

Durban High School

2019



Mission

Durban High School strives to develop
responsible, motivated young men
with strong moral convictions and integrity,
who,
possessing self-discipline and courage,
are capable of leading with strength and compassion
to meet the challenges of the future.
Our ethos enables us to realise individual potential
in Academics, Sport, Cultural Activities,
Leadership, Outdoor Experiences,
and Service to the Community.
We pride ourselves on achieving this by
the nurturing of loyalty and respect,
the honouring of all relationships,
and through a commitment to hard work,
in a secure environment
which embraces the diversity of South Africa.



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Head Master's Message



2019 has been an excellent year for Durban High School. The highlights have been shared in editions of The Herald Newsletter and reflects on how busy the school is and how many opportunities there are for our boys to develop their talents and potential. It would be remiss of me not to thank our staff for their incredible commitment in developing our sons.

Sadly, we did have to say farewell to some staff as well as some Governing Body members. Special mention must go to Audrey Glossop who has taught Mathematics at DHS for 18 years, as well as Treasure Neave who taught Accounting for 24 years.

A special parting thanks as well to Noel Stapelfeldt, Debbie Green and Winston Owen for their selfless contribution through the Governing Body to the school. Your commitment is inspiring.

I am acutely aware of the huge responsibility that lies ahead for our school. We need to embrace this responsibility. As we come to the end of a decade, we pause to reflect on what is happening in the world around us and consider its implications for the next decade.

We all understand that technology is disrupting business, education and the way we lead our lives, and futurist gurus like Clem Sunter can predict through certain algorithms what the world will look like at the end of the next decade within these areas. Yet we continuously talk about how uncertain the future is; an uncertainty not fuelled from the tangibles, but from humanities relational fragility.

Not only between us as human beings but also between us and our environment.

Billions of years of evolution have shown us that the health of an organic environment is dependent on the diversity of life forms in that environment and the cohesion within that diversity. Simply put, when diversity is respected, positive growth will take place.

As we continue to deplete our natural resources and as we become more insular as a species, so we find our environment becoming more uncertain. Climate change is not a natural phenomenon. This one is manmade.

Yet how can we respect the diverse life of our planet when we cannot respect the diversity between us as human beings. We recognise that throughout our evolution we have developed geographical, ideological, religious, social, economic and cultural differences, amongst others, and it is our adaption to these differences that have accelerated our development. Is it not sad then, presently, that our diversity is becoming individually polarised by the rhetoric of opportunists? And, through it, the more conflicting the relationship between us as humans.

Conflict leads to uncertainty. We live in a time where we have the greatest educated understanding of moral and ethical leadership and the importance thereof. Yet never in the history of mankind have we had so many leaders, around the world, so bereft of this understanding. Instead, they prey on our emotional fears by acutely magnifying our differences as threats, thereby engendering an intolerance to diversity. In a world where there are far more Donald Trumps than Greta Thunbergs dictating our future, uncertainty will abound. Technology has provided globalised communication platforms that have allowed individuals not only



to disrupt business, education and the world, but also our moral conscience. That is where the uncertainty lies. Not in the disruption of technology but in how it is abused, and in how we are or aren't mature enough in absorbing it. We are already living the Fourth Revolution. Technology is here to help mankind, not to replace our humanity.

When a storm blows through a field, the plants with the longest taproots will remain standing strong. So it is with us as humans too. Our value system is our taproot and the deeper and stronger

our value system, the better our ability to ride the storms. Our next generation of leaders need to be deeply rooted in values imbued from our diversity.

We all have the responsibility of developing these leaders. As individuals, as families, as a community and as a nation. There is no nation in the world as diverse as ours. Let us all embrace and respect this diversity and positive growth is sure to follow.

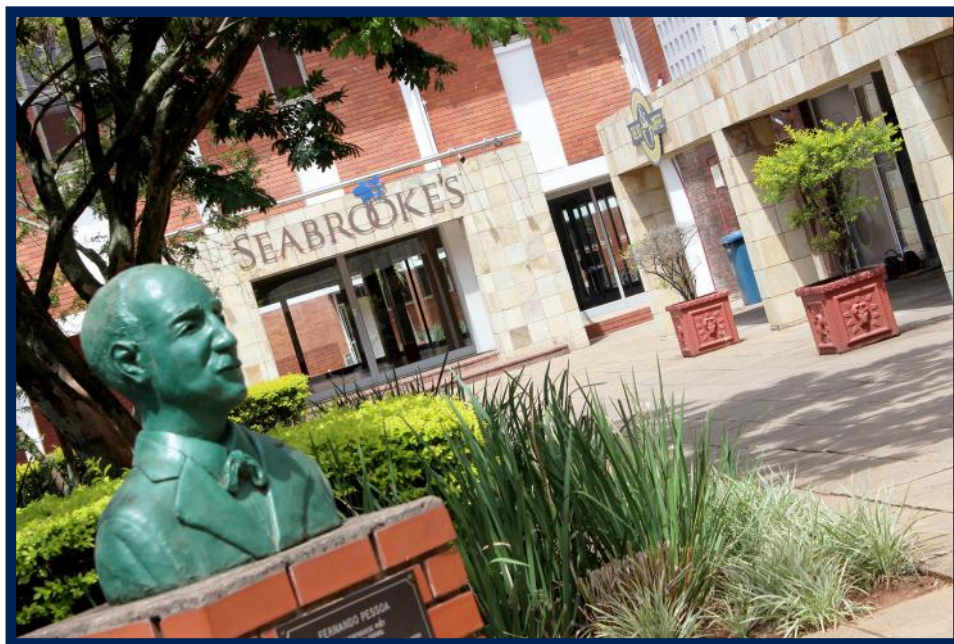
Durban High School has, for generations, produced leaders in different spheres

of life, rooted in our core values. Now more than ever we are called upon as a school to not only produce Gentlemen but also Leaders of Character.

When the Donald Trumps of this world are an exception and the Greta Thunbergs are the norm, so our future will be far less uncertain. And the world will be a better place.

Deo Fretus

A D Pinheiro
15th Head Master



Opening of Revamped Nonpareil & Cambridge Academy

On the morning of Friday 15 February the official opening of the revamped and upgraded Nonpareil & Cambridge Academy was held.

The opening was attended by DHS Foundation Trustees and staff, sponsors of the project, DHS Governing Body members, representatives from primary schools, staff of DHS and invited guests.

Mr Louis Ardé, CEO of the DHS Foundation, opened the ceremony, welcoming the guests and thanking Mr Pinheiro, Head Master of Durban High School, whose initiative the Academy was. He also thanked Mrs Carolyn Dickinson, Head of the Academy, for her professionalism and drive and for her role in the planning of the centre, the maintenance team, headed by Mr Gerhardt Aylward, for their hard work and input, Mrs Lynne Worth, Head of IT, for her considerable input, and he thanked the companies involved in the construction of the Centre.

Finally, Mr Ardé expressed a special thanks to the Trustees and staff of the Foundation for their significant contribution.

Mr Ardé then handed over to Mr Pinheiro, who echoed Mr Ardé's thanks and paid tribute to the sponsors of the project:

- The Victor Daitz Foundation for the new digitised telephone system, the new intercom system which

reaches every single classroom, the cameras in every classroom and around the campus, and the new biometric system;

- Sabvest and Datatec who, through Mr Chris Seabrooke, sponsored the IT upgrade and iPads for the school; and
- DHS Foundation Trust for funding and managing the upgrades.

He thanked Mr Spooner and Mr Owen of the Governing Body for their support of the projects and their input.

The Academy, which now houses 76 boys, up from 40 in 2018, already has a high demand for the 2020 intake.

Mrs Dickinson then spoke on how the impact of the Academy, in the short space of a year, had advanced the academic achievements of the boys with its focus on boy-centred learning, and the different approach used with autonomous and self-directed learning.

In addition, Mrs Dickinson shared how the training and experience the educators received had spilled over into the mainstream classrooms, to the benefit of all the boys of Durban High School.

Guest Speaker, Mr Craig Duff, CEO of NewBridge Graduate Institute, the new university campus on the DHS property, spoke on the changes which needed to be made to education to ensure that it is relevant by 2030; how the youth, through autonomous learning and

using critical thinking, can be assisted to be prepared for success in an ever-changing world, for careers that do not yet exist.

Both the Nonpareil & Cambridge Academy and NewBridge Graduate Institute shift the focus from teaching to learning, actively engaging with content instead of rote learning; learning instead to solve problems and develop new ideas through a combination of divergent and convergent thinking.

Teachers remain the most important part of the autonomous classroom, providing guidance and feedback, teaching error analysis and assisting the learners to use their mistakes as learning opportunities.

The newly renovated centre is a magnificent learning area, especially designed and furnished for optimal use. Light and airy, with wooden floors, it has different learning areas - cubicles for independent work, clusters of desks for group work, desks for laptop use, data projectors and whiteboards. It is also air-conditioned.

This is a ground-breaking time for Durban High School - the school with a proud past and an exciting future.

Thank you to the DHS Foundation, sponsors and staff for turning the vision into reality.

L Ardé
CEO of DHS Foundation Trust



Opening of the Revamped High Performance Cricket Centre



On Thursday 28 February 2019, the newly renovated High Performance Cricket Centre was officially opened.

Guest of Honour, the Legendary Barry Richards, rekindled memories of old when addressing the invited guests and 1st Cricket XI. Mr Louis Ardé, CEO of the DHS Foundation, gave a summary of Barry's achievements as a Provincial and International cricketer. He matriculated from School in 1963 having played for South African Schools for three years and, during his illustrious career, was honoured by both the legendary umpire Dickie Bird and the great Sir Don Bradman by being included in each of their best ever Cricket teams.

Jeremy Oddy, the DHS Historian, gave a hilarious account of a Staff vs 1st Cricket

XI match in which class teacher Grayson Heath was despatched for a number of sixes by Barry into the school pool. Needless to say, the remaining scholars in the classroom thoroughly enjoyed Barry's bludgeoning of their teacher and the raucous applause out of the Old Science Block windows bore testimony to the little work done that day!

However, the following morning, the boot moved rapidly to the other foot when Mr Heath, on entering the classroom, regained his composure and dealt with all and sundry in a most appropriate way. Mr Oddy concluded the story by announcing that Barry, on appealing to Mr Heath that he had not been in the classroom at the time of the raucous behaviour but had been on the field, received little sympathy due to Mr Heath feeling rather aggrieved

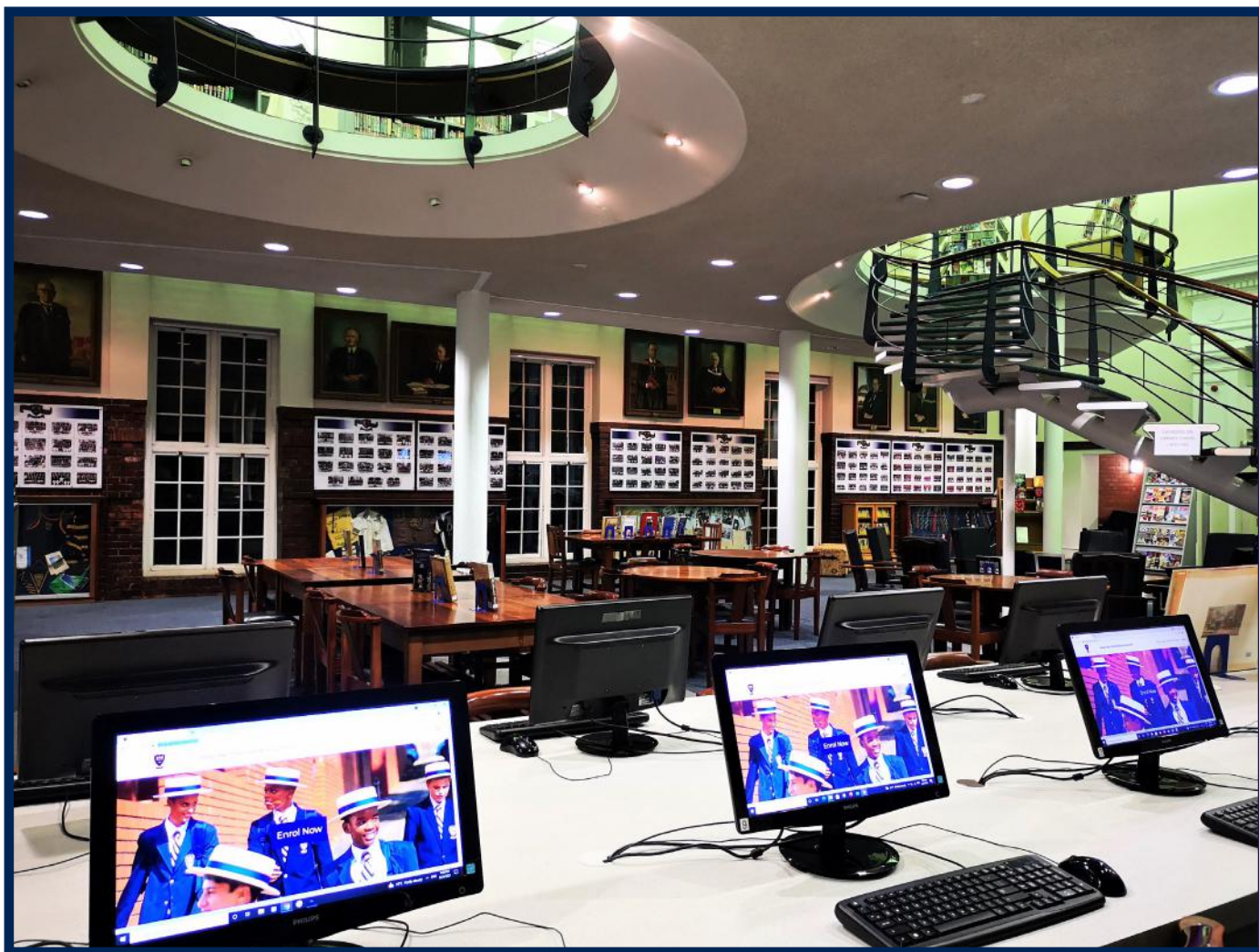
by having to have bowled with a very soapy ball after the pool debacle.

The Head Master, Mr A D Pinheiro, thanked the DHS Foundation for their efforts in initiating and financing the facility which he believed was unmatched in KZN school cricketing circles.

The function was concluded with the Director of Cricket, Andrew Shedlock, sharing his ambitions for the future of Cricket at DHS. To officially re-open the facility, Barry Richards then bowled a ball to a DPHS youngster, Qaeed Shaik, who thankfully did not despatch it into the swimming pool.

All who attended thoroughly enjoyed the occasion and the privilege of meeting the legendary Barry Richards.

The History of the ‘Old Lady’



The DHS Media Centre after it's 2019 transformation

In 2019 we celebrated 100 years of the building which currently houses our Media Centre. Initially, it was the Memorial Hall and then the Gym, before being converted in 1999 into the Media Centre as we know it today.

In April 2019, the Media Centre began another transformation as it underwent an extensive design upgrade process.

Originally built in 1919, Mr Jeremy Oddy, our former archivist, wrote a 4-part article on the journey of the Memorial Hall/Gym/Media Centre, or the ‘Old Lady’ as he fondly calls her.

The Old Lady of DHS

PART ONE

Blackmore House was my home for three years in the 1960s. To stand, in September 1971, and watch the demolishers begin to smash it to the ground, ugly chunks of brick and masonry flying through the air, hardly visible in clouds of dust, was an horrific experience. The building had only stood there for 75 years!

The Old Hall, built 25 years after the demolished original School of 1894, then became the bastion of School's traditions, by virtue of it now being

the oldest building, the senior edifice at DHS. Fortunately, she stands at the main entrance to School and so, silently, the ‘Old Girl’, in her grandeur, welcomes all as they enter DHS. Be it in rain or sunshine, summer, winter, autumn or spring, war or peace, for 100 years the Hall has stood as constant as the Southern Cross.

The ‘Old Girl’ was not untouched by the demolishers during the building of the new School in the 1970s. Mr Theobald, (a teacher and legend at School, 1949-1977) left his Latin class post-haste to investigate a commotion in the vicinity of the main gate at School. To his horror, the dome and columns had almost been





DHS Boys writing exams in the original hall (left), the exterior of the hall after the original dome was demolished in the 1970s (right)

entirely reduced to rubble, now strewn across the gateway. The explanation for this destruction was that the memorial columns and dome were incongruous to the style of the modern architecture now in place.

We go back in time to 1910:

AS Langley became Head Master. His mission was to produce boys who were strong, sturdy and healthy team players - their games would be rugby, cricket and boxing. They would leave DHS as men. They were extremely well educated and were versed in the cultural languages, viz Latin, Ancient Greek, and French. Why should a product of his School, be he a farmer, an engineer, a businessman not also be a man of culture, was Mr Langley's answer. With these attributes they were to be the leaders of their generation; many proved to be over the years. His boys would go forth and help develop the fledgling province.

The Great War broke out in 1914, and many of his Old Boys were now going to battlefields far and wide not to live for their country, but to die for it! Head Master Langley had guided and produced young men to strengthen and promote the development of South Africa, not to go off to the battlefields to be slaughtered in their prime. He had always expected hostilities, however, and had prepared his boys at DHS to be resolute, tough and courageous, should such a ghastly scenario arise.

These Old Boys at war sent letters to Langley at DHS informing him how they were faring. Their letters were teeming with the courage and comradeship displayed by Old Boys, particularly on the Western Front in Europe. Mr Langley read out these letters to the assembled School. Many recorded the deaths of 'his' dearest Old Boys. Tears rolled down his grieving face as his words fell on the solemn gathering.

Within a year of the signing of The Armistice on 11 November in 1918, the Durban High School achieved two major initiatives:

The erection of a Hall and the establishment of a library in memory of the Old Boys who had volunteered to serve their country and had bravely laid down their lives for it. Their names are recorded on the Memorial Wall on the Vause Road side of School.

The Memorial Hall Today:

A new dome was erected to replace the original structure that had been demolished in the 1970s. The relevance is that the dome represented the metal helmet infantry wore in battle. The writer had an inscription set on the Dome above the entrance to the now School Reception area and Multi Media Centre, it states: 1914 'Here too came once those others' 1918.

PART TWO

The New Hall of 1919, a magnificent structure, was the centre of attraction to the general public, and of course its neo-classical, late 18th century style reviving the precision and symmetry of Rome and Greece, reinforced Head Master Langley's mission to educate his boys in the classical languages and philosophy of Ancient Greece and Rome.

This Memorial Hall would, under Langley, be the mentor of all activities carried out within its walls, and would be the place to display respect for the fallen, discipline and the good name of Durban High School.

Discipline was administered in the form of severe strokes with a light cane, referred to as 'tough love'. Accompanied with these thrashings, Mr Langley would refer to the miscreants as scum and suggest that they should exit School and find a place further down the Berea at the Technical High School. He would impress upon the whole School that the Tech was something contemptible. Then he would thrash the boys publicly on the raised platform in front of the assembled School.

It is alleged that Langley summoned six boys found guilty of smoking to the lectern. They were severely caned six cuts each before they were invited to return to the assembled School body.

The Head then requested all boys who were also smokers to step forward. Approximately 400 responded. Several staff members were commandeered on the spot and instructed to help administer the punishment. This was not the end of proceedings. Mr Langley invited the rest of the School to the stage because he felt they were either liars or prigs anyway.

The Hall over the years was the venue staging wonderful play productions, talent shows, end-of -year Speech Day Prize Giving assemblies, visiting speakers, an examination centre where the boys sat for the Junior Certificate and Matric.

Len Baumann, a Blackmore boy, Class of 1939, recalled recently to the writer that dance lessons were offered in the late 1930s on Wednesday evenings in the Hall from 7pm. The boys were required to be dressed in suits and the cost was 10 shilling a term. (That is about one rand). At the commencement of the first hour, the boys were divided into groups and a teacher instructed and demonstrated the footwork to the boys. The second hour saw the arrival of a bevy of young ladies from a local nearby school. The boys had the opportunity to display their skills! These evenings, understandably, were fairly popular.

When the present DC Thompson School Hall was built, the Memorial Hall became a general purpose room and a thoroughfare for staff to cut along from the New School (built in the 1970s) to the pre-existing Science Block.

In 1985 the Memorial Hall was handed over to the basketball fraternity. They had a good following and were to be the top basketball school in South Africa for a number of years.

PART THREE

The next phase of the evolution of the Memorial Hall to be developed by

Old Boy and Architect Chen Sagnelli and his team of professionals was to come about in 1999. However, a fellow Blackmore pupil and friend of the writer, an entrepreneur, visualised the possibility of opening a lucrative business without permission from the Head to operate a business in an out of bounds area! His name, Neil Hampson. He had over 40 years earlier, in the late 1950s, discovered a vast area under the stage just waiting for development. He set up a barber shop. He had electricity at hand and the salon was well illuminated. There were many of the comforts one would have enjoyed at other commercial barber shops in town. The best 'comfort' was Neil's price was less than half the price of his competitors. And, one could have the option of buying on credit. His clippers, originally manually operated, were soon replaced with the most up-to-date electrically powered instruments because he found them more efficient, and clients were happy with his proficiency. This business was very well supported and happily my friend soon opened a second salon in a secluded position off the beaten track at Dear Old Durban High.

by Chess Sagnelli:

As a former pupil (1970-1974), and whilst serving on the Governing Body of DHS in the 1990's as an advisory on the buildings and the property of DHS, the Projects committee, headed by Don Spiers, came up with the vision to unlock the full potential of the "Grand Old Lady", the Durban High School Hall.

As an Architect I was commissioned to gather and lead a team of DHS professionals in the Architecture, Engineering and Quantity Surveying fraternity to tackle this new venture. As a team we collectively agreed that this beautiful historical building structure would have to be retained and, whatever we did, it would have to happen within the envelope without

affecting or touching this old lady. Essentially we were like surgeons going to operate on the interior of a very old lady who needed some vital new organs that would give her a new lease on life and would project her into the 21st century with vigour and unmatched excellence.

If you look at the design we came up with, which had three levels, each independent yet connected through stairways. These three levels would be supported independent of the outer body of the old lady and the form that came out of the design was the shape of a violin which has a sense of classic elegance. At each level you would be able to look to the level below or above and be part of an overall state of the art media centre. The project was finished in 1999 and was hailed as the top media centre in South Africa.

Today as I write this article, things have changed and the same old lady is going through a number of operations to bring her up to date with the needs of the moment.

This beautiful building has some extraordinary history of housing many old boys in various journeys of their school career. The school hall was dedicated to men who lay down their lives for their country and today this ethos has never changed. I can only dream what she could become in the days ahead.

PART FOUR

The attack on the original dome at the entrance to the building was not the only modification to the edifice. The two sets of brick stairs on either side of the Hall were removed, and those entrances were enclosed. The stage was removed but not the memories that were created there.

The entrance under the repaired dome leads into the reception area which is





The 2019 upgrade of the Media Centre in progress

in the process of being upgraded. The interior floor was raised by about two metres, to afford space below to house the Archives Room, and office space at present, to allow ample room for administration folk, and a larger than average classroom space for teaching.

The original Hall is today a four-level building which was completed in 1999, hailed as the top Media Centre in South Africa at the time. However, it is twenty years since that development, and Head Master Pinheiro sees this Memorial Hall being transformed into a centre that will house the equipment needed by the modern boy for his immediate future.

This will be a genuine twenty-first century Media Centre. Dispersed in the room will be displays depicting the proud history of DHS to remind us from whence we came. The modern state-of-the-art Media Centre will soon be a fait accompli.

The boys are encouraged to take advantage of the multi mediums that will be housed in the centre, to attain reachable goals, all the while reminding us all why this building was erected and has stood here for one hundred years.

"Here too Came Once Those Others."

Jeremy Oddy : Class of 1962

Media Centre and Museum Upgrade

The 2019 project emanated from the vision to upgrade the Media Centre into a museum area with a modernised computer and learning/reading area.

This began with stripping out the glass partitions that separated the walkway from the Media Centre and doing a massive rework of the non-fiction books from the Library. The number of non-fiction books was reduced by 50% and these were donated to under privileged schools who were in need of books.

This was a difficult task in that the DHS Media Centre has a very large assortment of very valuable books, so the work was slowly and carefully done.

Bookshelves were then painted, and cabinets were refurbished. The older refurbished cabinets were successfully renovated to house some of the School's oldest and most precious memorabilia. A beautiful large trophy cabinet was installed in the front of Media Centre with the glass front dome flowing into the reception area.

New blinds were hung on all the windows and new furnishings were placed in reception with a "Durban

High School" walk off mat occupying the entrance to School. Added to the reception desk is a beautiful wooden DHS logo with a raised vinyl relief in colour.

The carpets in the Media Centre were replaced and the main Media Centre office was expanded and re-furnished. The student computer desks were modernised with the redesign of the layout and the addition of a laminated top and a raised end to allow for an iPad standing area. The working and learning areas were also redesigned to allow for maximum space with a modern look whilst keeping the integrity of the older solid wood furniture and integrating the old and new look.

At the end of 2019, work began on the DHS Museum. The beautiful old cabinets were restored and memorabilia collected over the year was placed in these cabinets. A further four cabinets, replicas of the existing ones, were made up.

Work on the Museum will continue in 2020, together with work being done on the Old Boys memorabilia in Founders Room. A number of functions are held in this room and it should be another show case of DHS's rich heritage and tradition.

Safe Schools Seminar



On Friday 10 May the inaugural Safe Schools Seminar was hosted by Durban High School, in association with The Governing Body Foundation, The Guardian, DigiTV and Karri.

The Seminar was hugely successful and the feedback received has been phenomenal. Two examples are:

“In all my years of attending education-based conferences I have never attended one so worthwhile and meaningful ...”

“Well done in putting together a fabulous seminar that was an eye opener to all, not just schools. The manner in which it was conducted was exemplary. I am grateful that I was part of such a huge paradigm shift in education and society as a whole and I hope to empower the educators and learners at my school very soon. Thank you for a wonderful programme. May DHS always grow in leaps and bounds.”

The delegates were welcomed to the Seminar by the Chairman of the Seminar Steering Committee, Mr Winston Owen. Mr Owen introduced the Head Master of DHS, Mr AD Pinheiro, who opened the proceedings with the following address:

Good morning, ladies and gentlemen and welcome to this inaugural Safe Schools Seminar titled Breaking the Code of Silence. Schools have for decades been entrusted with the development of children into adulthood with a focus on values and right living (those who believe that it is only knowledge need to get out of teaching now).

Parents send their children to us with the assumption that their most valuable possession will be safe in our hands. This is a huge responsibility to which we have been entrusted. Sadly, we have at times failed to keep our children safe. Even at Durban High School in its over 150-year history, we have had occasion to be ashamed by the actions of certain individuals, and for that we are deeply sorry to those who have been hurt and violated. Unfortunately, nearly all schools have skeletons in their closets. For too long we have remained silent. In time this silence has become institutionalised and acceptable. An unwritten code.

We can no longer continue to shelter immoral behaviours. Our children need to speak out and we need to listen up. Our children need to feel and be safe.

The world is already changing its attitudes and questioning its status. In this day and age of instant communication and surveillance we can expose the drug pedlars, the sex offenders and the bullies and loudly proclaim #no more.

We are blessed today to have some wonderful speakers here to share their stories and knowledge with us. I thank them for their time and passion to this worthy initiative. Although Winston Owen will close proceedings later with a vote of thanks, it would be remiss of me not to close off with a broad thanks. Thank you to our parents and Governing Body members, especially Winston Owen and Debbie Green, for their incredible hard work in driving this initiative and making it a reality.

Thank you to all our staff for all their efforts in these trying times. Thank you to our sponsors for making all this possible. Thank you to our Old Boys for initiating the concept and, finally, thank you to all of you for being here. For caring enough to want to make a difference. I hope you will enjoy your day.

The one day seminar comprised guest speakers and participative panel discussions, opening up dialogue around the theme topic, Breaking the Code of Silence.

Listed below are the guest speakers and panellists and their topics:

Dr Graham Bell, Dr Anthea Cereseto, Prof Terence Dowdall, Marc Hardwick, Luke Lamprecht, Val Melis, Sdu Mncwango, Justin Paul, Rajen Reddy, Monty Thomas

MC - Winston Owen

Facilitators - Robert Ntuli. Peter Watt





Academic Staff 2019

Front Row (L to R):	Mr B Green, Mr B Adam, Mr I Lewis, Mr S Bodasing, Ms M Vermaak, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Mr A Norton, Mr G Goodwin, Mr R Smyth, Ms J du Preez, Ms T Neave
2nd Row:	Mr S Cele, Ms L Worth, Ms K Brown, Ms J Kistiah, Ms E Goring, Ms K Reddy, Ms C Dickinson, Ms Z Mtshali, Ms J Bibbin, Ms T Vawda, Ms A Glossop, Ms G Joshua
3rd Row:	Ms K Nagan, Ms P Sibisi, Ms S Francis, Ms M Bisschoff, Ms M Watermeyr, Mr E Thomas, Ms S Nagiah, Ms A Sutherland, Ms J Jacobs, Ms J Hamilton, Ms L du Buisson
4th Row:	Ms H Henley, Ms M Subbiah, Mr D Sibson, Ms M Girodo, Mr J Flanagan, Mr M Jansen van Resnburg, Mr S Mathie, Mr A Baijoo, Mr D Naidoo, Mr M Balkissoon, Ms L Moodley
Back Row:	Mr J Beswick, Mr C Levin, Mr E Govender, Mr ??, Dr S Clifton, Mr R Shore, Mr T Liddell, Mr A Dudas, Mr R Lombard, Mr G Surtees

Staff Notes

During the course of 2022 we welcomed a number of new staff members to the School:

Mr Gerard Bennett - History Educator
Dr Stuart Clifton - Physical Sciences Educator
Mr Attila Dudas - History & Geography Educator
Ms Janine Hamilton - History Educator
Mr James Hulley - History & Life Orientation Educator
Ms Jeanette Jacobs - Maths Educator
Mr Morné Jansen van Rensburg - English Educator
Mr Sibusiso Mkhalihi - Sport
Mr Thrislin Moodley - Life Sciences Educator
Ms Lungile Ngobese - IsiZulu/Life Orientation Educator
Ms Eunice Sibisi - History & Life Orientation Educator
Mr Harold Siyaya - Sport

Mr Pieter Botha - History Educator
Ms Liesl Coppin - Drama Educator
Mr Wian du Plessis - Marketing
Mr Graeme Harris - Business Manager
Mr Bruce Jackson - BE Maintenance
Ms Tamsin Jansen van Rensburg - English Educator
Mr Nico le Roux - Head of Rugby
Ms Lalitha Moodley - Cambridge Educator
Ms Kashani Nagan - Accounting Educator
Dr Rosanne Salmond - Maths Educator
Ms Sharda Singh - Learner Records

We hope that they all have a long, happy and rewarding stay at School.

As is the case during the course of the year, we had to say farewell to some members of staff:

Ms Lenzindi du Buisson - Maths Educator
Ms Audrey Glossop - Maths Educator
Ms Catherine Hampton - Drama Educator
Ms Jeanette Jacobs - Maths Educator
Mr Conal Levin - Intern & Sport
Mr Scott Mathie - Head of Rugby & History Educator
Mr Sangoni Mxoli - Sport
Ms Treasure Neave - Accounting Educator
Mr Dillon Robben - Life Sciences Educator
Ms Shakila Singh - English Educator
Mr Shawn van Rensburg - Marketing & Recruitment
Ms Gillian Woods - Library Assistant

Mr Jason Flanagan - History Educator
Mr Chris Green - Business Manager
Ms Erica Hodge - History Educator
Ms Sarah Jamal - Maths Educator
Mr Tony Liddell - IT Educator
Ms Leigh Meyer - Drama Educator
Mr DS Naidoo - Maths Educator
Mr Thasisela Nkosi - Educator
Mr Dean Sibson - Geography Educator
Ms Kirsten Smith - Drama Educator
Ms Tasneem Vawda - English Educator

Thank you to them all for their contribution to the smooth running of our School, and we wish them all the very best in their new lives and their new endeavours.



*DHS Staff vs DPHS Staff
in a friendly Cricket
game*



Academic Support Staff 2019

Front Row (L to R): Ms C Harrison, Mr G Harris, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Mr S La Marque, Ms S Drew
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Back Row: Ms Z Zukulu, Mr N Tembe, Mr W du Plessis, Mr B Coskey, Mr E Nxumalo, Mr M Ngongo



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Back Row: Mr E Mkhize, Mr J Siyiba, Mr B Nldovu, Mr E Nxumalo, Ms R Mncwabe



Mr Ardé, Mr Pinheiro and Mr Shedlock celebrating Mr AJ Human's 75th birthday with him



Beautifully dressed for Sisonke culture dress day



Sisonke cultural dress day



Farewell to Mrs Glossop, Mr Flanagan, Mrs Neave, Mr Balkissoon and Ms Smith



Academic Support & DHS Foundation Staff



Farewell to Mr Mathie and Mr Liddell



Farewells to Long-Serving Staff - Mrs Treasure Neave & Mrs Audrey Glossop

Treasure Neave



Mrs Treasure Neave started at School in March 1998, coming from the Open Air School. Treasure was married to Bill and they were a common sight at rugby games at School as Bill was a proud Old Boy.

Treasure is an excellent Accounting teacher and the results her boys have achieved is testimony to this. Over the years, it has been interesting watching new members of the Business Department get taken in under her wing, shown the ropes, guided and then set free to excel!

It is no surprise that Treasure is highly respected by her colleagues and the boys. She is intelligent, committed, dedicated and compassionate. Treasure is a social butterfly and loves a good story, and believe me, I have heard many over the years!

I have always referred to Treasure as "Gran", but in many ways she has been a backup Mom for me at work.

Treasure leaves a massive hole at School and one which cannot be filled. I will miss having to fix her hairdryer, fit the odd plug, helping and giving advice on her car and obviously giving her a hard time!

Treasure - on behalf of all the staff that have taught with you and all the boys you have taught over the last 22 years, we wish you well as you enter a new phase in your life, but know our deep gratitude for your life time of giving and guiding.

God Bless!

Mr Alan Norton
Deputy Head Master & Friend

I joined the DHS family in April 1998 as an Accounting teacher. I immediately felt the concept of 'family'- staff, boys and Old Boys - a diverse group bound together by their passion and loyalty to 'School'.

The boys often asked me why I did not become a chartered accountant. My answer was "because I love you". They, in true boy style, were uncomfortable with my answer! However, that is the reality. I have loved teaching and I have loved teaching at DHS.

We tend to think that the behaviour of our youth has deteriorated. However, I rate the class called Grade 9S (Mr Shore) of 2001 as the naughtiest group

I taught! Are you out there 9S? You are probably just as (or more) successful than the "Uppers".

My most unusual memory is being hijacked in 2005 on the DHS/Northwood train to Johannesburg to participate in the KES/Jeppe weekend. At the time I was the M-i-C of tennis.

To the staff: Many of you have become dear friends and I will miss the fun, the caring environment and robust discussions.

To the boys: Gentlemen, embrace your time at DHS. Socialise and participate! Never forget the values that have been taught for the last 153 years.

My blood will remain BLUE!

Mrs Treasure Neave
Accounting Educator

Audrey Glossop

Mrs Audrey Glossop's contribution to the Mathematics Department at DHS was superb. She joined School in May 2001. This qualifies her as the longest serving member of staff in this Department. In true mathematician style this leads us to have to solve the following problem:

If Teacher A served a school for 18 years, taught five classes per year filled with an average of 25 pupils, how many pupils did she teach?

Answer - ± 2250



That statistic is, by any standard, an outstanding contribution to the education of young men right here in Durban.

Audrey is a gentle, yet firm, educator. She does not experience the negative attitudes and associated rebellious behaviour of disillusioned young teenagers because she is so talented at her job. Her secret is she cares for the boys, she convinces them that they can succeed. She motivates, encourages and inspires the boys to keep working.

Audrey is first and foremost a good mathematician. It is this knowledge and extensive experience that Audrey employs to support her colleagues. Her willingness to assist and her passion to support everyone is no better demonstrated than by the Maths WhatsApp group - she is almost always the instigator of a query or first to reply or respond to a question.

Audrey has experienced very serious medical challenges, including cancer. She has been as grave and determined as anyone I know. You are strong, resilient and tough, you have fought hard and now deserve good health!

On the lighter side - I must take this opportunity to share with you that Audrey, however, cannot throw anything away - after all, it may be important someday. On this score we may understand why she had such an extensive collection of portfolios and books, etc, in her classroom!

You may be clearing out your classroom, Audrey, but know that you have made a notable impact on your colleagues and pupils' memories which can't and won't be cleaned away. You will be missed.

Let me finish by wishing you all the best for your retirement. It is time to slow down and spend more time with your husband, John.

Mr Rob Smyth
Department Head: Mathematics

It is my privilege to write an article on a school which I am very proud of and which I have loved being a part of and teaching Mathematics at for 18 years, and from which I am now retiring. It has also been my privilege to watch DHS pupils develop over their years into well-educated, responsible and mature young adults, well prepared to follow their chosen careers.

I have been associated with DPHS and DHS for 31 years. My eldest son, Greg,

is a founder pupil of the Junior Primary Division of DPHS. He matriculated at DHS in 1999. My younger son Darren completed his Matric at DHS in 2004.

I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching the pupils of DHS and will miss them very much.

I will also miss the Department of Education Matric marking, which I have been appointed to for the past 16 years.

The staff of all of the departments of DHS have been truly wonderful for all of my time at DHS; my own Maths Department headed by Rob Smyth for whom I have a great deal of respect, our very efficient administration department, our Media Centre, marketing, maintenance and ground staff, security and Management of DHS headed by Mr Pinheiro, who is leading the school so very well.

For the future I will be doing some private mathematics tutoring, but mainly I am looking forward to spending a lot more time with my husband John, who is doing well with bed and breakfast accommodation in our cottages, and my wonderful family, Lauren and Jason, Sue and Greg, Sian and Darren, and especially a lot of time with my two (and one on the way) beautiful granddaughters, Rachel, Katherine and "baby".

Deo Fretus!

Mrs Audrey Glossop
Mathematics Educator

Senior Prize-Giving Ceremony



Left - Abdul Osman (Dux Proxime Accessit), Thirushan Pather (3rd in Grade 12)



Right - All the Subject Prize Winners

The Durban High School annual Senior Prize-Giving was held on Thursday 10 October at 10am. The guest speaker for the event was DHS Old Boy, Mr Neil Coppen, Class of 1999.

The audience was welcomed to the ceremony by Head of Department, Mr Sunil Bodasing, and then addressed by the Head Master, Mr AD Pinheiro, who gave his enlightened perspectives on education.

His address was followed by that of Mr Coppen's. Mr Neil Coppen is a South African theatre maker and activist who has won several major awards for his playwriting, acting, design and direction work. He talked about his hero, DHS Old Boy and legendary Portuguese poet and writer, Fernando Pessoa. "After encountering Pessoa's work, it didn't take long before I had become what I thought was his biggest fan and it thrilled me to think - and brag to everyone I knew - that I had attended the same high school as one of the greatest writers who ever lived and that, by association, that might make me great too. For many people, it's like saying you went to the same high school as Willy Shakespeare ... no big deal."

Mr Coppen praised the teachers of DHS who had identified the potential and talents of Pessoa, giving him the space, encouragement and resources to begin mastering his talents. DHS teachers had also noted and nurtured his own interests and given him a head start in his own career.

Mr Coppen set our matric boys a challenge - to mend the broken systems and institutions that no longer work as they head out into their new adventures. "It is a task I believe requires the depth of ingenuity, insight and imagination that our friend Pessoa has become so lauded for." His advice to the boys was to use their imagination and empathy - the empathy of action.

Mr Coppen's impassioned address received a standing ovation from the audience and boys.

Mr Coppen is currently writing a book on the life of Pessoa and we look forward to its publication. After his address, Mr Coppen was invited to hand over the awards to the matric prize winners.

The major award for the day, the CG Hands Memorial Prize for Dux was awarded to Rashae Govender. Apart

from Dux, Rashae also achieved the DC & EV Thompson Prize for Life Sciences, the Niekie Gerber Prize for Afrikaans 1st Additional Language, the Eddie Corlett Prize for Accounting and a merit certificate for achieving an A aggregate in 2019. Unfortunately, Rashae was not at the ceremony as he was writing an exam. However, his mother collected his awards on his behalf.

The GB Lapinsky Prize for Dux Proxime Accessit (Dux runner up) was awarded to Abdul Osman, who also received the WI Knight Prize for Mathematics, GJ Armstrong Prize for Physical Sciences, the ONT Downes Prize for Information Technology and a merit certificate.

The Kessel Feinstein prize for third in Grade 12 was awarded to Thirushan Pather, who also received a merit certificate.

Another major award winner on the day was Xhanti Njokweni, who received the George Armstrong Award for Head Prefect of the School, the Transvaal Old Boys' Award for Head Prefect of Blackmore House and the Christopher Wells Award for Sport & Culture involvement.



Xhanti Njokweni, Nhlakanipho Nene, Taariq Kruger and Taine Owen with Guest Speaker, Neil Coppen

The full list of learners who received awards, subject prizes and merit certificates awards is as follows:

Major Awards:

C G Hands Memorial Prize - Dux:
Rashae Govender

G B Lapinsky Prize - Dux Proxime
Accessit:

Abdul Osman
Kessel Feinstein Prize - Third in Grade
12:
Thirushan Pather

Special Awards:

Christopher Wells Award for Excellence
in Sport & Culture:

Xhanti Njokweni
Devi Rajab Award for Cultural
Involvement:

Seluleko Sabela
Richard Salmon Award for Music:

Ntokozo Nsibande
Chris Seabrooke Music Award:

Ntokozo Nsibande
Stephen Mulholland Award :
Ethan Ballantine

LCW Theobald Award (Captain of
Cricket):

Taine Owen
Ernie Theunissen Award (Captain of
Rugby):

Taariq Kruger

Patel Family Award (RCL Chairman):

Mohammed Shaikjee
Shaun Gray Leadership Award:

Nhlakanipho Nene
Transvaal Old Boys' Award (Head
Prefect, Blackmore House):
Xhanti Njokweni

George Armstrong Award (Head Prefect,
School):
Xhanti Njokweni

Subject Prizes:

Bill Payn Prize for English Home
Language:

Rashae Govender, Mohamed Shaikjee
Transvaal Old Boys' Prize for English
Essay:

Ethan Ballantine
Prize for English Poetry:

God'swill Mbonambi
Niekie Gerber Prize for Afrikaans First
Additional Language:

Rashae Govender
Innocent Chamane Prize for IsiZulu First
Additional Language:

Amahle Shazi
Allan Turton Prize for Visual Arts:

Senthan Naicker
Ladies Committee Prize for Visual Arts
Practical:

Nokutenda Muteweri, Senthan
Naicker, Cameron Blake

Tim Wells Prize for Dramatic Arts:
Seluleko Sabela

Eddie Corlett Prize for Accounting:

Rashae Govender

Buxton Family Prize for Economics:
Connor Mack

Prize for Business Studies:
Amahle Shazi

'SAS' Nourse Prize for Geography:
Eli Louis

AW McIver Prize for History:
Ziyaad Joosab, Jonathan Shore

Prize for Life Orientation:
Mohamed Shaikjee

Prize for Engineering Graphics & Design:
Yasteer Hariram

O N T Downes Prize for Information
Technology:

Abdul Osman
D C & E V Thompson Prize for Life
Sciences:

Rashae Govender
W I Knight Prize for Mathematics:

Abdul Osman
Prize for Mathematical Literacy:

Jared Manicum
G J Armstrong Prize for Physical
Sciences:

Abdul Osman

Merit Certificate Winners

(received A aggregates in 2019):

Vidhan Singh, Connor Mack, Amahle
Shazi, Mohammed Shaikjee, Pranav
Harichand, Fawwaaz Mahomed,
Seluleko Sabela

S Drew
Editor



Address by Head Master - Mr A D Pinheiro

While 2019 reflects a difficult year in the history of our country characterized by the many challenges experienced within our education system, Durban High School can well hold its head high in its achievements and growth to remain a guiding light within the educational environment. This reflects in the passion and commitment of our boys, staff, parents and Old Boys.

Our fully qualified staff (not to be taken for granted) continue to provide excellent service and are seen as leaders within their subjects. Our top boys perform at an outstanding level and achieve phenomenal results ensuring that they receive top bursaries to attend top tertiary institutions.

I have been pleased with the continuous improvement in the Grade 8 and 9 academic results and we are hoping for a 100% pass rate from our Matrics. There is no doubt that there is a strong academic ethos in our school and this is further enhanced by our additional academic initiatives.

The Nonpareil Class keeps on increasing in demand and their outstanding academic performance reinforces the importance of self discipline within the learning context.

The Cambridge offering also continues to grow and here a special mention must be made of Naseem Essa and Adam Mohammed and their excellent results. This was recognized by both Cambridge and Business Day. Both these boys will complete their High schooling in four years. Well done to Mrs Carolyn Dickinson and staff for their successes.

Our Electives Program, run by Mr Bryan Adam, is being overhauled to reflect further offerings that are supported by external businesses and corporates.

NewBridge has opened its doors this year in providing tertiary education from our Campus and the partnership has already reaped benefits in the sharing of resources.

From there we managed to secure the expertise of Dr Craig Blewett who is assisting us in taking our teaching and learning into the future in our pedagogical approach through the Activated Classroom.

Within the cultural sphere we continue to enjoy both growth as well as notable achievements. Our Music Program continues to grow academically as well as a cultural pursuit. We continue to improve within Debating and Public Speaking, our Chess remains exceptional and our Drama Department is the envy of rival schools. Special mention also needs to be made of our Drumline who won the KZN Drumline Competition this year.

If Culture is the food of the soul then Durban High School is certainly in good health. Through the kind donations from Chris Seabrooke there will be further developments within the cultural sphere in the next couple of months.

On the Sporting front we have also been blessed with much success and growth. The Representatives photograph showed a marked increase in Regional and Provincial Representatives compared to last year. The Directors of

the various codes continue to work very hard in increasing participation as well as performance levels. Mr Nathan Pillay and his team are to be commended in the steady improvement being achieved throughout. We look forward to hosting Parktown Boys' High School in their visit to us next year.

I am certainly very proud of our boys. They continue to uphold the values that are dear to us and the many e-mails commending our boys' behaviour and character from members of the community are a sign that we are certainly doing the right things in the development of boys.

This would not be possible without the dedication of our staff, the sacrifices of our parents and the generosity of our donors.

I must also thank the selfless work of our Governing Body who are fully committed to making Durban High School great and relevant. Sadly we say farewell to three stalwarts of the Governing Body in Winston Owen; Debbie Green and Noel Stapelfeldt. While they will be a great loss, they do leave with great pride for their amazing contribution to this journey. Well done on your Legacy.

The year has gone by very quickly and sometimes we need to pause to reflect on the amazing achievements that we keep attaining. It has certainly been a successful year on the whole for Durban High School. Hopefully it is just a stepping stone to greater things.

A D Pinheiro
15th Head Master



Address by Guest Speaker - Mr Neil Coppen



Good morning to you all and thank you kindly to Mr Pinheiro for extending this invitation for me to address you all here today. It is a great privilege.

Now, a fair portion of what I will be chatting to you all about this morning will centre around an DHS Old Boy, one far more distinguished and renowned than myself, an Old Boy who many of you sitting here today may know very little about. You may have seen his words written on those tiles as you enter this hall, may have passed his bespectacled concrete mug mounted on a plinth overlooking the sports-field and not paid it a moment's attention. As with me, when I was a student here, the name of the legendary Portuguese poet and writer Fernando Pessoa meant very little to me.

In fact I first heard his name first mentioned around 1998, when that plaque outside this hall was unveiled at a function led by the Portuguese president at the time, Dr Mario Soares.

Over this period there were many speeches celebrating the genius of this great writer who had travelled from Portugal to Durban in 1899 and attended DHS up until 1905, before returning to his homeland.

It was only a few years later, after matriculating, that I would stumble on one of Pessoa's poems and my own life-long obsession with this DHS old boy would begin. The poem read:

*I'm beginning to know myself
I don't exist.
I'm the gap between what I'd like to be
and what others have made me,
Or half this gap, since there's also life ...
That's me. Period.
Turn off the light, shut the door, and get
rid of the slipper noise in the hallway.
Leave me alone in my room with the
vast peace of myself.
It's a shoddy universe.*

From that moment onwards I was intrigued and began to immerse myself in Pessoa's expansive body of work. You see, what's magic about reading him is that you can read a poem or piece of prose at a certain point in your life and it can have this profound effect on you. Years later you can return to the same poem and the meaning appears to have changed completely, as if Pessoa's ghost had set about rewriting it while you weren't looking.

Whenever I read Pessoa, which is often these days, I get the sense that he is speaking thoughts that we have all felt at one point in our life or another, but are incapable of finding the words or sentences to ever articulate or externalise them.

After encountering Pessoa's work, it didn't take long before I had become what I thought was his biggest fan and it thrilled me to think - and brag to everyone I knew - that I had attended the same high-school as one of the greatest writers who ever lived and that by association that might make me great to. For many people, it's like saying you went to the same high school as Willy Shakespeare ... no big deal.

But I quickly learnt that Pessoa is beloved, read, studied and adored across the globe and the more I began to travel the world, the more I encountered Pessoa groupies, far more passionate than myself. Groupies who in acts of die-hard devotion expressed their love for him by tattooing whole passages of his poetry across their bodies - a commitment, no matter how fond of the guy I am, I'm unlikely to make any time soon.

An interesting side note here is to mention that, at the turn of the last century, while an adolescent Pessoa was holed up in the DHS library becoming acquainted with the likes of Tennyson, Tolstoy and Shakespeare, Mahatma Ghandi was besieged on a boat in the Durban harbour, a young Winston Churchill was delivering a stirring speech on the steps of the Durban City Hall, while the fabled American novelist Mark Twain was staying at the Royal Hotel during a brief visit to the city.

The idea that all these legendary figures moved through our sleepy seaside 'dorp' at the same moment in time, embarking on trajectories that would alter the course of world history and literature, is a mind-boggling idea for me.





Mohammed Shaikjee (RCL Chairman) and Ethan Ballantine (Stephen Mulholland Award) with Mr Coppin, and all the Merit Certificate Winners

It's one that makes me think, isn't it time for a new wave of thinkers and visionaries of this calibre to emerge? Perhaps many of them are staring back at me in this hall this morning.

Let's be frank here, we all sit here in a very interesting, if not worrying, moment in time - a moment where, without leaders with empathy, invention and imagination stepping up to take the reins, this planet and all humanity is headed for a very rocky ride.

My message to the gentleman in this room today may sound rather bleak, unpromising, yet it is not intended to be so. Rather I set it to you as a challenge. In short, the previous generations have failed you, and as you head out into your new adventures in the world you will be inheriting a range of very broken systems and institutions that have been proven to no longer work.

It is not only up to you to mend these systems but to rather dismantle them and rebuild them from scratch. It is a task I believe requires the depth of ingenuity, insight and imagination that our friend Pessoa has become so lauded for.

So what help or advice from Pessoa can I share with you about surviving

the modern world? Personally, Pessoa's writing has helped, and continues to help, me to grasp what it means to be human. Pessoa devoted his entire life to exploring the unfathomable (and ultimately unknowable) depths of our inner selves.

If only we all took the time for the level of introspection that he did, introspection away from the muddled opinions of social media. The time and solitude to confront, love and truly grapple with ourselves and others. The time to shed nonsensical notions of what it is to be a 'man' ... and accept that real men are not ones who hide behind the flimsy fortresses of masculinity but are rather ones who are prepared to be gentle, different, vulnerable and (more often than not) wrong. If we did this, I believe this world would be a far more equitable and prosperous place.

You see, Pessoa taught us to view ourselves as complex, and multi-faceted beings. His body of work seems to suggest we are all riddles that never can quite be solved and that at the end of the day, the imagination is our greatest asset. One that the future of all beings may quite literally depend on. After all, we cannot begin to build a new world if we can't first collectively set out to imagine it.

And so, while schools continue to pour extraordinary amounts of funding into the developing sportsmen and athletes of the future, such institutions need to ensure that equal recourse and time are being spent on enabling learners to exercise that dormant muscle known as the imagination. Without it there can be no empathy, and without empathy we will continue to find ourselves in the horrible mess we are currently in.

And, by empathy I am referring here to the sort that initiates real action and not the one that elicits a fleeting moment of "ag shame" sympathy. It is this empathy of action that I try to foster in all the theatre work I do, and certainly the act and art of storytelling is one of the most potent vehicles to do so.

You know when people ask me to name a career highlight, I often list the moment that I stumbled upon the DHS website, and noticed my measly name listed beside Pessoa's under notable old boys for cultural achievements. This was the first (and likely the last) time I would see my name mentioned anywhere in the vicinity of Fernando's and I was pretty damn chuffed.

Of course, I will never touch the genius of Pessoa in my humble lifetime, but seeing it up there made me incredibly

proud to be a part of the fabric of this school, proud to call myself a DHS old boy, to have received the world class education I did, proud to be acknowledged alongside my personal hero in this fashion.

I'm not a patriotic person by nature. In this day and age I am increasingly wary of institutions that demand we pledge allegiance to them or ones that attempt to lay singular claim to the genius or talents of others, as if it was all their own doing.

But in my research around Pessoa, it is undeniable that his schooling here at DHS played a seminal part in shaping the writer he would go on to become. It was during his time at the school that a few notable educators, including the Head Master at the time, Mr Nicholas, immediately identified the potential and talents of this awkward outsider. Nicholas and his staff provided this youngster the space, encouragement and resources to begin mastering his talents.

The same can be said for my own experience at the school. When I first entered DHS, people had cautioned my parents that if I wasn't into sports I would fall by the wayside, he would be chewed up and spat out over the rugby posts.

