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THE BISHOPS TRUST 175 CAMPAIGN



On Monday 21 November the Bishops Trust 175 Campaign was launched at the Woodlands Pavilion. After a welcome from the Chairman of Council, Mr Mike Bosman, the Bishops Trust Chairman, Mr Andrew Selby, outlined the background of the Bishops Trust and the reasons for the new campaign. The objectives of the Trust are threefold:

- ***To provide funding to construct or rebuild facilities of the highest international standard.***
- ***To provide bursaries and scholarships for talented boys, who otherwise would not be able to afford the opportunity.***
- ***To build the Bishops General Endowment Fund, to ensure the future sustainability of Bishops.***

The current campaign's aim is to raise R175

million in the next few years to undertake some major upgrades to key infrastructure. Mr Selby emphasized the need to create an ongoing "culture of giving" at Bishops so that major fundraising initiatives in the future would not be necessary.

The Principal, Mr Guy Pearson, then presented an overview of the school's most urgent needs, which have been developed in consultation with DHK Architects over the past eight months. The six major projects were identified as follows:

- ***The conversion of the Prep School Library into a modern media and resource hub.***
- ***The building of a Multifunctional Sports Centre at the College which would include basketball, squash, fencing,***

indoor hockey and a gymnasium.

- *The upgrade of the Frank Reid Pavilion and the Aquatics Centre.*
- *The building of a new Life Sciences (Biology) Block and the upgrade of the current Science Block.*
- *An upgrade of the Memorial Theatre to increase seating capacity.*
- *The building of a new Music Conservatoire.*

Mr Pearson presented conceptual drawings and the proposed site plan for these developments. (The full Bishops Trust 175 Campaign Brochure can be viewed on the School and OD websites).

Mr Mike Bosman then announced that the President of the OD Union, Mr Raymond Ackerman, had pledged R20 million to launch the campaign. In paying tribute to Mr Ackerman, the Chairman had this to say:

“Our OD Union President, Raymond Ackerman, has been involved with the Bishops 175 campaign from the first time we at the school started discussing it amongst ourselves, more than a year ago. He has met frequently with Guy Pearson and me to pass on ideas and share his experiences with us and we have really appreciated that.

When any of us think about Raymond, we can think of many things.

One thinks about an enormously successful OD and businessman who basically introduced South Africans to the way we buy groceries in South Africa today. The concept of massive supermarkets and hypermarkets were previously unknown in South Africa.

One thinks of the incredible amount of good Raymond, Wendy and their family have done for so many people and for so many



causes over the past 65 years. Some of that may have had its faint origins at Bishops and also at a convent in Kimberley.

In the late 1940s about eight or nine Bishops boys, including Raymond, with the support of a Bishops master, the famous Wilke, used to run a Night School each week to teach local waiters and gardeners and other adults, who had been deprived of a proper high school education. In Standard 9, Raymond was elected as the Principal of the Night School. Later when he left Bishops, he was involved with a similar Night School program at UCT and after he left varsity, when he was again the Principal. He had to work with the new young men and women students who wanted to be teachers on the program. One of teachers he met was a beautiful young woman called Wendy Marcus. They fell in love and were later married.

It is more than 62 years later and as was said in John Wades' 1839 book, 'The rest is history'.

It would be impossible to think about Raymond without thinking about Wendy. They are an enormously powerful team and Wendy, in her own right, has made such a



Mr Raymond Ackerman, Mr Mike Bosman and Mr Michael Watermeyer

huge impact on Raymond's life, with the family, at Pick n Pay and with her huge number of philanthropic activities.

One thinks of Raymond regularly appearing on TV for years, as he did in the 1970s, 80s and 90s, always taking on the Apartheid government, or some Control Board or another, and always fighting for the rights of the ordinary South African consumer. Always making a compelling point using his same pen - which I believe he still has.

One thinks about someone who has been awarded seven honorary doctorates from top universities around the world.

Who can forget that Raymond, in an amazing act of reconciliation, put aside an intense historical anti-Semitic prejudice to attend an OD Union dinner, a few years ago, at which we had the first black OD guest speaker.

When thinking about Raymond, we can think about an excellent sportsman; someone who gave up snow skiing at the age of 80, someone who still plays golf at the golf club his family founded, and who can score less than his age!

One just sees success and more success!

But it wasn't always like that for Raymond. It is all too easy, if not convenient, for us to forget that when Raymond was in Matric at Bishops, he was dropped from the First XV rugby team when they toured then Rhodesia in 1948, because some masters at the school felt that it would be inappropriate for a Jewish boy to go on a Bishops tour of church schools, especially in the year that DF Malan's National Party won the national election.

Raymond was also blocked at school from being involved in certain parts of school life, including being nominated as Head of House, because it was felt by some at Bishops that Jewish boys could not, or should not, for example, read or speak in chapel.

It is also all too easy to forget that after studying at UCT, Raymond later joined the Checkers group and grew the group to 85 stores, before being called in to a meeting on 6 October 1966 and unceremoniously fired at the age of 35. He then found himself unemployed with very little cash, an ill wife

and 3.9 children. (I say that because Jonathan was soon to be born).

He somehow managed to round up some support from some friends - '90% guts, 10% capital', he called it. He bought four small grocery stores from Jack Goldin, who went on to start Clicks, and Raymond started growing Pick n Pay, as we know it. Today there are more than 1 400 stores in the Pick n Pay group. Approximately 9 million South Africans shop at Pick n Pay. The group has revenue of about R72 billion and about 70 000 people are employed across owned and franchised Pick n Pay stores.

Raymond's story is a great Bishops story and one that resonates with many of us personally.

It is a story of how a boy became a man, how he developed a deep resilience and a high level of mental and physical toughness; it is a story of overcoming obstacles and one of overcoming prejudices and discrimination; a story of reconciliation. It is the story of someone who, time and time again, has taken the lead in so many areas of his life.

So it is my great pleasure to be able to announce this evening that Raymond has once again decided to take the lead, and that he is officially launching the Bishops 175 Campaign tonight by making a donation of R20 million to Bishops.

A portion of this donation will go towards projects in Founders House and School House and a portion will go towards staff housing projects. The majority of the gift will be used to fund, or partially fund, one of our new building projects.

Raymond, it is very difficult for me to adequately express our appreciation to you, Wendy and your family for this wonderful and incredibly generous contribution to start our fundraising efforts for this campaign.



Mrs Wendy Ackerman and Mr Mike Bosman

So perhaps a simple and very sincere thank you from me on behalf of all of us would be a good start. Thank you very much indeed. It is quite simply the biggest gift we have ever received at Bishops and something that we are extremely grateful for. We are so very proud of you and everything that you have achieved.

I know that you know that your donation will be used wisely towards the costs of our new buildings and that thousands of Bishops boys in the future will be able to enjoy using excellent facilities here at Bishops thanks to your generosity."

In his response Mr Ackerman thanked the audience for the acknowledgement they had given him. Despite the fact that he had faced many challenges during his time at Bishops, he reflected that it had taught him many good lessons, particularly the ability to be tenacious and determined in the face of difficulties and setbacks in his life. In addition, it had given him the strong conviction to stand up against any form of prejudice and discrimination throughout his life. Mr Ackerman said that he was proud to be associated with Bishops and the way it had changed over the past few years. He pledged his full support for the Bishops Trust 175 Campaign.

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STAFF NEWS

At the end of the term we bade farewell to: **Marcus Bizony** and **Wendy Van Heerden** who retired; **Jannie de Villiers** who left to take over the reins at Oakhill School, Knysna; and **Wessel Theron** who was appointed to the position of HOD Afrikaans at Hilton College. We wish them all the very best for their new life journeys.

Barry Emms was appointed to the position of Assistant House Director in Founders House.

Bradley Smith will be joining Bishops as the new Head of Rowing from 1 January 2017. For the last four years, Brad has been the Head Rowing Coach at St Benedict's College for Boys in Johannesburg where he also taught Life Orientation, Maths Literacy and Biology.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Thomas Warner (Grade 9) came first in the province for Round 2 of the South African Mathematics Olympiad. Bishops had the most pupils in the country qualify for Round 3. Positions in the top fifty juniors: **Tomas Slaven** (19), **Robert Dugmore** (25), **Warner Thomas** (27) and **Andrew Williams** (33). Positions in the top fifty seniors: **Nivar Rajoo** (33), **Alexander Peile** (36). **Liam Foxcroft** came 6th overall in the junior section and was awarded his medal at the National Prize Giving

Nicholas Janisch was awarded a Distinction Tie in Music. He achieved two grade 8 ABRSM London examinations on two different

instruments (Clarinet and Voice); received 95% for his Clarinet examination, and 91% for his Voice examination.

Jody Williams passed clarinet (grade 3) with distinction, and **Peter Worthington-Smith** passed violin (grade 4) with distinction, in their Royal Schools of music exams.

Seven of the eight Bishops projects received awards at the Cape Town Expo for Young Scientists. Gold Medals were awarded to: **Derek Reissenzahn**, **Junho Ko** and **Joshua Mol**, **Hugo Janssens** and **Michael Wilson-Trollip**, and **Tom Barty** and **Theodore Psillos**. Bronze Medals were awarded to: **Max Froelicher** and **Luke Ranoszek**, **Thomas Newbury**, and **Max Godfrey** and **Michael van den Heever**. **Derek Reissenzahn** received a Special Award for his project. **Hugo Janssens** and **Michael Wilson-Trollip** were awarded the Eskom award for best energy efficiency project. At the International Science Fair (ISF) the results were as follows: **Derek Reissenzahn**, **Michael Wilson-Trollip** and **Hugo Janssens** were awarded gold medals; **Junho Ko** received a silver medal; and **Thomas Barty** and **Theodore Psillos** received bronze medals. In addition **Michael** and **Hugo** won the HJ van der Bijl award. **Michael**, **Hugo** and **Junho** were also nominated for further interviews with a possibility of representing South Africa at International Science Fairs in 2017.

One hundred of the top achieving learners in the National Science Olympiad were invited to

write the National Physics Olympiad (SAPhO). **Ahmed Dhansay** was placed second with a score of 73%. **Nicholas Featherstone** and **Nicholas Janisch** were placed 24th and 42nd respectively.

CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Christopher Aubin, Nicholas Bowden, Felix Burt, Mac Cheminais, Jamie Diggle, Andrew Hodgson, Kwangbem Ko, Brendan Naude, Nikolaos Tapanlis and **Angus Thring** were selected to the 10 Club for 2017.

Luca Powell, David Laubscher and **Tom Mudge** were appointed, in a troika leadership model, to share responsibility for running the Accelerated Art Programme.

Nicholas Featherstone was appointed as Head of AV for 2017, and **Hamish McKenzie** as Deputy.

The new Debating Society Chairperson is **Nikolaos Tapanlis**. His Deputies are **Giuseppe Guerandi** and **Mac Cheminais**.

Nicholas da Costa was awarded his Half Colours for Drama.

Jamie Diggle (Chair), **Logan Tait** (Deputy), **Finbarr Lebona, Jonathan Pletts** and **Derek Reissenzahn** were voted onto the Global Issues Network Committee for 2017.

The Interact Committee for 2017 is: **Richard Wellington** (President), **Laurence Mort**

(Vice-President), **Brandon Burke, Luca Powell, Tim Sharples, Ross Tucker** and **Lloyd Wood**.

Nicholas Peile was appointed Head Library Monitor, and **Angus Longmore** as Deputy.

Jack Belcher was placed second, in the wind section, in the finals for the Johan Vos Music Competition. **Leo Gevisser**, in Grade 8, was invited to participate in his first violin concerto performance with the Hugo Lambrechts Symphony Orchestra and played Kabalevsky's Concerto in G major.

The following boys did exceptionally well at the KAE (Afrikaans) Eisteddfod, in the music section, and received "Hoogste Lof" (Diploma), which is a mark above 90%:

Liam Foxcroft, Matt Pettit, John Steyn, Theo Psillos, Jack Belcher, Nicholas Janisch, Neil du Toit (2), Nicholas Gleeson (2), Francois Breytenbach (2) and **KB Ko (2)**. In addition, the following boys were awarded silver medals and were invited to a Prestige Evening: **Theo Psillos, Jack Belcher, KB Ko** and **Nicholas Janisch**. **Nicholas Janisch** was selected to perform on the night. **Leo Gevisser** participated in the SAMRO National Music Competition and was awarded joint First Prize and Gold Medal. He was also the recipient of the following prizes: Piano Category Prize, Best Performance Classical Work, Best Performance Romantic Work, Best Performance of a work by a South African Composer, and the Leon Hartshorne Prize for the highest achieving learner of



The Principal, Guy Pearson, congratulates the victorious Public Speaking Team: Nikolaos Tapanlis, Rohan Naidoo, Lloyd Wood, Mac Cheminais and Gabriel Makin

an SASMT member. **Andrew Hodgson** and **Dylan Rowell** were awarded Full Colours for Music, and **Finn Geldenhuys**, **Junho Ko**, **Michael Wilson-Trollip**, **Jonathan Rossouw** and **Matthew van Westenbrugge** were awarded Half Colours.

Rayhaan Ahmed was awarded his Gold for the President's Award Scheme.

Nikolaos Tapanlis, **Mac Cheminais**, **Gabriel Makin**, **Nicholas Peile** and **Rohan Naidoo** participated in the National Individual Debating and Public Speaking Competition. **Nikolaos Tapanlis** was placed second overall; **Nicholas Peile**, seventh, and **Mac Cheminais**, ninth. In addition, **Nicholas Peile** won the Interpretive Reading category, with **Mac Cheminais** coming second. **Nikolaos Tapanlis** and **Nicholas Peile** were ranked second and third in Persuasive

Speech; and **Nikolaos Tapanlis** won the Impromptu Speech and came third in Debating. **Nikolaos Tapanlis** and **Gabriel Makin** placed fourth and fifth respectively in Interpretive Reading. As a result of their rankings, **Nikolaos Tapanlis**, **Nicholas Peile** and **Mac Cheminais** were selected to the South African team to compete at the World Championships in Sydney, Australia. **Nikolaos Tapanlis**, **Gabriel Makin**, **Mac Cheminais**, **Lloyd Wood**, **Rohan Naidoo** and **Nicholas Peile** attended the International Independent Schools' Public Speaking Competition held at Collingwood School in Vancouver. This prestigious annual competition includes just about every independent school in the USA and Canada, and also includes school teams from a number of other countries which are affiliated to the International Independent Schools Debating and Public Speaking Association, of which Bishops is one.

Nikolaos Tapanlis, Gabriel Makin, Mac Cheminais, Lloyd Wood, Nicholas Peile and **Rohan Naidoo** represented Bishops at the International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition held at Collingwood School in Vancouver. There were more than 45 independent schools from 11 countries, with over 200 students participating in what was a very tough competition. Our boys represented Bishops extremely well, with our school winning the award for the Top Overseas School, and **Nikolaos Tapanlis** winning the award for the Top Overseas Speaker. In addition, Bishops was ranked 11th overall for the entire competition, which is a remarkable achievement and is the result of a determined effort by all the boys who participated.

The following boys were selected to Simply Blue for 2017: **Andrew Hodgson** (leader), **Tim Dendy Young, Giuseppe Guerandi, James Aron, Jack Belcher, Dean Jacobs, Terry Kim, Junho Ko, Simmele Mashwama, Okuhle Minyi, Joshua Mol, Kamal Sacranie, Adam Stonestreet, Matt van Westenbrugge, Jody Williams** and **Charlie Yates**.

Ivan Stassen was elected as the SRF Chairman for 2017. **Tio Bakre** was elected as Secretary.

SPORTING AFFAIRS

Richard Wellington and **Ross Goodwin** have been appointed Captains of Athletics. **Matt van Westbrugge** was awarded Half Colours for Athletics. **Oliver Stewart** won the Best Performance trophy for running an excellent 3000m at the Rondebosch Spring Meet.

Nathan Maimba and **Andrew Hodgson** were appointed Captain and Vice-Captain of Basketball.

David Naude was selected to compete at the National Climbing Championships after winning a Gold Medal in the U15 Boys' Regional Climbing Championships. He was also selected to represent the South African Climbing team in Guangzhou, China, and was awarded his Protea Colours.

Jono Bird was selected for the Western Province Cricket Elite training squad. **Sasha Mngomezulu** (6-0-22-5 U14A vs Durban High School); **Jayden Rossouw** (3.3-0-14-5, Stayers vs GSHS); and **Stuart Stevens** (7.4-1-10-5 U14B vs SACS) received a mounted ball for achieving 5 wickets or more. **Travis Norris** (101 U14A vs Durban High School) and **Brandon Thomas** (102 U17A vs Paul Roos) received a signature bat for scoring centuries. **Michael Burton** was appointed Captain of Cricket, and **Richard Baikoff** Vice-Captain. **Tyla Scarles** (re-award), **Max Newbury** and **Richard Baikoff** were awarded Full Colours for Cricket. **George Meadows, Aydan Labuschagne** and **Jono Bird** were awarded Half Colours.

Oliver Stewart, Shaun O'Brien and **Karl Weinert** took part in the WP Cross Country Championships. **Oliver** and **Shaun** finished in the top six, and were chosen for the WP Metro team to compete at the Inter Provincial competition. **Oliver** was named the WP Cross Country Champion. He was selected for the ASA WP Team and competed at the South African Championships.

Karl Prins was awarded Half Colours for Cycling.

At the Fencing WC Ranking Competition, **Finbarr Lebona** won Gold for U20 Foil and Bronze for Junior Foil, and **Christian Garry** won Bronze in U20 Epee. **Jamie Diggle** (Junior Men's Foil) and **Alaric McGregor** (Cadet Men's Foil) achieved 1st places in their categories. **Jamie Diggle, Alaric McGregor, Finbarr Lebona** and **Terry Kim** were awarded Western Cape Federation Half Colours.

Robert Jack, Ziyaad Bawa, Taahir Bhorat, Cade Cannon, Alex Peile, Calum Wehmeyer and **Andrew Hodgson** were awarded Half Colours for First Aid.

Anton Volkel finished as the top South African contestant, in a creditable 16th position overall, at the Junior World Fly Fishing Championships held in Spain and was awarded his Distinction Tie for Fly Fishing. He was also awarded the Johnny Marr Fishing Trophy for 2016 for excellence in Fly Fishing. **Luke Baker** won the South African Junior Fly Fishing Championships for the third time. **Mitch Labberte, Murray Gordon, Andre Volkel, Nikolai Piotrowski** and **Luke Baker** were selected to represent Western Province in the National Fly Fishing Tournament. Western Province won the tournament.

Finley Knight, Freddie Spencer and **Peter Thacker** were awarded Half Colours for Golf. Results from the College Golf Championships and Inter House Challenge were as follows: **Richard Schwulst** (1st),

Josh Smith (2nd) and **Peter Thacker** (3rd). **Richard Schwulst** was the recipient of the Pagliari Plate as the Champion Golfer for 2016. The 'Rookie of the Year' trophy was awarded to **Imraan Coovadia**. **Ogilvie** won the Inter House Competition, with **White** as the runners up.

Christopher Rhode was awarded Full Colours for Hockey. **Jock Buchanan** was selected to the WP U14A Hockey team.

James Faure, Sven Wellmann and **Stephane Pienaar** were awarded Distinction Ties on their return from the Junior Worlds Rowing Championships. Seventy-three countries competed in this year's regatta. The boys raced in the Coxless Four, along with Frank Nagel from SACS, and finished 5th, 3 seconds behind 2nd, in the B Final. The third Inter House Ergo Regatta pitted Rowers and non-Rowers against one another in both individual and team events. **Ogilvie** won the competition followed by **Gray** and **White**. The following individuals won Gold in their events at the Knysna Regatta: **Nic McAdam** (by 11 seconds) and **Oliver Werner**. Although other crews won Gold, special mention has to be made of the U15A crew. They won the coxed 8 event by more than a boat length, and then went on to win the Heads Rave (4km race). In this race they were over 1 minute faster than the second placed boat. The U16A Coxed 4 and the U15A Oct won silver, and the U19 Secon VIII and the U16 Quad won bronze at the Sprint Regatta in Gauteng. **Nic McAdams** came second within striking distance of the SA record.

Lubelo Scott (re-award), **JP Smith** (re-award), **Byron Cranswick**, **Cullum Diem**, **James Macdonald**, **Harry Makin**, **Jean Pienaar**, **Seb Prentice** and **Luke Viljoen** were awarded Full Colours for Rugby, and **Jason Hofmeyr**, **Alasdair Jewson**, **Rob Macdonald**, **Zico Oaker**, **Christian Stehlik** and **Brandon van der Westhuizen** were awarded Half Colours. **Ghaalieb Kenny** was selected to play for Western Province at the SARU U17 Inter Provincial Sevens Rugby Tournament. Winners of the Inter House Sevens Tournament a few were: as follows: U14: **School** beat **Mallett**; U15: **Kidd** beat **Gray**; U16: **Founders** beat **Gray**; U19: **Founders** beat **School**.

Boyd Kane was awarded the Ross Dyer Trophy for Sailing Excellence.

The Jackson Cup for Squash was won by **Glenn Yates**, and the House Cups were won by **Kidd** (Senior) and **Ogilvie** (Junior). **Gray** won the Inter House Surfing Competition.

Michael Houlie claimed two silver medals at the CANA XII Senior African Swimming Championships, for the 100m breaststroke and the 50m breaststroke (coming 2nd to Cameron van der Burgh in the 50m breast). He also set a new South African age group record for Boys U16 in 50m breaststroke.

Lloyd Wood was appointed as the Captain of Tennis. **Gray** beat **Mallett** to win the Inter House Tennis. The Inter House Junior Tennis Singles, and the Charles King Trophy,



The Principal, Guy Pearson, congratulates Michael Houlie

were won by **White**. They beat **Mallett** in an exciting final. **Oliver Diggle** and **Robert Ferreira** represented **White**.

Brandon Burke and **Brett Sneddon** were selected for the SACS tournament 'team'. **Brett Sneddon** was selected to represent the South African U18 team at the Tri-Nations tournament in Auckland, New Zealand, and was awarded his Distinction tie. The following boys were selected to WP Water Polo teams: 14A: **Mikey Ford**, **Joe Kirsten**, **Caleb Oliphant**, **Niall Maloney** and **Jack van Essen**; 14B: **Jock Buchanan**, **Nic Koch**, **Jake Stewart**, **Zack Ahmed** and **Oliver Jones**; 15A: **Kieraan Meyer**, **Sam Elliott** and **Ryan Sneddon**; 15B: **Matt Smith**, **Mikey Coles**, **Brad Bullough** and **Aiden Murphy**; 16A: **Tom Lee**, **Rob Young**, **David Nivison** and **Bingo Ivanisevic**; 16B: **Matt Klingenberg**, **Theodore Psillos** and **Alex Jankovich**; 19A: **Brandon Burke** and **Brett Sneddon**; 19B: **James Morritt-Smith**, **Aidan Neill** and **Cayden Marquis**.

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



*Christian Rohrer, Head Boy
2017, addresses the school*

Leadership Distinction

Redwald Aspinall, Keagan Baard, Thomas Baldwin, Ziyaad Bawa, Dylan Burke, Mitchell Christy, Matthew Clayton, Byron Cranswick, Nathan Fleming, Jonathan Frost, Jason Hofmeyr, Troy Horrell, Christopher Hyslop, Nicholas Janisch, Boyd Kane, Marcus Knight, Robert Lancefield, Timothy Langerman, Joe Linley, James MacDonald, Christopher Mailer, Philip Morkel-Brink, Max Newbury, Musa Nyangiwe, Alex Peile, Matthew Perrott, Jean Pienaar, Sebastian Prentice, Sean Price, Jordan Ross, Jonathan Rossouw, Dylan Rowell, Tyla Scarles, Julien Schlebusch, Richard Schwulst, Josh Smith, Brett Sneddon, Francois Stassen, Christian Stehlik, Cal Tait, Daniel Tate, Drew Turpin, Brandon van der Westhuizen, Calven Wilson and James Wilson.

