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ompiling a magazine of this magnitude is never an easy job. One requires extra patience, perseverance and crisis management skills. Every year I remind myself that the Editor-in-Chief of Voque, Anna Wintour, manages to put together her infamous 'September'issue with poise and thus produce one of the most amazing fashion magazines in the world.

Even though The Kingswoodian is not a fashion magazine, we continue to produce an illustrious school magazine which is a reflection of the many historic and proud moments of school life at Kingswood College during 2015. I trust that all members of the Kingswood community will enjoy browsing through this magazine and savour the many achievements reported on in its pages.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the 2015 Kinaswoodian.

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## **WELCOME TO STAFF**

## We welcomed several new staff members this year

## Belarani Kaniee

Belarani grew up and studied in Johannesburg. She attended Sacred Heart College for the majority of her schooling career. She excelled academically and achieved an academic blazer, the highest academic accolade. She represented her school on the sports field as a first team hockey and tennis player. She completed her secondary education with 7 distinctions.



In 2010, Belarani moved to Cape Town to study a BSc in Mathematics and Applied Mathematics at UCT. During her three year undergraduate degree, Belarani was fortunate enough to be part of the Thandulwasi Internship at St Stithians Girls College. After attaining her undergraduate degree, Belarani received funding from the National Research Fund (NRF) to pursue her Honours degree in Applied Mathematics. Belarani was also involved with first year mathematics tutoring.

Belarani decided a change of scenery was needed hence she enrolled for a Post Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) at Rhodes University. She was also chosen by the Education Department to represent the university in an exchange programme with a teaching college in Switzerland. At the end of 2014, Belarani spent 4 weeks in Switzerland teaching and learning about the culture, people and the Swiss education system.

Belarani is a passionate mathematician whose goal in life is to instil curiosity for mathematics in each and every pupil. She feels privileged and blessed to be part of the Kingswood family. She hopes to make the school proud by teaching with passion and listening with empathy.

## Kanya Kila

Kanya was born on 24 April 1988 in Grahamstown. He began school at Samuel Ntlebi, where his mother teaches. He moved to George Dickerson to complete his junior grades. He enrolled at a high school in Joza which he left a year later when he moved to Port Elizabeth. He completed high school at Edu-College. He was a member of the debating team, played basketball, and served as a school prefect in his Grade 11 and 12 years.

After completing matric in 2008, he worked



at a restaurant at the Port Elizabeth Airport. In 2009 he decided to improve his matric results. In 2011 he enrolled for a course in Information Technology at East Cape Midlands College. He completed the course and went on to complete a Higher Certificate at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University. Kanya currently works as a helpdesk support technician.

Kanya enjoys reading technology books, mostly on future development ideas in technology. In his spare time he practices programming in web technologies, for mobile and desktop computing. Apart from work and technology, he loves cooking and learning new things.

## Martin Tweddle



Martin was born in England and spent his early years living in Malawi. When his family moved to Grahamstown, Martin attended Graeme College for a few years. Towards the end of Grade 7 his family moved to Uganda, and he moved from Graeme to Kingswood.

While at Kingswood, Martin was a member of the concert band as a percussionist and drummer, obtaining Music Colours for his contributions. During his senior school years, he was a member of Wood House under the watchful eye of Roger Nock.

After matriculating from Kingswood in 2002, Martin attended Rhodes University and set out to complete a BA degree majoring in Ethnomusicology and Computer Science with a smattering of Economics, Electronics, Mathematics and Drum Kit Performance.

After completing his degree he spent a year studying drums with mentor Stephen Ellis under the guise of a third year course in Drum Kit Performance. The next year Martin was accepted to do a joint Honours course in Music, Arts Management and Computer Science. Following that he completed a Post Graduate Certificate in Education focusing on Information Technology and Arts and Culture.

Throughout the course of his university career, Martin was an avid member of a local church and took part in youth ministry, sound technology and worship teams. He also took on private pupils for music lessons and was approached by St Andrew's Prep to teach drum pupils during his PGCE, which he accepted. Martin spent five years at St Andrew's Prep and College growing their music programme and teaching various courses as well as extra lessons in Information Technology.

Martin then spent a short tenure at a local company as an IT consultant, after which he accepted the Information Technology teacher position at Kingswood. Martin has been happily married to his wife Kerry for almost five years and they have two daughters.

## Mfundo Ncube



Mfundo attended Sandown High School in Johannesburg after which he completed a Bachelor of Business Administration as well as a Post Graduate Diploma in Business Management at the University of Kwa-Zulu Natal.

Prior to joining Kingswood, Mfundo was the Head of Marketing at Heronbridge, a coeducation school of 1500 pupils north-west of Johannesburg. Mfundo brings with him a wealth of marketing experience from both the commercial and educational sectors. While in the commercial world, he spent time with Datacentrix where he worked on developing key relationships between important account holders and the company. Prior to that he

was the Brand Manager for the University of Witwatersrand for six years. He also spent three years at the University of Johannesburg as a marketing executive. His considerable experience in developing detailed marketing plans aligns itself strategically with the Kingswood College Council's strategic marketing objectives for the period 2015-2020. Mfundo's proven record brings to Kingswood a new dynamic and dimension to our marketing and development strategies Mfundo is married to Nokukhanya, and they have a young son, Khuselwe, who is in Grade 2 at Kingswood. When not involved in marketing, he has a strong interest in sport with a particular passion for rugby and football. In Gauteng, he was involved in a rugby development programme which is supported by an Australian rugby coaching qualification.

## Natassa Leiper



Natassa spent most of her childhood in Cape Town. A few of her school years were spent in Port Elizabeth, however, she matriculated at The Settlers High School in the Western Cape.

After school Natassa studied Art for a year, and then she moved to Johannesburg. She worked in various art galleries, but after doing a bookkeeping course through Damelin she decided on a change of career. After three years in Johannesburg, Natassa decided to travel. She worked in London and did some travelling around England, after which she visited Canada. She then returned to South Africa and lived in Hermanus for three years. Natassa moved to Port Elizabeth, where she worked for accountants for many years and then joined a company of financial advisors. During this time Natassa did short courses through UNISA and studied through the Institute of Certified Bookkeepers and Accountants.

After meeting Jonathan, Natassa relocated to Grahamstown where they were married in 2014. Jonathan and Natassa moved to Jagger

House at the beginning of this year, where Jonathan is the Houseperson. Natassa works in the Kingswood Finance Office and is pleased to be part of a wonderful team. She loves children and enjoys the sound of the boys laughing and joking around in the House. Natassa is home-loving and is happiest when surrounded by friends, family and her pets.



Robert Ambler was born and bred on the East Rand in Gauteng. He matriculated from Boksburg High with Honours. He received Colours for Swimming, Hockey, Water Polo and Drama. It was here where Rob's love and passion for water polo and hockey originated and he spent most afternoons on the hockey field or in the pool during summer. School work, on his own admission, was there to pass the time until he could go to practice again. Rob captained both 1st team hockey and water polo. During his school career he received Provincial Colours for Swimming, Water Polo, Soccer, Indoor and Outdoor Hockey, Biathlon and Volleyball.

He started coaching straight after school and found he had a real knack for teaching and inspiring sports teams. Whilst coaching he continued to play provincial hockey and water polo. He was selected for the South African Country Districts Hockey team. Water polo, however, was where he excelled. He played for an Eastern Transvaal Men's Water Polo Team which won five National titles and was part of the South African Men's Water Polo squad for four years.

Rob's family still lives on the East Rand. His parents and sister own and run a miniature horse stud just outside Benoni. He has two daughters, Caitlin, 12, and Reagan, 7, who are currently attending Dunvegan Primary School in Edenvale. Every available minute of his free time is spent with his girls whom he absolutely adores.

Rob used to work at the University of Pretoria's Aquatics programme where he was head coach of both men's and ladies' water polo teams for the past five years. He enjoyed many successes at TUKS and leaves the programme with no less than 16 National players in different age groups.

Rob is a fiercely passionate and goal orientated individual that wears his heart on his sleeve. He hates and does not accept mediocrity from himself or his charges. He doesn't have too much down time but loves to still play masters water polo, surf and is a selfconfessed adrenalin junkie. He is very excited to live in and explore the Eastern Cape.

## Rory Jones



Rory was born in East London. He moved frequently as a child living in a number of cities around South Africa (including a stint in Bophuthatswana). He attended Grey High in PE and completed a BPsych (Hons) at the University of Port Elizabeth. Following his studies he went to the UK where he worked in e-commerce and EFL teaching. His first teaching position was at the London-based Catherine and Kings College. Rory met his wife, Danielha in London and they married in 2006. Based in Europe, Rory was able to travel extensively and was exposed to a variety of cultures travelling to Indonesia, Australia, Mexico and many other countries. While in the UK they had their first child, Annabel, in 2010.

After almost a decade in the UK Rory returned to complete his PGCE at NMMU and took up a post teaching at Grey High School. Hannah, their second child, was born in 2011.

Rory moved to Brazil in 2012, where he widened his educational scope, founded a consulting business and attempted to learn Portuguese. Their third arrival, Chloe, was born in 2014. An avid photographer, he enjoys the finer details of the craft with a special focus on water photography.

Rory returned to South Africa in 2015 to

take up a post in the English Department at Kingswood College.

## Stegmann van Zyl



On the 23rd of August 1990 the last of three van Zyl children was born. The "laat lammetjie", Stegmann van Zvl, was born in the small Karoo town of Aberdeen, approximately 50km west of Graaff-Reinet. At age one, Stegmann and his family moved to Graaff-Reinet. Here he spent the majority of his childhood. He attended Union High School from Grade 1 to 12. At the age of 14, he discovered the sport of cycling which later in life would teach him many life lessons. He cycled at a provincial level in the U16 age group. He also enjoyed rugby and played for Union High's 1st XV during his matric year.

After completing matric, Stegmann left Graaff-Reinet for the Free State to equip himself in the trade of plumbing. It was here were he started participating in duathlon and became a Free State champion, subsequently representing his age group at the World Championships. After completing his course in plumbing, he moved back to Graaff-Reinet to focus on his sport. Due to an injury, he started coaching athletics and rugby as well as doing substitute teaching. He quickly realised his love and passion for both coaching and teaching. In the second half of 2013, Stegmann started reading for a BEd degree through Unisa. In 2013 and 2014, he attended Craven Week as a chaperone for Eastern Province City and in his second year for Eastern Province Country District. In 2014 he managed to win the SA duathlon championships in his age group and again attended the World Championships. He is currently part of the Teacher Internship Programme at Kingswood focusing on the teaching of Afrikaans as a First Additional Language.

## Tribute to Elspeth Whitfield - 25 year service award

y first recollection of Elspeth was when was a Student Assistant walking the Redfern boarders onto campus for meals. An elegantly dressed teacher often passed us on her way to the Science Block. Now that I have some background from Elmarie, I understand the phenomenon. Elspeth started teaching at Kingswood in 1990 as a permanent, part-time teacher, teaching the Grade 8 and 9 (Standard 6 and 7) General Science. Once her children had left home, she started teaching full time. Having been groomed by the legendary Mike Bandey and Trevor Abrahams as her HODs, she was appointed HOD by Roger Knock in 2005.

1 arrived at Kingswood in 2005 and did not know what to expect from her as an HOD, but no matter what left-field idea I threw at her, she took it in her stride, along with three curriculum changes, reporting to AS's and a return to pre-2005 curriculum. All this while managing to get pupils to compete in the Science Expo, to attend the Science Festival and excursions into

the field, as well as maintaining the academic rigour required for Kingswood to regularly have pupils achieve in the top 10 in the IEB. Then again, this organisational prowess should not be surprising as she has organised the last 20 matric dances, summer and winter dances as well as the athletics trophies every year.

I thought that I was the driving force behind making sure that the Biology Department led the way with technology in education. My delusions were, however, shattered by Elmarie when she showed me a letter Elspeth wrote, using a Word Processer, to the Headmaster asking for a computer for her class in order to use CDs to teach with - this at a time when the secretaries just started using electric typewriters. She is clearly a tech savvy lady who has taught the Grade 8s and 9s to use e-books and Google Classroom during the past year.

Elspeth, we salute you and all that you have achieved in the last 25 years.

**W RATHBONE** 



...no matter what leftfield idea I threw at her, she took it in her stride ...

## Farewell to staff

## A fond farewell to our departing staff members

Debbie Smuts



In 2005, recognising that education establishments cannot simply rely on pupil fees alone to match their budget commitments, the Kingswood Council took a decision to establish a fundraising/ development department. Mr Buster Brotherton and Debbie Smuts,

both Councillors at the time, were tasked to do this, supported by a committee that included Mr Ross Purdon, Mr Steve Gardner, Mr Andrew Long, Ms Elmarie Retief and Ms Diana Hornby. A strategic planning process followed, which resulted in a newly created position. This was advertised nationally, but no suitable candidate was identified, which was indeed fortunate as Debbie Smuts was persuaded to make herself available. As the Centenary Trust was to fund this venture for the first three years, she was put through the normal rigorous interview process, including input from Mr Tom Ansley and Mr Barry Wood, and then appointed. As Mr Brotherton commented at the time, "she passed with flying colours" and the new office opened in March 2006. Initially, this sub-committee of Council was chaired by Mr Brotherton, and what a fine partnership they made: Buster and Debbie enjoyed working together and got the office well established before handing over to Mr Craig Andrew, who capably chaired it before leaving to live in the UK.

Debbie took control of this critical office and at the same time brought much additional expertise to other areas of marketing. One of the first tasks she took on was the branding of Kingswood College, and she made a fine job of it: the College magazine, the publications at Prize Giving, new pupil days and many other special occasions come to mind. We quickly moved from photocopied handouts to stylish, customdesigned digital products. She has undoubtedly added style and quality

to all the major occasions at Kingswood.

Proof of her marketing efforts over the years are a full school and full boarding houses, all of which has required considerable traveling and effort in retaining contacts with parents and prospective parents. One of her major contributions has been the securing of generous scholarship programmes such as the De Villiers Trust, and bursaries from the Telkom, South Deep and Transnet Foundations; these have been invaluable to the College.

In her time on the staff, Debbie organised a number of very successful events on the campus, with great attention to detail. She renewed the relationship with Mr Graeme Beck and his wife Rhona and invited them back to Kingswood to open the new City Lords complex. Mr Beck gave half the original purchase price for City Lords, which is why the grand stand was named after him, and Debbie successfully maintained the relationship with both of them until they passed on. She also organised the opening of the new swimming pool by Mr Brian Stocks and the opening of the new Cohen Academic block by Mr Mr Tom Ansley.

We will miss Debbie's passion, her expertise and her professionalism. The colourful and textured thread that she so carefully wove through the College cloth will always stand out and be remembered. The Kingswood Council, staff and parents wish to extend their deepest thanks for her exceptional service.

### JG TRAFFORD

## Joni and Simon Stickells



## Dr Seuss - The Cat without the Hat ...

Yes, about the two of them there is quite a lot to say And today I have the choice to do it my way. Of course it is all tongue in the cheek And without Simon and Joni Kingswood might be a bit bleak!

So.... What is there about Simon that you don't know? Probably very little ... 'cause boy, can he let the words flow ... There was never much we had to say Because Simon would do it anyway In fact you could hear him a mile away. Even if he had nothing to say!

At our music meetings - By the time he had reached his favourite line: "Just for the sake of saying it .... if that makes sense"

We offer no defence ... We don't resist; we don't insist We politely stay With our minds long gone far away Yes our bodies are there But our eyes have that blank stare ... So thank you Joni for keeping him in line ... many a time And sparing us the pain... of him driving us insane!

However, believe it or not Next year we will miss you a lot ... But before we start shedding a tear Let's celebrate and give them a cheer! After all - without much fuss or sights They took the High School Choir to new heights. More than half the school is singing in there So now if they want to go anywhere ... Blunden can maar send their biggest mega bus -It can no more take care of us!

Joni - so organized, calm and collected You were very much to us connected -But leave her class untidy if you dare And she will immediately give you a stare ... Shavings of your pencils and erasers Must go in the pockets of your blazers! And though this is not all quite true It is what you quickly do When she gives "that look" to you!

Yes, we're having fun, but we're not quite done Before I will let you go There is one more thing that you should know While we're busy with all this rhymin' ... Need information? Forget about google – just ask Simon!

Joni and Simon: We know there is much more that we could say But nobody here wants to stay until the break of day Therefore with a very big THANK YOU we pray That GOD BLESS you on your way.

So in a nutshell ... Good bye. Good luck. Go well. And for the rest ... We ALL wish both of you and Leander: JUST THE VERY BEST!

## ■ M VAN DER WESTHUIZEN

## Mariaan Muller

It is a true testament to the type of teacher Mariaan is that her Grade 10 class, of their own accord, changed an oral topic. Instead of the prescribed topic, each pupil presented a speech about how Mariaan has had an impact on their lives over the past three years. You will seldom find a teacher who is as dedicated to her classes or exudes as much passion as Mariaan. She has managed to instil a passion for Afrikaans in even the most unlikely of pupils.

Mariaan took over the Head of Netball position and no one at school was ready for the Netball onslaught that was to follow. Yes, we all gave





you grief in the staff meeting for always announcing the netball games. but under your guidance the school's netball programme has grown from strength to strength. Our netball team won K-Day netball for the first time in years. It was through Mariaan's own initiative that our top netball girls have had the opportunity to be coached and play alongside some of the top University netball players at UCT. It is due to Mariaan's passion and love of the game that netball at Kingswood College is a force to be reckoned with.

She has the uncanny ability to, on the spur of the moment, give a motivational speech that leaves pupils/players feeling as if they can achieve anything. She incorporates life lessons throughout her classroom and sport interactions and has taught pupils more than merely the syllabus. These are often most memorable because they can at times, when the mood suits her, be done in song.

Mariaan is an inspiration to everyone she comes in contact with. She is someone who is not afraid to follow her dreams. Along with teaching a full timetable, revolutionising the Netball ethos at the College, and supporting her partner to follow his own dreams, she has also continued to study her passion - Psychology and will hopefully be enrolling to complete her Honours next year, and has her mind set on getting her Masters in this field.

A unique quality that makes Mariaan so successful is that she is steadfast in her convictions. She stands up for what she believes in and does not stand for any form of injustice. She is a sincere and compassionate person who wears her heart on her sleeve. She may not be a fan of hugs with strangers but she is caring and will take on the burden of any ones problems no matter how big or small.

Yes we were all secretly hoping this was once again a false alarm, but alas it is not, and unfortunately we will no longer find you cheering passionately in the HPC, singing to your classes or simply being willing to sit and save the world's problems over a cup of tea under the tree. Your laugh will be sorely missed on campus and your company will be felt by all your tree buddies. Good luck with your next adventure, where ever it may take you and never be afraid of coming back for a visit. You have been described by some of your students as fun, bubbly, creative, inspirational, motivational, beautiful and crazy. And remember we all have a little crazy in us and it is the crazy that makes us unique.

**■** JSTIDWORTHY

## "Dix" Sibeko

"She was walking down the highway of life some years ago When she came across a sign that read "Heaven's Grocery Store" She got a little closer, the door came open wide And when she came to herself she was standing inside. She saw angels - they were standing everywhere; One handed her a basket and said, "My child, shop with care" Everything a Christian needed was in the Grocery Store And all you couldn't carry, you could come back the next day for more; First she got Patience - Love was in the next row; Further down was Understanding – you need that wherever you go. She got a box or two of Wisdom, a bag or two of Faith: She could not miss the Holy Spirit - He was everywhere. And then she stopped to get some Strength and Courage To help her run the race.

By then her basket was full, but she remembered she needed some Grace Then she headed for the till to pay her grocery bill, for she thought she had everything to do her Master's will.

To the till she went.

With packets full of Peace and Joy. Songs and Praise were hanging near so she helped herself. Then she said "how much do I owe" Just take them with you wherever you go And so she did to a place we all know. To a school - a fine one with classes all in a row. And there she unpacked and shared And there she gave To all she knew She shared from the Grocery Store The content of her basket.

Dix Sibeko, Chaplain, teacher, mentor, spiritual leader, and one of the most calming influences I have known in times of turbulence; you have, in sharing your basket of love, tolerance and goodwill, presided over a period of time in which Kingswood has truly found a genuine empathy for pastoral care. You arrived in 2012 and focused your attention on the people of the school. You appreciated that two of the most important guiding factors building your place in the school were developing strong relationships with people and appreciating that the underlying strength of the school was built around strong values and principles. In my, all too brief time with you, I found myself in awe of Dix's ability



to provide an insightful understanding into the dynamics of the life of the school while at the same time showing an incredible empathy for all those who sought your guidance, wisdom and support. In terms of her "people first" philosophy, Dix's capacity to listen and interpret what is being said has been exemplified by the enormous love and respect the whole Kingswood community have for you. Few will doubt Dix's quiet courage, strength and toughness in everything she has done in providing spiritual leadership for the College. This has been built around a strong sense of right and wrong – few can compare with Dix on matters of principle. Intertwined with commitment to your faith is a wonderful sense of humour - this no better illustrated by that amazing laugh which would always preceded you down the corridors of the admin block - we always knew when you were in the neighbourhood. We also recognize that your Kingswood journey has not always been an easy one but admire you for your perseverance, never say die attitude and an amazing empathy for those under your ministry. Your incredible ability to get alongside those in crisis will be your long lasting legacy in the school – you have touched and influenced the lives of many in this school. I know that Paul and I will miss our Friday meeting with you with their mix of light hearted banter but also deep and insightful reflection

of the "state of the nation".

From a personal perspective, I have been extremely fortunate to have worked alongside some incredible individuals in my career – people who were brave, forthright, principled and influential. Dix, I would count you amongst one of those people. You played a significant role in shaping my understanding of my own spiritual journey, and I am acutely aware that you will leave behind an amazingly transformational legacy. As a confidant and friend, I greatly valued the time that I have worked alongside you in realizing your dream – a dream to create a happy and vibrant Kingswood ministry. I have also learnt much around protocol and the inner workings of the church much of which has been translated into the emergence of a more empowered Methodist Schools movement in South Africa. I hope, as you will on reflection, to see your influence and hand in every aspect of the school's life - you have contributed so much to the basket of life at Kingswood.

In closing, Dix, you worked for a cause and not for applause. You lived your life at Kingswood to express not to impress. You did not strive to make your presence noticed but your absence will be felt.

May God bless you for He shall be the judge of all things.

### JG TRAFFORD



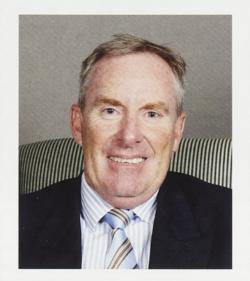
## **Message from the Senior School Head**

rom the world's perspective, 2015 will be remembered for issues which include the following: the strong emergence of the Islamic State; the migrant crisis in Europe; the decline of the Chinese economy and its effect on world markets; the horrific acts of terrorism in Paris: the General Election and the election of a new Labour leader in Britain; Hilary Clinton's move for the Democratic Party nomination; Seb Blatter's fall from grace and the scandal in FIFA; the continued shenanigans in our parliament; the events surrounding student protests and the #feesmustfall movement; the desperation of loadshedding in South Africa and any number of other historic events. Despite all of this, in the tiny town of Grahamstown, in the Eastern Cape, Kingswood

College has continued to make positive strides and to enjoy a year filled with much to celebrate and be thankful for.

The Kingswoodian magazine for 2015 is a wonderful celebration of excellence for many pupils in the academic, sporting, and cultural spheres. Many pupils receive prizes for their efforts during the course of the year, and we salute them, particularly those who have achieved at a national level, and hence provided the opportunity to profile the school. Finishing in the top ten of a National Olympiad or gaining national or provincial selection is an outstanding achievement as you have performed at a level beyond the school, and this must be recognised and celebrated. At the same time we know that there are many pupils who have not received these sorts of accolades but are winners in their own right, as they have achieved personal success, by improving their performances or achieving their goals, and the magazine reflects

This Kingswoodian magazine provides a small window through which to reflect on the breadth and depth of what has happened at this great school during 2015. Just as the world has experienced challenges so have our pupils in different spheres of their year at Kingswood. But it is on how they have approached these challenges and dealt with them that they will be judged and I have no doubt that the values and ethos of 2015 are reflective of those of our founders in 1894. Kingswood is a busy



school and as a result our pupils are excelling in a number of areas for which they are to be congratulated. The magazine reflects these achievements and reminds us of the wide variety of activities in which Kingswoodians are involved. I need to reiterate that just as we celebrate individual successes there are many collective successes to celebrate and it is this synergy which has provided those occasions in which we have celebrated as a community. The Kingswood of 2015 looks very different from that of the previous century, but there is a real sense in which its soul and endeavour remain the same.

The academic staff and support staff must be acknowledged for the role they play in ensuring the school remains at the forefront

of education in South Africa. I take this opportunity of thanking all the staff for the major role they play every day, whether it be teaching, coaching, caring for pupils, doing administrative work, communicating with parents and so much more. In addition, our pupils have played a pivotal role in ensuring we can "fly a flag" which reflects many successes, in a great number of areas, and it is important that this is documented in such a publication.

These successes could not have been possible without the support of our parents, the Kingswood Council, and Old Kingswoodians, who all play a major role in different ways, and we thank them. The successes of 2015 will only make us strive for greater one's in 2016 as we move forward to our 125th anniversary in 2019. Let us take this opportunity to celebrate all that is good about our school and to take comfort that many have played a role in helping many individuals and groups to achieve significant milestones across a broad spectrum. Let us continue to uphold all that is good about Kingswood, and to ensure the Kingswoodian spirit lives on!

My thanks to Mr Dewald Koen, the editor of this important publication, who has spent hours in ensuring we have a historical document which captures the events of 2015.

■ P GUTHRIE **HEAD: SENIOR SCHOOL** 





## **College Head's Prize Giving Address**

s I stand here this afternoon, I am, in equal measure, humbled and deeply satisfied by the remarks, comments and observations made by many of our Grade 12 leavers as they have reflected, in recent speeches, on their Kingswood experience. We cannot help but feel hugely privileged in having been part of their journey through this school.

In setting the scene, I would like to start by telling the following story:

Shackleton had wanted to discover the South Pole but was beaten to that distinction. Instead, he decided to be the first man to cross the continent of Antarctica by boat which is possible in the Antarctic summer. Unfortunately, the crew of the Endurance ran out of summer and their ship became entombed in the ice of the southern winter. Though the crew was able to wait out the winter, the Endurance did not and sank leaving her crew stranded on the ice. In addition to this hardship, the ship had also drifted way off its original course.

Shackleton packed his crew into three life boats as the ice began to melt and got them safely to Elephant Island. While on solid ground, the island offered very little by way of support and was well off the major trade routes. Shackelton, with four other crew members in an open boat, set off for the whaling station on South Georgia – 1 300 kilometres away. The hazardous journey culminated in Shackleton's boat being washed up on the wrong side of South Georgia. Undaunted, Shackleton and his men made a journey of 36 hours over a treacherous mountain range to the whaling station. Alerting the inhabitants of the station

of the predicament of his crew, Shackleton organized the rescue of his men without a single fatality.

The question to be asked: Do we dare greatly?

Chair of the College Council, Mrs Di Hornby. our Guest of Honour, Chair of the ICDP Trust Dr Barbara Matthews, Vice-President of the Old Kingswoodian Club, Mr Warrick Strachan, members of the College Council and the Centenary Trust, invited guests, friends of Kingswood, College staff, parents, pupils of the College - it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to this year's annual celebration of achievement and success. This afternoon, our Prize Giving offers us an opportunity to celebrate the successes enjoyed by our pupils in 2015. While we applaud our prize winners this afternoon, I think it would be fair to say that their success has been built on the efforts and endeavours of every member of our school community. The Annual Report makes for pleasing reading and I continue to be impressed by what has been achieved in the school in the space of one year.

Returning to Shackleton, the story epitomizes all the qualities of courageous leadership, tenacity, a will to win, a sense of duty and service to others, a single-minded determination to succeed, empathy, values, self-reliance and a need to make a difference ... all attributes we want young people to have on leaving school. In recounting this story, I believe that these qualities have underpinned education for generations. Nevertheless, we need to challenge ourselves, as we reflect back on the year, on how well we have done and whether or not we, in our highly resourced

digital age, are producing global citizens of character and substance.

At the end of 2014, the College Council, after much deliberation, consultation and engagement ratified a new strategic plan for the College - a strategic plan that would take us through to 2019 and the 125th celebration of our foundation in 1894. In determining the relevance of the strategic plan we had many conversations around what characteristic would define the Kingswood leaver and how we would fulfill our obligation to our pupils in terms of equipping them with the skills needed to ensure that they would, as balanced and well-grounded adults, serve their future communities as authentic and

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courageous leaders who stand by principle and defend, under most difficult conditions, right from wrong. What will make Kingswood leavers "remarkable" and distinguish them from the crowd. In my opening remarks, I made reference to Shackleton's heroics and what appears to be an almost blind sense of responsibility to his crew. There are two differing views of Shackleton's story; one which would suggest his actions verged on the insane and another that talks to an unbelievable sense of duty and heroism. I am not suggesting that it is our responsibility, as a school, to be the creators of hundreds of Shackleton's but rather we should be developing within our leavers the kind of traits and characteristics which served Shackleton so well when faced with a seemingly impossible situation. In contextualizing Shackleton's "mission" in the modern era, one is drawn to that unfailing sense of duty to your fellow man - a desire to stand out in the crowd; to be identified for having made a real difference in the lives of others and for having a mindset which puts other before self.