Certainly DHS was a sports mad school at the time and it was daunting confessing to teachers and fellow students that I wasn't so interested in chasing a ball up and down a field and risking spinal injury for fun, and that I preferred to focus on rather refining my sensibilities as a playwright. To my surprise I was

not ostracised but rather embraced by a handful of staff members, who noted and nurtured my interests with such care and gave me a head start in my own career.

And when fellow students and bullies around me realised that staging plays at the school meant we had to cast girls from sister schools and they no longer needed to sign up for confirmation classes at St Thomas' to meet the ladies ... well, drama quickly went from being a loser's sport for people with zero co-ordination to an oversubscribed, absolutely essential extramural activity.

But back to the point I was trying to make: the success and legacy of a school like DHS is entirely dependent on the quality, humanity and patience (because Lord knows it takes patience) of its teachers, and the way they respond to the singular interests and idiosyncrasies of their students.

This is how genius is fostered, and this is how future Pessoa's will continue to grace the planet with their profound gifts.

With this in mind, I salute the staff sitting behind me. I salute those who have gone before and are no longer with us today, for I promise you now, you will look back on your life and recall fondly how some of the greatest lessons you were ever to learn, whether academic or not, happened in classrooms a few metres from where we all sit today.

I didn't think I would feel such a nostalgia, even gratitude, for this period of my own life. That was until a

few months ago, when I attended my twenty-year high school reunion.

I took a moment to leave the party in the Founder's room and come down here and sit out in the courtyard alone, the same courtyard where we, as teenagers, used to cause kak at break and eat soggy peanut butter and jam sandwiches.

I shut my eyes and I recalled the friendships that I formed here, friendships that I still guard closely to this day. Then I looked up at all those classrooms towering above me. Through the evening silence, I imagined the raucous laughter of decades erupting from those empty classrooms.

I thought about all the hundreds of thousands of young men who have traipsed those hallways daily, the millions of exchanges and moments shared by teacher and pupils, the many joys, rages, conflicts, insights, connections, anxieties, high jinks and epiphanies that have played out in those spaces time and time again.

And, lastly, I imagined my imaginary friend and mentor, the 15 year old Fernando Pessoa, that adolescent genius so far from his native Portugal, sitting all alone on the school bench opposite me, dreaming up a new poem and scribbling it into existence on the back of his homework before the school bell rang - far too immersed in his task to notice that I existed at all.

Thank you.

Neil Coppen
Class of 1999



Address by Head Prefect - Xhanti Njokweni



Good Morning, Mr and Mrs Pinheiro, Mr Coppen, members of the Governing Body, staff and, most importantly, the young gentlemen of Durban High School.

An unknown quote says,
"To a mother, a son is never a fully grown man, and a son is never a fully

grown man until he understands this about his mother."

It wasn't until my parents and I attended a marketing evening in King Williams Town about Durban High School with Mr Oss and Mr Coskey that the idea of Boarding School had even been an option for me. My dad was concerned

that I was so young, and I wouldn't grow up in front of them. My mom cried, because she thought I wasn't ready; and she was scared that I wouldn't get fed enough because at home I always had two plates of food, and thirds! But they realised that it wasn't about them - it was about me, and the great opportunities that I was about to be exposed to.

There are many experiences that I have been so lucky to be a part of at Durban High School. These are paramount in making me the man that I am today. To name just a few ...

The Grade 8 Orientation and Camp Out were particularly special for me. It was the first time that I was meeting the young boys that were going to become my brothers for the next five years. At the camp out was the first time that we bound up as new Grade 8s doing the war cry - the prefects urged us to tighten our grip, and feel each other merge as one. This was a pivotal moment for me, cementing the journey that we were about to embark on - 5 years of brotherhood, together. Many other activities also ensued, but I distinctly remember becoming a squatter in a six-man tent, which was already packed with about 10 of us. Until this day I have no idea who that tent belonged to, but the conversations within it was the start of bonds to create great friendships.

The 150th year was a year that was filled with spirit and heart. It epitomised the 'gees', the zeal and zest that this beautiful school is about. This year, in particular, saw DHS thriving in many ways on and off the field. There was an intangible and positive energy that lined the hallways of this great institution,

and I am so proud to have been a part of this celebratory year.

Another highlight moment for me was captaining the U16A rugby team into our first victory against Northwood. I remember the hard preparations and the buzz leading up to game day. More than half of the school did not believe that we could do it, but deep down we knew that we had a point to prove. As we had expected, Northwood proved to be a tough opposition, and it wasn't until Mr Mathie came to talk to us at half-time, did we believe that we could actually make our own little bit of history. It was only when Lindumkhosi scored the drawing try, and Sfundu converting the winning kick, that we realised that we had risen above our opponents and humbly defeated them. Moments like these will forever be engraved in my heart, and I will cherish them for many more years to come.

In the same year, I was afforded the opportunity to play Sevens Rugby with great names such as Cham Zondeki and Sanele Nohamba, prominent old boys that I still keep in contact with and

idolise today. These are relationships that last forever.

Durban High School has been multifaceted for me. I have had many opportunities in the sporting sector, as well as on the stage. Yes, I have been pushed out of my comfort zone, but I have grown and flourished to love performing and have developed a strong passion for Drama. One performance that really sticks out for me was my Grade 11 Woza Albert Practical, paired with Lindo Ndlovu. It tested my physical and mental capacity as a performer, but I really enjoyed how the audience's reaction gave me the gusto to just keep going. This just proves that if you don't make use of an opportunity given to you, you may not know what might be ignited within you and where your talent may lie. DHS has given me this opportunity.

To my fellow matrices ... Gents, you have been what it means to have brothers not connected by blood, but by heart. I do hope that the internal bond that we share is given the space to mature and, ultimately, become eternal. Farewell my fellow brothers, and I want to wish

you all the very best in your future. I do hope that we are able to reconnect at Founders' Days in the years to come.

So, five years later, I stand here as your Head Boy. I am so grateful that my parents gave me this insurmountable opportunity and, contrary to their concerns in the beginning, I do believe that I have conquered and achieved. I am not a fully grown man, but I do hope that understanding how crucial family is, and taking the step to leave home at such a young age, has been a window of opportunity through the sacrifice of living without your family on a daily basis. However, it is safe to say that if I did not have the support and love from so many DHS families, I would not have succeeded. Special thanks goes to the Owen, Bryan, Edwards, Jamarie and Ndlangya families, who took me in as one of their own time and time again. The brotherhood of DHS extends far beyond the boy, but into the family too.

Thank you!

Xhanti Njokweni
Head Prefect 2019

Dux 2019 - Rashae Govender



Dux at the Durban High School Senior Prize-Giving for 2019 was Rashae Govender.

Rashae earned an 92.7% average for Matric trial examinations, with the following marks:

89% for English,
92% for Afrikaans,
97% for Maths,
90% for Life Orientation,
96% for Accounting,
93% for Life Sciences; and
92% for Physical Sciences,

Congratulations, Rashae, on an outstanding achievement.

Junior Academic Awards Ceremony



Top 3 in Grade 11

Rashae Govender, Abdul Osman, Thirushan Pather



Top 3 in Grade 10

Mas'ood Bassa, Mu'aaz Bassa, Ntando Mpuqa

On Friday 1 February Durban High School hosted the 2019 Junior Academic Awards Ceremony to celebrate the academic achievements of the young men of DHS in 2018 for Grades 8 to 11. The event was attended by parents, invited guests, staff and boys, as well as Guest Speaker, Dr Jonathan Spanos.

The Junior Academic Awards Ceremony is a learner centred ceremony, with most of the formalities being conducted by the boys themselves. The Head Prefects welcomed the guests, presented a reading, introduced and then thanked the Guest Speaker. The Prefects helped the Guest Speaker hand out the awards, the RCL Chairmen gave an address and the audience was entertained by the Music boys.

The Guest Speaker, Dr Spanos, Class of 2010, shared in his address with the audience, and the boys in particular, the eight lessons that DHS taught him. These lessons are detailed in his address in the next few pages.

In conclusion, Dr Spanos said: "Today we celebrate not only the achievements of these fine young men, but the School that fostered in them both a desire

for excellence and provided them the platform to attain it."

Dr Spanos was then invited to present the awards to the deserving learners that achieved over the past year.

All the Grade, Subject and Merit Certificates winners for November 2018 were as follows:

Grade 11

Rashae Govender - First in Grade 11 Afrikaans First Additional Language, Life Orientation, Life Sciences, Mathematics (The PricewaterhouseCoopers Award), Physical Sciences, UKZN Outstanding Achievement Award for Mathematics and Physical Sciences, Certificate of Merit

Abdul Osman - Second in Grade 11 Information Technology, Mathematics (The PricewaterhouseCoopers Award), Certificate of Merit

Thirushan Pather - Third in Grade 11 Mathematics (The PricewaterhouseCoopers Award), Certificate of Merit
Pranav Harichand - Engineering Graphics and Design, Visual Arts, Certificate of Merit

Mohammed Shaikjee - English Home Language, History, Certificate of Merit

Connor Mack - Economics (The PricewaterhouseCoopers Award), Certificate of Merit

Fawwaaz Mahomed - Accounting (The PricewaterhouseCoopers Award), Certificate of Merit

Seluleko Sabela - Dramatic Arts, Certificate of Merit

Yasteer Hariram - Geography

Taariq Kruger - Business Studies

Cameron Ragbar - Visual Arts

Haaris Rajah - Mathematical Literacy

Muhammad Sayed - Business Studies

Amahle Shazi - isiZulu First Additional Language

Certificates of Merit:

Sibusiso Mpanza, Jaden Robert, Yashik Sewlall, Vidhan Singh

Grade 10

Mas'ood Bassa - First in Grade 10 Accounting, Afrikaans First Additional Language, Economics, Life Orientation, Mathematics, Certificate of Merit
Mu'aaz Bassa - Second in Grade 10 Information Technology, Certificate of Merit

Ntando Mpuqa - Third in Grade 10 Engineering Graphics and Design, Physical Sciences, Certificate of Merit



Top 2 in Grade 10 Cambridge
Adam Mohamed, Karan Moodley



Top 3 in Grade 9
Jaydin Dayanund, Mikail Kreuzer, Tusani Mthembu

Sithembiso Kubheka - English Home Language, History, Certificate of Merit
Fuzail Khalil - Life Sciences, Certificate of Merit
Deshlan Pillay - Geography, Certificate of Merit
Kavishan Govender - Visual Arts
Quincy Hitler - Music
Swelihle May - Dramatic Arts
Pranay Mehta - Business Studies
Dylan Morgenrood - Afrikaans First Additional Language
Kaid O'Neill - Mathematical Literacy
Joshua Stride - Afrikaans First Additional Language
Ayanda Yengwa - isiZulu First Additional Language

Certificates of Merit:

Mchyle Govender, Shukvir Mothilall, Awande Ndlovu, Sachen Pather, Thiyashan Pillay, Talon Sewnath

Grade 9

Mikail Kreuzer - First in Grade 9, Afrikaans First Additional Language, English Home Language, Mathematics (Trevor Wadley Prize), Social Sciences, Certificate of Merit
Tusani Mthembu - Second in Grade 9, Creative Arts, Mathematics (Trevor Wadley Prize), Certificate of Merit
Jaydin Dayanund - Third in Grade 9, Afrikaans First Additional Language, Economic Management Sciences,

Mathematics (Trevor Wadley Prize), Natural Sciences, Certificate of Merit
Skye Sibisi - Mathematics (Trevor Wadley Prize), Technology, Certificate of Merit
Akshay Heeraman - Economic Management Sciences, Certificate of Merit
Sinazo Zituta - isiZulu First Additional Language, Certificate of Merit
Lizwe Chili - isiZulu First Additional Language
Nathan Harvey - Life Orientation
Anker Sheyden - Afrikaans First Additional Language

Certificates of Merit:

Elijah Chetty, Mikeshe Govender, Shaphan Govender, Rahid Karim, Asher Knox-Davies, Christian Linderboom, Samuel Spooner

Grade 8

Darian Robert - First in Grade 8
Creative Arts, Life Orientation, Certificate of Merit
Yash Haricharan - Second in Grade 8
Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Certificate of Merit
Vitthal Ramessur - Third in Grade 8
Economic Management Sciences, Certificate of Merit

Daniel Kreuzer - Economic Management Sciences, Certificate of Merit
Owen Morgenrood - Afrikaans First Additional Language, Certificate of Merit
Arjun Ramphal - English Home Language, Certificate of Merit
Wakhile Mhlono - isiZulu First Additional Language
Akhona Ndaba - Technology
Jaden Sewtahal - Social Sciences
Certificates of Merit - Connor Dewing, Ashutosh Maharaj, Araav Rampersadh, Michael Russell

Cambridge Awards in 2018

Grade 9

Naseem Essa - First in Grade 9
Sharik Ramjee - Second in Grade 9
Nathan del Fava - Third in Grade 9

Grade 10

Adam Mohamed - First in Grade 10
Viseshan Govender - Second in Grade 10
Karan Moodley - Third in Grade 10

Congratulations all the prize winners and thank you to Dr Spanos for taking time out of his busy schedule to share his story with the boys and guests.



Address by Guest Speaker - Dr Jonathan Spanos



Dr Spanos with his favourite Science teacher, Mr AJ Human

My first thought when I was asked to do this speech was “so who cancelled?” It truly is a great honour to be standing before you all today. I find myself in a unique position - I find myself with much of my personal Everest left to climb, in still what I consider to be my ‘formative years’. The problem with studying medicine is you virtually never leave school.

I will keep this short, and as relevant as possible. I have vivid memories of sitting here during prize-giving, in 38°C Durban humidity, whilst the guest speaker, generally some elderly businessman, droned on about the corporate world. Each of us becoming steadily more dehydrated whilst he kept teasing us with “and in conclusion ...”, followed 20

minutes later by “and finally”, then with “to wrap things up”.

So today, please allow me to share the eight lessons Durban High School has taught me, with this being neither an autobiography, nor a sermon.

I started DHS in 2006. I remember my very first day of Grade 8 - I was a drop in the ocean, a needle in a haystack. Wearing a blazer many sizes too big, with a bag that could hide a baby elephant, I felt like a halfling compared to these giants called ‘matrics’ - with their facial hair and Adam’s apples - I was surrounded by unfamiliarity. This was the very first lesson DHS would teach me - wherever you find yourself, think back to that first day of high school.

Lesson 1 - you will always grow into your blazer - be comfortable being uncomfortable, with the faith that it is just a matter of time until everything fits.

A badge is symbol of authority; encapsulating everything an organisation stands for. As a DHS student, the DHS badge represents everything you should stand for. ‘Dieu et mon droit’: God and my right. It is about belief in something beyond yourself; striving for the betterment of mankind. I have found no greater calling in life than medicine - what I consider the eternal pursuit of knowledge, and the utilisation of that knowledge in service to others.

Lesson 2 - whatever it is you decide to dedicate your life to, make sure, even if only in part, it is done in service to others. One should aim to leave the world, our own little corner of the universe, in better stead than we found it. And if that is not possible, at the very least do not make it worse.

Attending a traditional all boys school like DHS means you will have an endless number of stories to tell - most of which could never be brought up at a time like this.

Lesson 3 - don’t forget to make the memories so you have the stories you can’t tell at times like these.

In the audiovisual room one day, the lights dimmed as we watched Lord of the Flies. However, our class was so very serious about our English education that we not only watched the Lord of the Flies that day, but we decided to act it out. People were kicked, slapped, pinched; by hands, by bags - and, at some point, even a stray sandwich entered the fray.

The sandwich somehow managed to disperse across the room, along its trajectory contacting every member of the class. Fortunately (or perhaps unfortunately), our class was ahead of the curriculum, and what followed was a week and a half of courtroom drama unlike any before it. The honourable Mr Bodasing, judge and juror, made each and every member of that class present his case. We were cross-questioned, witnesses were called and evidence was presented. At some point, if I remember correctly, someone did confess to throwing the sandwich - but that was of course not the point.

Lesson 4 - sometimes, taking responsibility for what we have done wrong may involve spending a few hours doing blocks. Other times it may involve a week in court. Other times it will involve such tremendous strength of character that it nearly destroys us. There are always consequences for our actions but, if you learn from them, the experience will not be in vain. Find meaning in your mistakes and you will conquer life.

After drum line one night, three of my very close friends carried their equipment back to the school reception area, below the floor-to ceiling glass entrance to the library. In the pitch blackness they heard a tapping sound, slowly becoming a scratching, thudding noise. Looking up, they claim to this day to have seen the glow of a yellow spectre hovering amongst the books. It not only hovered, in fact it charged at them. They dropped their drums and ran, and to this very day swear they personally saw a ghost in the DHS library.

Lesson 5 - Don't grow up too fast - it is okay to believe in the impossible - from time to time.

Knowledge can be thought of as the accumulation of facts, but wisdom lies in their utility. Strive always to be wise. Durban High School offers you far more

than simply an accumulation of facts - it really does offer a rich cultural and sporting life. You have the opportunity to become a proficient, skilled member of society. Wherever you may align, wherever your passions or talents may lie, I urge each and every one of you to make the most of all that DHS has to offer. In my experience thus far as a doctor, the best specialists are often the best generalists. This is your time to become well-rounded, to learn to appreciate art, to learn to speak publicly at toastmasters.

Lesson 6 - If you keep telling yourself "This is not something I need to know" you will have wasted your time. You will realise too late that you in fact learnt nothing - or too little.

When someone thinks about school, they often think about taking tests. Whilst having an objective measure of proficiency is, very important (and I, admittedly, was obsessed with getting the highest marks I could), I remember having an epiphany one day that changed my perspective. The patients I see in the real world, as a medical doctor, do not come with model answers. There is certainly no past paper to study from before a 28-hour shift in the emergency unit at Tygerberg Hospital.

Lesson 7 - it is not about the result you get on a test per se, it is about being the person with the skills and knowledge necessary to get that mark on a test. It is not about picking up a past paper the night before. It is about the person you become by slowly and consistently placing one foot in front of the other. It is not just about summing mountain, but it is about being the person that knows how to navigate sheer cliff faces, boulders, paths narrow and wide; it is about being able to climb not just that mountain you studied for, but to climb anything - whatsoever.

I remember entering DHS that first day, surrounded by so many unfamiliar faces. Boys from every possible

background, every race and creed have walked through these halls of DHS. But the moment the whistle sounds and the war cries start, "may each and every one of them ever remember that as he is, so is his school". Your personal identity no longer matters, our petty differences fade. Lesson 8 - wherever you go in life, you will always remain a DHS old boy. I have been fortunate enough to carry through my life my DHS family, and it truly has made all the difference.

So remember:

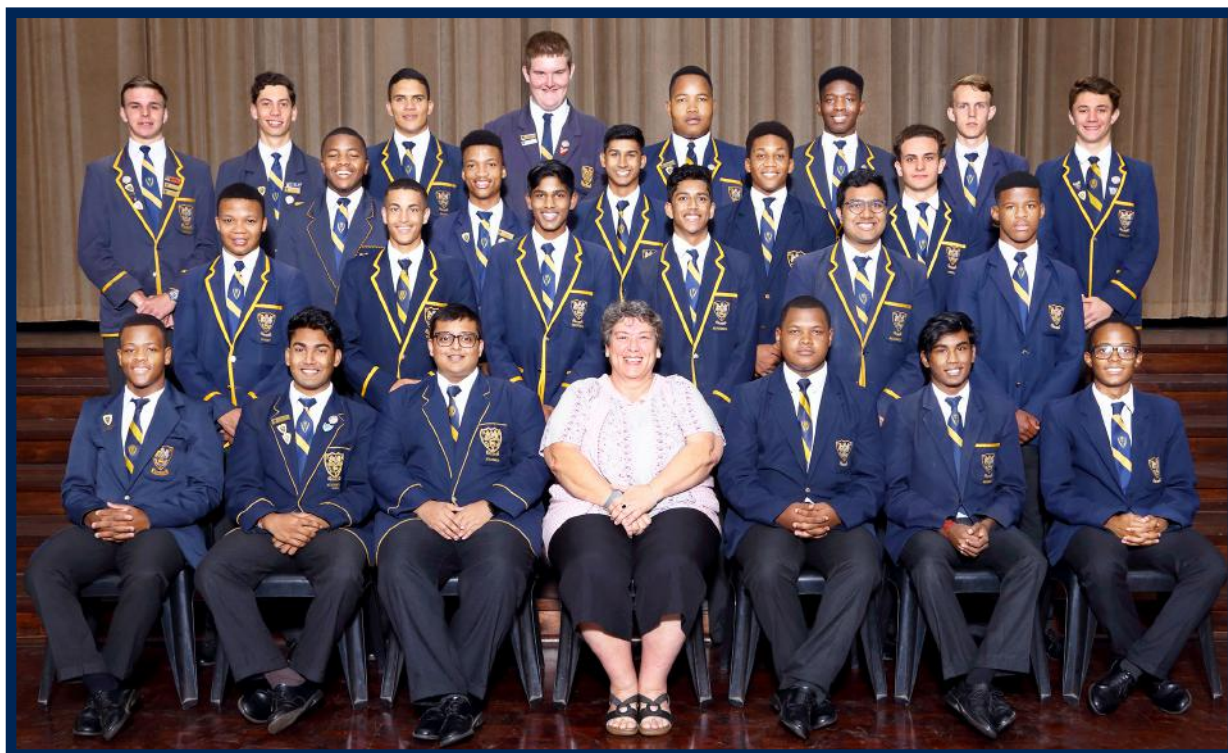
- You will always grow into your blazer
- Dedicate your life, even in part, to the service of others
- Don't forget to make the memories so you have the stories you can't tell at times like these
- Find meaning in your mistakes, and you will conquer life
- Don't grow up too fast - it is okay to believe in the impossible
- If you keep telling yourself "This is not something I need to know" you will have wasted your time
- It is not about the result you get on a test; it is about being the person with the skills and knowledge necessary to get that mark on a test
- Wherever you go in life, you will always be a DHS old boy.

Today we congratulate the boys on their fine achievements - the hours of sacrifice that no one sees, the countless failures along the path to success. We also congratulate the teachers - and thank them. Today, we celebrate not only the achievements of these fine young men, but the school that fostered in them both a desire for excellence and provided them the platform to attain it.

Thank you.

Jonathan Spanos
Class of 2010





Grade 12D : Ms M Bisschoff

Front Row (L to R): Nhlakanipho Nene, Thirushan Pather, Vidhan Singh, Ms M Bisschoff (ClassTutor), Caillin Mathys, Jaden Robert, Sibusiso Mpanza

2nd Row: Darren Booysen, Eli Louis, Joshua Reddy, Pranav Harichand, Mohammed Shaikjee, Steven Jamarie

3rd Row: Xhanti Njokweni, Siyanda Myeni, Sanolin Pather, Lindumkhosi Ndlovu, Rogan Green

Back Row: Connor Mack, Taine Owen, Taariq Kruger, Jonothan Shore, Seluleko Sabela, God'swill Mbonambi, Ethan Ballentine, Matthew Delderfield

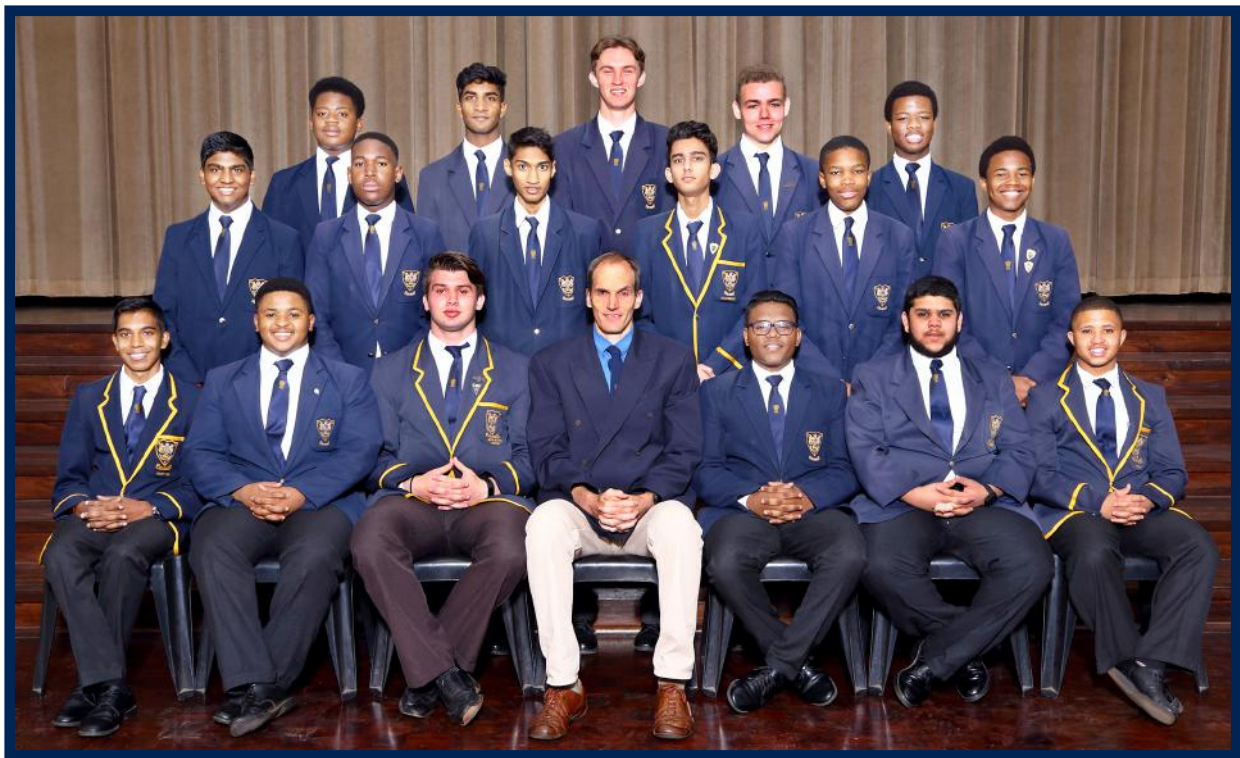


Grade 12U : Mr A Baijoo

Front Row (L to R): Luyanda Ndlanya, Mwelisi Memela, Sandile Zibane, Mr A Baijoo (Class Tutor), Wenzile Ngubane, Ziyaad Joosab, Uzair Mohamed

2nd Row: Onamandla Qhwaya, Aphiwe Mseleku, Riaad Mansoor, Jordan Bryan, Rashae Govender, Samuel Harvey

Back Row: Amahle Shazi, Sfundu Mkhwanazi, Mikaelan Sami, Aadil Ahmed, Abdul Gany Osman, Bryce Trusler



Grade 12R : Dr S Clifton

Front Row (L to R): *Senthan Naicker, Langalakhe (Langa) Mgobozi, Marcel Nel, Dr S Clifton (Class Tutor), Kaylen Moodley, Muhammed Akonjee, Jaydian Cedares*

2nd Row: *Makile Govender, Njabulo Liseko, Sahil Kaissri, Fawaaz Mahomed, Qiniso Qwabe, Phiwumusa Manyathi*

Back Row: *Mhlengi Ngwenya, Kyle Pather, Ross Shedlock, Justin van Blerk, Loyiso Siyo*

Absent: *Matthew Craig, Katlego Dimaza, Aphiwe Hlengwa, Sphelele (SP) Mthabela, Austen Sutherland*



Grade 12B : Mr D Naidoo

Front Row (L to R): *Muhammad Sayed, Adrian Dirks, Theo Manyoni, Mr D Naidoo (Class Tutor), Kyle Madlala, Shaun Chetty, Siphesihle Shezi*

Back Row: *Prince Makhoba, Rahiel Radhakrishna, Sulaymaan Ismail, Andrew Smit, Saasa Njekwa, Abdullah Varachia (k/a Karolia), Nivashen Naicker, Allistair Moodley*

Absent: *Tyler Bengtson, Luke Daniel, Dashyam Govender, Ehsen Kanakayah Anele, Mthembu, Buyani Ngcemu, Samkelo Sibiya, Daniel Tekle*





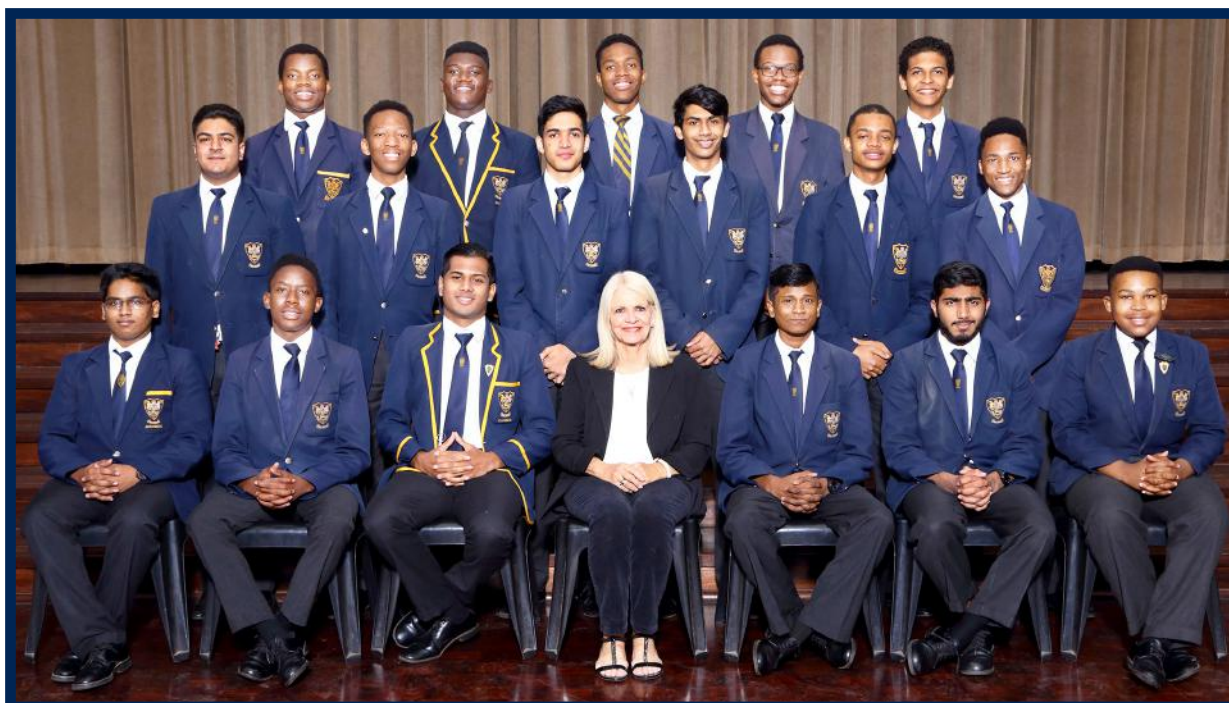
Grade 12A : Mr E Thomas

Front Row (L to R): Siyabonga Gumede, Bongoletu Tembe, Sandile Masombuka, Mr E Thomas (Class Tutor), Shaun Kendall, Muhammad Ismail, Lwandile Magwaza

2nd Row: Ntokozo Nsimande, Sabelo Mthimkulu, Mpendulo Sibiya, Cameron-Blake Ragbar, Nlakanipho Ngomezulu, Shriyan Bodasing

Back Row: Rowan Makhoba, Nishalan Chetty, Cameron Peach, Saabir Khan, Kevalin Naidu, Kaylen Varden, Dipenkumar Sonawala

Absent: Liam Dass, Keenan Moodley, Lianda Ngcobo, Kleveland Scharneck

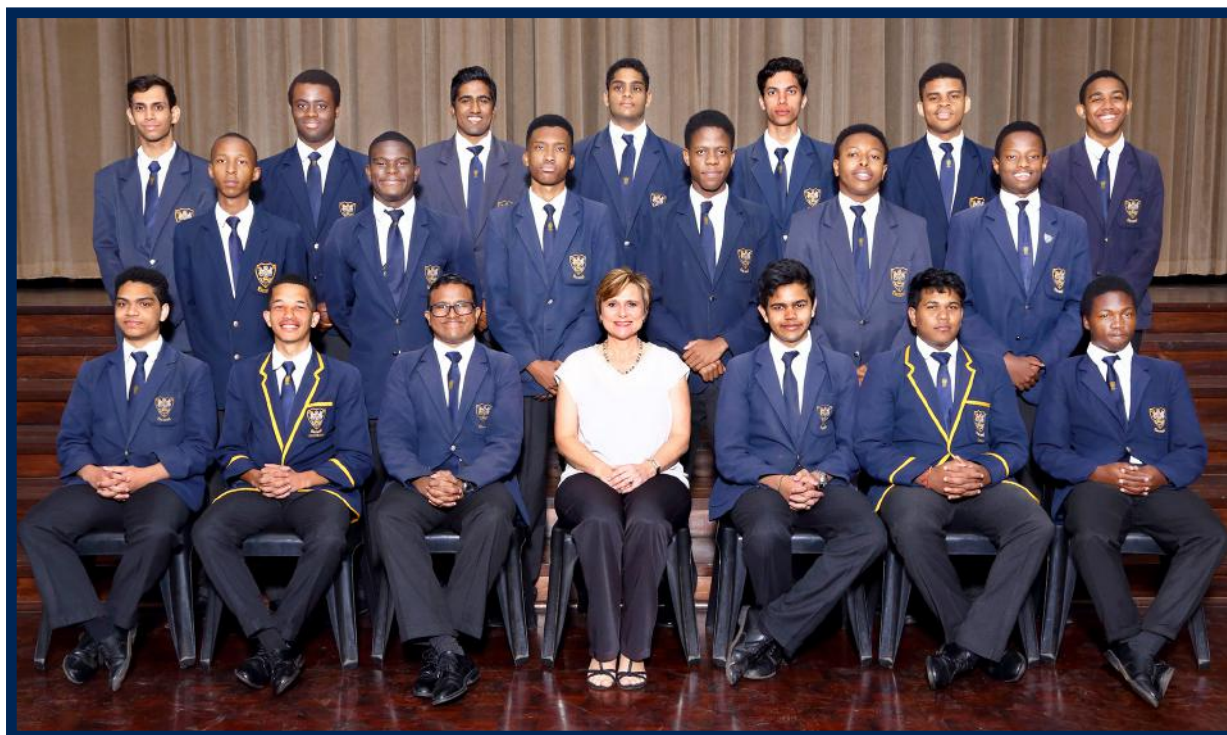


Grade 12N : Ms A Glossop

Front Row (L to R): Yashik Sewlall, Alwande Mnguni, Ridwaan Davis Class (Captain), Mrs A Glossop (Class Tutor), Cainan Munisami, Ibrahim Vorajee, Wamkelwe Ntuli

2nd Row: Kiav Brijnarain, Philani Chonco, Shivar Maharaj, Yadav Gangapersadh, Lwandile Gumede, Andile Moreki

Back Row: Setjhaba Mathuse, Thembele Khulu, Melokuhle Sikosana, Siyethemba Ngcobo, Haaris Rajah



Grade 12H : Ms J Jacobs

Ulrich Brown, Joshua Christopher, Joshua de Vos, Mikaeel Ganie, Yasteer Hariram, John Cohen, Zamokuhle Khuzwayo, Adarsh Maharaj, Jared Manicum, Samukelo Mchunu, Andile Mnyaka, Sibusiso Mpanza, Nokutenda Muteweri, Ntsikelelo Ndimande, Taona Ngidi, Austin Ogle, Tarrik Pooran, Brayden Sambhu, Aphiwe Shabangu, Jazmin Stapelfeldt, Kyle Thyssen, Amandla Xhakaza



Matrics after the Senior Prize-Giving and Matric Bell Ringing Ceremony

Matric Results 2019

The Class of 2019 produced a fine set of results for our School. The overall pass rate was 98,8%, with two boys narrowly missing a pass. We trust they will pass their supplementary exam, thereby giving us a 100% pass.

The 162 Matric boys who were resulted achieved a total of 156 A symbols, with a Bachelor Pass rate of 72.8%. The overall aggregate of the Class of 2019 was 62%.

The release of the 2019 Grade 12 results was met with excitement as one of our learners was acknowledged for his academic excellence at a special function hosted at the Durban ICC ... Rashae Govender, Dux of 2019, was placed 5th in the Umlazi District, which is the biggest district in KZN. Well done, Rashae!

Rashae was Dux at Senior Prize-Giving and he remains Dux for the NSC, with an overall average of 94%.

Abdul Osman and Thirushan Pather both also retained their Senior Prize-

Giving positions, being 2nd and 3rd with averages of 93% and 90%, respectively.

Their final marks were as follows:

Rashae Vallabh Govender - ENGHL 92%, AFRFA 96%, MATH 95%, LIFE 93%, ACCN 94%, LFSC 92%, PHSC 93%

Abdul Osman - ENGHL 81%, AFRFA 90%, MATH 94%, LIFE 94%, ACCN 94%, INFT 97%, PHSC 99%

Thirushan Pather - ENGHL 85%, AFRFA 83%, MATH 94%, LIFE 93%, ACCN 91%, INFT 96%, PHSC 99%

Of the 1132 subject symbols that were awarded to the Class of 2019:

156 were A symbols (14%)

221 were B symbols (19%)

253 were C symbols (22%)

244 were D symbols (22%)

168 were E symbols (15%)

67 were F symbols (6%)

Most pleasing were the averages in many of the subjects, with the following subjects all having averages of over 60%:

isiZulu - 75%

Life Orientation - 70%

Visual Arts - 70%

History - 65%

Engineering Graphics & Design - 65%

Information Technology - 65%

Dramatic Arts - 63%

Maths Lit - 63%

Accounting - 62%

English - 61%

Afrikaans - 61%

Physical Sciences - 61%

The following boys excelled:

Seven As - Rashae Govender, Abdul Osman, Thirushan Pather

Six As - Pranav Harichand, Vidhan Singh

Five As - Fawwaaz Mahomed, Jaden Robert, Mohammed Fayed Shaikjee

Four As - Yasteer Hariram, Njabulo Liseko, Connor Mack, Amahle Shazi

Three As - Ethan Ballantine, Joshua de Vos, Ziyaad Joosab, Nhlakanipho Nene,

Wamkelwe Ntuli, Seluleko Sabela, Ibrahim Vorajee

Congratulations to the Class of 2019 on their results!



The first English paper of the final Matric exams done and dusted!

NSC Results 2019

The candidates below were awarded the National Senior Certificate in Year as they met the minimum requirements for admission to Bachelors Degree, Diploma or Higher Certificate study at higher education institutions.

The following candidates passed at “Bachelor”, “Diploma” or “Certificate” level (the subject codes indicate distinctions - over 80%):

Name	Distinction Subject/s	Name	Distinction Subject/s
Ahmed, Aadil	ENGHL, LIFO	Jamarie, Steven	ZULFA
Akoonjee, Muhammed	MLIT	Jenner, McNeil O’Brain	
Ballantine, Ethan	ENGHL, LIFO, INFT	John, Bradley Cohen	
Beja, Lwando Owami		Joosab, Ziyaad	LIFO, HIST, LFSC
Bengtson, Tyler Lee		Kaissri, Sahil	
Bodasing, Shriyan		Kanakayah, Ehsen	
Booyesen, Darren Thorne	AFRFA	Khan, Mohammed Saabir	
Brijnarain, Kiav		Khoza, Lulama Asanda	
Brown, Ulrich Gerard	AFRFA	Khulu, Thembela Bamkele	
Bryan, Jordan Paul		Khuzwayo, Zamokuhle	ZULFA
Cedares, Jaydian Bjorn		Kruger, Taariq	AFRFA
Chetty, Nishalan	LIFO	La Douce, Shakur	AFRFA
Chetty, Shaun Owen		Liseko, Njabulo	LIFO, ACCN, ECON, LFSC
Chonco, Philani Khulani	ZULFA	Louis, Eli Martin	LIFO
Christopher, Joshua Lee	PHSC	Mack, Connor Thomas	AFRFA, LIFO, ECON, GRDS
Craig, Mathew Peter	LIFO	Madlala, Kyle Luyanda	ZULFA
Daniel, Luke Denver		Magwaza, Lwandle Malusi	
Dass, Liam	LIFO	Maharaj, Adarsh	
Davis, Ridwaan Brandon		Maharaj, Shivar	LIFO
De Vos, Joshua Jude	LIFO, GRDS, HIST	Mahomed, Fawwaaz	MATH, LIFO, ACCN, INFT, PHSC
Delderfield, Matthew Robin	LIFO	Makhoba, Prince Gracious	
Diko, Xolile Unathi		Makhoba, Rowan Bradley	
Dimaza, Katclego Makabongwe		Mametja, Sekitla Musawenkosi	
Dirks, Adrian	AFRFA	Manicum, Jared Joseph	MLIT
Edwards, Kendall Shaun		Mansoor, Riaad	
Gangapersadh, Yadav	LIFO	Manyathi, Phiwumusa Lethukuthula	
Ganie, Mikaeel	LIFO, HIST	Manyoni, Theo Awanda	
Govender, Dashyam	LIFO	Masombuka, Sandile Leeroy	ZULFA
Govender, Makile	PHSC	Mathuse, Setjhaba	VSLA
Govender, Rashae Vallabh	ENGHL, AFRFA, MATH, LIFO, ACCN, LFSC, PHSC	Mathys, Caillin Terrence	LIFO
Green, Rogan James	MLIT	Mbonambi, God’swill Sabatha	
Gumede, Lwandile Nkuthalo		Mchunu, Samukelo Tate-Junior	
Gumede, Siyabonga Njabulo Trevor		Memela, Mwelisi Mpumelelo	ZULFA
Harichand, Pranav	ENGHL, MATH, LIFO, GRDS, PHSC, VSLA	Mgobozi, Langalakhe	
Hariram, Yasteer Vishaykanth	MATH, LIFO, GRDS, PHSC	Mkhwanazi, Sfundu Knowledge	
Harvey, Samuel Chad		Mngomezulu, Nhlakanipho	ZULFA
Hlengwa, Aphiwe		Mnguni, Alwande Ndumiso	ZULFA
Hlomuka, Khayelihle Zipho		Mnyaka, Andile	
Ismail, Muhammad		Mohamed Yassin, Uzair	
Ismail, Sulaymaan		Moodley, Allistair Dean	LIFO
		Moodley, Kaylen	



Name	Distinction Subject/s	Name	Distinction Subject/s
Moodley, Keenan		Sami, Mikaelan Ruven	
Moreki, Andile Philander		Sayed, Muhammad Khizr	AFRFA, LIFO
Mpanza, Sibusiso Gift	ZULFA, LFSC	Scharneck, Klevelan Steven	
Mpanza, Sibusiso Philip	LIFO	Sewlall, Yashik	LIFO
Mseleku, Aphiwe Siyabonga		Shabangu, Aphiwe	
Mthabela, Sphelele		Shaikjee, Mohammed Fayed	ENGHL, AFRFA, LIFO, HIST, LFSC
Mthembu, Anele Bafana		Shazi, Amahle Konke	ZULFA, LIFO, DRMA, HIST
Mtimkhulu, Sabelo		Shedlock, Ross Walter	
Munisami, Cainan Seth		Shezi, Siphesihle	
Muteweri, Nokutenda Enock	VSLA	Shore, Jonathan	HIST
Myeni, Siyanda Simphiwe	ZULFA	Sibiya, Mpendulo Vukile	
Naicker, Nivashen Sholin	LIFO	Sibiya, Samkelo	
Naicker, Senthan	LIFO, VSLA	Sikosana, Melokuhle Bandile	
Naidoo, Yoreshan Zivan		Singh, Vidhan	AFRFA, MATH, LIFO, ACCN, INFT, PHSC
Naidu, Kevalin		Siyo, Loyiso	ZULFA, DRMA
Ndebele, Nduduzo	ZULFA	Smit, Andrew James	
Ndimande, Ntsikelelo		Sonawala, Dipenkumar Jayeshbhai	
Ndlanya, Luyanda Thuto	ZULFA, LIFO	Soomar, Farouk	LIFO
Ndlovu, Lindumkhosi	LIFO	Stapelfeldt, Jazmin Hadley	
Nel, Marcel	AFRFA	Stevens, Cole Shawn Matthew	
Nene, Nhlakanipho Blessing	ZULFA, GRDS, VSLA	Sutherland, Austen Thomas	LIFO
Ngcemu, Siyethaba Buyani		Tekle, Daniel	
Ngcobo, Lianda		Tembe, Bhongolethu Baphiwe	
Ngcobo, Siyethemba Sandile	ZULFA	Thomas, Jared Kyle	
Ngidi, Taona Lihle		Thyssen, Kyle Peter	
Ngubane, Wenzile		Trusler, Bryce	
Ngwenya, Mhlengi	ZULFA, MLIT	Van Blerk, Justin Lee	
Njekwa, Saasa		Varachia (K/A Karolia), Abdullah	
Njokweni, Xhanti Xuza	ZULFA, LIFO	Varden, Kaylen	GRDS, VSLA
Nsibande, Ntokozo	ZULFA	Vorajee, Ibrahim	MATH, LIFO, HIST, INFT
Ntuli, Wamkelwe Lebogang	ZULFA, LIFO, HIST	Xhakaza, Amandla	
Ogle, Austin Lee	MLIT	Zibane, Sandile Zamokuhle	ZULFA
Osman, Abdul Gany	ENGHL, AFRFA, MATH, LIFO, ACCN, INFT, PHSC		
Owen, Taine Elyat	LIFO		
Pather, Kyle			
Pather, Sanolin			
Pather, Thirushan	ENGHL, AFRFA, MATH, LIFO, ACCN, INFT, PHSC		
Peach, Cameron			
Pillay, Levi Joshua			
Pooran, Tarrik Avinesh	VSLA		
Qhwaya, Onamandla	ZULFA, LIFO		
Qwabe, Qiniso			
Radhakrishna, Rahiel Roniel			
Ragbar, Cameron-Blake	LIFO, VSLA		
Rajah, Haaris Husain	MLIT		
Reddy, Joshua Jeriah	LIFO		
Robert, Jaden	MATH, LIFO, ACCN, LFSC		
Sabela, Seluleko	ZULFA, LIFO, DRMA		
Sambhu, Brayden			



Sport & Cultural Awards Ceremony



Sportsman of the Year, Rogan Green, with Guest Speaker at the Sport & Cultural Award Ceremony, Mr Scott Mathie

"Play a sport. It will teach you how to win honourably, lose gracefully, respect authority, work with others, manage your time and stay out of trouble."

- Anonymous

Durban High School hosted its Special Sport and Cultural Awards Assembly on Monday 8 October 2019. The purpose of this ceremony is to highlight and honour the achievements of our Boys in the sporting and cultural arenas.

Deputy Head Master, Mr Gavin Goodwin, welcomed the parents, boys and staff to the Assembly:

"2019 has been a year of outstanding growth, in both sporting and cultural spheres, for the young men of Durban

High School. Both programmes offer a multitude of opportunities for boys to showcase their talents, no matter where their talents lie. Not only do these boys make use of the opportunities, they do so at a level where they are able to represent the brand of Durban High School throughout the country.

I do believe that whilst we acknowledge these high achieving boys at today's assembly, it is important to highlight the role that all the other boys play in this success. Without their participation, the accolades celebrated today would not be possible. Durban High School can be proud to celebrate with the 64 District and Zonal representatives, the 83 Provincial representatives and the 14 National representatives today."

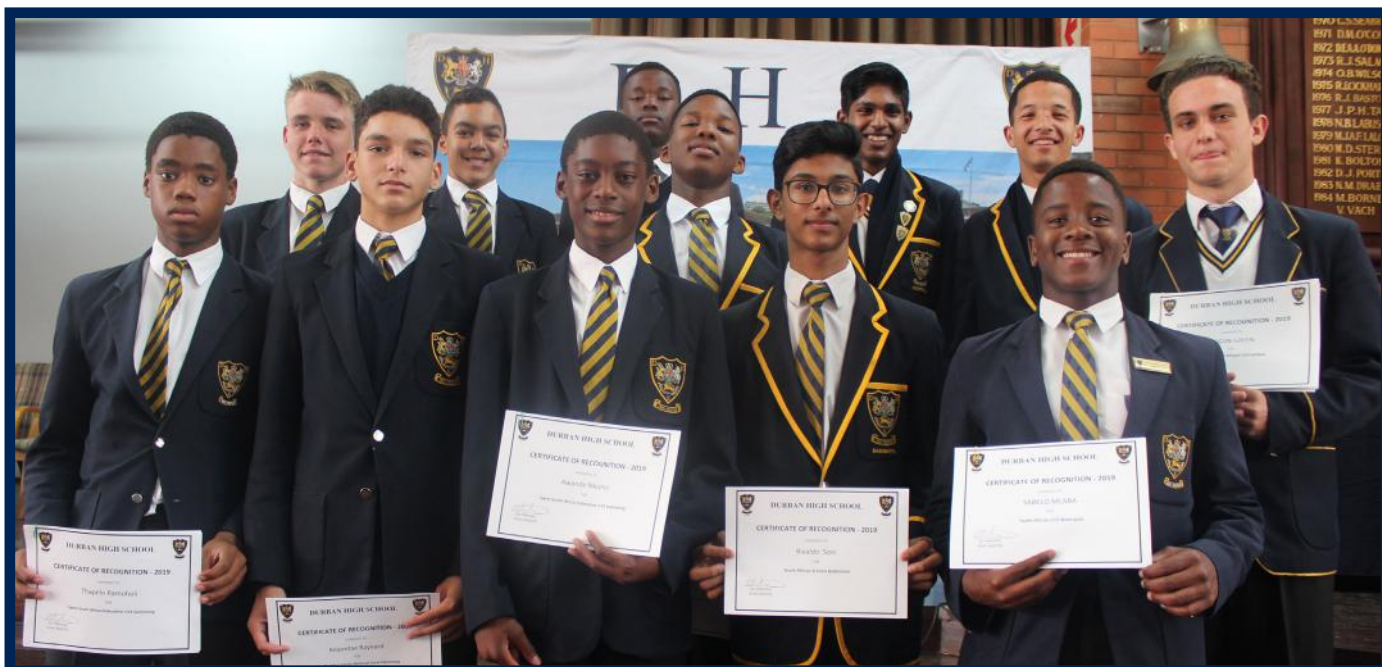
Mr Goodwin then introduced the Guest Speaker for the occasion, Mr Scott Mathie. Mr Mathie, an Old Boy and previous Head of Rugby/1st XV Rugby Coach, was Captain of the DHS 1st XV and represented KZN Schools and SA Schools Academy. He is a former Sharks player and currently the Head Coach for the Griquas rugby team.

Mr Mathie spoke to the boys, asking them if they were maximising their potential; his advice to them was to wring out every little bit of talent they possessed and to live up to their potential. He said there were three things paramount to success:

1. Work ethic - not just working hard, but working consistently, even when the coach is not watching; build up a work capacity by working all the time.
2. Sacrifice - soul for a soul; the greater the dream the greater the sacrifice. It's only a pipe dream if no sacrifice is made.
3. Be a good oke - what is your value system, what type of person are you? Are you a team man? What's your work ethic? Are you a good oke?

He told the boys that if they get these three things right, they would reap the rewards in time and be successful in whatever they attempt. He then congratulated the award winners and assisted the DHS Sport Co-ordinator, Mr Nathan Pillay, to hand out the awards.

The Sports and Cultural Awards highlight the District, Provincial and National Representatives in all codes of sport and culture available at DHS. The boys were called up in their respective groups to receive a certificate of recognition, with some receiving individual awards and trophies.