LEADERSHIP 2017

Head Boy: **Christian Rohrer (Kidd)**

Deputy Head: Day Boys: **Michael Burton**

Deputy Head: Boarders: **Bulelani Ngqukuvana**

HOUSE	HEAD	DEPUTY
Founders	Ivan Stassen	Sam Kuhn
School	Bulelani Ngqukuvana	Luca Guerrini
White	Arthur Fisher	Jody Williams
Gray	Felix Burt	Lloyd Wood
Ogilvie	Jamie Diggle	Stephane Pienaar
Kidd	Michael Burton	Ross Tucker
Birt	Brandon Burke	Joshua Passmore
Mallett	Sanele Myosi	Nikolaos Tapanlis



The Old Guard and the New Guard: Michael Burton, Bulelani Nggukuvana, Christian Rohrer, Francois Stassen, Brandon van der Westhuizen and Joseph Linley

AWARDS

JERSEYS

Academic

Christopher Hyslop, Boyd Kane, Theuns Kuhn, Christopher Mailer, Jean Pienaar and **Matthew Rissik**

TIES

Distinction

Anton Volkel (Fly Fishing), **James Faure** (Rowing), **Sven Wellmann** (Rowing), **Stephane Pienaar** (Rowing), **Nicholas Janisch** (Music), **Brett Sneddon** (Water Polo)

Academic

Nabeel Goolam Mahomed, Timothy Langerman, Christopher Mewett, Sebastian Prentice and **Cal Tait**

All Rounders

Logan Tait, Jaime Garlick, Hugo Janssens, Angus Kennedy-Smith and **Christopher Kotze**

Ensemble

Kit Bell

Service

Daniel Tate (Hockey), **Drew Turpin** (Hockey), **Malachy Barbour** (Hockey), **Boyd Kane** (Democritus Society), **Daniel Tate** (Impact), **Ryan McNamara** (Rugby)

FAREWELL TO STAFF

MARCUS BIZONY



Marcus Bizony

Marcus Bizony has touched the lives of pupils, colleagues and parents alike during the 33 years he has spent at Bishops.

Anyone who has been taught by Marcus Bizony at Bishops will definitely remember him. Seldom has a *skinner* session amongst boys, where they reflect on their teachers, their personalities, turns of phrase or habits, exclude mention of “Bizony”. Marcus is blessed with an incredible mind and a day seldom passed when he did not make a profound statement that other mere mortals would only make once or twice in a lifetime. As these statements

permeated his lessons, so they profoundly impacted on his classes and caused him to be quoted extensively in any discussion about teachers. Of course, his idiosyncrasies were equally enjoyed by the boys and no *skinner* session would be complete without reference to them, accompanied by much loving laughter. Marcus was a favourite teacher for many who passed through his classroom.

Although Marcus was a member of the College Executive for the past 13 years, he always regarded himself primarily as a teacher. Consequently, he seldom taught a lesson where he hadn't thought about what he hoped to achieve in the lesson. His deeply analytical brain would quickly assess the variables relevant to the lesson and he would determine the best way to deliver a particular lesson to a particular group of boys on a topic that he had probably taught hundreds of times before. There was therefore always a freshness to Marcus's lessons that was appreciated by all whom he taught.

With such a brilliant mind, it was inevitable that Marcus's greatest joy was to teach the top set in any grade. He loved the cut and thrust of the interactions in the lessons and it was seldom, if ever, that a pupil posed a question to which he did not know the answer or to which he did not have an answer. Boys could never relax in Marcus's lessons because he was always challenging, engaging and sometimes caustic: he didn't like a perfectly good brain that was inactive! But Marcus never expected others to do what he was not prepared to do himself and so he took his fair share of bottom

set Maths' classes where the challenges were different, but equally attractive to Marcus.

It would be understandable if, after 29 years of teaching Maths, that Marcus had taken a bit of a back seat, using the excuse he was allowing the younger generation to gain experience. Not Marcus. Right up until the day he retired he remained the co-editor of *Learning and Teaching Mathematics*, a quarterly publication of the Association for Mathematics Education of South Africa, for which he wrote several articles since 2004. As well as that involvement, Marcus was also on the panel for setting the junior papers in the South African Mathematics Olympiad, a panel he has chaired since 2010. It is therefore fair to conclude that Marcus has been at the leading edge of Mathematics education in this country for many years and so the broader Mathematics teaching community will miss him as much as we will at Bishops.

Marcus started life at Bishops as an IT teacher before moving on to the Maths department after four years, ultimately heading up the department for seven years before directing Post Matric for six years, and ultimately becoming the Head of Academics and Deputy Headmaster for the past 13 years. Without fail his colleagues were in awe of his enormous intellect and deep understanding of the education milieu. When Marcus got up to address the staff they knew he would have all his facts in a row, he would speak concisely and clearly and not waste a second of their time. They knew he respected them as professionals and that he would leave them alone to get on with their work without unnecessary interference. They also knew that a deadline for Marcus was exactly that

and if it had been possible for the deadline to be later, then he would have set it for later in the first place. Therefore it was ill-advised to insult his intelligence by asking him for an extension. Colleagues also knew that requests for data elicited a prompt electronic response accompanied by masses of analysis, graphs, variables and, most importantly, a clear and precise summary of the situation.

Marcus led the academic division of the school with both an iron fist and a velvet glove. Colleagues knew and understood that Marcus expected only the highest standards from them and yet when they needed help, he had all the time in the world for them. Marcus has always had deep respect for others and hated wasting anybody else's time. Consequently, the meetings he chaired were always carefully planned to the point that he sometimes determined the outcome of a discussion before it even happened. To his credit, when it was pointed out to him that, as much as he was trying to save time, a good discussion was helpful, he immediately took the advice on board and always sought to hear from anyone who wished to say anything. His real strength lay in taking sometimes convoluted debates and summarising them into a line or two that so accurately reflected the debate that it left those in the meeting gasping.

Parents who interacted with Marcus, either in his role as their son's Maths teacher or as the Head of Academics, will agree that he was always quick to get back to them with a response that showed an enormous depth of experience and understanding. Marcus was never willing to tell parents what they wanted to hear, but he was always willing to engage with parents, even if the conversation

was enormously difficult, until there was an educationally-sound resolution. I suspect there were times when Marcus allowed a measure of annoyance to creep into his engagements with some parents, but he never claimed to be perfect and he can be forgiven in some cases considering some of the more outrageous issues he had to deal with over time.

Colleagues will know that Marcus was not one to speak easily about his private life. This matter was resolved when his son Aidan joined the school in Grade R and became the font of any and all information about Marcus and the family. Aidan was also always very keen to give an opinion on any chosen topic and so one never had to dig deeply for details on Marcus. Marcus is a great listener and so it was not uncommon to finish a conversation realising that the entire conversation had been about yourself and he had hardly mentioned himself. Marcus liked it that way and was patently aware that he managed conversations in that way. What Marcus could never manage, however, was what Aidan told you and so a perfect balance was achieved. After Aidan matriculated, if you needed to know details, then a quick phone call to him solved the problem.

Both Marcus's children have grown up while he taught at Bishops and what has always impressed his colleagues is how seriously he has always taken his parenting. Angela, his wife, studied overseas when Jessica was young. This was no problem to Marcus who could plait Jessica's hair in a jiffy while managing the household and a busy career. Marcus has continued to be a wonderful father to his family and husband to his wife, despite some challenging personal circumstances, and I

know they are very proud of everything he has achieved in his career.

Marcus smoked his own rolled cigarettes for many years and would commonly escape outside between lessons to have a quick puff. Sometimes, especially if he had a few free periods, he would take the liberty of having a quick puff in his classroom. I cannot recall anyone ever complaining about Marcus's teaching, a unique feature for any Maths teacher, but any complaints about the pervading odour in his classroom simply lead to a wry smile from him and he continued regardless. This was probably his only anti-establishment activity during his entire 33 years at Bishops. After many years of visiting his GP and reporting to Angela that the doctor hadn't said a word about his smoking, Angela one day insisted upon accompanying Marcus to the appointment. The doctor said exactly what he had been saying to Marcus for years and, when questioned by Angela, his comment was that it was amazing how different listeners could interpret a conversation differently. Of course, the game was now up and so Marcus, in his own inimitable style, simply stopped smoking that day and has never smoked again.

Every school executive needs the likes of a Marcus Bizony on it. There were two overriding characteristics of Marcus that permeated his participation in the College Executive: he always acted in the best interests of the boys in the school and he always thought deeply about any issue under discussion before pronouncing his views on the matter or asking a question so profound that it stopped the discussions in its track. Marcus willingly participated in discussions raised at Executive meetings, even if they had

no connection with his own portfolio, but he never pronounced his opinion on the matter boldly, instead he listened intently with his head drooped as he contemplated the issue from all angles. When he lifted his head to speak, those on the Executive knew it was best to listen because everything he said was carefully considered. Sometimes, particularly if he was inwardly outraged by an issue on the table, he would take longer to respond because of his deep respect for the organisation and an unwillingness to say anything harmful or ill-considered. If his opinion could lead to his offending anyone around the table, Marcus was a past master at turning his opinion into an incisive question that deeply affected the discussion and the ultimate outcome. If a decision was ever made with which he was not entirely in agreement, he would always support the majority decision. Marcus's influence on Bishops through his participation in the

Executive of the College has been profound and many will never fully contemplate the influence he has indirectly had on their lives through his membership of the Executive.

Marcus Bizony is a man of huge integrity who has always put the interests of the school above his own. As a consequence, he has made a remarkable impact on the life of Bishops and all who have passed through its doors in the past 33 years. He has given his heart and soul to the profession, the boys who passed through his lessons, his role as a leader and his adopted country. We will miss him enormously as he goes into retirement, but we wish him good health for many years to come and a relaxing and enjoyable retirement.

Vernon Wood

WENDY VAN HEERDEN

Wendy van Heerden joined the College in June 1996 as PA to the Principal, who at that



Wendy van Heerden

time was Clive Watson. She has also served as Secretary to the Bishops Council with distinction over this period.

She has just received her award for 20 years' service to the school, during which time she has served under four subsequent heads, developing strong, trusting relationships with each one.

As they say, the most important woman in a Principal's life, other than his wife, is his personal assistant!

Wendy has been unfailingly professional, discreet and loyal and has a deep understanding of and love for the ethos and workings of this complex organisation. She brings a serenity to the office, and with her strong Christian background, has handled an endless variety of situations with firmness, diplomacy, compassion and a good dose of humour. We have shared so many laughs in the front office!

Her ability to engage so easily with parents,

staff and boys will be a hard act to follow. She has also had the courage to bare her teeth (ever so graciously) as sentry at the Principal's door many times over the years, never losing her composure.

It is with great sadness that we will say goodbye to Wendy when she retires at the end of this year. I'm sure she does so with some regret, but also with a distinct bounce in her step. She is tackling the new chapter in her life with typical enthusiasm, and she is particularly excited to be able to spend more precious time with her growing brood of grandchildren.

Wishing you everything of the best, Wendy. We know you intend to keep in touch with the College, so this is not goodbye, but rather a thank you for everything you have done for the school.

JANNIE DE VILLIERS

Jannie de Villiers joined Bishops in 1998. In his almost 19 years at Bishops, 15 of them were in School House, where he served first as



The De Villiers Family: Jannie, Suzanne, Alida and Jean

Assistant House Director for five years and this year ends his tenure as House Director. During his time at the College, he has taught Afrikaans and Geography with distinction. He served as a rugby coach and took the sport of Climbing to new heights. His fantastic contributions outside the classroom are too numerous to mention. For many years he single-handedly organized the outdoor programme. It would be an understatement to say that the impact he has made here at the College has been significant, coupled with his energy, passion and love for what is right. Management is about doing things right; leadership on the other hand is about doing the right thing. Jannie has proven himself to be one of those unique individuals, who does the right thing. We say good-bye to an intelligent man, who has managed to combine his skill for education with great motivation and, in doing so, has touched the lives of many boys in his time at the College. We wish Jannie and his family well as he embarks on a new chapter, following his appointment as Principal of Oakhill School in Knysna.

Mervin Walsh

WESSEL THERON

Wessel Theron leaves Bishops at the end of the year to take up the post of HOD Afrikaans at Hilton College. From the outset it was clear that Wessel was a dedicated and committed educator, who did not shy away from hard work. He has spent his time in the classroom motivating and encouraging boys to understand, enjoy and appreciate Afrikaans. He has made use of innovative and exciting methods of teaching and the boys have enjoyed his company and enthusiastic approach to the subject. Wessel truly led by example and



Aileen and Wessel Theron

his energy, coupled with his knowledge of the subject, allowed boys to feel safe and confident in his care. He has been a true team player and a reliable and dedicated member of the Afrikaans department. Wessel also played roles in several other areas of the school and is an example of someone who works hard and takes on whatever challenge come his way. Among other roles, Wessel has been an outstanding Kidd House tutor, has led several overseas tours, won international educational competitions and has, more recently, been the teacher-in-charge of Tennis. Wessel has made the most of his time at Bishops and has made his mark. The boys who have had the privilege of having dealings with him, have had the advantage of being led by someone with integrity and sound moral standards. It is with sadness that we say goodbye to Wessel, as the perspective that he brings will be missed. We wish him and his family happiness in this new exciting adventure in their lives, and know that Wessel will make a resounding success of this opportunity and no doubt impact many lives positively in the process.

Trudy Hoefnagels

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT



Confirmation Class 2016

Easter came and went, and was soon replaced by the blustery, rainy weather of the winter rugby/hockey season. The second term began with the prayer for the Winter Sports programme and the hope for successful learning both on and off the sports field. The Chaplain accompanied Simply Blue on their weekend away to Arniston where they were able to practise their repertoire of songs and dance for the coming season. The exams and tests soon gave way to the Eisteddfod, with singing, art, movement, drama and House singing practices echoing across the fields. Soon after the term started, the Chaplain suffered a stroke and was hospitalised. An operation to remove a brain tumour and radiation treatment for cancer followed. Most of the winter term was spent recuperating and

starting afresh with the third term Eucharist service. The Revs Martin Coomer, Nicky Ing, Natalie Simons-Arendse, Jo Tyres and Peter Holgate are to be thanked for their kind assistance and support during this time. Thanks too must go to those both in and beyond the Bishops community for their cards, messages, prayers, and for the many meals and small treats for Fr. Terry and his family during this challenging time. The outpouring of love and support for Fr. Terry and his family is truly appreciated. The treating oncologists are not able to detect any cancer and are confident of a healing. The power of prayer and love in action!

On 17 August, College Evensong played host to the Rev. Dr Vincentia Kgabe, Rector of the College of the Transfiguration. She



Repair work – Brooke Chapel

is the senior Anglican cleric in charge of the Anglican seminary based in Grahamstown where many Southern African Anglican clergy are trained. Her message was a strong and inspiring one that left the boys and staff with much to think about.

Robert Gray Day on 1 September was celebrated at Bishops with the presence of Bp. Garth Counsell, Bishop of Table Bay, visiting. He preached at the Morning Service, commemorating the day and reminding the boys of the significance of both Robert Gray Day in the Anglican calendar and of Robert Gray's contribution to the wider Anglican Church, to Bishops and to South African education in general.



Anglicans Ablaze Conference in session



Rohan Bloom Inter-Faith Football Cup

Confirmation classes recommenced after the winter holidays and soon the Confirmation Class of 2016 was concluding their training sessions. The Archbishop enjoys the fact that the four Anglican schools of Cape Town meet together and are confirmed together at the same service. He really enjoys being with the young adults of the four schools and enjoys inviting them to Bishops court on the day before their Confirmation service. They were able to spend time with the Archbishop and his staff and to explore the question – what is it to be a Christian in a modern society? Confirmation in the Cathedral of St George the Martyr and hosted by St George's Grammar School happened on 4 September.



Matrics 2016 – Pacman visits Hymn Practice!

In a beautiful ceremony presided over by Archbishop Thabo Makgoba, the confirmation class of 2016 from Bishops, St Cyprians, Herschel and St George's was confirmed with great pomp and ceremony.

The College also had a visit from the Hillsong Church Ministry team who came to address the boys. They brought along a professional Harlem Globetrotters Basketball team member, Seth Franco, who had a Christian message for the boys. He combined his unique style of delivery and his story of illness and recovery with loud and viby music. The Chaplain was challenged to jive and Mr Jannie de Villiers obliged by dancing down the aisle. This different visit to the College caught the attention and interest of the boys who enjoyed the change of pace and rhythm in the morning's chapel address. Some staff are still not too sure about what was happening and

chose to retire to their classrooms instead.

During the winter rains, it was noted that the Brooke Chapel smelt of damp. On investigation, it was discovered that water was not draining away from the foundations of the building and that the chapel was effectively standing in a large puddle of water. To facilitate drainage, the garden's retaining wall on the Founders' side was removed and a portion of the garden was flattened so that the foundations walls could be re-morticed. Bishops Grounds and Maintenance staff, under the watchful eye of Dr Paul Murray, are presently exploring the option of re-designing the lawn and garden area with correct drainage, new garden spaces and new paving around the entrance to Founders House.

In memory of Rohan Bloom, his father, Rodney, teamed up with staff and soccer players from Bishops, Herzlia and Islamia schools for a



Adv. Thuli Madonsela visits Bishops for Anglicans Ablaze conference



Inter Faith Soccer tournament – in memory of Rohan Bloom. Islamia, Herzlia and Bishops. Inaugurated by Rod Bloom



House Flags – new banners for Chapel

day of Inter-Faith sharing and soccer. Hosted by Herzlia, the three schools fielded a number of teams, culminating in the awarding of the schools Inter-Faith soccer trophy, created from one of Rohan's bronzed soccer boots. Thanks must go to staff members, Justin Woolls (Youth Pastor) and Jarred Bradley (Tic Soccer) who accompanied the Bishops teams. We hope that this will become an annual event in the Cape Town calendar and foster an interest in Inter-Faith dialogue.

The beginning of the Fourth term saw Bishops begin preparations for the International Anglicans Ablaze conference: *Vulindlela: Open the Way*, to be held at Bishops from 5 to 8 October. This conference, under the banner of the Grow the Church organisation, took place in October using the College campus, the Mallett Centre, the Memorial Theatre and both Chapels. A number of visiting delegates were housed in

the Boarding Houses while others secured accommodation in Cape Town and bussed in daily. Among those living on campus was Bp. Phillip le Fevre who relished the thought of being back in School House where he had lived as boy, staff member and Chaplain. Delegates came from as far afield as Lesotho, Ghana, Namibia, the UK and Sweden. A number of local and visiting bishops were spotted in the crowd, including Bp. Adam Taaso of Lesotho who accompanied a large delegation from the Cathedral congregation of the Maseru. The Rev. Roger Cameron of the Anglican Board of Education (previously Head of St John's College) was also a presenter at the conference as was Mike Pilavachi, a powerful speaker and Youth Pastor who heads the Soul Seekers organisation in the UK. The school caterers fed the 1500 delegates daily, while food, book and coffee vendors set up stalls on the Founders



Lunch time – Anglicans Ablaze conference

Terrace and Frank Reid Pavillion where they could cater for the more refined tastes of those who needed extra sustenance. To their credit, a number of support staff elected not to take leave during this week and to service the school's facilities in support of the conference. They did themselves and the school proud. We could be justly proud to share our facilities and beautiful grounds with the international Anglican Communion and to play host to this gathering. On 5 October the True Voices Vocal ensemble group (which specialises in sacred music) shared their unique singing talents at a formal Sung Evensong service using the Anglican Book of Common Prayer. We were joined by visitors from Anglicans Ablaze, Angela McCloughlan (woman Bishop of the liberal Catholic Church from Portland, Oregon), and by members of the Military and Hospitaller Order of St Lazarus of Jerusalem. Based at the St Michael's and All Angels Church in Observatory, Cape Town, they are a charitable Order within the Anglican Church. Their members are volunteers who strive to make a difference in the lives of others via their works of charity and goodwill. Naturally, they are always keen

to invite like-minded people to join and to make a difference in the lives of others. A highlight of the conference was the visit of Adv. Thuli Madonsela, the outgoing Public Protector, who addressed the gathering on her second to last day in office. After an address to the adults, she then spent over two hours talking with the Young Adult section of the Conference, sharing her wisdom, listening and responding to

their questions. A gracious, calm and intelligent woman. The Conference ended on a high note with great music and a rousing sermon from the organiser, Rev. Trevor Pierce who challenge the delegates to "set the church on fire with the Holy Spirit". Many delegates left the campus promising to come back to visit Bishops soon, taking away fond memories of their time here and looking forward to the next Conference in Durban in 2018.

The formal events of the fourth term soon came into play with the Service of Eucharist starting the term. In quick succession, the Matric Dance with its parade of vintage and sporty cars, beautiful young women in magnificent dresses and handsome young men arriving and walking down the spot-lighted Theatre Avenue to the Mallett Centre, was followed by the Prize Giving and Valedictory gatherings in the Mallett Centre and the Memorial Chapel.

The Bishops Praise Service occurred on the following Monday. This very gentle and short service is the one time in the year when the whole school can gather in one place and where the various parts of the Bishops

community can gather to celebrate and acknowledge the whole school's existence. It has also become the first official duty of the newly elected Head of College to say the prayer for the School at this service. It is always wonderful to see the progression of years with the pre-prep boys joining their older brothers, cousins and friends and to experience the camaraderie that this event creates.

In recent times, the Chaplain has managed to visit a number of Anglican churches and cathedrals. We do not realise the inheritance we, as Anglicans, have on our door step. There is little need to travel further than our own city centre to experience the beauty of the churches and cathedrals of the Western Cape. Besides the grand magnificence of the interior of St George's Cathedral, the inner beauty of churches such as St Saviours, Claremont (where Robert and Sophie Gray are buried), the Church of the Good Shepherd, Kirstenbosch, the Christ the King Church of Claremont, the Christ Church, Constantia, St Francis in Simonstown, St Peters, Camps Bay, St Mary's, Woodstock, All Saints, Bredasdorp and the ancient, rural beauty of St Raphael's church in Faure near Somerset West. These are places of real and tranquil beauty seeped in the prayer life of a community. In some cases, the churches are well cared for and cherished. In other places, they are being threatened with closure and being sold. Sadly, support for the Church and churches is dwindling. In many places these church buildings will fade into oblivion and the practices and traditions of our past will be lost.

During the winter and spring term, we have celebrated the baptism of Justin Moore and

the wedding of Timothy Tanzer to Jessica Robin Bizony. We remember with sadness the passing and farewell services of Heins Gerstner, Elizabeth McDonald, Martin Leifeldt, Brandon Matley, Marco Bersella and Dr Chris Molyneux, organist and originator of the Cape Town Male Voice Choir, and pray for the repose of their souls. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

As mentioned above, the Chapels have had many visitors. Recently, during the last Hymn practice of 2016, we had Pacman and his friends (School House Matrics) visit the boys. They did a little dance, chased each other through the Memorial Chapel and then, in true Pacman style, disappeared. Staying power can be seen rather in the arrival of two new owlets. They hatched recently in the stone pine tree between the Brooke Chapel and Founders House. A single chick was successfully raised here last year and the recent additions are now losing their baby feathers and learning to fly.

We will end this portion of the year with the celebration of the 90th Anniversary of the Opening of the War Memorial Chapel. The College Magazines of 1926 tell of the closing of the Old Chapel and it being opened as the "Brooke Library" in honour of Rev. Richard Brooke, previously Principal of Bishops. The War Memorial Chapel was built and dedicated to the memory of all Bishops boys and staff who lost their lives during the First World War. The Archbishop of Cape Town, William Carter, on 31 October 1926, conducted this Service of Dedication. We remember this moment on the same day, 90 years later, in an address given by Dr Paul Murray, College Historian.

Rev. Terry Wilke

COLLEGE PRIZE GIVING 2016



Chairman of Council, Mike Bosman, congratulates Christian Rohrer

COLLEGE PRIZE GIVING 2016 CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL'S ADDRESS – MR MIKE BOSMAN

Welcome

Please be seated.

Principal, Mr Guy Pearson and Mrs Pearson, parents and friends, present and past members of Council and staff, the Chairman and trustees of the Bishops Trust, the Chairman and members of the PA Committee, ODs, young men of Bishops - good morning to you all.

Welcome to our 2016 College Prize Giving ceremony.

It's great to have with us here this morning

the new Deputy Principal, Mr. Peter Westwood (congratulations Peter), the Prep Headmaster, Mr Greg Brown, the Head of the Pre Prep, Mrs Sharlene Groom, past Chairman of Council, Professor Geoff Everingham, The Bishop of Table Bay, Bishop Garth Counsell, the Chaplain of the School and Prep School, and current and past heads of other schools. Welcome to each of you.

It is also a great pleasure to welcome the inspirational leaders of our old boys' association here. Representing the OD Union we welcome the Patron, Mr Michael Watermeyer and Mrs Watermeyer, and the President, Mr Raymond Ackerman and

Mrs Ackerman. Welcome too, to the newly appointed Manager of the OD Union, Dr WP van Zyl.

Gentlemen, thank you so much for your ongoing and passionate interest in the school and for all of your support for us. Thanks too for all of your work with our old boys.

