as an ordained priest of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa.

All our acts of worship have rekindled the importance of being mindful and aware of how we present our souls and bodies to God. Both our lay ministers and our altar boys have contributed to what has been regarded as a life-giving journey that we have had in all our acts of worship. Our boarders' Evensongs were well attended, and our boys' participation was pleasing.

Our Monday, Thursday and Friday chapel services remain important and pivotal to what I believe makes our school a Christian school. Staff and invited guests draw on their diverse spiritual gifts and talents in articulating means and ways of leading and experiencing the love, mercy and grace of God. Witnessing and hearing our speakers tapping into their academic and personal experiences has been remarkable and well received by staff, boys and other members of our community, and has enriched our spiritual lives. I would like to encourage all members of our community to focus always on using scripture in their presentations. We are unreservedly an Anglican school, and this calls us to use scripture as the basis of all our chapel engagements. I remain grateful and humbled by the incredible support from all who responded when I asked for speakers for our Monday chapel services.

Our College Evensongs remain crucial and important in the life of Bishops. Our speakers this past year included Rev Jaques Pretorius (former St John's College Chaplain), Rev Mkhusele Lujabe (a parent and Parish Rector), and Rev Cannon Mark Long

(a Diocesan Canon and former Chaplain). Having experienced diverse speakers who are not part of our staff is important, yet risky, because one cannot be sure what response and feedback will be shared after the service. Furthermore, I could give the speaker a brief outline of our expectations, but on the day one can only hope that a proper script is read. I am happy and relieved because all our College Evensongs were well attended and well received.

With our 2019 Grade 12s writing their final exams in the wake of South Africa winning the Rugby World Cup, I am excited and yet anxious about what 2020 has in store for our community. It goes without saying that our spiritual life is affected by anything happening inside and beyond our school because everything ends up in both chapels. The geographical location of both chapels is not only symbolic of who we are, but also indicative of the role and importance of having God at the centre of all we do. We acknowledge and celebrate achievements in both chapels. We mourn and grieve in both chapels, hence I firmly believe that sadness and joy have a place in them because we find solace and new beginnings when we gather in His name.

2019 has undoubtedly been a good year. Sixteen boys were confirmed at a service hosted by Herschel Girls School. We look forward to welcoming and hosting the 2020 Anglican Schools Confirmation Service, which will take place during the second part of the year. We grieved, celebrated, and witnessed new birth, but more importantly, we found ourselves in interesting and challenging positions; all of which indicated and confirmed the presence of God in our school. Memorial services, funerals, baptisms and weddings have given our community first-hand knowledge and experience of what this transitory life is all about. In our grieving, new friendships were formed, while in our baptisms and weddings, new life emerged, and it is through such painful and joyful experiences that our spiritual lives are enriched as we become immersed in God's workings in our community.

The Lord be with you.

Father Monwabisi Peter



Mr Guy Pearson, Father Monwabisi Peter and Archbishop Thabo Makgoba

ACADEMICS



DEPUTY HEAD ACADEMICS REPORT

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The Organisation of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) reminds us that 'the future will be about pairing the artificial intelligence of computers with the cognitive, social and emotional capabilities of humans, so that we educate first-class humans and not second-class robots.'

- Deirdre Sampson, Netwerk24, 11 April

Our function as educators is to future-fit our boys for the world they are entering and, to do this, 21st-century skills and attitudes are key. These are listed as critical thinking and problem solving, effective oral and written communication, collaboration across networks, agility and adaptability, grit, resilience, empathy and global stewardship, vision, self-regulation, hope and optimism, curiosity and imagination, and initiative and entrepreneurialism.

We are privileged at Bishops to have the human resources available to facilitate smaller classes and thus offer more individualised assistance, while our pastoral model enables staff to build relationships with boys. I have come to realise that the depth of this pastoral focus has a completely underrated impact in the classroom. When a boy feels understood, has a sense of belonging and knows that he is noticed by his teachers, he is more likely to share his curiosity and any challenges with the subject matter at hand. The pastoral setting allows for robust debate between boys and staff members, where many of the aforementioned skills and attitudes can be developed. I have been inspired by the countless examples across different subjects where it is clear that our staff strive to make their teaching relevant and meaningful for today's learners. I am also mindful that we are heading towards the 4th Industrial Revolution, in which the workplace and daily life are still uncertain, and I am heartened to see how motivated our staff members are to review their teaching critically with this in mind.

In the Big Ideas programme in the second half of Grade 9, the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were used as the content framework in a project-based learning approach that aimed to assist boys in developing 21st-century skills and attitudes. The boys first learned about the SDGs, design- and systems-thinking, and how to conduct research; they were then divided into groups and interrogated solutions to a real-world problem, presenting their findings to an audience at the end of the year.

The commitment of the teachers involved in this programme was paramount to its success. It involved a paradigm shift and a willingness to adapt as the course developed. The programme involved many hours of thinking and preparation, and was offered to the 57 boys who had to motivate to participate.

We are now interested in developing a Grade 9 programme to include all boys in an informal curriculum setting. When this idea was presented to the staff, it was gratifying to witness the calibre, capacity and energy of our teachers, many of whom expressed enthusiasm for developing a learning road map with an intentional focus on the skills, competencies and attitudes that are going to shape our first-class humans of the future.

The following quote reflects our vision for Bishops Academics: 'You can teach a student a lesson for a day, but if you can teach him to learn by creating curiosity, he will continue the learning process as long as he lives.' - Clay P Bedford

Michelle van Schalkwyk



PRIZE-GIVING





CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL'S ADDRESS

Principal Mr Guy Pearson, Mrs Pearson, parents, staff and friends, past and present 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 all again and to be able to welcome you to our 2019 College Prize-Giving Ceremony.

We also welcome Bishops Preparatory Head Mr Greg Brown, Mrs Lynn Brown, Bishops Pre-Preparatory Head Mrs Sharlene Groom and the Head of our sister school, Herschel, Mr Stuart West. As many of you will know, Stuart will be leaving Cape Town at the end of the year and we extend our best wishes to him and to Joyanne as he takes up the position of Principal of St John's College. A special welcome also to Father Monwabisi and Mrs Babsi Peter, who are attending their first Bishops Prize-Giving since Father Monwabisi took over as our chaplain. Thank you all for being here this morning.

Representing our old boys, we extend a very big welcome to the Patron of the OD Union, Mr Raymond Ackerman, and the Chairman of the OD Union Committee, Mr Adam Pike, as well as other members of the committee.

It is also my pleasure to welcome Mr Peter and Mrs Margaret Linley, parents of the 2019 Head Boy, Will Linley, as well as the parents of our two Deputy Head Boys, and the parents of the Chairman of the SRF. We look forward to welcoming Margs Linley on stage a little later to hand out the prizes.

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 that they do for us. I always enjoy the academic procession at the start of each Prize-Giving Ceremony, where we have the opportunity to appreciate the wonderful academic staff who are so important to the success of Bishops. They deserve our appreciation for their commitment and devotion to Bishops and the boys who are entrusted to their care. We are indeed extremely fortunate. Please join me in a big round of applause to recognise Mr Pearson and all the academic and support staff for their outstanding work this past year.

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, in person and also through his appointment to the College



Council. Thanks also to Bishop Garth Counsell for his support of the school chaplain, Father Monwabisi.

We are also fortunate to be supported by so many enthusiastic and committed parents and past parents, as well as a vibrant and energetic OD Union. As many of you will be aware, the OD Union had a difficult year, which culminated in a Special General Meeting of its members. It is testament to the deeply passionate feelings that so many old boys have for their alma mater that the Special General Meeting was attended by, I believe, in excess of 1000 ODs, either in person or watching the proceedings online. We are grateful to the many ODs who so willingly volunteered their time and ideas in the interests of ensuring that the Union comes out of this experience stronger, in order to deliver on its core mission of keeping Bishops old boys in contact with one another and with the school, and in doing so, being an alumni organisation that you young men will look forward to being part of one day.

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 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 to the school, always at no cost to Bishops.

At the end of this year we say farewell to Council member Dr Elizabeth Fullard. Elizabeth is the education specialist on Council. We have been privileged to have had Elizabeth on Council for the past five years and we will miss her. With two education-related doctorates and having headed up a teacher training college and two girls' high schools, as well as having worked as a quality assurance reviewer for schools, her experience is considerable. The Bishops Trust recently said farewell to its Chairperson, Ms Samantha Petersen. Thank you, Sam, for the work that you did for The Bishops Trust. Sam remains a member of Council, so we will continue to benefit from her enormous enthusiasm and passion for Bishops. We welcome Mr Jan Newman as the new Chairman of the Bishops Trust. Jan was a prefect in Founders House when I was a new boy back in 1976, so I expect to be sent on an errand to the tuck shop or instructed to clean his rugby boots at any time.

Over the past year, The Bishops Trust has continued to raise funds for both capital projects and for bursaries (about which I

will speak a bit more in a few minutes). The first of the Bishops 175 Campaign capital projects, the Prep Library and Learning Centre, has recently been completed and I am pleased to say that the Prep School is fully operational once again and enjoying its magnificent new facilities. There will be an official opening of the Prep Library and Learning Centre later this month. We have bold and exciting plans to further enhance the facilities of this great school, which, once completed, will transform the school and our ability to equip our learners with the best all-round education available.

The greatest challenge and the single most important job of any chairman of the College Council over the duration of his tenure is to drive the recruitment of a new principal when the need arises. I was thus delighted to be able to inform the Bishops Community, back in February of this year, that the next principal of Bishops will be Mr Antony Reeler, a Rondebosch Boys' old boy and the current principal of Pretoria Boys High School. We look forward to welcoming Tony and Rose to Bishops in July next year.

I would like to record my appreciation for the invaluable contributions I received from the members of the Selection Committee with whom I worked through the selection process, and for the support I received from my fellow members of Council. It was just another example of how good people are willing to give freely of their time and expertise for the benefit of Bishops.

Today is Guy Pearson's seventh and final College Prize-Giving at Bishops, but we are fortunate that Guy has agreed to stay on as the principal until the middle of next year, so this is not yet the time for us to say our goodbyes. It has been a great pleasure for me to work with Guy over the past two years. The professional relationship between the head of a school and its chairman is always an important one. We meet every week to discuss the more complex issues he is dealing with as well as the progress of strategic matters, and are often in contact between these meetings to discuss issues as they arise.

The issues that a Bishops principal must deal with each day are varied and often unpredictable. Guy's passion for Bishops and his vast experience as a school principal are always evident as he tackles a wide range of often difficult issues sensitively and sensibly, and with great calmness. 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 as its principal these past seven 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.

I was recently in the United Kingdom, and independent education in the UK is once again under attack, mostly from the far left. These attacks are a regular event in UK politics, but what is particularly worrying at this time is the radical extent of the proposals adopted at the Labour Party conference as party policy in any forthcoming general election. These include the removal of the charitable status that public schools enjoy, the addition of VAT to school fees, and the application of business scales to municipal rates, with the ultimate objective being the nationalisation of all independent schools and the banning of any form of private education.

While the South African political and education landscapes differ from those in the UK, we must be conscious that in a world where economic inequality, inherited privilege and lack of social mobility are global rallying calls, we at Bishops continuously need to question our own relevance within our community and our contribution to the greater South African community. I would like to recognise and praise the extensive work done within Bishops by our learners, staff and other members of our community on highlighting and dealing with issues relating to both social and environmental sustainability. For those of you who have not read it, I recommend the 'Future-Fitting Bishops' document available on the Bishops website.

I am also pleased to advise you that the Bishops 175 Campaign is increasing its focus on raising funds for scholarships and bursaries in order to be able to offer a greater number of academic merit scholarships on a means-tested basis with the objective of not only increasing the diversity within our student body on the basis of race, religion, culture and sexual orientation, but also in terms of financial background. Our aim over the next five years is to raise R100 million, which will allow us to widen access to a Bishops education by increasing the proportion of College students receiving financial assistance from the current 12% to 20%. It is the right thing to do.

Well done to all of you who will be receiving prizes here today. These prizes recognise the hard work you have put into your studies and your other activities at school. The real rewards will, however, 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. A special thanks must go to the Matrics who

have led the school over the 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, which will provide you with guidance throughout the rest of your lives. The school is grounded 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 they know to be right.

My hope is that you young men of Bishops will gain strength from what you have learnt here at this school, and have the courage to stand fast and do the right thing when faced with having to make difficult life decisions. Having already referred to UK politics, I would like to close with a quotation from former UK Prime Minister Tony Blair: 'Sometimes it is better to lose and do the right thing than to win and do the wrong thing.'

Finally, I would like to wish you all every success in this final term of 2019 followed by a wonderful vacation and a blessed Christmas. Thank you very much.

Simon Peile

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Chairman of Council, Mr Simon Peile, honoured guests, parents and friends of Bishops, members of staff and boys.

It is my pleasure to present my annual report, this being my seventh at a Bishops Prize-Giving and my 24th in total as Head of three different schools. I would like to begin by paying tribute to the two Heads of our partner schools who are also moving to new challenges and stages of their lives: Mrs Sue Redelinghuys of St Cyprian's retires at the end of the year after 20 years as a Head of an Independent School, and Mr Stuart West, who taught at Bishops for 18 years and is currently Head of Herschel, moves to take up the position of Head of St John's College in Johannesburg. We wish both these exceptional educational leaders well, and thank them for the part they have played in nurturing the excellent relationship between our schools.

I am pleased to report that despite the very challenging environment in which Independent Schools are operating, Bishops has enjoyed an excellent year. The current social/economic/political environment has affected Independent Schools throughout the country, particularly the new wave of emigration. Despite this, demand for places at Bishops remains strong and we are oversubscribed, with a good waiting list for Grade 8 next year.

It is not my intention to list all the amazing events and achievements our boys have been involved in; these are well recorded in newsletters, magazines, websites and newsfeeds. Suffice it to say that I continue to be amazed at the exceptional performances by our boys across a wide range of pursuits. The talent and effort of each one of you is appreciated. In the end, all we ask of you is that you be the very best you can be, whatever

the endeavour. Do yourselves justice; do not settle for less. I want to acknowledge all those who, behind the scenes, ensure that we can support and nurture the boys in all their many activities. The school is well led by our Council under the leadership of Simon Peile. This work often goes unnoticed and most of us are unaware of the many hours served by Council members, not only in quarterly Council meetings but also by many in regular subcommittee meetings. This work is pro bono and is sincerely appreciated.

The PA under the leadership of Sue Beaumont has had a busy year in supporting the school. The emphasis this year has been to support the Houses in trying to make them and the school a more welcoming and inclusive environment for all parents at all events.

I continue to be very grateful to the President and Patron of the OD Union, Mr Raymond Ackerman, for his support of the school and of me personally. I have indeed been privileged to have Mr Ackerman as a guide and mentor during my tenure at Bishops. Thank you, Raymond, and to you too, Wendy, for your support and encouragement.

I would like to thank the Chairman of the OD Union, Adam Pike, for his support and particularly kind and expert assistance in setting up the Trust Deed for the VUSA programme and his review of the Bishops Trust Deed.

Thank you to the parents, for your support of the school and your sons during the past year. I have always said that Bishops is very demanding on parents, not only in terms of financial commitment but also in terms of time. Bishops is a very busy place and I know that you parents spend many hours fetching and carrying your



sons and supporting them at sporting, music and drama events, and so much more. All I can say to you is enjoy it; it is all too soon over, just ask the current Matric parents!

In assembly last week, to mark World Teachers' Day, I spoke to the boys about a research project undertaken by the International Boys' Schools Coalition on what makes a master teacher:

'Above all, we noticed that master teachers emphatically identified the importance of educational relationships with their students and often related how they skillfully forged these connections with positive and often transformational results. We know from other research, that students – boys in particular – name their working relationship with their teachers as one of the strongest factors in motivation and engagement. The master teachers also told us that the forging of such productive relationships extends to all areas of the school community. They understood and stressed the importance of being a supporting presence and good school citizen at games, events, and ceremonies. This interaction gives teacher and student alike valuable information and strengthens relationships.'

I honestly believe that the relationship between boys and teachers at Bishops is very special and contributes to the success of our boys. Teachers are engaged with the boys not only in the classroom but also in myriad of extramural activities, in the Houses, on the sportsfields, in the theatre and music halls, on tours and at festivals, on camps, hikes and the Epic, and so much more. My sincere thanks to all Bishops admin, support and academic staff for their contribution over the past year.

I have personally been privileged to work with two outstanding executive teams. The School Executive, consisting of Business Manager Sean King, Head of Prep Greg Brown and Deputy Principal Peter Westwood, has been a pillar of strength for me. Members of the College Executive, consisting of Peter Westwood and Deputy Heads Michelle van Schalkwyk (Academics), Warren Wallace (Sport and Discipline) and Mark Mitchell (Culture), have all brought wisdom, energy and vision to their focus areas.

At the end of this year, we say farewell to four members of staff: Mrs Olga Peel joined the Life Sciences Department as a part-time teacher in 1998 and was later appointed full-time. Mrs Peel quickly established herself as an invaluable colleague, someone who thrived in a collaborative teaching environment and who embraced the use of technology when the laptop programme was first introduced. In her time at Bishops, she has been HOD

of Life Sciences, Head of Swimming for 12 years, and managed and coached hockey. She volunteered her holiday time for several years working for the NGO Teaching Biology Project with Mrs Cheryl Douglas. She is currently a senior matric marker. She has also helped on the Social Sustainability, Games and Calendar Review committees. In 2014 Mrs Peel was involved in the Independent Quality Assurance Agency's (IQAA) 'School in a Mirror' evaluation guidelines. As a tutor in Ogilvie, she has loved being part of the vibrant nature of the House, including the variety shows.

She has been passionate about heading up the Cape Town Expo for Young Scientists. Her energy has been channelled into encouraging and motivating young scientists nationwide, judging at international science fairs, such as the Intel ISEF, and training and selecting local judges. She was also the recipient of the Kader Asmal Teacher Award in recognition of her 20 years of service to the expo.

Mrs Peel has made a difference throughout her entire teaching career. She cares deeply and passionately about gender parity in employment and education, she has supported awareness of gender violence and climate change, and she has actively fought for transformation at every level of the expo.

Mrs Peel will be missed on so many levels and we thank her for her dedication, service, friendship and loyalty over the past 21 years.

We say farewell to Miss Casey Anley who leaves after five years at Bishops. Miss Anley has done terrific work in the BSU over the past five years, particularly in developing an effective educational support programme for the boys who struggle academically. We wish her well as she takes time to travel and pursue other interests.

Mrs Rosemary Wilke, our Marketing and Events Manager, leaves us at the end of the year after 11 years of service. Mrs Wilke joined Bishops in a part-time capacity in 2009 and became full-time in 2013. With her passion for drama she has been involved on and off the stage in all Bishops productions, and we shall miss her energy and enthusiasm in all that she does. It has been a bittersweet time at Bishops because of the sad passing of her husband, Reverend Terry Wilke, last year, but she has maintained a professional and positive attitude throughout. We wish her well in her new adventure in the UK.

To Will Linley, his leadership team of Murray Gordon, Tom Liefeldt and Sachin Chagan, and to the Matrics of 2019, we wish you well on your final stretch at Bishops. I will always remember Will for his integrity and enthusiasm as he has managed sometimes difficult situations with a ready smile and the willingness to look for good and positive resolutions.

Although I still have eight months left at Bishops, this will be my last Prize-Giving address, so I thought I would conclude by speaking about what I consider to be the key fundamental pillars that make Bishops what it is – to use business speak, our ‘hedgehogs’.

The first is that we are the Diocesan College, an Anglican Church School. This was the basis of our foundation by Bishop Gray all those years back in 1849. Of course, we welcome boys and staff of all faiths and religions and respect their beliefs, but it is important that we do not apologise for our foundation. The Chapel at Bishops is central, not only from a geographical perspective, but also in setting the tone and the values we aspire to in growing our young boys into men.

The second defining aspect of Bishops is that it is a boys’ school. Now this may be pretty obvious, but it is important in light of the fact that almost all new schools in the world are co-ed schools. I believe strongly that boys are best served by being in a boys’ school. One of the most important advantages of a single-sex education is the opportunity it presents to create a learning environment that accommodates what boys and young men need. Schools for boys understand and celebrate boys, we know that boys develop at different rates and know how to teach in ways that boys learn best. We also know that schools for boys foster a sense of belonging and lifelong friendships. Bishops balances a boy’s innate need to belong to something bigger than himself with celebrating and allowing each individual to flourish.

All of us in South Africa have quite rightly been confronted and are dealing with the scourge of gender-based violence and subsequent issues of helping boys on the path to becoming good men. Many of our boys are unsure of what being male really means as a result of the negative press on the behaviour of men and the various social media hashtags that are trending. Being in a boys’ school gives us the ideal opportunity to address issues around being male and how men should treat and respect women.

Thirdly, the House and pastoral care system is key. I have visited most boys’ schools in South Africa and many around the world, and have never come across a stronger House system than the one we have at Bishops. It is significant because it breaks a big school down into eight smaller units and gives the boys that very special sense of belonging that is so important to them. At Bishops, the fact that each day-boy House has a physical building that accommodates it makes it extra special.

And lastly, a fundamental pillar is the Bishops philosophy of educating the ‘whole boy’ – body, mind and spirit. It is important that we continue to fight for the balance between the academic, sporting and cultural programmes. This philosophy not only ensures that we produce well-rounded young men but also ensures that every boy can find his niche at Bishops.

I believe these are the pillars that make Bishops what it is; if any of them were to change, it would be a fundamentally different school.

In closing, over the past few years we have moved systematically to ensure that Bishops becomes more relevant in the country and the world we live in; a major step was to include our Social Sustainability Goals into the Bishops Future-Fitting document that is our blueprint for the next decade. I am pleased with the progress we have made in giving a voice to minority groups as we tackle the historic overt and hidden biases we all carry. ‘Diversity is having a seat at the table; inclusion is having a voice, and belonging is having that voice heard’ is what we aim to achieve. This is an important and ongoing journey and we still have a long way to go.

It has always been my view that schools should ultimately be places of hope and optimism. It has been a joy to be involved in an environment where there is so much energy and hope, and I thank you boys for that.

Finally, I would like to thank my wife, Mareé, for her unwavering support over these many years. She has been a pillar of strength and lifted and encouraged me through the inevitable ups and downs of headship. I am truly grateful.

Pro Fide et Patria.

Guy Pearson

HEAD OF SCHOOL'S ADDRESS

Good Morning Mr and Mrs Pearson, Mr Peile, special guests, members of staff, parents, Matric class of 2019 and Bishops men.

This time last year I was standing in front of you feeling incredibly daunted by the task that lay ahead. It feels almost surreal to be delivering my final address today, marking the end of an incredible journey.

Driving through the Bishops gates five years ago, I was incredibly worried about the life that lay ahead. I wasn't sure if I'd be able to fit in, let alone make any friends. But when I walked into Kidd House for the first time and saw a bunch of awkward teenagers looking back at me, bright-eyed and bushy-tailed, I somehow knew I was going to be okay. My time at Bishops has held many of my fondest memories, from singing our hearts out to the driving beat of 'Come On Eileen' in the Matric flat, to supporting Bishops sport across the disciplines and watching Ryan Sneddon claim a filthy doughnut in a nail-biting water polo match against SACS. Life at Bishops has been full, fun and varied.

Before I pass on to my successor, I want to take this time to recognise and thank everyone who has contributed to making this year so special. Firstly, to the Bishops gentlemen, thank you for your cooperation and your willingness to be led. You have all played such a huge role in creating strong links between all students, as well as creating and nurturing a great vibe both in and out of the classroom. It has been a privilege to get to know you all and watch you grow, as you have risen to the challenges that have come your way.

To my brothers in arms, the Matric class of 2019, I could not have asked to be part of a better group of men. We're here; we've made it. Words cannot describe how grateful I am to have shared this journey with you. Thank you for giving Tom, Murray and me the opportunity to serve you in leadership. It's been an enormous privilege.

Tom and Murray, this time last year I spoke about our different strengths and how we would bring them all together and try our best to lead as a team. Your friendship, support and perspectives have meant the world to me. The combination of Tom's passion, drive and love for Bishops and Murray's ability to ask difficult questions and find creative solutions has played an integral role in charting the challenging situations in which we have found ourselves. You are two remarkable young men and I count myself lucky to have been able to lead with you. Thank you.

Fellow Matrics, let's cherish the bonds and the memories we have built together, from playing freshies in the various rec rooms to cheering on the boys in blue on a Saturday morning. These are the things we will remember when we gather as ODs one day. The leadership shown by each and every one of you has played an integral role in building our community and making Bishops a special place to be. We know that we are merely custodians of the mitre and as we hand the baton of leadership to you, the energetic and strong Grade 11s, I have no doubt that you, too, will serve the Bishops community with passion and commitment.

For those of you who may not know, I am a huge family man at heart, and a proud 'Momma's boy'. As the youngest in my family, I grew up at the bottom of the pecking order and certainly learnt



many valuable lessons along the way. My brothers have always been there for me and have provided guidance, perspective and many a good laugh throughout this year. Ollie, Max and Joe, you guys are amazing men and I am so thankful for you all. And then to my parents: I know there were countless times this year in which a grumpy teenager walked through the door late at night and gave you the classic response of 'Fine' to the question, 'How was your day, Will?' I guess some conversations with teenage boys are just universal. You two have remained a constant rock of support, not only this year but throughout my life. Thank you for your constant love, kindness and companionship. I love you.

At any time of the day or night, the Bishops campus is active, alive and busy with boys moving between commitments and working to meet deadlines. In my opinion, this is what makes Bishops special; rugby players singing a cappella, top academics playing first-team hockey and cricketers debating on a world stage. No student has just one forte. Each person is encouraged to be involved in diverse disciplines and is pushed beyond their comfort zone in doing so. Ultimately, this creates interesting and well-rounded individuals.

Much of this is certainly testament to the teachers.

Mr Pearson, your time spent serving this school over the past years has been invaluable. Your measured, unreactive leadership style and your understanding of teenage boys has impacted us all. We, as a school, thank you for the time you have invested in us and this institution.

To Mr Wallace, thank you for your time and leadership this year, and for always being available to us when we needed to talk about anything, regardless of the time of day.

To Father Monwabisi, thank you for your faith, guidance and calm approach. I am sad to have only known you for one year. You have been a mentor and a friend to me. Thank you.

The impact of Bishops staff on the boys is as varied as the staff themselves. From grounds staff to academic staff, this school has some of the best. Personally, I will never forget the organised chaos of Ms Gammon's maths class, the blasting of Beethoven's 6th Symphony in Mr Wrensch's music class or Nelly's beautiful singing as she goes about her cleaning in Kidd House.

In my opinion, the grounds staff, cleaning staff and catering staff are the glue that keeps the Bishops community together

– always with friendliness, kindness and compassion. We are deeply grateful for the hours that you give, manicuring the Pile, cooking meals and cleaning, and, most importantly, imparting wisdom to us boys with a ready joke and a smile. We are going to miss you next year.

It is impossible to single out and pay tribute to everyone, as time does not permit this.

It is said that every contact with the people around us leaves a mark, and I want to say to every single staff member sitting here today that each one of you has touched our lives in some way or another and you have left your own unique mark. We thank you for your time, your wisdom, your effort and your patience, which have helped form and grow us, as young men.

We have been the recipients of an unbelievable education, one that many people would long for. It's easy for us to look around at Bishops and take this all for granted. But, in fact, this is not the norm. It is extraordinary. We have had so much invested in our lives and it is important for us to pay back this investment to our surrounding community.

The world around us is changing rapidly, and it is important for each of us to do our part in being the change we wish to see. Bishops prides itself on inspiring individuals and developing good young men. It is important for us all to stand up for what we believe. In the current climate of our country, it is imperative that we treat each other with kindness, love and equality.

As Nelson Mandela said...

'No one is born hating another person because of the colour of his skin or his background, or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for love comes more naturally to the human heart than its opposite.'

Love one another, love yourselves and treat everyone around you the way you wish to be treated. Our world needs kind men who can recognise and engage with the humanity of every human being they encounter. Go out into the world and be true to yourself. Because at the end of the day, you must be able to say, I am proud of the man I am, and I am a proud Bishops boy.

Pro Fide et Patria. For faith and fatherland. Thank you.

Will Linley

PRIZE LIST

Grade 8

Ben Levy	General Good Effort
Bradley du Toit	Drama Prize (shared)
Dane Rogers	Art Prize
Hasheel Govan	General Good Effort
Ilyaas van Graan	General Good Effort
Jack Whitaker	General Good Effort
Jody Syndercombe	General Good Effort
Kayan Jaga	Technology Prize
Koame Kota	IsiXhosa First Additional Language Prize
Lutho Cutshwa	IsiXhosa Second Additional Language Prize
Matthew Cardo	Drama Prize (shared)
Sebastian Attwood	French Prize
Daniel Fletcher	OD's Mathematics Prize, General Good Effort
Divakaran Govender	History Prize (shared), General Good Effort
Ethan Mattison	Geography Prize (shared), General Good Effort
Kaspar Holm	Practical Music Course Prize (shared), General Good Effort
Malick Majiet	Life Orientation Prize (shared), General Good Effort
Michael Kruse	Economic and Management Sciences Prize (shared), General Good Effort
James Collins	Science Prize, History Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Oliver Hufton	English Prize, Practical Music Course Prize (shared), General Good Effort
Michael Ritz	Afrikaans Prize, Life Sciences Prize, Geography Prize (shared), Non-Practical Music, Course Prize, Economic and Management Sciences Prize (shared), Life Orientation Prize (shared), General Good Effort
Michael Kruse	Third in Grade 8 (shared)
Malick Majiet	Third in Grade 8 (shared)
Oliver Hufton	Second in Grade 8
Michael Ritz	First in Grade 8

Special Mentions

Afrikaans	Kaspar Holm, Stefan Dixon, Christopher Leith
Art	Joshua Gonera, Timothy Walsh, Josh Traut
Drama	Adam Buckham, William Jones, David Brunt
EMS	Malick Majiet, Zuhayr Mohamood

English	Adam Buckham, David Brunt, Michael Kruse
French	James Collins, Ben Levy
Geography	Richard Mason, James Collins
History	Hasheel Govan, Michael Ritz
IsiXhosa First Additional Language	Ayanda Bonoyi, Xhanti Ngxangane
IsiXhosa Second Additional Language	Benjamin Hatty, Zuhayr Mohamood
Life Orientation	Bradley du Toit, Jack Whitaker, Adam Buckham, Richard Mason
Life Sciences	Bradley du Toit, Zuhayr Mohamood, Jody Syndercombe
Mathematics	Ethan Mattison, Matthew Brodziak, Michael Ritz
Non-Practical Music	Michael Newton, Alexei Pouroullis
Practical Music	Divakaran Govender, Michael Comitis
Science	Ethan Mattison, Michael Ritz, Divakaran Govender, Oliver Hufton
Technology	Michael Kruse, Joshua Gonera, Kaspar Holm, Nam Matyeba, Sebastian Attwood
Grade 9	
Carl Elvin-Jensen	General Good Effort
Dieter Karlein	Technology Prize
Enrico Dundulachis	Drama Prize
James du Preez	General Good Effort
Kwon Hee Kim	General Good Effort
Liam Petersen	Practical Music Course Prize (shared)

Nimba Mahlati	IsiXhosa First Additional Language Prize (shared)
Robert Dicey	Afrikaans Prize
Sebastian Boeddinghaus	General Good Effort
Sebastiano Panieri	General Good Effort
Sipho Ndlovu	IsiXhosa First Additional Language Prize (shared)
Storm Lanfear	IsiXhosa Second Additional Language Prize
Suhayl Khalfey	General Good Effort
Thomas Maurel	Art Prize
Benjamin Reid	Practical Music Course Prize (shared)
Michael Beaumont	Mary Clarkson Prize for Creative Writing/Junior Writing Prize, General Good Effort
Michael Naude	Strakosch Prize - Mathematics, General Good Effort
Luke Davis	Life Sciences Prize (shared), History Prize, General Good Effort
Erik Todd	English Prize, The Gladys Manning Memorial Prize, French Prize, General Good Effort
Robert Kotze	Mathematics Prize, Science Prize, Economic and Management Sciences Prize, The Bizony Cup for Excellence in Junior Competition Mathematics, Strakosch Prize - Science, General Good Effort
Benjamin MacFarlaine	Life Sciences Prize (shared), Geography Prize, Non-Practical Music Course Prize, Life Orientation Prize, Strakosch Prize - Life Sciences, General Good Effort
Benjamin MacFarlaine	Third in Grade 9
Erik Todd	Second in Grade 9
Robert Kotze	First in Grade 9

Special Mentions

Afrikaans	Erik Todd, Lukas Barnard
Art	Matthew Malan, Kyrán Spotswood
Drama	James du Preez, Thomas Mason
EMS	Benjamin MacFarlane, Erik Todd
English	Robert Kotze, Michael Beaumont
French	Luke Davis, Robert Kotze, Louie Hart
Geography	Carl Elvin-Jensen, Robert Kotze
History	Erik Todd, Jack Moyle, Suhayl Khalfey
IsiXhosa Second Additional Language	Jack Moyle, Ismail Bhorat
Life Orientation	Michael Malan, Suhayl Khalfey, Trenowyn Giles
Life Sciences	Erik Todd, Daniel Neuhoff
Mathematics	Michael Naude, Sebastiano Panieri
Non-Practical Music	Suhayl Khalfey, Sebastiano Panieri
Practical Music	Matthew Newton, Felix de Bruin, Sebastian Boeddinghaus
Science	Oscar Baum, Sebastiano Panieri
Technology	Benjamin MacFarlane, Suhayl Khalfey

Grade 10

Ben Halle Brian Daniel	Visual Arts Prize The Guy Currie Science Prize (shared)
Charles Carter Daniel Holgate James Mason (Exchange)	General Good Effort General Good Effort The Pauling French Prize

Jermaine Lwande John Smith Keenan Mills (Exchange) Liam Harrison Mihlali Mbeteni	Geography Prize Music Prize (shared) General Good Effort General Good Effort IsiXhosa First Additional Language Prize General Good Effort General Good Effort The Stanley Clarke Junior History Prize, Information Technology Prize The Guy Currie Science Prize (shared), Strakosch Prize - Physical Science Life Orientation Prize (shared), General Good Effort
Nassar de Kock Ronan King Khelan Dheda (Exchange)	
James Clarke (Exchange)	
Lukas Oelz	
Nicholas Ammann (Exchange)	Accounting Prize, Strakosch Prize - Mathematics English Prize (shared), Dramatic Arts Prize IsiXhosa Second Additional Language Prize, General Good Effort The OD Prize for Afrikaans, General Good Effort English Prize (shared), The Guy Currie Science Prize (shared), General Good Effort Music Prize (shared), Life Orientation Prize (shared), General Good Effort The Lascelles Birt Memorial Mathematics Prize, Advanced Programme Mathematics Prize, The Andrew Henderson Memorial Life Sciences Prize, Economics Prize, Strakosch Prize - Life Sciences, General Good Effort Third in Grade 10 Second in Grade 10 First in Grade 10 (Archbishop West-Jones)
Paul Malherbe (Exchange)	
Seth Nieburg	
Torben Bergh	
Augustin Farara	
James Elliott (Exchange)	
Gabriel Dyssell-Höfinger	
Augustin Farara James Elliott (Exchange) Gabriel Dyssell-Höfinger	

Grade 11

Anton Coutts-Trotter	General Good Effort
Aya Ngcwangu	IsiXhosa First Additional Language Prize
Cameron Clark	Advanced Programme Mathematics Prize
Elyas Ayyoub	IsiXhosa Second Additional Language Prize
Jonathan Bateman	General Good Effort
Jonathan Wright	General Good Effort
Jordan Welsh	General Good Effort
Michael Ford	General Good Effort
Oliver Jones	Mathematical Literacy Prize
Stephen du Preez	History Prize
Steven Du	Geography Prize
Stuart Stevens	General Good Effort
Timothy Kotze	Visual Arts Prize
William Makin	Dramatic Arts Prize
Alexander Saurma-Jeltsch	The Pauling French Prize, General Good Effort
Jonathan Mopp	Accounting Prize, General Good Effort
Rohan Naidoo	The Edna Hodgson Prize for English, Strakosch Prize – Life Sciences
Christopher Dicey	Afrikaans Prize, Information Technology Prize, General Good Effort
Daniel van Nimwegen	Mathematics Prize, Strakosch Prize - Mathematics, General Good Effort
Robert Dugmore	Music Prize, Life Orientation Prize, General Good Effort
Andrew Low	Science Prize, Life Sciences Prize, Economics Prize, Strakosch Prize - Physical Science, General Good Effort
Andrew Low	Third in Grade Eleven
Christopher Dicey	First in Grade Eleven (shared)
Daniel van Nimwegen	First in Grade Eleven (shared)

Grade 12

Adam Stonestree	General Good Effort
Caleb Anderson-De Waal	General Good Effort
Hamish McKenzie	General Good Effort
Jack Clayton	General Good Effort
Max Tedder	General Good Effort
Mikhail Lovric	General Good Effort
Murray Gordon	General Good Effort
Matthew Marr	Dramatic Arts Prize
Oliver Stewart	PricewaterhouseCoopers Prize for Mathematics and Accounting
Ryan Campbell	Helen Liddell Geography Prize
William Linley	General Good Effort
Gift Hokwana	Mathematical Literacy Prize, IsiXhosa Second Additional Language Prize
Karl Weinert	Stanley Clarke History Prize, General Good Effort
Liam Foxcroft	Information Technology Prize, General Good Effort
Rushay Shiba	Accounting Prize, General Good Effort
Tristan Turner	Visual Arts Prize, General Good Effort
Jakob Holm	Mark Newton-Thompson Afrikaans Prize, Music Prize, General Good Effort
Thomas Warner	Gorham Mathematics Prize (shared), Gray House Old Boys' Prize for Advanced Programme Mathematics (shared), General Good Effort
Joshua Elliott	Gorham Mathematics Prize (shared), Gray House Old Boys' Prize for Advanced Programme Mathematics (shared), Harry Robinson Prize for Mathematics and Science, An Old Boys Prize for Science (shared), Victor Lewis Prize for Life Sciences, General Good Effort

Euan Musselwhite	Economics Prize, Edward Ridge Syfret English Prize, First Pauling French Prize, Life Orientation Prize, An Old Boy's Prize for Science (shared), The Thresher Prize for Physics, General Good Effort	William Linley	The Prize for the Best Contribution to the Choir
		Nathan Scott	The Graham Coote Prize for the Best Contribution to an Ensemble
		Caleb Anderson-de Waal	The Prize for the Most Improved Musician
		Jakob Holm Drew Burton	Instrumentalist's Prize The John Joubert Cup for Composition
Other Special Prizes		Alexander van Hoogstraten	The Masey Prize for Environmental Studies (shared)
Nimba Mahlati	The Hands Memorial Essay Prize	Reece Oellerman	The Masey Prize for Environmental Studies (shared)
Daniel Holgate Paul Malherbe Paul David	The English Verse Prize The Writer's Prize The Ashburnham Prize for English Reading	Thomas Warner	The Solomon Prize for Excellence in Competition Mathematics (shared)
Robert Kotze	The Charles Morris Essay Prize	Liam Foxcroft	Michael Cameron Computer Prize, The Piano Prize, The Solomon Prize for Excellence in Competition Mathematics (shared)
Luke Rissik John Smith Lukas Oelz	The H.J. Kidd Speech Prize The Junior Reading Prize The Headmaster's Junior English Speech Prize	Matthew Leong	Rotary Club of Claremont 'Service Above Self' Award (shared)
Jakob Holm	Die J.S.M. Viljoen Afrikaanse Skrywersprys, The Louis Esselen Afrikaanse Toespraak Prys vir Huistaal	Tristan Turner	Rotary Club of Claremont 'Service Above Self' Award (shared)
Julian Dower	The Louis Esselen Afrikaanse Toespraak Prys vir Addisionele Taal	Tom Liefeldt	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (Founders House)
Jonathan Wright Matthew Sherrell	Die Afrikaanse Voordragprys Martin Silberbauer Prize: Most-improved Geographer	Jakob Holm	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (School House)
Dallas Wichmann	The Warham Searle Prize for Southern African History	Sachin Chagan	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (White House)
Karl Weinert	Sybil McGregor Prize for Historical Research, Bertha Solomon Prize for South African History	Wesley Holtmann	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (Gray House)
Jack Paine Matthew Derman	Senior Dramatic Arts Trophy Rembrandt van Rijn Medal, Leonardo da Vinci Medal	James Rumbelow	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (Ogilvie House)
David Boyes Tristan Turner Peter Worthington-Smith	The Sam Butler Drawing Prize The Pierneef Cup for Art The Brian Guillemand Prize for Major Contribution to Music in the School	William Linley	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (Kidd House)
		Aaron Woodman	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (Birt House)
		James Howard	Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (Mallett House)
		Patrick Habiyaemye	Thomas Dudley Persse Prize (Founders House)
		Torben Bergh	Thomas Dudley Persse Prize (School House)
		Jermaine Lwande	Thomas Dudley Persse Prize (White House)

James Mason (Exchange)	Thomas Dudley Persse Prize (Gray House)	Jonathan Bird	The Tuppy Owen-Smith Trophy for Excellence in Sport
Alec Rippon (Exchange)	Thomas Dudley Persse Prize (Ogilvie House)	David Naude	The Speciality Trophy for Smaller Sports
Luke Parker (Exchange)	Thomas Dudley Persse Prize (Kidd House)	Jonathan Bird	The Doug Todd Trophy for Sport
Liam Harrison	Thomas Dudley Persse Prize (Birt House)	James Howard	The Jamison Trophy for Sport
Jonathan Roche	Thomas Dudley Persse Prize (Mallett House)	Jonathan Bird	The OD Merit Trophy
Wesley Holtmann	The Bob Snape Prize for Enthusiasm	Joshua Elliott	Third in Grade Twelve
Drew Burton	The George Hodgson Prize	Jakob Holm	Proxime Accessit: Second in Grade Twelve
Murray Gordon	The Philip Stent Trophy	Euan Musselwhite	DUX: First in Grade Twelve
William Linley	The Roston Franks Memorial Floating Trophy	Joshua Elliott	The OD All-Rounder's Trophy



Michelle van Schalkwyk, Margs Linley and Ilyaas van Graan

BIG IDEAS CLASSES

This year we saw the Big Ideas curriculum expand to two sets of 53 boys in total. Burgert Maree, Julian Vincent and Olga Peel joined Gerry Noel and Angus Firth as coaches. Life Orientation was added to the existing curriculum of Life Sciences, Geography, History and EMS.