The DHS South African Representatives

Special Awards

Sports Achiever of the Year - Rogan Green

Sportsman of the Year - Rogan Green

District, Provincial, National Representatives

Athletics

KZN U17 - Kwanele Manukuza

D&D U19 - Kaid O'Neill, Alwande Mnguni, Marcel Nel

D&D U17 - Kwanele Manukuza, Joshua Winnaar

Bowls

District U20 - Lloyd Milligan

Badminton

SA Schools - Rivaldo Soni

KZN U19 - Rivaldo Soni

KZN U17 - Rivaldo Soni

KZN U15 - Eveshan Arumugam

Basketball

KZN U18B - Kyle Madlala, Hlumelo Noncembu

KZN U16A - Prince Bambi, Nathan Del Fava, Asher Knox-Davies

Durban Coastals U18 - Kyle Madlala, Hlumelo Noncembu

Durban Coastals U16 - Jordan Abrahams, Prince Bambi, Nathan Del Fava, Asher Knox-Davies, Lwandile Mdlangathi

Chess

KZN U16 - Naseem Essa

Climbing

KZN U15 - Yadav Nunnan

Cricket

KZN Coastals U17 - Brayden Sambhu, Joshua Stride, Yudishthir Ramanand

Cross Country

Durban Central U19 - Nokutunda Muteweri

Durban Central U17 - Onamandla Qhwaya

Debating

ABSA Challenge - Ziyaad Joosab, Olwethu Manqeke, Seluleko Sabela, Amahle Shazi
Durban & Coastal League - Sbani Maphumulo

First Aid

First Aid Level 3 - Obakhe Delubom, Azhar Karolia, Sonqoba Makhanya, Senthana Naicker, Jonathan Shore

Hockey

SA U16 Squad - Bagcine Gqweta

KZN U14A - Lerou Ditlahlakanyane, Aldridge Maasdorp, Liam Ruiters

KZN Coastals - U16A Bagcine Gqweta, Othembayo Ndondo

KZN Coastals - U14A Lulonke Gono

KZN Coastals - U18B Usama Ghuman, Khaya Hlomuka

KZN Coastals - U16B Sachin Soni

KZN Coastals - U14B Keelan Henry, Andile Mbambo, Sduduzo Zondi

KZN Coastals - U18C Eli Louis, Sholin Naicker, Joshua Winnaar

Umlazi U16A - Bagcine Gqweta, Othembayo Ndondo

Umlazi U14A - Lerou Ditlahlakanyane, Lulonke Gono, Aldridge Maasdorp, Liam Ruiters

Umlazi U18B - Khaya, Eli, Sholin Naicker

Umlazi U16B - Yanga Mdletshe, Sachin Soni, Thandolwethu Zondo

Umlazi U14B - Keelan Henry, Kyle McCalgan, Sduduzo Zondi

Umlazi U18C - Usama Ghuman, Benjamin Hulett, Ross Shedlock, Joshua Winnaar, Justin Wingrove

Umlazi U16C - Khalil Alwar, Ayurv Indurjeeth, Lloyd Milligan, Ateeq Patel

Umlazi U14C - Andile Mbambo

Indoor Cricket

KZN U14 - Joshua Venter

Rugby

KZN U18 Academy Week - Avumile Bongco, Darren Booysen, Brian Dosemba, Taariq Kruger

KZN U16 Grant Khomo - Kwanele Manukuza

KZN U18 Club Rugby - Aaron Mukonkole

KZN U15 Club Rugby - Lwandile Mshengu, Jordan Ramsamy, Aphiwe Zama

Rugby Sevens

KZN U17 - Brian Dosemba, Nqobani Dlamini

Spelling Bee

Durban Municipal Competition - Themba Mahlaba

Soccer

SA Schools Combined FA U19 - Bahlebonke Made, Joshua Reddy, Kyle Thyssen

KZN U19A - Bahlebonke Made, Kyle Thyssen

KZN U19B - Andile Langazane, Joshua Reddy

KZN U16B - Mpho Ndaba

KZN U14A - Theo Brown

KZN U14B - Minenhle Vilikazi

Durban Central U19 - Andile Langazane, Bahlebonke, Lwandle Magwaza, Mwelisi Alwande, Ngxongo Thando, Sphephele Mthembu, Joshua Reddy, Kyle Thyssen
Durban Central U16 - Solwazi Dlamini, Sello Moeti, Sumeiyan Naidoo, Mpho Ndaba

Durban Central U15 - Lwandile Gama, Cebo Mbuyisa, Kayle Nicholls, Sduduzo Siwela, Andile Wanda

Durban Central U14 - Theo Brown, Junior Bambi, Aiden Quinn, Hlela Ntombela, Minenhle Vilikazi

Swimming

Swim SA Federation U14 - Awande Nkunzi, Thapelo Ramoholi

SA Junior National Level - Callyn Kinsey, Yash Maharaj, Vuyani Ncube, Awande

Nkunzi, Keagan Olivier, Keyontae Raynard

KZN Level 3 - Breydon Remley, Elijah Chetty, Teagen McCarthy, Thapelo Ramoholi

Softball

SA U19 - Rogan Green

KZN U19 - Kendall Edwards, Matthew Delderfield, Rogan Green, Corné Nel

KZN U15 - Weihrich Basson, Michiel Burger, Riley, Luke, Bryan Jamarie

Toastmasters

International Youth Leadership - Mu'aaz Bassa, Muhamed Khalil, Bakithi Msomi

Touch Rugby

KZN U19 - Ethan Ballantine, - Eli Louis

KZN U17 - Abderahman Assila, Nhlakanipho Nxaba

KZN U15 - Lwandile Gama, Sbo Mjoli

Water Polo

SA U15 - Sabelo Mlaba

KZN Schools U19 - Ntando Mpuqa

KZN Schools U16 - Samuel Spooner, Mahle Makhanya, Nqobile Phiri

KZN Schools U15 - Sabelo Mlaba, Yasheer Maharaj

KZN Coastals U19B - Ntando Mpuqa

KZN Coastals U16 - Travis Burke, Mahle Makhanya, Swelihle May, Nqobile Phiri, Breydon Remley, Sinqobile Simamane, Samuel Spooner

KZN Coastals U15 - Connor Carson, Kai Coetzee, Yasheer Maharaj, Sabelo Mlaba, Le-Shae Naicker, Christian Everitt
KZN Coastals U14 - Teagan McCarthy, Reece Truter

Wind Band

KZN Youth - Nathan Harvey, Ntokozo Nsibande

KZN Youth Choir

KZN Youth - Obakhe Delubom, Sandise Cezula

Award Winners

Cricket

Open Bowler of the Year - Joshua Stride
Open Batsman of the Year - Taine Owen
U15 Bowler - Jadin Dayanund, Andile Wanda

U15 Batsman - Lutendo Tsanwani

U14 Bowler - Alex Combrink

U14 Batsman - Jayson Butler, Nkululeko Masondo

Hockey

Open Player of the Year - Usama Ghuman

Open Most Improved Player of the Year - Khaya Hlomuka

U16 Player of the Year - Bagcine Gqweta
U16 Most Improved Player - Othembayo Ndondo, Sachin Soni

U14 Player of the Year - Lerou Ditlhlakanyane, Aldridge Maasdorp
U14 Most Improved Player of the Year - Sduduzo Zondi

Indoor Hockey

Open Player of the year - Benjamin Hulett

U16 Player of the year - Bagcine Gqweta
U14 Player - Lerou Ditlhlakanyane

Rugby

The IT Bennison Trophy - Best 1st XV Player - Taariq Kruger

The Aztec Trophy - Most dedicated DHS Rugby Player - Darren Booysen

The Getkate Award for Most Improved Player of the Year - Hlumelo Noncembu

The De Bruyn Trophy for the Junior Player with the Biggest Impact in the 1st XV - Nqobani Dlamini

Open Rugby Coaches Award for Commitment and Loyalty - Marcel Nel

Water Polo

Most Valuable Player - Samuel Spooner

Best Hole-Guard - Swelihle May
Sportsmanship Trophy - Mahle Makhanya

Most Promising Player in his First Year at DHS - Christian Everitt



Founders Day



Durban High School celebrated its 153rd Birthday on Saturday 1 June, with various events held in the preceding week.

On Friday 24 May the Head Master, Mr AD Pinheiro, together with Head Prefect, Xhanti Njokweni, had tea with DHS Old Boys at the Caister Lodge; they were accompanied by the DHS Choir who provided entertainment for our Old Boys.

Also on Friday, our boys and staff all received the traditional piece of birthday cake to celebrate!

A number of celebrations took place on Friday 31 May. First up was the Old Boys Assembly in the Hall. Mr Sizwe Nxedlana, Class of '99 and Chairman of The Foundation, was the Guest Speaker.

The DHS Foundation Trust Golf Day at the Royal Durban Golf Club followed the Assembly, with a full field of 160 golfers. Every tee and hole was sponsored, with some wonderful prizes donated. An

auction was held at the Prize-Giving in the evening with magnificent holidays on offer for bidding.

The DHS Foundation introduced a Breakfast for Old Boys on Founders Day in the DC Thompson Hall. A panel discussion was held with the "Famous Five" participating - celebrity DHS Old Boys Barry Richards, Lee Irvine, Brendon 'BJ' Botha, Adrian Hansen and Garreth 'Soldierboy' McLellan. MC for the event was the hilarious Aaron McIlroy.

Barry Richards and Lee Irvine - both renowned Cricketers. They were school mates and played cricket together at DHS. Both gentlemen played for South Africa, however, the breaking of official sporting links due to apartheid policy curtailed the number of tests matches they were able to play. Lee played for South Africa, captained the Transvaal team and played for Essex in the UK. A right-handed "talent of enormous stature", Barry Richards is considered one of the finest cricket talents of the 20th Century and was selected in

Donald Bradman's greatest Cricket XI for the 20th Century.

BJ Botha - played Prop 25 times for the Springboks. He was a member of the squad that won the 2007 Rugby World Cup.

Adrian Hansen - a former No. 1 South African Squash player, representing SA at the Commonwealth Games in 2006. Garreth 'Soldierboy' McLellan - a professional martial arts fighter; he was a two-time EFC Africa Champion and EFC Worldwide Champion.

John Lennon memorabilia of a copy of the original lyrics of his song "Imagine" donated by Old Boy Mr Gavin Varajes was auctioned at the breakfast.

Finally, Founders Day itself, was held on Saturday 1 June, with Rugby and Hockey fixtures played against Glenwood High School. Well done to Glenwood who won the majority of the games. The week of celebrations ended with the traditional Sundowners Cocktail function held in the DC Thompson Hall after the 1st XV game.

Matric Dance - Unbelievable Magic



Our 2019 matrices studied an Afrikaans poem entitled “Boekmerk,” which talks about special moments (bookmarks) in a person’s life. This is so apt as it reminds us that the matric dance is not just a dance- it is much more. It is a monumental event in the learner’s life- one which will forever be etched on his mind.

Preparing for this dance is just as nerve wracking for the boys as it is for the girls. The boys found it difficult to contain their excitement weeks before the event as they were looking forward to an evening of fun; especially as everything was kept top secret and they had no clue as to what to expect.

The matric dance was moved earlier this year to ensure that our boys had

fun at their dance without the added pressure and stress of the final exams.

At last Saturday 6 April finally arrived and, as family, friends and well-wishers gathered outside the ICC, our boys arrived with their partners in their smart suits and fancy cars. This year the trend was old cars from the 70s and 80s and the highlight was the one spewing fire through its double exhaust!

Amidst much cheering and ululation, these beautiful couples took to the red carpet where they were welcomed by our hosts Mr and Mrs Pinheiro. Judging from the smiles - and sometimes tears - from the mums, I am sure they had completely forgotten about the time and money spent on ensuring their sons looked amazing.

The theme Unbelievable Magic was based on the movie, The Greatest Showman. With the theme song Never, Never playing in the background, all the couples walked into the spectacularly decorated venue. The intricate centrepieces alternated between the ring master and a carousel was simply dazzling. The highlight was the photo op area which even had a tiger in a cage!

Our Head Master, Mr Pinheiro, our head boy Xhanti Njokweni, our programme director Taarique Kruger, and Connor Mack, who proposed a toast to the class of 2019, all delivered inspiring and sometimes nostalgic speeches. Taine Owen and Khaya Hlomuka then presented the class of 2019 with special awards. These awards presented to the various recipients were nominated for by the matric body.



A scrumptious dinner was then served, followed by an array of delectable desserts.

The dance was opened by Xhanti, Taarique and Connor with their partners. Thanks to Ms Meyer who managed to teach the boys (all with two left feet) the waltz in time. Then the party

finally got started. From this moment on there was nothing but chatter, laughter and loads of photographs. Never a dull moment was had.

Xhanti commented later that most daunting for him was having to prepare a speech and learn the dance moves.

Thank you to everyone who helped to make this Matric Dance a happy memory for our boys.

S Nagiah
Matric Dance Co-ordinator



Matric Bell Ringing Ceremony



The Grade 12 Bell Ringing Ceremony, held directly after the Senior Prize Giving this year, began with Mr Bodasing explaining the significance of the 8 Bells, which was to signify the changing of the watch as the Seniors, the Class of 2019, took their official leave and handed over their seniority to the Grade 11s, the Class of 2020.

Each Grade 12 boy then came up onto the stage to receive a gift from the DHS Foundation presented by CEO Mr Andrew Shedlock, a certificate to commemorate his years at DHS from his class tutor, and to shake the Head Master's hand. The Captain of each class rang the bell in farewell.

Head Prefect for 2019, Xhanti Njokweni, took to the podium for the last time in his role, to address the audience. His message to his fellow classmates was:

"To my fellow Matrics ... Gents, you have been what it means to have brothers not connected by blood, but by heart. I do hope that the internal bond that we share is given the space to mature and, ultimately, become eternal. Farewell my fellow brothers, and I want to wish you all the very best in your future. I do hope that we are able to reconnect at Founders Days in the years to come."

Xhanti then rang the School Bell 8 times to signify the end of his watch and assisted the Head Prefect for 2020, Quincy Hitler, into his new Head Prefect blazer. Quincy took to the podium and welcomed his new role, outlined briefly the promise of the Class of 2020 and then bid farewell to the Class of 2019, raising three cheers in their honour.

To end off the ceremony, the Head Prefects and Prefects, new and old,

led the school in the school song - a memorable occasion for all and a fitting farewell to the Class of 2019.

The Grade 12s moved on, but a part of their spirit remains behind at Durban High School. Sir Henry Newbolt expresses this passing down of all that is good in a school in his poem written in 1892 entitled *Vital Lampada* - here follows the third and final verse:

*This is the word that year by year
While in her place the School is set
Every one of her sons must hear,
And none that hears it dare forget.
This they all with a joyful mind
Bear through life like a torch in flame,
And falling fling to the host behind -
"Play up! play up! and play the game!"*

S Drew
Editor



All the emotions ...

Matric Fashion Show



Matric Boys strutting their stuff!

The school's annual Fashion Show was held on Friday 8 March in the school hall.

The aspiring matric models were subjected to a nerve-racking audition before Shaun Stander, owner of Mobile Model Management who, incidentally, is the top contender for the Mr South Africa title. It was great fun watching our boys emulate the so-called ramp walk.

Most, if not all, our boys were taken out of their comfort zones and took to the spotlight of a different kind.

This was an excellent and fun way of raising much needed funds for the matric dance, which was held on 6 April at the ICC.

Twenty-eight DHS boys and 29 girls (all the girls were from Mobile Model Management) embraced the theme Heat City Night and strutted their stuff on the ramp.

The event opened with our in-house band, Attitude, and they really got the toes tapping and fingers clicking with their upbeat rhythm.

Our boys certainly looked like professional supermodels as they took to the ramp in the various garments. Rajah Harris most definitely stole the show with his unique style. The fantastic display of chic, elegant, casual, beach wear, bikinis and formal attire was, for all who witnessed it, an unmissable event.

The show stopper had to be, once again, the DHS staff modelling segment. It is always good to see our staff embrace their fun, carefree side and dress up just to raise funds for our boys. The crowd was really delighted at the performances of all staff, who took to the ramp like professionals!

A huge thank you to:

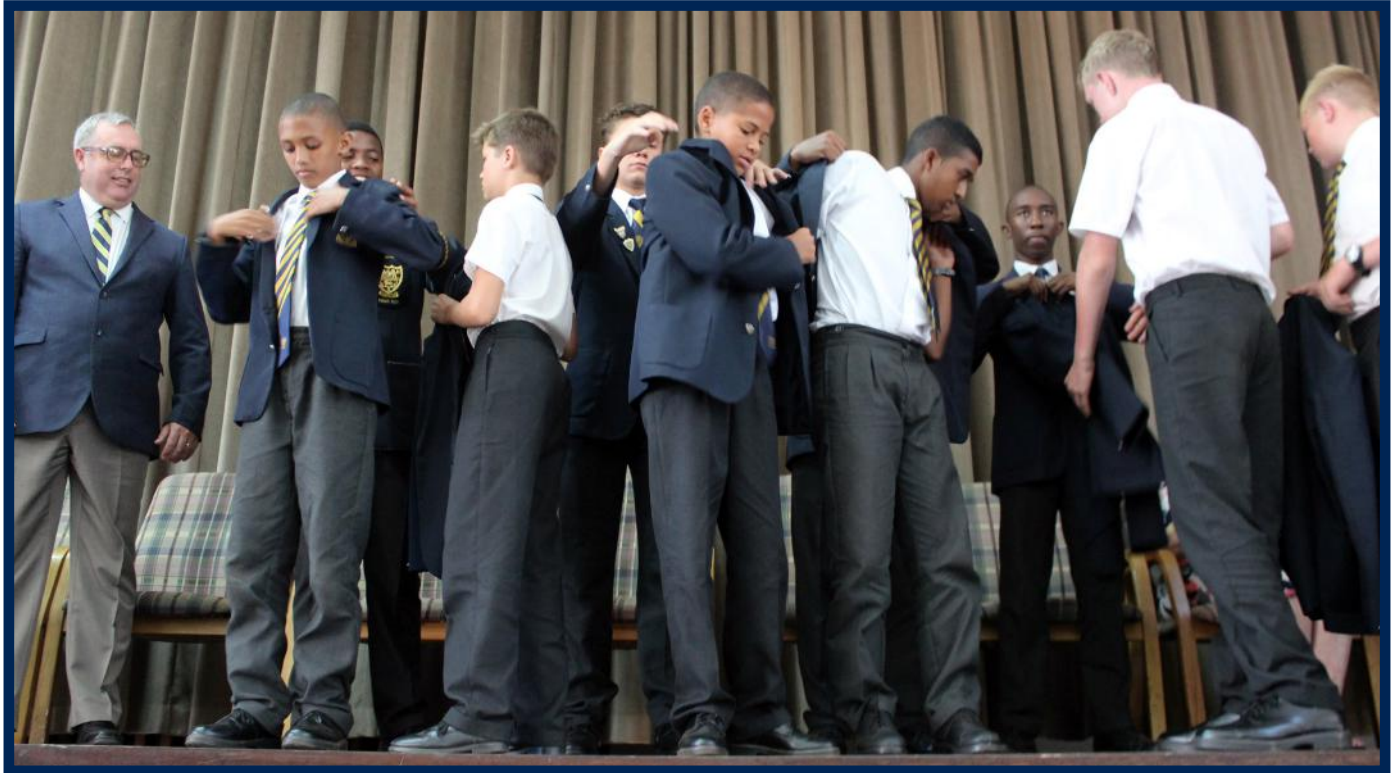
- All the staff who participated/ helped before, during and after the event;

- Suit Yourself and Holmes Bros for always coming to the party;
- The models from Mobile Model Management for giving up their time and making our event a success;
- Old Boys Nicholas Singleton, Yadhav Gokool, Shayur Mungal and Haider Hendricks for the technical help;
- Levi Pillay for manning the lights;
- Mikaeel van der Wath for all his efforts on the technical side;
- Shaun Stander for always supporting and giving up of his time for School;
- Parents for their patience and attendance;
- Zanele and her team for cleaning;
- Dupie for security.

Mrs Nagiah & Mr Lewis
Matric Fashion Show Co-Ordinators



Grade 8 Bell Ringing Ceremony



On Sunday 13 January, the Grade 8 boys concluded their week-long orientation by attending the traditional Bell Ringing Ceremony.

The DC Thomson Hall was buzzing with enthusiasm from the newly inducted Grade 8 boys, parents, DHS staff, the prefect body, the RCL members and a group of Grade 11 mentors.

This 153-year-old reputable school on the Berea always treats this occasion with dignity and pride. The boys were

welcomed by the ringing of the bell, followed by the prefects shaking their hands and assisting them into wearing their blazers. This solidified the ethos of brotherhood between the juniors and the seniors.

Mr Pinheiro (Head Master) and Mr Goodwin (Deputy Head Master) then shook the hands of all two hundred new boys, ensuring them that they are indeed now part of this school. They then unanimously pledged their allegiance to the brotherhood of the

school, and committed themselves to uphold the rich history and traditions of the school that their fellow brothers left for them as a legacy.

May their next five years be filled with the joy of having fulfilled all their desired high school goals in academics, sports, cultural and leadership potential.

Welcome to DHS, the future Class of 2023! Deo Fretus!

S Cele
Head of Grade 8



Armistice Day Service



Monday 11 November 2019 saw Durban High School paying respect to their fallen soldiers at an Armistice Service, an important event in our calendar.

This annual ceremony honours those DHS Old Boys who lost their lives in World War I, subsequent wars, and in service to their country.

In his welcome address, the Head Master, Mr AD Pinheiro, said:

"This annual service serves as a reminder of the realities, and sometimes the futility, of war as we remember the 277 DHS Old Boys who sacrificed their lives for others. However, it is in this loss of life that lies the irony. Within this reality and futility lies some of man's greatest moments and attributes. It is in adversity that the values of resilience, integrity, discipline, courage, leading with strength, compassion, loyalty, respect, honouring relationships, brotherhood and hard work need to shine through. I hope the boys recognise the values mentioned. They are the same values in our School Mission. I wonder sometimes if we really honour these same values in peacetime. It is in

adversity that a man's true character is revealed.

Every day our boys walk past the dome at the entrance to our school, often without giving it a second thought. This dome and building at the entrance, built in 1919 to honour the fallen from the Great War, celebrates its centenary this year. It stands as a testimony to the legacy of those before us. We need to honour this legacy. Not by just walking past the inscription on the dome, but rather to really understand that we have a duty to honour it. For "Here too came once those others". Lest we forget."

The Armistice Service was attended by Old Boys, Veterans, Members of the Defence Force, Blackmore House Boys, Prefects and the Staff of DHS, all sporting red poppies, the international symbol of remembrance and hope.

The lesson and homily were addressed by Rev Michael Fourie of St Thomas Anglican Church. Old Boy David Bennett called the Roll of Honour, reading out the names of all 277 DHS men who died in the Anglo-Boer War, the First and Second World Wars, the Korean War

and the various other conflicts since 1954.

Mr Norton, Master of Ceremonies for the occasion, announced the names of the wreath layers, who placed their symbols of respect along the Memorial Wall:

Mr Pinheiro (DHS Head Master), Mr Shedlock (CEO of the DHS Foundation), and Quincy Hitler (2020 Head Prefect) on behalf of DHS,

Lt Col Greg de Ricquebourg on behalf of the DLI,

Lt Col (retired) Bryan Dore on behalf of the SA Legion,

Col Steve Bekker on behalf of the SA Air Force Association Durban Branch,

Major T Bolton on behalf of Umvoti Mounted Rifles,

Major Mark Levin on behalf of the Reserve Force,

Captain Nigel Lewis-Walker on behalf of the Officer Commanding of the Natal Mounted Rifles,

Mr Mark Linley and Mr Paul Engelbrecht HC on behalf of the Parabat Veterans, as well as Mr Roy Bowman on behalf of The South African Military History Society.

Ms Natalie Rungan, Head of Music, sang a beautiful rendition of "White Cliffs of Dover", receiving a warm round of applause. The Last Post was then performed by trumpeter Warrant Officer G Joseph, followed by a two minute silence, the Reveille and, finally, a prayer and blessing by Rev Fourie, before the ceremony came to a close.

"The greatest legacy one can pass on to one's children and grandchildren is not money or other material things accumulated in one's life, but rather a legacy of character and faith."

- Billy Graham

S Drew
Editor



Learning Areas

Afrikaans Eerste Addisionele Taal

Die Afrikaans Departement is baie beïndruk met die uitslae in die Nasionale Senior Sertifikaat eksamen 2019 behaal. Alhoewel daar een druipepinge was, was die 61% gemiddelde persentasie beter as die 56% gemiddelde in 2018. Die feit dat 'n paar kandidate slegs A simbole in Afrikaans behaal het, en dat Afrikaans sommige se hoogste simbool was, is 'n aanduiding dat ons leerders Afrikaans nou ernstiger opneem. Dit was lank sedert 'n kandidaat 'n 96% in Afrikaans behaal het.

Die volgende 13 kandidate het A simbole behaal vanaf die 99 kandidate wat vir Afrikaans ingeskryf het.

Rashae Govender 96%, Connor Mack 92%, Mohammad Shaikjee 92%, Abdul Osman 90%, Ulrich Brown 86%, Taariq Kruger 85%, Shakur La Douce 84%, Vidhan Singh 84%, Adrian Dirks 83%, Marcel Nel 83%, Thirushan Pather 83%, Muhammad Sayed 82%, Darren Booysen 80%.

Ongelukkig het Mikaeel Ganie, Dashyan Govender, Pranav Harichand en Yashik Sewlall 79% behaal en A simbool met 1% gemis. Die ander hoë B simbole is deur Shivar Maharaj, Fawwaaz Mahomed, Jaden Robert, Jonathan Shore en Kaylen Varden behaal.

Nasionale Senior Sertifikaat Uitslae:

Simbool	Aantal Behaal	%
A	13	13%
B	19	19%
C	14	14%
D	26	26%
E	23	23%
F	3	3%
G	1	1%

Die Graad 8-11 seuns het ook goeie uitslae in 2019 behaal. Die gemiddelde persentasie oor die jare verbeter en meer leerders was in die bo-gemiddelde kategorie geplaas.

Ons leerders het bewys dat dit moontlik is om te streef na 100% in Afrikaans. Die volgende leerders het in ons interne eksamens uitgeblink:

Naam	%	Graad
Thiyashan Pillay	83%	11
Mikail Kreuzer	89%	10
Michael Russel	96%	9
Charl Meyers	93%	8

In September 2019, het DHS vir Erfenis week 'n kulturele konsert gehou. Die Graad 9s was dapper genoeg om die Graad 12 drama, Fiela se Kind, as 'n skiet aan te bied. Mevrouw Joshua, hulle drama onderwyseres, het leiding aangebied. Die span verantwoordelik vir die redigering en opvoering daarvan was: Michael Russel, Zak Smith, Bohdan Kistiah, Yash Haricharan, Kai Coetzee en Miguel De Paiva. Hierdie span het die Afrikaans departement baie trots gemaak.

Die departement wens die klas van 2020 alle sukses toe en weet dat hulle DHS sukses sal bring.

Mv H Henley
Vakhoof: Afrikaans FAL

Dramatic Arts

The 2019 year has seen lots of change in the Dramatic Arts Department. Miss Smith only returned in March from her accouchement leave, which meant farewell to Mrs Catherine Hampton; and then bidding farewell to Miss Leigh Meyer, who relocated to Kimberley.

Mrs Hampton came back to take Miss Meyer's position but, unfortunately, she too had to leave (due to personal reasons) and was replaced by Ms Liesl Coppin - a familiar name in Durban.

So, it is fair to say that there was a lot of disruption in the department due to unforeseen circumstances, and we can thank Mrs Giselle Joshua for being the familiar face who held the fort throughout!

In terms of the academic achievement of the boys, the practical aspect was not taken as seriously as it should have been - and the boys needed to realise the expectations of the subject, and what it demands. Having said that, the theory component across the board is the weaker of the two and, therefore, if they apply their minds to the practical, they could still achieve far beyond their expectations.

The matric results were most pleasing as the Dramatic Arts boys managed a 100% pass rate, with 3 of our boys scoring As, 9 boys Bs, with the overall average being 63%.

Symbol	No of Learners	% Learners
A	3	6.5
B	9	19.6
C	12	26.1
D	19	41.3
E	3	6.5
Total	46	
Average = 63%		

I have to bid farewell to Durban High School after nine years, and wish the educators and boys all the very best!

Ms K Smith
Subject Head: Dramatic Arts



Visual Arts

2019 was a successful and busy year for the DHS Art Department, what with instilling our boys daily with practical art skills and interesting them in the History of Art studies. With the introduction of iPads to School, we charted new territory into the digital art world. The Grade 8s surprised us with their technological prowess as they approached the given art themes.

Boys were invited to submit their entries into the Performing Arts Competition. An exhibition themed Heat, City, Night, showcasing the boys' artworks, was displayed in the foyer to the Seabrooke Theatre on 14 March. As the proverb goes, beauty is in the eye of the beholder (that which one person finds beautiful or admirable may not appeal to another). Beauty is both subjective and objective, providing Mr Lewis and me with the arduous task of choosing the winners.

Grade 12	Winners
Cameron-Blake Ragbar	1st
Klevelan Steven Scharneck	2nd
Senthan Naicker	2nd
Pranav Harichand	2nd
Daniel Tekle	3rd
Grade 11	
Mpuqu Ntando	1st
Thato Khoali	2nd
Olwethu Wandile Ndlovu	2nd
Zaine Jasmin	3rd
Grade 9	
Mpathwenhle Ndaba	1st
Taegen James McCarthy	2nd
Darian Robert	3rd
Joshua Handley	3rd

We also were also involved in the DHS Open Evenings. The boys, together with their artworks, were on display. We had our own 'Vincent van Goghs' applying fresh paint on canvases, propped up by easels. With many of our 'Leonardo da Vincis' also showing off their drawing skills. Prospective DHS learners and

parents where enthralled at the hands-on talent.

The Matrics occupied themselves with garnering their marks for their SBA mark (25%), from writing tests to producing assignments for the Visual Cultural studies aspect, although I think the practical component of working on their source files and producing a practical piece each term was what got the most attention.

On 6 September the Matrics involved themselves in their Retrospective Exhibition (25%). The practical component was then externally moderated. DHS boys produced the following exceptional results:

17 x A symbols (three boys received 100%)
4 x B symbols
4 x C symbols
1 x D symbol
1 x E symbol

The 24-hour Practical Exam (25%) (NSC Paper 2) was held on 2-4 October. This is the best part of DHS school art. Spending three days with their mates - interacting, listening to music, eating, messing and expressing the NSC topic Ritual in their artwork. Planning and research are the keys to achieving the end product.

The Senior Prize Giving took place on 10 October. Our Visual Art prize winners were the talented Senthan Naicker, who won the Allan Turton Art Prize (Combined Practical and Theory award), and he shared the Ladies Committee Prize for Art Practical with the gifted pastel artist Nokutenda Muteweri.

The 2019 NSC Results strengthened the Visual Art Department with its excellent results. Well done boys!

Grade 12 Visual Art Final NSC results for 2019:

1	Pranav Harichand	93%
2	Setjhaba Mathuse	85%
3	Nokutenda Muteweri	83%
4	Senthan Naicker	85%
5	Nhlakanipho Nene	87%
6	Tarrik Pooran	85%
7	Cameron Ragbar	90%
8	Kaylen Varden	90%

Ms M Subbiah
Subject Head: Visual Arts

Accounting

All Accounting learners were taught by Mrs Neave and Ms Nagan. The Grade 10 and 11 learners wrote 2 x two-hour papers at the end of the year instead of 1 x three-hour paper. This process will proceed into Grade 12 in 2020.

As	7	21.9%
Bs	5	15.6%
Cs	7	21.9%
Ds	2	6.3%
Es	7	21.9%
Fs	2	6.3%
Gs	2	6.3%
Total	32	
Average	62%	

Ms T Neave
Departmental Head

Business Studies

Mr Thomas, Mr Beswick and Mr Govender were the educators who headed up the teaching of this subject in 2019. Mr Govender joined this subject area as a Grade 10 Business Studies educator due to the influx of learners selecting Business Studies at senior level.

In February 2019 the Grade11 learners attended an excursion which involved visiting the Coca Cola bottling plant in Phoenix Industrial Park. The excursion exposed our business minded pupils to the production plant and various



aspects of mass production and assembly line procedures. Pupils were given a tour and a verbal presentation of the plant, facilitated by Ms Ann Poisson, the Corporate Affairs Administrator.

Bs	4	5.1%
Cs	13	16.5%
Ds	15	19.0%
Es	17	21.5%
Fs	18	22.8%
Gs	10	12.7%
Hs	2	2.5%
Total	79	
Average	46%	

Ms T Neave
Departmental Head

Economics

Mrs Kistiah taught all Economics learners from Grade 10 to 12.

On 5 September Grade 10 boys visited the Assagay Coffee Farm. The boys were given a tour of the farm as well as the production facilities. The boys were able to witness the coffee production process from seed to shelf.

As	2	10.5%
Bs	1	5.3%
Cs	5	26.3%
Ds	3	15.8%
Es	5	26.3%
Fs	3	15.8%
Total	19	
Average	56%	

Ms T Neave
Departmental Head

EMS

The staff continually update the learner books each year in order to keep the information as current as possible, which is so vital in this subject.

These two years in the senior phase attempt to expose the learners to Accounting, Business Studies and Economics, so that the boys can make informed subject choices at the end of their Grade 9 year.

Ms T Neave
Departmental Head

Engineering Graphics & Design

The Engineering Graphics and Design prize was awarded to Yasteer Hariram, as he achieved 88% in the Trial exam.

We had 10 boys achieve A and six achieved B symbols, with an average of 63% for their final 2018 results. This is 4% higher than 2017. The boys worked hard and they were rewarded for their efforts.

We have now progressed with X classes from Grade 10 to Grade 12. The AutoCAD course was a huge success and the boys are encouraged to attend the course in 2020. There are two courses planned for the March and July holidays. The boys receive an accredited certificate from Modena (Autodesk software and service provider) that is recognised worldwide. The CAD program gives our boys an edge over others when they leave to go and study, as most tertiary institutes are using Autodesk products.

Mr L Girodo
Subject Head: GRDS

Geography

They say the only thing constant in life is change. Well, it seems that is ever so true when it comes to the Geography department at Durban High School. In 2019 Mr Sibson, the former subject head, emigrated to New Zealand, leaving rather large shoes to

be filled. I was fortunate enough to take over the department from him after his departure.

The Geography department is growing in stature and in numbers at Durban High School - a strong department made up of enthusiastic professionals who deliver a first-class educational environment and interesting pedagogical approach to the subject matter. The department is made up of Mr Norton, Mrs Dickinson, Ms Francis and Mr Dudas, all of whom are incredibly passionate about the subject and are working tirelessly to ensure that Geography grows from strength to strength.

The 2019 National Senior Certificate results were not nearly as impressive as we would have liked them to have been. Whilst the boys achieved a 100% pass rate for Geography, we are adamant as a department that they need to improve across the board. Thirty candidates wrote the final examinations and we achieved 3 x Bs, 3 x Cs, 8 x Ds, 12 x Es and 4 x Fs. However, this has not deterred the department in the slightest and Mr Norton and I will work diligently to ensure that the matriculants of 2020 have every opportunity to perform to the best of their ability and I am certain the matrices of 2020 will display just how much effort has gone into teaching the Geography.

It is pleasing to note that the number Grade 10 Geography pupils has grown substantially as more and more boys seem interested in taking the subject to Matric.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Geography department for all their efforts this year. It has been a pleasure working with you and I look forward to another wonderful year together as a faculty in 2020.

Mr A Dudas
Subject Head: Geography



History

In 2019 the Grade 12 NSC results were, once again, very pleasing. All the candidates passed and the average was 65%. The matriculants obtained the following symbols in the final examinations of 2019:

7 x As, 17 x Bs, 22 x Cs, 13 x Ds, 5 x Es and 2 x Fs.

The year started on a positive note as far as staffing was concerned, but as the year progressed there were a number of changes which took place. Mr Dudas joined the department, which was a positive because, together with Mr Mathie, they represented a rugged, manly image for the boys. Mr Mathie left teaching to go coaching and was eventually replaced by Mr Bennett. Mrs Hodge resigned and she was replaced by Mr Botha, and Mr Dudas moved to head up the Geography department, with Mr Hulley taking on his timetable.

The department, despite the challenges, still continues to give the boys the best that we, as History educators, can offer. We strive to make the subject relevant and relate current events to past events. Bearing in mind ... there really is nothing new under the sun!

Ms J du Preez
Subject Head: History

Information Technology

If 2018 was a year of change in the Information Technology, then 2019 did not fail to disappoint. At the end of the first term Mr Liddell moved on to lecture in Higher Education, leaving the department in my hands. This was no easy task, given that the boys have now had three new teachers in the space of two years and were justifiably concerned about how this might impact their marks.

Thankfully, Mr Liddell was very thorough during the handover period and he has continued to be an excellent sounding board for me throughout the year, and I am confident that no boy's marks suffered as a result of the change in educators.

The Grade 12s had a challenge ahead of them, which most of the boys met with courage and aplomb. I look forward to seeing the results that this year's matric boys have produced. Indeed, if the trials marks were anything to go by, we should get at least five A symbols. Special mention must go to Abdul Gany Osman, who achieved a 96% aggregate for all three terms, thereby winning the ONT Downes Prize for IT for 2019. Well done Abdul!

I am often asked what the key to success in IT is. My answer, to quote Alan Turing, is that "Programming is a skill best acquired by practice and example rather than from books." This seems to be the same sentiment espoused by Confucius when he famously said: "I hear and I forget, I see and I remember, I do and I understand." So, practice, practice, practice, and when you think you have practiced enough, practice some more! It's as simple as that. To that end, I have made the IT lab available to all students on two afternoons a week so that they can get the necessary practice if they are not fortunate enough to have computers at home, or consult with me if they are struggling to understand a concept. A number of boys have availed themselves of this opportunity, and I hope to see this number grow next year.

Information Technology is unique in the time commitment, which is at least four hours a week outside of class, which it demands. It also presents an enormous challenge in the form of perseverance, and the need to embrace humility, for the learners. I would encourage any student that is considering IT for the FET phase to consider very carefully

whether he is willing to devote that much time to the subject. Realistically, this will mean time spent practicing or studying instead of indulging in leisure activities. The rewards are great but, like anything worth doing, the amount of effort is commensurate.

Mr G Surtees

Subject Head: Information Technology

Life Sciences

The 2019 academic year progressed well under the leadership of Ms Reddy as the Subject Head. An experienced educator, she ably performed her responsibility. She was strongly supported by Mrs Vermaak who has many years of experience in teaching the Grade 12s. The introduction of Academy classes facilitated the achievement of syllabus extension. The introduction of the Cambridge syllabus also enriched and significantly extended our subject offering.

The Life Science department strives to increase the knowledge of key biological concepts, processes systems and theories. Within this framework pupils develop the process of analysing, critically evaluating and applying information.

We bid farewell to Mr Dillon Robben who started with us in April 2017. A hard-working, conscientious educator, he participated in the trips to Twin Streams. We also bid farewell to Mr Jason Flanagan who joined us in December 2017. He made a valuable contribution and was popular with his pupils, with his firm but calm manner.

We welcome Mr Thrislin Moodley who joined us from Grosvenor Boys High School. He is an enthusiastic and valuable addition to the team. We are also joined by a passionate educator,



Mr Keegan Govindasamy, who has joined us from Victory Academy.

The Grade 10s undertook their field trip to Twin Streams. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all, and thank you to the facilitators as they produced wonderful results in this CASS (continuous assessment) component of the academic year.

The Grade 12 results were very pleasing. Six pupils scored As and a further 12 pupils scored Bs.

Mathematics

The 2019 academic year has enjoyed lots of success under the leadership of Ms Jamal and Mr Baijoo as the Head of Subject. As experienced and highly respected educators they ably performed and accepted the responsibilities. They were strongly supported by a stable staff complement with many years of experience in teaching Mathematics.

The Mathematics department strives to develop pupils who are willing and patient enough to attempt and solve unfamiliar mathematical problems with growing insight and knowledge. Both the seniors and the juniors were steered and pushed hard to get through and succeed in meeting the demands placed on them by the extensive and challenging curriculum. The introduction of Academy classes has facilitated the achievement of syllabus extension. The introduction of the Cambridge syllabus has also enriched and significantly extended our subject offering.

We bid farewell to Ms Sarah Jamal, in July, a stalwart in the Mathematics department who joined the school in 2007. Sarah set very high standards: she assumed the position of Head of Mathematics in 2016 and lead from

the front, taking on all challenges with incredible passion and energy.

We bid farewell to Mrs Audrey Glossop, who started in 2001, making her currently the longest serving member of staff in the Mathematics department - 18 years' service. She succeeded in motivating, encouraging and inspiring the pupils to keep working.

We also bid farewell to Mrs Jeanett Jacobs who started with us in January 2019. She is an extremely hard-working, conscientious educator. Throughout the year she gave up her time to assist and tutor her pupils after school hours to ready them for exams.

We welcome Mr Sduduzo Mncwango who joined us from Menzi High School. He is an enthusiastic and valuable addition to the team. We are also joined by Mr Lyle van Wyk, who has joined us from Pinetown Boys' High School. He is an experienced and passionate Educator.

The Grade 12 results are very pleasing indeed. Nine pupils scored As and a further 11 pupils scored Bs.

I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate Mr Baijoo on his appointment as Head of Mathematics.

Mathematical Literacy

The 2019 Academic year came with its usual challenges, and I am happy to report the staff really excelled and drove the Mathematics Literacy to new heights.

We welcomed Mr Jansen van Rensburg to the Mathematics and Mathematics Literacy department. Joining from the Northern parts of KZN, he brought with him a lot of experience.

We also welcomed back Mrs Sibisi who, after a short period helping in the History department returned to her first love, that of teaching Mathematics and Mathematics Literacy.

The Mathematics Literacy department's aim is to ensure that all learners are thoroughly prepared and guided through the sometimes challenging aspects that the Mathematics Literacy syllabus has to offer.

The following results were achieved 6 A aggregates and 13 B aggregates. The average was 63% showing a definite improvement from previous years. With a 100% pass rate, it certainly was a good year.

Thank you to Ms du Buisson for her exceptional hard work and leadership as the subject head. Continuing her teaching career in the UK, she will most definitely be a loss to the Mathematics department. We wish her all of the best in her new post.

Physical Sciences

The 2019 academic year has gone well under the leadership of Mrs Girodo, the Head of Subject. The introduction of Academy classes has facilitated the achievement of syllabus extension. The introduction of the Cambridge syllabus has also enriched and significantly extended our subject offering. The department continues to focus on the results achieved by the pupils, whilst also enhancing and supporting the learning process by continuing to focus sufficient attention on the practical work.

We welcome the arrival of Dr Stuart Clifton, who joined us at the start of the academic year. He has joined the profession as a mature graduate. Stuart has found his way back to DHS, from where he matriculated in 1996.



We welcome Dr Rosanne Salmond, who joined us on 1 October from Maritzburg College. Roseanne comes very highly praised and recommended. She is an extremely competent Physical Science and Mathematics Educator.

The Mathematics and Physical Science departments continue to enjoy the tremendous facilities in the Victor Daitz Maths and Science Centre. The classrooms and facilities are on par with the very best available in any school in South Africa. The laboratories are superb, and the lecture theatre is a welcome addition. The new chemical store rooms are now fully compliant with the most up to date layout and recommendations pertaining to responsible management of equipment and safe storage of chemicals.

The Physical Science department strives to develop in the pupils the ability to collect, analyse, organise and critically evaluate information and therefore become excited by the subject and recognise the potential and possibilities this subject offers.

The Grade 12 results are very pleasing indeed. Nine pupils scored As and a further 15 pupils scored Bs, with an overall average of 61%.

Natural Sciences

The introduction of Academy classes at the Grade 8 and Grade 9 level has facilitated an advanced and an accelerated approach to the syllabus content. The splitting up of this subject into two separately timetabled subjects, physical science and life science, taught by subject specialists, continues to yield good results and the benefit to the Grade 9 pupils particularly in choosing their Grade 10 subject package is definitely evident.

Congratulations and a big thank you must go to the entire team

in the Mathematics, and Sciences departments who worked diligently to ensure all the pupils achieved their full potential in all subjects.

Mr R Smyth
Departmental Head: Mathematics & Sciences

Learner Support

Our vision is to establish a world class Learner Support Centre that provides emotional, social, and academic support to all learners, so that they can reach their full potential.

In 2019 I believe we have made significant strides towards realising this vision. We have continued to provide individual and group counselling for all learners and staff by a registered counsellor. This is a vital function for all schools, and plays a major role in helping learners to overcome the many emotional and social challenges they face.

Durban High School is very fortunate to possess three wonderful counsellors, who are very experienced in assisting our boys with their challenges. I would like to thank Mrs Sutherland and Mr Cele for the unwavering emotional support they provide.

Ms Bischoff has continued to provide vocational guidance to the senior classes. These talks formed part of the Elective programme. Every Wednesday morning the grade 10 and 11 boys were addressed by various tertiary institutions.

The school also welcomed a number of motivational speakers to the DHS throughout the year. These speakers were incorporated into the Elective Programme, and were very well received by the boys. One in particular that stood out was Mr Charles Webster. He addressed the boys and the topic of

gender-based violence. His story had a large impact on the boys and hopefully has started the conversation on how we as a society needs to change.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Bischoff for all her efforts this year.

Mr B Adam
Head of Learner Support

Electives Programme

The Electives programme has given Durban High School learners the opportunity to develop vital skills that are not necessarily addressed in the normal school curriculum. These skills include critical thinking, problem solving, creativity and entrepreneurial thinking. It has also given boys the opportunity to spend additional time on the sports and cultural activities they want to excel in.

2019 was the second year we ran this exciting initiative. Our driving principle has always been to produce a programme that is relevant and allows most of our boys to fully engage in the process of learning. We introduced a number of new courses this year. They included Mandarin, Sound & Lighting, Coding, Yoga, DIY, and Social Cohesion.

The Electives Programme relies heavily on the input from our external partners. As a result of their commitment, we are able to offer DHS boys the exclusive opportunity to extend their learning. Our partners include: Alliance Française (French Elective), Advantage Learn (AP Maths), Confucius Institute (Mandarin), Stage Craft (Sound & Lighting), The ToolBox (Yoga), Tomorrow's Leaders Today (Leadership), Value Corp (First Aid), Zoe Life (Social Cohesion)

The Electives programme has exposed our boys to new ways of learning and



any many cases provided certification for their efforts. As a result of the Electives Programme a record number of boys completing certified courses, while other boys were exposed to completely new language courses and computer programming. TLT have also introduced a wonderful leadership and life skills course that has been offered to every grade.

The level of our sport has certainly improved over the past year, with results against our main rivals improving dramatically. This is a direct result of the academy programmes.

The Music Academy and the Performing Arts Academy have also been instrumental in the school being able to put on a school production for the first time in many years.

Our Entrepreneurial programmes have also given our boys the opportunity to develop and run their own businesses. Both the Ashoka course and the School Enterprise challenge have been hugely successful. Both groups of boys have won a number awards for their innovation and business plans. A new elective in design thinking and innovation has also been added to help boys develop their critical thinking and creativity skills.

In 2020 we will be expanding the Electives to include even more certified courses. We have also made a big effort to form partnerships with external organisations, who bring extensive knowledge and experience into the programme. These partnerships include: The Hilton Hotel Group, PKF Auditors, Focus Air Academy, Durban

Surf Lifesaving Club, NewBridge Graduate Institute, The South African College of Applied Psychology, and IIE-Vega School.

I would like to thank all our external partners who have come on board this year and provided the boys of Durban High School with the unique opportunity to extend their learning and better prepare them for an ever-changing world. This Elective programme continues to grow from strength to strength, and certainly places Durban High School at the forefront of education change in South Africa.

Mr B Adam
Head of Electives Programme



Grade 12 Finals Art Display - Pranav Harichand achieved the highest mark with 93%

Creative Writing

A Reflection of My First Term @ DHS by Grade 8R

The Grade 8R class were asked by their English teacher, Mrs Hamilton, to write an essay entitled 'A Reflection of My First Term at DHS'. Below are three of the essays.

"I am Mpo Ndlovu, I am a proud Durban High School learner, I came into this school as an individual, not knowing what the "Brotherhood" meant. "Brotherhood" striving for a better future, a better Durban High School. "Brotherhood" is not something we see; it is something we feel.

This was my first term at DHS, my first experience of "Brotherhood". As we play matches on the court, on the field, in the pool, and work in the classroom, we are united. We play and work to the best of our abilities, we don't let our

mates down. We play for our brothers, beside us, support us; and for the whole school - my family. We strive to be the best for one another. We dignify and respect one another on and off the courts and fields.

I expected my worst for the first term, but it was a bomb. Hard work in class, paying attention and doing homework paid off and my marks were great. The term was strenuous: the hard matches, heavy load and difficult work were all endured (and enjoyed) in the name of the Brotherhood, with the boys' support."

Mpo Ndlovu

"My first term was filled with ups and downs and I had to adapt to the changes between high school and primary school. The term was draining, stressful and difficult. I had to wake up and realize that this was not primary school, and I

became a more responsible and better disciplined youngster. I remembered the words "As he is, so is his school", and I learnt that wherever I was wearing the DHS uniform I was representing our School.

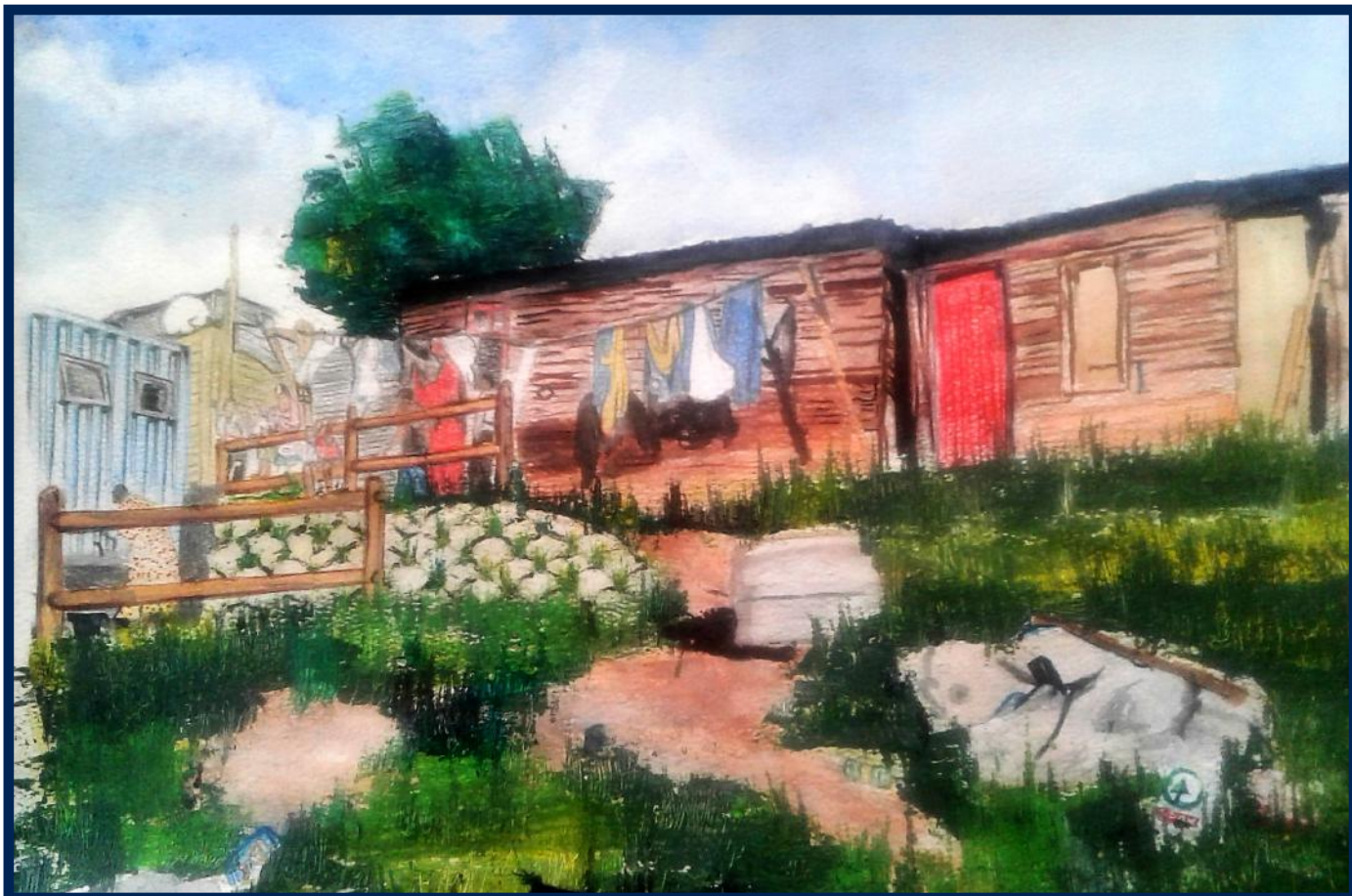
This term was exhausting. I often stayed up late completing projects and activities. I learnt to set goals and I will be more prepared for next term."

Muso Ramashamole:

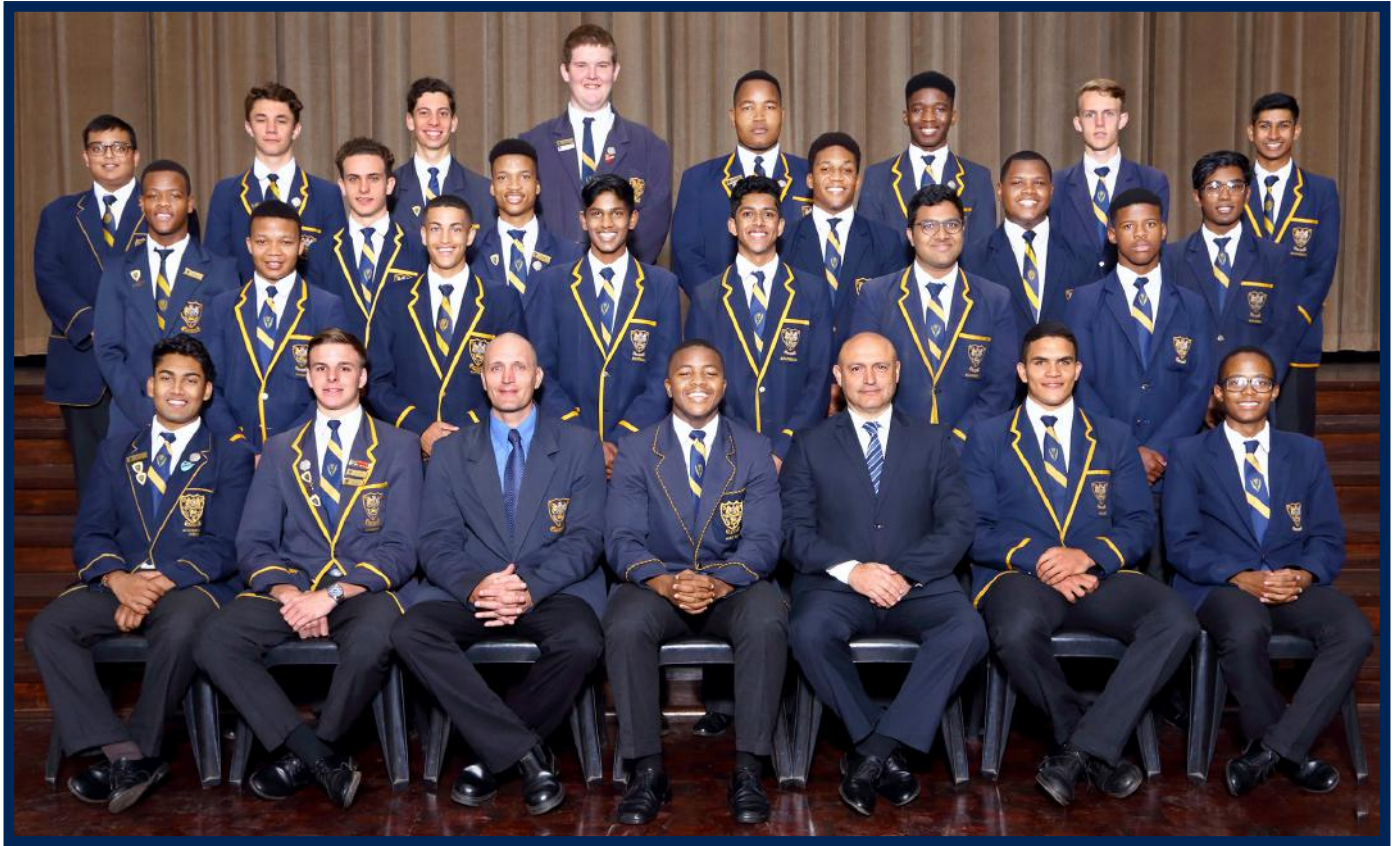
"My first term at DHS was difficult, draining and stressful; but also energizing and thrilling. One of my favourite things was War Cry. Another thing I enjoyed and looked forward to was my Electives. I did Maths, Sound and Lighting and Public Speaking.