So as we face the rapid and ever changing landscape of curriculum development and technological advancement in our schools, we must remain cognizant of the fact that our schools continue to be responsible for developing character, integrity, toughness, inspiration, creativity and innovation. In an era where we are benchmarked by examination results, sports scores, technological innovation and the need for bigger and better facilities, do we not risk the prospect of losing out on what really matters, that is, the needs of pupil

sitting in our classrooms? By adding more to our offerings, are we not pandering to the perceptions of a market place which believes that the more we add to our schooling offering, and the bigger and brighter our facilities, the more we underpin a sense of success? Are we adding to what we do because it is in the best interest of our pupils or are we doing it because we are in some kind of "arms race"

In creating these balances, we must develop a creative and imaginative environment which will promote young minds to think "out of the box".

to ensure that we are keeping up with the Jones's – the question needs to be asked: what determines competitive edge? Is it in all the whizzes and bangs or is it in investing our time into the individual? Do not get me wrong, I fully appreciate that in our strategies we need to remain abreast of pedagogic change while

continuing to invest in our infrastructure. Nevertheless, we must stay true to our vision and mission where we commit ourselves to nurturing our pupils who leave this school as young adults of character. In constructing our strategic plan, we identified eight attributes which would define the Kingswood leaver. These would be: independence, empathy, creativity/innovation, a passion for the things that they do, a sense of self-worth, an ability to communicate, be well motivated and driven to making a difference and finally have a strong ethical and values-based approach to life. Sir Anthony Sheldon, retired Headmaster of Wellington College, spoke recently of the obsession that independent schools have with examination performance and results and that as a consequence, they no longer offer the richness and broadness of a balanced curriculum. The question that needs to be asked is: have we become too focused on "marketing speak" and the constant need to compare ourselves with others? He went on to say that he "was deeply concerned for our young people whose experience of education is now so exam and results heavy, and whose preparation for life is so light". So as we unpack our strategic plan, over the next four years, we need to be sure that we fulfill our obligation to ensuring that our pupils leave reinforced and armed with the eight characteristics highlighted earlier. We need to create an environment which is not overloaded and measured solely by results but one where we maintain balances in our desire to create young minds and people who have a feel for humanity. We need to shape young people



who will use their intellectual strengths and abilities not only to become innovative and creative masters of their environment, but also through their emotional capacities have an understanding of their own humanity.

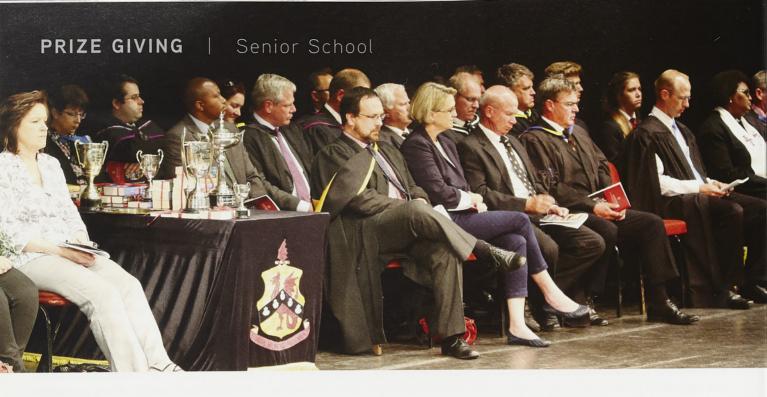
In creating these balances, we must develop a creative and imaginative environment which will promote young minds to think "out of the box". At the recent SAHISA conference, Anthony Farr, founding Chief Executive of the Allan Gray Orbis Foundation said that South African schools must engage with the need not to just turn out matriculants who are coached to passing an examination but rather school-leavers who have an 'entrepreneurial' flare. By 'entrepreneurial' he was not simply referring to it in a business sense but rather in a broader context where innovation and creativity are actively encouraged and promoted. This view is further expanded by Sims Tshabalala, current CEO of Standard Bank, where he compared the registration of patents between South Africa and South Korea. In 2013 South Africa registered some 700 odd patents by comparison to over 170 000 in South Korea. In his view the world is moving towards a divide between high innovation and low innovation countries. The promotion of this kind of learning environment requires us to more than simply stick to the script - we need, as a College, to appreciate this fact and shape our teaching and learning environment to promote a broader view on our educational offering.

So, as we survey our educational landscape and reflect on what we have achieved during the course of this year, we can point to many

successes. These have been documented and provide much about which we can feel well satisfied. Your school is in a great place and I believe that we continue to offer children from across Southern Africa the most marvelous opportunities to grow and excel. Nevertheless, I believe it would be foolhardy for us not to critically analyse our achievements, and drill down into our stated intention of developing young people of character and substance as so boldly stated in our strategic statement of intent. On reflecting on our desire to be innovative we celebrate this year, the tenth anniversary of the foundation of Lebone House and the ICDP Trust. The vision behind the establishment of this unique community engagement project offered the school a real opportunity of embracing its responsibilities and role in fostering a more meaningful relationship with our community. Over the last ten years under the guidance of Mrs Di Hornby, Rev Tim Rist and, more recently, Dr. Barbara Matthews, Lebone House has grown into an incredible force in pioneering literacy development in Grahamstown. Yet with this gem as part of our crown, one cannot express some disappointment that in 2015 we were unable to award the Neil Aggett Award to one of our pupils, an award which recognises our need to invest in both social justice and the upliftment of our broader community. We need to understand that while we can point to many amazing achievements, we still have some way to go in ensuring that we can truly say we are providing all our pupils with an educational experience that talks to our place in both South Africa and Africa. Our community

engagement and partnership programmes are examples to many, yet we still need to build a culture within the school where we can talk to service learning with a real sense of honesty and integrity. In a recent article in the Harvard Business Review, Megan Bybee spoke of Africa's greatest assets. Many will think of this as being our resources, both mineral and agriculture, however, she argues that it rests in the continent's young people. It is estimated that by 2030, 60% of Africa's population will be of working age - that includes you, the pupils sitting in the auditorium today. Africa will have a larger working population than either India or China. While the developed world's population grows older, Africa will have a growing young and expectant population who will be the most educated in its history. Africa will have a young working population for decades to come guaranteeing new generations of workers and entrepreneurs. The outlook for this continent is incredibly optimistic. Against this backdrop of optimism we need to ensure we are at the forefront in nurturing the future leaders, innovators and champions of change in this continent. But in so doing we must ensure that every leaver from this school understands the real context of the society in which they live for we cannot be an isolated bubble of excellence if we do not reach out and embrace the opportunities both this country and Africa has to offer us. We need to be partners in growth. Former Prime Minister of Australia, Malcolm Fraser said, "the desires of people are similar - the basic values - whether or not in an impoverished village in Africa or enjoying the riches of an





industrialized state, we are the same. Treat people with respect because you cannot send in someone with a social welfare degree of some kind who thinks he / she knows about how to advance someone who is less fortunate without fully understanding their context. If you suggest, just because of your education and wealth, you are in some way better than them they will sense it from a hundred metres away and then there'll be no communication". We need to be very conscious of our responsibility to ensure that in shaping our Kingswood educational model we consciously provide the right balances between ensuring intellectual and physical success with an emotional intelligence that understands our humanity.

So as we recognize, this afternoon, young Kingswoodians for their creativity, leadership, entrepreneurial endeavour and a commitment to others, it would be my sincere hope that those walking across this stage today will embrace all I have said. You need to be the Shackleton's of this world - courageous, brave and bold but also you need to be the Mother Theresas, the Nelson Mandelas of this world who understand their context and who have an empathy for their communities. You need to be the generation who will capitalize on the optimism of an Africa lying in wait to becoming the innovative and economic growth hub of the world. Advocate Thuli Madonsela recently spoke to "authentic leadership" where she talked about the "whispering truth of power". In her words "leadership involves the act of causing other people to move towards some goal or direction that you desire, or to behave in some particular way. Leadership is an inside out trait – the most difficult being leading oneself. Leadership has nothing to do with titles". In 2014, I quoted Professor Peter Clayton (Rhodes University), where he indicated that we need to focus on the reason for our existence and this was, in his view, based on four pillars of excellence. Firstly, to develop intellectual purpose whereby we promote enquiring, inquisitive and creative minds; secondly to develop a sense of social and moral responsibility; thirdly to ensure that we impart skills which prepare you for the demands of the global economy and lastly, and which underscores much of what I have been saying, you need to embrace active citizenship. In our pursuit of excellence and for us to achieve these goals we need our leavers to "be remarkable"

In ensuring that we fulfill our obligations to the strategic plan and move towards the 125th celebration of our foundation in 2019, I must pay tribute, this afternoon, to a number of groups and individuals. At the forefront of our success, and ongoing ability to produce the "right" teaching and learning environment in our school, is the staff. To the academic, administrative, service and support staff of the College, we owe much to your motivation, creativity and hard work. A recent survey in the United Kingdom found that a majority of teachers, whilst under considerable stress and pressure, felt that they were in a space which was both significant and influential. I continue to be humbled by the extent to which the staff in this school goes in support of the endeavours of every pupil. I have no doubt that each and every member of staff in this school embraces their responsibilities in providing that broadness and richness of education that I have spoken about this afternoon. There is a real commitment and passion to making the difference and to ensuring that your children do become influential global citizens. While, as a school, we have been fashioned by our history and traditions much of that has been on the back of the teachers who have served this community with great distinction – our character is linked to those fine people who have served, continue to serve and will serve this College in the future. I applaud you all for the manner in which you make this the most amazing learning space for our pupils.

We approach the end of the year which means that we will, sadly, bid farewell to a number of staff - you will all leave your legacy in this place and many a pupil will have been touched and influenced by your work here. To Reverend Dix Sibeko, who was due to leave the College last year, we do now sadly have to bid you farewell. Following the Church's intervention, Dix willingly gave up an opportunity to serve in another community to carry on her ministry at Kingswood. Dix leaves us for Port Elizabeth where she will be take on the role of Vice-Bishop and Superintendent of Port Elizabeth Central. Who will forget your booming laugher down the passages of Admin, your challenging and thought provoking sermons and your incredible empathy for those staff and pupils in crisis. Your task has not been an easy one and, as we both know, the role in balancing all the expectations of being a school Chaplain is not one for sissies. At the end of August, we also saw the departure of Mrs Debbie Smuts from the College. Initially appointed to the Director of Development post, it soon became apparent that her skills in the marketing and branding were such that they would go a long way to reinventing the school's image in the market place. In 2008 she was appointed Director of Communications and quickly established herself in this position. During her tenure the school she has done a remarkable





job in raising our profile. She was also responsible for securing significant funding to the school by way of scholarship and bursary schemes which allowed talented young South Africans access to this school. In her marketing adventures she had to endure the complexities of travel in and around both South and East Africa where her diplomatic skills and patience rescued us from many a difficult situation. We also bid farewell to Mr and Mrs Stickells. In their rather short time in the College they have both made a significant contribution to life in the Music School. The current choral strength in the Senior School is very much attributed to Mrs Stickells' work while Mr Stickells is a man of many talents ranging from leading brass teaching in the school through to being fully involved in pastoral support of pupils in Jagger House. They leave us for the Kwa-Zulu Natal Midlands where Mr Stickells moves into the newly created position of Director of Music at Maritzburg College. Ms Mariaan Muller, Afrikaans teacher extraordinaire and champion of netball leaves the College to pursue further education. Ms Muller will always be remembered for her incredible energy and commitment to all that she did in the school. You inspired many through your deep seated interest in the well-being of all those with whom you came into contact. To all the departing staff thank you for making your mark on this school - I can assure you that your influence stretches far beyond the years you have served this College. It would be remiss of me also not to mention the retirement of Mr Tony Timm from housemastering. Mr Timm has humoured, entertained and nurtured generations of young men through Chubb House where he leaves a legacy of great

compassion and a real understanding of the young adolescent boy mind. We wish both Mr and Mrs Timm all the best as they enjoy a welldeserved break from the rigours of managing a boarding house.

Kingswood has always been about the team and to this end I must take this opportunity of thanking the broader community, the College Council, pupils, parents and Old Kingswoodians for your unfailing support of the College. Today, however, I would like to make special mention of the trustees of the Centenary Trust who, as the least recognized contributors to the school, have made an enormous contribution to the growth and development of Kingswood. As we move to 2019 and the celebrations of our founding 125 years ago, we look to reinforcing the position of the Centenary Trust. Our future sustainability as a College cannot be solely dependent on fee income alone. Over the last twenty five years, the growth of the Trust has made it possible for the school to position itself as a leading independent school in South Africa. I have no doubt that over the next twenty five years, we all would want to see this position strengthen further. Finally, the College management team - thank you. I have drawn much by the way of inspiration from your wisdom and guidance. The College can attribute much of its success this year from your wise counsel this year.

So as I draw my thoughts on 2015 to a close, I return to Shackleton's story of great courage and bravery and the question I must ask, as we face the future: are we willing to dare greatly? Rupert Neudeck, German journalist, philosopher and humanitarian wrote: "A single person can convince a whole society. Anyone can do something important to mankind. You

We approach the end of the year which means that we will, sadly, bid farewell to a number of staff - you will all leave your legacy in this place and many a pupil will have been touched and influenced by your work here.

never have to be limited to being alone. That's just your imagination. You are always bonded to others, in your profession, your family, in your community. We live in exciting times because it is easier to convince and inform others - everyone has access to the internet. You that single person can shape humanity".

As you leave this auditorium this evening (note it was afternoon when I started and now I am referring to evening – I did try and keep this brief) will you, young Kingswoodians be those individuals who shape society because you have been given, in your education in this school, all the tools which will equip you with the capacity to make a difference? Will you be that "single person" who will convince others to do something important for mankind? Do not squander your opportunities to be forthright, bold and brave. Dare greatly and be strong. Thank you for sharing this evening with us.

JG TRAFFORD

## Salvete

Jessica Annandale Reatile Balopi Salimisa Bikani Veer Bills Donna Boman Georgia Cadle Ouinlan Caiger James Cawood Shingirai Chaparira Athule Daniels Caleb Daniels Ciana Daniels Hannah Deysel Nicole Freitag Masa Gabaraane Kuhle Gontshi Nerissa Govender Seshiran Govender Johannes Griesel Brandon Harvey

Caitlin Hobson
Blake Hurly
Kirsten Julie
Emily-Rose Kingwill
Abongile Klaas
Thomas Klopstra
Chloë Knight
Robyn Koch
Michael Krige
James Lankester
Nicholas Lawson-Smith
Kian Le Roux
Yolulwe Libi
Cameron Lombaard
Michaela Lucas
Naledi Mabusela
Ethan Maddocks
Khanyisa Madikiza
Letsema Makobole
Makarurama Makoni
Cebolakhe Mancapa
Ben Maposa
Francoise Marais
Zinathi Mbenyana
Jordan Mc Creath-Lombard
Zinga Mei

Bridget Mildenhall Amy Mills Jack Mills Amira Moodley Lukhanyo Mtumtum Chiti Mutale Livema Nacete Lebohang Nkone Sivamthanda Nomoyi Sinothile Norman Sixolise Nyangiwe Mia Opperman Gabrielle Peckham Danika Peenz Cheren Pepper Mpho Phakisi Skye Phillips Hannah Phillips Matthew Pieterse William Pieterse Aidan Reeve Andrea Schulpfort

Michael Shearer **Ouintin Shiel** Dominic Shone Basadi Sithole Rebecca Smit Simeon Smit Rachel Strachan Lebone Tekane Kirstin Thomas Aluta Tonjeni Sibabalwe Tsili Dayhna Van Der Merwe Lushana Van Heerden Reagan Van Niekerk Tayla Van Niekerk Rogan Van Niekerk Henning Van Zyl Taryn Victor Joshua Von Holdt Pierre Wansbury Tsepo Watae Celine Wehmeyer Candice Weyer Julian Whittemore Kirsty Wicks Ethan Yates

## **Valete**

Shannon Andrew Casey Arthur Margaret Awobokun-Allanso William Balaile Brian Banda Emma Banister Jacques-Pierré Barkhuizen Robyn Basson Alistair Baxter Kegan Boman Kaylan Boshoff Justine Bowker Scot Burchell Kristen Burgess Tanja Büttner Holly Cadle Maria Caporossi Cugildi Luke Carev David Carter George Chemaly Joshua Christie

Alexander Fulford Alexander Godwin Lisakhanya Gora Lydia Griplas Kayla Gunn Bradley Haller Nadir Hassanali Aaron Hoops Jeremy Ives Lauren Jacobs Niso Kamardinova Sasha Kasperski Leyana Klaasen Alison Knight Hannah Knott-Craig Karolynne Koch Jean-Claude Kockott Meagan Koffie Melanie Komb Avabonga Kosi Daine Kruger Hayden Kruger Jonathan L'Ange Melissa Lindhorst Jason Lizamore Clifford Loock Jonathan Lundh Lisakhanya Lutshaba Qiqa Maboza Ezra Mager Zwelibanzi Mageza Keliana Makoro Matthew Maree

Lloyd Freitag

Chazha Masima Yolokazi Matroshe Garrick Mattheus Ayanda Matyunu Niana Mbetshu Sean Mc Cabe Ryan Mc Carthy Vaughan Meyer Todd Mpeli Ruby Nduati Jamie Nicholas Unam Nomavuka Sandisiwe Nyanda Kamvelihle Nvangiwe David Nyland Max O'Keeffe Jake O'Neil Marthinus Opperman Chevonne O'Regan Tristan Pitcher Louise Poole Aimee-Leigh Pote Shane Potgieter Jessie Price Ashleigh Purdon Sheree Purdon Michael Pyle Tinotenda Rusike James Russell Gina Sargent Steven Savage Nicholas Schenck Simphiwe Segoete Alicia Sehringer

Joshua Shelley Abulele Sifumba Emma Stirk Jamie-Lee Stone Megan Strachan James Strydom James Taljard Joshua Tam Jack Taylor Tsepang Teele Jeffrey Theron Jon Theron Andrew Tilbury Caimen Toich Kiara Toich Bronwyn Trafford Lloyd Turner Michael Van Breda Megan Van Houten Reeden Vermeulen Ryan Victor Jacques Viviers Rick Walgaard Timothy Walgaard Ariana Watkins Mark Webber Taryn-Maie Wille **Bradley Wilmot** James Wilmot Damon Wolff Malama Zimba Callum Zwicky-Wardle

Mikaela Sesia

Stevan Clarke

Luc Crompton

Adam Crompton

Carolina Da Costa

Christie De Jager

Bradley Dold

Chloë Donian

Andrew Du Toit

Neschay Dullabh

## **Building a solid foundation**

## Headboy's Speech

t is well known that the taller, bigger or heavier a building, the stronger its foundation must be. Ladies and gentlemen, the story of success is no different. The greater the success in one's life, the stronger that person's foundation must be.

Good afternoon esteemed guests, Chairman of Council - Mrs Hornby, members of Council, Mr and Mrs Trafford, Mr Guthrie, Old Kingswoodians, other invited guests, Kingswood staff, parents and pupils.

In life, a person's years at school can be considered their foundation years and this is because education is the foundation on which we build the rest of our lives. If we as pupils each have a set of goals and ambitions, then the goal of our education is to prepare and to give us the necessary tools required in order to achieve these goals.

However, it is not that simple. The path to success is seldom an easy or straightforward one. There are challenges that face us along the way, that test our abilities and push us to our limits. And the only way to overcome these sometimes unexpected challenges, is to have a broad foundation that can withstand a multitude of forces.

It is the ability to instill such a foundation that I admire Kingswood College for. The ability to not be so fixated on one form of education alone but to appreciate the idea of growing an individual as a whole and not only as an entity based on his or her academic ability.

We all start in the same place when we leave school as Old Kingswoodians. Not to say that when one leaves Kingswood, he or she is no different from the next, but rather that he or she is as well prepared for the challenges ahead as any other Kingswoodian. You see, most people go to school to get the grades, in order to go to university. However, a person goes to Kingswood and comes out with not only a classroom education, but as a well-rounded individual that has been built up and developed in many ways to be ready for the world ahead.

When we leave Kingswood, we leave with a foundation filled with the memories of a great and wonderful time with friendships and character-building experiences, memories that we will hold close to our hearts and that can cheer up even the saddest of times.

We leave with a foundation made of skills

and lessons we have learnt whether they be from the classroom, the sports field, or from the boarding houses, they are all lessons that will aid us in our endeavors to come.

We leave with a sense of competition, having been challenged to push ourselves in all aspects of school. Yet also having learnt acceptance of ourselves and of others as we live together as a diverse family where everyone has a role to play.

We take with us the values and morals instilled in us by the school, values that have been passed down from generation to generation and that solidify the bond that exists between all Kingswoodians.

And finally we take with us a further understanding and a positive outlook of life that will allow us to stay motivated even through failure. The understanding that success does not necessarily start where failure ends, but rather that there is a small area where they can overlap and co-exist as we understand that success can be found in the lessons learnt in failure.

We all have our different ideas of success and will all choose different paths to reach our different destinations, yet one constant remains - we are all Kingswoodians which means that no matter what field of work we are in, we know that we have what it takes to get through our current situation or to acquire the means to get through it. This knowledge is not a form of arrogance nor is it a form of ignorance, but rather a calm and humble sense of confidence and self-belief that is instilled in every Kingswoodian as he or she passes through the school.

It is the knowledge that we have lived in boarding with a House full of brothers or sisters who will never forget the times they had with us and who would stop at nothing to come to our aid if ever need be. I know this because it is exactly what I would do for them.

I have been privileged enough to call myself a Kingswoodian for just under five years now, and honored to have been the Headboy for the past year. I would like to thank Ashleigh, Shane and Aimee-Leigh for all your support this year. It has really been a privilege to have worked with you. I would like to thank Mr Guthrie and Mr Trafford for all their mentorship this year as well as all my teachers and coaches for all they have done for me. Kingswood has truly allowed me to grow as an individual and develop a firm foundation to build the rest of



...realize your potential for greatness, use the foundations you have and strive for excellence.

my life upon. It has taught me valuable lessons and greatly broadened my understanding of the world. For this I am eternally thankful.

However, I would not have had this privilege if it weren't for my parents who chose to send me to Kingswood. I thank you for the opportunities you have given me in choosing Kingswood. And finally I would like to thank my sister for all the support she has given me throughout my time at school.

Kingswood, I ask you as individuals and as a community to realize your potential for greatness, use the foundations you have and strive for excellence. You all have a role to play in this school, but you will have an even bigger role to play later in life when it comes to being leaders of not necessarily a better world, but rather a world that you can make better. Be confident but not arrogant in all you do, learn from your mistakes and you will make every moment of your life a success.

■ JAMIE NICHOLAS – HEADBOY

## Keep moving forward

## Headgirl's Speech

efore you climb into a car and start the engine, it is likely that, in the back of your mind, you have a plan and a general idea of the journey you're about to embark on. Fifteen years ago, at the age of 3, a young girl climbed into a car and was taken to a place in the hope that she would leave as a different, more rounded person. She has not yet come to terms with how vastly that place has changed her, but changed her - it certainly has.

Good afternoon to our distinguished guests, Chairman of Council - Mrs Hornby and other members of Council, Mr and Mrs Trafford, Mr Guthrie, other invited guests, staff, parents and fellow Kingswoodians.

I've never been a great navigator. I've taught myself how to use Google Maps, but other than that, I've never really been able to find my bearings. Fifteen years ago I took my first step through the gates of Kingswood College not knowing what to expect, but with my brother beside me being my navigator. I was shy, so I struggled to make friends, but with time I gained a sense of direction and as I grew older, friendship became more and more essential to my journey and fueled my vehicle as I toddled on through many years of schooling.

A car can't move without its four wheels. In the same way, a school isn't fully functional unless it instills the four tiers of learning learning to know, learning to do, learning to be and learning to live together. Fortunately, I was able to continue my journey with all

Kingswood has taught me to know - not only through academics and sports practices, but subconsciously through situations I've endured - it has taught me to know what is right and wrong and how to react to different situations.

Kingswood has taught me to do. Many of my fondest memories at Kingswood consisted of helping others. I was taught not to bemoan the unfortunate circumstances of others, but to rather do everything in my power to improve those circumstances as best as I can.

Kingswood has taught me to be - to be who I am and not a copy of whomever I wanted to be. Diversity is the norm at Kingswood, and this has taught me that it's okay to be whoever you want to be - a vegetarian, extremely tall, slightly overweight, gay, lesbian, black, white, coloured, Indian - it doesn't matter, because at

Kingswood, all I've experienced is acceptance.

Kingswood has taught me to live - not only to take all of the opportunities available to me and try new things, but to accept what other people chose to do. Kingswood has taught me to live together; to absorb the unity that is offered in our tightly knit family and reap the benefits of living in a small school. Jacques House has become my home and the girls have become sisters - and I'm so grateful

We're all at different stages of our journeys - some have a clear view of where the next pitstop lies, some are waiting at the roadblock for their turn to move past this stage of their lives, some may be on the bumpy gravel, and others on the highway.

We will all leave Kingswood one day with four fully functional wheels. However, even with a perfectly structured car, the only way to move forward is with something to fuel us. At Kingswood, my fuel has been my friendships.

Kingswoodians, if you forget everything I've said today - remember this - you can be the smartest person in the world, you can be the most talented sportsman or woman, you can be the most famous artist or composer that has ever been discovered, but in life, they key to success is relationships. Money can't buy happiness, but happiness can be unlocked by special friendships.

Communication skills will be hugely beneficial to us all later in life. It may even be that extra power needed to overtake a car equally as powerful as you. Create a balanced life for yourself that includes your studies, exercise and your friends. Take all of the opportunities Kingswood has to offer and build relationships with the diverse and intriguing people that surround you on campus - I can assure you, it will be the best decision you ever make.

Professor Jonathan Jansen, when speaking at the Neil Aggett Memorial Lecture last year, spoke about the 'uncommon leader'. He described the characteristics of an 'uncommon leader' as somebody who can think and act outside of their skin, somebody who has the ability to know the difference between right and wrong, who can 'see' the bigger picture, somebody who takes the long view but acts in the present to make things better for the next generation. Matrics, we're at the front of the road block now and the flag is signaling that we may journey on and I think if we strive



to be an 'uncommon leader', or share some of these traits, we will have a better future and make South Africa a better place.

So, thank you Kingswood, for teaching me and moulding me into the person I am today. Thank you to my fuel - my special friends, who have stayed by my side through all the potholes I've hit during my journey so far. I'd like to thank Jamie, Aimee-Leigh and Shane; it has been such a privilege to work with you this year. Your support and friendship will remain dear to my heart and the laughs we've shared will never be forgotten. To my fellow matrics thank you for an unforgettable journey; I will treasure the times we've shared together. To Mr Trafford, Mr Guthrie and staff - thank you for all you've contributed to allowing me a world class education. Lastly, to my parents thank you for the endless love and support. I'll never be able to thank you enough for the opportunities you gave me by sending me to Kingswood and I'm eternally grateful.

So, my Kingswood family, I urge you to keep your foot on the accelerator and keep moving forward. Focus on the road ahead and not the rearview mirror and enjoy every moment of your journey. Travel safely and carefully, but take detours, admire the views and enjoy the ride. Don't forget - if you're feeling down, you probably just need to refuel.

