

# COLLEGE



*MATRIC VALEDICTORY - 2015*  
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# COLLEGE NEWS

## STAFF NEWS



*Bev Kemball and Samuel*

At the start of the term we welcomed **John Knight** back from his long leave. We congratulated **Richard** and Nina **Smith** on the birth of Sebastian Richard, and **Bev Kemball** on the birth of the 'apple of his Grandmother's eye', her grandson, Samuel Berthold Alheit. At the end of the term we bade farewell to a number of staff members: we wish **André Jacobs**, Deputy

Headmaster (Sport and Discipline) and schoolmaster extraordinaire, a peaceful and fulfilling retirement; **Jo Stielau**, English guru and Debating legend, all the very best as she relocates to Gauteng to join her husband; **Carey Upham**, BSU educational psychologist, well as she continues her studies in London; and **Will Steenkamp**, Head of Xhosa and Cricket enthusiast, the best of luck as he returns to Stellenbosch University to continue his studies. We shall miss them all.

## ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

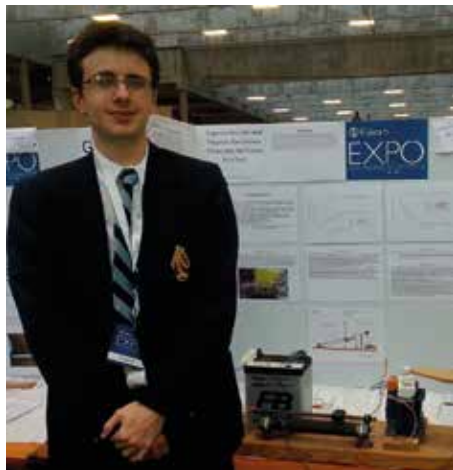
The matric accounting class took part in the SAIPA National Accounting Olympiad which consists of two rounds with boys who achieve 80% in round one going through to the second round. This year's class recorded two notable achievements: Firstly, the school had the highest percentage of boys from round one going through to round two in the Western Cape. Secondly, **Jonti Oehley** was placed first in the Western Cape in the independent school category. This is the second time in three years Bishops has had the winner in this category.

**Jeremy Wilkinson** was placed first at Bishops in the recent Computer Olympiad and selected for the final round.

**Alexander Peile** was awarded a Gold Certificate in the Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition, based on the theme of 'A Young Commonwealth'. The Royal Commonwealth Society received more than 13 000 entries from over 600 schools in 49 Commonwealth countries and territories. A number of our Grade 10, Set 1 English pupils

entered films in the SA Teen Film Festival which is organized by Springfield Convent. The boys entered in the Grade 10 poetry film category, which required a five-minute film that used a published poem as the script. The team of **Nicholas Bowden**, **James Hamilton-Russel** and **Ross Tucker** won the prize for Best Short Film in this category for their animated film based on the poem by Sydney Carter entitled *Run the film backwards*. Their film will be screened by the Short & Sweet Film Company at their regular screenings in Cape Town and Amsterdam.

Medals at the UCT Science Expo were awarded as follows: Gold medals: **Felix Burt** and **KwangBem Ko** for their project, *Harnessing electrical energy from different piezoelectric crystals*; **Nicholas Peile** and **Michael Wilson-Trollip** for *How water affects spinach growth in window farms*; **Angus Thring** and **Richard Wellington** for *Meissner effect and flux pinning in a high- $T_c$  superconductor*. Bronze medals: **Christian Rohrer** and **Francois van der Merwe** for *Bowling injuries among teenage cricketers*; **Nikolaos Tapanlis** for *Generating energy from candles*; **Nicholas Bowden** and **Nicholas Featherstone** for *Recycling with a parabolic reflector*. The gold award projects went on to be displayed at the Eskom Expo International Science Fair held in Johannesburg and the following awards were made: **Angus Thring** achieved a Gold medal and was nominated for a second round of selection for participation in an international science fair in 2016; **Felix Burt** and **KwangBem Ko** achieved a Silver medal; **Michael Wilson-Trollip** and **Nicholas Peile** achieved a Silver medal.



*Angus Thring, Gold Medal Winner at the Eskom Expo International Science Fair*

## CULTURAL AFFAIRS

**Desmond Fairall** was re-awarded his Distinction Tie for representing the SA Schools Debating team for the second year in a row. For consistent participation in Internal debating leagues, for 80% attendances at all coaching sessions, for assistance with admin when required, and for adjudicating at Rotary Debates and the UCT provincial championships in 2015, **Aidan Bizony** was awarded Half Colours for Debating.

After the success of the Bishops production of *Cold Stone Jug* at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, the following new drama awards were made: Full Colours: **Graeme Irvine**; **Ben Steyn** and **Jordan van Tonder**; Half Colours: **Jonathan Frost**; **Ibrahim Kerbelker** (Technical); **Nayati Moodliar**; **Alexander Peile**; **Alexander Steyn**; **Ross Tucker**; **James van Niekerk** and





*Julien Schlebusch plays the role of Chad, the 'great-lookin', motorcyclin', guitar-playin', leather-jacketed roustabout' in the upcoming Bishops production of 'All Shook Up'. [Photograph by Freddie Child-Villiers (OD)]*

**Ronald Walters** (Technical). Special mention was made of **Nicholas Peile** and **Karl Stapelberg** who were integral members of the cast, but who are not eligible for awards as yet, as they are in Grade 9. Bishops will be staging the Broadway smash hit, *All Shook Up*, from 8 – 12 March 2016 in the Memorial Theatre. The story of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* is transported to 1950s small town USA where this classic story and over 20 Elvis hits join forces for a musical spectacular that will have audiences clapping, foot tapping and singing along from the opening number, *Jailhouse Rock*, through a cavalcade of hits including *Don't Be Cruel*, *Heartbreak Hotel*, *Blue Suede Shoes*, *Can't Help Falling in Love*, *A Little Less*

*Conversation* and *Love Me Tender* to name just a few. **Wayne Tucker** will be directing and staging the production, with musical direction by **Stephen Carletti** and **Andrea Rutter**. Well-known Cape Town choreographer, **Roxy Levy**, will be choreographing the piece. One hundred and fifty learners auditioned and after a grueling three weeks the cast has been finalised! The roles of Chad, Dennis, Dean, Jim Haller and Sheriff Earl will be played by **Julien Schlebusch**, **Joshua van Breda**, **Joseph Linley**, **Troy Horrell** and **Matthew Clayton**. Natalie, Miss Sandra, Lorraine, Sylvia and Mayor Matilda Hyde will be played by **Emily Turnbull**, **Kristi Lowe**, **Adrienne Hendricks**, **Khanya Gubangxa** and **Jean Marr**. It promises to be rip-roaring musical adventure not to be missed!

**Taahir Bhorat** has been elected as the Head of the Molteno Library for 2016.

**Josua Joubert** achieved Grade 8 exams in two separate music instruments. He attained 92% for Drum Kit and 86% for Orchestral Percussion, both exams being taken with Trinity College, London. His matric composition, written for full orchestra, was performed at the Ensemble Concert, at Prize Giving and at the Composers' Concert. In light of these significant achievements and his exemplary contributions to the department, **Josua Joubert** was awarded a Distinction Tie. The following matric music pupils did exceptionally well in their music exams and at the Cape Town Eisteddfod: **Christian Cotchobos**, distinction (90%) for Theory Grade 6; **Josua Joubert**, distinction for Grade 8 Drum Kit exam; and **Rhiyaan Smith**, three Gold Diplomas. Medals for exceptional achievement at the KAE Afrikaans Eisteddfod were awarded

to **Julian Dean-Brown, KwangBem Ko, Rhiyaan Smith, Michael Wilson-Trollip, Theodore Psillos, Luca Liebenberg, Jonathan Crowther, Graeme Irvine** and **Jack Belcher**, who has been awarded three medals. **Graeme Irvine** and **Jack Belcher** were invited to perform at the Prize Winners' concert. The following boys achieved a distinction for their Royal Schools of Music exams – that is a mark above 88%: **William Bromley** (Grade 2 Saxophone), **Ross Hyne** (Grade 4 Clarinet), **Miles Boeddinghaus** (Grade 4 Singing), **Jakob Holm** (Grade 5 Cello), **Francois Breytenbach** (Grade 5 Cello), **Jonathan Greyling** (Grade 6 Guitar), **Andrew Hodgson** (Grade 6 Clarinet), **Chris Hyslop** (Grade 7 Singing), and **Kwangbem Ko** (Grade 8 Piano). The following boys played two exams on different instruments and achieved a distinction for both exams: **Michael Wilson-Trollip** (Grade 5 Organ and Grade 7 Piano), **Nicholas Janisch** (Grade 5 Singing and Grade 7 Clarinet), **Jack Belcher** (Grade 7 Saxophone and Grade 7 Flute), **Angus Thring** (Grade 7 Trumpet and Grade 7 Piano). **Jakob Holme** and **Kwangbem Ko** achieved a mark over 93% and will be invited to play at a High Achievers' Concert later this term. **Shannon Thebus** attained 95% for his Grade 8 French Horn exam and has also been invited to perform at the concert. The following were awarded Colours for Music: Full Colours: **Lee Cooper, Joseph Linley, Jonathan Crowther, Nicholas Janisch** and **Christopher Hyslop**; Half Colours: **Jack Belcher, Arthur Fisher, Andrew Hodgson, Kwangbem Ko, Stuart Mesham, Stephane Pienaar** and **Marcus Knight**.

**Luke Burton, Luc Janssens, Leonardo Potgieter** and **Alexander Steyn** achieved their Gold level for the President's Award.

**Alexander Peile, Mitchell Christy, Troy Horrell, Giuseppe Guerandi, Nikolaos Tapanlis** and **Nicholas Peile** participated in the National Individual Debating and Public Speaking Competition. Of a field of over 80 competitors, Bishops had four boys in the Top 12 who make up the National Team to represent South Africa at the World Championships in Pittsburgh in 2016. They are: **Mitchell Christy** (5th), **Alexander Peile** (6th), **Troy Horrell** (10th) and **Giuseppe Guerandi** (11th). In addition to this, **Alexander Peile** placed 2nd overall in Persuasive and Impromptu Speech; **Mitchell Christy** 2nd in Interpretive Reading and **Nicholas Peile** was crowned National Champion for Interpretive Reading.

The following boys have been selected for the 10 Club for 2016: **Redwald Aspinall, Luke Baker, Ziyaad Bawa, Ahmed Dhansay, Nicholas Janisch, Akha Manjezi, Alexander Peile, Jonathan Rossouw, Francois Stassen** and **Daniel Tate**.

**Kelton Miller** and **Alessandro Mirotto** were awarded Half Colours for Visual Arts. **Liam Cook** won first prize in the Cape Town Creative Academy's *Young Creatives Competition*. The prize included a Cape Town Creative Academy study bursary.

## SPORTING AFFAIRS

**Theuns Kuhn** and **Seb Prentice** were appointed as Captains of Athletics for 2016. **Theuns** will serve as Captain of Track and **Seb** as Captain of Field.

The following cricketers took five wickets in a match and were presented with a mounted ball: **Jayden Rossouw** (10-4-19-5/U15A vs Pearson High School); **Max Newbury** (16.2-4-42-5/1st XI vs SACS); **Murray Bruce** (8-0-18-5/U17A vs Paul Roos); **Ethan Roberts** (4-0-16-5/U15C vs SACS); **Chris Kotze** (3.4-0-8-5/U15C vs SACS); and **Luca Liebenberg** (6.4-1-16-5/U14B vs SACS). **Jono Bird** recently achieved two centuries (111/U15A vs Maritzburg College and 114/U15A vs SACS) and was awarded signature bats.

**Shaun O'Brien, Karl Weinert** and **Oliver Stewart** took part in the Schools' League Cross Country Zonal Championships and **Oliver Stewart** was selected for the WP team to compete in the National Championships.

The SA Junior Fly Fishing Nationals were held at Rhodes in the Eastern Cape and Bishops was well represented. The Western Province team, comprising **Luke Baker, Murray Gordon, Anton Volkel** and **Nikolai Piotrowski** was placed first overall. Individual results were: **Luke Baker** (1st), **Alessandro Lupini** (5th), **Murray Gordon** (6th), **Warwick Reid** (10th), **Nikolai Piotrowski** (12th) and **Anton Volkel** (13th). **Warwick Reid** is the current SA Junior Distance Casting champion and received the Willem Pretorius Trophy for fly fishing excellence. **Luke Baker** won the individual gold medal, team gold and the award for catching the most fish. **Alessandro Lupini, Luke Baker, Nikolai Piotrowski** and **Warwick Reid** represented South Africa at the World Youth Fly Fishing Championships in Vail, Colorado, USA. They competed against

nine other countries and had to compete in five different sectors, which included lakes and rivers. The team finished 4th in the competition. The individual world youth rankings were: **Warwick Reid** (10th), **Luke Baker** (17th), **Alessandro Lupini** (19th) and **Nikolai Piotrowski** (24th). Distinction ties were awarded to all four boys. For **Luke Baker** and **Warwick Reid** these are re-awards.

**Jonathan Aberdein** won the South African Go Karting Championship. It was a remarkable achievement in which he got pole position and won all four races in the final event. He scored 403 total points for the season out of a maximum of 405. He won by a margin of 53 points to the second place competitor. He now has his aim set on the World Championships.

**Julian van der Watt** has represented South Africa five times at various World Championships that were held in Italy (three times), the USA and Bahrain. To qualify he had to obtain a first or second place in the South African Go Karting Championships or win the African Championship. He won the African Championships, the South African Championships and was placed second a few times. He also won the Nations Cup in Italy. He has won the Western Cape Championships numerous times and was awarded achievements like 'Rookie of the Year', 'Best Driver' and the Schumacher Cup. For these outstanding achievements he was awarded a Distinction Tie.

The Bishops Golf Championship and Inter House Challenge was held at Royal Cape and the individual title was, yet again, won by **Cole Cruickshank** with an 18-hole score of 75. This is the third year in a row that he has won this title and, as a result, he was awarded the Pagliari Trophy for the third time. **Richard**



**Schulst** was placed second, while **Peter Thacker** placed third after a count out. The Martin Versfeld 'Rookie of the Year' trophy was awarded to **Finlay Knight**. The Inter House title was a close-fought affair with **Ogilvie** edging out **Gray** by one stroke. The following golfers achieved Colours for Golf: Full Colours: **Cole Cruickshank**; Half Colours: **Liam Cook, Matthew Rudston, Nicholas Pithey, Anton Volkel** and **Senne Ramiah**.

The Senior Inter House Hockey Final was a contest between **Ogilvie** and **White**. After full time the scores were level 1-1. The game went to showdowns and **White** won. **Ogilvie**, however, went on to win the Inter House Junior Hockey trophy. The following Colours awards were made for Hockey: Full Colours: **Justin Nel** and **Lloyd Gardener** (re-awards), **Tom Richardson, Dayaan Cassiem** and **Wesley Gardener**; Half Colours: **Simon Kilpin, Callum Parton** and **Ross Nelson** (re-awards), **Peter Brink** and **Tyla Scarles**.

The following players were selected to represent the Western Cape at the Indoor Hockey Nationals: U18A: **Justin Nel, Ross Nelson, Lloyd Gardener, Wesley Gardener, Peter Brink**; U18B: **Drew Turpin, Josh Smith, Nicholas Rubin, Sam Jeffery, Chris Hyslop**; U16A: **Christian Rohrer, Malachy Barbour**; U16B: **Idrees Abdulla, Bulelani Ngqukuvana, Daniel Nelson**; U16C: **Liam Dicker, John Van Niekerk**; U14A: **Chris Clark, Adam Stonestreet**; U14B: **Kieran Seggie**; U14C: **Matthew Tate** and **Joshua Elliott**.

**David Naude** and **Liam Foxcroft** were both awarded Protea Colours for Rock Climbing and represented South Africa at the Youth World Climbing Championship in Italy.

Both climbers performed very well against mostly professional international opponents.

**David Naude** was ranked 45th in the world in the U15 age category. In the National Climbing Championship he won the Gold medal in the National Lead Climbing Category.

**Nic McAdam**, one of the youngest members of the Rowing Club, excelled in both the Knysna Midway Regatta and the Zeekoeivlei Regatta and was awarded a medal.

Following his selection and outstanding performances for the WP U18 Craven Week, **Cornel Smit** was selected to play for the South African Schools A team against Wales, Italy and England. For this he was awarded a Distinction Tie. Rugby Colours awards were made to: Full Colours: **Tristan Leyds, Lubelo Scott, Sebastian Hanekom, Cornel Smit, André Manual, Brandon Salomo, Francois Stassen, Jarryd Lurie, Joel Paarwater, Connor Osborne, Luciano da Graca, JP Smith, Keanan Alexander** and **William Day** (re-award); Half Colours: **James Macdonald**.

**Nicholas Ryall** has been captain of the Sailing team for two years and has participated fully and to a high level in a number of regattas during his time at Bishops. He has led the team with distinction and with a degree of commitment that set a very high standard for others to follow. He is a most worthy recipient of the Ross Dyer Trophy for Sailing Excellence. **Zander Brooks** won the Optimist Eastern Cape Provincial Sailing regatta. The regattas are important in terms of selections for Sailing for South Africa in the Optimist World Championships for next year. As a result of his excellent showing in these regattas last year, **Zander** was selected to sail for South Africa in

August at the Optimist World Championships, held in Poland. As he represented his country at the highest level in this class of boat, he is awarded a Distinction Tie.

At an awards event organised by the South Peninsula Shooting League, **André Truter** was awarded the League Trophy for his performances in shooting from the prone position. He also received a bronze medal.

**Birt** and **White** were crowned the Junior and Senior Inter House Soccer Champions, respectively.

The following were awarded Colours for Squash: Full Colours: **Stefan Ranoszek** and **Peter Brink** (re-awards), **Alex Green** and **Glen Yates**; Half Colours: **Jonathan Greyling**. Inter House squash results: Senior: **Ogilvie** beat **Birt**; Junior: **Mallett** beat **Ogilvie**.

The Gray House team of **Jeremy Gebers** and **Jack Harrison** prevailed, by a single point, over the brave challenge of **Tristan de Chelain** and **Joshua Mol** of Kidd House to win the Inter House Surfing Trophy.

**Michael Houlie** was selected to the South African Junior Swimming Team which represented South Africa at the Junior Africa Swimming Championships in Cairo. He won four Gold medals (three individual Golds and one in the boys' medley relay) and broke three Africa Championship records, in the 50m, 100m and 200m breaststroke for the Boys' 15-16 age group category. He also broke two South African National age records, for boys 15 years old, in the 50m and 100m breaststroke. In addition he received a medallion for the most outstanding swimmer and highest points scorer

for boys in the 15-16 year age group. For these outstanding achievements he was awarded a Distinction Tie. The Swimming Captain for the 2015/2016 is **Timothy Langerman**.

**James** and **Chris Mitchell** were elected as Captains of Tennis for 2016. **Kidd** was crowned as the Inter House Tennis Champions.

**Keanan Alexander** and **Liam Neill** represented South Africa at the FINA Men's World Junior Water Polo Championships. As a result, **Keanan Alexander** was awarded a Distinction Tie, and **Liam Neill** was re-awarded a Distinction Tie. The following boys have been selected for Western Province Schools Water Polo: **Ryan Sneddon**, **Sam Elliot** and **Oliver Stewart** (U14A); **Matt Smith**, **Aiden Murphy**, **Kieraan Meyer** and **Mikey Coles** (U14B); **Tom Ross Lee**, **Michael Houlie**, **Rob Young**, **Matthew Klingenberg** and **Theodore Psillos** (U15A); **Bingo Ivanisevic**, **David Nivison** and **Alex Jankovich** (U15B); **Brandon Burke**, **James Morritt-Smith** and **Aidan Neill** (U16A); **Cayden Marquis** and **George Spencer** (U16B); **David Bruchhausen**, **Mike Alberts**, **Keanan Alexander**, **Brett Sneddon** and **Cameron Glynn-Dicks** (U19A); **Tom Baldwin**, **Alex Williams** and **Jordan Nel** (U19B). **Liam Neill** was been selected for the U18 South African team that will play in a tri-nations series in December. Water Polo Colours awards: Colours Re-Awards: **Liam Neill**, **Keanan Alexander**, **David Bruchhausen** and **Michael Alberts**; Half colour: **Cameron Glynn-Dicks**, **Tom Baldwin** and **Brett Sneddon** (re-award).

*There will be a Christmas Day Eucharist Service in the Memorial Chapel at 08:30 to which visitors, family and friends are invited.*

## AWARDS

### JERSEYS

#### *Academic*

**Laurence Midgley**

### TIES

#### *Distinction*

**Keanan Alexander** (Water Polo), **Desmond Fairall** (Debating), **Josua Joubert** (Music), **Liam Neill** (Water Polo), **Cornel Smit** (Rugby), **Luke Baker** (Fly Fishing: re-award), **Warwick Reid** (Fly Fishing: re-award), **Alessandro Lupini** (Fly Fishing), **Nikolai Piotrowski** (Fly Fishing), **Julian van der Watt** (Go Karting), **Zander Brooks** (Sailing) and **Michael Houlie** (Swimming).