Throughout the year, as in the past, His Grace, Archbishop Thabo Makgoba, the Archbishop of Cape Town, has continued to be enormously supportive of the school and we really value the time that we spend with him, his wisdom and his experience. We thank him for all of that.

RETIREMENTS

At the end of last term we said farewell to our Deputy Principal, Mr Vernon Wood, and at the end of this term our Deputy Head for Academics, Mr Marcus Bizony, will be retiring. Mr Pearson will be paying tribute to them shortly but I would like to record Council's sincere thanks and appreciation to them for all of their work at Bishops over many years. We wish them both every success in the next exciting chapters of their lives.

Also, at the end of the year, Council will be saying farewell to Mrs Wendy van Heerden as she too retires. Wendy has been at Bishops for just over 20 years and has served as the Principal's Secretary and the Secretary to the College Council. She has worked with five Principals and Acting Principals at Bishops and she can probably write a very interesting book about what she has seen at the school over all of those years. That is a scary thought!

Wendy, thank you very much for everything you have done for Council, for previous Chairmen and Principals and for me

personally over so many years.

Please can I ask you to come forward to accept some flowers from me on behalf of us all.

MEMBERS OF STAFF

In the past I have mentioned that, amongst other things, Council will do its best to ensure that Bishops is able to attract and retain the best Principal and the best teachers, coaches and support staff in South Africa and that our goal is that our teachers remain amongst the best rewarded in the country.

I am very happy to report that we have been able to continue to be true to that promise.

Independent surveys conducted this year showed again that, across the board, teachers at Bishops are amongst the very best paid at any private school in South Africa. More than 70% of our annual school fee and boarding income is spent on staff remuneration, which as you can see doesn't leave a great deal for the other expenses that the school has.

Thanks to our teachers and coaches, we have continued to record outstanding results and exceptional successes in the classroom, as well as in the 22 sports that we offer, and in all other areas of school life, including music, art and drama.

We are fortunate to have really passionate and committed staff members at Bishops, excellently led by Mr Pearson, and we greatly appreciate all of their efforts for us.

I would also like to take a moment to thank our School Business Manager, Mr Sean King, and each member of the school's administration and support teams for all of their hard work over the past year. These days, being the head of finance and administration

at a school for 1 360 boys and about 229 members of staff is not for the faint-hearted. It is a massive and complex task and one that Mr King, quietly and modestly, does incredibly well. Thanks Sean. We are lucky to have someone like you, with your vast experience, on our team.

Let's give Mr Pearson and all of our staff members a big round of applause.

I would also like to thank my ten colleagues on the College Council and each of the members of our sub-committees for their guidance, wisdom and the effort they put into Bishops over the past year, all at no cost to the school. Your work is mostly invisible to the school community at large, but it is greatly appreciated.

PARENTS

One of the cornerstones of a great school is a strong parent body and at Bishops, we are incredibly fortunate to have very supportive parents. On behalf of Council, I would like to say a big thank you to our parents for sending your sons to Bishops and for everything you do for your (and our) boys. We appreciate your confidence in us.

I would also like to thank the Chairman of the College Parent's Association, Mr Malcolm Gray and the members of his committee for their time, energy and expertise on matters Bishops.

LEADERS IN SOUTH AFRICA

We are living in an exceptionally complex and fast-moving world. We are also living in a country with so much rich potential and yet with so many difficult issues and problems. We have almost all of the resources available to us in South Africa that are necessary for us to be

a proper powerhouse in the world.

We are capable of being an excellent, stand-out country in almost any terms imaginable. Yet, amongst many other problems, our national school education system continues to let the young people of South Africa down, in a devastating fashion.

So I ask myself from time to time, where are the strong, diligent and caring leaders of the future South Africa going to come from? Where are the men and women going to come from who will lead South Africa with dignity, competence and integrity in the future? Where are those that will stand up for what is right?

If Bishops is going to continue to play a relevant role in South Africa, the answer has to be that we must strive to ensure that some of these future leaders come from schools like Bishops.

Pro fide et patria. For faith and for our country. That is what we stand for.

It is our duty and responsibility here to produce men not only for leadership in government, but in civil society and in whatever path in life our boys choose to take in the future.

Above all else, they need to be decent human beings, men with character, with strong ethics and strong value systems. As we've said before, these men also need to be proper friends, fathers and husbands. They need to be able to get on with other people and they need to be capable of dealing with complex issues.

The boys leaving Bishops need to have a multi-disciplinary view of issues and subjects. Men and women who have a single skill in life in the future might find their jobs being done by robots and computers. To be successful in new professional fields like bioinformatics, one is required to be

proficient in mathematical statistics, in biology, in software development and in the management of big data, all at the same time.

We need to work out how to make good use of open source curricula online, where appropriate, and we need to work out how we can weave the threads that can link together the many subjects that we teach separately at school.

Already universities like Harvard and MIT offer a wide range of free courses online including in art and design, world literature, genetics, social change, bioethics, music, international relations and many, many more.

And importantly, as in the recent past, diversity in all of its forms will continue to be a priority at Bishops.

PROJECTS AND PRIORITIES AT BISHOPS

On other fronts here at Bishops we are continuing with our exciting plans to further significantly improve our buildings and school infrastructure. These must include developing modern new learning spaces and new whole-school facilities here at the College, sometimes replacing existing buildings. Buildings like this one, the Mallett Centre and the entire Frank Reid precinct alongside us, the theatre and our science and music facilities are planned for additions or complete renovations or rebuilds.

A tremendous amount of work has been done on these initiatives this year by the the College Council, the school's executive leadership, Council's Building and Grounds Committee and by the Bishops Trust. Funding for all of these projects is a serious challenge and we hope that we will be able to encourage ODs, parents and friends of the school to partner us on this journey.

2016 – congratulations

I would like to thank each and every young man at Bishops for their efforts for the school over this past year. Please continue to make the most of your time here, continue to make us all proud and continue to express your appreciation to your parents and everyone else who has helped you to be part of this incredible Bishops experience.

Well done and congratulations too to the prize winners here this morning!

Matrics

To the Matrics of 2016, thanks for your huge contribution to the school over the past five years, for your leadership this year and please enjoy every moment of today, your last day of school ever.

We wish you every success in your upcoming final Matric exams.

In a moment, we will hear a musical item called African Medley and for now it remains for me to wish you a wonderful holiday at the end of the term and a great Christmas. Thank you very much.

Mike Bosman

Rondebosch

14 October 2016

CONCLUDING REMARKS

Ladies and Gentlemen

That bring us to the conclusion of our formal proceedings at this Prize Giving.

In keeping with our annual tradition I would now like to invite the 2016 Head Boy, Francois Stassen, to come forward to accept my own old boys tie as we welcome all of the 2016 Matrics into the OD Union.

As we leave here this morning, can I please

ask all of the Matric prize winners to remain behind for a few moments so that some photographs can be taken.

Thank you all for coming along 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 of Council, Mr Mike Bosman and Mrs Bosman, President of the ODU Mr Raymond Ackerman and Mrs Ackerman, our special guest Mrs Angela Tait, Honoured Guests, parents and friends, members of staff and young men of Bishops.

Prize Giving marks an important milestone on the annual calendar. The word milestone is derived from the Latin “milliarium” referring to “one of a series of numbered markers along a road at intervals of one mile”. They are constructed to provide reference points along the road. This can be used to indicate distance travelled or the remaining distance to an intended destination or even to reassure travelers that the correct route is being followed. I like this concept to describe Prize-Giving; it gives us an opportunity to measure ourselves, reflect and ask important questions about where we are going as a school.

As the Chairman has said, this Prize-Giving is being held in troubled times for our country. The student unrest is symptomatic of the deep fault lines which prevail in our society with its tremendous social and leadership problems. The educational sector is in a particularly parlous state. While so much of the attention has been focused on the “Fees Must Fall” campaign, the fact is that for the majority of South African school children the education

system remains dysfunctional. The recent events have also challenged schools to take a critical at their policies and practices in the light of challenges to the status quo.

At the recent Independent Schools Conference held here in the Western Cape, Heads of Independent Schools were challenged on a number of fronts. Too often schools such as ours tend to expect those of different cultures to the dominant culture to be assimilated into the culture, rather than to respect the different minority cultures. I addressed this matter with the school at the very first assembly of this year and want to quote extracts from that statement because I believe it is very relevant to us today:

“We need to be reminded that in our Bishops Mission Statement we are called to: ‘respect, nurture and value each person’ and to ‘embrace and celebrate diversity in the communities of our school and South Africa’.

As a member of the majority culture as a white male at Bishops, I am personally committed to making sure that I am sensitive to minority groups at our school. These minority groups include race, religion, gender, sexual persuasion and disability. I acknowledge that the issues are complex and complicated but I want to make a plea to all of us to be sensitive to our differences and to try to better accept and understand each other. Indeed we need to learn to celebrate difference because our lives are enriched by diversity. Bishops is a better place because of our diversity and we will be better people the more we learn to embrace it.

In the words of Nelson Mandela, ‘No one is born hating another person because of the colour of his skin, or his background or his religion. People must learn to hate, and if they can learn to hate, they can be taught to love, for



The Principal, Mr Guy Pearson

love comes more naturally to the human heart than the opposite'. In a similar vein Mother Theresa said "Spread love wherever you go. Let no one ever leave you without being happier."

At Bishops we promote a culture of mutual and appropriate respect between all boys and staff. It is important that we understand that this includes respecting people who are different to us for whatever reason. In the end, when in doubt, we must always apply the Golden Rule, 'Treat others in the same way as you would like to be treated.'

The College Executive has committed itself to engage with all minority groups in the school to ensure that there are no policies or practices

at Bishops that are alienating and offensive to individuals or groups.

In other ways, this year has been a difficult year for the school as we have had to deal with the tragic death of a Grade 9 boy, **Rohan Bloom** and four of our Dads, Rob Wilson, Karl Labberte, Martin Leifeldt and Marco Bersella. We remember them and their families at this time. In addition, members of our staff and some of our parents have overcome life-threatening illnesses; we thank God for their recovery and pray for continued healing for them. It is in difficult times that the true spirit of compassion and support comes from all sections of the Bishops community and I

thank you all for that.

Of course in the midst of all the problems and difficulties it is important that we give boys a message of hope and optimism; one of the joys of working in an environment with young boys is that they are inherently positive and energetic and we must not ever dampen that enthusiasm.

So, as we measure Bishops against the milestone of 2016, we can confidently say that it has been a very successful year. The class of 2015 produced exceptional academic results in their final examinations and we expect the same from the class of 2016. In light of the educational crisis in South Africa, the question often asked of us as a school is why we continue to write the NSC through the State rather than through the IEB. It is not fully understood that it is exactly the same curriculum; all that differs is the exit exam. Both examinations are accredited by the same accreditation authority, Umalusi. The examination continues to serve us well and the evidence we have is that our boys are well prepared for any course at university, both locally and abroad. It is worth noting that numbers of Bishops boys each year are successful with their applications to top universities throughout the world. A case in point is the fantastic news we received at the end of last term that **Nicholas Janisch**, Grade 12 this year, has been nominated as the Mary Gray Scholar to study as an undergraduate at Cambridge University next year. This is the first time that the Mary Gray Scholarship has been awarded for undergraduate studies to a Bishops boy, a tremendous achievement and another indication of the academic excellence at Bishops.

It has been a wonderful year on the cultural

front for Bishops boys. The musical "All Shook Up" was thoroughly entertaining and professional; the acapello group Simply Blue continued to wow audiences wherever they performed, and the iconic Eisteddfod continues to reach new heights each year. The debating, public speaking and clubs and societies are vibrant and provide great enrichment for all boys.

Sport at Bishops remains very competitive despite the increasing "professionalisation" of sport at schoolboy level. Our view has always been that sport is part of the educational process and that we continue to believe strongly that teachers should be in control. We are committed to providing supplementary expertise in coaching where this is needed. We are also committed to providing conditioning training for all our boys so that they are physically equipped to compete against many of the bigger and stronger opponents we are up against. We are currently engaged with the Sports Science Institute to design a programme specifically aimed at meeting the needs of Bishops boys in terms of conditioning. Most importantly, we should focus on our strengths of playing sport with skill, passion and intelligence, something that surely our national rugby team should emulate!

How much simpler things were when OD Clive van Ryneveld, then a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford, was invited to represent England against Scotland at Twickenham on the 19th March 1949. The itinerary sent to players by the Secretary of the England RFU had the following instructions:

Friday 18th March: Players and travelling reserves are to be present for a runabout at the Old Deer Park ground, Richmond at 3.45 pm.

Saturday 19th March:

2.45 pm Photograph

3.00 pm Kick-off

Accommodation: Park Lane Hotel (bring soap and towel)

England won 19 nil and van Ryneveld scored a try!

I would like to thank all the constituents who support us in our endeavours to provide the best that we can for our boys. We are fortunate to have a Council under the leadership of Mike Bosman who are so committed to providing the leadership and guidance they do in the best interests of the school. There is no stipend for the time and expertise they give to Bishops and we are extremely grateful to them for their efforts. I have once again enjoyed working with our enthusiastic and hard working Parents Association lead by Malcolm Gray; they play a very important liaison role between the school and the parents, particularly at House level. Thank you to all parents who support their sons and the school in the very busy life we have here at Bishops.

We have enjoyed a very positive relationship with the OD Union this year. The President Raymond Ackerman remains an inspiration and a pillar of strength for me personally and to the school in general. The new Chairman Bruce Jack has brought his own quiet diplomacy and vision to the OD Union and I know that newly appointed Executive Manager WP Van Zyl will bring great passion and energy to the position.

I would like to pay tribute to all staff at Bishops for their commitment and support for the boys; this includes all support and academic staff. Bishops is a busy place and behind every

event is a teacher or a member of the support staff. My special gratitude goes to the College Executive and the whole School Executive for their support and guidance this year.

At the end of last term Deputy Principal, Vernon Wood, left Bishops to pursue personal interests. Mr Wood has made his mark at Bishops over the past eight years in so many ways. His wisdom and experience has been invaluable in guiding Bishops through substantial changes which have made Bishops a better place for all boys. One of the highlights of his tenure was his leadership of the IBSC International Conference held at Bishops last year. This was a fantastic conference that hosted 600 delegates from around the world. We wish Vernon and Betty-Anne all the very best in their new ventures.

The end of this year marks the end of an era at Bishops as Marcus Bizony retires after 33 years of exceptional service to Bishops, and a teaching career spanning 40 years.

Mr Bizony arrived in the country and at Bishops in January 1984. He initially taught Computer Science for four years and Maths for the following 29 years. He headed the Maths department for seven years, directed post matric for six years and for the past 13 years held the positions of Head of Academics and Deputy Head, Academics. He has given his heart and soul to the profession, to the boys who he taught, and to his role as a leader.

Mr Bizony is a man of huge integrity who has always put the interests of the school above his own. As a consequence he has made a remarkable impact on the life of Bishops and all who have passed through its doors in the past 33 years. There are many ODs today who are grateful they had the benefit of his

excellent teaching.

We will miss his brilliant intellect and his amazing attention to detail. Mr Bizony, we thank you and salute you.

At the end of the year two members of our staff leave to take up promotion posts at other Independent schools. While we will be sad to be losing them it is also very important that Bishops produces leaders for the wider school sector.

Jannie de Villiers takes up the reins as Head of Oakhill in Knysna. He joined Bishops in 1998 and in his 19 years at Bishops 15 of them have been in School House, where he served first as Assistant House-Director for five years and this year ends his ten-year tenure as House-Director. During his time at the College, he has taught Afrikaans and Geography with distinction. He served as a rugby coach and took the sport of Climbing to new heights. His fantastic contributions outside the classroom are too numerous to mention. For many years he single-handedly organized the outdoor programme. It would be an understatement to say that the impact he has made here at the College has been significant, coupled with his energy, passion and love for what is right.

There is no doubt that Mr de Villiers has touched and influenced the lives of many boys in his time at the College. We wish Mr de Villiers and his family well as he embarks on a new chapter in their lives. Mr De Villiers is living proof that dynamite comes in small packages!

Wessel Theron leaves Bishops at the end of the year to take up the post of HOD Afrikaans at Hilton College. From the onset it was clear that Mr Theron was a dedicated and committed educator, who did not shy away

from hard work. He has spent his time in the classroom motivating and encouraging boys to understand; enjoy and appreciate Afrikaans with innovative and exciting teaching methods.

Among other roles, Mr Theron has been an outstanding Kidd House tutor, has led several overseas tours, won international educational competitions and has more recently been the teacher in charge of Tennis. We wish him and his family happiness in this new exciting adventure in their lives.

It is probably true to say that the most important woman in a Principal's life, other than his wife of course, is his personal assistant! Wendy has been a PA at Bishops for 20 years and served under five different Heads and Principals. She will be remembered for her amazing grace and serene presence, always calm and professional no matter the circumstances. Her fantastic institutional knowledge will be missed, as will her ability to engage so easily with boys, staff and parents. Wendy retires at the end of the year and looks forward to spending more time with her ever growing brood of grandchildren. Thank you Wendy, you have been an absolute star and will be missed.

I am very satisfied with the quality of staff that we have appointed to replace those leaving; the very important position of Head of Academics will be taken over by Dr Stephen Sproule who is a highly respected and experienced educator. He has been the Head of Academics at Penryn College and previously served as the Head of Mathematics at St John's College in Johannesburg. He was also a Professor of Mathematics at the University of Tennessee in the US. He holds an MSc and a PhD in Mathematics Education and we look

forward to welcoming him and his family to Bishops next year. We also congratulate Peter Westwood on his promotion to the position of Deputy Principal with immediate effect and Mark Mitchell to the position of Deputy Head of Culture starting in January next year.

And last but not least, this prize giving is primarily about the boys. Today we acknowledge every one of you who has contributed to the success of the year; not all will be winning prizes but this does not mean that you have not been significant to the success of the year. I particularly want to thank the matrics for their leadership; this is the last group that experienced the “old order” of the junior/senior relationships as Grade 8s in 2012. They could so easily have reverted to type but have not done so and we thank them for that.

While each of you has been responsible for the leadership this year, I want to mention the terrific work of the Heads of Houses and the senior leadership group of **Francois Stassen, Brandon van der Westhuizen, Joe Linley and Matt Perrott**. I have enjoyed all my interactions with these fine young men, you boys can be proud of them and the way in which they have represented you. **Francois Stassen** does need a special mention. Despite the terrible disappointment of suffering a season ending knee injury, he never wavered in his commitment to the team and the new captain **Jean Pienaar**. In addition I have known Francois to be a young man of utmost integrity, always being prepared to do the “hard right” rather than the “easy wrong”. Well done Francois.

It remains for me to wish you matrics well as you face your final hurdle, I am confident that

you are well prepared to tackle the next phase of your lives; never more have we needed young men to make a difference and to be true to our motto; “Fide et Patria”; for Faith and Fatherland.

HEAD OF SCHOOL’S ADDRESS

– FRANCOIS STASSEN

Good morning Mr Bosman, Mr Pearson, honorable guests, staff, parents and Bishops gentleman.

In my first address of the school last year I boldly quoted, “The best way to predict the future is to create it.” Now, twelve months later we find ourselves reflecting on the short-term future I was referring to. Before you get me wrong, I never intentionally created circumstances that saw me sit next to the rugby field all year long, things out of our control do also happen. Today we as the matric group and consequently leaders of the various pockets of life at Bishops hand over the responsibility to the bright eyed, bushy tailed grade 11s who eagerly move into their new roles. But today also represents the end for the matrics and thus a chance to look back at the last five years at high school and more specifically the last 12 months as matrics.

In 2016 Bishops has once again accumulated achievements in almost every facet of life. Traditional sports have continued to thrive despite the school’s emphasis on producing all-rounded individuals.

The water polo side recorded Bishops’ first ever national tournament win in Grahamstown at the beginning of the year, and later went on to win the Mazinta in front of a passionate crowd that filled the stands at the Newlands

Pool. The cricket and hockey first teams both progressed to the finals of their respective provincial knockout tournaments, with the hockey managing to convert into victory. After a hard fought season, the year's rugby will be remembered for a devastating counting error and miraculous on-field medical recovery against archrivals from across the road.

All of this has been passionately supported by the school body, with the antics of the cheerleaders causing some to skip a heartbeat but has left endless laughter and elation amongst the Bishops supporters.

There has been no shortage in international participation either, from the performance of the rowers to the South African fly fisherman, from the international public speakers to the South African hockey players.

Bishops never ceases to impress, and this is merely a fraction of what has been achieved.

Apart from individual achievements, a memorable performance of the play, *All Shook Up*, and the year's highly competitive and slightly contentious Eisteddfod, spring to mind.

I mention all of this not so you can strain your arm patting yourself on the back, but because it is remarkable what goes on in this school in a year. The functioning of life at Bishops can be compared to an ant mound in many respects, as each individual in the larger system has a specific role to fulfill.

Regardless of how seemingly insignificant a talent or passion may be, it is this diversity and individuality that when added together enhances the functioning of the school community.

An ant mound needs those that go out to collect food and do work that can be seen and admired, but as important to the survival

of the colony, it needs those that prepare the storage area underground, those that fulfill the support and less recognized roles. Bishops likewise needs those who are going to be admired out on the sports field, those who stand in the front line in Simply Blue or those who take the main roles in the school play, but as importantly the school needs those who give it their all early every Saturday morning, those who without recognition learn an instrument to participate in Eisteddfod, those whose voices turn hoarse when supporting their school.

In this cohesive system it is necessary that, like ants in passing, we greet fellow students, staff and parents, as this politeness is the first step in maintaining the gentleman-like manners associated with Bishops.

As we know, an ant on its own cannot survive the rains or the dangers that may face it, but when a colony works together in supporting all those around it, by valuing each role contributing to the bigger system, then the colony may flourish. It must be understood that every aspect of the school is critically dependent on others, however at the same time everyone must contribute. There is no space for passengers if this prestigious school is to continue to flourish. As I have said earlier this year, if you leave through the school gates at 3.15 every afternoon it will be both to your own detriment and to the detriment of Bishops.

To the matric class of 2017, look to grow and improve the school in areas you see necessary and do this with the ambition to see Bishops as the best it has ever been but the worst in comparison to years to come. Although as a matric group you are vitally important to the year 2017, in Bishops' history



Head Boy 2016: Francois Stassen

we are all merely custodians of its culture. Change and alter the school for current circumstances as well as those leading into the future. Good luck to all and enjoy your final year at school.

When taking over the reins as Matrics this time last year, there was nervousness amongst the grade about the thought of life outside of Bishops. Despite the possibility of an extended Plett rage due to universities not taking in new students at the beginning of next year, the reality of life outside Bishops remains daunting. However, over the last 12 months I believe Bishops has equipped us with the capabilities to turn any dream into a reality. As saddening as it is that the grade will soon fragment into different directions, in the end we will remain the Matric Class of 2016, an identity that will hopefully reunite us in the future.

Judging by the host of senior staff retirements, managing our grade from a staff point of view was probably not as easy as I thought, however I do think the words of Henry Ford describe the development in the grade over the past five years, he said “Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.” Thank you to all, and in particular the leadership group, for working together this year.

Bishops, it has been an honor fulfilling this role in 2016. I would like to leave the school with one final thought; a wise man once said, “People who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are the ones that do.”

Gentlemen of Bishops, our beloved South Africa is in desperate need of fresh input, go out there and make a difference.