ASHLEIGH PURDON - HEADGIRL

## **Senior School Prize List 2015**

## SPECIAL PRIZES

- Lynne Hodson and Nancy Cooke Trophy: Felix Weylandt (First Aid)
- > Kay Adams Prize: Tshepie Seamatha (First Aid)
- St Aidan's Public Speaking Cup: Matthew Jennings (Best speaker in the prepared speaking section)
- Sam Jackson Impromptu Cup: Alex Godwin (Best speaker in the impromptu speaking section)
- William J. Fordred Drummer's Plate: Bradley Moocroft (Best percussionist in the Concert Band)
- Cadle Cup: Damon Wolff (Best brass player in the band)
- Gareth Skae Memorial Prize:
   Makatendeka Makoni
   (Most promising woodwind pupil)
- Esmè Godlonton Memorial Music Prize:
   Tristan Pitcher (Outstanding achievement and contribution in the music school)
- Wilkinson Drama Trophy: Jordan Williams (Best drama pupil)
- Deon & Sandra Koen Trophy: Jacobus van Zyl (For Advanced Program Afrikaans)
- Michael Browne Memorial Award: Shane Pote (Grade 10 boy: Endeavour, participation and leadership)
- Noel Brunton Memorial Award: Tina Madasa (Grade 10 girl: Diligence, loyalty, endeavour and leadership)
- Ros Collett Service Trophy:
   Tina Madasa (Service to Kingswood and the wider community)
- Darrell Walter Dugmore Trophy: Lutho Zono (Grade 11 pupil: Honesty, integrity and compassion)
- Craig Bishop Memorial Award: Lutho Zono (Service to others)
- Louise Putterill Prize: Ntombikayise Myeko (Grade 11 pupil: Perseverance, cultural contribution, diligence)
- > Janine van Rensburg Memorial Award: Jamie-Lee Stone (Grade 12 girl: Academic, sporting, religious)
- Jill Minnaar Prize: Justine Bowker (Grade 12 girl: Good fellowship as voted by peers)
- Melville Dold Prize: Michael Pyle (Boys: All-round contribution)
- > Eksteen Prize: Aimee-Leigh Pote (Girls: All-round contribution)
- > The 1978 Matric Boys' Award: Ashleigh Purdon (For the Headgirl)

- Knight Memorial Award: Jamie Nicholas (For the Headboy)
- A.W. Judge Prize: Jamie Nicholas (Grade 12 boy: Good fellowship as voted by peers)

## **GRADE PRIZES**

## GRADE 8

- > Abe Bailey Prize (Proficiency in English and Afrikaans): Francoise Marais, Afrikaans
- GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize: Emily-Rose Kingwill
- > GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize: Bridget Mildenhall
- > Proficiency Prize: Henning van Zyl
- > English: James Lankester
- > French: Kristina Mutuku
- > Geography: Rachel Strachan
- > IsiXhosa: Siyamthanda Nomoyi
- Second-on-Year: Quinlan Caiger
   Economic and Management Sciences,
   Mathematics, Natural Sciences
- First-on-Year: Simeon Smit
   Economic and Management Sciences,
   History, Natural Sciences, Subject Music

#### GRADE 9

- > GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize: Kendra Willows
- > GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize: Liyabona Planga
- > GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize: Kamva Kalipa
- > Proficiency Prize: Tami Labuschagne
- > Afrikaans: Imma Joubert
- Class Music, Drama, History: Camilla James
- > French: Luana De Sousa
- > Geography: Haseena Paruk
- > History: Etienne Marais
- > Life Orientation: Danika Peenz
- > Subject Music: Danielle Griesel
- > Second-on-Year: Liyema Ngcete Abe Bailey Prize (Proficiency in English and IsiXhosa), English, IsiXhosa, Natural Sciences, Mathematics
- First-on-Year: Elizabeth Williamson Drama, Economic and Management Sciences

#### GRADE 10

- Abe Bailey Prize (Proficiency in English and IsiXhosa): Tina Madasa
- > Master Mathematics Progress Prize, Life

- Orientation: Tina Madasa
- GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize:
  Ella Denton
- > GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize: Laura Gambale
- > GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize: Sarah-Jane Klopstra
- > Proficiency Prize: Kristen Burgess
- > Afrikaans: Mia Opperman
- > Art, Engineering Graphics and Design: Wendy Poole
- > Business Studies: Emma Fraser
- Computer Applications Technology: Sandisiwe Nyanda
- > Drama, Economics: Dayle Adams
- > French: Daniel Moore
- > French: Ivana Hoops
- > Geography: Alexander Griplas
- > German: Lea Fochler
- > History: Lubabalo Zote
- > History: Emily Fryer
- > Information Technology: Thomas Stott
- Mathematical Literacy: Qhamile Mapoma
- The G.H.M. Bobbins Prize (Poetry): Douglas Mostert
- Second-on-Year: Georgia Cadle English, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Subject Music
- First-on-Year: Sanelisiwe Ndlebe Accounting, IsiXhosa, Life Sciences

#### **GRADE 11**

- Abe Bailey Prize (Proficiency in English and Xhosa): Lutho Zono, IsiXhosa
- > GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize: Joshua Hart
- GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize: Ashleigh Meyer
- > GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize: Danielle Scholtz
- > Proficiency Prize: Luke Kingwill
- > Accounting: Matthew Lewis
- > Art: Holly Eichhoff
- Business Studies, History, Life
   Orientation: Jenny Ban
- Computer Applications Technology: Lutho Nomoyi
- > Drama: Zana Ndlovu
- > Economics: Joshua Thorburn
- Engineering Graphics and Design, Geography: Christopher Matthews
- > French: William Usher
- French: Leanne Lampen
- German: Felix Weylandt

## PRIZE LISTS | Senior School

- > Mathematical Literacy: Elizabeth Marffy
- > Ronald Hepburn Prize for the First-on Year Arts pupil: Tyler Walker
- Derrick Collett Cup for the First-on-Year Sciences pupil: Paula Duxbury
- > Life Sciences: Paula Duxbury
- Second-on-Year: Jacobus van Zyl Afrikaans, Information Technology
- First-on-Year: Bradley Moorcroft Accounting, English, Mathematics, Physical Sciences

## GRADE 12

- The Abe Bailey Prize (Proficiency in English and Afrikaans): Sasha Kasperski Afrikaans, Life Science (Janet Cole Prize)
- > GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize, The Latimer Trophy: Shannon Andrew
- > GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prize: Tristan Pitcher
- > Proficiency Prize: Meagan Koffie

- > Robert Godlonton Prize for the First-on-Year Arts pupil: Ariana Watkins
- Accounting (Cedric Hiscock Prize): Holly Cadle
- Accounting (Cedric Hiscock Prize),
   Economics: Christie de Jager
- > Art: Lydia Griplas
- > Business Studies (J de Wet Steyn Prize): Abulele Sifumba
- Computer Applications Technology (OK Prize-Gauteng): Kiara Toich
- > Drama: Megan Strachan
- > Engineering Graphics and Design:
  Jamie Nicholas
- > French: Melanie Komb
- History (Donald Sole Prize), Life
   Orientation: Ashleigh Purdon
- > IsiXhosa (Ray Tarr Prize): Qiqa Maboza
- Mathematics (A.T. Williamson Prize): Neschay Dullabh
- > Maurice Timm Prize for Mathematics

- and Science: Neschay Dullabh
- > Mathematical Literacy: Gina Sargent
- > The MGE Beauvais Prize (Excellence in French): Niso Kamardinova
- > Second-on-Year: Ariana Watkins Thomas Hughes Prize (English composition), Geography (J. H. Buxmann Prize), Life Science (Janet Cole Prize), Robert Godlonton Prize for the First-on-Year Arts pupil
- > First-on-Year: Louise Poole English, Information Technology, Physical Science (Dallas Milton Prize), Dux Scholar: Louise Poole, Peter Booysen Trophy

## **BRIDGING YEAR**

The following Prize will be presented at the Bridging Year Valedictory Dinner

> Charles Turner Post Matric Prize: Jeremy Ives

## Kingswood College Prize Giving Criteria

## according to which prize winners are selected

## 1. SPECIAL PRIZES

(In alphabetical order)

ABE BAILEY PRIZES FOR BILINGUALISM: These prizes for bilingualism are awarded to the pupil, in each Grade, who gets the strongest correlation between the English oral assessment and that in a second official language (Awarded with Grade Prizes.)

**A.T. WILLIAMSON PRIZE:** This is awarded to a pupil for outstanding achievement in Mathematics. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**A.W. JUDGE PRIZE:** This is awarded for good fellowship to the Grade 12 boy who gets the most votes from the Grade 12 class.

**CADLE CUP:** This is awarded to the best brass player in the Concert Band.

**CEDRIC HISCOCK PRIZE:** This is awarded to a pupil for outstanding achievement in Accounting. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**CHARLES TURNER:** This is awarded to the most successful Bridging Year pupil in terms of their all round contribution during the year – academic, cultural, sporting, social.

**CRAIG BISHOP MEMORIAL PRIZE:** This is awarded to the pupil in Grade 11 or 12 who has made a significant service contribution within the Kingswood community and/or wider community.

**DALLAS MILTON PRIZE:** This is awarded to a pupil for outstanding achievement in Physical Science. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**DARRELL WALTER DUGMORE TROPHY:** This is awarded to the Grade 11 pupil who receives the most votes for honesty, integrity and compassion from the Grade 11 class.

**DEON & SANDRA KOEN TROPHY:** This is awarded to a Grade 10-12 pupil who:

- Achieved the top mark in Advanced Program Afrikaans
- > Participates enthusiastically in the subject
- Shows significant interest in Afrikaans literature and the study thereof

**DERRICK COLLETT CUP:** This is awarded to the "First-on-year" Grade 11 pupil studying mainly Science subjects. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**DONALD SOLE PRIZE:** This is awarded to a pupil for outstanding achievement in History. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**Dr G. H. M. BOBBINS PRIZE:** After the voluntary submission by pupils of a minimum of three poems the English Department adjudicates the work and selects the prize winner. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**EDITH CURRIE MEMORIAL AWARD:** This is awarded to the most promising pianist of the year.

**EKSTEEN PRIZE:** This is awarded to the Grade 12 girl who makes an all-round contribution in the fields of Academics, Cultural, Leadership, Service and Sport. Selection is made considering the awards achieved and leadership positions filled during her final year.

**ESMÉ GODLONTON MEMORIAL MUSIC PRIZE:** This is awarded to the pupil for the most outstanding achievement and contribution in the music school

**GARETH SKAE MEMORIAL PRIZE:** This is awarded to the most promising woodwind player.

**JANET COLE PRIZE:** This is awarded to a pupil for outstanding achievement in Life Sciences (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**JANINE VAN RENSBURG MEMORIAL AWARD:** This is awarded to the Grade 12 girl who

- Maintains a consistently high academic standard
- Makes a considerable contribution to the Kingswood community
- Displays a strong religious commitment at school
- Is prominent in sport e.g. at least one 1st or 2nd team.
- **J. DE WET STEYN PRIZE:** This is awarded to a pupil for outstanding achievement in Business Studies (Awarded with Grade Prizes).
- **J. H. BUXMANN PRIZE:** This is awarded to a pupil for outstanding achievement in Geography. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**JILL MINNAAR MEMORIAL PRIZE:** This is awarded for good fellowship to the Grade 12 girl who gets the most votes from the Grade 12 class.

**KAY ADAMS PRIZE:** This is awarded to the pupil who



## PRIZE LISTS | Senior School

- > Obtained a Level 1 certificate in First Aid
- > Is the most enthusiastic First Aider
- > Is available at all times to do duties when
- > Shows good initiative when assisting with duties.

**KNIGHT MEMORIAL AWARD:** This is awarded to the Head Boy in recognition of his service to the College.

**LATIMER ART TROPHY:** This is awarded for the best Art work, in the opinion of the Head of Art, done during the year in any Grade. (Awarded with Grade Prizes)

**LOUISE PUTTERILL PRIZE:** This is awarded to the Grade 11 pupil who

- > Displays perseverance and diligence
- Maintains a consistently high academic standard
- > Is not a subject or performance prize winner
- Is prominent in a cultural activity such as Toastmasters, Drama, Music, Fine Art.

## LYNNE HODSON & NANCY COOKE TROPHY: This is awarded to the pupil who:

- Progressed beyond a Level 1 Certificate in First
- Has shown above average competence and initiative when on duty
- Has taken leadership in being in charge of a rugby facility for the whole rugby season.

**MASTER MATHS PROGRESS AWARD:** This is awarded to a Grade 10 pupil who, at the discretion of the Head of Mathematics, has shown the most improvement in both performance and diligence.

MAURICE TIMM PRIZE FOR MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE: This is awarded to the Grade 12 pupil who gets the highest total mark when combining the First Term marks with double the Second Term marks in both Mathematics and Science. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**MELVILLE DOLD PRIZE:** This is awarded to the Grade 12 boy who makes an all-round contribution in the fields of Academics, Cultural activities, Leadership, Service and Sport. Selection is made considering the awards achieved and leadership positions filled during his final year.

**MGE BEAUVAIS PRIZE:** This is awarded to a pupil for outstanding achievement and excellence in French. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**MICHAEL BROWNE MEMORIAL AWARD:** This is awarded to the Grade 10 boy who:

- Maintains a consistently high academic standard
- > Shows leadership potential
- Participates enthusiastically in sport and enrichment
- Has strong diligences i.e. Headmaster's Commendation in either of the first two terms.

**MURRAY EVANS MEMORIAL AWARD:** This is awarded to a pupil with a high level of commitment to and talent for music, and a high profile in sport.

**NOEL BRUNTON MEMORIAL AWARD:** This is awarded to the Grade 10 girl who

- Maintains a consistently high academic standard
- Shows leadership potential
- Participates enthusiastically in sport and enrichment
- Has strong diligences i.e. Headmaster's commendation in either of the first two terms.

OK GAUTENG BRANCH PRIZE: This is awarded to a Grade 12 pupil for outstanding achievement and excellence in Computer Applications Technology. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**PETER BOOYSEN TROPHY:** This is awarded to the "First-on-year" Grade 12 pupil studying mainly Science subjects. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**RAY TARR PRIZE:** This is awarded to a pupil for outstanding achievement and excellence in IsiXhosa. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**ROBERT GODLONTON PRIZE:** This is awarded to the "First-on-year" Grade 12 pupil studying mainly Arts subjects. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**RONALD HEPBURN PRIZE:** This is awarded to the "First-on-year" Grade 11 pupil studying mainly Arts subjects. (Awarded with Grade Prizes).

**ROS COLLETT SERVICE TROPHY:** This is awarded to the pupil in Grade 8, 9 or 10 who has made a significant service contribution within the Kingswood community and/or wider community.

**SAM JACKSON IMPROMPTU CUP:** This is awarded on the outcome of the Best Speakers' Competition. The competition is adjudicated using a set of consistently applied criteria. The recipient of the cup is the speaker with the highest points in the impromptu speaking section.

**ST AIDAN'S PUBLIC SPEAKING CUP:** This is awarded on the outcome of the Best Speakers' Competition. The competition is adjudicated

using a set of consistently applied criteria. The recipient of the cup is the speaker with the highest points in the prepared speaking section.

**THOMAS HUGHES PRIZE:** This is awarded at the discretion of the Head of English, after consultation with all members of the English Department, for the best composition. (Awarded with Grade Prizes.)

**WILLIAM J. FORDRED DRUMMER'S PLATE:** This is awarded to the best percussionist in the Concert Band.

**1978 MATRIC BOYS' AWARD:** This is awarded to the Head girl in recognition of her service to the College.

## 2. GRADE PRIZES

## (i) GBS Mutual Bank Diligence Prizes

Two or three of these Prizes are awarded in each Grade to the pupils who

- Have the best total diligences figure in the first two terms
- > Do not receive a subject prize in that Grade.

### (ii) On-year Performance Prizes

"First-on-year" and "Second-on-year" prizes are awarded in each Grade to the pupils who:

Achieve the highest and second highest total aggregate marks when adding the first term mark to double the second term mark. In Grades 11 and 12 two First-on-year prizes are awarded, one each for the top Arts and Sciences pupils.

## Proficiency Prizes are awarded in each Grade to the pupil who:

- Achieves the next highest total aggregate mark (i.e. after first and second place) when adding the first term mark to double the second term mark.
- > Does not receive a subject prize in that Grade.

## (iii) Subject Prizes

These prizes are awarded to the pupils who achieve the highest scores using the criteria detailed be-low. Should the head of subject judge the highest scoring pupil to be below the required standard for a prize, then no award is made.

**Accounting - Grades 10-12:** The exam counts for three quarters and continuous assessment makes up the re-mainder.

**Afrikaans - All Grades:** The year mark added to the examination mark.







Art - Grades 10-11: Equal weighting of practical (25% of which is the examination) and theory (examination only.) Grade 12: Equal weighting of practical (combining the examination and the year mark combined) and theory.

Business Studies - All Grades: The July examination counts for three quarters and the year mark makes up the remainder.

Class Music - Grades 8-9: The first term mark added to double the second term mark with a minimum achievement of 80%.

Computer Applications Technology - Grades 10-12: Equal weighting of the continuous assessment and practical assessment task marks and the practical and theory exams.

Computer Literacy - Grade 8: The first term mark added to double the second term mark.

Drama - Grades 8-9: The first term mark added to the second term mark.

Engineering Graphic and Design: Combined totals of term 1 and term 2 with an exam weighting of 75%

Economic and Management Sciences: Grade 8: Equal weighting of continuous assessment

and the exam. Grade 9: The exam counts for three quarters and continuous assessment makes up the remainder

Economics – Grade 10-12: The July examination counts for three quarters and the year mark makes up the remainder.

English - Grades 8-9: The midyear mark counts for three quarters and the first term mark makes up the remainder. Grades 10 to 12: The first term mark added to double the second term mark.

French - All Grades: The examination counts for half, orals for a quarter and the year mark for the

Geography - All Grades: The first term mark counting 40% added to the second term mark (with the examination) counting 60%.

German - Grades 10-12: The examination counts for half and the first two terms count for a quarter each.

History - All Grades: The first term mark added to double the second term mark.

Information Technology - Grades 10-12: The first term mark added to double the second term mark.

Life Orientation - Grades 10-12: The first term mark added to the second term mark

Life Sciences - Grades 10-12: The examination counts for three quarters and classroom assessments make up the remainder.

Mathematics - Grade 12: All tests (as a percentage) plus twice the prelim exam mark (as a percentage).

Grades 8 to 11: The first term mark added to double the second term mark.

Mathematical Literacy - Grades 10-12: The first term mark added to double the second term mark, achieving a final mark of at least 70% having studied the subject for the entire year.

Natural Sciences - Grades 8-9: Equal weighting of the combined mark for the first two terms and the examination.

Physical Sciences - Grades 10-12: The first term mark added to the second term mark.

Subject Music - All Grades: The first term mark added to double the second term mark.

IsiXhosa - All Grades: The year mark added to the examination mark

## **AWARDS**

## Catch-Up Awards from 2014

## Cultural

## **CHOIR**

**STANDARDS** 

Callum Zwicky-Wardle

## **MUSIC**

**COLOURS** 

**Emily Fryer** 

## Sports

## BASKETBALL

## **STANDARDS**

Asemahle Magobiane Ntabiseng Sibeko

## CRICKET

## **STANDARDS**

Joshua Shelley Shane Potgieter

## HOCKEY

## **STANDARDS**

Kate von Holdt

## **NETBALL**

## **STANDARDS**

Sarah-Jane Klopstra

## **SWIMMING**

## COLOURS

Sarah-Jane Klopstra Tilabo Williamson

## **TENNIS**

## **STANDARDS**

Hilton Wicks

## **Academic Awards 2015**

## TERM 1 - 2015

(Based on Term 3 - 2014 results)

## **STANDARDS**

## **GRADE 10**

Lutho Nomoyi

## **GRADE 11**

Tristan Pitcher Sheree Purdon

Qiqa Maboza

## **COLOURS**

## GRADE 10

Bradley Moorcroft Luke Kingwill Paula Duxbury

## **GRADE 11**

Shannon Andrew Holly Cadle

## **HONOURS**

## **GRADE 11**

Ariana Watkins

Ashleigh Purdon Meagan Koffie

## MOST IMPROVED PUPIL IN GRADE

## **GRADE 8**

Mofokeng Segoete Muhammad Chughtai Allan Bouwer

### **GRADE 9**

Sarena Thurairatnam Conna van Blerk Lushano le Roux James Rippon Alysha Sesia

## **GRADE 10**

Khanyisile Kuzwayo Oliver Kingwill **Bradley Deysel** Jordan Williams

## **GRADE 11**

Hannah Knott-Craig Michael van Breda Jonathan L'Ange Matthew Maree

## PRIZE LISTS

## Senior School

## HEADMASTER'S COMMENDATION

### **GRADE 8**

Kendra Willows Tami Labuschagne Imma Joubert Lavela Booi Elizabeth Williamson Danielle Griesel Etienne Marais

Camilla James

**GRADE 9** 

Davle Adams Kristen Burgess Daniel Moore Sanelisiwe Ndlebe Tina Madasa Thomas Stott

**GRADE 10** Lutho Nomovi Tyler Walker Danielle Scholtz Mark Mutuku Bradley Moorcroft Joshua Hart Gabriel Viljoen Ashleigh Meyer Leanne Lampen Matthew Jennings Luke Kinawill Cobus van Zyl Paula Duxbury

Ntombikayise Myeko

Kristen Sandys-Thomas

**GRADE 11** 

Lutho Zono

Esona Mrwetyana

Christie de Jager Sasha Kasperski Meagan Koffie Qiqa Maboza Sheree Purdon Abulele Sifumba Louise Poole Neschay Dullabh Ashleigh Purdon James Taliard Holly Cadle Ariana Watkins Shannon Andrew Tristan Pitcher Jamie-Lee Stone

## TOP ACHIEVERS

## **GRADE 8**

Jamie Nicholas

Danielle Griesel

(10x7)

Flizabeth Williamson (9x7) Tami Labuschagne (9x7) Imma Joubert (9x7)(7x7)Camilla James Etienne Marais (6x7) Haseena Paruk (5x7) Kendra Willows (8x7)

GRADE 9

Sanelisiwe Ndlebe (11x7)Kristen Burgess (8x7) (8x7) Thomas Stott Ella Denton (7x7)Nathan Stone (5x7) Tina Madasa (6x7) Laura Gambale (5x7)Sarah-Jane Klopstra (5x7) Gemma Maree (5x7)

GRADE 10

Bradley Moorcroft (6x7) Luke Kinawill (5x7)Paula Duxbury (5x7)

**GRADE 11** 

Louise Poole (5x7) Ariana Watkins (5x7)Ashleigh Purdon (6x7) Meagan Koffie (7x7)Christie de Jager (6x7) (5x7)Sasha Kasperski Shannon Andrew (5x7)Holly Cadle (5x7)

## TERM 3 - 2015

## MOST IMPROVED

(15 places or more)

**GRADE 8** 

Salimisa Bikani Ernest Connan Brandon Harvey Tariq Rouhani

**GRADE 9** 

Kelly Biggs Sandiso Charles Loyd Dangazele Cassidy van Rensburg

**GRADE 10** 

Shingirai Chaparira Gabrielle Peckham Gino Sesia Bianca Walker Marco Wehmeyer

**GRADE 11** 

Mihle Dukada Asemahle Mfecane Anthony Pedro

Jimmy Sholto-Douglas Courtney Trow

**GRADE 12** 

Margaret Awobokun Allanso William Balaile Joshua Christie Chloë Donian Gina Sargent Nicholas Schenck

## TOP ACHIEVERS

#### **GRADE 8**

Ouinlan Caiger Francoise Marais Simeon Smit Rachel Strachan

GRADE 9

Danielle Griesel Camilla lames Imma Joubert Tami Labuschagne Etienne Marais Livema Nacete Haseena Paruk Danika Peenz Elizabeth Williamson Kendra Willows

**GRADE 10** 

Kristen Burgess Georgia Cadle Daniel Moore Sanelisiwe Ndlebe Wendy Poole Thomas Stott

**GRADE 11** 

Luke Kingwill Bradley Moorcroft Jacobus van Zyl

**GRADE 12** 

Christie de Jager Sasha Kasperski Meagan Koffie Louise Poole Ashleigh Purdon Ariana Watkins

## **STANDARDS**

## **GRADE 10**

Dayle Adams Kristen Burgess Georgia Cadle Daniel Moore Sanelisiwe Ndlebe Sandisiwe Nyanda Wendy Poole Thomas Stott

## **GRADE 11**

Matthew Lewis

## **HONOURS**

### **GRADE 11**

Luke Kingwill Bradley Moorcroft Jacobus van Zvl

## HEADMASTER'S **COMMENDATIONS**

#### **GRADE 8**

Quinlan Caiger Ciana Daniels Chloe Knight Michael Krige Francoise Marais Bridget Mildenhall Siva Nomovi Simeon Smit Rachel Strachan

## **GRADE 9**

Kelly Biggs Danielle Griesel Camilla James Imma Joubert James Kelly Tami Labuschagne Etienne Marais Livema Nacete Haseena Paruk Danika Peenz Liyabona Planga Elizabeth Williamson Kendra Willows

## **GRADE 10**

Dayle Adams Kristen Burgess Georgia Cadle Ella Denton Laura Gambale Tina Madasa Ohamile Mapoma Gemma Maree Daniel Moore Sanelisiwe Ndlebe Sandisiwe Nyanda Mia Opperman Thomas Stott Sarena Thurairatnam Lubabalo Zote

## **GRADE 11**

Alexa Archibald Nicola Biggs Kelsey Cawood Paula Duxbury Joshua Hart

Matthew Jennings Luke Kingwill Latoya Mbetshu Ashleigh Meyer Bradley Moorcroft Ntombikayise Myeko Lutho Nomoyi Kristen Sandys-Thomas

Danielle Scholtz Jacobus van Zyl Gabriel Vilioen Tyler Walker Lutho Zono

**GRADE 12** 

Shannon Andrew Justine Bowker

Holly Cadle Christie de Jager Sasha Kasperski Meagan Koffie Hannah Knott-Craid Jamie Nicholas Tristan Pitcher Louise Poole

Shane Potgieter Ashleigh Purdon Sheree Purdon Jamie-Lee Stone Bronwyn Trafford Ariana Watkins Tarvn-Maie Wille

## **Cultural Awards**

TERM 3 - 2015

## **CHOIR**

## STANDARDS

Ivana Hoops Ivana Mager Zethu Mageza Yonela Mngandi Asemahle Magobiane

Sixolisiwe Mrwebo Sanelisiwe Ndlebe

Hlakanipha Qangule

Siyolise Qupe Alysha Sesia

Sarena Thurairatnam

### COLOURS

Ambesa Jonas Lutho Zono Callum Zwicky-Wardle

## **DEBATING**

## STANDARDS

Babongile Bidla Sasha Kasperski Ariana Watkins Liam Wray

## **DRAMA**

### **STANDARDS**

Alexander Godwin Oliver Kinawill Max O'Keeffe

Motsamai Rantsoareng Lutho Zono

## COLOURS

Callum Zwicky-Wardle

## MUSIC

### **STANDARDS**

Eugenie Brand Lungisa Duruwe Makatendeka Makoni Milani Nododa Murray Wilmot Lubabalo Zote

## COLOURS

Damon Wolff

## **TOASTMASTERS**

### STANDARDS

Holly Cadle Nadir Hassanali Matthew Jennings Sasha Kasperski Yolokazi Matroshe Jamie Nicholas Louise Poole Tsepang Teele Jacobus van Zyl

## COLOURS

Maria Caparossi Ashleigh Purdon

Malamba Zimba

## **Winter Sports Award List**

## **NETBALL**

## **STANDARDS**

Emma Banister Nthabiseng Sibeko Luvo Mvuza Tatum Schwedhelm

## COLOURS

Magaret Awobokun-Allanso Hannah Lewis Ashleigh Meyer

## HOCKEY (Girls)

### **STANDARDS**

Margaret Awobokun-Allanso Casey Arthur Bianca de Klerk (held over till 2016) Ella Denton Paula Duxbury Emma Fraser

Jamie-Lee Stone Sheree Purdon

Kristen Sandys-Thomas Conna van Blerk

## COLOURS

Hannah Lewis Courtney Trow

## HOCKEY (Boys)

#### **STANDARDS**

Cassidy Daniels Bradley Moorcroft Steven Savage Jeremy Ives Bradley Wilmot

## COLOURS

Daine Kruger Shane Potgieter Bradley Haller

## **RUGBY**

### STANDARDS

Olehile Losaba Mark Mutuku **Ewan Pieters** Shane Potgieter Harry Robinson James Russell

Jimmy Sholto-Douglas Lubambo Sibam Jacques Viviers

## COLOURS

Jacques-Pierré Barkhuizen Athenkosi Halom Jason Lizamore Sibabalwe Mzanywa Thembinkosi Mangwana Jeffrey Theron Michael van Breda Ryan Victor Mark Webber

## **HONOURS**

Garrick Mattheus

## NON TRADITIONAL

## **ANGLING**

Certificate of Merit

Scott Knight

## HORSE-RIDING

## Certificate of Merit

Kian le Roux

#### Red Headmaster's Certificate

**Emily Fryer** 

## SANESA Certificates

**Emily Fryer** Alison Knight Yonela Mngandi Kristin Thomas

## BALLROOM DANCING

(South African Dance Teachers Association) Chiara Dullabh Jeanne Fourie Julian Kinghan Haseena Paruk

Shane Pote Hlaks Qangule

Kuhle Stamper

## **Sports Awards**

TERM 3

## **ATHLETICS**

## **STANDARDS**

Ashleigh Meyer

## BASKETBALL (Boys)

## **STANDARDS**

William Balaile Zwelibanzi Mageza Chazha Masima Okuhle Mbewu

## COLOURS

Lubambo Sibam

## BASKETBALL (Girls)

#### **CERTIFICATES OF MERIT**

Liyema Ngcete (EP U16A) Yonela Bukula (EP U16A)

### **STANDARDS**

Jessica Cheng Yonela Bukula

## **COLOURS**

Kyaterekera Mugerwa-Sekawabe Mihlali Nxopo Nthabiseng Sibeko

## **HONOURS**

Nthabiseng Sibeko

## **SQUASH**

### **STANDARDS**

Courtney Trow

### **HONOURS**

Cassidy Daniels Joshua Thorburn Travis Whitehead

### **SWIMMING**

## **STANDARDS**

Ella Denton Bradley Moorcroft Tami Labuschagne Steven Savage Taryn –Maie Wille

### **HONOURS**

Sarah-Jane Klopstra

## TENNIS (Girls)

## **STANDARDS**

Kelsey Purdon Taryn Victor

## WATER POLO (Girls)

### **CERTIFICATES OF MERIT**

Peyton Bradfield Bianca de Klerk Amy Mills Luana de Sousa Carvalho Bega Lushana van Heerden Elizabeth Williamson

## **STANDARDS**

Emma Albers Emma Fraser Sarah- Jane Klopstra Kelsey Purdon Conna van Blerk Bianca Walker

### COLOURS

Paula Duxbury

### **HONOURS**

Nicola Biggs Ashleigh Meyer

## WATER POLO (Boys)

#### **STANDARDS**

Bryce Butterworth Devon Kemp Jacobus van Zyl

#### **COLOURS**

Brad Moorcroft Jake O'Neill William Stapleton Jacques Viviers

## BASKETBALL - 50 caps

Lubambo Sibam Simphiwe Segoete

## GIRLS' HOCKEY - 100 caps

Aimee-Leigh Pote Hannah Knott-Craig

## WATER POLO - 100 Caps

Hannah Lewis

## CRICKET

### **STANDARDS**

Julia Hare – Cricket Scoring Jeremy Ives Garrick Mattheus Tony Pedro Weston Potgieter Michael Pyle Jordan Williams

## **HONOURS**

Daine Kruger

## SAILING

## **COLOURS**

Jon Theron Water Polo

## **HONOURS**

Nicola Biggs







## SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR

Aimee-Leigh Pote

## SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

Daine Kruger

## HOUSE SHIELD

- 4 Wood
- 3 Chubb
- 2 Gane
- 1 Jagger

## **GIRLS HOCKEY**

- Charlton Cup To the best player this season in the U14A Group: Amy Mills
- Kerry & Leigh Purdon Cup -The most improved U16 Player: Kelly Biggs
- Brian Baker Cup A 2nd team player who has proved to be the best all-rounder:
   Sheree Purdon
- Cup for the most improved 1st team player:
   Hannah Lewis
- > Luntu Ntloko Cup Awarded to the 1st team Captain: Aimee-Leigh Pote
- Heather Hobson Shield Awarded to the 1st team player of the year: Aimee-Leigh Pote
- Interhouse winner: Jagger House

## **BOYS HOCKEY**

- Cup for the most improved 1st team player:
   Steven Savage
- The 1st XI player of the year Awarded to the best player in the 1st XI season: Joshua Christie
- Interhouse winner: Chubb House

## **NETBALL**

- Barbara Stamper Trophy Most improved player: Nthabiseng Sibeko
- Karin Zimmerman Trophy Awarded to the best all rounder: Hannah Lewis
- > Kingswood College Netball Interhouse

Trophy - Awarded to the winners of the Interhouse Netball Competition: **Jagger House** 

- James Wilding Trophy Awarded for perseverance and spirit: Ashleigh Meyer
- Linda Birch Trophy Awarded to the Captain of the 1st Team: Twinkle Allanso
- Best Team Trophy Awarded to the best team of the season: 2nd Team: for excellent teamwork, determination and performing well throughout the season.