This project-based learning journey included a variety of new and different experiences – from Andrew Hirst’s Eco-Greens aquaponics, to a future-thinking seminar facilitated by Teach the Future South Africa. As a result, the boys came up with many different ideas, research areas and potential solutions. Below is the list of the Big Ideas from 2019:

Group Members	Assigned Coach	SDGs	Project Title
Unite-Penny, Molyneux and Raubenheimer	Noel	14	Saving Sharks One Wave at a Time
Levick, Russell and Chagan	Noel	14	An Innovative Solution to Saving Our Oceans: Pasta
Sun, Roji and Van Hasselt	Vincent	1, 4, 6	Students Developing Graduates
Turner, Lotter and C Todd	Anley	5	#NOW: Join the Fight Against Gender-Based Violence
D Thom, Pillay and Terblanche	Firth	15	Aqua-agroforestry
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The standard of research and research skills was a strong focus this year and as a result the boys produced stellar ‘narratives’ on their Big Ideas projects. Their presentations to parents, staff and other guests were equally impressive.

Narratives produced can be downloaded at <https://college.bishops.org.za/academic/BigIdeas.aspx>.

Gerry Noel

MOLTENO LIBRARY

The Molteno Library is certainly no longer operating as an old-fashioned library.

Situated in the heart of the school, it is a hub of lively learning and socialising. The three floors feature different spaces, allowing the boys to study individually or collaboratively, rehearse presentations and orals, play chess, game, chat, and read books, newspapers and magazines.

On the academic side, the library operates more as a resource centre than as a lending library. Great emphasis is placed on developing 21st-century skills, in particular digital literacy, critical thinking and communication. Nella Freund (Head of the Molteno Library) and Nikki Gerhardi (ICT Facilitator) assisted subject departments with teaching research-assignment skills that covered reliable digital research, the application of critical thought, correct referencing to prevent plagiarism, the use and interpretation of Turnitin, and how to write clear and concise assignments.

These vital competencies were also conveyed to the boys in the Grade 9 Big Ideas programme, with an emphasis placed on Participatory Action Research and the role of reflection as a learning skill. Ms Freund and Mrs Gerhardi helped the boys produce well-communicated written narratives and interesting end-of-year presentations.

Many societies, including Debating, Impact, Science Café and Book Club, used the library as a venue for their meetings (the FatSaks in the Reading Commons proved to be a great attraction). Divinity lessons for Grades 8 and 9 also took place in the library.

Nella Freund



Head Monitor, Miles Boeddinghaus

CULTURE



DEPUTY HEAD CULTURE REPORT

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Rohan Naidoo, Adam Suliaman and Jakob Holm

'Curiosity will conquer fear even more than bravery will.'

- James Stephens (poet)

The world is a fast-changing and increasingly complex space in which to exist. More and more, it is challenging every aspect of the way we see things. Some people easily engage with this challenge and its resultant revisiting of views, while others cling to a sense of safety, hanging on to old ideas, not entertaining the fact that there can be an alternative way of thinking. On a more influential level, if we look at the current leadership of the world, we see an increasing desire to alienate and divide people. This encourages the perception that our differences challenge our very existence, and hence become something to rebuff. The result is the fear to engage with anything that differs fundamentally from our personal paradigm.

So how do we, as an educational institution that at its core believes in the preparation of young men for the future, deal with these challenges from year to year? I am not sure we can fully achieve this in the short five years we travel the early educational journey with the boys. I do hope, however, that through all the activities that will have been on offer, every boy has, at some stage in the year, walked into a cultural space that

has challenged his norm. I hope that these spaces have dared him to be someone that he normally is not and that, above all, have made him just a little more curious. Hopefully this curiosity will have ignited something deep inside and motivated him to explore with increasing depth. I hope that this curiosity has created a desire for greater understanding and a realisation that difference is not a threat, that it is often just a meeting point of understanding, and a place to begin a new journey. It is through this journey that we develop relationships to unify the divided and, above all, to grow self-awareness.

If the cultural programme with its art exploration, its dramatic searching, its musical serenity and the societies' diversity has in any way ignited this invaluable skill of 'curiosity', then we have done more than educate; we have paved the way to a fundamental skill that will lead every Bishops boy to a sense of relevance and joy. This surely will make him an 'authentic' leader.

'We sometimes underestimate the influence of little things.'

- Charles W Chesnutt (novelist)

Mark Mitchell



DRAMA





JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

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and Dominic Beaumont

If the author of *Genesis*, and particularly Chapters 37 to 50 in which the story of Joseph and his brothers unfolds, had written this narrative in the modern era, it would have looked like Wayne Tucker's stage production of Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice's most successful musical ever, held here at the Bishops Memorial Theatre.

And this is because the God of the Bible is utterly creative and imaginative, and has been known to use 'rocks and stones' and 'the mouths of babes' to bring forth praise. The last time I encountered this musical on stage was Richard Loring's production in the 1970s, with Loring as narrator, Alvon Collison as Pharaoh and Bruce Millar as Joseph. Our cast of high schoolers was joined by our chaplain, Father Monwabisi Peter (Jacob), Rosemary Wilke (Not Joseph's Mother), and academic staff members Sharief Petersen (Angel in Heaven) and Carrie Bester (a raunchy Ishmaelite). Without being disparaging to the professionals, any thespian would drool with envy at the unbridled enthusiasm and energy, glitz and glamour of our cast, and the wonderful rendition of 'Any Dream Will Do', sung by Adam Suliaman (Joseph) with his untrained but naturally-lilting voice, as well as the performances of Benji Fisher as a hip-thrusting Elvis-like Pharaoh and Nathan Scott as the French Waiter.

The steampunk-attired narrators (Matt Marr and Jonty Wright) sang, danced and acted their way through the musical like seasoned professionals. Joseph's brothers (played by Will Linley,

Paul David, Simon Craig, Gift Hokwana, Alex Russell, Keenan Mills, John Steyn, John Smith, Paul Malherbe, Schyler van der Westhuizen and Jarren Bacher) impressed with energized performances in Anni Goedhals' high-octane dance numbers. Special mention must be made of the beautifully-crafted Fosse-esque 'Potiphar' number, ably led by Nathan Scott; the explosion of colour and light in the 'Any Dream Will Do' reprise; and the effervescent final medley.

Of course, what elevated this production to heights way beyond a mere school production was the live band under the baton of Andrea Rutter and arrangement of Stephen Carletti, together with the on-stage baby grand, extravagantly fingered by Benji Fisher in his signature foot-tapping style. All these elements, combined with amazing lighting and over-the-top sets, as well as the outrageously stylish costumes, made for a breathtaking experience from the very first note to the last.

A thoroughly enjoyable experience!

Bravo Wayne, Stephen and crew!

John Holtman

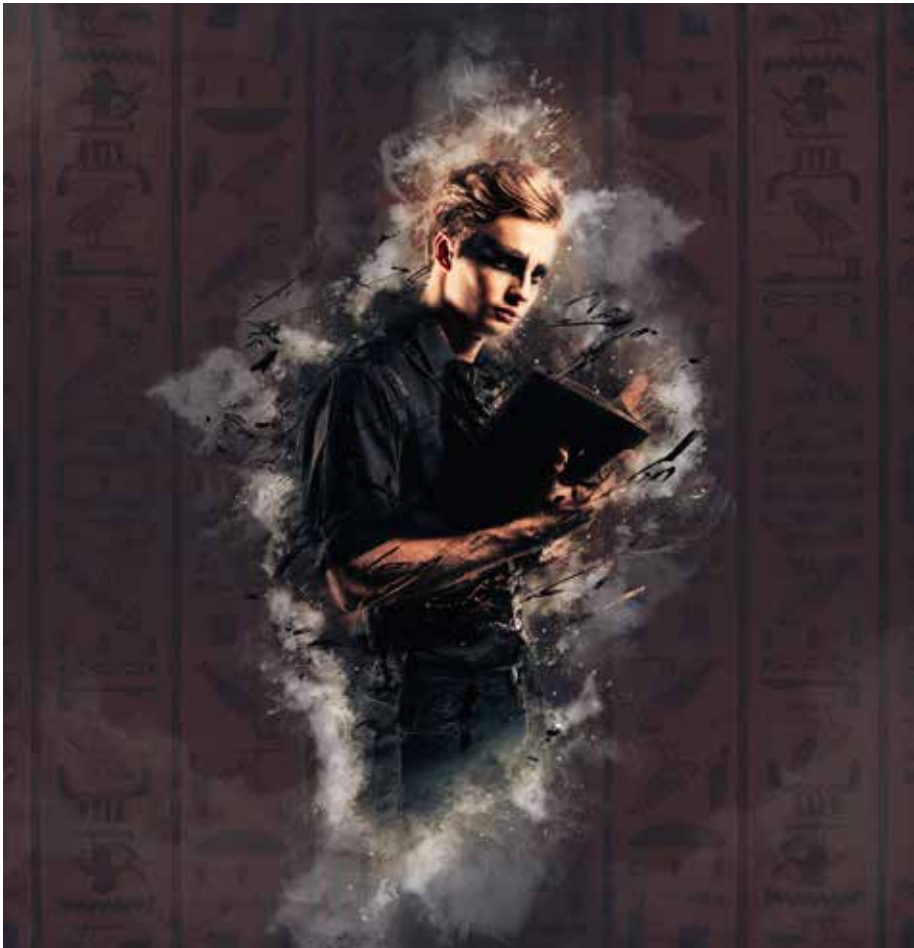


JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT



Wayne Tucker, Stephen Carletti, Anni Goedhals

JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT



Matthew Marr



Jonty Wright



Benjamin Fisher



Donovan Murray and Carrie Bester



Nathan Scott



The Egyptian Court



Jacob, Not-Joseph's-Mother, and Sons

JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT



Pharaoh and the Adoring Girls

MUSIC





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"If I had my life to live over again, I would have made a rule to read some poetry and listen to some music at least once every week." - *Charles Darwin*

What an unexpected statement from a scientist, but one that is rather thought-provoking; as he moved towards the end of his life, Darwin came to the realisation that he needed more poetry and music to complete himself as a human being. Poetry is the musical form of words and music is food for the soul. To quote Modest Mouse: 'Music is to the soul what words are to the mind.' So, taking the lead from one of the greatest minds of our time, have we offered this to the gentlemen of Bishops? Have we fed their souls and ensured that we have taken Darwin's wisdom and used it for the betterment of Bishops?

The year started off with our regular lunchtime Guest Performers Series. Our featured guests, the Renaldo Wales Brass Quintet, showed the boys the agility of brass instruments and exposed them to Renaissance brass music.

A few weeks later we had the pleasure of Holy Week in term time. The staff and friends of the Music Department combined to produce a Holy Week Concert in the Memorial Chapel, which explored works by Vivaldi and Bach, all performed on period instruments. Also in this week, the College Chapel Choir sang a

Solemn Vespers service, which explored the journey to the Cross through music and poetry.

Aside from the regular Lunchtime Concerts, the Matrics showcased the results of their musical journey by producing a diverse and accomplished set of performances. The String Ensemble and Orchestra combined to produce one of our 'rough-and-ready' concerts; the Vocal Department produced both a Senior and Junior Vocalists Concert, with works ranging from the Renaissance period right up to pop. It is always a joy to see this variety in a music department consisting of boys!

In the third term, in conjunction with the Bishops Society, we hosted the Welsh harpist, Eira Lynn Jones, who is Head of Harp Studies at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester. Nobody left this concert disappointed; everyone was overwhelmed by Eira's skill and mastery of the instrument.

In the fourth term we held our annual Bishops Composers Concert. An extraordinary number of diverse compositions were composed and performed by boys and staff. Two notable compositions were 'Sunrise over the Lake for Orchestra' by Drew Burton (Grade 12) and 'Nocturne for Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon and Strings' by Robert Dugmore (Grade 11).

Also in the fourth term, the Rock Band Programme combined forces and produced a highly entertaining evening of music at The Jagger Lounge in the city centre – here the boys demonstrated their familiarity with a diverse range of musical styles.

Simply Blue hit the road in the middle of the year and participated in the Hermanus Festival, while the College Choir sang the regular College Evensongs. In the first term they were joined by 20 OD Choir members and brass players – all the hymns being arranged for Brass by ODs. Stephen Carletti (OD) was commissioned to write the anthem, which was based on Psalm 150.

The Jazz Band once again participated in the annual Big Band Jazz Festival, an event held over four days at the Baxter Theatre. Their performance, for which they received a standing ovation, was outstanding. Benjamin Fisher's (Grade 12) composition, in particular, was considered the standout performance of the evening.

Biweekly musical performances were also held during school assemblies.

We had several boys participate in the Johann Vos Music Competition, and Matthew Newton (Grade 9) on trumpet won his section. The Brass Band participated in the Stellenbosch Eisteddfod and was awarded the Best Ensemble Prize at the Stellenbosch Eisteddfod Prize Winners' Concert, where the band was asked to perform.

As usual, we had a large number of boys entering the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music practical examinations. The 84% average achieved is an outstanding result and four of our musicians were selected to perform in the prestigious Prize Winners' Concert. Congratulations to Oliver Werner (Grade 11, Flute), Mangaliso Nogantshi (Grade 10, Guitar), Jonty Wright (Grade 11, Voice) and Jakob Holm (Grade 12, Cello) – an admirable achievement.

Michael Jackson once wrote, 'People ask me how I make music. I tell them I just step into it. It's like stepping into a river and joining the flow. Every moment in the river has its song.' I truly hope that all the musicians felt this and that they all discovered their 'song' – if this is the case, then we have taken Darwin's wisdom to heart.

Mark Mitchell
Director of Music

SIMPLY BLUE

Teachers-in-charge: Marion Gardner and Stephen Carletti

Alto: Robert Dugmore, Jakob Holm, Jonty Wright

Tenor: John Steyn, Adam Stonestreet, Aaron Woodman

Baritone: Paul David, Will Linley, Matt Marr

Bass: Dom Beaumont, Benjamin Fisher, Matt Pettit

Beatboxer: Jack Beare

This year has been an extraordinary one, filled with laughter and lots of noise under the guidance and leadership of Mrs Gardner and Mr Carletti. The group consisted of a number of extroverted characters, making our performances all the more entertaining to watch. With the likes of rapper Paul David and future star Aaron Woodman, we had an eventful tour to Knysna, and performed at Oak Hill and the 'Kalfiefee' in Hermanus. We were featured

on a radio show, performed for the various PA functions, busked a little in the centre of Knysna and even did our very own mid-year theatre show. At our handover show, we said goodbye to Dominic Beaumont, Benjamin Fisher, Paul David, Will Linley, Matt Marr, Adam Stonestreet, Aaron Woodman, Jakob Holm and Jack Beare. We also announced the 2020 group: Neil du Toit, Jack Davis, Robert Dugmore, James Griffiths, Paul Malherbe, Lawrence Masha, Matthew Pettit, John Smith, John Steyn, Adam Suliaman, Ethan Topat, Oliver Werner, Maximillian Wolfson and Jonty Wright (leader).

Will Linley





Head of Simply Blue, Will Linley

VISUAL ARTS





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The visual arts have continued to thrive, in terms of the formal academic programme and in extracurricular activities.

The academic programme has included some fascinating museum and gallery visits, an ongoing collaborative Grade 10 project with Herzlia High School in Cape Town, and a first-ever conference and workshop on drawing for the senior boys. We concluded the year with two well-received exhibitions, the Grade 12 show in the Woodlands Pavilion and The Mitre, and a Grade 8 and 9 exhibition in the Simpson Centre.

The two most significant features of the year were the 'Big Draw' conference and workshop on 26 July, which focused on the central role of drawing in making and learning about the visual arts. The event took the form of a keynote address by Marco Cianfanelli (OD), a prominent Johannesburg-based artist, followed by an all-day drawing workshop experience for our pupils in Grades 10 to 12. Artists Katherine Bull and Katherine Spindler, along with musician Lance Herman, facilitated the workshop.

There was also a collaborative programme between the teachers and Grade 10 pupils at Bishops and Herzlia. This took the form of a joint outdoor drawing workshop at the Upper Liesbeek River Garden and a visit by the Herzlia Grade 10 class to Bishops to discuss and critique work by pupils from both schools. Finally, we undertook a joint visit to the Cape Town Holocaust & Genocide Centre (CTHGC). Pupils from both schools produced artwork in response to the visit; these will be entered into the CTHGC's White Rose Creative Project in 2020.

Peter Hyslop



Matthew Derman, Grade 12, *Necessity*, 2019. Acrylic on canvas.



Matt Davies, *Searching*, 2019. Acrylic on canvas.



Matthew Derman, Grade 12, *Cederberg Landscape*, 2019. Oil on canvas.



Marek Kanigowski, *Salt River*, 2019. Oil on canvas.



Tristan Turner, *African Landscape – Low Light*, 2019. Acrylic on canvas. Pierneef Cup winner.

EISTEDDFOD





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and Adam Motala

“You can’t use up creativity. The more you use, the more you have.” - Maya Angelou

Say the word ‘Eisteddfod’ to any Bishops boy and I am sure what will come to mind is the hours of meetings where entries are planned, the hours of prelims, the hours of singing and the hours of play and movement rehearsals. Then there are the deep emotions on the days of the Eisteddfod and finally that moment when the winners of the Owls are announced, followed by the roar from the winning Houses. There are not many moments in the year when the entire community of Bishops boys unites in a common activity. There are not many events in the calendar that incite so much emotion and passion.

Today, however, the Eisteddfod is no longer an event that only promotes performances; it also explores creativity. As process-driven jobs become obsolete, we are increasingly aware that one of the most desirable skills in the job market today is creativity.

People who can think beyond linear/logical processes, who can come up with out-of-the-box, multiple-angled and creative solutions, are highly sought after. The modern Bishops Eisteddfod acknowledges this and it plays a pivotal role in developing the fearless creators that our world needs. A new level is being developed for the Eisteddfod, one that focuses on the transfer of the skills developed within the Arts into everyday skills.

This year we began the ‘Challenge Section’ of the Eisteddfod. In collaboration with ORMS Photographic School, we created a section whereby boys, after a preliminary lecture on the history of portraiture, were required on the day of the Eisteddfod (using instamatic cameras and only nine shots, along with any props they liked), to photograph someone who, to them, represented a leader. They then had to frame the nine photos and all within a total time limit of only two hours. It was an extraordinary activity with astounding results.

The theme for the plays was Bertold Brecht’s quote: ‘Art is not a mirror held up to reality, but a hammer with which to shape it.’ It was clear from all the productions that the scriptwriters and actors

were on top of their game, with thought-provoking presentations and the desire to present the ‘alternative’ perspective. The topic for the Film Section was *Day Zero*.

The finale of the Eisteddfod is, as always, the Inter-House Singing, where once again the music-making was taken to a new level, with the Ensemble presentations, in particular, outstripping anything that had been heard before.

So why, besides the obvious celebration of the cultural aspects of Bishops, do we put so much time and energy into the Eisteddfod? Well, the answer is because it focuses on the development of creative skills – creativity helps one become a better problem-solver; allows one to see things differently and this, in turn, allows one to deal more confidently with uncertainty. Creativity also comes with the risk of failure – which is a certainty in the creative process! Comfortableness with the concept of failure, however, helps build an innate confidence. If our boys can begin to see that failure is something that one can survive, then it gives them licence to play with new ideas and walk new paths. Our world needs a new breed of thinkers who are creative and resilient in the face of fast change and societal demands. I hope that the growing, developing and increasingly pupil-driven Bishops Eisteddfod grows boys who see failure as a positive and who are aware that the Arts is an integral part of this journey to newness.

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

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| • Visual Arts Owl | Gray House |
| • Performance Owl | Kidd House |
| • Speech Owl | Gray House |
| • Music Owl | Gray House |
| • Inter-House Singing Owl | Kidd House |
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Mark Mitchell











SOCIETIES





ACCELERATED ART

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Teacher-in-charge: Katherine Spindler

The Accelerated Art Programme (AAP) is designed to develop the technical skills and broaden the knowledge of those learners 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 art. This year AAP has grown under the passionate vision of Tristan Turner, Mikhail Lovric and Hamish McKenzie, who have worked with interest and care on a number of diverse projects, including making homemade paints (egg tempera and watercolours), contemporary drawing, collage, as well as our annual collaborative stop-motion animation.

Making egg tempera and watercolour paint

In Term 1 the leadership team initiated a new module that focused on learning how to make and use different painting mediums, specifically egg tempera and watercolour paint. Boys referred to L. Cornelissen & Son's age-old recipes that call for

ingredients such as ox gall, glycerine, honey, gum arabic and powdered pigments. Using the paints they had made, the boys worked with moving images of surfers and the sea to create extraordinary renditions of waves. They were introduced to the drawings of Raymond Pettibon, to whom they referred as they integrated text into their drawings. These paintings were most impressive and exhibited and admired at this year's Eisteddfod.

Unconventional drawing with obstacles and mechanisms

The boys were introduced to South African artist Christian Nerf's work in Term 2, specifically the processes he employs in the creation of his drawings, which often involve unusual obstacles and rules. After being introduced to Nerf's process through a series of wonderfully experimental drawing tasks, the boys worked on their own personal projects that involved the introduction of an obstacle or impediment and, in some instances, included the creation of alternative drawing tools and contraptions. For example, Gareth Walsh's drawing tool involved the transformation of a roll of sticky tape into a spinning mechanism that drew as it spun. Murrough Epstein employed overhead ceiling fans, masking tape and permanent markers to generate his enormous

drawing. Thomas Maurel immersed himself in water-soluble graphite powder and drew with his feet while blindfolded. Many of these drawings were exhibited at this year's Eisteddfod, alongside drawings created in a more traditional way, all of which demonstrated the wide range of approaches and mediums the boys were able to use so creatively.

Eadweard Muybridge, the praxinoscope and charcoal animation

Our annual collaborative charcoal drawing animation project was carried over from Term 3 to Term 4 and was a great success. More than 35 boys participated in the creation of the piece, which was informed by the lyrics of Hollow Coves' song 'Coastline' (selected by the boys). At the beginning of the project the boys were introduced to the work of English-American photographer Eadweard Muybridge who is celebrated for his pioneering work in photographic studies of motion, and his early work in motion-picture projection. Experiments with our newly acquired praxinoscope, handmade thaumatropes and flipbooks were edited into our animation for the first time. The incoming leadership team of John Steyn, Luke Haaburger and Andrew

Geerdts arranged for the completed animation to be screened for the school at the beginning of the first term in the new year.

Outing to Investec Cape Town Art Fair

In February, the boys enjoyed an outing to the 7th edition of the Investec Cape Town Art Fair, held at the Cape Town Convention Centre, where they were exposed to a wide range of contemporary African and international art. Boys were particularly interested in the sculptural work of Jake Singer, who shared in great detail how his work is imagined and produced. Several of Ms Spindler's paintings were exhibited by the Barnard Gallery and the boys were given the unique opportunity to view their teacher's works and then discuss them with her. They also met the gallery's art director and manager and were given some interesting insight into the inner workings of art fairs and the relationship between artist and gallery.

Those interested in joining AAP can apply by sending an email and motivation to kspindler@bishops.org.za.

Katherine Spindler

AFRICAN RELATIONS

Teacher-in-charge: Aneen Kritzinger

The African Relations Committee is proud of the society's growth this year.

We were exposed to a wide variety of cultures and heritages through events like cultural evenings and regular weekly meetings. This helped to enrich the society, but particularly benefitted our new members. The cultural evenings enjoyed with other schools gave us the opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions around matters that proved to broaden our perspectives. These outings helped to boost the society's presence and also helped develop connections with our peers. School meetings covered everything from diversity and heritage to a Bishop's boy's identity and what that means in the 21st century.

Rushay Shiba



African Relations Chairperson, Rushay Shiba

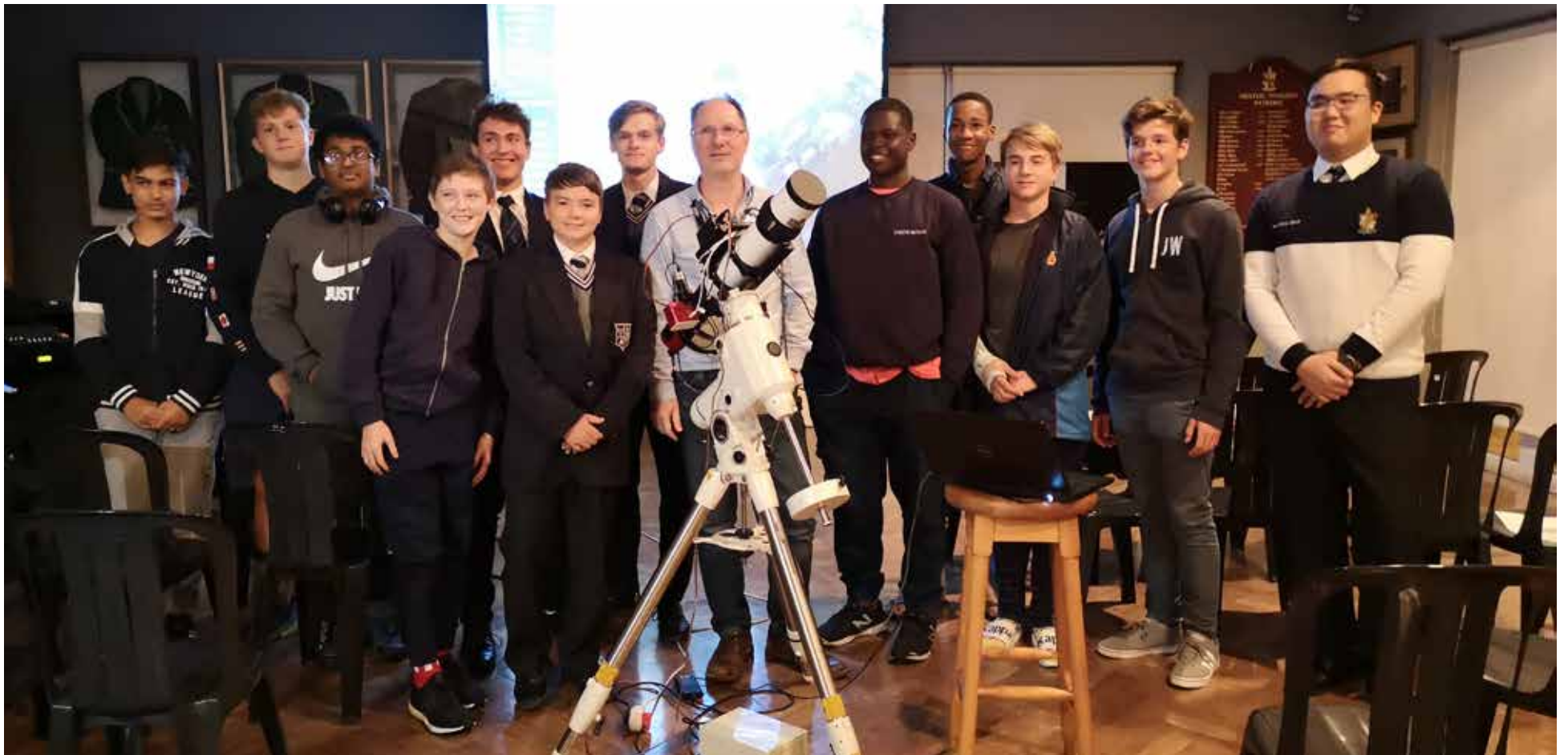
ASTRONOMY

Teacher-in-charge: Graham Robertson

The society continued to grow as more boys took an interest in learning about our universe. We held lunchtime meetings to discuss a number of astronomical topics and events, ranging from the discovery of interstellar objects and the rocket-science innovations made by SpaceX, to the role of women in astronomy and its history. The most notable event this year was a presentation by Professor Peter Dunsby (Head of the Department of Mathematics and Applied Mathematics at UCT and a full professor of Gravitation and Cosmology). He

gave us an informative talk and demonstration on telescopes and photography. There is a possibility that through his contacts we could host a medium-sized telescope at Bishops. This is a project that will further pique the interest of Bishops boys who find astronomy fascinating and further establish Bishops as a flagship of innovation.

Allen Sheng



BOOK CLUB

Teacher-in-charge: Nella Freund

Book Club membership grew considerably in 2019, with more boys joining from the younger grades and, as a result, the meetings have become livelier and more interactive. Boys take turns to review books they have recently read and this exposes them to a wide variety of genres, ranging from manga (Japanese graphic novels), to classics like *The Gulag Archipelago*, to non-fiction such as *Into the Wild*. Book Club meets a number of times a term, which includes one evening meeting with pizzas. Members are also welcome to order books.

Nella Freund

DANCE

Teacher-in-charge: Phil Court

Twenty Bishops Matrics and 20 Grade 11 Herschel Girls School students met three times a term to learn various dance steps, including the waltz, foxtrot, cha-cha-cha, rock 'n' roll and rumba. Roseanne Withey, a Maths intern at Bishops, joined us for a few sessions and taught us how to *sokkie*. She invited OD Dane Rossenrode along one evening to help instruct us. Our final dance event was a black-tie affair, held at the Woodlands Pavilion, where we made use of dance cards and enjoyed various dance competitions.

Phil and Kari Court



DEBATING

Teacher-in-charge: Caleb Nel

Debating society's senior team won the ABSA/Tshimong Provincial Debating competition with all four competitors ranking in the top 10 speakers. The team came third in the event's national competition. After performing well in the Rotary League, they were invited to the Western Cape Schools Provincial Debating Competition where they ranked fourth overall. Rohan Naidoo was chosen as best speaker and invited to the trials along with Robert Dugmore and Khelan Dheda. Following this, Rohan and Robert represented the Western Cape at the National Schools Debates Competition.

Our junior team also had a successful year, with several new members joining. After a good performance at the Western Cape Schools Provincial Debating Competition and in the Rotary League, the team went on to win the Rohan Bloom Interfaith Cup. The internal debating competitions also saw some high-quality debating, with Mallett House winning the Senior Debating Competition at Eisteddfod and Kidd House winning Juniors.

Robert Dugmore



Debating Chairperson, Rohan Naidoo

DEMOCRITUS

Teacher-in-charge: David Ledwidge

The society had a very busy first half of the year working on the manufacture and testing of various rocket engines.

The idea was to build one and find a suitable testing site but, unfortunately, recent legislation put a stop to this project. We then directed our attention to an old unfinished hoverboard, which resulted in some interesting manoeuvres by a few intrepid hoverboarders in the Mallett Centre, courtesy of the motors from

the College's leaf blowers. Our attention then turned to securing a small drone, which the lads programmed, using fairly simplistic coding, to follow a basic path and perform basic manoeuvres. This led to an interest in coding and the procurement of a number of Arduino microcontroller kits.

David Ledwidge

DRAMA

Teacher-in-charge: Wayne Tucker

Members were involved in the Bishops production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. The roles of the Narrators, Joseph, Pharaoh and Potiphar were played by Matt Marr, Jonty Wright, Adam Suliaman, Benjy Fisher and Nathan Scott respectively. Members also filled positions in the ensemble, the band, the sound and lighting box, as production assistants, backstage and props. Theatre outings included *Woza Albert!* (starring the original performers, Mbongeni Ngema and Percy Mtwa), *Every Year, Every Day I Am Walking*, *Kinky Boots*, *Equus*, *Macbeth* and *Danger in the Dark*. There were also five animated and dynamic workshops facilitated by Sharief Petersen.

The topic for the 2019 Eisteddfod Drama category was Bertold Brecht's 'Art is not a mirror held up to reality, but a hammer with which to shape it'. The section was adjudicated by Melissa Sanderson, Beverley Gush and Stephen van Eeden.

The Movement section was adjudicated by Anni Goedhals and Di Ross. With Dramatic Arts now being a subject offered at the College, it was decided to introduce a new section to the Performance Owl this year – Monologues – which was adjudicated by Melissa Sanderson. Mallett won both the Drama section and Movement section, and Gray won the Monologue section. The overall Performance Owl winner was Kidd. Jonty Wright (Kidd) was named Best Actor and Best Director, and Best Script was awarded to Jack Beare (Mallett).

Drama Awards: Distinction Tie: Jonty Wright. Full Colours: Simon Craig, Will Linley, Matt Marr and Jonty Wright. Half Colours: Luke Carter, Paul David, Noah Gonsenhauser (technical), Nathan Scott, John Steyn and Adam Suliaman.

Wayne Tucker

FIELD AND STREAM

Teacher-in-charge: Leon Glanvill

The Field and Stream Society enjoyed a relatively active year.

Highlights included a brilliant talk by Pierre du Preez and our work with three of the most endangered mammals in South Africa. The parents have played such a special part in all of our projects and have helped shape their success.

Max Nixon, Mitch Labberté, Matthew Dix-Peek, Luke Rissik, Inganathi Kilawushe, Ayabonga Mxobo, Jacob Ditter and Daniel Tafur joined me on the White Rhino Trail. It was a meaningful trip for the group as they embraced the opportunity of exploring nature and self. Every night, each person would get a chance to stand guard and keep the fire going, allowing for reflections on life in a natural environment. No cellphones were allowed and so the only noises were animals crossing the river, the odd lion roar and the plaintive call of a nightjar.

The Ranger Course was a wonderful trip. Nine boys and their moms went on the adventure. The complex discussions between moms and sons allowed for new, stronger relationships. The rangers and people we worked with were amazing. We had the honour of planting a tree in memory of Karin MacFarlane at Bayala Game Lodge in the Munyawana Conservancy that forms part of the great Phinda Private Game Reserve. We also had the chance to complete the deck called Rohrer's Rest, which honours the life of Christian Rohrer.

Leon Glanvill



Work on Rohrer's Rest deck



Rehabilitation of a baby pangolin with Craig Sholto-Douglas (OD)

FORUM

Teacher-in-charge: Paul Murray

The first of the four meetings for the year was addressed by Dr Joanne Peter who is a medical scientist. Dr Peter spoke about the importance of medical technological innovation, viz. the technology available to communicate issues around childbirth. Her position as the Director of Social Innovation with Johnson & Johnson's Global Community Impact team makes her very well placed to share the latest on the subject. The next meeting took the form of a challenging address by Professor Keertan Dheda, professor of Respiratory Medicine and the Head of the Division of Pulmonology at the University of Cape Town, where he is an A-rated scientist. The third meeting saw Dr Murray

stand in after the chosen speaker had to withdraw for unavoidable reasons. His presentation examined a day in the life of a Karoo farm, covering geological, paleontological and archaeological aspects. The final talk was by Peter Dennis, who spoke on the recording of identity through the collection and construction of metadata, how these items can ultimately be archived, and the importance of this process for the future of archiving information.

Paul Murray

GLOBAL ISSUES NETWORK

Teacher-in-charge: Gerry Noel

Being the first year under Mr Noel's leadership, the society saw an emphasis on project initiation and completion, the building of empathy towards relevant global and communal problems through speakers and outings, and the strengthening of the Sustainable Agriculture Society (SAS). In accordance with the UN Sustainable Development Goals, the society saw various projects undertaken throughout this year and various speakers deliver talks on fascinating topics. These included an aquaponics entrepreneur, a speaker from the School of Courage and Hope, a representative from Maersk Shipping who spoke about their environmental innovations, a biodiversity and conservation student, and a Wynberg boy running a recycling initiative to raise money for children with cleft palates.

Another highlight of the year was the Fridays for Future Climate Strikes, which saw many GIN boys demonstrating their passion for the environment outside Parliament. The society had a large intake of Grade 8s and saw an increase in members, an improvement on past years, which resulted in many projects being undertaken. Notable ones included Lukas Oelz's fundraiser that earned him a GIN tie, the continuation of the Grade 10's Big Ideas projects, an outreach programme to train underprivileged students for public speaking competitions by the Grade 11s, and the EcoBrick drive by the Matrics. The future of GIN looks bright.

Euan Musselwhite



GIN Chairperson, Euan Musselwhite

IMPACT

Teacher-in-charge: Keith Warne

Impact Society meets every Wednesday and we enjoyed really good discussions over a cup of hot chocolate and cookies. This, together with gatherings with Christian Unions from other schools each term, has helped to keep the boys positively engaged with their faith in light of the many challenges of everyday life. The wide range of topics included debates around the Christian faith and evidence for belief in the gospel message (in a society dominated by absolute claims of science), to more topical issues like the Christian response to gender-based violence and the associated challenges our society faces.

Weekly attendance averaged around 10 and it was encouraging to see the really good spirit of open discussion and sharing of personal opinions in an accepting yet honest forum. It was tremendously encouraging to see the depth of commitment and thought shown by many of our boys, who often pondered issues more deeply than expected, as well as the fact that the ancient scriptures still offer relevant and helpful advice today.

Keith Warne

INTERACT

Teacher-in-charge: Peter Hyslop

Our 76 Interact members participated in standard community-service activities, such as the Habitat for Humanity Cyclathon, Claremont Rotary's annual Fun Frenzy, the ONE to ONE event, as well as various fundraising activities. The most significant activity was our flagship project, Schools for the Liesbeek.

Schools for the Liesbeek is a collaborative project hosted by the Anglican Church and aims to transform our local urban spaces by greening the environment. We have been working with our neighbour, St Thomas Anglican Church, on this project since its inception in 2018. However, we seek partnerships with other schools, community organisations and faith communities to strengthen and extend our goals to address the environmental crises that face us locally and globally.

The project involves working at ecological restoration and landscaping a section of the Liesbeek River near St Joseph's College. We are working closely with Communitree, an

organisation that is re-establishing areas of indigenous fynbos vegetation across a wide area, including the local suburban landscape and across the Cape Flats. This project also has an immediate social dimension to it. We are seeking to add value to the neighbourhood, making green spaces pleasant and safe for recreation, thereby encouraging the community to use them.

As a way of highlighting the work of the Schools for the Liesbeek project, Bishops Interact launched a garden project. Frances Taylor from Communitree addressed the gathering about the importance of the project, and Father Keith de Vos, Vicar General of Rondebosch and Rector of St Thomas Anglican Church, blessed our project. We are also sincerely appreciative of the ongoing support from the Friends of the Liesbeek organisation, staff and pupils from SACS, and Dr Kevin Winter from UCT. More recently, the Rondebosch Boys' High Interact Club has joined the project.

Peter Hyslop



Interact Chairperson, Matthew Leong



Robert Butler and Milan Dixon at work at our Schools for the Liesbeek site



Gus Farara

INTERNATIONAL

Teacher-in-charge: Phil Court

At our first meeting, we were addressed by guest speakers Danny and Joshua Brown. As young newlyweds they did a TEFL course and went to China to teach at a primary school in Guangzhou. They shared their incredible experiences of living and working in a foreign country.

In the second meeting, four ODs (Grant Soll, Cole Barnard, Lee Gordon and Matthew Boynton) came to tell us about the trans-Atlantic rowing race they participated in – the Talisker Whisky Atlantic Challenge. They rowed 5500km from the Canary Islands to Antigua in the Caribbean in an eight-metre rowboat. It took 39 days of rowing two hours on, two hours off, non-stop, to cross the ocean.

Our guest speakers for the third meeting of the year were three members of staff who shared their travel stories. Casey Anley told us about the spontaneous road trip she did from Los Angeles to San Francisco in the June holiday. Nella Freund inspired us with tales from the swimming safari she did in the Adriatic Sea off

the Italian coast, and Carrie Bester shared stories of her visits to Greece, Turkey and Israel.

Two ODs, Kyle Richter and Andy Court, addressed the society at our fourth meeting. Kyle and his wife spent a year teaching English in Japan. Kyle gave us wonderful insights into the Japanese culture and way of life. Andy spoke about his three-month climbing trip in Switzerland, Austria, France, Bulgaria and Norway. He showed us amazing landscape and climbing photos and spoke about life in the various countries.

I did an impromptu talk on my trip to Nepal in the mid-year holiday. This included a five-day trek in the Annapurna region of the Himalayas, community work in a primary school near Pokhara in Nepal, and white-water rafting on the Trishuli River. Dzvinka Kachur gave a brief talk on the Ukraine.

Phil Court

LINGUA FRANCA

Teacher-in-charge: Paul Murray

Our first meeting was presented by Peter Steyn (OD) who gave a very interesting talk on 'Shakespeare and birds'. As a leading ornithologist, Peter was able to educate and entertain our members with his incredible knowledge of the meaning and significance of birds in Shakespeare's works, a talk suitable for any student and lover of Shakespeare. The next meeting was presented by Vernon Head, another OD with an interest in ornithology, but he addressed the society on aspects of his own experiences as an architect and how he perceives phenomena

around him. The third meeting was presented by OD Zama Jimba who entertained members with his interpretation of 'The art of hip-hop lyricism'. At our final meeting, guest speaker Professor Tim Noakes presented his research on dietary misconceptions of the past 50 years. His discussion also included how to optimise diet and exercise in order for individuals to lead energised and healthy lives.

Paul Murray

LUTHERIE SOCIETY

Teacher-in-charge: Keith Warne

Lutherie is the making of wooden, stringed musical instruments such as guitars and violins. It is a great opportunity for boys to acquire new skills and begin to learn something of the art of guitar construction and set-up which could, for some, develop into a lifelong passion.

Four boys built their own guitars, accompanied by Dave Ledwidge and Keith Warne who worked on the Bishops Pops guitar. The boys bought guitar kits and then assembled the instruments in their own unique styles.

Keith Warne

MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES

Teacher-in-charge: Paul Murray

Twenty years ago, when Bishops celebrated its 150th anniversary, Dr Paul Murray formed the Historical Bench. This year Bishops celebrated its 170th year, and Dr Murray thought it would be a good idea to start a group that examined the history of the school, with some participation from the students. And so Museum and Archives was started.

An invitation was extended to one of Bishops' sister-brother schools, St George's Grammar School (SGGS) in Mowbray. SGGS was founded by Bishop Robert Gray a year before Bishops was. Mr Stephen Bornman and a group of students joined the members of the Museum and Archives society for its first meeting. A talk was given on Sophy Gray, a diocesan administrator, artist and

architect, and wife of Bishop Robert Gray, and what she meant to the community, appropriately, on the occasion of Women's Day.

At the second of the two meetings a discussion was held about the preservation of Latin texts in the Archives Library, and whether it is a worthwhile project. Much debate followed from the members, with differing views being expressed. While Latin teaching has largely been done away with in South African schools for practical reasons, it is increasing in other parts of the world, such as Leicester County in the UK and in some schools in the US.

Paul Murray



Inaugural meeting of the Museum and Archives Society

MUSIC

Teacher-in-charge: Stephen Carletti

September 2019 saw the establishment of the Bishops Music Society, a society for boys to explore music on a level beyond the normal scope of the Music Department.