I really love DHS, and I am proud to be a DHS boy."

Jordan Visick



Prefects



Prefects 2019

Front Row (L to R): Thirushan Pather, Connor Mack (Deputy Head Prefect), Mr A Dudas (Head of Prefects), Xhanti Njokweni (Head Prefect), Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Taariq Kruger (Deputy Head Prefect), Sibusiso Mpanz

2nd Row: Darren Booyesen, Eli Louis, Joshua Reddy, Pranav Harichand, Mohammed Shaikjee, Steven Jamarie

3rd Row: Nhlakanipho Nene, Rogan Green, Siyanda Myeni, Caillin Mathys, Jaden Robert

Back Row: Vidhan Singh, Matthew Delderfield, Taine Owen, Jonothan Shore, Seluleko Sabela, God'swill Mbonambi, Ethan Ballentine, Sanolin Pather

Head Prefect: Xhanti Njokweni
Deputy Heads: Taariq Kruger
Connor Mack

Prefects:

Ethan Ballentine	Joshua Reddy
Siyanda Myeni	Steven Jamarie
Lwando Beja	Jaden Robert
Lindumkhosi Ndlovu	Lulama Khoza
Darren Booyesen	Seluleko Sabela
Nhlakanipho Nene	Eli Louis
Matthew Delderfield	Mohammed Shaikjee
Taine Owen	Caillin Mathys
Rogan Green	Jonathan Shore
Sanolin Pather	God'swill Mbonambi
Pranav Harichand	Vidhan Singh
Thirushan Pather	Sibusiso Mpanza
Khayelihle Hlomuka	

"Before you are a leader, success is all about growing yourself. When you become a leader, success is all about growing others."

- Jack Welch

The 2019 Prefect body could easily identify with the aforementioned quote. For most of their high school careers they would have focused all their energy on developing themselves and ensuring they were as successful as possible in their chosen fields. Their appointment as prefects thus shifted their thoughts and objectives from a focus on 'me' to a service unto 'others'. The Durban High School Prefect body of 2019 realised all

too well that being a prefect is not about self-gratification but rather a being of service to their fellow 'brothers', the Durban High School pupil body.

Initially Mr T Lidell was responsible for the leadership body of the school. His departure meant that I had to take over the role of Master In charge of Prefects. Fortunately the prefects had strong leaders in the Head Boy Xhanti Njokweni and his two deputies Taariq Kruger and Connor Mack. This ensured a smooth transition as they were well versed in not only their roles and responsibilities, but were already solid role models for the school and especially the new additions to the school, namely

the youngest of the 'Brotherhood' the Grade 8 pupil body.

Being a prefect at a school like Durban High is often a thankless job. Seen as being too strict when enforcing the schools' rules and often being required to take time out from studies to perform a multitude of tasks meant that the prefects were very busy and often had to sacrifice personal or private time to ensure that the needs of the school were met. Nhlakanipho Nene was a wonderful example of this and was voted as Prefect of the Year by the 2019 Prefect body. For all their hard work and sacrifice, I thank the entire prefect body

as a whole and wish them luck in their future endeavours in 2020.

It is on that note that I challenge the leadership Group of 2020 - the Head Prefect Quincy Hitler and his two deputies, Avumile Bongco and Brian Dosemba, to aspire to even greater heights, not only as individual leaders but to ensure that the entire prefect body forge an incredibly strong alliance and group cohesion in 2020, and lead the school towards an even brighter and successful future.

A Dudas
Head of Prefects

Blackmore House Prefects



Blackmore Prefects 2019

Front Row (L to R): Nhlani Nene (Deputy Head), Mr E Govender (Senior House Master), Xhanti Njokweni (Head Prefect), Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Mr L Ardé (Superintendent), Taariq Kruger (Deputy Head)

Back Row: Darren Booyen, Lindumkhosi Ndlovu, Matthew Delderfield, Samukelo Mcunu, Steven Jamarie, Luyanda Ndlanya



Representative Council of Learners



RCL 2019

Front Row (L to R): Wamkelwe Ntuli (Treasurer), Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Taine Owen (Vice Chairman), Mohammed Fayed Shaikjee (Chairman), Ms A Sutherland (Teacher Liaison), Quincy Hitler (Secretary)

2nd Row: Bongamandla Ndaba, Luke Hubbart, Thirushan Pather, Jaden Robert, Ntokomalo Qwabe, Kian Rama

3rd Row: Eli Louis, Xhanti Njokweni, Riyan Roopnarian, Akhil Naidoo, Ziyaad Joosab, Grant Khuzwayo, Fuzail Khalil, Sinazo Zituta

Back Row: Songoba Makhanya, Amahle Shazi, Connor Mack, Haaris Rajah, Seluleko Sabela, Ethan Ballantine, Matthew Delderfield, Fawwaaz Mahomed, Pranav Harichand

Chairman: Fayed Shaikjee
 Vice Chairman: Taine Owen
 Secretary: Quincy Hitler
 Treasurer: Wamkelwe Ntuli

RCL School Representatives:

Ethan Ballantine	Leadership
Riyan Roopnarian	Cultural
Amahle Shazi	Cultural
Matthew Delderfield	Sports
Ntokomalo Qwabe	Sports
Pranav Harichand	Academics
Connor Mack	Discipline
Ziyaad Joosab	PR
Seluleko Sabela	PR
Connor Mack	Staff Liaison
Songoba Makhanya	Maintenance BE
Unathi Diko	Maintenance

RCL Grade and School Representatives:

Grade 8 Representatives - Kian Rama, Luke Hubbart

Grade 9 Representatives - Akhil Naidoo, Ntokamalo Qwabe

Grade 10 Representatives - Sinazo Zituto, Bongamandla Ndaba

Grade 11 Representatives - Fuzail Khalil, Grant Khuzwayo

Grade 12 Representatives: - Eli Louis, Thurshan Pather

Challenging. Tedious. Educational.

These are three key words that come to mind when I reflect on my tenure as RCL Chairperson for 2019. This year has not been an easy one; every level of the school faced great difficulty in adapting to the new demands and complexities that were hurled our way.

However, we managed to make it to the end of another year, a little battered and bruised undoubtedly, but definitely making it to the end nonetheless.

On behalf of the RCL, I must apologise to the learners of DHS - there was a



lot that was left unresolved under our leadership, and a lot more that we could have bettered and pushed harder for. The most challenging part of this year was understanding that no matter how hard you try to push back, some things are simply immovable.

Although it may seem like the tone of the RCL was quite a sombre one, there were aspects that we, as a leadership body, were able to extract and learn from - core skills like communication, goal setting, time management and understanding the importance of service-leadership.

I recall jotting down my goals for the RCL at the back of my blue book and it reads as follows:

- 1) Empower the RCL
- 2) Create a Grade 8 and 9 body that is not afraid to question and be critical of the system they are subject to.

Sadly, I do not feel I successfully achieved my goals for the leadership body of 2019 - my voice was clearly not strong enough.

In closing, I hope that my mistakes and failures against a system which upset the learners is not just disregarded by the RCL of 2020, but rather used as the first draft for how they plan to succeed in their future endeavours of being a better source of change and representation for the learners.

To the RCL of 2020 I implore you - know your power, understand the systems you work in and do not be afraid to challenge people. YOU hold so much more power than what has been perpetuated. I wish you nothing but the best and will always remain a proud supporter of the boys who are unafraid to question what lies before them.

"Daring leaders who live into their values are never silent about hard things."

- Brené Brown

Fayed Shaikjee
RCL Chairman



*Head Prefects of School 2019
Taariq Kruger (Deputy Head Prefect),
Xhanti Njokweni (Head Prefect) and
Connor Mack (Deputy Head Prefect)*

*Head Prefects of Blackmore House 2019
Taariq Kruger (Deputy Head Prefect),
Xhanti Njokweni (Head Prefect) and
Nhlanipho Nene (Deputy Head Prefect)*



Mentorship



Mentors 2019

Front Row (L to R): Ayanda Yengwa, Ntando Mpuqa, Swelihle May, Akhim Naidoo, Muhammed Moosa, Sandise Cezula
2nd Row: Londa Zungu, Liam Gordon, Sinakhokonke Dhlomo, Mu'aaz Bassa, Luyanda Koboka, Awande Ndlovu, Riyan Roopnarian, Fuzail Khalil
3rd Row: Sohan Seorattan, Grant Khuzwayo, Sayfullah Jamoorty, Pranay Mehta, Sonqoba Makhanya, Kwanele Manukuza, Pavan Mehta
Back Row: Sinqobile Simamane, Luvo Magula, Avumile Bongco, Quincy Hitler, Sidharth Singh, Hlumelo Noncembu, Nkosinathi Gwamanda, Sihle Dladla
Absent Mu'aaz Bassa, Sinakhokonke Dhlomo, Sayfullah Jumoorty, Fuzail Khalil, Kheto Mlambo, Ahkim Naidoo,

My fellow mentors of 2019 did not drop the ball. They were on par with their predecessors in moulding future gentlemen of character.

A select few, trusted Grade 11 individuals had the opportunity to form a bond with the protégé of the school in a specific time slot of the week which both of us (mentors and mentees) couldn't wait for. We, as the Grade 11s, were to encourage an environment that is open to vulnerability, open to

honesty and constructive criticism without judgment. We provide a sense of understanding in what the Grade 8 boys go through in all spheres, to offer a much clearer path that the boys would have to walk on. There is a non-linear progression in the time we spend with the boys but through our thought provoking conversations about finding themselves and the world outside their bubble, we ignite their flame of inner growth within ourselves. Our strengthened bond with the boys was the result of the knowledge we

shared about ourselves along with us, the Grade 11s, offering psychosocial support, which feels like having a second home.

A special thanks goes to the mentors of 2019 who showed their urge to act as a moral compass for the Grade 8s of 2019 which never be replaced.

Ntando Mpuqa
Mentor of 2019, Prefect of 2020

Toastmasters Communication and Youth Leadership



Toastmasters 2019

Front Row (L to R): Sisanda Sithole, Junaid Lyons, Ogiyonke Ntlangula, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Ntando Mpuqa, Mr S Cele (M-i-C: Toastmasters), Sandise Cezula, Kavish Singh and Snethemba Myayi

2nd Row: Buntu Mvelase, Liam Gordon, Fuzail Khalil, Bonganjalo Ngwenya, Sbusiso Mthuli, Lifah Mhlongo, Iphilekonke Sithole and Ahkim Naidoo

Back Row: Mu'aaz Bassa, Olwethu Manqeke, Nelisa Sabela, Daniel Rohan, Mangaliso Bungane, Sipho Zondi, Luvo Magula, Bakithi Msomi, Bahlebonke Made and Sphelele Mthembu

This course is part of the Electives Programme and has gained popularity in the last couple of years. More students are realising the importance of public speaking, planning and chairing of meetings as essential tools for a successful future.

This year they learnt to prepare speeches, to speak on their feet, and to give constructive criticism which is necessary in day-to-day interaction with others in a world where diversity - different cultures,

faiths, and backgrounds - intersects and intermingles.

Three of our students progressed to competing at the regional level in prepared speaking, impromptu speaking and evaluation categories, and did fairly well in the competition.

Mu'aaz Bassa, Bakithi Msomi and Fuzail Khalil participated at the Toastmasters final regional competition on 23 November. This competition was held at Ridge Park College and was

closely contested. Reaching this level means that the participants have put in their full potential in public speaking, communication and leadership ability. We are proud of their achievement.

S Cele
M-i-C: Toastmasters



Grade 10 Leadership Excursion to Khotso Horse Trails



On Sunday morning, 28 July, 110 Grade 10 learners gathered in the main parking for what, in most cases, would be their first experience of camping in the Southern Berg. The logistics of an event like this are huge and I was thankful that most of the boys arrived on time. Then began the process of registering them and allocating them to specific buses as part of our overall transport safety plan.

As in previous years our destination was Khotso Horse Trails, situated 12 km outside Underberg. This 1300 hectare working horse and sheep farm is nestled at the foot of the majestic Drakensberg Mountain range and is only minutes away from the famous Sani Pass. Khotso is home to Steve Black, his wife Lulu and

their stable of horses. For more than 18 years Khotso has been the base for hikers and adventure seekers when visiting the 'Berg, and is a regular stop over for the World Challenge group. One of their featured activities is a 3 or 7 day horse trail into the heart of Lesotho - an adventure that everyone who has a love of the outdoors should add to their bucket list.

The boys exhibited a range of emotions as they said their goodbyes to their parents. I was pleasantly surprised that most parents left immediately, confident that their boys were in safe hands. The major question of the morning was how long the non-stop bus trip was to be. After a thorough check of kit, the boys boarded their buses.

A very excited group of boys disembarked at the Drak Gardens Road, but they were unaware that they had a 7km hike along the very picturesque Mzimkhulu River. Unlike previous years the boys had planned their kit to the tee and most groups managed the hike in under two hours.

On arrival at Khotso the boys were introduced to Steve Black, who would facilitate the hike challenge aspect of the excursion. After further briefing and camp rules the boys set up their tents and prepared meals. The planning phase really paid off and our staff weren't flooded with a barrage of kit problems as has been the case in previous years. Fortunately, the late afternoon exhibited very mild weather



and very soon many of the boys were exploring the stream and swimming in the dam.

In the evening we set up for our traditional first night braai and the boys really did themselves proud with the wide variety (and huge quantity) of meat that was prepared. As I knew the night was going to get much colder, the boys were dispatched to collect a small mountain of firewood from the nearby blue gum forest. The newly created fire pit was soon the hub of all evening activities and, as always, the boys kept the staff very entertained with their stories and songs.

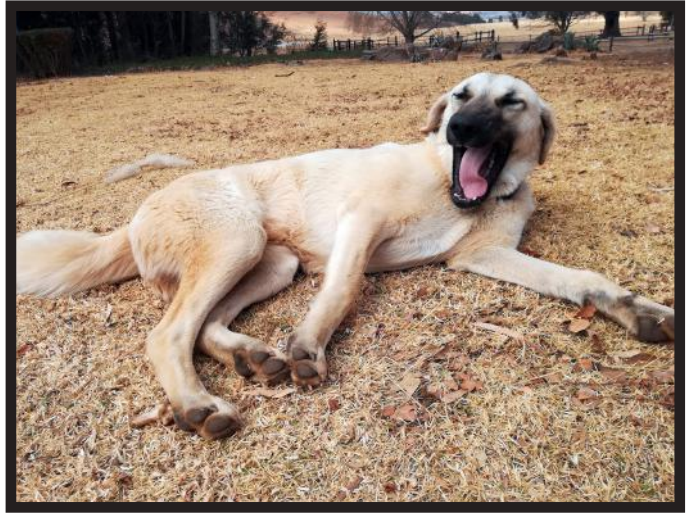
On the first night the temperature dropped to below zero, so most of the group went to bed really early. Fortunately, the morning temperature was milder and this, plus another big fire, definitely warmed their spirits. After a hearty breakfast of braai leftovers and other hiking foods, they were divided into groups to begin the rotation through the various activities which were:

- Leadership Challenges (4 way tug of war / Helium Stick, to name two)
- preparation for an outhike/camp
- aspects of farm work
- horse riding
- the waterfall hike
- an over-night experience in the foothills
- air rifle shooting

Many of the boys had never experienced farm life and were rapidly immersed in the daily activities that are necessary to make the farm a success. From mixing feed to clearing areas, they soon realised that this was not for sissies at all. It was great to see how the boys interacted with the farm staff and the working animals on the farm. Smegal, the Anatolian shepherd dog who was responsible for protecting the sheep from the jackals, had unfortunately died earlier in the year. As this is a working farm Smegal needed to be replaced and the boys got to meet Ana (also an Anatolian shepherd dog), who many didn't believe was still a puppy. Vera and Karoo (the two regular sheep dogs) were also frequent visitors to the camp site and accompanied the boys on their many walks.

The two-hour horse ride was a firm favourite with the boys and staff and on two occasions large herds of eland were spotted. Seeing these mystical creatures, so revered by the San, up close and on horseback, was definitely a privilege for all. Ms Ngobese must be commended for retaining her dignity and nerve by getting back on her horse after experiencing a minor spill. Situations like these really show the boys their educators in a massively different light.

The waterfall hike was made a lot more challenging this year, mainly because of



the higher fitness levels of the boys. On this hike the Khotso team highlighted various environmental aspects around the farm, as well as showing the boys the impact of soil erosion in the area. The highlight of this was the Polar Bear Challenge - a six metre jump into an icy plunge pool just below the 'haunted' cottage. Again, fears were overcome and a strong team spirit that was growing in the groups was very evident.

Air rifle shooting, under the watchful of Mrs Nagiah and Mr Botha, was an activity that took place towards the end of each day and the boys proved to be highly competitive. Over 20 pellets were used during the activity.

I would like to thank all the parents, boys and staff who supported this initiative and ensured its huge success. Messrs Botha and Pina, Mrs Nagiah, and Ms Ngobese were really a most competent and helpful team and their interactions with the boys were of the highest level. Roselux Coaches were again our transport provider and their service was impeccable. Our heartfelt thanks also go to Steve and Lulu of Khotso, and their support staff who made sure that this was an affordable, safe and enjoyable experience for our boys.

Khotso means PEACE.

I Lewis
Head of Outdoor Leadership Activities

Grade 9 Leadership Excursion



This was the first time in a long while that the boys have completed this leadership activity in the first term. Fortunately, the weather played ball and we did not experience the extremely high temperatures that we did a number of years ago which necessitated a revisit to the course content and timing.

On Monday 20 February group one (9, A, N, U, X) assembled on top field for the pre-trip briefing. I am glad to report that the whole process of getting the boys on the buses went very smoothly and reflected their commitment to the smooth running of this exercise.

After a short bus ride, a very excited group of Grade 9s arrived at Spirit

of Adventure. After a short briefing they were divided into teams and two separate camps. As with all boys, the mention of lunch was met with great enthusiasm. Following a healthy and nutritious lunch they were sent on their first task - orienteering to collect team points. Once this process was complete the two camps set about the late afternoon activities - leadership tasks and night bivvy. The night bivvy group had to pack up and hike down to the dam. Once there, they built rafts and took themselves and all their belongings across the dam to the camp site. Here, braai fires welcomed them. Group two were briefed on their potjie cooking and set about this task with varying degrees of success, and in reflection, the boys realised that communication was key in

this task. After dinner the boys took part in the night mission, which included rafting from the canoe club to the dam wall and night abseiling. Night abseiling is probably one of the most extreme activities in which our boys take part and most conquered their fears of heights (and the dark). Meanwhile, down at the dam the boys played various games and braaied - definitely one of their favourite activities.

Other activities included rope work on the cliffs above the dam and the very popular Water World Challenge.

After a great night mission Group 2 woke to a good breakfast in camp. After briefing they embarked on the morning's activities: the obstacle course,



the snake pit, and the very intimidating aerial activity Oliver's Travels. All the groups set good times on the obstacle course and all of the boys conquered their fear of heights on Oliver's Travels. This activity combines team work and trust to complete the mission.

As with all great experiences with our boys I was very impressed with their leadership skills when dealing with a variety of tasks. As the groups were completely random, boys were forced to work with people who were not their friends and many fostered new friendships, both within their classes and the group as a whole.

Here are a few reflections by the boys on their adventure:

"On Monday 20 February the Grade 9s attended Spirit of Adventure at Shongweni. It was a good time for us as it was a way for us to show our leadership qualities. During the three days we were there we took part in extremely fun activities which taught us to work together as a team and help each other if we were scared of an activity. For all of us it was a good experience, especially when we had to conquer our fears, which was awesome. I am very thankful to Mr Lewis for

putting in all the hard work organizing the camp for us."

"Spirit of Adventure was a great camp which gave me and the other boys a fantastic experience. During the time at SOA I got closer to other boys who I didn't know at all. This bonding experience meant that I felt comfortable working with people who were not my friends."

"In the process of the activities I did many things that I didn't see myself doing. I conquered my fear of heights when we had to walk across a log structure high in the air. This taught me to trust others as well."

"The food was fantastic and tasted great - this was up until the point where we had to make our own potjie. My group didn't know what to do and was in danger of spoiling our food, until we got help from Mr Lewis. This saved our potjie and meant that even the instructors wanted to taste our great food."

"I was very fortunate to attend the camp and have fun with boys from different backgrounds. We were all thankful to our teachers who helped put it all together."

On Wednesday the groups swapped over and 9 D, B, and R attended for the remainder of the week. A slightly smaller group meant that the boys really had to work harder, especially in the more physical activities, and the staff present reported that the boys had a really great time and embraced all the activities with enthusiasm.

I am glad to report that we had a 92% attendance rate at the camp and thank the parents for their support of this leadership initiative that sets DHS apart from many other schools in our province.

I would also like to thank Mrs Joshua, Mrs Hodge, Mrs Hamilton, and Messrs Flanagan and Govender for their attendance at the camp and their support of this initiative.

I Lewis
Head of Outdoor Leadership Activities



Grade 8 Leadership & Orientation Camp



After a number of briefings earlier in the week, a very excited group of Grade 8s converged on Top Field at the end of school on Friday. In their briefings the goals and aims of the camp were explained and I am glad to report that our new crop of Grade 8s took their planning stage to the next level.

After the initial briefing, the important skills of team work and communication were tested when the boys erected their tents. For some this was the first time doing this and it was rewarding to see the boys helping each other. In addition to the Prefects, Mentors and RCL members, a number of matrics also came to assist.

After this the mentors were given the opportunity to do icebreakers to make the boys feel at home. Once the icebreakers were completed the boys were given the opportunity to create teams and play touch, football and cricket. Their enthusiasm for the games was extremely high, until they saw the smoke from the braai stands. In true DHS form the boys cooked up a storm and it was again encouraging to see boys taking the lead and working

together to make sure everyone's meat was braaied to perfection. The process of braaing and eating was interspersed with more games.

At about 8pm the braaing finally finished and the boys were taken to the main field stands for War Cry. Ably lead by the War Cry Leaders, the Grade 8s once again showed their excitement and enthusiasm for their new school, and quickly learned the words that will resound throughout the school for the next five years. By the end of the session there were more than one or two boys with hoarse voices. Then it was lights out in preparation for a busy day ahead.

At 6am the boys were woken and had a team build on the field. This was followed by a tasty breakfast prepared by Peppers & Pans - I was amazed that we managed to feed over 200 boys in the space of thirty minutes. Meanwhile the extremely strong wind had played havoc with a number of the tents and repairs and rebuilds were the order of the morning. At 8.30 the staff from Spirit of Adventure arrived and briefed the boys on the programme for the day. The group was divided into teams and they rotated through the following activities:

mind muncher, various leadership exercises, pool Olympics, and time trials and tug-o-war championships. All activities were specifically designed to enhance group dynamics and team work.

Lunch time was a much needed break in the busy Spirit of Adventure programme and Peppers & Pans came through with a super tasty chicken burger and chips. After lunch the boys continued with the rotation and finally wrapped up with a feedback session.

The afternoon was then dedicated to a tour of the school and some sorely needed downtime; but our enthusiastic Grade 8s soon split into two distinct groups - the swimmers and the football players. After another tasty dinner was provided, the boys were allowed time to reflect on the day's activities and provide feedback to the prefects and mentors.

Soon enough Sunday morning came and with it the task of packing up the camp. As is the DHS tradition now, the boys moved off to rehearse their bell ringing ceremony under the watchful gaze of Mr Cele.



Here are a few of the boys' reflections on the camp:

"I enjoyed the camp very much - it was such a bonding experience for us. My favourite part was when we did swimming and the other water activities. I like how we were taught to work together as a team and how to work on our leadership skills. The food was amazing and I really enjoyed the burger and chips."

"The Grade 8 camp was a lot of fun. The highlights for me were the Spirit of Adventure activities and swimming. The

food was delicious but I really enjoyed Saturday's dessert. My highlight was war cry. I lost my voice proudly showcasing DHS's reputation of being the loudest and proudest School in Durban."

"The camp was amazing. On the first day we met with the mentors and I made new friends while talking in our groups. The things I liked about the camp was how I made friends, learned about helping other people, the activities and, especially, swimming."

"Where to start? Camp was awesome and I would like to thank Mr Lewis and

the other staff for the planning that went into it. My favourite part was setting up the tent as this brought us together as a group. Having Spirit of Adventure visit us was a blast. We really had a great weekend of fun activities and delicious food."

"The camp out was an excellent idea for the Grade 8s to get to know one another. We got to eat and sleep together and got to interact on another level. It was very hot and everyone enjoyed the swimming. I also enjoyed it when we were allowed to play late night sports of our choice. Everyone was very excited for the braai on Friday night. We got to wake up very early and go to sleep late."

I would like to thank the Prefects, Mentors and RCL members for their input into a successful 2019 camp, as well as Messrs Cele, Nkosi, Liddell and Surtees for their assistance with and interest in the camp.

I Lewis

Head of Outdoor Leadership Activities

Community Service



Eco Brick Project Collection

Durban High School has been involved in many Community Service projects this year and we have continued to instil a sense of social responsibility in our boys. However, I have noticed a decrease in the participation of boys especially our senior boys. I hope that next year proves to be a more fruitful year. We have continued to maintain our relationships with various organisations/schools which I am so proud of and I know we have put a lot of good out there as well as the benefit it has brought to our boys and school.

Projects Completed in 2019

Easter Hamper Drive

As part of a Grade 8 initiative, project

learners were encouraged to take part in an Easter Project. The project ran from February to April. The learners were asked to bring an item of clothing (shirts, beanies, socks, scarves etc.) and an Easter egg. The response was fantastic and the collected items were donated to Durban Youth Centre in Glenwood.

Eco Brick Project

The Grade 8 EMS Eco Brick Project was finalised in May when the bricks were delivered to the SPCA in Amanzimtoti, who will use them to build an education centre. Boys make eco bricks by filling two litre plastic bottles with plastic, cellophane or other non- biodegradable items (not paper) to a point where the bottle can be stood on without denting.

Domino Foundation Feeding Scheme Pilot Project

On 2 September some of our Grade 8 and 9 boys, as part of their Life Orientation lesson, participated in a pilot project to make sandwiches for the Domino Foundation. This organisation is a registered NPO and PBO with a desire to see individuals and communities within South Africa living in dignity, justice, hope and purpose. Domino Foundation call on various schools like DHS to make sandwiches for needy children. They in turn distribute these sandwiches to schools in KwaZulu-Natal. We hope to become fully involved in this effort next year and make it an ongoing community service project that is done once a term in Grade 8 and 9 during LO lessons.



Easter Hamper Drive (left) and Rainbow Drive (right) and having a bit fun while donating blood (below)

Rainbow Drive to aid the Flood Victims, May 2019

Due to the floods in April/May many people's lives were affected, leaving them in desperate need of a variety of items as they tried to piece their lives back together. Our school's Durban Youth Council (DYC) and Representatives Council of Learners (RCL) were moved to initiate the Rainbow Project and managed to encourage the school in donating canned food, clothes, blankets and toiletry items. Two of our boys (Adam Mohamed, DYC, and Karan Moodley) happily dropped off some of these donations at Gift of the Givers, Overport. All the other items were donated to The President's Award NPO.

Electives Programme: Community Engagement

Open Air School and Bright Eyes Centre for the Visually Impaired are two schools which cater to the needs of differently abled children. Our Community Engagement boys spend every Tuesday/Wednesday morning during the Elective time with these precious children. Our boys who have mentored, nurtured and befriended the kids in their very special and unique learning environment have become so attached to the kids. The work, love and endless time and patience given to



these differently abled kids truly takes a special group of staff whom we are so happy to serve. Our boy's help with making lesson resources, maintenance of premises e.g. painting, sweeping etc., assist teachers in the lesson with activities e.g. reading, math, physical development activities etc. and enjoy playtime with kids.

We are so proud of our continued relationship with these two schools and they pass on their appreciation for the help and support of Durban High School. There has been nothing better than to see our boys gain so much from the interaction that has brought out the ability to nurture, developed leadership skills and the humanity in them. I have witnessed our boys mature and gain

a new found appreciation for life and learning through understanding and accepting these kids who are different in some ways but who all have the same love for life and learning as our boys do. To see the children's eyes light up and have huge smiles on their faces when they see and interact with our boys as well as the staff who are so appreciative of the extra help and support.

The kids of Open Air School and Bright Eyes are heroes every day for facing the challenges they do with so much courage and we are so grateful for all they have taught us.

G Joshua

M-i-C: Community Service



Grade 11 Work Experience

"I've missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I've lost more than 300 games. 26 times I have been trusted to take the game winning shots and missed. I've failed over and over again in my life. AND THAT IS WHY I SUCCEED"

- Michael Jordan

The uncertainty of which career path to follow is both challenging and common, specifically in this era with high unemployment rates. In the light of this, DHS grants the Grade 11s a week to explore which career path to follow through the work experience programme.

The 2019 group of Grade 11s responded positively to the programme and executed their tasks responsibly.

Working at Sharks is always a highlight for our DHS learners and some took full advantage of that opportunity again this year.

It is evident from the reports that pursuing careers in law is a popular choice.

Siphepho Magwaza was one of our learners who worked at a law firm in Durban. Law firms seize the opportunity to get their filing up to date when our DHS learners work there. Presenting files for cases is a very important task which takes up a lot of time and can lead to either success or failure of judgement. One of the challenges witnessed is clients with a language barrier, which makes communication a problem if there is no translator.

Sandise Cezula did his work experience at a law firm in East London. The magistrate shared his experiences with Sandise as to how stressful the job is, as well as how dangerous the high-profile cases are to resolve, with him

being subjected to death threats. He also worked at Drake, Flemmer and Orsmond, which is the oldest law firm in East London, established in 1888, where he gained a wealth of knowledge.

Ntsikelelo Ngwane worked for FGG Architects and Interior design. Their jobs involve redesigning shopping centres and shops, expanding garages, etc. This company has been involved in various big projects, including upgrading DHS Science Block, Seabrooke Theatre and the Chris Seabrooke Music Centre.

Lifa Mhlongo worked for a Civil Engineer and town planner where he did a lot of travelling, thus discovering places he had not see before, eg, Richards Bay, Mtubatuba and Eshowe.

Those learners involved in the medical field realised how exhausting and demanding the work is, specifically in nursing. They were on their feet the whole day with a short lunch break. Witnessing surgery over the years has always been interesting and 2019 was no different. One of our learners witnessed a bone marrow biopsy and an optometrist performing eye surgery. Lwazi Zuma worked at KwaMashu Poly Clinic and was very useful in being a translator for a Nigerian doctor.

Bonga Ngwenya worked for a plumbing and construction firm in Pinetown. He had a hilarious experience when one of the plumbers burst a sewage pipe in Westville and tried to run away from his responsibility.

Siphelele Mthembu, as the youngest person in the company, felt the pressure, intimidation and over protection by his mentors. Some of the learners in retail commented on how impatient and disrespectful clients are in retail.

Phakamisa Sithole now understands and appreciates how difficult the workplace is for his parents - waking up early, arriving home late and being confined to the office.

There were also mixed emotions on the week experience, where some will never consider the work they did as a career option.

Hence Alvin Damtew's comment: "I have come to realise that the real world of work is approaching and coping with all the stress and responsibilities is difficult."

All the best to the Class of 2019 in choosing their career paths.

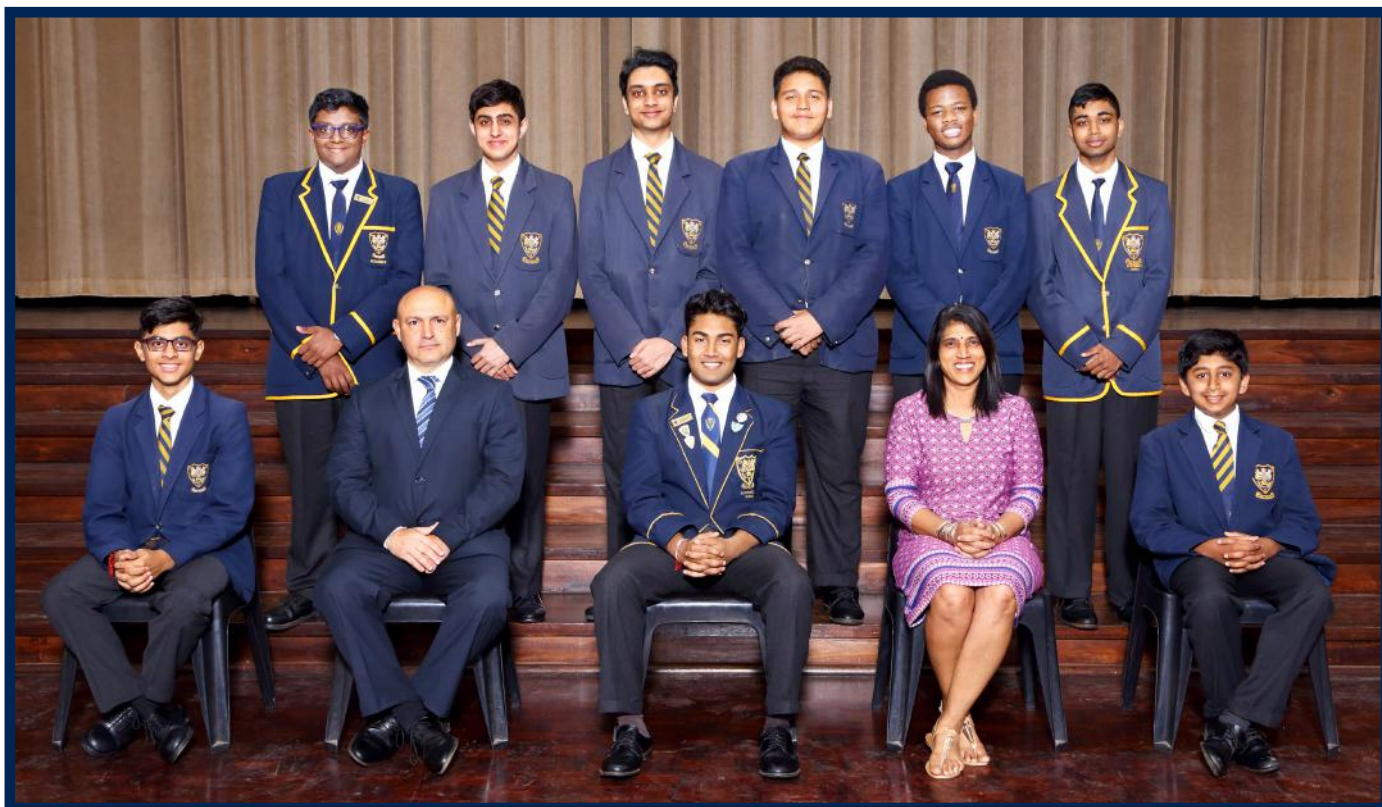
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Work Experience Co-Ordinator



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Chess



Chess Team 2019

Front Row (L to R): Sharik Ramjee, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Thirushan Pather (Captain), Mrs S Nagiah (M-i-C : Chess & Head of Cultural Activities), Rehan Joseph

Back Row: Thiyashan Pillay, Naseem Essa, Milind Bandulal, Jonathan Slomczynski, Njabulo Liseko, Sachin Pather

"The beauty of chess is it can be whatever you want it to be. It transcends language, age, race, religion, politics, gender, and socioeconomic background. Whatever your circumstances, anyone can enjoy a good fight to the death over the chess board."

- Simon Williams

The year started as usual with the annual tournament in Bloemfontein.

Chess Tour to Bloem (21 - 24 February)

The Grey College Invitation Chess Tournament is a rated Swiss team tournament of five rounds held in two sections. Each round is two hours in duration - each player gets one hour to conquer his opponent's king.

The following 16 learners participated in the Grey College Invitational Chess tournament:

Team A -Naseem Essa, Sachin Pather, Thirushan Pather, Viseshan Govender
Team B - Siyanda Myeni, Shriyan Bodasing, Kaylan Naicker, Mahomed Essop

Team C - Bongamandla Ndaba, Joshua McClure, Pershanthan Govender, Karan Moodley

Team D - Sharik Ramjee, Milind Bandulal, Jonathan Slomczynski, Shail Mungal

Thursday 21 February:

At 08h00 16 boys left for Bloemfontein amidst much banter and excitement as we were going to compete against

22 other schools from the various provinces.

Mr Cele thankfully broke the 10-hour journey with a welcome stop at Montrose to fill the tummies and stock up on liquids. It was becoming increasingly unbearably hot and dry. The fluctuating AC aboard the Sprinter did not help improve things at all. As per tradition, a quick stopover at the World's Smallest Church at Van Reenen's allowed us to stretch our legs, visit the landmark site and take a few photos.

At last, we reached our B&B, "Rusplek". After checking in and a quick shower and change (for most of us at least), we went in search of some food. McDonalds, KFC





*The A Team - Winners of the Grey College Invitation Tournament
Sachen Pather, Thirushan Pather, Naseem Essa and Viseshan Govender*

and Nandos were going to see a lot of us over the next few days.

Friday 22 February:

After a scrumptious full English breakfast served by the most pleasant ladies ever, the boys adjourned to the conference room to write their standardised tests.

Day 1 of the tournament - three teams played in the B division and one in the A division. Sixty-four of the 100s of Chess players in the tournament had been ranked and we were delighted that four of them were our boys:

Naseem Essa was ranked 2nd!
Sachen Pather was ranked 5th
Thirushan Pather was ranked 30th and
Viseshan Govender was ranked 42nd

Armed with their pencils, notation books and clocks the battle began. Round 1 of the Grey College Invitational

Team Chess Tournament commenced at 3pm under sweltering conditions. Each team consisted of 4 players. A total of 264 learners from around the country participated in this 60/60 Round Robin challenge.

At the end of round 2 (20h30) our team scores were:

A team	6.5
B team	7
C team	5.5
D team	5

By 10pm the tired souls were all sent to bed.

Saturday 23 February:

Day 2 of the competition started at 8.30am with round 3. It was a stressful day as we knew that whatever happened after each round would determine the winners or the losers. We were so hungry for the win. We decided that:

“We will win with grace and if we lose we will lose with even greater grace.” This became our motto for the day.

Team A's game was live-streamed by Grey TV. The boys put on a good show by winning this round. Unfortunately, Team B was the only team who lost this round. The competition became much more intense from here on. Round 4 was a much better round, with all teams winning their games. The deciding factor was after lunch, so a great deal of pressure was put on our boys.

With much nervousness, and loads of encouragement, the boys faced their last opponents. Team A's nemesis, Waterkloof Hoer Skool, was all set to beat us ... tension ran high ... and Team A drew.

The only team that lost this round was Team B. Team D won all their games.

The end of Day 2, the end of the Tournament, saw Naseem Essa win the Board 1 prize for winning all his games, and Jonathan Slomczynski winning the Board 3 prize for winning all his games.

And now for the big one ... WE WON THE TOURNAMENT.... The A TEAM placed first!

Official Results:

1st	DHS
2nd	Welkom High School
3rd	Prestige College
4th	Grey College

In the B division there were 31 teams and our D team was placed 6th, the B Team 11th and the C team 17th. All the boys received certificates and the winners received gold medals and prize money of R2200 for school Chess.

The Inter-House Tournament

The inter-house chess tournament was held on 31 May 2018. This Round Robin competition comprised five rounds and Payn, Swales, Grice, Blackmore and Langley Houses participated. Disappointingly absent was any player from Campbell House.

The final results:

1st	Langley
2nd	Swales
3rd	Grice
4th	Payn
5th	Blackmore

The Chess D&D Final

Well done to the Chess team who placed 2nd in the Chess Durban & Districts Final. Along the way they beat Kingsway and Port Shepstone 9-1, drew 5-5 with Glenwood and lost to Northwood 7-3.

Final Results:

1st	Northwood	35.5
2nd	DHS	26

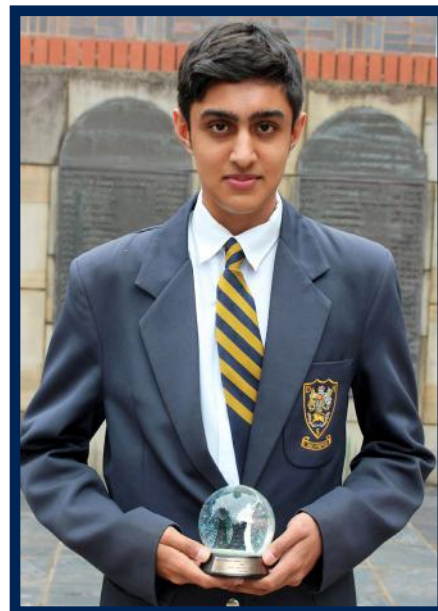
3rd	Glenwood	20.5
4th	Kingsway	13
5th	Port Shepstone	5

Naseem Achieves in Chess Again!

Naseem Essa participated in the 2019 South African Junior Closed Chess Championships, South Africa's most prestigious individual competition. The event was held in Benoni at the end of March. Naseem participated in the U16 category and, after 9 rounds, came second in his section - missing first place by just half a point. Naseem now qualifies to represent South Africa in the U16 Olympiad in Turkey, the Commonwealth Games in India, the African Youth in Namibia and the World Youth Chess Championship in Mumbai.

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Chess Achiever - Naseem Essa

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Awards

The following boys received award for their achievements in Chess:

Half Colours - Njabulo Liseko, Siyanda Myeni

Colours - Naseem Essa, Viseshan Govender

Congratulations to all these boys.

S Nagiah
M-i-C: Chess



Music



Music Boys of 2019

A number of music events were held during the course of 2019, a few of which are detailed below.

Shine 2

Shine 2, a musical extravaganza introduced to Durban High School last year by Ms Natalie Rungan, Head of Music and Director of the Chris Seabrooke Music Centre, was held on Wednesday 24 April in the school hall.

The concert creates a platform for boys and girls who are gifted in music to perform and play their instruments in front of an audience to assist them to develop, grown and Shine as musicians. Budding musicians from DHS, Durban Girls' High and Northlands Girls' High showcased their talents on the evening. Included in the line-up was a DHS Band of Year competition. Four bands competed: Grade 9, Grade 10, Grade 10X and Grade 12. All bands performed superbly. However, it was the Grade 9 band which took the prize. Thank you to Ms Julie Gappoo from Marshall

Music who very kindly judged the competition.

As a finale, the theme song for the show, "Shine", written by Ms Rungan, was performed by the entire cast - a delightful end to a fabulous evening of music and talent. Thank you to Ms Rungan and the performers.

Music Boys Attend Jazz Festival:

During the holidays eight DHS Music boys travelled to Makhanda (formerly Grahamstown) with Ms Rungan, Head of Music, to participate in the Standard Bank Jazz Festival. The boys are the strongest of our music students who play jazz style music.

At the festival they were put into mixed ability bands, which included university and high school students, each of the various bands with different conductors. The boys attended workshops every day and performed with local and international jazz musicians, playing their instruments and singing.

The boys who attended were: Yaron Smith, Shaphan Govender, Ezra Munien, Sisho Msweli, Quincy Hitler, Evanildo Rodrigues, Mahlatse Masenya, Obake Delubom

KZN Schools' Drumline Competition:

Durban High School hosted the KZN Schools Drumline Competition for the third time since its inception in 2017, on Wednesday 14 August.

High Schools from around KwaZulu-Natal were invited to participate in this exhilarating, fast paced event which was initiated by the Head of Music at DHS, Natalie Rungan. According to Miss Rungan, the inter-school event was designed to open up new avenues of participation in schools' Drumline activities, providing learners with an opportunity to compete on a provincial level. The battle units consisted of five or more members who prepared three 1:30 - 2:00 minute performance routines.

The level of competition was extremely high this year, which made it particularly difficult for judges to decide on the overall winner. However, Durban High School's Drumline came out on top as the 2019 winner.

Many agreed that their 'swagger' and exceptional co-ordination between skill

and movement is what set them apart from the others. Their coach, Bruce Baker, one of the most accomplished professional drummers in South Africa, has worked rigorously with the team to ensure that they were sufficiently prepared.

This annual event, which is free and open to the public, continues to grow each year.

N Rungan
Head of Music



Drumline 2019



Brass Band 2019



Jazz Band 2019

Front Row (L to R): Koti Mafoko, Kiralin Moodley, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Evanildo Rodriguez, Ms N Rungan (Director of Music), Mikaeel van de Watt, Ntokozo Nsibande

2nd Row: Sisho Msweli, Rivaldo Soni, Daniel Kreuzer, Caleb Maddocks, Yaron Smith, Litha Mpondo

Back Row: Aphiwe Mseleku, Ezra Munien, Nathan Harvey, Barnabe Kapena, Mahlatse Masenya, Monasse Ntwala



DHS Choir 2019

Front Row (L to R): Sithembiso Kubheka, Obakhe Delubom, Sandise Cezula, Jude Miller, Khanyani Khanyile, Christian Linderboom, Lethu Zulu

2nd Row: Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Mikaeel van de Wath, Aphiwe Mseleku, Amahle Shazi, Yaron Smith, Evanildo Rodriguez, Onamandla Qhwaya, Ms N Rungan (Director of Music)

Back Row: Siyathemba Ngcobo, Nqobile Phiri, Quincy Hitler, Seluleko Sabela, Sbhongumusa Mkhize

Performing Arts Competition



Performing Arts Competition Winners 2019

Our annual Performing Arts Competition was held at the end of Term 1 on Thursday 14 March in the DC Thompson Hall.

The competition was hosted by three of our talented Grade 12 Drama boys: Steven Jamarie, Xhanti Njokweni and Lindumkhosi Ndlovu. The audience was entertained by an array of performances in the categories of music, dance and drama.

A new category of the competition incorporated a Visual Arts Competition and the outstanding artwork created by our boys using the theme “Heat City Night” was displayed in the foyer of the Chris Seabrooke Theatre where guests had the opportunity to view this on their arrival.

Our judges for the evening were Ms M Subbiah, Ms C Hampton and Ms G

Joshua, as well as invited guest judge, esteemed vocalist, Ms Thulile Zama.

The boys did us proud by wowing the audience with their acts and, with so much talent and a high standard maintained by all the finalists, the judges found it tough to decide on the winners.

Well done to all the boys who participated in the competition and congratulations to all the winners in each category!

Durban High School has an immense amount of talent and continues to be a school dedicated to providing opportunities for our boys to shine and display their talents.

Thank you to everyone who assisted in making the evening a success and to all who supported this event. A big thank

you to all the staff involved and for making the evening so special.

Ms G Joshua
Performing Arts Competition
Co-ordinator

Competition Winners

Drama:

Xhanti Njokweni and Lindumkhosi Ndlovu	1st Place
God’swill Mbonambi	2nd Place
Dino Veludo and Luke Hubbart	3rd Place

Dance:

Sihle Dladla	1st Place
Adarsh Maharaj	2nd Place
Jazmin Staplefeldt	3rd Place

Music:

Obake Delubom	1st Place
Evanildo Rodrigues	2nd Place
Seluleko Sabela	3rd Place





Visual Art:

Grade 12:

Cameron-Blake Ragbar	1st Place
Pranav Harichand	2nd Place
Senthan Naicker	2nd Place
Klevelan Scharneck	2nd Place
Daniel Tekle	3rd Place

Grade 11:

Ntando Mpuqu	1st Place
Thato Khoali	2nd Place
Olwethu Ndlovu	2nd Place
Jasmin Zaine	3rd Place

Grade 9:

Mpathwenhle Ndaba	1st Place
Taegen Mccarthy	2nd Place
Joshua Handley	3rd Place
Darian Robert	3rd Place

Sisonke Cultural Concert



The Cast of Sisonke

Thursday 19 September marked another milestone in the history of our school as we celebrated the 20th Heritage Day since the advent of our democracy with a school concert: Sisonke - We Are Together.

24 September is a South African public holiday where all South Africans celebrate their culture and the diversity of their beliefs and traditions. This celebration, once named Shaka Day, is in commemoration of the death of the legendary King Shaka Zulu of the Zulu tribe in 1826. Nelson Mandela summed up the significance of this day when he said "When our first democratically elected government decided to make heritage one of our national days we did so because we knew that our rich and varied cultural heritage has profound power to help build a new nation."

Our school decided on the theme Sisonke - We Are Together to mark this momentous occasion through the creative expression of music, dance and dramatic performances, poetry recitals, comedy, and the culturally diverse food we eat.

A week of celebration started on Monday 16 September. The DHS staff all dressed in the theme for the day, Something Blue. Tuesday saw the teachers 'twinning'. Great fun was had by all the staff.

Wednesday was our cultural dress up day. The DHS staff also contributed to a huge and diverse scrumptious cultural spread. We were all bursting at the seams after sampling the different cuisine from the various cultures.

Thursday was a big day for the school - the concert. Needless to say, it was a resounding success.

The show opened with the marimba band from the Open Air School. Wow! What a performance by these talented young people. The DPHS gumboot dancers were slick and precise in their performance. It was a huge honour and privilege to have had both these schools grace our stage.

Our multi-talented boys certainly did not disappoint. Amazing performances by all the boys who participated - many of whom took to the stage for the first time. Another first was the teachers'

choir with their rendition of "*Something Inside so Strong*."

We all learnt that nothing is impossible if we all work together and meet each other halfway, as it took us just two weeks to put this show together.

Our heartfelt gratitude to Mrs Pillay from Open Air School and Mrs Briscoe from DPHS.

A huge thank you to the following people, without whom we would not have had such a successful show:

- The Head Master, Mr Pinheiro, for affording us the opportunity to do this production;
- Old Boys Priyen Naidoo for the choreography and Yesheen Bhagwandeem for never failing to come to the party;
- The DHS staff for their choral piece;
- All the participants;
- The technical team;
- Teachers, parents and friends of DHS.

Thank you for joining us and we hope to see you all next year.

S Nagiah
M-i-C: Sisonke





Debating



Debating Team 2019

Front Row (L to R): Ziyaad Joosab, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Amahle Shazi, Mr S Cele (M-i-C: Debating), Seluleko Sabela

2nd Row: Kian Rama, Sbani Maphumulo, Siphosethu Kubheka, Jude Mitchell

Back Row: Sinazo Zituta, Luvo Magula, Eyami Mvelase, Wenzile Radebe, Olwethu Manqele and Tusani Mthembu

The Debating Society had a total of four teams in 2019 - one Grade 8, one junior and two senior teams. These teams won more debates in comparison to last year's debates.

The reason for this was based on improved and experienced coaching, willingness to perform well at all times, and strong team cohesion amongst the members.

The youngest team in the society (the Grade 8 debaters) debated against the strongest Grade 8 debating team in the Durban and Coastal Debating League, and came second at the final competition for 2019. Furthermore, a member of this team was selected to represent the Durban league at the provincial tournament.

Being selected to participate at the provincial level is challenging, yet exciting in many ways, and its outcome is usually accompanied by a strong personality and a sense of fulfilment.

S Cele
M-i-C: Debating Society



Mr Pinheiro with Grade 8 Debaters - Sbani Maphumulo, Jude Mitchell, Kian Rama



Public Speaking



Public Speaking 2019

Front Row (L to R): Lethukukhanya Zulu, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Kiralin Moodley, Mr S Cele (M-i-C: Public Speaking), Jude Mitchell

Back Row: Litha Mpondo, Lungani Myeni, Zuriel Singh, Daniel Kreuzer, Olwethu Manqe, Tayur Govender, Abhay Nunan, Themba Mahlaba

Public Speaking is one of the subjects offered in the Durban High School Electives Programme. This activity is a foundation for the Toastmasters course.