## PROVINCIAL AND NATIONAL REPRESENTITIVES

## SOUTH AFRICAN (SA) / NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

## BASKETBALL

SA U16 Girls – N. Sibeko and K. Sekawabe-Mugerwa

#### **SQUASH**

SA Schools U19 Tour to Malaysia - H. Knott-Craig and D. Kruger (Unable to travel)

#### RUGBY

Kenya U18 - M. Mutuku

## EASTERN PROVINCE (EP) PROVINCIAL REPRESENTATIVES

## CRICKET (TERM 3 2014)

- B. Haller (U18); D. Kruger (U17); M Lombard (U18); L. Nomoyi (U17); J. Sholto-Douglas (U17); J. Rippon (U15)
- CSA National T20 Finals Kingswood 1st XI 4th place
- CSA National T20 Finals Marco Lombard Batsman of the Tournament

## **CRICKET 2015**

C. Daniels (U15); D. Kruger (U18); J. Sholto-Douglas (U17); N. Wilmot (U15)

## **DUATHLON & TRIATHLON**

T. Wille (U18)

## **WATER POLO**

N. Biggs (U19A); P. Bradfield (U15A); B. Butterworth (U17A); C. Daniels (U14B); B. De Klerk (U15A); L. De Sousa Carvalho (U15A); P. Duxbury (U19A); E. Fraser (U16A); C. Hobson (U14B); L.Kingwill (U17A); T.Klopstra (U14B); A. Meyer (U19A); A. Mills (U14A); K. Purdon (U16A); W. Stapleton (U17A); J. Stone (U19A); L. Van Heerden (U14A); E. Williamson (U15A)

## BASKETBALL

Y. Bukula (U16); L. Duruwe (U18); A. Magobianne (U16); O. Mbewu (District U18); K. Mugerwa-Sekawabe (U16); N. Myeko (U18); L. Ngcete (U16); M. Nxopo (U18); L. Sibam (District U18); N. Sibeko (U16)

## **EQUESTRIAN**

Eastern Cape – E. Fryer & A. Knight SANESA – M. Du Preez

## HOCKEY

J. Christie (U18B); B. De Klerk (U16B); E. Denton (U16B); M. Du Preez (U14A); E. Fraser (U16B); H. Lewis (U18B); Z. Mbenyana (U14A); A. Mills (U14A); A.Pote (U18A); N. Stone (U16B); C. Trowe (U18B); K. Von Holdt (U16B)

#### RUGBY

EP Country Districts U18 Craven Week – A. Halom; J. Lizamore; T. Mangwana; S. Mzanywa; E. Peters; M. Van Breda EP U19A – G. Mattheus EP U18 7s – A. Halom; S. Mzanywa

### SQUASH

V. Bills (U14); C. Da Costa (U14); K. Gontshi (U14); D. Kruger (U19); H. Knott-Craig (U19); Z. Mbenyana (U14); V. Meyer (U19); Q. Shiel (U14); T. Whitehead (U19)
Boys' & Girls' 1st Teams EP Top Schools
Champions
SA Top 10 Rankings x 3

## College Head's Valedictory Address

## Jon Trafford bids farewell to the matric leavers

n preparing for today, I found in an old file, a document which talked to some great truths that both parents and children learn as they journey and navigate the 'wild waters' of schooling.

For the leavers you will have found out that:

- no matter how hard you try, you cannot baptise a cat;
- if your sister or brother hits you, do not hit them back because your parents always caught the second person;
- you cannot hide a piece of broccoli in a glass of milk.

Equally, your parents will have learnt, over the years that:

- raising teenagers is like nailing jelly to a tree;
- wrinkles do not hurt, and lastly
- time is a greater healer but a lousy beautician.

Members of the College Council, staff, parents, pupils of Kingswood, welcome to this valedictory celebration of the class of 2015

For our leavers in Grade 12, today heralds the beginning of an end, and I am acutely aware that for every leaver sitting in this chapel this morning, you do so with a mix of feelings - you are excited about leaving school and cannot wait to let out yells of joy on the completion of your final examination. But, in equal measure, I know that you have feelings of uncertainly and sadness because the end of the year heralds an end of an era and the opening of a new chapter in your lives.

Over the years I have made references to the analogy of life being like weaving a rich and beautiful tapestry. As you will all know, tapestries consist of threads which are woven together to portray a picture or event. In every tapestry, there are intense and deep colours and these all talk to a story. In tapestries, the story talks to good and noble times. But, as we all know, life is not always all about the rich, deep and colourful, but also about those other less colourful bits which are equally important and which play a critical role in holding the whole tapestry together. There will be memories of this school which will be ingrained into your mind and they will, in your life tapestry, represent those rich and deep colourful moments. But never forget that in your educational journey here, there will be metres of thread that were, seemingly, dull and lifeless. These seemingly worthless threads are the glue, the cement that holds the whole experience together. They will, in the fullness of time, be instrumental in helping you make key decisions. I hasten to add that your tapestry is only partly completed and that you have much still to weave. It would be my sincere hope that we have laid a foundation to what will become a fulfilling and successful future beyond the walls

So, as you embark on your next life adventure, Jim Rohm, American businessman and author, talks of Seven Lessons in Life;

- > As you seek success, remember that success is not pursued. It is attracted by the person you become - it is something you turn into for it comes from growth. It is the consequence growing bigger than the problems and obstacles which surround you. It comes from living good values and by making principled decisions. Success is neither magical nor mysterious. Success is the natural consequence of consistently applying the basic fundamentals of life.
- Be prepared to embrace change. The greatest investment you will make in life is in yourself. Invest not in material things but invest in being that better person, that person who is of significance. Be a



Success is hard-earned and you will need to be willing to confront challenge...

leader not a follower in the communities of your life.

- Never give up, be persistent. Work to realise dreams. Become a creator, innovator and optimist in life.
- On Friday, I said to the Bridging Years constantly ask questions because life does not get better by chance, it gets better by change. Create an atmosphere where you can flourish. Learn to guard what you hear, guard what gets planted in your thought. Avoid the pessimist and do not allow negative thought to determine life decisions.
- Pursue personal goals remember nothing happens overnight. Manage your expectations - as the old saying goes; "Rome was not built in a day". Your future success is not determined by a single event - it comes from moving in the right direction every day.
- Set your sail, do not allow the wind of life to blow you around. Set your mind on a direction with a commitment to arrive at an intended destination. Setting your sails, not the direction of the wind will determine your future success.
- Lastly, Rohm stresses the importance of valuing time because it carries far more worth than money. You can always get more money but you can never get more time. Learn the value of time because with time you can accomplish anything.

Do not gauge your future success through accumulation of wealth. Success is hard-earned and you will need to be willing to confront challenge, if you consider some of the challenges you have already



conquered, you will appreciate that challenge is the reality of life. Consider these challenges which you have already overcome and mastered; when you started to walk you fell down many times but that did not deter you from walking. When you learnt to swim you almost drowned on a number of occasions but that did not stop you from swimming. When you tried to hit a ball for the first time there was a good chance you missed the ball. That did not stop you from taking another swing. R H May, founder of the Macy's group of stores in the United States failed seven times before his first store in New York took off. Do not be afraid to face up to the challenges of life and be prepared, in the first instance, to face the potential of failure. In the words of Theodore Roosevelt: "Credit belongs to the man who is in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly, who errs and comes short again and again because there is no effort without error and shortcoming".

Francois Pienaar, in his biography, *The Rainbow Warrior* spoke of his mental preparation before the 1995 Rugby World Cup final. Morne du Plessis, then manager of the Springboks said, "One thing is certain about the game today – you are going to make mistakes. The challenge will be to keep your head, not to worry about the mistakes, and to get on with the game. You know what you must do. If you play to your potential, you will win. There is no doubt about that. If you give of your best you will become world champions".

You, as young Kingswoodians, have been given the tools to aspire to success. What we cannot determine is how you choose to use those tools beyond the confines of this school. Do you aspire to be world champions or are you simply going to follow the crowd? You are on the threshold, as were those rugby Springboks in 1995, in making a real difference to the lives of many. You must grasp the nettle, recognizing that you each have had an education that gives you a distinct advantage in the competition which is called Life. Do not be timid, shy or indecisive in the decisions you make. Be bold, confident and assertive because you owe it to all those who have backed you over the last twelve years of your education. You have much to be grateful for - do not waste the opportunities your education has provided for you. As you leave this chapel, remember to acknowledge the role your parents have played in your Kingswood journey. They too have been hugely influential in getting you to this point - find the right time to recognise and thank

them for the sacrifice that they have made in ensuring that you have had an incredible education.

Be prepared to persevere, remembering that Walt Disney was fired from his first job yet he went on to become a giant in the entertainment business. Isaac Newton had a wretched time at school, yet his scientific discoveries were part of an age of enlightenment. Vince Lombardi was once described as having minimal football knowledge and poor motivational skills. If these men had not risen to the challenges, our world would be a poorer place. Are you going to rise to future challenge and will you fulfill your own expectations?

In Francois Pienaar's recollection of his trip to Ellis Park on that winter's day in 1995, he recalls Kitsch Christie, then Springbok coach, playing a tune to the players. The words of the song went like this:

No, I don't believe in If anymore

If is for children

If is an illusion.

For you, the leavers of 2015, it is not about *if* or *but* anymore, it is about *now* and being masters of your own destiny, confident in your own abilities and wanting to make the most of your fine education so that you become champions of change – do not be content with the status quo if the status quo does not support your life goals and reinforce a better life for all. Remember "there is no real excellence in all this world which can be separated from right living".

So, as I close, I share with you a letter written anonymously entitled *Future Destiny:* 

Dear Future Destiny,

I hope you are kind to me. I hope you do not destroy my feelings and that you consider looking at things from every angle and every perspective, just as I do to you. Please notice that I not only make mistakes, but I also learn from them and create wonderful things called lessons. Remember I am in your hands and if you drop me I will break. If I am not myself, remind me that I am a truly beautiful person both inside and out. You are the future, when will you come my way? I do not know, but, what I do know is that someday will soon become today.

In the words of the irrepressible character, Buzz Lightyear, from that fantastic animation *Toy Story*, it is now . . . "to infinity and beyond".

God speed and may you all realise your dreams.

■ JG TRAFFORD

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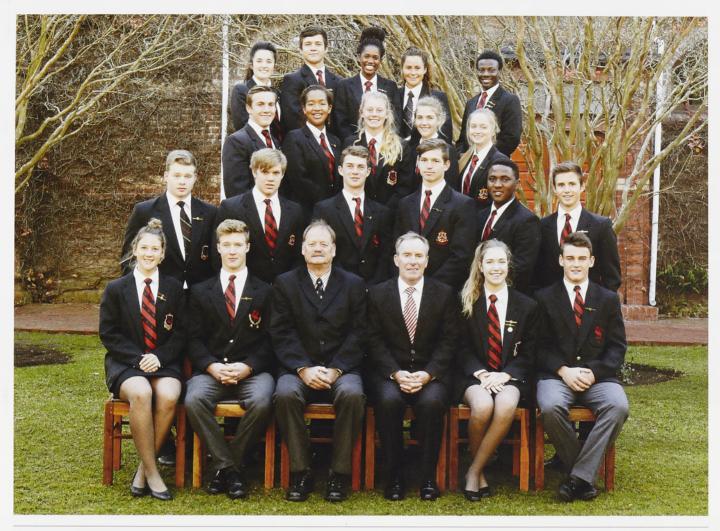
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# SCHOOL LEADERS

Back Row: M Sesia (Head of Kirkby), C Toich (Head of Jagger), Y Matroshe, T Wille, T Rusike.
Third Row: J Theron (Head of Wood), M Awobokun-Allanso (Head of Jacques), J Stone, J Bowker, C Arthur.
Second Row: J Taljard (Head of Gane), G Chemaly (Head of Chubb), M Pyle, S Segoete, V Meyer.
Front Row: A Pote (Deputy Head Girl), J Nicholas (Head Boy), Mr J Trafford (College Head), Mr P Guthrie (Senior School Headmaster), A Purdon (Head Girl), S Potgieter (Deputy Head Boy).



12 YEARS Back Row: A Pote, S Burchell, C Loock, M Kosi, N Dullabh. Front Row: H Knott-Craig, A Purdon, K Koch, C Arthur, T Wille. Absent: B Dold, U Nomavuka, S Andrew, C Donian.



15 YEARS Left to Right: H Knott-Craig, C Loock, A Purdon.

# THE HOUSE REPORTS

# **CHUBB HOUSE**

Houseperson: **Assistant Houseperson:** House Matron:

Mr Tony Timm Mr Allavne Guest Mrs Shirley Shaw Mr Stegmann van Zyl

**Student Assistants:** 

Intern:

Messrs Jurgen Kurz and Ryan Howden

Headboy: Deputy Headboy: Head of House:

Jamie Nicholas Shane Potgieter George Chemaly Luke Carey

Deputy Head of House:

Head of Dayboys and College Prefect: Michael Pyle

Senior Monitor:

Joshua Christie

t is indeed hard to believe that this is my 10th and final magazine report. Time has indeed flown - 10 years means going through with 2 groups of Grade 8s from start to finish. As can be seen above, there was a large leadership group and this led to a successful year, working with these positive young men.

The Grade 11 boys went on a 3 day leadership camp in September in preparation for taking over the running of the House. This was a very useful exercise in which they did a SWOT analysis of which certain components will be implemented in 2016. Chubb is also proud to have the Headboy of the College for 2015, Jamie Nicholas.

The Grade 8s were a lively and sporty bunch who sometimes tested the cricket boundaries - hence the nick names 'Ninjas' and 'Lily pad walkers'! They did settle in quickly and well and added a lot to both Chubb and the College; I often wished for a tad of their energy.

A parental email group allowed the parents to be kept up-to-date with Chubb happenings. This received favourable feedback and kept the parents in the loop.

Chubb provided a number of boys for the 1st XI cricket. Caleb Daniels made the EP U15 team and Aidan Meyer captained the successful U14A team. Ewan Pieters and Jason Lizamore played for the EP Country Districts Craven Week team and it was great seeing them on television.

Chubb came second in the athletics but we did win the Road Relays. Bradley Moorcroft won an amazing 8 trophies on Sports Day, including the Victor Ludorum. Ewan Pieters also did very well on the athletics front, especially in the discus event.

On the academic front Brad Moorcroft and Cobus van Zyl were placed 1st and 2nd in Grade 11 and also received Academic Honours. Great news was that Chubb won interhouse plays for the first time in at least 24 years.

# Awards presented during the year:

- Colours: Callum Zwicky-Wardle (Drama and Choir); Brad Moorcroft (Water Polo); Jason Lizamore (Rugby) and Shane Potgieter (Hockey)
- Standards: Cobus van Zyl (Toastmasters and Water Polo); Jamie Nicholas (Toastmasters); Brad Moorcroft (Swimming and Hockey) Chazha Masima (Basketball); Alex Godwin (Drama); Ewan Pieters



# **CHUBB HOUSE**

Back Row: G Viljoen, B Duxbury, J van Zyl, S Thomas, L Dangazele, E Pieters.

Fifth Row: L Tunyiswa, C Daniels, C van Aardt, S Campbell, D Mostert, T Lawson-Smith, B Moorcroft, M Kondolo, L le Roux, E Connan.

Fourth Row: A Mfecane, E Maddocks, O Mgijima, A Klironomos, T Mwinyi, M Gardner, S Pote, A Balopi, A Pedro, A Sandys-Thomas, J Lizamore.

Third Row: H van Zyl, S Stretton, W Potgieter, A Luke, S Qupe, J Potgieter, J Cawood, J Mills,

Second Row: Mr R Howden (Student Assistant), A Meyer, N Lawson-Smith, K Seymour, M Phakisi, C Masima, S Burchell, S Clarke, O Motsei, T Rouhani, J Griesel, Mr J Kurz (Student Assistant).

Front Row: A Godwin, C Zwicky-Wardle, N Schenck, J Christie, J Nicholas (Head Boy), Mr A Timm (Housemaster), G Chemaly (Head of House), Mrs S Shaw (Matron), S Potgieter (Deputy Head Boy), Mr A Guest (Assistant Housemaster), L Carey (Deputy Head of House), M Pyle, M Maree.





Left: Chubb Dinner Below: Grade 8s **Bottom Left:** Matrics Bottom Right: Grade 8 Spring Dance







(Rugby); Shane Potgieter (Rugby); Tony Pedro, Michael Pyle and Weston Potgieter (Cricket)

Joshua Christie won the Hockey Player of the Year while Jamie Nicholas won the Victor Aquarium Open. Kian le Roux made the EP equestrian team.

What was gratifying was that the majority of the House occupants were in the upper echelons of the privilege scheme and this was especially true for the Grade 9 and 10s. The catch phrase this year was again 'Avoid the Avoidable' and it was nice to see that the majority did take heed of this and the need for disciplinary hearings was thus diminished.

On the second Sunday of the year, the entire Chubb House descended on the Fish River Sun. A buffet breakfast was devoured and then it was down to the beach for river rugby, canoeing and just 'chilling'. This outing have become a pleasant tradition.

The Chubb Dinner was held in the third term. The Student Assistants were the guest speakers and Aidan Meyer and James Cawood gave confident speeches on their first year in Chubb as Grade 8 pupils. At the Dinner Prize Giving, Jamie Nicholas was the winner of the Spirit and Fellowship Cup for Grade 12s which is voted for by the boys and Brad Moorcroft won the Gary Handley Memorial award for fellowship for a Grade 8 -11 boy. The MJ Bandey 'Growth in Leadership' award was won by Michael Pyle. Ernest Connan won 'Best New Boy' cup. Atang Balopi won the top Grade 9 academic trophy and Shane Potgieter won the Sportsman of the Year. The Rob Charlton Award, recognising the Grade 8 to 11 boy who contributed the most from a sporting, cultural and academic perspective, was won by Bradley Moorcroft. Jack Mills was the recipient of The Richard Trow Memorial award for the Most Tenacious and Determined Rugby Player.

A pleasurable House Braai was held, with the girls attending. This was held on a Sunday lunch time to allow for more time for the braai and at 5 p.m. thirds were still being cooked.

Thanks must go to the following who helped in the running of the House: the cleaning staff under the tireless Mrs Shaw who see to all housekeeping matters; the Student Assistants and Mr Guest for their assistance in duties; the maintenance department who did a fine job in keeping a boys' House in one piece; the parents for their support; the Sisters at the San for keeping the boys healthy and my family for answering doors and phones throughout the year.

It has been a privilege to be able to be back in my old House for 10 years and I am glad I had the opportunity. Many memories have been made. I wish Mr Rory Jones and his family all the best. Laborarae et vincere.

■ TTIMM

# DAYGIRI SHOUSE

always find myself in a bit of a quandary trying to spell 'Day girls'. Grammatically speaking, it should be two separate words but semantically two separate words or even a compound word doesn't really fit with the concept being applied. "Daygirls" is a moniker that pertains to more than what we do within the Kingswood community because Daygirls "do" a lot. They are involved across the spheres of engagement that Kingswood has on offer and their achievements in Academics, Sports, Cultural and otherwise are numerous and mentioned elsewhere in this magazine. So really it is more about who we are as a group within the larger realm of the Kingswood experience.

The theme for this years' dinner, beautifully conceived by the Grade 11s, was "Alice in Wonderland" and herein I find a literary expression of who the Daygirls represent collectively. Curiously, the 76 girls seem to

> If I had a world of my own, everything would be nonsense. Nothing would be what it is, beacuse everything would be what it isn't

revel in Alice's world and words in the best possible way:

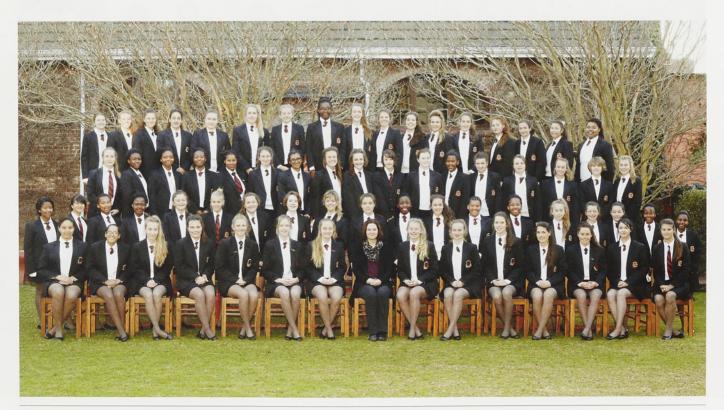
...Or in fact, epitomize the Cheshire cat when he says: "I'm not crazy; my reality is just different from yours." Truth be told, the girls' reality is different from that of the "night' girls at Kingswood and our leaders this year have perfectly embodied (and celebrated) that difference. Jamie-Lee Stone, Casey Arthur and Louise Poole merit a special mention in this Mad Hatter's tea party. In fact, they are all three "entirely bonkers... but I'll tell you a secret. ALL the best people are. Their poise, grace under fire and impeccable manners make us proud that they spell their names D-A-Y-G-I-R-L. May they never lose their "muchness". These three, along with their merry band of Matrics, have indeed led by example and their commitment to celebrating the diversity and individuality of our unique position in the school has not gone unnoticed or unrewarded. To this end, Casey and Jamie-Lee shared the Overall Involvement Award while Louise snaffled the prestigious Home Away From Home award for her maternally influential impact within "Miss Peregrine's home for peculiar children".

To crudely extend the allusions to the youth fiction genre, we also have "Great expectations" for our "Maze runners" in the "Breaking Dawn" of their careers as Daygirls. Andrea Schulpfort in Grade 8 was given the Good Fellowship award in recognition of her friendly energetic presence.

"The sisterhood of the travelling pants" is not to be "Eclipsed" by the "Princess Diaries" of the Grade 8s, however, because our middle children, the "Divergents" and "Insurgents", have also become the most "Allegiant" of all.

Thus this year we have not been "The outsiders" and with our "Abundance of Katherines" we have celebrated the "Perks of being wallflowers" and reveled in the "Pretties" and "Uglies" of our daily existence in our "Paper Towns". Apologies for being a bit of a "Book thief" here, but it's important that we "Don't judge a girl by her cover."

### **■** T CARLSON



### **DAYGIRLS HOUSE**

Back Row: M Foord, P Duxbury, K Willows, L Rouhani, L Fochler, E Williamson, A Schulpfort, N Sibeko, R Strachan, K Burgess, G Maree, K von Holdt, L van Heerden, K Wootton, K Thomas, J Harvey, A Jonas.

Third Row: H Price, A Magobiane, N Mabusela, M Makoni, M Nodada, E Fryer, N Govender, D Higgs, J Hare, D Scholtz, K Weyer, U Mrwetyana, C Stoltz, C James, M du Preez, E Brand, W Poole.

Second Row: A Moodley, C Dullabh, K Stamper, Z Mbenyana, D Boman, F Marais, D van der Merwe, R Johnson, J Fourie, I, Mager, L Lutshaba, C Wehmeyer, M Lucas, K Gontshi, R Koch, B de Klerk, J Kinghan, M Makoni, L Planga.

Front Row: M Koffie, R Basson, K Koch, L Jacobs, H Knott-Craig, B Trafford, C Arthur (Deputy Head of House), Mrs T Carlson (Houseperson), J Stone (Head of House), L Poole, A Watkins, C de Jager, T Wille, M Strachan, J Price.

# GANE HOUSE

Mr Tyrone Scholtz Houseperson: Assistant Houseperson: Mr Michael Stead Matron: Mrs Shirley Shaw James Taljard Head of House: Deputy Head of House: Simphiwe Segoete

he most important single ingredient in the formula for success is knowing how to get along with people." -Theodore Roosevelt

In the fast-paced life that we all experience on the Kingswood campus, Gane House has continued to provide the boys with a base from which they were able to work together as a team to develop friendships and to meet individual needs in various ways.

Our first term started early, but it did not take long for us to get into the swing of things within Gane House. The House was full to capacity with the arrival of many new, shy faces. We welcomed Blake Hurly, Cameron Lombaard, Yolu Libi, Ben Maposa, Zinga Mei, William Pieterse, Aidan Reeve, Michael Shearer, Dominic Shone, Siba Tsili, Joshua Von Holdt (Grade 8s), Lebo Nkone (Grade 11) and Shingirai Chaparira (Grade 10) who joined us late. All these boys were immediately made to feel welcome and settled into the House very well. It was with sadness that we bid a fond farewell to Luc Crompton and Jonathan Lundt (both Grade 9) who left us after the first term.

All the matriculants were involved in the running of the House in various ways, each of them representing the House in different portfolio positions. This gives all the matriculants an opportunity to lead. The Grade 12 group was a diverse group of individuals who functioned well as a team. James Taljard, as Head of House, led with maturity and compassion while Simphiwe Segoete (Deputy Head of House) led with enthusiasm. They were well supported by the rest of the Grade 12s.

Our incoming leaders are Esona Mrwetyana who has been appointed as Head of House for 2016 along with Mark Mutuku as Deputy Head of House. We are proud of Lutho Nomoyi who has been appointed as Deputy Headboy for 2016. The Grade 11s are a powerful group and have all taken on their roles in the leadership structure for 2016 with enthusiasm. On the Grade 11 camp, they proved to be charismatic and full of new ideas. I look forward to working with them in their newly appointed roles.

It has been customary to start the year off with an outing to the beautiful Mpekweni Beach Hotel. The boys enjoyed the beach, and the overcast and cold weather didn't seem to dampen their vibrant spirit. Special thanks must be conveyed to the Whiteheads for hosting us at Mpekweni for another wonderful outing, where the boys enjoyed touch rugby on the beach and a massive braai.

On Valentine's Day, the matric boys were invited to Kirkby House where they were spoiled with some delicious cupcakes and entertained by the girls. Special thanks to Mrs Van Molendorff and her lovely girls



### **GANE HOUSE**

Back Row: A Galada, A Griplas, M Mutuku, W Usher, O Losaba, D Shone, N Lombaard, T Stott.

Fifth Row: T Reeve, O Mbewu, M Lewis, L Nkone, S Singh, T Mangwana, J Rippon, J Kelly, R Craig.

Fourth Row: J Mutuku, J Mti, A Halom, E Mrwetyana, Z Mei, J von Holdt, M Takeloo, S Mzanywa, L Nomoyi, J Pieterse.

Third Row: Y Libi, M Shearer, G Sesia, A Reeve, J Lundh, W Pieterse, K Kalipa, S Tsili, B Hurly, S Chaparira, T Wille.

Second Row: Mr J Schenck (Student Assistant), L Crompton, T Rippon, A Crompton, H Kruger, L Turner, B Dold, B Mageza, M Webber,

Mr D Jackman (Student Assistant), M Zimba, B Maposa, P Segoete.

Front Row: A Du Toit, T Mpeli, L Sibam, D Kruger, J Taljard (Head of House), Mrs S Shaw (Matron), Mr T Scholtz (Housemaster), Mr M Stead (Assistant Housemaster), S Segoete (Deputy Head of House), T Pitcher, M Kosi, M O'Keeffe, T Whitehead.

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who made the boys and I feel special.

As far as the Interhouse events are concerned, Gane House managed to do very well in the biggest events. Gane House won the basketball, debating as well as the athletics which was a superb achievement. The Girls Road relay team (Hannah Lewis, Taryn-Maie Wille, Bianca de Klerk and Imma Joubert) must be mentioned as they shattered a long standing record. Our Interhouse results are as follows:

Swimming gala (third), netball (third), rugby (second), cricket (second), Girls tennis (second), Boys tennis (second), Boys hockey (second), Girls hockey (second), Girls basketball (first), Boys basketball (first), Interhouse play (fourth), debating (first). A big thank you must go to the girls in Gane Sports House. They have made a massive contribution to our successes in the Interhouse competition.

Individually a number of boys shone with the following achievements: Athi Halom (Craven Week Rugby and Eastern Province High Schools U17 Sevens Rugby); Siba Mzanywa (Craven Week Rugby and Eastern Province High Schools U17 Sevens Rugby); Thembi Manqwana (Craven Week Rugby); Mark Mutuku (Kenya U18 Sevens Rugby) and Okuhle Mbewu (Eastern Province U19 Basketball).

We are also proud of the boys who were awarded the following awards: Travis Whitehead (Honours for squash), Daine Kruger (Honours for cricket, Sportsman of the Year), Lubambo Sibam (Colours for basketball, Basketball player of the Year, 50 caps for 1st team basketball, standards for 1st team rugby), Athi Halom (Colours for rugby), Siba Mzanywa (Colours for rugby), Thembi Manqwana (Colours for rugby), Mark Mutuku (Standards for rugby), Okuhle Mbewu (Standards for basketball), Olehile Losaba (Standards for rugby) and Simphiwe Segoete (50 caps for 1st team basketball, war cry leader).

The Gane House Dinner was organized by the Grade 11 boys who did a superb job. Mr Daniel Jackman as guest speaker added a special warmth to the evening. In his speech he encouraged the boys to treasure the value of being a proud "Die Hard" and to continue to be excellent ambassadors of Gane House. His speech was encouraging and motivational and well received by the boys. James Taljard gave a poised and well-articulated farewell speech on behalf of the Grade 12s. The House bid farewell to Mr Daniel Jackman (Student Assistant) and Mr Jonathan Schenck (Student Assistant).

2016 is set to be a brilliant year in Gane House. I will go on record saying it will be the best year it has had for a long time. The quality of leadership of the Matric boys for next year is very special indeed. The House has already started setting goals for 2016.