At the first meeting Bishops OD Grant McLachlan spoke about the history of music and the relationship between music and science.

Birt House OD Michael Wilson-Trollip explained the ins and outs of music production as a career at the second meeting. His presentation included examples of real projects he has been working on as a music producer and explained the extensive process needed to take a popular song from a musical idea to a ready-for-radio recording.

Stephen Carletti



PHILOSOPHY

Teacher-in-charge: Sa-eed Slamdien

The society had a successful year under the guidance of new Teacher-in-charge Sa-eed Slamdien and the newly established student committee.

Throughout the year, various presentations were given by students within the society, with topics ranging from religion and

nihilism, to the impact of social media and public shaming in modern society. All the presentations were of a consistently high quality and triggered engaging philosophical debates.

Robert Dugmore

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Teacher-in-charge: John Holtman

Our membership has grown to more than 50, with about 40-plus active members participating in evening meetings three times a term, many of them volunteering to deliver prepared speeches covering a variety of topics. We are also fortunate to have three Herschel students, Tallulah, Grace and Kate, who regularly attend our meetings and participate actively in order to learn the skills needed to become competitive.

In terms of competitions and achievements, the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships 2019 in Toronto was a Canadian-dominated affair, although a South African student from Clarendon High School for Girls, Julia Nhawu, came second overall. John Smith and Rohan Naidoo were the two highest ranking Bishops boys at 16th and 29th respectively. Individually, our boys also did well, with Rohan coming fourth and Paul Malherbe sixth in debating, and John Smith fifth in interpretive reading and ninth in persuasive speech, and Rohan Naidoo 18th in the same category.

Nationals at Michaelhouse was a resounding success for our boys and seven qualified for national selection to participate at Worlds

2020 in Shanghai. Rohan Naidoo ranked first overall, making him the Public Speaking and Debating National Champion for 2019/2020. Paul Malherbe came second, Luke Rissik fourth, John Smith sixth, Khelan Dheda ninth and Jay Sinha 13th, which means that we had seven boys in the top 15, and five in the top 10 – a remarkable achievement.

Six of our boys, Rohan Naidoo, Luke Rissik, Jay Sinha, Jono Mopp, Lukas Oelz, Nimba Mahlati and Khelan Dheda (who joined us from exchange) participated in the International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition where we, once again, achieved some fantastic results, bringing home seven trophies. Rohan achieved Best International Speaker for the second year running. Luke Rissik won the Interpretive Reading section, and Bishops came second overall out of the more than 80 top independent schools in North America, Hong Kong, China, South Korea, England, India and Bermuda, among others – a fine effort by the Bishops team.

John Holtman



Public Speaking Chairperson, Euan Musselwhite

SCIENCE CAFÉ

Teacher-in-charge: Marvin Bester

We started the year with a talk by Sithombo Maqungo about his career as an orthopaedic surgeon. This was followed by Anusuya Chinsamy-Turan who chatted to us about African dinosaurs. Michelle Perrins gave an interesting talk on pathology and its role in society. Kirsten Poking explored the concept of

biomimicry and how it relates to scuba diving. Jeremy Simpson presented a talk on toxins and the use of microorganisms to combat disease, and we ended the year with a talk by Vincent Naude on leopard poaching, and the important role these animals play in certain cultures.

Marvin Bester

TEN CLUB

President: Peter Westwood

Ten Club consists of 10 members, all of whom are in Matric, who meet five times a year. At the meetings, the format is simple. We start off by enjoying pizza and casual conversation. Then two boys each give a speech, lasting approximately 20 minutes, on a topic that's of interest to them and in which they are knowledgeable. Naturally, after each speech, the Q&A session that follows turns into quite a debate.

Meeting one kicked off with Tomas Slaven and his talk on 'Tactics in football'. This turned out to be enjoyable for football fanatics and non-fanatics alike. Following that we had a brave and

inspirational speech by Jack Clayton, titled 'Growing up with a speech impediment'.

At our second meeting Kenau Vith examined the topic of consumerism. This was followed by a talk by one of Bishops' top public speakers, Euan Musselwhite, on possibly the most controversial yet thought-provoking topic of the year, entitled 'The evil God complex and the world of duality'.

Reece Oellermann's lifelong passion for cars was evident in his speech, 'Technology and Cars', at our third gathering. His



approach to the topic was, however, anything but orthodox. His belief is that technology has reached its peak in terms of the excitement it can bring to recreational drivers and petrolheads. Following this, Murray Gordon spoke about the unbelievable possibilities in human gene editing and the ethical challenges it will create.

The fourth meeting included Liam Foxcroft showing us his superior maths and computer science abilities as he attempted to take us through the maths of encryption step by step. Following that, Josh Elliott spoke on nanotechnology. He proceeded to

amaze us with the seemingly unlimited potential that this ever-developing technology can offer.

In our final meeting, we were wowed by Thomas Warner and his maths abilities as he taught us all about entropy and why disorder is more probable than order, and why, although theoretically possible, ice doesn't form in room-temperature water. We finished a wonderful year of speeches with some food for thought as Jakob Holm addressed the topic of 'Political philosophy through the ages'.

Reece Oellermann

THE HISTORICAL BENCH

Teacher-in-charge: Paul Murray

The society asks questions on issues such as international relations and the world order. A reading list is distributed to members so that they can attend meetings with some background relating to the questions being examined.

The first of the four meetings was addressed by Tim Richman (OD), who spoke about the relevance of history today. He referred to *50 Flippen Brilliant South Africans*, a book he co-authored with Alexander Parker and which is illustrated by well-known South African cartoonist Zapiro (Jonathan Shapiro). Tim asked the audience to ponder the question 'Do you believe that you are a leader without knowing it?'

The next meeting saw Karl Weinert and Duncan Edelstein address the society on the topic of the 'Balkanization of Yugoslavia and its effects'. Their inspiration came from Bill Bryson's, 'Neither Here nor There – Q & A with Bill Bryson'.

The third meeting was presented by Dr Paul Murray who asked the question: 'How are some of the current events in the world (Trump and Iran; Putin at the Vatican; the US and North Korea; Trump's military display) shaping a new order?' There was some discussion around this topic. One of the questions that was raised was if the House believed the incumbent US president would be re-elected in 2020, and the vote was 20-16 that he would be.

The final meeting touched on one of the previous questions raised, ie whether Iran is a potential threat to the world. The decision from the House was that there are other countries that also pose a danger to world security.

Paul Murray



PASTORAL



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Tom Liefeldt, Will Linley and Murray Gordon

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

Pastoral care is a well-developed part of what makes Bishops the school it is and central to this care is the House system. Many schools have a House system, but very few have one where each Day House is a physical structure with not only facilities for the boys, but also offices for the House pastoral staff. The result is that the Houses build a sense of community, which is very important for boys, as well as offering a place where individual needs can be recognised and attended to by experienced adults who, between them, have spent decades looking after boys. In addition, the vertical tutor groups (Grades 8 to 12) enable further care, as well as the transfer of thoughts, practices and traditions from seniors to juniors.

This year has seen some wonderful developments in academic support provided by the Bishops Support Unit (BSU), led by full-time educational psychologist Ms Casey Anley. Perhaps the most significant of these has been the improvement in the academic and pastoral support of boys who have been awarded bursaries and whose junior school education was not as privileged. Sadly, Ms Anley is leaving us, but she has made a remarkably positive difference in a short space of time. This year also saw Father Monwabisi Peter joining the school and his pastoral care for boys

and staff has rapidly become a feature of his role at the College. This year the various focus groups, under the guidance of Mr Wallace, continued to consider issues of diversity and how Bishops can be a welcoming school. A new Matric leadership portfolio has been established in each House to support boys from minority groups and to feed back issues that arise from the focus groups to each House. For part of this year deep concern around gender-based violence was a focus for both boys and staff. A special chapel service followed by a vigil held along Campground Road were deeply moving events.

Rites of passage continue to play an important role in the lives of our boys – from the Welcoming Service for Grade 8s to the Valedictory Service for Matrics, and the Epic in between. Character development in the wide range of activities and experiences is very much part of what Bishops seeks to offer. We look to build good men.

Each year we say to the Matrics that they have a great responsibility to set the tone for the year. This year has generally been a happy and successful one and Will Linley, Murray Gordon, Tom Liefeldt, Sachin Chagan and the Matrics are to be congratulated on enabling an environment in which most boys have thrived in their Houses and in the school.

Peter Westwood



HOUSE REPORTS





FOUNDERS HOUSE

House Director: Dave Mallett

Assistant House Director: Barry Emms

House Mother: Lorraine Chateau

Tutors: Glen Gibbon, Dave Ledwidge, Bev Morris, Paul Murray, Richard Smith

Head of House and Deputy Head of School (Boarders):

Tom Liefeldt

Deputy Head of House: Alex van Hoogstraten

The past year was one of incredible growth and development for the boys of Founders House. The House thrived both on and off the sports fields. Incredible achievements included Lawrence Masha's induction into Simply Blue; Koame Kota's first place in Grade 8 isiXhosa (FAL); Ryan Nadar's stunning piano performance during the Founders Variety Concert and his impromptu performances every night before roll call.

The Grade 9s were the most improved academic grade in the school and this is testament to their determination and perseverance regarding their studies. Ryan Campbell won the prize for Matric Geography, while Oliver Jones won the Mathematical Literacy Award.

Founders House won Relay Sports, as well as Inter-House Fencing, Rugby, Soccer and Swimming. In terms of international and provincial accolades, Sacha Mngomezulu represented the South African U18 Sevens side and was selected for the U19A Craven Week side with Isaiah Wharton. Keagan Blanckenberg represented the Craven Week Academy side and attended the SA U17 training camp. Michael Ford, Max Cary and Bruce Sherwood represented the Western Province Water Polo A teams in their respective age groups.

While these sporting, academic and cultural achievements are impressive, the most pleasing and memorable aspect was the incredible camaraderie and 'gees'. Ziggy Dalton led the House admirably at Inter-House Singing. Our passionate 'Floreates' after winning Inter-House events will live long in the memories of the boys, and this celebration of each others' achievements is exactly the type of tradition that should be encouraged to continue, as it cultivates an incredible spirit.

The Matrics provided vibrant energy and leadership and set an excellent example for the rest of the grades while also contributing to the lighthearted atmosphere in the House.

Floreat Founders!

Ross Vintcent





HOUSE REPORTS

SCHOOL HOUSE

House Director: Leon Glanvill

Assistant House Director: Gerry Noel

House Mother: Denise Frank

Tutors: Trudy Hoefnagels, Kuthula Ntshontsho, Keith Warne, Rodney Warwick

Head of House: Jakob Holm

Deputy Head of House: Alex Russell

There is a wonderful feeling of togetherness in Top House and that is what it is all about. It is both a home and an institution.

One of the joys of a House is to see boys join at different times in their College careers and see them become part of the family. The leaders of 2019 have to be commended on coping with the changes that have taken place in the House. Gerry Noel joined in January and has brought a whole new level of energy and passion. At the start of Term 2, Denise Frank was appointed as the new House Mother. We said goodbye to Rodney Warwick as a tutor at the end of the year, and Seko Buthelezi, Siyanda Ndaba and Rob Lee as stooges. Our big projects for the year were a total makeover of the Grade 11 upstairs dorm and the repainting and refurbishment of the School House Dining Hall and the Drake Room. The school replaced the chimney stacks and the clock tower, and the Matrics presented the House with a new bell.

We won both age divisions for Tug-of-War as well as the Surfing trophy, and outclassed the other boarding Houses in the Eisteddfod. In fact, we gave some of the day Houses a good run for their money. It was great to win the Inter-House Rugby (U16). We can claim to be one of the most diverse Houses in the school. Five Grade 10 students participated in the Exchange Programme:



Ali Bruce and Joshua Michau went to India, Peter Myburgh to Colombia, Suleiman Hartzenberg to Wales and Ben Forsythe to the UK on a cricket exchange. The cabaret was an absolute treat. It is hard to forget Winner or Jakob and Linda Koegelenberg.

We said goodbye to Matthew Russell and Julian Wilson. Both boys were well loved by the House and we were sorry to see them go. Well done to the Matrics for a great year. With a bunch of lads who have been a part of Bishops for up to 13 years, there is much that can be said. Dallas Wichmann won the Matric of the Year Award.

Leon Glanvill





WHITE HOUSE

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: Ubaid Francis

Deputy Head of House: Sachin Chagan

The year started off in sublime fashion, with White House taking the win in Heats Week and narrowly missing out on Sports Day and Relay Sports. We ended up dominating the sport scene this year, with wins in Inter-House Rugby, Hockey and Soccer. It was also a very successful year for our individual sportsmen. Four members represented South Africa in their respective sports: Connor Evans in rugby, Mustapha Cassiem and Caleb Oliphant in hockey, and Shariq Davids in karate. There were also a number of provincial representatives: Shariq Davids, Matthew Tripe and Nassar de Kock in athletics; Greg Medcalf in squash; Nassar de Kock and Liam Kloosman in rugby, and Abel Mokwena in cricket.

On the cultural side, White House did not have their best performance at the annual Eisteddfod. There were many noteworthy performances from our men, but on the day, things did not pan out as expected, and the results did not go our way.

Academically, White House remained consistent throughout the year. Mention must be made of the academically gifted Grade 10 dorm. They were the highest achieving grade group in the school and continued to impress with noteworthy individual performances. Matthew Tripe represented the Western Cape Mathematics team after outstanding placements in various maths competitions.

Ubaid Francis





GRAY HOUSE

House Director: Joc Wrench

Assistant House Directors: John Knight and John Holtman

Tutors: Cheryl Gammon, Rhoda Manie, Caleb Nel, Wayne Tucker, Julian Vincent, Roseanne Withey

Head of House: Drew Burton

Deputy Head of House: Luke Richardson

As the year draws to a close, we have the opportunity to reflect on what a good one it has been for Gray House and the 114 boys who have been part of it. These young men possess a diverse set of talents, demonstrated in the wide array of accolades achieved both individually and as a House.

We had a number of boys in leadership positions in sport, with Jono Bird as captain of Cricket, Rufus Florin captain of Tennis, Nic Cattell vice-captain of Soccer and Cheerleading, and Peter Worthington-Smith vice-captain of Sailing. Wesley Holtmann was captain of First Aid and the three top positions in the Rowing club were held by Gray boys: Drew Burton (captain), Shaun O'Brien (vice-captain) and Nicholas McAdam (boatman).

After a fine third place in Relay Sports, we managed to bring home a rare win at Sports Day, our first since 1993 and the result of a solid effort by the 37 athletes who competed on the day, with Shaun O'Brien sharing the senior Victor Ludorum trophy. Gray also came third in the Inter-House Swimming Gala, which included a win in the U19 Medley and Joe Kirsten winning both the U19 Freestyle and Fastman races. We finished in fourth place in Junior Soccer and the Rowing Erg Regatta, second place in Surfing, Sailing and U19 Rugby, and first place in U16 Hockey, Junior and Senior Squash and Golf in the Inter-House events.

Ben Derman crossed the line as the first junior in the Founders Day Avenue Mile, while Storm Lanfear rode the best time for Bishops in the Cape Town Cycle Tour, achieving a sub 3:30. Robbie Dicey, Gerard Murray-Cooke and Ismail Bhorat (twice) took five-wicket hauls in cricket while Zak Cadiz won the Junior African Championships in Compak Sport Clay Target Shooting. Wesley Holtmann, our resident rugby ref, refereed in an international Sevens tournament in Mauritius. Rufus Florin and Ben MacFarlane participated in the Bishops Tennis Tour to the UK, a highly successful tour which saw the team win all of their fixtures. Jono Bird scored two centuries, one 50 and took two wickets during six ODIs for the SA U19 Cricket team against Pakistan. Our rowers did particularly well at Boat Race in the December 2018 holiday, claiming a much-coveted bronze medal with five of the 1st VII in Gray: Shaun O'Brien, Jack Paine, Drew Burton, Nic McAdam and Chris Pittaway. This success continued with outstanding results at SA Champs: Tom Forbes and Chris Pittaway (bronze), Shaun O'Brien, Nic McAdam and Jack Paine (silver), and Nic and Shaun (gold). Matt Pettit qualified as the youngest official rowing umpire, while Chris Gutuza was invited to play in the Kids Golf World Championship in Malaysia.

Full Colours were awarded to Shaun O'Brien, Jack Paine, Oliver Werner, Nic McAdam (Rowing), Joe Kirsten (Athletics), Jono Bird (Cricket), Nic Cattell (Soccer) and Wesley Holtmann (First Aid).



Half Colours were awarded to: Drew Burton, Chris Pittaway, Thomas Forbes (Rowing), Mbongeni Mavuso (Basketball), Shaun O'Brien (Athletics), Chris Dicey (Sailing), Kieraan Meyer and Joe Kirsten (Water Polo), Rufus Florin (Tennis), Jock Buchanan and Luke Richardson (Hockey), Jono Bird (Rugby), Chris Gutuza (Golf) and Aidan Burns (Squash).

The following boys were selected for various Western Province teams: Leo Letschert (surfing), Ben MacFarlane (tennis), Kieraan Meyer (water polo), Aidan Burns (squash), Dylan de Groot (squash), Jock Buchanan (water polo and hockey), Joe Kirsten (water polo), Chris Gutuza (golf), Shaun O'Brien (rowing) and Nic McAdam (rowing). Ben MacFarlane (tennis), Zak Cadiz (shooting) and Jono Bird (cricket) were selected for South African teams.

A number of our boys produced top-level academic achievements with Oscar von Seidel and Erik Todd reaching round two of the UCT Maths Olympiad, Ilyaas van Graan reaching round three, and Oscar also reaching the third round of the SA Maths Olympiad. As a result, Oscar, Erik and Ilyaas were all selected for the WP Maths team. Matthew Lewis won a gold medal at the Cape Town Expo for his project, also winning the prize for the top Grade 10 pupil and best energy project. Luke Richardson won the Grade 12 section of the National Economics Olympiad.

Academic ties were awarded to Storm Lanfear, Erik Todd and Ben MacFarlane, while Academic jerseys were awarded to Chris Dicey, Jock Buchanan, Gerard Murray-Cooke, Luke Richardson, Alex Saurma-Jeltsch, James Mason and Erik Todd. Chris Dicey was selected for Ten Club.

On the service side, Matt Derman, Sameer Shaboodien and Wesley Holtmann earned their Interact ties, while other Service ties were awarded to: Kieraan Meyer (Water Polo), Neil du Toit (Cricket), Wesley Holtmann and Nathan Scott (Rugby), and Cameron Pandiani, Max Wolfson and Luke Haarburger (Chapel). A number of boys completed The President's Award programme: David Boyes (bronze), Matt Derman (silver) and Wesley Holtmann and Kieraan Meyer (gold).

The cultural highlight of the year for our Matrics was undoubtedly Gray House winning Eisteddfod for the fourth time in five years, including winning the Music, Art and Speech Owls. It was a concerted effort by all in the House, led so well by a large group of Matrics who managed all aspects of the Eisteddfod campaign. Another highlight was this year's school musical, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, which included from Gray, actors Nathan Scott, John Smith and Nimba Mahlati, musicians Peter Worthington-Smith, Matt Pettit, Jack Davis, Rob Handley,

and Luke Carter in AV. Max Wolfson (lead) and Matt Dix-Peek (chorus) also took part in Herschel's musical, *Fame*.

Many of our boys fared well in the Royal Schools of Music exams with Distinction results for Nimba Mahlati (Grade 5 Singing), John Smith (Grade 5 Organ and Grade 6 Singing), Jack Davis (Grade 6 Percussion), Neil du Toit (Grade 7 Singing), Max Wolfson (Grade 7 Singing), Robert Handley (Grade 6 Piano and Grade 7 Sax) and Oliver Werner (Grade 6 Singing and Grade 7 Flute). Oliver was also selected to play at the High Achievers Concert.

John Smith and Oliver Werner each won a silver medal at the Afrikaans Eisteddfod for Music. John Smith represented South Africa in public speaking in Canada, also finishing sixth in the SA National competition, which earned him a place on the SA team to travel to Shanghai next year. Matthew Derman was awarded the OD Union Sophie Gray Prize at the Matric Art Exhibition.

Chris Dicey, Matt Pettit, Max Wolfson, Neil du Toit and Oliver Werner were awarded their Ensemble ties. Half Colours were awarded to Luke Carter and Nathan Scott (Drama), Jack Davis, Gregor John, Wesley Holtmann and John Smith (Music), with Full Colours to Nathan Scott, Peter Worthington-Smith, Drew Burton and Neil du Toit (Music), and Jack Paine (Drama). John Smith was awarded his Distinction tie for Public Speaking.

At our annual House dinner, we announced our Gray House Grade 12 of the Year Award, which went to Wesley Holtmann, as well as our Gray House Grade 8 of the Year Award, which went to James Scott.

Joc Wrench





OGILVIE HOUSE

House Director: Ronald Jacobs

Assistant House Directors: Graham Robertson and
Burgert Maree

Tutors: Caroline Bester, Graeme Klerck, Olga Peel,
Dave Russell, Jacky Withers

Head of House and Deputy Head of School (Dayboys):
Murray Gordon

Deputy Head of House: Matthew Leong

The year flew past and we had many reasons to be thankful.

We celebrated the fabulous achievements of our boys in an array of activities.

The Grade 8 boys were handed their Ogilvie ties at a special ceremony. This group enjoyed a fabulous camp at the beginning of the year with pastoral leaders Rory Schram, Nic Gleeson and James Rumbelow. The Grade 9s completed their subject choices for the FET phase and were brimming with excitement about what lay ahead. Epic and the Exchange Programme are rated highly on the Grade 10 agenda and we wished the Grade 10s well in these rites of passage. The Grade 11s took over the mantle towards the end of the year. The Matric class was tasked with taking Ogilvie into the next phase. Murray Gordon, Matthew Leong and the Grade 12 group were united in the outlined vision.

Ogilvie was crowned Best Academic House. We featured prominently in sailing and rowing (and won both Inter-House trophies) and achieved excellent individual results. James Rumbelow was captain of Sailing. We had SA representation in water polo; Western Province representation in hockey, cricket, squash, karate, rowing and fencing. Nine Ogilvie boys were

involved in the school play, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. A host of boys received Full Colours for excellence in sport, academics and leadership.

Nic Gleeson and Chris Clark represented Western Province in squash and hockey respectively. Francois Breytenbach received Western Cape colours for rowing. Matt Lennett and Chris Clark represented the school in two first-team sporting codes. Matt Marr's involvement in *Simply Blue*, his leading role in all the school plays, conducting of *Eisteddfod* and involvement in the variety shows is acknowledged. Miles Boeddinghaus was part of the SA National Youth Choir that won one competition and came second in another while touring Greece, Italy and Austria. Hamish McKenzie's appointment as Head of Audio Visual and his service to the school and Ogilvie were commended.

Francois Breytenbach and Tristan Lee took part in the SA Nationals in rowing. We had three Grade 12 boys (Murray Gordon, Reece Oellermann and Kenau Vith) in Ten Club. Murray Gordon and Chris Clark were appointed vice-captains of the 1st Hockey team.



Full Colours: Murray Gordon (Academic Excellence and Hockey), James Rumbelow (Sailing), Tristan Turner (Visual Arts), Francois Breytenbach (Rowing), Reece Oellermann (Academic Excellence), Kenau Vith (Academic Excellence).

Half Colours: Francois Breytenbach, Matt Leong and Tristan Turner (Academic Excellence), Chris Clark (Cricket), Matt Lennett (Rugby), Kyle Beley (Athletics).

At the end of the year, we said farewell to one of our stalwarts – a most dedicated tutor and teacher – Olga Peel, who retired. We thanked Olga for her sterling work over the years and for the care and dedication she gave our boys. We wished her a peaceful retirement.

Ronald Jacobs







KIDD HOUSE

House Director: Mervin Walsh

Assistant House Director: Alex van Selm

Tutors: Stephen Carletti, Shaun Hewett, Bradley Smith,
Nadia Snyman, Dean Sudding

Head of School: Will Linley

Head of House: Kieran Seggie

Deputy Head of House: Charlie Yates

The year started on a positive note with Mr Walsh taking over as the new House Director. He began renovation plans that instilled a newfound pride among boys in the House.

On the sports front, the junior boys secured wins in the U14 Inter-House Hockey, U15 Inter-House Sevens and the Junior Inter-House Rowing relay. Nic Steinhagen represented South Africa in water polo. Both Kai and Reyne de Klerk took part in the World Karate Federation tournament and each received double bronzes in their respective divisions. Later in the year, Kai won a bronze medal in the Open Junior Kata division and Reyne won a gold medal in the Elite Cadet Middleweight Kumite division at the South African Championships. Luke van Wyk pinned himself as a notable up-and-coming surfing talent when he won the U16 VW South African Open at the age of just 14. David Naude once again proved himself to be one of the best competition climbers in South Africa, winning various competitions and sealing his place in the South African team. James Flint and Daniel Neuhoff were both selected for the All Stars Indoor Hockey team. Rupert Holmes was selected for the U16A South African Hockey team.

Charlie Yates and Aidan MacDonald both displayed their talents on the Piley Rees, and Adam Suliaman made a few appearances

for the Blues in the latter part of the season. David Allardice was a regular in the very competitive 1st Hockey team, with Connor Dempers making a few appearances throughout the year. Liam Foxcroft captained a very strong Bishops Climbing team that included Kidd's David Naude, Duncan Edelstein and Jack Vermaak. At the Triangular, notable performances came from Adam Suliaman, who won the U19 Long jump, as well as Ilyaas Arnold and Luke Parker who were part of the victorious U16 4x100m Relay.

2019 proved to be another culturally noteworthy year. Will Linley conducted the House to a first-place finish in Inter-House Singing, while Jonty Wright wrote, directed and acted in an outstanding Kidd House play, which contributed to our securing the Performance Owl. Many Kidd House boys took part in the College musical of the year, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, but special mention must be made of Jonty Wright, Adam Suliaman and Will Linley, who did amazing jobs as the Narrator, Joseph and Reuben respectively. Will Linley and Jonty Wright received Full Colours for Drama and Adam Suliaman Half Colours. Jonty Wright later received a Distinction tie for Drama. Adam Motala received Full Colours for Music and Andrew Geerdts received Full Colours for Visual Arts.



Jono Bateman was awarded an Academic jersey, and Academic ties were awarded to Suhayl Khalfey, Sebastiano Panieri and David Allardice. Gabriel Dyssell-Höfinger was selected for the South African Mathematics Foundation and represented Western Province at the South African Mathematics competition along with Thomas Warner. William Makin, Jay Sinha and Paul Malherbe all represented South Africa in the World Debating and Public Speaking Championships; Paul and Jay were also awarded Distinction ties for Public Speaking. Thomas Warner and William Vine-Morris both received gold awards at the UCT Mathematics competition. At Prize-Giving, some of the stand-out awards went to Malick Majiet who came third in Grade 8, Gabriel Dyssell-Höfinger who came first in Grade 10, Gus Farara who came third in Grade 10 and Andrew Low who came third in Grade 11.

Otium Cum Liberare.

Kieran Seggie



HOUSE REPORTS

BIRT HOUSE

House Director: Trevor Pasquallie

Assistant House Directors: Ruan Ellis and Campbell Smith

Tutors: Gloria Bassett, Peter Hyslop, Andrea Rutter, Sa-eed Slamdien, Anne Stephens, James Swift

Head of House: Aaron Woodman

Deputy Head of House: Joshua Elliott

In the first term we held a successful Easter Egg Drive for the children at Lantana Primary School in Mitchells Plain. They also received gifts from the House at the end of the year. Birt Tie Day took place in May, with the Grade 9s receiving their House ties for the first time. Yasin Omar's tie was given to him in hospital, on his crown birthday. He also received the Birt Spirit Award for his tenacity during his illness and for his avid support of his peers during Inter-House competitions. The installation and unveiling of a new water fountain in honour of Rohan Bloom will take place in 2020.

On the sports front, Birt House enjoyed a successful year. Despite being slow out of the starting blocks at Sports Day and Relay Sports, Birt House achieved good placings in the many Inter-House competitions. Our juniors even beat a Boarding House in tug-of-war! Cole Crawford received the Rookie of the Year Award at this year's Inter-House Golf competition. William Vagn-Jensen was selected as captain of Soccer at Bishops. Several of our boys represented Bishops at provincial-level squash, water polo, hockey and rowing.

Birt House's 35th birthday was celebrated in style with the biennial Music and Art Evening and a braai for the boys. The big birthday cake was enjoyed by all, including visitors from other Houses.

On the cultural front, Aaron Woodman, Paul David and Adam Stonestreet ended their incredible journey with Simply Blue, and Karl Weinert with the Jazz Band. Julian Dower and Mikhail Lovric were awarded commendations at the Class of 2019 Art Exhibition. Joshua Elliott was the recipient of the prestigious OD All-Rounders prize.

Birt celebrated many individual successes. Jonathan Mopp and Khelan Dheda took part in the International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition, in which Bishops placed second in the world. Daniel van Nimwegen was placed first in the Grade 11 Economics Olympiad. At the end of the second term, the Bishops Brass Band was awarded Best Ensemble at the Stellenbosch Eisteddfod Prize Winner's Concert. Matthew Newton was awarded the prize for the Best Senior Brass Player. Zac Young's Grade 11 exam essay was published in *English Alive*. Khelan Dheda won a gold medal at this year's Cape Town Expo as the top Grade 10 learner (Biomedical). Mikhail Lovric was awarded the Silver Standard for the President's Award.

Mrs Bassett was thanked for her selfless service, both as a tutor and Assistant House Director when she left the House.

Floreat Birt.

Mitchell Labberté



HOUSE REPORTS



MALLETT HOUSE

House Director: Marion Gardner

Assistant House Directors: Jenny Campbell and Michael Vamvadelis

Tutors: Marvin Bester, Angus Firth, Sean Henchie, Sue McPetrie, Sharief Petersen

Head of House: Euan Musselwhite

Deputy Head of House: Benjamin Fisher

With the influx of new boys at the start of the year, the House was reinvigorated with continuous table tennis matches and quad soccer. The Grade 8s enjoyed their hike and beach day with their mentors, bonded quickly and settled in well. We fostered an atmosphere in line with the Matrics' goal of making Mallett 'more than just a House, but a home'.

Participation and commitment ensured that the House excelled on most fronts. In Term 1, after sessions of early-morning running, Mallett performed with spirit in Relay Sports, Heats Week and Sports Day, achieving fourth place. Special mention must be made of Bradley du Toit, Abdul Kareem Kerbelker and Seb Prevost, all of whom came first or second in an event, as well as Oliver Stewart, who managed to win Victor Ludorum and break the U19 1500m Triangular record. This would not have been achievable without the effort and organisation put in by the sport heads. We won the Inter-House Water Polo under Ryan Sneddon's leadership and narrowly missed out on winning the Swimming Gala too. The Mallett tradition of running the Avenue Mile was observed on Founder's Day and an impressive showing in the Tug-of-War saw the senior team make it past the first round. Term 2 saw a more cultural focus, with the Eisteddfod and the

Mallett Variety Show. Mallett placed an admirable second in the Eisteddfod. This campaign saw us win the Movement, Plays and Debating sections, thanks to Josh Gray, Seb Prevost, Rohan Naidoo, Jack Beare and Euan Musselwhite. The Inter-House Singing saw the boys rally together, in true Mallett spirit, to challenge the coveted Owl, but we did not manage to place. Special mention must be made of the cultural leaders for their tireless efforts in leading such a successful campaign, and of Euan Musselwhite, Felix de Bruin, Bemvelo Marubelela, John Steyn, Jack Beare, Rohan Naidoo and Marek Kanigowski for being the top points scorers.

Term 3 was a quieter one, with the Matrics writing mocks, but the Grade 11s stepped in as the future leaders. In terms of House teams, we competed commendably in the Inter-House Soccer, Hockey (which was played in Term 1), Fencing and Rugby Sevens, with our seniors making the Soccer semi-finals.

Notable Mallett boys' achievements included the Matric class boasting not only the captain of Cricket and Hockey (James Howard), but both captains of Athletics (Seb Prevost and Oliver Stewart), captain of Water Polo (Ryan Sneddon), captain



of Shooting (Jack Beare) and captain of Squash (Tim Wright). Rohan Naidoo represented South Africa in public speaking at the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championship in Toronto, and Marek Kanigowski represented SA in polo. The Matric class also had two Ten Club members (Jack Clayton and Euan Musselwhite). We had representatives in most 1st teams, including Golf, Hockey, five in Cricket, Squash and Water Polo, Rowing, Soccer and Shooting, as well as numerous Western Province representatives. Mallett also boasted three Simply Blue members (John Steyn, Jack Beare and Benjamin Fisher).

Euan Musselwhite







Epic et al





EPIC

Previous page:
William Ross and Luke Solomons

This was our 13th year of the Bishops Epic. The one mantra I have come to use over the years is 'Epic works!' I've used this both in the context of counselling boys and reassuring parents.

What I have learnt is that while each group will be exposed to the same programme, the nature of the experience is different for each individual.

The structure of Epic was basically the same as in previous years – five groups doing five rotations with two hikes, a stint at Waterbase and at two community bases. At one of these community bases, boys do a 24-hour solo during which they receive letters from their fathers or a father figure.

It was hugely exciting to reintroduce horse riding to the Epic. Shooting has been another successful addition to our programme. We used the school's air rifles and had expert instruction from recent OD and ex-captain of shooting André Truter.

Very few groups are driven from base to base on Epic. The boys either hike or cycle between bases. In 2018 we bought a new set of bikes and it was wonderful to see the fruits of this investment – very few breakdowns and a group far better prepared than in previous years. In Term 3, we did bike competency testing and offered courses to those boys who needed to improve or to learn how to ride. In addition, we put the boys through a quick refresher course on cycling in our preparation week, which we held the week before Epic began.

Epic challenges a boy on a number of fronts, the obvious one being physically. As is always the case, there was no doubt that

those who worked on their fitness had an easier time. Boys did a thorough fitness test in Term 2 and we did our best to work with those who, in our opinion, needed help with both fitness and diet. It was heartening to see how many families made a special effort to do hikes to ensure their sons were adequately prepared.

Every year we make an appeal to the Grade 10 parent group to assist with donations for craft work and other items such as toys, books, dress-up clothes, Lego, etc. The response was again overwhelming. We were hugely grateful not only for the donations, but also to the many parents who helped organise the goods and prepare the craft materials. Di Davidson led this group admirably and devised a special combination of craft work that was put to good use when the boys worked with the children at Elizabethfontein Primary and Grootkloof Primary schools.

We busied ourselves with two large paving projects at both schools. Sadly, we were not able to complete the one at Grootkloof (situated on Jamaka). We were most grateful to Jannie Nieuwoudt of Jamaka who has said he would send a team to finish it. Huge thanks also to Tyrone Adams, one of our drivers, for his sterling work on these projects.

Epic works and it does so because there is a massive group of wonderful people who are dedicated to making it work. Although we outsource some of the more specialised functions, 90% of our academic staff take part. There were around 100 adults assisting in the 16-day experience, including some ODs and friends of the school. We were also backed and encouraged by fantastic administrative and other support staff who did so much behind the scenes! We're also incredibly grateful to the Reid, Steele, and Nixon families for loaning us their 4x4s.

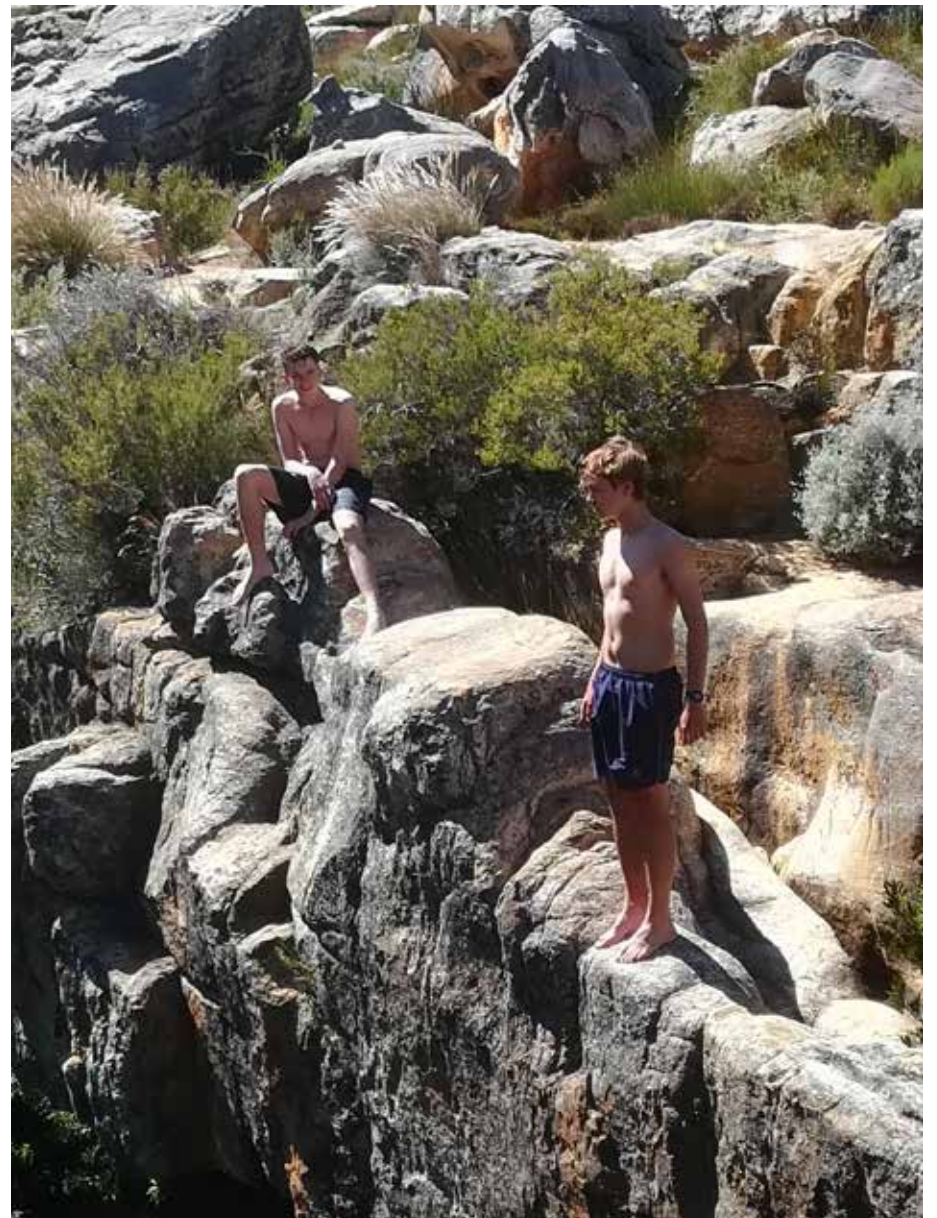


The edited excerpts below are from messages received from boys and parents after the Epic:

- The experience of driving there, the warm welcome, the appreciation for the letter and the 2+ hours of immediate story sharing will be remembered and treasured.
- This 'rite of passage' has to be one of the defining events in the life of a Bishops boy and we know how much our son enjoyed and learnt from it.
- He learned new skills and he is the proudest Bishops boy around.
- Epic was tough, but amazing.
- He has cuts, aches, bruises, blisters, a huge smile, a sense of achievement, wonderful stories, new friends and memories he'll treasure forever.
- He had an amazing time and has grown up so much. It will be something that remains with him forever.
- He spoke about his solo and wasn't shy to admit that it took him some time to read his letter because he was crying so much. It was the most meaningful thing I think I have done for him as a father and he told me that it would stay with him for the rest of his life.
- Our son enjoyed 95% of his Epic experience and the other 5% (the blisters, the rain, etc) he says was completely manageable.
- The biggest positive of his Epic journey has been the renewed respect for his home and creature comforts.

*Graham Robertson,
Epic Director*





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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 a widening of horizons.

Name		School
Nicholas	Amman	St George's College, Buenos Aires
Thomas	Bester	Kents Hill School, Readfield, US
Charlie	Bicker Caarten	Dean Close, Cheltenham, UK
Alastair	Bruce	The Lawrence School, India
James	Clarke	The Scots College, Sydney
Zain	Dawood	Gilman School, Baltimore, US
Khelan	Dheda	Belmont Hill School, Belmont, US
Gabriel	Dyssell-Höfing	The Doon School, India
James	Elliot	Christ Church Grammar School, Perth
John	Fisher	King's Bruton, Bruton, UK
Gray	Fogarty	Pembroke School, Adelaide
Patrick	Habiyaremye	The Lawrence School, India
Suleiman	Hartzenberg	Llandovery College, Wales
Oliver	Kennedy-Smith	St Peter's College, Adelaide
Abdul	Kerbelker	Rijnlands Lyceum Wassenaar, Holland

Paul	Malherbe	Haileybury, Hertford, UK
James	Mason	Culford School, UK
Keenan	Mills	Geelong Grammar School, Australia
Peter	Myburgh	Colegio Anglo Colombiano, Colombia
Luke	Parker	Framlingham College, UK
Cameron	Parker-Forsyth	King William's College, Isle of Man
Alec	Rippon	Lancaster Country Day School, US
Joseph	Ruiz von Walter	Montgomery Bell Academy, US
Ubaid	Samsodien	Rijnlands Lyceum Wassenaar, Holland
Isaiah	Sonn-Pather	Colegio Virgen de Europa, Madrid
Finn	Tedder	Orchard College, Chile
Matthew	Tripe	Episcopal Academy, US
Schylar	van der Westhuizen	Schweizerische Alpine, Davos
Luca	van Wyk	Ridley College, Canada
Stefan	von der Heyden	Hale School, Perth
Dylan	Wood	Private Realschule, Munich

OUTREACH PROGRAMME

Teacher-in-charge: Gloria Bassett

Bishops Grade 10 pupils and 90 LEAP students are involved in an hour of community service every Thursday afternoon. Civics was split between an on-campus programme, run by Bev Morris, and groups that went off-campus to visit various communities. Halfway through the year these two programmes swapped, so that all the pupils had an opportunity to be involved in both programmes. A new venture was our involvement with Vusa Rugby and Learning Academy, which was Brendan Fogarty's idea. We took pupils to visit crèches in Langa, and the excitement of the children when interacting with the older pupils was delightful to see.

Gloria Bassett

SPORT



DEPUTY HEAD SPORT REPORT

Previous page:

James Howard, Isaiah Wharton and Ryan Sneddon

Bishops sport is rich in tradition, passionately supported yet progressive, and an inspirational vehicle for our boys.