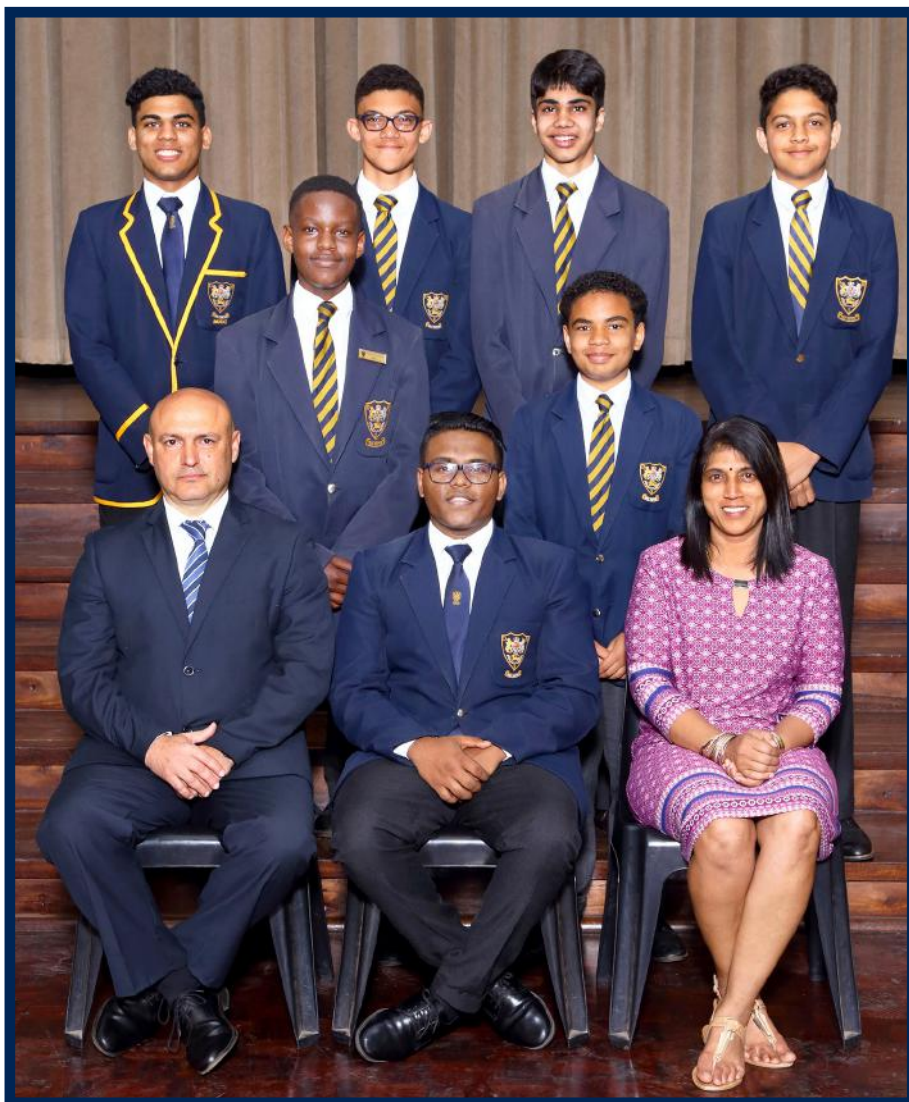
The Grade 8 and 9 students get exposed to public speaking skills every term. It is aimed at those who really have fear of speaking in public and, with training and the support of members, students' confidence grows and they learn something that they would never have thought they could.

Once they are in Grade 10 or 11, the boys are encouraged to take Toastmasters as a step up in their public speaking skills.

S Cele
M-i-C: Public Speaking



Technical Crew



Technical Crew 2019

Front Row (L to R):

Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Kaylen Moodley (Captain), Mrs S Nagiah (M-i-C : Technical Crew)

Middle Row:

Mahlaba Themba, Tyrees James

Back Row:

Levi Pillay, Caleb Maddocks, Azam Mohamed Khan, Rayn Manning

The technical crew, captained by Kaylen Moodley and his team comprising Azam Mohamed, Tyreece James, Levi Pillay, Caleb Maddocks, Rayn Manning and Mahlaba Themba, were involved in setting up and assisting with the operation of both lighting and sound for most of the events at school this year.

They physically moved and assisted in the moving of moderately heavy items (ie, mixing consoles and speakers),

especially in the setup for the Rugby 7s and Water Polo sporting events.

These talented young men were able to effectively work with other technical staff, learners from other schools and event participants. No event could have run smoothly had it not been for these learners, and for that we are eternally grateful.

The involvement of our novices helped prepare them for the take

over from the Grade 12s, who sadly take their leave from us this year. We wish Kaylen Moodley and Levi Pillay all the best in their new ventures.

Kaylen Moodley was awarded Half Colours for his contribution to the technical aspects of the school.

S Nagiah
M-i-C: Technica



Athletics



Athletics 2019

Front Row (L to R): Marcel Nel, Matthew Delderfield, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Kwanele Manukuza (Captain), Mr A Dudas (M-i-C : Athletics), Alwande Mnguni, Sandise Cezula

2nd Row: Themba Nkomo, Lemohang Mhlongo, Sinakhokonke Dhlomo, Wandiswa Mbhele, Kwandile Buthelezi, Nelisa Dlamini

3rd Row: Olwethu Ngcobo, Andile Msomi, Hlumelo Noncembu, Asanda Zuma, Joshua Winnaar, Wamkele Mhlongo, Allesandro Van Leeve

Back Row: Sidarth Singh, Aumile Bongco, Dinangwe Mkhabela, Sisanda Gogobala, Kelly Tshiwaka, Brian Dosemba

Durban High School prides itself on having talented athletes that are capable of excelling in a variety of disciplines. This year was no exception. Whilst there are not many school events where our athletes can excel, they do make the most of the opportunities that they are given.

The season started out early in the year with the first round of zonal trials held at Kings Park athletics stadium. Here approximately 30 athletes attended with the hopes of making it into the second round, which was to be the district trials. After an extensive track and field

programme, several of our athletes made it through to the next round of trials. Alwande Mnguni, Kaid O'Neill, Marcel Nel, Joshua Winnaar, Lindani Maphisa and Kwanele Manukuza were selected to represent the zone at the district trials. At the district trials our athletes carried themselves well and competed with verve and vigour, with O'Neill, Nel, Winnaar and Manukuza all being selected to represent the district team at the final trials where they would select the KwaZulu-Natal Athletics team. Marcel Nel placed 3rd in the Shot Putt, just missing out on KZN selection, and Kwanele Manukuza received a gold

medal for Triple Jump and achieved the criteria needed to represent KZN at the National Schools Championships.

Northwood hosted an athletic meet during the 3rd Term where Westville, Glenwood, Northwood and Durban High School competed in a team event. Whilst it was clear that we had several talented individuals, it was incredibly difficult to compete in a team event where we lacked the depth of many of our rival schools. Nonetheless, every athlete gave of his best at the meet where we eventually placed fourth.



Athletics Representatives
Joshua Winnaar (D&D U17), Kwanele Manukuza (KZN U17), Marcel Nel (D&D U17)

The athletes that performed well throughout 2019 were recognised for their contribution and dedication to athletics. Kwanele Manukuza was awarded honours for his exceptional achievements whilst Marcel Nel was re-awarded colours. Alwande Mnguni, Kaid O'Neill and Joshua Winnaar received half colours for their efforts.

I hope that in 2020 Durban High School's athletics programme will grow from strength to strength and that we can expect even better results and many more representatives at all level of athletics. My thanks go to all involved, especially to Kwanele Manukuza who was an exceptional leader on and off the athletics track. He returns to the

track in 2020 as he is only in Grade 11 and I expect some outstanding results from him next year.

Representative:
 KZN U17 - Kwanele Manukuza

Regular Athletes:
 Kwanele Manukuza (captain), Kelly Tshiwaka, Afek Fine, Qiniso Sithole, Vuyo Zukulu, Kgotso Moeketsi, Khotso Lebenya, Nelisa Dlamini, Brian Dosemba, Ulrich Brown, Allesandro Van Leeve, Bonginkhosi Shange, Wamkhele Mhlongo, Miguel de Paiva, Joshua Handley, Sidarth Singh, Kwanda Yengwa, Wandiswa Mbhele, Jaden Angapa, Siphamandla Mathonsi, Dinangwe Mkhabela, Senzo Khumalo, Joshua

Winnaar, Marcel Nel, Kaid O'Neill, Themba Mahlaba, Simphiwe Ngcobese, Aumile Bongco, Asanda Zuma, Kwandile Buthelezi, Charl Meyers, Sandisa Cezula, Aldridge Maasdorp, Tyde Holtzhauzen, Ntobeko Shabangu, Tyrin Mahadoo, Kai Coetzee, Sinakhokonke Dhlomo, Lemohang Mhlongo, Lwandile Mazibuko, Alwande Mnguni, Lindani Maphisa

Mr A Dudas
 Athletics Coach

Badminton



Badminton Team 2019

Front Row (L to R): Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Rivaldo Soni (Captain), Mr C Moodley (M-i-C: Badminton)

Back Row: Evashin Arumugam, Yash Haricharan, Keldon Seetal

The sport of Badminton is in its second phase of rebuilding at DHS. We are encouraged by the positive outlook and feel that this will enable us to accomplish all our dreams and aspirations. The enthusiasm and the extra effort displayed bodes well for the future of this sport. The success attained by their predecessors is attainable and in this, for me, the future looks promising.

The results compared to the previous year have improved and it simply

enabled us to ascertain whether the goals are attainable and this certainly seems so for the future.

We are honoured to have Provincial and National grading representatives in the U15 and U17 age groups. The players were encouraged to join the KZN club team and, by getting this exposure, both the individual and the school would benefit.

The Badminton family had to bid farewell to our larger-than-life 1st team



Rivaldo Soni - SA U17

coach, Mr Dillon Robben. We hereby would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Mr Robben for his expertise and support extended to the players.

Inter-House Tournament Results:

1st	Langley	17
2nd	Payn	14
3rd	Blackmore	12
4th	Grice	8
5th	Campbell	7
6th	Swales	4

Team Representatives:

A Team - Rivaldo Soni, Yash Haricharan, Keldon Seetal, Evashin Arumugam

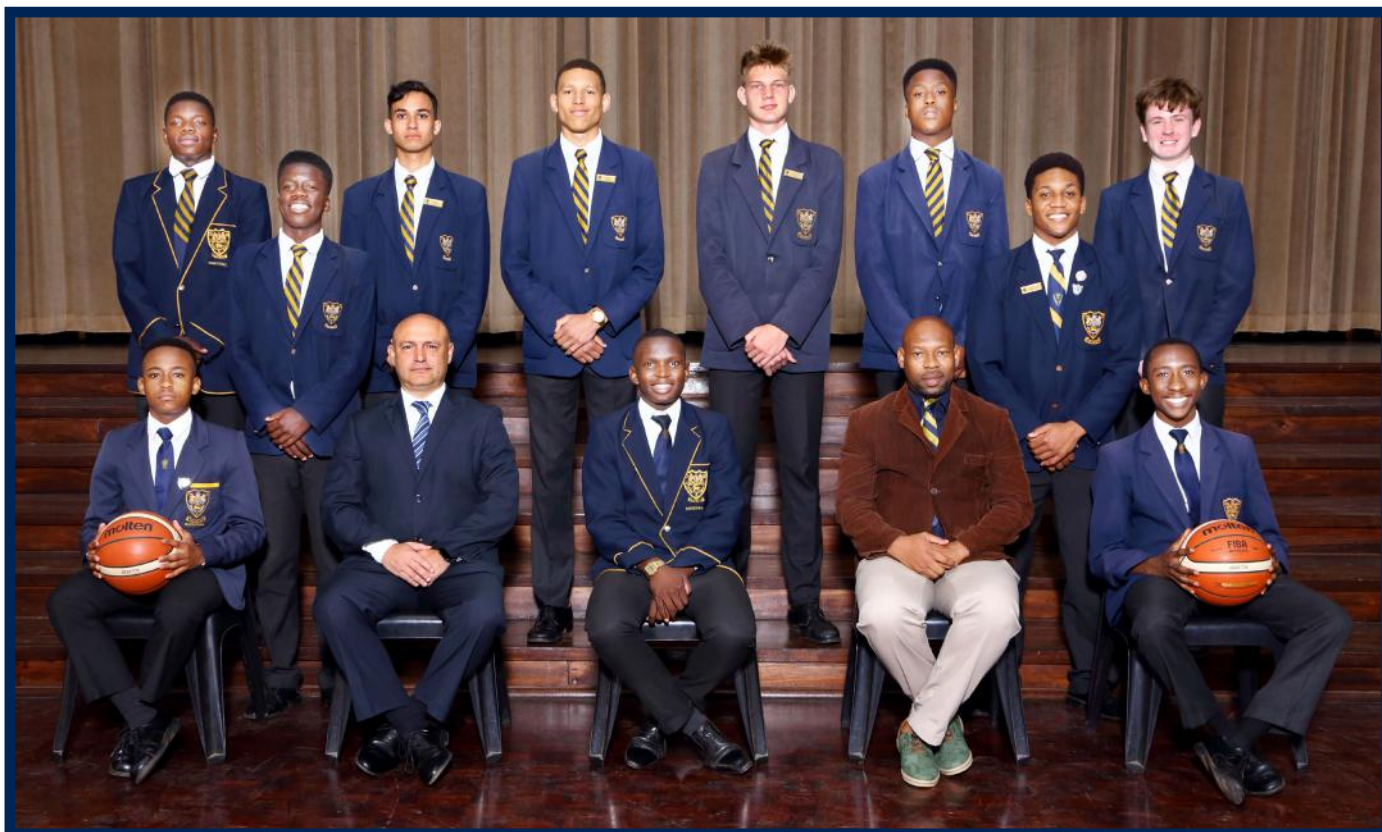
B Team - Ezra Munien, Azam Khan, Jonathan Slomczynski, Jayden Dayanand
C Team - Naseef Abdulla, Kevin Murissa, Finnley Wyllie, Keegan Williams

Individual Achievements:

Rivaldo Soni - SA U17 National Grading, SA U17 Arnold Classic 2020 Squad, KZN U17A Team (Captain), KZN U19A Team Evershan Arumugam - Merit Award, KZN U15C Merit Awards - Yash Haricharan, Keldon Seetal

C Moodley
M-i-C: Badminton

1st Team Basketball



Basketball 1st Team 2019

Front Row (L to R): Siphesihle Shezi, Mr L Zulu (M-i-C : Basketball), Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Luyanda Ndlanya

2nd Row: Lindubukhosi Ndlovu, Tabaro Birindwa

Back Row: Nathan Del Fava, Junior Mdlangathi, Asher Knox Davies, Ryan Goldstone, Afek Fine, Hlumelo Noncembu

Absent: Buyani Ngcemu

Pre-season Games: This is always a good opportunity for all the schools and coaches to see their “Stayers” team. From games that we played, the highlight of preseason games was against St Charles College. We had to play St Charles at Maritzburg College. DHS’ young side was exposed on both ends of the floor; players were struggling to play man to man defence. Our 1st quarter was based on playing man, with the idea behind that to minimise the opposition from scoring inside the key. Our young team got exposed as they couldn’t guard the weak side of the ball. This was a learning curve for stayer’s team on where to improve and right time to make adjustments on both ends of the floor.

Due to bad weather conditions our first season game, against Kearsney, had to be played away. This gave Kearsney the upper hand as they had home court advantage. The 1st quarter started on a high note, with DHS winning a jump ball. The team was on point with its execution, as they scored 6 points in a space of two minutes. Kearsney had to call a time out as they had no answers to DHS offense. After time out from Kearsney they managed to identify loopholes from DHS’ defence. At the end of the 1st quarter DHS was leading by half a bucket 09-08. In the 2nd quarter Kearsney had the ball possession, and DHS bench players had to start due to fatigue from their starting line-up. The results reflected that our bench players had no experience as

they were dominated by Kearsney both ends of the floor. The 1ST 5 had to step in again to try and minimise the deficit. The 3rd quarter was our downfall as we couldn’t cope with Kearsney. Our defence collapsed as the opposition were taking open jump shots, with no defence contesting those shots.

Buyani Ngcemu scored 27 points, Kyle Madlala 4 with the final score 61-44 to Kearsney.

4th Term Games: This term was too short as we had less games, and after school holidays we had to host our biggest rival in all sporting codes. Maritzburg College were the team to beat. Our preparations were based on minimising the point guard from



Team talk with Coach Zulu at Kearsney College

controlling the game and denying second chances when they shoot the ball. Our defence forced the visiting team to commit turnovers and those turnovers led to scoring 10 points from their mistakes. Hlumelo Noncembu was 50% on the perimeter and he was 6/16 on inside the key, followed by Asher Knox-Davies who had 6 offensive rebounds and 10 defensive rebounds. Our boys gave 120% on the floor and next year if they work harder in their respective positions DHS will be back to dominating both ends of the floor. Final score 47-35 to DHS.

This is a different team compared to so many years of dominating with height on the floor, as this year we have limited height. Our strength was on speed, defence and overall athleticism, which is a work in progress. The challenge that we are still facing with this new team is leadership, a player who will show character on both ends of the floor.

However, DHS Basketball programme has been grateful to have players that have work ethic on the court and that will give 120%.

Results:

Played:	10
Won:	8
Lost:	2

Regular Players:

Kyle Madlala, Buyani Ngcemu, Asher Knox Davies, Junior Mdlangathi, Sphesihle Shezi, Lindumkhosi Ndlovu, Afek Fine, Hlumelo Noncembu, Ryan Goldstone, Nathan Del Fava, Luyanda Ndlanga, Prince Bambi

Player Critique:

Kyle Madlala

KZN Schools U18, U20 eThekweni
Senior: Kyle is one of the best playmakers in KZN and in the country. In his last season, his game showed he

was more matured on both ends of the floor. He is a point guard that won't struggle under pressure; his game is based on playing pressure defence on the opposition and penetrate defence. He needs to improve on shooting the ball and on his confidence.

Buyani Ngcemu

SA U16, KZN Schools U18, U20 eThekweni

Senior: Buyani is one of the best players in that when he steps on the court you will see his work and the opposition will feel his presence. He will make sure that his team mates are focused on and off the court. His height is not a problem to him and the experience that he got from playing under the basket serves him well. He has a never say die attitude. He needs to improve on his shooting inside the key and minimise contact when playing defence as he averages 4.5 fouls per game.



Basketball KZN Representatives

Asher Knox Davies

KZN U16, U20 eThekweni

Senior: He is one of the junior players who has worked hard for his position. With two more seasons left for him at DHS he has to take his game to the next level. He is a player that can do a lot of damage if he can work on his speed and finishing. He needs to be more aggressive on both ends of the floor, he needs to learn to be a leader under the boards.

Junior Mdlangathi

Junior: Rookie of the team, he has been struggling both ends of the floor. He needs to lose weight, work on his speed, defence and rebounding. He needs to understand basketball is not about talking, it's about putting more hours of hard work on the court.

Sphesihle Shezi

Senior: Sphesihle Shezi is one of the players who, if he was putting in more hours of work, he was going to be a lethal 7th man. He could shoot the ball and play defence.

Lindumkhosi Ndlovu

Senior: Ndlovu is always on duty - you give him a task and he will do it. When he steps on the court he will play hard. Regardless of his height or minutes, he will play. His shooting percentage this season did improve.

Afek Fine

Senior: Afek is a player that could dominate both ends of the floor. He has a good shooting stroke and he is a natural athlete. If he can put more effort on the court, he can be the most talked about player who can shoot, drive, dunk and play defence. He lacks confidence and is too lazy to put more effort into his game. He needs to work on his shooting and on how to play proper defence without fouling.

Hlumelo Ncembu

KZN Schools U18

Senior: H is such an amazing player to watch. He uses his strength on offense as he is a small forward. On the defensive side he will force players to make continuous turnovers. He needs

to improve on his shooting, finishing especially with his left hand. He needs to work on his IQ and learn when to adjust the tempo of the game.

Ryan Goldstone

Senior: Ryan can be a good post player. If he can focus on his game, he has the potential of dominating both ends of the floor. He is a good rebounder and shot blocker. He has a season to work on his game.

Nathan Del Fava

Junior: Nathan is a player that has all the fundamentals of the game - he understands the game better than his team mates. He needs to work on his shooting form and his defence.

Luyanda Ndlanya

Senior: Luyanda is a player who would go all out. His height didn't stop him from being in the 1st team and he has developed his game both ends of the court. He has a heart of a lion. His role on the court was to play defence, penetrate defence and pass the ball

when defence collapsed. He needs to let go of the ball early rather than to keep it to himself, as it changes the momentum of the game.

Emmanuel Mayiza

Senior: Point guard; he is a hard worker on and off the floor. His attitude is based on competing and being the best at

what he does. He needs to improve on his speed, aggression and his finishing.

Letha Zulu

M-i-C: Basketball/1st Team Coach

2nd Team Basketball

The season was quite an emotional one for the 2nd Team. As short as it may have felt, this season was surely a nail-biting experience for both the players and myself. This was mostly because the final results of their games were quite often determined in the last two possessions.

In the initial phase of the season the team looked promising and so did the outcome of the season. Our goal as a team was to be undefeated throughout the season. However, it seemed as though that was not meant to be. The second team was quite diverse in terms of age, skill and playing experience. We lost four of our five most experienced players due to promotion to the first team and academic commitments. Luckily, DHS has a lot of talented junior basketball players and we used the opportunity to give juniors some experience and to play matches alongside the seniors. At first the juniors were a bit overwhelmed by the level of experience and size advantage that their opponents had over them, but they soon became accustomed to competing with the big boys.

The 2nd Team played a total of five games in Term 4 and lost all of them due to the lack of experienced players.

However, we managed to stay afloat and the remaining players, alongside the few juniors, bonded well and grew into their new roles in the team. The team would at times effectively execute the offensive and defensive strategies that were agreed upon, but we could tend to lose concentration. With their size and experience, the opposing team took full advantage of every lapse, at every opportunity.

We spent four of the five matches trailing and the other leading. In the game we were leading, the boys lost concentration, probably because they had not led in their previous games against Hilton and Clifton. It was their excitement (which pleased me to see) that unfortunately they could not contain which led to their lapse in concentration and them eventually losing that game. It was a learning curve for the boys.

With regards to the games in which we had been trailing, the players didn't show any signs of giving up, despite playing more experienced players, and competed throughout the game, despite the trail margin. In two cases, against St Charles and Northwood, the boys came back from double digit

deficits and almost stole the game away from the opposition. The boys really wanted to win but just fell short in both cases, but it's their perseverance and never say die attitude that stood out, and which I appreciated.

At first the lack of experience was a bit worrying, but these players wanted to learn more, to improve. It was that kind of enthusiasm, their passion and sheer enjoyment of the game that guided both the team and myself throughout the season. Although we may have not won any of our games, each player in the team gained ample experience, improved and, most importantly, had fun while at it.

Results:

Played:	10
Won:	2
Lost:	8

Regular Players:

Lukola Millionaire, Thiskwaka Kelly, Radebe Wenzile, Kabuyi Emanuel, Rohan Daniel, Goldstone Ryan, Naidoo Ahkim, Buthelezi Alwande, Ntala Manasse, Karolia Azhar

J Amisi

2nd Basketball Coach

U16A Basketball

Firstly, a job well done to the entire 2019 Durban High School Basketball Coaching, players and administrative/supporting staff for a successful basketball season and year.

The year was filled with some highs and lows, particularly for the U16A team. We played about seven games and lost three in the 4th Term. We took this, not as a defeat, but as a learning curve, a

reminder that for us to remain on top, to be the best still in the province, we need to give our best and practice at all times. Westville, Maritzburg College and Kearsney College gave us a bit of a



challenge but, once again, these games were only pointers to the areas that we need to iron out, both as a team and as coaches. Here's hoping that, come the new 2020 season, we will all be ready and prepared to take back what we lost.

Thank you once again to the boys for their dedication and unending

commitment to the game of basketball and the DHS staff, not forgetting Mr L Zulu for the support.

Results:

Played: 14
Won: 8
Lost: 6

Regular Players:

Mawande Bhekiswayo, Sibongumusa Dubazane, Nkanyiso Mbatha, Aphiwe Mhlongo, Unathi Madonsela, Phila Ndokweni, Koti Mafoko, Sphamandla Mathonsi, Yonela Mnukwa

H Beukes

U16A Basketball Coach

U15A Basketball

Firstly, I must commend the boys for giving their all this year. They really showed character and sportsmanship, although we won two games and lost two games in the 4th Term. Two games that we lost were narrow defeats, and my boys gave everything that they had on the basketball court, despite losing one of our best players to the 1st team.

I am proud of the boys because they came to practice and were willing to

work hard, and it did show when they were on the basketball court competing against other schools. Our biggest challenge was having too many of our teams sharing one court. We were forced to use a half court and, when it came to games, players were struggling to keep up with opposition due to length of basketball court.

Results:

Played: 10

Won: 7
Lost: 3

Regular Players:

Thembela Mnguni, Junior Bambi, Sabelo Matiwane, Wandile Mbambo, Thalin Woolganathan, Sphiwe Cele, Sisanda Khuzwayo, Wandiswa Mbhele, Sethu Ngobeni, Sibonelo Mkhwanazi, Lindo Khoza

H Beukes

U15A Basketball Coach

U15B Basketball

It was a pleasure to coach these boys in a very successful season. I have learned a lot from them, as they learned a lot from me as a coach. Trainings were based on fundamentals of the game and how to be prepared physically and mentally.

After a shaky start to the season, the U15B team grew in confidence, improving on their basketball skills and how to approach offense. Boys came together towards the end of the season and the big win against Northwood made me a proud coach.

This team showed character and sportsmanship towards end of the

season. However, they tended to bring each other down a lot when they played tough teams (mental toughness), attendance at practice was not 100% at some stage, and I was forced to change training due to a smaller number of players.

There were patches of greatness and then patches where they did not work together as a team. We need to try to work on more consistent play of basketball and working as a team, because when all five players on the court are moving well with the ball it makes defence fall apart. I had more fun with this team as a coach and I believe

if they work hard, they will make the 1st team in future.

Results:

Played: 8
Won: 1
Lost: 7

Regular Players:

Cuan Francis, Ezra Munium, Khye Sanderson, Andile Jiyane, Yash Haricharan, Dustin Beukes, Kyle Nichols, Mini Ngcamu

M Sibulawa

U15B Basketball Coach



U14A Basketball

Right from 1st term this team was committed to wearing their DHS Basketball kit with pride. The team comprised all beginners in basketball and the challenge in coaching a new team is trying to find a combination and teaching them the fundamentals of the game.

Players were trying to adjust from what they were taught during training, from rules of the game to understanding the entire game. In Term 1 we lost all our games. Term 4 was a fresh start for the boys and they played like champs.

The highlight of the season was when we were hosting Maritzburg College,

Pietermaritzburg schools always dominate at junior level as their prep schools play basketball at a competitive level.

Our boys, when they saw opposition warming up, were in disbelief that the entire team was U14 as they looked 15 or 16. From the tip off I knew it was David vs Goliath - our boys had to put up a fight, which they did, as every time they scored, we would go into their territory and answer with a bucket. DHS would be up by a point or College would be up by a point. DHS managed to force the game to overtime, but lack of experience and fatigue led to boys losing by half a point. If they keep

training, they will surprise so many schools as time goes on.

Results:

Played: 10

Won: 0

Lost: 10

Regular Players:

Yonela Makhanya, King Jamie, Ncube Sanda, Simpson Lemar, Techet Bryce, Sebastian Van Der Werff, Aniff Muhammed, Mpho Ndlovu, Daniel Delderfield, Musa Ramashamole

L Zulu

U14A Basketball Coach

U14B Basketball

In the beginning of the season the team's fitness level was low, but we managed to correct that fairly quickly. The team matured very well and they worked hard to gel and play together as a unit.

I am proud to say that the team this season gave 120% on both ends of the basketball courts. Besides playing basketball for the 1st time, their maturity, individually and collectively, ensured they were united on and off the basketball court. The highlight of the season was when we won against Clifton 29-5 in term 4.

We had a well-balanced team, with players like Jonny Brooks and Nkosi Tumiso, players who can shoot, rebound the ball and bring up the ball. Jonny had a good season when it comes to shooting. One concern with the U14B is lack of a strong and commanding point guard. This is something that we will be working on next year to spice up our game, so it can be organised when we are on offence.

I was happy with the team's performance. Well done, gentlemen, for your effort, I am proud of you.

Results:

Played: 8

Won: 3

Lost: 5

Regular Players:

Ntsoane Maseru, Nkosi Tumiso, Zama Bandile, Maddocks Caleb, Tagwira Tana, Ali Thiam

G Mutombo

U14B Basketball Coach

U14C Basketball

The DHS U14C team was made up of a group of young and enthusiastic players. Over the course of the second term, they didn't struggle to put competitive scores on the scoreboard as they did in the first term many of them had touched a basketball during the offseason. They

displayed true sportsmanlike attitude on the court and highlighting their love for basketball.

The boys were willing to learn the game even more and followed my instructions and I saw a great improvement in their skill and behaviour. During the season

the team captain was Bonton Luc because he showed leadership skills every time and would always encourage his teammates.

We faced the same challenges as that we did in the first term shortage of basketball or basketball being





very old and bad, the weather being unpredictable.

I consider it a great privilege to have worked with this team and to have seen them grow from raw talent to skilled players. I have no doubt in my mind that with continuous practice that many of

these players will be seen playing for A team and 1st team in the near future.

Results:

Played:	8
Won:	1
Lost:	7

Regular Players:

Luc Bouton, Rayn Manning, Alister Peramal, Ntsika Ndlanya, Tyrees James, Roali Prange, Ali Thiam

S Kim-Kayembe
U14C Basketball Coach

U14D Basketball

What a season! We started out as a group of individuals, however, we soon got to know each other and became a team, even though this was the first time that any of these boys had played basketball in their lives. Our first game was against Michaelhouse, always a tough encounter. St Charles was next, at home, and the boys knew they had to defend their home turf. The team played their level best as they gave 120% both ends of the floor, which resulted in dominating the opposition, winning 29-0.

There were many talented players, with the most improved being Lelethu Sangunzu, who showed great passion and heart for the game and was the team's best scorer. Other leaders of the pack were Melokuhle Gasa and Lwandile Mazibuko, who would always step up to the occasion and lead the team on both ends of the court. I am positive a number of them will move up to the A side next year.

Our boys were very eager to learn basketball and had fun learning. They had a lot of sportsmanship and showed

consistency in practices and games. I'm proud of them.

Results:

Played:	8
Won:	1
Lost:	7

Regular Players:

Preston Adam, Lelethu Sangunzu, Finnley Wyllie, Keshan Hiralal, Keiren Varden, Shikaar Singh, Fanele Twala, Lwandile Mazibuko, Melokuhle Gasa

G Lufungula : U14D Basketball Coach



1st Team Cricket



1st XI Cricket 2019

Front Row (L to R): Mr A Shedlock (Head of Cricket/1st XI Coach), Taine Owen (Captain), Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Brayden Sambhu (Vice Captain), Mr S Takodza (Assistant Coach)

2nd Row: Usama Ghuman, Sanolin Pather, Nivahsen Naicker, Muhammad Moosa

Back Row: Yudishthir Ramanand, Jared Manicum, Ross Shedlock, Joshua Stride, Jordan Bryan

The year started off with a very successful tour to Grey High School in Port Elizabeth. The highlight of the tour was beating both Grey High Schools, namely PE and Bloem. It was a very disruptive term weatherwise and, after beating the KZN Development Team comfortably, we didn't play for two weeks because of rain. It was a pity as I think we lost our momentum from the tour and then went down to very strong St Charles and Glenwood teams. A very disappointing end to what has been a good season was our loss to Northwood. On a whole though, the boys have learnt a lot and we remain positive going forward with where we want to take our cricket.

The Coca-Cola Schools T20 tournament was a vast improvement from previous years, with DHS making it through to the semi-finals after a great win over Kearsney in the quarter-finals. The team went down to Westville in the semis, who then went on to contest the Franchise final against St Charles.

I would like to compliment the boys on their performances by winning 5 out of 10 games in the first term and for reaching the semi-final of the T20 Tournament. In my short time at the school the team has come a long way and we just need to convert scores into bigger scores when they are batting. I thought our bowlers were outstanding throughout the term.

The 4th term was very frustrating as we came so close in so many of our games but just lacked that 'killer punch' to finish sides off, and these were against some of the top schools in the country.

At Michaelmas Week we were well beaten by a strong KES team but then went down by 8 runs to St Johns, and down to a last ball to a very powerful Jeppe Team. Our game against St David's was unfortunately rained off with DHS in a strong position.

The 4th term was a short term which saw DHS play Maritzburg College, Westville and Kearsney. Once again, we produced inconsistent performances



*Open Cricket Award Winners
Joshua Stride, Taine Owen*



1st XI Team Talk

against College and Kearsney, but we should have beaten a very powerful Westville team.

In the CSA Coca-Cola T20 we played some good cricket and have advanced to the quarter finals in 2020. DHS lost in the semi-finals in 2019 so hopefully we can go one better this time.

There were some good individual performances during this term notably the bowling of Josh Stride, Ross Shedlock and Jordan Bryan and with the bat, and Taine Owen and Humphrey van der Merwe were tops.

Taine Owen again led the team with enthusiasm, never giving up no matter

the situation. I would also like to compliment and thank the Matrics for their commitment right to the end of the season. An example for the boys for next year.

Congratulations must go to the following boys for their selection for the various KZN representative teams.

Representatives:

KZN U17 - Brayden Sambhu, Joshua Stride, Yudi Ramanand
Kingsmead Mynahs - Sonqoba Makhanya, Muhammed Moosa

Open Award Winners:

Bowler of the Year - Joshua Stride
Batsman of the Year - Taine Owen

Results:

Played:	24
Won:	9
Lost:	14
Drawn:	1

Regular Players:

Taine Owen (Captain), Jared Manicum, Braden Sambhu, Yudi Ramanand, Sanolin Pather, Ross Shedlock, Humphrey van der Merwe, Jordan Bryan, Joshua Stride, Muhammed Moosa, Nevshan Naicker, Sonqoba Makhanya

A Shedlock
1st XI Cricket Coach

2nd XI Cricket

The 2nd team had a tough Term 1 cricket season. We played four and lost four matches.

The team had a combination of Grade 12 and 11 players and the boys showed great commitment and discipline at all practice sessions. The boys also showed good commitment to every game played - we were never short of players in any game.

The 2nd team have huge potential for next season since most of the boys are only in Grade 11. With hard work and perseverance this team will have a much better season in term four.

I would like to thank Xanti Njokweni, Taariq Kruger, Theo Manyoni and Rahiel Radhakrishna, who are in Matric and playing their final season for DHS. They

are talented young players and I wish them all the best for the future.

Some notable performances this season: Taariq Kruger, 50 runs against St Charles and 70 against Northwood. Well done Taariq! Taariq was the leading run scorer for the season with a total of 161 runs. He finished off with a batting average of 40.





I would like to thank the entire team for their commitment to all the games and practices this term. With this kind of commitment, the results will happen in our favour going forward.

I would personally like to thank all the DHS cricket support staff who worked tirelessly to ensure the cricket pitches were ready for every match, as well as all the efforts that went into the planning of fixtures and administration.

3rd XI Cricket

In term 1 the 3rd XI, comprising boys better suited to the oval ball than its harder and smaller compatriot, took on the challenge of 1st term cricket with the same joyful and competitive spirit that this team has come to embody throughout the years.

It was a short term where rain played a major role in dampening both the spirits and the array of cricket pitches throughout KZN. However, the team were able to complete four fixtures and showed great resolve and spirit throughout. Who could forget the courageous 39 runs scored by Darren Booyesen at Westville, or the mesmerising fielding from Sisipho Nofuya at silly mid-off? Although the team was ravaged by injury, they managed to always remain upbeat, a true credit to their nature.

Term 4 was a very productive term, with our under 16s getting a chance to play with the seniors. Although results didn't

go in their favour, the commitment and enthusiasm really showed through the term. We had a good response at matches and practices from the seniors despite final exams being just around the corner. As a result this will all leave a positive impression on the juniors for years to come. In 2020 we will look at improving on our batting performances, with a lot more focus on that part of the game with each batsman during practices. We will introduce different methods to improve their skills and help them to get mentally ready for each match. We were really impressed with our bowling and fielding performances from 1st term to 4th term, with boys putting extra effort on the field to help the bowlers.

It was to be an enjoyable year of cricket for this group and it was a pleasure sharing in their trials and tribulations along the way. A special thanks must go to our injured 12th man and scorer

The success of our cricket is largely due to the commitment of you guys.

I look forward to being a part of this energetic team next season. I have no doubt that our results will improve. Thanks again to all who supported the 2nd cricket team this season.

Results

Played: 4
Lost: 4

Regular Players:

Rahiel Radhakrishna (captain), Kendall Edwards, Xanti Njokweni, Taariq Kruger, Theo Manyoni, Justin Wingrove, Shalin Naicker, Shivon Mackerduj, Sonqoba Makhanya, Joshua Winnaar, Salmaan Jadwat, Eli Louis

E Govender
2nd XI Cricket Coach

Adrian Dirks, who diligently plotted and jotted our team's highs and lows.

Results:

Played: 8
Won: 0
Lost: 8

Regular Players:

Jaydian Cedares, Ullrich Brown, Shakur La Douce, Sfundu Mkhwanazi, Nqobani Dlamini, Lindani Maphisa, Phakamisa Sithole, Langalakhe Mgobozi, Darren Booyesen, Sibongisipho Zondi, Adrian Dirks, Avumile Bongco, Sisipho Nofuya, MacNeil Jenner, Levi Pillay, Kendall Edwards, Theo Manyoni, Justin Wingrove, Enzokuhle Sabela, Eli Louis, Dillon Morgenrood, Bryc Trussler, Taariq Kruger, Matthew Dalderfield, Ayuurv Indurjeeth, Jonathan Slomczynski, Tanaka Mhundu, Xanti Njokweni, Adrian Coetzee

P Botha, N Moodley, S Mathie
3rd XI Cricket Coaches

U16A Cricket

As the team assembled early in the year, it was obvious that new talent had to be sought. Injury had decimated last years' team and the team of 2019 started the season with 4 new players.

Another big role player was certainly the rain with rain resulting in 3 of the 6 fixtures being called off.

The boys however took on the season with enthusiasm and were keen to soak up knowledge with regard to the gentleman's game.

Some notable performances included elegant runs for Corne Nel against St Charles and Northwood, a belligerent

innings against Northwood by Sachin Soni, and a four-fer by Lloyd Milligan against Northwood.

Special mention must also go to Wayde du Plessis, who finished the season injured, but maintained his commitment to contribute in every way which he could.

Thank you also to Jan Nel who stepped in to organize a venue for the team to host games. While the team were always enthusiastic, there is a lot of room for learning and better application of skills when under pressure.

Results:

Played: 3
(St Charles, Glenwood, Northwood)
Lost: 3

Regular Players:

C Nel (Capt), A Heeraman, Y Kwanda, S Soni, L Milligan, MA Khan, S Ndabambi, A Indurjeeth, Y Mdletshe, W du Plessis, T Pillay

Clifton, B Muzite
U16A Cricket Coaches.

U16B Cricket

The beginning of 2019 proved to be a tough year for the u16 age group for all involved. Struggling to fill 2 sides in this age group it was always going to be tough to finish the season on a high but despite some trying circumstances the season came to an end with matches being played.

Thank you to the boys who consistently showed up for practice and worked hard to improve themselves. Your attitude and commitment to the game is commendable.

It was always going to be a tough season but the boys played better every

single match and although it did not go in our favor, the spirit and heart shown by them just shows the passion brought forward by these young gentlemen.

Thank you to the parents for allowing your son to participate and representing School outside its' four walls, it is greatly appreciated. The impact that you have on your son is more than you know, and their character speaks on a positive note regarding this.

Lastly, to Mr Shedlock, Mr Pillay and Mr Genade, thank you for your continued support and help during the season.

Your input has been invaluable and is highly regarded.

Results:

Played: 4
Won: 0
Lost: 4

Regular Players:

J Slomczynski, D Rowan, N Sabela, R Mhungu, D Dlamini, M Mnembe, T Sibisi, T Sookdhew, T Gulzar, A Coetzee, J Williams

M Jansen van Rensburg
U16B Cricket Coach

U15A Cricket

The U15A boys were off to a flyer in the 1st term, with a handsome 63 run victory over a KZN Development. Michael Russell scored a well-played 45 with DHS finishing on 151 after the allotted 30 overs. Our

bowling attack came on strong, with Andile Wanda ably assisted by Jaydin Dayanand. Wickets fell regularly with only one decent partnership by the development boys. Owen Morgenrood came on to bowl towards the end and

picked up three superb wickets as well as an unbelievable catch in the slips.

After a few weeks of no cricket due to Mother Nature taking its toll, we were up against St Charles. We started off





U15 Award Winners

Jadin Dayanund, Lutendo Tsanwani, Andile Wanda (not pictured)

very slowly but we were able to not lose early wickets which was a positive. After the drinks break, we looked to catch up on the run rate but, alas, lost wickets regularly and finished off with a low target of 96. Due to not having enough runs on the board, we set an attacking field and hoped to create some big chances. Dominique Nasan bowled an outstanding 10 over spell but St Charles cantered home to win by 8 wickets.

We welcomed our foes Glenwood from across the bridge to Collegians, our home ground for the year. We were put it to bat first on a cloudy, windy day. We started off badly, losing our opening batsmen cheaply, but were able to pull it back up to go to the drinks break only 2 wickets down. Unfortunately, we lost wickets regularly after drinks to put a total of 102 on the board. Our bowling also started off poorly but we were able to make some changes and put Glenwood under big pressure with good bowling from Nasan and Tsanwani,

with 3 wickets apiece. With the game becoming quite tight - Glenwood 7 wickets down - they managed to squeeze over the line with 3 wickets remaining.

After a very disruptive week, we had Northwood up ahead of us. After losing the toss and being asked to bowl first by the opposition captain, we were off to a below par start with plenty of wides bowled all round. We were able to take wickets at regular intervals with some great bowling by Dayanand and Tsanwani taking four wickets and three wickets respectively. Northwood were bowled out for 156 on a small field, and we were confident going into bat that we were able to get the target. We lost early wickets and alas, like Northwood, lost wickets regularly. With the ebb and flow of cricket against us, Mustafa Hoosen was able to get us back into the game with 41 runs off very few balls. With partners running out, we were needing 9 runs to win and Northwood

needed 1 wicket. And we were not able to get over the line.

The U15A Cricket team was very excited for the second part of season and had every right to be. While they were hard at practice, working hard on their craft, certain boys put up their hand with solid batting performances with a couple of half centuries being made by Lutendo Tsanwani. as well as among the bowlers, with Andile Wanda making the U15 KZN cricket side this year.

Towards the end of the season, we were looking strong. We just weren't able to convert to a win.

The boys need to focus more and stay positive as there will always be room for improvement. I think we will have a successful year in the following season.

Representatives:

Andile Wanda - KZN U15

U15 Award Winners:

Bowler of the Year - Jadin Dayanund, Andile Wanda

Batsman of the Year - Lutendo Tsanwani

Results:

Played:	11
Won:	1
Lost:	10

Regular Players:

Diren Govender, Andile Wanda, Lutendo Tsanwani (Captain), Dominic Nasan, Nirav Singh, Jadin Dayanund, Owen Morgenrood, Othembayo Ndondo, Mustafa Hoosen, Wenzile Bhengu, Sbo Mjoli, Michael Russell

U15A Cricket Coaches:

J Flanagan, G Bennett, A Dudas

G Bennett, A Dudas
U15A X1 Cricket Coaches

U15B Cricket

The 2019 cricket season got off to a slow start after the first two fixtures against Kearsney and Michaelhouse were called off due to inclement weather. This meant that the team were untried and tested going into the fixture against St Charles College.

DHS won the toss and elected to bat first. The batsmen struggled to accumulate runs and a few poor calls led to batsmen being run out unnecessarily. The best batsman for DHS on the day was Lwandile Gama, who scored 19 runs. DHS were bowled out for 84 runs. St Charles managed to score the runs fairly comfortably, losing just one wicket in the process. Thus, DHS lost by 9 wickets. However, this only ignited the side into action, as at the following training it was evident that the DHS boys were eager to make amends and to learn from the result.

The next fixture was against Glenwood High School, our arch nemesis. DHS won the toss and elected to bat first in the 20 over match. After a slow start DHS managed to score 101 runs with Jordan Ramsamy top scoring with 22 runs. Glenwood went into bat to chase what seemed to be a gettable target. However, some fine bowling by all the DHS bowlers saw Glenwood capitulate and they were all out for 63, with DHS winning by 38 runs.

The next match against Westville was to be our toughest encounter of the term. Westville won the toss and elected to bat first. They started fairly slowly and DHS managed to pick up wickets at regular intervals. However, once Westville began to open up with the bat they started to score runs freely and went on to post a big score of 172 for 7 off 20 overs. DHS, having been set a tough target, lost a few early wickets which meant that they were never able

to maintain a strong run rate. Connor Dewing, however, batted very positively and scored an impressive 35 runs. Westville managed to win this fixture comfortably by 98 runs.

The final game of the first term against Northwood was perhaps the most exciting match of my coaching career. DHS won the toss and put Northwood in to bat on what looked like a very tricky wicket. Northwood batted well but lost wickets regularly, which meant that they could never gain momentum. At the end of 20 overs Northwood posted 92 runs for the loss of 8 wickets. DHS went into bat and also struggled to gain momentum with the loss of regular wickets. However, a fine batting display and partnership between Jordan Ramsamy (31 runs) and Jared Letord (34 runs) saw DHS in a good position to win. Once again, the loss of wickets at crucial times gave Northwood hope that they could win the game. Needing 4 runs in the last over DHS lost 2 wickets and scored 3 runs. Needing a single run off the last ball DHS boys played 'tip and run' and managed to win the game on the last ball of the match, scoring 93 for 7 and winning by 3 wickets. A great effort for this talented side with great potential as cricketers.

The term 4 cricket programme was a very short one. Whilst we did play four matches, they were unfortunately difficult games where we had constant changes to the team with injuries, illness and other sporting commitments. Nonetheless every cricketer who represented the under U15B team did so with commitment and enthusiasm.

Our first game of term 4 was a 20 over contest against Clifton. DHS won the toss and elected to bat first. Khalil Alwar (37) and Sybrand Erwee ensured that we got off to a decent start and DHS managed

to put on relatively competitive score of 107 for the loss of 4 wickets. Clifton started their innings off on a sound footing, but unfortunately the weather played a major part in proceedings and the match was abandoned due to dangerous conditions, ending in a draw. The next fixture was against Maritzburg College. DHS won the toss, batted first, and posted a decent 143 all out. Once again Khalil. Alwar was the pick of the batsmen, scoring 33 runs. Unfortunately, the College batting line up was incredibly strong and they managed to score at will and reached the target with the loss of just 2 wickets.

The last two matches of the season were against Westville and Kearsney respectively. In both games DHS failed to score enough runs to make the matches competitive and both matches resulted in a loss for DHS.

I hope the young men who participated this year enjoyed their cricket and I thank the entire team for their concerted effort to make every practice and for always bringing an energy to practice that I found highly energising.

Results:

Played	8
Won:	2
Lost:	5
Drawn:	1

Regular Players:

Sibongeleni Mjoli (Captain Term 1), Wenzile Bhengu, Connor Dewing, Jared Letord (Captain Term 4), Kgotso Moeketsi, Lwandile Gama, Bagcine Gqweta; Minenhle Ngcamu, Lungelo Mshengu, Ateeq Patel, Mikhail Sayed, Jordan Ramsamy, Tyler Christians, Sanele Pryce-Lewis, Ntobeko Mhlongo, Khalil Alwar, Sybrand Erwee

A Dudas - U15B Cricket Coach



U15C Cricket

The season started off slow, yet the boys formed a good brotherhood during the season. Although the boys have different personalities and come from different backgrounds, when they played, they united as one and played as a team.

As the season started, we faced a few challenges in our batting and fielding, but as the season progressed the boys became better as we were able to bat out our full 20 overs, and our fielding

got better as well, so we were able to put teams under pressure when they were batting. With this hard work, we were rewarded with our first win of the season against Glenwood, where the boys displayed great character, with a few standout performances from some players. I was really happy with the boys this season as they showed a lot of improvement throughout the season.

Results:
Played: 4

Won: 1
Lost: 1

Regular Players:

T Christians (Captain), P Horn, M Dlamini, Y Singh, T Zondo, N Abdullah, A Leeuw, K Thiagarajan, K Boateng, N Qwabe, Z Mohammed Yassin

S Mkhaliphi
U14B Cricket Coach

U15D Cricket

The first term is always a tough one in terms of cricket, especially since our regular U15 players have upped an age group and are playing at a higher level.

The boys needed to put in a lot of hard work, and we focused a lot on technical skills and getting back to doing the basics of the game well - especially in terms of basic batting techniques, such as correct grip, stance, head position and the ability to know where off stump is at all times. We also worked on basic fielding techniques, such as the long barrier and ball skills, catching drills etc. I would like to say that this translated into wins, but unfortunately this was not the case. The results, however, bely the fact that the boys really did try hard and I have to say that they gave of their best when called on to do so. Even

when their totals were low, in the best spirit of the game they fought all the way to the end.

Mention must also be made of the boys' impeccable manners and gentlemanly conduct towards the umpires and opposition during the matches. This made a huge impact on the overall atmosphere on the field and ensured a very enjoyable season.

The DHS U15D cricket team played two games in term 2. We played Maritzburg College and Kearsney College. The lads lost both games, but showed great fight when they batted, bowled and fielded. Being the D team, our main aim was to have fun and that we indeed had in both games. It was really enjoyable coaching these young men. I would like to wish them all of the best in the 2020 session.

Results:

	Term 1	Term 4
Played:	4	2
Won:	0	0
Lost:	4	2

Regular Players:

Term 1 - M Hlophe, G Mabandla, T Moodley (captain), T Mothilall, A Ramsudh, J Sewtahal, S Von Mollendorff, N Naidoo

Term 4 - Nafees Abdulla (Captain), Joshua Handley, Nashil Naidoo, Theolin Mothilall, Leroy Jaichand, Jivan Rushil, Jiyane Andile, Wakhile Mhlongo, Ziyaa Mohamed, Akil Naidoo, Abiel Tekle, Thalin Woolganathan, Pieter Horn, Matthew Gallegger, Shaldin Munsamy, Trishul Lochan, Lungani Myeni

G Surtees, E Govender
U15D Cricket Coaches

U14A Cricket

The U14A side is a team with plenty of potential and talent, which is why it was really unfortunate to see the team not rise, to put in consistent performances to the

standard of this potential. As a coach of the U14A team, results were not our main focus, but growth, development and attitude were.

The year started off with our first few matches rained out, so the 2019 season started with us on the back foot. The first game was against St Charles in Pietermaritzburg. We had not really





*U14 Award Winners
Nkululeko Masondo, Jayson Butler, Alex Combrink*

gelled as a unit yet. However, we gave a good account of ourselves. St Charles put on a competitive score but we made too many mistakes in the field. Eventually we lost by 3 runs. We came away with a lot of positives to build on.

Our next match was against Glenwood at Glenwood. This was most probably our toughest opponent, especially regarding the history between the two schools. It was a closely fought encounter and one which required a lot of grit and determination from School. We won this game and it certainly was a highlight in the short season. The boys performed as a group and started to show signs of the type of cricket we wanted to play. Our final match for the 1st term was Northwood on Whitfield Oval. We had a disruptive preparation and this definitely affected our performance. We lost this match and we were our own worst enemies. We wilted in the sun and, when we went in to bat, we could not concentrate for long periods of time. We learnt big lessons from this game.

It was a tough start in the 4th term vs a strong Clifton team, before heading into the Charl van Rooyen festival where we

really saw a couple of players stand out with bat and ball. 50s from Masondo and Khule, and one of the best spells of bowling in U14 cricket I have seen from Venter, were the highlights of the festival.

We followed up with games against Maritzburg College, Westville and KZN U13, where we were really good in parts but struggled to put a complete performance together with all disciplines concerned. This is a team with plenty of ability and spirit. However, learning about fighting through the tough times and absorbing pressure better will be top of the list for many going forward into the next season.

I do believe players like Butler, Venter, Masondo and Khule have a great cricket future ahead of them. I hope the team can take this season and use it as a stepping stone towards becoming stronger, better players with a character that never says die. It is there and I have seen it in small doses.

vs Maritzburg College - We bowled and fielded first and it was our best bowling and fielding performance this season, with great catches from Butler

and Masondo changing the game in our favour after Combrink starred with the ball. He was also in the thick of it with the bat as well, as was Khule who battled away for us as he has done most of the season. He has been the wall of the team. We came up well short in this fixture.

vs Westville - A much better batting performance from the boys in the middle order allowing us to post a reasonable total. We followed that up with an unbelievable opening partnership with the ball, restricting Westville to 19 for 1 after 11 overs. A poor spell with the ball then followed, completely shifting momentum towards Westville and before we knew it they were in line to take victory from us. We weren't able to fight our way back but an improved performance overall compared to the past two weeks.

vs KZN U13 - We completed a victory over the KZN U13 side, Butler and Combrink really taking the game away from the visiting side. This was after the seamers really put us in a position to chase down a modest total at home, with Butler top scoring with 50 odd not out and Combrink 49 not out.

vs Kearsney - It was by far our poorest performance to date, even after a wonderful start with the ball from openers Butler and Venter. Only Wyatt Rose could back them up with a superb second spell, which even got the praises of the opposition coaches. The batting left much to be desired. We let ourselves down here as we were bowled out for a modest total.

In closing, I would like to commend Jayson Butler on his role as an ever-improving captain. He had been given a lot more responsibility and, even though it was difficult, he always managed to push through it and make decisions that he felt was best for the team and the situation. He has the makings of a

well-rounded captain. This season will put him in good stead for the seasons to come!

Representative:

KZN U14 Indoor Cricket - Joshua Venter

U14 Award Winners:

Bowler of the Year - Alex Combrink

Batsman of the Year - Jayson Butler, Nkuleleko Masondo

Results:

Played: 11

Won: 2

Lost: 9

Regular Players:

Jayson Butler, Joshua Venter, Khulekhani Mseleku, Tyrique Hartnick, Ethan Chinnia, Alex Combrink, Michiel Burger, Liam Ruiters, Wyatt Rose,

Lerou Ditlahlakanyane, Nkululeko Masondo, Aldridge Maarsdorp

C Yelverton & F Genade
U14A Cricket Coaches

U14B Cricket

The boys were extremely impressive with regards to their behaviour on and off the pitch right from the beginning, and I was excited to see what the season would hold for us.

The intensity and focus that was being brought to both the games and practices helped us to secure a win in our first game against St Charles. After our first win of the season the boys were extremely eager to push forward, but we unfortunately let it slip against Glenwood. The loss against Glenwood was particularly disappointing for myself and the boys as it was as a result of our own mistakes. We narrowly lost, purely as a result of our poor batting performance, as we had them all out for under 60 runs, but failed to make the target. After the disappointment, the boys came back to practice with a determined mindset. Batting was the team's greatest weakness, and as a result we went on to lose our last 1st term games against Northwood and Westville.