#### *Academic*

**Tomas Badenhorst**, **Sebastian Hanekom**, **Julian Knobloch**, **Kean Pople**, **Matthew Rudston** and **Cornel Smit**

#### *All Rounders*

**Theuns Kuhn**, **Julian Dean-Brown**, **Jonathan Crowther**, **Marcus Knight**, **Gregory Schoeman** and **James Mitchell**

#### *Service*

**Kieran Cattell**, (AV) **Stefan Dominicus** (AV), **Nicholas Featherstone** (AV), **Michael Alberts** (Water Polo), **Keanan Alexander** (Water Polo), **Jordan Nel** (Water Polo), **Tom Baldwin** (Water Polo), **Cameron Glynn-Dicks** (Water Polo), **Brett Sneddon** (Water Polo), **Alex Williams** (Water Polo), **Matt Perrott** (Water Polo), **Tim Langerman** (Water Polo), **Brandon Burke** (Water Polo), **James Morritt-Smith** (Water Polo), **Cayden Marquis** (Water Polo), **Aidan Neill** (Water Polo), **Jonathon Pletts** (Water Polo) and **Paolo Bersella** (Water Polo).

### MUSIC CERTIFICATES

#### *Cape Town Eisteddfod*

Gold Diploma: **Michael Wilson-Trollip** (3); **Angus Thring** (2) and **KwangBem Ko** (2).

#### *KAE Afrikaans Eisteddfod*

Hoogste Lof (90%+): **Graeme Irvine**, **Jo Linley**, **Marcus Knight**, **Ben Steyn**, **Miles Boeddinghaus**, **Rhiyaan Smith**, **Michael Wilson-Trollip**, **KwangBem Ko**, **Muhammed Osman**, **Jack Belcher**, **Liam Dicker**, **Ross Hyne**, **Cameron Braun**, **Luca Liebenberg**, **Jody Williams**, **Adam Stonestreet**, **Kit Bell**, **Andrew Hodgson**, **Tyger Thompson** and **Arthur Fisher**.

#### *Royal Schools Certificates*

**Jonathan Crowther** (Grade 7, Singing), **Graeme Irvine** (Grade 8, Singing), **Shannon Thebus** (Grade 8, French Horn).

### Leadership Distinction

Alex Steyn, Luke Smith, Brandon Salomo, Matthew Roberts, Christian Cotchobos, Matthew Morris, Cornel Smit, Michael Thomson, Daniel Gregory, Nicholas Frankenfeld, David Bruchhausen, Nicholas Ryall, Dylan Maxwell, Piers Johnston, Eddy Murphy, Reece Conrad, Graeme Irvine, Hamid Toorabally, Rhiyaan Smith, Rayhaan Surve, Jarryd Lurie, Robert Lees, Jeremy Wilkinson, Ross Nelson, Jonathan Crowther, Saadiq Brey, Jonti Oehley, Sam Jeffery, Jordan van Tonder, Siya Qamgwana, Josua Joubert, Sozon Sarandis, Julian Dean Brown, Stefan Dominicus, Justin Hedges, Stefan Ranoszek, Justin Nel, Tim Jankovich-Besan, Kelton Miller, Tom Murray, Kieran Cattell, Tom Richardson, Leonardo Potgieter, Tom Sutcliffe, Liam Cook, Tomas Badenhorst, Luc Janssens and William Baldwin.



Head Boy 2016: Francois Stassen

### Leadership 2016

Head Boy: **Francois Stassen**

Deputy Head – Day Boys: **Joseph Linley**

Deputy Head – Boarders: **Brandon van der Westhuizen**



*Mr Pearson and the Old Guard, Jordan van Tonder (Head Boy 2015), Tom Richardson (Deputy Head – Day Boys) and Jarryd Lurie (Deputy Head – Boarders), look on as the New Guard is congratulated: Francois Stassen (Head Boy 2016), Joseph Linley (Deputy Head – Day Boys), Brandon van der Westhuizen (Deputy Head – Boarders), Tyla Scarles (White), Marcus Knight (Gray), Matthew Perrot (Ogilvie), Max Newbury (Birt) and Brett Sneddon (Mallett)*

HOUSES	HEAD OF HOUSE	DEPUTY HEAD OF HOUSE
Founders	<b>Brandon van der Westhuizen</b>	<b>Christian Stehlik</b>
School	<b>Jean Pienaar</b>	<b>Sebastian Prentice</b>
White	<b>Tyla Scarles</b>	<b>Jonathan Rossouw</b>
Gray	<b>Marcus Knight</b>	<b>Daniel Tate</b>
Ogilvie	<b>Matthew Perrott</b>	<b>Christopher Hyslop</b>
Kidd	<b>Joseph Linley</b>	<b>Jason Hofmeyer</b>
Birt	<b>Max Newbury</b>	<b>Dylan Burke</b>
Mallett	<b>Brett Sneddon</b>	<b>Theuns Kuhn</b>

## FAREWELL TO STAFF

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### ANDRÉ JACOBS

With his retirement now just around the corner, it has been a long year of farewells for André, especially as far as the world of schoolboy rugby is concerned. Wherever Meneer Jacobs has taken his First XV during 2015, opposing coaches, administrators and Headmasters throughout the country have been queuing up to pay their respects and to pass on their best wishes to someone who has so clearly left his mark on the game as it is played at this level. André is very highly thought of as an innovative strategist, as a student of rugby and as a die-hard supporter of the running game, not just far from home but also right here at the College, where his reputation amongst the coaches within the Bishops Common Room precedes him. He will indeed sorely be missed amongst those who train our junior teams, for André has always been incredibly generous with his time and knowledge, whenever these have been

sought, and his comprehensive support for the coaching staff of other Bishops teams (even those at our Prep School) has been deeply valued for a long time.

André has also earned great respect amongst the players he has coached over the years... this, too, was evident by the number of former pupils, both young and old, who came across to shake his hand during this year's tours to Johannesburg and the Eastern Cape. First XV players from previous years have mentioned how they will forever remember being backed by their coach in every situation and empowered to make their own decisions on the field. André has never been one to shout instructions from the touchline or to insist that players stick rigidly to a pre-ordained blueprint. "Play what you see in front of you", "Attack the space", and "If you think of passing, it's too late", have most often been the catchphrases which he has offered his young charges, and, with his backing, these players have gone on to provide us with many wonderful memories of thrilling play and unforgettable tries over the years. During his stint at the helm, young men whom André has coached have gone on to achieve remarkable heights within the world of rugby and all will surely agree that they learned valuable life lessons and more, courtesy of André's input and guidance.

The matter of trust will surely have been one of the most important factors of the relationship which he struck up with the members of his squad: if he picked you to do a job, Mr Jacobs would always stand by

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you and support you through thick and thin, firmly believing that any individual flaws could be “coached”. Players were thus able to concentrate on their own contributions to the team, rather than having to worry about their personal performances. Over time, André has consistently shown that he is loathe to turn to the substitutes’ bench during a game, rather choosing to rely on the boys whose names he initially pencilled onto that weekend’s team-sheet, believing that they had earned the right to play a full game.

One or two other basic tenets of André’s coaching philosophy might be worth repeating at this point. He has always believed that no individual player is bigger than the game and that no score-line or one-off result is more important than one’s respect for the sport and the spirit in which it is played. Boys were expected to behave as gentlemen on and off the field; in fact, André has been known to have dropped players and overlooked others not because of their performances during matches but rather due to their indiscretions away from the game. By the same token, it is fair to say that no player was ever chastised in public or in the presence of his team-mates; harsh words, when necessary, were always reserved for individual conversations well removed from the squad. André’s entire focus has repeatedly fallen on simply encouraging his charges to use their talents and to skilfully express themselves with finesse and flair on the field of play, provided, of course, that the boys had first produced the necessary sound defence to ensure possession of the ball.

Another hallmark of André’s approach to school matches: win or lose, he would always make a point of openly engaging with

opposition coaches after the final whistle, thus offering himself the opportunity to learn more about the game, to make new acquaintances and to rekindle old friendships. This characteristic hospitality of his was something that was regularly underlined during those many farewells which have been referred to above.

While rugby naturally played a major role in all that André offered the school, let’s not forget that he was also a much loved schoolmaster who greatly enjoyed the many hours which he spent in his classroom and in the company of his pupils. Of his time in the trenches, it is fair to say that André had the special knack of being able to form bonds with youngsters who were not universally popular; he developed a soft spot for the rogues, for those pupils who may well have floundered without his input and guidance at the right times. While taking charge of school discipline for the past eight years or so, he seemed to have the intuitive ability always to intervene just before matters came to a head, thereby helping to keep a fair number of schoolboys on the straight and narrow.

There are aspects about the work which André has done which he will probably not miss, now that the time has come for him to hang up his chalk ... he was never a fan of lengthy meetings or long deliberations about school affairs, while having to organise substitute teachers to replace absent members of staff was also something which he seemed to do through clenched teeth. In certain key areas, however, he remained as passionate as the keenest debutant: no one ever got to rugby practices before André (not even his beloved mutt, Andy!).

This same passion marked his cooking and braaiing, as will attest all who were ever invited to a barbecue at his home; there are very few backyard chefs out there who can so masterfully turn out a snoek or two, lovingly prepared over the coals!

Now it is our turn, as a school, to bid André farewell. In his own way, he has meant so much to those who line the trenches and who toil away at the coal-face here at the College! One always knew that if one put shoulder to the wheel and if one added value in the classroom and in terms of extra-murals, one would benefit from André's full and unquestioning support. He has enjoyed a long spell here at Bishops... two spells, in fact, if we remember that he spent four years here in the 80s before his return to St Andrew's, in Grahamstown, where his teaching career had begun. Since coming back to Bishops in 1999, André has brought his wealth of experience and know-how to a number of different spheres of school-life, from sport to cultural affairs, from discipline to management. He leaves big shoes to be filled by those who follow behind him.

We know we have not seen the last of André; though he may no longer serve on our staff, he will undoubtedly continue to support the school in the future. You can safely bet that on Saturday mornings to come, he will be seen in a quiet corner of the Piley Rees, complete with "sitstok" and dog, appreciating the rugby and quietly urging the boys in blue to attack, to pass the ball and to run the opposition ragged within the tram-lines!

Go well, André. Thank you for all you have meant to Bishops!

*Warwick Richter*



## JO STIELAU

Jo Stielau is the kind of teacher that some people get once in their lives, and most people never, to their great loss. She has a natural feeling for people, and an instinctive sense of what boys want – which is not to say she gives in to them. Each boy has his own place in the world, and the trick is to find what it is – and Jo has been a guide to so many pupils, whether as teacher or tutor or Debating supremo. Jo loves teaching, and counts herself lucky, even honoured, to have the chance to do it. The world is a source of wonder to her, and the opportunity to share that wonder, to spread the pleasure, is something that really motivates her. She also has a heart for the less fortunate, and this does not necessarily mean the most obviously challenged people. She tries to teach lessons that go beyond the individuals and help them see something which is both greater

than their individual parts and nevertheless made up of them. Jo's work with the Debating society has been phenomenal, and the growth of that club and of its activities is something she takes great pride in, quite rightly. It will be a challenge for the next person to match her energy and drive – and yet at heart the club is still all about the boys, and the boys' energy and enthusiasm is what Jo has built on and developed, and is what will carry the club whoever may be the designated teacher-in-charge. What would Jo most wish to have achieved at Bishops? I suspect that it would be to have helped a lot of boys to see that their privileged upbringing and education gave them an obligation, not to apologise for it nor turn their back on it, but to make it count, and not only in their own lives. Jo's colleagues will miss her, whether for her insights or for the liveliness of the stories she tells, which so often actually involve her laughing at herself and inviting others to do the same. My own lasting image of her will be in her classroom with a room full of Grade 9s just waiting for her next sally, participating enthusiastically and very conscious of their own pleasure in being with her and being taught by her.

*Marcus Bizony*

## CAREY UPHAM

Carey Upham joined the Bishops Support Unit as an Educational Psychology intern in 2010. From the outset she impressed us with her professionalism, her dedication and her attention to detail. For the past four years she has been an integral part of the BSU, providing a range of assessments, counselling boys and their parents, as well as running study skills workshops. What Carey



has brought to her work as an Educational Psychologist is a wealth of knowledge as well as a warm, engaging personality. Whether it be in comprehensive cognitive assessments, career testing or in providing therapy to individuals and groups, she has always provided a high level of professionalism. She is very knowledgeable about the educational challenges that face boys — from attention deficit disorder to poor working memory and a range of other learning difficulties. She has also contributed to Staff Development by providing interesting and enlightening presentations on these issues. Carey has decided to further her psychological studies at the Tavistock Institute in London. Carey, we have really enjoyed working with you and you will be sorely missed at the BSU. We wish you every success for your future.

*Peter Farlam*



### WILL STEENKAMP

Over the past three years I have come to know Will Steenkamp not only as an extremely caring person, but also as a sport fanatic. He loved being a tutor and made every effort to watch all his tutees' sports matches, whether it was rugby, hockey, cricket or even golf. His support and encouragement were legendary. The boys at Bishops loved having him around, giving him nicknames such as the Steen, Baksteen and Steenie. He was never shy with his encouragement and his extremely biased opinion of his tutees. In education, as in life,

we need characters. We need educators who make life interesting. Will is a character. A more passionate umpire you are not likely to meet; he lives for the game of cricket. He knew all the stats of all his U15A cricketers by heart; he knew everything about every tutee, every cricketer and every rugby player he managed. Furthermore, as a very competitive Scrabble player, Will was never shy of adding his five cents worth and it often landed him in the hot seat. Will, we appreciated all of it and will sorely miss you. Will will be remembered for his quotes: As a fanatical Manchester United supporter, "... in Van Gaal we trust!"; in reference to his White House tutor group, "The number one tutor group in the school!" and when addressing the White House boys, "We always back the boys!" In wishing Will all the best in his post-Bishops career, I must applaud his enthusiasm. In teaching, as in many other areas of life, enthusiasm holds the key to success. As Winston Churchill said, "Success consists of going from failure to failure without the loss of enthusiasm." Goodbye, Will, we will miss you!

*Willem Steyn*

## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

*My humanity is bound up in yours, for we can only be human together.  
(Desmond Tutu)*

A short and busy 4th term has begun. Since September, the chapel has had a quiet and focused time praying for the recovery and continued good health of our beloved Archbishop Desmond Tutu. We were able to

give thanks for his 84th birthday and for Ma Leigh's 82nd birthday seven days later.

Bishops Parents Alpha was concluded at the end of the third term and was faithfully supported by a number of Bishops parents and



their guests. Well done to all who participated and supported this Alpha course in so many ways. Our thanks to Dr Neville Wellington and his vary able team. It was a truly blessed and inspired 8 weeks with excellent speakers and good food. We look forward to the next Alpha Course and to meeting many new people at the next course. A ladies' quarterly tea morning for all who wish to be associated with the prayer groups of Bishops was initiated by Claire Garry. It was a wonderful morning attended by the regular faithful prayer warriors of the three sections of the school as well and many new folk. We are looking forward to the next get together soon. The Chaplain was invited once again to the St Cyprians

Day celebrations – an Evensong service in St Georges Cathedral followed by tea on the lawns of the school and the incredible sight of young and old dancing around the tree! Great fun and a fitting end to the term.

The new term began with the Prize Giving and Valedictory service in the Memorial Chapel with rousing voices singing “I Vow to Thee my Country” and Psalm 150. Mysteriously – a new “smiley face” has appeared on the rim of the skylight on the Memorial Chapel – one can only wonder how! The whole school gathered on 19 October to celebrate at the Bishops Praise service. Sadly this event is logistically not possible on the Founders Day weekend and has once again found its home just after Prize Giving when the Mallett Centre is still set up for a large function. Everybody from Grade R to Grade 11 classes was present as well as the staff of the school. Our guest speaker was the Rev Chris Clohessy from the St Bernard's Catholic Church in Claremont. A visit from the Gideon's Association followed the next Friday with the visitors explaining to the College how the Gideon Association began and the impact it has had on many lives worldwide. Each Grade 8 boy was then invited to receive a pocket version of the New Testament as a gift from the Gideon's. The Schools Unite (Scripture Union) function for all the schools in the area met at Bishops and had a wonderful evening of praise and worship. Our thanks go to all organisers and especially to Keith Warne who coordinated the event with his team of Bishop Impact boys.

Looking forward, the chapel programme for the rest of the year is filled with many events including the Remembrance Day

service, the Epic Blessing of the Boots service, the Advent and Christmas Carol services, Prep Prize Giving, the Pre-Prep Carol service and Nativity play, Richard Cock's Christmas Carols service and the Christmas Day service in the Memorial Chapel on Christmas Day morning at 08h30. All are welcome and we look forward to having you, your friends and relatives visit as we celebrate the birth of the Christ Child.

This quarter has seen and will see a number of events of pastoral significance including

the baptisms of Luke Morkel, Isabella Blanckenberg, Declan Hamman, Michael Bruce, Felix van Poucke and Nina Hofman. December is also wedding season and we celebrate with a nuptial blessing on Madeline Groenewald and Rhyno Jansen and Hannah Stuart-Clark and Daniel Bagshawe. We also record our prayers at the passing of Janet Brink, Isabella Blanckenberg, Shirley Smuts (née Bourne) and Rosemary Fyfe (née Liefeldt). May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

*Rev. Terry Wilke*

## COLLEGE PRIZE GIVING 2015



### **CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL'S ADDRESS – MR MIKE BOSMAN**

Ladies and Gentlemen, good morning to you all. It's a great pleasure to have so many

distinguished guests here this morning including our Principal Mr Guy Pearson, and Mrs Pearson, present and past members of Council and staff, members of the Bishops Trust, the Chairman and members of the PA Committee, ODs, parents and friends, and of course, the young men of Bishops. I extend a very big welcome to you all here at this our 2015 College Prize Giving ceremony on this incredibly beautiful Cape Town morning. As always, this is a very special and somewhat emotional day in the school's calendar as later this morning, we will say farewell to our matrics as they finish their days in a school classroom. I would like to extend a warm welcome to the Patron of our Old Boys' Association, the OD Union, Mr Michael Watermeyer, and to the President of our OD Union, Mr Raymond Ackerman, and Mrs Wendy Ackerman. It's great to have you here. A big welcome too to the Prep Headmaster, Mr Greg Brown, the Head of the Pre Prep, Mrs Sharlene Groom, past Headmasters,



Mr John Gardener and Mr Midge Hilton-Green, Chaplains of the School and Prep School, current and past heads of other schools and welcome to Mr Brian Robertson, the Chairman of the OD Union. Thank you Brian and many thanks to your committee for your leadership of our old boys.

Congratulations to each of the young men of Bishops here today, not only for your efforts and achievements resulting in prizes being awarded this morning, but also to every one of you. Thank you for everything you do for Bishops on so many other fronts, throughout the year. Thank you for making us so very proud of the school. To Mr Guy Pearson, Mr Vernon Wood, to the College Executive team and to the entire academic and support staff of Bishops – we thank you for your incredible work over the past year. His Grace, Archbishop Thabo Magoba, the Archbishop of Cape Town is not able to be with us this morning, but in his absence I would like to thank him most sincerely for his ongoing support.

I am sure that the Principal will pay tribute to members of staff who are leaving Bishops at the end of the year but I hope that he will allow me to just add the thanks of Council to Mr André Jacobs, for his tremendous contribution to Bishops over 22 years at the school. André, we wish you well for a long, happy and healthy retirement. The Chairman of the College Parents' Association, Mr Simon Cranswick, is also retiring at the end of this year and I would like to thank him for his valuable leadership at Bishops and his input at Council. Thank you too to the members of the PA Committee for your really great work for the school. As you know, our College

Council serves the school in much the same way that a board of directors would serve a company. This year there are four members of Council retiring after each having served Bishops for the maximum ten-year term in office: Dr René Nassen is a medical doctor and a psychiatrist at Lentegeur Hospital. Her two sons were at Bishops; Mrs Mercia Isaacs is a well-known Cape Town businessperson and the past Chairman of the Western Cape Tender Board. She too is a past mother at the school; Mr Allan Taylor co-owns the beautiful Londolosi game farm in the Sabi Sands and has, for many years, also chaired our Building and Grounds Committee. He is also a past parent at the school; Professor Haroon Borat, a professor of Economics at UCT and an adviser to the South African Government and the World Bank is also retiring as a member of Council. He is an OD and a dad at the school. To each of you René, Mercia, Allan and Haroon – I would to say thank you very much for everything, for giving so freely of your time, experience and wisdom over a combined total of 40 years. We really do appreciate it.

To all the parents here today – thank you for entrusting the education of your sons to us. We've said it before, and we mean it – we take that responsibility incredibly seriously. We spend a lot of time thinking about what kind of men leave Bishops.

I am happy to report that the school is currently in excellent condition and it has gone from strength to strength, on so many fronts, over the past few years. Having said that, we do continue to spend a great deal of time questioning many things that we do here at Bishops in an effort to work out what we could be doing better. We can always, and must

always, improve. There is no time or room for chilling out or being self-satisfied. We continue to think about what it means to educate boys in an exciting but enormously-changing world; one with very little privacy – including living in a world of Instagram, Facebook, Snapchat and Tinder, amongst others. How do we prepare our boys to take up a proper role in a world that may have massive water and food shortages, a world that will have two billion more people in it within the next 25 years, and how do you educate boys to enable them to work in professions that haven't yet been properly developed, for example in the fields of synthetic biologies, wireless electricity and alternative energies?