Gary Kirsten, ex-Protea cricketer and national coach of India, was recently quoted as saying, 'It seems that we've forgotten that school is a place where you learn. It's a place of preparation, not performance. Once you've gained skills and learnt confidence based on real competence, you are better prepared for the stress of performance and competition.'

It is with this quote in mind that we are grateful for our dynamic and committed staff, as well as our external sports coaches, who continue to prepare our boys, keeping us abreast of the latest trends, while ensuring that we are competitive in the complex, emotive world of schoolboy sport. Through their meticulous training, they continually strive to produce sportsmen who can proudly represent the College and then go on to take their place in society. This year we have once again contributed to the development of some top-class athletes who have competed at the highest level possible.

The College boys have performed admirably on the sports field with some excellent provincial selections, notably in rugby, squash, hockey, water polo and cricket across all age groups. Connor Evans was selected for SA Schools Rugby to play in an international triangular series and Mustapha Cassiem was selected to represent the Western Province Men's A Hockey team. Jono Bird represented South Africa in U19 Cricket, while Marek Kanigowski represented the South African Men's Horse Polo team against New Zealand.

As a school we celebrate diversity, embracing and respecting the differences that bring us and our opponents together in a healthy sporting context. It's through this exposure to sports competition, the stress of performance associated with our boys' school derbies, as well as the co-ed schools we play against, that our boys develop a range of skills that prepare them for life.

Our 1st Rugby team and top golf, squash and tennis players were all privileged to take part in international tours this year. Soccer continues to grow due to the increasing interest. The soccer boys also embarked on their first domestic tour to St Andrew's College this year, competing against schools and local clubs.

Sport creates incredible opportunities for our boys to express themselves outside of the classroom as well as to enjoy a different cultural experience. This applies not only to the boys who participate, but also those who offer services – from officiating and scoring to first aid. It was remarkable to note the number of boys who were awarded Service ties for their service to Bishops sport. In cricket, James Farmer and Neil du Toit were recognised for umpiring and scoring, and Daniel Holgate for scoring during the last three seasons. Wesley Holtmann, often seen refereeing on our fields, was selected by Western Province Rugby to referee at an international Sevens rugby tournament in Mauritius, while Matt Pettit has recently qualified as an official rowing umpire, through Western Province Rowing, becoming the youngest schoolboy rowing umpire in the country.

Warren Wallace



AQUATICS

Teacher-in-charge: Nadia Snyman

The following results were achieved at another festive Inter-House Gala:

1st Founders House
2nd Mallett House
3rd Gray House

Trophies were awarded for the following:

U19 100m Individual Medley: Aiden Murphy
U19 Medley Relay: Founders House
U19 Freestyle Medley: Gray House
U19 100m Freestyle: Joe Kirsten
Grade Relay: Founders House
Fastman: Joe Kirsten

Nadia Snyman



Captain of Aquatics: Aiden Murphy

ATHLETICS

Teacher-in-charge: Burgert Maree

Each athletics season comes with its own challenges and upsets. Every year Houses compete enthusiastically to return one of the three trophies to their House cabinets and this year was no exception. Congratulations to Founders who went home with the Relay Sports Trophy, and to White House who kept the Heats Week Trophy in their cabinet for another year. This year Gray clinched victory with 321 points.

The Victores Ludorum trophies were awarded to Gilermo Mentoe (U14), Ross Martin (U15), Nassar de Kock (U16) and Oliver Stewart and Shaun O'Brien (U19). Congratulations to both Gilermo and Ross on the long-jump records they achieved on the day.

SACS hosted the annual, and final, Triangular. Bishops athletes competed with true sportsmanship, showing again what the annual Triangular is all about: competing as an individual, to the best of your ability, for the team. Suleiman Hartzenberg

(200m) and Oliver Stewart (1500m) are congratulated on the new Triangular records they set this year.

The following athletes each received their Triangular tie for having competed three times, twice in their senior years: Joe Kirsten, Dylan Plaatjies, Elyas Ayyoub, Keegan van Wyk, Sam Rudston, Shaun O'Brien, Michael Wesson, Jack Brasher and Kyle Beley.

The following athletes achieved Half and Full Colours:

Half Colours: Seb Prevost, Kyle Beley and Shaun O'Brien

Full Colours: Joe Kirsten, Elyas Ayyoub and Oliver Stewart

Burgert Maree



Captains of Athletics: Oliver Stewart, Seb Prevost and Michael Comitis (U14)



Seb Prevost and Shaun O'Brien (Triangular 400m U19)



Seb Prevost and Joe Kirsten (Triangular 200m U19)



Oliver Stewart, Shaun O'Brien and Elyas Ayyoub (Triangular 1500m U19)

ATHLETICS



Sports Day: 1500m U16



Sports Day: 1550m U19

AVENUE MILE

Teacher-in-charge: Phil Court

A field of boys from all grades and Houses assembled at the start. Burgert Maree got the race underway and immediately Oliver Stewart (M) raced to the front and set off to break the record he had established the previous year. I rode ahead on my bicycle and had to work hard to stay in front of Oli! By the time he entered the school grounds and ran down the Avenue, he was well ahead of the chasing pack of runners and on target to break his record. He crossed the finish line in 4 minutes 29.3 seconds, breaking his record by 3 seconds. Bishops is 170 years old this year and Oli is the best middle-distance runner in the history of the school – a remarkable achievement and wonderful to witness.

Julian Dower (B) finished second in a noteworthy time of 5 minutes flat (PB). Ben Derman (G) was first in the junior runners in 5 minutes and 2 seconds (PB). It was nice to have OD Peter Wrench in the field: he finished 14th in a very creditable time of 6 minutes 7 seconds (what a feat for a 59-year-old runner).

Phil Court



Seniors getting ready to start the race

Senior runners

1st	Oliver Stewart	4 min 29.3 sec (new record)
2nd	Julian Dower	5 min (PB)
3rd	Tom Byron	5 min 11 sec

Junior runners

1st	Ben Derman	5 min 2 sec (PB)
2nd	Luke Davis	5 min 13 sec (PB)
3rd	Abdul Kerbelker	5 min 31 sec



Tom Byron, Oliver Stewart and Julian Dower



Abdul Kerbelker, Ben Derman and Luke Davis



Oliver Stewart racing down The Avenue



Juniors lining up to start the race

BASKETBALL

Teacher-in-charge: Glen Gibbon

Before coming to the College most boys would not have played basketball, so the learning curve is usually quite steep. Nevertheless, our club had a win ratio of 71%, winning 15 of the 21 fixtures.

The 1st Basketball team achieved some outstanding results. Playing against our usual opposition of Rondebosch, Wynberg, SACS, Westerford and Pinelands, the team managed themselves superbly, winning the triple crown in the latter season. Under the leadership of Matthew Leong (captain) and Nic Gleeson (vice-captain), they have played superb fast break basketball to offset the lack of height in the paint under the boards.

Well done to the winning Inter-House teams that took the trophies this year: Ogilvie (Junior) and Founders (Senior).

Glen Gibbon





Captains of Basketball: Matthew Leong and Presa James (U14)

CLIMBING

Teacher-in-charge: Trevor Pasquallie
Captain: Liam Foxcroft

This year our boys enjoyed twice-weekly bouldering practices at Bloc 11 in Paarden Eiland, and Saturday outings, mainly to Silvermine, for lead climbing. A number of boys took part in the National Bouldering League competitions and were registered with Western Cape Climbing. This qualified them for participation in provincial and national competitions. Jack Vermaak was awarded Climbing Half Colours this year.

Plans are underway for the construction of a bouldering facility at the College, which will allow more time for the boys to climb.

Trevor Pasquallie



Matthew Middelmann and Ethan Ellis

CRICKET

Teacher-in-charge: John Knight

First XI

The captain for the year was Jono Bird, easily our most accomplished and experienced player (and one of SA's best schoolboy cricketers) but, unfortunately, he only played in six of the 36 matches. Bird was selected to play for SA U19s on their tour to India in February, and then against Pakistan in a seven-match series in July, where he scored two centuries.

The highlight for the team this year was the 10-wicket victory over RBHS in the schools' annual day/night encounter, playing under lights to a record crowd on the Frank Reid. Chasing 120, Jono Bird and Travis Norris, batting with impressive confidence, made light work of the target with overs to spare. This was followed by a draw in the declaration match in March and then another resounding win by 70 runs in November.

James Howard took over the reins from Jono Bird in Term 1, and impressed as a leader, captain and cricketer. James, Josh Elliott and Michael van der Merwe deserve credit for making the decision to continue playing the sport amid a busy matric schedule and exams.

The team had a disappointing Port Elizabeth tour. All three matches could have gone either way, but a dropped catch or two and losing critical moments cost us dearly. In contrast, the tour to

Pretoria in March was a success; the highlight was beating Clifton in the two-day game. During the season there were three centuries scored: Matthew Lennett's prodigious 131 vs Michaelhouse in January, and Travis Norris's two undefeated hundreds – 103* vs Grey PE and then 126* vs Pinelands. Ethan Kieffer batted with real flair at times and his 84 against RBHS was key to the win on that day. He also kept wicket very well throughout the year and deserved his selection for Western Province U17A. In the seam-bowling department, Seb Allison was as consistent as ever and Keagan Blanckenberg bowled with genuine pace at times. He had two 5-wicket hauls (vs Clifton and then St Stithians), while Travis Norris had a match-winning 5 for 27 against WBHS in January.

The following awards were presented at the end of the season:

Top Batsman: Travis Norris
Top Bowler: Keagan Blanckenberg
Best All-Rounder: Travis Norris
Best Team Player: James Howard
Full Colours: Jono Bird, Travis Norris, James Howard, Josh Elliott, Seb Allison, Keagan Blanckenberg and Ethan Kieffer.
Half Colours: Chris Clark, Matthew Lennett and Na'eem Adonis.

John Knight



Captains of Cricket: James Howard and Michael Newton (U14)

Second XI

The first term was a difficult one with losses to most of our traditional rivals. However, two hard-fought draws were achieved in declaration games against Grey High, with Imad Khan taking 5 for 17, and against Paarl Gim, with Jack Hampshire taking 5 for 44, Imad Khan taking 4 for 46 and a half-century from Michael Wesson (57). Wins came against Woodridge College by 7 wickets, with Rowan Howard taking 5 for 20, and against Paarl Boys', where Michael van der Merwe scored an excellent 101 not out, Jarren Bacher debuted with 4 for 18 and Imad Khan took 3 for 22. The two other half-centuries achieved were Dan Kirsten's 67 against Paarl Boys' in the return fixture and Imad Khan's 74 not out against RBHS. Michael van der Merwe and Michael Wesson captained the side in Term 1.

In the September holidays, we went to Knysna to participate in the Oakhill Cricket Tournament as defending champions. This year we won four out of five games, only losing a rain-reduced T10 against SACS by three runs. Individual tournament awards went to Gareth Watson (Bowler of the Tournament), Ross Vintcent (Batsman of the Tournament) and Tim Kotze (Keeper of the Tournament). Ross scored a very impressive 105 off just 64 balls against Parklands 1st XI.

The fourth term saw mixed results, with heavy losses to Paul Roos, Newlands Cricket School 1st XI and WBHS. However, two very well-crafted wins were recorded against SACS (by 7 runs, defending 191 in 50 overs) and RBHS (by 2 wickets, chasing 186 in 50 overs under lights). The hallmark of both of these wins was a solid team performance with every man on the field chipping in. In the fourth term the team was mainly captained by Tim Kotze.

Joc Wrench

Third XI

The 3rd XI had a tough start to the year, losing all of their matches in the first term. What impressed me most was their sheer determination and attitude of never backing down from a challenge. They have grown so much in confidence and it can be seen in the way they have taken on the challenges of the last few games of the season.

Marvin Bester

Fourth XI

The 4th XI played the game with good spirit. Besides the camaraderie and the 'vibe', the boys managed to play some really good cricket and many of the players (especially the younger ones) developed nicely as cricketers. It was a team full of spinners and some of the young men could really play some big shots. All of this led to much excitement and perhaps we will see some of them representing the school at first-team level in the future.

Jean Nolte

Under-15A

The goal for the side was to ensure that each player improved as a cricketer, which we feel they did. But, often, not all 11 performed on the day, and that was the difference between a win and a loss. The most noticeable win was against SACS in Term 4, where the team scored 315 in 50 overs and went on to win by 153 runs.

Chris Ekron

Under-15B

It was a phenomenal year for the team. The results were proof of the team's eagerness to learn, to work hard and to fight for every run and every wicket. There were several highlights, which included an extremely successful tour to Knysna. However, the most remarkable statistic is that the team played seven games against their Southern Suburb boys' schools counterparts and lost only one. This included double wins over Wynberg and Rondebosch and then a 2:3 win ratio against SACS.

Willem Steyn

Under-15C

The side had a successful year – most notably a tie, and then a win, against Rondebosch. The team also had good wins against SACS, Wynberg and Paarl Gymnasium. The boys enjoyed themselves – both at practices and at matches.

Sean Henchie

Under-14A

The boys recorded solid wins against our neighbouring schools, as well as the Boland schools in Term 1. This set the tone for what turned out to be a wonderful year of cricket in which we were competitive in practically every match. Six different batsmen made very good 50s throughout the year, with Cole Crawford leading the way with two centuries! The Charl van Rooyen Cricket Festival proved an invaluable tour as our boys won three of their four matches. The win against Pretoria Boys High proved particularly sweet.

Mervin Walsh

Under-14B

A happier (or noisier) bunch of cricketers would be hard to find! This squad certainly took its time to make its mark, winning only a single game out of the first eight matches of the year. Despite this slow start, the young men came on in leaps and bounds as they and their confidence grew. By the end of 2019, they had gelled into a most competitive unit, able to rely on any number of different players in different situations. Come the close of their season, they had strung together many highlights on which to reflect: a fabulous tour to Knysna; comprehensive wins against Clifton and Paul Roos; and an inspired performance against Milnerton U15A, where victory was especially satisfying. What ranks best of all? The home and away wins against Rondebosch, who had thrashed the team in a T20 encounter. The last game of the year (played under lights at the Frank Reid Oval) underlined just how far this team had come, as telling contributions from numerous individuals helped get the boys across the line. It is perhaps fair to say that more games should have been won (in October, a terribly exciting low-scoring affair against SACS was lost by just a single wicket!). Dylan Todd and his boys have shown that they have a taste for the game and for getting the job done, and they are certainly not afraid of hard work.

Warwick Richter

Under-14C

What a superb year of cricket for such an enthusiastic and willing group of young men.

We ended up batting second for many of the matches in the beginning of the year and we struggled to put together meaningful totals, losing wickets at regular intervals. This changed in the latter half of the year, when we were able to post totals and then defend. The boys appeared to gain in confidence and their batting improved going into Term 4. Batting is a discipline that requires focus, concentration and a willingness not to give one's wicket away. The other two disciplines were always of a high standard and generally we never struggled to bowl teams out. Our fielding (especially the catching) was exceptional and is often the true measure of a team's character. At times our bowling was superb, but too often we were guilty of bowling both sides of the wicket, making it difficult for the captain to make his field placings effective.

It would be unfair to single out individuals as the game is not about the individual, but mention must be made of Jack Whittaker's 88 against Paarl Boys' High School and Malick Majiet's 5 wickets against Wynberg. Then there was the spirited 60-run partnership to win the match against SACS. Malick Majiet contributing 28 runs and Ilyaas van Graan 32.

David Russell

Under-14D

We had a most enjoyable season and the young men can be proud of themselves, ably led by Joseph Mudge. Their dedication at nets, middle sessions and during games was truly a pleasure to witness, and the cherry on top was, of course, the results that went hand in hand with this mature approach. They played 10 matches, won six and lost four.

Dean Sudding

FENCING

Teacher-in-charge: Jacky Withers

Club certificates were given to Daniel Richards, Aiden Richards, Donald Wilkin, Christopher Schuyling van Doorn, Duncan Carter, Tristan Carter, Josh Egypt, Antony Smith, Jaeseo Hyun, Caleb Anderson-De Waal, Zac Young, Felix de Bruin and Abdul-Mateen Kader. Bronze club badges were awarded to Daniel Thom, Miles Boeddinghaus, Max van Veen and Carl Elvin-Jensen. Silver club badges were awarded to Daniel Richards, Aiden Richards, Ethan Ellis, Sebastian Boeddinghaus, James du Preez and Jermaine Lwande. Gold club badges were awarded to Patrick Habiaremye, Uzuko Mnyombolo and Ubaid Samsodien. The Inter-House Cup went to Founders House, and the Best Swordsman Cup in epee to Uzuko Mnyombolo and in foil to Ethan Ellis. Christian Garry was awarded the Service Cup.

The OD Challenge was one of the highlights of the evening, but the ODs managed to win for the eighth year in a row.

Jacky Withers



Christian Garry, Patrick Habiaremye and Uzuko Mnyombolo



Captains of Fencing: Christian Garry and Sebastian Boeddinghaus (Junior)



FIRST AID

Teacher-in-charge: Anne Stevens

2019 has been another busy year for the First Aid team. Our winter season is particularly challenging with rugby, soccer and hockey fixtures taking place both midweek and on weekends. Wesley Holtmann (captain) and Dominic Beaumont (vice-captain) led from the front and managed to ensure that first aiders got to the right place at the right time and with the right equipment. Our annual training sessions saw 11 boys complete their Level 1 certificates and a record 13 boys upgrade their qualification to Level 3. All first aiders managed to slot their duties in between their own sports commitments, so we remained grateful for their enthusiasm and willingness to serve their school in this way.

Anne Stevens



Captain of First Aid: Wesley Holtmann

| GOLF

Teacher-in-charge: Julian Vincent

Three teams entered the Western Province Golf League.

The 3rd team were top performers, finishing second on the log in the C Division, thereby qualifying for the league finals.

Later in the season a junior team of Grade 8, 9 and 10 players enjoyed a very successful tour to Port Elizabeth, competing in the Grey High School Links Golf Festival. The team ended in a tie for fifth place out of 14 teams. Daniel Davidson was the standout player for Bishops, but it was a wonderful team effort from all the boys on tour. Cole Crawford and Sebastian Dorward also deserve a mention as the only two Grade 8 boys in the team.

Royal Cape Golf Club hosted the Bishops Golf Championships and Inter-House competition. Gray was crowned the champion, with Ogilvie second and Founders third.

Christopher Gutuza was the individual champion with the lowest medal gross score. Daniel Davidson placed second and Robbie Dicey third.

Other awards:

Pagliari Plate for the individual champion: Christopher Gutuza

Rookie of the Year: Cole Crawford

Inter-House Cup: Gray house

Full Colours: Jack Ritchie-Roux

Half Colours: Seth Liddell, Christopher Gutuza and Daniel Davidson

Julian Vincent



Sebastian Dorward

HOCKEY

Teacher-in-charge: Sean Henchie

We fielded 16 sides, including an U14E side for the first time.

We played more than 277 matches and participated in six festivals as well as the Western Province Knockout Tournament.

As a result of wonderful performances this season, the first team won the Premier U18 Boys League. They were unfortunately losing finalists in both the WP Knockout Cup and the Hibbert Cup played at Grey High School. They were ranked fifth in the SA Schools National Rankings at the end of the season. The U16A was a young side, but they acquitted themselves well throughout the season, finishing fourth in the Cape Town League.

Bishops hockey has once again done well in terms of representative selections this year:

- In the U14 age group, Devon Marshall was selected for the Disa side.

- In the U16 age group, Daniel Neuhoff and Rupert Holmes were selected for Western Province; Brett Horn and Bryce Herbert were selected for the Disa side.
- In the U18 age group, Mustapha Cassiem, Caleb Oliphant and Chris Clarke were selected for Western Province; James Howard, Jock Buchanan, Fezile Nyathela and Uzayr Sunday were selected for the Disa side.

The WP U18A side won gold and the WP U16A silver at the SA Nationals. As a result of their excellent performances in these sides, three Bishops players were selected to represent South African sides. Mustapha Cassiem was selected for the U18A side and was awarded the Most Valuable Player of the Tournament and the Top Goal Scorer trophies. Caleb Oliphant was selected for the U17 side, and Rupert Holmes was selected for the U16 side.



Captains of Hockey: James Howard and Bradley du Toit (U14)

Other performances of note: James Howard and Bryce Herbert were awarded the Most Valuable Player trophy at the U18 and U16 Regional tournaments respectively, and Brett Horn (U16) and Devon Marshall (U14) won gold medals with the WP Disa teams.

Mustapha Cassiem was selected to represent the WP Men’s A team at the Inter-Provincial Tournament and won another gold medal. In addition, he was selected to both the SA U21 and SA Men’s squads in preparation for the Olympics in 2020 and U21 World Cup in 2021.

Full Colours: Mustapha Cassiem, Christopher Clark, Nicholas Dalton, Joshua Elliott, Murray Gordon, James Howard, Caleb Oliphant.

Half Colours: David Allardice, Jock Buchanan, Ben Cheminais, Liam Hoffman, Timothy Kotze, Luke Richardson, Uzayr Sondag.

First team awards:
Player of the Year: Mustapha Cassiem
Sportsman of the Year: Murray Gordon
The Players’ Player: James Howard

Results:

Age level	Played	Won	Drew	Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Win Ratio
1st team	34	30	1	3	132	39	88.20%
2nd team	17	7	5	5	34	20	41.20%
3rd team	13	4	4	5	27	30	30.80%
4th team	15	9	3	3	33	12	60.00%
5th team	12	3	1	8	20	31	25.00%
U16A	32	15	4	13	78	70	46.90%
U16B	16	9	2	5	49	22	56.30%
U16C	15	7	3	5	32	32	46.70%
U16D	15	9	2	4	41	16	60.00%
U16E	15	6	3	6	63	29	40.00%
U16F	10	3	1	6	21	21	30.00%
U14A	27	9	3	15	73	77	33.30%
U14B	17	7	4	6	52	30	41.20%
U14C	15	12	2	1	46	12	80.00%
U14D	14	11	0	3	52	16	78.60%
U14E	10	6	1	3	31	10	60.00%
Totals	277	147	39	91	784	467	53.10%

Sean Henchie





ROAD AND TRAIL

Teacher-in-charge: Bev Morris

The lure of a mountain trail and the chance to escape the concrete jungle for an invigorating run continue to attract boys to the Road and Trail running group.

Runners can opt to participate all year round or to join us for either the summer or winter season. We have regular routes covering a wide variety of terrain – from Constantia Nek to the Sea Point Promenade. Routes are chosen for their appeal, safety and level of technicality, and range from 5km to 10km. To accommodate our faster, senior runners we have appreciated the willingness of Julian Dean-Brown (and on occasion, ODs Jonathan Crowther and Chris Cotchobos) to lead the pack. All ability groups are represented in the team, and slower runners

and novices are welcome, as there is always a staff member or two to encourage from the back of the pack.

Jordan Welsh was our first recipient of Full Colours this year after running a blistering time in the shorter distance trails.

Our aim is to inspire a lifelong love of running and the outdoors. We aim to create an opportunity for our boys to appreciate the natural beauty of our city with its iconic mountain, and to provide a time away from the stress of daily life to refresh the soul.

Bev Morris



Captains of Road and Trail: Wesley Holtmann and Jamie Chester (Junior)

ROWING

Teacher-in-charge: Bradley Smith

First VIII

The tour to the US at the end of the 2018 season helped us establish the Open age group, which proved to be a significant factor in the impressive results at Boat Race and the South African Championships in 2019.

The Opens had an incredible season. Boat Race follows a similar format to the Oxford-Cambridge Boat Race, but with one significant difference – in the South African Schools version every crew races in a heat on the Thursday with times being calculated over the windy 5km course. Once these are calculated, the top two go into the A Final, the next pair into the B Final, and so forth. Although Bishops didn't have its Grade 10s for this race (as they participated in Epic), due to the depth of talent our boys still managed to make the B Final, which they won in fine style.

The January camp was held at Buffeljags Dam. Fitness levels were the best for the start of the season and trials separated the top VIII from the 2nd VIII. From here the season was a daze. Local regattas were windy as per the Cape's normal standard, with the Buffalo Regatta that was held mid-February being the first main test for the 1st VIII. This regatta saw Bishops lay down the gauntlet to favourites St Benedict's College. The 1st VIII race was the highlight of the day with Bishops pushing the St Benedict's crew to the line, while from third place, teams were substantially

slower than their counterparts. Not where we wanted to be, but a great first test against the Gauteng crews.

The South African Championships is always the biggest and hardest race for the Cape schools. The hot dry air and altitude of Gauteng puts us at a disadvantage, but it's a reality we have to deal with. The crew went up nine days earlier to try to minimise this deficit.

The boys competed in the following events:

- U19 Sculls: Nic McAdam, placing 5th
- U19 Pairs: Best result by Mitchell Fussell and Shaun O'Brien, placing 5th
- U19 Coxed four: Declan Watling, Stefan Breytenbach, Oliver Werner, Mitchell Fussell and Jack Paine, placing 6th overall
- U19 Coxless Four: Nicholas McAdam, Francois Breytenbach, Shaun O'Brien and Oliver Kane-Smith were awarded gold

The 1st VIII was awarded a silver medal in the last race of the day. Cox: Declan Watling, 8: Stefan Breytenbach, 7: Shaun O'Brien, 6: Nicholas McAdam, 5: Oliver Kane-Smith, 4: Francois Breytenbach, 3: Oliver Werner, 2: Mitchel Fussell, 1: Jack Paine

Bradley Smith



Captains of Rowing: Drew Burton and Fabian Gaertner (U14)

Second VIII

The 2nd VIII delivered impressive performances at the Buffalo Regatta. Notably, the 2nd coxless four progressed to the A Final, and raced competitively against their first-team counterparts.

The South African School Championship Regatta concluded the season. The 2nd VIII fared well in all boat classes. These young men have had a remarkable season, and many fulfilling experiences.

2nd VIII: Cox: Christian Morris, 8: Tristan Lee, 7: Drew Burton, 6: Rhys Williams, 5: Luke Flint, 4: Kyle Deans, 3: Gabriel Dyssell-Höfinger, 2: Andrew Geerds, 1: Jack Rowand

Ayrton Da Silva

Under-16

The major event, after January camp, was the Western Cape Championships. This regatta was followed by the Buffalo and Selborne Sprints regattas, which prepared the boys for SA Champs.

Buffalo Regatta

- 5th in the A 2-
- 3rd, 5th and 6th in the A 4+
- 1st in the A 4-
- 4th in the A 8+

Selborne Sprints Regatta

- 3rd in the A 8+
- 6th in the A 4+
- 5th in the A 2-

RMB South African Schools Rowing Championships

- 8th and 10th in the A 2-
- 4th in the A 8+
- 5th in the A 4+
- 3rd in the A 4-

Dane Wilson and Michael Papas

Under-14

The U14s competed in three regattas in the first term. The U14A Oct achieved a respectable second place at their first regatta, while the U14B quad came first in their race. Western Cape Champs, the second regatta, was plagued by bad weather and the U14s struggled to overcome the conditions. The final regatta, the RMB South African Schools Championships, saw the U14A quad make the semi-final; however, they missed out on a position in the final. The U14B quad came 24th out of 44 boats in their heat, missing out on the semi-final. The U14 A and B quads came together to form the U14A Oct and placed ninth overall, just missing out in a race in the final by one position.

Oliver Innes and Georgie Sabio

October to November

We participated in a few regattas in the second half of the season, achieving some admirable results.

The Knysna Regatta saw some success, and the most notable results were the U16s, who won their sprints race as well as their heads races, and the first coxed four who won their heads race.

At Misverstand, the Opens achieved better results with first and second places across the board between sweep and sculling classes. The U16s continued to play their cat-and-mouse game with SACS, with Bishops winning the sprint, but narrowly losing the heads race.

The final U16 race took place at the Gauteng Championships. They enjoyed some competitive results, just missing out on a medal in the eight and four, while bagging a fantastic silver in their coxless four.

Bradley Smith



RUGBY

Teacher-in-charge: Dave Mallett

Taking absolutely nothing away from Piley Rees, I dare say that the name most commonly associated with playing 'Bishops rugby' is Basil Bey. His approach to rugby is best summed up in the quote featured in our Home match programme.

'A small prayer for all players: stay on your feet, pass before contact so that you may support, run at gaps and not at people and believe that you can score off first phase ball. Then a short one for wings and outside centres: may you one day receive the ball from a full line movement!' - *Basil Bey*.

Paul Murray, school historian and archivist, says that Basil was greatly influenced in the game by RCH 'Bob' Hart. Bob was an ex-serviceman who, after studying at Rhodes University, started teaching at Prince Edward and coached the 1st XV when Basil was there in the '50s. In short, Basil practised and preached running rugby – he had a pathological dislike of players who aimlessly kicked away possession. Basil stayed true to his philosophy throughout his tenure as the Bishops 1st XV coach, achieving significant success and putting Bishops Rugby on the map.

I believe that Basil's successors have all, in their own way, tried to stay true to his legacy, but have faced a variety of challenges in

the process. In this regard, and for the purpose of this report, I'd like to list a few, in the hope that they will help explain our rugby coaching philosophy today.

Firstly, and most obviously, rugby has evolved at an extraordinary pace. Defence systems, in particular, have become incredibly tight. Teams employ 'rush', 'banana', 'double-hit', 'numbered-up' and 'numbered-down' defence patterns, all of which require specific counter-measures to unlock. As John Dobson amusingly said, 'No longer does a simple dummy-switch send the entire Paarl backline running into the stands!' So, Bishops rugby has had to adapt. Running the ball at all costs would play directly into the hands of those opponents who would seek to blunt our style of play ... with disastrous consequences.

Does that mean that we've abandoned Basil Bey's philosophy? Not at all. We try, simply, to play 'Bishops rugby', but in the modern era. In essence, that requires us to be a little more patient – savvy, if you will. And dare I say it, Basil, even the judicious use of the boot can be regarded as a legitimate Bishops rugby tactic! Anyone who saw Keagan Blanckenberg's try against Boland Landbou this year, from a pinpoint Sacha Mngomezulu cross-kick, will have to agree with me. Perhaps an accolade that I cherish



Captains of Rugby: Isaiah Wharton and Wayden Moses (U14)

most came from Andrew Campbell (OD, past Bishops 1st XV captain and current Founders' parent) as it encapsulates our coaching philosophy:

'We have seen a great variation in tactics, outstanding pick-and-go technique, hunger to get up in defence, typical Bishops long-range tries and great results with the northern suburbs teams relearning respect for Bishops rugby. You've played Bishops running rugby, but intelligently. However, most importantly, almost everyone mentions the team culture.'

To this end, we have the responsibility to develop players into highly skilled individuals who can think for themselves and can make good, instinctive decisions. We need to coach players to see space, get the ball to space and break down defences. There should be cohesion among the players in our teams, united in their determination to play a fast-paced, highly-skilled, support-based attacking game. That's 'Bishops rugby'!

In order to achieve that, conditioning is non-negotiable – and that brings me to my second point. You cannot play Bishops rugby without the necessary fitness and conditioning, which is why we have employed Steve MacIntyre who, fortunately, is now going to work with all teams from U14 to U19. He has an impressive track record, with 22 years' experience in rugby-specific strength and conditioning.

Our conditioning philosophy is based on the following:

- Professional, age-appropriate conditioning is the critical foundation upon which improved rugby performance is built. It allows players to reach their full playing potential and significantly reduces their injury risk and rate. Rugby has changed dramatically in recent years, especially at schoolboy level, with players becoming significantly bigger, fitter, stronger and faster.
- To be able to be competitive in the modern schoolboy game, a complete age-appropriate, rugby-specific conditioning plan needs to be put in place, correctly applied and integrated with a coaching and skills-development programme.

And it is the reference to a coaching and skills-development programme that brings me to my third and final point. What is perhaps less well known about the Basil Bey era is that he received tremendous support from fellow coaches at the time – most notably Tim Hamilton-Smith, Alan Douglas and Paul Dobson. They were all excellent coaches in their own right and, to a man, were 'disciples' of the free-flowing style of rugby that Basil advocated. Importantly, in their roles as U14, U15 and U16

coaches, they ensured that Bishops players and coaches were all 'singing off the same hymn sheet'. Hours were spent discussing rugby – in the Common Room, at Housemasters' meetings and often down at the Olympics watering hole!

It is my belief that Bishops rugby needs more of this, not necessarily the pub sessions (!), but the ethos of our teacher/coaches sharing ideas, finding common ground and establishing a consistent approach to coaching through the age groups. I say 'teacher/coaches', because, sadly, staff who are willing and able to coach rugby are becoming as scarce as hen's teeth. I'm extremely grateful to the teachers who coach. Bishops is a ridiculously busy place and its administrative workload is far heavier than it was 20 years ago. The reality is that we have 20 rugby teams and, out of a possible 70 academic staff members in a school of 760 boys, precisely 12 coach rugby. The rest of our coaches (28) are stooges and students, transient in nature. It is for that reason that we need, as part of our philosophy, to 'invest' in our teacher/coaches – and why bringing Steve MacIntyre into our fold in a greater capacity is so critical.

Apart from his top-quality conditioning methods, Steve will be tasked with implementing a comprehensive coaching and skills-development programme intervention, to be implemented across all the age groups, covering all facets of the game including:

- All on-field rugby-specific skills (catch, passing, kicking game, goal kicking, etc)
- Set piece
- Defence (systems and tackle technique)
- Attack shape
- Kick offs/Exits
- Breakdown
- Broken play skills/Counter-attacking

This will be massively beneficial to our coaches and will provide a sustainable model for Bishops rugby for years to come.

Dave Mallett

First XV

The preparation and start of the 2019 season began much earlier than anybody expected due to the much-anticipated tour of Ireland. A squad for this tour was selected in August 2018 and, knowing what lay ahead, they worked extremely hard. We enjoyed the tour of Ireland, which saw us winning three out of

four games, losing to the Leinster provincial U18 team that would later go on to win their national competition.

The Western Province League is no doubt the toughest in the country and this meant we would be in for a challenging season with the young side that we had – no fewer than 16 Grade 11 boys played for the 1st XV in 2019. The Matric boys, who had a lower numerical representation in the team, guided them brilliantly.

We started our league campaign with a visit from Paarl Gim. The game was a closer affair than the score suggests, the difference being a ball dropped on Paarl Gim's line, which resulted in them running 80m to score a try. I believe the outcome of the Paarl Gim game could have been different if we had had the fixture later in the term. We then had a comprehensive win over Belville High School before we visited SACS. In the SACS game, we showed glimpses of this side's capabilities, with some great team tries finished off by Izzy Wharton and Joe Kirsten. This would be an important win that would kick-start our season. The following week we travelled to Boland Landbou where we faced a highly rated side that had recently enjoyed some big wins. The first half was an even one in which Boland had a slender lead, and what would follow in the second half can only be described as some of the best rugby I, as a coach, have ever seen. The boys changed gear and showed that their conditioning was a step above their opponents. We ran from all over the park and we were in full flow; there were some fantastic performances on the day. It was our first win at Boland Landbou in 10 years, which made the result particularly special.

Next up we played Wynberg and our hosts dominated the first 20 minutes, leaving us 20-0 down. The boys did not panic, however, and started to claw their way back with two great long-range tries by Aiden MacDonald and Liam Kloosman. The third try to put us into the lead could only be described as a classic Bishops try – after defending our try line for about 10 phases, a penalty was quick-tapped by Liam Kloosman in our own in-goal area; the ball travelled through seven pairs of hands with not one breakdown and ended with Ollie Jones going in under the sticks. From that point on we never surrendered the lead again, with the game ending 60-40. The team was growing in confidence and we were fairly at ease while awaiting the visit of the all-matric Paarl Boys' High team, which would go up against the Bishops side comprising 11 Grade 11s, due to injuries of key players like Izzy Wharton. The boys acquitted themselves well and, if it were not

for a poor 10-minute spell after half-time, the result could have been a different one.

The first Rondebosch vs Bishops game was always going to be a big one as both sides were in relatively good form. We were blessed with a great day at the Piley Rees. We started poorly, trailing after 10 minutes, but again we gathered our composure and showed tremendous character on such a big occasion. We went into the lead and never looked like we were going to lose; if anything, we left a number of try-scoring opportunities out on the field. It was a great win and a good way to end the first half of the season.

The second half of the season was always going to be tricky as the fixtures list presented us with an away game against Stellenberg, and a trip to our rivals St Andrew's. Stellenberg had been having one of the best seasons in their history. We outscored our hosts, but unfortunately an off-day with the boot meant that a last-minute penalty gave Stellenberg the win on the day. It was a classic reminder to us that we needed to be on our guard for every game as there are no 'easy' days in the Western Province League. We had to lick our wounds and travel to Parel Vallei where we received a big wake-up call in the forwards department. Parel Vallei dominated at set piece time, but some well-constructed tries meant that we were convincing winners on the day. It was then SACS's turn to visit the Piley Rees. We were very good on the day and put in a more familiar performance in which we dominated all aspects of play and were fairly comfortable winners on the day. Our worst defeat of the season came at the hands of St Andrew's: a well-drilled and experienced side put us to the sword in Makhanda (Grahamstown), and it was a tough pill to swallow. The following week, a team consisting of 12 Grade 11s had to face a Wynberg side that had just beaten Rondebosch; huge guts and heart were shown on the day in a game that will go down as one of our finest wins. The final game against Rondebosch was not an easy one to watch, with both teams making plenty of errors. In the end, Rondebosch created two moments of brilliance that won the game for them. They deserved it more on the day and, unfortunately, our error rate cost us the game.

For me, what characterised the 2019 Bishops 1st XV was their uncompromising work ethic; they never gave anything less than 100 percent at training and in matches.

Wesley Chetty

Second XV

‘Tough times never last, but tough people do.’ This quote by Robert H Schuller has never been more relevant. The Whites had a tough season and, with a positive points difference of just 26, you can imagine how close many of our games were.

Four of these matches went down to the last seconds and could have added four more wins to our tally, which would have seen us with only four losses at the end of the season. However, this is the game we play and love, and we have to accept the bounce of the ball as well as the referee’s call. During our weeks of training, we worked very hard on building individual confidence and a great team culture. This played a pivotal role in maintaining our team cohesion; every week saw a different team selection as injuries and changes to the 1st XV took their toll. The Matrics, however, played a second season for the Whites and this helped set the tone for our younger players. It was memorable year.

Players: Rafeeq Adams, Kyle Beley, Ubaid Francis, Wafeeq Francis, Euan Groenewald, George Kappatos, Daniel Kirsten, Joe Kirsten, Innocent Macha, Max Martin, Mbongeni Mavuso, Masood Meyer, Aya Ngcwangu, Tano Sivertsen, Ryan Sneddon (captain), Caide Spriestersbach, Adam Suliaman, Michael van der Merwe, Teubes van Niekerk, Keegan van Wyk, Ross Vintcent, Michael Wesson, Dallas Wichmann, Aaron Woodman.

Ruan Ellis

Third XV

The Stripes played some wonderful rugby in 2019 and scored plenty of tries (226 points vs 36 in six games) against our Southern Suburbs rivals. We dominated them and got the ‘Grand Slam’, a rare accomplishment the 3rd XV has not been able to achieve for decades. We came close to knocking over an N1 school, but a conversion to win dropped just under the crossbar, giving Boland Landbou a one-point win. There were so many stand-out performances from the team and players’ perspective. We must acknowledge the leaders and the core group of players, consisting of Mike Coles, Cameron Good, Freddie Davis, Drew Burton, Luke Flint, Mike Wesson, Aidan Murphy, James Koster and pocket-rocket Adam Fernandes, who epitomised the heart, soul and culture of this team. Special mention must also be made of a couple of leaders who came into the side mid-season and added tremendous value – Mike van der Merwe and Caide

Spriestersbach. Then, of course, our young-gun Grade 11s who will go on to represent the school with much pride and ability next year. Well done to Undi Ngxangane, Cameron May, Mitch Labberté, Keegan van Wyk and Simi Mehlomakulu.

Strong team values, along with tremendous application to our processes, paid major dividends and all the boys improved as players and people.

Players: Mike Coles, Cameron Good, Freddie Davis, Mike Wesson, Drew Burton, Adam Fernandes, Luke Flint, Aidan Murphy, James Koster, Mbongeni Mavuso, Mike van der Merwe, Caide Spriestersbach, Cameron May, Mitch Labberté, Keegan van Wyk, Undi Ngxangane, Simi Mehlomakulu.

Richard Smith

Fourth XV

The Wild Boys were unbeaten in the second half of the season, and achieved the elusive double triple-crown over our traditional Southern Suburbs rivals.

There are many highlights associated with the past season, but some are more memorable than others. It’s hard to forget Tubs’s match-winning try against Boland Landbou away from home, or Slade’s hat-trick heroics against Rondebosch in our final game. That match against Rondebosch deserves special mention as the team was 19-0 down at half-time and came back to win the match 24-19. This was a true display of the Wild Boys’ determination as well as the playing ethic of this strong group of players who very rarely accepted defeat.

The Matrics of the group formed the heart of the Wild Boys collective and developed the pride and gees associated with the team. That being said, the team consisted of talented and ambitious players, many of whom may go on to play at a higher level for Bishops. The level of improvement shown by the boys was encouraging. Special mention must go to players such as Rory Schram for his improvement at the line-outs, Rayan Hendricks and Cameron Parker-Forsyth for their improved abilities on attack, as well as to all those players who played out of position and excelled, like Zac Ahmed, Seb Allison, Matthew Dinan and Alex van Hoogstraten. Unfortunately Sean Murphy, Zimvo Mahlati and Jamie Naudé suffered serious injuries over the season but their contribution was always noticed on game day and through their

support for their teammates. Every member of the 2019 team added to the Wild Boys' story, whether it was through one game or an entire season.

All in all, it was a season to be remembered with a special bunch of gentlemen who represented Bishops proudly and enhanced the Wild Boys' reputation through sportsmanship, entertaining rugby and great results – and having a good time in the process.

Players: Tom Slaven (captain), Jamie Naude, Zimvo Mahlati, Josh Levy, Nicholas Christodoulou, Rory Schram, Seb Allison, Nic Gleeson, Alex van Hoogstraten, Jack Clayton, Zander Brookes, Sean Murphy, Rayan Hendricks, Cameron Parker-Forsyth, Ethan Kieffer, Kyle Elliot, Matt Leong, Zac Ahmed, Matthew Dinan.

Eric Lefson

Fifth XV

The season started slowly, with performances that did not reflect the true potential of the players. The turning point came against Wynberg in the second term, when the team put on a great performance and from then on they didn't look back. The calibre of the performances and the tries scored were truly a pleasure to witness.