Profide et Patria

ACADEMIC PRIZES 2016

GRADE 8

Robert Dugmore

Grade Prize 1st, An OD's Mathematics Prize (shared), History Prize, Economic and Management Sciences Prize (shared), Practical Music Course Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Jonathan Mopp

Grade Prize 2nd, Science Prize (shared), Biology Prize (shared), Non-practical Music Course Prize, General Good Effort

Christopher Dicey

Grade Prize 3rd, Biology Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Andrew Low

Economic and Management Sciences Prize (shared), Practical Music Course Prize (shared), Life Orientation Prize, General Good Effort

Daniel van Nimwegen

English Prize, Science Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Niccolo Guerrini

Afrikaans Prize (shared), French Prize

Gerard Murray-Cooke

Geography Prize, General Good Effort

Maximillian Wolfson

Art Prize, General Good Effort

Ben Cheminais

An OD's Mathematics Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Alexander van der Leek

Drama Prize

Jordan Welsh

Xhosa Prize

Milan Dixon

Afrikaans Prize (shared)

Tim Kotze

Technology Prize

Alexander Saurma-Jeltsch

General Good Effort

Anton Coutts-Trotter

General Good Effort

Dylan Barow

General Good Effort

Jonathan Bateman

General Good Effort

Joseph Pepler

General Good Effort

Lloyd Phillips

General Good Effort

Michael Ford

General Good Effort

Rohan Naidoo

General Good Effort

Stuart Stevens

General Good Effort

SPECIAL MENTIONS

English

Neil Du Toit; Robert Dugmore

French

Alex Saurma-Jeltsch; James Kirkman

Afrikaans

Christopher Dicey; Jonathan Mopp

Mathematics

Christopher Dicey; Jonathan Mopp

Science

Christopher Dicey; Robert Dugmore; Andrew Low

Biology

Robert Dugmore; Gerard Murray-Cooke

Geography

Jonathan Mopp; Lloyd Phillips

History

Christopher Dicey; Jono Bateman; Jonathan Mopp

Art
 Practical Music
 Non-practical Music
 Drama
 Technology
 EMS
 Life Orientation

Andrew Geerds; Joseph Pepler
Leo Gevisser
Lloyd Phillips; Ben Cheminais
Luke Rissik; Jay Sinha
Andrew Geerds; Cameron Clark
Jonathan Mopp; Gerard Murray-Cooke; Jono Bateman
Jono Bateman; Lloyd Phillips

GRADE 9

Joshua Elliott

Grade Prize 1st, English Prize (shared), The Strakosch Science Award, History Prize (shared), Xhosa Prize, General Good Effort

Liam Foxcroft

Grade Prize 2nd, Mathematics Prize (shared), History Prize (shared), General Good Effort, The Solomon Prize for Excellence in Competition Mathematics

Euan Musselwhite

Grade Prize 3rd, English Prize (shared), Life Orientation Prize (shared), The Gladys Manning Memorial Prize, General Good Effort

Jack Clayton

Economic and Management Sciences Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Jakob Holm

Afrikaans Prize, The Strakosch Biology Award, Practical Music Course Prize, General Good Effort

Thomas Warner

The Strakosch Mathematics Award, Mathematics Prize (shared), General Good Effort

David Straughan

The Mary Clarkson Junior Writing Prize, Economic and Management Sciences Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Rushay Shiba

Drama Prize, General Good Effort

Tomas Slaven

Non-practical Music Course Prize, General Good Effort

Tristan Turner

Art Prize, General Good Effort

Brett Tucker

Life Orientation Prize (shared)

Matthew Leong

Technology Prize

Matthew Shaw

French Prize

Reece Oellermann

Geography Prize

Adam Stonestreet

General Good Effort

Jack Rowand

General Good Effort

Kenau Vith

General Good Effort

Luke Richardson

General Good Effort

Mikhail Lovric

General Good Effort

Murray Gordon

General Good Effort

Thomas Liefeldt

General Good Effort

SPECIAL MENTIONS

English	Reece Oellermann; David Straughan
French	Charlie Yates; Euan Musselwhite
Afrikaans	Sabri Numanoglu; Caleb Anderson-De Waal;
Xhosa	David Straughan
Mathematics	Kenau Vith; Joshua Elliott, Andrew Williams
Science	David Straughan; Liam Foxcroft; Tomas Slaven
Biology	Jakob Holm; Jack Clayton
Geography	David Straughan; Liam Foxcroft
History	Jack Clayton; Max Martin
Art	Mikhail Lovric; Marek Kanigowski
Practical Music	Liam Foxcroft; Will Linley
Non-practical Music	Reece Oellermann; Matthew Leong
Drama	Matt Marr; James Blow
Technology	Matt Tate; Kenau Vith, Liam Foxcroft
EMS	Thomas Warner; Jack Rowand
Life Orientation	Tomas Slaven; Thomas Warner

GRADE 10

Derek Reissenzahn

Grade Prize 1st (Archbishop West-Jones), The Andrew Henderson Memorial Biology Prize, The Strakosch Biology Award, English Prize, The Guy Currie Science Prize (shared), Economics Prize (shared), Life Orientation Prize, General Good Effort

Ryan Labberte

Grade Prize 2nd, Economics Prize (shared), General Good Effort

Brandon Snider

Grade Prize 3rd, The Stanley Clarke Junior History Prize, General Good Effort Additional Mathematics Prize, Information Technology Prize, The Lascelles Birt Memorial Mathematics Prize (shared), The Strakosch Mathematics Award, General Good Effort

Karl Stapelberg

The Guy Currie Science Prize (shared), The Strakosch Science Award, General Good Effort

Christopher Kotze

The Lascelles Birt Memorial Mathematics Prize (shared), General Good Effort Accounting Prize, General Good Effort

Kamal Sacranie

The Pauling French Prize, General Good Effort

Tim Sharples

Geography Prize

Gregor Bell

The O.D. Prize for Afrikaans

Sihle Kahla

Art Prize

Peter Thacker

Xhosa Prize

Okuhle Minyi

Michael Wilson-Trollip	<i>Music Prize</i>
Alizwa Ngcwangu	<i>Maths Literacy Prize</i>
John van Niekerk	<i>Dramatic Arts Prize (shared)</i>
Joshua Mol	<i>Dramatic Arts Prize (shared)</i>
Dean Jacobs	<i>General Good Effort</i>
Finn Geldenhuys	<i>General Good Effort</i>
Francesco Guerrini	<i>General Good Effort</i>
Liam Gordon-Turner	<i>General Good Effort</i>
Mark Bergh	<i>General Good Effort</i>
Thomas Janisch	<i>General Good Effort</i>

GRADE 11

Christopher Aubin	<i>Grade Prize 1st, Life Orientation Prize, Art Prize (shared), General Good Effort</i>
Kwangbem Ko	<i>Grade Prize 2nd, The Strakosch Mathematics Award, Geography Prize, Music Prize, General Good Effort</i>
Nikolaos Tapanlis	<i>Grade Prize 3rd (shared), History Prize, The Louis Esselen Afrikaanse Toespraak Prys vir Addisionele Taal, The English Verse Prize, The Hands Memorial Essay Prize, The H.J.Kidd Speech Prize, General Good Effort</i>
Jamie Diggle	<i>Grade Prize 3rd (shared), The Strakosch Biology Award, General Good Effort</i>
Andrew Hodgson	<i>The Strakosch Science Award, Science Prize (shared), General Good Effort</i>
Nicholas Bowden	<i>Science Prize (shared), Information Technology Prize, General Good Effort</i>
Stephane Pienaar	<i>Afrikaans Prize, The Louis Esselen Afrikaanse Toespraak Prys vir Huistaal, General Good Effort</i>
Angus Thring	<i>The Edna Hodgson Prize for English. Additional Mathematics Prize, General Good Effort</i>
Brendan Naude	<i>Economics Prize, General Good Effort</i>
Felix Burt	<i>The Pauling French Prize, General Good Effort</i>
Nicholas Featherstone	<i>Accounting Prize (shared), General Good Effort</i>
Calum Wehmeyer	<i>Die Afrikaanse Voordragprys, General Good Effort</i>
Sanele Mayosi	<i>Xhosa Prize</i>
Nicholas Da Costa	<i>Dramatic Arts Prize</i>
Ivan Stassen	<i>Accounting Prize (shared)</i>
Blair Phelan	<i>Maths Literacy Prize</i>
Luca Powell	<i>Art Prize (shared)</i>
Christian Rohrer	<i>General Good Effort</i>
James Hamilton-Russell	<i>General Good Effort</i>
Mac Cheminais	<i>General Good Effort</i>
Murray Bruce	<i>General Good Effort</i>

GRADE 12**Nicholas Janisch***Grade Prize 1st, Music Prize, General Good Effort***Daniel Tate***Grade Prize 2nd, First Pauling French Prize, Bertha Solomon Prize for South African History, General Good Effort***Ahmed Dhansay***Grade Prize 3rd, The Thresher Prize for Physics, An Old Boy's Prize for Science, Harry Robinson Prize for Mathematics and Science, General Good Effort***Alexander Peile***Michael Cameron Computer Prize (shared), Edward Ridge Syfret English Prize, The Writer's Prize, General Good Effort***Akha Manjezi***Gorham Mathematics Prize, Gray House Old Boys' Prize for Additional Maths, General Good Effort***Christopher Mailer***Helen Liddell Geography Prize, Economics Prize, General Good Effort***Luke Baker***Accounting Prize, PriceWaterhouseCoopers Prize for Maths and, General Good Effort***Stuart Mesham***Information Technology Prize, Michael Cameron Computer Prize (shared), General Good Effort***Timothy Langerman***Sybil McGregor Prize for Historical Research, Maths Literacy Prize, General Good Effort***Boyd Kane***Visual Arts Prize, Rembrandt van Rijn Medal, General Good Effort***Matthew Rissik***Martin Silberbauer Prize for Excellence in Geography, The Warham Searle Prize for Southern African History, Stanley Clarke History Prize***Dylan Burke***Life Orientation Prize, General Good Effort***Ziyaad Bawa***Victor Lewis Prize for Biology, General Good Effort***Francois Stassen***Die J.S.M. Viljoen Afrikaanse Skrywersprys, General Good Effort***Jean Pienaar***Mark Newton-Thompson Afrikaans Prize***Musa Nyangiwe***Xhosa Prize***Christopher Mitchell***General Good Effort***Jonathan Rossouw***General Good Effort***Lloyd Jones***General Good Effort***Nabeel Goolam Mahomed***General Good Effort***Sebastian Prentice***General Good Effort***SPECIAL PRIZES****Alexander Peile***The Writer's Prize***Christopher Hyslop***The Ashburnham Prize for English Reading***Nicholas Peile***The Junior Reading Prize***Logan Tait***The Headmaster's Junior English Speech Prize***Jun Hyeok Her***Leonardo da Vinci Medal***Luca Powell***The Sam Butler Drawing Prize***Philip Morkel-Brink***The Pierneef Cup for Art*

Nicholas Janisch	<i>Instrumentalist's Prize</i>
Nicholas Janisch	<i>The Brian Guillemard Prize for Contribution to Music in the School</i>
Joe Linley	<i>The Prize for the Best Contribution to the Choir (shared)</i>
Christopher Hyslop	<i>The Prize for the Best Contribution to the Choir (shared)</i>
Christopher Hyslop	<i>The Prize for the Most Improved Musician</i>
Lee Cooper	<i>The Graham Coote Prize for the Best Contribution to an Ensemble</i>
Cade Cannon	<i>The John Joubert Cup for Composition</i>
Cal Tait	<i>The Masey Prize for Environmental Studies (shared)</i>
Matthew Perrott	<i>The Masey Prize for Environmental Studies (shared)</i>
Ziyaad Bawa	<i>Rotary Club of Claremont 'Service Above Self' Award (shared)</i>
Nabeel Goolam Mahomed	<i>Rotary Club of Claremont 'Service Above Self' Award (shared)</i>
Christian Stehlik	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (F)</i>
Mukisa Mujulizi	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (S)</i>
Philip Morkel-Brink	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (W)</i>
James Wilson	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (G)</i>
Christopher Hyslop	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (O)</i>
Joe Linley	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (K)</i>
Yazini Dube	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (B)</i>
Josh Smith	<i>Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness (M)</i>
Joe Linley	<i>The Bob Snape Prize for Enthusiasm</i>
Stuart Vine	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (F)</i>
Calvin-Ziegler Smith	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (S)</i>
Sihle Kahla	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (W)</i>
Alex Castle	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (G)</i>
Thomas Barty	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (O)</i>
Andrew Knight	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (K)</i>
Tim Sharples	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (B)</i>
Idrees Abdulla	<i>Thomas Dudley Persse Trophy (M)</i>
Sean Price	<i>The George Hodgson Prize</i>
Daniel Tate	<i>The Philip Stent Trophy</i>
Matthew Perrott	<i>The Roston Franks Memorial Floating Trophy</i>
James Faure	<i>The Tuppy Owen-Smith Trophy for Excellence in Sport (shared)</i>
Sven Wellmann	<i>The Tuppy Owen-Smith Trophy for Excellence in Sport (shared)</i>
Tyla Scarles	<i>The Jamison Prize for Athletics</i>
Jean Pienaar	<i>The Doug Todd Trophy for Sport</i>
Jean Pienaar	<i>The O.D. All-Rounder's Prize</i>
Francois Stassen	<i>The O.D. Merit Prize</i>

MATRIC 2016



Marcus Bizony - Deputy Headmaster (Academics)

VALEDICTORY SPEECH

Well, in 33 years this is the first time I have been asked to talk in Chapel. Actually, that's not quite true: there was one time I had an invitation, but there was a bit of a fuss and that was withdrawn.

But today I am here by invitation of the matrics, which is different – although it does raise a question: after all this time, mine and yours, have you only now decided that I might have something interesting to say?

Or perhaps you expect me not to be

interesting and have invited me out of duty, just because I am going. In other words, the most interesting thing I have done has been to go?

I enjoy telling people that when I arrived at this school in 1984, there was just one computer on campus - and nobody knew how to use it. But the fact that the modern world has changed out of all recognition in the last 30 years is not news, and it is not in fact quite what I want to focus on today. I want to think about changes in attitudes and expectations.

Back then Bishops boys felt a sense of entitlement and security: they knew that as long as they did all the right things, or at least enough of them, they would be able to proceed from here to university, jobs, future ... all pretty straightforward. There was a bit of a glitch for national service, perhaps, but everybody knew that the proportion of privately-educated white men among the boardrooms of the country was high, and that among those movers and shakers were many Bishops alumni.

The role of women was clearly understood, in a way that horrifies us today as we look back, and the sexism evident among the boys and the staff was by today's standards totally unacceptable – but, to be fair, not unusual or particularly frowned on then. Prefects were big shots, and juniors had to show them respect, or else!

All that has changed, not just here but also in the wider society outside school. There is nothing automatic any more about your progress through the next stages: it's harder to get into a university, more chaotic and competitive when you are there, any

degree that you get is less of a guarantee than it used to be... on the home front, sexism is out O-U-T, the role of men in the family and in the home is understood quite differently... wherever you look, so much has changed about what we value and aspire to.

And what you need in order to navigate these choppy waters is not what it was: you need so much more than knowledge and training, you need flexibility, sensitivity and a whole raft of skills and attitudes. You need things that even your own parents may not have been able to show you, explain to you or model for you.

And the future is certainly very uncertain ... when viewed traditionally. The opportunities are still there, I am convinced they really are, but only to people who are going to approach the future as just that, not as a continuation of the present. Remember that half the jobs that people do now were not there when those people were at school. Increasingly one hears companies say that a degree is not as important to them as it was: they can do their own training of people once they are on the job: the trick is to pick the right people, not the right qualifications. Selection is as likely to be based on interview as on CV and certificates, and the interview is likely to be more wide-ranging than a chat, quite possibly involving group-work and interaction, much as in your leadership camp a year ago.

Let me read to you the academic vision which is the statement from the HoDs committee declaring what it is they believe they are really trying to achieve:

We aim to empower our pupils to take their place in the global world they go into, and be positive participants in the shaping of that world.

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

There is nothing about entitlement in this: rather it is about skills and attitudes and opportunities, but it is also about citizenship, obligation, duty, responsibility... I am absolutely sure that your teachers and your families have done a great deal to help you understand this, and my most fervent hope for you as you leave Bishops today is that you never forget it, that you always remember what your special and privileged circumstances have done for you, and that you resolve to give back and apply your skills empathetically and energetically.

And yet even as you think you are about to take the next step towards positioning yourself to do just that, you run into difficulties: the universities have to be persuaded to accept you, and then the worry is that they won't be able to deliver what every undergraduate before has been able to rely on: classes, lectures, tutorials, exams, graduation.

But university is not the whole point. We at this school haven't been trying just to get you into university but more importantly to empower you to be able to benefit from it once there – and if you don't go, there is still benefit. At Bishops we have been trying to educate you in a way that transcends training. Indeed, we would hope that good

exam results are just a by-product of good teaching and learning, not the focus of them. So trust me when I say that you are leaving with a host of skills and understandings that are always going to advantage you. Of course for medicine, engineers, lawyers, accountants and many other occupations, you cannot avoid the need for detailed and highly technical further training, and it cannot be denied that the outlook there is of great concern, not just for you but for the country. I wish you all good luck in your paths ahead, and if that does involve studying, please don't forget how well equipped in essential ways you already are.

I am not going to make a list of my favourite moments at Bishops – it would be far too long, but I do want to talk about one of the things that I so appreciate about the modern Bishops. The solo music competitions are a bit more regulated now than they used to be, but even so... we often see boys who are well-known in one unrelated context, perhaps even first-team rugby, participating, 'giving it a go'. In some ways these are the most pleasing moments, when you see someone in an unexpected light, or when you see a big tough lad pausing for melodramatic effect in a song, letting the silence hang (and isn't that difficult, eh, to be centre stage, with everybody watching/listening, and leave silences?) ...

Very difficult.

Part of why I enjoy this all so much is because it shows me how far Bishops has come in the last 30 years and what it has been striving for all this time: we want people to have the courage to stand up, to

acknowledge feelings, whether their own or somebody else's, whether in words or some other medium... to recognise that clichés and stereotypes are not what makes for a rounded and contributing person, that each person has so much more to contribute to his world and his companions than just the thing he or she is best known for ... and then as audiences we encourage people to give it a go, we acknowledge ourselves willing, even desperate, to be moved, and more than prepared to receive something less than perfect and still appreciate it so long as it was sincerely meant and honestly delivered. It is mutual trust - the performer trusts the audience not to be scornful, the audience trusts the performer to be genuine – and apart from the wonderful sounds, it is that trust that I feel most keenly in the room on these occasions. The fact that this is all part of a competition fades into total irrelevance.

The last decades have seen the atmosphere at Bishops move a long way from control and into partnership. In the old days the teachers were the law, each individual teacher had his (occasionally her) individuality which he revelled in even when it meant breaking the rules; prefects ran the boys and boys respected the prefects – truth to tell, that respect was grudging and rather closer to fear than admiration – and boys did as prefects and teachers told them. Ask a teacher 'why?' and the reply you got was probably 'Because I say so'. Nowadays you can tell when you see teachers and boys talking, that the relationship is so much more trusting (both ways), so much more a pleasure and so two-way – and in Assembly after Assembly we see that it is just as productive and successful.

I am convinced that one of the reasons we have so few significant discipline issues in the school is because we don't operate on a them-and-us basis: we don't set ourselves up for conflict and clash. We value each other, we recognise what each brings to the partnership, and we are all stronger and greater because of that. Trust, again.

This is not only a school issue: learn from this experience and apply it to all your relationships after school, whether they be in a home, a family, a workplace, a sporting team. Realise how much you have learned, without necessarily being taught, about teamwork and collaboration, about honouring and working within codes of conduct and shared norms and platforms rather than trying to break free or break down.

All the people you meet are potential partners in something, so treat them with respect and give them space to enhance not only your life but everybody else's too.

In your own speeches at Valedictory year after year you stress the togetherness you all feel; at that time you usually mean the boys in your own matric grade, but there is a spirit of togetherness and connectedness that binds all the boys in the school, to each other, to the staff that teach them, and to that great spirit that we call 'the school'. They say it takes a village to raise a child – Bishops is a wonderful village, and I know you will treasure the memories for ever, and I am confident that you will walk tall in the world and do well for the world because of how you were raised here.

Floreat Bishops.

Marcus Bizony

MATRICES 2016

inspires individuals



■ **Back Row:** J Smith, D Goldberg, A Sutherland, M McKirby, B Kane, L Cooper, R Berkeley, L Davis, B Cranswick, J Nel, J Garlick, L Viljoen, M Viana, M Peter, J Beachy Head, E Pandiani, A Jewson, A Williams, C Glynn-Dicks

■ **6th Row:** K Cara, A Vavatzanidis, N Fleming, W Reid, R Schwulst, S Wellmann, C Gruber, M Christy, D Dell, D Van Der Valk, R Lancsfeld, C Diem, O Stevens, T Wyatt-Smith, N Proudfoot, A Peile, J Bassett, P Morkel-Brink, R Aspinall

■ **5th Row:** T Schola, D Turpin, D Rowcell, T Muller, C Steyn, C Tait, C Mailer, A Gordon, M Wray, C Mewett, A Lupini, J Faure, M Quibell, A Michaelatos, C Jacobs, B Steyn, T Baldwin, T Schlebusch, R McNamara, J Her

■ **4th Row:** J Gray, R Bailey, O Downing, J Cottrell, N Viljoen, N Rubin, C De Nysschen, T Bhorat, J Hudson, S Kilpin, A Wheeler, J Smith, K Baard, J Wilson, J Frost, K Scheepers, S Gordon, C Lehmann, T Horrell, N Brake



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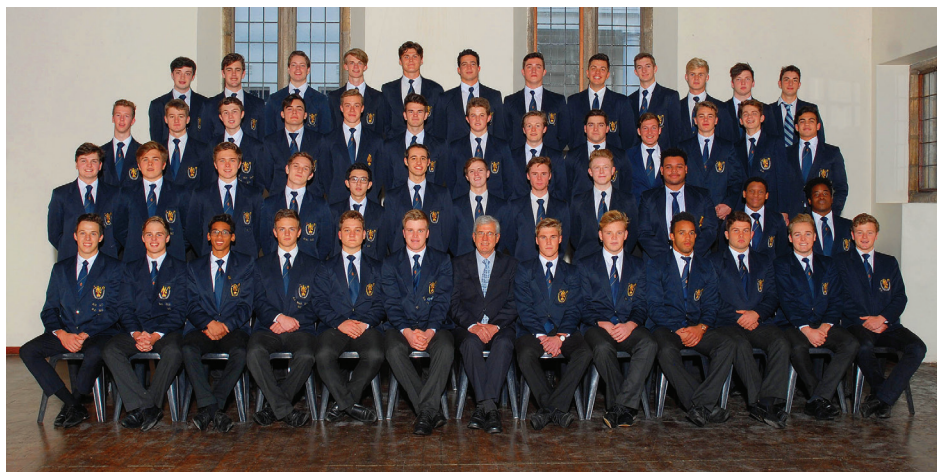
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■ **2nd Row:** S Price, M Rissik, J van Breda, S Yanta, C Cannon, Y Dube, R De Mey, J Hendrick, T Hermans, T Dawray, R MacGregor, A Völkel, N Janisch, D Goliath, Z Bawa, M Clayton, J Murinda, M Jiang, W Gardener, J van der Linden, J Murray, L Dornford-May, L Jones, C Mitchell, A Manjezi, A Potelwa, D Holliday, M Mujulizi

■ **Front row:** Z Oaker, L Scott, D Burke, D Tate, C Stehlik, C Hyslop, J Penuar, M Knight, M Perrott, J Linley (Deputy Head of School), Mr G Pearson (Principal) F Slassen (Head of School), B van der Westhuizen (Deputy Head of School), B Sneddon, M Newbury, T Scarles, J Rossouw, J Hofmeyr, S Prentice, M Kuhn, C de Beer, N Piotrowski

■ **Insets:** K Pillay, T Bakre, J Mitchell

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HEADS OF HOUSES 2016



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NEWS FROM HOUSES



A pot of gold



FOUNDERS

House Director: Dave Mallett

Head of House: Ivan Stassen

Deputy Head: Sam Kuhn

As 2016 draws to a close, we look back on our achievements and on the accolades that were accomplished by the young Founders men. The Founders boys flourished again this year in all facets of school life: academics, sport and culture. Any Founders boy who looks back on the year can be proud of how we have progressed. One could immediately recognize that 2016 would be a good year for Founders by looking at the leadership, with

both the Head Boy, **Francois Stassen**, and the Deputy Head of Boarding, **Brandon van der Westhuizen**, flourishing from our House. However, they would not have been able to do their jobs without the unwavering support from the rest of their Founders matric group who were eager to lead Founders to even greater heights.

Founders celebrated three Floreat Founders this year – a Floreat is celebrated in light of



Farewell Mr Glanvill

the House doing well in one or numerous Inter House events. The boys showed their commitment early on in the year by winning the Heats Week trophy; a true indication of the pride and passion the boys have for Founders. We also brought home both the Senior and Junior Inter House water polo trophies, as well as the U16, U19 and, inevitably, the overall Inter House rugby trophies. The contribution Founders boys made to Bishops was amazing. Founders held the key to seven 1st team rugby players, including vice-captain, **James McDonald**; two 1st team cricket players and three 1st team water polo players. And this is only a fraction of the talent that Founders has to offer. Along with this, we praise our two cheerleaders on an awesome job at leading the school from the sidelines this year. As we look to the year ahead, we would also like to congratulate **Aidan Neill** on being appointed Vice Captain of Water Polo, and **Finbarr Lebona** on being appointed Vice Captain

of Fencing. Further congratulations go to **Aidan Neill, Tom-Ross Lee, Matthew Klingenberg, Matthew Smith, Sam Elliott, Brad Bullough, Michael Coles, Jake Stuart** and **Jack van Essen** on being selected for the WP water polo teams in their respective age groups. **Tom** was also selected for the U16 SA team; what an outstanding achievement! Congratulations are also in order for **Lubelo Scott** who made the Craven Week Academy side.