Over the next couple of years, you will see an ongoing commitment to the refurbishment and new development of our land, buildings and facilities all over our magnificent school grounds. As you know, earlier this year we were able to complete and open the Woodlands Pavilion which has provided wonderful new rooms for the OD Union, for the school's museum and archives, as well as stunning facilities for our hockey players. We will be carrying out major extensions to the Pre-Prep school buildings next year, in advance of opening a Grade RR class in 2017. The Principal and Council's Remuneration Committee will continue to ensure that Bishops is able to attract and retain the best teachers, coaches and support staff in South Africa and that our members of staff remain amongst the best rewarded in the country. We will shortly embark on a programme, led by the trustees of the Bishops Trust, to raise approximately R100 million for much larger endowment funds and

specific capital projects at the school. This campaign will be launched early next year. In due course we would like to create a vehicle-free central core of the College campus which would see, amongst other things, the development of gardens and walkways in front of the chapel between School House and Founders. We need to re-engineer the way we work in the Simpson Centre and we really need to overhaul the Frank Reid Pavilion precinct and this building, the Mallet Centre, in a way that maintains a sense of our heritage but allows for better and more beautiful use of all of these spaces.

In January 2011, almost five years ago, this year's Matrics were newboys at College who were squeezed in to the Memorial Chapel with the rest of the College on the first school day of the year. I am sure that each of you was excited, enthusiastic and probably a little nervous at what the next few years at school would hold for you. As I sat in chapel that morning in 2011, it was also my first school day as Chairman of the Council at Bishops and I probably had similar thoughts to you, as we sat there together. In some ways the last five years have passed in a flash! To each of you, good luck for your final exams and with all your future endeavours. You will always be Bishops men and we rely on you to play a proper part in your families, your communities and your country. I am sure you will continue to make us proud. In a moment, we will hear a musical item called 'Equilibrium' which has been composed by Josua Joubert in Grade 12 in Ogilvie. Finally, please take care in the holidays, have an incredible break and I wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas. Thank you very much.

**CONCLUDING REMARKS**

Ladies and Gentlemen, that bring us to the conclusion of our formal proceedings at this Prize Giving. Yesterday each matric received an Old Boys' tie from the Chairman of the OD Union. For each of the past few years at this ceremony, I have invited the leaving Head Boy to accept as a gift my own OD Union tie which I hope he will enjoy having and will wear with pride. So, in keeping with that tradition I would like to invite Jordan van Tonder to come forward to accept my tie as we welcome all of the 2015 matrics into the OD Union. Thank you all for your attendance this morning and I would now like to invite you to join us for tea on the lawns outside the chapel.

**PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS****– MR GUY PEARSON**

Chairman, Mr Bosman and Mrs Bosman, honoured guests, ladies and gentlemen, members of staff and young men of Bishops.

It gives me great pleasure to present my annual report for 2015. It has been another excellent year for the College and we can look back with a great deal of pride on the achievements of our boys in a wide range of activities.

The year started with the news of the exceptional academic results of the Class of 2014; certainly the best set of results enjoyed by the school since the advent of the new curriculum and assessment process. Results have been well documented and communicated, so I will not dwell on these, suffice to say that the results justify our decision to remain writing the National Senior Certificate with the Cape Education Department at this stage. We know that



our boys have been extremely successful in achieving access to both local and international universities based on the results they achieved in their final matric examinations. As I have said many times before, the important factor is to consistently measure ourselves against external benchmarks and I am confident that the standards at Bishops continue to be rigorous and the bar extremely high. It is not only what we teach but how we teach it that is important.

As I look back on the past year, I continue to be amazed and humbled at the exceptional performance of our boys across the board. Once again I have communicated the achievements of our boys to parents by way of newsletters and on our website and it is not necessary to repeat them today, suffice to say

that they have been truly outstanding.

Of course, Bishops is about far more than just achievement. I was inspired at the recent ISASA Annual Conference by a talk given by the Director of the Jewish Board of Education, Rabbi Kacev. He spoke about the process and product in education and getting the right balance. This philosophy is fundamental to what we believe at Bishops. There is often the challenge of satisfying the ambition of our communities, including parents, for outstanding results and at the same time getting the right balance in terms of other aspects which we believe are crucial in achieving what we believe is a good education at Bishops.

David Brooks in his recent book, 'The Road to Character', captures the issue so well when he differentiates between resumé virtues and eulogy virtues. The resumé virtues are the ones you list on your resumé, the skills that you bring to the job market like your degrees, awards and the like. Eulogy values are however much deeper. They are the virtues that are spoken of at a funeral, the ones that reflect the core of who you are, what kind of person. It is all too easy to fall into the trap on focussing on achieving merely resumé virtues rather than on the importance of developing eulogy virtues. Sometimes as schools we focus on results and forget that we are really agents in character development and involved in the lifelong process with our boys to build really deep eulogy virtues so as to make sure they are equipped to succeed in whatever role they find themselves in the future.

In my weekly meetings with my Chairman, he often challenges me by asking, "What kind of boys are we producing at Bishops?" This

is a tough question because, as easy as it is to reflect on all our achievements, it is difficult to measure exactly what kind of young men we are producing. Don't get me wrong, results are important, we must always strive to be the best that we can be, but I hope at Bishops that the boys that finally exit through our gates will be good men; young men who will become good boyfriends, good husbands, good fathers and good citizens. That, together with all their resumé virtues which they have achieved, they will in addition have developed strong eulogy virtues of compassion, kindness, courage, justice, honesty and integrity. If this is true, then we will not have failed them.

Of course, educating our boys on their journey from boyhood to manhood is a team effort. The saying that it takes a village to raise a boy is very true in our Bishops environment. We are blessed to have a committed and supportive Bishops Council lead by Chairman, Mr Mike Bosman, to lead and guide the school. There is no stipend for being a Council Member and we are indebted to the support and guidance that they give us. I must also commend and thank our Parents Association under the leadership of Simon Cranswick for the role they play in bridging the gap between the school and the parents' community. They work tremendously hard and have a lot of fun while doing so.

I thank the OD community and in particular the Chairman, Brian Robertson, for their support. It has been a busy year for the ODs and a highlight has been the move to their magnificent new offices in the Woodlands Pavilion, surely one of the most spectacular old boys' offices in the country.

I am always amazed and thankful to our

parent community for their fantastic support of their sons and the school. Bishops is a very busy place. Living on campus, I am well aware of the myriad of activities and functions that happen here. In fact often I am not aware of half of what is going on! What I do know is that you parents want the best for your sons and you have been supportive and in most cases very sensible in the process. In the modern world it is often all too easy for parents to interfere and to bail their children out. I am reminded of the image of the butterfly, to help it out of the cocoon seems to be the kindest gesture and yet it would kill the insect as the tussle to get out strengthens the wings, enabling it to fly. It is the same with our children. Often we need to let them struggle in the face of difficulty in order to emerge stronger and to develop resilience. The paternal instinct sometimes takes over and we need to guard against that.

I join the Chairman in thanking the staff. At Bishops we have a dedicated and committed academic, admin and support staff. Certainly one of the highlights of the year was the hosting of the International Boys' Schools Coalition Conference right here at Bishops in the July holidays. This was a collaborate effort between Rondebosch, Wynberg, SACS and WPPS, but the bulk of the organisation and the hosting was done by Bishops under the superb leadership of the Conference Chairman, Vernon Wood. It really was a fantastic team effort by all Bishops Academic and Support staff, together with boys from the AV crew and a number of boys who volunteered as tour guides for delegates during the conference. Archbishop Desmond Tutu was the keynote speaker at the opening

ceremony, an address which all of those who were privileged to attend will never forget. One of the founding heads of the IBSC who has attended all 22 of these international conferences since the inception of the IBSC told me at the end that this was the best conference that he had ever been to.

My sincere appreciation goes to the School and College Executives for their support and leadership, and of course to my PA, Wendy van Heerden.

At the end of the year we say farewell to four members of the academic staff. Will Steenkamp has been at Bishops for three years, teaching isiXhosa. He will be remembered for his passion for sport and his enthusiasm, and his commitment to the boys will be missed. Will is going back to university for further studies. Carey Upham joined the Bishops Support Unit as an Educational Psychology intern in 2010. From the outset she impressed us with her professionalism, her dedication and her attention to detail. For the past four years she has been an integral part of the BSU, providing a range of assessments, counselling boys and their parents as well as running study skills workshops. She has decided to further her psychological studies at the Tavistock Institute in London and we wish her well. Jo Stielau joined the Bishops staff in January 2009 and has made her mark inside and outside the classroom. Mrs Stielau is a special teacher who gets the best out of the boys, whether as a teacher, tutor or Debating supremo. Her work with the Debating Society has been phenomenal and she leaves a vibrant and successful society. Her colleagues will miss her for her insights and the wonderful stories she tells, often at her own expense. Mrs Stielau got

married recently and she leaves for Pretoria to join her husband. We thank her and wish her well. André Jacobs has had an unusual career in that he has only taught at two schools, St Andrew's College and Bishops. What makes this unusual is that he has done two stints at each; he began his career at St Andrew's and then came to Bishops from 1984 until 1988, then back to St Andrew's before returning to Bishops in 1999 where he has spent the past 17 years. André Jacobs has made his mark on both schools in more ways than one. He has been a much loved schoolmaster who greatly enjoyed the many hours he spent in his classroom in the company of his pupils. It is fair to say that he had the special knack of being able to form bonds with youngsters who were not universally popular; he developed a soft spot for the rogues, for those pupils who may well have floundered without his input and guidance at the right times. While taking charge of school discipline for the past eight years he seemed to have the intuitive ability always to intervene just before matters came to a head, thereby helping to keep a fair number of boys on the straight and narrow. Mr Jacobs is justifiably recognised as one of the very best schoolboy rugby coaches in the country. He has always believed that no individual player is bigger than the game and that no score-line or individual result is more important than one's respect for the sport and the spirit in which it is played. Players were expected to be gentlemen on and off the field; in fact, he has been known to have dropped boys and overlooked others not because of their performances during matches but rather due to their indiscretions away from the game. His entire focus has repeatedly fallen on simply encouraging his

charges to use their talents and to skilfully express themselves with finesse and flair on the field of play. Highly respected by friend and foe alike he leaves a wonderful legacy as a great sportsman who always engaged with the opposition after the game. André Jacobs has been a wonderful teacher in the manner born and we wish him and his lovely wife Ronelle, who has been such a wonderful support to him, all the very best in their retirement.

I want to pay tribute to every one of you young men at Bishops today. We need to keep reminding ourselves that the reason for our existence as a school is for the education of you young men. While we may only be able to recognise a small portion of the achievements at this ceremony, I want to congratulate and thank each and every one of you for your contribution in whichever aspect of school life it may be. Of critical importance is that each of you asks yourself the question as you come to the end of another year, have you been the best that you can be? Only you can answer that. The school has been very well lead by the matric class of 2015 and I salute them. The leadership of the head boy, Jordan van Tonder with support from the deputies, Tom Richardson and Jarryd Lurie, and the head of the SRF, Tom Sutcliffe, and all the heads of houses has been excellent. Jordan has been a truly inspirational leader for the school; his enthusiasm and integrity have been a fine example to every Bishops boy. Well done Jordan and well done to the matric class of 2015. We wish you well as you tackle the final stretch of your journey at Bishops and look forward to some exceptional results from you.

I suppose one's attitude towards life can be best summed up in this quote that I came



across recently. “Some folks go through life pleased that the glass is half full. Others spend a lifetime lamenting that it is half empty. The truth is there is a glass with a certain amount of water in it. From there it is up to you”.

## HEAD OF SCHOOL'S ADDRESS

### – JORDAN VAN TONDER

Good Morning Mr and Mrs Pearson, Mr Bosman, honoured guests, members of staff, parents, family, friends and gentlemen of Bishops.

It was a year ago when Mr Pearson called me into his office and announced, very casually, that I was no longer Head of White House ... but instead I had been chosen as Head Boy. I immediately questioned whether I was an appropriate choice for a Bishops Head Boy. We all know that Bishops Head Boys are usually 1st team rugby players; they are large, muscular and competent in every sporting arena. I, on the other hand, was leading singing acapella group *Simply Blue*. Something didn't quite gel.

My election as Head Boy seemed to say more about the school than about me. It proved that Bishops is moving with the times and that the school recognises each individual for his unique achievements.

In terms of our achievements, the 2015 students have showed admirable qualities in almost every facet of Bishops life. Our Rugby 1st team had an incredibly successful season and their win on the home turf against Rondebosch was a memorable triumph. The Hockey 1st team impressed us by winning the double – the Knockout cup and the Western Cape league. We have had so many



South African representatives this year that I am loath to mention them as I fear I might leave someone out. Our acapella group *Simply Blue* and our annual production, *Cold Stone Jug*, were privileged to participate in the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. Our annual Eisteddfod was indescribable. It was a melting pot of cultures, languages and talents.

We have also excelled academically. I am proud to say that there are boys applying for internationally renowned universities and we anticipate an extremely successful set of matric results.

And we haven't only been successful academically; we also gave back by restarting the Bishops K4K (Kids for Kids) charity event. The turnout was fantastic, it was a fun-filled day and ultimately it was all about giving back.

We also can't forget the opening of the world-class Woodlands Pavilion. In years to come, Bishops scholars will always remember that it was launched in 2015.

If I stand here and tell you what makes Bishops special, nothing would be new. It might even sound like a cliché. But it is unavoidable. I have to say it. There is something so special about this school. You feel it when you drive through the gates. You feel the history. You notice the beauty and you are soon made aware of the incredible and endless opportunities that lie in wait for every student lucky enough to be part of this establishment. I don't think that we even realise what this school has given us but I sense that as the years fly by we will look back in awe and gratitude.

So, matrices of 2015, where are we going? Our futures are unknown. As we look back on the past 18 years and see the changes that have occurred in our lives, no one can say with any certainty, what the next 18 years will hold. If anything can be said, it is that our time here at Bishops has prepared us well for the challenges to come. This school has taught us the value of hard work, commitment, integrity and passion. These values have been imprinted on us. They form part of our passport to our new worlds. These are life lessons we need to take with us wherever we go.

To the staff here at Bishops, who have taught us, counselled us, coached us, disciplined us, persuaded us, but above all inspired us to set high goals and achieve, you are amazing. It is sometimes easy for us to forget that you have your own lives and families and that you take time away from that

for us. Staff, we thank you for the sacrifices you have made on our behalf.

Thank you Mr Pearson and Mr Jacobs for providing me with endless support when the going got tough. Your advice was invaluable and your assistance appreciated. A huge thank you to both of you.

I cannot possibly say a list of thank yous without mentioning my personal assistant and my computer technician, Llewellyn Shanjengange.

To our moms, dads and families. We really owe such a great deal to you. Thanks for never being too far away or too busy. I must however single out my parents and sister. I am who I am today because of your guidance, love and support. With all my heart I say, THANK YOU.

To the matrices of 2015, I wish I could offer you words of wisdom on how to approach the coming years of your life, but I am in the same situation as you. We are all still figuring out what our next step will be. Conan O'Brian, a talk show host, and the writer and producer of *The Simpsons*, said it appropriately: "Fall down, make a mess, break something occasionally and remember that the story is never over."

Bishops men, we have grown accustomed to success at this school and we have been given the tools for even greater success. We cannot be afraid of taking chances simply because they bring with them a risk of failure.

And finally it is time to say goodbye, although as old boys, it's never really over. US President Ronald Reagan proclaimed upon his re-election, "This is not the end of anything; this is the beginning of everything."

*Pro fide et patria.*

## ACADEMIC PRIZES 2015

### GRADE 8

**Joshua Elliott**  
**Liam Foxcroft**

*Grade Prize 1st, English Prize, History Prize, Xhosa Prize, General Good Effort  
Grade Prize 2nd, An OD's Mathematics Prize, Geography Prize, Technology  
Prize, General Good Effort*

**Kenau Vith**  
**Tomas Slaven**

*Grade Prize 3rd, French Prize, General Good Effort  
Science Prize, Biology Prize, Economic and Management Sciences Prize,  
General Good Effort*

**Jakob Holm**  
**Tristan Turner**  
**Tom Liefeldt**

*Afrikaans Prize, Practical Music Course Prize  
Art Prize, General Good Effort  
Life Orientation Prize*

**Jack Paine**  
**Rory Schram**

*Drama Prize  
Non-practical Music Course Prize*

**David Straughan**  
**Euan Musselwhite**  
**Francois Breytenbach**

*General Good Effort  
General Good Effort  
General Good Effort*

**Jack Clayton**  
**Joshua Gray**  
**Matthew Derman**

*General Good Effort  
General Good Effort  
General Good Effort*

**Matthew Leong**  
**Max Tedder**

*General Good Effort  
General Good Effort*

**Murray Gordon**  
**Reece Oellermann**

*General Good Effort  
General Good Effort*

### SPECIAL MENTIONS

English  
Afrikaans  
Maths  
LO  
Science  
Biology  
History  
Geography  
EMS  
Technology  
Art  
Drama  
French  
Music  
Xhosa

**David Straughan; Matthew Derman**  
**Sabri Numanoglu; Joshua Elliott; Kenau Vith**  
**Kenau Vith; Joshua Elliott**  
**Kenau Vith; Joshua Elliott; Jack Clayton**  
**Joshua Elliott; Euan Musselwhite; David Straughan**  
**Murray Gordon; Reece Oellermann; Liam Foxcroft**  
**Liam Foxcroft; Max Tedder; Tom Liefeldt**  
**Reece Oellermann; Euan Musselwhite**  
**Joshua Elliott; Tom Liefeldt; Kenau Vith**  
**Kenau Vith; Ryan Campbell; Sebastian Prevost**  
**Gift Hokwana; Ethan Ahrendse**  
**Andrew Bassett**  
**Matthew Shaw; Charlie Yates**  
**Duncan Edelstein; Liam Foxcroft**  
**Gift Hokwana**

**GRADE 9****Brandon Snider***Grade Prize 1st, English Prize, Geography Prize. Technology Prize, Economic and Management Sciences Prize, General Good Effort***Derek Reissenzahn***Grade Prize 2nd, Biology Prize, Strakosch Prize – Life Sciences, Xhosa Prize, General Good Effort***Ryan Labberte***Grade Prize 3rd, Science Prize, Strakosch Prize – Physical Science, Art Prize, General Good Effort***Joshua Mol***Drama Prize, General Good Effort***Michael Wilson-Trollip***Practical Music Course Prize, General Good Effort***Nivar Rajoo***Mathematics Prize, Strakosch Prize – Maths, General Good Effort***Tim Sharples***French Prize, General Good Effort***Jonathan Greyling***Afrikaans Prize***Jonathan Pletts***History Prize***Luca Comitis***Non-practical Music Course Prize***Theodore Psillos***Life Orientation Prize***Brandon Thomas***General Good Effort***Christopher Kotze***General Good Effort***Dean Jacobs***General Good Effort***Finn Geldenhuys***General Good Effort***Junho Ko***General Good Effort***Ryan Solomons***General Good Effort***Thomas Barty***General Good Effort***Thomas Janisch***General Good Effort***SPECIAL MENTIONS**

English

Afrikaans

Maths

LO

Science

Biology

History

Geography

EMS

Technology

Art

Drama

French

Music

Xhosa

**Thomas Janisch; Nicholas Peile; Ryan Labberte****Brandon Snider; Tim Sharples****Derek Reissenzahn; Brandon Snider****Derek Reissenzahn; Brandon Snider; Junho Ko****Brandon Snider; Nivar Rajoo; Christopher Kotze****Ryan Labberte; Finn Geldenhuys; Brandon Snider****Thomas Janisch; Brandon Snider; Derek Reissenzahn****Christopher Kotze; Shane Goodsell****Christopher Kotze****Michael Wilson-Trollip; Ryan Labberte****Brandon Thomas; James Shuttleworth; Ryan Solomons****John van Niekerk; Luke Ranoszek****Francesco Guerrini; Christopher Kotze****William Bromley; Michael Wilson-Trollip; James Halle****Okuhle Minyi**

**GRADE 10****Christopher Aubin***Grade Prize 1st (Archbishop West-Jones), Information Technology Prize, Art Prize, General Good Effort***Angus Thring***Grade Prize 2nd, English Prize, The Guy Currie Science Prize, Strakosch Prize – Physical Science, The Lascelles Birt Memorial Mathematics Prize (shared), General Good Effort***Kwanghem Ko***Grade Prize 3rd, Additional Mathematics Prize, The Lascelles Birt Memorial Mathematics Prize (shared), Strakosch Prize – Maths, Music Prize, Geography Prize (shared), Life Orientation Prize, General Good Effort***Gregory Schoeman***The Andrew Henderson Memorial Biology Prize, Strakosch Prize – Life Sciences, The Stanley Clarke Junior History Prize, General Good Effort***Ivan Stassen***The OD Prize for Afrikaans, Accounting Prize, General Good Effort***Nicholas Bowden***Xhosa Prize, General Good Effort***Jamie Diggle***The Pauling French Prize, General Good Effort***Brendan Naude***Economics Prize***Luca Guerrini***Geography Prize (shared)***Blair Phelan***Maths Literacy Prize***Nicholas Da Costa***Dramatic Arts Prize***Calum Wehmeyer***General Good Effort***Finbarr Lebona***General Good Effort***Gabriel Makin***General Good Effort***James Hamilton-Russell***General Good Effort***Julian Mort***General Good Effort***Laurence Mort***General Good Effort***Nicholas Featherstone***General Good Effort***Nikolaos Tapanlis***General Good Effort***Stephane Pienaar***General Good Effort***GRADE 11****Daniel Tate***Grade Prize 1st, History Prize (shared), The Pauling French Prize (shared), Life Orientation Prize, General Good Effort***Nicholas Janisch***Grade Prize 2nd, Music Prize, General Good Effort***Luke Baker***Grade Prize 3rd, Accounting Prize, General Good Effort***Ahmed Dhansay***Biology Prize, Science Prize, Strakosch Prize – Physical Science, Economics Prize, General Good Effort***Akha Manjezi***Mathematics Prize, Strakosch Prize – Maths, Additional Mathematics Prize, Xhosa Prize, General Good Effort***Dylan Burke***Geography Prize (shared), Strakosch Prize – Life Sciences, General Good Effort***Nathan Fleming***Geography Prize (shared), General Good Effort***Alexander Peile***The Edna Hodgson Prize for English, General Good Effort*