Bruce Campbell at fullback (until promoted to the Wild Boys) was by far the find of the season. His attacking play from the back got better week after week. Jack Brasher at wing/fullback was brilliant on attack and his last line of defence never faltered. Wings Matthew Leong, Bemvelo Marubelela, Matt Marr and Rushay Shiba were all incisive runners with a solid defence. Centres Aadam Abrahams Weltin and Dylan Plaatjies were the perfect pair, with Dylan's unbelievable feet and Aadam's strong running the perfect foil for each other. Rayan Hendricks and Matt Sherrell also did their duty for the side here and were solid on both defence and attack. At flyhalf, Nic Cattell and Damian Smith (later on in the season) were sound in distribution, kicking out of hand and both had the ability to break the line. The scrumhalves Nic Koch and Ben Gukelberger were valuable in different ways: Ben's service was his strength while Nic's nifty play around the fringes, box kicks and defence were admirable.

Props Noah Syndercombe, Sadock Magai and Slade Marquis were literally and figuratively huge contributors to the success of the team. Their work rate was unbelievable. Tom van Breda

at hooker was sublime throughout the season with his defence, and turnovers. Locks Ian Sherwood (until injured early on), Julian Dower, Luke Avis, Jean-Luc Fourie and Niels Tiaden were all solid in the second row, with Luke and Josh's high work rate vital. Loose forwards Tom Byron, Jan Smuts, Alex Russell and Sam Bury were all sound in securing second-phase possession, carries and decent defence (Matt Marr and Matt Sherrell also served the side well here). Leader of the side Tom Byron led superbly by example.

Players: Sadock Magai, Slade Marquis, Sam Bury, Noah Syndercombe, Luke Avis, Thomas van Breda, Julian Dower, Tom Byron (captain), Nic Koch, Ryan Cambell, Nic Cattell (vice-captain), Bemvelo Marubelela, Aadam Abrahams Weltin, Dylan Plaatjies, Matthew Leong, Jack Brasher, Jan Smuts, Jean-Luc Fourie, Niels Tiaden, Alexander Russell, Ben Gukelberger, Matt Marr.

Dean Sudding

Under-16A

This was a well-balanced side that allowed the coaches to implement variety in their approach. As a result, the team was never predictable and the opponents often wondered what would happen next. There were many highlights throughout the season, but two memorable ones were the victories over Paul Roos (in Stellenbosch) and Boland Landbou (on the farm).

The team developed a culture of hard work and determination and a stubbornness on defence that reflected an unwillingness to yield to the opposition. As much as they defended, they also attacked – and, boy, could they attack! There were moments of utter delight as they produced some sublime play that led to wonderful tries. These were, of course, made possible by a pack of forwards willing to work hard in the set pieces and at the breakdown to ensure that we often had ascendancy and momentum before we set the backs free to play.

Players: Samuel Aitken, Torben Bergh, Alastair Bruce, Aidan Burns, Bruce Campbell, Josh Carnell, Nassar de Kock, John Fisher, Suleiman Hartzenberg, Benjamin Jack, Imad Khan, Josh Mansfield, Josh Michau, Alex Myeki, Jack Pace, Luke Parker (vice-captain), Chris Pittaway, Dylan Redding, Jonathan Roche (captain), William Ross, Joseph Ruiz von Walter, Benji Voogt.

Jean Nolte

Under-16B

After a good win and then a near-loss against A-sides at the Wynberg Festival, followed by the unforgettable (for all the wrong reasons) win over a touring team from Belgium, the boys faced a tough series of losses involving the four Boland schools and then two very disappointing losses to SACS and Wynberg. The team then started playing more competitive and fluid rugby and were finally rewarded with a close, but well-deserved, 8-7 victory over Rondebosch.

In the second half of the season, the lads hit their straps and played some outstanding rugby, most notably a good win over Stellenberg and two convincing victories over Wynberg and SACS, reversals of the previous losses. Unfortunately, we were probably too overconfident going into the final derby against a Rondebosch side that just did not make a mistake and then fed off ours.

Players: Jake Greenberg (captain), Josh Mansfield, Benji Voogt, Joseph Ruiz von Walter, Keenan Mills, Dylan Redding, Oliver Kennedy-Smith, Oliver Heinemann, Liam Harrison, Luca van Wyk, Max Cary, Aidan Brand, Sipho Ndlovu, Jack Pace, John Fisher, Oliver Nicklin, Berkeley Graaff, Josh Lander, Peter Myburgh, Ilyaz Arnold, Dylan Wood, Schyler van der Westhuizen, Luke Solomons, Nicholas Classen, JP Freddy, Chad Louw, Irshad Abrahams, Josh Abrahams.

Barry Emms

Under-16C

The boys had a tough season. We started off with strong players and a full complement of substitutes, but unfortunately were not able to put things together on the field. Truth be told, we struggled to find the right gees and focus. Practices were tough and games even more so, with many performances well below our true potential. One draw and six losses made a pretty disappointing start to the season.

However, perseverance paid off. Gradually we began to find some form and things started coming together on the field. Grit shown during practices started to emerge against our opponents. Sipho Ndlovu, Liwani Lyema and Tshepiso Oliphant worked hard up front to secure and hang onto the ball. Tom Bester and Max Rebe provided consistent service from scrumhalf. Max de Romijn

and Berkeley Graaff distributed from flyhalf to allow the Forbes brothers as well as Cameron Toy, James Mason, Solomzi Tshiki, Jonty Couves, Adam Clark and Daniel Nelson, to begin running out wide. Matt Byron could always be relied upon to tackle everything in sight (until he ran out of sugar), with Donald Wilkin also toiling away in the rucks. James Turner, Liam Rodgers, Sergey Huish, Scott Nixon, James Diemont, Nicholas Amman, Callum Musselwhite, Mangaliso Nogantshi, Slade Tait, Luca van Wyk, Luca Nicholson and Gabriel Dyssell-Höfingier could also always be relied upon to do their share.

We finished with three wins from our last four games. Our best performance was against the Wynberg team that put 48 points on us in Term 2. The boys put on a show of some of the highest quality rugby I've seen in a long time. We scored expansive tries out wide, hard-fought forward tries through the middle and textbook moves under the poles. The high point of the season had to be beating Rondebosch in our last game while giving all 27 boys who had been part of the squad throughout the season some time on the field!

Players: Sipho Ndlovu, Liwani Lyema, Tshepiso Oliphant, Tom Bester, Max Rebe, Max de Romijn, Berkley Graaff, Thomas Forbes, Chris Forbes, Cameron Toy, James Mason, Solomzi Tshiki, Jonty Couves, Adam Clark, Daniel Nelson, Matt Byron, Donald Wilkin, James Turner, Liam Rodgers, Sergey Huish, Scott Nixon, James Diemont, Nicholas Amman, Callum Musselwhite, Mangaliso Nogantshi, Slade Tait, Luca van Wyk, Luca Nicholson, Gabriel Dyssell-Höfingier.

Keith Warne

Under-15A

The season will be remembered for some significant successes coupled with tough losses. One of our more memorable moments was our convincing 42-19 win over SACS. Although Paul Roos had a tough season themselves, it was nice to come within four points of this Northern Suburbs rugby powerhouse, especially since we played away in the Danie Craven cradle. It was in this game that we demonstrated some hard line speed and double hits on defence, an area of the game that showed major improvements. We experienced a heart-wrenching loss against Rondebosch in our final game of the season. They were clinical in their uninspiring, yet flawlessly executed, bashing game that saw us constantly on the back foot. Of the entire 50 minutes played,

we held possession for no more than eight minutes, in which we managed to score two tries and make one or two skillful passes, but we lost critical line-outs and made too many handling errors. This resulted in their regaining possession, as we again assumed position to defend their once-off runners, phase after phase after phase.

Captain Fiekie Petersen was not only an example to all his teammates on and off the field, but also showed moments of great skill and sheer brilliance in his countless line breaks. Mention must also be made of vice-captain Daniel Neuhoff, whose rugby intelligence made a big impact in many a critical situation in the past season.

Players: Luca Broggian, Ronan Dutton, Michael Sun, Adam de Waal, Nicholas Steinhagen, Dylan Krause, Werner Koster, Fiekie Petersen (captain), Daniel Neuhoff (vice-captain), Jack Ryan, Shariq Davids, Bruce Sherwood, Storm Lanfear, Junsu Park, Michael Richardson, Max Seymour, Zimvo Joxo, Connor Todd, Jermaine Lwande.

Gerry Noel

Under-15B

The season had a rough start with the team facing some of its strongest competition at the outset. Many of the boys were lacking in fundamental basics, so most of the training sessions consisted of defence technique, passing drills and the fundamentals of phase play (rucking, attacking the space and set pieces). Using those categories as measuring instruments, the boys have developed enormously as rugby players.

The biggest challenge we faced throughout the season was the lack of competitive desire from the players; they had suffered a difficult season the previous year and that carried over into this season. Making them believe in their abilities was challenging. However, this improved with the development and growth of their skills. Another shortcoming was the conditioning of the players in comparison to competing teams, with only a week of training before the season started.

As far as the players are concerned, Connor Todd was an outstanding performer all season and should be developed into a 12/13, as he has an incredible running ability and is extremely physical. Conditioned, Connor will destroy any defence out there.

Mention must be made of the captain, Karl Smit, whose excellent rugby brain was a great asset to the team. He also displays exceptional distribution of the ball.

During the season, the boys showed huge progress and should be encouraged by this. The loss to Rondebosch in the final game was tough to take, but their great team spirit throughout the season was heartening.

Players: Jaytee Abrahams, Lukas Barnard, Kyle Bastick, Rahul Chagan, Sean Craig, Murrough Epstein, Aadam Jaffer, Zimvo Joxo, Andrew Lawson, Jermaine Lwande, Jack Moyle, Craig Ressel, Motheo Seseli, Max Seymour, Karl Smit, Joshua Smith, Connor Todd, Trae Turner, Chevalier Unite-Penny, David Wharton-Hood, Julian Wilson.

Tristan Mouton

Under-15C

The year started with the U15 division managing to field three full teams, with a residue of about 10 players making up a fourth team, which meant some players had to play two games on any given Saturday. Through hard work and the players' willingness, however, the standard of play improved substantially throughout the season. The score against Wynberg in the first round was a defeat of 48-0, with the match being called before the allotted time. In the return match we went down 29-14. Similar results were recorded against SACS, a 17-10 loss in round two, after suffering two heavy defeats.

The team was led fabulously by captain Dean Sneddon, who inspired the boys to new heights and a belief that they can compete and play attractive rugby. Players who deserve special mention are Enrico and Alessio Dundulachis, Ryan Nadar, Oliver Carey and Thomas Withers. Jake van Gemert and James du Preez's development and commitment won them each awards for Most Improved Player. We had talent aplenty with Dean Sneddon, Thomas Withers, Suhayl Khalfey, Jaden Bourgonje, Zolile Muleya, David Border and Luke Botha among the players who will make their mark in the A and B teams in the future.

Players: Dean Sneddon (captain), David Border, Thomas Withers, Zolile Muleya, James Barrett, Oscar Baum, Patrick Gilson, James du Preez, Daniel Thom, Oliver Thom, Luke Botha, Tyron Slauck, Josh Smith, Suhayl Khalfey, Ferris Moser, Ryan Nadar, Michael

Naude, Jaden Bourgonje, George Rodinis, Musawenkosi Nyoka, Alessio Dundulachis, Jake Van Gemert, Oliver Carey, Enrico Dundulachis, Leo Ciolli.

Ronald Jacobs

Under-14A

The U14A side had a successful season. It was a tough one, beginning with games versus all our toughest opponents, yet even here there were good signs: the side held Paarl Gim to a one-try lead at half-time, and were beating Paul Roos with two minutes to go! (Looking back at how the season went for them, a win here would have been an exceptional result.) Of all our other opposition, only one side (Wynberg) really got the better of us.

There were highlights throughout the year: wins against two very competent, big sides from Namibia, and good wins against SACS and Rondebosch stand out. Mention must be made of the captain, Wayden Moses, for his accomplishments on the field; he is one to watch. Aiden Norris really stood up for the team, and Gilermo Mentoe scored some incredible tries.

I also commend the entire team for working so hard to improve over the season.

Players: Xhanti Ngxangane, Ethan Probert, Wayden Moses (captain), Gilermo Mentoe, Caleb Felix, Nicholas Allison, Ben Norton, Hashim Pead, Aidan Norris, Matthew French (vice-captain), Tapiwa Nkumanda, Zak Willemse, Matthew Brodziak, Nashe Chawawa, Richard Horton, Ryan Caffery, Jake Brouze, Trento Lambrechts, Iviwe Dadamansi.

James Swift

Under-14B

The U14B's start to their high school rugby careers was a baptism of fire, as they lost a number of games from the beginning. There were some tough lessons learnt and, as the season moved forward, the boys began to show their potential. With constant injuries in the A team, as well as a few of the boys playing hockey and rugby, the team struggled for consistency in any of the positions. The loss to Rondebosch at home in the first fixture by more than 50 points was the turning point in the boys'

attitude and determination. There was a massive improvement in the second half of the season, and the boys showed great character to get the win against SACS, and came really close to beating Rondebosch in the final fixture. The team's progression throughout the season and the attitude and character of the boys has built an excellent stepping-stone for future success in their high school rugby careers.

Players: Trento Lambrechts, CJ Gordon, Benjamin Swift, Storm Matthews, Christian Steward, Dylan Todd, Liam Day, Ayanda Bonoyi, Luke Flax, Presa James, Xhanti Ngxangane, Seth Swartz, Thomas Rowand, Austin Graaff, Lihle Kakaza, Nashe Chahwahwa, Cayden Smith, Matthew Brodziak, Daanyaal Hendricks, Tye Stewart, Thomas Cullum, Ben Norton, Richard Mason.

Jason Hofmeyer

Under- 14C

Although 29 boys played for the C team, there was a solid core of boys who pitched up for every practice and every game. Andrew Kleye was a real stalwart and played in all 14 games of the season. The boys really seemed to enjoy their rugby; even when they experienced big defeats on a Saturday morning, they all pitched up happy and enthusiastic on Monday afternoons for practice. Each boy and the team as a whole made real progress during the season and played some excellent rugby.

Players: Dane Rogers, Bouwe Wagener, Stuart Whitelaw, Jett Bacher, Thomas Cullum, Yusuf Ahmed, Kieran Brand, Cayden Smith, Austin Graaff, Daniel Fletcher, Andrew Dallas, Kasief Joseph, Richard Mason, Ben Levy, Jack Lea, Daanyaal Hendricks, Andrew Kleye, Malick Majiet, Abdullah Adams, Ntemi Kidha, Sam Berrisford, Tye Stewart, Ryan Ferreira, Zuhayr Mohamood, Luke Bolus, Lihle Kakaza, Thomas Rowand, Jean du Toit, Presa James.

Phil Court

Under-14D

The boys had a tough season and unfortunately we were unable to claim a single win. Despite this, the boys never let their heads drop and seemed to enjoy playing.

We lost a lot of players to the C team in the second term and, as a result, we fielded fewer than 15 players in some of the games. Important to note is that while we played well at times, our boys couldn't cope whenever the opposition brought on fresh subs at half-time. Thankfully we had five extra players joining us at the start of the third term.

I would suggest that the U14C and D teams train together more often, as there is a big gulf between them in terms of physicality and I believe that would push boys to work harder in training. It would help the C team to call up players with whom they are already familiar and who can easily slot into the team.

Players: Samuel Berrisford, Luke Bolus, Jean du Toit, Benjamin Edkins, Daniel Egerer, Luke Elliott-Jaaback, Ryan Ferreira, Daniel Fletcher, Jay Haskel, Daniel Lazarus, Nicholas Macdonald, Johnny Marcopoulos, Zuhayr Mohamood, Alexander Morris, Zev Oaker, Joshua Petersen, Aidan Richards, Daniel Richards, Andrew Williams-Ashman.

Sa-eed Slamdien





RUGBY



SAILING

Teacher-in-charge: Graham Robertson

It was an immensely rewarding and enjoyable season, marked by notable achievements at regattas nationally. Our training sessions out on the water are something the boys look forward to, not only for the sailing but also for the camaraderie they share as a tight-knit group. A number of improvements have been made to the facilities on offer, including the purchase of new boats and equipment. The boys were also given the opportunity to try out keelboating off the Royal Cape Yacht Club premises.

Graham Robertson





Captains of Sailing: James Rumbelow and Divakaran Govender (Junior)

SHOOTING

Teacher-in-charge: Rodney Warwick

The squad: Jack Beare (captain), Ethan Ellis, William Jones, Lukas Oelz, Chris Welby-Solomon, Donald Wilken, Duncan Carter and Roston Bosini.

During our last practice session, Chris Welby-Solomon did extremely well to ease Donald Wilken out of top place (83% to 82,85%), while William Jones (70,27%) and Roston Bosini (68,7%) also performed well. Chris Welby-Solomon was therefore awarded the Shottist of the Term trophy.

Rodney Warwick



Captains of Shooting: Jack Beare and Duncan Carter (Junior)

SOCCER

Teacher-in-charge: Jarred Bradley

We introduced an U15B side, which means we now have four soccer teams – two juniors and two seniors. We had many firsts – the senior boys attended their first festival; the juniors went on the first-ever Bishops soccer tour, and we were proud to have Orlando Pirates train on home ground at the Oaks.

The U19 team, captained by Will Vagn-Jensen and Nic Cattell, was the first team to see a few players come through the system from U15. This was something special, and ensured an emotional end to the season. The boys always played with pride and emerged as more than mere teammates. The U17 side had a challenging season, but Chris Scheepers (captain) kept the positive energy and general good vibe going. The U15A team boasted some very talented youngsters.

A squad of 16 U15 boys, accompanied by Alungile Williams and Kuthula Ntshontsho, led a successful soccer tour to Makhanda, to take part in the St Andrew's College Football Club's Football Festival. Interfaith Day, or the Rohan Bloom Interfaith Cup, is a football tournament that commemorates Rohan Bloom's fight against cancer, which he tragically lost in Grade 9. Rohan would have been in Grade 12 in 2019. Interfaith Day traditionally includes United Herzlia Schools, Islamia College and Bishops, but this year the event was expanded to include Springfield Convent, and now also features chess, debating and netball. This day helps us celebrate diversity through activities, including sport, that unite us all.

Jarred Bradley





Winner Kazaka

SQUASH

Teacher-in-charge: John Knight

The two senior teams in the men's leagues learnt a lot, but if we were to measure success by results alone, it would seem disappointing. Our success was hampered by injury and illness, but Tim Wright, Adam Morkel, Greg Medcalf and Nick Gleeson had some epic games. (Matthew Reid and Aidan Burns, the next two players in the rankings, were beset with injury.) Our B team learnt a lot by playing older, more experienced and wily opponents. Gerard Murray-Cooke, David Boyes, Armaan Trikam and Steven Du were the stalwarts in this team and the standard of their squash improved immensely as the season progressed. All of the above players also played in either the Super League

or the U19A Friday Afternoon League team. The B Team had an unbeaten season and finished first in the league.

Our junior teams dominated the leagues, mainly because of the depth of players. Overall, of the 45 matches played by our four U15 teams, 37 were won.

Congratulations to Adam Morkel, Greg Medcalf, Nick Gleeson, Aidan Burns, Armaan Trikam and Dylan de Groot on representing the province at the IPTs. Tim Wright and Matthew Reid were unlucky to miss out through injury.

John Knight

SURFING

Teacher-in-charge: Dave Mallett

No surfing trip would be complete without a sense of adventure, and we enjoyed a few excursions to some lesser-known surf spots and hideaways that have probably not greeted many surfers before. We managed to eke out four days of great waves at Betty's Bay, and the Grade 9 boys surfed flat-out for up to five hours at Elands Bay in spectacular conditions.

Doodles, a renowned surf spot off the coast of Big Bay, played host to our Inter-House Surfing competition. School House was crowned the Inter-House Surfing Champions after narrowly

beating Gray House in the final. Zander Brooks (Surf Club captain) claimed his trophy with much delight after catching some of that elusive shade all surfers cherish.

Long may the Bishops Surf Club last, allowing one an escape from the daily routine of school life and an opportunity to get out into nature and feel one's senses come alive.

Alexander van Hoogstraten and Nicholas Steinhagen



Inter-House Surfing: School House victors



TENNIS

Teacher-in-charge: Jarred Bradley

We had several boys trying out for the Western Cape Disas High School District Tennis Trials, with noticeable mentions including Jack Brasher, David Allardice, Kai Blatch, Chris Hodgson, Benjamin MacFarlane and Jack Crafford. Rufus Florin (captain) led the 1st team with positive energy and determination and made sure that great fun was had by all.

We had six teams entered in the league, all proving to be competitive, especially our 1st and 2nd Tennis teams.

Founders Day saw a very informal competition, and the ODs battled it out against a group of boys from across the various tennis teams. This is always great fun and the boys are often amazed at how agile some of the 'more experienced' ODs actually are. However, lack of experience caused our boys to struggle on

the day, but good spirits prevailed and Robert Dugmore was fortunate (or unfortunate) enough to play against his father.

Many of our top-ranked boys make use of private tennis coaching in their free time and this is evident when you see them on the courts – the boys are confident in their abilities and make the best of the advice and guidance the coaches have to offer. Unfortunately, injuries are a downside of playing so frequently and teams often had to shift players around so that the fittest boys played. With two resurfaced courts, a fresh perspective in terms of coaching and some strong young players, our next tennis season promises to be a good one.

Jarred Bradley



Nic Macdonald (Squash) and Malick Majiet (Tennis)

WATER POLO

Teacher-in-charge: Julian Vincent

GAMES PLAYED	GAMES WON	GAMES DRAWN	GAMES LOST	WIN RATIO
175	134	8	33	77%

The first team consisted of a young side with only a handful of Matrics. The team reached the semi-finals in both the highly prestigious KES Water Polo Tournament and the St Andrew’s College Shield Water Polo Tournament in the first term. They also made a good showing at the SACS Water Polo Night Series and Mazinter Cup.

In the second half of the season, the team placed third at the SACS National Tournament narrowly losing to the eventual tournament winners in extra time in the semi-final. Michael Ford was selected for the team and Ryan Sneddon, who scored 31 goals, was named Attacker of the Tournament.

Towards the end of the season, the first team played in the St Stithians Stayers Tournament, again managing a third-place finish out of 20 top water polo school teams from around the country.

The following teams deserve special mention:

- The U15A team was the standout A team, winning the Parktown Boys’ Indigo U15 Water Polo Tournament and the WP League Trophy. They dominated for most of the season, only losing the odd game to their SACS counterparts.
- The U14C and D teams and the U9F team won every game this season.
- The U19C and D teams and the U15C and U14B teams only lost one game during the entire season.

- The U14A team won all seven of their games at the Hilton College U14 Water Polo Festival.

Well done to our ‘student coaches’, Kieraan Meyer (Grade 12), Jonny Roche, Joe Henderson, Luke Bruchhausen and Matt Lowe (Grade 10), on their successful coaching of the 14C/D and 15C/D teams. In Term 4 several Grade 9 boys stepped into these coaching roles and built on the platform laid by the senior boys. It is fantastic to see boys so willing to give back to their sport and their school by committing themselves to coaching a team on top of their busy schedules.

We had many boys selected to various national and provincial teams this year:

- Max Cary, Jake Stewart and Adam de Waal were selected for the WP U18B team and Kieraan Meyer and Sam Hanssen for the WP U18A team that participated in the Currie Cup Tournament at the end of Term 1.
- Nicholas Steinhagen and Jaytee Abrahams represented South Africa in the U15 age group at the CANA Championships in February. Adam de Waal was named as a reserve for that team.
- Max Cary, Matt Lowe and Luke Parker were selected as reserves for the SA U16 team. Michael Ford was selected as reserve for the SA U17 EU Nations Cup team.



Captains of Water Polo: Ryan Sneddon and Ryan Caffery (U14)

Twenty-six boys were selected to represent Western Province at the IPT in Johannesburg:

U19A: Ryan Sneddon, Kieraan Meyer

U19B: Sam Hanssen, Joe Kirsten, Niall Maloney, Jock Buchanan, Jake Stewart

U16A: Jonathan Roche, Max Cary, Matt Lowe

U16B: Will Ross, Luke Bruchhausen, Axel Ivanisevic

U15A: Adam de Waal, Louie Hart, Jaytee Abrahams, Dean Sneddon, Nick Steinhagen

U15B: Sebastiaan Terblanche, Timothy van Heerden, Jack Moyle

U14A: Ryan Caffery, Ben Hatty

U14B: Trento Lambrechts, Adam Buckham, Jack Lea

Congratulations to the following boys who were awarded colours for their performance in the 2019 season:

Full Colours: Re-awards to Michael Ford, Ryan Sneddon and Sam Elliott.

Half Colours: Re-awards to Joe Kirsten and Sam Hanssen. New awards to Tom Liefeldt, Jonny Roche, Niall Maloney, Jock Buchanan and Will Ross.

Julian Vincent





INTERNATIONAL TOURS

Fencing Tour

The fencing team, consisting of Christian Garry (captain), Ethan Ellis (vice-captain), James du Preez, Felix de Bruin, Daniel and Aidan Richards, Miles and Sebastian Boeddinghaus, Daniel Thom, Uzuko Mnyombolo and Ubaid Dullah Samsodien, went on tour to the prestigious Tauberbischofsheim Fencing Club in Germany.

This club is an Olympic training centre and, in terms of medal success at international sporting events, is the most successful fencing club in the world. The daily programme started with fitness training, either with our club coach, Giselle Vicatos, or in the gym, or footwork with the in-house fitness instructor. We also had access to a heated pool. Private 30-minute lessons with Martin Heidenreich was an eye opener for the boys, as Martin is a perfectionist in the art of fencing and quite the taskmaster.

During our free time, we took a day trip to Rothenburg ob der Tauber – a wonderfully preserved medieval town – where we walked along the ramparts and visited the famous all-year Christmas shop. During the afternoons after training, the fencers relaxed, eating Italian ice creams, even on cold winter days! The evenings alternated between epee and foil training with the Tauber fencers.

After a week of intensive training, we travelled by train to Heidelberg. We enjoyed a half-day tour of the old town and castle, and spent a memorable evening training with the Heidelberg Fencing Club.

Jacky Withers



Ireland Rugby Tour

The First XV travelled to Ireland to play four rugby matches in just under two weeks, visiting Dublin, Galway and Limerick.

Our first stay was in a town called Dún Laoghaire, about 12km from Dublin, and our first match was against Leinster Youth Provincial U18s, which we knew was going to be our toughest match. We started as the better of the two sides with excellent team tries from Connor Evans and Matt Lennett. Leinster stayed within reach for most of the first half with a well-worked try and penalty, yet there was no doubt we were playing the better rugby. However, we let several try-scoring opportunities go to waste. Match fitness also proved to be a factor as Leinster started to get to grips with the fixture, scoring two excellent tries.

The boys had the following day to recover and prepare for the match against Ballymena Academy to be played at Terenure College. The boys put together some well-worked team tries; the stand-out performances from Sam Rudston, Luca Liebenberg and Ollie Jones were vital, however, as the wet and windy conditions required the team to really knuckle down. It was also the first time many of the boys were playing on a 4G Pitch, which made the conditions slightly more bearable. Playing into the wind allowed us to enjoy some classic running rugby as the backs moved the ball through the hands. We were able to win 46-5 – an excellent result considering the weather. The following day the lads had the chance to experience true Irish tradition by spending the morning in Dublin watching the St Patrick's Day parade before attending the Leinster School Cup final between St Michael's and Gonzaga colleges.



On day six, it was time to depart for Galwa. En route the boys had the chance to experience true Irish sports such as hurling, Gaelic football and Gaelic handball, which, for many of them, proved to be one of the most memorable activities of the tour. Our third fixture was against Galwegians Rugby Football Club, a traditional Galway rugby team. The boys were challenged here as these players were from various schools across Galway. Again, the conditions proved to be tricky, but a mature performance from our players on a grass pitch saw more tactical kicking and forward dominance, which enabled us to win 48-7. Captain Isaiah Wharton led superbly once again and had plenty of aid from the rest of the pack.

The following day we were off to Limerick. The first stop on the way was at the Cliffs of Moher, a UNESCO Global Geopark and an area of incredible natural beauty. The boys had a chance to visit the Munster Rugby stadium and have a run at the University of Limerick Sports Campus. The last fixture saw us up against St Munchin's College, and this would be our biggest win of the tour. The 'dry' conditions allowed us to express ourselves a bit more, and we saw some fantastic individual tries from players such as Liam Kloosman and Michael Ford. For the first time on the tour, the link between the forwards and backs started to work, giving the team nice momentum.

Wesley Chetty and Chris Ekron





UK Golf and Squash Tour

The tour started en route to the UK with a morning's exploration of Istanbul – courtesy of Turkish Airlines – which was informative and fun. After that, the main business of the actual tour began. In total, nine golf matches and 11 squash matches were played over 12 days. Our golfers were very competitive, winning seven of their matches, and our Squash team was not only unbeaten but won every match convincingly. This says a lot about the standard of golf and squash at Bishops, as we played against top schools such as Charterhouse, Tonbridge, Winchester, Wellington, Epsom, Whitgift, Marlborough, Stowe and Oakham. This tour was, however, far more meaningful and beneficial in that it was not just a sporting tour; visiting and being hosted by these schools, which are steeped in history, was an extraordinary experience for our boys.

The tour ended with a most enjoyable day royally hosted by the UK ODs and members of the Royal Automobile Club (RAC) in Epsom, and a final bit of sightseeing – or rather fighting through a one-million-person-strong Brexit protest – in London.

Special mention must be made of the five members of the squash team – Tim Wright (captain), Nick Gleeson, Adam Morkel, Greg Medcalf and Aidan Burns – who won the majority of their individual matches.

Glen Gibbon

UK Tennis Tour

A six-man tennis squad travelled to the UK, and played fixtures against eight UK schools. The tour started unexpectedly with a 24-hour stopover in Johannesburg after a delayed flight led to a missed connection to Heathrow. The boys took advantage of the day to play some high-altitude tennis at the Benoni Country Club. After arriving in the UK, we headed straight to The Queen's Club to watch the Club Championships opening-day matches on Centre Court, which included South Africa's Kevin Anderson winning a tight three-setter against the local favourite, Cameron Norrie.

After a night in central London, we headed to our first fixture at Wellington College in Berkshire, where the boys played on the brand-new indoor tennis courts. Here they were also introduced to the game of 'real tennis', the precursor to modern-day tennis.

The boys all had the opportunity to play this very different and ancient form of the game, with coaching by the school's real tennis pro.

The next fixture was at Millfield School in Somerset and, although tough, the boys triumphed. Our opponents at Winchester College in Hampshire weren't too strong, and here the boys were also able to try out two other sports, padel tennis (a fast-growing hybrid racket sport) and racquets (the precursor of squash, played on enormous indoor courts).

Next up was Tonbridge School in Kent, where the boys enjoyed playing on clay courts until 9pm on what was the longest day of the year in the UK, followed by our hosts' version of an outdoor braai. The weekend was spent in Oxford, with a fair amount of free time and various tours, including Blenheim Palace and Oxford University.

Our next fixture was against Rugby School, organised by their Head of Rugby and OD Mike Bayly, who also treated the boys to a tour of Rugby School and the William Webb Ellis Memorial. A fixture against Magdalen College School in Oxford followed, where most of the boys enjoyed their first experience of playing on grass courts. Bryanston School in Dorset was next, where the boys played on six immaculate grass courts in front of a magnificent school building, previously a palatial country home.

The final fixture was against Reed's School in Surrey, and even though they were one of our toughest opponents on tour, the boys still managed to fit in one final win before returning to Heathrow to fly back home. We were lucky that the weather did not interrupt any of our fixtures and the boys managed to complete and win all eight, with outstanding tennis being played by all.

The touring party consisted of Jack Brasher, Josh Brummer, Oliver Diggle, Rufus Florin (captain), Chris Hodgson and Ben MacFarlane.

Joc Wrench



SALVETE VALETE



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SALVETE

Grade 8

Attwood, SB
Balim, MY
Barker, TD
Bhagoo, R
Bonoyi, A
Brouze, J
Brunt, DD
Buckham, AJ
Burnett, LE
Cadiz, ML
Caffery, RP
Cardo, ME
Chevallier, OF
Collins, JA
Collins, RA
Coovadia, ZM
Cutshwa, L
Dingley, GL
Dixon, S
Dorward, SG
Du Toit, J
Du Toit, BT
Edkins, BV
Egerer, D
Felix, CD
Flax, LD
Forsyth, MX
Frater, JAK
French, MK
Gonera, JS
Govender, DK
Haskel, JA
Hatty, BG
Holm, K
Hufton, O
Hurford, BJ
James, P
Jones, WR
Kerbelker, AK

Kidha, NO
Kota, KTH
Lazarus, DS
Lea, JHA
Letschert, L
Levy, BG
Louw, JM
Magadla, PTT
Majiet, AM
Marx, D
Mason, RCM
Matthews, SJ
Mattison, EJ
Matyeba, NJ
Mentoe, G
Middelmann, MN
Mohamed, BK
Mohamood, Z
Morris, AR
Moses, WR
Mudge, NJV
Newton, MJ
Nkumanda, TI
Noussis, EC
Noussis, JA
Oaker, Z
Oellermann, LH
Orts-Hansen, JB
Phillips, T
Pouroullis, AK
Power, J
Richards, AC
Richards, DB
Ritz, MW
Rogers, D
Sachs, BY
Scott, JGS
Smith, KJ
Steward, CJ

Syndercombe, JAM
Titus, K
Todd, DM
Van Graan, I
Warren, NJ
Willemse, ZC
Zander, KR

Grade 9

Cary, MC
Hart, LD
Nadar, R
O'Donnell, RT
Rogers, L
Wilson, JTC

Grade 10

Dare, J (July 2018)
Mansfield, JR (July 2018)
Back, CL
Heinamann, OA
Pettersson, AA

Grade 11

Kappatos, G (October 2018)
Marubelela, BH

VALETE

Grade 12

Abrahams Weltin, A
Adams, MA
Adonis, MN
Ahrendse, E
Anderson-De Waal, CK
Beaumont, DJ
Beare, JG
Beley, K
Bird, JA
Blow, JT
Boeddinghaus, MW
Brasher, JRS
Breytenbach, FC
Brooks, AJ
Bullough, BJ
Burton, DJ
Byron, TO
Cadiz, ZN
Campbell, RJ
Casey-Smith, FH
Cattell, NO
Chagan, S
Clark, CJ
Clayton, JM
Coles, MD
Craig, ST
Croxtton, JA
Dalton, NJ
Davis, FA
David, PA
Davies, MC
Dawson, LT
Deans, KW
Derman, MJ
Dower, JM
Downing, MP
Edelstein, D
Elliott, SD

Elliott, JM
Elliott, KM
Fernandes, AG
Fisher, BJ
Fletcher, FH
Flint, LJ
Florin, RH
Foxcroft, LJ
Frankenfeld, JD
Francis, U
Fredericks, N
Gannon, CL
Garry, CT
Gleeson, NP
Good, CM
Gordon, MD
Gray, JA
Hamilton-Russell, WE
Hampshire, JR
Hassen, Y
Hendricks, ZC
Hokwana, G
Hollingum, BD
Holtmann, WJ
Holm, J
Hooper, MV
Howard, JM
Hughes, A
Jacobs, JT
Kanigowski, MO
Kazaka, WB
Kingdom, TF
Kloosman, LD
Koster, J
Lee, TS
Lennett, M
Leong, MS
Liefeldt, TK

Liebenberg, L
Linley, WP
Lovric, MJ
Macha, IJ
Macdonald, A
Makanjee, P
Marquis, SH
Martin, MR
Marr, MJ
Mavuso, MM
Mcadam, NA
McKenzie, HD
Meyer, K
Mitchell, TC
Mondry, JI
Murphy, SC
Murphy, AB
Musselwhite, EA
Naude, DA
Naude, JM
Numanoglu, S
O'Brien, SL
Oellermann, RR
Orpen, LM
Ottiger, JXD
Paine, JD
Perlman, DA
Prevost, SW
Rackstraw, AP
Rance, KTJ
Richardson, LJ
Ritchie-Roux, JF
Rowand, JA
Rumbelow, JT
Russell, AW
Rushmere, LE
Schram, RE
Scott, NV

Seggie, KM
Sheng, YF
Sherrell, ML
Shiba, R
Simpson, JJ
Slaven, TA
Smith, MP
Sneddon, RC
Spriestersbach, CM
Stewart, OD
Stonestreet, A
Syndercombe, NM
Tedder, MJ
Tucker, BM
Turner, TJ
Vagn-Jensen, WO
Vagn-Jensen, CT
Van der Merwe, MT
Van Breda, TH
Schuyling Van Doorn, AM
Van Hoogstraten, A
Velosa, J
Vermaak, JD
Vith, KL
Warner, TG
Weinert, KA
Wesson, MS
Wharton, IJ
Wichmann, DA
Williams, AR
Williams, R
Woodman, AC
Worthington-Smith, PH
Wright, TT
Yates, CGF
Young, IDP

Grade 8

Burnett, LE
Irvine -Smith, GC
Orts -Hansen, JB
Smith, KJ
Solomon, OD
Swartz , SH
Titus, K

Grade 9

Farmer, DJ
Francis, C
Grindley-Ferris, J
Kolbeinsson, KA
Moodley, C
O'Donnell, RT
Russell, MS
Von Seidel, OE
Wilson, JTC

Grade 10

Heinamann, OA
Lee, AB
Nortje, AL

Grade 11

Farmer, JPA
Miroto, CA
Vine-Morris, WA



PREP



WELCOME FROM THE HEADMASTER

The following pages will report on many of the activities of our boys over the year and give you a picture of life at the Prep.

There have been two major differences on campus this year and they are inextricably linked. Sadly, the van der Bijl Boarding House closed last year and there is no more boarding at the Prep. This has meant an unnatural quiet on campus after hours: no sounds of boarders in the pool after sport, calling for the ball as they played touch on Rossall or chatting and laughing as they walked past Stanmore Cottage on their way to the nets to play soccer or cricket.

Those dormitories were completely empty and so four Form classes moved in while we converted the three classrooms in the

Jagger Wing – used in recent years for the Grade 6s – so work could begin on our new library and other classroom renovations. The building is now complete, and we have a brand-new 210m² Prep Library and Learning Centre. This was a mammoth 10-month building operation, one that boys and staff will not forget in a hurry, but that ‘pain’ is already receding as we enjoy the addition of newly refurbished, modern facilities that are contemporary and traditional at the same time.

Enjoy reading through the following pages. The Prep is full of boundless energy, great continuums of emotion and, ultimately, loads of fun, and I hope this is what you will see as you page through this section.

Greg Brown



STAFF NEWS AND FAREWELLS

News

We congratulated Khwezi Mqomboti on his engagement to Sally Medley. We celebrated the birth of Chris and Sharlene Groom's grandson, Lachlan James Groom.

Farewells

Rob Riches

Rob's farewell speech was prepared by several of the Prep staff and an edited version is included below. The letters within the word Superman were the starting point of each part of the speech.

'Faster than a speeding bullet. More powerful than a locomotive. Able to leap tall buildings in a single bound. Look! Up in the sky! It's a bird. It's a plane! It's Superman!' – aka Rob Riches.

My relationship with Rob began in mid-1992. Rob started back in 1983 or 1984, no one is really quite sure. Probably my favourite

cricket memories of Rob were on the Zimbabwe tour in '98. We started with a jaunt across the border at Vic Falls and spent a night on an island in the middle of the Zambezi. We had a magnificent time on the river in the rubber dinghies with our guide keeping a wary eye on the hippos. That night we had a great talk around the campfire and then Rob went to bed. I will never forget his face when I entered our tent a while later. From his garbled speech, I gathered that, on hearing a noise outside, he had peered out and had a close encounter with a massive elephant! My other memory of that tour was the final morning. We had slept on a smallholding outside Harare, and Rob had arranged for transport to take us to the airport in the morning. We had an early flight, so were up in the darkness, ready to go. No transport arrived. We waited until Rob commandeered a truck from the smallholding, piled us in, luggage and all. We raced over bad roads and somehow made it to the airport in time.

Richard Goedhals



S

Rob has been Selflessly Serving the School for years. During this time, he spent 14 years running the van der Bijl Boarding House – comparable to 14 years of hard labour! He was released from VdB to run Bishops Prep, often on his own as Midge pursued a career in classical music, and Greg concentrated on his acting as a stunt double for Rowan Atkinson. But on a serious note, some of the selfless service highlights for me include his braaiing for the Grade 6s at High Noon in torrential rain – under a door held up by the stooges – and his three magnificent slip catches for the Stags vs First XI. You have been the custodian of our philosophy, our values and our traditions.

Murray Anderson

U

Rob and I struck up a friendship based on our mutual love for squash. After a quick estimate – say 10 years at two games a week – we must have played about 1000 games. I estimate that we shared the results fairly evenly, until Rob lost quite a few kilograms. After that I gave up playing against him to avoid being humiliated. So, what's Unbelievable? Rob was never unhealthy, never unsportsmanlike, never unsupportive, and never unhappy.

Mark Erlangsen

P

P can be very confusing, sound-wise: We have the standard P for passionate, proud and polite; we have the silent P for psychology, pstrict and pstrong; we also have the silent P for philosophy, phun and phierce; and Rob Riches, a 'pillar of psociety'!

Brendan Fogarty

E

Extremely intimidating was my very first experience of Rob. It was 12 years ago to the day that I had my interview at Bishops. To put it in context: I came from a Cape Flats upbringing, having lived through the 1976-85 uprising as a sub 10-year-old, and attended high school during the state of emergency and riots between 1987 and 1991. My life experiences with white people were mostly of armed police or soldiers beating you up or shooting at you. In the interview were Midge Hilton-Green, Mike Bromfield, Greg Brown and a very big, stern-looking, what I thought at

the time, Afrikaner white man. I avoided eye contact with him because all that came to mind were those camouflage-wearing big soldiers beating you and shooting at you. At the end of the interview, we all stood up to shake hands, and my fears weren't allayed when Rob stood up, towering over me. He shook my hand with his massive hands, but then smiled. Little did I know that I had just met one of the gentlest men I've ever known, and that he would have such a profound effect on my growth in the following 12 years. Rob and his wife, Jenny, have been a great Example of Godly marriage and family life to me, my wife and my family. All of us who have worked with and under Rob can attest to his extraordinary level of Empathy. Contrary to my first impression, I now see him as a mentor, a colleague, a friend and an Example to try to Emulate.