In closing my report for 2015, I need to thank a number of people for their invaluable assistance and the contribution that they have made during the course of the year. A very special word of thanks must go to Mr Michael Stead, our Assistant Houseperson, who has worked tirelessly behind the scenes to make the year a success. To both our Student Assistants, Daniel Jackman and Jonathan Schenck, for their willingness to always go the extra mile for the boys. Thank you to Mrs Shirley Shaw, our matron, and her team that consist of Linda Manyathi and Khosi Soxujwa who work tirelessly to make us comfortable in our home away from home. Thank you for all that you do for us, your touch is much appreciated. I also need to thank Mr Richard McNally and his team for the effort they put into keeping up the maintenance of the boarding house. To my wife, Gillian, and second mother to the boys, we thank you for the invaluable support and love that you have displayed to us. Lastly, I want to thank God our Heavenly Father who was faithful to us by supporting, guiding and protecting us through His grace, peace and love.

# ■ TSCHOLTZ



# JACQUES HOUSE

t is hard to believe how quickly the year has flown by. It has indeed been a special one for me because most of this Grade 12 group of girls and I both started our journey together in 2011. Guiding them through their Senior School years has been a rewarding and challenging time. Margaret Awobokun-Allanso and Justine Bowker have been a much loved and respected Head and Deputy Head in Jacques House they certainly added a bit of "Twinkle" to our family. They were supported by the two Senior Monitors in the House, Shannon Andrew and Tsepang Teele. My thanks go to you for the manner in which you supported and guided the girls during this past year. Jacques House was also proud of the fact that we had the Headgirl, Ashleigh Purdon and the Deputy Headgirl, Aimee-Leigh Pote in Jacques House this year. They too played a meaningful and supportive role in the leadership of the House.

To the remaining Grade 12 girls a special thanks for the diligent manner in which you performed your duties during the course of the year. I trust that when you all leave at the end of the year, Kingswood's golden thread will continue to weave its way through your lives as you focus on what lies ahead and beyond 2015. When you reflect back on your life one day you will no doubt realize that the life lessons that you learnt and the values that were instilled in you as members of the Jacques family will have played a huge role in molding your character as young adults which prepared you well for the challenges of adult life. I urge you, the Jacques Class of 2015, to take heed of this quote from Chris Hadfield: "Decide in your heart of hearts what really excites and challenges you, and start moving your life in that direction. Every decision you make, from what you eat to what you do with your time tonight, turns

you into who you are tomorrow, and the day after that. Look at who you want to be, and start sculpting yourself into that person. You may not get exactly where you thought you'd be, but you will be doing things that suit you in a profession you believe in. Don't let life randomly kick you into the adult you don't want to become."

The Jacques House numbers continue to grow. At the beginning of the year we welcomed twelve nervous yet excited Grade 8 girls to Jacques House. They have been a lively, passionate and talented group of girls. Their performance of the Funky Chicken on K-Day was an event that evoked much fun and laughter which was just reward for all the time spent rehearsing and perfecting their show.

It has been a busy yet fun-filled year for all the girls. The matric dance was yet again a very glamorous affair. The girls all looked stunning in their evening dresses and everyone enjoyed watching them do the traditional walk down the Jacques House staircase with their partners. It was wonderful that many of the parents were able to travel from far afield for the occasion. The highlight of the year is always the Jacques House Dinner. The Grade 11 girls organized the event and it was an evening enjoyed by all. The girls all looked very sophisticated in their elegant evening wear. The "Nautical" theme had a special touch to it. When we arrived we were all invited to climb aboard the SS Jacques as we sailed away for an evening of "sail-a-bration". Each grade prepared a speech and it was wonderful to look back and rejoice with the memories of the past year. The Grade 8 farewell speeches to their Grade 12 mentors were an emotional time for both of them as sisterly bonds have been formed between these girls over the past year. Congratulations to the following girls who were awarded trophies at the dinner:

> The Debbie Young Trophy, awarded to the Grade 8 of the year was presented to Ciana Daniels



Back Row: B Bidla, E Knott, K Biggs, N Biggs, E Denton, B Walker.

Fifth Row: K Toich, S Purdon, N Kamardinova, T Buttner, E Stirk, A Knight.

Fourth Row: L Robinson, K Purdon, T Victor, E Marffy, C Trow, B Mildenhall, A Archibald, S Norman, S Pepper, A Mills, L Duruwe, K Sandys-Thomas, M Lloyd, M Nxopo.

Third Row: M Gabaraane, N Ndlovu, L Booi, C Chona, P Bradfield, N Freitag, C Knight, H Fredman-Jacobson, S Ndlebe, P Stirk, R Smit, G Peckham, Y Mngandi, T Madasa, C van Blerk, S Thurairatnam, R Balopi.

Second Row: T Watae, L Zote, I Hoops, E Fraser, D Griesel, S Makgatlhe, L Mtumtum, S Bikani, B Dimati, L Ngcete, S Welgemoed, Q Ban, K Wicks, X Pendlani, C Daniels, D Peenz, K Madikiza, R Knight, S Mrwebo.

Front Row: M Caporossi Cugildi, T Teele, S Andrew, Ms T McCarthy (Student Assistant), M Awobokun-Allanso, Mrs D Hobson (Houseperson), Mr C Hobson, J Bowker, Mrs C Redelinghuis (Matron), Ms E Olley (Student Assistant), A Purdon, A Pote.

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- The Linda Ford Memorial Trophy, awarded to the Grade 12 of the year was presented to Aimee-Leigh Pote.
- Justine Bowker was awarded the Service Award.
- Sheree Purdon was awarded the Good Fellowship Award.

Other fun times in the year included mentorship tea parties, midnight feasts, Halloween prank evening, Summer and Spring Dances, Interact Socials and the House outing to Mpekweni. To end the year we all enjoyed the Secret Santa Christmas Braai, which we combined with Kirkby House. After supper, Father Christmas and his 2 elves (Chubb House boys) handed out the gifts to the girls. The Grade 8s then kept us all entertained with their "skits" and a talented group of girls then sang Christmas carols.

This year girls have shown their outstanding skills in various fields. The collective achievements of all the girls on the sporting, cultural and academic front would make any parent and Houseperson proud. Special mention must be made of the following girls who were selected to represent Eastern Province at various levels:

- Water Polo: Nicola Biggs U19A; Emma Fraser U16A; Kelsey Purdon U16A; Peyton Bradfield U15A; Amy Mills U14A; Bridget Mildenhall U13A; Ciana Daniels U14B.
- Basketball: Lungisa Duruwe U18A; Mihlali Nxopo U18A; Liyema Ngcete U16A.
- Equestrian: Alison Knight.
- Hockey: Aimee-Leigh Pote U18A; Amy Mills U14A; Courtney Trow U18B; Ella Denton U16B; Emma Fraser U16B; Ciana Daniels U14B.

Jacques girls featured prominently at the various school awards ceremonies this year - it must be noted that the awards listed here are new awards which means that those who already have awards from previous years are not listed under the 2015 recipients.

- Standards were awarded to: Margaret Awobokun-Allanso (Hockey); Sheree Purdon (Academics and Hockey); Courtney Trow (Squash); Kristen Sandys-Thomas (Hockey); Ella Denton (Swimming and Hockey); Kelsey Purdon (Tennis and Water Polo); Conna Van Blerk (Hockey and Water Polo); Taryn Victor (Tennis); Emma Fraser (Hockey and Water Polo); Bianca Walker (Water Polo); Ivana Hoops (Choir); Yonela Mngandi (Choir); Sixolisiwe Mrwebo (Choir); Sanelisiwe Ndlebe (Choir and Academics); Sarena Thurairatnam (Choir); Babongile Bidla (Debating); Lungisa Duruwe (Music) Lubabalo Zote (Music); Tsepang Teele (Debating).
- Colours were awarded to: Maria Caporossi (Toastmasters); Ashleigh Purdon (Toastmasters); Shannon Andrew (Academics); Margaret Awobokun-Allanso (Netball); Courtney Trow (Hockey); Mihlali Nxopo (Basketball).
- Honours were awarded to: Ashleigh Purdon (Academics) and Nicola

There were further notable achievements from the Jacques girls which epitomizes the fact that the girls have seized every opportunity offered to them at Kingswood.

- Sportswoman of the Year: Aimee-Leigh Pote
- 1st on Year in Grade 10: Sanelisiwe Ndlebe
- 2nd on Year in Grade 9: Liyema Ngcete
- Chapel Stewards: Justine Bowker (Deputy Head) and Babongile Bidla
- Alexa Archibald sailed in the Hobie 16 Nationals with her dad where they achieved 5th place overall.
- Tina Madasa served as Treasurer on the Grahamstown Presidents Award Youth Committee.

My best wishes go to our leadership team for 2016 - Leanne Lampen (Head of Jacques House), Alexa Archibald (Deputy Head), Courtney Trow (College Prefect), Jenny Ban and Nkosazana Ndlovu (Senior Monitors). I



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am confident they will lead Jacques House forward with confidence, firmness and consistency always being mindful of the individual needs and different characters of the girls. Their challenge is to create a unified, disciplined and happy family in Jacques which is their home away from home. I look forward to working alongside them as well as their fellow Grade 12s who also have an important leadership role to play in the House. Together they will provide a strong leadership structure.

A special thanks to Ms Sindi Zamani (Assistant Houseperson) for all her support during this past year. Her kind, gentle approach and loyalty to the House is valuable and does not go unnoticed. Her engagement to Sizwe Beyi and their wedding planned for 2016 has brought much excitement to the House. It is with sadness that we bid farewell to our four Student Assistants, Emma Olley, Kate Sedgwick, Tayla McCarthy and Kelsey-Rae Lawrence. They have been an amazing team always being helpful and supportive.

A big thanks to Mrs Redelinghuys, Matron of Jacques House, together with the two cleaning staff Rita and Phindiwe. We appreciate all the work you do behind the scenes in keeping the House clean and attending to all the laundry. All three of you are very much part of the Jacques House family.

Thank you to all the parents for your support and positive input throughout the year. Jacques House will always be a second home for your daughters. It is always wonderful to watch the interaction among the girls and the manner in which they care for each other especially in time of need. It has been a privilege to care for your daughters and may Jacques House grow in strength and continue to be a successful and happy home for its girls.

My best wishes to all the girls remaining in Jacques House for 2016. Each new year brings with it unique challenging times, sad times, happy times, busy times and fun times which will provide us with a wonderful cocktail of what life is all about. We, as a team, will no doubt grow through dealing with these challenges which will ensure that 2016 will be a great year for the Jacques family.

■ DHOBSON











Bridget Mildenhall and Amy Mills at the Spring Social



# JAGGER HOUSE

he start of 2015 saw a new broom sweeping through the upper echelons of Jagger. With only Mr Stickells remaining from the previous year, the boys were given the demanding task of breaking in a new Housemaster, two new Student Assistants and a new Matron. We have all survived the year relatively unscathed, and no doubt we all have a much better understanding of how we all think and approach the running of the House. For this, a big vote of thanks must be extended to the boys, who have made this year a relatively easy one for us 'newbies'. To a man they have lived up to the high expectations that they set for themselves. It was these expectations which saw us retain the Interhouse Shield - an achievement that all of the boys and girls of Jagger can be proud of.

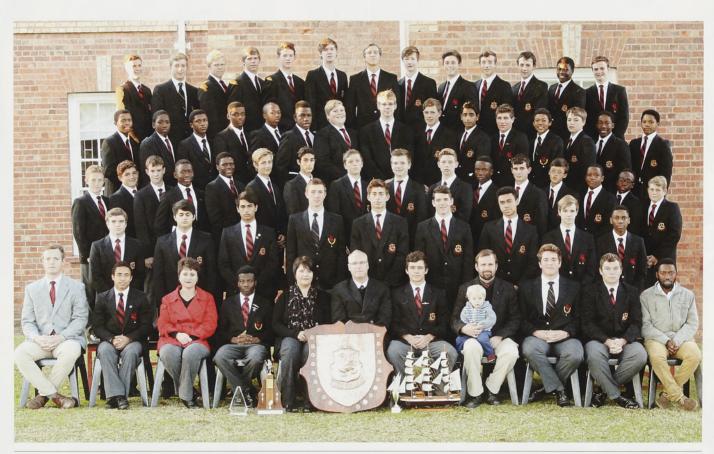
This year saw the influx of personal devices for use in the classrooms by Grade 8s and 9s. This innovation has certainly provided us with a number of challenges, and will continue to keep us on our toes moving forward. We have learnt the hard way that we need to monitor the use of the devices in order to ensure that they are used for their primary purpose (which, contrary to what some might think, is not games!). Overall, Jagger have performed decently on the academic front, although there is always room for improvement.

Jagger has contributed heavily to the cultural life of the College this

year. Team Hassanali did us proud in the Best Speaker's competition, and our debating team were narrowly edged into second place in the Interhouse competition. Our juniors had a chance to show us what they could do on the stage, and did us all proud. The highlight, though, was the seniors' adaptation of "Communication Problems", one of the Fawlty Towers classics. Jordan Williams and Motsamai Rantsoareng are to be congratulated on their fine efforts in bringing this to the stage. The cast won all of the awards going, which showcases the talent Jagger possesses in this area. A special word of thanks must go to Mr Stickells for his advice and assistance to all of the Houses, which made the entire evening extremely entertaining.

It is on the sporting front that the boys (and girls) of Jagger have shown their mettle this year. Even though we are numerically one of the smallest Houses, we continue to punch well above our weight in Interhouse

I hope that they will look back at their time in Jagger with a sense of accomplishment at what they have done, and the friendships that they have forged.



### JAGGER HOUSE

Back Row: B Archibald, J Thorburn, H Robinson, J van Blerk, M Strachan, L Wray, C Matthews, J Lankester, J Williams, A Bouwer, C Rowlands, C Mutale, J Hart. Fourth Row: M Mrwebi, N Ndlebe, S Nkatsha, L Gora, S Dumezweni, B Banda, D Carter, M Nel, D Kemp, I Hassanali, H Wicks, C Daniels, A Hawkesworth,

Third Row: R van Niekerk, P Wansbury, M Wehmeyer, T Dimati, A Tonjeni, E Yates, V Bills, C Appelt, C Lombaard, B Harvey, S Ntlahla, L Wehmeyer, Q Caiger, L Klaasen, L Makobole, S Knight.

Second Row: M Opperman, N Dullabh, N Hassanali, S Savage, C Loock, R McCarthy, A Hoops, D Wolff, Q Maboza.

Front Row: Mr F Rubidge (Student Assistant), R Vermeulen, Ms C Butterworth (Matron), T Rusike (Deputy Head of House), Ms N Leiper, Mr J Leiper (Houseperson), C Toich (Head of House), L Stickells, Mr S Stickells (Assistant Houseperson), M van Breda, L Freitag, Mr M Mangi (Student Assistant).

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competitions. Our juniors shone in the Interhouse rugby, the squash and tennis players maintained their grips on these events, and we won the Interhouse Relays for athletics. The girls did us proud as well, claiming hockey and netball amongst others. In no other area is the Jagger spirit and ethos more clearly evident than in the determination we have shown on a variety of sports' fronts this year. Outside of the Interhouse competition, a number of the boys have represented the College with distinction in rugby, cricket, squash, tennis, athletics and swimming. Where there is a College team, there is a Jagger boy in the mix.

In 2015 the House has undergone a much-needed facelift, with the complete renovation of all of the dorms. This renovation has brought Jagger into line with the other Houses, and will ensure that we provide wonderful facilities to boys yet to grace our doors. A huge thank you must go out to Mr McNally and his crew for all of the work that they did in this regard, as well as for their wonderful support when repairs are needed. The juniors were ecstatic when a new wireless access point was installed in their dorm, although I suspect that their enthusiasm might not have been for the increased opportunities that they now have to engage with their e-books!

This year, we again are sad to bid farewell to important members of

the Jagger team. Mr Stickells leaves us to take up a post at Maritzburg College. We wish him all the best as he takes up the post of Director of Music. He has played an integral role in the House for the past few years, and we are certainly going to miss his creative input. Mr Rubidge also leaves us after a year as our Student Assistant. It has been wonderful to work with him, and he has played a large role in the lives of the boys this year. There will be continuity in that Mr Mangi and Ms Butterworth will continue in their roles next year. My thanks also go to them for all of their efforts this year.

Our Grade 12s leave at the end of the year, and will be missed when they are gone. They have played a large role in the Jagger story, and their contributions over the last five years have been immense. I hope that they will look back at their time in Jagger with a sense of accomplishment at what they have done, and the friendships that they have forged. They, as much as anyone else, will know what it means to be a part of this House, and what a special place it is. My thanks go particularly to Caimen Toich and Tino Rusike, who have provided solid leadership in the House this year. They have provided a sound platform for next year's leadership team to build on.

■ J LEIPER









# KIRKBY HOUSE

he year started off with the arrival of eight enthusiastic Grade 8 girls and four new senior girls who joined the Kirkby community. They all settled in quickly and have added greatly to the positive ethos that exists in the House. With the Kirkby numbers at full capacity, the House in 2015 was certainly a busy and fun-filled place to live in. The Grade 8s were an innovative, organized and a determined group of girls. They transformed the House for the Matric Dance, entertained us in the common room, fulfilled their duties with a sense of pride and were always coming up with new ways to 'prank' their Grade 12s. They certainly have proved to be wonderful additions to Kirkby. The House continues to be a happy place to live; the girls are encouraging and caring in their approach towards each other. With 60 girls in residence, there is never a moment without something happening: dancing, laughing, chatting, relaxing, rushing to and from school activities, a little crying with lots of supporting, praying, playing sport, studying, sleeping and most importantly a lot of loving.

The Grade 12s were a social and fun loving group. They must all be thanked for their contributions to the House over the past years. Mikaela Sesia, in her role as Head of Kirkby, set a good example for her peers and was a solid and determined leader. Her caring manner is what epitomized her year in this leadership role. Yolokazi Matroshe and Kami Nyangiwe must also be mentioned for the part they played, respectively, in their roles as Deputy Head and Senior Monitor. Sasha Kasperski must be commended on achieving 7 distinctions in her final Matric exams; Holly Cadle for her 4 distinctions and Melanie WankoKomb for achieving 99% for French. We are very proud of these girls. I wish all the Grade 12s much future success and look forward to having them back to come and visit their home away from home.

Our incoming leaders are Rufaro Maposa who will be the Head of Kirkby House, Kelsey Purdon as Deputy Head along with Ntombikayise Myeko who has been elected as the Senior Monitors. It is also an honour for Kirkby House to have Lutho Zono and Ashleigh Meyer as the incoming Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl for 2016 in our community. All of the Grade 11s have roles in the leadership structure for next year. They are a promising group who are enthusiastic and capable. I look forward to working with them in their newly appointed roles.

The Kirkby girls continue to show that they understand the importance of serving the community, with a large number of them being involved with both Interact and KCCPC. They have supported all the charity drives with enthusiasm and this remains one of their most endearing traits. Their support of the Santa Shoe Box project and in particular the Lebone Christmas Box project was absolutely wonderful; the time and effort that they put into this project was amazing.

The Kirkby Dinner was organised by the Grade 11 girls who did an outstanding job. The theme was 'Opulent Elegance', the décor was creative and beautiful and the entire evening was carried out in an elegant and lady-like manner. The girls were beautifully dressed and certainly looked a picture of elegance. The Student Assistants gave a wonderful speech and had us in stiches of laughter as they relayed stories of their experiences throughout the year. The Grade 8 presentations to their senior mentors were emotional and heartwarming. The special bonds that are created and friendships that have formed will last for a life time. This 'ladies only' evening was a celebration of a successful year and



Back Row: L Mvuza, S Nyanda, C Donian, M Wanko Komb, L Griplas, H Cadle, G Sargent, A Sifumba, E Banister, Q Mapoma, K Mugerwa-Sekawabe Fourth Row: A Meyer, H Lewis, K Cawood, C Hobson, L Bega, T Schwedhelm, E Kingwill, N Myeko, N Lombaard, T Labuschagne, S Klopstra, L Mbetshu Third Row: Y Bukula, D Adams, S Whittington-Ferreira, A Xundu, E Albers, A Daniels, G Cadle, J Cheng, U Kuzwayo, H Deysel, K Mutuku, H Phillips, B Sithole, S Nomoyi, I Joubert.

Second Row: L Gambale, S Sicholo, R Maposa, C da Costa, C van Rensburg, H Paruk, Z Mageza, M Dukada, B Rantsoareng, D Mwanyika, L Zono, M Opperman, T van Niekerk, A Sesia.

Front Row: Ms M Moss (Student Assistant), Ms N Ross (Assistant Houseperson), K Nyangiwe, Mrs C Redelinghuis (Matron), Y Matroshe(Deputy Head of House), Mrs T van Molendorff (Houserperson), Mr G van Molendorff, M Sesia (Head of House), M Lindhorst, S Kasperski, Ms E Poock (Student Assistant), Ms B Barrowcliffe (Student Assistant).























the toasting of many more good years to come. The following trophies were awarded: Grade 8 Fellowship Award went to Basadi Sithole; the Kirkby Good Fellowship Award to Kami Nyangiwe; the Kirkby Service Award as well as the Leadership trophy deservingly went to Mikaela Sesia. All the Grade 11 girls deserve accolades for the organization of this special evening.

The House outing to Impekweni was again enjoyed by all the girls. This year also saw the introduction of a tea hosted by the Grade12 girls for the Grade 12 boys in Gane and Wood House. This was held in our common room and was an enjoyable morning. Breakfast on the lawn with Jacques House has also become a tradition and a great morning of camaraderie and relaxing in the sun on the lawn between the two Houses. A midnight fire drill combined with an Easter egg hunt was enjoyed by most, while some sleepy heads battled to find their humour and their Easter treats. We again ended the year off with a Santa party, which started off with a combined Jacques and Kirkby braai were after the girls shared secret Santa gifts. Highlights of the year where the Formal Dances; the Interact fashion show, Socials, Grade activities, Wood House Valentine's day serenade, movie nights and our beloved hot chocolate evenings.

The Kirkby girls continue to actively involve themselves in all areas of life at Kingswood College. There are many talented young ladies in the House and their contributions can be seen throughout the magazine. We are proud of all their achievements; academically, culturally and

on the sports field. Special mention must be made of Kyaterekera Mugerwa-Sekawabe who received Colours for basketball; Hannah Lewis who received Colours for both netball and hockey and Ashleigh Meyer who received Colours for netball and Honours for water polo. Lutho Zono received Colours for her contribution to the Choir. Dayle Adams went on a 4 week exchange and from all accounts was an excellent ambassador for Kingswood.

A big thank you must go to our Student Assistants: Megan Moss, Emma Pook and Brittaney Barrowcliffe for all that they have done over the past year. They have added greatly to the lives of the girls and it is with great sadness that we said goodbye to them. We are incredibly grateful for all that they contributed over the past year and they will be missed. Mrs Redelinghuys continues to wave her magic wand all over the House; Rebecca and Lungi remain committed to the Kirkby girls showering them with kindness. We are so thankful for the effort they put into making Kirkby a Home we can proud of.

We, sadly, had to bid farewell to Ms Ross. Her spontaneity, laughter, energy and calm manner are going to be greatly missed. She has fulfilled her role as Assistant Houseperson with dedication and commitment. We thank her for all that she has done and wish her much future happiness.

Home is where *love* resides, *memories* are created, *friends* always belong and *laugher* never ends. I look forward to again being part this wonderful 'Home away from Home' in 2016.

**■** T VAN MOLENDORFF



# Wood House

Housemaster: Mr Zweli Mbenyana
Assistant Housemaster: Mr Gareth Shaw
Matron: Sister Ellen Starke

**Student Assistants:** Mr Lester Sigauke, Mr Dean Ferreira

and Mr Cameron Braans

**Intern:** Mr Stegmann van Zyl

Head of House:Jeffrey TheronDeputy Head of House:Vaughan MeyerSenior Monitor:Kegan Boman

nother year has come and gone in the 'Republic of Wood House'!. At the beginning of the year, we welcomed ten Grade 8 boys: Thomas Klopstra, Mike Krige, Cebo Mancapa, Sixolise Nyangiwe, Cheren Pepper, Matthew Pieterse, Quintin Shiel, Simeon Smit, Julian Whittemore and Timothy Walgaard (left at the end of second term). We also welcomed Joshua Tam in Grade 11, who did not return after the half term break of first term - boarding can be a challenge to those who have been at home during most of their school career.

I need to commend the matric body who provided stern leadership throughout this year, but especially Jeff Theron, the Head of House, and his deputy Vaughan Meyer. We had hiccups, like any moving engine, but nothing was too hard to handle. The boys stuck together as a House throughout. As always, the Settler's Dam retreat at the start of first term was used to inculcate the sense of belonging and pride of being a true 'Republican', and demonstrate Ubuntu amongst the values

demonstrated on the Wood House Wagon Wheel.

Boys have shown a lot of "gees" in Interhouse events, despite some not ending in our favour. We won the Interhouse swimming gala. Bradley Deysel and his crew did well in producing our play entitled "The Apple" for the Interhouse drama event.

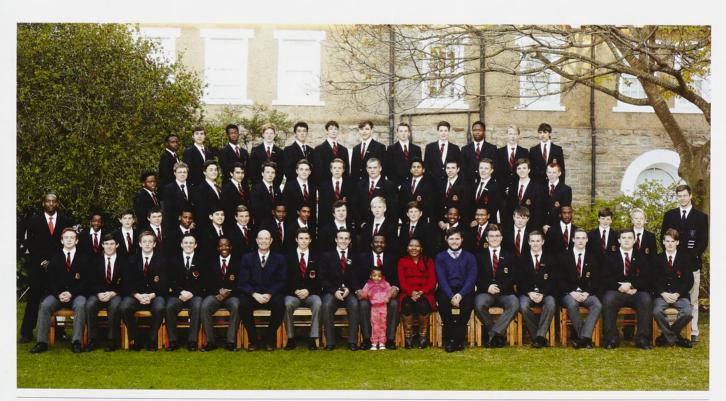
On the sporting front, many of our boys were selected for **provincial teams**. Nicholas Wilmot made U15 hockey, Jimmy Sholto-Douglas U17 cricket, and William Stapleton (U17), Luke Kingwill (U17), Bryce Butterworth (U16) and Thomas Klopstra (U14) all made their respective age groups for EP water polo teams.

Wood House boys also featured strongly in various internal Kingswood awards: **Most improved academic endeavours:** Sandiso Charles (Grade 9), Jimmy Sholto-Douglas (Grade 11) and William Balaile (Grade 12).

Luke Kingwill received Honours in academics, which is a remarkable achievement and I congratulate him on this outstanding feat. **Headmaster's Commendation certificates** were awarded to: Mike Krige (Grade 8), Simeon Smit (Grade 8), Etienne Marais (Grade 9), Matthew Jennings (Grade 11), Luke Kingwill (Grade 11) and Tyler Walker (Grade 11).

**Academic Top achievers** were: Simeon Smit, Etienne Marais and Luke Kingwill.

The following boys received **Standards** for **Cultural** events: Hlaks Qangule for Choir, Oliver Kingwill for Drama and Matthew Jennings for Toastmasters. On the sporting front, Colours were awarded to JeffTheron and Jimmy Sholto-Douglas for rugby, William Stapleton and Jake O'Neil for water polo and to Jon Theron for sailing. Standards were awarded



### **WOOD HOUSE**

Back Row: C Kahla, D Moore, T Pheko, T Klopstra, J Sholto-Douglas, W Stapleton, T Walker, O Kingwill, S Exley, S Bidla, R Walgaard, M Lewis.

Third Row: S Charles, L Kingwill, W Shiel, C Morel, F Weylandt, C Day, E Marais, B Deysel, M Chughtai, B van Houten, M Jennings, S Smit, N Stone.

Second Row: Mr L Sigauke (Student Assistant), C Mancapa, Q Shiel, N Wilmot, S Nyangiwe, C Pepper, B Butterworth, T Seamatha, S Govender, N Dowdle, T Walgaard, M Krige, J Strydom, H Qangule, M Wilmot, A Hoyi, M Pieterse, J Whittemore, Mr D. Fereirra (Student Assistant).

Front Row: J Taylor, J Wilmot, J O'Neil, J Theron, W Balaile, Mr G Shaw (Assistant Housemaster), V Meyer (Deputy Head of House), J Theron (Head of House),

Mr Z Mbenyana (Housemaster), Ms N Mbenyana, Mrs L Mbenyana, Mr C Braans (Student Assistant), K Boman (Senior Monitor), B Wilmot, A Baxter,

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J L'Ange, S McCabe.

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to William Balaile for basketball and Bryce Butterworth for water polo.

All Houses at Kingswood have a positive vibe but Wood House has one where everybody interacts with each other from Grade 8 to 12. This spirit is unique and special. Day boys always feel welcome in the House at all times. One of our day scholars once commented: "Wood House feels like real home". At our annual Wood House dinner, which was enjoyed by all who attended, Matthew Jennings was awarded the Peter Savage Memorial Trophy for "The Best Ambassador for Wood House". The O'Neil Shield for the "Best Mentor to his Junior" went to Jon Theron for Sandiso Charles as his junior, and Jake O'Neil for Camagu Kahla as his junior.

I would also like to wish the 2016 leadership all of the best in taking our Wagon Workshop to the next level. To Jimmy, Matthew, Felix and the entire matric body – the boys of Wood House will be satisfied with your leadership if you can exhibit the following qualities: integrity, loyalty, pride in the College, House and self, respect, caring and tolerance of others, willingness to serve others first, consistency, firmness and fairness, leadership by example, discipline and self-control.

Lastly, I would like to thank all the parents for their support, Sister Starke for her guidance and help, Ntosh for her patience in the laundry room and the corridors of the House, the Student Assistants, messrs Lester Sigauke, Dean Fereirra and Cameron Braans and my Assistant, Gareth Shaw. Thank you to one and all - your support is much appreciated.

### **■** ZMBENYANA











# BRIDGING YEAR

he Bridging Year (BY) programme offers students an opportunity to experience an after-school year where they can develop a holistic view for their lives. The aim this year has been to allow for situations where the students learn to become responsible and accountable for life's challenges. They have been engaged at all levels in the decision-making processes in the House, which I believe empowers them to make wise choices that will ultimately affect their destiny.