The 4th term fixtures started off with a game against Clifton. Clifton batted first and scored an impressive 185 for 7 in the allotted 25 overs. This was helped by an undisciplined bowling display, where we contributed 52 runs in extras. Despite the poor bowling and fielding display, DHS were always in the game.

Divesh Naiker scored a superb hundred and it looked as though we were going to cruise to victory. Unfortunately, a string of quick wickets stopped our momentum and we ended losing by an agonising 2 runs.

Our next fixture was a 50 over match against Maritzburg College. After an initial collapse DHS fought back to set a respectable total of 144. The guys then bowled very well to put pressure on College, but at the end of the day we just didn't have enough runs on the board.

The Westville fixture will forever be seen as the one that got away. A good overall batting performance allowed DHS to set a competitive total of 123 in the allotted 20 overs. It was always going to be a very tight affair. DHS had seemed to have the upper hand, until a lapse in concentration allowed Westville to score some quick runs. DHS then pulled it back with some great death bowling. As a result, Westville required 7 runs off the last over. Damien Smith bowled a brilliant last over, taking two wickets and only giving away 3 runs in the first 5 balls, thus leaving Westville 4 runs to win off the last ball. To the devastation of the players, the final ball saw the ball smash through the wicketkeeper's gloves and go for 4. Westville winning off the last ball!

The final game of the season was against Kearsney. Again, we batted first, and scored a respectable 146 in our allotted 30 overs. We always felt that we had not batted to our full potential and were probably about 30 runs short. This seemed to be the case as Kearsney appeared to be cruising to victory. However, a superb spell of bowling from Kwezi Shabane really threw the cat amongst the pigeons. Kearsney seemed to panic a bit and lost some quick wickets. However, they were able to steady the ship somewhat and finally were able to get over the line. In the end Kearsney won by 3 wickets. Another loss that could so easily have gone in our favour.

If one lesson can be taken from this season, it is to make sure DHS improve their intensity in matches. I have no doubt that if we had played with intensity in the key moments during these games most, if not all, the results would have been different. It is important that players are able to recognise these pressure moments and taken advantage of them. If they do, 2020 will be a very successful season for this group of players.

Results:

Played: 9

Won: 2

Lost: 7



Regular Players:

Divesh Naiker, Araav Rampersad, Anele Nhlumayo, Aidan Quinn, Allain Frankson, Tyron Hatcher, Riley

Clarivette, Jordan Visick, Damien Smith, Florensen Ockhuis, Shaylen Panday, Andile Mbambo, Kwezi Shabane

B Adam
U14B Cricket Coach

U14C Cricket

It was, all in all, a good season for the U14C side, remaining competitive throughout. The team could've ended the season with three wins from four in Term 1 had the boys not let the games slip against both Glenwood and Westville.

Glenwood were 25-7 after 9 overs, but the game slipped away as they ended up posting a competitive 77 - which proved to be enough on the day. Westville, who needed 3 runs to win with 1 wicket in hand, snuck a victory in when a lapse of concentration from the fielders allowed

for overthrows which cost us the match. Little margins which could've been the difference between our good season and a great one instead.

There was definitely a lot of talent in the U14C team, and I wouldn't be surprised if one or two of these players end up playing for an A team in the near future.

Highlights of the season included Nandile Umlaw's 5 wickets for 10 runs against St Charles and Kyle McCalgan's 4 for 6 against Glenwood.

Results:

Played:	4
Won:	1
Lost:	3

Regular Players:

Kyle McCalgan (Captain), Divesh Naiker (Vice Captain), Mitchell Steele, Rehan Joseph, Khwezi Shabane, Nandile Umlaw, Divakar Rampersadh, Baldwin Mazuba, Luke Gallagher, Shaylen Panday, Jaitley Roberts

H Siyaya
U14C Cricket Coach

U14D Cricket

The season kicked off with a bang as the boys eagerly awaited playing in their first year at DHS. The boys were new to playing in high school but their nerves seemed to wear off, with a sense of confidence and duty to the task at hand. Batsmen would focus diligently in the nets and bowlers learnt to hit the pitch with regular frequency.

Prominent players who stood out consistently, week in and week out, were Leuel Moodley with good all-round abilities, and Jordan Mbambo for his excellent line and length bowling, taking numerous wickets in the season for minimal runs. But, overall, I would say it was the team's brotherhood that allowed them to face their opposition with confidence and serve them in taking key wickets in games.

Many of our games would have been called off by most teams and coaches,

however, the enthusiasm of this team to play even in torrential rains led to their improvement over the season. There were a few nail-biting moments towards the end of a few matches as the boys either defended their total or chased opposition down with purpose. Although the results do not reflect the spirit and sense of comradeship on and off the field of this team, it was an absolute pleasure spending time with these boys and getting them to have a better understanding of what the game is about.

As mentioned above, the results did not go in our favour, but they expressed themselves beautifully and were by far the more disciplined side in each of their respective fixtures.

Thank you to the parents for allowing your son the opportunity to express himself on the sports field, enabling a

balance that will reap a lot of rewards for many years to come.

Thanks to the Head Master, Head of Sport and Head of Cricket for their valuable input, ensuring that all measures are taken to instil a work ethic amongst the boys.

Results:

Played:	8
Won:	2
Lost:	5
Drawn:	1

Regular Players:

Joshua Kippen, Leuel Moodley (Captain Term 1), Azam Khan, Bradley Govender (Captain Term 4), Jordan Mbambo, Anathi Gabula, Trivelle Peters, Simphiwe Ngobese, Amahle Mazibuko, Hlumelo Madikane, Tayur Govender, Charl Meyers, Brian Jamarie

D Robben, Mr M Jansen van Rensburg
U14D Cricket Coaches



U14E Cricket

As we embark on a mandate to grow and improve our competitiveness in the game, it is important that we look back at our performance in the last year. This allows us to build on areas that require additional focus and attention. The team competed in six games, winning just one game this year. The boys were new to playing high school cricket and their skills were rather rough around the edges, but they persevered and attended practices rigorously, learning many lessons along the way which they carried with them into matches. Unfortunately, some boys had never played cricket before and setting fields and bowling to a plan was quite a

challenge, but their spirits remained high even as they battled through the year.

The prominent player who stood out consistently, week in and week out, was captain Alexander Gudgeon, who always had encouraging words for his team mates and kept the wind in their sails, also displaying good all-round abilities.

It is hoped that the team will continue to grow as cricketers and practice in the off season to become more fine-tuned players.

Results:

Played: 6
Won: 1
Lost: 5

Regular Players:

Alexander Gudgeon (captain), Chris Morris, Ally Muhammad, Jordan Subbiah, Mohmed Ismail, Mikael Lee, Mohammed Bulbulia, Saharsh Rambaran, Vally Muhammed, Coran Chunilal, Mvuso Thando

T Moodey
U14E Cricket Coach

Cross Country

The DHS 2019 Cross Country season went into the customary pre-season mode: training sessions and times were established. However, we were delighted to welcome Dr Stewart Clifton into the fold. Dr Clifton is a former provincial schools athlete and a current Comrades Marathon devotee. He brings to us a singular devotion to the sport and at the same time was able to conduct several scientific coaching and training principles.

The season began with the opening meeting hosted by Kuswag and Kingsway, and took place at Hutchison Park in Amanzimtoti. DHS achieved 5th position overall, which was an improvement on the place accomplished in 2018

A week later, the athletes moved on to Curro Hillcrest. DHS improved on the previous week's standings as we took a metaphorical podium position and achieved 3rd place. It seemed that Doctor Clifton's labours were

not in vain. Also, encouragingly, DHS improved several positions at the venue, compared to 2018 (9th place to 3rd place).

The next meeting, hosted by Clifton, was held at Virginia Football Club. DHS maintained good form and once again held onto 3rd place.

An enforced competition break, due to the May Day public holiday as well as the National General Election, meant that the next cross country get-together only transpired three weeks after the Clifton meeting and took place at Crawford College. Once again, DHS attained 3rd place.

A week later, we moved onto Waterfall College. This meeting was an interesting occasion, as we decided to integrate our inter-house rivalry with the inter-school competition. Whilst the inter-house concept worked out well, the inter-school did not have the desired

outcome: DHS slipped to 6th place overall.

The results of the inter-house competition:

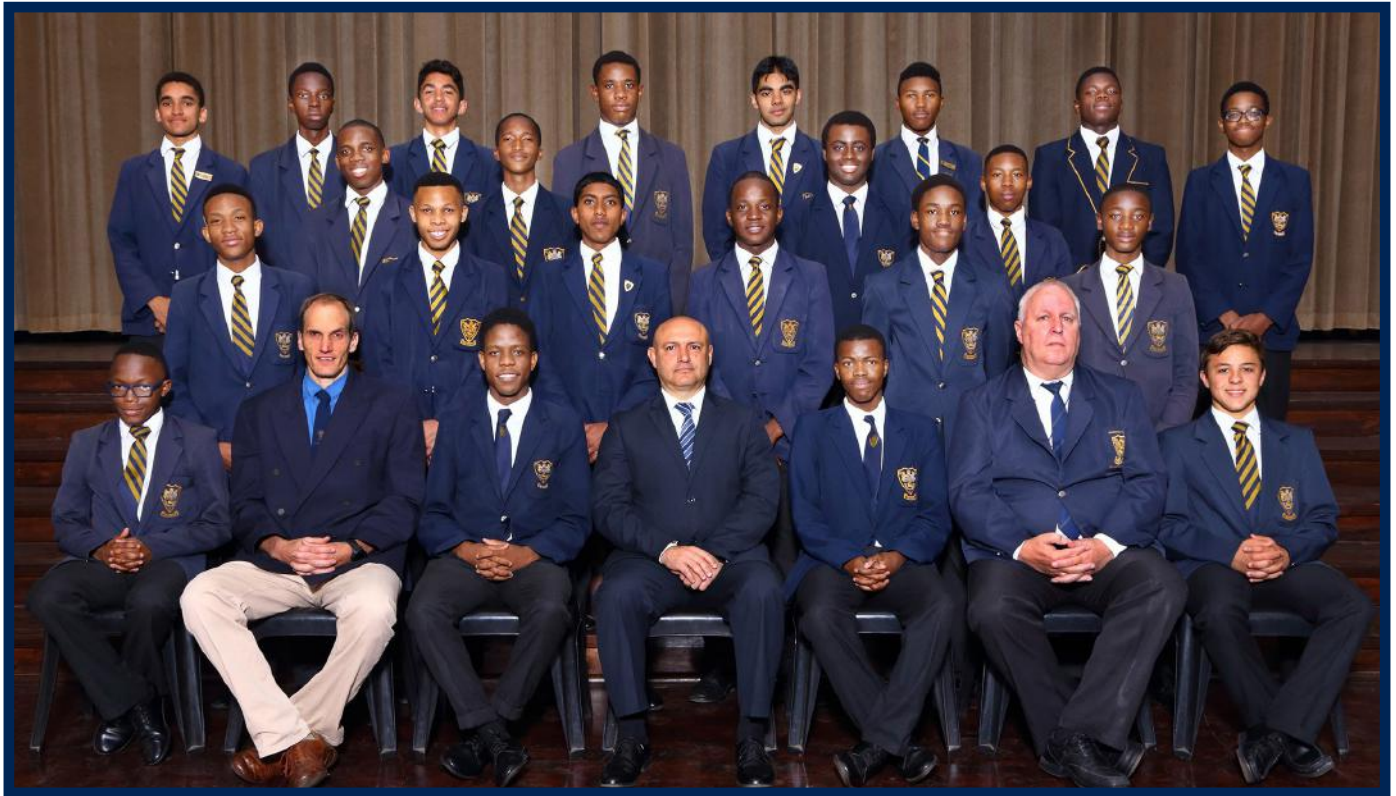
1st	Campbell
2nd	Blackmore
3rd	Swales
4th	Grice
5th	Payn
6th	Langley

The final meeting of the season took place at Kearsney. Unfortunately, the absence of athletes saw DHS slip into 8th place overall.

Disappointingly, DHS had to settle for the same overall position as 2018: 4th out of about 35 schools.

In term 3, DHS toured Parktown and although we were outgunned overall, sparkling performances did emanate from Nokutunda Motuweri and Onamandla Qwaya in the senior event.





Cross Country 2019

Front Row (L to R): Themba Nkomo, Dr S Clifton (Coach), Nokutunda Muteweri, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Onamandla Qwaya, Mr W Goodwin (M-i-C : Cross Country), Miguel De Paiva

2nd Row: Sisanda Khuzwayo, Wakhile Mhlongo, Liam Gordon, Siphamandla Mathonsi, Senzo Khumalo, Wandiswa Mbhele

3rd Row: Bakithi Msomi, Alwande Mpanza, Taona Ngidi, Alwande Buthelezi

Back Row: Rowan Van Rooyen, Smangalis Radebe, Jordan Abrahams, Mnembe Gama, Sidarth Singh, Kelly Tshishwaka, Humelo Noncembu, Sibongwa Gumede

Absent: Lindokuhle Myeni, Keyontae Reynard, Thando Mvubu, Ntando Buthelezi

These lads achieved 3rd and 4th place respectively.

Both Nokutunda and Onamandla were invited to the KZN trials and narrowly missed out in the final District selection for KZN, ending up in 8th and 9th place respectively. Only the first six athletes were selected for the district, and thus Nokutunda and Onamandla accomplished themselves as "non-travelling reserves".

I extend my gratitude and appreciation to Dr Clifton for the enormous workload he took on and I look forward to working with him in 2020.

Thanks go, too, to Mr Pillay and Mr Norton for their supportive roles in the 2019 season.

Regular Runners:

Nokutunda Motuweri, Taona Ngidi, Bakithi Msomi, Liam Gordon, Temba Nkomo, Onamandla Qhwaya, Wenzile Radebe, Smangalis Radebe, Navil Richard, Mahomad Hussain, Ahmed Motala, Alwande Mpanza, Sidarth Singh, Asher Knox-Davies, Nathan Del Fava, Jordan Abrahams, Alwande Buthelezi, Vuyani Khuzwayo, Sipho Kubheka, Wakhile Mhlongo, Siphamandla Mathonsi, Biridwa Tobar, Keyontae Reynard, Thando Mvubu, Ntando

Buthelezi, Wakhile Mhlongo, Sisanda Khuzwayo and Wandiswo Mbhele

W Goodwin
M-i-C: Cross Country

First Aid



First Aid 2019

Front Row (L to R): Obakhe Delubom, Mr E Thomas, Senthana Naicker, Lesedi Lesesa, Ms S Francis (M-I-C : First Aid), Phindokuhle Ngcoya

Back Row: Suhail Habiya, Sonqoba Makhanya, Azhar Karolia, Jonathan Shore, Khye Sanderson, Vulthari Mabasa

In 2019 the First Aid team comprised the following learners: Johnathan Shore, Senthana Naicker, Azhar Karolia, Phindokuhle Ngcoya, Obakhe Delubom, Sonqoba Makhanya, Shivon Mackerduj, Vulthari Mabasa, Khye Sanderson, Alex Combrink and Troy Getkate. When extra assistance was required, the following learners were willing to avail themselves: Alitha Leeuw, Adriaan Coetzee and Junaid Lyons.

Once again we made the trip up to Johannesburg to face Parktown Boys' High in various codes. Sonqoba and Obakhe eagerly volunteered to accompany our boys to ensure that they were aided timeously in the event of an emergency. The tour went off relatively smoothly, with just one major injury.

Johnathan, Senthana, Obakhe, Azhar, Sonqoba, Mr Thomas and I attended a Level 3 First Aid Course hosted by Valucorp. The facilitators were Nurse Duma and Miss Shaik. These facilitators were also responsible for running the first aid elective programme held at School in semester two. The DHS first aid team extends their gratitude to the facilitators for their consistent professionalism and ever-present willingness to accommodate all our queries.

A special note of thanks to Rescue Care for always coming to our aid, not only during sports fixtures but also during the academic school week when the need arose. The level of service rendered was always exceptional and we look forward

to maintaining this relationship in the New Year.

Through committed service and training, our team's confidence has grown this year and we look forward to yet another exciting year in 2020.

It is with great sadness we bid farewell to our matriculants, Jonathan and Senthana. Thank you for your committed service to the team and school over the last few years. We wish you well in your future endeavours.

Ms S Francis
M-I-C: First Aid

1st XI Hockey



1st Team Hockey 2019

Front Row (L to R): Mr H Siyaya (Coach), Rogan Green, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Sanolin Panther, Mr M Baker (M-i-C : Hockey), Othembayo Ndodno, Mr T Bottomley (Coach)

2nd Row: Benjamin Hulett, Usama Ghuman, Sholin Naicker, Sachin Soni, Eli Louis, Siphephelo Magwaza

Back Row: Justin Wingrove, Lloyd Milligan, Ross Shedlock, Bagcine Gqweta, Joshua Winnaar

Absent: Khayelihle Hlomuka (Captain)

The DHS 1st team had a rather improved season compared to the previous year, albeit still very modest. It included a handful of wins early on in the season. As the season went on, the fixtures got tougher, and it became very obvious that the team lacked a bit of quality. Nonetheless the team gave nothing away against all their more fancied opponents, which included narrow losses to Maritzburg College, St John's, Affies, Kearsney and Northwood. What lacked the most in the team was consistency - the boys just couldn't quite follow up a good performance with another. The younger players in the team certainly showed that the good years of DHS Hockey are

not too far off, and more wins can be expected in the coming season.

We were also fortunate to have had a few KZN Representatives in the team.

Representatives

KZN U18B - Khayelihle Hlomuka, Usama Ghuman

KZN U18C - Sholin Naicker, Eli Louis, Joshua Winnaar

KZN U16A - Bagcine Gqweta (SA U16 HP Squad), Othembayo Ndondo

KZN U16B - Sachin Soni

Open Award Winners:

Player of the Season- Usama Ghuman

Most Improved Player - Justin Wingrove

Most Promising Player - Bagcine Gqweta

Results:

Played: 26

Won: 5

Lost: 18

Drawn: 3

Regular Players:

Joshua Winnaar, Sholin Naicker, Ben Hulett, Usama Ghuman, Ross Shedlock, Khayelihle Hlomuka, Rowan Makhoba, Eli Louis, Sinolin Pather, Rogan Green, Justin Wingrove, Siphephelo Ngubane, Bagcine Gqweta, Sachin Soni, Lloyd Milligan, Othembayo Ndondo

H Siyaya, T Bottomley

1st XI Hockey Coaches





Hockey Open Representatives (above) and U16 Representatives (below)



U16A Hockey

The DHS U16A team showed the real strength in the DHS programme this year. We had our first SA Schools representative in a few years and two boys were part of the gold medal KZN U16A side at the Interprovincial Tournament.

They had a really slow start to the season, playing an exciting brand of hockey but just never having enough to put the goals away. The second half of the season saw a rejuvenated side. Going 1-0 down against Glenwood and managing to fight back and draw that

game was a highlight on our Founders Day.

Going away and beating Parktown 5-1 on the Friday night proved the boys really turned the corner, playing exceptional hockey.

The improvement from these boys from the beginning of the season to the end was huge and leaves us with the prospect of an exciting few years as they progress.

We were also fortunate to have had a few KZN Representatives in the team.

Representatives:

SA U16 HP Squad - Bagcine Gqweta

KZN U16A - Bagcine Gqweta, Othembayo Ndondo

KZN U16B - Sachin Soni

U16 Award Winners:

Player of the Year - Bagcine Gqweta

Most Improved Player of the Year - Othembayo Ndondo, Sachin Soni

Results:

Played: 13

Won: 3

Lost: 8

Drawn: 2

Regular Players:

Bagcine Gqweta, Sachin Soni, Lloyd Milligan, Othembayo Ndondo, Ateeq Patel, Khalil Alwar, Samuel Spooner, Andile Wanda, Phumelela Msomi, Ayurv Indurjeeth, Sakhe Ndabambi, Thandolwethu Zondo, Yanga Mdletshe, Akshay Heeraman

M Baker

U16A Hockey Coach

U16B Hockey

The season has been a great success in terms of progression, skills and performance. The passion could be seen at every training session, where boys were eager to learn new skills and enhance every aspect of their game.

Throughout the season the boys played with their heart on their sleeves as they continued to play every single game with the intent to win.

The team had a wonderful season with their passion and love for the game, always giving it everything

- they never gave up until the final whistle. This showed in the last game of the season, with a thrilling away game as the boys were able to hold the Glenwood outfit to a 1-1 draw.

All the boys showed great discipline on and off the field during this season and, if they continue along this path and work hard, it will not only make them better sportsmen but also respectable men. It was an absolute honour and privilege to coach this group of young men.

Results:

Played: 10

Won: 0

Lost: 9

Drawn: 1

Regular Players:

P Pillay, E Onyemauche, M Russell, K Yengwa, A Heeraman, C Wingrove, P Msomi, Y Mdletshe, M Gallagher, C Nel, J Chetty, C Dewing, O Zuma, E Cloete, Tumelo, K Coetzee, A Coetzee

A Isenberg

U16B Hockey Coach

U16C Hockey

The U16C team this year arguably showed the most character of all the hockey teams in the school.

Many of the boys had only played one year of hockey, so it was a challenge for this team to get results.

The season got off to a very shaky start, but the boys just saw this as a reason to train harder. Every week at training almost the entire team arrived and they showed a great hunger to improve their hockey skills. Eventually, the boys managed to get their first draw of

the season against Kearsney, and this seemed to ignite a fire within the team.

The season then came down to the last game of the season against Glenwood, which we managed to win 2-1 after being 1-0 at half time; this was probably my proudest moment of the season.

It was an honour coaching a group of boys that had so much desire to learn and improve on their hockey skills.

Results:

Played: 8

Won: 1

Lost: 6

Drawn: 1

Regular Players:

Tayen Pillay, Scott Cullen, Cuan Francis, Yoshlan Govender, Theolin Mothilall, Lethe Zulu, Sachin Raghubar, Mikhail Sayed, Jaden Lambert, Aphelele Madonda, Ethan Cloete, Corne Nel, Rahul Rabilal, Lungelo Ndaba, Adriaan Coetzee

C Goodwin

U16C Hockey Coach





U14 Hockey Representatives

U14A Hockey

The U14A hockey team had an outstanding season and managed to obtain some amazing results. The team grew from strength to strength and showed a lot of character throughout the entire season.

The team was led by Liam Ruiters, who was one of the most influential players in the team. He ended the season as the top goal scorer as well.

This U14A side was one of the best sides that DHS has produced in a long time. They could arguably be the best team in the country, as they went unbeaten in the whole of KZN. Many average players grew tremendously and became much better hockey players by the end of the season. The boys were extremely eager to play and it was really amazing to see the difference from the start to the end.

We had seven boys who represented KZN in their respective teams this year. Liam Ruiters, Aldridge Maasdorp

and Leruo Ditlhakanyane was selected to represent the KZN U14A winter games team, who managed a second-place finish after losing their final against Western Cape in a nail-biting showdown. Leruo captained the KZN U14A winter games team and Liam was selected as his vice-captain. Lulonke Gono and Sduduzo Zondi were selected for the KZN U14A regional tournament team and also did really well in their tournament. Andile Mbambo and Keelan Henry was selected for the KZN U14B regional tournament team.

The DHS U14A side overpowered most of the teams they played against this year. They managed to obtain some historic results, beating big hockey schools (the likes of Clifton, Hilton, Kearsney, Westville and Glenwood).

This side will definitely be an age group to look out for in the future.

Standout Players:

Liam Ruiters, Leruo Ditlhakanyane , Aldridge Maasdorp, Sduduzo Zondi, Andile Mbambo, Lulonke Gono, Keelan Henry

Results:

Played:	19
Won:	15
Lost:	1
Drawn:	3
Goals for:	65
Goals against:	15

Regular Players

Keelan Henry (GK), Lulonke Gono, Liam Ruiters (Captain), Andile Mbambo, Khulekani Mseleku, Leruo Ditlhakanyane (Vice Captain), Aldridge Maasdorp, Sduduzo Zondi, Kyle McCalgan, Alain Frankson, Aiden Quinn, Jayson Butler, Luke Gallagher, Araav Rampersadh

J Flanagan
U14A Hockey Coach

U14B Hockey

Hockey at DHS showed phenomenal progression this season.

The U14B team had some struggles due to players from different types of systems of hockey but with a group of excited boys the team showed heart and enjoyed their season. They improved and that was our main goal of the season. Ending the term with a big 5-0 win against Thomas Moore got them even more pumped and they started the following term with their second

win of the season against Parktown. The season ended with a fixture against Glenwood, who beat them 3-0 in the previous fixture, and this time we only fell 1-0 short in a game we dominated (except on the scoreboard).

It's always an honour to have a passion driven, hungry to learn hockey group, and these boys will do well in the years to come because of that drive.

Results:
Played: 12

Won: 2
Lost: 9
Drawn: 1

Regular Players:

Jayson Butler, Joshua Kippen, Teagan McCarthy, Aarav Rampersadh, Riley Clarivette, Luke Gallagher, Thomas Eddie, Owethu Ndebele, Oluhle Canham, Tyron Hatcher, Ethan Chinniah, Ethan van der Byl, Jordan Mbambo

T Nxumalo
U14B Hockey Coach

U14C Hockey

The U14C hockey team was one to be proud of in 2019. For the first time in a while we had enough U14 boys at trials to make four teams. This allowed us greater depth in choosing our C team. The boys worked hard to keep their place in the C team, with a few boys from the D team working their way up through commitment to practices and skill improvement. We had a few boys, like Jordan Mbambo, who showed so much promise he was moved up to the B team.

The C team boys came to every game with courage and a passion to play for

each other. I never had to ask twice for them to listen and they stuck to our game plan every week. Starting off with a few losses was good for them, as they soon worked their way up to three wins in the season, two draws and a total of five losses.

They were a pleasure to coach and I look forward to seeing the great things they do next year at U15.

Results:
Played: 10
Won: 3
Lost: 5

Drawn: 2

Regular Players:

Adam Preston, Corun Chunliall, Ntsika Ndlanya, Thierry Khan, Keathan Hiralal, Thuthuka Mngomezulu, Divesh Naiker, Troy Getkate, Sandiswa Mdletshe, Josh Venter, Tana Tangwira, Sbani Maphumulo, Bohdan Kristiah, Inothando Matshotyana

K Wiggill
U14C Hockey Coach

U14D Hockey

The U14 age group at DHS this year proved to be very strong and had great depth, with every team competing with other schools. The U14D team showed passion, determination, and hunger to learn the game of hockey and to develop as hockey players. The boys managed to get some fantastic results this year, with all the coaching staff hoping for them to have an unbeaten season. We knew this was going to be a hard

task and, unfortunately, we eventually met our match and lost to a very good Maritzburg College team. As a coach, coaching these boys was an absolute pleasure, as they always showed 100% commitment and were always eager to learn.

Results:
Played: 8
Won: 3
Lost: 3

Drawn: 2

Regular Players:

Jamie King, Jaitley Roberts, Jeheil Timothy, Connor Bowes, Kgotso Mokgatle, Tana Tagwira, Mikael Lee, Esethu Dlamini, Allan Chishanu, Kieren Varden, Wyatt Rose, Ntsika Ndlanya, Inothando Matshotyana, Josh Venter, Keelan Henry

C Goodwin
U14D Hockey Coach



1st Team Indoor Hockey



1st Team Indoor Hockey 2019

Front Row (L to R): Mr T Bottomley (Coach), Eli Louis, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Benjamin Hulett, Mr M Baker (M-i-C : Hockey)

Back Row: Rogan Green, Usama Ghuman, Othembayo Ndodno, Justin Wingrove, Bagcine Gqweta, Sholin Naicker, Siphephelo Magwaza, Joshua Winnaar

Going into the indoor season after a difficult outdoor season we knew it would be a great opportunity to bring the boys' spirits up. Before heading into the first game, I made sure to jot down goals for the season and key theories that would be used throughout the indoor season that would give ourselves the best chance of surviving relegation.

The targets I set out for the team were:

- Play hard, play smart, never give up
- Understand your strengths and weaknesses
- Play to the game plan
- Trust each other
- Enjoy it

We would reiterate these goals in team talks and during games and we knew if

we fought hard and played smart, we could stay up and cause a few upsets along the way.

We reached our main goal, which was to remain in the top section of indoor hockey and it came down to the final game where we played Ashton in a must-win beating them 6-2. Unfortunately, I was away at Senior Men's IPT and was not present but from what I was told the boys played with the same heart and determination they had the entire season whilst getting thumped and it paid off- with a little help from our hockey stars Othembayo and Bagcine.

I look forward to kick the 2020 season off and look forward to being a part of the best school in the country.

Player Critique

Ben Hulett

Ben is one of our strongest hockey players in the school and continued to put in big individual performances for the team, which is admirable for a quiet, young man. At times he got frustrated and sometimes got down on himself very quickly, which didn't help his performance. A player who leads with actions and not words, but would love to see this boy be more vocal on the pitch.

Rogan Green

This boy has come leaps and bounds. From outdoor season he 'sort of' played but not really and didn't seem to be quite in it. He switched it on halfway

through outdoor season and this carried through to his cameo appearances for the indoor side. Rogan's work ethic is incredible. He plays for the team, runs hard and always tries his best for the team. While understanding that he is extremely poor technically, he would understand his strengths and weaknesses more often than not. I can safely say Rogan is great kid with a great attitude.

Sholin Naicker

One of the quietest boys that always has a smile on his face. Sholin, more often than not, tends to really not be confident in himself which is a shame because he is a decent athlete with a good head on his shoulders. He would tend to sulk on the field if making one mistake, which would diminish his performance drastically - if Sholin can be more positive and simply back himself he will turn into a very good player for DHS.

Usama Ghuman

Technically poor, but seems to get the job done in his own may. A tremendous tackler with a great eye for the ball, runs hard, never gives up, backs himself and often showed up against some of the top schoolboys in the country - be it outdoor or indoor. A fine gentleman that will exceed in anything he puts his mind to. Usama was a boy I could trust

in the defence and always make an impact.

Joshua Winnaar

Technically not a good goalkeeper, but has tremendous heart and desire to win games for DHS. Josh would often drop his head if a goal was scored, even while knowing full well a goal was absolutely not his fault; this which would lead to further goals conceded simply for not being in a positive frame of mind. For our indoor side, Josh was an absolute game changer. He pulled off amazing saves that he shouldn't be near and made saves when we really needed them. Josh needs to back himself more in goals and be positive.

Mbali Mgubane

Siphe would do something outstanding and the next do something so silly. He is a great team player that always gave his best and run hard for the team when he came on. Not one of our strongest players but always kept his head up even when starting on the bench or being subbed off. Siphe took a while to get use to indoor style of play but by midway in the indoor season he really stepped up and made a real impact. A great kid and a big heart.

Justin Wingrove

This man has heart. Justin will do anything to win a game for DHS. Always

runs hard, plays hard, but often plays too hard and received unnecessary cards which put even more pressure on the team. Frustrating to see a boy who plays so hard continuously get cards for bad tackles or chirping umpires which are things that he can control. If Justin could learn to remain level-headed and still compete at a good level, he would be an even greater asset to the side. Justin is a good kid that just needs to be mentored and understood.

Eli Louis

This man is a legend. Even other schools know about "Eli from DHS". Silky smooth and at snail pace. One of the most frustrating players to coach, not because he is a bad kid, but the things Eli would do with the ball and the decisions he'd make drove me crazy for the entirety of 2019. When Eli came to grips with his strengths and weaknesses, he became a tremendous player for our indoor side. He worked hard, led the team and was a great character in the side. An unbelievable talent to annoy any coach with his decision-making, but a phenomenal kid.

Open Award Winner:

Player of the Year - Benjamin Hulett

T Bottomley

1st Team Indoor Hockey Coach

U16A Indoor Hockey

This indoor season was a successful season as this team managed to stay in the A section of the schools' indoor league.

From the time that I took over this side, it was very rewarding to see how the boys' indoor knowledge grew, and also how their skills got better over the course of the league.

Although we managed to stay up, the boys were still upset with their 7th place finish, as there were many games that we could've at least got a point for a draw, or even managed to get a win. A prime example of this was our game against Northwood A, where we managed to find ourselves 3-1 up at half time, but sadly ended up losing the game 5-3.

It is difficult for me to choose a best game of our season, as in most matches we actually played really well. However, for me personally, our best match was against a strong Westville B side that were up 4-1 at half-time, and we managed to draw the game 4-4 with a Bagcine Gqweta penalty corner flick with one minute left on the clock.



Overall, this was a good indoor season and I feel that the team enjoyed their experiences of playing indoor for their school.

U16 Award Winners:

Player of the Year - Bagcine Gqweta

Results:

Played: 9
Won: 1

Lost: 8
Drawn: 1

7-4 vs Reddam (win)
10-1 vs Kearsney (loss)
4-4 vs Westville B (draw)
9-1 vs Westville A (loss)
5-3 vs Northwood A (loss)
4-1 vs Glenwood (loss)
4-2 vs Clifton (loss)
3-2 vs Crawford LL (loss)

3-1 vs Northwood B (loss)

Regular Players:

Joshua Kippen, Bagcine Gqweta, Sachin Soni, Christopher Wingrove, Lloyd Milligan, Khalile Alwar, Othembayo Ndondo, Yanga Mdletshe, Ayurv Indurjeeth

C Goodwin

U16 A Indoor Hockey Coach

U14A Indoor Hockey

The U14A team had an outstanding indoor season and managed to obtain some amazing results. The team grew from game to game and showed a lot of character throughout the entire season. They lost only two games the entire season, which were against Kearsney in the pool stages and Westville in the semifinal. They beat Reddam House, Clifton, Westville A, Northwood A, Ashton, Kearsney, Northwood B, Glenwood and Westville B.

This U14A side was one of the best sides DHS has produced in a long time. Many average players grew tremendously and became much better hockey players by

the end of the season. The boys were extremely eager to play and it was really amazing to see the difference from the start to the end.

This side will definitely be an age group to look out for in the future.

Standout Players:

Leruo Ditlhakanyane, Liam Ruiters, Keelan Henry

U14 Award Winner:

Player of the Year - Leruo Ditlhakanyane

Results:

Played: 11
Won: 9

Lost: 2
Goals Scored: 46
Goals Against: 20

Regular Players:

Keelan Henry, Liam Ruiters (Captain), Lulonke Gono, Leruo Ditlhakanyane (Vice Captain), Aldridge Maasdorp, Andile Mbambo, Kyle, Inothando Matshotyana, Allain Frankson, Studuzo Zondi

J Flanagan

U14A Indoor Hockey Coach



Fathers & Sons

*DHS Old Boys with their sons
(from left):*

*Russell and Benjamin Hulett
Ross and Andrew Shedlock
Owen and Taine Owen*

Rowing



Rowing Team 2019

Front Row (L to R): Luyanda Koboka, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Londa Zungu (Captain), Mr G Surtees (M-i-C : Rowing), Awande Ndlovu

Back Row: Liam Gordon, Rowan Van Rooyen, Sidarth Singh, Lifah Mhlongo, Ayanda Yengwa

After a very successful 2018, our senior rowers found themselves in a new age group, which is always a challenge as they were up against much stronger opposition, including university rowing teams. Even though the boys did not attain similar results to last year, they gave of their best throughout the season and we can be proud of their efforts.

Unfortunately, the first major regatta of the year, Victoria Lake Club (VLC), was marred by tragedy when a coach and learner from Somerset College were struck by lightning and the event was cancelled on the first day. As such, there were no results from this regatta.

The DHS boys then participated in the Gauteng Champs Regatta, where Londa Zungu and Awande Ndlovu placed 6th and 8th respectively in the men's C singles final. Rowan Van Rooyen and partner managed to place 4th and Luyanda Koboka and partner placed 5th in the men's C doubles final. Ayanda Yengwa and Liam Gordon placed 4th in the men's D doubles final. A crew including Luyanda Koboka and Rowan Van Rooyen took 3rd in the men's C/D coxless quad. Probably the best result came from Rowan Van Rooyen, who placed 1st in the men's D singles final. He was joined on the podium by Ayanda Yengwa, who came third in the same race.

The DHS boys later participated in the 2019 National Rowing Championships and a crew including Rowan Van Rooyen and Ayanda Yengwa attained 3rd place in the men's C coxless quad. A coxed quad crew, including Rowan Van Rooyen, Luyanda Kobok, and Ayanda Yengwa achieved 4th in the junior men's U18 coxed quad event.

An exciting new addition to the rowing squad is a crop of very keen junior rowers who are working hard to ready themselves to compete at VLC champs next year in January. I have been wanting to make rowing accessible to the younger boys because previously there were only seniors, and it is hoped



that this new group will form a fully committed squad of rowers who will generate excitement about rowing amongst the younger age groups, with the aim of ensuring the continuity of the sport at School.

We are hoping that next year we will gain further young men from the new Grade 8 boys who are soon to be joining us.

Thanks must go to Coach Hilary Abraham of the Durban Rowing Club for her tireless efforts and boundless patience in coaching our boys, as well as Durban Rowing Club, without which we would not have access to the needed boats and equipment.

Results:

SA National Champs

Men's C Coxless Quad Final

3rd - Rowen van Rooyen, Ayanda Yengwa

Junior Men's U18 Coxed Quad

4th - Rowen van Rooyen, Luyanda Koboka, Ayanda Yengwa

Gauteng Champs Regatta

Men's C Singles Final

Londa Zungu 6th

Awande Ndlovu 8th

Men's D Singles Final

Rowan van Rooyen 1st

Ayanda Yengwa 3rd

Men's C Doubles Final

Rowan van Rooyen 4th

Luyanda Koboka 5th

Men's D Doubles Final

Ayanda Yengwa 4th

Liam Gordon 4th

Men's C/D coxless quad

Rowen van Rooyen 3rd

Luyanda Koboka 3rd

Regular Rowers:

Seniors - Londa Zungu (Captain), Awande Ndlovu, Rowan Van Rooyen, Luyanda Koboka, Ayanda Yengwa, Liam Gordon, Luvo Magula

Juniors - Ayden Quinn, Zakariya Motala, Jaymi Behr, Finnley Hazell, Cade Weir

Coach:

H Abraham

G Surtees

M-i-C: Rowing



1st XV Rugby



1st XV Rugby 2019

Front Row (L to R): Mr W du Plessis (Team Manager), Brian Dosemba, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Taariq Kruger (Captain), Mr R Uys (Head Coach), Marcel Nel, Mr R Lombard (Assistant Coach)

2nd Row: Langa Mgobozi, Nhlakanipho Nene, Nqobani Dlamini, Darren Booysen, Simms Ngcobo, Jaydian Cedares

Back Row: Xhanti Njokweni, Sfundu Mkwanzazi, Avumile Bongco, Hlumelo Noncembu, Sibongisipho Zondi, Setjhaba Mathuse, Lindani Maphisa, Mpendulo Sibaya

Absent: Kade O'Neill, Mcneill Jenner, Ulrich Brown, Kayelihle Mthembu, Shakur La Douce, Sisipho Nofuya

The first XV of 2019 did have a lot of potential but, in the end, things just didn't go the way that we hoped for as coaches and as a team. There were a couple of things that did play a role in our season, and one definitely was our conditioning. At stages during the course of the season, we had several long-term injuries that side-lined some of the players for six to eight weeks. This, and the lack of depth within the squad, did play a role during certain games.

As a management group we saw early on during the season that the team struggled to bond with each other and this had a negative effect on the pitch. We did identify what the issues

were and tried almost everything to get the team gelled, but in the end some players were only thinking about themselves and whether they would make Craven Week this year, or even receive a professional contract next year. It is sad, but it's the truth.

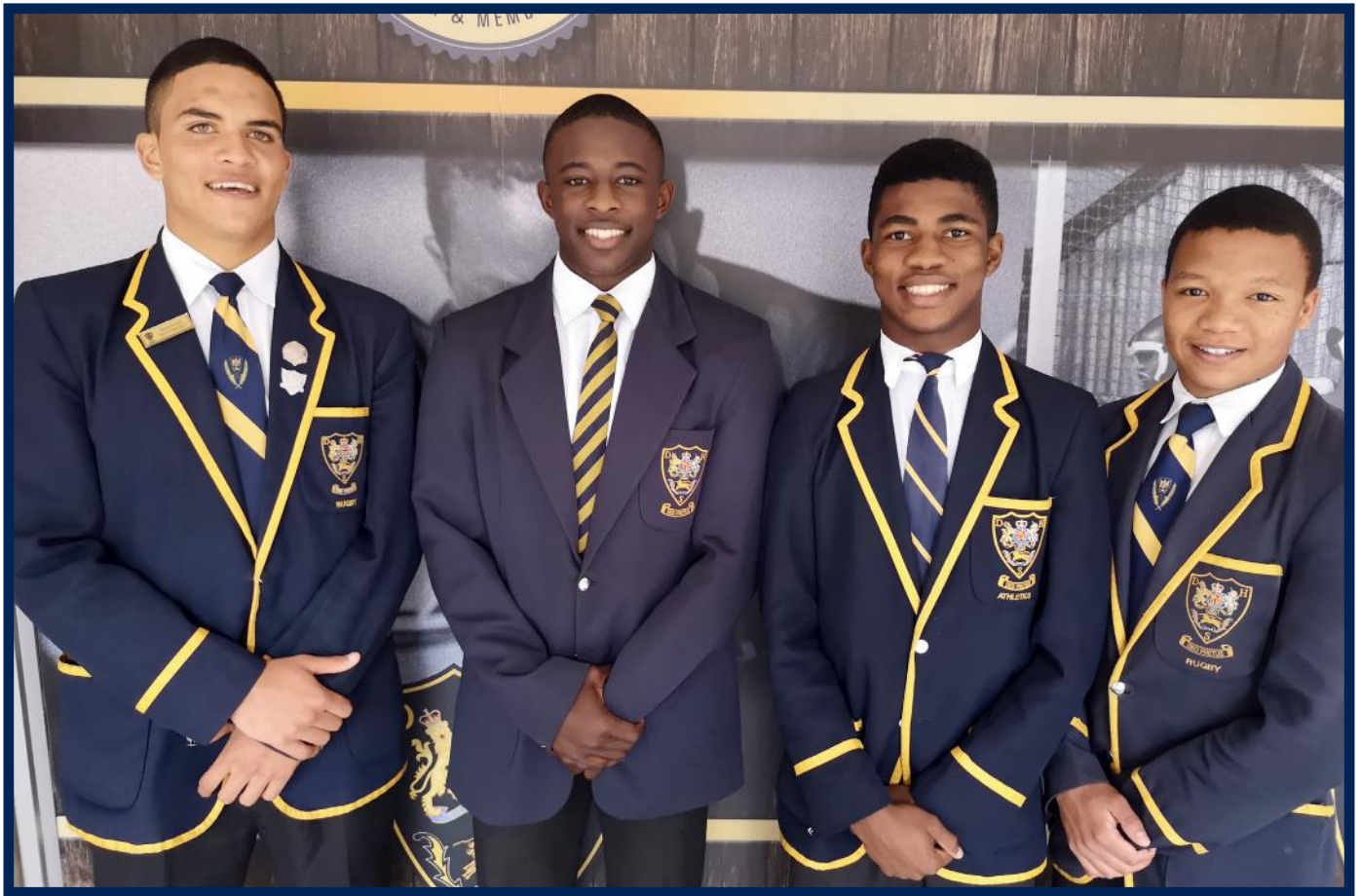
As coaches I must admit there were a couple of games that really stood out for us. Within these games the boys showed a lot of flair and grit, games that we should have won if we were more clinical at certain stages.

We started the season off against a very physical Hilton side; the boys played well in the first half to trail by five points. The second half saw us

with limited possession, and with that Hilton build pressure by keeping the ball for numerous phases at a time with a simple but effective game plan. DHS went down 22-3. This was also the last game that head coach Scott Mathie was involved in, a very emotional day for the coaching staff and players. Mr Mathie went on to assist the Griquas Currie Cup side with Brent Jansen Van Rensburg, and after the Currie Cup season got appointed as Head Coach of the Griquas side for the 2020 season.

Our first tour of the season saw the 1st XV going to the annual Grey High festival in Port Elizabeth. We played two games, against Framesby and the hosts, Grey PE. The game against Framesby





*KZN Rugby Representatives
Taariq Kruger, Brian Dosemba, Kwanele Manakuza, Darren Booysen*

was a “coach killer”; the boys started off very well to lead at half time, but in the second half conditioning played a big role and the wheels came off, with us losing badly, 54-10. As a team we had a short turnaround against Grey High and we knew it was always going to be tough playing against the hosts. First half we played against the wind and managed well. One or two simple errors on defence saw Grey receiving two easy tries and we trailed 33-0 at half time. The second half, we kept most of the possession and used the wind a lot to pin Grey in their 22. We started to find our rhythm but left it too late and went down 14-33. We had more opportunities but weren’t clinical enough.

Westville was next, on Van Heerden’s, and we knew that it was going to be a tough battle seeing that they had

a side full of Craven Week players. The game started off well and it was a very physical and tough encounter. Two things that stood out for us were 1; our defence was ruthless and 2; the try that changed the game was from a kick off. Simms Ngcobo caught the ball under pressure and the Westville players overshot the kick and it opened up. Simms broke through the line and ran 20m with Brian Dosemba on his shoulder. Brian rounded the Westville wings and scored in the corner. In the end we beat Westville 27-26 on a day where the ball bounced our way, but in arguably one of our best performances of the season.

Northwood this year also had a strong side with massive forwards and a couple of Craven Week players. We knew the way Northwood was going to play and we prepared well. The

difference between the two sides was that Northwood kept the ball for numerous phases with their forwards and suffocated our possession. A very simple but effective game plan. DHS went down 20-3. We had our opportunities but could not capitalise into points and this built the pressure.

The annual Kearsney festival, or “KERF”, was held over the Easter holidays and we had three very tough games against Transvalia, Dr EG Jansen and HTS Drostyd. We knew we did not have the biggest side so we had to move the ball around the field a lot to give ourselves an opportunity. The biggest thing that let us down during these games was our defence and, again, we would take too many risks when we broke the line of defence and force that last pass to go and score. From our mistakes both EG Jansen and Transvalia punished us

and this put us on the back foot. We lost 12-39 to Dr EG Jansen and 12-34 to Transvalia. Our last game was against HTS Drostdy and it was a very even encounter with the points difference at half time being two in favour of Drostdy. Drostdy broke our hearts during the last five minutes of the game by scoring two unanswered tries that gave them the win. In the end we went down 19-27.

Kearsney College was our next opponent up in Hillcrest and it is always tough to get a win on Stott field, but the boys started off well. Our lineout and set pieces were dominating and we were in control of the game in the first half. In the second half, however, our loosehead prop, Marcel Nel, hurt his shoulder and had to come off the field and this mentally had an impact on the team as we struggled to get go forward ball in general play, and we started to force passes in the tackle as soon as we built up a couple of phases. Nonetheless the boys played really good rugby but, again, some one-on-one tackles were missed and this gave Kearsney the upper hand. School went down 20-24 in a game that we should have won.

Michaelhouse in the midlands was probably the game that stood out to be the biggest "coach killer" of them all. We had already by this time picked up a total of eight injuries, with both our starting and a reserve front rower that could not play. In the first ten minutes of the game, we had a lot of possession and put House under pressure. The table soon turned when they scored a soft try from our mistake. From there the wheels just came off and we were struck with four more injuries. So much so, that we had to play Kwanele Manakuza for his first cap from the U16s because of our lack of depth. We lost this game 10-57.

On to Goldstones. The 1st team travelled to Pietermaritzburg to take on old rivals College. The match was certainly one

for the record books as DHS displayed some brilliant running rugby. We were leading for most of the match and had one or two opportunities to score, but the ball got spilled over the try line twice. The boys really stepped up their game and played to their full potential, but College grabbed their opportunities more and won in the last five minutes of the game, 24-34. They too played some good rugby.

Our Founders Day match was on 1 June against Glenwood and it is always special to see the number of old boys and friends of DHS who come to support all the sporting codes involved. The 1st side had a couple of good training sessions that week and the build-up to the game was very special. The team had a surprise visit right before the start of the game by "Soldier Boy" McLellan and BJ Botha, who gave the boys some encouraging and supportive words. As a team and school, we thank them for making the effort to take time out of their busy schedule to come and watch the game.

On this day as a team, I feel that the hype and the nerves climbed underneath our skin. From the kick off 'til the final whistle blew we had no answer to what Glenwood had. Everything worked in their favour and we could not adapt quick enough. School went down in the end with a very disappointing loss of 59-19.

Term 3 saw us going up to Johannesburg to face Parktown Boys for our annual exchange. It is always tough playing at altitude and we still had a couple of our players injured, but the boys were in good spirits and prepared well for our short turnaround after the holidays. We started the game at a very high tempo and we capitalised quickly to score two tries. Parktown came back and scored two soft tries that put us under pressure. In the second half you could see the lack of fitness kick in and we could not cope

with the speed of the game. This gave Parktown the opportunity to score a couple of tries and we had to dig deep to fight back. In the end it was too late, with five minutes to go Parktown led 34-32 and scored a late try to seal the game 41-32.

Our last game of the season was against old rivals Glenwood on their Founders Day. We identified that our defence the last time we met cost us and we prepared extremely well. We also had almost all of our players back from injury and this helped us a lot. Playing on your Founders Day is something special but it also creates a lot of pressure to win. We knew that going in to this game that we had no pressure and by this stage had nothing to lose. The team rallied and knew that for some of the players it would be their last opportunity to put the blue and gold jersey over their heads. We started with a bang in the first half: our flyhalf Shakur La Douce broke the line from their 10 metre and scored in the corner to take us into a 5-0 lead. We understood that keeping most of the possession and having a rush defence from the outside would put Glenwood under pressure. This saw them make silly mistakes on attack, which counted in our favour.

We led 5-0 at half time and the boys were very confident. We spoke during the break and said that we would have to score first, be ruthless at the breakdown and keep building the phases on attack.

This however was not to be and Glenwood went over in the corner within the first two minutes - that happened off a slipped tackle from one of the players. This gave Glenwood confidence and they scored another soft try and this put us on the back foot. With that being said, the boys came back and I must mention the likes of Taarik Kruger, our captain, and Marcel Nel for the massive effort they put in during the game. They were



phenomenal and bullied the Glenwood pack, joined by Kade O'Neill.

About 15 minutes into the second half, we were on Glenwood's try line, with wave after wave trying to score a try. Glenwood defended well but we were forced out of the touchline, and a swift change in the game happened when a lineout was formed on their 5m line. One of our players over tracked and Glenwood's Nico Steyn took the half gap with their hooker on his shoulder and scored a 70-odd metre try in the corner to take the lead 12-5. This is where I believe we lost the game.

The last ten minutes of the game was crucial. Glenwood's tails were up and they scored another well worked try from a 22m dropout in the corner. From there it was always going to be tough to come back. With score being 5-17 in Glenwood's favour, we kept most of the possession and Marcel Nel broke the line to go and almost score in the corner. We picked and went a lot but could not break Glenwood's impressive defence. We managed to obtain a penalty and decided to have a scrum on the 15m. This gave us a great opportunity for a set piece try and the right move was called from the backs, with Ulrich Brown breaking the line and scoring underneath the poles to make the score 12-17 with three minutes to go. We lost the ball from the kick-off and Glenwood spread the ball, where one of our players slipped a tackle to see Glenwood score in the corner. We lost this game 12-24 but as a coaching staff we could not be prouder of the team in the way that they played. This would be the best game that they played the whole season and just goes to show what they were capable of if they pulled together as a team.

Season Results:

vs Hilton	20-3 loss
vs WBHS	26-27 win
vs Framesby	54-10 loss

vs Grey PE	33-14 loss
vs Northwood	34-19 loss
vs Kearsney	24-20 loss
vs Glenwood	59-19 loss
vs Voortrekker	3-66 win
vs Transvalia	34-12 loss
vs EG Jansen	39-12 loss
vs HTS Drostyd	27-19 loss
vs Michaelhouse	57-10 loss
vs Maritzburg College	34-24 loss
vs Glenwood	24-12 loss
vs Parktown	41-32 loss

Played: 15

Won: 2

Lost: 13

Player Critique:

1. Marcel Nel

Marcel represented the DHS First XV for three years and played a massive role within all of those years. He made the Sharks Academy Week in 2018 and was very unlucky not to make the Craven Week side. He transitioned from lock to loosehead prop and I believe this is his position going forward. A player that was very physical and dominated at scrum time and very hard to stop on attack. I am looking forward seeing this player grow with his rugby after school and if he stays level headed I believe he can go far with his rugby.

2. Langa Mgobozi

Langa had a very good skill set and unbelievable feet. He offered the team a mobile hooker and was very good in the loose. He was very physical in defence and chopped low. He needs to improve on his line out throwing. Langa brought a lot of 'gees' to the team and we wish all the best going forward in his career.

3. Kade O'Neill

Kade was a stalwart upfront for our pack. He scrummed consistently well and was very physical in the loose. Kade can work more on his loose play, getting more involved in attack in terms of the amount of carries he can bring.

Especially for next year, as he is going to be a senior player within the team. I feel that Kade was very unfortunate not to make any provincial sides this year, but he has another opportunity to play for his school and to grow even more as a player. Kade can have a bright future in rugby as he is immensely talented.

4. Avumile Bongco

"Budda" was a stalwart for his team. A very humble boy on and off the field, but plays with so much passion. Avumile is especially good at the breakdown and on defence. He represented the Sharks Academy side this year and that just goes to show that hard work and humility can take you places. Avumile is a senior player for the 2020 team and needs to put his mark down within the team to assist the youngsters coming through the ranks.

5. Taariq Kruger (Captain)

Taariq had a great season in 2019 as the team's captain. He was also the school's Deputy Head Prefect. He led by example on and off the field and always gave his best for his team and his school. Taariq made the Sharks Academy Week side two years in a row and was unfortunate not to make the Craven Week team. He is a great line out jumper and carried the ball extremely well. He is very physical at ruck time and had a massive work rate. He signed with Ikeys in Cape Town and we as a school wish him the best going forward with his rugby career. Taariq is a very talented rugby player and I believe he can go really far with his rugby career.