<b>Nicholas Viljoen</b>	<i>Afrikaans Prize</i>
<b>Matthew Rissik</b>	<i>History Prize (shared)</i>
<b>Stuart Mesham</b>	<i>Information Technology Prize</i>
<b>Roch De Mey</b>	<i>The Pauling French Prize (shared)</i>
<b>Cal Tait</b>	<i>Geography Prize (shared)</i>
<b>Boyd Kane</b>	<i>Art Prize</i>
<b>Timothy Langerman</b>	<i>Maths Literacy Prize (shared)</i>
<b>Oscar Downing</b>	<i>Maths Literacy Prize (shared)</i>
<b>Francois Stassen</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>
<b>James Wilson</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>
<b>Jean Pienaar</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>
<b>Jonathan Rossouw</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>
<b>Mitchell Christy</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>
<b>Ziyaad Bawa</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>

## GRADE 12

<b>Liam Cook</b>	<i>Grade Prize 1st, Edward Ridge Syfret English Prize, An Old Boy's Prize for Science, Victor Lewis Prize for Biology, Visual Arts Prize, Life Orientation Prize, General Good Effort</i>
<b>Joshua Knipe</b>	<i>Grade Prize 2nd (shared), Economics Prize, Information Technology Prize, General Good Effort</i>
<b>Michael Thomson</b>	<i>Grade Prize 2nd (shared), General Good Effort</i>
<b>Christian Cotchobos</b>	<i>Grade Prize 3rd, Mark Newton-Thompson Afrikaans Prize, General Good Effort</i>
<b>Sam Jeffery</b>	<i>Gorham Mathematics Prize (shared), Gray House Old Boys' Prize for Add Maths (shared), Harry Robinson Prize for Mathematics and Science, General Good Effort</i>
<b>Stefan Ranoszek</b>	<i>Stanley Clarke History Prize, Sybil McGregor Prize for Historical Research, General Good Effort</i>
<b>Soo-Min Lee</b>	<i>Gorham Mathematics Prize (shared), Music Prize (shared), General Good Effort</i>
<b>Luc Janssens</b>	<i>Helen Liddell Geography Prize, General Good Effort</i>
<b>Jonti Oehley</b>	<i>Price Waterhouse Coopers Prize for Maths and Accounting, General Good Effort</i>
<b>Jordan van Tonder</b>	<i>Accounting Prize, General Good Effort</i>
<b>Ellriott Gordon</b>	<i>The Thresher Prize for Physics</i>
<b>Ross Nelson</b>	<i>Gray House Old Boys' Prize for Add Maths (shared)</i>
<b>Paul-Henri Daron</b>	<i>First Pauling French Prize</i>
<b>Julian Knobloch</b>	<i>Maths Literacy Prize</i>
<b>Phiwe Mayosi</b>	<i>Xhosa Prize</i>
<b>Rhiyaan Smith</b>	<i>Music Prize (shared)</i>
<b>Alex Green</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>
<b>Callum Parton</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>
<b>Daniel Gregory</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>



<b>Imran van der Ross</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>
<b>Kelton Miller</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>
<b>Stefan Olbrich</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>
<b>Tom Richardson</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>
<b>Tom Sutcliffe</b>	<i>General Good Effort</i>

## SPECIAL PRIZES

<b>Alexander Peile</b>	<i>The Hands Memorial Essay Prize</i>
<b>Nikolaos Tapanlis</b>	<i>The English Verse Prize, The Charles Morris Memorial Essay Prize, The Headmaster's Junior English Speech Prize</i>
<b>Ahmed Dhansay</b>	<i>The Writer's Prize</i>
<b>Jonathan Crowther</b>	<i>The Ashburnham Prize for English Reading</i>
<b>Desmond Fairall</b>	<i>The H.J.Kidd Speech Prize</i>
<b>Nicholas Peile</b>	<i>The Junior Reading Prize, Mary Clarkson Prize for Creative Writing/Junior Writing Prize</i>
<b>Stephane Pienaar</b>	<i>Die Junior J.S.M. Viljoen Skrywersprys, Die Junior Toespraak Prys</i>
<b>Stefan Ranoszek</b>	<i>Die Senior J.S.M. Viljoen Skrywersprys, Die Senior Addisionele Taal Toespraak Prys</i>
<b>Josua Joubert</b>	<i>The Senior Louis Esselen Welsprekendheidskompetisie, Die Senior Voordrag</i>
<b>John van Niekerk</b>	<i>Die Junior Voordrag</i>
<b>Jonti Oehley</b>	<i>Martin Silberbauer Prize: Most Conscientious Geographer</i>
<b>Tom Sutcliffe</b>	<i>The Warham Searle Prize for Southern African History</i>
<b>Stefan Olbrich</b>	<i>Bertha Solomon Prize for South African History</i>
<b>Jeremy Wilkinson</b>	<i>Michael Cameron Computer Prize</i>
<b>Michael Thomson</b>	<i>Rembrandt van Rijn Medal, The Sam Butler Drawing Prize</i>
<b>Liam Cook</b>	<i>Leonardo da Vinci Medal, The Pierneef Cup for Art</i>
<b>Shannon Thebus</b>	<i>Instrumentalist's Prize, The Sholto Cole Organ Trophy, The Brian Guillemard Prize for Major Contribution to Music in the School, The Graham Coote Prize for the Best Contribution to Ensembles (shared)</i>
<b>Josua Joubert</b>	<i>The Prize for the Most Improved Musician, The John Joubert Cup for Composition</i>
<b>Rhiyaan Smith</b>	<i>The Piano Prize</i>
<b>Nicholas Frankenfeld</b>	<i>The Prize for the Best Contribution to Choral Singing</i>
<b>Sean Douglass</b>	<i>The Graham Coote Prize for the Best Contribution to Ensembles (shared)</i>
<b>Jonathan Roussouw</b>	<i>The Masey Prize for Environmental Studies (shared)</i>
<b>Callum Tait</b>	<i>The Masey Prize for Environmental Studies (shared)</i>
<b>Matthew Perrot</b>	<i>The Masey Prize for Environmental Studies (shared)</i>
<b>Ross Nelson</b>	<i>The Solomon Prize for Excellence in Competition Mathematics</i>
<b>Saadiq Brey</b>	<i>Rotary Club of Claremont 'Service Above Self' Award</i>

<b>Joel Paarwater</b>	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness</i>
<b>Luke Smith</b>	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness</i>
<b>Jordan van Tonder</b>	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness</i>
<b>Christian Cotchobos</b>	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness</i>
<b>Jonathan Crowther</b>	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness</i>
<b>Rhiyaan Smith</b>	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness</i>
<b>Luc Janssens</b>	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness</i>
<b>Kelton Miller</b>	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness</i>
<b>Finbarr Lebona</b>	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy</i>
<b>Tim Dendy Young</b>	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy</i>
<b>Stuart Boynton</b>	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy</i>
<b>Murray Bruce</b>	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy</i>
<b>Jamie Diggle</b>	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy</i>
<b>Christian Rohrer</b>	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy</i>
<b>James Hamilton-Russell</b>	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy</i>
<b>Sanele Mayosi</b>	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy</i>
<b>Jordan van Tonder</b>	<i>The George Hodgson Prize</i>
<b>Nicholas Frankenfeld</b>	<i>The Bob Snape Prize for Enthusiasm</i>
<b>Tom Richardson</b>	<i>The Philip Stent Trophy</i>
<b>Jonathan Crowther</b>	<i>The Roston Franks Memorial Floating Trophy</i>
<b>Liam Neill</b>	<i>The Tuppy Owen-Smith Trophy for Excellence in Sport</i>
<b>Julian van der Watt</b>	<i>The Speciality Prize for Smaller Sports</i>
<b>Cornel Smit</b>	<i>The Doug Todd Trophy for Sport</i>
<b>Tom Richardson</b>	<i>The Jamison Prize for Athletics (shared)</i>
<b>Keanan Alexander</b>	<i>The Jamison Prize for Athletics (shared)</i>
<b>Stefan Ranoszek</b>	<i>The OD All-Rounder's Prize (shared)</i>
<b>Stefan Dominicus</b>	<i>The OD All-Rounder's Prize (shared)</i>
<b>Jeremy Wilkinson</b>	<i>The OD Merit Prize (shared)</i>
<b>Desmond Fairall</b>	<i>The OD Merit Prize (shared)</i>



*Mr Mike Bosman hands over his OD tie to Jordan van Tonder while Mr Guy Pearson and Mr Sean King look on.*



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■ *Insets:* J van der Watt, D Thorne, L Shanjengange, M Rudston, T Richardson, N Pithey, N Mngomezulu, D Castle, A Butler, L Burton

■ *Back Row:* A Steyn, M Morris, S Dennis, S Henderson, C Hill, M Davies, J Harrison, A Buhler, J Bamfield-Duggan, B Tzermis, S Lee, J Crouther, J Meinjies, C Osborne, M Comitis, L da Graca, L Goff, D Gregory, J Hedges, R Shauri, J Smith, A Henderson

■ *5th Row:* O Dyer, S Sarandis, R Willis, M Alberts, W Baldwin, T Barrett, L Janssens, R Nelson, J Wilkinson, N Meinjies, C Cotchobos, C Hitchman, S Olbrich, C Smiit, C Parton, R Church, M Küttel, M Viviers, P Mayosi, D Hoffman, J Woodman

■ *4th Row:* J Maree, E Gordon, T Devvar, T Jankovich-Besan, K Cattell, G Byron, A Pohl, A Mirotto, K Scruton, M Kinnear, K Miller, J Paarwater, T Blandin de Chatain, N Thompson, J Gebers, M Adam, K Pople, J Knobloch, L Blackstock, S Hanekom




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■ 3rd Row: J Ross, B Labuschagne, J Nel, C Ferreira, C Cruickshank, N Ryall, J Oehley, K Alexander, R Conrad, A Johnstone, M Munro, M Petersen, T Leyds, A Manuel, M Gobel, E Williams, G Irvine, R Tshifularo, P Brink, G Willcocks, G Jacobs, D Fairall, J Dean-Brown, I van der Ross

■ 2nd Row: S Chisin, S Jeffery, J Joubert, L Potgieter, M Macha, J Steuart, E Allie, L Gardener, A Biko, P Daron, E Murphy, R Lees, J Knipe, S Brey, A Green, J Arendse, S Thebus, R Smith, B Salomo, S Douglass, L Smith, A Govear, J Van Niekerk, L Midgley, S Bisset, S Toorabally, N De Kock

■ Front Row: L Neill, T Badenhorst, P Johnston, S Qamugwana, L Cook, D Bruchhausen, S Dominicus, T Murray, T Sutcliffe, J Laurie, G Pearson (Principal), J van Tonder, N Frankenfeld, S Radoszek, W Day, M Roberts, D Maxwell, M Thomson, N van Ryneveld, R Surve, A Bizony, Nyota

## HEADS OF HOUSES 2015



■ Back Row: P Johnston, W Day, S Qamgwana, L Cook, D Maxwell, M Thomson, M Roberts, R Surve

■ Front Row: T Richardson (Deputy Head Boy), T Murray, D Bruchhausen, J Lurie (Deputy head boy), G Pearson (Principal), J van Tonder (Head boy), T Sutcliffe, S Ranoszek, N Frankenfeld, S Dominicus

## TEN CLUB 2015



■ Back Row: J Oehley, D Fairall, L Cook, S Lee, S Ranoszek

■ Front Row: J Knipe, J Wilkinson, V Wood (Deputy Principal), M Thomson, S Jeffery, C Catchobos



*Ms Lara Kruiskamp, Mrs Alex van Selm, Stuart Bristow, Mr Klaas, Luke Burton, Alex Steyn, Luc Janssens and Mr Guy Pearson*

## **PRESIDENT'S AWARD GOLD CEREMONY**

On 17 October 2015, Bishops had the honour of hosting the President's Award Gold Ceremony for the Western Cape. The President's Award is internationally known as the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. With inspirational speeches from Lara Kruiskamp (CEO of The President's Award) and our keynote speaker, The Western Cape Commissioner of Correctional Services, Mr Klaas, the day was motivational! Bishops had an overwhelming presence on the day, with 10 of our boys receiving their Gold Awards. As a school unit, we had the biggest number of recipients and we are very proud of the following boys who have remained committed over the years to achieve this prestigious award: **Gregory Erlangsen, Ben Malandrinos, Christopher Lea, Graham Turnbull, Luc Janssens,**

**Stuart Bristow, Oliver Burt, Luke Burton, Leonardo Potgieter and Alexander Steyn.** A Gold entrant has to complete five components over a minimum of one year (if he/she already has his/her Silver level) or one and a half years (if he/she is a direct entrant). It is a true commitment to find the time to complete the requirements in between a busy academic, sporting and cultural schedule. It consists of 72 hours of community service, a sport, a skill, an expedition and a residential project. The President's Award is not just for school pupils though; correctional units and youth groups also take part in the Award. At Bishops, we tend to live in a bubble separate from the harsh realities of the country we live in. The Gold Ceremony was able to shed a light on the true reality of what it means to live a less fortunate life or a life that has been tainted by a mistake made many moons



before. On the day, we heard moving speeches from the inmates themselves from the Robertson Prison, who expressed how the President's Award has truly changed their lives. All in all, the day was fantastic; it truly was humbling listening to the amazing stories shared by those Gold holders who had just finished their journey and

even better to hear how motivated the CEO, Lara Kruiskamp, is about The President's Award. Finally, it was splendid to end the day with a multitude of tasty eats in the picturesque Woodlands Pavilion – well done to all those involved in making the day a great success!

*James Wilson*



*Cambell Bowker working with one of the pupils at the Cotlands School before going to help build the base for the JoJo tank.*

### **RANGER COURSE 2015**

Bishops Youth Committee Representative for TPABishops has a proud heritage of offering wildlife trips to boys. The idea is to eventually give each boy a chance to go on such a trip (from Grade 8 to Grade 12). The Grade 11 White Rhino trip has proved to be a great success as is the Epic for Grade 10 boys. This year a programme was started for Grade 9 boys and their moms. The group was made up of 23 participants and was completed in the first

part of the June/July holidays. The programme was varied and included hiking, bush clearing, community work and a lot of practical skills related to tracking, species identification and game management. Highlights included: spending time with wild dogs at their den (they had 10 pups which were only a few days old), building a base and installing a JoJo tank at a rural school, bird ringing some very special bird species, and time in Phinda. The party was divided into small groups so as to make

sure each member gained valuable experience. This trip allowed a number of boys to meet the requirements of the President's Award. Somkhanda Game Reserve and Phinda were the two venues used to complete the course.

This programme is to be continued in 2016 and extended to having a second group consisting of matric dads and sons. Bishops is indeed fortunate to have the help of the owners of Nkonka.

*Leon Glanvill*



*Kalu Jay Varney, Max Godfrey and Aedan Foulkes getting ready for the hike to the overnight tented camp*



*Examining a Pink Throated Twinspot before ringing it and releasing it*

## **WORLD FLY FISHING COMPETITION**

Alessandro Lupini, Luke Baker, Nikolai Piotrowski, and Warwick Reid, all a part of the South African Youth Fly Fishing team, took part in the World Championships in Vail, Colorado. Many hours of preparation and practice took place months before the event. The team arrived in Vail on 3 August after a 19-hour flight, to figure out how to catch these fish in a different environment before the competition. Fishing is predominately for Rainbow, Brown, and Brook Trout. The Championships took place from 10 – 16 August and they fished the pristine rivers and lakes in the Vail mountain ranges, including the Upper and Lower Eagle River, Colorado River, and Sylvan and Dillon Lakes. Ten countries, consisting of six anglers (ages 14 - 18) each, came from around the world to compete. Teams represented Canada, Czech Republic, France, Ireland, New Zealand,



*Alessandro Lupini*



**Warwick Reid**

Poland, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, and the USA. Each angler from each team was divided into a group, consisting of 10 anglers, and each group rotated between five different sectors of either rivers or lakes. The aim was to catch as many fish as possible. South Africa did very well and finished 4th overall in the team standings. Individual results were: Warwick Reid (10th), Luke Baker (17th), Alessandro Lupini (19th), Nikolai Piotrowski (24th). The Championship was one of the best the Youth Worlds had seen in terms of organisation, planning and fishing.

*Leon Glanvill*



**Luke Baker**





*Guy Pearson looks through the 'selfie porthole' of the Bishops Rhino Sculpture at the Waterfront*

## **WORLD RHINO DAY**

Bishops built a life-size rhino sculpture which was displayed at the V&A Waterfront before being moved to the Company Gardens in town. The idea was to create greater awareness around the plight of rhinos in Africa. Nine other schools were also involved. As a demonstration of our beliefs, we built a sculpture of a rhino using repurposed materials. The rhino was built in sheet metal that had been tempered as it reflected

the strength of the rhino and the immense odds this species has had to face. The horn was made from old screws and bolts. An interactive site was created for the venture and the following pledge was made: *We, the broader family of Bishops, take a stand against the indiscriminate poaching of animals and destruction of the biodiversity of South Africa.* The dream is to have the sculpture travel to various parts of South Africa before getting auctioned off.

*Leon Glanvill*

## NEWS FROM THE HOUSES



*Founders tug-of-war*



### FOUNDERS

**House Director:** Dave Mallett

**Head of School:** Francois Stassen

**Head of House and Deputy Head of School:** Brandon van der Westhuizen

**Deputy Head of House:** Christian Stehlik

This past year in Founders House has definitely been a successful and memorable one. There were many highlights throughout the year. The first we must acknowledge was the unbelievably entertaining *Founders Variety Concert* that took place in March. There was an awesome vibe and a great effort put in by the Founders men to create a remarkable show. All the dancing, singing and acting, with the

aid of a Parents' Auction, resulted in a great sum of money being raised for the renovation of the prestigious Founders Gymnasium. With the recent completion, it is already exceeding all expectations as a prime facility for Founders boys to train hard and flourish in their desired sporting disciplines. The renovation and completion of the historical Ogilvie Clock Tower is also an accomplishment that should

not be underestimated as now the entire school can, once again, on every half-hour hear the paramount heartbeat of the Diocesan College!

The Founders matrics of 2015 have been strong as a leading group, acting as role models of leadership, pride and passion for the House and all the boys. They succeeded in making Founders a 'gees-filled' environment, whilst creating many unforgettable memories between themselves as a grade, and with the House as a whole. They will leave a legacy with their easy-going leadership style. This prominent leadership has overflowed into the impressive accomplishments in numerous Inter House events, such as winning the Senior Inter House Water Polo and our pleasing result in the Inter House 7s Rugby where we placed 2nd in the open division. We also did consistently well throughout all of the Grades. Let's not forget our 3rd place achievement in Heats Week at the beginning of the year... considering the number of boys in a boarding house. We also produced a magnificent display of our cultural abilities in the Eisteddfod, presenting entertaining plays, dances, songs and we must commend the accomplishments of the boys in their individual talents and fields.

Life in Founders is one in which all boys feel as if they are part of a greater brotherhood. It is a feeling and constant ambiance that you will have to look far and wide to find elsewhere. It is an atmosphere that is a 'signature' to our prestigious House. Boys are happy and all share an unbelievable sense of pride for one another. We feed off each other's achievements and push to be the best men we can possibly be, setting a standard for the rest of the school to follow.

We, as the matrics of 2016, are excited for the year to come. We have many great plans for the House and we want to strive to achieve a great balance between spirit, discipline, achievement, and traditions. We are very pleased with the past year and have learnt a lot from it. We look forward to a successful year ahead.

Floreat Founders!

*Brandon van der Westhuizen*



***Inter House 7s: Founders vs School***



***Founders Gym***



## SCHOOL

**House Director:** Jannie de Villiers

**Head of House:** Jean Pienaar

**Deputy Head of House:** Sebastian Prentice

The past half-year was yet another happy and productive one for Top House. The boys never ceased to surpass expectations and many achievements were attributed to the House in the third term. After a brilliant year of leading by **Jarryd Lurie** and **Liam Cook**, they now pass on the baton to the newly-elected Head and Deputy of House, **Jean Pienaar** and **Seb Prentice**. The 2016 matrics wish the current Grade 12s the best of luck with their finals. Next year's matrics are looking forward to building on the good work of their predecessors.