This year we had fourteen students in the Kingswood BY class. Four of the students have previous Kingswood College links (Class of 2014), six are from a number of well-known schools in South Africa (East London, Port Elizabeth, Port Alfred and Plettenberg Bay) and two are from New Zealand and Zimbabwe. For the first time in many years, two girls joined the BY programme. The students come to Kingswood with different requirements ranging from improving matric subject marks to needing time to settle on career paths. The BY programme provides an ideal 'life after school' gap year experience to meet these needs.

The group gelled into a formidable team and encouraged one another to reach the goals that they set for themselves. The camaraderie in the House was heartening as they fed off each others' humour, support and friendship. It must be noted that some of the students had not been exposed to boarding life or a co-educational environment, and adapting to life at Kingswood became part of the BY experience.

In order to meet the requirements of tertiary educational institutions, the students were afforded the opportunity to register to re-write a minimum of 3 Grade 12 subjects (IEB or SNC). This required that the students attend lessons regularly and maintain a positive approach to their studies. With guidance and determination, the students successfully embraced the academic routine that exists at Kingswood. They became focused and their work ethic within the House was exemplary. The students' academic marks reflected this approach and we are expecting good results at the end of the year.

Students that have did not select to re-write Grade 12 subjects were encouraged to select UNISA courses that they can continue to study once they have left Kingswood. Three students registered for specific courses (BCom Economics, Business Management, Sports Management), and impressed with the positive and mature way that they approached their studies. They were responsible and accountable for their studies (assignments, tests, examinations) as there were no teachers (lecturers) chasing after them.

The other major component of the programme was the development of Life Skills such as a cookery course and a Level 1 Fist Aid course. They have also participated in a number of physical activities that have challenged their limitations – Open Water Diving, Skydiving, Rhino Capture, 8 km Canoe Trail up the Kleinemonde River and Adventure-based Learning (Fort Fordyce and Elandsberg).

It has been encouraging to witness the way in which the students have stood beside and supported each other as they were stretched psychologically, emotionally and physically. Where would they have been exposed to such extremes had they ventured into adult life? This is what is so unique about the Kingswood Bridging Year programme - it gives the students an opportunity to discover themselves as they are exposed to many different challenges (academic, social, physical, emotional, physiological and physiological) in a supportive environment.

The students were also involved in the Colleges' sports programme and enjoyed the challenges both on and off the field. Here we have to acknowledge the achievements of Garrick Mattheus (EP Kings U19 Rugby, the SA U19 Curry Cup Winners) and Jeremy Ives (Zimbabwe U.19 Cricket Touring Team to Bangladesh). Brad Haller, Kingswood 1st Team captain, has also been selected to captain the Warriors Cubs that will play in the SA cricket franchise 'Cubs Week'.

I believe that the BY group of 2015 will leave Kingswood knowing that they can accomplish anything that they set their minds to. I wish them well in their endeavours for 2016 and for their futures.

# ■ I KNOTT-CRAIG



BRIDGING YEARS

Back Row: J Kockott, J Barkhuizen, J Ives, E Mager. Second Row: J Russell, G Mattheus, R Victor, A Falford, B Haller, D Nyland, J Shelley. Front Row: Mr M Lovatt (Student Assistant), A Matyunu, N Mbetshu, Mrs A Knott-Craig, Mr I Knott-Craig (Co-orinator), K Boshoff, Mr G Makoni, Mr L Willetts (Student Assistant).

# **Chaplain's Report**



would like to express my sincere gratitude for the support that I have received since my arrival at Kingswood in January 2012. Kingswood College has indeed become a home away from home. My thanks go to the following people: Bishop A Mbete of the Grahamstown District, the Kingswood College Council, the Old Kingswoodians, the Kingswood College Head, the Head of the Senior School, the Head of the Junior School, the ministerial colleagues in the Grahamstown Circuit, the Matrons, Housepersons, Music Department, the pastoral care colleagues (the Sisters at the San and the School Counsellor), Staff (Academic, Admin, Support, Ground, Catering, IT, Printing, Communications, Maintenance, Sports, Wyvern and the cleaning staff), confirmation leaders and the assistant leaders, the Presidents of the Spirituality groups, the Student Assistant in the office of the Chaplain, Mr Sigauke, Junior and Senior Chapel Stewards and last but certainly not least, my family. I thank you all for your tireless and endless support

over the past years. I would not have been able to touch the lives of the Kingswood pupils by myself without your support, which made it possible to embrace the Presiding Bishop's theme on "Together transforming a discipleship movement."

I thank God who enabled the Kingswood pupils and parents to feel at ease to discuss issues close to their hearts. As stated in my annual report in 2014, "It has indeed been an honour to serve as College Chaplain in this fine institution." It has been in this place where, through prayers, the sick were healed, those with depression found a safe space in my office ("in Heaven" as the office is referred to!) to offload, those who lost their beloved ones were comforted, those who were betrayed by friends found hope in their hopelessness, those who were home-sick returned back to their Houses with smiles, those with family problems received strength from God's Word – the list is endless. I can truly say that many who attended the weekly and Sunday Chapel services experienced God's unconditional love. Those who entered the Chapel were able to return to their Houses with strength from our Lord who empowers us. The Bread was broken and the Wine was shared during the termly Holy Communion services.

# Highlights:

# **SERVICES**

The year began with the Academic and non-academic staff Holy Communion Service and the Induction Service of the new staff. This was a compulsory service for the Kingswood community. Other services for the first term were Ash Wednesday, the Service of the Shadows, Foundation Day service, and 121st College Foundation service which was led by the Bishop of the Grahamstown District, Bishop Mbete.

In the second term, we celebrated the Ascension Service and the Chapel Anniversary Service. This year's Chapel Anniversary was attended by the first females who were pupils of the College for the first time in its history. These services connected us with our Christian tradition and our





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Methodist ethos. We were indeed reminded about our tradition and our roots as we worshiped and sang the well-known hymns -"Till we meet again" with Kingswoodians who came back for their reunions.

The Valedictory Service for the BY's was celebrated in the third term, followed by the Confirmation Service which took place during Parents' Week. The service was led by the Bishop of the Anglican Church, Bishop Ntlali of the Grahamstown Diocese. This service served as an opportunity for the Confirmands to publicly declare their faith. Three confirmands volunteered to share with the College a testimony of their confirmation journey. It was encouraging to hear what God was doing in their lives and it is my hope that they will be able to challenge their peers to reinforce their faith. The following services were then celebrated: the Matric Valedictory Service, Matric Leavers and Thanksgiving Service and the Carol Service.

## SPIRITUALITY GROUPS

It has been through these spiritual leaders that issues affecting young people and children, including the termly College themes, were contextualised through peer-to-peer ministry. It has become a "tradition" for these groups to commence each term with a workshop led by one of the Presidents to reflect and plan for the term ahead. Similarly, these leaders had opportunities to be part of UNITY (Schools such as DSG, SAC, Graeme and VG). These meetings became a place where pupils worshiped, listened to the Word of God and prayed together with other schools. As the Chaplains of the three Independent Schools in Grahamstown, we have made it possible for UNITY to succeed.

### CONFIRMATION ASSISTANCE LEADERS

The confirmation assistance leaders have been a great help since we commenced with confirmation classes this year. The confirmation class was taught about different methods of prayer and quiet times, issues affecting them as teens and the Apostle's Creed. The Scripture Union Independent Schools in Grahamstown Unity leaders assisted us with the Confirmation Camp. The confirmands deepened their relationship with God through worship, sessions at the *Monastery*, personal testimonies and the stages of the cross. The Confirmation Camp with a balanced input on Christian values and activities helped them to bond together as a group.

# JUNIOR AND SENIOR CHAPEL STEWARDS

The Stewards continue to meet on Monday and Friday mornings for devotions and praying for Kingswood pupils to take the message of

Jesus to heart. Their role involved praying and reading scriptures, being creative in taking Chapel services when requested and supporting each other during stressful times like exams. Furthermore, the Senior Chapel Stewards embarked on a retreat this term where their responsibilities as the Assistant Chapel Stewards and Senior Chapel Stewards were explored and highlighted. This was also an opportunity to bid farewell to the present Rev and to be ready for the "new" Rev.

# KIND WITH A MISSION (KWAM)

KWAM has created an atmosphere that allows pupils in the Junior School to feel comfortable with each other and to learn about God's nature and God's ways. This organization encouraged the Junior School to reinforce and deepen their relationship with God through exciting spiritual activities.

### **WORSHIP TEAM**

The role of the Worship Team has been to lead worship during the House Chapel Services, at KWAM and at the SCA Friday gatherings. Members use their God-given gifts to minister to the College community and at the combined SCA gatherings (DSG, SAC, Graeme and KC).

### THE STUDENT CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION (SCA)

(SCA) had an opportunity to pray and to plan at the beginning of each term. The President challenged the committee to become prayer warriors and for the SCA to be known for this. It has been in view of this that the SCA has been successful this year and stronger than ever with many pupils sticking around on Friday evenings to enjoy the quiet times during worship.

# **DEVOTIONAL LEADERS**

Devotional leaders at Intermediate House and the Student Assistant in the Chaplain's office at Boys' Village managed to facilitate spiritual growth amongst children in these Houses. Chapel themes and other topics suggested by the leaders enabled both boys and girls to grow spiritually in this discipleship ministry.

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community engagement and partnerships with other schools in Grahamstown has remained central to who we are (children helping children program). The relationships within the different parts of the College have been strengthened and developed. Pupils have learnt together in other subjects such as Science and Afrikaans. They joined

















It has been humbling to comfort pupils during the loss of their family members, listening to their stories of success and disappointment and assisting them to resolve conflicts.



together in cultural activities through Pre-Primary, Junior School, Intermediate House (knitting for the aged), President's Awards, Grade 8 class, Sports, Music, Interact and KCCPC projects. The College participated in the "67 minutes for Mandala" Day by collecting and buying different items to touch the lives of those who are less privileged beyond our Kingswood walls. The following organizations received donations from the Junior School: Home of Joy, Child Welfare, Ikhaya Losizo and Lebone. The Senior School donated to the following organizations: Jack & Jill, Lebone, Red Cross and McKenzie Old Age Homes. Lebone Centre remains very close to us in different ways: for example, through the help of Mrs Schweyer, a group of Grade 8 and 9 pupils meet and interact with a group of children from St Mary's Day Care every Tuesday afternoon. Similarly the Junior School Mentoring Committee made combined posters with the ACE children. This year has also been a special year for the Lebone Centre. It was such a joy to observe and listen to the children during one of the 10-year celebrations. I was also honored to receive a gift at this event. Moreover, it was such a blessing to see my predecessor, Rev Tim Rist, who founded this Centre, at one of the celebrations.

# KCCPC

KCCPC continues to develop under the leadership of Dr Appelt who motivates our Kingswood pupils to engage in a variety of activities with the ACE children from Lebone during enrichment on Tuesdays. Kingswood pupils ended off the year's programme by assisting the children with the creation of decor for their Christmas play which they plan to attend.

# THE CATHOLIC CONFIRMATION CLASS

The Catholic pupils journeyed with their facilitator, Mrs Duxbury, for at least two years. The Housepersons assisted with transport for pupils to attend the Mass. This year, the confirmands covered the Communion of Saints prayer and the life of the spirit, a world without end and the sacrament of confirmation. The confirmands have all made their sacrament of reconciliation. They also had a compulsory retreat which was held on the second term. The highlight for this year was the Confirmation Service which also took place at St Patrick's Church. This was attended by the Heads of the School, parents and the staff. All parents and pupils were invited for tea at Kingswood College afterwards. The 2015 Catholic confirmation classes would not have taken place

without the help of Mrs Duxbury who is also a parent at the College. My thanks to her for the work well done. She will continue her journey with the next group for 2016 to 2017.

## CHAPLAINS' CONFERENCE

Prior to the National Chaplains' meeting, we held the Independent Schools' Methodist Chaplains' meeting for the first time at our College. The Chaplains were joined by Bishop Mbete, Rev Prof Stephen Hendricks (Mission Unit - Co-ordinator Education Task Team), the College Head and the Head of Senior School. The highlights of this meeting were the presentation from the Chaplains about their schools, the Church perspective on education, a paper on Methodist ethos and RE-curriculum. At the end of the meeting, the Methodist Chaplains joined the National Chaplains' Conference organized by the Chaplains of the three schools (DSG, SAC and KC) in Grahamstown and Mrs Cathy Braans. The Chaplains had an opportunity to be hosted in three different venues at our Colleges. Thanks go to the FINCOM for their generosity in providing a free lunch for all the Chaplains when they came to our campus. It was a pleasure to have the College Head welcome the Chaplains at our morning devotions in the Kingswood College Chapel. Furthermore, the Chaplains were inspired by the presentation of the Chairperson of the Council, Mrs Di Hornby, on community engagement.

# MINISTRY OF PRESENCE

It has been a blessing to wish the players (Junior and Senior pupils) good luck and giving them positive feedback after the matches despite the scores. Visiting the pupils in the Houses and creating a safe space to talk in my office throughout the year, helped me to connect with boys and girls in a special way. It has been humbling to comfort pupils during the loss of their family members, listening to their stories of success and disappointment and assisting them to resolve conflicts.

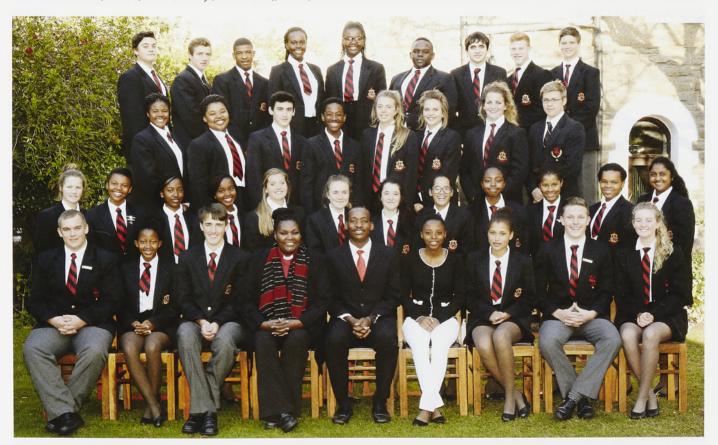
In conclusion, Simon Mainwaring's sayings beautifully summarize my appreciation: "The simple act of saying 'thank you' is a demonstration of gratitude in response to an experience that was meaninaful to a customer or citizen." Kingswoodians, thank you for welcoming the Sibekos to Kingswood College. I can truly say I am now a Kingswoodian – once a Kingswoodian, always a Kingswoodian!

## ■ REV M SIBEKO



**CATHOLIC CONFIRMATION** 

Back Row: A Hoyi, P Duxbury, A Meyer, T Schwedhelm, B Duxbury, S Exley, E Williamson, A Archibald, C Daniels. Front Row: Y Bukula, H Lewis, Mrs D Duxbury (Co-ordinator), B Dold, A Xundu.



# CONFIRMATION

Back Row: W Shiel, T Whitehead, O Mbewu, K Mugerwa-Sekawabe, N Sibeko, L Nongwana, B Dold, M Gardner, C van Aardt.

Third Row: A Sifumba, A Jonas, G Sesia, J Strydom, B Walker, K von Holdt, N Lombaard, L Kingwill.

Second Row: C van Blerk, T Madasa, D Mwanyika, M Dukada, E Fraser, R Knight, A Sesia, R Basson, Z Mageza, M Nodada, Y Mnqandi, S Thurairatnam.

Front Row: B Deysel (Assistant Leader), R Maposa (Assistant leader), S Thomas (Assistant Leader), Rev M Sibeko (Chaplain), Mr L Sigauke (President), Z Mbobo (Leader), L Duruwe (Assistant Leader), M Jennings (Assistant Leader), K Cawood (Assistant Leader).

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CONFIRMATION LEADERS
Back Row: K Cawood, M Jennings, R Maposa.
Front Row: B Deysel, Mr L Sigauke (Assistant), Rev M Sibeko (Chaplain), S Thomas.



JUNIOR AND SENIOR CHAPEL STEWARDS
Back Row: C Wilmot, L Webb, S Pyle, L Mbenyana, S Makgatlhe.
Second Row: R Kombe, L Zono, N Myeko, M Jennings, B Bidla, J Maritz, E Webber.
Front Row: B Deysel, B Wilmot (Spiritual Convenor & Holy Communion Steward), Mr L Sigauke (Assistant), M Sesia (The Head of the Chapel), Rev M Sibeko (Chaplain), J Bowker (Deputy Head of the Chapel), S Thomas.



KCCPC
Back Row: K Koch, E Banister, N Kamardinova, L Jacobs.
Front Row: K Toich, Dr I Appelt, B Trafford, Rev M Sibeko (Chaplain), H Cadle.



KWAM
Back Row: T Madasa, H Lewis, C Kahla, Z Mageza.
Front Row: Mr L Sigauke (Assistant), A Purdon (Deputy Head), Rev M Sibeko (Chaplain), A Pote (Head), B Bidla.

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# **SCA COMMITTEE**

Back Row: A Pote, J Theron, J Hart, A Purdon, M Jennings, K Nyangiwe, L Gambale.
Front Row: Mr D Jackman (President of Worship Team), Mr M Stead (President), M Sesia (Head), Rev M Sibeko (Chaplain), L Turner (Deputy Head).



# **WORSHIP TEAM**

Back Row: L Zote, I Mager, S Smit, Z Mageza, A Sesia.
Front Row: N Sibeko, Mr D Jackman (President), Rev M Sibeko (Chaplain), K Nyangiwe (Head), T Pitcher (Deputy Head).

# **ICDP Trust / LEBONE Centre**

he ICDP Trust celebrated the 10th anniversary of its founding in November. This milestone has been an opportunity to reflect on the journey that the Trust, the Lebone Centre and Kingswood College have walked together over the last decade.

Founding principles of the Trust were the creation of a vehicle for Kingswood to explore its Methodist calling to service, and staying true to the College mission statement of being a transforming influence in our society. From the outset it was recognised that relationship-building within the wider community is a crucial part of community engagement.

Kingswood College was instrumental in enabling the Trust to purchase the building at No. 15 Currie Street that now houses the Lebone Centre. The Centre, which operates as an NGO with independent funding, opened its doors in January 2006 with the first intake of children into the Little Red Dragon Pre-School and the ACE aftercare programme. Although one of the original aims was to provide a haven for children affected and infected with HIV/AIDS, the successes of the National Anti-retroviral Campaign has completely transformed this need at community level. The Lebone Centre responded to these changes with the development of a strong focus on ECD and Literacy Programmes. The current, multi-faceted Lebone Literacy Programme has its roots in a small pilot project driven by Cathy Gush in 2011. This year, between 500 and 600 children were reached in some way by projects run under the umbrella of the LLP and Early Literacy.

2015 has been a year of unprecedented growth at the Centre. A number of the Centre's projects have attracted national and international attention in the fields of ECD, Literacy and children's advocacy. The LLP was recognised by the Volkswagen Community Trust when they

launched their 25th birthday project in the Literacy field and we look forward to an exciting and on-going partnership with them. The multi-lingual classroom was piloted this

> year in the LRD. We have been visited by a number of role-players in the interesting academic debate of multi-lingual versus single language ECD that is currently a hot topic in ECD. The ACE programme continues to explore the ways in which vulnerable children can be supported and empowered to deal with the daily challenges that they face in their socio-economic conditions.

The Centre staff have been able to participate in a number of conferences, workshops and

continued professional development opportunities, which have created spaces to engage and network with colleagues and academics in the fields of ECD and Literacy.

The Centre has focused on relationships at all levels this year, and has benefitted from a number of important partnerships, particularly with GADRA Education and the Vestas Empowerment Trust, the DG Murray Trust, Literacy programme partners Shine, Workworks and Nal'ibali, Rhodes University (Community Engagement Office, Psychology Department and Student Wellness, Numeracy Chair) and Kingswood College. In addition, the Centre has to acknowledge the support we receive from all our donors as we could do nothing without their faith in the LC programmes.

The Lebone Centre is planning another busy and productive year in 2016, and will strive in the process to make a host of opportunities available to Kingswood pupils to become involved in meaningful and enriching community engagement.

■ B MATTHEWS CHAIRMAN ICDP TRUST





# **Academic Report**

evolutions come and go, but the one constant in the teaching equation (other than the pupil, of course) is the teacher. Over the last few years, we have heard much talk about the revolution that is needed in order for our profession to remain relevant in the 21st century. In fact, "The 21st Century" has become a phrase many of us would like to ban from the lexicon.

I am glad to report that, even though we have not shied away from the technological demands of this new epoch, the teacher is still very much alive and active in the Kingswood classroom. We embarked on the rolling out of the Google Apps for Education platform as well a digital textbook platform this year. The demands on academic staff to manage and embrace this dual process were immense. I am glad to report that they managed admirably.

In February, I attended an EdTech conference in Chicago. Here it became very apparent that the "gimmick factor" of technology in education is a thing of the past. The integration process has matured and the focus is firmly back on good pedagogy aided by technology where appropriate.

Further evidence of the refocusing on the role of the teacher came from this year's TEACH! Conference. Reflective practice, active engagement with each pupil, meaningful feedback after meaningful assessment and constructive relationship building are very much on the forefront in good teaching.

The purpose of this report is to celebrate the successes of the year. I have selected some of the highlights from the various departments' feedback on the 2014 final exams and the year thus far:

> Accounting: 25% of the 2014 class achieved A's with Fanie van der Westhuyzen's 93% standing out. The 64% average exceeded the IEB average. It is pleasing to note that Kingswood produced both the top Accounting 1 and the top Accounting Honours students at Rhodes for 2014.

- **Afrikaans:** Fanie van der Westhuyzen, Celeste du Toit and James Higgs were ranked amongst the top 1% nationally. The pupils produced no less than 11 A's and 15 B's which was reason for celebration. Both Junior and Senior pupils wrote the annual ATKV Gebruiksafrikaans Olympiad. Tanya Büttner and Meagan Koffie passed with distinction. Cobus van Zyl achieved an amazing 90% and was ranked fourth in the Eastern Cape and jointly seventh in South Africa and Namibia.
- History: The 2014 class produced a very good average of 72% with nearly two thirds of the class scoring above 70%.
- Natural Science: We participated in the Eskom Regional Science Expo at Rhodes University. Congratulations go to Chris Morel and Etienne Marais who won silver medals for their project on "the antibacterial effect of coffee on the bacteria in the human mouth" and to Camilla James and Kendra Willows who won gold medals for their project on "the effect of electronic device use on sleep patterns."
- Maths: We entered all our Mathematics pupils for the SAMF Olympiad, as we do each year. In the senior section (Grades 10-12), 43 pupils progressed to the second round and in the junior section (Grades 8 and 9), 25 pupils got through. Neschay Dullabh, our Grade 12 Mathematics prize winner, confirmed his supremacy in this subject by progressing to the third and final round of the competition. This is an amazing feat and we congratulate him on this sought after accolade.
- Science: This year, three pupils represented the school in the NMMU-hosted regional MINQUIZ and they came first in the province. I would want to congratulate James Taljaard, Jamie Nicholas and Neschay Dullabh for doing the school justice. The

results showed the positioning of Kingswood College in the Eastern Cape. Neschay Dullabh was ranked fourth in the regional MINQUIZ championship.

This is just a small sample of the richness of the Academic life at Kingswood. Add to this the participation in the English Olympiad. Schools' Festival, Arts Festival, lectures at Rhodes, three different AP Programmes, and one starts to get a glimpse of what our committed staff offer our pupils.

2015 will also see our first groups of Matriculants writing the final exams in Drama and EGD. We wish them well in their efforts.

# **■** JT OPPERMAN **DIRECTOR OF ACADEMICS**

# **ACCOUNTING**

The aim of Accounting is to place the pupils in the position of either being able to comfortably continue their studies in a commerce direction or use the knowledge gained effectively in everyday life. At the end of the Grade 9 year, the pupils have to decide whether to take Accounting. The Accounting component mark of EMS must be looked at, as well as the Mathematics and English marks, with Mathematics being especially important.

From a matric perspective, it was a successful set of results for the 2014 examinations especially as the examination was quite challenging. 25% of the class achieved A's with Fanie van der Westhuvzen's 93% standing out. The 64% average exceeded the IEB average.

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We are fortunate to continue our network with schools such as Roedean, Durban Girls' College, King David and Dainfern with regard to sharing of exam and test papers. This gets the classes used to the concept of external examiners from Grade 10.

Our Business Focus week saw a lecture on the National Budget while Mr David Davies gave an interesting talk on various investment opportunities available in the Grahamstown area.

The pupils are emailed resource material and memos while the formation of class Whatsapp groups have proved most useful. We have also been able to follow topical issues such as Nkandla and, unfortunately, the numerous issues of fraud that are all too prevalent in the media, while the unethical behaviour of Volkswagen proved an ideal topic to follow.

# ■ TTIMM



The Afrikaans Department had a productive and successful year. The Grade 12 class of 2014 produced the best Afrikaans marks in many years. Fanie van der Westhuvzen. Celeste du Toit and James Higgs were ranked amongst the top 1% nationally. The pupils produced no less than 11 A's and 15 B's which was reason for celebration. The Department commends the class of 2014 on their excellent results.



The Department was fortunate to be joined by Mr Stegmann

van Zyl, an intern, who contributed in all spheres of the Kingswood curriculum. As part of Kingswood's twinning partnership with Mary Waters Secondary School, the Department initiated a writing programme for Grade 11 and 12 pupils. The pupils were required to write poems and short stories. The pupils attended a creative writing workshop at NMMU during which they were taught the basic principles of creative writing by award winning poet, Prof Marius Crous. This exciting initiative is an on-going project which will hopefully lead to the pupils' creative work being published. Other projects are also being investigated in order for pupils from both schools to further their engagement with one another and promote the Afrikaans language in the process.

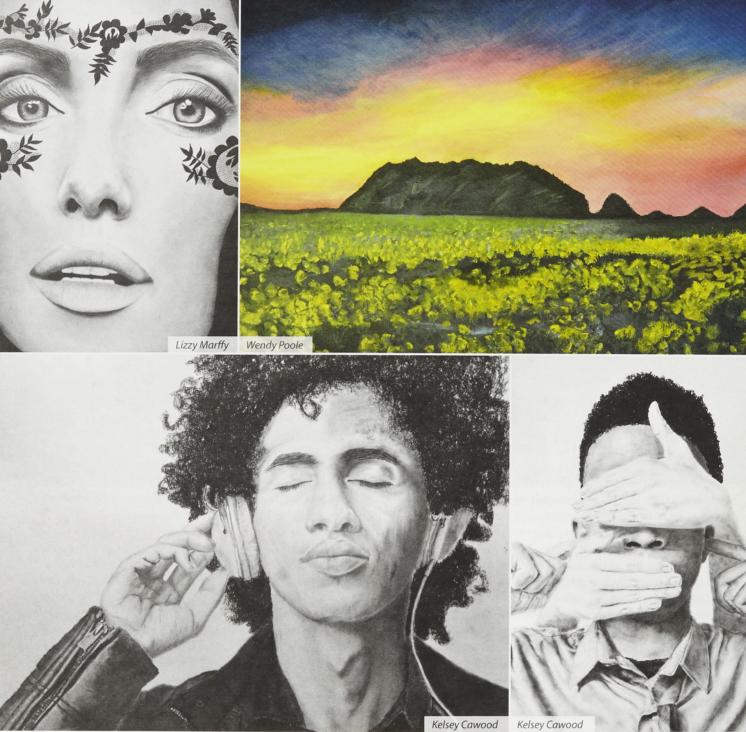
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I am exceptionally proud of the Department's achievements and would like to thank Mr Scholtz, Ms Muller, Ms Bakkes and Mr van Zyl for their hard work and support in the Department.

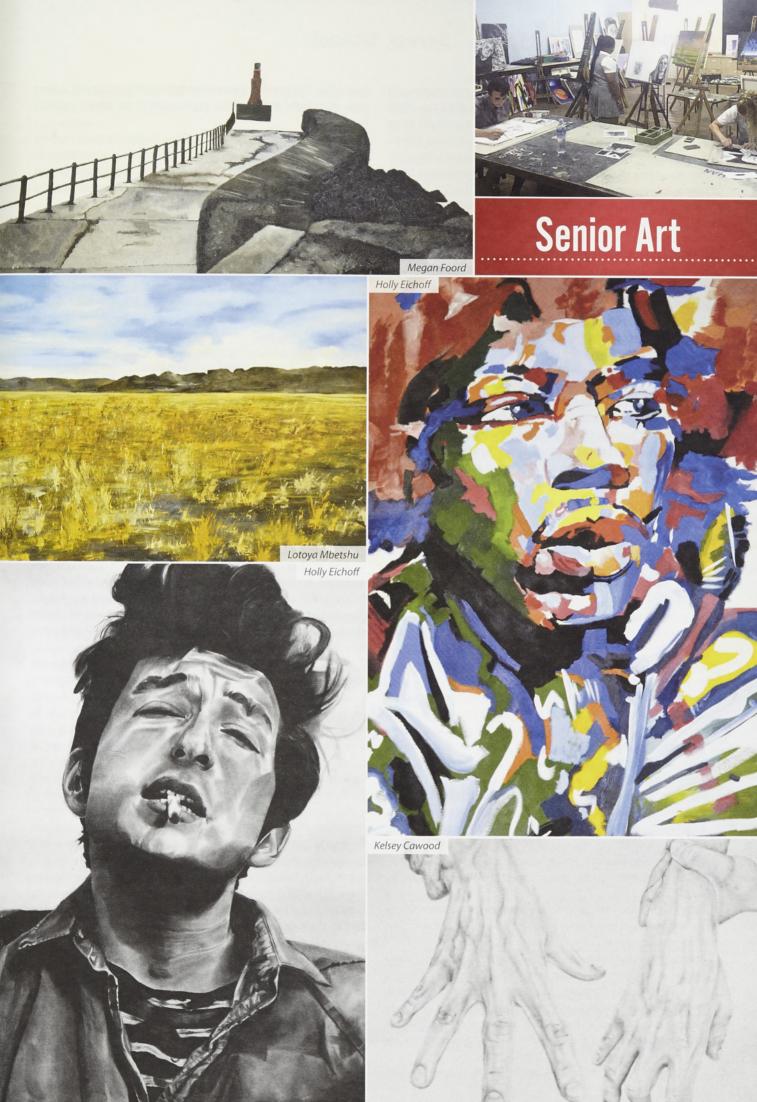
# D KOEN

There have been many definitions of Art over the centuries. One suggestion is that the artist produces work that reflects herself/himself within a particular era and society. Therefore it would be unlikely for a 21st century person to deal with 16th century matters. What is considered fine art has also been questioned. John Constable, the 19th century British painter, reworked his painting "The Haywain" to suit the requirements or standards of the then Royal Academy of Arts in London. Toulouse Lautrec's lithograph works of life in Paris at the end of the 19th century were, at the time, not considered fine art by the French Salon as lithography printing was not regarded as a suitable fine art medium. Marcel Duchamp's famous "Fountain", an actual men's urinal, was at first rejected as "junk" but a copy of the work now resides in the Tate Modern

The artist today has the freedom to choose whatever medium suits







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their needs. New materials, methods of process and presentation and philosophies that reflect the new age in which we live are the artist's tools for creativity. Disciplines never before considered worthy of being called fine art are now completely acceptable like patchwork design. festival costumes, video and performances, to mention but a few.