Founders boys showed their well-roundedness at Prize Giving this year. Academic prizes were awarded to: **Chris Dicey** (Grade Prize 3rd, Biology Prize), **Lloyd Phillips** (General Good Effort), **Thomas Liefeldt** (General Good Effort), **Ivan Stassen** (Accounting Prize), **Musa Nyangiwe** (Xhosa Prize) and **Francois Stassen** (Afrikaans Skryf Prys). **Christian Stehlik** and **Stuart Vine** must also be commended on receiving awards for considerateness, and special congratulations



Leavers Dinner

should go to **Francois Stassen** on being awarded the OD Merit Prize.

The true musical talent of the Founders boys might not have been on full display this year during Eisteddfod, but that does not mean the boys were not passionately singing their hearts out and giving it their all. Those who attended the Founders Variety Concert this year will definitely agree that there is great cultural talent within Founders. The matric group shone once again, producing numerous 'a cappella' groups that stunned the audience. This was topped with hilarious dramatic performances from the different grades.

As the December holidays continue to creep closer, we bid farewell to the Matrics of 2016. One must commend all of you on a truly remarkable year for Founders. A special commendation goes to **Francois Stassen**, **Brandon van der Westhuizen** and **Christian Stehlik** on leading this House superbly over the past 12 months. Matrics, well

done on making it, and we wish you well as you move into the next phase of your lives. We are certain that the Founders name will keep your friendships forever bound. Good luck for Finals!

The reins have officially been handed over to the Grade 11s, and the leaders for 2017 – Head of Founders, **Ivan Stassen** and Deputy Head, **Sam Kuhn**. We would also like to congratulate, as well as bid farewell to, **Mr Leon Glanvill**, who has been appointed Head of School House for 2017. In doing so, we must also welcome **Mr Barry Emms** to Founders as Assistant House Director. Congratulations, Sir - we look forward to working with you. Lastly, I would like to wish everyone good luck for the upcoming exams and hope you have an enjoyable summer holiday. Get as much rest as possible and come back ready for an exciting and action packed first term. Floreat Founders!

Ivan Stassen



SCHOOL

House Director: Jannie de Villiers

Head of House and Deputy Head of School: Bulelani Ngqukuvana

Deputy Head: Luca Guerrini



The new Head and Deputy Head of House, Luca Guerrini and Bulelani Ngqukuvana

After an astounding year, shepherded by the Top House Matric class of 2016, the time has now come to pass on the reins. The Top House Matric class of 2017 will have high expectations to live up to, courtesy of the cohesive effort of **Jean Pienaar**, **Sebastian Prentice** and their peers. The newly appointed Head of House, **Bulelani Ngqukuvana** (also Deputy Head for Boarders), and Deputy Head, **Luca Guerrini**, are more than eager to lead the Top House boys through another momentous year, but first, a bit of reflection...

The Eisteddfod marks an exciting time on the Bishops calendar. Once again Top House rose to the occasion by taking a profound second place in the Inter House singing and bringing home the Boarders' Owl for the third consecutive year since its introduction in 2014.

Top House remained a formidable force on the sports field. Our lads were there, either running out onto the sacred Piley Rees on a Saturday morning for the 1st XV Rugby, or for the 1st XI Hockey under the fluorescent Friday night lights of the Woodlands, or even lining up some bulls-eyes under the watchful eye of our very own **Jonathan Frost** (Captain of Shooting) down at the pit. Top House was the best represented House in the starting line-up of the 1st XV Rugby team with **Jean Pienaar** (1st XV Captain), **Sebastian Prentice** (WP U18 Academy), **JP Smith** (WP U19), **Harry Makin**, **Luke Viljoen** and **Clyde de Beer**. **William Rose** represented U16 WP rugby. **Calvin Ziegler-Smith** shone on the squash court, going on to represent the U16 WP squash team. **Bulelani Ngqukuvana** enjoyed a productive season with the 1st XI Hockey,



Winners of the U14 Inter House Sevens Cup celebrate with Mr De Villiers

and went on to represent the WP U18 Hockey team. Top House was also well represented in the 1st XI Cricket side by **Clyde de Beer**, **Calvin Wilson** and **Matt Du Plessis**. **Jean Pienaar**, **Michael Peter** and **Preston Thomas** formed part of the First XIII rowing crew. **Michael Viana** was our man in the First Tennis team. We are represented in the First Basketball team by **Jordan Ross** (Vice Captain). Our U14 rugby players lifted the Inter House sevens rugby cup.

The following Top House boys are congratulated on their awards at prize giving: **Cameron Clark**, **Jacob Holm**, **Rushay Shiba**, **Kamal Sacranie**, **Calvin-Ziegler Smith**, **Mark Bergh**, **Sean Price**, **Sebastian Prentice**, **Mukisa Mujulizi** and **Jean Pienaar**.

Life in Top House ran in the usual

streamlined manner throughout this year, thanks to our phenomenal staff, including the divine dorm staff, our great stooges, our wise mentors and of course Mr Walsh, Mrs Koegelenberg and Mr de Villiers. Their efforts did not go unnoticed and the boys appreciated their selfless dedication very much.

Sadly Mr Jannie de Villiers, Mrs De Villiers, Alida and Jean leave us at the end of the year to start a new chapter in their lives. Mr De Villiers has been involved with Top House for the better part of 15 years. He will take up the position as Principal of Oakhill School in Knysna and we wish him God's speed. Mr Leon Glanvill will be assuming the position as our new House Director from January 2017 and we wish him and his family a long and happy association with Top House.

Bulelani Ngqukwana and Luca Guerrini



WHITE

House Director: Jean Nolte

Head of House: Arthur Fisher

Deputy Head: Jody Williams

Nestled between the hallowed ground that is the Piley Rees and the home of our Principal, Mr Pearson, 'The Castle' serves as a home away from home to 69 of Bishops' finest. Over the years, White House has been responsible

for helping wide-eyed Grade 8s become the top tier academics, international sportsmen and cultural experts that they strove to become, and will continue to do so. White House is not only a place of achievement, but



a comfortable, welcoming environment that provides a place for boys to develop and grow.

The matric class of 2016 has done a fantastic job. Despite referring to themselves as the last year of “the good old days” in reference to the old leadership system, they ushered out the old, and embraced the new, leading by example, and have been one of the most successful years in terms of achievement and leadership that I have seen in my time

at Bishops. Their motto, “our experiences shape our success” describes the way they lead perfectly. They showed the House that not everything is about winning, and that you learn the most from your mistakes. Despite this stance, 2016 was a year of achievement and White House continued to meet the high standards set for us by previous years, reaching multiple Inter House event finals in sport and culture, as well as churning out very respectable sets of academic results. In every Inter House event White House boys partakes in, be it sporting or culture, mainstream or otherwise, you can count on the unwavering support of the boys. This shows how passionate the boys are about their House.

As the matrices of 2017 take the wheel, we are looking to not only maintain the very high level of leadership and achievement, but also to build on the firm platform laid out for us by this year’s matric class, and the years before them. We will continue to spread the idea that winning isn’t everything, and that if

one works hard, and does one’s best, the rest will fall into place. In terms of leadership, we will be first year that hasn’t experienced the old leadership system, and we will do our best to maintain the new system and allow Bishops to put that period in the past. 2017 will be a big year for White House, and we know that we can leave the House in an even better state than we found it.

Arthur Fisher



GRAY

House Director: Joc Wrench

Head of House: Felix Burt

Deputy Head: Lloyd Wood



Gray House singing their way to the Eisteddfod Singing Owl



House Heads for 2017: Felix Burt (Head) and Lloyd Wood (Deputy Head)



Anton Volkel represented SA at the World Junior Fly-Fishing Champs in Spain



James Faure represented SA at the World Junior Rowing Champs in Holland



Max Harrison and Rob Moubray, winners of the Inter House Surfing, with Mr Wrench

With the end of the year imminent, it is time to reflect upon the many and varied successes which Gray House has achieved over the past year. From the highly-coveted Eisteddfod Owl to the 'local' Gray House Surfing trophy, these achievements are a product of the abundant energy, enthusiasm and commitment of the greatest House on campus. We owe a debt of thanks to **Marcus Knight** (Head of House), **Daniel Tate** (Deputy Head of House), the matric group, the Assistant House Directors and the House Director, for such a superb job of maintaining this throughout the year.

Gray House has continued their cultural excellence by having another exceptional year in the Bishops Eisteddfod, from winning the Prelim, Speech and Singing Owls, to second place in the

Music and Performance Owls (with best director, Dylan Rowell), to capping it all off with the overall Eisteddfod Owl. None of this could have been achieved without the tireless effort put in by the Gray House matric group, specifically, **Nicholas Janisch**, **Daniel Tate**, **Dylan Rowell** and **Jamie Wilson**, and we thank them for their commitment to achieving these outstanding cultural results. **James Wilson** was awarded his Full Art Colours and **Daniel Tate**, **Dylan Rowell** and **Jack Belcher** were awarded Full Music Colours, with **Nicholas Janisch** achieving his Distinction Tie for Music. It was no surprise, following the exceptional performance of the ensemble in the Eisteddfod, that the 3rd term Gray House Soirée was another successful musical evening. **Jack Belcher**, **Okuhle Minyi**

and **Matt van Westenbrugge** were also all chosen to represent Simply Blue, for 2016/2017. Although Gray House is renowned for our cultural strength, we remain highly competitive in the sporting arena of Bishops. With a number of provincial and national athletes ranging from rugby to downhill mountain-biking, it was no surprise that we managed to bring home various sporting trophies over the past year, helping to keep our trophy cabinet full. Special mention must go to **Max Harrison**, who together with and injured **Rob Moubray**, brought home the Inter House surfing trophy for the fourth consecutive year. Congratulations also go to **Malachy Barbour, Lloyd Wood, Shane Goodsell** and **Richard Wellington** for giving Gray House its second Senior Inter House tennis victory in the past three years. In the winter terms, regular appearances in the 1st team rugby were made by **Ross Goodwin, Murray Bruce, Marcus Knight** and **Alasdair Jewson** (Half Colours), while **Dan Tate** and **Malachy Barbour** (Full Colours) were regulars in the 1st Hockey side. Congratulations to **Okuhle Minyi, Daniel Kirsten, Conor White, Malachy Barbour, Calvin Sides, Tristan Sides, Jono Bird, Lloyd Wood, Anton Volkel, James Faure, Shaun O'Brien, Max Wolfson, Zak Cadiz, James Morritt-Smith, Kieraan Meyer, Joe Kirsten** and **Jock Buchanan** on provincial or national selections for their various sporting codes. These included cross-country, tennis, downhill mountain biking, paintball, hockey, fly-fishing, water polo, rugby, rowing, shooting and cricket. **James Faure** qualified to represent South Africa's Junior Men's Coxless Four at the Junior World Rowing Champs

in the Netherlands in August, while **Anton Volkel** represented SA in the Junior World Fly Fishing Champs in Spain, and was awarded the Johnny Marr Fishing Trophy for excellence in fly fishing – both earned Distinction Ties for representing SA at Junior level. With such an abundance of sporting talent, it is no surprise that many of our boys have received sporting colours. Congratulations to the following boys in Gray who have been selected as Captains of their sports for the coming season: **Lloyd Wood** (tennis), **Oliver Innes** (rowing), **Jack Belcher** (sailing) and **Max Harrison** (surfing). Finally, with the November exams around the corner, it's time for Gray House's academics to shine again. This year saw many boys receiving academic colours, exceptional performance in Maths and Science competitions, and selections for national mathematics teams. Gray House also had many representatives in the annual Prize Giving, most notably **Brandon Snider** for finishing 3rd in Grade 10, **Daniel Tate** for finishing 2nd in Grade 12, and **Nicholas Janisch** for finishing 1st in Grade 12. **Nicholas Janisch** should also be heartily congratulated on being awarded a full scholarship to Cambridge University. **Felix Burt** and **Christopher Mailer** both received academic jerseys this year, and **Felix** was selected for the 10 Club for 2017.

This has been an exceptional year and certainly one for the books. Now that the Leavers' Dinner and Valedictory have passed, it is time for us, the grade 11s, to take the reins. Although the bar has been set high, we are filled with excitement and eagerness to join together and do whatever it takes to reach and surpass this in 2017. Farewell Matrics, you will be missed.

Felix Burt and Lloyd Wood



OGILVIE

House Director: Glen Gibbon

Head of House: Jamie Diggle

Deputy Head: Stephane Pienaar



Stephane Pienaar putting in the effort with Ogilvie Grade 11s showing their support

The second term of 2016 saw Ogilvie prepare to defend our position as reigning champions of the Bishops Eisteddfod. We entered the festival with high hopes and great enthusiasm. However, due to miscommunications in the entries for speech prelims, we were severely handicapped in our attempts to remain on top. Despite this, all of our boys gave their best and there were several highlights including: the play, which won best script, written by **Timothy Langerman**; **Christopher Hyslop** winning the English Reading final; **Stephane Pienaar** winning the Afrikaans Speech final and a strong representation in the Strings and Piano categories, with **KB Ko** receiving Gold Diplomas in these events. Overall, Ogilvie placed 5th in the school and was disappointed especially in light of our victory in the previous year. This, however, does not reflect the passion that every individual demonstrated in the overwhelming support for each other and Ogilvie at large.

Other Cultural achievements that must be mentioned include the awarding of Ensemble Ties to **KB Ko**, **Julian Mort**, and **Stephane Pienaar**. In the recent Cape Town Eisteddfod,

Ogilvie had two boys who did exceptionally well with **Miles Boeddinghaus** winning the Burgess Simpson Cup for Best Performance (14 years and under) and **KB Ko** winning the Victoria League Prize for Best All-round entrant, the Nine Club Award for the Best Performer (16 years and over), the S.A.S.M.T for Best Violin Recital (13 to 18 years old), and the Cape Town Eisteddfod Award for Most Diplomas. Well done!

Ogilvie has also represented in the Academic and Societal aspects of school life after the mid-year exams. At the first assembly of the third term, these Ogilvie boys were awarded with the following academic awards: **KB Ko** and **Jamie Diggle** with Academic Jerseys; **Nivar Rajoo**, **Francois Breytenbach**, **Murray Gordon**, **Tristan Turner**, and **Kenau Vith** with Academic Ties. On top of their Full Colours for academics (Academic Jersey), **KB Ko** and **Jamie Diggle** were also accepted into the Ten Club for 2017. The following Ogilvie boys have been appointed as heads or deputy heads of their respective societies: **Jamie Diggle** - Head of Global Issues Network; **Nicholas Featherstone** - Head of Audio Visual Club; **Laurence Mort**



Ogilvie Golf Victors



Stephane Pienaar representing South Africa

- Deputy Head of Interact Society. Ogilvie also showed its colours at the annual prize giving with many Ogilvie boys making an appearance on the prize list. Special mentions must go to: **Robert Dugmore** (Grade 8) who achieved 1st in the grade; **Nivar Rajoo** (Grade 10) for his multiple Maths awards, one which he shared with **Christopher Kotze** (Grade 10); **KB Ko** (Grade 11) for achieving 2nd in the grade; **Jamie Diggle** (Grade 11) for achieving 3rd in the grade; **Stephane Pienaar** for winning the Afrikaans prize; **Stuart Mesham** (Grade 12) for winning the IT Prize; **Timothy Langerman** (Grade 12) for winning the Historical Research Prize and the Maths Literacy Prize; **Matthew Rissik** (Grade 12) for winning the prize for excellence in Geography, for winning the prize for Southern African history and the Stanley Clarke History Prize. On the sporting front, there have been notable successes this half of the year.

In the third term, our first victory in the Inter House competitions was in fencing. Ogilvie has been strong in fencing for many years and our 2016 team of **Jamie Diggle** (Captain of Bishops Fencing), **Alaric McGregor**, **Angus Longmore**, and **Nicholas Featherstone** managed to regain the trophy and return it to its rightful home in the Ogilvie trophy cabinet. Ogilvie has won the Inter House Golf Competition in 2014 and 2015 and this year was no different. The competition was held on the first Sunday of term 4 at Bellville Golf Club. Thirty seven of the 45 competitors were able to make it for the replay of the competition and it

made for an exciting day's play. The Ogilvie team, consisting of Captain **Finley Knight**, who is also captain of Bishops Golf for next year, **Nikolai Piotrowski**, **Peter Thacker** and **Robbie Lennett**

were able to maintain Ogilvie's winning ways and bring home the trophy by just two shots.

Notable mentions should be made of: **Peter** for coming third in the overall individual competition with a score of 79, and **Nikolai** for participating despite his exams starting soon after. The myriad of sporting victories continued as Ogilvie grasped the Inter House rowing trophy for the first time. This great success can be attributed to **Stephane Pienaar**, who represented South Africa earlier this term at the World Rowing Championships in Rotterdam, Netherlands, and broke the senior individual record at the Inter House competition; **Oliver Kane-Smith**, who won the Grade 8 individual sprint; and all who participated in the group events. The atmosphere was electrifying and it was great to see such a collective effort. These early victories under the new leadership of Ogilvie pay tribute to the enthusiasm and passion of this group and we hope to continue to build on these successes in 2017 with the same zeal and spirit shown by the House over the past weeks.

Jamie Diggle, Stephane Pienaar, Finley Knight



Victorious Ogilvie Fencing



Winners of the Best House Grade for Academics: Kidd Matrics



*Senior Inter House Squash
Winners: Mitesh Valodia; Charlie
Yates; Glenn Yates*



*Climbing Champions: David Naude
and Liam Foxcroft*



KIDD

House Director: Graeme Klerck

Head of School: Christian Rohrer

Head of House and Deputy Head of School: Michael Burton

Deputy Head: Ross Tucker

Kidd House has once again enjoyed a happy and successful year. We have had a fantastic Matric group, who have led us to great heights. Special mention must go to **Joe Linley, Jason Hofmeyr, Alex Peile, Nathan Fleming, Ziyaad Bawa, Redwald Aspinall and Troy Horrell**, who all achieved distinctions for leadership. We wish the Matrics every success for their final exams. Although our matrics will be missed, we are in good hands for 2017. We are fortunate enough to have the Head Boy, **Christian Rohrer**, in our House. Our Head of House and Deputy Head of School for 2017 are **Michael Burton** and **Ross Tucker** respectively, so 2017 looks very promising. We are a House of diversity and this is evident in the broad range of our boys' achievements. On the academic front we have excelled, as our Matrics achieved the best performing House grade in the recent June exams. A big congratulations to the following boys who achieved academic ties in the June exams:

Liam Foxcroft, Drew Williams; Warwick Reid and Jason van der Linden. Nicholas Bowden achieved a rare Academic Jersey and after all his hard work was rewarded with a place in the prestigious Ten Club. **Angus Thring** joins **Nicholas** in the Ten Club. **Angus** also managed to win the National Science Olympiad. At the Cape Town Expo, **Joshua Mol** won a gold medal for his project and **Nathan Fleming**, in Matric, achieved a mark of 88% in the second round of the recent SAIPA National Accounting Olympiad. Liam Foxcroft was placed 6th in the country at the South African Mathematics Olympiad. We also congratulate **Joshua Mol, Nic Vine-Morris, Thomas Coombe** and **James Shuttleworth** on their selection for exchange.

Kidd boys pride themselves on their cultural and sporting abilities and on their outreach efforts. **Charles Yates** and **Joshua Mol** are congratulated on being chosen for Simply Blue, for 2017. Kidd has also been heavily



Exchanges Boys: Nic Vine-Morris; Thomas Coombe; Joshua Mol and James Shuttleworth

involved with the Sisanda Fundation, helping to positively influence the lives of disadvantaged children. The proceeds of our successful variety concert were donated to Sisanda. Kidd House has also hosted a Sisanda Connect day with 20 Bishops boys entertaining 40 or so disadvantaged children, providing them with a day of great fun. We had a fine run at the Bishops Eisteddfod this year. Although many of our boys would have liked to have gone the whole way, we can still be proud of an overall 2nd place finish. We managed to win the Visual Arts Owl and the Performance Owl, which are firmly nestled in our bulging trophy cabinet.

On the sporting front, **Glenn Yates** won the Jackson Cup for squash. He also managed to win the U19 WP Closed Squash Tournament and **Greg Medcalf** the U14 division. **Glenn** has also been placed in the top five U19 squash players in the country and received a distinction tie for his efforts. **David Naude** recently won a Gold Medal in the U15 Regional Climbing Championships, with **Liam Foxcroft** taking the silver, and then David followed this up by receiving his national colours. **David Laubscher** achieved a bronze medal at the recent Karate-do Goju Kai National Championships and has been selected to represent South Africa at the



Victorious U15 Inter House Sevens Champions

World Championships in Vancouver. **Adam Suliaman** won a bronze medal in the Shukukai World Championship tournament in the kumite (fighting) section. Our Water Polo athletes performed exceptionally well recently and we congratulate **Max Martin, Aiden Murphy, Rob Young** and **Cayden Marquis**, who have all earned WP colours. In hockey, **Christian Rohrer** made the WP U18A Hockey side and **Conor Dempers** the U14 Disas side. **Charlie Yates** was chosen for the WP U15 Touch Rugby Team, which won gold at the National Tournament. Kidd won the Senior Inter House Squash Trophy, the U15 Rugby Sevens Inter House trophy and were also the runners-up in the Junior Inter House Squash event.

As the year rapidly draws to a close, it is a time of change. The ever keen grade 11s are now leading in the House. Kidd House has a happy vibe that continues to welcome all members of the Bishops community; this is evident in that our common rooms are always filled with our own boys and boys from other houses, at breaks. There is a friendliness and ethos in Kidd house that continues to separate us from the rest and we look to keep this growing in 2017, when we welcome our new Grade 8s.

Michael Burton



BIRT

House Director: Trevor Pasquallie

Head of House: Brandon Burke

Deputy Head: Joshua Passmore

As one of the incoming Birt House Matric boys, and Head of House, I am extremely excited, grateful and honoured to be representing Birt and the school in this prestigious position.

Upholding the College name, and doing this according to the qualities and values of the Mitre, is everything that a Bishops boy should stand for, and is what I feel should resonate most with the boys in my House. My fellow

Birt House Matrics and I are eager to make our mark on Birt and the school, and to contribute to every facet of Bishops life. We will be doing this by adding our cumulative knowledge and wisdom that we have gained over the years at this establishment and we will use this to teach and guide our House to become a united and stronger unit. Therefore, we will be leaving Birt in a better place. We have all been blessed with



Team Birt: Ronald Jacobs, Trevor Pasquallie, Campbell Smith



*Junior Inter House Hockey winners
Standing: Adam Stonestreet, Josh Elliott, Caleb Oliphant, Matt Sherrell, Michael van der Merwe, Liam Hoffman. Front: Sam Hardie, Ben Cheminais, Matthew Guy*



Hugo Janssens and Michael Wilson-Trollip won a gold medal at the International Science Fair and were interviewed about their project on SABC3 Expresso



Outgoing Head of House and Deputy Head of House, Max Newbury and Dylan Burke



Head of House and Deputy Head of House for 2017, Brandon Burke (right) and Joshua Passmore

the opportunities and privileges that Bishops offers and I urge every Bishops man to utilise every opportunity presented to him. Bishops has so many things on offer. My ultimate goal is to see every boy in the House being fully involved and bringing his unique individual talents to the table - and in doing so ensuring a very successful year. My wish is that this upcoming year should be based around brotherhood, support for the school in every way, respect and involvement with everyone's finest effort. If we can do this as a House, then the rest of the Matric team and I believe we can be truly successful. Thus, it is not about what you can get, but rather what you can give.

The following boys fared very well in national and international competitions:

Michael Houlie (Junior African Swimming

Champion), **Brandon Burke** (Water Polo), **Mac Cheminais** (International Independent Schools' Public Speaking Competition), **Michael Wilson-Trollip** and **Hugo Janssens** (International Science Fair, Gold Medal), **Mitchell Christy** and **Giuseppe Guerandi** (World Individual Public Speaking and Debating), **Adam Morkel** (Squash), **Robert Storey** (Mind Sports SA Schools Champion), **Leo Gevisser** (SAMRO National Music Competition, Gold Medal), **Luke Baker** (Junior Fly Fishing Champion), **Tomas Slavin** (SA Maths Olympiad), **Christopher Mewett** (Rowing and Rugby for Bermuda), **Mitch Labberté** (Fly Fishing). Birt House also won the Inter House Junior Hockey Competition. Floreat Birt!