Clayton Turner

R

Rob has been a big name in the life of Bishops Prep. He has led us across the field to Belmont Road in protest, formed cooking and balsa-wood-modelling clubs, and filled the role of Head of Sport with great dedication and leadership. Zetta and I brainstormed and came up with two words to describe Rob. The first is Reliable and the second, Reminders. Whether it was timing relays, giving a roll on the drums in the cabaret or rounding us up for staff appraisals, we knew that we could depend on him at all times. He was our Rock. Zetta wrote this: 'Mr Riches and I have worked together for over 30 years and I am richer for it. It was all those years ago that Mary recommended me for the job when she left and he offered it to me. I didn't hesitate. He would remind me to polish the trophies for prize-giving, and I would remind him to give me a list of the cricket fixtures for the next week. He would remind me to close the windows, and I would remind him to phone the kitchen to tell them how many staff needed lunch at the end of the year when class teachers were at camp. Mr Riches, it has been great having you as my right-hand man.'

Sue Kieswetter and Zetta Tieties

M

Rob is so aware of the iMportance of doing things right and to the best of our abilities – be it the staff or the boys. Teaching kids to count is fine, but teaching them what counts is better, and this sums up Rob. At the same time, he is oMnipresent. If we sneak a quick cup of coffee, you can be sure Rob will walk around the

corner. He pops up at sports fixtures, delivers DT slips to House meetings, and so much more. Every person deserves a champion who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection and insists that they become the best that they can possibly be.

Penny Graney

A

I have to confess to a cricket love Affair with Rob. It began on a Saturday morning in March 1993. We were both new 1st XI coaches at Rondebosch and Bishops respectively. Rob’s bowler *mankaded* my captain. For those of you unfamiliar with the term, it’s when a bowler runs out a batsman before he has bowled the ball. All perfectly legal, but not in the spirit of the game, unless there has been a warning. If there were a warning, then it must have come from the resident Egyptian goose. Rob was a gentleman; he apologised for the misunderstanding and said he’d ask the goose to warn us more clearly next time. We enjoyed some incredible matches over the years as rival 1st XI coaches, none more so than a match on Rossall, where over 650 runs were scored in a morning. My team was overjoyed at posting a score well over 300 for the first time, and started celebrating too early. Rob’s batsmen were past masters at batting on the Rossall; they simply stood still on the flat track and smashed my poor bowlers out of the ground. To get my revenge I doctored our turf wicket by preparing a green mamba – that’s a pitch that resembles the Amazon rain forest. Rob’s batsmen couldn’t stand and deliver as the ball was seemingly all over the place. We then ended up at the same school and our relationship went up another level.

Bruce Mitchell

N

No Nonsense describes Rob’s approach; he has managed us all with great skill and patience. In his matter-of-fact way, he has established firm, clear and fair boundaries, and we value him for taking on this role. It gives us, the teachers, the freedom to teach well. But behind this is the real Rob who is kind, humble and gentle; who hates the limelight and never complains nor shies away from hard work. When I asked his Grade 7 Maths group what they would remember about him, Jack Colyvas immediately said, ‘He is fair’ and ‘He gets the job done.’ The other boys chuckled and said that he makes them laugh with ‘I beg your pudding?’

Sue Johns

Superman is a fictional character, but for Bishops Prep, Rob has been very real. The day-to-day running of the school is not an easy job and yet he knows which team is playing which sport, on which field against which school, and with which coach! And then there is all the other admin, including that of the calendar. Rob’s Sunday emails have become an institution. When the phone pings at a certain time, everyone knows that’s Rob with the weekly schedule! In the middle of this busyness is his core job, that of teacher, and the boys have been very fortunate to have had him as one. With apologies to Greg – Rob, you have been the boss for many years! Lindi Siyengo tells the story: She once did boarding-house duty on a Saturday morning. She took the boarders to the pool, and a naughty twin in Grade 3 kept breaking the rules. One of the other boys present told him to listen to Mrs S. ‘Why?’ he asked. ‘Because Mrs S is the boss,’ was the reply. To which this naughty, but insightful boy (who could not say his ‘rs’) replied. ‘Oh no, Mr Griches is the boss agground here!’ You have been a wonderful and supportive friend to many of us; something that we shall all miss. So, now your time as SUPERMAN at Bishops draws to an end. But, remember that there are other Superman roles that last forever and are much more important: that of Superhusband, Superdad and Supergrandpa. Enjoy them!

Sue Burgess

Long-Service Awards

Linda Dinan	15 years
Rob Riches	35 years



GRADE 7





LEAVERS DINNER

HEADMASTER'S ADDRESS

Good evening Ladies and Gentlemen, and Leavers of 2019.

A special welcome to Guy and Mareé Pearson as well as Rob and Jenny Riches. As you know Mr Pearson retires in June next year and Mr Riches at the end of this year.

Thank you to the class of 2019 for your gift to the school. At this dinner last year I told the then-Grade 7s that their gift, which was a donation for something special for the new library, would be combined with yours. And so the two sets of Leavers will fund the creation of a water feature in the paved area between the library and Jagger Hall. Thank you. It is a wonderful idea and I am sure it will be enjoyed and appreciated by many in the years to come. Thank you also to Andrew Betty and Max Estcourt for being our Masters of Ceremonies, to Robert Forrest and Michael Kotze for their carefully prepared speeches, and to all the boys participating tonight, ably prepared by Mrs Kieswetter. Well done to you on your song earlier, and thank you to Ms Clapperton and Mrs Sheard for your training and preparation.

The Mallett Centre has been transformed and for that we have to thank all the parents involved. A special word of thanks goes to Michelle Betty and her committee for having driven the process so quietly and effectively. I am not sure why so much attention has been paid to the ladies' bathrooms as opposed to the men's,

but we will just have to suffer through. Once we have a beautiful new multipurpose sports centre the differentiation will be over.

You boys have already done so, but I want to add my thanks to all the staff who have been part of your upbringing and development in so many different ways – from Mrs Kerven putting a plaster on your knee in the office and your Housemaster discussing your detention with you to the teacher who pushed you to do that subject you enjoyed the least. To the parents, thank you for entrusting your children to us. Your child is the most valuable part of your life and we are very mindful of the responsibility that creates for us.

Boys, last week you voted for the recipient of the Williamson Trophy – the trophy for the best fellow in the grade in terms of kindness, consistency and general friendship to all. And your choice was Noah Bouwers.

What can I say about this class? I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the Students Council you elected earlier this year. This group meets with me every Monday at second lunch and has the very frustrating task of proposing new ideas which, after much deliberation, I quite often turn down. For good reason, of course. Andrew Betty has been a very good and passionate Chair, while Nicholas Basson in his role as Secretary was

uncompromising in his grilling and severe disapproval of any member who missed a meeting. Jake Skillicorn never got his Grade 7 hoodie but this committee did get the entire campus to have a meat-free Monday once a month. No Junior Students Council has ever been more convincing in bringing about a campus-wide change, especially one that affects the stomach. Needless to say, I have kept their identity secret from the older College boys who threatened a #Kitchen Must Fall campaign. But it's interesting to point out that after the Students Council gave an Assembly presentation on environmental issues around food production, even some of our most anti-vegetable and salad, hardened carnivore staff understood the need for us to try a vegetarian alternative some time. Parents would also have been very impressed by the research done and presentations given by the boys on environmental problems and solutions at their Robotics evening. But your Potjiekos day was pretty much committed to meat, I have to say, with only one group going vegetarian. Overall, though, it was the most successfully edible production in recent years, so this group is going to eat well on camp, I am sure.

Many of you boys have grown ridiculously quickly in the last few months. I tell the other two Grade 7 classes that 7M is my favourite, which is not strictly true, I must admit, but it is the most entertaining as it has the highest preponderance of what I like to think of as human giraffes – Jordan de Sousa, Luke Johnson, Alexander Smith and Sebastian Cheminais. Clothes strain almost audibly as limbs seem to have a life of their own and move constantly. Desks and chairs are equally inadequate in containing them, and there is a strong sense of involuntary restlessness. I think parents have a lot of shopping to do these holidays.

Hairstyles are always interesting: Arran Muir has been the trendsetter and fashion leader in this regard since Grade 5, I would say, but this year he's had competition from the likes of Kasavan Moonsamy and Tye Stewart, and flying under the radar has been James Kotze with his carefully cultivated kiss curl.

Revelation was a great hit this year with many of you taking the lead – I am sure Bafokeng Lehloenya never thought he would play God on stage (it is not a very common role) and Thomas Ludlum an angel with a difference. Of course, a production in Grade 7 always expands the Grade 7 social circle and there were more 13-year birthday parties than ever. The good news, Moms and Dads, is that 14th birthdays are much more ordinary and less worthy of major attention.

To be a bit more serious, some comments on you as a class. There have been times when we have had disappointments, when the group has simply followed those who shout the loudest and not necessarily for any sensible end, and you will know to which incidents I am referring. But I was so impressed by you yesterday when you filed out of the hall as the Leavers in such a dignified fashion, lined up to salute Mr Riches, and then walked between the two lines of boys high-fiving the younger ones and appreciating their greetings, as you made your way to Stanmore House. You stood tall and, really, it was very special for us to witness. Later I heard a roar on Stanmore when you rushed onto the pitch and did the war cry together. I have never seen that done at the Prep before.

So you are really capable of so much. I want to remind you of what I said on Founders Day. Every year there are a number of special reunions of old boys and they tend to go by the decade, so in 2019, reunions for the Matric classes of 1949, '59, '69, etc. And I posed the question: 'Which old boys come to these?' I can assure you not the ones who were badly bullied, always excluded or horribly teased. They can't wait to leave school and never return. But the ones who had fun at school, had friends with whom they laughed, who were included by others, who were given a second chance by their peers when they messed up, they are the ones who return happily and enthusiastically. So what are you going to be like over the next five years as a classmate, what will you be remembered for? Will you be someone your classmates will want to see again in 20 years' time? They will remember some of your achievements and shared experiences, but mainly they will want to see you for how you were at school. Were you generous, caring, humble, trustworthy, a good person – what is known in Yiddish as a mensch? That's something people never forget and never take for granted. So, for your next five years at school I hope you will be that good guy, someone whom people will want to see in years to come, and if you aren't at that reunion, chaps will ask, where is 'so and so', he was such a good guy. So simple but massively important.

Boys, we wish you all the best for College and beyond. You leave with our hopes and dreams and our confidence in your success. We shall follow your progress with great interest.

God bless. Thank you.

Greg Brown

KWAZULU-NATAL TOUR

It was 6am on Tuesday 4 June. The air at Cape Town International Airport was electric with the nervous, but excited chatter of 75 Grade 7 boys. This was the beginning of what is, arguably, the pinnacle of every Bishops Prep boy's school career – the KZN Tour!

As we made our way through the gates, leaving behind a few teary-eyed moms, the adventure really began. First stop on the other side was the Spur at King Shaka International Airport for burgers, chips and milkshakes to fill our always-hungry tummies. Over the next four nights we were hosted by families at Chelsea Prep School in Durban and St Charles College in Pietermaritzburg. At both schools all 75 boys had the chance to participate in various activities on and off the field, ranging from music assemblies and chess to squash, hockey and rugby. It was great to see the amazing talent, camaraderie and sportsmanship between the schools.

One of the highlights was the time spent at Isandlwana and Rorke's Drift. We were also fortunate enough to have outings to the Sharks Board, Durban's North Beach, Elandsheim and

Shakaland. And then, finally, two days at Sugar Bay, a place where everyone (including the teachers) could relax, surf, canoe, play volleyball, build sandcastles and just chill in the sun.

Just when we thought the tour couldn't get any better, we ended on a real high at UShaka Wet 'n Wild, where waterslide dreams come true.

At 8pm on Wednesday 12 June, Cape Town International Airport was once again filled with teary-eyed moms. However, this time a more subdued, very tired group of Bishops boys walked through the gates. Our teachers all deserve a medal for safely shepherding us over the nine days. Thank you to all of them. What a tour we had, filled with many memories, friendships made, laughter, fun and games.

Max Estcourt





POTJIEKOS- DAG

The Afrikaans Department held their annual Grade 7 end-of-year celebration in the form of a Potjiekosdag. This day is the culmination of class work 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 excited boys arrived in civvies, ready to cook and celebrate. Each group was responsible for bringing along all the required items, including a table, four chairs, gazebo, cutlery, crockery, tablecloth and table decorations. They also needed to supply their own potjie and all the necessary lunch ingredients. Prizes were awarded for the best table decorations – this year's winning group was 'Potjiesfontein'. The groups set up their tables on the Prep basketball court while their potjies cooked away under the big tree in front of van der Bijl. We enjoyed the sounds of Afrikaans music, while classes competed in the egg-and-spoon races (won by Jamie Bailey), tug-of-war (won by Mr Louw's set), and the egg-throwing competition (won by Adam Constant and Michael Kotze) on Rossall. Boys presented a sampling of their potjies to the judges, who awarded prizes for the three best potjies of the day. The winners were 'Potjiekosfontein'. This annual day celebrates the boys' time as members of the Afrikaans Department at the Prep.

Clayton Turner



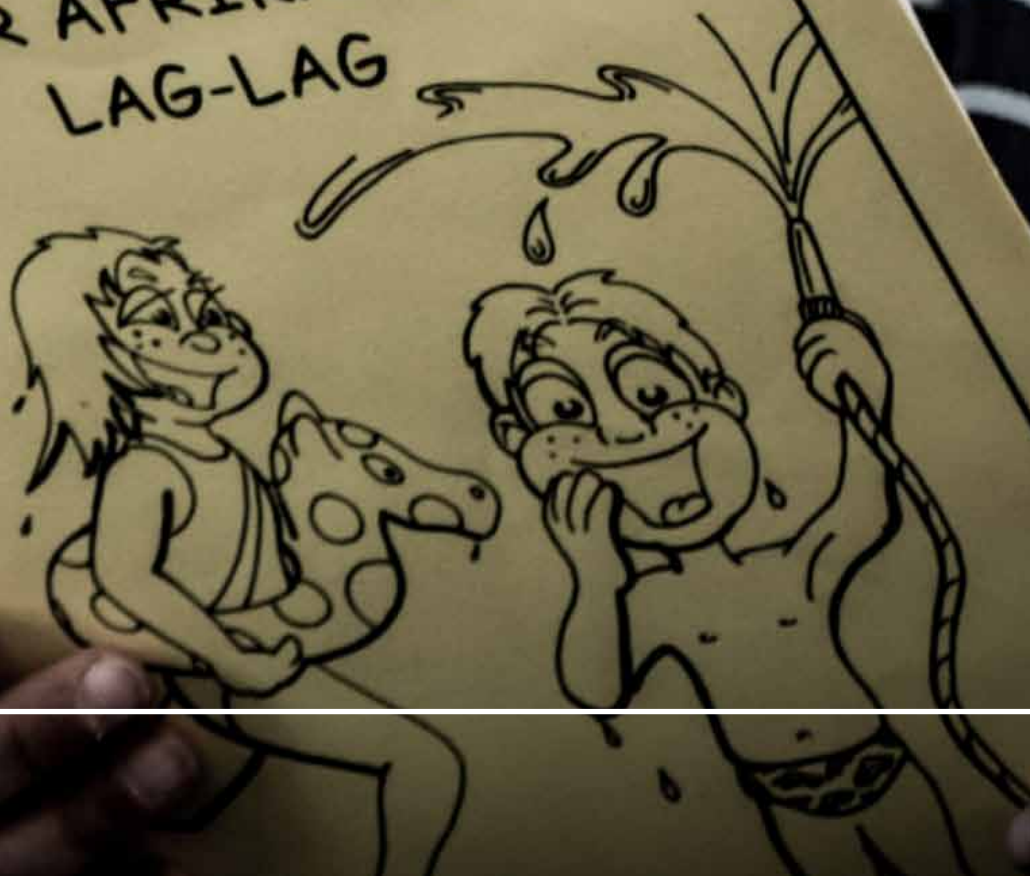


ACADEMICS



Jack G.
Grade 4G

LEER AFRIKAAI LAG-LAG



PRIZE-GIVING HEADMASTER'S SPEECH

Mr Simon Peile, Chairman of Council, Mr and Mrs Pearson, special guests, parents, staff and boys.

This time last year I reported on the joy of hearing the sound of jackhammers that heralded the start of our Library Project. As time went on it did become more difficult to enjoy this sound, even though rationally we knew it meant continued progress. The project took longer to complete than anticipated and we added the playground precinct which also led to additional weeks of work. While the project did rattle the normal operation of the school, boys and staff were amazingly adaptable and carried on in dormitories, which while useful were not ideal. But we do now have a really beautiful library space, five renovated and enlarged classrooms upstairs and a newly engineered precinct. The last of the tar is gone from all playground areas on the

Stanmore Campus! We are extremely grateful to The Bishops Trust and Council for making this the first project of the 175 Campaign, as well as to all the very generous donors who made it possible. I think the greatest show of appreciation, though, is the enthusiastic way in which the boys have embraced the new library, acknowledging the words of Dr Seuss: 'The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.' It is a thoroughly modern library, but cognisant of the heritage site it occupies – all the 1940 teak sash windows were retained and restored. It is more than a library in its traditional sense; it is a multipurpose space in which to read, research, meet, work, collaborate, and so much more.

It bears mentioning that the classrooms converted into this new library were built in 1940 as part of the school's Centenary

Campaign, so it is wonderful that the 175 Campaign has enabled us to reinvent this space and we have this continuity of intention, giving to and back to one's school for the benefit of current and future generations.

The first year with no boarders has meant that it has been eerily quiet on the campus after hours, without the sounds of boys yelling in the pool after sport, playing touch on Rossall or heading to the Stanmore nets on Sundays for cricket or soccer. But that is the new reality. During the course of the year we have been refining our plans for the reutilisation of the VdB facilities. Essentially, the final conversion will house a Prep BSU for our therapists and extra-lessons teachers, all Grade 3 classrooms will be on the ground floor and the old dormitories and recreational areas as well as communal ablutions will be converted into a number of staff apartments. We have been through an initial design process that is now with our architectural review committee. It is a large-scale project and we are in the process of finalising an action plan to ensure that the first phase goes ahead as soon as possible.

The brutal rape and murder of UCT student Uyinene Mrwetyana catapulted Cape Town, the country and schools into a groundswell of rage and protest against the gender-based violence that is so rampant in our society. Communities looked inwards – how did this affect them and what would they do? As a Prep school we were caught between wanting to protect our boys and not raise anxiety levels and yet wanting them to learn from this and not remain cocooned from the reality of the sexism that is so endemic in our society. As you know, many discussions were held in classrooms and homes, a special assembly was called and a vigil was held in Belmont Road. Boys gave input into the final decisions on how we would mark this stand against gender-based violence. In the end, our short, simple vigil was very moving as 370 boys, a number of them holding posters, stood together with our staff and a number of parents in complete silence facing the passing motorists. Unbelievable that we have to do something like this in the 21st century, with all the advances that have been made in recent history. So our discussions around sexism – about what makes a good man, about how we change society by changing ourselves – have to continue and be part of life at school and at home. We keep saying – and Guy Pearson reiterated this at the College Prize-Giving – our aim is to raise boys to be good men, men who are courageous, resilient, deeply respectful of others and totally opposed to any form of discrimination, be it on grounds of gender, race, sexual orientation, culture or religion.

The school continues to work on social sustainability and real transformation, and at the start of the year the policy and goals for the next decade were added to the school's *Future-Fitting Bishops* document, which is on our website. While a number of the goals deal with diversity numbers for pupils and staff, a large part of this transformation process is about how we actually ensure that Bishops is a welcoming environment in which all feel that they belong to a community that reflects a new South African future. Many of you completed the IQAA Survey recently on this issue. We are awaiting the results and will make them available early next year, if not sooner. While the executives are responsible for admissions and the appointment of new staff, a whole-school Social Sustainability Committee receives feedback from staff and pupil focus groups across the school that monitor and discuss transformation in action, where is it being practised in our community and where not, and what steps should be taken to address problem areas. Professional development around transformation continues to take place and we began the third term with a whole-school staff workshop on unconscious bias. We need to continue challenging ourselves about our attitudes and actions in order to build a community that can better produce the South African citizens and leaders we so badly need. The Parents' Association arranged for Lovelyn Nwadeyi, a well-known social justice consultant, to speak to parents and staff earlier this term on Transformation, Equity and Belonging. She challenged us to acknowledge our privilege, to move away from asking, 'Could I be racist?' and rather to ask, 'How has race shaped my life?' – a significant mindshift that is so useful in our society, where definitions of race and discrimination on racial grounds have affected the lives of all of us who grew up in South Africa in so many ways. For South Africa and every community, this is an ongoing and evolutionary process and there is much still to be done. In the words of the American poet, Robert Frost:

'(We) have promises to keep
And miles to go before we sleep
And miles to go before we sleep.'

The Vusa Rugby and Learning Academy is one way in which we are trying to live transformation using our experience, community and staff to make a difference in the community of Langa. In a programme that promotes upliftment through sport and English and Maths support, approximately 140 pupils from Langa primary schools gather at the Langa Sports Complex four times a week to receive rugby coaching, academic support and a nutritious meal. Rugby skills have grown in leaps and bounds and each age group now boasts a number of teams that have regular fixtures.

In addition, four creches are supported. Our Grade 7s enjoyed a visit to these creches to spend time with the children, many of whom desperately lack stimulation, and Vusa provides staff to help with movement, play, reading, etc. Our Grade 10 boys visit once a week in the winter months to do the same. Funding for this programme relies on the generosity of the broader community, Bishops parents and corporates. This year Vusa was granted PBO status and is in the process of being registered as a Trust, and we are looking at more ways in which to involve our staff and boys going forward.

Highlights of the year have included our two productions: *Revelation*, a homegrown musical written and scored by two members of the Prep's Music Department, and the Pre-Prep's *The AristoCats KIDS*. Both were vibrant shows, enormous fun for the boys involved and a real celebration of life. The productions were of an extremely high standard, revealing not only the versatility of our boys but their capacity to rise to a challenge and, of course, Bishops boys love an audience! And then there are the smaller moments, but ones that reflect what we, parents and staff, are trying to do. A few examples are an email from a parent who had walked past a boy and congratulated him on his great try in a match against SACS, to which he replied, 'It wasn't my try. It was the team's. The team made it happen!'; and the email from a parent from another school whose son, together with one of our boys, had been selected for the Western Province Water Polo team. Both being goalkeepers they needed to spin a coin to see who would wear the Number 1 cap, but our boy said, 'No need for that, you wear it.' The parent was so impressed by this. And then a few weeks ago, when I took our future principal, Tony Reeler, on a tour of the Prep and Pre-Prep, he remarked, 'Your boys are so well-mannered: everyone greets, and what's so impressive is that they mean it; they look you in the eye, engage and welcome you. They aren't just going through the motions.' These are simple examples of our values in action.

I am not going to report on our boys' achievements this year; they are many and our weekly newsletters highlight them. But it is wonderful to see how our boys have achieved at College; a number of them are Heads of Houses for 2020 and the two Deputy Heads are from the Prep. It was also so gratifying to see that both College Music Scholarships went to our boys this year, and of the eight Academic Scholarships four recipients were from the Prep.

My weekly visits to the Pre-Prep are among my personal highlights, with memorable moments ranging from the Grade N

learner who came up to me in the playground in the middle of the year and, out of the blue, asked pointedly, 'Who are you?', to the Grade 2s who have been rushing up to me this term, propelling me to the sandpit where they are determinedly digging towards the centre of the earth. But with all that innocent fun, it's so easy to forget that the most fundamental learning takes place here: learning to read and write, to manipulate numbers, to work and play in a social context, to negotiate, and so on. Without this grounding we can do nothing else in terms of further school and tertiary education. I admire these teachers, who not only know their pupils so well but who, behind what can appear to some of us as very simplistic teaching, starting with the very basic 'A is for apple', have profound understanding of phonic acquisition, the knowledge and understanding of working memory, auditory processing and how to develop age-appropriate articulation, not to mention the emotional and physical factors that impede learning.

We welcomed a number of new staff this year: Chanelle Haumann and Emily Venter to the Pre-Prep teaching staff, and Babalwa Manyela as the new secretary. At Prep Naadia Luzmore joined us as Head of Science, Russell Drury as Head of Drama, Juanté Di Trapani as counsellor and then, of course, Father Monwabisi Peter as school chaplain. We are enjoying the unique influence that each has brought to the school. Sue Burgess has also relief-taught with us for the last six months. It's always a great pleasure to welcome her back; it always feels as though she never left.

I want to thank all our staff – academic, administrative and support – who make this Bishops education possible and who deal with so much behind the scenes. Thank you, too, to the College Executive, Principal Guy Pearson, Deputy Principal Peter Westwood and Business Manager Sean King, with whom I meet every week. They support me in my role and ensure that the Prep and Pre-Prep are part of whole-school decisions. To my deputies, Sharlene Groom, Rob Riches and Chris Groom, thank you for your leadership and fellowship again in 2019. Thank you too, to my wife, Lynne, and PA, Alison, for your support.

I want to use this public occasion to thank and salute Guy Pearson who retires at the end of June next year after seven-and-a-half years as principal. I have been very fortunate to have had an extremely good relationship with both the principals I have worked with, Guy and Grant Nupen before him. Guy is a thoroughly relational leader and I have seen this through the best and worst of times. In his time he has bedded down the Senior-Junior relationship at College, completed the building of the

Woodlands Pavilion, supported the expansion of the Pre-Prep to include Grade N as well as the enormous building project and improvements at that time. He was instrumental in the launch of the 175 Campaign that saw our Library Project completed recently. Again, he motivated for the first campaign project to be at the Prep. Guy attends our Monday Chapel Assemblies and frequently spends time chatting to staff and boys before and after these assemblies. He has been a very visible principal; he loves to be out and about, chatting to boys, popping in to practices and attending anything boys do – from the College Eisteddfod to matches and music concerts. He is extremely down to earth, which is so good for us who work and learn in such a privileged environment. I will miss his and Mareé's support enormously. Bishops is the richer for his principalship. Thank you, Guy.

I want to pay tribute to two other staff members who leave us at the end of this year. Firstly to Ashleigh Osborne, who has taught Grade 2 for five years after completing a four-year internship with us. She was the first intern to go through our system and to be employed at the Pre-Prep on a permanent basis, so she holds a very special place in our hearts. Her boys and their parents have always found her to be a very loving and supportive teacher, something parents have often remarked on. She leaves us to have more time with her family and to pursue a few other interests within education. We thank her for her contribution and wish her much happiness going forward.

Then, my Deputy Head, Rob Riches, retires after 35 years at Bishops. How does one pay tribute to such service? Very early on in my time here he told me with quiet conviction, 'I am passionate about Bishops.' I have seen him live that in the 12 years I have worked with him and it is, I know, what has kept him here for so long. Rob has taught most subjects except, of course, Afrikaans, being a Zimbabwean. He was Head of Science, has coached rugby and cricket for all of his 35 years, was Head of Cricket for 17 years and coached the 1st XI for 14. He was Housemaster of Brooke and then ran the boarding house for 13 years, in the days when there were 45 boys, many from out of town and far away from their parents. He has been Deputy Head since 2004, leading the extramural programme and taking responsibility for the day-to-day running of the school. (You may well ask what I do?) He has served under four headmasters, three of them strangely enough named after colours – Gray, Green and Brown – although rumours that he also served under Reverend White are unfounded. Reverend White was the first principal in 1849. Rob has been an amazing support to me, has always been prepared to tell me the difficult truth, share his enormous institutional knowledge

and execute our many plans. He would always check that I had everything I needed for any assembly or special ceremony and would be the one quietly suggesting that it was time for me to speak at a function. He is the quintessential schoolmaster, coaching, teaching and fully involved in everything, right to the end. Not many staff in the final year before their retirement are still coaching an A side, are the first out of Stanmore to get to practice or take a voluntary practice every Friday for any boy who could make it. I have seen him taking a practice for only two boys with the same enthusiasm as for a full team, and on Saturdays standing out in the open under the blazing sun, umpiring until 2pm. He is a wonderful example to younger staff of a man who is a totally committed and loving family man with a strong faith and an outstanding commitment to teaching. For him it has always been about the boys. Whenever difficult decisions had to be made, he would ask, 'What's best for the boys?' For Rob, teaching at Bishops has been a way of life and as he retires he leaves a good deal of his life with us in all that he has done and developed here. Thank you, Rob, for living your passion with us for so long; thank you for your unwavering support for the school. We wish you a wonderful retirement with Jen, your family and, of course, your grandchildren. Our very best wishes go with you. In Shona, *Shuwira Yakanakisa*.

Thank you too, to the parents, for your support of your sons and the school this year. The Parents' Association was led by Charmaine Cheminais in the first part of the year and since then by Delene Mark. The PA is a wonderful sounding board and a great community builder.

To the Grade 7s who leave us at the end of year for College, as well as boys leaving in other grades, we wish you well; may your times ahead be full of fruitful learning, excitement and success, and may God hold you in the hollow of his hands.

May you all enjoy happy holidays and a blessed Christmas.

Thank you.

Greg Brown

PRIZE-GIVING

PRIZE LIST

Grade 4

Class Prize

4D	Sean Bailes
4G	Kaleb Pillay
4M	Arman Patel

Second in Class Prize

4D	Christo le Roux
4G	Alexander Horrell
4M	Attilio Pironi

Grade 5

Class Prize

5L	Matthew Ramsay
5M	John van den Heever
5S	Ketan Govan

Second in Class Prize

5L	Naethan Mol
5M	Max Gräwe
5S	Cameron Joubert

Grade 6

Class Prize

6A	Daniel van den Heever
6L	Michael Ressel
6S	Michael Bailes

Second in Class Prize

6A	Rohan Rossouw
6L	Ryan Webb
6S	Matthew Walker

Grade 7

Class Prize

7J	Jacob Fried
7M	Nicholas Basson
7T	Andrew Betty

Second in Class Prize

7J	Christopher Gray
7M	Rohit Patel
7T	Michael Kotze

Scholarships to College

Science Scholarship	Nicholas Basson
General Scholarship	Michael Kotze, Brett Jenman, Andrew Betty
Music Scholarship	James Grieve, David Handley

Marjorie Blinkhorn Prize

English	Nicholas Basson, Jacob Fried
Mathematics	Caden Chuang
Science	Nicholas Basson
Afrikaans	Luan Krige
Xhosa	Avumile Mngxekeza, Nicholas Basson
Social Sciences	Nicholas Basson

General Knowledge

Senior	Matthew Walker, Michael Kotze
Junior	Murray Finch

Art

Grade 3	Alex Walker
Grade 4	Alexander Horrell, Kaleb Pillay
Grade 5	Naethan Mol
Grade 6	John van der Watt
Grade 7	Jacob Fried

Design Technology

Grade 3	Jonah de Villiers
Grade 4	Hamaad Badroodien
Grade 5	Anthony Lampe
Grade 6	Noah Macnab
Grade 7	Michael Kotze, Nicholas Bosini
Gertrude Peters Essay Prize	Nicholas Basson
Creative Writing Prize	Michael Kotze
Doug Clarke Reading Trophy	Daniel De Rauville Rohm
Heather Donnelly Trophy for Public Speaking	Daniel de Rauville Rohm, Robert Forrest

Music

Piano

Senior	Benjamin Karlein
Junior	Daniel Bursey

String

Senior	James Grieve, David Handley
Junior	Iqsaan Salie Mark

Guitar

Noah Bouwers, Tristan Dahl

Woodwind

Senior	Nicholas Basson
Junior	Landinkosi Moyo

Brass

Senior	Jordan de Sousa
Junior	Max Davies

Drums

Senior	Michael Kotze, Kieran Hollis
Junior	Jack Baptista-Horne

Vocal

Senior	James Grieve
Junior	Leo Cowan, Michael Mafunda

String Ensemble	Reuben Truter
Wind Band	Nicholas Basson
Choir	James Grieve, Reuben Truter
Marimba Band	Arran Muir, Alex Savva
Performer’s Prize	James Grieve

Service to Music	Jordan de Sousa
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Sport

Service to Cricket	Andrew Betty
Cricket Cup	Adam Constant, Michael Kotze
Brad Gornall Rugby Cup	Jacob Skillicorn

Hockey Cup	James Grieve
Swimming Cup	Max Estcourt

Water Polo Cup	Jordan de Sousa
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Citations

Sheila Wolfe Prize for Chivalry	Noah Bouwers
Bishops Prep Prize for Musical Excellence	James Grieve, David Handley
Craig Brown Memorial Trophy	Thomas Schooling
All-Rounder’s Award	James Grieve, Andrew Betty
GD Charlton Prize for Sporting Excellence	Reuben Truter
Pieter van der Bijl Prize for Academic Excellence	Nicholas Basson

LIBRARY AND LEARNING CENTRE

After nine months of banging, crashing and angle-grinding, the new library opened for business before the end of the third term. At times we wondered if all the disruption was worth it, but seeing the delight on the boys' faces has put those concerns to rest.

At the end of last year, thousands of books were packed into boxes and stored in a garage on the school's premises. A skeleton collection was kept out for boys to use as we operated out of two rooms in what had previously been the deputy principal's house. In summer, lessons took place on the verandah or under the palm tree on the lawn, and in winter, boys crowded into one of the tiny lounges for classes. Quarters were cramped, but the avid readers at the Prep continued to support the interim library.

The official launch took place in October. The marimba band played at this grand occasion. Speeches were made, blessings given and a large blue ribbon cut, after which guests entered the new facility where they were greeted by the gentle tones of the violin and cello provided by our music staff.

The room is extremely spacious and natural light floods in. It is equipped with the latest technology. The décor is colourful and charming and the boys love the Marmite, Black Cat Peanut Butter and Nutella jar seats. And, of course, all the books have been unpacked, providing our pupils with a vast range for research and relaxation. (The ladders, possibly the librarian's worst nightmare, are the biggest attraction so far.)

Readers and non-readers alike can be seen queuing to come in at breaks and after school. This augurs well for the future of reading at Bishops, especially in an age when books compete with electronic and social media for the attention of our digitally-savvy children. Books at Bishops are here to stay.

Sue Kieswetter



Sue Johns, Sue Kieswetter and Tina Sheard



CULTURE



ART

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Table Mountain by Jacob Fried

The role of art within the context of education has often been debated and, unfortunately, it tends to be regarded as an unnecessary luxury. But research is increasingly showing that art is a cornerstone of right-brain development and that the integration of creativity with the logical is a critical contributor to all-round brain development. With our growing awareness that computers will take over the role of mechanical processes, there is a need to emphasise people skills in our education. Art plays an important role in developing 21st-century skills like critical thinking and creative problem-solving.

Bishops continued to offer a full-time art programme with an hour of art per week for each student and Art Club for those who wanted to do more art in the afternoons. These lessons were designed to ensure that each student explored different media types, and was given the chance to express his own interpretation of topics. The end product, although satisfying to see, was not as significant as the learning process. We did not have an art exhibition, but plenty of creative problem-solving took place in the art room.

There were many highlights in 2019, one of which was having Lara Hollis (a parent at the school and talented portrait painter) teach the Grade 7s about painting techniques. The boys painted a landscape of Table Mountain and Lara took them through the stages of how to build up a painting, starting with large shapes and then moving to smaller and more refined dark and light shapes. The boys were deeply admiring and appreciative of the process as they watched Lara in action, developing her painting over a four-week period. Jacob Fried, who had been reluctant to paint at all, is now an inspired artist and he has continued to develop his painting skills at home.

Another exciting and unusual art activity was when the Grade 6s worked together with students from Langa to build giant cardboard masks. This project was the mastermind of Brendan Fogarty as part of a social sustainability exercise that involved students from Bishops and the Vusa Rugby and Learning Academy spending the day together doing various collective activities. The day culminated in a celebration in Jagger Hall with the masks being paraded, accompanied by energetic marimba playing and gumboot dancing. It was a successful way of enabling people from different backgrounds to work together. The Grade 6s decorated gift bags for the Vusa learners at an end-of-year party.

The annual Grade 6 go-kart race presented a wonderful opportunity for collaboration between art and design technology. In art, the boys designed logos and learnt how to screen print on T-shirts, and in design technology, they learnt how to build go-karts. The overall race winners were 'Pass the Salt' (Bottega, Breslin, Comitis, Gomes, Koenig and Samassa), and the best logo design was by 'Mamma's Kombi' (Childs, Edmunds, Fletcher, Hollis, Hunt and Martin).

Another exciting project involved fabric painting. Some boys chose to decorate a pair of canvas takkies, while others opted for painting on T-shirts. Art Club continues to be a popular extramural activity and class sizes are now limited to 35 boys so that lessons are more manageable.

Sue Johns



CODING CLUB

Each Monday, 25 enthusiastic boys met in the College computer lab to learn how to code. We used Scratch as our platform and each week built on the previous week's code. We started out learning the basics of coding, such as movement and direction. Slowly we added more complicated commands and were able to make the Sprites talk to each other. Within no time the boys were coding their own simple games and animations. We had a baseball game, a dodging and catching game, one which shot flying Sprites, numerous animations of Sprites doing a variety of things, and many more inspired ideas. They even added a scoring system and a timer in some cases. Coding is a tricky concept and takes a lot of patience.

Mandy Gloak



YOUNG ENGINEERS CLUB

Building on the good start enjoyed by the boys last year, we focused our skills development on soldering, precision engineering and problem-solving. The task undertaken was to build a steam turbine. By generating heat under a tin can with water in it, a strong jet of steam could be created. This energy was used to turn a turbine. Attaining a high level of accuracy in every step was vital. The boys really enjoyed the fruits of their

labour when the turbines started hurling around their fulcrums at a startling speed. Other activities included studying how a bicycle works. Although a messy task, removing, cleaning and replacing ball bearings was greatly enjoyed. Repairing a simple puncture also generated great excitement.

Mark Erlangen

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

With so much focus on the environment nowadays, the Grade 7s presented orals that examined technological innovations and solutions that are coming to the fore. A selection of the many well-prepared orals was presented at the Grade 7 parent evening. During this evening, parents also had the chance to see the creative solutions to this year's Lego Robotic Challenge. Coding the robot to use the various input sensors and output devices was a difficult task successfully mastered by only a few groups.

The Grade 6 boys had an opportunity to experience our new kit of Sphero robots. Using their iPads, the boys had to learn to code to achieve a series of planned challenges. Boys had to be meticulous in measuring distance to achieve the accuracy demanded. They also completed a micro-electronics kit that taught them soldering skills and to understand the function of certain electronic components, while assembling an electronic dice circuit.

Using heat to make PVC plastic malleable, the Grade 5 boys created display packaging for articles of interest. This formed part of the extended Grade 5 Natural Science curriculum. Moulding the plastic, considering the marketing of their product and working accurately were demanding criteria. They also enjoyed their exposure to the new Sphero robotic ball.

The Grade 4 boys had a fabulous opportunity to use the Lego WeDo robotics kits. They explored the various models and coding steps that maximise these robots. The iPad is used to code the robots once they have been made. They also explored the strength of materials, a project undertaken as an extension of their work in Natural Science. Great delight was had when we used the big hydraulic press to test their bridges to destruction while using a scale to determine the bridge's strength.

Mark Erlangsen

MUSIC

The ensemble programme grew. We have a large Junior as well as Senior String Ensemble which have entertained us at many Wednesday Assembly Concerts. The Choir has enjoyed another year of excellent work and they were awarded a Distinction in their ABRSM Choir exam. The Brass Band performed beautifully at the Ensemble Concert, as did the Wind Band, which also played at our Prize-Giving ceremony. ‘Despacito’ and The Best of *James Bond* were highlights. The Marimba Band performed ably at the official opening of the new Prep Library and Learning Centre. Favourite pieces at this occasion were ‘Under the Sea’ and ‘Old Town Road’.

Our instrumentalists and pianists had two exam opportunities. 105 boys entered for individual ABRSM exams and averaged 127 out of 150 (85%). This average is well above the world average of 114 out of 150 (76%). Our drummers entered the Trinity College exams and produced pleasing results.

Theory exams took place over three sessions and, again, we were delighted with the results. We believe that our late-afternoon theory classes, ably run by Judith Rhodes-Harrison, benefited our boys greatly.

A large number of pupils entered for both the Cape Town Eisteddfod and Kaapse Afrikaanse Eisteddfod.

Cape Town Eisteddfod:

James Grieve	Vocal: Bergvliet Music Centre Prize – Best Junior Folk Song
James Grieve	Cello: Bernfield Prize – Best Cello 13 years and over
Liam Hacking & Iqsaan Salie Mark	Violin: HU Garson medal for Best Violinist 10 years and under
David Handley	Violin: Haarburger medal – Best Violinist 14 years and under
Daniel Bursey	Piano: Burgess-Simpson Trophy – Best Contemporary Performance 10 years and under

Kaapse Afrikaanse Eisteddfod:

James Grieve	Winner of Junior Folk Song Vocal category
James Gray	Winner of Piano Recital 8 years and under
Hayden Smith	Winner of Piano Recital 10 years and under
Benjamin Karlein	Winner of Piano Recital 12 years and under
Iqsaan Salie-Mark	Winner of String 9 years and under
David Handley	Winner of String 12 years and under
David Handley	Gold Medal: Winner of the Junior String section

Our musical production, *Revelation*, was written by our very own Sandee Clapperton and former music teacher, Dulcie Kirby. It had a cast of 50 Grade 6s and 7s. Our boys enjoyed the social interaction with the 15 Rustenburg girls who also took part. It was a massive team effort from the entire staff and the production team: Russell Drury, Roxy Levy, Sandee Clapperton, Tina Sheard, Sue Johns, Mark Erlangson, Wayne Tucker and Marileen Harrod. Greg Brown wrote: ‘The musical provides a new lens through which to see the Nativity. It is easily accessible to young and old and has a lightness of being about it. This is the debut production of *Revelation* and the direction team are thrilled with its success.’

Our weekly Wednesday Assembly Concerts continued to be the pride and joy of the Music Department. Our musicians inspire those around them and we celebrate their courageous efforts on stage. A special spin-off of these events is that staff members and fellow students have the opportunity to accompany the musicians in their efforts.

Three major concerts took place: the Beginners’ Concert, the Ensemble Concert (held in the Memorial Chapel) and the Leavers’ Concert. The Leavers’ Concert was undoubtedly the highlight of the fourth term, as it was here that we celebrated the incredible journey of our Grade 7 musicians.