The dominance of Conceptual Art in the international arena today is, however, being challenged. The British group "The Stuckists" are promoting traditional methods of creativity like drawing, painting and carved sculpture. Also, the two famous British conceptual artists, Tracy Emin and Damien Hirst, have, fairly recently, returned to painting.

It is within this framework that the Kingswood College Art Department functions. Our approach is one of openness towards new ideas, materials, processes and experimentation. However, the fundamentals of art such as design, composition, tone, etc. are taught as a framework for ideas to be explored and realized. Drawing and observational skills are emphasised and pupils are trained in the various techniques and tricks of oil painting in Grades 10, 11 and 12. This process is started in Grade 8 and through a hands-on approach, pupils internalise these basic principles of art. By the time the matric art pupils leave school, they have a very sound understanding of visual art in general, both locally and internationally. They have also developed practical skills and visual insight that many would never have believed possible.

Many Kingswood art pupils have continued studying the visual arts at tertiary institutions in South Africa and abroad and have been very successful in their respective disciplines.

### P JONES

Business Studies continues to be a popular subject with a full class of Grade 10s and 11s and two Grade 12 classes.

During the 1st term, our Grade 10 pupils together with a group of Mary Waters High School pupils spent a morning engaging in team-simulated entrepreneurial activities in collaboration with the Johannesburg School of Finance, Banango Traders division. This exercise generates much interest and stimulates entrepreneurial enthusiasm among pupils, while they learn practical business lessons.

Our Grade 12 pupils also participate in a full morning workshop/ team-simulated business game in collaboration with the Johannesburg School of Finance, Banango Traders division. This activity is a joint activity with St Andrew's College and DSG Business Studies Grade 12s and the work produced becomes part of the pupils' end-of-year "portfolio of coursework" submission.

We again hosted a successful Senior School Business Focus Week in the first term this year. The week's main activities were as follows:

- > Mr Reg Rumney, Head of the Rhodes Journalism Business Unit, shared interesting insights into the Annual National Budgeting process, its impact and relevance with Senior School pupils
- Grade 11 Business Studies pupils toured the VW factory facility in Uitenhage.
- Local Entrepreneur, Mr David Davies, addressed the Senior School on major business development projects planned for Grahamstown and surrounding area.
- Rhodes University Economics and Economic History Professor Gavin Keeton shared with our senior History, Economics and Business Studies pupils on SA Economic Development, recent past to present. Grade 10 Business Studies pupils get an opportunity to test their entrepreneurial planning and execution skills at our annual Market Day staged together with the College Athletics Championships on

Sports Day. This practical business related initiative makes the subject more meaningful and helps the pupils relate to the theory and skills

Interested Grade 10, 11 and 12 Business Studies pupils are regularly offered the opportunity to attend interesting public lectures offered by the Rhodes University Business School as part of their MBA programme. Those who choose to and are able attend, gain valuable insight into the world of business.

# ■ N HARTZENBERG

# DRAMA

2015 has been a milestone year for the Kingswood Drama department. It is the first year we have had a fully-fledged Drama department from Grade 8 through to Grade 12. The Grade 12 group has consisted of 10 pupils - the first ever at Kingswood College to write IEB Drama. They took on the challenge with little knowledge of what was to come and have coped exceptionally well with the academic and practical demands of the subject. The Senior Drama numbers have continued to grow and the department has settled into the Kingswood way of life and academic environment.

The Drama department has been flexing its cultural muscles and there have been a number of events introduced into the calendar throughout the year, including the Grade 10 Greek evening, site specific works performed by the Grade 11s, the Drama Department showcase as well as Junior House plays.

In the first term, Junior House plays were introduced for the first time at Kingswood College. These productions were directed and written by senior students, while Grade 8s and 9s were given the opportunity to show off their acting abilities. The 'director' of each house play took inspiration from either a television series or sitcom and wrote a play for the juniors to perform. This was a festive evening and a wonderful showcase of the talent that is coming through the school, Chubb was the overall winner and their acapella group was a highlight of the evening.

Following May exams, the first ever Drama Department showcase was held in the newly-established Drama studio. The thought behind this showcase was to give all students taking Drama as an FET subject, the opportunity to perform in front of an audience. The Grade 12 pupils did a showing of their physical theatre pieces, which were later altered and adapted for their final practical exam. The Grade 11 class reworked an excerpt from Zakes Mda's play, "We shall sing for the Fatherland". Their adaptation was inspired by non-realist theatre and this exercise encouraged the students to think creatively and take risks. It also allowed the Grade 11s to experiment with non-realist theatre techniques that they have studied. The Grade 10 class presented Commedia Dell'Arte pieces, which were the highlight of the evening. These modernised versions of this classical style had the audience in hysterics and showcased the high level of talent and professionalism the Grade 10 pupils have acquired as a group.

At the end of the second term, the biennial event of House plays was held. The houses were given free rein to perform any published play, or adaptation of a piece. British comedies were the popular choice and kept the audience entertained throughout the evening. Wood House performed "The Apple", Gane performed "Alo Alo", Jagger performed "Fawlty Towers" and Chubb performed the "The Holy Grail". The level of professionalism and hard work the houses put into these performances was commendable and the evening was a lovely showcase of the talent Kingswood College is producing. Jagger was the overall winner

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of the evening and won both Best Performer awards, Lubby Zote being award Best Female Performer and Jordan Williams receiving Best Male Performer.

The Drama ethos at Kingswood College has continued to grow and with the amount of talent that has been showcased this year, the prospect for the future of the department is one that is very exciting.

### ■ JSTIDWORTHY

The Global economy, but in particular the South African economy, has this year provided the Economics' department with relevant and topical content for discussion. Inter alia in South Africa, the election, the on-going mining strikes, the changes to the repo rate, the increasing inflation rate and the controversy around African Bank has had the pupils researching, applying and coming up with many solutions to the country's declining economic growth and persistent problems with income inequality.

Currently we have 47 pupils who have selected to take Economics as one of their FET subjects. Mr Guest came aboard this year and is teaching the Grade 10 class. The focus in this class has been to unpack the subject of Economics and to introduce both micro- and macroeconomical topics. All grades have presented weekly news orals which have been informative and assist greatly in keeping us all abreast of the latest trends and happenings in the world of Economics.

Highlights this year were the National Budget address by Prof Matthew Lester and a return visit from Mr Barry Wood, an economist and journalist from the USA. In his visit two years ago, he stimulated great debate with the then Grade 10s around Walmart and the South African economy. This year the Grade 12s thoroughly enjoyed his talks about emerging markets and economic indicators. This time around, with a developed interest and knowledge, they were able to insightfully contribute to discussions and challenge opinions. The Grade 11 class attended a presentation about the Economics programme at Rhodes University, as well as a talk on Economics as a career in life.

As the Grade 12 pupils, who are incredibly proud of being the first Kingswood-produced economists, approach their final examinations, we wish them well and hope that the understanding and critical awareness they have developed of both national and global issues will stand them in good stead for future success.

# ■ TVAN MOLENDORFF

# ENGINEERING GRAPHICS AND DESIGN

2015 will see the first group of matrics write the National Senior Certificate exam in Engineering Graphics and Design. It has been a wonderful journey taking this group through this new subject at Kingswood. We are looking forward to some great results at the end of the year. Given the importance of engineering in the future, learners who are taking this subject will be well on their way to university success in any engineering field. The matrics have been working tirelessly on their Practical Assessment Task which constitutes 25% of their final year-end mark. This task is set by the IEB and was to design and draw a boarding house that can accommodate 60 students. In the Kingswood context, this was pertinent as the pupils had our boarding houses to use as a basis for their designs.

We were very fortunate to have acquired our own 3-D printer this year. We have been able to print teaching aides using Google Sketchup and Autodesk Inventor. This has added an exciting new dynamic to the

subject and we have yet to see the real benefit of the design aspect that it brings into the classroom. We are looking forward to the learners being able to physically print designs and real life models in the future.

This year we had an intake of 16 learners into Grade 10. Engineering Graphics and Design has certainly become part of the Kingswood culture over the past three years. Learners are engaging with both the physical drawing aspect as well as the Computer Aided Design. Finding time to do the more "fun" and creative things is always a challenge as we try to prepare the learners for the content side of the curriculum.

# A GUEST

Something about writing reports seems to keep us chained to the rubble of banality. The more things change the more they stay the same. making every year in the true Dickensian sense simultaneously the "best of times and the worst of times". Yet if we are to concede the logic of Blake's adage that "without contraries there is no progression", the English department has once again made steady and undaunted progress.

The best of times began at the end of 2014 with a pleasing set of Matric results, with no failures and nine convincing A-symbols. We also suggested that the rigorous standard upheld within the department benefits our pupils in the external examinations. The increased interest in the AP course bodes well for the future, with the subject enticing candidates from both Grade 10 and 11, in spite of the time allocated to its extension within the school's curriculum. The large group of English Olympiad participants this year also seems to indicate a need to engage with literature on a deeper level. One Gold Certificate, awarded to Lydia Griplas, numerous Silver Certificates and several Bronze Awards attest to this notion. Already more than 40 pupils have signed up to participate next year again. To indirectly and crudely paraphrase Brené Brown in Rising strong: In the same way that creativity does, studying literature and writing about it seems to embed knowledge so that it can become practice. We move what we're learning from our heads to our hearts through our hands. We are born makers, and creativity is the ultimate act of integration — it is how we fold our experiences into our being... The Asaro tribe of Indonesia and Papua New Guinea has a beautiful saying: "Knowledge is only a rumour until it lives in the muscle." and it seems that the English department has started to flex its muscle this year.

This process is quite tricky to sustain however with the number of staff changes we have experienced over the past few years and, as in the "worst of times", we had to say goodbye to yet another inspirational teacher at the end of last year. However, Mr Rory Jones has joined the department and already started to entrench his creative and reflective approach to the subject, bringing with him a new energy and empathy for both the students he engages and the subject he teaches, bearing up Nabokov's philosophy that: "There is no science without fancy, and no art without facts."

## ■ T CARLSON

It has been a successful year in the French Department. Together, my pupils and I have built an exceptional connection resulting in a better understanding on my part and a stronger work ethic on theirs. Having spent two years teaching at Kingswood College, my objective has been to encourage the pupils to acquire a greater appreciation of the beauty of the French language. My pupils have matured notably, whilst their

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progress has been admirable. I hope that the effort and attitude towards this subject will continue to grow. I would like to thank my wonderful pupils for their support and interest in my class.

Their achievement is commendable and I can undoubtedly see their blossoming in their learning.

### ■ ISCHWEYER

# **GEOGRAPHY**

Our Geography Department has embraced the technology revolution happening on our campus, ensuring our pupils the best possible advantages available to them. One of these has been the formation of the Google Classroom groups, where we communicate and share information, not only with pupils, but between the teachers of our department. This has been a great success. We were able to share large amounts of resources and information with the pupils. It also allows us to post relevant current affairs articles, for their information.

Like all other departments, we have integrated the use of the digital/ electronic textbooks in Grade 8 and 9 this year. Google Groups has allowed us to share information and post assignments, notes, resources and worksheets straight into their textbooks on their devices.

Kingswood hosted a GIS workshop for the Eastern Cape in October. We also managed to have two outings where pupils got to learn more about Geography in a practical sense. The Grade 9 trip in particular was a great success. We used Bedford as our main focus, looking at Settlement Geography aspects along with the history of the town's development. We combined that with a visit to a sheep farm on the outskirts of the town, and a trip to the wind farm nearby. These industries tie brilliantly in to the syllabi we teach in the junior grades.

Our department included Jonathan Hellemann in the senior grades and Gareth Shaw in the junior grades. Justin Randall has also joined us as a teacher intern this year.

### **■** G VAN MOLENDORFF

# HISTORY

Last year's matric class was our first group to write the new exams based on the CAPS syllabus. It was a strong class and performed very well in the end-of-year exams. The class produced a good average of 72% with nearly two thirds of the class scoring above 70%. It would, however, have been nice to see a few more "A"s.

An interesting challenge presented itself this year at Grade 8 and 9 level with the introduction of e-text books. Seeing that we do History in both Grade 8 and Grade 9 and not Social Science, it was impossible to find a suitable e-text book for our syllabuses. We therefore had to design our own e-text books as we went along. While this provided us with some extra work, I am pleased with the final product.

There has been continuity in terms of staffing this year as Julie Beer and Louella Sullivan have continued to do sterling work with the Grade 8 and Grade 9 classes laying very solid foundations for the later study of the subject. My thanks to Jonathan Leiper who kindly took a Grade 8 class in the first term.

# R CHARLTON

This year kicked off with a National User-group Conference at DSG. This is where teachers receive feedback on the matric results of the previous year. We get to meet with examiners as well as other language experts. It is always nice to get together with other teachers to share information and advise each other. The focus this year was on what is expected of teachers by UMALUSI.

It also gave me the opportunity to interrogate the results of my pupils compared to the rest of the country. This helps you as a teacher to identify problems and how to rectify them. The results while satisfactory, can be better. Even though we got 100% pass rate, there are areas of concern. I want my pupils to strive for excellence. They can achieve top results if they put their minds to it. All we need to do is to change our mindset. I would like to encourage my pupils to engage more and to use opportunities available to them, like extra lessons, to improve their performance and to reach their goals.

2015 saw a very challenging and enthusiastic group of Grade 8s coming our way and we have welcomed them with open arms. The Grade 10s continued the tradition of cooking traditional food. The Grade 12s had a very challenging year after the new setwork material was introduced. I trust that with dedication and hard work they will cope with the material. Grade 9s and Grade 11s have been coping well.

Let me end with this quote by Frank Smith, "One language sets you in a corridor for life. Two languages open every door along the way."

Flora Lewis says about learning another language, "Learning another language is not only learning different words for the same things, but learning another way to think about things."

### ■ SZAMANI

# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Information Technology achieved an excellent set of Matric results at the end of 2014 with three A symbols and five B symbols.

The Google Apps platform has continued to provide guick and easy ways to submit work, notify pupils of any developments and give feedback. This platform has, for the most part, replaced paper submissions in the subject and our printing is now limited to only those tests and exams that cannot be administered on a computer.

We are looking forward to some excellent results at the end of the year across all our classes. The pupils have been preparing hard and are ready for the challenges that face them.

I would like to extend my thanks to Di Tipler for mentoring me through this year and making sure I tick all the boxes that need to be ticked. Di has been of great help in getting me up to speed with how Kingswood works and what is expected of both the teachers and the students.

Finally I want to thank my first Matric class this year. We have had some fun but have also got a lot of work done and have covered a lot of ground getting ready for the exams. I trust you will do yourselves proud in the final exams.

## ■ MTWEDDLE

# COMPUTER APPLICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

We enjoyed a fine set of Matric results at the end of 2014, with one A symbol and nine B symbols in a class of 17. Congratulations must go to Stephanie Piguet on achieving an A; her hard work certainly paid off. What was also abundantly clear is that the approach to the portfolio work can mean the difference between an A and a B, as was the case for two strong contenders who, through the lack of consistent effort, failed to achieve the As of which they were certainly capable.

The numbers are looking good in CAT this year, with the classes starting small but growing in size throughout the Grade 10 and 11 years.

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This year's Grade 12s are a lively bunch with a wide range of ability and application. I trust their endeavours will see them reap their just rewards come the end of the year. I wish them well for their finals,

This year saw the arrival of Martin Tweddle, an Old Kingswoodian, to place of Matthew Ridgway. He has settled in well and, by all accounts, things are going along swimmingly in IT. We welcome him to the department and wish him much success.

Once again, a massive thank you to the IT staff who tirelessly see to our every IT need. They make our lives so much more manageable and their service is greatly appreciated.

#### ■ D TIPLER

### LIFE ORIENTATION

Life Orientation is the study of the self in relation to others and to society. It is a unique subject in the Further Education and Training Band in that it applies a holistic approach to the personal, social, intellectual, emotional, spiritual, motor and physical growth and development of pupils. This encourages the development of a balanced and confident pupil who can contribute to a just and democratic society, a productive economy and an improved quality of life for all.

Life Orientation remains a challenging subject for our pupils. The teaching and assessment thereof is very different to what they are accustomed to. However, it is in this very difference that the real value of LO lies. Pupils are constantly challenged to be creative and self-motivated. They are expected to confront their comfort-zones and prejudices and to justify their approach to relationships, work and their place in society. If approached with the necessary seriousness,

it presents an invaluable learning opportunity. I am always pleasantly surprised by the quality of work that most of our pupils produce – even if they do so under protest!

In Grade 9 this year, we have implemented a more cohesive approach to providing support for the pupils in the area of subject selection; this was done through the Achieve Careers organisation. All pupils received a book to use as a reference point when engaging with the dilemma of what subjects to take and how will they will affect university entrance. Joanne Wood from Achieve Careers spent two days with our Grade 8 and Grade 9 pupils discussing social media (the impact and the responsible use of it), subject and career matters.

As part of our Leadership development program for Grade 10s, we have initiated the Nelson Mandela-Champion Within Youth Program. The purpose of the program is for pupils to be challenged to think about their thinking, attitudes, mindsets and dialogue.

It crucial for pupils to realise early on that LO is a compulsory matriculation subject and doing badly in it will most definitely impact on their university application success.

Thank you to the Department for their continued support and enthusiasm in the pursuit of teaching Life Orientation. It is greatly appreciated.

### **■** JHELLEMANN

### LIFE SCIENCES

The Matric class of 2014 acquitted themselves well with a 100% pass rate, including 3 A symbols and 16 B symbols.

The Life Sciences Department strives to make pupils aware of the







Above Left: Joshua Thorburn, Christopher Matthews and Cassidy Daniels at work in the Rhodes Microbiology labs. Above Right: Jeanne Fourie, Conna van Blerk, Robyn Knight, Ella Denton, Kelsey Purdon, Alysha Sessia and Gabrielle Peckham - quadrat sampling at Addo. Left: Mia Opperman, Tayla van Niekerk, Georgia Cadle - quadrat sampling at Addo. Right: Science Expo Gold medal winners Camilla James and Kendra Willows. Below Left: Mihle Dukada, Ambesa Jonas, Babongile Bidla, Milani Nodada, Lutho Zono and Nerissa Govender recieving instruction from the Rhodes Tutor at Microbiology. Below Right: Joshua Thorburn, Christopher Matthews, Cassidy Daniels and Weston Potgieter at work in the Rhodes Microbiology labs







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broader significance of the concepts and skills that they develop, within the world in which they live. We are fortunate to have many opportunities for academic enrichment on our doorstep in Grahamstown.

One of the first term highlights was a trip to Addo Elephant Park for the Grade 10s. A game drive and outdoor activities helped to bring

Our Grade 8-11 pupils visited Sci-fest Africa where they attended some interesting lectures by professional scientists. This broadened their scientific background in a wide range of areas.

We participated in the Eskom Regional Science Expo at Rhodes University. Congratulations go to Chris Morel and Etienne Marais who won silver medals for their project on "the anti-bacterial effect of coffee on the bacteria in the human mouth" and to Camilla James and Kendra Willows who won gold medals for their project on "the effect of electronic device use on sleep patterns."

Rhodes University again shared their facilities and expertise with our Grade 11s. They spent a morning doing practical work in the Rhodes Microbiology laboratories under the supervision of volunteer post graduate tutors. My sincere thanks go to Wayne Rathbone and Margot Brooks for organising it.

Much of the success of the department can be attributed to the enthusiasm and strong collaborative atmosphere amongst the staff. My thanks go to Wayne Rathbone and Michael Stead for this. Both are on the IEB marking team where they gain valuable insights into the marking process.

Nomhle Ndubela and Patrick Dyagolo continue run the practical side of the laboratories. Their support is invaluable in maintaining the vibrant practical programme.

It has been another full and enriching year. We are confident that the Matrics are well prepared for their final exams and wish them all

### ■ E WHITFIELD

### MATHEMATICS AND MATHEMATICAL LITERACY

The matrics of 2014 have, once again, produced some very pleasing results.

The Mathematics average was 64% (53 pupils) with the top pupil, Ella Wilby, attaining an excellent 93%. With 9 pupils achieving level 7's and more than half of the pupils achieving in excess of 60%, we were pleased with the performance of the 2014 group.

The Mathematical Literacy average was 77% (37 pupils) with the top pupil, Neechia Altichiero, attaining an excellent 96%. With 16 pupils achieving level 7's and 12 pupils achieving 6's, we were delighted with the performance of the 2014 group. We do, however, believe that there were too many pupils who chose to write the Mathematical Literacy option which does affect their Mathematics result. The IEB only suggest that those in danger of not attaining a university entrance should make use of this option and not those in danger of failing

Mathematics. Selecting the option places an extra workload on the student as they need to complete a full portfolio outside of the normal academic programme with no formal tuition in the subject. This is quite a big ask for pupils who are already struggling to stay abreast of the Mathematics curriculum.

We entered all our Mathematics pupils for the SAMF Olympiad, as we do each year. In the senior section (Grades 10-12), 43 pupils progressed to the second round and in the junior section (Grades 8 and 9), 25 pupils got through. Neschay Dullabh, our Grade 12 Mathematics prize winner, confirmed his supremacy in this subject by progressing to the third and final round of the competition. This is an amazing feat and we congratulate him on this sought-after accolade.

Extra support classes are still available in the afternoons and we encourage pupils to come for assistance whenever they have to opportunity. The annual matric workshop that takes places just prior to the preliminary exams has proven to be popular and very helpful

### ■ P STEPHENSON & J STEWART

### PHYSICAL SCIENCE

In the word of Timm Minchin; "Science is simply the word we use to describe a method of organising our curiosity", while another anonymous contributor had this to say about the subject; "Think like a proton and stay positive". We live in a world that is developing rapidly in all aspects, especially technologically. It is therefore imperative that our Science curriculum develop the necessary thinking and survival skills that are needed in this ever expanding world. It is with these thoughts and the manifestation of the increase in knowledge that in the Science department we embarked on a journey with the pupils to equip them with insights to prepare them to cope with the challenges that lie ahead. The journey began in earnest with a celebration of last year's matric results. As a department, we were again excited with the 100% pass rate, the number of distinctions sitting at four was commendable. The real celebration was the fact that over two-thirds of our pupils scored over 60%.

As a department we teach for enjoyment and understanding. We have used a hands-on approach where the pupils do several investigations and create animations to help them understand some of the abstract concepts. The animations and videos produced by this year's Matrics were of a very high standard. We have been greatly blessed with an additional one hour on Monday afternoons which helped us to stretch the pupils and prepare them well for the examinations. This year, three pupils represented the school in the NMMU hosted regional MINQUIZ and they came first in the province. I would want to congratulate James Taljard, Jamie Nicholas and Neschay Dullabh for doing the school justice. The results showed the positioning of Kingswood College in the Eastern Cape Province. Neschay Dullabh was ranked fourth in the regional MINQUIZ championship.

The Matrics are more than ready for the end-of-year examinations and we look forward to receiving their results. We want to wish them all the best in their preparations. The Grade 10s and 11s have settled in well and are beginning to flourish in the subject. We were a little frustrated by the number of drop-outs from the subject especially in Grade 11 as some pupils felt the pressure and could not stay positive.

I want to acknowledge and thank Dianne Price for settling in quickly and making an impact in Physics, Nomhle Ndubela for ably managing our laboratories with the help of Patrick Mdyogolo.

### ■ GP MAKONI

## **Academic Dinner**

### TFRM 1

The top five academics in each grade at Kingswood (from the 2014 final examinations) were invited to attend an inaugural Academic Dinner to hear an inspirational address from guest speaker, Professor David Sewry, Dean of Commerce at Rhodes University.

Prof Sewry challenged the pupils of the "Top 5 Club", as they are called, to pinpoint an area of interest, select a challenge or two, read voraciously around the problem, backward engineer to the base discipline areas, become experts in the base discipline areas, and in doing - they would be preparing themselves for grand challenges which lie ahead.

He commented on the excellence of academics at Kingswood and that it was the school with the largest number of pupils currently enrolled at Rhodes University. He also commented on his friend and colleague, former Kingswood pupil, David Coster, who was a professor at the world renowned Max Planck Institute for Plasma Physics in Munich, and who was a fine example of the kind of top academic which Kingswood produced. David Coster did his Honours at Rhodes followed by a PhD at Princeton in the United States.

Prof Sewry congratulated the pupils on their success and encouraged them to keep up their academic endeavours.

### ■ P GUTHRIE

### TERM 3

On Friday 30 October, the bi-annual Academic Dinner was held in the Museum at Kingswood. Pupils from Grade 8 to 11 who finished in the top five academic positions at the end of Term 2 were invited to attend.

Professor Harry Dugmore, the Director of the Discovery Centre for Health Journalism at the School of Journalism and Media Studies at Rhodes University, was the Guest Speaker. He presented an inspirational and riveting address which revolved around "humour"

and he encouraged pupils to laugh often and not take themselves too seriously. He also presented a riddle to each Grade and some pupils were presented with a signed copy of his book, Nelson Mandela: A life in Cartoons which is now a collector's item.

During the course of the evening, Cobus van Zyl and Camilla James presented their own poems and Bradley Moorcroft provided everyone with a Mathematics problem to solve.

Professor Dugmore congratulated the pupils on their success and encouraged them to keep up their academic endeavours.

### ■ P GUTHRIE



Ashleigh Purdon, Prof Sewry, Bradley Moorcroft and Mr Paul Guthrie





# **Creative Writing**

#### ELLIE

Ek het Ellie tien jaar gelede by 'n koffiewinkel in Johannesburg gesien. Ons was smoorverlief op mekaar, maar dit was Suid-Afrika in die 1980's – apartheid. Verbode liefde - 'n swart man en 'n wit vrou - nie toelaatbaar nie. Sy was 'n joernalis en het besluit om 'n werksaanbod in Londen te aanvaar. Ons het ooreengekom dat dinge beter sou uitwerk as ons van mekaar aanbeweeg. Vir my was dit 'n treurspel. My was hartgebroke en dolleeg van binne. Ek het my kwalifikasie voltooi en 'n nuwe lewe vir myself in Kaapstad gaan soek. Uiteindelik het ek van ons mislukte verhouding herstel.

Dis die nuwe Suid-Afrika: Kaapstad het vir my 'n nuwe meisie, interessante werk en 'n groot klomp vriende besorg. Ek was tevrede met die lewe. Alles was perfek - tot ek vir Ellie gesien het.

Januarie - die gevreesde suidoostewind. Ek is 'n duikbootingenieur by die Simonstad-vlootbasis. Dit was 'n lang, winderige en vuurwarm dag. Ek maak vyfuur by die werk klaar, koop die dag se Cape Argus en wag vir die vyfuur trein by die stasie. My gewone venstersitplek verwag my op die trein – nou kan ek net die reis geniet. Daar is altyd interessante mense om mee te praat, uitsigte van Valsbaai te sien of die nuus om te lees. Ek hou baie van hierdie daaglikse treinreise.

Die trein vertrek na Kaapstad sentraal stasie. By Muizenburg klim 'n klomp mense op die trein. Ek neem nie regtig kennis van hulle nie. Na omtrent twee minute terwyl ek die sportafdeling van die Cape Argus lees, kyk ek op en tot my verasing sien ek haar. Dis Ellie... Sy sit skuins oorkant my, net ses meter weg. Ek het altyd geweet dat hierdie dag sou kom, maar ek is heeltemaal onvoorbereid op hierdie oomblik.

Ek is onbekend vir haar in my werksuniform, onder my dik baard en met my nuwe kort haarstyl. Sy sal my sekerlik nie herken nie. Dit sal my besluit wees of ek met haar wil praat. Soveel het verander. Ek is eerlikwaar bang.

Ek onthou al die tye wat ons saam geniet het. Die gelukkige tye en die hartseer tye. My hart lag oor al die naweke saam met mekaar. Ek loer na haar hande - sy dra nie 'n ring aan enige vinger nie. Sy lyk mooier as toe ek haar laas gesien het. Haar lang lenige bene, haar pienk lippe en haar modieuse drag. Haar elegante gesig is dieselfe gesig waarop ek so verlief was. Ek dink aan ons planne om na apartheid te trou. Alles sou perfek wees. My emosies loop met my op hol as die trein nader kruip en die Kaapstadstasie binnery.

Ten spyte van al die jare en die nuwe lewe wat ek gevind het, een helfte van my - my optimistiese helfte - wil ten minste met haar praat net gesels. My hart wil uitvind hoe dit met haar gaan. Wie weet waartoe dit kan lei? Sal sy onsteld wees om my te sien? Sou dit net drome in ons lewe veroorsaak? My ander helfte weet dat dit 'n verskriklike fout sou wees. Speel ek met ou wonde? Daar was so baie onvoltooide dinge. Is daar 'n plek vir my in haar lewe? Ek het soveel vrae.