6. Hlumelo Noncembu

"H" was an absolute workhorse on the field for us. He was quite arguably the fittest player in the team and his work rate on defence was immense. Hlumelo is not your typical big and bashing loose forward, but instead a skinny, tall bloke who stands back for nobody and plays with a lot of self-belief. "H" formed a crucial part within the team and we are





Rugby Award Winners

Marcel Nel, Hlumelo Noncembu, Nqobani Dlamini, Taariq Kruger, Darren Booysen

looking forward to what he can bring next year and how he can grow as a rugby player.

7. Setjhaba Mathuse

"Setjhaba Chubs" was an absolute workhorse and did the basics well. He is very good on defence and represented the first team for two years. He is good at ruck time and very good in loose play, where he broke the line of defence on a couple of occasions. He was a player that always gave his best.

8. Brian Dosemba

Brian started this year at DHS and made an immediate impact on and off the rugby field. He played a classical eighth man role, where he would pick up from the base and with blistering pace beat his opponents on the outside. He linked up well with the other loose forwards and fights to get over the advantage line. He can, however, focus on his defence a bit more but that

is something we can work on. Brian represented the Sharks Academy side this year and was also appointed as Deputy Head Prefect of the school. He further went on to represent the Sharks Sevens side that won the national IPT Sevens tournament in Welkom. I am eagerly looking forward to what Brian can bring to the team for next year's side and know that he will be fighting fit to achieve all his goals.

9. Jaydian Cedares

"Duimpie" is a very talented rugby player and made the Sharks Academy Week side in 2018. This year, however, was a bit disappointing as he did not meet the standards that we know he can play at. At times there were sparks of what he could do. Duimpie is a game changer of a player that can turn nothing into something. His best game was against Maritzburg College this year, where he scored a beautiful try from the base of the scrum, linking

up with Brian Dosemba. This game, however, would see Duimpie hurt his ACL and hamper his chance of making a provincial side. To make matters worse, he then tore his ACL against Parktown and is had to work hard on his rehab.

10. Shakur La Douce

"Shack" represented the First XV for two seasons and has the ability to control the game well and get his backline going. Shack represented the Sharks Academy Week side in 2018. I just feel that Shakur, like Duimpie, did not play to his full potential in 2019. He was going through a lot but the last game against Glenwood was probably his best performance of the year. Shack is a very talented rugby player and I know he will bounce back after school.

11. Ulrich Brown

"Ulla" also represented the First XV for two seasons and does have potential, but unfortunately Ulla did not fulfil

what he could offer on the field. He had immense pace and a good skill set, but his defence was lacking. He scored a brilliant well worked try from a scrum against Glenwood, which goes to show what he actually could do.

12. *Simms Ngcobo*

Simms is a very good inside centre and is very valuable on attack and defence. Even for his size, he does not stand back for anybody. He can read a game well and is very dangerous in broken play, with quick feet and soft touches on the ball. We are very fortunate to have him for another two years and would like to see him grow even more as a rugby player. He will have to work on his conditioning and communication skills next year.

13. *Mcneill Jenner*

Jenner played two seasons for the first team and also made the Sharks Academy Week side in 2018. Mcneill was probably one of the best defenders I have coached. When he wanted to, he could really put in the big hits and was difficult to beat in his channel. He was very unfortunate not to make any provincial team as he injured his ankle and that put him on the sidelines for a couple of months. One thing Jenner can work on is his passing to the left and not to over track on defence, leaving the inside centre on his own. His best game that I remember was against Westville, when he smashed the boys, with us coming out as victors. We wish Jenner all of the best going forward.

14. *Nhlakanipho Nene*

"Puppy", as he was better known as, is the kindest person with a massive heart that really loved his school and playing for the Blue and Gold. Nene will be remembered as a short player with elusive pace and the quickest feet in the team. He could break a line of defence anywhere on the field and would not miss a tackle. Nene really gave it his all for the first side and it was really a

pleasure to have been able to coach him.

15. *Darren Booysen*

Darren played two years for the 1st team and also made the Sharks Academy Week side in 2018. He was the most dedicated and loyal player I have ever coached, with so much humility. He loves playing rugby and to represent his school. Booysen can play scrumhalf, fly half, wing and fullback and this made him such a special player to have in your squad. I know Darren has a bright future ahead of him and we wish him all the best.

16. *Kayelihle Mthembu*

Mthembu had a couple of games for the first side this year and really played well. He is strong in the scrum and on defence. I look forward to work with him next year. He still has a lot to learn but he is working hard and know he will give his best during the pre-season.

17. *Sisipho Nofuya*

"Feesh" is a very strong boy and played well during the season. We moved him from loose forward to prop and it was a challenge for him in the beginning, but he is a fast learner and he grew in that position. Sisipho, unfortunately, was struggling with his knee the whole season and this had a mental impact on his performance. He underwent surgery and is did well with his rehab. He will definitely be one of the stalwarts in next year's first side and I look forward to working with him.

18. *Xhanti Njokweni*

Our Head Prefect of 2019 played a remarkable role within the squad and really gave his best every game that he played. He is a outstanding human being and a wonderful leader. He played eighth man and flank and was very good at the breakdown. He could work a bit more on his defence but I know he will get there. It was an absolute privilege

to coach Xhanti and we wish him all the best with his future endeavours.

19. *Sibongisipho Zondi*

Zondi has come a far way and still has to learn a lot, but he is a special player and is fearless on attack and always gives his best. His work rate is also immense and he is a valuable player to have in our squad. He has the right attitude and mindset to become a good rugby player. He is currently working hard during pre-season and I am looking forward to see what he has to offer in next year's season.

20. *Lindani Maphisa*

"Mamfu" is one special talent and he has really come a long way. Maphisa tore his ACL when he was 15 and missed out on rugby for the whole of the U16 season. He worked extremely hard on his rehab and was in wonderful shape when he came back to start for the first side. We played him at wing to build on his confidence and he did very well. There is an old saying that "none of us understand why things happen the way they happen" and this was unfortunately the case for Maphisa. During the Kearsney Easter festival he tore his other knee's ACL and was again sidelined for the whole season. He has since been working hard and will be fit and ready to play next year. He is a fighter and will come back strong again.

21. *Sfundo Mkwanzazi*

"Dipopo" was a unique character in our squad, but one thing about Sfundo is that rugby is definitely in his blood. Sfundo was part of the first side for two years and played really good rugby over the past two seasons. I still believe that he performed better during the 2018 season because of some personal issues that happened in his life; he did not play to his full potential this year. He will always give his best for the Blue and Gold and slotted in nicely at centre, wing or fullback. Sfundo has a lot of potential and if he aligns what is



important for him in the right way, I do believe he can be a great rugby player.

22. Nqobani Dlamini

“Dubz” is a special player with loads of talent at his disposal. He is a natural scrumhalf, but with a bit of flair to it. He can read a game extremely well and is a good leader on the field. His first opportunity to come on for his first cap was against Westville at fullback. He scored a beautiful try where he showed what he could do and it is exciting to see what he has to offer on the field. He could also easily slot in at fly half if need be. Dubz has worked really hard to be where he is now and his hard work

paid off by reaching the Sharks Sevens side that won the national IPT sevens tournament in Welkom. Dubz has a bright future ahead of him if he stays level headed and he will play a very important role in next year’s first side.

Representatives:

KZN U18 Academy Week - Avumile Bongco, Darren Booysen, Brian Dosemba, Taariq Kruger

Open Award Winners:

Open Rugby Coaches Award for Commitment and Loyalty - Marcel Nel
The Getkate Award for Most Improved Player of the Year - Hlumelo Noncembu

The De Bruyn Trophy for Junior Player with the biggest impact in the 1st XV - Nqobani Dlamini

The Aztec Trophy for Most Dedicated DHS Rugby Player - Darren Booysen

The IT Bennison Trophy for Best 1st XV Player - Taariq Kruger

Coaches:

Head Coach - Ronnie Uys

Assistant Coach - Ruan Lombard

Managers - Wian du Plessis, Conal Levin

Physiotherapist - Marc Colia

Ronnie Uys

1st XV Rugby Head Coach

2nd XV Rugby

This has been a very tough and emotional season for the ‘Vikings’. We always knew that we wouldn’t be able to match teams in size, but heart and hard work were a few of the qualities we definitely didn’t run short of.

Yes, the season didn’t go well for us at all, but the heart we portrayed on the field just couldn’t reflect on the scoreboard! I must commend the boys on pushing through attending every training session and also, for the boys we had to bring up from the 3rds, myself and the team could not thank you enough for the commitment you’ve shown and never say die attitude. Injuries hurt us greatly this season and with our open sides not having the depth of past seasons we really could be proud of the lads.

The boys were forced to push hard against traditionally strong schools, as we had to welcome 4th team players at some stage during the season.

We had our ups and downs during the season for sure. It’s a pity we couldn’t pull many games across the line, though it would’ve been a different ball game had we played the first half of most games this season with the same attitude and determination like we did in most of our games in the second half.

I must admit, as much as we didn’t get many wins this season, the boys surely learnt a lot of lessons. One being “DGU” don’t give up, no matter how tough the circumstances.

A big thank you to all the coaches and supporters, especially the Old Boys,

during the season. Our hearts remain Blue and Gold!!!

Results:

Played: 11

Won: 1

Lost: 10

Regular Players:

Sisipho Nofuya, Cailin Mathys, Khayelihle Mthembu, Kendall Edwards, Lindo Ndlovu (captain), Mphendulo Sibiya, Adrian Dirks, Xhanti Njokweni, Connor Mack, Jordan Bryan, Ntsika Gidi, Sibongisipho Zondi, Phakamisa Sithole, Taine Owen, Joshua Stride, Matthew Delderfield, Lulama Khoza

F Genade

2nd XV Rugby Coach

3rd XV Rugby

The 3rd XV rugby team kicked off the 2019 rugby season on a positive note. Practices were full and constructive, with the boys growing

in the shape that we wanted to play for the year. The team resembled a typical 3rd XV, as there were many experienced matriculants, but the up-and-coming

U16As from the year before were missing, with most of them opting either not to play, or to play socially for the 4th XV. Since the team was made



up of mostly matriculants, the desire to pull over the DHS jumper for the last season was great.

The season started well, with all the boys pitching up to practice, as well as games. But, unfortunately, after the first two games of the season, injuries from the 1st and 2nd XV forced up to nine of the 3rd XV players to be called up. The massive loss of players forced us to call up a lot of the 4th team players, many of whom were wanting to play socially. The loss of the core group of players meant that participation at practice dropped significantly, and so too our results. Regardless of the lack of dedication and participation shown by many of the boys, I am extremely pleased with the dedication shown by Dylan Morgenrood, Cameron Peach, Asanda Zuma, Mikaylan Naiker, Godswill Mbonambi, Matthew Delderfield and Kareem Bouwer. This core group of players embody what DHS stands for. Their dedication through a tough

season, as well as their desire to enjoy every second on the pitch is unmatched. The continued passion showed by these boys has come through immensely in their performances. They have been the stand-out players of the 3rd XV.

Throughout the season, regardless of the lack of practice participation, the heart and desire shown not only by the core group, but also by the social group, was amazing. Once they were on the field, they gave nothing short of their best. These rough-edged performances showed me glimpses of their skills, as well as heart, which leads me to strongly believe that given a desire and commitment by the boys, the 3rd XV would have had a competitive season.

The last game of the season, against Glenwood, was one that made a tough season in terms of player management satisfying, as well as really defining the 3rd XV. The boys showed massive amounts of pride and desire. During the

game, the team managed to hold up play four times in our in-goal area, this just shows the amount of grit that went into the game. It was a massive team effort that made me proud.

Results:

Played: 11
Won: 0
Lost: 11

Regular Players:

Dylan Morgenrood, Cameron Peach, Godswill Mbonambi, Asanda Zuma, Mikaylan Naiker, Lulama Khoza, Matthew Delderfield, Kareem Bouwer, Faried Jogee, Levi Pillay, Siyanda Myeni, Dinangwe Mkhabela, Sulaymaan Ismail, Zamokuhle Khuzwayo, Taine Owen, Cailin Mathys, Ridwaan Davis, Eyami Mvelase, Sisanda Gogobala, Katlego Dimaza, Nduduzo Ndebele, Yasteer Harriam, Bakhithi Msomi, Saasa Njekwa

D Horsley
3rd XV Rugby Coach

U16A Rugby

The U16 division brings with it an increased level of physicality and a distinct rise in the tempo of the game. The U16A team worked hard to remain competitive in what was a very tough series of fixtures. The season kicked off with the annual Glenwood Rugby Festival where, despite losing their three matches, each within 7 points, the team put on a good display of rugby and certainly did themselves proud.

The regular season saw us come up against traditional rivals in Hilton College, Westville, Northwood, Kearsney, Michaelhouse, Maritzburg, Glenwood and Parktown. The boy's put on some valiant efforts but mention must certainly be made of the fixtures

against Kearsney and Parktown. Playing away against an organised Kearsney outfit, the team played a strong first half of rugby in a gusting wind. Narrowly down at half time, the DHS spirit was alive and the team came out firing in the second half. Within 15 minutes DHS was up 24-10 and victory was in sight. Unfortunately, Kearsney put on a display that would rival the best, fighting back in the final 10 minutes to level scores 24-24 and then score again in overtime to win the game 31-24.

Although results did not always go our way this season, it can be defined as one in which character was shown and DHS spirit came to the fore on many an occasion.

Results:

Played: 15
Won: 2
Lost: 12
Drawn: 1

Regular Players:

Kwanele Manukuza (Captain), Ndabenthle Sithole, Swelihle May, Sinqobile Simamane, Jared Williams, Nkosinathi Gwamanda, Sihle Dladla, Sibusiso Ndaba, Adrian Coetzee, Ayola Mfiki, Malibongwe Dlamini, Nhlakanipho Nxaba, Sakhe Ndabambi, Senakho Dhlomo, Lizwe Chili, Mpho Ndaba, Sibongumusa Dubazane, Vuyani Ncube

J Beswick
U16A Rugby Coach



U16B Rugby

The U16B rugby season this year was indeed one of challenges. However, the squad of boys was one brimming with talent. Up against tough opposition the team often displayed moments of class on attack and grit on defence, proving that they can be a handful for opponents when they play with synergy and determination.

The team was led well at the front by Asher Knox-Davies, a player with an engine that never seemed to strain and an attitude well suited for captaincy. Players deserving of mention for commitment shown at practice and

on the field include Ryan Hastie, Sello Moeti, Xhinuna Mthembu, Breydon Remley,

Travis Burke and Aphiwe Mhlongo. The C team players that got drafted up adjusted well and proved their value in the tea - Alwande Buthelezi, Luhle Mgenge and Ahkim Naidoo to name a few.

Our thanks go to every boy who made coaching this team enjoyable and we wish you well going forward.

Results:

Played: 10

Won: 1
Lost: 9

Regular Players:

Ryan Hastie, Ahkim Naidoo, Asher Knox-Davies (Captain), Aphelele Shabangu, Owethu Ndaba, Luhle Mgenge, Ian Burke, Xhinuna Mthembu, Sello Moeti, Breydon Remley, Aphiwe Mhlongo, Alwande Buthelezi, Clint Mtambo, Thithukani Sibisi, Zothando Ndlovu, Austine Buthelezi, Siyabonga Dube, Ndabenhle Sithole, Ndabenhle Zulu

K Coles, J van Niekerk
U16B Rugby Coach

U16C Rugby

The 2019 rugby season saw DHS field an under U16C rugby team for the first time in many years. It was an absolute pleasure coaching these enthusiastic lads in what was an exciting season of rugby. The lads showed great commitment to every practice and every game. I would just like to personally thank each and every one of my players who put up their hands up to attend every practice and every game. You guys showed courage and heart in all our practice sessions and games, qualities that will certainly take you far in life. Well done gents! I could not have asked for a better bunch of lads to coach.

The season got off to a tough start, losing to Hilton College and Westville Boys High in our first two matches. The guys certainly did not let those results deter them as they fought back and defeated Northwood at home. The highlight of the season was definitely our away win against Michaelhouse. Winning by an exceptional margin of

50 points, we dominated them from beginning to end. Special mention must go to Sameiyan Naidoo, who scored a hat trick of tries in this game. Sameiyan also went on to be the leading try scorer this season for the under U16C, finishing off with 7 tries. We also had a very close match with KZN development just losing out in the end by two points.

Thank all of you who played for and supported the U16C this season. Most of you played two games per weekend as you had to sub for the B team and were certainly good enough to play for them. I wish you well as you go on next season to play for the open sides. Please take that same commitment and courage to the open division and play every game for your school. DHS certainly needs more boys like you representing the school colours.

Thank all the parents who supported their sons to play this season. Thank you for getting them on time to the buses when we were travelling away. Please

continue to support your sons next season. A big thanks to all the DHS staff behind the scenes who work tirelessly to ensure grounds are prepared and fixtures are all set beforehand. A big thanks to Peppers & Pans for providing lunch for all of our coaching staff at our home fixtures.

Results:

Played: 8
Won: 2
Lost: 6

Regular Players:

Mikail Kreuzer (Captain), Shalin Delomoney, Nabil Richards, Andiswa Ximba, Travis Burke, Abderahman Assila, Sameiyan Naidoo, Junior Mdlangathi, Asher Knox-Davies, Alwande Buthelezi, Tebogo Shoji, Ahkim Naidoo, Ntobeko Shabangu, Bongamandla Ndaba, Muhammed Ball, Vuthari Mabasa, Ryan Mhungu, Sisho Msweli, Matthew Gallagher

E Govender
U16C Rugby Coach



U15A Rugby

One often hears the consummate professionals of the game of rugby allude to the purity within the game. These boys clearly believed in this purity and showed throughout the season that they loved this game of rugby. If you had to ask them how their season went, they would tell you that they never lost a game, they just ran out of time.

The pre-season training started in the first week of school and it was evident by the numbers that attended the training sessions that there were many boys that had aspirations of playing A team rugby. At least 60 boys attended these training sessions inbetween their other sporting commitments in the 1st term. After a gruelling few weeks, we managed to whittle down the number to what we considered to be our strongest team going into the first match against Hilton College.

The game against Hilton was a tough encounter and saw DHS go behind early in the game, but the boys came back well when they managed to hold on to possession through five phases and score in the right-hand corner, giving us a slender half time lead. The second half was just as brutal as the first and was nail bitingly close, until a critical error in Hilton's 22 metre area saw DHS throw a fifty-fifty pass which was intercepted by Hilton and resulted in a try that sealed the game for Hilton. A tough way to begin the season but it was clear that this DHS team had a lot of talent, but needed some nurturing if they were to be as successful as we suspected they could be.

Our next fixtures were against Montana, Grey College (B & C team) and Midstream College at the Glenwood Rugby Festival. This was held during the March school vacation, which meant

that the boys had to give up a week of their holidays to compete in this festival. The first game of the festival was a really close encounter and was decided in the last minute of the game when a well-executed move around the front of the line out saw Tresor Bwato score under the poles to win our first game.

The second game against Grey College (B and C team) saw DHS go behind 12-0 after just 5 minutes of play. However, the boys rallied together and scored 27 unanswered points to win the encounter 27-12. The third match against Midstream was played in some awful conditions after 24 hours of heavy rainfall. The field was wet and heavy underfoot, yet this was perhaps one of the finest performances of the season and the boys made only three errors the entire game, scoring an unanswered 63 points. The comments from the opposing coach were however far more satisfying, after he complimented the team on their outstanding performance and demeanour on the field. This was more important than the win itself and showed that the boys were boys of character and integrity, which would really bode well for them in the future of the game of rugby.

Once the second term of school started had started it was clear that this side were eager to do well. We trained nearly every day of the week, trying to improve the team cohesion and the individual skills of every player. This led to the game against Westville, which was also played in wet weather. Another closely fought encounter where defence played a major role in the game. The DHS boys showed true determination, ensuring that Westville could not cross the chalk line to score a try but could only muster two penalties, DHS eventually won the match 14-6.

The next two matches against Northwood and Kearsney were close encounters. In both matches DHS led at half time but the boys seemed to fall asleep in the second half, allowing the opponents to snatch victory from us.

The following two fixtures against Michaelhouse and Maritzburg College saw two incredibly close victories by DHS - both were won by 1 point. The match against Michaelhouse saw DHS go behind early in the game but they rallied really well in the second half and managed to score the try that put us ahead with one minute left in the match. A penalty to Michaelhouse in the last play of the match could have seen them win the game. Unfortunately for them, the kicker missed his opportunity, which resulted in DHS winning the match 22-21. The match against Maritzburg College, however, saw DHS dominate much of the game. Some outstanding play by the team as a whole, but especially Vuyo Zukulu, saw DHS leading 20-0 at half time. College really came out in the second half and played an expansive game of rugby and they caught us out on the wing on several occasions, scoring 26 unanswered points. It seemed as though the second half 'sleeping bug' had caught us out again. However, captain Owen Morgenrood inspired the boys to end off the game well and we managed to score a try and convert in the last move of the match to win 27-26.

Our next opponents were Voortrekker from Pietermaritzburg. The DHS boys were a far better side on the day and managed to run in an excess of 30 points against the opposition. However, it was clear that the team's structure was faltering as the game became too loose. Nonetheless, a good victory was enjoyed by the team.



Founders Day was perhaps the biggest game of the season, as we met Glenwood on home soil. The boys were extremely fired up for the game and it was evident that they had every intention of playing out of their skins. DHS started really well and scored a try early in the game, only to have it disallowed by the referee. This seemed to perplex not only the team and coaching staff, but also the crowd in general, but the boys continued to play all the rugby in the first half and led for most of the first half. Just before the half time break another poor call by the referee saw Glenwood score a try when, clearly, we should have had a turnover of possession. Glenwood led 13-10 at half time. The second half was a far more difficult period for DHS as we were starved of possession and had to defend for large periods at a time. When we did gain possession of the ball, we managed to score a converted try but this was not enough and we lost the match 26-17.

The third term saw us face off against Parktown on our Johannesburg Rugby Trip, Glenwood, and KZN Development. The boys managed to finish off the third term season with wins against Parktown and KZN Development, and a narrow defeat of 12 points to Glenwood away from home on their Founders Day.

On the whole one would consider the 2019 rugby season as a good one for the U15A side but, more importantly, this team has begun to change the ethos of rugby at DHS. Their enthusiasm, willingness to learn and their lack of egos ensure that these young men will continue to develop as rugby players but more especially as DHS boys, and I have every confidence that they will grow from strength to strength and will be a superb group of open side players that the school will be proud of.

A big thank you goes out to my fellow coaches, Mr C Levin and Mr M Everitt, for

all their time and sacrifices throughout the year, as well as all the players, parents, staff members and especially the captain, Owen Morgenrood, for all the hard work that has been put into making 2019 such a successful season. I wish this group the very best for their future rugby aspirations in 2020.

Results:

Played:	14
Won:	9
Lost:	5

Regular Players:

Senzo Khumalo, Kgotso Moeketsi, Lwandile Mshengu, Siyanda Dlamini, Chikondi Chigumula, Connor Carson, Tresor Bwato, Inyenzeka Ndlazi, Aphiwe Zama, Jordan Ramsamy, Owen Morgenrood (Captain), Zak Smith, Minenhle Ngcamu, Bonginkosi Shange, Mustafa Hoosen, Qiniso Sithole, Khotso Lebenya, Warren Griffin, Vuyo Zukulu, Ntobeko Mhlongo

A Dudas & M Everitt
U15A Rugby Coaches

U15B Rugby

With a bag of mixed results, 2019 was a turmoil of a season for the U15Bs. The key to part of the season's success was in the happiness and togetherness of the team. Following the unbeaten season of 2018, it was always going to be difficult to repeat the performances of last year. The unnecessary pressure to do the same again seem to play on the boy's minds.

After a really difficult start to the season, with the results not going our way and the boys feeling rather unhappy about their performances, the tactic to saving the season was finding joy in our rugby. Our goals were simple: put smiles on our faces and up the intensity at training; the results would come.

A solid 3 weeks of preparation and two good wins over Michaelhouse and KZN development put us in good stead for Founders, which loomed a week ahead. The boys put in a great week of training and I could feel the buzz around the boys at practice and school... they were ready for the Green Machine.

Founders Day was evidence of what happiness can do to 15 boys. We overcame the odds and defeated Glenwood, personally the greatest victory as a player or coach in my life, and what better day to do it than on Founders Day.

The rest of the season saw the boys finding consistency and producing some good results. They saw the

importance of believing in themselves, training hard, as well as doing it with a smile. They began to motivate each other, communicate better as a team and realised that what you put in is generally what you are going to get out.

I have no doubt that 2020 has something great in store for these great young leaders. 2019 was a year of challenges that were overcome, the best way a young boy can grow and start becoming a man. At DHS we pride ourselves as coaches to not only make great rugby players but to help these boys grow into influential leaders in the future.

U15B Motto:

*"One school... one badge
Horsefly... till I die."*



Results:

Played: 11
Won: 6
Lost: 5

Regular Players:

S Chigumula, M de Paiva, L Mshengu,
M Bhakiswayo, S Ngobe, S Mlaba,
Q Kimu, J Ramsamy, L Gama, N Mhlongo,
S Pryce-Lewis, V Ncube, A Leeuw, L Cele,
S Mjoli, P Horn, J Letord, A Ndelu

Coaches:

M Pina, A Lawson

A Lawson
U15B Rugby Coach

U15C Rugby

The season started off slow, with getting the boys back to the standard they ended off against Parktown in last year's season, but this year came with new challenges, as each team experiences each year, and one of our biggest challenges was that most teams were more physical and we had to find a way around it - and we did during the season.

The boys played some exciting rugby and one game I personally will remember will be our first game against Glenwood. The boys showed some character and lost closely, 12-7, but I was happy the way they played. And there were many exciting games before and after that game.

In the sport of rugby, it's not always about winning but also the growth of players, seeing the boys become better players and improve from game to game - and that's the most important thing

to see as a coach. And many players improved compared to last year, and some of them earned their spots in the B side and also performed when they were placed there.

During the season some games didn't go our way, simply because some boys didn't know when to give that last pass and give to someone in a better position, but in some games, especially the games against Parktown, Glenwood and Northwood, the boys showed some character, where they defended their try line with purpose and also when they were attacking. They were executing the structure and you could see the boys were enjoying the game. It paid off against Parktown, where the boys were offloading, running lines and making big hits and when they realised they were capable of doing things they believed they couldn't do, their mentality changed. As we approached the Glenwood game for the second

time, with some boys going up to the B side the boys who came up fitted in perfectly and played well and that was a great way to end the season. Despite the loss the boys enjoyed the last game together and there was a huge improvement compared to the first game we played.

Results:

Played: 12
Won: 5
Lost: 7

Regular Players:

Jared Letord, Orylan Naicker, Sabelo Matiwane, Sbo Mjoli, Ethan Pather, Thembele Mnguni, Mpumelelo Bhengu, Wenzile Bhengu, Thapelo Ramaholi, Kevin Murisa, Lemohang Mhlongo, Joshua Clark, Daniel Kruzer, Kai Coetzee, Tyde Holtzhausen, Thalin Woolganathan

S MkhaliPhi
U15C Rugby Coaches

U15D Rugby

The boys started off on a very good note, beating Westville Boys High School. After that the tails were up and we went on to beat Hilton College. The boys showed a lot of character. Their rugby has improved tremendously, coming back from losing almost all the games last year to winning 50 percent of their games this year and narrowly going down against Glenwood, 12-13, which was a very emotional moment for the young men in blue and gold.

The boys will continue to improve, not only on the rugby field but also as young men of Durban High School.

"Let's keep it going, keep it flowing like the water."

Results:

Played: 8
Won: 4
Lost: 4

Regular Players:

Landa Chonco, Odai Chetty, Mphendulo Hlophe, Able Tekle, Hari Pantelios, Mphendulo Dlamini, Kholwani Mzimela, Rashil Jivan, Shaldin Munsamy, Sphiwe Cele, Gxilani Mabandla, Mpho Gasa, Thando Mvubu, Skanyiso Shange, Mphumelelo Dlamini, Sibonga Shezi, Quaid Marillier

L Ndabandaba
U15D Rugby Coaches





U14A Rugby

The U14A rugby team enjoyed a season that they all can be proud of. It was a group of boys that came from all corners of the country and they joined together to form a team that was a force throughout KZN.

The boys worked hard together and showed a great sense of commitment and dedication to their team. They had moments of brilliance and were able to play some entertaining rugby. As a team they placed themselves under a lot of pressure at stages during the early part of the season. As their confidence grew and their self-belief evolved, they were able to play with more composure and control. Their efforts against Kearsney to come from behind and win in the last minute was certainly memorable. There were also some great performances

against Glenwood, both home and away, where the margins of victory were very small. They recorded three comprehensive victories at the festival they attended in the April holidays. This placed them as the top U14 team at the festival. Perhaps the only real disappointment of the season was the first half against Maritzburg College, where we left ourselves too much to do in the second half.

Overall, the boys can be proud of their first year at DHS and their contribution to their school. I have no doubt that this team will grow and become an even bigger threat throughout KZN. It was a pleasure to work with them and I look forward to watching their progress in the future.

Results:

Played	14
Won	9
Lost	4
Drew	1

Regular Players:

Forwards - Simphiwe Ngobese, Christian Everitt, Braiden Thomson, Weirich Basson, Dale Hendrikse, Gert Burger, Jaymi Behr, Divan Cloete, Tumiso Nkosi
 Backs - Ty-Rique Hartnick, Charl Meyers, Hlumelo Madikane, Amahle Mazibuko, Ntando Mavuso, Bandile Zama, Florensen Ockhuis, Zane Williamson, Nkululeko Masondo, Tumiso Nkosi, Azi Mkokeli

M Dick & D Sibson
 14A Rugby Coach

U14B Rugby

2019 was a year of excitement and the U14B team had shown just that; excitement. We were very pleased with this team's work ethic and, although results did not always go our way, the commitment and brotherhood amongst the boys was amazing to see.

Mr M Everitt was the head coach from the beginning of the season and laid an outstanding foundation for these extraordinary group of young boys for the rest of their season. Due to unforeseen circumstances, he had

been called up to coach U15A for the remainder of the season.

Thank you to all of the boys who made this season one to remember, and we are looking forward to seeing them grow in this beautiful game.

Results:

Played:	12
Won:	5
Lost:	7
Points for:	198
Points against:	265

Regular Players:

Bryce Techet, Luc Bouton, Sima Hlabisa, Ali Thiam, Ndumiso Ngcobo, Ndumiso Masondo, Jordan Visick, Bryan Jamarie, Zane Williamson, Azi Mkokeli, Hlela Ntombela, Baldwin Mazuba, Alex Combrink, Wandile Mbambo, Axl Franken, Johnny Brooks, Declan Dreyer

M Jansen van Rensburg & B Adam
U14B Rugby Coach

U14C Rugby

The aim for the U14C team this year was to impart solid foundational skills to the players that would enable some of them to progress to A and B team level in the future. The majority of the boys were new to rugby and, therefore, the greater part of the season was spent teaching the players the basics of the game such as passing, running, tackling, support play, and decision-making - not to mention fitness!

After a few games, the boys began to understand the difference between a ruck and a tackle and they were more aware of where the offside lines were. This led to greater confidence being shown and a bit of creative flair beginning to show - especially out wide on the wings.

By around the halfway point of the season, despite changes due to injuries in the higher teams, we were able to begin putting together patterns and distinct moves, which the boys made their own, as well as a kicking pattern that worked very effectively to relieve pressure on us.

Credit must go to the boys for their commitment and grit, as many of them also played hockey. Nevertheless, they never missed fixtures or training and even committed to additional training sessions on Fridays or during the Easter vacation. The esprit de corps among the boys was wonderful and they pitched in to help each other by, among other things, donating kit to less fortunate members of the team. They started off the season as teammates, but I

believe that, by the end, they finished as brothers.

Results:

Played:	12
Won:	4
Lost:	8

Regular Players:

Daniel Delderfield, Damian Smith, Ethan Van der Byl, Luke Hubbard, Msomi Wamukelwe, Watusila Mfumu, Abhay Nunnan, Shoaib Jacobs, Declan Dreyer, Mitchell Steele, Shaylen Panday, Jordan Visick, Sebastian van der Werff, Moloi Tukelo, Suhail Bandulal, Christopher Morris, Lelethu Songunzu, Caleb Maddocks, Nhlakanipho Bhengu

M Mxoli
U14C Rugby Coach

U14D Rugby

The U14D side has come a long way since the beginning of the season. There were more than a few boys in the ranks who had never played rugby before and bringing them

up to speed was always going to be a challenge.

We worked closely with the C and E sides and the boys were taught

basic ball-handling skills, tackling, positional play, and contesting the ball at the breakdown, among other things. Despite some hard losses against physically bigger teams, the boys played



with heart and were true 'horseflies', displaying a never-give-up attitude and contesting right until the final whistle.

One of the weak areas in our game was poor tackling technique and, far too often in the earlier games, we were allowing opposition ball carriers space to run at us. This resulted in them breaking our line and a lot of one-way traffic. We worked hard on this aspect and, towards the end of the season, this slowly began to change. The boys showed a lot of grit and determination in their last few games - especially the

game against Glenwood where they fought hard to deny Glenwood free reign.

Above all though, the boys had fun and I thoroughly enjoyed coaching them. I hope to see them all return for the U15 season.

Results:

Played:	11
Won:	3
Lost:	7
Drawn:	1

Regular Players:

Alande Sibisi, Jude Miller, Tokelo Moloi, Finnley Hazel, Preat Nadar, Christopher Morris, Anathi Mabaso, Nandile Umlaw, Daelan Ogle, Tayur Govender, Caleb Maddocks, Alistair Perumal, Zackariyya Motala, Joaquin Ntshangase, Anele Nhlumayo, Melokuhle Gasa

Coaches:

R van Rensburg, G Surtees

G Surtees
U14D Rugby Coach

U14E Rugby

This season was a first in that, for a long time, we managed to field a full E side for the U14 age group. Between the C, D, and E teams, there were 54 boys that arrived for practices. This speaks to the healthy state of rugby at School.

Many of the boys in the E team had never played rugby before and, as such, must be commended for their commitment and attitude towards the game. The emphasis at this level was on having fun whilst learning basic ball-handling skills, tackling, positional play and developing proper communication necessary for good rugby.

Given their lack of experience, the overwhelming weakness in the E side was, understandably, the reluctance to tackle opponents who were often physically larger. This led to score lines which often belied the true nature of the games, as the boys did fight hard to come back. I felt that if we had got the defence right, the gaps in the scores would have been much narrower.

Overall, the boys had a lot of fun this season and the game time certainly helped in allowing them to experience the pressure of a match situation. I hope that more than a handful of them

will continue to play rugby in the U15 age group.

Results:

Played:	3
Won:	0
Lost:	3

Regular Players:

Fanele Twala, Skye King, Rayn Manning, Divano Mubiru, Luell Moodley, Khanyile Khanyani, Bradley Govender, Lemar Simpson, Siyanda Bhengu, Lwandile Mazibuko, Alexander Gudgeon

G Surtees
U14E Rugby



1st Team Rugby Sevens



Rugby Sevens 2019

Front Row (L to R): Mr R Lombard (M-i-C: Rugby Sevens), Nqobani Dlamini, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Brian Dosemba, Mr M Everitt (Head Coach)

2nd Row: Mpho Ndaba, Kwanele Manakuza, Sinakho Dhlomo, Sakhe Ndabambi

Back Row: Joshua Stride, Hlumelo Noncembu, Sibongisipho Zondi, Ayola Mfiki, Adriaan Coetzee

7s season is always highly anticipated amongst the boys and coaches, and this year was no different. We knew we wouldn't have the depth on offer that we were fortunate to have in previous years. This was, unfortunately, due to injuries that were carried over from the 15-man season. This prevented us from consistently fielding a full squad during the season. However, the talent and, most importantly, the character within the small group of players that was displayed week in and week out was truly remarkable.

We attended three tournaments this season, hosted by Glenwood,

Maritzburg College, and our very own one at School. Looking back at our results it is evident that the boys improved every week, winning the Plate Final at Glenwood, reaching the Cup semi-final at College and then, unfortunately, going down to Westville 14-7 in the Cup Final at our own tournament. A lot of credit must go to the boys who were continuously pushed week in and week out physically, as we were by far the smallest team at every tournament, and mentally, with some players having to nearly play every minute at a tournament, and, despite all of that, gave nothing less than their best every game, fighting till the end. The Horsefly mentality.

A special mention must be made to two of our boys for making the KZN U17 7s side, our co captains, Nqobani Dlamini and Brian Dosemba. This is testament to their work ethic and professional attitudes shown throughout the season during trainings. And, lastly, to our MIC of 7s, Ruan Lombard, who worked closely with the boys throughout the season, always adding valuable input to the team at our various tournaments. Mr Lombard also will be coaching the KZN side on their tour to Welkom. We wish him all the best.

There is no shortage of DHS pride and passion within these gentlemen. We can look forward with great excitement



*Rugby Sevens Representatives
Nqobani Dlamini, Mr R Lombard, Brian Dosemba*

to how these boys will develop for the 2020 rugby season.

Won: 9
Lost: 6

Coaches:
M Everitt, R Lombard

Representatives:

KZN U17 - Nqobani Dlamini, Brian Dosemba

Regular Players:

Nqobani Dlamini, Brian Dosemba, Adriaan Coetzee, Sibongisipho Zondi, Ayola Mfiki, Hlumelo Noncembu, Kwanele Manakuza, Sinakhokonke Dhlomo, Mpho Ndaba, Joshua Stride, Sakhe Ndabambi

Manager:

S Cezula

M Everitt

M-i-C: Rugby Sevens

Results:

Played: 15

U15A Rugby Sevens

Term 3 is renowned for sevens rugby amongst schools, and at DHS it is no different. 2019 looked to be an exciting year at the start of the season, and rightly so. The talent on offer on its own was out of this world, and spending time with these boys - phenomenal young men that are hungry for success - was truly an

experience that I will forever hold dear to my heart.

Participating in four tournaments hosted by Glenwood High School, Maritzburg College and also our very own one at School, and then being invited to the Championship tournament in Bloemfontein in October, was certainly

challenging, but considering the fact that the boys made it into 2 Cup finals, and 2 Plate Finals, shows the character of the boys, but is also an indicator that the best is yet to come.

Glenwood Festival:

vs Pionier U15A 28-0
vs Glenwood U15B

7-34



vs Glenwood U15A 22-21
vs Die Anker U15A 12-17
vs Westville U15A 7-31

Maritzburg College Festival:

vs College B 33-0
vs Northwood A 21-21
vs Michaelhouse A 38-0
vs Glenwood A 24-17
vs College A 19-31

Durban High School Festival:

vs Westville B 33-5
vs Northwood A 7-19
vs Westville A 7-5

vs Northwood A 29-19
vs Glenwood A 12-14

Grey College Tournament:

vs Rustenburg 29-5
vs Grey PE 24-26
vs Helpmekaar 12-31
vs Grey PE 33-26
vs Waterkloof 14-43

Results:

Played: 20
Won: 10
Lost: 8
Drawn: 2

Points for: 411
Points against: 351

Regular Players:

Qiniso Sithole, Bonginkosi Shange, Vuyo Zukulu, Khotso Lebenya, Kgotso Moeketsi, Charl Meyers, Florensen Ockhuis, Senzo Khumalo, Warren Griffin, Amahle Mazibuko, Ntando Mavuso, Zak Smith, Jordan Ramsamy, Owen Morgenrood

M Jansen van Rensburg & S Mkhaliphi
U15A Rugby Sevens Coaches

U15B Rugby Sevens

This year we had two tournaments, and in both tournaments the boys did exceptionally well. We went up to the North Coast for the Vryheid tournament where we played against good teams like HTS Middleburg, Vryheid Hoerskool, Ferrum, to name a few. In the group stages we won all our games but sadly lost to HTS Middleburg 32-7. We went on to beat all the other teams and go head-to-head again with

HTS in the cup final, where the boys showed a lot of heart against the strong HTS side, going down 20-12.

Results:

Played: 10
Won: 6
Lost: 4

Regular Players:

Lwandile Mshengu (Captain), Ntobeko

Mhlongo, Devan du Plessis, Zane Williamson, Ty-Rique Hartrick, Alita Leeuw (Vice Captain), Hlumelo Madikani, Sybrant Erwee, Mustafa Hoosan, Tresor Bwato
Reserves - Nkhululeko Masondo, Thando Zondo

L Ndabandaba

U15B Sevens Rugby Coach



DHS 1st Rugby Sevens @ the Glenwood Tournament

1st XI Soccer



1st XI Soccer 2019

Front Row (L to R): Sello Moeti, Kyle Thyssen, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Joshua Reddy (Captain), Mr S Bezuidenhout (Head of Soccer), Bahlebonke Made, Junaid Lyons

2nd Row: Ogiyonke Ntlangula, Mwelisi Memela, Ntando Nxongo, Alwande Mnguni, Mpho Ndaba, Sduduzo Siwela

Back Row: Lwandle Magwaza, Jazmin Staplefelt, Samaiyan Naidoo, Solwazi Dlamini, Sphelele Mthembu, Steven Jamarie

2019 was a great year for the 1st XI team. For the first time in a long time the season was extended, with the squad beginning training in January, allowing for a total of 32 games to be played this year. If the number of games was a positive, the style of play and development of squad was perhaps the greatest achievement in 2019. The team played with a high energy, counter pressing style that led to great free flowing attacking play that was pleasing to the spectators.

The style of play allowed the side to achieve a very good record this season, winning the Plate at the Kloof Tournament, reaching the semi-finals of the KZN Top 10 and winning the

KZN Cowie Cup. The overall in-season record was: won 12, lost 3, drawn 5, for a 58% win record and only an incredible 14% loss percentage. Overall, the team scored 29 and conceded 12 goals for a net positive 17 in their 21 games.

The stand out players for the year were, without doubt, captain Josh Reddy and Bahle Made. Notable consistent performances also came from Kyle Thyssen and Andile Langazane. All four made KZN and also represented the Durban Central District, along with Sameyan Naidoo (also KZN U16), Sphelele Mthembu, Ntando Nxongo, Mswelisi Mzimela, Alwande Mnguni, Mpho Ndaba (also KZN U16), Sduduzo Siwela and Sello Moeti. Andile

Langazane ended as the top scorer in the side with 14 goals.

Made, Thyssen and Reddy were all selected to represent the South African Schools Combined Associations Team that will tour Europe in 2020.

Representatives:

SA Schools Combined FA U19 - Bahlebonke Made, Joshua Reddy, Kyle Thyssen

KZN U19A - Bahlebonke Made, Kyle Thyssen

KZN U19B Andile Langazane, Joshua Reddy

KZN U16B - Mpho Ndaba





SA Schools Combined FA U19 Representatives - Kyle Thyssen, Joshua Reddy, Bahlebonke Made

Results:

Played: 21
Won: 12
Lost: 3
Drawn: 6

Regular Players:

Mwelisi Memela, Alwande Mnguni,
Joshua Reddy, Bahlebonke Made,
Ntando Ngxongo, Samaiyan
Naidoo, Steven Jamarie, Solwazi
Dlamini, Andile Langazane, Kyle
Thyssen, Sphelele Mthembu, Jazmin

Stapelfeldt, Juniad Lyons, Lwandle
Magwaza, Sello Moeti, Mpho Ndaba,
Sduduzo Siwela, Ogiyonke Ntlangula

T Makhetha
1st XI Soccer Coach

2nd XI Soccer

The 2nd soccer team experienced similar misfortunes as the U16A team in the 2019 season. Consistent player availability was just one factor which affected stability in the side. They played 6 games and enjoyed just one victory, haven given away certain victories in three other fixtures, which saw us drawing 3 games, while we lost just two matches. I look forward

to working with those in the squad that remain next year.

Results:

Played: 6
Won: 1
Lost: 2
Drawn: 3

Regular Players:

Eli Louis, Ayanda Yengwa, Iphile Sithole,
Khaya Hlomuka, Lungelo Mshengu,
Sandile Madlala, Jaden Robert, Mpitoki
Mafoko, Lusanda Zikalala, Sbusiso
Mthuli, Mninawa Gwagwa, Tumelo
Mokgatle, Onamandla Qhwaya

C King
2nd XI Soccer Coach



Open Soccer Representatives

3rd XI Soccer

The 3rd team had an off season in 2019. The boys who were dedicated had to suffer because of the boys who weren't committed but, nonetheless, they put up a good display every weekend. A game to point out is the game against Glenwood. Going into the game without a single win in 5 games was very difficult to take in, but the boys delivered and got their first and only win of the season.

Khayelihle Mthembu was there for every single match and he was the standout player of the season for the 3rds - very well done to him!

Results:

Played:	6
Won:	1
Lost:	5

Regular Players:

Muhammad Mall, Onamandla Qhwaya, Mawande Mbambo, Bahle Ngcobo, Olwethu Manqele, Sibusiso Mpanza, Buchule Gam, Sipho Zondi, Olwethu Ngcobo, Pavan Mehta, Khayelihle Mthembu

M Buthelezi
3rd XI Soccer Coach

4th XI Soccer

The 4th team enjoyed a short but enjoyable season of soccer in 2019. Although they achieved a relatively mixed bag of results, the season ended on a very high note with a 4-1 victory over Berea rivals Glenwood High School. The 4th team was made up of a group of boys who love the game and showed a huge amount of passion and energy on the pitch. We

look forward to the watching success of these players in the seasons to come.

Results:

Played:	3
Won:	1
Lost:	2

Regular Players:

Bahle Ngcobo, Bonga Ngwenya, Pavan Mehta, Ntsikelelo Ngwane, Muhammed Patel, Yanga Qhwaya, Ntsikayomzi Gidi, Mnotho Qwabe, Pranay Mehta, Phindokuhle Ngcoya, Muhammad Moosa, Mangaliso Bungane, Sisipho Nofuya

J Beswick
4th XI Soccer Coach



U16A Soccer

The U16A soccer squad showed great potential. However, they were unlucky to not achieve the desired results in the 2019 season.

With more time allocated to training sessions I feel this group of players may have achieved much better results and

if they put their minds to it, they are capable of doing better next season.

Results:

Played: 6
Won: 1
Lost: 4
Drawn: 1

Regular Players:

Ntobeko Shabangu, Manasse Ntala, Nhlakanipho Nxaba, Sithuli Zulu, Ibrahim Ball, Phumelela Msomi, Sello Moeti, Lwandile Ngcobo, Junior Cele, Mpho Ndaba, Lizwe Chili

C King
U16A Soccer Coach

U16B Soccer

The Soccer term was a learning curve for the boys emphasizing on ill-discipline and not having the correct attitude proved being our downfall, Our strengths were knowing how to entertain spectators when we on the ball but our weakness was not knowing how to finish in essence if I could rate the season out of 10 would give it a 5.5. Trainings happening off the school property must also be looked at

for next year's season because coaches are pressed for time and space on practice days.

Results:

Played: 8
Won: 1
Lost: 4
Drawn: 1

Regular Players:

Ntobeko Shabangu, Sisho Msweli, Thiagan Pillay, Ayanda Sithole, Sphelele Khunene, Kwandile Buthelezi, Mikail Kreur, Sphelehle Ninela, Thabiso Bandwana, Millionaire Lukola, Sthuli Zulu, Olwethu Khubheka, Alwande Buthelezi, Jaden Lambert

N Blose
16B Soccer Coach

U16C Soccer

Despite a poor record, the players had fun and, but for some unlucky moments, could have won all four matches.

Not having a proper goalkeeper hurt the results a great deal.

Results:

Played: 4
Won: 0
Lost: 4

Regular Players:

Akshay Heeraman, Bongamandla Ndaba, Jared Chetty, Philasande

Ndokweni, Wandile Shiba, Tumelo Mokgatle, Koti Mafoko, Jonathan Slomczynski, Mahlase Masenga, Langa Mbongwa, Vutlhari Mabasa, Nkanyiso Ndlovu, Ndumiso Ndunakazi, Luhle Mgenge

C Moodley
U16C Soccer Coach

U15A Soccer

This year would no doubt be a memorable season for the U15As, as the team bonded more as the season progressed. A positive fighting spirit flowed throughout the team, stemming from their tightly contested narrow losses. A 1-0 win over St Charles was undoubtedly the highlight of the season.

Results:

Won: 1
Lost: 3
Drawn: 1

Regular Players:

Vuyani Khuzwayo, Andile Wanda, Bagcine Gqweta, Ethan Pather, Jared Letord, Cebo Mbuyisa, Kaeden Caleb,

Thiagarajan, Sphiwe Cele, Kayle Nichols, Sduduzo Siwela, Lwandile Gama, Thuthukani Sibisi

R Khan
U15A Soccer Coach



U15B Soccer

The U15B team had somewhat of an on and off season. Playing a total of six seasonal games, they won three and lost three.

The boys did put in a huge shift and they showed passion for the sport. I must pick out Ntando Buthelezi, who had an outstanding season, very solid at the back. I am very proud of the boys and

am honoured to have been given the chance to coach at DHS.

Results:

Played: 6

Won: 3

Lost: 3

Regular Players:

Mikhail Sayed, Ateeq Patel, Andile

Jiyane, Kholwani Mzimela, Nafees Abdulla, Thando Mvubu, Mpumelelo Dlamini, Lemohang Mhlongo, Ntando Buthelezi, Sibonelo Mkwana, Dani Kreuzer, Sibongeni Mjoli

M Buthelezi
U15B Soccer Coach

U15C Soccer

The U15C had a disappointing season, although the boys developed well and played with heart on all occasions. Cuan Francis was a consistent performer, along with Sbonga Shezi. Unfortunately, there is not enough depth in the age group to compete when 7s rugby is in full swing. This showed with early season results being solid but later ones very poor.

Results:

Played: 6

Won: 1

Lost: 4

Drawn: 1

Regular Players:

Chey Govender, Nashil Naidoo, Cuan Francis, Sbonga Shezi, Elihle Malimba, Joshua Clarke, Akhona Zulu, Abei

Texle, Ethan Dreyer, Tyler Christians, Langelihle Chonco, Mikael Motala, Wenzile Bhengu, Hari Pantelios, Ziyaa Mohamed, Giovanni Bissessor, Aphele Madondo

N Moodley
U15C Soccer Coach

U14A Soccer

The U14A boys played a total of six matches, with a record of three wins and three losses.

I was happy with the overall team performance and with huge improvements in some individuals, especially Hlela, Ayden, Muso and Minenhle's attitude towards the team and teammates.

When we started, we lacked aggression and penetration so, despite having lots of ball possession and playing with a clear football philosophy, we found

ourselves losing through a few individual errors and a lack of physicality. As the games went by, we started showing signs of improvement in the aggression, both on and off the ball.

The greatest achievement for a coach is to see his players improve from where he started with them and to see them playing with a clear identity in all the games, no matter the circumstances. And in that respect, I was pleased.

Results:

Played 6

Won: 3

Lost: 3

Regular Players:

Dylan Aver, Ayden Quinn, Luke Hubbard, Mawande Mnguni, Ayabonga Sikhakhane, Simphiwe Ngobese, Jordan Mbambo, Hlela Ntombela, Theo Brown, Muso Ramashamole, Minenhle Vilakazi, Dino Veludo, Wandile Mbambo, Junior Bambi, Thuthuka Mngomezulu, Oluhle Canham

L Ngwane
U14A Soccer Coach



U14B Soccer

Two consecutive victories saw a good start to the season, with good football being expressed throughout. Thereafter, the boys celebrated a victory over Glenwood in their derby match. Unfortunately, they were unable to maintain an unbeaten record in their remaining fixtures.

Nevertheless, 2019 produced a good, talented squad of U14B players with promise for the future.

Results:

Played:	6
Won:	3
Lost:	2
Drawn:	1

Regular Players:

Ayden Quinn, Luke Hubbard, Mawande Mnguni, Ayabonga Sikhakhane, Khanya Ngema, Thomas Eddie, Maseru Ntsoane, Dylan Aver, Ethan Stainley, Eveshan Arumugam, Khulekani Msleku, Minenhle Mkhize

M Renton
U14B Soccer Coach

U14C Soccer

The 2019 season was encouraging, with great enthusiasm from the boys. Despite having a 50/50 split in results the season was a great success. The boys trained and played as hard as they could and, with a little luck, might have only lost one game. I'm confident that next year will bring improvement.

Results:

Played:	6
Won:	3
Lost:	3

Regular Players:

Anele Nhlumayo, Nhlosenhle Ndimande, Jordan Visick, Bryan Jamarie, Joseph Gengaya, Anahle Ximba, Bandile Ngidi,

Thando Mushanyanyama, Baldwin Mazuba, Declan Dreyer, Joshua Venter, Tayur Govender, Deylan Ogle, Khwezi Shabane

T Moodley
U14C Soccer Coach

U14D Soccer

We started off the season with a satisfying 2-0 victory against St Charles. This, followed by the 9-0 victory against Clifton, made us extremely hopeful for the upcoming season. These, unfortunately, proved to be the only victories we would get for this season.

The boys put up brilliant performances against both Glenwood and Hilton but

narrowly fell in those encounters. The season did not go as well as we had hoped, but it has created a platform for these players to grow for future years.

Results:

Played:	6
Won:	2
Lost:	4

Regular Players:

Tyron Hatcher, Tana Tagwira, Zakariya Motala, Wamkelwe Msomi, Isaac Dube, Lwandile Mazibuko, Daelen Moodley, Kgotso Mokgatle, Mpendulo Dlamini, Nandile Umlaw, Rourke Cole Prange, Johnny Brooks

T Tafera
U14D Soccer Coach

U14E Soccer

2019 was a really enjoyable and fun season with a good deal of success. The squad was in effect an U14E side that often had to play up as the U15D, due to other schools not having an U14E team. The boys always gave their all, at training and matches, with some excellent performances-

if not always results - due to their commitment.