On the cultural front, Top House managed to retain the Boarders' Owl and also won the Prelim Owl in the Eisteddfod. Special thanks must go to **Daniel Gregory** for leading the House singing, which was said to be our best performance ever. **Liam Cook** was the winner of the prestigious Cape Town Young Artist Award 2016.

Top House remained a force on the sports field, with the highlight being crowned Senior Inter House Rugby champions yet again. Representing the First XV rugby: **Jarryd Lurie** (capt.), **Brandon Salomo** (WP U18), **Tristan Leyds** (WP U18 Academy), **JP Smith** (WP U18 Academy), **André Manuel** (top try scorer), **Jean Pienaar** and **Seb Prentice** (voted least skillful player). In the First XI cricket we had **Matthew Rudston**, **Nathan Mngomezulu**, **Clyde de Beer** and **Calven Wilson**. **Jean Pienaar**, **Michael Peter** and **Preston Thomas** formed part of the First XIII rowing. **Michael Viana** is our man in the

first tennis team. We are represented in the first basketball team by **Jordan Ross** (vice-capt).

**Tom Warren** got selected for the WP U16 hockey team and **Bulelani Ngqukuvana** for the SA U16 hockey squad. On the South African Go Karting front, **Jonathan Aberdein** was crowned the national Go Karting champion and will represent South Africa at the World Championships later this year.

The following School House boys received awards at Prize Giving: Grade 8: **Jakob Holm** won the Afrikaans prize and **Gift Hokwana** the Xhosa prize, along with a general good effort and Art prize; Grade 10: **Tim Dendy-Young** won the Thomas Dudley Persse award and **Luca Guerrini** the Geography prize; Grade 11: **Oscar Downing** retained the Maths Literacy Prize for School House. Grade 12: Academic juggernaut **Liam Cook** lived up to his reputation, bringing home the English, Science, Biology, Art and LO prizes, the Pierneef Cup, Leonardo Da Vinci medal and came first in the grade for the 5th consecutive year! **Luke Smith** won the Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness and **Julien Knobloch** the Maths Literacy prize for the second consecutive year.

As always the boys are in a great space and this is thanks to our lovely dorm staff, our great stooges, our caring tutors and our mentors, Mr De Villiers, Mr Walsh and Mrs Koegelenberg. Thank you! We are looking forward to another exciting year with new challenges and adventures waiting.

*Jean Pienaar and Sebastian Prentice*







*White House spirit*



## WHITE

**House Director:** Warren Wallace

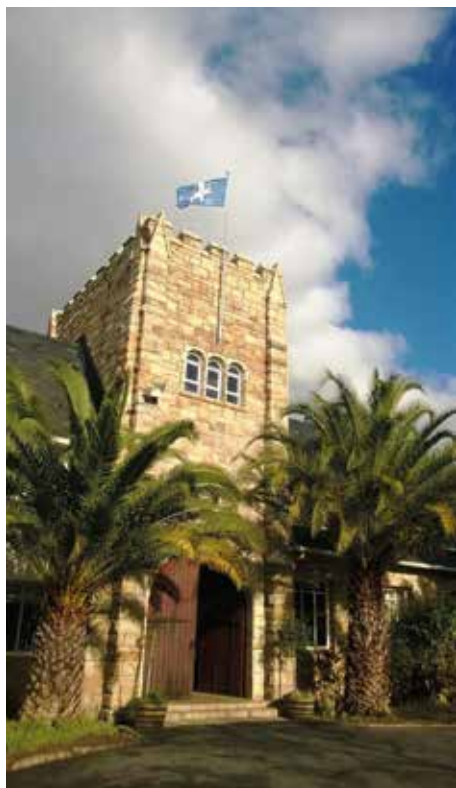
**Head of House:** Tyla Scarles

**Deputy Head of House:** Jonathan Rossouw

White House is an incredible place! 'The Castle' is situated right next to the school's pride and joy that is the Piley Rees. White House continues to be an integral part of Bishops life, as it provides a space for the boys to develop both physically and emotionally, and is ultimately a place for a boy to become independent. The diversity of the boys in the House has been instrumental in the success that the

House has had this year – from winning the Inter House Hockey and Soccer, to boys achieving both academic and cultural awards. At the helm of the White House ship is Mr Wallace. He is an incredible man who has the utmost respect from not only the boys in the House, but the boys at Bishops. We are incredibly lucky to have a man of his calibre guiding us through school – from his thought-provoking





*White House flag flying high*

talks, his clear and concise instructions, his impressive record as 1st team hockey coach to his expert advice. He will be sorely missed by the House and we wish him well in his new position at Bishops as Head of Discipline. We welcome Mr Nolte as the new House Director of White House, and Mr Steyn who will be the Assistant House Director and who is also the Head of Cricket at Bishops.

The 2015 matric group have done a fantastic job this year in all facets of Bishops

life. They have embraced the senior-junior relationship which has led to a happy environment in the House; they really did live up to their motto, *“Leading through influence and not authority”*. Their efforts have led to achievements in sport, academics and cultural aspects. Their efforts have also allowed other boys in the House to thrive in their own endeavours which is commendable. The 2015 matrics all had their different skill sets, and among the matrics there were some fantastic achievements: **Cornel Smit** and **Justin Nel** representing South Africa in their respective sports; **Leonardo Potgieter** who is head of cheerleading, and who provided great ‘gees’ for the school and for the House. The Head Boy, **Jordan van Tonder**, along with **Tim Jankovich** did an amazing job with the Eisteddfod.

As leaders of the House for 2016 we aim to raise the bar even higher. I believe that the relationship between the matrics, staff and the boys is vital to running a fully functioning House. I also believe that we shouldn’t focus on the result of an event too much, but we should rather put all our focus and effort into the process and through this tactic the result will take care of itself. The 2016 matrics mark a time of change at Bishops, as we were the year in which the senior-junior relationships changed, and we as the 2016 matrics want to show that we can adapt to this young system. We also hope to honour our motto: *“Our experiences shape our success”* by telling the other grades of our experiences, so that they can learn from our mistakes, and ultimately we can influence their success.

*Tyla Scarles*



## GRAY

**House Director:** Joc Wensch

**Head of House:** Marcus Knight

**Deputy Head:** Daniel Tate



*Gray Junior Inter House Cricket Winners*

As the final few weeks of 2015 mark the end of another year it is evident from all the achievements and progress that Gray House has had a successful and happy year. From large-scale to small-scale, individual to group, our successes in all spheres of life at Bishops must be attributed to the exceptional leadership displayed by the Matrics of 2015, with notable mention of **Tom Richardson** (Head) and **Piers Johnston** (Deputy Head) and the overall House management by Mr Wensch and the Assistant House Directors, combined with formidable House enthusiasm and spirit.

Culturally, Gray House has had another outstanding semester, chiefly regarding our achievements in Eisteddfod, where with a third place for Visual Arts, Prelims and Singing and the attainment of the Music Owl for the 10th time in 11 years, we finished in a solid second place overall. Once again, this could not have been achieved without the leadership of our Matrics – particularly our conductor, **Simon Dennis**. Following on from the Music Owl, Gray's musicians reaffirmed their prowess in a hugely successful Soiree Evening in the



*Gray U16 Rugby Team*

Woodlands Pavilion, and another booming K4K Charity Relay made its comeback this year with huge contributions from Gray boys. In addition to our 9 Grade 10s on Exchange exploring the world, three Gray boys performed for *Simply Blue* at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe along with another three participating in *Cold Stone Jug* at the same Festival. **Tariq Dawray** was also selected to join *Simply Blue* for the next year.

Within the sporting arena Gray continued to impress, with multiple first team representatives across a variety of sports, and a staggering number of boys making Western Province teams, from cricket, hockey and water polo to fly fishing and rowing. Moreover, numerous Gray boys represented South Africa in their respective sports, with notable mentions going to **James Morritt-Smith**, who played for the U16B SA Water Polo team touring to Malta, **Zak Cadiz**, who as a Grade 8 came second in the SA U21 Clay Target Shooting League and consequently was selected for the U21 SA squad (earning him a Distinction Tie), and **Tom Richardson**, who in addition to representing WP for cricket and hockey, was selected for U18B SA hockey. It

must be mentioned that Tom captained Bishops cricket this year, on top of being vice-captain of hockey, while our deputy, **Piers Johnston**, captained rowing. **Cole Cruickshank** also continued to amaze, when having already won both the Parow Junior and Royal Cape Junior, he went on to win the Bishops individual championship for a record 3rd consecutive time, held during the Inter House Golf competition where Gray placed a narrow 2nd. With regards to other Inter House events, Gray once again claimed Inter House Surfing (thanks to **Jeremy Gebers** and **Jack Harrison**), Inter House Sailing (captained by **Nick Ryall**), won the U16 Inter House Rugby, while finishing as runners up in the U14 Rugby final, and recently won the Junior Inter House Cricket.

And finally, Gray shone in the realm of academics this year. **Brandon Snider**, **Okuhle Minyi**, **Felix Burt** and **Richard Wellington** performed very well in Maths and Science Olympiads, while **Christian Cotchobos** earned a gold in the UCT Maths Competition. On top of that, four Gray boys placed in the top three in their grades at Prize Giving and **Tom Richardson** must be congratulated on sharing the prize for the Best All-Round Sportsman and earning the Philip Stent Trophy for outstanding all-round capabilities combined with true humility. **Sean Douglass** deservedly won the prize for Best Contribution to Music Ensembles.

Overall, 2015 has set high standards to maintain in the year ahead as the Grade 11s take over leadership of the House, but with those high standards come the high morale and drive not only to meet them, but to improve on them and develop the House to continue to reach new heights.

*Marcus Knight and Daniel Tate*



*Inter House Surfing Winners: Jack Harrison and Jeremy Gebers*



*Gray Golf Team: Tom Richardson, Anton Volkel, William Baldwin and Cole Cruickshank*



*Ogilvie Matrics: 2011 – 2015*



## OGILVIE

**House Director:** Glen Gibbon

**Head of House:** Matthew Perrott

**Deputy Head:** Christopher Hyslop

2015 has been a big year for Ogilvie. We set out at the beginning of the year with very ambitious and seemingly impossible goals. However, with fantastic leadership from the matrics, professional support from the staff members and a general all round massive effort from the Ogilvie boys, we achieved more than we ever could have dreamed of, including the trifecta!

The swimming gala is always a hotly-contested event with mere points between first and second. This year, we managed to scrape a win by the finest margin possible against Founders House. But, without a doubt the

biggest Inter House Bishops event of the year is the Eisteddfod. This year we knew it was our best chance in 10 years to go for the big Owl and win the competition. With planning that started before the 2014 Eisteddfod even ended, every single possible entry being filled and our superstars single-handedly winning entire sections, we threw ourselves into Eisteddfod with all the Ogilvie spirit and passion we could manage. It all came down to that final night at His People's Church with the final event, the Inter House Singing. That night, we finally brought justice to all the work and effort we had put in the past year. We won the Speech Owl





*Inter House Singing*



*Inter House Soccer*

with Ogilvie making finals for both Junior and Senior Debating. We won the Drama Owl, also winning the prize for the Best Play and Best Director. Finally, we were runners-up in most other Owls leading to our ultimate goal; we won the Eisteddfod Owl. The Eisteddfod was competed in a sportsmanlike manner by all the Houses and through the competition everyone had a fantastic time. On the back of the athletics win we could not have hoped for more!

Among our success for Ogilvie as a whole, we as always have our individuals who stand out in

what they do. **Desmond Fairall** through all the business of matric and Eisteddfod somehow found time to go to Speaking Worlds and came first in the persuasive speech section. He also joined the SA Youth Debating Team in the Debating Worlds where they lost narrowly in the semi-finals to the winning team. **Tim Langerman** competed in four diverse and competitive events in the space of one week, achieving the following results: 12th in the SA Triathlon championships, 1st in the U19 300m at the Triangular, 7th at the WP athletics championships and he rode the Cape Town Cycle Tour with a time of 1h28m.

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to the matrices of 2015; they have done a fantastic job in leading both the House and the School. Ogilvie also says a sorrowful goodbye to **Mr Steyn** who is leaving to become Assistant House Director of White house. It has been a brilliant year all round; a tribute to ourselves as Ogilvie and to the School as a whole.

*Matthew Morris*





## KIDD

**House Director:** Graeme Klerck

**Head of House and Deputy Head of School:** Joseph Linley

**Deputy Head:** Jason Hofmeyer



*Grade 11 Leadership Camp 2015*

The past six months have been among Kidd House's finest, and this has all been thanks to an absolutely spectacular matric group, with **Nic Frankenfeld, Matt Roberts, Rhiyaan Smith, Jeremy Wilkinson** and **Eddy Murphy** all receiving distinctions awards for leadership. However, now that that teary time of every year has arrived, where the matrices must say their final farewells, the mantle must once again pass to the next grade. The Head of House and Deputy Head of School for 2016 is **Joseph Linley**, while Deputy Head of House is **Jason Hofmeyer**. We wish them the best of luck.

On the academic front, Kidd House has stood out as force that constantly raises the bar for everyone else. **Jeremy Wilkinson** was awarded his academic jersey, while four of our Grade 9s have earned their academic ties. Jeremy also distinguished himself by winning both the Mintek Quiz and the National Science Olympiad – a feat for which he jointly won the OD Merit Prize. However, Jeremy is not Kidd House's only budding scientist, as **Nicholas Peile** and **Angus Thring** both distinguished themselves at the Eskom Science Expo, both winning gold. Both boys continued on to the SA Science Expo in Johannesburg, where **Angus** won gold. **Angus Thring** also distinguished himself on a more literary level, where he placed 15th overall in the National English Olympiad. English appears to be another of Kidd's strengths, with **Alexander Peile** being published in *English Alive 2015* and winning a gold certificate in Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition. Finally, three members of the school's prestigious Ten Club, for the most academically gifted ten matric boys, came from this year's Grade 11s: **Redwald Aspinall, Ziyaad Bawa** and **Alexander Peile**.

Kidd House is not just a House for academics though. Many of our boys are talented on a cultural level as well. This was best shown by our Eisteddfod performance where, driven by a highly enthusiastic and



*Kidd Sisanda Connect Day*

hard-working matric group, Kidd came 2nd in both Inter House Singing and Movement. On a musical level, no boy represents the best Kidd has to offer quite like **Rhiyaan Smith**. In the last six months alone, he was awarded a Distinction Tie for his musical achievements, won three gold diplomas in the Cape Town Eisteddfod, won the Piano Prize at Prize Giving and was invited as soloist to play with the Hugo Lambrecht Orchestra. In the other performing arts, Kidd House has also had a massive representation at home and abroad. In a highly successful joint tour to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, involving **Nic Frankenfeld, Troy Horrell** and **Joseph Linley** as part of *Simply Blue* and **Ross Tucker, Alexander Peile** and **Nicholas Peile** as part of the cast of *Cold Stone Jug*, the international community got to taste a little of what Kidd House had to offer.

As a result of the tour, both **Ross Tucker** and **Alexander Peile** were awarded Half Colours in Drama. Kidd also excelled in the film medium, where in the recent SA Teen Film Fest competition, **Nicholas Bowden** and **Ross Tucker** won Best Film, which will be screened by 'Short and Sweet' in Cape Town and Amsterdam, while **Angus Thring's** group were finalists for Best Director of Photography. Kidd also had an excellent representation in the recent National Individual Debating and Public Speaking Competition where **Troy Horrell, Alexander Peile** and **Nicholas Peile** distinguished themselves. Troy placed 10th overall, Alexander placed 6th and came second in the Impromptu and Persuasive categories and Nicholas was crowned National Champion in Interpretive Reading. Troy and Alex will represent South Africa in Pittsburgh in April next



*Kidd Matrics 2015*

year. Finally, it is important to note that Kidd House boys aren't just talented at conventional activities, as evidenced by **Gabriel Makin's** performance in the competitive card game Magic: The Gathering, for which he won a local tournament and represented South Africa in the UK.

On the more physical side of things, Kidd House continues to explore new heights. **Keanan Alexander** exemplified the heights to which all Kidd house boys aspire with an awarding of Full Colours for rugby, a Distinction Tie for water polo and a spot on the U20 South African Men's water polo team. Also pushing the boundaries of their disciplines were **Glenn Yates**, who earned Full Colours for squash, and **Jason van der Linden**, who earned Half Colours for cycling, while in fencing, **Rhiyaan Smith**, **Shirag Maharaj** and **Christian Garry** earned a gold badge, a silver badge and a bronze badge respectively. However, Kidd's excellence does not just extend to conventional competitive sporting achievements. **Warwick Reid** represented

South Africa in Colorado in the World Youth Fly Fishing Championships, where he placed 10th overall for U18. **Liam Foxcroft** and **David Naude** both attended the World Youth Climbing Championships in Italy, where David place 45th overall. **David Laubscher** earned bronze at the SA Goju Kai karate championships. No list of Kidd House sporting achievements can be considered complete without one final mention of **Julian van der Watt's** illustrious Go Karting career, representing South Africa many times throughout his time at College.

Finally, after seeing all the personal achievements of our boys, we must acknowledge all the selfless hard-work from Kidd House in the effort of giving back to the community. Our annual Grade 11-run variety concert was able to raise R2876 for Little Libraries, thanks to the kind and generous donations from parents. Meanwhile, **Jeremy Wilkinson** and **Rhiyaan Smith**, in purely self-driven effort to help out, took part in a joint Jazz Band concert with Settlers High to raise funds for Thomas Wildschutt Senior Primary.

All in all, the past six months have been a time for learning, living and leading for the young men of Kidd House. Once again we have raised the bar to the very top level and shown ourselves to be force to be reckoned with. We have created a space where anyone with talent and a desire to excel can spread their wings. We look forward to another year with new challenges and calls to action, and a new group of Grade 8s, ready to tackle college in all its glory.

*Joseph Linley*



*Grade 11s at the 2015 Leadership Conference*



## BIRT

**House Director:** Trevor Pasquallie

**Head of House:** Max Newbury

**Deputy Head:** Dylan Burke

The second half of 2015 has been another incredible period for Birt House, led by an excellent matric group, spearheaded by **Stefan** and **Mike**. We have had accolades in all aspects, from **Mike Houlie** representing South Africa in swimming, winning four gold medals and breaking a number of African Junior and SA records, to **Michael Wilson-Trollip** accumulating gold diplomas at the

Cape Town Eisteddfod.

At this year's Bishops Eisteddfod we finished 3rd overall by winning the Visual Arts Owl and Movement section, finishing second in both Speech and Performance and third in Music. **Mitchell Christy** was named Best Actor. Our boys' musical contribution to the awards list is another gold star for Birt House. **Michael Wilson-Trollip** received three





*U15 Rugby 7s Champions*

gold diplomas at the Cape Town Eisteddfod. For the KAE Afrikaans Eisteddfod he, **Adam Stonestreet**, and **Andrew Hodgson** all obtained a mark of 90% and above. **Michael Wilson-Trollip** also received a medal for exceptional achievement. **Lee Cooper** obtained a mark of 95%. **Shannon Thebus** received a Royal Schools certificate for grade 8 French horn. His mark of 95% was so high that he was invited to perform at a High Achievers Concert.

**Luc Janssens** was awarded his Gold President's Award. **Zola Baird** won the National School Science Essay Competition and received a cash prize; the School received the Competition Trophy.

**Brandon Burke** went to Malta in July to represent South Africa U16 water polo.



*Zola Baird, winner of the National Science Essay Competition*

**Luke Baker** won 1st place at the most recent SA Junior Fly Fishing Competition and represented the Proteas at the World Fly Fishing Competition in Colorado. **Stefan Ranoszek** has completed his fourth year of playing first team squash at Bishops and received a Full Colours re-award. Our juniors are excelling in Inter House competitions and have won the Junior Soccer, the Junior Rowing and the U15 Rugby 7s.

We ended off the year well by receiving numerous prizes at the annual Bishops Prize Giving. We were the only House to have a student in the top three academic positions in every grade, thanks to **Joshua Elliott** (Grade Prize 1st in Grade 8), **Ryan Labberté** (Grade Prize 3rd in Grade 9), **Christopher Aubin** (Grade Prize 1st in



*Junior Inter House Soccer Winners*

Grade 10), **Luke Baker** (Grade Prize 3rd in Grade 11), and **Michael Thomson** (Grade Prize 2nd in Grade 12). Special prizes went to **Stefan Ranoszek** (OD All-Rounder's Prize, Senior JSM Viljoen Skrywersprys, Senior Addisionele Taal Toespraak Prys), **Michael Thomson** (Rembrandt van Rijn Medal, Sam Butler Drawing Prize), and **Shannon Thebus** (Instrumentalist's Prize, Sholto Cole Organ Trophy, Brian Guillemard Prize for Major Contribution to Music in the School, Graham Coote Prize for the Best Contribution to Ensembles). The abovementioned academic achievers were also acknowledged at our House dinner. **Luke Baker** was named our Sports Achiever for 2015 and **Shannon Thebus** and **Mike Thomson** shared the first ever Birt Cultural Award. The Canon Trophy



*Birt flag handing over: Dylan Burke, Max Newbury, Mike Thomson and Stefan Ranoszek*

was awarded to **Yazini Dube** for good fellowship to all in Birt House.