We congratulated two of our Grade 7s on being awarded music scholarships to the College for 2020: James Grieve (voice, cello and piano) and David Handley (violin, piano, voice and oboe). We celebrated their talent, hard work and excellence and we are very proud of them both.

Two of our Grade 7s auditioned successfully for the prestigious SAMRO National Music Competition. David Handley (violin) played in his third consecutive year in Rounds 1 and 2. James Grieve (cello) played in his second consecutive year and we congratulated him on making it to the semi-finals.

Our Carol Service was a highlight. The Choir, String Ensembles and soloists sang and played beautifully. Our joint Junior and Senior String Ensembles taking up the full width of the altar was a sight to behold. A big thank you to our Choirmasters, Mark Mitchell and Sandee Clapperton, and String Coaches Lucia Scott, Camilla Driver, Barbara Kennedy and Cheryl de Havilland.

We welcomed newlyweds Francois Botha and Yohan Chun to our Piano Department. While we were sad to bid farewell to Sue Paterson-Jones, who left to pursue her PhD in Piano Pedagogy, we were delighted to welcome Nikki Fyvie, a superb pianist and a teacher with a wealth of experience, in her place. Camilla Driver joined our String Department and her inspirational teaching has benefitted our Junior Strings greatly.

Stuart Scott

REVELATION

Staging any musical is a mammoth undertaking and people have asked why we put staff, students and, indeed, parents through six months of unrelenting strain. I always say that it is simply because the reward is so great, especially for the students.

The musical *Revelation*, a home-grown production by our own Sandee Clapperton and Dulche Brandon-Kirby, was just such an undertaking, but all who sat in the darkened Memorial Theatre between 14 and 18 September will agree that it was an incredible showcase. Incredible not only because of the complexity of the soaring three-part harmonies, the level of the acting and characterisation, the wonderful set and lighting design, but also because *Revelation* transformed lives.

New friendships were sparked between the Bishops boys and the girls from Rustenberg and Mickelfield. Young boys and girls discovered talents they never knew they had. Some found their voices. Some found out they could act. Others found something even more profound: themselves. And that, ladies and gentlemen, is the reason we do this.

It has been a privilege to watch the show DVD with my Drama students and relive it with them. It was during these deep discussions about the theme, plot, characters and a myriad other technical details that I came to a fuller realisation of what we truly achieved. Many parents, ODs, teachers and invited guests have commented that it was the slickest and most professional production that the Prep has ever staged.

This show would not have been possible without an amazing production staff who worked tirelessly on so many aspects. That Bishops Prep can have so much talent under one roof is

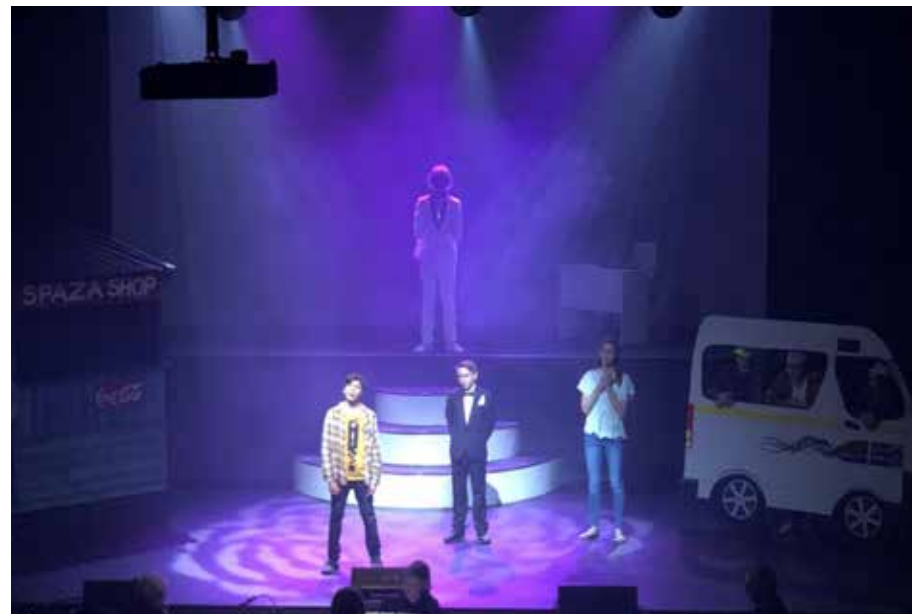
incredible and a gift to any director. Here, once again, mention must be made of the extraordinary talents of Sandee Clapperton who not only wrote the score, but managed to get the cast to sing so beautifully. It is so heartening to still hear the students singing the songs in the corridors. Tina Sheard's role was so multifaceted, that it is hard to describe. From helping with the music to stage manager to production secretary – she did it all and more. Sue Johns and Mark Erlangsen did an amazing job with the set design and construction and Marileen Harrod worked wonders with the costumes. So many other staff members had a hand in the success of the show, that they are too numerous to mention. It is with deep appreciation that I mention Roxy Levy, our choreographer. She certainly went the extra mile on this show and her contribution was incalculable.

Of course all of the fancy costumes, lighting and sets would have meant nothing without a cast that bought into the show one hundred percent. The staff could not have hoped to have worked with a better troupe of actors and singers. They are the ones who brought their parts to life and created magic.

Colleagues have already started asking: Where to from here?

The truth is we really do not know. Where do you go when you have reached the apex? Nevertheless, that is a question for next year.

Russell Drury





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SIX



PASTORAL



BRAMLEY HOUSE

2019 was another successful year for Bramley. This was largely due to the boys' enthusiasm and their parents' support. Our welcome picnic on Stanmore field provided a great start, with much fun and laughter had by all, before the evening was cut short by the sprinkler system.

The new Grade 3 Houses were announced at the end of the previous year, which allowed us to welcome the new boys into our close-knit group earlier. The mentorship programme continued to be an important one, allowing the Grade 4 and 7 boys to connect. The Grade 7s volunteered to form portfolios for the year. The boys took responsibility for their areas with enthusiasm and determination. Reuben Truter was elected as Head of House, with Jack Campbell and Max Estcourt as the Deputy Heads. These three boys were exceptional leaders, inspiring and encouraging the rest of the House.

Once again, our Charity Portfolio was one that stood out as making the most impact. We had numerous fundraisers and donated to various local charities. Our special moms took charge

of fundraising this year. Our cupcake sale was hugely successful, as was the compilation of a recipe book. The Bramley families contributed tried-and-tested recipes that were collated to form a special memento.

Bramley performed excellently on the sports front. We started the year brilliantly, winning the overall Athletics Trophy. Our boys also made a clean sweep as the individual trophy winners in all of the age groups. This was closely followed by scooping up the Relay Gala Trophy. This was the first year that Bramley has won this event. This set the tone for the year and we collected much silverware in our tug-of-war, hockey, chess, soccer, tennis and debating endeavours. We ended the year on a high, winning the Relay Sports as well.

A special thank you to Steve Mendes for his never-ending energy, positivity and encouragement.

Penny Graney



BROOKE HOUSE

The boys arrived back refreshed and ready to embrace the year. We welcomed our new Assistant Housemaster, Clayton Turner.

Our first event was our mentorship day where we paired up boys from Grades 4 and 7 to form groups for the year. The Grade 7 boys were outstanding in their respective mentorship roles. They guided the younger boys throughout the year and ensured that they were happy and looked after. After the event the boys got together at the Prep swimming pool for an evening filled with leisure activities, while their parents enjoyed themselves around a braai. It was so pleasing to see families across the grades interact and socialise.

Our next event was our flagship games evening. This proved to be another success and all the proceeds went to our charity, Zonnebloem House. They were also in attendance on the evening. DJ Cobra entertained us with his great music.

In the third term the Grade 3s, 4s and 5s went on an outing to Rush. They had a great deal of fun and finished the session exhausted and ready to have a rest in preparation for the next day's Inter-House Rugby competition. On the same day, the Grade 6s and 7s visited Ground Zero paintballing venue where they ran around displaying superb skills in combat and retired full of bruises. The next day we managed to retain the Inter-House Rugby Cup.

In the fourth term we said goodbye to our wonderful Grade 7 group. They led the House superbly and I will remember their five years in Brooke House fondly. All in all, Brooke House had another year where boys grew in confidence and treated one another with great respect. We pride ourselves on being a house where boys feel a sense of belonging and purpose.

Willem Louw



CHARLTON HOUSE

Our Charlton boys started the year off with a bang and won the Standards Cup at Sports Day. This is a special trophy as it involves the entire House, and is a great reflection of how each boy fared in all the athletics events.

Our Grade 7 boys held a movie night and a games evening to raise funds for the Animal Anti-Cruelty League in Epping. We were very proud of the more than R5000 that was raised, and very pleased to be able to help animals in distress in this way.

We 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 for next year at a leadership evening at school. Our Grade 7 boys 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. We also won the Merit Cup for our behaviour and attitude during school, both inside and outside the classroom. It was a most enjoyable year for the Charlton boys.

Bruce Mitchell



VAN DER BIJL HOUSE

2019 was a year of change for van der Bijl with its new leadership. Assistant Housemaster Thamsanqa Siko and I were excited to steer the blue machine to new heights.

We started off the year with a braai at Lutgensvale to meet all the families and new boys starting at Bishops. It was a relaxing way to meet and greet everyone.

Before the braai we had our mentorship programme between Grade 7 and Grade 4 boys, where Grade 7 boys help the younger boys with their move from Grade 3 to senior primary. I am confident that many good friendships were formed.

The Grade 7 boys, being leaders of the school, volunteered to take responsibility for portfolios within the House. This allowed the boys to implement any changes or strategies they saw fit,

with our guidance. I was proud of the manner in which they took to their tasks responsibly.

Adam Constant was elected as Head of House, with Christopher Gray and Jake Skillicorn as Deputy Heads. These three boys led by example and encouraged the rest to succeed.

In Term 3 we had another House event, hosting the VdB Games Evening in the Jagger Hall.

On the sports front, we were competitive at all House events, achieving second in rugby, tennis, water polo and athletics, and winning the Athletics Spirit Cup, as well as the Squash and Hockey trophies.

Khwezi Mqomboti



EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: **MEDIEVAL BANQUET**



PREP: MEDIEVAL BANQUET





SPORT



ATHLETICS

Captain: Adam Constant
Vice-captain: Luan Krige

The year started with two days of trials for the 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 in Stellenbosch, and in the Paarl Boys’ Schools Athletics Pentangular.

SPORTS DAY TROPHIES			
INDIVIDUAL CUP WINNERS			
U6 Cup	Oli Naylor		
U7 Cup	Tariq Eskinazi		
U8 Cup	Jack Gibbon		
U9 Cup	Luca Wakeford		
10 Cup	Andrea Mynhardt		
U11 Cup	Luc Dicey		
U12 Cup	Ben Koenig		
U13 Cup	Luca Mynhardt		
U13 INDIVIDUAL CUP WINNERS			
U13 100m	Ayabulela Dyaphu		
U13 200m	Adam Constant		
U13 400m	Luan Krige		
U13 800m	Luan Krige		
U13 Long jump	Luca Mynhardt		
U13 High jump	Reuben Truter		
U13 Shot put	Jacob Skillicorn		
		RELAY BATON WINNERS	
		U10	Bramley House
		U11	van der Bijl House
		U12	Charlton House
		U13	van der Bijl House
		TRIALS TROPHY WINNER	
		Charlton House	
		SPORTS DAY SPIRIT CUP WINNER	
		Brooke House	
		SPORTS DAY TROPHY WINNER	
		1st	Bramley House
		2nd	van der Bijl House
		3rd	Charlton House
		4th	Brooke House

Bishops hosted the 52nd Bishops Quadrangular Athletics Meeting between Bishops Prep, Rhenish Primary School, Western Province Preparatory School and Wynberg Boys’ Junior School.

SCHOOL	1st PLACES	2nd PLACES	3rd PLACES
Bishops	12	18	14
Rhenish	1	3	7
WPPS	11	9	10
WBJS	19	10	13

Commendable performances by Bishops athletes:

Luc Dicey	2nd	U11	Long jump
Connor Day	2nd	U12	400m
Luan Krige	1st	U13	800m
Luan Krige	2nd	U13	400m
Avumile Mngxekeza	2nd	U13	800m
Ben Koenig	1st	U12	200m
Ben Koenig	1st	U12	High jump
Ben Koenig	1st	U12	Long jump
Ben Koenig	2nd	U12	100m
Tristan Thirion	2nd	U12	75m
Tristan Thirion	2nd	U12	100m
Connor Fletcher	2nd	U12	Shot put
Noah Edmunds	2nd	U12	Long jump
Jack Gibbon	2nd	U8	50m

Jack Gibbon	2nd	U8	100m
Tariq Eskinazi	2nd	U7	50m
Jack Townshend	2nd	U10	Long jump
Michael Davidson	1st	U13	High jump
Nicholas Dorrington	1st	U11	75m
Nicholas Dorrington	1st	U11	100m
Nicholas Dorrington	2nd	U11	200m
Thomas Jenman	1st	U10	High jump
Andrea Mynhardt	2nd	U10	High jump
Bishops	1st	U7	4x50m Shuttle Relay
Bishops	2nd	U8	4x100m Shuttle Relay
Bishops	1st	U11	4x100m Relay
Bishops	1st	U12	4x100m Relay
Bishops	2nd	U13	4x100m Relay

Seventh Southern Boys’ Schools Athletics Pentangular

Commendable performances by Bishops athletes:

Andrea Mynhardt	1st	U10	High jump
Andrea Mynhardt	2nd	U10	Long jump
Avumile Mngxekeza	1st	U13	800m
Avumile Mngxekeza	2nd	U13	1200m
Alex Reeves	1st	U7	50m
Alex Reeves	2nd	U7	75m
Luc Dicey	1st	U11	Long jump
Christopher du Toit	1st	U12	Shot put
Ben Koenig	1st	U12	200m
Nicholas Dorrington	2nd	U11	75m

Nicholas Dorrington	2nd	U11	100m
Connor Day	2nd	U12	800m
Jack Gibbon	2nd	U8	50m
Jack Gibbon	2nd	U8	100m
Jacob Skillicorn	2nd	U13	Shot put
Jordan da Sousa	2nd	U13	High jump
Thomas Welsh	2nd	U13	800m
Connor Fletcher	2nd	U12	Shot put
Tariq Eskinazi	2nd	U7	75m
Bishops	1st	U7	4x50m Shuttle Relay

Bishops Prep Inter-House Relay Sports Result

RESULTS	HOUSE	TOTAL
1st	Bramley	46
2nd	Charlton	47
3rd	van der Bijl	48
4th	Brooke	58

Annual Rhenish Primary School Foundation Phase Athletics Meeting

60m	U7	Tariq Eskinazi	Alex Reeves
	U8	Jack Gibbon	Ethan du Preez
	U9	Luca Wakeford	Jack Nelson
80m	U10	Andrea Mynhardt	James Lesbirel
	U9	Luca Wakeford	Jack Nelson
	U8	Jack Gibbon	Ethan du Preez
	U7	Tariq Eskinazi	Alex Reeves
100m	U9	Luca Wakeford	Jack Nelson
	U10	Andrea Mynhardt	James Lesbirel

80m Shuttle relay	U7: Tariq Eskinazi	U8: Jack Gibbon
	U9: Luca Wakeford	U10: Andrea Mynhardt

The participating schools in the Annual Paarl Boys’ Athletics Meeting were Bishops, Paarl Boys, SACS, Wynberg and Rondebosch

BISHOPS PREP RESULTS			
AGE	ITEM	NAME OF ATHLETE	RESULTS
U10	800m	Andrea Mynhardt	4th
U11	800m	Luc Dicey	4th
U12	800m	Connor Day	3rd
U13	800m	Reece Quin	4th
U10	400m	James Lesbirel	2nd
U11	400m	Ryan Whiffler	3rd
U12	400m	Ben Koenig	2nd
U13	400m	Adam Constant	2nd
U7	60m	Alex Reeves	3rd
U8	60m	Ethan du Preez	5th
U9	60m	Jack Nelson	5th
U10	200m	Jack Viljoen	4th
U11	200m	Matthew Edwards	5th
U12	200m	Noah Edmunds	2nd
U13	200m	Ayabulela Dyaphu	3rd
U7	80m	Tariq Eskinazi	4th
U8	80m	Jack Gibbon	4th
U9	80m	Luca Wakeford	5th
U10	100m	Kuda Chahwahwa	5th
U11	100m	Nicholas Dorrington	2nd
U12	100m	Connor Fletcher	4th
U13	100m	David Handley	5th
U7-U9	6x80m Relay	Tariq Eskinazi, Alex Reeves, Jack Gibbon, Ethan du Preez, Luca Wakeford, Jack Nelson	4th
U10	4x100m relay	1. Mynhardt 2. Lesbirel 3. Viljoen 4. Chahwahwa	3rd
U11	4x100m relay	1. Dicey 2. Dorrington 3. Edwards 4. Thirion	4th
U12	4x100m relay	1. Edmunds 2. Koenig 3. Day 4. Fletcher	2nd
U13	4x100m relay	1. Dyaphu 2. Constant 3. Quin 4. Handley	3rd

Clayton Turner



PREP: ATHLETICS



CHESS

More and more boys are playing chess and the future looks promising for the growth of this discipline at the school. In the annual Bishops Chess Tournament the boys performed well and reached the final. Unfortunately, they lost to a very good SACS team. The league was again successful, and the U13A side only lost one match. The second team had some very promising players. We are planning to use an online study programme to enhance their skills.

U13A: J De Sousa, (captain), Z Bhorey, M Zayd, B Koenig, N Macnab, A Pironi, A Thakersee, E Chan, G Comitis.

U13B: S Bey, C Craig, B Pironi, A Singh, K Bacher, D Heyneke, M Scheder-Bieschin, H Smith, M Whitelaw.

Grant De Sousa



CRICKET

Under-13A

The team ended the season with an unbeaten six-match run which was most satisfying for everyone. After an inconsistent first term and Cape Schools' Cricket Week, the team's fortunes turned while on tour in Johannesburg. The tour was the catalyst needed to springboard our performances and develop a group of boys into a galvanized team of cricketers. We encountered players better than ourselves in opposing teams, but we executed a game plan that was effective and created an environment where each team member could come to the fore.

Played 25, Won 14, Lost 10, Drew 1

Players: A Betty (captain), A Constant (vice-captain), J de Sousa, C Gray, J Grieve, D Handley, B Koenig, M Kotze, T Louw, J Oelz, J Robb-Quinlan, A Steyn, U Calana (scorer).

Murray Anderson

Under-13B

The team grew in skills and confidence. Who will ever forget Nicholas Basson's 113 against SACS? The ever-calm-under-pressure opening batsman Rohit Patel was elected captain.

The team's hunger to win was noticed by and commented on by opposing coaches. The team managed convincing victories against SACS, Wynberg, Sweet Valley, and narrowly lost, by one run, to Rondebosch. Another highlight was the team's 210 for 6 in 20 overs against WPPS.

Played 16, Won 8, Lost 8

Players: R Patel (captain), T Head (wicket keeper), A Smith, M Davidson, N Basson, D de Rauville Rohm, J Campbell, T Ludlum, T Welsh, D Malan, R Forrest, A Dyaphu, W Moolman, A Najar, T Siko.

Russell Drury

Under-13C

This season was one of impressive bowling figures and some incredible batting performances to complement them. The boys came to practice with a good attitude that allowed them to develop during the course of the year. They played the game in a fun spirit and always enjoyed themselves.

Played 11, Won 7, Lost 4

Players: J Archibald, Z Berman, R Forrest, A Jackson, J Kotze, J Lappin, A Mngxekeza, A Nayur, T Siko, W Waterford, J Whiffler

K Ngcobo

Under-12A

The boys played a solid game of cricket, complementing each other with the ball and bat. Each player made a truly meaningful contribution to the team. There was individual brilliance from time to time, but it was great to see these players remaining humble. The highlight of the season was beating Rondebosch in the final game.

Players: A Augoustatos, J Bolus, J Bosch, J Gomes, G Martin, A Levett, L Sara, A Schierenberg, R Piorkowski, A Thakersee, D van den Heever, M Walker.

Xolani Mathyeke

Under-12B

The boys played with true Bishops spirit and displayed good sportsmanship, a positive attitude and strong character. At times, this approach enabled them to swing games they should have lost to their favour. As a result of their efforts, one or two boys earned permanent places in the A team.

Players: N Macnab, F Wagener, J Bosch, M Fair, G Comitis, S Sixaba, C Mushonga, T Geyer, S von Borman, R Rossouw, L Carter, D Martin.

Nanele Tyali

Under-12C

The boys played superbly, but just succumbed to powerful, well-drilled bowling consistency and fielding from other schools. My favourite aspect was the discipline shown by the boys, with batsmen retiring without contesting the decision, giving everyone a chance to bat. Their support of one another was a wonderful illustration of excellent team spirit. There was an improvement in bowling accuracy, and the boys also showed patience and determination in their batting.

Players: M-Z Bhorey, L Davidge, A Dawood, D-R Diedericks, M Hunt, U Ngcwangu, T Oliphant, B Pironi, L Reynolds, K Setai, M Owen, G Lind, B Maki.

Thando Siko

Under-11A

This group of boys was always passionate about their cricket, and learnt to be very encouraging of each other. They knew their roles, but were always determined to improve in all three disciplines, batting, bowling and fielding. They had great success individually and as a team. They scored 12 50s, two centuries, and many scores over 25. The spinners took 47 wickets, and the bowlers 69 wickets. Almost everyone took two or more catches and was involved in direct hit run-outs.

Played 21, Won 11, Lost 6, Drew 4

Players: J Lanning, T Japtha, L Dicey, M Ramsay, L Hofmeyr, M Edwards, M Mafunda, T Ngxangane, M Finch, C Sara, R Levy, R Tuscher, B Cotterell.

Rob Riches

Under-11B

Every game was approached with enthusiasm, positive energy and excitement. The boys left the field with smiles on their faces and their heads held high. They improved dramatically on the fielding and bowling front, with superb catches taken behind the stumps and in the outfield. The bowlers returned with impressive figures.

Players: F Wagener, N Macnab, M Fair, C Mushonga, T Geyer, S Sixaba, G Comitis (captain), S von Borman, R Rossouw, L Carter, D Martin.

Nanele Tyali

Under-11C

We won two of the five games we played, and the boys showed grit and improvement. With a standard game plan of allowing every boy to bat and bowl in every match, it was always going to be difficult to be competitive. However, by the end of the season, the number of extras given away had greatly reduced and some very confident batting saw us winning three out of four games in the term.

Players: H Smit (captain), J Planting, A Beach, L Cobbledick, D Coetzee, L Moyo, J Moolman, S Kahn, S Thomas, T Pugnalin, M Whitelaw, Z Taylor, L Hacking.

Mark Erlangsen

Under-10A

Walking in with the bowler, backing up at the non-striker's end, loud clear calling, throwing over the top, blocking the good ball, pouncing on the bad ball, hitting the top off, soft hands and no crocodiles were all aspects of the game the boys worked and improved on. They matured greatly as cricketers and this culminated in a victory over our archrivals.

Players: C Anderson, K Chahwahwa, M Davies, J Horton, S Joseph, T Lascaris, D Perold, M Schultz, G Seymour, T Tanfield, J Townshend, J Viljoen, M Warner, T Williams.

Bruce Mitchell

Under-10B

The team won all their matches, bar one when they narrowly lost to Rondebosch by three runs. The boys were excellent in the field, often pulling off brilliant catches and run-outs. The batsmen left nothing to the imagination as they smashed the ball to all parts of the field.

Players: M Arnold, T Brunton, D Cable, K Chahwahwa, M Davies, C Le Roux, T Lascaris, J Lesbirel, K Lind, J Osler, F Pfaff, G Seymour, C Sides, B Spaun, T Tanfield, M Warner.

Bruce Mitchell

Under-10C

After trials, the boys were divided into their respective teams and the hard work started in earnest. Every practice session was filled with enthusiasm and a willingness to learn more about the game. We were fortunate that results went our way and we managed to string together a few good results right from the outset. At the end of the first term we came unstuck against SACS and Rondebosch, but the boys used these two defeats to take stock and come back stronger in the fourth term. In the fourth term, we strung together five wins. Our bowling was accurate and the batsmen put wonderful partnerships together. We finished the season with a defeat against Rondebosch.

Players: H Badroodien, O Banyard, N Constant, C Hirsh, T Jenman, J Mills, A Patel, A Pironi, D Rinquist, I Salie Mark, A Singh.

Cassa Cassiem

Under-10D

It was evident from the outset that this age group was blessed with strength in depth and boys who loved the game of cricket. On match days they played their hearts out and managed to grind out some satisfying results. The performances steadily improved throughout the season due to all the hard work and willingness to learn during practice sessions. They played some outstanding cricket in the fourth term even though they achieved a set of mixed results. Their season ended with a hard-fought battle against Rondebosch.

Players: O Boddy, D Brink, N Dalling, H Dutton, N Henry, C Jonker, S Khan, W MacNaughton, S Ramjee, A Ratheb, X Sanders, J Scholtz, D Traill, T Turner, H Vermaak.

Cassa Cassiem

Under-9

A total of 55 boys were divided into six teams. Competition at this age is good for enhancing performance and assessing which areas need to be worked on during forthcoming practice sessions. The best part of mini-cricket is that every player gets a chance to field in every position, and bat and bowl at every fixture. But the hard part is the mastery of basic skills through games, which was the focus throughout the season. During Term 4, the players were introduced to hardball cricket in the indoor nets at the College. The following boys represented Bishops this year:

Players: R Andersson, J Arkcoll, R Boltman, D Brink, E Burns, S Burns, D Cale, K Crookes, I Darsot, J de Villiers, D Douglas, J Edwards, R Farinha, J Garlick, J Gray, L Grunewald, M Harvey, J Hewat, C Hirst, U Johar, J Katz, S Khalfey, C Kirkpatrick, B Klerck, B Kombo, W Lord, J Mafunda, J Magrath, J McCarthy, J Myhill, K Nayar, J Nelson, S Norris, Q Orrie, A Osborne, K Pantelis, M Pentz, D Planting, D Prestage, N Ramsay, R Sherman, J Stam, M Steven. A Tanfield, T Taylor, R Turnley-Jones, K van der Vyver, W van Zyl, L Wakeford, A Walker, W Warwick, T Webb, N Whiffler, N Young.

Chris Groom





CROSS COUNTRY

We started the season with Tuesday practices and Friday races. The boys applied and experimented with the running forms and breathing techniques learned during our practices. We had a number of high-finishing positions and great performances, particularly with the U9s and U12s at the Friday races.

U9: Rupert Andersson, Daniel Brink, Jonah de Villiers, Finlay Ferguson, Dominic Kotze, William Lord, Joshua Mafunda.

U10: Iqsaan Salie Mark, Luke Traut (qualified and ran at WP Trials).

U11: Noah Coleman (qualified for WP Trials), Joe Lanning, Reza Levy, Finn Moran, John van den Heever.

U12: Jack Breslin (qualified for WP Trials), Cameron Joubert (qualified and ran at WP Trials), Jaan Rinquest.

U13: Sebastian Jack (captain), Thamsanqa Siko (qualified for WP Trials), Thomas Welsh (captain).

Well done to all the boys who participated in the WPPS Cross Country Pentangular Festival that was hosted at Klein Constantia.

U9: Rupert Andersson, River Boltman, Finlay Ferguson, Dominic Kotze, Joshua Mafunda, Jack Nelson, Luca Wakeford, Troy Webb.

U10: Sean Bailes, Luc Bestel, Kudaishe Chahwahwa, Max Davies, Thomas Jenman, Jonty Osle, Jack Townshend, Luke Traut, Joshua Velosa.

U11: Noah Coleman, Luc Dicey, Alessandro Esposito, Joseph Lanning, Jordan Planting, Matthew Ramsay, Ryan Whiffler.

U12: Jack Breslin, Noah Edmunds, Connor Fletcher, Cameron Joubert, Rowan Piorkowski.

U13: Adam Constant, Christopher Gray, Joseph Lappin, Daniel Malan, Thamsanqa Siko, Alexander Smith.

Thami Siko



HOCKEY

Under-13A

One of the most difficult concepts for the boys to adjust to after playing half-field, backboard-height hockey for so long, is the full-field, full-goal game. The additional fitness, strength and spatial awareness required take time to build and develop. The weekly training sessions are custom-designed to allow these skills to grow as the season progresses. The training can be physically and mentally challenging and requires the players to dig deep in order to benefit and master these new elements of the full-field game. The boys worked hard, listened to advice and achieved some remarkable results. The team played 12 league fixtures, won 8, drew 3 and lost 1. They enjoyed numerous fixtures against touring teams and displayed solid performances while away on the KZN tour. Their performances against Sweet Valley and SACS, under lights, were definitely highlights.

The team qualified for the Top Schools Hockey Tournament and put in a good set of performances against strong opposition. After making it through the semi-finals, following a showdown fiesta against Ikhwezi, the team faced Wynberg Boys' Junior in the final. Battling heavy rain and cold conditions, the team was unlucky to go down 1-2.

Congratulations to James Grieve, who was selected for the WP U13B team, and to Reuben Truter, Christopher Gray, Thomas

Ludlam, Andrew Betty and David Handley, who were selected for the U13 Regional teams.

Players: J Grieve (captain), R Truter (vice-captain), D Handley, A Mngxekeza, N Leith, C Gray, T Ludlam, A Betty, L Krige, M Kotze, L Johnstone (goalie), M Voogt, A Steyn.

Steve Mendes

Under-13B

Our defensive structure was usually strong and we were able to build well in mid-field (despite a tendency to play left-field hockey far too much). We were unable to capitalise on golden scoring opportunities on numerous occasions. Tour matches produced good results, particularly as this was the boys' introduction to full-field hockey.

Players: Z Berman, M Davidson, D Foulkes (goalie) S Jack, A Jackson, J Lappin, J Kotze, T Welsh, J Whiffler.

Richard Goedhals



Under-13C

The team lost 4-0 in their first game against SACS. They bounced back the very next week, with a draw against Sweet Valley despite playing with four less players. As the season progressed, they grew in confidence and ability and this allowed them to be one of two teams to beat Rondebosch in the second term.

Players: N Bosini, N Bouwers, T Dahl (goalie), J Lappin, A Nayar, R Patel, T Siko, T Wilson.

Nawaaz Casiem

Under-13D

Initially the team suffered some heavy losses, mainly because they were not playing as a unit. Through individual coaching, working on skills and encouraging teamwork, they managed to lift their game significantly. The last four matches reflected this turnaround as they beat Wynberg, drew against St Charles, and lost narrowly to Rondebosch and Sweet Valley. More significant were the six goals scored in these matches. Good defence, distribution and recycling of the ball made these results possible. Overall, the team ended off the season on a positive note.

Players: U Calana, J Colyvas, T de Waal, B Jenman, C Logie, W Moolman, T Schooling, W Waterford.

Russell Drury

Under-12

The U12 season started with too few players to make a D team. But then a few boys were encouraged to join hockey and a very impressive D team was formed. They went on to enjoy an undefeated season under the enthusiastic coaching of Thami Siko. Some of them moved up the ranks swiftly, most notably Jaden Bosch who ended up as the A team keeper by mid-season. The A, B and C teams had a very tough season: 47 games played, 19 won and 21 lost, with seven draws. Goals for and against were close at 72:75 respectively.

Our practices focused on individual skills and match-play simulation. At times, the boys showed real composure and spatial awareness during matches. When they held their positions and

allowed the ball to do the work, one could see their potential coming through.

The A and B teams competed in the annual U12 Day/Night Hockey Tournament. Rondebosch lifted the coveted trophy and our teams placed fifth and seventh respectively.

Players:

U12A: J Bosch, C Day, W Heath, R Piorkowski, D van den Heever, L Sara, B Wolfson, G Martin, C Mushonga, J Robb-Quinlan.

U12B: J van der Watt, R Jenman, D Tripe, M Walker, O Cross, A Augoustatos, R Voigt, A Schierenberg, G Comitis.

U12C: R Rossouw, K Setai, J Gomes, J Thunstrom, N Edmonds, E Bouwers, D Diedericks, M Fair, D Buswell.

U12D: J Arendse, A Dawood, L Chester, M Viljoen, G Weich, A Thakersee, E Senol, M Owen, G Lind.

Mark Erlangsen

Under-11A

The A team struggled to fulfill its true potential this season. There were times when they were able to dominate opposition with a free-flowing exciting style of attacking hockey, but they were unable to do this consistently. During the second term, they showed excellent progress and registered some super results. The boys' skills base was extended and their understanding of team play and tactics was enhanced. They showed that, when fully committed in training and during matches, they could apply these skills and tactics.

Players: L Dicey, M Edwards, R Jack, A Lampe, M Mafunda, M Ramsey, C Sara, R Tuscher, J van den Heever, R Whiffler.

Leanne Hamman

Under-11B

The team bonded immediately and practices were fun and informative. Their knowledge of the game improved as they familiarised themselves with new and challenging skills. They

used what they had learnt in some highly competitive matches, and maintained a positive attitude throughout the season. It was a very exciting season with many hard-fought wins. The boys won all but one match the entire season.

Players: L Antoni, J Baptista-Horne, D Coetzee, L Hofmeyr, J Huntingford, T Japhta, M Petersen, J Planting, K Rinqest, H Smith.

Leanne Hamman

Under-11C

The team suffered a first-game defeat to SACS and had to wait a while before picking up their first win, against Wynberg, which saw the team grow in confidence. This confidence, along with their positive attitude, saw the boys pull off a last-second win over rivals Rondebosch.

Players: C Ddamulira, J de Waal, M Grawe, Z Ndindwa, K Numanoglu, J Steward, N Souter, Z Taylor.

Nawaaz Cassiem

Under-11D

Throughout the season, the boys learnt to understand the game and what skills were required of them. They showed an understanding of what was taught at practices and it was encouraging to see them use their knowledge in the matches. The team had some tough opponents, but they never let it affect their unwavering positive attitude.

Players: A Beach, O Briggs, C Creedon, S Crookes, N Lanfranchi, L Moyo, A Nkosi, M Scheder-Bieschin, S Thomas, D Vorverg.

Cameron Samuel

Under-10A

The team showed promise and improved each week. They worked hard at practices and applied the new skills enthusiastically and confidently. There were some very tough matches, but their never-give-up attitude was wonderful to see and they stayed positive,

keen and determined. Their sportsmanship was exemplary, losing with grace and winning with humility.

Players: T Lascaris, C Anderson, D Perold, G Seymour, M Davies, J Lesbirel, T Jenman, J Townshend.

Penny Graney

Under-10B

The team had a successful season. Their sportsmanship was evident and they worked well together, stringing excellent passes to culminate in numerous goals. Their hard work and determination at practices ensured that their skills improved. The highlight of a great season was in the final match against Rondebosch, when we managed to turn an 8-0 loss from the second term into a 6-1 victory.

Players: B Doel, J Estcourt, T Jenman, A Patel, T Tanfield, J Townshend, J Velosa, J Lesbirel, T Lascaris.

Richard Goedhals

Under-10C

The team showed determination and courage at each match. They worked hard during practice each week, improving their skills and positional play. There were some tough moments playing strong opposition, but they kept fighting until the final whistle. The highlight of the season was seeing these boys work as a team and pass the ball to a player in a stronger position. This shows true sportsmanship and an understanding that hockey is a team sport.

Players: E Chan, X Sanders, J Mills, T Brunton, S Ramjee, S Maltz, T Tanfield, N Henry.

Mandy Gloak

Under-10D

The season started with a couple of tough losses, but fortunately that meant the players could only improve and they developed more determination to get things right. The team changed quite

a bit throughout the season, which made it hard for the unit to get to know each other, but the core improved with their structural play and their willingness to fight when things got tough.

Players: I Salie Mark, S Maltz, A Singh, C le Roux, F Pfaff, J Scholtz, D Traill.

Jill Walsh

Under-10E

The team had a difficult start and took a while to settle, as numbers were large and some had never held a hockey stick before. However, once they realised that moving the ball into space is key, they improved greatly. Throughout the season and despite the challenges, the boys always played with heart, enthusiasm and an eagerness to learn.

Players: C Jonker, A Love, D Cable, W McNaughton, C Hirsh, C Graaff, C Francis, L Biko, C Hewes, O Boddy.

Nanele Tyali

Under-9

The teams made amazing progress together, showing excellent sportsmanship. The competition against Rondebosch, WPPS and SACS was tough, but our boys gave of their best each week. What a great season of hockey!

Laurelle Fry

Yellow Team

J Arkcoll, D Brink, J Edwards, J Gray, J Hewat, C Kirkpatrick, J Mafunda, D Prestage, A Tanfield, K van der Vyver, N Whiffler.

Blue Team

R Farinha, J Garlic, H Girling, L Grunenwald, B Klerk, D Kotze, J Myhill, R Sharman, J Stam, A Walker, D Cale.

Red Team

K Crookes, Z Hendrickse, C Hirst, U Johaar, J Katz, B Kombo, M Lanfranchi, K Nayar, A Osborne, T Taylor, R Turley-Jones, W van Zyl.

Green Team

D Douglas, M Harvey, M Lanfranchi, J McCarthy, Y Moolla, J Nolte, N Ramsay, M Topat, K Tyer, H Weiss.



RUGBY

Under-13

This year's group will be remembered for wanting to please the spectators and putting on an entertaining show of attractive running rugby, regardless of the situation they found themselves in. There were no easy fixtures and very few breaks in between and the boys often had to dig deep to do justice to the Mitre. We realised early in the season that the skill level, communication, creativity and fitness would have to improve to play the kind of rugby we wanted to play, and the boys should be commended for their efforts in improving in these areas. We enjoyed dominating several matches, playing good attacking rugby, but unfortunately, we were seldom rewarded with the points deserved. At times, our defence was resolute, and it was pleasing to watch the boys come up against bigger teams and stand their ground. They displayed an excellent attitude against Durbanville and Paarl and refused to take a step back. Success should not only be measured on the scoreboard, but also through the manner in which the game is approached and played. The results didn't go our way, but there was always good enthusiasm at training, and we found the boys very coachable. They learnt the true meaning of the core values of rugby – integrity, passion, sportsmanship, solidarity and discipline.

A team: Arran Muir, Jack Campbell, Robert Forrest, Josh van Wyk, Alexander Smith, Luan Krige, Albert Steyn, Thamsanqa Siko, Luke Johnstone, Ross Walker, Jordan De Sousa, Ross Stewart, Thomas Ludlam, Adam Constant, Jake Skillicorn, Michael Voogt, Ayabulela Dyaphu, Lucca Mynhardt, Toran Head, Carwyn Davies.

B team: James Gibbs, Ambethe Liwani, Max Estcourt, Tiaan Louw, Christopher Gray, Jordan De Sousa, Thamsanqa Siko, Thomas Ludlam, Carwyn Davies, Jamie Bailey, Nicholas Basson, David Handley, Reece Quin, Daniel Malan, James Kotze, Michael Davidson, Benjamin Karlein, Avumile Mngxekeza, Ammaar Jackson.

C team: Zachary Berman, Jack Colyvas, Daniel de Rauville Rohm, Sebastian Esposito, Theodor Scheder-Bieschin, Caden Ridgeway, Luke Moorgas, Kasavan Moonsamy, William Moolman, Jacob Fried, Uyanda Calana, Bafokeng Lehloneya, Ammaar Jackson, Daniel Foulkes, Benjamin Karlein.

Chris Groom

Under-12

The boys grew in confidence and skill, and began to express themselves on the field. The standard of rugby across all three teams was very good. Boys moved up from the C and B teams easily and fitted into the simple playing patterns of each team. The boys created good depth.

The A team had tremendous results, but points are not the only indication of the quality of a season's performance. The real success lies in the work done on the practice field and on the sidelines. The squad forged a tight-knit group and relied on one another to get positive results. The defence against the northern suburbs teams typified the resolute attitude. The scintillating attack that set up wonderful second-half wins against our southern suburbs rivals was a joy to behold! The boys showed determination in games where they may have been up against the whistle, accepted decisions and doubled their efforts.

The B team had a good season, and the boys played some great rugby. On occasion they were beaten by bigger and better teams, but they were never broken. They were willing to take on the coaches' ideas and advice – last on the practice pitch, doing that last drill, scoring that last try or running that last 'move'!

The C team was blessed with enthusiastic players and found real joy in playing. They made significant progress. Our motto was to have fun in everything we did.

A team: U Ngcwangu, D van den Heever, C du Toit, M Bailes, F Wagener, J Bosch, M Bhorey, C Fletcher, S von Borman, B Koenig, A Laspatzis, N Edmunds, C Day, C Mashonga, R Piorkowski, R Jenman, A Levitt.

B team: A Levitt, A Augoustatos, B Maki, L Davidge, R Webb, M Walker, K Logie, D Martin, J Bolus, J Gomes, D Buswell, S Sixaba, R Jenman, B Pironi, W Prestage.

C team: T Swanich, V du Plessis, J Rinqest, L Carter, L Bottega, M Ressel, K Logie, L Reynolds, J Breslin, T Geyer, N McNab, M Hunt, J Childs, M Maurel, W Heath, G Lind, K Hollis, M Owen, J Archibald.

Brendan Fogarty

Under-11A

Our focus was on the basic skills needed at this level as well as on teamwork. We used many games instead of drills to coach these basic skills. This approach was enjoyed by the boys and helped to keep them focused for the duration of the practice sessions. Impressive wins in Terms 2 and 3 against Rondebosch were undoubtedly the highlights of the season. The passion, focus and teamwork displayed in these two matches are key ingredients needed to ensure success. The skill level of the boys developed well throughout the season, they spent time on expansive, open-play rugby.

Team: Kia Bacher, Sam Bey, Vanchesco Freddy, Murray Finch, Anthony Lampe, James Gordon, Naethan Mol, Noah Coleman, Joe Lanning, Thithiba Ngxangane, Matthew Ramsay, Ryan Whiffler, John van den Heever, Tristan Thirion, Luc Dicey, Leo Cowan, Campbell Chuter, Matthew Haller, Matthew Edwards, Theodore Forsyth.

Chris Groom

Under 11-B

The boys displayed dedication and commitment while also playing the game with a never-say-die attitude. Despite challenges, the boys grew individually and as a team, and were eager to learn.

Team: Leo Cowan, Camden Cedras, Alessandro Esposito, Noah Souter, Dan Coetzee, Campbell Chuter, Matthew Haller, Connor Sara, Jordan Planting, Rhys Jack, Nicholas Dorrington, Reza Levy, Matthew Edwards, Thaafer Japtha, Theodore Forsyth, Tristan Pugnalin.