Results:

Played:	5
Won:	1
Lost:	3
Drawn:	1

Regular Players:

Tokelo Moloi, Lelethu Songunzu, Kieren Varden, Kameron Pillay, Tumiso Nkosi, Asande Mkhulise, Allan Chishane, Mohammed Ismail, Ethan Van der Byl, Siyanda Bhengu, Anathi Gabula, Kieren Varden, Azam Khan, Kethan Hiralal

M Khoza : U14E Soccer Coach



1st Team Softball



1st Team Softball 2019

Front Row (L to R): Matthew Delderfield, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Rogan Green, Mr N Moodley (M-i-C: Softball), Eli Louis

2nd Row: Justin Wingrove, Awande Ndlovu, Sonqoba Makanya,ENZOKUHLE SABELA, Xhanti Njokweni, Steven Jamarie

Back Row: Kavishan Govender, Taariq Kruger, Sidharth Singh, Sisanda Gogobala, Joshua Stride, Joshua Winnaar

The 2019 softball season did not go as planned for the DHS 1st team. It was filled with many positives but also with a few negatives. Although the boys put everything out on the field, they unfortunately still lack the basics that are so vital to a successful softball team. However, I feel that with a little bit more time and extra commitment, these boys will be a force to be reckoned with in the U19 league.

With all the unfortunate result this season at U19 level, we have still managed to get the most boys from all the Durban school to represent KZN in the inter-provincial tournament to be

held in Limpopo this year, with four of our boys being selected.

I hope that next year that these boys are ready to take on the challenge of bettering this year results as well as improving in all aspects of their game.

Representatives:

SA U19 - Rogan Green

KZN U19 - Rogan Green, Kendall Edwards, Matthew Delderfield, Corné Nel

Results:

Played: 5

Won: 1

Lost: 4

Regular Players:

Rogan Green,ENZOKUHLE SABELA, Steven Jamarie, Joshua Winnaar, Sonqoba Makanya, Eli Louis, Sisanda Gogobala, Kendall Edwards, Joshua Stride, Justin Wingrove, Matthew Dalderfield, Taariq Kruger, Kavishan Govender, Xhanti Njokweni, Awande Ndlovu, Sidharth Singh

N Moodley
M-i-C: Softball





Softball Representatives

U15A Softball

The 2019 softball season was by far one of the most successful seasons that DHS has had, compared to previous years. The U16A team was placed in the B league which meant that the side had a point to prove. The goal was to dominate this league and fight our way back into the A league in 2020. This would be a tough task, as the side consisted mostly of Grade eight learners as well as boys who had never played the sport before.

Our approach to the season was to stick to basics and build a strong foundation for seasons to come. Throughout the season, the boys fully dedicated themselves to this approach, by always giving their best and playing whole heartedly.

The team ended the season undefeated, winning seven matches, and therefore

placed as the top school in the B league. This meant that the team was promoted to the A league for next year's softball season. I can confidently say that this has been one of the best teams that I have had the privilege of coaching at the DHS. Due to this hard work and determination, five of our boys were selected to represent the KZN softball side at the inter-provincial tournament in Limpopo. I look forward to seeing what these boys achieve next.

As an old boy, I must commend the boys on how they carried themselves, on and off the field, displaying true sportsmanship and commitment. As a coach, I could not be prouder to have these boys in my team. I hope to see them on the field next year, continuing our winning streak.

Representatives:

KZN U15 - Weihrich Basson, Michiel Burger, Riley Clarivette, Luke Gallagher, Bryan Jamarie

Results:

Played:	7
Won:	7
Lost:	0
Grand Slam:	Played 2, Lost 1

Regular Players:

Matthew Gallagher, Luke Gallagher, Warren Griffin, Corné Nel, Riley Caleb Clarivette, Bryan Jamarie, Muhammed Khan, Weihrich Basson, Michiel Gert Burger, Yanga Mdletshe, Ryan Mhangu, Joshua Handley, Michael Russell, Finley Hazell, Joaquin Ntshangase

J Diedericks
M-i-C: Softball

Sport Climbing



Sport Climbing Team 2019

2019 was a very busy year for the sport climbers as the format of the sport was changed to accommodate the fact that national's selection needed to be completed early in term 2. This meant a hectic season of blended bouldering and lead events. This definitely tested the fitness of our climbers, but their enthusiasm helped them step up to the challenge.

Term 1 saw us actively involved in the KZN Boulder Series, where the focus is on getting new climbers interested in the sport. Johandri Fourie coached our boys and they definitely benefitted from her professional approach and knowledge of the sport.

The KZN Climbing series involves over 120 climbers across the A and B Leagues. The introduction of the B League has meant that new climbers can become more confident as they find their way in the sport.

Lead and bouldering fixtures were held at Westville Girls' High, UKZN Wall, and Southern Rock Gym (a world class climbing gym in New Germany). As this is part of the selection process for the SA team participating in the World Champs later in the year, the standard of climbing problems was extremely high. The standard of route setting definitely reflects the level of performance required to progress in the sport at the National and International level.

Faced with these tough competition conditions, DHS performed well in the Bouldering Section and Ethan Ballantine was placed third in KZN with a bronze medal for the U19A league, and Kavlin Pillay was placed first with a gold medal in the U15B category.

Lead climbing poses a completely different set of challenges to the climbing, as now height becomes a

factor. This meant some intense training and a revised core programme.

After the four rounds DHS produced the following results:

Yadav Nunnan was placed 5th in the U15A League, and Kavlin Pillay was placed 1st (gold medal) in the U15B League. In the U19A League Ethan Ballantine was placed 5th and Christian Francis 3rd (bronze medal).

All three A League climbers were selected for the KZN Squad for nationals, but only Yadav Nunnan was able to attend. Although he did not achieve a podium placing, the experience gained bode him well for the 2020 season.

Thank you to all the climbers for their efforts this year. I look forward to seeing our juniors honing their new found skills in the sport in 2020. An early start to training is needed so DHS can regain our



*Sport Climbing KZN Rep
Yadav Nunnan*

position as one of the most competitive climbing schools in KZN.

As always Inter-House Climbing was a well contested event and the following placings were achieved:

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Position</i>
Grice	109	1
Payn	88	2
Langley	83	3
Campbell	75	4
Swales	0	5
Blackmore	0	6

Representative:
KZN U15 - Yadav Nunnan

Awards:

Colours - Ethan Ballantine

Half Colours - Christian Francis

Regular Climbers:

Ethan Ballantine (Captain), Christian Francis, Swazi Dlamini, Ethan Jacobs, Rowan van Rooyen, Naveshan Pillay, Ethan Wellen, Aaron Naidoo, Kavlin Pillay, Shakeel Ganie, Yoshlan Govender, Yadav Nunnan, Joshua Handley, Atkinson, Anele Mkhize, Braydon Williams, Darian Robert, Kale Govender

I Lewis

M-i-C: Sport Climbing



Members of our wonderful Moms Committee

Squash



Squash Team 2019

Front Row: Mr Q Kippen (Coach), Gxilani Mabandla, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Matthew Delderfield, Mr D Naidoo (M-i-C : Squash)

Back Row: Sharik Ramjee, Jason Butler, Karan Moodley, Vidhan Singh

The year started quite interestingly as there were a few boys who came in from the Eastern Cape. Among them was an U16 provincial player, Gxilani Mabandla. Having coached many of the boys from 2018, a player of this calibre brings challenges for the group and the coach. This meant that we could not restrict him as he is an A level player and our teams play in the C and D levels. It was requested that our teams move up to B and C levels to accommodate him.

The performance of the teams over the season was not the greatest as they have much skill still to acquire. A highlight for the boys was an exhibition match between Gxilani and Enael Hollier of Reunion Island. Enael, 11 years old, played squash at a senior level. His reason for being in South Africa was to

attend school for 8 months of the year to learn English and develop his squash skills. Fun was had by all and the match was very entertaining, although Gxilani did prove to be the stronger player of the two.

Although we hoped to improve our results in the Squash Interschool League this year, we found that playing in the B and C division was much tougher than expected. We lost narrowly to Westville Boys' High and Northwood and suffered huge losses against Glenwood, Crawford and Kearsney.

This year we introduced beginner squash to those players that were always at practices, but did not make the first or second team. Fixtures were held against beginners from Glenwood and this helped develop confidence

among these players. The inter-house squash tournament was held in August. Langley won the tournament with Payn and Blackmore joint second.

We do look forward to more squash players joining us in 2020 and we want to see the level of squash reach the heights it once was at some 20 years ago. There is discussion to include it as an Elective in 2020, as this will definitely add more value to the players.

Regular Players:

Matthew Delderfield, Vidhan Singh, Karan Moodley, Sharik Ramjee, Jason Butler, Rijul Beharilal, Emmanuel Onyemouche, Litha Mpondo, Joshua Kippen

Coach: Quinton Kippen

D Naidoo : M-i-C: Squash



Swimming



Swimming Team 2019

Front Row (L to R): Ntando Mpuqa, Matthew Delderfield, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Connor Mack, Mr S La Marque (Head of Aquatics), Rogan Green, Sabelose Mlaba

2nd Row: Awande Nkunzi, Swelihle May, Thapelo Ramoholi, Kegan Olivier, Mahle Makhanya, Taegan McCarthy

Back Row: Brayden Remley, Keyontae Raynard, Samuel Spooner, Connor Carson, Travis Burke, Sinqobile Simamane, Kai Coetzee

The 2019 swimming season was one of great disappointment, yet also one of contentment.

These two extremes came from the constant disqualifications in key galas, in particular in the senior age groups where fitness and discipline were the root cause of these disqualifications.

In the Durban and Districts Gala, our boys finished in a credible 5th position, 8 points behind Glenwood. However, disqualifications cost us 9 points.

Elite swim coach, Ms D McLeod, was employed as the new head coach. She brought a wealth of knowledge and had the boys out daily, focusing on fitness, turns and takeovers. Unfortunately,

attendance among the senior swimmers was unacceptably low.

The junior age groups have really brought incredible value to the school's swimming team. These age groups were regular top two finishers in their respective events, the highlight being the U14 victory in the 4x50m backstroke relay at the D&D.

In total the swim team participated in two warm-up galas, competed in four competition galas and posted the following results:

Westville Gala:	10th from 12
Alan Burt Gala:	9th from 10
KZN Top 8 Gala:	8th from 8
D&D Gala:	5th from 6

Awande Nkunzi and Thapelo Ramoholi were selected to swim for South Africa in the CANA Zone 4 Continental Championships held in Namibia.

Representatives:

Swim SA Federation U14 - Awande Nkunzi, Thapelo Ramoholi
SA Junior National Level - Callyn Kinsey, Yash Maharaj, Vuyani Ncube, Awande Nkunzi, Kegan Olivier, Keyontae Raynard

KZN Level 3 - Breydon Remley, Elijah Chetty, Teagen McCarthy, Thapelo Ramoholi

Regular Swimmers:

Awande Nkunzi, Kegan Olivier, Keyontae Raynard, Teagen McCarthy, Callum Kinzy, Thapelo Ramoholi,

Yasheer Maharaj, Connor Carson,
Sabelosethu Mlaba, Vuyani Ncube,
Mahle Makhanya, Elijah Chetty, Miquel

da Paiva, Kai Coetzee, Breydon Remley,
Le-Shae Naicker, Travis Burke, Samuel
Spooner, Ntando Mpuqa, Rogan Green,
Adam Mahomed, Sinqobile Simamane,

Swelihle May, Connor Mack, Matthew
Delderfield, Rowan van Rooyen

S La Marque
Manager: Swimming



Tennis



Tennis Team 2019

Front Row (L to R): Salmaan Hussain, Ms M Bisschoff (M-i-C: Tennis), Sayfullah Jumoorty (Captain), Mr A D Pinheiro, Tristan Singh

Back Row: Mchyle Govender, Preylan Thaver, Jaden Naidoo, Londa Zungu, Ayanda Yengwa

2019 was a strange year, in the sense that most of our matches fell during the Ramadaan period. As a result, our first side actually consisted largely of 2nd team players. These boys played their hearts out. We played in the Durban Schools' League for the fourth year. Although we did not win a match, the players gained valuable experience, and more individual games were won, which really helps to build confidence.

In general, the boys improved even more since last year. There is definitely value in joining clubs to play against adults. As in any sport, the more you practise, the better you become. The boys could not have improved so much without the

help of coach Karin Boshoff. Our regular players showed real progress.

There was a great deal of interest at the beginning of the year, but it is clear that it is necessary to start tennis at primary school level, as many boys did not have the necessary hand-eye coordination.

Thank you to all these boys. A special thanks to Sayfullah, who was my right-hand man throughout much of the year.

I would also like to thank Karin Boshoff for her coaching and for looking after the boys on numerous occasions.

I am hopeful that the 2020 season will be more successful.

Regular Players:

A-Team - Sayfullah Jumoorty (Captain), Salmaan Hussain, Preylan Thaver, Ayanda Yengwa, Londa Zungu, Tristan Singh

A-Team Reserves - Jaden Naidoo, Mchyle Govender, Abu Bakr Usuf

New Players - Troy Getgate, Adiq Kabangie, Saiuren Naidoo

M Bisschoff
M-i-C: Tennis

1st Team Water Polo



1st Team Water Polo 2019

Front Row (L to R): Ethan Mack, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Rogan Green (Captain), Mr S La Marque (M-i-C : Water Polo/ Head of Aquatics), Samuel Spooner

2nd Row: Sabelose Mlaba, Swelihle May, Mahle Makhanya, Ntando Mpuqa

Back Row: Brayden Remley, Sinqobile Simamane, Nqobile Phiri, Connor Carson, Travis Burke, Matthew Delderfield, Kai Coetzee

The 2019 1st team year got off to an enthusiastic start. The boys were starting to understand the concept of hard work paying dividends.

Although the season's results did not reflect straight wins for the boys, the positives and prospects certainly outweighed the negatives. The unity of the 2018 U15A side brought incredible stability to the team. The training ethic of the juniors was very evident in the matches. The conditioning programme in the early morning electives has proven its worth and the boys will only move forward and upwards from here.

The start of the 4th term pre-season sessions was agonising. The biggest

dividing factor for the team was the lack of training ethic from the senior boys. The younger boys continued to work hard and the results were staggering. The wins column was still lacking the positive results, but what was evident was how we had closed the gap on our opposition.

The results in the Clifton Tournament were not what we wanted, but the performances were brilliant. These continued through to the DHS U16 Tournament, where we started to enjoy some positive wins against some of the traditional water polo schools.

Results:

Hilton lost 6-12

Reddam (Constantia)	lost 5-11
Selborne	lost 2-18
Crawford (JHB)	lost 3-6
Kingswood	lost 2-5
St Davis	lost 4-6
AHS	lost 4-5
St Albans	lost 4-5
Maritzburg College	won 6-3 & 12-6
Clifton	lost 3-6/lost 5-11
Kearsney	lost 4-6/lost 6-13
Michaelhouse	lost 5-6
Glenwood	won 10-8/lost 4-8
Reddam	lost 4-5 / lost 5-6

DHS U16 Tournament Results:

Affies	won	7-2
KES	won	7-3
Selborne	lost	5-6
Jeppe	won	8-5



St John's	drew	5-5
(lost 8-6 on penalty shoot-out)		
Clifton	lost	3-5
Glenwood	won	3-2

Player Profiles

Rogan Green (Captain)

Rogan showed incredible tenacity in his game. He unfortunately did not attend the required training sessions and this resulted in his fitness level not being at the required level. This impacted on his decision making and cost the team dearly. His decision to opt out of playing in the KZN Top 10 was also a terrible blow for the team.

Samuel Spooner (Vice Captain)

Samuel had an incredible season. He always gave of his best and was rewarded with his selection into the KZN U16A team.

Connor Mack

Connor lacked the skills required to be a brilliant player but, initially, he made up for this with his tenacious attitude. However, this commitment was short-lived and Connor didn't play any water polo in Term 4.

Matthew Delderfield

Matthew lacked the grounding required to be a top player. However, he always tried hard. Perhaps more time at training would have assisted his resolve.

Sinqobile Simamane

Sim, as he is known, continued his growth through the year. He was comfortable at centre forward and centre back and he enjoys a very strong shot. His future will be dependent on his willingness to get to the required fitness levels.

Swelihle May

Swelihle developed into a solid centre back. His ability to defend against the more agile and larger forwards was superb. His role within the team was solid. His dependability at the back allowed us to experiment with other defence patterns.

Brayden Remley

Brayden adapted well into his role as a fetch. His superb swimming ability assisted him and the team. His shooting improved dramatically.

Nqobile Phiri

Phiri had an unbelievable season. Not being the traditional goalkeeper, he developed an incredible knack to perform incredible saves. He was rewarded for his efforts with his selection into the KZN U16A Team.

Mahle Makhanya

Effort and commitment from this young man was outstanding. Mahle trained incredibly hard and was rewarded with his selection into the KZN U16 team.

He developed into a leading goal scorer within the team.

Ntando Mpuqa

Ntando had a solid season. Perhaps his weakest facet was his fitness, which is a controllable factor. However, as a left-handed player, he produced some scintillating goals on the right.

Kai Coetzee

As a junior in the team, Kai produced some outstanding performances. His water movement aided his defence and he has a huge future ahead of him. He was selected as a non-travelling reserve for the KZN U15 Team.

Sabelo Mlaba

Sabelo had an indifferent year. His ability saw him being selected for the SA U15 team. However, at times he just battled to produce the form that got him there. At times, he seemed un-coachable, opting to execute critical skills in his own way.

Miguel de Paiva

Miguel performed at both ends of the spectrum. At times, he was brilliant and at times he seemed to lose focus and make fundamental errors. Nevertheless, he has a bright future ahead of him.

S La Marque
Head of Aquatics

U15A Water Polo

The U15 water polo team had a great year. They started off winning all their domestic games and lost their first game of the season in the semi-final of the Dallas Hutton Tournament.

The skill level of the boys improved dramatically from their previous year and they developed a maturity to their game that we can be proud of.

The second half of the season kicked off with the Melliard Cup tournament at Wynberg High School in Cape Town. The boys did not play to their full potential and placed lower than what we wanted, but the experience proved beneficial.

Domestically, the team did very well in weekly fixtures and built good momentum into the Top 10 tournament.

Again, we made the semi-finals and lost to Hilton. We ended up placing 4th after losing the 3rd/4th playoff to Kearsney on a penalty shoot-out, in a game we should have won.

Overall, this is a strong U15 side with a great future. They will provide the senior teams with good depth and strong competition.



Results:

Kearsney	won 7-2
Michael House	won 6-2
Glenwood	won 13-2/won 5-3
Clifton	lost 2-7
Westville	won 6-3

Hilton

Northwood	lost 8-2
Maritzburg College	won 12-2

Regular Players:

A Zama, Z Smith, K Coetzee, C Carson, M de Paiva, Y Maharaj, S Mlaba, Warren Griffin, Daniel Kreuzer, L Naicker, Q Kimu

U15A Team Water Polo Coach

U14A Water Polo

The 2019 water polo year has been a year filled with a lot of excitement and progress that we coaches can be proud of in terms of where the boys have started from and how they've developed over the past year.

The U14s has a positive start to the season in January as we had the likes of Taegen McCarthy, Christian Everitt and Reece Truter, who had already played water polo in the previous year and this contributed immensely to our wins over the year.

The boys exceeded expectations by coming 5th at the Annual Top 10 tournament and this was a reflection of the hard work from the boys, whether it be at our afternoon trainings or at the morning electives. We also had memorable wins against our rivals, such as Glenwood High School; Maritzburg College and Northwood.

Although we faced the challenge of only having 9 boys in our entire U14A team, the boys still went on tour to Cape Town,

played their best and still managed to place in a respected position. No season goes without its own obstacles and low moments, but the boys learnt to surpass these times by continuously training and simply just enjoying the game.

The overall 2019 water polo season was truly a success and, as a coach, I have seen massive improvements from all the players and look forward to the 2020 season and what it has to offer.

Results:

1st term	
Maritzburg College	won 9-6
Clifton	lost 2-9
Northwood	won 8-5
Westville	won 6-5

Jeppe Tour:

Rondebosch	lost 0-12
St John's	lost 0-12
Affies	won 5-3
Selbourne	lost 1-7
St Benedicts	won 7-6
St Alban's	lost 6-7

Rondebosch Tour:

Rondebosch	lost 1-13
St David's	lost 3-7
Warriors	lost 1-8
Wynberg	lost 1-9
Reddam	lost 4-6
Pearson	lost 1-5
Westerford	lost 9-1

4th Term

Westville	drew 4-4
St Charles	won 12-2
Clifton U15B	won 15-0
Glenwood	won 10-3
Hilton	lost 2-10

KZN Top 10:

Clifton	lost 4-9
Michaelhouse	lost 8-6 / won 9-5
Glenwood	won 13-3
Westville	lost 0-4

Regular Players:

S Allen, K Raynard, K Olivier, W Basson, R Truter; C Everitt, T McCarthy, A Frankin, D Cockburn, C Meyers

D Cronje

U14A Water Polo Coach

U14B Water Polo

The U14B team enjoyed a short but successful 4th term of water polo, putting together fantastic wins over rivals Westville, Maritzburg College and Kearsney College. As many of the B team players have never played water polo before their arrival at DHS, it has been a year of learning about the

game and it is clear that great strides have been made in the development of our more inexperienced players.

Results:

Maritzburg College	won 8-2
Kearsney	won 8-3
Westville	won 5-2

Regular Players:

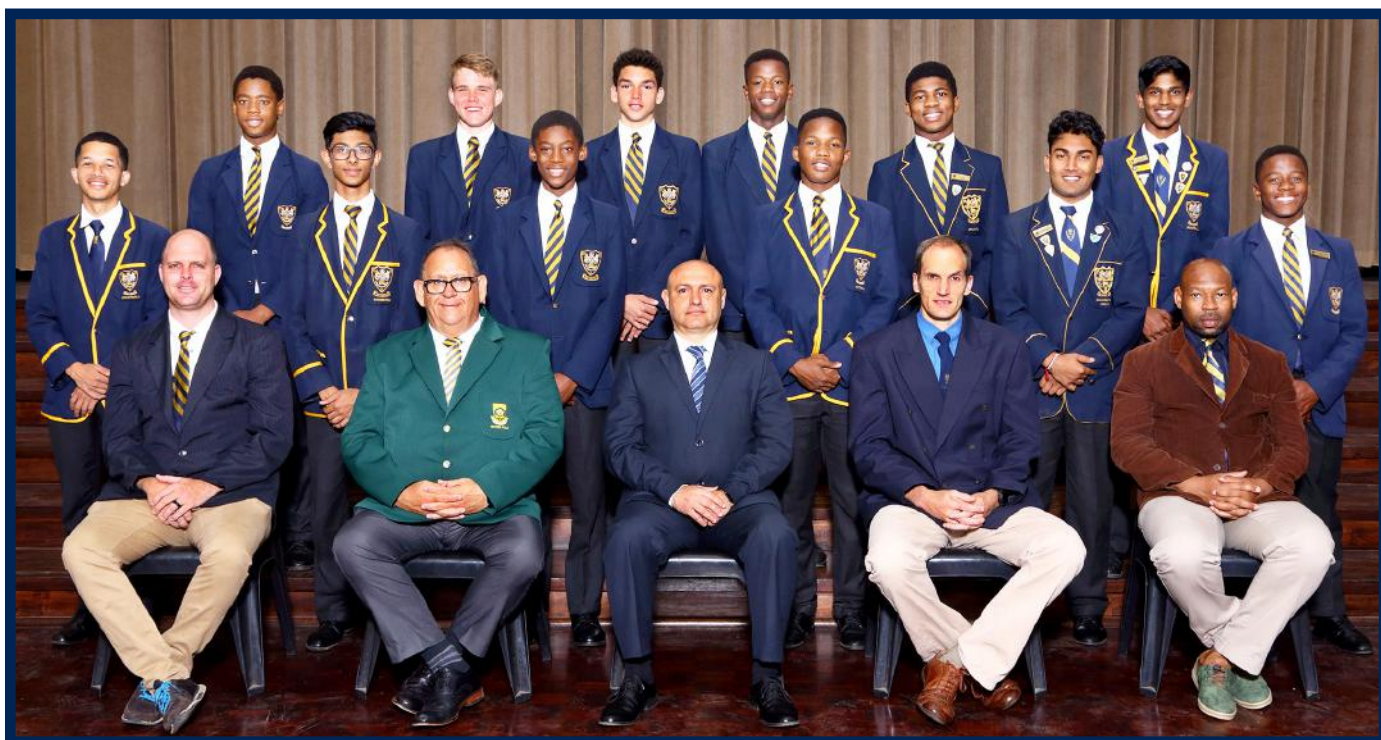
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S La Marque

U14B Water Polo Coach



South African Representatives



South African Representatives 2019

Front Row (L to R): Mr S Bezuidenhout (Soccer), Mr S La Marque (Water Polo), Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Dr S Clifton (Canoeing), Mr L Zulu (Basketball)

2nd Row: Kyle Thyssen (Soccer), Rivaldo Soni (Badminton), Awande Nkunzi (Swimming), Bahlebonke Made (Soccer), Abderahman Assila (Touch Rugby), Sabelo Mlaba (Water Polo)

Back Row: Thapelo Ramoholi (Swimming), Keagan Olivier (Swimming), Keyontae Raynard (Swimming), Bagcine Gqweta (Hockey), Kwanele Manakhuza (Athletics), Joshua Reddy (Soccer)

Congratulations to the following young men of DHS who were awarded South African colours in their various disciplines:

Athletics:

SA U17 - Kwanele Manakhuza

Badminton:

SA Schools - Rivaldo Soni

Chess:

SA U16 Olympiad - Naseem Essa

Hockey:

SA U16 Squad - Bagcine Gqweta

Softball:

SA U19 - Rogan Green

Soccer:

SA Schools Combined FA U19 - Bahlebonke Made, Joshua Reddy, Kyle Thyssen

Swimming:

Swim SA Federation U14 - Awande Nkunzi, Thapelo Ramoholi
SA Junior National Level - Callyn Kinsey, Yash Maharaj, Vuyani Ncube, Awande Nkunzi, Keagan Olivier, Keyontae Raynard

Touch Rugby:

SA U17 - Abderahman Assila

Water Polo:

SA U15 - Sabelo Mlaba

Staff:

Mr S Bezuidenhout - SA Board Representative Soccer
Dr S Clifton - International Canoeing Official
Mr S La Marque - South African National Waterpolo Head Coach
Mr L Zulu - SA U16 Head Coach, SA U20 Male Scout, SA Men's Varsity Coach

KZN Representatives



KZN Representatives 2019

- Front Row (L to R):** Mr M Baker (Head of Hockey), Mr Flanagan, Dr S Clifton, Mr S Bezuidenhout, Mr S La Marque, Mr A D Pinheiro (Head Master), Mr I Lewis, Ms M Bischoff, Mr L Zulu, Mr H Siyaya, Mr R Lombard
- 2nd Row:** Luke Gallagher, Bryan Jamarie, Sbo Mjoli, Othembayo Nondo, Kyle Thyssen, Darren Booysen, Corne Nel, Sabelo Mlaba, Lerou Dithakanyane
- 3rd Row:** Mpho Ndaba, Theo Brown, Ntando Mpuqa, Usama Ghuman, Keelan Henry, Sholin Naicker, Eveshan Arumugam, Liam Ruiters, Eli Louis, Sduduzo Zondi, Le-Shae Naicker
- 4th Row:** Kyle Madlala, Joshua Reddy, Awande Nkunzi, Sachin Soni, Thapelo Ramoholi, Swelihle May, Matthew Delderfeld, Rogan Green, Andile Mbambo
- 5th Row:** Nqobani Dlamini, Yash Maharaj, Aphiwe Zama, Lwandile Mshengu, Mikail Kreuzer, Kwanele Manukuza, Rivaldo Soni, Lwandile Gama, Jordan Ramsay, Bahlebonke Made
- 6th Row:** Abderahman Assila, Sinqobile Simamane, Kegan Olivier, Riley Clarivette, Bagcine Gqweta, Keyontae Raynard, Breydon Remley, Joshua Winnaar
- Back Row:** Ethan Ballantine, Hlumelo Noncembu, Taariq Kruger, Samuel Spooner, Weihrich Basson, Asher Knox-Davies, Prince Bambi, Connor Carson, Avumile Bongco, Brian Dosemba

Congratulations to the following young men of DHS who were awarded KZN colours in their various activities:

Athletics:

KZN U17 - Kwanele Manukuza

Badminton:

KZN U19 & KZN U17 - Rivaldo Soni

KZN U15 - Eveshan Arumugam

Basketball:

KZN U18B - Kyle Madlala, Hlumelo Noncembu

KZN U16A - Prince Bambi, Nathan Del Fava, Asher Knox-Davies

Chess:

KZN U16 - Naseem Essa

Cricket:

KZN Coastals U17 - Yudishthir Ramanand, Brayden Sambhu, Joshua Stride

Hockey:

KZN U14A - Lerou Ditlahlakanyane, Aldridge Maasdrop, Liam Ruiters

KZN Coastals - U16A Bagcine Gqweta, Othembayo Ndondo

KZN Coastals - U14A Lulonke Gono

KZN Coastals - U18B Usama Ghuman, Khaya Hlomuka

KZN Coastals - U16B Sachin Soni

KZN Coastals - U14B Keelan Henry, Andile Mbambo, Sduduzo Zondi

KZN Coastals - U18C Eli Louis, Sholin Naicker, Joshua Winnaar

Indoor Cricket:

KZN U14 - Joshua Venter

Rugby:

KZN U18 Academy Week - Avumile Bongco, Darren Booysen, Brian Dosemba, Taariq Kruger

KZN U16 Grant Khomo - Kwanele Manukuza

KZN U18 Club Rugby - Aaron Mukonkole

KZN U15 Club Rugby - Lwandile Mshengu, Jordan Ramsamy, Aphiwe Zama

Rugby Sevens:

KZN U17 - Brian Dosemba, Nqobani Dlamini

Soccer:

KZN U19A - Bahlebonke Made, Kyle Thyssen

KZN U19B - Andile Langazane, Joshua Reddy

KZN U16B - Mpho Ndaba

KZN U14A - Theo Brown

KZN U14B - Minenhle Vilikazi

Softball:

KZN U19 - Kendall Edwards, Matthew Delderfield, Rogan Green, Corné Nel

KZN U15 - Weihrich Basson, Michiel Burger, Riley, Luke, Bryan Jamarie

Sport Climbing:

KZN U15 - Yadav Nunnan

Swimming:

KZN Level 3 - Breydon Remley, Elijah Chetty, Teagen McCarthy, Thapelo Ramoholi

Touch Rugby:

KZN U19 - Ethan Ballantine

KZN U19 - Eli Louis

KZN U17 - Abderahman Assila, Nhlakanipho Nxaba

KZN U15 - Lwandile Gama, Sbo Mjoli

Water Polo:

KZN Schools U19 - Ntando Mpuqa

KZN Schools U16 - Samuel Spooner, Mahle Makhanya, Nqobile Phiri

KZN Schools U15 - Sabelo Mlaba, Yasheer Maharaj

KZN Coastals U19B - Ntando Mpuqa

KZN Coastals U16 - Travis Burke, Mahle Makhanya, Swelihle May, Nqobile Phiri, Breydon Remley, Sinqobile Simamane, Samuel Spooner

KZN Coastals U15 - Connor Carson, Kai Coetzee, Yasheer Maharaj, Sabelo Mlaba, Le-Shae Naicker, Christian Everitt

KZN Coastals U14 - Teagan McCarthy, Reece Truter

Wind Band:

KZN Youth - Nathan Harvey, Ntokozo Nsibande

Youth Choir:

KZN Youth - Obakhe Delubom, Sandise Cezula

Staff:

Mr M Baker - KZN Mynahs Indoor Hockey, KZN Coastals U16A Boys Assistant Coach, KZN Coastals U13A Coach, KZN Mynahs Ladies Indoor Hockey Coach, KZN Raiders Ladies Outdoor Hockey Coach, KZN U21 Men's Outdoor Hockey Coach

Mrs M Bisschoff - KZN Darts

Mr S Cele - KZN Debating Adjudicator

Dr S Clifton - KZN Veteran Canoeing

Mr J Flanagan - KZN U14A Coach, KZN Mynahs Outdoor Hockey

Mr I Lewis - KZN Climbing Committee

Mr S La Marque - KZN U19A Boys Coach

Mr R Lombard - KZN Rugby 7's U17 Sharks Assistant Coach, KZN Grant Khomo Rugby U16 Manager

Mr N Pillay - KZN Primary Cricket U13 Selector, KZN Primary Hockey Secretary

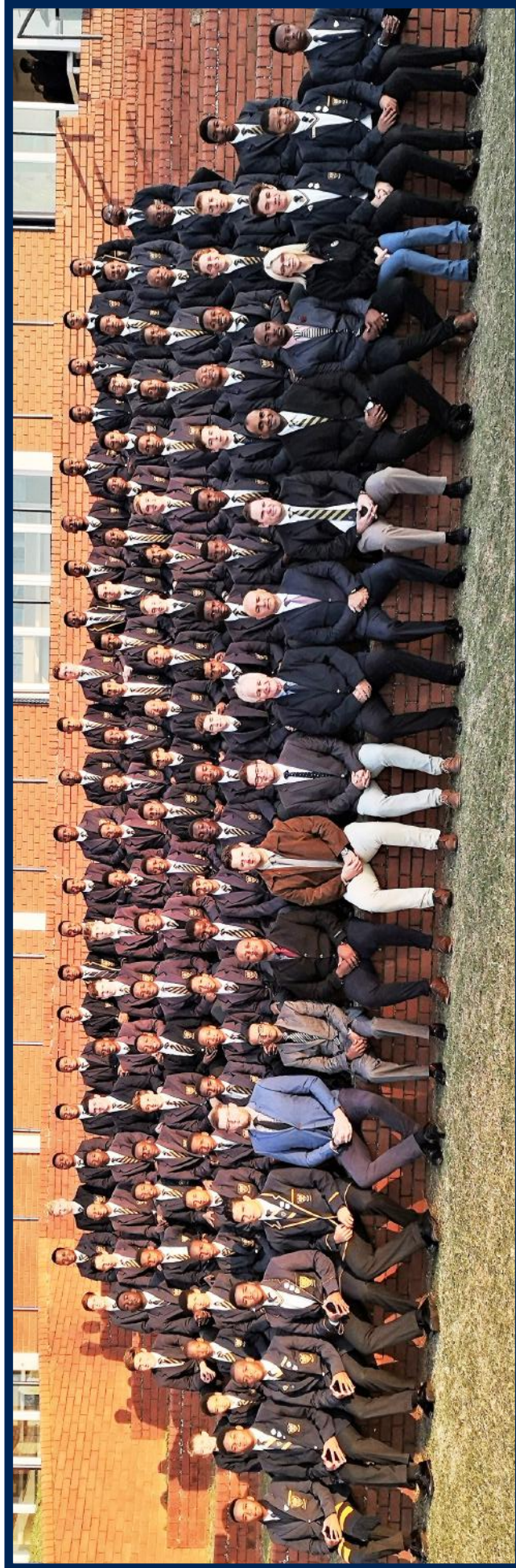
Mr S Pina - KZN Grant Khomo Rugby U16 Selector

Mr H Siyaya - KZN U18C Boys Hockey Coach, KZN U21 Men's Hockey Assistant Coach, KZN Mynahs Men Coach

Mr L Zulu - KZN Schools Basketball Director of Coaching, KZN Basketball Director of Coaching, KZN Senior Males Assistant Coach



Blackmore House 2019



Blackmore House Awards Dinner

Head of House: Xhanti Njokweni
Deputy Head: Taariq Kruger
Nhlakanipho Nene

Prefects: Darren Booysen
Matthew Delderfield
Steven Jamarie
Setjaba Mathuse
Lindumkhosi Ndlovu
Siphesihle Shezi

This prestigious end of year celebratory event was held on Wednesday 9 October. The House Mother, Mrs Hellenberg, and staff went all out to ensure that the décor was representative of this much awaited occasion.

Mr Pinheiro, the Head Master, and Mrs Pinheiro, were the Guests of Honour and Mrs Ardé, the Superintendent's wife, also attended. Former Superintendent, Bryan Adam, and his wife were also welcome guests.

The young men of Blackmore's thoroughly enjoyed the wonderful dinner provided by Peppers & Pans, as well as a thoroughly entertaining speech by the Guest Speaker, Mr Jeremy Oddy. Mr Edwin Govender, the Senior House Master, then shared a thought providing speech with the boarders, while Mr Ardé was asked to tell a story of two of his professional soccer days with African Wanderers Soccer Club.

The Head Prefect, Xhanti Njokweni, then made his farewell speech on behalf of all the exiting Grade 12s, who all received tokens of appreciation from the House.

Entertainment was also provided by the FAB4 - all boarders of the House who performed a number of musical items for the audience. Quincy Hitler, the new 2020 School Head Prefect who is a member of Blackmore House, led the talented group of performers who thoroughly entertained all in attendance.

As has become tradition, the prize giving was followed by the announcement of the Acting Prefects for 2020. These appointments will be confirmed at the beginning of the 2020 School Year.

Mr Pinheiro was most complimentary about this celebratory dinner and the impeccable manners of the Blackmore House gentlemen.

With the DHS Boarding Establishment celebrating 125 years of existence in 2020, the boarders of Blackmore House look forward to this prestigious occasion and will no doubt continue to be the backbone of excellence at School.

A Golf Day and Blackmore House Old Boys Dinner is planned to be held in November 2020 and all the Old Boys will be informed early in the new year of the events. It is hoped that all Blackmore House Old Boys will attend these events and celebrate the momentous contribution that the House has made to DHS over the past 125 years.

The following awards were presented at the Dinner:

Excellence in Sport & Cultural Activities:

Grade 12 Taariq Kruger
Grade 11 Kwanele Manukuza

Grade 10 Mpho Ndaba
Grade 9 Bagcine Gqweta
Grade 8 Liam Ruiters

Team Players of the Year:

Grade 12 Setjhaba Mathuse
Grade 11 Hlumelo Noncembu
Grade 10 Mpho Ndaba
Grade 9 Gagcine Gqweta
Grade 8 Gert Burger

Excellent Academic Achievements:

Grade 12 Matthew Delderfield
Xhanti Njokweni
Grade 11 Sinakhokonke Dhlomo
Sonqoba Makhanya
Grade 10 Mpho Ndaba
Sishesihle Msweli
Grade 9 Owen Morgenrood
Mpilikhoma Ndlazi
Grade 8 Daniel Delderfield
Gert Burger

Academic Achievers of the Year:

Grade 12 Nhlakanipho Nene
Grade 11 Quincy Hitler
Grade 10 Auyrv Indurjecth
Grade 9 Michael Russell
Grade 8 Troy Getkate

Special Awards:

Grade 12 Dux - Nhlakanipho Nene
The 'Bowley' Trophy for Dedication - Nhlakanipho Nene
The Lockyear Good Fellowship Award - Lindumkhosi Ndlovu
The De Ricquebourg Award for Leadership and Rugby - Taariq Kruger

L Ardé
Superintendent of Blackmore House



Head Prefect's Address - Xhanti Njokweni



Head Prefect, Xhanti Njokweni

A young man in his twenties was looking out of a train window, and exclaimed with excitement, "Father! Look at the trees! They're staying behind!"

The young man's father smiled at his son. A couple sitting nearby smirked at the young man's childish comment with pity.

Suddenly the young man exclaimed again, "Father! Look at the clouds! They are moving with us!"

The couple couldn't resist and addressed the old man by questioning why he doesn't take his son to a doctor. The man smiled and said, "We did. In fact, we are on our way home from there now. You see, my son has been blind all of his life, but since a very successful operation, he can now see. Today he is seeing some things for the very first time."

The moral of the story is that every person has battles that we know nothing about. Do not be quick to judge before you are aware of their truth.

Good evening, Mr and Mrs Ardé, Mr and Mrs Pinheiro, Boarder Masters, Mrs Hellenberg and fellow Blackmore House Brothers.

It feels like yesterday that I first entered the doors of Blackmore House. I was really excited to embark on this new journey, but I had no idea what to expect. Coming from a small town, everything seemed bigger. The city sights and lights, the buildings, the masters, the Matrics! I was especially nervous as a Xhosa boy coming to the land of the Zulus, and I was the only one who had travelled from the Eastern Cape in Grade 8 in 2015, which made it even more daunting. What's more, I arrived not totally in the correct attire, as I wasn't yet wearing a tie - I felt somewhat naked, like a tiger without its stripes! However, the brotherhood was almost immediate. Lindo Ndlovu handed me one of his ties - he had two. Here we have a young Xhosa boy accepting gifts from a Zulu lad, well that flung my stereotypical judgement out of the window.

"To build young men of character", these words are written as part of our mission statement for School. I absolutely align myself with this phrase in terms of what the BE has taught us. Even though sometimes tedious and painful, it was a rite of passage and where the learning was not school or book-bound. An example of this is being on call to cover the pitch for the rainy cricket season. Often draining and tiring which would possibly cause altercations

on the job, but altercations that weren't long-lasting, but actually taught us a lot about each other. To live with 105 other brothers takes tolerance, the willingness to bear the existence of opinions or behaviour that you may dislike or disagree with can be very difficult at times, yet also character building.

I remember distinctly a very sad day for the Blackmore House family, it was the day that Mr Gcilitshana announced to us that he was leaving to go back to his hometown, as well as mine. You see, Mr Oss was part of my DHS journey from the start, but when he let his emotion take over and expel the sadness that he was feeling, the boys were shattered and their faces were lined with tear tracks. This just proves that the Masters, too, become father figures to us and teach us important lessons that our parents would normally be teaching us. And when they leave, they leave a gap that we would feel as if our parents had to leave too. Mr Moodley has also been a constant pillar of support and, Sir, I would like to thank you! Your 'Dad' jokes never fail to make me laugh.

I have to make special mention to my dorm mates, my brothers, my closest friends, The Originals: Matthew, Nene, Shorty, Setjhaba Ndlovu and Steve. You guys have been my rock. We have been together since that very first day, and my experience of DHS and Blackmore House would never have been the same without you. This group also so diverse, yet we managed to find sameness in the differences - we are Blackmore Brothers.

You see, what makes DHS, and Blackmore House in particular, so special is that it gives you the amazing opportunity to



submerge yourself into the diversity that is DHS, and the diversity that is South Africa. This is a true South African school, gentlemen. DHS teaches you to accept all individuals as individuals and not to judge before you know what

their background is or where people come from. I am so grateful for the lessons that I have learnt, and they are testament to this great school, a school that has, hopefully, contributed to me being a better gentleman.

Thank you!

Xhanti Njokweni
Blackmore House Head Prefect 2019



Nhlankanipho Nene with his swarth of awards at the Blackmore Dinner Awards Dinner



*Head Prefect, Xhanti Njokweni, was 1st in Grade 12
Matthew Delderfield received an award for academic excellence and he collected his brother Matthew's award for placing 2nd in Grade 12*



Lindumkhosi Ndlovu received the Lockyear Good Fellowship Award



Taariq Kruger received the De Ricquebourg Award for Leadership and Rugby

DHS Foundation Trust Projects in 2019

During the course of 2019 a number of projects at School were started and/or completed by the DHS Foundation Trust.

Cricket Facilities Upgrade

DHS has a rich heritage when it comes to cricket, having produced International Players such as Hugh Tayfield, Trevor Goddard, Barry Richards, Lance Klusener and Hashim Amla to name but a few. DHS can still claim to produce the greatest number of International Cricketers from any one school.

In order for the School to maintain this rich heritage it is important that the school maintains their high standards, not only in its performances on the field, but in its facilities as well. In 2019, for the first time, DHS gained Blue Chip Status. This is Cricket South Africa's (CSA) highest qualification rating and is awarded to a school for its "Cricket School Excellence." Schools are judged through their Schools Cricket Index (SQI) amongst other areas on number of teams, total matches played, coaches' qualifications, facilities, and representation in teams.

Thanks to the generous support of The DHS Foundation, the school was able to upgrade their outdoor nets as well as their Indoor High-Performance Academy. This upgrade was completed in January of 2019.

A new turf was laid in both facilities. The turf that was laid down, in both facilities, is called Rhino Turf and is the closest artificial turf that one can get that replicates an outdoor turf wicket. In the indoor, an easy play 25mm elite turf, with rubber and sand fill, was put down at the bowlers landing area. This not only allows bowlers to bowl in spikes but provides enough cushioning

on impact for the bowlers during their delivery stride.

In the High-Performance Indoor Academy, brand new white netting was installed in all the lanes. The netting of the outdoor nets was done a few years ago and just required general maintenance.

The lighting in the High-Performance Indoor Academy was upgraded in all three lanes. The lighting is now of a top-quality standard.

Due to the standard of the new and upgraded High Performance Indoor Academy at DHS, teams such as the Dolphins, the KZN Senior Coastal team as well as a number of KZN Primary Schools team made use of the facilities for training.

The nets were reopened on 28 February by the legendary DHS Old Boy, Barry Richards.

Nonpareil & Cambridge Academy Upgrade

The Academy started in January 2018 in one large classroom with 40 boys - four Grade 8 boys, 15 Grade 9 boys and 15 Grade 10 boys in the Nonpareil group, and six Cambridge boys doing the IGCSE qualification. During 2018 it was obvious that there was a growing number of boys wanting to join the Academy and for this to happen The Academy would need to increase the size of its facility.

In 2019 there was a large refurbishment and an increase in the size of the venue and the Academy was extended into three more classrooms. This extension in size allowed the size of the Grades to increase. This included 18 Grade 8 boys and eight more boys joined Cambridge. We also introduced the next Cambridge

qualification AS1 of A Levels. So, in 2019 our numbers increase to 75.

Boys who have moved into the Extension Nonpareil programmed have all shown a vast improvement in their marks and overall ranking in the Grade. The top five rankings in each Grade are almost all filled by boys from the Academy, even though it was not the top academic boys who were able, financially to join the Academy. The most exciting part has been that those learners who previously performed averagely are now vying for the top 10 positions in the Grade.

When the boys enter the Academy, they are "spurred" on by one another to perform at a much higher level than mainstream. They extend themselves to attain higher goals than they would normally aspire to. Some boys are now achieving at 10-15% higher aggregate than previously in mainstream.

Blackmore Upgrade

Toward the end of January 2019, work began on the upgrade of certain facilities in Blackmore House.

Reception Area - New offices were built in the lower entrance into Blackmore. New offices, with fully fitted office furniture, have been built to accommodate both the Superintendent and the Matron of the BE. The Reception area has been fitted out with new comfortable couches This will again become the Reception area for Blackmore.

Staff Garages - the garage doors for staff parking have been replaced with brand new roller doors.

Intercom System - a brand-new intercom system has been installed in the BE, making it easier to call boys and make announcements when necessary.





High Performance Cricket Facilities Upgrade

The Prep Room - maintenance was done on all the work stations in the Prep Room and desk stations were repaired where deemed necessary. The computer room has been extended and can now cater for 20 boys. This room is secured off from the rest from the Prep Room. Small, secure lockers each with two electrical plugs have been installed at the back end of the Prep Room. This will now allow each boy to charge their cell phone and or tablet whilst securely locked away. The air conditioning is in the process of being upgraded, this has not worked for a number of years. Over and above this, six new ceiling fans have been installed in the Prep Room. All windows running along the Main Field side of the Prep Room have been covered with non-see through glazing for security purposes. The room has also been repainted.

Common Room - this room has taken a whole new look. Hard furniture, light grey in colour, has been placed in the Common Room, with soft navy cushions on the seats and backrests on this furniture. The two existing sofas have been reupholstered. Two TVs are to be placed on either side of the Common Room. The room has also been repainted and is now a room that the BE boys can be very proud of.

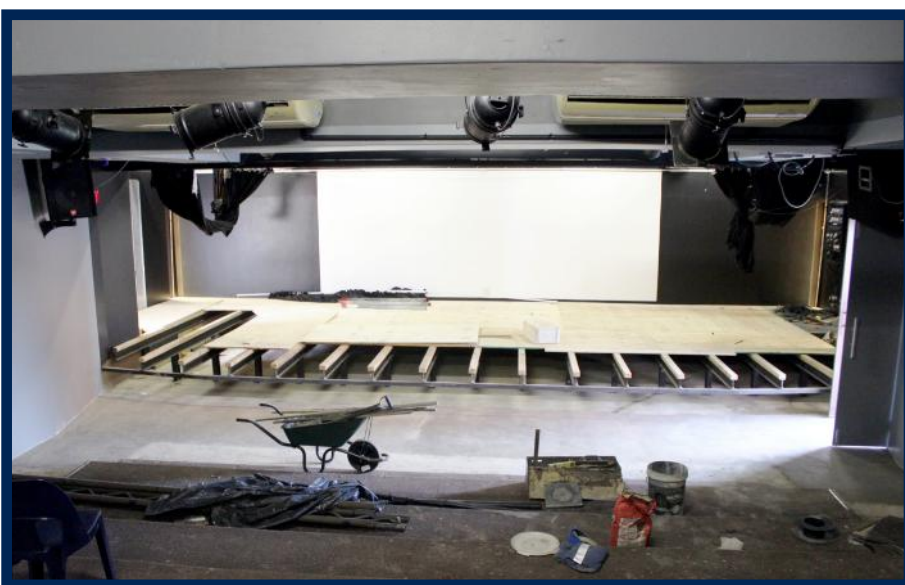


Opening of the Upgraded Nonpareil & Cambridge Academy

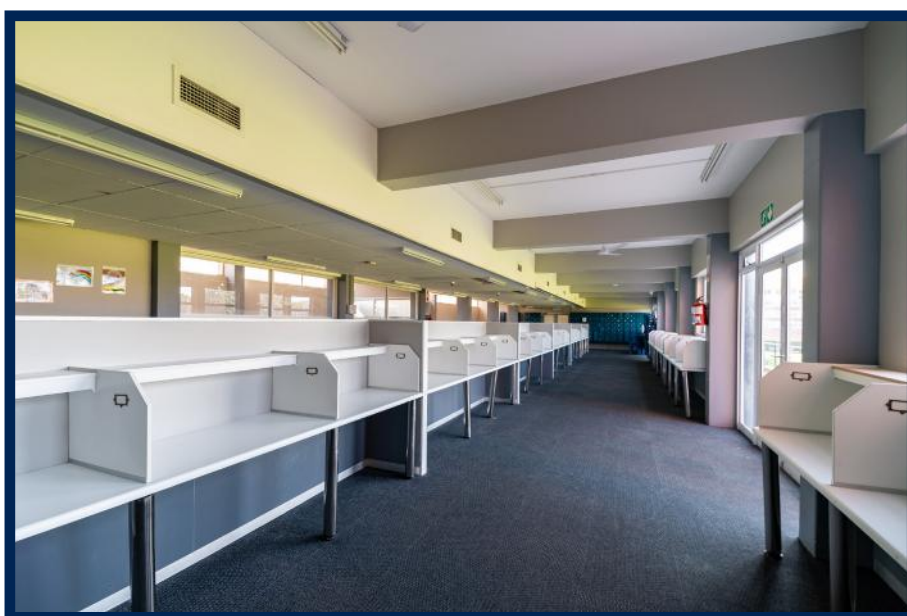
Chris Seabrooke Theatre Up-Grade

The Chris Seabrooke Theatre, which is able to seat 103 people, underwent a revamp which began in November 2019.

The Theatre chairs were all removed as was the entire stage. The old carpets were taken out and the existing lighting system was removed. The chairs were sent off to be reupholstered, and the interior of the Theatre was repainted, whilst the airconditioning ducting systems was repaired, and a new air conditioning system was installed.



The start of Seabrooke Theatre Upgrade and Revamp



Upgraded Blackmore Common Room and Prep Room

Still to be completed is the installation of a new stage and new carpeting. A whole new sound and audio system will replace the old outdated system and the old lighting system will be stripped and replaced with a new state of the art lighting system. This includes the stage lighting as well as the standard theatre lighting. New curtaining is also to be installed.

ICT Upgrade

The upgrading of the Schools Information Communication and Technology (ICT) infrastructure began towards the beginning of 2018 with

an extensive tender process. In August 2018, the tenders were awarded, and the work began in earnest and was completed during the course of 2019. Through generous funding from the Victor Daitz Foundation, we were able to achieve the Information Communication Technology upgrade which was so necessary at Durban High School.

The project took flight and included the following: latest IP PABX system; modern IP Intercom system; state of the art Biometric system; extensive CCTV camera security system; and to facilitate and compliment all of the above, a new

IT cabling and network infrastructure upgrade.

PABX - the new IP telephone system involved the installation of a modern switchboard, with new telephones and an automated call directing service to save time and increase efficiency. In addition, for everyone's security, telephone calls are automatically recorded.

Intercoms - a new IP intercom system was installed throughout the School, reaching into every single classroom and beyond. This project has enabled effective communication to the whole School as well as to individuals. School is extremely grateful for this as it was difficult in the past without one.

Biometrics - an IP biometrics system has been installed for efficient and accurate time and attendance registration for the Boys and Staff. Registration is now a simple press of the thumb. Stations can be found around the School with portable handsets being used for extra mural activities.

CCTV Cameras - CCTV cameras have been installed in classrooms, passageways, courtyards, and areas throughout the school for the safety and security of all. The CCTV system is up and running with NVRs recording all the camera activity. Theft has effectively been halted since their introduction.

Wi-Fi, Network and Cabling - all these projects, being IP systems, require Wi-Fi and Network access which necessitated upgrading our network, cabling, and server room infrastructure to allow for efficient, concurrent, and faster running. This has also enabled the introduction of iPads.

The DHS Foundation as well as Durban High School is extremely grateful for the financial support received from The Victor Daitz Foundation, which made the ICT upgrade possible.

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