Thanks to the matrices of 2015, we have had a great year. Distinction awards for leadership were awarded to **Michael Thomson**, **Reece Conrad**, **Stefan Ranoszek**, **Luc Janssens** and **Hamid Toorabally**. As Stefan said at our House dinner, there's nothing he could say which would in any way do justice to the past year of success that Birt has had. Stefan felt it was a privilege to lead a House of this calibre. With the help of **Mike Thomson** and the Birt Matrics of 2015, what could have been a monumental task always seemed manageable. Congratulations Birt House on a highly successful 2015. Floreat Birt!

*Max Newbury*



## MALLETT

**House Director:** Marion Bradley

**Head of House:** Brett Sneddon

**Deputy Head:** Theuns Kuhn



*The new leadership group in Mallett House*

One and a half terms have already passed since our last report and it has been an extremely busy time. The matrics are currently writing finals – we wish them all good luck; the Grade 11s are preparing for their exams and have taken over the leadership of the school, and Grade 10s are preparing for the Epic and Exchange.

Mallett House has been extremely successful for the latter part of the year. One of the major talking points within the House and around the school is around Mallett House's superb performance at the Eisteddfod. We managed to win the

Singing Owl, led by our Head of House **Stefan Dominicus**, for only the second time in Mallett history. This was extremely significant as the first time Mallett House won the Singing Owl was when the current matric year was in Grade 8, and they were led by their Head of House, Rob Smith. This year's performance at the Eisteddfod left the House well-set in terms of our goal to win the overall Owl next year. The current matrics set the tone and showed everyone what needs to be done in order to achieve. So, a special thank you goes to **Stefan Dominicus, Rayhaan Surve**





*Mallett Matrics 2015*

and the rest of the matric group. Sticking to tradition, after the Eisteddfod we were treated to a marvelous breakfast in the Day Boy Dining Hall for winning an Owl.

The Mallett House dinner was held in the Woodlands Pavilion for the first time. The theme for the night was the 'Woodlands Forest' and it was decorated superbly. The guest speaker of the night was Rob Smith, Head of House when the current matrics were in Grade 8. The traditional hand over took place between **Stefan Dominicus** to **Brett Sneddon** and **Rayhaan Surve** to **Theuns Kuhn**.

Recent news within the House: the Junior Inter House Cricket team played in the Junior Cricket Final on Thursday the 22nd against a very strong Gray House. The Mallett boys bowled and fielded extremely well, with a few decisions unfortunately going against them and were just not good enough to take the victory away from Gray. A huge well done to the side on coming second. Another Inter House event that took place on the same Thursday was the Inter House Rowing. Special mention must



*Stephen Dominicus and Rayhaan Surve (Head and Deputy Head of House 2015) hand over to Brett Sneddon and Theuns Kuhn (Head and Deputy Head of House 2016)*

be made of our individual rowers: **Ben Craig** – Grade 8, **Linda Farr** – Grade 9, **Finn Geldenhuys** – Grade 10 and **Byron Cranswick** – Grade 11. These rowers did extremely well considering a Grade 9 had to row for the Grade 10 age group. Even though both relay teams didn't perform to expectation, it was a commendable effort as Mallett House only has one rower and we still were able to field a team and compete. Special mention to **Drew Turpin** and **Josh Smith** who organized everything.

Mallett House has some exciting prospects looking forward to next year; the major goal is the renovations planned. The renovations for next year were showcased in 3D layout for the first time at the Junior Cricket Final. This was hosted by the Grade 11 boys who organized a braai and snacks for everyone present, in order to support the cricketers and to showcase the plans. Even though reputation might say otherwise, Mallett House is an extremely culturally talented House. Over the holidays an overseas trip was lead and organized by **Mrs Bradley** and **Mr Tucker**, for



*The Junior Squash Team trophy winners: Jonathan Greyling, Tim Wright and James Blow*

*Simply Blue* and the cast of *Cold Stone Jug* to participate at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe. Special mention to our Mallett men who represented us on that tour: **Stefan Dominicus, Graeme Irvine, Julien Schlebusch** and **Ben Steyn**.

Mallett is an extremely diverse House with many talents and expectations. The prospects for the coming year are exciting and achievable. Some of the goals set by the Grade 11s for the coming year are to win Eisteddfod and to establish better and longer lasting senior-junior relationships within the House. These goals and ambitions were set in place during the Mallett House leadership conference for the Grade 11 boys. It was held at the Durbanville Protea Hotel.

The conference was a huge success and left everyone very ambitious and excited for their matric year.

Lastly, a thank you and a farewell to our current matrics. You have left us with so many memories and huge shoes to fill and have shown us what can happen if you work together as a team. We commend you on your leadership throughout the year, especially at Eisteddfod which showed just how much we can achieve as a House. Mallett House is a family and always will be. It sees all the men as equals, striving for excellence both for the House and themselves. Mallett House can unite any group of people and we are proud to call it our House.

*Brett Sneddon*

# COLLEGE SPORT

## FENCING

2015 has been another exciting and action-packed year! The Bishops Club has maintained its status as the foremost fencing school club in the Western Cape. The High Performance Academy entered its fourth year at Bishops dedicated to developing the standard of junior and cadet fencing in South Africa. The strength and conditioning sessions continue to add to the success and fitness level of our fencers.

### OD FENCING NEWS

*Junior World Championships 2015*

**Alex Collings** and **Robert McGregor (2014)** participated in the Junior World Championships in Tashkent, Uzbekistan in April 2015.

*Junior Nationals in Bloemfontein May 2015*

At the recent Jr Nationals in Bloemfontein, our two OD fencers, Robert McGregor and Alex Collings met each other in the U20 men's foil final. The final score was 15 - 11 to Robert, winning Gold and Alex picking up the silver. Both these fencers are currently assistant coaches at Bishops.

### CLUB NEWS

*Commonwealth Junior and Cadet Fencing Championships – June 2015*

Western Cape Fencing, on behalf of the Fencing Federation of South Africa, hosted the 2015 Commonwealth Fencing Junior and Cadet Championships in Cape Town in July 2015. The Commonwealth championship, which is held every three years, is open

to U20 fencers from 31 different nations, including seven countries from Africa where fencing is growing in participation, prominence and performance. Many of the Bishops fencers offered their services to help run the competition at UCT, namely, **Rhiyaan Smith, Soo Min Lee, Winner Kakaza** and **Shirag Maharaj**. South Africa placed 4th, winning two silver team and one bronze individual medals during the competition. Three fencing ODs, **Robert McGregor, Alex Collings** and **Sam Wolski** participated in the champs and Robert and Alex won silver team medals.

*Club Championship Evening August 2015*

The Bishops Championship evening on Tuesday 18th August, which included the Old Boys and Inter House finals, was as much of an occasion as it has been over the last few years!

### AWARDS 2015

*Certificates for 2015:* **Ethan Arendse, Yusef Hassan, Jacob Holm, Winner Kakaza, Gabriel Makin.**

*Club badges for 2015:* Bronze: **Christiaan Garry, Mwewa Ruider, Nicholas Featherstone, Alan Pohl**; Silver: **Alaric McGregor, Terry Kim, Shirag Maharaj, Angus Longmore, Gunther Cloete, Cade Cannon** (re-award), **Chris Steyn** (re-award); Gold: **Rhiyaan Smith** (re-award), **Jamie Diggle, Finbarr Lebona, Carl Philip Lehmann, Soo Min Lee.**

Colours – Half Colours: **Alaric McGregor**  
Service Tie: **Rhiyaan Smith**

### *Cups:*

Inter House Cup: **Mallet**

Best Swordsman – *Epee*: **Soo Min Lee,**

*Foil*: **Alaric McGregor**

*Service Cup*: **Soo Min Lee**

*Club Officers for 2015/2016*

Captain: **Carl Philip Lehmann (M)**

Vice-Captain: **Jamie Diggle (O)**

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

### **OTHER HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2015**

**Alaric McGregor** was awarded the Most Improved Junior Fencer Award at the recent FWC awards dinner in November 2015. He is currently ranked 1st in U17 in the Western Cape and 7th in the men's foil in RSA. **Jamie Diggle** is currently ranked 4th in men's U17 cadet foil in the Western Cape and **Finbarr Lebona** is ranked 6th. Once again, a great year for the



*Rhiyaan Smith – getting ready for the epee individual bout*

club! We look forward to an exciting 2016 year of fencing and all the challenges it will bring. The Bishops club is also looking forward to touring to Tauberbishofsheim, Germany, in June 2016.

*Jacky Withers*



*Terry Kim, Carl Philip Lehmann and Soo Min Lee - Mallett House winners of the Inter House Cup*



*Cole Cruickshank*

## GOLF

The Cruickshank family has been synonymous with golfing excellence here at the College for more than a decade. **Chad Cruickshank** captained the 1st golf side in his matric year (2006) and it was through his leadership that the Golf Society was established. His younger brother, **Cole** (2015 Captain of Golf) played his first match for the College as a Grade 5 boy at the Prep. Cole's accomplishments as a golfer are more than just noteworthy: He represented Bishops 1st Team Golf for six consecutive years (2010 - 2015); achieved Full WP colours for Golf (U12/U13/U14/U15/U17/U19/U23); was part of a Winning WP u19 IPT team (2014); was crowned the Royal Cape Club Champion (2014 – youngest ever winner at 16); won the Clarendon Cup (foursomes trophy – 2015); was

the Royal Cape Junior Open Champion (2015), the Parow Junior Open Champion (2015), the Atlantic Beach Junior Open Champion (2014); Glacier Junior Series (6 out of 7 tournaments - had top 3 finishes); the Royal Cape Men's Open Champion (2013 – youngest ever at 15); won the MVP for Premier League (2015) – Won all singles matchplay games at no. 1; and was a part of the WP U23 IPT team (2015 – age 17) and one of four out of 50 players to win all their singles matchplay games. We wish Cole all of the best for the future and thank him for the impeccable example of integrity and sportsmanship that he leaves behind. Duncan and Dawn Cruickshank have been unwavering in their support of Bishops Golf over the years and leave a legacy that will not easily be matched.

*Mervin Walsh*





*1ST XI and ODs*

## HOCKEY

### 1ST XI

The 1st XI squad of 2015 has made this a memorable season. Why, you may ask? Was it winning the local league title or the KO cup? No. More importantly they have upheld the values that Bishops hockey aspires to. They have had an incredible work ethic at practice. Practices were high tempo and high intensity and this was transferable to games. This year's squad members have been ambassadors for hockey, ensuring that hockey is popular and growing. The players have had a tremendous capacity for learning and applying what they have learnt in executing our game plan. Added to this, the players have worked well with the management, developing a relationship of trust and respect. This set the foundation for potential success. As a team, the players have complemented each other, fed off each other's strengths, with some players being aware of their limitations. As a result we developed a style of play that accentuated their strengths. All they did was just play the game and that's



*Justin Nel (1st XI Captain) being awarded KO Trophy*

what school boys should do. As a team they understood how the pieces of the team-puzzle must be assembled, the conditioning, skills acquisition, developing tactical knowledge and relationships with their teammates. They were prepared to create their own identity, constantly working at getting better. Sustained excellence demands constant change and adaptation, not only looking outside for answers, but self-reflection and analysis of themselves. As a team they never lose sight of what got them to where

they are, a person first and foremost and then a Bishops 1st team hockey player. This group has worked very hard and certainly been a credit to Bishops hockey. As a result each player has made a contribution to the team and in the process this has been a happy team. What more could I have asked for in my last year as coach of the 1st XI squad.

### *Bishops 1<sup>ST</sup> XI Hockey Results 2015*

*Played 30, Won 21, Lost 4, Drew 5, Goals for 106, Goals against 33*

*Warren Wallace*



*2nd XI preparing for Rondebosch in the final game of the season*

## 2ND XI

The side enjoyed a good season. They only played in 12 fixtures, but proved to be a fantastic defensive unit (only six goals were conceded all season), that built well through the midfield all season. If there is one criticism, it must be their inability to finish off effectively in big games and vital opportunities were squandered through missed open goals and the

hitting of posts. However, the vibe built among the boys and their passion for the game was never in any doubt and they thus lost only two games. Along with Ali Golding, it was a most enjoyable side to coach.

*Graeme Klerck*



*3rd XI – winners versus Rondebosch*

## 3RD XI

The team, led by **Nicholas Ryall** and **Luke Burton**, had an excellent season, and won five out of 11 games, with only two losses. There were some difficult ones played in extremely difficult conditions, e.g. the Wynberg fixture (away) in the driving rain and wind, and having lost **Laurence Midgley** after his first two minutes on the field! However, we still managed to draw that one. More importantly, we do claim the honour of having been the only team to have won in the final derby against Rondebosch, a tightly-contested game which went down to the final minute! Thanks to Jamie Wallace and the team for a very enjoyable season!

*John Holtman*

## 4TH XI

The 2015 hockey season for the 4th XI was a mixed one. We started off strongly winning our first three games, but then hit a poor run of form with four consecutive defeats before ending with our last three games unbeaten, including a high quality and hard-fought draw against Bosch. The 4th team was constantly being changed around and consisted of mixed talents which meant that there was a large emphasis on teamwork rather than relying on pure skill. The leadership roles in the team changed throughout the year, but ended off with **Tariq Dawray** as Captain, and **Nabeel Goolam Mahomed** as Vice-Captain. Overall, the performance of each individual was unique in most cases and this played a major role towards the performance of the team as a whole. A huge thank you must go to our coach, Leighlind Daniels, and our manager, Mr Robertson, for a fine season. It was encouraging to see each player improving each and every week and the hope is that we can improve on this season's results in the seasons to come.

*Tariq Dawray*

## U16A

2015 proved to be a challenging year for the team. It started off really well with our tour to Grahamstown for the Independent Schools Festival. The team learnt a lot about the demands of U16 Hockey as only two members of the team had the experience of playing U16 before. When we returned from tour, we notched some really good wins against SACS, Paarl Boys and Edgemead. We faltered a bit towards the end of the first half of the season. We started the second

half of the season on a wonderful note with a very special win against Paul Roos. Our defence, which has been the hallmark of our team, held its own against a very strong Paul Roos team. Unfortunately that performance did not continue in the knock-out as we lost 3-1 to a well-drilled Rondebosch team. No matter what obstacles came our way, the team showed amazing heart and determination. Every training session was held at a very high intensity and it won't be long before we see these boys taking their hockey to the next level. I would like to congratulate **Bulelani**, **Malachy** and **Idrees** on their selection to the WP U16A Team that won Gold at the Inter Provincial Tournament in Durban. **Bulelani** and **Idrees** were then selected to the SA High Performance Training Squad that stayed behind to train for 3 days. **Mike Burton** has captained the team amazingly well. He has lead from the front and always inspired the boys to achieve their best and to never give up no matter what circumstances we faced. And finally, a big thank you to all the parents for their unwavering support.

*A-J Spieringshoek*

## U16B

The U16B hockey season took off to a promising start with a team that fielded players who had experience at an 'A' team level in the past. Momentum was built with a few early wins and focus shifted to the local derby matches. Unfortunately we were unable to capitalise on the advantage and bitter rivals Rondebosch had the better of us on the day. The highlight of the year would be the come-from-behind-win over Paarl Boys to turn over a 3 goal deficit and win 4-3. All in all the boys

had a great season and the open age group can look forward to having plenty of depth in the forthcoming season.

*Ryan Schmitz*

### **U16C AND U15C**

Both teams enjoyed a great season of hockey. Practices were always well attended, even those in the rain at UCT. Commitment, passion and determination was the hallmark of their play and on balance, the boys played some very entertaining and skilful hockey. The teams grew in size as the season progressed

and this can largely be attributed to the quality of hockey played and the remarkable camaraderie amongst the boys. Special thanks to Gio Marchesini (U15C) and Graham Welham (U16C) for their coaching. They set high standards for the boys to meet and worked hard to help them to improve their game. It made a huge difference practising on astro twice a week and the boys would like to extend a special thank you to Mr Henchie and Tony Noon for making it possible for the boys to practice at UCT so effortlessly.

*Jenny Campbell*



*U15As celebrating a goal in the 4-1 victory over Fairmont High*

### **U15A**

The U15A Hockey season started with the boys playing in an U16 tournament in

George. The squad was led by Mr Campbell Smith. The squad benefitted from this tournament and started working really



*U15A coach, Jodie Erasmus, giving words of advice to James Watson*

well together. Although the results for the season are not as good as the previous four years, the team spirit and camaraderie was awesome. It is clear that the extra year of playing with same-aged students is paying off. The skills taught to the boys by Jodie and Scott were awesome and this is a worthwhile investment into the future of Bishops hockey. Not only this, the parent input has been excellent and has helped to build hockey as a sport. **Greg Bolus** led from the front as captain and shows much promise as a hockey player. **Thomas Barty**, **Shane Goodsell**, **Michael van den Heever** and **James Watson** showed enormous determination to get and retain ball in matches. **Jack Graham**, **Benjamin Hartman** and **Christopher Kotze** were outstanding in managing their positions and allowing

strategies to materialise. The enthusiasm and desire to work hard at every session made **Murray Gordon**, **James Price**, **Logan Tait**, **Thomas Barty** and **Warwick Pitman** them pivotal players in any match. **Scott Jeffery**, **John van Niekerk** and **Alex von Hoogstraten** have developed their skills immensely over the season and helped dominate periods of play in tough matches. **Jayden Rossouw** was an outstanding goalie and gained a huge amount from the goalie lessons he received this year. We also are grateful to Bos Ice Tea for the sponsorship of ice tea at home matches. The season ended with the Super8 tournament. Bishops entered two teams and achieved 2nd and 4th place in this tournament.

*Leon Glanvill*

## U15B

Thank you, colleagues, coaches and boys for an enjoyable season. We operated well as a team and were there for each other over the course of the two terms. The results were evenly spread with four victories and a draw with an equal number of losses. The team is to be congratulated on their good sporting behaviour and the positive way in which they played each game. **George Jones** is to be praised for his role as captain – he led by example. Thanks to the services of Owen Newton-Hill as coach for the season. Having the use of both the UCT astro and our own Woodlands was a pleasure compared to the days practising on grass. Many thanks also to Sebastian Stemmett for his invaluable transport service to and from the away practice venue.

*Michael Withers*



## U14A

The season started with a tough tour to Nelspruit where the boys came up against some very well-drilled teams from up country. From the beginning of the season the boys showed a lot of promise and had a hard fought 1 - 0 victory against a strong Paarl Boys side that seemed to really kick start the season. The second term was concluded with an emphatic 12-0 demolition of De Kuilen in the first round of the Knock-out Cup where the boys passed the ball with pace, and the movement off the ball was delightful to watch. This is the brand of hockey that we had been working so hard to master during practice sessions and it was beginning to bear fruit on match days. The third term was highlighted by a famous win against Paul Roos and a nail-biting semi-final victory on showdowns against Wynberg at Hartleyvale. These two wins not only underlined the progression that the boys had made in their technical ability as hockey players, but more importantly it showed their ability to play a more strategic pattern of hockey against top teams. The final was a hard fought affair against rivals Rondebosch and after a poor first half, the boys played magnificently to draw the second half 1-1. It was a great way to end the season and emphasized the progression that had been made. The improvement from the pre-season tour to being placed runners up in the Knock-out Competition was down to a lot of hard work during training sessions and the boys are to be commended on their effort throughout the season.

*Campbell Smith*

## U14B

The U14B season was one of great

success, hard work and bond making. It is generally a difficult one in finding good team chemistry, due to the influx of new boys, however after a few trials we were able to find a team that gelled well together. As a result of this, the team "gees" of the U14Bs was always one of banter and fun. Hard work, quick, skilful and "two touch" hockey allowed us to pull off some great wins against Settlers, Edgemead and DF Malan. Using the new Woodlands astro we were able to further our basic and advanced hockey skills under the wise and watchful eye of our brilliant coach, Mr Henchie. This season saw the beginning of great friendships that would last through the glory of victory and the bitterness of defeat. Next year will hopefully see the same boys take on the season with great determination and team spirit.

*Euan Musselwhite*

## U14C

The U14Cs had a fun-filled season for a first season of hockey at Bishops! Despite not being result-driven, the boys enjoyed being on the astro turf and many made use of the opportunity to double-up and play for the U14Ds whenever the opportunity presented itself. There is a lot of potential in this group and it is going to be interesting to see who will be making it to A teams in the years to come. It is often those that start out in the lower teams who make the most of their opportunities. It has been a pleasure working alongside **Dylan Burke** and **Wesley Gardener**, two first team players, for whom the U14s have the utmost respect.

*Burgert Maree*



## ROWING

During the recent October break, the Bishops Rowing Club went on a 4-day training camp to the Breede River. The camp was a huge success with both the elite boats and beginners having plenty of time on the water. There was a strong turnout from the Grade 7 age group with 14 boys from different prep schools. It was great to see the enthusiasm for the sport and camaraderie among the boys at this age level. This camp also helped crews prepare for the Knysna Midway Regatta. A week after the camp, the Rowing Club attended the Knysna Midway Regatta, named for being the meeting point between Western Cape and Eastern Cape rowing schools. The Saturday comprised 1km sprint races which included all boat categories and a 6km timed procession for the larger boat

classes on Sunday morning. In the sprints regatta **Nick McAdam** won the U15 single sculls event. The U15A quad and the U16A eight and four all took very hard fought 2nd places narrowly losing to St Andrew's and Selbourne College. The Open pair made up of **Oliver Innes** and **Calum Wehmeyer** took 3rd place. On Sunday morning the boys came back hungry for victory. Well done to the U16A eight who took gold and to cox, **Andrew Van Voore**, who showed excellent navigation skills over the 6km course. A special thanks to all parents who travelled from Cape Town to cheer the boys on. James Husband did a brilliant job in the absence of Samuel Wells who was in the USA with the first VIII crew. The Bishops Rowing Club had a real presence at the regatta, which is a good reflection of the current strength of the club.