Brandon Burke



MALLETT

House Director: Marion Bradley

Head of House: Sanele Myosi

Deputy Head: Nikolaos Tapanlis



Matric 2017

After our many victories in the first half-year, by Mallett's standards, the Eisteddfod was not as successful as many hoped it would have been. Despite not winning any Owls, Mallett still managed to rank in the top three of Visual Arts, Speech and Movement. Special mentions must go to **Jonathan Greyling, Michael Beckhurts, Nikolaos Tapanlis, John Steyn** and **Alexandros Vavatzanidis**.

Our boys and staff returned to Mallett in the third term eager to experience the newly refurbished House. After a term of renovations, everyone was glad to finally be able to enjoy the new environment. This

was no easy task and so special thanks must go to everyone, both parents and staff, who contributed to the renovations.

Our seniors won the Inter House football and came second in the surfing. Our U14 team made it to the final of the Inter House rugby. Overall, Mallett came second in the tennis lead by **Christopher and James Mitchell**.

The House dinner was held in the Woodlands Pavilion and the boys were given a speech by Mr Ledwidge about letting go when moving on to a new chapter in one's life while still holding on to the cherished memories. On that note, we say farewell and thank you



Mallett House Dinner



Nikolaos Tapanlis, Sanele Myosi, Theuns Kuhn and Brett Sneddon

to the Mallett matrices of 2016 who continued the progress made by the previous years while stamping their own mark on the House. As the matrices now turn their focus to the final exams, we welcome our new matrices of 2017 and in particular **Sanele Mayosi**, Head of House,

and **Nikolaos Tapanlis**, Deputy Head of House.

The Grade 11s enjoyed a weekend together at the Protea Hotel in Tygervally. The group discussed ideas and plans for the upcoming year. This conference gave the boys a platform to voice their opinions regarding improvements that could be made while still maintaining many of the Mallett traditions.

As always, Mallett continues to flourish on the academic side of school life. Special mentions must be made of: **Ahmed Dhansay**, 3rd in Grade 12, **Nikolaos Tapanlis**, 3rd in Grade 11, **Derek Reissenzahn**, 1st in Grade 10, and **Euan Musselwhite**, 3rd in grade 9. **Josh Smith** won the Lidderdale Prize for Considerateness, and **Idrees Abdulla** was voted, by his fellow Grade 10s, for the Dudley Persee Trophy. **Nikolaos Tapanlis** (Debating and Public Speaking) and **Brett**

Sneddon (Water Polo) both represented South Africa. We commend them both on their magnificent achievements and wish them good luck as they continue to represent South Africa.

James Watson

COLLEGE SPORT



Bishops Cycling supporting the first day of the Unogwaja Challenge 2016

CYCLING

Bishops Cycling has taken part in a number of events this year. Highlights included Bishops hosting the Inter School Eliminator Series where our U14 riders competed well on a short, but very challenging course. We also supported the Unogwaja Challenge where

our boys rode from Cape Town city centre to Franschhoek with the Unogwaja team for the first leg of their journey. Our cyclists continue to enjoy out-rides on the Tygerberg trails and fitness training on the challenging Bishops Track.

Donovan Abrey



Cade Cannon, Terry Kim and Carl-Philip Lehmann at the Championships Evening

FENCING

2016 has been another exciting year for the Bishops Fencing Club. Apart from four open competitions and five ranking competitions, the highlight of this year was the tour to Tauberbishofsheim in Germany in July. It has been a very busy year and some of the highlights for 2016 include the following events.

Bishops fencers participated in a national and a provincial competition in Term 1. In the Junior Nationals, **Jamie Diggle** placed 3rd in the U17 foil event and won a bronze medal. In the ranking competition, **Alaric McGregor** placed 1st in the U17 foil event winning gold for the provincial competition

and **Mark Bergh**, who competed for the first time, placed 3rd in this category. **Angus Longmore** also competed for the first time and placed 5th in U17 foil. **Terry Kim** did very well in epee, placing third and winning bronze in the U20 and U17 events.

In Term 2, the Bishops Club took 9 fencers to Germany to the Fencing Club at Tauberbischofsheim and the Olympic training centre. The tour was a great success and the fencers returned with new skills from being coached by experienced European coaches.

In Term 3, the Bishops championship evening took place on Tuesday 18 August, which included the Old Boys and Inter House finals. It was as much of an occasion as it has

been over the last few years! The awards for 2016 were: Fencing certificates: **Rayhaan Admed, Mark Bergh, Reece Corbett, Matthew Bradley, Luke Bradley**; Club badges: Bronze: **Mark Bergh, Jacob Holm, Matthew Bradley, Luke Bradley, Gabriel Makin**, Silver: **Nicholas Featherstone, Mweya Ruider, Christiaan Garry**, Gold: **Alaric McGregor, Terry Kim, Shirag Maharaj, Angus Longmore, Cade Cannon**; A Service Tie was awarded to **Gunther Cloete** for his services to the armoury; Half Colours: **Terry Kim and Carl Philip Lehmann**; Full Colours: **Alaric McGregor**; Inter House Cup: **Ogilvie**; Best Swordsman: in epee to **Terry Kim** and in foil to **Jamie Diggle**; Service Cup: **Carl Philip Lehmann**; Captain for 2016/2017: **Jamie Diggle**; Vice Captain: **Finbarr Lebona**. The OD Challenge was one of the highlights of the evening, but the ODs managed to win for the fifth year in a row. The schools league was reinstated in Term 3 with five participating schools. The first match took place between Reddam, Durbanville and Bishops. The result of the team event was 45-28 to Bishops.

In Term 4, at the Fencing Western Cape awards evening, the following awards were presented: Trophies for first in the category: Junior men's foil: **Jamie Diggle** and Cadet



On tour in Wurtzberg

men's foil: **Alaric McGregor**; Western Cape Federation Half Colours: **Jamie Diggle**; foil, **Alaric McGregor**; foil, **Finbarr Lebona**; foil and **Terry Kim**; epee. Once again, a great year for the club! We look forward to an exciting 2017 year of fencing and all the challenges it will bring.

Jacky Withers

HOCKEY

1ST XI

The 1st team squad has enjoyed a good year and have been excellent ambassadors for Bishops hockey in different parts of South Africa. With a world-class facility at our disposal, Hockey on Friday nights is special here at the Woodlands. The 1st team has developed an excellent culture over the years that has made us competitive at this level and the players have been good role models for the other age groups. It's this culture that has been responsible for producing the really outstanding results which we have year after year and this year is no different.

RESULTS

<i>Played</i>	33
<i>Won</i>	25
<i>Lost</i>	3
<i>Drew</i>	5
<i>Goals for</i>	112
<i>Goals against</i>	30

It's this team culture that allows us to score three, four goals per game - while only conceding one goal per game. With that statistic you are going to win more games than you lose. I am so proud that this year's 1st team squad has made their mark and contributed to the team culture. They have made this a memorable year for all of us associated with the 1st team and Bishops hockey. It is this culture that they have embraced and enhanced that secured the Knock Out cup and a top two league position. It's this culture that contributes to your team mates earning colours, five of them earning half colours and eight earning full colours. That contributes to your team

mates, earning Provincial selections – two into the WP Pens or B team and four into the WP A team and that contributes to your team mates, earning National call ups - one into the SA B team, and one into the SA team. So, what is this CULTURE...at a superficial level, it's the values that management is trying to inculcate in the team. In reality, it's an 'unconscious' ethos of the 1st team and the force that guides and constrains behaviour of the players in the team. This year's team has worked very hard on embracing and evolving the team culture and I want to thank the team leadership, Captain **Wesley Gardener**, and Vice Captains **Simon Kilpin** and **Dylan Burke**. The team has certainly been a huge credit to Bishops hockey this year. As a result EACH PLAYER has made a CONTRIBUTION to the team...and in the process this has been a HAPPY, PROUD Bishops 1st TEAM in 2016.

Warren Wallace

2ND XI

The 2nd XI Hockey side has enjoyed a fantastic season, losing just two games, one in the opening weeks of the season and once convincingly against Rondebosch, at the end of the second term. It was most encouraging to see a turnaround in the second half of the season, with no defeats against our top rivals and a goalless draw against Rondebosch to turn around a 1-4 defeat, earlier in the year. The team amassed 34 goals in 14 matches and only conceded 8, this due mainly to the fantastic defensive efforts of **Nathan Fleming**, **Andrew Hodgson**, **Ivan Stassen** and Captain, **Drew Turpin**, ably assisted by **Nicholas Rubin** and **Luke Ranoszek**. **Shaylin Foflonker** was

outstanding in goals, and pulled off many wonderful saves, most noteworthy being the penalty stroke against Paarl Boys. The midfield was controlled by **Jack Newman** and **Liam Dicker**, and assisted on the outside by **Luke Leach-Lewis**. Our strikers, **James Gordon**, **Tom Warren** and **Theuns Kuhn** finished off many wonderful build-ups. All in all, this was a talented group of boys, many of whom have 1st XI prospects for 2017, and will no doubt play our top side. Ryan Julius helped enormously with the coaching at times and Gary Coombe is thanked for his management earlier in the season and umpiring in the latter.

Graeme Klerck

4TH XI

At the start the team consisted of a wide range of mixed talent. We started our first game on a high note, scoring four goals and only conceding one. The next game went badly as we lost our main striker, **James Cottrell**, to the 3rd team. **James Cottrell** finally came back to the 4th team, halfway during the 2nd term. The team was more structured by then and the leadership roles were chosen at this point. **Nabeel Goolam Mahomed** and **James Cottrell** were elected Captain and Vice Captain respectively. By the end of term 2, the team played superbly, resulting in mostly wins and draws. At the start of term 3, the team was back at it, winning and drawing most of the matches until the end of term 3, when the team lost three consecutive matches. One of these was the Rondebosch game, which we fought hard for and unfortunately lost by one goal. A few highlights of the hockey games were the immaculate one-to-one passing between **James Cottrell** and **Nicholas**

Viljoen; the overheads from **Anton Volkel** in the defence; the drag flicks from **James Cottrell**; **Christopher Kode's** so called "stealth mode"; the amazing runs and passes in the defense by **Ahmed Dhansay** and **Ross Tucker**; the structured centre play by **Filipe Acafrao**; the 'nutmeg' passes by **Redwald Aspinall**; the speedy runs by **Taahir Bhorat** and **Finbarr Lebona**; the 'rocks' in defence by both **Tyger Thompson** and **Nicholas Bowden**; the hard-hitting tackles by **Jaime Garlick**; the ball control by **Nikolai Piotrowski**, and the ball possession by **Kenhardt Scheepers** and **Alexander Wheeler**. Unfortunately, **Joe Linley** could not join us for a full season of hockey due to his foot injury. Overall, we may have conceded more than we have scored, however, as a team we have realised that hockey is not all about winning. Hockey this year has been one of the most fun and memorable times and I thank the team for their efforts. A huge thanks also goes out to our coach, Leighlind Daniels, for putting up with the team and being a kind and caring coach, and to our manager, Mr Robertson, for his organisational skills in managing to keep a full team for every match.

Nabeel Goolam Mahomed

U16A

The U16A team had a very rewarding hockey season this year for a number of reasons. Firstly, the team was integrated with the U16B side and this allowed for the increased movement of players between teams. By doing so, depth in hockey was developed. The second reason was the ability to draw players of various ages into the side. In this way a continuity has been developed that will benefit Bishops hockey



Mustapha Cassiem scores another goal



Independent School Tournament Victors

down the line. Aziz Cassiem is a demanding coach who was consistent in his approach to skills' development and fitness. The team came back from the Independent School Hockey Tournament as victors, and it was on this platform that the 2016 training programme was built. By the end of the season, the team had achieved first place in the league and managed to have the second highest goal/game ratio of any Bishops side. It was most rewarding to beat Rondebosch twice. As a manager, however, what was far more important to me was to see

the growth of the players as individuals. They learned about themselves – their boundaries, their dreams and their ability to work as a unit. I am incredibly grateful for all the coaching we got along the way from coaches like Jason Mulder. I am also grateful to the 1st team for coming out to support our matches. My special thanks goes to the parents; what a fine group of people. They were always first to help and always committed to the process. I know that the lads are excited and ready for the next phase of their hockey careers.

Leon Glanvill

U16B

The strength of a schools sporting ability can always be seen in its depth. The U16B team has been an exceptional example of this this season. The U16 age group as a whole excelled with the A team winning the league and being undefeated for the most part of the season. The B team mirrored this perfectly, winning 13 games this season and ending the season with a +45 goal difference and a 70% win ratio, taking down a couple of A teams along the way. The squad depth and team rotation was used to great success by training the two teams together, leading to most players getting a chance to showcase their quality on the bigger stage. The standard of coaching and hockey in general was exceptional and it was a huge privilege to captain a team of such incredibly talented and hardworking players. It was slightly disappointing to see none of this potential recognized in the recent selection for the overseas tour but I warn everyone not to write off anyone from this team as they are all talented players, but more importantly they are hardworking and passionate about Bishops



Successfully defending the goal mouth off a short corner against Bishops



James Caro stealing the ball and playing a fine shot down the field. Scott Jeffery in defense

hockey and I have the utmost confidence that we will see many of the players from this team on the pitch for the first team very soon.

Benjie Hartman

U16C

The team had an unforgettable season winning eight of our 14 games and losing six. Two hard fought victories over SACS, as well as comfortable victories over Protea Heights and Paarl Boys were the highlights of the season. The team suffered two narrow defeats in the season, losing to Wynberg and Rondebosch by

a single goal. They did not let this affect them, however, and continued to play an impressive style of hockey. The team was undoubtedly known for its quick, lethal and all-out attacking style of play. Scoring over 50 goals in 14 games is an amazing achievement for any team.

Beyond all the stats and figures, the team had an incredible year and developed their hockey skills thanks to the hard work of the coaches and support of the parents.

James Watson

U16D

The team had a very eventful season with fantastic wins over highly-rated opponents. However, we also experienced the disappointments associated with competitive sports. Our philosophy was that we do not fear losing we fear not playing to our abilities – a winning outcome is merely the consequence of doing the right things consistently. As manager I am very proud of the fact that we scored 27 goals in nine games at an average of three goals per game. I would like to thank the team for making this such a memorable season. Competitive sport at any level must be fun to play and to watch and this was certainly true this year.

Willem Steyn

This season has been extremely rewarding. We have grown stronger and closer in both victory and defeat. I have loved leading a team with so much passion towards their sport. My personal favourite moment was walking off Woodlands after our win against Bosch; I like to think that it is not how much we win by, but rather the quality of our performance. I look forward to the season next year.

James Shuttleworth

U16E AND U16F

We started off the season with only one group, but as our numbers increased we managed to field two teams. That confirmed the level of interest in hockey at the College. Thanks must go to our two coaches, Scott Wadeson and Matt Leppan who managed to keep the boys motivated despite having to play above their level in most of our games. What started out as a fairly disjointed group has progressed into two teams with their own identities and players who bring their passion and skills to every practice and match. I am proud of the way in which our boys have conducted themselves on and off the field; I am sure that they have learnt many valuable life lessons and that they look forward to the next season, some even to a promotion!

Trevor Pasquallie

U14A

The season began with two tournaments at Somerset College and St Albans College. The tour to St Albans was a memorable one where the boys played exciting, attacking hockey and destroyed opposition defences with excellent passing and movement off the ball. The team played six games and won all six convincingly against tough opposition. This was all done on very little sleep due to a seven hour flight delay which saw the boys arriving in Pretoria at 1am all sporting very short haircuts! Back in Cape Town the boys continued to play a brand of fast moving and entertaining hockey and the basic skills improved immensely and led to dominant displays against our local rivals. There were some outstanding team performances and none more so than an

epic semi-final win where the entire team showed heaps of character to defeat SACS, whom they had lost to twice during the regular season. A hugely impressive team effort was not enough to achieve victory against Rondebosch in the final of the knock out cup, but the boys played superb hockey and it was a fitting way to end the year displaying all of the skills and strategies learnt throughout many training sessions and matches. The amount that the team improved throughout the year was incredible and they go forward as better players individually as well as a team who knows how to play the game strategically. It was an absolute pleasure to coach such a talented and enthusiastic bunch of young men and I have no doubt that they will do Bishops hockey very proud as they move through the school. The team ended the season with a wonderful record that read as follows: Played – 24; Won - 16; Drew – 2; Lost - 6; Goals for - 61; Goals against - 19.

Campbell Smith

U14B

What a special team and memorable season! This group of boys were a talented, determined, happy unit that took on each challenge this season, including some tough A team opposition, with such belief in themselves and their teammates. They deserved every victory they fought for and their humble but determined attitude lead them to an exceptional set of results, with them ending the season UNDEFEATED! Well done boys, you made us proud! Played -14; Won - 12; Drew – 2; Lost - 0

Jill Walsh

U14C AND U14D

It has been a pleasing hockey season where the boys in both teams have been enthusiastic and generally dedicated in their approach to the games and practice sessions. There was always a good vibe with the all-important sense of humour between the boys who were focused and appeared to enjoy the various activities on the field. All thanks to the coaching ability of Michael Hanley for the C team and Harry Danckwerts (later replaced by James Dry for the D team). There was general parity between the results of both teams with just a couple more wins for the C team with **Lloyd Phillips** as captain. Regardless of the results, there was good communication and a cohesive spirit amongst the boys and they can be proud of their performances with thanks also to the captaincy of **Jack Davies** in the D team. Kirsty Green became an integral component of both hockey sides who took control in her management role of both teams, relating well to the boys with her involved and firm, but fair approach to the game.

Mike Withers

ROWING

Knysna Regatta: The annual Knysna Midway Regatta took place on 15 & 16 October bringing the best teams in the Eastern and the Western Cape together on 'neutral territory' for a day of sprint racing (1080m) and a Sunday morning heads race (6km). The event was a very good outing for Bishops Rowing. Our Senior Opens came second to St. Andrews in literally every race

over the two days (really giving them a run in the coxless 4 and the pairs). The fact that we were close on St Andrews' stern all weekend, and beating everyone else pretty soundly, is a good leading indicator for Boat Race and for the rest of the season. Our younger crews performed brilliantly – the U15 8x+ won the heads race (convincingly) and the sprint final, in both cases with St. Andrews in 2nd. The U16 8+ won the sprint final (St Andrews 2nd) and was ahead in the heads race, but were disqualified when they missed a buoy at the finish - that's rowing! The U16 4+ won the sprint final and **Nicholas McAdam** won the U16 1x by a lot of open water. Our boys carried themselves with maturity and great sportsmanship. Bishops was even cited at the prize giving for exceptional effort in pulling up the lanes at the end of the regatta. The level of support and 'gees' between the age groups, and amongst the many parents in attendance, was terrific.

NEW HEAD COACH

We are delighted to announce that Brad Smith, the current coach at St Benedicts, will join Bishops in January 2017. We look forward to introducing him next year.

HIGH PERFORMANCE CENTRE UPDATE

Progress with the new Centre is on schedule to be completed in the first week of December 2016. The brickwork is complete as well as the difficult "hack and bash" to the existing Oaks Pavilion extensions. The main concrete roof beams have been cast, cured and stripped. Truss erection is imminent, which will be followed by roof



coverings, ceilings, internal plaster and floors. Costs are very carefully monitored and the project is on budget. We still need to raise another R500k to complete the

facility, so if you'd like to support the Blades for Bishops fundraising campaign, please email sue@trucc.co.za for details.

Sue Beaumont

RUGBY RESULTS 2016

	Westville 28 March	DHS 24 March	Grey PE 26 March	Brackenfell 9 April	Paarl 16 April	Tygerberg 23 April
1st	20 – 20	27 – 24	0 – 44	30 – 23	19 – 58	40 – 14
2nd	–	–	–	70 – 13	5 – 47	26 – 3
3rd	–	–	–	40 – 20	7 – 24	24 – 13
4th	–	–	–	62 – 17	14 – 64	40 – 7
5th	–	–	–	dnp	0 – 55	21 – 0
6th	–	–	–	dnp	dnp	22 – 6
16A	–	–	–	17 – 13	3 – 67	17 – 15
16B	–	–	–	75 – 0	5 – 32	60 – 7
16C	–	–	–	dnp	5 – 55	7 – 15
16D	–	–	–	dnp	5 – 22	dnp
15A	–	–	–	dnp	3 – 45	56 – 5
15B	–	–	–	dnp	5 – 17	34 – 0
15C	–	–	–	dnp	12 – 10	0 – 42
15D	–	–	–	dnp	24 – 0	27 – 20
14A	–	–	–	60 – 0	14 – 15	76 – 5
14B	–	–	–	33 – 24	0 – 36	57 – 19
14C	–	–	–	dnp	0 – 34	7 – 19
14D	–	–	–	dnp	7 – 49	0 – 24

	Boland 23 July	Paul Roos 30 July	SACS 13 August	Wynberg 20 August	Rondebosch 27 August	Kingswood 6 July
1st	19 – 47	24 – 42	43 – 28	21 – 31	26 – 30	24 – 34
2nd	21 – 24	24 – 22	15 – 10	28 – 20	13 – 12	–
3rd	33 – 18	14 – 15	7 – 12	55 – 5	15 – 6	–
4th	5 – 29	24 – 7	19 – 17	17 – 14	38 – 8	–
5th	7 – 45	25 – 7	27 – 3	55 – 17	19 – 8	–
6th	12 – 26	19 – 25	12 – 27	50 – 12	15 – 14	–
16A	19 – 27	7 – 50	15 – 19	0 – 30	13 – 12	–
16B	20 – 20	25 – 22	37 – 0	12 – 21	37 – 7	–
16C	19 – 14	12 – 31	12 – 21	7 – 35	7 – 5	–
16D	dnp	7 – 39	41 – 22	14 – 14	dnp	–
15A	7 – 15	7 – 56	11 – 13	0 – 23	26 – 19	–
15B	18 – 16	5 – 28	14 – 19	13 – 12	19 – 12	–
15C	19 – 10	0 – 43	54 – 7	27 – 7	14 – 17	–
15D	dnp	5 – 29	12 – 17	10 – 12	10 – 17	–
14A	27 – 19	21 – 14	10 – 17	24 – 7	48 – 7	–
14B	7 – 47	21 – 10	14 – 18	0 – 26	7 – 28	–
14C	24 – 19	17 – 34	5 – 32	27 – 7	0 – 38	–
14D	31 – 26	0 – 27	5 – 22	26 – 10	15 – 28	–

SACS 7 May	Drostdy 14 May	Durbanville 21 May	P.Gym 28 May	Wynberg 4 June	Rondebosch 11 June
19 – 38	31 – 23	50 – 10	10 – 45	38 – 7	14 – 15
14 – 20	19 – 7	62 – 19	28 – 41	31 – 6	19 – 15
24 – 25	7 – 5	47 – 12	10 – 48	24 – 5	12 – 11
33 – 26	31 – 7	dnp	0 – 55	12 – 14	29 – 7
22 – 20	40 – 24	dnp	0 – 12	48 – 0	31 – 26
17 – 34	dnp	dnp	7 – 28	47 – 5	19 – 15
17 – 29	26 – 33	44 – 12	21 – 16	22 – 39	30 – 5
35 – 0	43 – 5	27 – 7	7 – 14	3 – 0	17 – 18
14 – 14	12 – 0	0 – 0	0 – 64	12 – 19	21 – 15
12 – 33	dnp	dnp	dnp	24 – 34	dnp
0 – 35	17 – 22	7 – 3	0 – 38	12 – 21	7 – 12
19 – 12	17 – 26	70 – 0	0 – 55	5 – 13	17 – 14
29 – 17	17 – 22	12 – 17	0 – 64	26 – 0	10 – 20
33 – 123	dnp	dnp	0 – 62	32 – 19	24 – 0
17 – 15	24 – 19	21 – 31	12 – 10	12 – 3	24 – 5
7 – 24	0 – 62	22 – 7	12 – 19	14 – 22	19 – 10
47 – 10	0 – 60	10 – 17	10 – 17	0 – 24	0 – 60
48 – 22	dnp	dnp	dnp	20 – 12	dnp

Hilton 4 July	Eton 2 July	St Andrews 19 March	Jeppe 2 May	Oakdale 2 May	Windhoek 30 April
35 – 31	62 – 10	27 – 17	23 – 40	–	14 – 17
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Super Seb Prentice on another break with ball in two hands



Brandon van der Westhuizen (15) taking it up with Tristan Hermans, James Macdonald and Lubelo Scott supporting



James Macdonald offloads with (from left) Harry Makin, Cullum Diem, JP Smith, Byron Cranswick and Jean Pienaar in the background



Another crucial offload from flyhalf James Macdonald to brother Rob Macdonald

RUGBY

1ST XV

As at the start of any season here on the College campus, the senior rugby players were particularly looking forward to the start of the winter of 2016. With several months of pre-season training and conditioning under their belts, the young men in question eagerly anticipated all that lay ahead: a full match-schedule, another tour to Johannesburg and participation in no fewer than three different festivals, including a rather prestigious one right here on home soil. With great excitement

amidst their ranks, they drew up their plans and objectives for the next few months, focussing both on specific results which they hoped to achieve and on the style of play which they aimed to deliver.