Nanele Tyali

Under 11-C

The team was enthusiastic and showed a great love of the game and sportsmanship. They learnt individual and team lessons, and the importance of teamwork. They showed tremendous improvement over the course of the season.

Team: Sebastian Robbertse, Michael Whitelaw, Khanya Sixaba, Joshua Moolman, Alexander Beach, Alessandro Esposito, Odin Aspinall, Sebastian Cudmore, Leo Cobbledick, Joshua Huntingford, Tristan Pugnalin, Oliver Howie, Emhile Magadla, Jordan Planting, Finn Moran.

Clayton Turner

Under-10A

The boys worked hard each week and pulled off some quality results along the way. They played some wonderful rugby, especially towards the end of the season. The passion and commitment they showed at training resulted in some outstanding performances.

Team: C Anderson, A Maahier, L Bestel, K Chahwahwa, J Horton, T Jenman, S Joseph, T Lascaris, K Lind, A Mynhardt, A Pironi, G Seymour, L Skillicorn, T Tanfield, J Viljoen, A de Fondaumiere, N Henry, J Khoury, J Townshend.

Grant De Sousa

Under-10B

Many of the boys were given the opportunity to play for the A team, and always gave their best at practices and matches.

Team: S Bailes, O Banyard, H Dutton, J Estcourt, S Gibbs, C le Roux, J Lesbirel, J Osler, Z Shaboodien, C Sides, J Velosa, H Vermaak, M Warner.

Nanele Tyali

Under 10-C

The boys had a great attitude towards the game and thoroughly enjoyed their season. They practised well and competed with team spirit.

Team: Frederick Pfaff, Joshua Mills, Nicholas Dalling, Benjamin Spaun, Luke Traut, Travis Turner, Xavier Sanders, Aidan Edwards,

Tristan Joubert, Campbell Graaff, Matthew Schultz, Hamaad Badroodien, Alexandros Ratheb, Cwenga Nogantshi, Cole Hewetson, Nathan Constant, David Trail, David Brink, Oliver Boddy.

Xolani Mathyeke

Under-9

The season started with a series of skills exercises to equip the boys to enter contact situations safely. After a few sessions of training we went into trials. It was evident that the boys had passion, but needed a better understanding of the game and the development of distribution skills.

As soon as the squads were selected the boys started working hard and progressed swiftly. The excitement was there to be seen on the first match day and we managed to impress with some great rugby in patches. By the end of the season, they had developed their general understanding of the game. We finished off with some good rugby against Rondebosch and played well during our annual sevens tournament.

A team: Daniel Brink, Julian Edwards, Rafael Farinha, Hunter Girling, James Gray, Daniel Prestage, Jack Stam, Adam Tanfield, Kai van der Vyver, Troy Webb, Nathan Whiffler, Jonah de Villiers.

B team: Rupert Andersson, River Boltman, Finlay Ferguson, Luca Grunenwald, Benjamin Kombo, Dom Kotze, James Myhill, Jack Nelson, Qadeer Orrie, Dominic Planting.

C team: Qadeer Orrie, James Arkcoll, Connor Kirkpatrick, Alex Walker, Luca Wakeford, Shaun Norris, River Boltman, Robert Sherman, William Lord, Nicholas Young, Ryan Reeves, Michael Pentz.

D team: Ryan Reeves, Josh Katz, Kimon Pantelis, Dylan Williams, Nicholas Brits, Michael Pentz, Alex Osbourne, Jasper Magrath, Max Venter, Dean Weich, Max Stevens, Seth Burns, Nicholas Ramsey, Connor Hirst, William Warwick, Sean Watson, Ethan Burns, Kieran Nayar.

Willem Louw



PREP: RUGBY



SOCCER

Under-13

The boys participated in the Rohan Bloom Interfaith Football Cup, which they used as pre-season training with a focus on game time and building confidence. We narrowly lost to the host school, Herzlia, by one goal. We continued the developmental process with the short, yet effective, skills drills that complemented the work done in the previous years. The boys played three fixtures – WPPS, RBPS and Busy Bees – displaying an attractive brand of attacking football with high technical and skill levels. Defensively we were also solid. The addition of the Super Soccer Saturday Festival was a great initiative to grow the sport in the southern suburbs. It cemented our brand with dynamic movements off the ball, quick short passes and quick overlaps that left most of our seasonal football schools dazzled.

A team: J Bailey, A Betty, J de Sousa, A Dyaphu, C Gray, J Grieve, D Handley, D Hendricks, A Jackson, K Joseph, T Ludlam, A Mngxekeza, L Mynhardt, J Skillicorn, R Truter, T Welsh.

B team: L Johnstone, M Voogt, C Davies, M Davidson, A Steyn, Z Berman, C Chuang, A Smith, T Head, T Louw, L Krige, T Stewart, N Leith, D Malan, J Kotze, J Whiffler, M Kotze.

C team: N Basson, U Calana, J Campbell, D de Rauville Rohm, T de Waal, R Forrest, J Gibbs, S Jack, J Lappin, B Lehloenya, W Moolman, A Nayar, T Scheder-Bieschin.

D team: Y Ahmed, S Cheminais, J Colyvas, S Esposito, M Estcourt, J Fried, B Jenman, B Karlein, A Liwani, L Moorgas, A Muir, J Oelz, R Quin, A Savva, W Waterford, T Wilson.

Bruce Mitchell

Under-12

The Rohan Bloom Interfaith Football Cup was an excellent introduction to the game for the short season of soccer. This was followed by the Sevens Soccer Festival held at Rondebosch Boys' Preparatory. This was the first of its kind and involved five schools – Bishops, WPPS, Grove, Rondebosch and Wynberg. It was a real fun festival where all the boys could play without worrying about the results or scores in the games. We then played three fixtures against WPPS, Rondebosch and Busy Bees. The team members played various positions, which displayed their ability to adapt and improve their soccer skills.

A team: A Augoustatos, J Bosch, C Day, N Edmunds, T Geyer, J Gomes, R Jenman, A Laspatzis, C Mushonga, U Ngcwangu, T Oliphant, R Piorkowski, B Pironi, A Schierenberg, S Sixaba, M Walker.

B team: D Tripe, C Fletcher, F Wagener, M Bailes, W Heath, G Lindt, L Davidge, J Childs, C Joubert, D van den Heever, M Walker, A Thakersee, G Comitis, D Martin, M-Z Bhorey.

C team: J Archibald, D Buswell, M Fair, R Kader, R Webb, N Macnab, R Voigt, L Carter, W Prestage, K Setai, J van de Watt, M Ressel.

D team: J Archibald, L Bottega, E Bouwers, L Carter, L Chester, O Cross, A Dawood, V du Plessis, C du Toit, M Hunt, A Levett, N Macnab, B Maki, L Reynolds, J Rinqwest, R Roussouw, L Schluter, J van de Watt, G Weich, B Wolfson.

Richard Goedhals



Under-11

The boys started with an inter-class soccer competition during breaks and a couple of skills sessions in the afternoons twice a week. Afterwards they played two rounds of three games of Inter-House soccer. During these matches boys were selected for teams. Fifteen to 20 players were chosen for each team to give as many boys as possible match time. During our Inter-School season, the matches were very competitive, but some opposition teams were just too strong. We played WPPS, RBJS, Busy Bees and in a 7-a-side soccer festival hosted by WBJs. In this festival we played against WBJs, WPPS, RBJS and The Grove and no scores were kept.

A team: J Baptista-Horne, T Japhta (goalie), L Dicey, N Coleman, K Rinquest, M Mafunda, R Levy, R Whiffler, Z Taylor, J Lanning, N Dorrington, E Magadla, N Mol, M Edwards, F Moran.

B team: R Jack, L Antoni, M Haller (goalie), R Gordon, M Ramsay, J Huntingford, C Sara, J Van den Heever, J Planting, L Cobbledick, A Lampe, D Coetzee, L Forsyth, O Aspinall, T Thirion.

C team: M Finch, L Cowan, J Moolman, M Grawe, D Vorwerk, A Esposito, C Ddamulira, O Howie, S Bey, C Cedras, Z Ndindwa, K Bacher, H Smith, N Souter (goalie), T Pugnalin.

D team: M Petersen, S Robbertse, S Cudmore, L Moyo, S Whitelaw, S Crookes, O Briggs, K Numanoglu, M Khan, C Creedon, M Scheder-Bieschin, A Beach, J Stewart, C Chuter, K Govan, L Hacking, D Heyneke, A Nqayi, N Lanfranchi, C Craig.

Under-10

The U10A side enjoyed a short, but successful season. The boys participated in the 7-a-side festival at WPPS. The schools involved included Rondebosch, WPPS, Bishops, The Grove and Wynberg. It was a morning of a variety of games, with the focus on fun and participation.

The U10Bs took some time to get up to speed, but that did not stop them from enjoying a successful season. Highlights included the 7-a-side tournament at WPPS, and fixtures against Busy Bees. Once the U10C team selection was complete, it was down to some hard work, getting the boys to play as a team and learn to pass the ball to someone in a better space. Once the players

understood what we wanted as coaches, they played some impressive soccer and had some wonderful wins.

A team: C Anderson, T Jenmam, K Chiwawa, A Mynhardt, J Lesbriel, J Osler, D Perold, J Viljoen, Z Shaboodien, A Peroni, G Seymour, M Davies, T Tanfield, C Nongontshi, S Joseph.

B team: A de Fondaumiere, D Cable, J Horton, L Skillicorn, T Lascaris, L Traut, S Ramjee, T Williams, J Velosa, J Mills, M Warner, M Arnold, L Bestel, K Lind, A Patel.

C team: H Badroodien, S Bailes, O Banyard, H Dutton, A Edwards, J Estcourt, N Henry, C Hewetson, J Khoury, F Pfaff, X Sanders, M Schultz, A Singh, J Townshend, H Vermaak, J Townshend, B Spaun, A Rathebe.

Nanele Tyali

Under-9

This keen group of players showed great commitment at training. After the initial trials and skills sessions, we encouraged them to play free-flowing football and to try and get the ball to do the work. There was great team spirit and camaraderie on match days, and they were certainly a force to be reckoned with when they went on the offensive. We started our series of fixtures with a match against WPPS. The boys came away with some good results. This was followed up by good performances against Rondebosch and Busy Bees.

A team: N Whiffler, D Prestage, J Arcoll, J Stam, J Edwards, R Farina, J Nelson, J Mafunda, J Gray, K van der Vyver, T Webb.

B team: J Myhill, C Kirkpatrick, R Sherman, L Grunenwald, F Ferguson, U Johaar, B Kombo, J Hewett, D Kotze, L Wakeford, D Planting, T Taylor.

C team: S Norris, W Lord, M Craig, H Girling, R Boltman, R Andersson, K Pantelis, J Katz, J de Villiers, J Garlick, K Crookes, D Abrahams, M Pentz.

D team: D Williams, H Weiss, M Venter, W van Zyl, M Topat, M Steven, A Osborne, J Nolte, J McCarthy, J Magrath, Z Kassen, Z Hendrickse, E Burns, M Thomashof.

Willem Louw

SQUASH

Boys competed keenly for ladder positions in order to play in the Friday league matches. We entered four teams in the leagues and they all played well. Many league matches went down to the wire and were often taken deep into the final game. Reuben Truter, Nicholas Leith and Tristan Swanich all made Western Province teams that played in the inter-provincial tournaments. Van der Bijl won the Inter-House Trophy and Reuben Truter won the Individual Squash Trophy for being the champion player of the year.

A team: R Truter, A Constant, M Kotze, T Swanich, N Basson, A Nayar, N Leith.

B team: R Stewart, J Oelz, A Savva, D Handley, G Martin.

C team: L Sara, J Bailey, A Levett, T Louw, J Robb-Quinlan.

D team: T Scheder-Bieschin, C du Toit, L Mynhardt, D Martin.

Bruce Mitchell



SWIMMING

We enjoyed four competitive galas in the first term, yielding the following results:

A League Gala: 2nd

B League Gala: 1st

C League Gala: No overall results taken

Quadrangular Gala: 3rd

At the Inter-House Relay Gala, every child from Grade 3 to 7 had the opportunity to swim in at least one race or fun event. Bramley came out on top with Brooke in second, Charlton in third and van der Bijl in fourth.

Our fourth term was equally successful with amazing individual and team results.

Combined A/B Gala: 1st

C League Gala: 2nd

The Championship Gala was a hotly contested and fun event. Many records were broken, some of which had been standing for more than 10 years.

Congratulations to Brooke House on taking the overall honours, and to all the swimmers who put on such a phenomenal display of swimming. Our overall age-group champions were:

U9: Ryan Reeves

U10: Luc Bestel

U11: Leo Cowan

U12: Ryan Voigt

U14: Bafokeng Lehloenya and Jacob Oelz

Our captains for the year were Max Estcourt and Bafokeng Lehloenya.

Steve Mendes



TENNIS

The boys played some outstanding tennis during the league.

Reuben Truter was selected as captain, and supported his teammates well.

1st team and Tour team:

R Truter (captain), N Leith, M Kotze, D de Rauville-Rohm, J Oelz, J Bailey, J Breslin, N Basson.

2nd team:

J Bolus, R Kader, A Patel, J Samassa, L Dicey.

3rd team:

M Fair, K Hollis, J Lappin, L Mynhardt, R Piorkowski.

U11A:

T Brunton, L Antoni, A Patel, M Finch, J Stewart, L Dicey.

Grant De Sousa



WATER POLO

Under-13

The season started with the annual Reddam Action Water Polo Festival. The A team developed into a good unit, playing some great water polo during our Interschools League. They were awarded a bronze medal at the Grey Junior Tournament. The SACS tournament was a little disappointing, however, but general performance was very good and we reached the quarter-finals. Congratulations to Jordan de Sousa, Ross Walker and Luke Johnstone on their selection to the Western Province A team, and Ross Stewart for the B team.

The B team played some wonderful water polo, practised well and gave the A team excellent opposition. Some very close and exciting games saw the team grow and begin to understand the finer nuances of the game.

The C and D teams practised as one big squad. They had a great season, often competing against the A and B teams from

smaller schools. The boys have grown in confidence and in their understanding of the game. Swimming as always needs attention.

A team: Jordan de Sousa (captain), Ross Stewart (vice-captain), Ayabulela Dyaphu, Luke Johnstone, James Kotze, Jake Oelz, Jake Skillicorn, Josh van Wyk, Michael Voogt, Ross Walker, Benjamin Karlein, Alexander Smith.

B team: Tristan Dahl, Max Estcourt, Lucca Mynhardt, Arran Muir, Alex Savva, Thomas Ludlam, James Gibbs, Luan Krige, Jack Campbell, Sebastian Cheminais.

C and D teams: Yusuf Ahmed, Nicholas Basson, Caden Chuang, Jacob Fried, Jamie Bailey, Brett Jenman, Luke Moorgas, Bafokeng Lehloenya, Toran Head, Sebastian Jack, Zachary Berman, Sebastian Esposito, Jack Colyvas, Ambethe Liwani, Reece Quin, Chase Logie.

Under-12

We followed a game-sense approach as time was limited. The boys adapted to this approach with ease and the results showed its merits. The A team enjoyed an unbeaten term, registering wins over teams they had lost against in the first term. The strength of this team lay in their competitive spirit and never-say-die attitude. The B team showed excellent improvement. It is always pleasing to note the improvements shown by players in the C and D teams too. All the players worked hard to improve their water polo swimming skills and ball-playing ability.

A team: Michael Bailes, Jaden Bosch, Noah Edmunds, Connor Fletcher, Christopher du Toit, Benjamin Koenig, Alexandros Laspatzis, Rowan Piorkowski, Daniel van den Heever, Ryan Webb, William Prestage, William Heath.

B team: Dominic Buswell, Jack Breslin, Owen Cross, Conor Day, Jordan Childs, Matthew Owen, Benito Pironi, Keegan Logie, Ryan Voigt, James Samassa.

C team: Cayden Mushonga, Matthew Maurel, Michael Ressel, Tristan Swanich, James Thunstrom, Ross Jenman, Jaan Rinquest, John van der Watt, Dylan Martin, Gabriel Lind.

D team: Jesse Arendse, Jack Gomes, Luka Lehmann, Uzoma Ngcwangu, Luke Davidge, Viggo du Plessis, Michael Viljoen, Luc Schluter, Liam Chester, Gianluca Bottega, Grant Weich, Troy Geyer.

Under-11

Not only did the U11As improve their attitudes, but they always pushed until the end of the game, which allowed them to win some very close encounters. The B team had a slow start to Term 1, but a few months later they had developed into a formidable side. They worked hard at their finer skills and game awareness, which stood them in good stead for their four fixtures in Term 4. The skills development and growth in the C and D teams were impressive. The Cs went from drawing or losing most of their games in the first term to being nearly unbeaten in the fourth.

A team: Kai Bacher, Joe Lanning, Leo Cowan, Anthony Lampe, Noah Souter, John van den Heever, Vanchesco Freddy, Matthew Haller, James Gordon, Sam Bey.

B team: Murray Finch, Noah Coleman, Joshua Huttingford, Rhys Jack, Michael Mafunda, Tristan Thirion, Matthew Edwards, Naethan Mol, Finn Moran.

C team: Odin Aspinal, Daniel Coetzee, Luke Hofmeyr, Zak Ndindwa, Alessandro Esposito, Oliver Howie, Max Gräwe, Dylan Vorwerk, Henry Hughes.

D team: Max Petersen, Kaan Numanoglu, Sebastian Cudmore, Cullen Creedon, Sebastian Robbertse, Clive Ddamulira, Jack Stewart, James de Waal, Oliver Briggs, Daniel Bursey, Matthias Scheder-Bieschin.

Under-10

The U10s had a year of learning and growth. Practices were a lot of fun and they learnt valuable skills and worked on their fitness. The boys also learnt to work together at all times.

The U10As were a competitive group. It was a challenging year, as the competition we faced was strong. Our boys had to be resilient and toughen up in the water. Progress in this regard was evident in the final term.

The U10B team played good, competitive water polo throughout the year. They worked hard and showed excellent improvement in their skills. Good passing and defensive play ensured some tough competition for our opponents.

The U10C and D teams played the game with a positive attitude and their skill and confidence in the water grew.

A team: Luc Bestel, Alex de Fondaumiere, Aidan Edwards, Thomas Lascaris, Thomas Jenman, James Lesbirel, Keanin Lind, Andrea Mynhardt, Atillio Pironi, Luke Skillicorn, Tommy Tanfield, Jack Townshend.

B team: George Seymour, David Brink, Ben Doel, Jock Estcourt, Nicholas Henry, Samuel Gibbs, Jude Khoury, Sean Bailles, Josh Velosa, Joshua Mills, Nicholas Dalling, Cole Hirsch.

C team: Oscar Banyard, Campbell Graaff, Cole Hewetson, Stirling Maltz, Matthew Schultz, Luke Traut, Travis Turner, Freddie Pfaff, Christo le Roux, Harry Dutton, Xavier Sanders.

D team: Luthando Biko, Nathan Constant, Connor Francis, Tristan Joubert, Jonty Osler, Alexandros Ratheb, Ben Spaun, David Traill, Harry Vermaak, Zaydaan Shaboodien, Julian Scholtz.



INTERNATIONAL TOUR

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.

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 a visit to the Natural History

Museum, the interactive displays at the Science Museum and a trip to the Greenwich Meridian station. With a 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 the 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.

Sue Johns and Murray Anderson





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SALVETE

Grade N

Arrison, Cullen
Brown, Harry
Brown, Joshua
Campbell, Mason
Cassim, Ahmed
Cedras, Carter
Chen, David
Crew, Nicolas
Dadarker, Rameez
Daffue, Johannes
Dunn, Joshua
Ebrahim, Yusha
Emms, Hunter Evan
Esterhuyse, Luke
Gomes, Kai
Gray, Nicholas
Griffiths, Andrew
Hamman, Declan
Harbinson, Logan
Hart, Nicholas Michael
Hsiao, Niam
Isaacs, Nadir
Ismail, Umayr
Jeram, Vihaan
Karbelkar, Nawaaz
Klerck, Jack
Kotze, Nicholas
Kowarski, Tiga
Magoro, Moagi

Matshoba, Athandile
McAllister, Aaron
McCallum, Ethan
McCulloch, Sebastian
McFadyen, Seth
Morkel, Luke
Nagindas, Vihaan
Papachristodoulou, Damian
Roma, Cesare
Sadat Darbandi, Zachariah
Sam, Kwamena
Singh, Zohar
Smit, Joshua
Smith, Nathan
Smith, Sebastian
Soeker, Saeed
Standring, Christopher
Stevens, Marcel
Stodel, Christopher
Stodel, Daniel
Surkont, Oliver
Sykes, William Edward
Tashe, Simphiwe
Van Coeverden De Groot, Scott
Veerasamy, Kai
Weingartz, Hunter
Whitfield, Harrison
Whittaker, Julian

Grade R

De Gouveia, Noah
Domingo, Isma-Eel
Duffy, Leo
Dunsdon, Shikhar
Earp-Jones, Connor
Egypt, Luke
Fitzgerald, Owen
Kolisi, Nicholas
Kriel, Yusuf
Le Roux, Johan
Meiring, Joshua
Mentor, Adam
Sam, Nikhil

VALETE

Grade 1-7

Abrahams, Taufeeq (returning)
Bucchianieri, Alexander
Dadaker, Mohammed
Diedericks, Daniel
Forsyth, Theo
French, Oliver
Jackson, Scott
Japtha, Thaafier
Jonas, Qamani
Lagadien, Adnaan
Lategan, Rhys
Levett, Andrew
Madsen, Rhett
Madubela, Mandilakhikhaya
Magadla, Emihle
Maharaj, Aran
Mkwananzi, Thango
Oliphant, Thato
Ridl, Harry
Ridl, James
Saloojee, Umar
Tywabi, Zingce
Van Niekerk, Jace

Boustead, Liam
Chuter, Campbell
Cotterell, Ben
Farquharson, Harry
Francis, Connor
Gordon-Davies, Zachary
Grewe, Storm
Hattingh, Harry
Irvine-Smith, Fletcher
Johnson, Austin
Johnson, Ethan
Johnson, Holden
Johnson, Zac
Middelman, Paul
Mngxekeza, Avumile
Nyarashe, Anam
Pantelis, Kimon
Parker, Dair
Rhoda-Herdien, Alexander
Richards, Yusuf
Seseli, Phahamo
Taylor, Takoda
Taylor, Zach
Van Reenen, Dominic
Van Reenen, Max
Waligora, Matthew
Watt, Benjamin



PRE-PREP



HEAD OF DEPARTMENT'S REPORT

What an amazing opportunity it is to be part of this remarkable school. We are privileged to have the most beautiful campus and, in addition, teachers who are dedicated, love what they do, and are not averse to going the extra mile, whether it's wiping away a tear or finding a way to keep the sparkle in a boy's eye.

Keeping an eye on new trends in education and ensuring that they are right for the school are not easy tasks. But we are never afraid to step out of our comfort zone if it is in the best interests of the boys. This year, we have done just that. We have begun implementing flexible seating in our classrooms, carefully monitoring and observing the benefits, and adapting where necessary. This has had a positive impact on the classrooms and we will continue to observe and improve. We have also reviewed the use of coding equipment and are integrating this in a more structured and meaningful way into the curriculum. We have all become understandably aware of the dangers around us and the safety of our boys is paramount. Our campus is well covered by security cameras and the lessons to the boys have been extended, revised and woven into our curriculum in a subtle, yet serious fashion. We are extending general life skills, incorporating inclusion of everyone and awareness of any display of bias in any form, on an age-appropriate level.

We welcomed more boys to our extramural programme, and were delighted to see their camaraderie and interests develop outside the classroom, both on the sports field and in the cultural sphere. Our small-group coaching has proven most successful and we will continue to strive for a system that grows the boys' skills on a level that is relevant and manageable.

Outreach is always important and we really encourage the boys to be part of this initiative, whether it's by bringing an extra sandwich or a pair of gently-worn shoes that they might have outgrown, to donate to someone in need. Our blanket drive was again a successful way of keeping little people warm and, along with various stuffed animal collections and food parcels, we strove to share the generosity of the boys with the communities in need.

Every alternate year we put on a big production in the Memorial Theatre for Grade 1 and 2 boys. This year we produced Disney's *The AristoCats KIDS* and acknowledgement must go to Desiré Swanich and Tam Spiers Dickie for their hard work in staging this incredible production. The parents who assisted also need to be acknowledged and we thank them for their endless hours of dedicated help.

Sharlene Groom



STAFF NEWS

We welcomed Mrs Deirdre Harris as our Grade 1 and 2 art teacher. Deirdre came from Johannesburg and is a talented artist herself, with lots of experience teaching at schools in Johannesburg.

Babalwa Manyela was appointed as the new secretary, and Wendy van Heerden was thanked for filling in.

Melody Green, one of our Grade R teachers, married Craig, in the Brooke Chapel.

We bade farewell to Ashleigh Osborne. Ashleigh started out at Bishops as an intern in 2011 and in 2015 became a Grade 2 teacher.

We bade a fond farewell to our intern, Laura de Klerk, who completed her Bachelor of Education in the Foundation Phase. We also said goodbye to two of our Teacher Assistants, Jamie Raman and Marcelino Vincent.

Sharlene Groom



Deirdre Harris



Melody and Craig Green



Babalwa Manyela



ACADEMICS

At the start of the year we welcomed our new Grade N boys to Bishops. The boys arrived excited, with bags packed and ready to start their Bishops journey. Much fun was had as they familiarised themselves with the three learning areas and played to their hearts' content.

By the start of Term 4, we hardly recognised the Grade R boys from the little ones who'd graduated from the nursery section of the school the year before. The last term brought about more independence; parents dropped off confident little boys with a cheerful goodbye, and they were ready to face their jam-packed days!

A year in Grade 1 is like playing 'pass the parcel'. You start the year with a big present, patiently waiting to open it, layer by layer, until the big reveal at the end of the game. The boys and their teachers practised shifting their mindset regarding seating arrangements. The new flexible seating options required careful organisation to ensure their efficiency. Being able to choose a 'smart spot' meant the boys needed to reflect on their choices and become accountable for their learning needs. Providing the boys with a safe space to take risks, test out crazy ideas, solve problems, think out of the box and grow from their mistakes is an important goal in developing their creative thinking.

In Grade 2, we worked hard to teach our boys to model true Bishops boy behaviour as they went through their last year at Pre-Prep at 'the top of the school'. Some of the Grade 2 classes also experimented with flexible seating with great results. It will be rolled out further next year.

Our Grade 1 and 2 boys participated in the South African Mathematics Olympiad. The Grade 1 boys wrote papers in the Individual Category and the Grade 2s could choose whether to write individually or in pairs. The following boys achieved a National Award.

Grade 1

Oliver Vickers: 1st in the Individual Category
Josh Pooler and Ethan Lee-Pan: tied 2nd in the Individual Category

Grade 2

Joshua Fried: 2nd in the Individual Category
Alex Botton and Callum Kleye: 3rd in the Pairs Category

Sharlene Groom





READATHON

Thanks to some creative and awesome moms, the school was decorated cheerfully and colourfully with Dr Seuss-inspired art. The decorated doors of each classroom held the key to what excitement lay ahead for the boys as each grade delved deeper into a Dr Seuss book. With our commitment to sustainability in mind, both Grade 1 and 2 chose *The Lorax* as their book of choice for the week. 'Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not.'

The Readathon kicked off with a very entertaining *Hooked on Books* production. The boys were given snippets of a few very entertaining books and were encouraged to go and read them to find out how they all ended. The books could all be found in our school library.

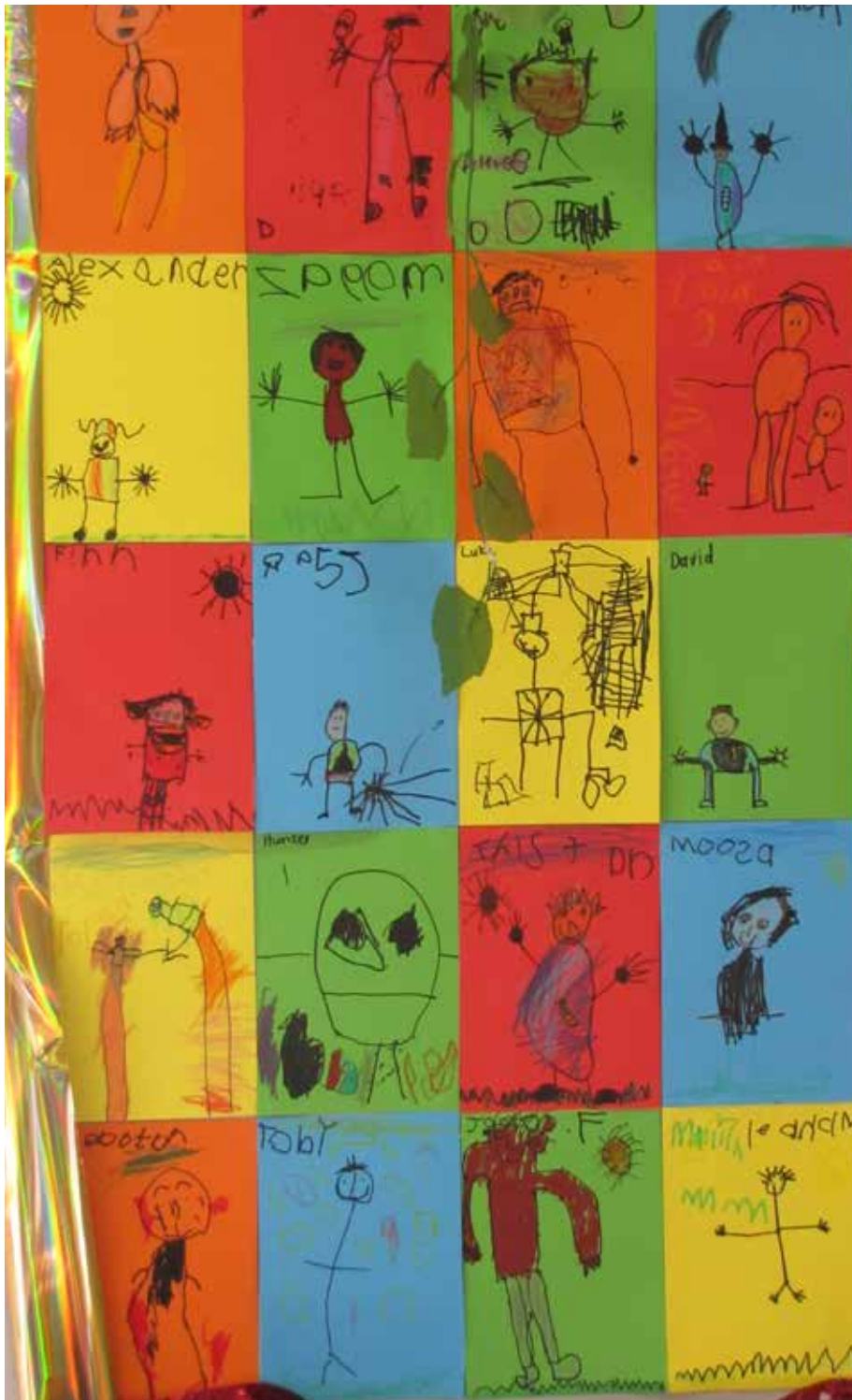
We enjoyed a few crazy dress-up days with the teaching staff getting in on the action – the highlight was dressing up as our favourite book characters. Moms came in to read to some grades, and classes were given hot chocolate and special treats. Boys were asked to donate gently-used books and the baskets were heavily loaded. These books were donated to various charities. The Dr Seuss Reading Challenge and the Readathon encouraged boys to read and record the number of pages they had read. Prizes were given to the winning grade, as well as to the boy who read the most pages in each grade.

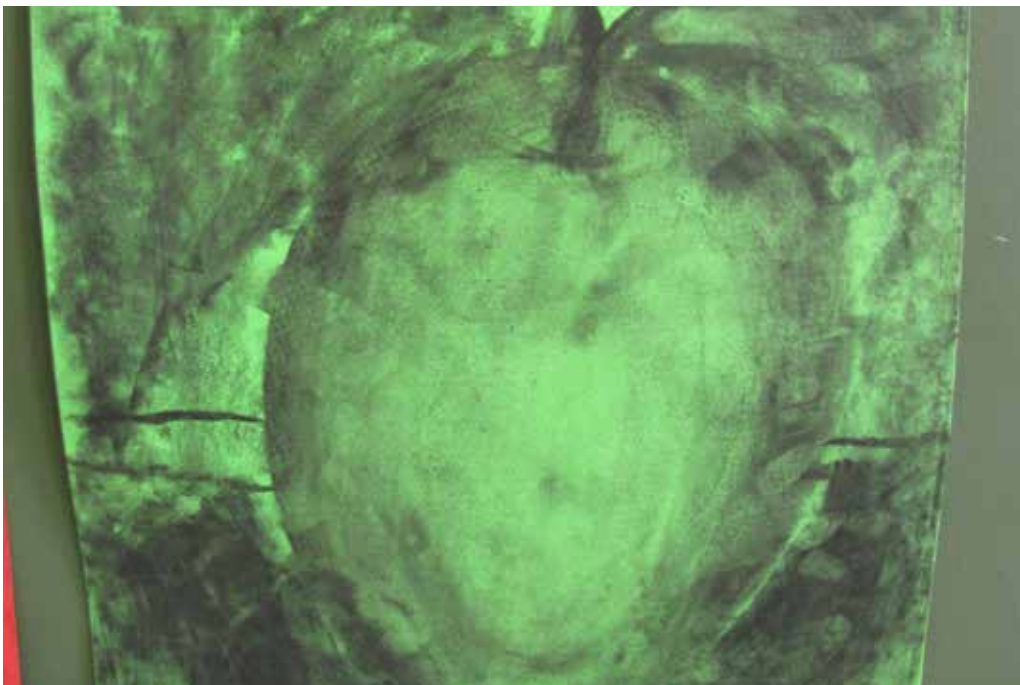
As Dr Seuss says, 'The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.'

Sharlene Groom



ART





CLUBS



Art

In Art Club boys explored exciting themes, famous artists, media and various artistic techniques – from sketching to blending, Van Gogh to Klimt, perspective to illusion and much more!

Carmen van Zyl

Chess

Many of our boys began playing chess for the first time this year under the guidance of committed coach Chad Willenberg. The Grade Rs were split into one class per term with most boys participating. The Grade 2s ended off the year with a mini-tournament. They were introduced to using chess clocks, which was most exciting.

Fiona Stuart

ClayStation

The boys who joined the ClayStation group got to take home seven or eight fired pieces each term. Their lessons usually began with a story and initially they worked together as a group. It was

here that fine motor skills, auditory and visual memory, hand-eye coordination and listening skills were hard at work. Slowly, as their creations emerged, they were given more freedom for individual interpretation.

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Golf

The Junior Golf Academy (JGA) programme has been designed to suit juniors of all ages. The aim is to give both boys and girls an introduction to golf in a fun, non-pressurised way. This approach nurtures children's interest in the game, and ensures that they are given the proper chance to determine whether golf is or isn't for them.

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Judo

We've had a great year of judo. We started with a group of Grade Rs who were new to the sport and progressed to obtaining their Level 2 yellow cards. The Grade 1 boys started to participate

in standing competitions and participated in the class medal competition in the fourth term. teams won gold medals and ended up with a *hiki-wake* (tie or draw). They achieved their Level 3 cards and were awarded orange belts.

In Grade 2 Judoka played in the Inter-Schools Tournament and won. The Grade 2s received their Level 4 green belts.

Sensei Lillian and Sensei Chris

Loving Maths

The programme for the foundation phase was named Loving Maths as the emphasis is on falling in love with the idea that maths is fun! The classes were 30 minutes long and were based on a story that continued on a weekly basis. The story always ended with a cliff-hanger and the students were required to help the facilitator solve problems during the lesson. If time permitted, we squeezed a fun activity into the lesson as well.

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Tennis

The Bridget Vissee Tennis School helps children develop important tennis skills that can be applied on and off the court, such as discipline and problem solving. It teaches the value of sportsmanship and ethics. Tennis is an excellent way of building muscle and bone strength, and works on coordination and motor skills. Tennis also instils a sense of responsibility and mental strength.

Sharlene Groom

Young Engineers

Young Engineers is an educational company that focuses on STEM principles. Their weekly sessions provided a simple learning solution for complex educational subjects in Science, Technology, Mechanical Engineering, Software Engineering and Mathematics.

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DISNEY'S THE ARISTOCATS KIDS

Our Grade 1 and 2 pupils staged the musical Disney's *The AristoCats KIDS* in August under the creative supervision of our female duo Tamryn Spiers Dickie (Director) and Desiré Swanich (Musical Director/Producer). The staging was simple, but effective in creating a Parisian town and La Maison of the wealthy Madame. The lighting team of College boys, headed up by Kieran Cattell, effectively captured the gentle shifts in lighting states for the progression of time and mood.

It was our little actors themselves, from the main and supporting cast, who entertained everyone with their singing, acting and group choreography. The energy on stage was electrifying as they enticed the audience over four performance nights with songs like 'Scales and Arpeggios', 'Everybody wants to be a Cat', 'Use Your Nose', 'Cat Wash' and 'The Gabble Girls'. The detailed characterisation of the lead characters was another highlight, but it was evident that every one of the 144 boys who participated, was given a moment to shine.

Desiré Swanich







Energetic Aristocats Kids Cast Members

MUSIC

The Pre-Prep Music Concert is always a highlight and this year featured nearly 100 Grade 1s and 2s on stage in the Memorial Theatre. The performance levels were truly outstanding in both solo and group items, with the latter featuring 50 recorders, the choir and Orff instruments being played

together. It was a real treat for the show's wonderfully responsive audience. Thank you to For His Glory Studio & Sound Hiring for the amazing job done with the sound.

Desiré Swanich

OUTREACH

We collected many Ecobricks to contribute to the building of houses and community collaborations. We supported SANCCOB by collecting baby cereal and supplies for the 500 baby flamingos that the volunteers were taking care of. For Valentine's Day, we collected money towards buying rechargeable torches for the night staff at Red Cross Children's Hospital as well as bedding and duvets for the new children's ward. We collected marshmallow Easter eggs to give to Meals on Wheels. We donated books to Little Libraries and the Zonnebloem Library that burnt down earlier in the year. We continued our Tuesday sandwich collection for Attwood Primary. We held a civvies day and asked all the boys to bring clothes to donate to the fire victims.

For Mandela Day, our Grade 1s and 2s made sensory packs and boxes for children who live in areas that experience gang violence. These packs consisted of stress balls, aromatherapy dough and calming cards. We collected knitted squares and produced some beautiful blankets. These were allocated to children or adults as the necessity arose. We collected cash donations for Poppy Day and these funds went to war veterans' families. We donated shoes to Little Brinks, which works with social workers to place children in safe havens. At the end of the year our generous parents donated cash and groceries for food hampers for our incredible cleaning staff to say thank you for all they have done.

Sharlene Groom



SPORT



Athletics

The Pre-Prep Athletics' team participated in several meets in Term 1 and Term 4. The boys' smooth and quick transitioning of the baton and their team spirit were noted. The U7 boys (Tariq Eskinazi, Alex Reeves, Luke Eedes and Samuel Yazdanpanahi) achieved a first-place win, and the U8 boys (Jack Gibbon, Ethan du Preez, William Verhage and Henk Cursi) a third-place win at the WPPS Pentangular. At the Bishops Quadrangular the U7s secured another first-place win, while the U8s achieved second place. Passion, determination and healthy competition allowed for wonderful results from Tariq Eskinazi, Alex Reeves, Jack Gibbon and Ethan du Preez, all of whom placed in the top four in their individual sprint events. We concluded the season with a fun meet at Rhenish, where Henk Cursi and Luke Eedes were commended for their confident and successful participation in their first individual sprints.

Congratulations are due to Oli Naylor, Tariq Eskinazi and Jack Gibbon for their first-place wins on Sports Day.

Carron Merrick

Cricket

Our Grade 1 boys greeted the cricket season with great eagerness, but soon learnt that in order to play they needed to remember their complete kit for school – nobody wanted to sit out with all the fun and games taking place on the cricket field. In Term 4 we could see how the boys' skills had improved. They were catching and batting like never before, and some boys had to stand quite far out to catch a 'smacked 6'!

The Grade 2s played cricket matches every week. There was a lot of motivating competition between the teams and their skills improved notably from the first to the fourth terms. The boys loved comparing their runs at the end of each lesson.

Carmen van Zyl and Melody Green

Cross Country

There were 70 boys at our weekly practices and 30 at the Friday races. Our practices consisted of a mixture of running games, running drills and long runs on the school track or around the field. The focus was on doing one's best and not on winning. We are especially proud of William Verhage who achieved first place in many of the races.

Melody Green

Hockey

The Grade 1s were introduced to all the basic skills needed to play hockey, and made great strides with the guidance and support of their coaches. The Grade 2s acquired various hockey skills. Practices included match play, teamwork and good sportsmanship. All the boys had an opportunity to showcase their talent and what they had learned at the annual hockey tournament at WPCC.

Laura de Klerk



Swimming

Our swimming season started with a splash. The swimming squad grew as more boys relished the chance to become a valued member of the team and enjoy all the benefits that come with this sport – increased strength, flexibility and stamina, and improved balance and posture. During the first term we participated in the A League Gala, which took place at the Prep pool, where we swam against other schools in the league. In the fourth term we hurried back to the pool where we greeted our Grade 1 squad swimmers, who joined us in our training sessions no matter the weather. To end off 2019, the Grade 2 squad participated in the last A/B League Relay Gala and impressed us with the progress they had made during the year.

Chanelle Haumann

Tag

It was a wonderful winter season of Tag Rugby. There was much excitement when boys were divided into their teams and arrived at the first session in their coloured T-shirts! As the season progressed, we saw how the boys developed skills and began to understand the concept of winning and losing. The third term ended with a wonderful Tag Tournament where the dads played an important role. There were no winning teams and no scores were kept.

Geordie Nolte



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A photograph of two men standing side-by-side against a plain grey background. The man on the left is wearing a black V-neck t-shirt and white pants, holding a red and yellow electric guitar. The man on the right is wearing a blue t-shirt and white pants, holding a large drum over his shoulder and wearing yellow-tinted sunglasses.

DIRECT LINE

Based on a Wilson Comics character, Sony's superheroes *Elek* and *Shocker* - with *Via Dead* in the title role - releases worldwide in March. The *Backpack* connection? It's the feature-film director's debut of visual effects specialist **Dave Wilson** (399403). We tracked him down for an interview, which you can read over the page.

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