### **HEAD OF THE CHARLES REGATTA – BOSTON, MA, USA**

The Bishops First VIII travelled to the USA for the Head of the Charles Regatta held on the Charles River in Boston, MA. This is the first international tour for the rowing club. It was also used as an opportunity to visit and engage with the top Ivy League schools in the area. There are ever growing opportunities for student rowers in the US and more rowers from SA are going over to study there. We stayed in Boston for the first two nights where we boated from the Harvard boat house and rowed over the course where we were to race the following weekend. We met up with OD, James Johnston (2012), who is currently in the Harvard varsity boat and he gave us a short tour around the campus before running off to class and us to an official briefing. After a few

days in Boston we left town for Providence, RI and were hosted by Brown University. We boated from their boat house for the few days we were there and were entertained by student athletes and coaches. They were amazingly accommodating, friendly and welcoming. The town and University had a great vibe and people. Our last stop before returning to Boston for the regatta was Hanover, NH. We were hosted by some fellow athletes from Hanover High School. The boys enjoyed a day in classes with their hosts and experienced a very different school environment. We were also shown around the Dartmouth campus and what it has to offer. Upon returning to Boston, we collected our race boat and blades. We also found a flurry of activity along the banks of the river as they prepared to host 400 000 spectators for the 51st edition of the race. We



were set 56th out of 85 as we had not raced in the event the previous year and were thus not ranked. This caused some tense moments as we overtook several crews down the very tight and winding course as it passes under seven bridges. We did not attack the course as much as we could have, as we discovered by watching some very impressive displays of boatmanship from crews from the US, Canada, Australia, Italy, The Netherlands, and the UK. We placed 22nd, 24 seconds off the top 6 in a time

of 16 min 4 sec. **Stephane Pienaar** raced in the single and finished a very credible 19th. The rowing and racing was an amazing experience for the boys and left them feeling enthused for the season ahead. However, their interaction



with the Ivy League Schools put their experience on another level, with the possibilities of what they could achieve and where they could go with hard work, good academics and rowing.

*Samuel Wells*

## RUGBY RESULTS 2015

	Away RBHS	Home Wynberg	Away SACS	Away Paul Roos	Away Drostdy	Home RBHS
<b>1st XV</b>	L 12-55	W 53-15	L 7-14	L 29-39	W 47-24	W 36-23
<b>2nd XV</b>	L 17-19	W 41-15	W 17-15	L 5-43	W 33-15	W 18-12
<b>3rd XV</b>	W 22-12	W 48-26	L 0-11	L 0-19	W 10-8	W 14-7
<b>4th XV</b>	W 12-5	W 22-10	W 12-3	L 0-12	W 5-3	W 42-6
<b>5th XV</b>	W 54-17	W 57-0	W 40-7	L 19-36	W 55-5	W 47-10
<b>6th XV</b>	W 49-5		W 65-0	L 14-59		W 26-22
<b>7th XV</b>				L 10-74		
<b>8th XV</b>						
<b>u16A</b>	L 45-31	L 19-38	L 14-47	L 21-46	L 7-24	W 26-22
<b>u16B</b>	L 21-22	W 21-3		L 0-38	D 10-10	D 22-22
<b>u16C</b>	D 7-7	W 31-5	L 10-22	L 10-19	W 34-10	L 6-19
<b>u15A</b>	L 8-15	L 19-26	L 0-17	L 0-28	L 0-24	W 31-12
<b>U15B</b>	L 15-35	W 31-12	D 7-7	L 0-48	L 17-27	W 25-7
<b>u15C</b>	L 10-19	L 10-37	L 5-17	L 0-73	D 12-12	L 7-21
<b>u15D</b>	W 22-20	W 15-12	D 12-12	L 0-67	D 10-10	W 34-0
<b>u14A</b>	W 22-15	L 12-14	L 5-14	L 0-73	L 17-26	L 12-19
<b>u14B</b>	L 0-8	L 19-20	L 7-31	L 0-74	L 5-17	D 17-17
<b>u14C</b>	W 31-7	L 19-27	W 7-5	L 0-67	D 10-10	L 17-32
<b>u14D</b>	L 19-21	W 51-0	L 10-7	L 0-80	W 27-12	L 24-39
<b>u14E</b>			L 22-24	L 5-49		

## JEPPE FESTIVAL

<b>1st</b>	Pretoria Boys (Away)	W 59-0
<b>1st</b>	Kes (Away)	W 33-15

## GRAHAMSTOWN TOUR

<b>1st</b>	Grey High School (Away)	L 14-24
<b>2nd</b>	Graeme College (Away)	W 19-5
<b>u16A</b>	Graeme College (Away)	W 25-15
<b>u15A</b>	Kingswood (Away)	W 16-12
<b>u14A</b>	Graeme College (Away)	W 22-14
<b>1st</b>	St Andrews (Away)	W 35-33
<b>2nd</b>	St Andrew's (Away)	W 19-15
<b>u16A</b>	St Andrews (Away)	L 28-50
<b>u15A</b>	St Andrews (Away)	W 35-10
<b>u14A</b>	St Andrews (Away)	W 36-12

## TOURING TEAMS

<b>Heatlie U17</b>	Wellington	Won
<b>3rd</b>	Magdalene College	Won
<b>6th</b>	Queens Hospital	Won
<b>16 A</b>	Wellington	Lost



	Away <b>Boland</b>	Away <b>Wynberg</b>	<b>Paarl Boys</b>	Away <b>Brackenfell Stellenberg</b>	Home <b>SACS</b>	Home <b>Paarl Gim</b>
<b>1st XV</b>	L 38-39	W 26-19	L 7-12	W 29-17	L 17-26	W 35-32
<b>2nd XV</b>	L 19-33	W 14-10	L 0-12		W 40-17	L 17-45
<b>3rd XV</b>	L 14-20	W 15-14	L 7-36	L 24-32	L 13-17	L 0-29
<b>4th XV</b>	L 12-13	W 33-5	W 12-11	W 19-15	W 31-11	L 5-29
<b>5th XV</b>	L 14-36	W 31-5	L 65-0		W 41-10	L 10-24
<b>6th XV</b>		L 0-28	L 0-51	W 47-5	W 22-0	L 7-12
<b>7th XV</b>	L 7-20		L 0-23		W 67-7	
<b>8th XV</b>			L 21-33			
<b>u16A</b>	L 7-38	L 0-43	L 0-59	W 22-11	L 7-47	L 10-48
<b>u16B</b>	L 0-36	W 17-10	L 0-65	L 0-6	L 0-21	L 13-24
<b>u16C</b>	L 5-28	D 12-12	W 28-17		L 12-35	L 0-28
<b>u15A</b>	L 7-32	L 5-34	L 0-24	L 12-22	L 5-21	L 5-28
<b>u15B</b>	W 12-7	L 0-31	L 5-53	L 10-15	W 14-7	L 7-32
<b>u15C</b>	L 0-33	L 0-38	L 7-58	L 5-12	L 7-14	L 15-24
<b>u15D</b>	W 15-12	L 7-31	L 0-36		L 22-24	L 0-32
<b>u14A</b>	L 7-20	L 7-21	L 12-57	W 58-0	L 14-34	L 15-25
<b>u14B</b>	W 27-17	W 29-0	L 0-47	W 26-10	W 29-7	L 14-55
<b>u14C</b>	W 19-7	W 33-7	L 21-44	L 54-15	W 41-17	L 5-35
<b>u14D</b>		L 10-18	L 7-42		W 24-12	L 5-24
<b>u14E</b>			L 0-64		L 5-22	



*Our Captain, Jarryd Lurie, supported by André Manuel, makes a break*



*Francois Stassen launches an attack*

## RUGBY

### 1ST XV

*Captain:* **Jarryd Lurie#**

*Vice-Captain:* **Cornel Smit#**

**Regulars:** **Tristan Leyds#, Lubelo Scott#, Sebastian Hanekom#, Andre Manuel#, James Macdonald+, Brandon Salomo#, Francois Stassen#, Joel Paarwater#, Connor Osborne#, Luciano Da Graca#, Keanan Alexander#, Gregory Willcocks#, William Day#, Jean Pienaar, Seb Prentice**

# = Full Colours

+ = Half Colours

*WP Craven Week and SA Schools:* **Cornel Smit**

*WP Craven Week:* **Brandon Salomo**

*WP Academy Week and WP U17 7s:* **Lubelo Scott**

*WP Academy Week:* **JP Smit**

*WP Academy Week:* **Tristan Leyds**

*Head Coach:* **André Jacobs**

*Assistants:* **Mike Bayly** and **Wesley Chetty**

*Manager:* **Warwick Richter**

*Medics:* **Geoff Huber** (The Good Doctor Huber); **Gerald Muller** (Physio) and **Megan Petrie** (Physio)

*Conditioning Coach:* **Steve McIntyre**

It was only fitting that our First XV should put together a most memorable season over the course of the winter months of 2015 ... this they duly did, and appropriately so, given that this was to be the last campaign for our retiring Head Coach, Mr André Jacobs! The senior



*André Jacobs' last home game (DC 53 – WBHS 15 – 22 August 2015): Mike Bayly, Warwick Richter, André Jacobs and Wesley Chetty*

players were determined to do as well as possible, knowing that they were going to be the last squad ever coached by André. As the season unfolded, a couple of factors pulled together nicely to ensure many happy memories along the way, along the “journey” which our coach so often spoke about.

Firstly, we would have to acknowledge that we were extremely fortunate in terms of injuries.

In last year's rugby report, the manager (Geoff Kieswetter) mentioned how the Firsts had been “decimated by injuries from mid-June till the end of August”! Though, from time to time, we certainly lost key players for certain crunch games, the rugby gods largely smiled on this fine squad of players, remarkably allowing no fewer than nine boys the opportunity of playing in all sixteen matches! Without a doubt our medical staff and our conditioning coach also played significant roles in ensuring that almost the same set of boys were always able to report for duty on Saturday mornings! Our grateful thanks thus go to Geoff Huber, Gerald Muller, Megan Petrie and Steve

McIntyre for the important work which they did before and during the season.

Secondly, our two tours at the very start of the winter proved to be enormously beneficial for all in the team, allowing the players to gel together and to discover a healthy measure of confidence and self-belief which was to stand them in good stead when they returned to the domestic programme. Huge crowds turned out to watch the boys in blue for their matches in the Eastern Cape (against St Andrew's and Grey PE) and in Gauteng (where we took on KES and Pretoria Boys), and spectators at both venues (but especially the latter) were richly entertained by the fluid and silky brand of running rugby which this team produced. Indeed, some spectacular tries were scored in these four games, with many movements having begun from deep within our own half of the field.

The season was book-ended by memorable performances in two tournaments; the Firsts regained the winner's shield when competing in



*Daisy (William Day) on the charge against Bosch*

the Rondebosch Tens in March and, though they did not win the Villager Sevens some six months later, they did progress to the Final where they came up against Paarl Gim (after an unfortunate red card barely two minutes from the start of the first half, six players toiled away and very nearly stole first place, leading the match until almost the final play of regulation time!).

The 1st XV was certainly a team that everyone wanted to see in action ... at one point during the season, some die-hard Rondebosch old boys even confided to Meneer Jacobs that they preferred watching this vintage Bishops outfit in action as opposed to supporting their own alma mater in its own matches, just down the road! In particular, the team's demolition of Pretoria Boys at the Jeppe festival in April provided some wonderful memories of sweeping and mazy runs by our backline, and the boys quickly became the darlings of Doornfontein for their near-faultless performance on this occasion. Other highlights were provided by our home victory against Paarl Gim, not long after our return from Johannesburg, while the second half of the home match against Wynberg on a gloriously sunny morning in early spring will long be remembered by those who cheered from beyond the touchlines.

Of course, disappointments were also encountered as the season progressed and some matches, even against the "big guns", cruelly went against us, with the scoreboard reflecting only a few points between winners and losers. We never really turned up against SACS, and went on to rue, bitterly, a late penalty against Boland Landbou which ultimately cost us a game we had been winning at a canter. Still, the boys' "never-say-die" approach continually endeared them to their many fans, none more so than in their courageous match against Paul Roos in Stellenbosch (when, at the final whistle, the local coaching staff were so relieved to have won that they were heard to say how pleased they were that PRG only take on Bishops once per year!).

As a newcomer to the squad, the manager would have to add how amazed he was to note the warm and genuine "family atmosphere" which existed within the ranks. Ever courteous and polite, the players truly came across as a band of brothers who greatly enjoyed each other's company and who, through thick and thin, remained so openly affectionate towards and supportive of one another. Little wonder that we observed such a cohesive unit in action whenever the boys did duty on the Piley Rees!

Much credit for our very positive approach to matches and to training should go to this year's skipper, **Jarryd Lurie**. A very model of reliability and determination, Jarryd set the highest of standards for the boys in his team; there was surely no-one else who worked harder at his game? Week after week, there was nothing (not even another broken nose!) which could stand in the way of him leading his players into battle. His no-nonsense approach to the game and impressive work rate were also key factors which greatly inspired and spurred on those



*Seb Hanekom passes before contact*

around him. **André Jacobs** repeatedly referred to **Jarryd** as our “warrior leader”; **Jarryd** proved to be a fine example of a players’ captain, if ever there was one.

**Cornel Smit**, our vice-captain, also proved to be a talismanic and inspirational leader of the backline; when Cornel was on song, the whole unit just clicked with players either side of him suddenly finding themselves with acres of space to attack, after one of his exquisitely-timed trademark pop passes. Apart from being a huge factor when going forward, his goal-kicking proved to be near-perfect, whether kicking in the wind of the Cape or at altitude, up in Johannesburg. Cornel fully deserved the many accolades and honours that came his way during the season; these include selection for the Western Province Craven Week team, selection for the SA Schools team and the award of the College’s prestigious Distinction Tie.

It was a joy to behold whenever **Tristan Leyds** and **André Manuel** were able to link up, for these two players created a pulsating partnership and brought great excitement to the brand of rugby dished up by this team during the 2015 season. Opposing fly-halves kicked onto our last line of defenders at their peril; whenever they did, we all just seemed to sit back and watch



*Nothing can stop Yskas (JP Smit)*

in awe as these boys proceeded to weave their magic and to slice through the foe in front of them at great pace and with wonderful skills and ingenious subtlety. With their delightful sidesteps, their mesmerising swerves, and with the many tries they scored for the boys in blue, it is clear that both Tristan and André have bright futures in the game!

**Sebastian Hanekom** may perhaps have been one of the underrated heroes of our team. His impressive input did not go unnoticed by the schoolboy supporters on the side of the field, however, with the repeated chanting of “Super-SEB” often punctuating our play after one of his characteristically mazy break-outs! Ruthless on defence and a real and unpredictable force on attack, he was nicknamed “the silent assassin” by Mr Jacobs, as he went on to enjoy an injury-free season!

With his speed and general fitness, **Lubelo Scott** made a fine contribution to our cause, also playing in every match. He is to be commended on his willingness to move between different positions and to play wherever his team needed him most. He had a very good season and remains a great prospect for 2016. Another player to watch next year will be **Seb Prentice**; he came on in leaps and bounds over the course of





*The Manuel-Leyds double-act in action*

the winter, reminding one and all of his speed and potential with ball in hand when dotting down behind the poles against Drostdy, after a scintillating burst down the flanks

Our flyhalf **James Macdonald** was one of those to never miss a game this year. He played to his own strengths and marshalled our back-line with ever growing confidence and composure, while also fearlessly putting in a number of telling tackles when on defence. James was easily the pick of our players at the Villager's tournament, where he turned in some fine performances during our march to the final. As a Grade 11 player, he will be in action again next year, leaving him with much time to mull over Mr Jacobs' suggestion that he consider a switch to Number 9.

Nothing could keep **Brandon Salomo** off the field of play! Our nuggety scrum-half occasionally ran onto the Piley Rees wearing more bandaging than a mummy and somehow always managed to pick himself off the deck after taking a knock, determinedly returning to the fray to look for more action and involvement. The cherry on the top of his season was his selection to the WP Craven Week team ... in spite of the fact that this had been his first season at the base of the scrum! Nippy and sharp, Brandon certainly led by example.



*Cornel Smit looks to get the backline away*

And so to our forwards! **William Day** has truly made a name for himself by participating in every match since the first game of 2014, despite many scares along the way, involving all manner of injuries and mysterious illnesses! A real character, with indefatigable energy and enthusiasm, "Daisy" truly endeared himself to everyone within the school's rugby community during his time as First XV player. Though picked to do a job in the dark and dirty world of the front row, he loved nothing more than having a tilt at our opponents with ball in hand, and the team's supporters will be able to cherish many memories of his surprisingly pacey runs. He will be remembered as fondly for his loyalty to his teammates, and for having been selected as captain of our B-team for the Villager 7s!

**JP Smith** was another player who provided much entertainment whenever he pulled on a blue jersey. There can be little doubt that he has a very promising future ahead of him at prop if he is able to push himself at the highest level and to target ever greater consistency in terms of the performances he puts in. On his day, "Yskas" has shown that he can be a real force to be reckoned with, for he is a powerful scrummager who can also run and pass like any back.

**Keanan Alexander** was an absolute stalwart at hooker, a player who went about his business with a minimum of fuss while always producing the goods whenever the chips were down. He gave his coaches exactly what they asked of him and was clearly at the top of his game before suffering the cruel blow of a dramatic injury which was to cut short his participation in the season. The rest of the squad greatly appreciated the support he offered the team while hobbling about on crutches after his surgery. Having been called up as Keanan's replacement, **Gregory Willcocks** proved to be a more than able stand-in; he, too, had been injured earlier in the season, but bounced back in fine style. As hard as nails, Greg really seemed to get going when the going was tough! A great team man, he made a significant contribution during the last few matches of the winter.

In the engine room, the team became more and more dependent on the impressive work that was done by **Luciano da Graca** and **Connor Osborne**, the former being a retreaded front-rower and the latter, a recent acquisition from one of our rival schools, just a few kilometres away! As captain of the College's basketball team, Luciano put his ball skills and general handling ability to good use; he also discovered his scoring touch very late in the season, capping his last game on the Piley Rees with a brace of tries recorded at each end of the park! Connor very quickly established a name for himself within this squad, and, with his infectious good humour and effervescent nature, it very soon seemed as if he had never been at any other school at all! Together these young men made many significant tackles, quite simply refusing to stand back or to allow other packs to settle or dominate. They "bossed" our opposition in every way, and, with

each passing game, we came to realise that we could simply not do without them!

Though he seemed to spend a lot of time on the strapping bench, **Joel Paarwater** was often able to produce real magic on the field when he was fit and ready. He put in a telling performance in our game against Paarl Gim and made some telling runs during the season, despite being hampered by a nagging hamstring injury. Joel was always a handful when going forward, with his foraging breaks repeatedly spelling danger for the opposition.

**Francois Stassen** was our hunter! Excellent defence and strong running quickly became the trademarks of his season. Few could match his work-rate on the field, while his speed from break-down to break-down was equally impressive. As tough as teak, it sometimes seemed as if Francois was completely bullet-proof, as he always bounced back after having fearlessly put his head into places where it was just not needed. Mr Jacobs firmly believes that there is still much more to come from our number 8, particularly if he is allowed to play an even more open game.

**Jean Pienaar** was to make several appearances for the 1st XV during the winter. On each occasion he was to catch the eye with his impressive skills as a fetcher and with his knack of creating opportunities for those around him. Jean was responsible for several turnovers during his time on the field, and, as a hard grafter and honest work-horse, it would seem that he has a bright future ahead of him in 2016.

In closing, we thank our players for the entertainment they provided and for representing their College with such pride during the season! It has been a pleasure to have been associated with them during all the highs and lows of the past few months. We wish everything of the best to those

who leave the school at the end of this year and look forward to seeing much more of the same from those who will wear our colours in the new year! Thank you, too, to the coaching staff for their tireless efforts ... and “Tot siens”, of course, to André Jacobs.

*Warwick Richter*

## ANGUS FIRTH

I would like to wish my long standing rugby friend, Angus Firth, all the best with the 1st XV from 2016. Our first contact was when I coached him as a student at Rhodes University in 1990. Gus has always been a student of the game and he is a strong supporter of the Bishops brand of highly skilled, yet well-executed rugby. He has coached the Bishops 1st XV on two previous spells, with Basil Bey during the mid-nineties and with me from 1999 to 2005. He is therefore our most experienced coach and knows the intricacies of combining the modern trends of rugby with our Bishops brand. I know with the current crop of boys and coaches, Bishops rugby is in excellent hands.