Looking back on their lofty ideals now that the dust has settled and the final whistle of the season has sounded, one would have to conclude that this squad of boys was not always able to produce the goods, for a number of different reasons. There were plenty of stirring performances along the way, and numerous patches of scintillating rugby



Byron Cranswick in action with Luke Viljoen looking on in Rondebosch Derby



Cullum Diem and Alasdair Jewson prepare for ruck time in support of captain courageous, Jean Pienaar

that would doubtlessly have brought a smile to the face of many an aficionado of the modern running game; unfortunately, however, these glorious moments were often interspersed with more ordinary passages of play when mistakes crept in, when the game-plan was overlooked and, quite simply, when tackles were missed. An objective overview of the winter would have to refer to the fact that the First XV allowed too many “soft” tries to be scored against them: these occasional defensive lapses inevitably led to pressure on the scoreboard, forcing the players to dig ever deeper and deeper, out on the park.



Brandon van der Westhuizen characteristically cutting the line; Luke Viljoen and George Spencer in support

Here it should be noted that the squad suffered the cruel misfortune of losing its captain-elect even before a ball had been kicked in anger: this year’s Head Boy, **Francois Stassen**, had to leave the field after just ten minutes of a warm-up fixture against Stellenberg in early March. This experienced campaigner would not return to the fray for the remainder of the season, and, in spite of his impassioned guidance and constant encouragement from beyond the touchlines, his absence on the field of play would prove to be very costly indeed.

Jean Pienaar stepped into the breach, filling **Francois’** boots both in terms of captaincy and the Number-8 berth. He proved to be exceptional in both roles, leading with conviction even when our plans went awry. A warrior in every sense of the word, **Jean’s** determination and talent stood out in every game.

Things got underway in the last week of the first term. After a capping ceremony presided over by Mr Bob Skinstad, the players ran out on to the hallowed turf of Newlands when taking part in the Western Province Schools Day. The ensuing match against Boland Landbou provided glimpses of the talent

within our ranks, though the final result was to go against us. The next match, a “home” encounter against visiting St Andrews from Grahamstown, featured far more fluidity and much-improved structure: it was clear that the boys were beginning to gel as they galvanised to come from behind, winning the game thanks to a couple of exhilarating tries.

A few days later, the players found themselves in Johannesburg as Bishops returned to the St Swithians Easter Festival after an absence of a couple of years. In two of the games played here, our players again had to come from behind, firstly to overcome a plucky and determined team from Durban High School; here the final outcome was only resolved when our fly-half coolly converted a penalty with the last kick of the game. Bishops also clawed its way back into the game against Westville Boys, deservedly dotting down to tie this match with only a few minutes left on the clock. The score against a hugely promising Grey PE was a lot less flattering, even though our boys turned around at half-time with only two penalties against them and a lot going in their favour. We just could not maintain that hard-won momentum, when a couple of handling errors early in the second half were severely punished by our opponents who quickly swept to a commanding lead.

Back in Cape Town, satisfactory progress in games against opponents from the northern suburbs was countered by more modest performances on other occasions. The team consistently battled to put together two halves of convincing rugby: we seemed either to start well before fading away, or drift along through the first half until finding our feet and a measure of flair and confidence in the second

(this was certainly the case when Bishops travelled out to Paarl to take on the mighty Boishaai). One of the goals that the team had established for itself was to produce the “perfect game” and to provide a full seventy minutes of high-quality play; unfortunately, as the season unfolded, the pieces very seldom fell exactly into place during a single game!

The demanding fixture-list has been referred to already. With the First XV participating in festivals during the Easter holidays and the winter holidays, this effectively meant that the boys would play 24 matches of rugby spread across the full 23 weeks of the season, from first game to last ... and this in what surely must be the most challenging schoolboy league in the world.

The Wynberg Boys High Festival took place over the Workers Day long-weekend at the end of April and the beginning of May. As is regularly the case at festivals, the decision was taken to ensure some “game-time” for the boys on the bench when the Firsts took on the team from Windhoek High. Our opponents scored twice early on, however, and when our regulars returned to the fray at half-time they ran into brave defenders as the visitors hung on to the narrowest of leads. Highly-rated Jeppe Boys were next up. In this match, we really ought to have finished off a few moves that had been beautifully set up... instead, however, a couple of defensive errors made it impossible for our boys to stay in the game and to keep up on the scoreboard.

Just a few days later, the First XV went up the road to SACS, with a quite a few players out of contention due to injury. The match here was to be a much closer affair than the scoreboard may have suggested and our

team felt that it was always in the game. The disappointments experienced on this occasion served to spur on the players ... the return match against SACS will be referred to in due course!

It was good to return to winning ways with a couple of convincing displays on home soil: supporters at the Piley Rees were treated to some good rugby and some fine finishing when the Firsts took on a robust and physical side from Drostyd, the same fluid linking led to a comfortable win over Durbanville in our next match, where a number of memorable "team" tries were scored.

Back in Paarl, an early red card really hampered our plans against a very well organised side from "Gim" who ran out as comfortable winners despite a gutsy performance from our boys.

In the next fixture, we welcomed Wynberg to Bishops with the home side producing one of its best performances of the season. This was as close as we got to the "perfect game", with numerous players contributing to an impressive display of dazzling footwork and passing skills. The forwards played a significant role on the day, dominating the line-outs and providing many opportunities for the backline to run at our opponents.

There were no surprises in the last match of the second term as both Bishops and Bosch threw everything into the game, hugely entertaining the many thousands of enthusiastic spectators along the way. Though our hosts scored early on, the lead would change hands on several occasions. Inexplicably, our players lost far too many of their own line-outs, yet somehow, with guts and determination and very little of the ball,

they found a way to stay in the match. In the end, this wonderful game of rugby all came down to a single kick at the poles with no time left on the clock.

With mid-year exams and the annual Eisteddfod out of the way, the Firsts enjoyed some time away from the game before regrouping to host the Independent Schools Festival. We kicked off against Eton, winning by a handsome margin against our opponents who had barely stepped off their southbound plane. The next match would be another entertaining affair against Hilton, both sides delighted the large crowds with their open running rugby. In the end, the determined continuity of the hosts perhaps provided the edge that was needed to ensure victory. The Firsts made a very promising start in our next match against Kingswood, with this tightly-contested game hanging in the balance until a positional mishap allowed the opposition to score twice in the closing moments.

Inconsistency had regularly plagued our progress over the course of the season, and this was again evident as the team returned to its domestic programme at the start of the third term. The young men just could not get things together in the home fixture against Boland Landbou, appearing to lose focus along the way. A week later, we were up against formidable Paul Roos, who seemed to have been in a purple patch in the build-up to the game. The first half duly went against Bishops, but with steely determination and a few sharp messages ringing in their ears at half-time, the boys went on to produce a most convincing come-back in the second half. Despite going down, the team had been particularly inspired by one of our wingers, **Seb Prentice**, who

crossed the line for a most memorable try that relied on a mixture of exhilarating dexterity and sheer brute force.

The boys felt that they had a score to settle when SACS then came to the Piley Rees for the return match. As against Wynberg a few weeks before, they raised their standards, upped their game and turned in a thrilling performance to record a significant improvement on the outcome of their first game against these local rivals. We then traveled to Wynberg where our opposition caught us napping by playing in an unfamiliar style; our players simply could not come up with any answers and fell further behind when taking a number of selfish options instead of trusting the game-plan. Not for the first time this season, the First XV left a couple of tries out on the park before being sent home to think again.

The scene was set for a magnificent season finale on the Piley Rees on a glorious day in early spring. The home derby against Rondebosch began poorly, however, and, at one stage, the scoreboard showed that our visitors were well in command, being ahead by 21 points to 3. As expected, Bishops rallied strongly and began to claw its way back into the game, just as the visitors faltered under intense pressure. Eventually our boys got their noses in front and were three minutes away from sealing the deal ... but we all recall what was to transpire in those closing moments, as the lead changed one last time, thus bringing down the curtain on the 2016 season in the most dramatic fashion.

In closing, one would have to pay tribute to those who represented the First XV over the course of a long and challenging season.

After all the highs and lows of the winter, the players would have been touched by the tribute they received from Head Coach, Angus Firth, who passed on this message at the final gathering: "There are talented teams who have rarely been defeated, they are the ones who never wholly battled when well-founded plans ran awry or when lady luck turned her head away. They never felt the scars, the shame, the helplessness. They never learned that there is honour in defeat and real joy in winning".

Harry Makin played scrumhalf for the First XV and, pound for pound, proved himself to be the gutsiest player in the team, extremely determined and gifted with excellent skills on attack and defense, he showed that he has a wonderful "rugby-brain".

Our fly-half **James MacDonald** is a player with enormous talent who varied his game well, he loved to attack the gain-line, scored a number of tries himself and set up many more for those around him. A most passionate and committed player, his defense improved enormously this year.

At centre, **Rob Macdonald** is a solid tackler who can also destroy a defense system with his footwork. It was a great pity that he damaged his ankle early on as this certainly took some of the confidence out of his game. We look forward to seeing him at full force once again in 2017.

Lubelo Scott (our Western Province Craven Week representative) is very talented and fiercely competitive. Blessed with abundant pace, brute strength and a sturdy side-step, he opened up defenses on a number of occasions. He has all the necessary ingredients to play at a high level after school.

Though he joined the team quite late in

the season, **George Spencer** had enough game-time to show that he can be dangerous with ball in hand, he is hard and direct, and has a range of continuity skills that allow support players to play off him. He will play an important role next year.

Selected to represent Western Province “B”, **“Super Seb” Prentice** is blessed with speed and power and has a wonderful nature to go with these attributes. Without argument, he scored some of the best individual tries seen on the Piley Rees ever.

Tristan Hermans showed himself to be passionate and hardworking on the wing, he is a superb team man who just loves his rugby.

Our full-back, **Brandon van der Westhuizen** is gifted with speed and power. His booming left boot is going to become an asset for teams that he represents in the future, once he develops fully the confidence and experience to use it more regularly.

Unfortunately, **Ross Goodwin** played only a handful of games before being sidelined by injury; he sets the stands alight with his pace and will also be a huge factor in 2017.

Alasdair Jewson proved to be a most versatile forward, he is very hardworking, and constantly looks to improve his game, he runs excellent lines and is a first-rate scrummager.

A front-row forward who has earned provincial recognition, **JP Smith** occasionally seems unaware of the talent and potential he has at his disposal. He has so much to offer and can certainly go far in years to come. He responded superbly to his critics and was a vital cog in the team.

Zico Oaker was, first and foremost, a kind, caring and humble member of this squad, he worked tirelessly on and off the field, and had

enormous bearing on the team.

Jason Hofmeyr worked his way up to the First XV having played as hooker for the 4ths just a year ago, with his passionate commitment and self-belief, he quickly became one of the first names to be pencilled in on the weekly team-sheet.

Clyde De Beer came off the bench on numerous occasions to represent the First XV, significantly impacting on those games in which he played.

Byron Cranswick was always quick to acknowledge that he had much to learn ... after all, he had been a hockey player until quite recently. He ended up way exceeding whatever expectations had been set before him, while also making an important contribution to the team’s esprit de corps.

A strong and robust player, **Marcus Knight** was unfortunately injured early on and was not left with enough time to reclaim his place in the starting line-up, following his eventual return.

Blessed with speed and power, **Christian Stehlik** spent the winter tirelessly throwing himself into rucks with almost complete disregard for his body; he carried the ball up hard and loved nothing more than to have a tilt at his opponents.

Otherwise known as the “big one” in the team, **Luke Viljoen** certainly made his mark over the course of the season, he added immense power to our scrum, his line-out jumping improved steadily and he always enjoyed at least one line-break in each of his games.

Cullum Diem proved that looks can be deceiving as he battled tenaciously well above his size; he proved to be a true Bishops flanker

in every way, with his dogged rucking and rock-solid defence being complimented by his deft skills and quick feet.

We thank captain, **Jean Pienaar**, and his teammates for the hours of entertainment which they provided over the course of the 2016 season.

Warwick Richter (manager) in collaboration with the coaches

2ND XV



The team, or the “all whites”, had a fantastic season. Winning the renowned “triple crown”, with record victories over SACS, Rondebosch and Wynberg made this year a memorable one. The 24 – 22 win over Paul Roos must go down as one of the best games they played and will be entrenched in their rugby careers forever. The team was led with distinction by influential Captain, **Clyde de Beer**, who was ably assisted by **Daniel van der Valk**. The boys played with passion, showed immense character and played with a degree of camaraderie seldom witnessed. The brand of rugby dished up this year was true to the Bishops style – a pleasure to watch. It

was great to be part of such a vibrant and committed group of youngsters. The motto adapted by the players, “twos never lose”, rang true with every game and seemed to inspire the boys. A number of boys played in the 1st XV this year, which underlines the good quality of players that came through the ranks. A special thank you must go to the matriculants in the team and to my assistant coach, Chris Ekron

*Captain: **Clyde De Beer***

*Vice Captain: **Daniel v/d Valk***

■ **TEAM: Hloni Dornford-May, Mukisa Mujulizi, Ben Nel, Ross Doyle, Alasdair Jewson, Alessandro Lupini, Matt Norton, Alexander Williams, Ghalieb Kenny, Marcus Knight Felix Burt Aidan Labuschagne, George Spencer, Robert Lancefield, Reece Meyer, Josh Hendrieck, James Murray, Murray Bruce**

Coaches: Ronald Jacobs and Chris Ekron

Ronald Jacobs

3RD XV



Another forceful run by Matt Clayton for the 3rd XV

The ‘Stripes’ of 2016 thoroughly deserved their winning season. Looking back it could

have been better in terms of results. We narrowly lost an absolute humdinger of a game against SACS away where we outscored them 4 tries to 3 and lost to an injury time penalty. We lost to Paul Roos at home, also narrowly from an unfortunate call in the dying moments when we look certain to finish the game off. On the up side, our performances against Paarl Boys away and Boland Landbou at home whom at the time were unbeaten having dispatched both Paarl schools and Paul Roos was something special. Paarl Boys for our grit, bravery and sheer determination to keep playing flat out for 60 minutes only going down 24-7 at Paarl - we won the second half. Then beating Landbou with the best all round display of attack and defence (total rugby), which proved to everyone that when we get it right no team in the league could handle us. The 50 point win against Wynberg will stay in the memory banks as our most comprehensive attacking display with some individual brilliance, excellent continuity and offloading mixed with sublime timing of our backline moves. I would like to congratulate all the Stripes and mention a few who played a significant part in many if not all the games. **Matt Clayton's** impact from the base, his bustling runs along with his versatility was immense. **Matt Perrot's** work rate, his link and defence cover was colossal. **Alex Williams's** robust physicality on defence and in the carry was awesome. **James Ipser** had a season he will not forget and was a match winner at times. Then a special mention to the "Wild Stripes" who made such an impact in many games, two players in particular namely **Nate Maimba** and **Thabo Sebola** had significant influences.

Finally from a player's perspective, I must congratulate our two captains **Mike Peter** and **Devon Campleman**. Both led from the front and contributed significantly in all the games, even when injured or concussed... that's commitment! Special mention and thanks goes out to Seb Matheson (captain of 'Stripes' culture) and Colin Richmond, our assistant coaches, who were outstanding with the forwards, backs and in particular the finer details of attack or defensive structures and set pieces. I look forward to following the team next year and wish them well for the season ahead. I will miss this awesome team culture... Pride/Passion/Power... 2...3...STRIPES.

Captain and Vice Captain: **Mike Peter and Devon Campleman**

■ **TEAM:** Alex Williams, Ben Nel, Arthur Fischer, Ronald Walters, Daniel Golberg, Thabo Sebola, Sisa Liwani, Aiden Neill., Matt Perrot, Glen Yates, Matthew Clayton, Cayden Marquis, Nate Maimba, James Morritt-Smith, Lukhanyo M, Luca Geurrini, James Ipser, Siya Sonja, Almandro Jansen, Matt Du Plessis, George Spencer, Reece Meyer, Oliver Stevens and Richard Wellington

Coaches: **Richard Smith, Seb Matheson and Colin Richmond**

Richard Smith

4TH XV

In the end one would have to see this as a good season for the *Wild Boys*. They played some attractive rugby on occasions and beat a good portion of their opposition. In addition they seemed to have a lot of fun under their coaches and captain. We could have defended better though and were certainly exposed by



4th team after a happy home win

the two Paarl sides and even against other schools we allowed through too many tries. However, we had the ability to score tries, especially out wide, and so won most games despite leaking somewhat at the other end. (Ya'eesh Collins' pace on the wing and place-kicking ability were significant in a number of games.) The pack was gutsy and improved through the season and we looked better when we could scrum (props were very short this year!). **Sisa Liwani's** move from flank to prop made a big difference to the side. The season ended with a comprehensive win over Rondebosch on the Avenue with some well-worked tries and a pleasingly solid defence. *Captain:* **Rory MacGregor**

■ **TEAM:** **Keagan Baard , Paola Bersella, Ya'eesh Collins , Duma Gcabashe , Luca Guerrini , Guy Henderson , David Kinnear , Rayleigh le Fleur, Sisa Liwani, Rory MacGregor , Nathan Maimba , Cayden Marquis , Amani Masha , James Mitchell , James Morritt-Smith , Aidan**

Neill , Lindani Ngcokoto, Liam Partgiter, Sean Price, Jonathan Rossouw, Julien Schlebusch, Richard Wellington, David Wesson

Coaches: **Luke Kuhn, Justin Rowe-Roberts**

Manager: **Peter Westwood**

Peter Westwood

5TH XV

The fifth XV have once again had an incredibly enjoyable season under the very capable coaching of Jordan Flax (OD) and the management of David Ledwidge. Their results have been very good and the brand of rugby which they have played has been distinctively Bishops rugby with the lads running in some of the most brilliant tries seen on the fields this season. Unfortunately at our end of the system injury is a constant problem – not to our players necessarily but to those in the teams above us as it results in our team being disturbed regularly when coaches of the teams above us come 'shopping' for players. Some of our stalwarts this

year include the likes of hard man **Francois van der Merwe** who made some devastating carries during the season, **Dylan Rowell** our soccer playing centre with excellent feet and great balance in his running style. **Robbie Moubray** was our solid full back always to be relied upon and often making some scything runs into the backline to carve up the opposition. Of course our international star **Chris Mewett** was strong both on attack and defense until he succumbed to injury against Wynberg and was unable to finish the season with us. There were many others who played so well during the season and it is unfortunate that in an article like this one can't mention them all, but suffice it to say that at the lower end of the open division Bishops rugby is in a fine state. Boys love playing the game and their levels of skill are still at a very high level.

David Ledwidge

6TH XV

The 6th team had an good season in 2016. The boys showed great character throughout the season by committing to practice with zeal and enthusiasm. The end of the season was a particular highlight for the team. Following a 50 point win over SACs in their second last game, the boys capped the season with a hard-fought 15-14 win over Rondebosch Boys on the Piley Rees. It was a great pleasure coaching 6th team this year; the future of the Sexy Boys looks bright.

U16A

The U16A XV had a reasonable season without setting the world alight. There were a few highlights that will not easily be forgotten as in the victories vs. Paarl Gym and the nail-biter against RBHS in the dying seconds of

the season. But as educators, how did the boys go as individuals? One would like to think that they developed and are now ready to enter the much bigger pond of senior rugby where there is no place to hide, and the competition is much sterner. At fullback, **Stephen Fourie** and **Bingo Ivanisevic** were rock solid with **Bingo's** usual turn of speed and forceful running his chief attributes. His adaption to the position from the midfield was fine. **Alex Jankovic-Besan** must be mentioned here, albeit he played very little. Who will forget that try vs RBHS? His elusive running and strength on his feet must be exploited from now on.

The wings **Stephen Fourie**, **Greg Bolus**, **Harry Newman**, **Michael Roche**, **Rob Young** and **Reuben Mndende** did their jobs well. Stephen's figurative break came his way literally vs. Tygerberg where he set the side up for victory. With his pace, reading of the game and gutsy defence, he can play anywhere in the backline and eventually played fullback until injury curtailed his season. **Greg** came into the side late and his elusive running and feet were sound. **Michael Roche** improved vastly, his reading of the game and ability to run good lines were his strengths. **Reuben's** pace was his main weapon and served the side well when called upon to do so. **Rob Young's** water polo curtailed his season and he was fine when he did play. **Harry Newman** is another utility back who can play centre/wing/fullback and he definitely improved this season. **Victor Allen** was the most improved back, and was a pillar of strength in the centre where he created, utilised his very good feet, calm head, distribution skills and sound defence. The halfbacks **Willem Rose** at 9 and **Jordan Meyer** at 10 were good. **Willie's** tenacious

approach to each game, crisp service and ability to be another loose forward was invaluable to the side. **Jordan's** feet, ability to take the ball up and solid defence added that much extra to the position. They are a good combination, especially when fully fit and on song together. This was often disrupted by the factors mentioned here. **Cole Kruger** played well in the games he stood in for **Willie**, he went from strength to strength as the self-belief grew. The loose forwards **JJ Muller**, **Tim Sharples** and **Ano Mtombeni** complemented each other well. **JJ** was the ultimate work horse with the dirtiest jersey at the end of each game. **Ano's** ability to link and carry added the finishing touch to **JJ's** grovelling. **Tim** was also a very constructive player at number 8 and with more height coming his way, could there be a switch to lock? **Matt Klingenberg** and **Jeff Malherbe** always stepped up to the plate when called upon to play. They were your ultimate team men with **Jeff** at home on the flank or hooker whilst **Matt's** play to the ball and grovelling ability was plagued by injuries during the season. The locks **Finn Geldenhuys** and **Matt Van Westernbrugge** were good. **Finn's** astute leadership, lineout skills and work rate in the tight lose was significant. **Matt** was new to the position from wing, and added his honest work rate and line out options. **Liam Agnew** played early in the season and he is going to grow even more, thus he must make the most of his opportunities next year. The front row of **Tom Newbury**, **Alex Castle**, **Jeff Malherbe**, **Peter Bacon**, **Ollie MacRobert**, **Hector Orrell** and **Dimitri Kapoutsis** all did their bit. The vast number here explains it all as injuries plagued the side. **Peter's** scrummaging and work in

the tight lose, **Tom's** general play, **Alex's** all round play as a hooker, **Hector's** tenacity and **Dimitri** and **Ollie's** solid scrummaging lay the foundation for decent first phase ball. As a unit, they were once again a pleasant bunch to be around. Their humility, integrity and determination will take them far in life besides just on the rugby field. Now for open rugby and hopefully the Piley Rees.

Captain and Vice- Captain: **Finn Geldenhuys and William Rose**

■ **TEAM:** **B Ivanisevic, A Jankovic-Besan, M Roche, H Newman, V Allen, S Fourie, G Bolus, R Mndende, R Young, J Meyer, W Rose, C Kruger, T Sharples, A Mtombeni, JJ Muller, M Klingenberg, F Geldenhuys, M Van Westernbrugge, L Agnew, T Newbury, H Orrell, D Kapoutsis, A Castle, J Malherbe, I. P Bacon, O MacRobert.**

Coaches: **Jean Nolte, Brendan Hamman**
Manager: **Dean Sudding**

Dean Sudding

U16B

2016 was a great year. Rugby at Bishops is much more than just results – the way the game is played and how the boys grow and develop are just as (if not more) important, but by any measure this side was special. It was great to see how they played for each other and expressed themselves through their attacking and their defending. They played with a maturity that was a pleasure to behold – the first game against SACS where they dominated the whole game was a rare sight – normally teams get 'their turn to play' but this side was capable of shutting out good sides. In past years sides have won hard



games, but tripped up over less ‘glamorous’ sides – Bellville away. Here, too, this side was different – they put the weaker sides away comprehensively. The style of play was also special. They were not afraid to run from anywhere, and it was a pleasure watching them run the ball. This was a side with belief and to be unbeaten on the Sahara by the end of the season was something special. Coaches talk of the ‘spine’ of the team in describing connectivity through key positions and this side was blessed with an incredible spine from two fine hookers (**Malherbe** and **Orrel**), to several top players who could play number 8 (**Stehlik**, **Psillos**, **Nivinson**, or **Klingenberg**), through number 9 (**Kruger**), and 10 (**Burton**, and **Labberte** - when we had just thought we had run out of options!), to full-back with **Jankovich-Besan**. But everyone contributed: by the end of the season **Van Wyngaarden** had developed into a superb line-out forward who was never afraid of doing the hard work, and his partner **Steytler** put his hand up as a leader for the future. The wings and centers all were threatening, and whenever we had to pull on

the C team for help the reserves were always up for it - some (**Wessels**) and ending playing most of the latter part of the games for us. There are too many to mention all, but, as I said, everyone played a part in a year we will not forget. I would also like to thank my assistant coaches who made the year so much easier and pleasurable for me. I mentioned **Michael Steytler** as our forward captain, but special mention should be made of captain **Tom Burton**, who left nothing on the field and led with flair and commitment.