*André Jacobs*

## 2ND XV

*Captain: Siyakholwa Qamgwana*

*Vice-Captain: Alisdair Jewson*

I am proud to say that the “all whites” approached every match with gusto, a real belief, and respect for the opposition. The boys maintained a special bond throughout the season and the ‘gees’ in the team was contagious. This year we were blessed with a talented group that was prepared to work hard to achieve success. It is then no surprise that we had a fairly successful year winning five out of the six games against our Southern Suburbs rivals, beating Drostdy, coming close against Boland

Landbou and being very competitive against Paarl Gimnasium. The team was proficiently led by **Siyakholwa** and in his absence (through either a first team call up or injury) by **Avelo Biko**, **Ross Church**, **Jean Pienaar** and **Leonardo Potgieter**. This group of players has done their bit to bridge the gap between the traditional heavy-weights (from Stellenbosch and Paarl) with the belief and confidence at an all-time high we look forward to 2016!

*Ronald Jacobs*

## 3RD XV

*Captain: Eddie Murphy*

Our main purpose for the season was to help our boys become complete rugby players so far as limitations allowed, while further developing those limitations so as to play a more attractive and more expansive game which showed in the second half of the season. Our job was to encourage THEM to enjoy and extend THEIR rugby abilities. From the outset we stressed that my kind of rugby is fifteen dedicated players who have a burning desire to win; a fierce pride in themselves and their team; winning with style and grace or suffering the pangs of defeat... it was about giving credit where credit was due. Our kind of rugby demanded discipline, dedication and most of all caring from player to player... to meet the challenge of the game and to discover its infinite pleasures and displeasures. Mainly it was about the boys, with all their strengths and weaknesses, with all their idiosyncrasies and diverse backgrounds, from our captain, **Ed Murphy**, who led with TRUE GRIT, to our chatterbox **Ben Tzemis**. Rugby knows no bounds; it asks no favours other than a muddy field, a ball, and boys to experience its challenges.

*Don Murray and Dino Lozides*



4th Team Rugby

#### 4TH XV

We had a successful season winning all but three games. Perhaps the most satisfying win was the one over Paarl Boys where some outstanding defence enabled us to cling to a narrow lead. Defence was the main strength of this team. We did have some convincing wins in the first half of the season but most of our wins ended up being close affairs where dogged defence was the difference between us and our opponents. Maybe this was most clearly seen against Drostyd where at one stage we spent about 20 minutes within 10 m of our tryline and won 5-3. The team did score some brilliant tries though and usually played well as a team so that all players had a chance to shine. The team was ably captained by Mikaeel Adams who certainly led by example so that courage was probably the hallmark of this year's *Wild Boys*. My special thanks to Nick Lassen (OD) and Luke Kuhn (OD) who coached the side with passion, expertise and good humour. They helped the boys have a really happy season.

■ **TEAM: Mikaeel Adams, Devon Campleman, Ya'eesh Collins, Christian Cotchobos, Sean Douglas, Liam Goff,**

**Daniel Gregory, Greg Jacobs, Matthew Kinnear, Alessandro Lupini, Harry Makin, James Murray, Michael Peter, Kieran Scruton, Thabo Sebola, Luke Smith, Oliver Stevens, Tom Sutcliffe, Ross Willis.**

*Captain: Mikaeel Adams*

*Peter Westwood*

#### 5TH XV

*Captain: Nicholas Pithey*

In the nether regions of the U18 age group of the renowned rugby culture that is Bishops lurks a remarkably talented bunch of young men who play a very exciting and skilful brand of rugby – known as “Bishops Rugby”. With a coach who embodies the philosophy of Bishops Rugby these young warriors run the ball at every opportunity – they display a level of skill well above their lowly station in the age group and their results show the effectiveness of their approach. Apart from narrow losses to Paul Roos Gim and Paarl Gim, and a somewhat more substantial loss to Paarl Boys High, the 5th XV had an unbeaten run against the Southern Suburbs schools winning both home and away fixtures very convincingly.

On behalf of the coach I would like to thank the lads for their efforts and wish them all the very best as they move up the ranks in the age group next year or as they move into the clubs in which they may play next year.

*Dave Ledwidge and Blake Gower*

## 6TH XV

As a solid team, the 6th team boys formed a team that definitely played above its weight. They were a rewarding and enjoyable team to coach and are all men with great vibe and boundless energy. The season started off with us narrowly losing to Paarl Boys in the first game, but this set up a good season, with us beating all the Southern Suburb teams home and away. The last game was a special one, seeing most of the Matric boys scoring tries versus RBHS. The 6th team was definitely a pleasure to coach and a great vibe was formed between all the men, especially come their firing backline moves to put the ball under the poles in true Bishops running rugby style.

*Chris Ekron*

## U16A

The team can be described as a team that always takes its rugby very seriously and which has always put in the hard yards at practice, and done the work required and more. The boys on the team always played with guts, character and determination and a good degree of willingness to express themselves. Results did not always go our way, but our wins against Durbanville, Graeme College and Brackenfell were special. A true highlight was our fantastic last minute victory over Rondebosch on the Sahara. The tries by Ghaalieb Kenny (2), Ross Goodwin and Murray Bruce were worthy of any highlights package. This game epitomized the spirit of adventure and



*Back row: Duma Gcabashe and Almandro Jansen. Second row: Aydan Labuschagne, Matt du Plessis, Nathan Maimba, Ross Doyle, George Spencer and Ben Nel. Third row: James Ipser, Reece Meyer, Felix Burt, Murray Bruce, Matt Norton, Robert Macdonald, George Spencer and Glenn Yates. Front row: Ross Goodwin and Ghaalieb Kenny*

enjoyment that was part of the culture of this side. They made mistakes and lost some games, but they played the brand of rugby we like to see Bishops boys play. The team ended the season by competing in the inaugural SACS 7s and was placed second after achieving a clean sweep over our Southern Suburbs rivals in the pool stages, thrashing Rondebosch in the semis and narrowly losing to the hosts in the final. **Robert Macdonald, Matt du Plessis and George Spencer** were named as players in the Team of the Tournament.

■ **TEAM: Ben Nel, Ghaalieb Kenny, Duma Gcabashe, Nathan Maimba, Ross Doyle, Glenn Yates, Matthew Norton, Felix Burt, Ross Goodwin, Aydan Labuschagne, Murray Bruce, Robert Macdonald, Reece Meyer, George Spencer, Matt du Plessis, Almandro Jansen, Ronald Walters, Guy Henderson and James Ipser**

*Captain: Robert Macdonald*

*Vice-Captain: Felix Burt*

*Will Steenkamp*



**U16B**

This side really did come a long way over the course of the year. There were strengths – they did tackle well, but they lacked team cohesion, and confidence in attack, so we had lots to work on, but I was proud of the boys and how they did manage to pull things together over the course of the year. By the end they were playing rugby as well as I have seen on the Sahara. The year started well with a good performance against Paarl Gim where we were leading well into the second half – encouraging, but we still needed lots of work, and wins were hard to come by. I think the latter part of the season showed what had happened. Of the last seven games, we won 2 drew 2, and lost 3 (2 to Paarl opposition). The 1-point loss to Bosch at the end was heartbreaking – we had done enough to win. The team did tackle well and none better than **Sanele Mayosi**, and **Lindani Ngockoto**. **Paolo Bersella** was all energy and bustle and crucial steals, while **Rayleigh Le Fleur**, and **Dylan Evans** added grunt. The front row, although small, always fronted up and got their ball back. We were lucky to have some talented half backs- **Luca Guerrini** and **James Ipser**, then **Lindani** and **Lukhanyo Mntonintshi** as well all did well. Then they were complemented by some exciting strike runners in **Matt du Plessis**, **Almandro Jansen**, and **Richard Wellington**, and **David Wesson**.

■ **TEAM: Paolo Bersella, Stuart Boynton, Matt du Plessis, Dylan Evans, Linda Farr, Almandro Jansen, David Kinnear, Rayleigh le Fleur, Sisa Liwani, Sanele Mayosi, Lukanyo Mntonintshi, Lindani Ngcokoto, David Wesson,**

**Arthur Fisher, Guy Henderson and Azariah Alexander**

*Captains:* **Richard Wellington** and **Luca Guerrini**

*James Swift*

**U16C**

This is a team that unfortunately performed just below their full potential for much of the year. Lots of hard work and heart shown by the team against some tough opposition, but we often left the field feeling that we could and should probably have done a little bit better. We did improve, however, as the season progressed. Highlights along the way: a win against the Paarl Boys D-Team and a brilliant 31 - 5 win at Wynberg, and topped off with a nail biting 7 -7 draw against Bosch. Standout performances during the year: **Jody Williams** – ball fetcher and turnover specialist; **Marcus Craig**, **Linda Farr**, **Sisa Liwani**, **Liam Pargiter** and **Cayden Marquis** – tireless hard work in the “engine room”, tackling, rucking and scoring tries; **Ryan Good**, **Matt Hansen** – never stopped trying – improved significantly throughout the year; **Richard Baikoff** and **Sam Kuhn** – safe hands, great ball distribution and solid defence; **David Kinnear**, **Bathi Mbityi**, **Nqoyi Mputa** – solid defence and some powerful, penetrating runs; **Siya Sonja** – seriously impressive on good days – we’ll leave it there! Thanks guys for a great season and to Jason Germishuys and Sean Patterson for their hours of hard work and dedicated coaching.

*Keith Warne*

**U15A**

What a year for the J-Blues. This age group has much potential and talent as well as a lot of



*The U15A – J Blues – glory after the Grey win*

depth in key positions. This depth was crucial to us this year as the early season load along with a relentless and very competitive league resulted in a high injury count during the early parts of the league season which certainly halted our progress and resulted in continuity issues. As a result, we struggled either early or in the latter stages of tough games where some results went against us. We never put out the same team once this season but I must commend the J-Blues squad players who took their opportunities and gave their all. We were very much a squad and there was undoubtedly good development in terms of individual player improvement. As an age group head coach, this is all I can ask, and is one of my main objectives set at the beginning of the season: build an age group and develop individual players and improve depth. That KPI we certainly achieved. In terms of results, beating Grey PE (top 10 age group side in the country) with a Herculean defensive display while being tactically accurate was one for the memory books. Then the 31-12 mauling of Rondebosch the first time they beat a Southern Suburbs rival at the college was undoubtedly the best attacking display we put out this year. When at full strength and with continuity

this team can match and beat any team in the league. There is some serious talent but synergy and believe at the pressure points will be the challenge for them next year. Something I believe they will overcome due to maturity and what they have learnt this year. They enjoyed playing for each other and understood the culture of what it means to be a J-Blue and how important the 'brotherhood' is in forging a willingness to play as a team. I am in no doubt that they will be a strong age group and will definitely produce the results that match their talent and potential in years to come. Winning the SACS quadrangular 7s tourney and displaying their superior skill and talent is a testament to this. A special thanks must go out to **Finn Geldenhuys** an unbelievable and impeccable captain who led from the front and was a true leader in all respects. To Cameron Doyle, my assistant coach, who was outstanding with the forwards particularly and really brought an edge to our defensive systems, it has been a pleasure working with you. To our very wise and astute Manager, Mr Sudding, who brought a calm presence and great insight especially during tough times, thanks so much for the guidance. Lastly, to the parents thanks for all the support,

you have been a positive influence on the team all season long.

2...3...We are J-Blues.

■ **TEAM: Ano Mtombeni, William Rose, Stephan Fourie, Jordan Meyer, Bingo Ivanisevic, Dimitri Kapoutsis, Hector Orrell, Reuben Mndende, Robert Young, Justin Muller, Harry Newman, Peter Bacon, David Nivison, Alex Castle, Jeff Malherbe, Luke Wessels, Oli MacRobert, Mike Roche, Ciaran Manca, Daniel Stehlik, Matt van Westenbrugge, Alex Jankovich,**  
*Player Manager and Video: Okuhle Minyi*  
*Captain: Finn Geldenhuys*  
*Vice-Captain: Victor Allen and Timothy Sharples*  
*Richard Smith*

## U15B

Having to take over the U15 B XV in term 2 alongside the U15A XV gave an extra perspective as to the development and improvement of certain individuals and the teams as a whole. In the U15B XV, **Alex Jankovich-Besan** started in the Cs and as a late replacement, cemented his place from minute one. His game grew and by the end of the season, he was a serious contender for the A XV. The wings **Ciaran Manca, Marco De Nysschen** and **Tio Bakre** all had very decent seasons. Ciaran is another player whose genuine pace saw him go on all the A team tours and his last gasp defense saved at least two games. Tio's elusive running and Marco's pure guts and determination rounded off the back three. The centres **Luke Stevens** and **Harry Newman** (before he left for the As) were solid. Luke has the ability to break the line and his deft boot often got the opponents on the back

foot. At flyhalf, **Michael Roche** was good and his injury prone season was a pity as he has all the attributes of an all-round number 10. He takes the ball up, kicks well out of hand and defensively he is good.

The loose forwards **Theo Psillos, Jeff Malherbe, Daniel Stehlik, Matthew van Westenbrugge** and **Luke Wessels** were all outstanding. Luke's aggressive carries and defense, Matt's high work rate and line out play and leadership, Jeff's work rate and leadership, Theo's ability to play to the ball and Dan's explosiveness from the side of the scrum saw him promoted to the As at the end of the season. These "loosies" were all huge plusses for the team. **Michael Steytler, Liam Agnew** and **Stuart Vine** were three monsters with Stuart's fitness in the latter half of the season, leading to devastating tries and big hits. Michael was the solid, hard-working and reliable man in the second row whilst Liam was our silent assassin with huge work rate. The front row of **Ollie MacRobert, Dan/Jeff** and **Tom Newberry** never stood back for anyone. Jeff and Dan alternated between hooking and playing on the side of the scrum. Ollie's tireless efforts and being the ultimate team man were much appreciated. **Tom Newbury's** mobility and scrummaging rounded off a fine front row.

It was great managing these boys with the ebullient Seb Mattheson (Bishops 2010 First XV skipper) and Dean Gericke (Pretoria Boys' High 2007 First XV). **Jeff Malherbe** captained the team in his usual mature, calm and organized way. To have three fine young men of this calibre at the helm, made it all worthwhile.

I would also like to thank the A and B team parents for their unending support. We enjoyed

three great tours together and will see each other next to the touchlines over the next three years. A big thank you too to Rich Smith and Cameron Doyle who looked after the As. Keep going Richard and Cameron. The game needs folk of your ilk.

*Dean Sudding*

## U15 C

This team consisted of some very talented players, but unfortunately struggled to play to its potential as a team for a complete match. Every game saw a significant spell of entertaining and skilled rugby that showed what they are capable of. It was satisfying to have a consistent, reliable and gifted half back pairing of **Cole Kruger** and **Ryan Labberte**, aided by **James Halle** at centre. The forwards were enthused by the unfailing 'ball-stealing' skills of **Ryan Wonfor**, as well as the rollicking runs of **Junho Ko**.

**Hugo Janssens**, **Kalu Varney** and **Anton Van Wyngaarden** were also formidable with ball in hand. These, as well as other players, certainly have the skills to play in higher teams and that should be their goal. **Michael Karam** and **Ollie Hugo** were instrumental in providing a knowledgeable and nurturing coaching environment and are thanked for all their efforts.

■ **TEAM:** **Liam Agnew**, **Afolabi Babedi**, **John Grieve**, **James Halle**, **Chris Haller**, **Dean Jacobs**, **Hugo Janssens**, **Sihle Kahla**, **Josh Kirsch**, **Junho Ko**, **Cole Kruger**, **Matteo Lupini**, **Brendan Naude**, **Jonathan Pletts**, **Connor Price**, **Theo Psillos**, **Derek Reissenzahn**, **Tristan Sides**, **Anton Van Wyngaarden**, **Kalu Varney**, **Ryan Wonfor**

*Captain:* **Ryan Labberte**

## U15D

The team enjoyed a fun-filled season with some very impressive victories: a 2-point win against Boland Landbou away; the double over old foes Rondebosch; and an underdog victory against Wynberg in the 3rd term were moments that the team will remember for a long time. The boys revelled in the Bishops ethos of quick running rugby and fast developed an impressive skill set allowing us to be competitive against some of the bigger opposition. Defence was also a strong point of our game with the boys often being able to withstand a bombardment of our try line for a number of phases. As the season progressed, the team began to gel well as a unit despite the Cs poaching some of our players during the season and it was particularly impressive to see the likes of **Freddie Davis** and the rest of his Grade 8 troops fitting into the team environment so well. **Tristan Sides** was one of the top players throughout the season making some impressive tackles and finishing the season as the top try scorer. **Sihle Kahle**, **Joshua Kirsch** and **Connor Price** all showed impressive leadership qualities and captained the team with aplomb. Thanks must go to the players and their parents who contributed to a highly enjoyable and successful season.

## U14A

*Captain:* **Isaiah Wharton**

*Vice-captain:* **Michael Van der Merwe**

It is well understood and documented that the U14A season is a tough one for Bishops rugby, and this year was no exception. However, having said that, we still managed some incredible victories and moments of brilliant rugby that



*The U14 Squad just before match against Graeme College*

will be remembered by the boys, their coaches and manager for many more years. The U14A squad, made up of boys from six different prep schools, started the season off on a high note, touring the hills of Grahamstown and winning both games against St Andrew's and Graeme College convincingly. We had pace out wide and so, without much fuss, the squad came together and were able to move the ball quickly through the hands allowing our wings to put away numerous tries. On our return to home turf, we faced Paarl Gim on Sahara, a difficult start to our season, but we managed to keep a brave score, only losing by 15-25. Our season scoresheet is one of few victories scattered in between narrow losses. As frustrating as this was, we persevered steadily and continued focusing on the process of upskilling and developing the boys with a view of the future of Bishops rugby culture. This became evident in our last few games, within our local derbies, in which we dominated in terms of skill and structure, and were ultimately rewarded with a memorable victory against Rondebosch. Every boy who wore the U14A rugby jersey deserves to be commended on the effort and contribution he gave to Bishops rugby over this most memorable 2015 season.

*Gerry Noel*

## U14B

The Grade 8s have now experienced their first taste of the Bishops brand of rugby, and no doubt they found it a tantalising appetiser to whet their appetites for the next four years of running rugby. The u14Bs were a very rewarding team to coach. They possess an ample supply of skill, hinting at much potential. However, more important is the character these boys showed on the field of play. Somewhat outsized and often playing against opposition who have larger talent pool from which to draw, this team has proved that they have heart and the ability to punch above their weight. Yes, there were losses and there will be more in the future. Such is life. However, the boys learnt from these lessons and found it in themselves to keep moving forward. Altogether, what was displayed by the boys who played for the U14B rugby team should be a pleasing prospect to all proponents of Bishops College rugby. There were some memorable victories in the first term over Boland Landbou, SACS and Wynberg. But winning is not the most important matter at this level of rugby. It is most important that these boys learnt much and enjoyed their season and are hopefully able to look back at it several years down the line with fondness.

■ **TEAM:** Jordan Velosa, Cameron Good, Dallas Wichmann, Ben Cragg, Kieraan Meyer, Adam Fernandes, Jack Clayton, Charlie Yates, James Howard, Zander Brooks, Oliver Stewart, Max Stewart, Ross Tudhope, Aadam Abrahams Weltin, Ubaid Francis, Ryan Sneddon, Sam Elliot, Sean Murphy, Tristan Turner, Nic Cattell.

*Captain:* James Howard

*Jason Wulfsen and Barry Emms*



## U14C

As with all C teams, players come and go due to illness and injuries in the higher teams. All 35 boys ended up playing for the C team over the course of the season – which doesn't make it easy for the coaches! Michael Blanckenberg (OD) and Brad Flynn did a great job coaching the team and built up a good rapport with the boys: the

team spirit was strong, boys were prepared to play for one another and they played attractive rugby. The boys all developed as rugby players, they enjoyed the season and everyone had memorable moments to take away with them – perhaps no more so than **Shaun O'Brian** who ran in five tries against RBHS in the last match of the season.

*Phil Court*



*Lloyd Wood, Mr Burgert Maree, Francois Breytenbach and Stefan Dominicus*

## RUNNING CLUB

The Bishops Athletic Club is now in its second year as an official WPA club. The number of boys, as well as staff, who have bought a licence through the Club, has grown steadily, and the neat white and blue kit is seen at many of the road races or trails in Cape Town. We continue to invest effort in encouraging a love of running and of the outdoors. There are few pleasures as rewarding as a good run through the magnificent forests and mountain trails on our doorstep. A number of options are available to runners at the school. They may join the athletics team which trains at school.

They may train with the Road and Trail group which meets regularly during the week. They may play another sport, and hence not train with the group, but run a number of the incentive races from the WPA list in a specific time and still qualify for team awards for the sport. They may choose to run in the cross country league on Saturdays, should they have an interest in this discipline. This year three of our juniors opted to run in the USSASA Schools' league, although we have chosen officially to join the Club circuit

for all disciplines. **Oliver Stewart, Karl Weinert** and **Shaun O'Brien** acquitted themselves well at the zonal championships held at CPUT last term. **Oliver Stewart** competed in the nationals and won a place in the side for his club, Atlantis. **Derek Reissenzahn** ran a formidable distance in road and circuit races this year, completing a marathon distance of 42km in one of the circuit races, despite still being a young runner. **Lloyd Wood** showed considerable talent as a trail runner. Talent abounds amongst runners at the school and we look forward to continued growth in the Club.

*Bev Kemball*