Captain and Vice Captain : **Tom Burton**,
Michael Steytler

■ **TEAM:** **Liam Agnew, Tom Burton, Alex Jankovich-Besan, Dimitri Kapoutsis, Matthew Klingenberg, Junho Ko, Cole Kruger, Ryan Labberte, Oli MacRobert, Jeff Malherbe, Reuben Mndende, David Nivinson, Hector Orrel, Theodore Psillos, Luke Stevens, Daniel Stehlik , Michael Steytler, Charlie Storey, Anton Van Wyngaarden, Jay Waller, Rob Young**

Coaches : **James Swift, Clinton Hamman, Blake Gowar, Dean Sudding, Thomas Rudston**

James Swift

U16C

The U16Cs have had a rather frustrating season this year. The boys worked hard in practice and showed significant improvement during the season, but we unfortunately too frequently underperformed and therefore lost close games we probably could have won. Great team spirit was the hallmark of the team throughout the season and they never gave up on their ambition to play attractive,

positive and enterprising rugby. A number of highlights during the season were hard fought victories over Bosch (twice), Boland Landbou and Drostdy. Most games were categorised by slightly shaky starts where we would let the opposition get ahead followed by a hard fought chase to make up the lost ground. I am hesitant to single out individuals but the following need special mention:

Kieran Manca's runaway tries down the wing whenever he got the ball in space with a turn of real pace. **Calvin-Ziegler Smith's** exemplary captaincy throughout the season and especially his "captain fantastic" – try scoring performance against Bosch. **Marco De Nysschen's** uncompromising leg drives and tackling. **Sihle Kahala's** fearlessness in the face of any opposition. **Junho Ko's** hard work in the rucks. **Jack Pain's** smile – no matter how dirty he got. **Kamal Sacranie's** raw passion and 100% commitment. **Matteo Luppini's** unrelenting hard work. **Jonathan Pletts** knowledge of the laws and ability to rub everyone up the wrong way – and effect the occasional turnover. And lastly, **Ethan Roberts** scoring all the points in our finale nail-biting 7-5 win over Bosch. A big thanks to Sambulo Msani for his skilful work throughout the season in crafting appropriate drills and his positive inspirational coaching style.

Keith Warne

U15A

From the outset our kind of rugby was about fifteen dedicated players who had a burning desire to win and a fierce pride in themselves and their team. The players quickly adapted to the rigours of U15 rugby as they met bigger opponents more often than not. Coaches



The U15A team pulling together before the Bosch game



Isaiah Wharton (Captain) breaking through the Bosch defence with Tom Liefeldt and Ross Tudhope in support

worked hard on developing all aspects of the boys' game. It was good to notice individual players and the team's continued growth as results improved towards the end of season, with the victory over Bosch and winning the SACS sevens adding the cherry on top of a worthy season. The most epic game of the season was the battle against SACS at home. It would not be in keeping with the spirit in the team to single out any players, but **Isaiah Wharton** deserves to be mentioned for his great leadership as Captain.

■ **TEAM:** Jordan Velosa, Declan O'Neill, Innocent Macha, Aaron Woodman,

Jack Hampshire, Tom Liefeldt, Charlie Yates, Jonathan Bird, Matthew Smith, Isaiah Wharton, Michael Van der Merwe, Matthew Lennett, Aadam Abrahams Weltin, Luca Liebenberg, Michael Wesson, Ross Hyne, Ross Tudhope, Ryan Sneddon, Tano Sivertsen, Matthew Leong, Zander Brooks Max Martin.

Coaches: Donovan Murray (Backs) and Andre van Vuuren (Forwards)

Donovan Murray

U15B



Ross Hyne breaks away against Bosch with Raafiq Adams and Jack Clayton on his flanks in support

The U15Bs had a successful season. The results were mostly positive, with a few losses that could have easily gone our way. I believe this suggests that this age group has a healthy depth and that the U15A incumbents should not rest on their laurels. When the U15Bs were working as a unit, they played some marvellous rugby. I have no doubt that these young men have some stunning rugby ahead of them. The likely highlight for the season was getting the double over the old rival, fighting hard to beat Bosch home and away. I anticipate



U15B team after beating Bosch

that there will be enjoyable future contests against their rivals up the road. Beyond the results, the team matured as players and people as the season progressed. I hope that the team can look back on the 2016 season with fondness.

Captain: Jack Clayton

■ **TEAM: (3+ games): Raafiq Adams, Dallas Vicheman, Cameron Good, Ben Cragg, Julien Dower, Kieraan Meyer, James Koster, Tom Byron, Jack Clayton, Nicholas Cattell, Innocent Macha, Bongeni Mavusa, Zander Brooks, Michael van der Merwe, Brett Tucker, Ubaid Francis, Taino Syverston, Max Stewart, Aadam Abrahams-Weltin, Oliver Stewart, Tristan Turner, Sam Elliot, Ross Heine**

Coaches : Jason Wulfsohn and Clinton White

Jason Wulfsohn

U15C

This team had a wonderful season. They developed continually and eventually played mature, exciting and brave rugby. Much of

this success can be attributed to the respect they all showed each other, which facilitated a magnificent camaraderie in the team. Highlights of the year included a great comeback to win against Paarl Boys, big wins over Wynberg and SACS and titanic battles against Rondebosch. Many of the players were called up to the B team when required and fitted in there ably – I will not be surprised to some of them playing 1st and 2nd team in three years time. Oli Hans was also instrumental as a coach with his calm and experienced manner.

Captains: **Adam Fernandes, Michael Coles**

■ **TEAM:** **Dominic Beaumont, Drew Burton, Michael Coles, Ben Cragg, Matt Davies, Adam Fernandes, Luke Flint, Nic Gleeson, Cameron Good, James Koster, Mbongeni Mavuso, Kieraan Meyer, Aiden Murphy, Sean Murphy, Matt Sherrell, Julian Simpson, Tristan Turner, Thomas van Breda.**

Coaches: **Kevin Kruger, Oli Hans**

Kevin Kruger

U15D

During this past rugby season we had on paper, at least, a squad of 25 boys, although as the season progressed inevitably illness and injuries in the higher teams drew off some of our best men. Therefore during the second half of the season we were often fielding a markedly different selection for each game, and despite valiant efforts from our boys, this period was less successful than the first. The team started the season in promising style winning their first two games against Paarl Boys and Stellenberg

respectively, followed by a big loss to the powerful Paarl Gym. Thereafter we quickly recovered and easily defeated our three local southern rivals during the first round of these fixtures. After the holiday break we lost all four matches, although to their credit the team never gave up. The boys were well captained by a highly energetic **Freddie Davis** who always led by example and played with great vigour. Our highlight game was definitely the opening match with a 24-0 victory away against Paarl Boys. All thanks to coaches Keegan Sutherland and Daniel Russell who twice a week worked patiently and determinedly with the squad.

Captain: **Freddie Davis**

■ **TEAM:** **Brice Agnew, Dominic Beaumont, Ryan Campbell, Paul David, Freddie Davis, Kyle Elliot, Cole Gannon, William Hamilton-Russell, Gift Hokwana, Berkley Hollingum, Andrew Koen, Tristan Le Fleur, Vladko Levendal, Jonty Mondry, Matt Marr, Bunathi Mbityi, Jamie Naude, Joshua Njorage, Sabri Numanoglu, Jack Ritchie-Roux, Alexander Russell, Matthew Shaw, Matt Sherrell, Jan Smuts, Emil Tellefsen, Alexander Van Doorn, Alexander Van Hoogstraten, Peter Worthington-Smith**

Coaches: **Daniel Russell, Keegan Sutherland**

Rodney Warwick

U14A

By all accounts this season for the u14A team was a success ... or was it? They were only defeated in three out of seventeen



From left standing: Gerry Noel, Aya Ngcwangu, Mikey Ford, Ollie Jones, James Bolton, Harry Gilson, Keagan Blanckenberg, Sam Rudston, Connor Evens, Nicholas Christodoulou, Keagan Van Wyk, Ross Beckett, Mustapha Cassiem.

Kneeling: Samuel Marthinussen, Sacha Mngomezulu, Joe Kirsten, Dan Kirsten.

Sitting in front: Masood Meyer.



Keagan Van Wyk, Connor Evens, Joe Kirsten, Mikey Ford and Mustapha Cassiem

fixtures played, therefore winning 82 percent of their matches. They scored a total of 523 points and conceded 182. In their first league fixture, they lost to the rugby powerhouse, Paarl Boys, by only one point but then went on to become victorious against giants such as Paarl Gim and Paul Roos, which according to Mr Bey's records, hasn't happened in the Bishops U14 division for many, many moons. They won a triple crown and ended up relatively low in the top ten national U14 rankings at the end of the season. Winning percentages, the triple crown, rankings, historical victories – this is what we have come to believe to be important in school boy rugby and make no

mistake, it is wonderful when these things go your way. However, I would like to make it clear that I have never cared much about what makes a season “successful”, as talent and size in U14 can easily achieve this without much coaching from coaches or managing from managers. What I believe to be important is what makes a season significant and sustainable. And what was significant about this season was that this group of young men will be remembered as ...

- being a conditioned team
- enjoying the game no matter what the outcome
- having a vibe on and off the field
- having grit and never giving up
- being respectful and positive
- being able to play a brand of rugby that no other team in the U14 age group can play – free, risky and creative
- being a team that doesn’t rely on individuals but on the collective spirit, skill and courage.

It is for achieving the above that this season was significant. Thank you to everyone involved who helped make this happen.

Captain and Vice Captain: **Michael Ford, Samuel Rudston**

■ **TEAM:** **Aya Ngcuwangu, Keegan Van Wyk, Nicholas Christodoulou, Samuel Rudston, Harry Gilson, James Bolton, Keagan Blanckenberg, Connor Evans, Dan Kirsten, Sacha Mngomezulu, Michael Ford, Oliver Jones, Joe Kirsten, Masood Meyer, Mustapha Cassiem, Jordan Watson, Dylan Plaatjies, Samuel Marthinussen and Undi Ngxangane.**

Coach: **Gerry Noel; Assistant: Ross Beckett; Manager: Caroline Bester**
Caroline Bester

U14B

The 2016 U14 B rugby was both rewarding and frustrating. Plagued by a surprising number of injuries and especially concussions, it was difficult to maintain consistency in selection and to find and maintain some rhythm. Having said this, the boys played their hearts out each week in what is a very tough school boy league which does not provide any easy, sure-win fixtures. We concentrated on the basics and playing with ball in hand as far as possible. Some fabulous tries were scored through our two very quick wings. The boys must be commended for practising hard and maintaining a positive attitude throughout the year. This is a team with a wonderful spirit that enjoys playing for one another. They are certainly going to get better and better as they mature physically and are able to match the strength of many of their opponents. One aspect that will need to be worked on though is maintaining intensity for the full duration of a game – too often this season they started games or halves far too gently. Their skills and understanding of the game is impressive, as is their positive attitude, and so Bishops can be confident that we have a core group of players who are going to make the College proud in years to come.

Captains: **Mich Labberte and Undi Ngxangane**

■ **TEAM:** **Josh Levy, Zak Ahmed, Undi Ngxangane, Niall Maloney, Samuel**

Marthinussen, Cameron May, Mitch Labberte, Tristan Barow, Jordan Watson, Sam Hanssen, Cameron Parker-Forsyth, Mitchel Fussell, Euan Groenewald, Dylan Plaatjies, Adam Suliaman, Luke Beachy Head, William Morley, Oliver Werner, Oliver Kane-Smith, Ethan Kieffer, Rayaana Hendricks

Coaches: **Michael Blanckenberg, Nick Nester, Barry Emms (manager).**

Barry Emms

U14C

In all, 33 boys played for the C team over the 14 match season, which does not make life easy for the coaches or the players. The boys enjoyed their practice days together and were a spirited group. Thanks to Mr Flynn and Mr Morgan for the time and effort they put into coaching and coxing along the boys and for the rapport they established with the boys. The highlight of the season was the game the team played on the Piley Rees against Boland Landbou, which they won!

Coaches: **Brad Flynn and Casey Morgan**

Captain: **Nicky Sieff**

■ **TEAM:** **Oliver Werner, Zimvo Mahlati, Luke Beachy Head, Luke Negrine, Luke Haarburger, Francis Bayly, Nicky Sieff, Connor Glass, Jean-Luc Fourie, Nic Koch, Mitch Fussell, Seb Allison, Ian Sherwood, Jono Bateman, Jake Herbert, Travis Norris, Ben Gukelberger, John Steyn, Cameron May, Lawrence Masha, Jonathan Border, Jake Nicholas, Jake Stewart, Josh Seymour, Oliver**

Kane-Smith, Daniel Mudge, Gabriel de Graaf, Euan Groenewald, Sam Hanssen, James Kirkman, Tristan Barrow, Josh Levy, Liam van Schalkwyk.

Phil Court

U14D

Highlights: The boys enjoyed practices where the coaches were warm and encouraged communication and team play. ‘The Cheeky Play’ was created where the one of the flanks would say to the hooker, “Here, let me take it!” The hooker would then pass the ball and the flank would run. The boys agreed that they improved on their teamwork as the season progressed.

Connor Glass took some big hits and displayed some impressive tackling ability throughout the season. He also scored three tries. **Gabriel De Graaf** scored a hatrick against SACS. The boys enjoyed victories over Wynberg BHS and SACS and remained in high spirits even after losing to Rondebosch. Players like **Max Nixon** and **Gareth Watson** improved their skills dramatically over the time period of five months.

Lowlights: **Jono Border** was concussed early on in the season. **James Farmer** was concussed and rendered out of action for most of the season. **Jono Border** got involved in a fight during the final game against Rondebosch. **Lawrence Masha** dislocated his shoulder in the final game against Rondebosch and was rushed to hospital.

Captain and Vice-Captain: **Connor Glass, Gareth Watson**

■ **TEAM:** **Elyas Ayoub, Jonathan**



Border, Gabriel De Graaf, James Farmer, Chad Francis, Connor Glass, Ben Gukelberger, Luke Haarburger, Jake Herbert, James Kirkman, William Makin, Lawrence Masha, Daniel Mudge, Luke Negrine, Max Nixon, Travis Norris, John Steyn, Liam Van Schalkwyk, Gareth Watson
Coaches: Zukile Ncube, Nic Bester

SOCCER

The start of this winter sport season saw more than 100 boys reach for their soccer boots, when it was announced that Bishops would be having trials for soccer as a winter sport. Eager, excited and determined...

The number of boys that arrived at trials exceeded all expectations and it was clear that these boys were keen to play, but were also rather competitive. It was such a pleasant and interesting experience to get the sport up and running – it proved to be challenging on many different levels, but were the boys were extremely supportive and passionate. “Quad-soccer” had always been a big thing, but this was a chance for many of the boys to showcase their talent on a marked-out pitch with actual soccer posts and a Bishops soccer kit. After trials, the coaches, Graham Welham (U15) and Dugald Robertson (U19) had their work cut out for them as we were set to play fixtures



against schools that had been playing soccer for a couple of years. Two teams, a squad of about 35 boys in total, were selected. Even though our boots seemed as though they were fresh out of the box, we most certainly did not lack skill and talent. To my surprise, many of the boys had been playing club soccer, and it was an absolute pleasure to see them perform on the pitch. The season proved to be a very constructive one and the boys were amazing ambassadors of both the sport and the school. The results would, at times, reflect what we lacked in experience, but we ended the season on a positive note. The immense

improvement was clearly visible towards the end of the season and it was a pleasure to see how these boys grew and stepped up to the occasion when it was needed. The boys never failed to play with pride and passion. We look forward to a similar setup for soccer as a winter sport next year – with better results and more exposure.

Jarred Bradley

SQUASH

1ST

The Bishops top players play in the Super-League each year and the organisers, Western Province Youth Squash, seem to

vary the format of the competition from year to year. In 2016 the league consisted of seven teams of five players: RBHS, SACS WBHS, Paul Roos, Paarl Boys, an invitational WP team called the Disas, and Bishops. We fared exceptionally well in this despite the fact that we were often unable to field a full strength team due to illness, injury or because a player happened to be away on Exchange. The knock-out competition was also keenly contested and we got through the final once again against our arch rivals RBHS. This final was a closely fought affair which saw us losing out on the winner's trophy - and thus on a trip to KZN for the National Finals - by the slimmest of margins. There was also a complaint lodged to the executive of WPYS after this final as the opposition No.1 appeared to take the court injured and it was widely felt by many at the match that he should not have played. He did in fact manage to stay on court for just two games and then forfeited his match. The result therefore turned on this decision and Bishops were unlucky not to have been granted at least a rematch. In October the 10th edition of the very popular and successful WBHS Stayers festival took place and this is where we showed everyone how much depth of good talented squash players there is at the moment. We played five competitive six-a-side matches against top schools from outside the Cape and lost just once. The results were as follows, and placed us as probably the second or third strongest side of the 18 schools playing:

The first team was captained by our lone Matric, **Calven Wilson**, and coached

<i>v St Johns</i>	Won	13	12
<i>v St Andrews Bloemfontein</i>	Lost	7	13
<i>v St Stithians</i>	Won	18	0
<i>v Pretoria Boys High</i>	Won	15	7
<i>v Michaelhouse</i>	Draw	11	11

most ably by Justin van de Poel. We are most grateful to him and of course we are indebted to our strong group of squash parents for all the support and lifting required at unsociable times of day. Next year looks as if it may well be a great year for Bishops squash and I hope the players will rise to the challenge. I know they are aiming high!

The players: **Calven Wilson** (Captain), **Glenn Yates**, **Ibrahim Kerbelker**, **Calvin Ziegler-Smith**, **Jonathan Greyling**, **Brandon Snider**, **Charlie Yates**. (**Nic Gleeson**, **Tim Wright** and **Greg Medcalf** also represented Bishops in the WBHS Stayers festival).

The next event on the squash calendar for these boys is the St Andrews Bloemfontein festival in February 2017. Good luck!

John Knight

U19A AND B

The U19B side had a most successful season winning most of their matches. Due to injuries (to the super league reserve players who were eligible to play for the U19A side), the U19A side did not do as well as expected, but remained very competitive in all their matches.

Gregor Bell, **Tristan Smith**, **Stuart Cottrell**, **Luke Baker**, **Chris Haller** and **Amo Mothibi** were regular members of the A side and **James Halle**, **Sheridan Laudien**, **Matthew Von Bulow**, **David**

Court and **Brandon Thomas** played for the B side. The keenest and most improved player was **David Court** who was always looking for a game. **Stuart Cottrell** was involved in a number of four and five setter matches and proved to be the fittest member of the team.

Amo Mothibi got “stage fright” when he came up against the “fairer sex” in their match against Rustenburg and had a shocker of a game. However, he did make amends when Bishops came up against Springfield later on in the season. In the second half of the season

Gregor Bell had to raise his game since he was promoted to the number 1 position in the A side. The stiffer opposition helped to improve his match temperament. **Luke Baker** showed a lot of potential but did not realize this potential because he did not play enough.

Brandon Thomas’s lack of fitness counted against him in a number of matches. **Chris Haller** is to be congratulated for winning all his league matches this season! It is encouraging to note how squash at Bishops has grown over the past couple of years. This augers well for the future of the sport!

John Lanser

U19C AND D

U19C: **James Aron, Dylan Evans, Jason Pittaway, Timothy Tzemis**; U19D: **Ebrahim Muhammad, Luke Malan, Simmele Mashwama, Joshua McKirby, Madison Quibell, Mogamad Rawoot, Calvin Sides.**

The season was a very enjoyable one. We saw the squash playing skills of the players rise, as did the level of competitiveness. The practice sessions were fun but also through a lot of playing as well as coaching of players, some

of them developed their drop-shots which at this level is a deadly weapon, especially against any player preferring to hit the ball willy-nilly to the back of the court. One completely underestimated shot that we should possibly have concentrated on more is the lob, because at this level of play, it can completely disengage the opponent especially when it is expertly executed only to land in the back of the court like lead. As for the matches both away and at home, these were always played in excellent spirit and some of them were closely contested. This is such a great game for young people, and to see it enjoyed as much at this level as it seems, a delight!

Paul Murray

JUNIOR SQUASH

Another extremely successful season of squash for the junior section. It never fails to amaze me how enthusiastically the boys approach the game no matter at what level they compete. Squash is a great game for all levels – it demands both hard work and fitness. It is very noticeable how the boys improve during the season with the committed approach and a willingness to make use of all the opportunities. We are very fortunate to enjoy fantastic facilities at the College, so the large number of boys can be generally catered for during practices. Tuesday was largely spent with coaching sessions with the boys assigned to various groups. It is important that the boys are taught the basics of the game and that they learn how to play the game correctly. From general stroke play to positioning on the court, these sessions were valuable in getting the message across and the boys

were committed and willing to learn. The Thursday session allows for the boys to play challenge games in attempt to improve their ladder position. Competition for places in intense and it is also encouraging to note how boys are always looking to improve and to be included in one of the representative teams. Bishops entered five junior teams in the various under 15 leagues and we are proud to record that we were winners of all the leagues. An impressive overall performance and a notable achievement considering that some of the lower teams often end up playing A or B teams of the smaller school. Matches were well attended and again the enthusiasm was evident throughout the season. One aspect that the boys can work on in the future is the scoring process, as this is an important part of the game. Without the support of a number of staff, the process can never run smoothly. My thanks and appreciation to the following for their involvement and hard work. To Mr Knight as the staff member in charge of squash at the college; the various coaches, Stefan Ranhoszek, OD and first team player from 2015 (with the top group), and Mr Lionel White with the beginners.

A team: **N Gleeson, T Wright,**

A Morkel, G Medcalf

B team: **K. Vith, L. Shuttleworth,**

R Tudhope, G. Murray-Cooke

C team: **J Blow, J Brasher, S Du,**

D Boyes

D team: **J Sinha, Z Cadiz, V Smith,**

N Cattell, S Numanoglu, A Koen

E team: **S Stevens, T Krauss,**

S Breytenbach, A van der Leek,

R Naidoo

David Russell

SURFING

Elands Bay Surf Camp: The conditions were perfect when we arrived at Elands Bay. 'Amped' for a surf, we all headed out and stayed in the water till dark! Later that night we all crawled around the fire and enjoyed delicious food and humorous stories. On the next morning we woke to the sound of waves grinding down the famous West Coast point break. The guys pushed their limits with some surfing a total of ten hours. Sunstroke, sunburn and dehydration were the consequences paid, but it was all worth it! On our final day, we made the momentous decision to head up the coast searching for a wave. We arrived over dunes to find some of the most perfect waves we had ever seen. Conditions were prime with a light offshore breeze and not a drop of water out of place. The water was a pristine blue and sharing the waves with each other made it a day to remember. Overall, great food, good waves and generally just a good vibe made this camp one of the best. Thanks to Mr Mallett, Ms Mallett and Mr Noel for their hard work! For a great perspective of what it was like, head on to Facebook and check **Marco Lanfranchi's** drone video of Elands Bay 2016. The Edit describes the experience perfectly.

Inter House Surfing Competition:

On Friday 9 September, the 2016 Inter House surfing competition was held at Derdesteen on the West Coast. Unfortunately, the event was plagued by howling on-shore conditions, making life extremely difficult for the competitors.



However, this in no way dampened the enthusiasm of the 16 surfers and at the end of the round robin stages, Founders, Mallett, Gray and White progressed to a sudden death final. Gray emerged as worthy victors with rookie, **Robbie Moubray**, providing solid support for his more experienced partner, **Max Harrison**. Thanks to OD Surf Club members, Oli



Marr and Matt van der Linden for braving the cold and judging our contest.
Max Harrison and Dave Mallett