Die trein is nou vol. Daar is baie lawaai: mense lag en skeer, maar net 'n blote ses meter weg van my sit die pragtige Ellie. By elke stasie wil ek opstaan en met haar gaan praat, maar ek kan dit nie doen nie. Ek is bang vir die onbekende. Elke stasie trek my nader en nader aan haar, maar op dieselfde tyd voel dit asof ek verder en verder van haar wegtrek terwyl die trein spoed optel. My liggaam is verlam.

Dan skielik en heeltemal onverwags kom die trein tot stilstand. Ons het by die stasie gearriveer. Sy is nader aan die deur. Sy staan op en klim uit. Ek kan nie. My bene voel so swak soos die van 'n lammetjie. My vasbeslote persoonlikheid gee pad vir 'n lafhartige persoon. 'n Persoon wat ek nie ken nie. Ek het my geleentheid gemis. Daar is honderde mense op die platform wat wag om in die trein te klim. Ek skree: "Ellie, Ellie!" Geen antwoord nie

#### ■ BRADLEY MOORCROFT

### **DIE SPEKVISSIE**

### (Met apologie aan Breyten Breytenbach en Jan Rabie)

'n Spekvissie... tree op soos 'n vark wat in modder swem soos 'n vissie wat oor niks omgee nie. Vullis, modder en vetheid is die skepsel se beroep. Die vreemde taal word gehoor as snorkende klanke.

Die vreemde dier wat soos 'n vet, kort liggaam van 'n bees lyk, het geen persoonlikheid nie. Die spekvissie is so lui soos 'n leerder by Kingswood College op 'n stil Sondagmiddag. 'n Spekvissie se dag bestaan daaruit om wakker te word in dieselfde vuil modder en gisteraand se vrot groente in die afgeskeide vet van varkvleis soos 'n vis met eindelose vryheid.

'n Spekvissie vreet, slaap, vreet nog, rol in die modder wat ook sy natuurlike toilet is. Ek dink die stuk spekvet bees is ook stoksielalleen. want al die snorkende klanke wat uit die spekvissie se bek kom, is daar geen ander ding of spekvet antwoord met snorkende klanke nie. Miskien praat die pienk spekvissie met al die ander, stink, vuil poepende afgeskeide voorouers wat op die plaaseienaar se tafel sit - wat nou so heerlik en skoon vanaf die boere se keel binne-in die magies beland. Die stoksielalleen, vet spekvissie is volgende op die slaglys voor die ander generasie vet spek op die plaas se etenstafel beland.

'n Spekvissie is die mees interessantste dier wat ek ooit ontmoet het omdat die stuk vet se lewe in modder sy kombuis, slaapkamer en toilet is, maar steeds is dit ontbyt vir plaasboere en miljoene ander mense. Dit is ongetwyfeld die beste voorbeeld: Moenie iemand op grond van hul voorkoms takseer nie.

### CASSIDY DANIELS

### **INTRODUCTORY WRITING**

Each brick carved and beveled; examined and made from the finest of resources for I am to withstand time, society, storms and human nature.

Each brick laid down by hand; each brick scolded as it met with a craftsman's tool. My character chiseled to fit my makers' inclination although with determination I find their acts were never acts of self-admiration.

Not playing the part of a superhero or a villain I'm multidimensional. My peculiarity doesn't allow me to be seen from a sole angle though those who stand close to me may just see me as a triangle.

I have descending passages within me leading to the rich chambers where only the valiant hearted dare to travel. But then again who ever found gold on the surface. I house culture, history, love, faith, family, loyalty and I am not disgraced; not disgraced by where I come from and not disgraced by how high my walls stand and I don't expect for you to understand although my people still live in houses made of sand.

> Like a tree I will always be rooted in Africa. For I am The Great Pyramid of Giza.

### **■ TINA MADAZA**

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### MOTHER HOG

Mother hog, mother hog How huge is she Her piglet follows like an officer in pursuit Oblivious to me

Mother hog, mother hog Your time has come I focus on your head And forget about your son

Mother hog, mother hog I squeeze the trigger Your child has fled From your falling figure

Former hog, former hog You have drawn your last breath You've stopped twitching and kicking And you've embraced your death

Former hog, former hog Oh so dead You will make good biltong When I remove the lead

Baby hog, baby hog Oh how sad is he? She is gone Because of me.

#### **■** WILLIAM THORBURN

### A SIMPLE WISH

A simple wish to be free
To explore and venture
To run away from this
For I know these battles have just merely begun
This war is far from over

A simple wish to see the sun Illuminating the sky Instead it's enveloped in darkness No more cotton ball clouds What happened to the ocean above

A simple wish to hear laughter once more But instead it's cries and piercing screams Shots and gun fire Pain and agony Fear and hate

A simple wish to be better
To love thy neighbour
To treat people as thou deservest
To end the rivalry amongst brothers and sisters
To be peaceful once more

A simple wish upon a star

To bring back peace and harmony If only I could see the stars Then maybe just maybe They could grant my wish

A simple wish to end the violence Does no one else care Listen to the cries, the screams Can't you see the horror Open your eyes humanity

All I ask is for a simple wish to end the war The lives that have been shed is too much to bare The blood that's been spilt

Leaving this place to be a pit of despair
The screaming people as they run in fear

A simple wish to stop running
To stop the violence
To end the pain
To stop the torture
To stop hatred

A simple wish to save humanity from itself

■ LISA LUSHABA

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# **Enrichment**

### ADVENTURE-BASED LEARNING

Concomitant to this age of incredible and ongoing technological innovation is the reversion to mediocrity, or even less, in common people. This perception is no less true of educational curricula, even in so-called 'independent schools'. That is why the Adventure-Based Learning Programme at Kingswood is so important – it represents an opportunity to step to the fringes, or even outside of the globalised, commodified, technocratic, standardised nature of much that is peddled as quality education today.

In his opening assembly this spring term, Jon Trafford used his injunction, "Challenge is Opportunity" to motivate pupils to take responsibility for their own learning. Theuns Opperman, Academic Director of the school often uses the phrase "self-directed learning" to alludes to the same process. It's an institutional irony that at the same time as Kingswood seeks academic excellence in a commodified curriculum, it also uncovers opportunity for innovative, organic conduits for self-directed learning that largely cannot be assessed within a standardised paradigm. As is often the case, the Grade 10 adventure camp provides a lens to focus on the dynamics referred to above.

This year, despite the obvious relevance of Kurt Hahn's (he founded Outward Bound) maxim that "children need to be compelled into experience", we offered Grade 10s a choice between a "soft camp" (comprising two-day trips from the KC campus) and a standard or extended version of the now-traditional Elandsberg camp. These three options were dovetailed with a bigger programme of day-trip excursions of an academic nature. Customisation, rather than standardisation, underpins the ethos of this project.

In short, Grade 10 pupils had the opportunity to choose, and thereby to direct their own response to a variety of learning opportunities. The fact that two-thirds of the grade avoided the "soft camp", and instead chose the Elandsberg option with its aura of gruelling physicality (it isn't, really) and potential for exacting weather conditions is salutary to the success of the Grade 8 and 9 adventure camps.

Some of those who chose the "soft camp' have already regretted it (even though there was significant learning involved), realizing in retrospect that the greater challenge of the Elandsberg camp is now an opportunity forever lost. That realization is reflective learning in progress - exactly what one would hope for in any educational process.

### KJAMES













#### CULTURE & ENRICHMENT Senior School

Ballroom & Latin-American dance grading took place on the 1st of August and was assessed by an external examiner (Miranda Botha - Vice President of SADTA). We are extremely proud of the Kingswood College group as they achieved Honours and were highly commended on their respective dance styles - Jeanne Fourie, Shane Pote, Kuhle Stamper, Hlaks Qangule, Chiara Dullabh, Julia Kinghan, Haseena Paruk.

Much effort was applied, determination shown, and comradeship built by all working for the best and through shared interest in this form of dance

A "flashmob" was done at this year's Spring Dance. The pupils received positive feedback and those who participated grew in confidence and, most importantly, enjoyed every moment of their performance. The motivation behind this dance was to dance for the moment as this could be our last opportunity to express ourselves in this form.

Live and dance, not only with a glance, but through the pure natural enjoyment of self-expression.

### ■ F VAN ECK

### DEBATING

This year has been exceptionally busy, with the result that we may not have experienced as much debating as we have done in the past. Nevertheless we started off the year with our core members and welcomed several new juniors to the fold. The future of debating at Kinaswood seems bright.

The Rhodes Debating League, run by experienced Rhodes students, did not occur as frequently as us, and other Grahamstown schools would have liked. This has meant finding alternative means of competing. However, this did not hold us back and we had a very successful trip to the Alexander Road High School Debating Festival in the first term, and our annual encounter on K Day against St Andrew's College and the Diocesan School for Girls. Our pupils managed a fantastic 50/50 win ratio against our friendly foes.

In the third term we welcomed Shaun Matsimbi, from Rhodes, as an external coach and he accompanied our juniors to East London to represent Kingswood at the EP Debating Trials. Congratulations must go to both our junior teams who competed against some very stiff competition, especially Etienne Marais, who was placed 16th in the province, and thus narrowly missed making the EP team. Shaun continues to mentor and coach our teams and has been putting in many hours of effort in this regard.

The annual interhouse competition took place in the third term and was hotly contested as usual, and we congratulate Gane House who were awarded the winning side, proposing the motion, "This House Would Support Global Secularization". Finally, at the Awards Assembly, a number of pupils were awarded Standards for Debating, and we congratulate Ariana Watkins, Sasha Kasperski, Liam Wray and Babongile Bidla. We look forward to an exciting 2016!

### ■ M STEAD

### DEFENCE AGAINST THE DARK ARTS

Defence Against the Dark Arts (DAtDA) seeks to equip participants with information, knowledge and tools to better equip them to safely navigate the complex world of computing, particularly online. Under the relentlessly increasing onslaught of threats, and with the ever

increasing tendency for more and more of our day-to-day educational. work, financial and recreational activities to take place online, all users need a thorough grounding in basic IT and information security. The emphasis is very much on defence, with tools that are likely to lend themselves to "offense" being off limits - in no way are we generating a cadre of "hardcore hackers", as much as many of the participants might like to learn such a skillset.

Once this vital foundation has been built, DAtDA explores more involved topics, depending on the interests of the participants or topical IT issues. Over the last year, we have covered diverse computer security topics including all types of malware (e.g. viruses) and antivirus programs, "phishing", firewalls, computer networking including IP addressing and subnetting, enterprise network switching, basic enterprise network routing and related matters. We also held a "Networking Bootcamp" which entailed a day long exercise in creating a small enterprise network one Saturday in second term; participants arguably left with more in depth knowledge and experience in enterprise networking than some of the more junior IT staff members!

Whilst there is a fair amount of theory, the sessions aim wherever possible to be hands on and "fun", generally involving participants engaging in practical exercises that illustrate the topics covered, and where issues lend themselves to it, fostering active discussion. The pupils involved are encouraged to extend this knowledge to their own personal devices. As I believe should be the case for enrichment, the topics are typically outside of the scope of general IEB CAT and IT curricula; explore more in-depth considerations or practical implementations not otherwise covered, and seek to extend the knowledge, skills and interests of the participants.

### ■ ISTAPLEY

### ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIETY

This year, the aim of the Environmental Society was to promote environmental awareness throughout the whole school in order to sustain our Eco-Schools Platinum status. Members gave a video presentation in chapel in the first term and colourful posters showing Kingswood's Eco-code were made and displayed on campus. We spent time compiling our Eco-Schools portfolio and preparing for our on-site audit at the end of October by Rhodes University Ecoskills Department.

During International Environmental week we invited our twinning school, Mary Waters to a fascinating talk on owls by Chris Pretorius. Chris has devoted much of his life to educating the public about owls and rehabilitating injured species. The talk focussed on teaching us how they make a useful contribution in the eco system as natural pest controllers. The club has identified two areas on campus where owl houses will be erected.

We set up and manned a water table for the Rhodes Green Fun Run. The water was collected from the spring outside Grahamstown. The cups were reused as pots to hold soil for indigenous Spekboom plants that were donated to each runner. A number of Kingswood learners also participated in the run.

The club invited Laura Banatyne, Chairperson of Kowie Catchment Campaigners, to give a talk on the harmful effects of alien vegetation. We joined forces with Mary Waters Environmental club and spent a Saturday morning removing over 3000 alien plants from the commonage. We also visited Mary Waters School to assist with planting an indigenous garden in their school grounds. Kingswood Club sponsored the fences that were purchased to protect these plants from stray animals.

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### FIELD AND STREAM

During Field and Stream this year we had planned two trips away. Unfortunately the first to "Springs" was cancelled due to the clashes with cricket. I managed to organise a river skippers course during the Enrichment lessons. The rest of the group had spent some time engaging in "banter" and video watching, but we also managed to sneak in a talk about the effects of alien vegetation and a documentary on man's effects on game in Africa without too much resistance.

Fortunately the trip to "Horn's Up" went off without a hitch despite trying conditions for the potential skipper and fishermen. Andrew du Toit, Matthew Maree, Christopher Mattews, Michael Pyle, Matthew Strachan, Tiaan van Aardt and lastly Travis Whitehead managed to successfully pass their River Skippers practical and course theory on the day. I was especially impressed with how focussed they were during the written exam given to beautiful surrounding and the group's efforts to distract the nervous students with the sounds of ratchets running.

Sometimes the ratchets even ran because someone had actually. against all the odds, caught a fish. Clearly they are a talented lot as the odds were stacked against us as we did not have our specialist prawn collector. We had to harvest the prawns from the high tide. Every precious prawn was snaffled away by a marauding horde of "flatties" and the odd Spotted Grunter. Fortunately we managed to snag a few of the greedier ones which were tagged and released as punishment for their gluttony.

The second term had a busy hockey and rugby schedule precluded us from having any excursions over the weekends. During the lessons, however, we were regaled with many stories from those who were fortunate enough to slip away for a Sunday. We did manage one outing to Rhodes University Ichthyology Department where we saw the Trout that had been collected to spawn a new strain of fish. Dr. Martin Davies explained which traits he was selecting for and how "fish husbandary" worked. Needless to say a lot of interest was shown by the boys and we hope to do a flyfishing trip soon.

I thank the Grade 12s for their leadership in the club. I look forward to finding some new adventures for the group to embark on next year.

### ■ W RATHBONE

### INTERACT

The year started with us welcoming Mrs Isabelle Schweyer onto the Interact team. Interact's vision was to not only conduct successful fundraising events but to interact with the organisations that we are fundraising for as well as many other charitable organisations. We are not focused on simply giving out money but want to heighten our current engagement with the community around us.

We have maintained a good membership sign up of pupils in Grades 10 to 12 this year. Although we have continued with our regular large projects such as the Fashion Show, the Grade 7 girls evening with DSG, the Valentine's social, the Valentine's goodies, Annual Soccer Tournament and Spring Dance, we also decided to try and create smaller interactive groups where every member of the club must join one.

### The 4 groups were:

- 1. Knitting group to knit blocks to create blankets.
- 2. SPCA group that goes to the SPCA every Wednesday to assist where they can with the animals.
- 3. Drama and reading group, which is split into 3 smaller groups to visit Little Red Dragon, Kingswood Pre-primary and perhaps another preschool once a month at break time to read and act out books to the

pre-schoolers.

4. Academic support group (established 2 years ago) which helps the children of Kingswood staff on a Friday afternoon to do homework. Although some of these groups met with great success, some did not work as effectively as we would have hoped. The enthusiasm was there in the first term, but sadly during term two Groups 1 and 3 failed to work, causing them to be abandoned in term 3. However, Groups 2 and 4 continue and we are pleased with the success of these two ventures.

Kingswood interact has also reached out to Mary Waters who are Kingswood's partnership school and have managed to co-ordinate projects with them. They were invited to the Valentine's concert on 15 February where they participated with pupils singing, dancing and reading poetry. At this concert Interact also ran a tuckshop in support of International Children's Cancer day where bracelets and heart chocolates where sold.

As we look over the year, it has been a privilege to work with the young people of Interact, seeing their dedication and enthusiasm to help those around them.

Kingswood Interact has also joined ICOG (Interact clubs of Grahamstown) this year where joint projects with the interact committees of Grahamstown meet and conduct group projects together and this year it has been decided to have an interactive day with old age homes in and around Grahamstown. Once again, teaming up with Mary Waters, we visited McKaisers Old Age Home which is located just up the road from Kingswood.

We also dedicated our energy to The Meela Project, which involved raising funds for a young little lady called Meela, who is battling against Leukaemia. Interactors sat making orange poppies for people to buy for R5 that could be planted in the flower beds in front of the College's admin block. Orange was used as this is the colour used to symbolize Leukaemia. We managed to raise R2000 to put towards Meela's treatment funds.

Above all these we continue to be part of the following National Initiatives such as Tekkie Tax. Go Yellow and Pink for Hospice and the Sunflower Foundation's Bandana Day. We have assisted with street collections for Hospice and the SA Legion. We serve at the Dold Field Tuck shop for the Junior School and help out at their Moonlit Market event.

The Foundation Hall took on a magical appearance as we started gearing up for our Spring Dance, "The Masquerade Ball", which was a great success in this new venue.

At our "Lego" themed Induction Dinner, we celebrated our accomplishments and also inducted our new committee for 2015/2016. Congratulations to the new President, Callum Rowlands, Vice-president Lutho Zono and their support team Matthew Jennings, Tyler Williams, Ashleigh Meyer, Leanne Lampen, Lubby Zote, Wendy Poole, Hilton Wicks and Tina Madasa. The Interact Shield was awarded to Bronwyn Trafford and our Interactor of the Year went Holly Cadle. During the evening, Interact once again reflected on why we exist and the challenge was to build our community block by block by working as a lego system, which is considered to be a highly complex system of interlocking bricks.

With the new committee in place, they wasted no time getting to

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work and under their leadership we ran the planned end of year Social "Coachella", Go Pink for Hospice, a second Hospice street collection and running the Dold Field tuck shop for the rest of the year.

One of our members Megan Foord also ran with the "Save the Rhino" initiative where we raised money for the JuMu fund, an organisation started four years ago by a local DSG girl, to raise funds to help protect rhinos from poaching.

We committed some of our funds to supplying 20 Santa Shoeboxes, where the club split into groups which were each responsible for one box (a name and age of a child was supplied) which had to contain an item of clothing, a facecloth, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, educational item, sweets and a toy.

The year ended with us spreading the Christmas Cheer to our Support staff, when we provided Christmas Hampers to thank them for all they do for our College.

As we look over the year, it has been a privilege to work with the young people of Interact, seeing their dedication and enthusiasm to help those around them.

We look forward to 2016 when we will continue to strive towards helping the broader Grahamstown community through interaction and service.

### ■ JSTEWART

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

On the first of July 2015 at around 6PM, Kingswood landed at the cutting edge of the "Information Age", with the commissioning of a R500 000 fibre optic link from the College campus back to the Albany Schools' Network, situated in Rhodes University's Struben Building datacentre. From there, Kingswood joins several other Grahamstown-based schools in connecting to the SANReN backbone network, providing up to a gigabit per second (1,000 megabits) of bandwidth to the Internet. In other words, Kingswood now enjoys a connection 250 times faster than the typical 4 megabit home ADSL connection. Whilst Kingswood has long enjoyed a connection to the Internet, the previous link could only manage some 60 megabits per second and did not adequately serve the educational needs of the College. With a 16 times increase in speed, the learners at the school can now make extensive use of the cornucopia of learning resources on the Internet.

The commissioning of the link has also enabled Kingswood to fully immerse itself in the free "Google Apps for Education" product, which provides a rich, integrated suite of cloud-based software products that enhance teaching and learning, and enhances the delivery of 21st

century teaching and learning methods at the school. Indeed, as part of this change, Kingswood has made use of the Gmail platform for email since the 6th of September. Backed by an extensive network of some 70 wireless access points around the campus, the teaching staff and learners can now leverage "Bring Your Own Device" strategies to engage with learning at whatever time, with whatever device, and in whatever location suits them - a particular boon to those often away at sporting matches and engaged in other activities which take learners away from the traditional classroom environment.

The fibre project was undertaken by local businessman Mike Wisch and his team from OracleITS/Geenet, and would have been impossible without the support of the Rhodes Information and Technology Services Division, who made a large portion of the route available to the College over their own existing infrastructure and went to great lengths to assist in the commissioning of the fibre; Guy Halse and David Sieborger were instrumental in the overall project, whilst Ednall Randall and Donovan Hector undertook delicate technical work to "splice" the fibre at both ends and make it usable. Barry Irwin, the Systems Administrator of the Albany Schools Network, undertook the required technical changes to finalise and commission the link. The newly installed fibre runs from the Hepburn Datacentre at Kingswood to "The Greens" near the Peppergrove Mall, where it joins into existing Rhodes University infrastructure back to the Struben Datacentre.

One of Kingswood College's many enrichment activities is entitled "Defence against the Dark Arts" - in homage to a class in JK Rowling's Harry Potter universe, where young learners are taught to understand and counter the darker elements of their society. Similarly, the Internet and computing have dangers, and this activity ensures participants are fully armed with the information and tools they need to safely navigate through computing and internet use. Once the basics are covered, pupils are encouraged to explore related computing and networking topics in fun, hands-on activities. The cable is comprised of 24 individual glass strands in four bundles, each thinner than a human hair, of which only two are currently in use in the recently commissioned link, providing plenty of room for expansion when it is needed - a true long term investment in teaching and learning at the College.

### ■ J STAPLEY

### KOWIE DASH

This was the 11th Kowie Dash since its reintroduction. Due to groups of grumpy hippos migrating down the Fish River it was decided to not take the risk of an attack and a new route avoiding going in the river





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was introduced.

On Sunday 15th March an intrepid group of participants, consisting of 16 Kingswood College students which for the first time were only males doing the 'old' 1 1/2 day hike as there were no President's Awards participants, completed the 80 km Kowie Dash hike which is from the Coombs turn off on the N2 to Port Alfred. The staff member who accompanied them was Mr Stegman van Zyl

A 4.00 a.m. wake up saw the group leave at 6.00 a.m. on a 42 km hike on an undulating gravel road from the N2 to the river mouth on the R67. Just like in previous years there was a weather warning and this time it was for hot and humid conditions. There were a number of game farms as well as a few large hills which were fun in the heat. The sea was reached at 4 p.m. There was still time for some fishing and Brad Moorcroft and Brad Wilmot speared 6 soles out of a total of 10

The Monday saw the 30km walk along the beach from Fish River to Port Alfred in rainy conditions.

**■** TTIMM

### LIBRARY

I grew up in the library and had seen many Heads of Library come and go as years passed. The one thing I wanted to become at Kingswood was not Head Girl, but Head of Library. This is where my heart lies between the books on the shelves and in the drawer with the DVDs.

The other bit of wisdom acquired through the years was not to change everything when elected Head of Library but to keep what is good and gently phase out what does not work for you.

Ella Wilby started the movie nights and this was such a brilliant idea that I continued this monthly tradition. We were totally spoiled for choice with the new Grade 8 intake and by February we had a strong team with a good work ethic and several serious readers onboard. The only recruitment failure I feel bound to report is the still vacant position. of the library ghost... Ella could not persuade the ghost from the old library to move with us in 2012 and we are having difficulties with the recruitment process.

The library team at Kingswood typically attracts people who are more academically minded making it an interesting group to lead.

A Grade 12 pupil once said: "I come to the Library to absorb knowledge through osmosis." I concur and with the addition of library access for the seniors during second prep at night, more people can take advantage of this.

Another highlight is the annual Exclusive Books sale to which three or four of the team members are invited. This is an absolute highlight of the year that turns out to be far more work than most people expect.

Stock take is everybody's pet hate, but it is the one time of the year that we get to clean, mend and cover books and make sure that everything in the database is still where it is supposed to be.

■ D SCHOLTZ







Laila Rouhani

### PHOTOGRAPHY

Participants in the photography enrichment programme have had a very interesting few months. We have covered numerous aspects of photography including the basics of framing a shot, aperture and exposure as well as macro and black and white shots. Our participants really interrogated their technical skills and pushed their creative and innovative boundaries.

R JONES





### THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD

2015 has been a very successful year for The President's Award. We saw the birth of Kingswood Youth Committee which has been very instrumental in the growth and awareness of the programme at school. They had presentations in different houses to promote the programme. They made pupils aware of what the programme is all about and what it could do for them as it is designed for youth empowerment and we were fortunate enough to have a member of staff from The President's Award office, Emma who was present at these presentations. This year alone saw 36 young people enrolling for the programme.

Our energetic, dedicated and committed Youth Committee also

organised a very important event for young people, June 16 Talent Show. A combination of Kingswood and Mary Waters pupils gathered on the 16th of June to celebrate Youth Day at Kingswood College in style. Ms Kanjee, Mr Andrew and Ms Zamani oversaw the event which was planned and hosted by the Kingswood College President's Award Youth Committee and our partner school, Mary Waters High School. This event was a wonderful success and there was so much talent showcased on the night, ranging from singing to poetry.

This year also saw Bronze and Silver participants embarking on different hikes led by Mr James and Mr Carlson. They saw to it that our participants meet the requirements of the adventurous journey for their

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respective levels. We will be forever grateful to them for their continued support and involvement in the programme as well as their willingness to help. It was a great experience for the pupils.

This year Lutho Zono, Warren Sheil and Tina Madasa represented Kingswood College on the Grahamstown Schools President's Award Youth Committee and Tina Madasa and Warren Sheil will stay on next year as Vice Chairperson and Treasurer respectively. They were involved in a number of projects including Winter Collection for Mandela Day. They were very instrumental in piloting the project from collecting to distributing. This year, Youth Committee really saw the need for pupils, staff members and those associated with the school to wear their Cultural attire on Heritage Day and through TPA programme this dream to light up the school with its existing diversity was realised. T

A big thank you must go to Ms Kanjee and Mr Andrew for the contribution they have made. We will forever be grateful for their support and guidance. I would also like to extend my gratitude to our Youth Committee for serving the award passionately and selflessly. Your contribution has not gone unnoticed. You have made Kingswood College proud.

Let me conclude with a quote from Kofi Annan, "Young people should be at the forefront of global change and innovation. Empowered, they can be key agents for development and peace. If, however, they are left on society's margins, all of us will be impoverished. Let us ensure that all young people have every opportunity to participate fully in the lives of their societies."

#### ■ SZAMANI

### SCHOOL DANCE COMMITTEE

This year's Dance Committee under the leadership of Mihle Dukada (Chairman), and Megan Foord (Secretary) formed a dedicated and enthusiastic group who ensured that the Summer Dance in the first term and the Matric Dance at the end of the second term were highlights of the Kingswood social calendar.

The High Performance Centre was transformed into a glamorous venue for the Oriental themed Summer Dance.

The 1920s themed Matric Dance was held in the Settlers' Monument at the end of the winter term. It was an elegant affair and parents and onlookers entered into the spirit of the occasion as they admired the

Matrics in their finery and welcomed them to the Monument. Thanks go to Mr and Mrs Moss who helped to make the vision a reality and provided the mouth-watering three course meal, after which the Matrics took to the dance floor.

#### ■ E WHITFIELD

### TOASTMASTERS

The 2015 Toastmaster group has comprised members in Grades 10, 11 and 12. The Grade 10s were coached by Jonathan Leiper who writes as follows.

A small group of voluble, yet nervous, Grade 10s began the year in Toastmasters. Over the course of the year, they have slowly begun to hone their speaking skills and have started to become a lot more critical in terms of their analysis of the speeches delivered. With a small group it was difficult, at times, to follow a structured meeting but the pupils certainly had a lot of opportunity to plan and deliver speeches! By the end of the year, our membership had increased from six Toastmasters to eleven, which bodes well for the future of Toastmasters next year.

Grade 11s and 12s met with Trudi Adendorff. Because the membership for Grade 11 and 12 was 39 we divided into 3 groups, with most of the Grade 12s meeting in the evening. It is always a pleasure to see how members commit themselves to the rigour of speech preparation and to see the steady development of skill from one speech to the next. Members are also insightful evaluators of one another's performances. Risk-taking is another element where pupils give unprepared speeches on a variety of possible topics. In the Best Speakers Competition, 9 of the 14 participants were Toastmaster members as were all those who officiated at the event. These were Luke Kingwill, Cobus van Zyl, Mitchell Gardner and Gabriel Viljoen. The winners in both sections of the competition were those with Toastmaster experience: Matthew Jennings for the best prepared speech and Alex Godwin for the best unprepared speech. Warmest congratulations to them both.

Standards went to: Holly Cadle, Nadir Hassanali, Matthew Jennings, Sasha Kasperski, Jamie Nicholas, Louise Poole, Cobus van Zyl, Tsepang Teele and Malama Zimba.

 ${\it Colours\,were\,awarded\,to\,Maria\,Caparossi\,Cugil di\,and\,Ashleigh\,Purdon.}$ 

### **■** TADENDORFF





**DEBATING SOCIETY** 

Back Row: F Marais, N Govender, S Govender, W Shiel, B Bidla, E Fryer, S Nyangiwe, I Joubert. Front Row: S Kasperski, S McCabe, Mr M Stead (Teacher-in Charge), A Watkins, L Wray, M Wanko Komb.



**ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIETY** 

Back Row: K Willows, S Charles. Front Row: R Seamatha, Mrs D Price (Teacher-in-Charge), I Joubert.



PRESIDENTS AWARD LEADERS

Back Row: T Madasa, L Zono. Front Row: W Shiel, Ms S Zamani (Co-ordinator).

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### PRESIDENT'S AWARD HOLDERS

Back Row: T Madasa, W Shiel, L Zono. Front Row: A Purdon, N Hassanali, Ms S Zamani (Award Leader), J Bowker.



### INTERACT COMMITTEE

Back Row: M Sesia, C Arthur, C Rowlands, T Walker, M Jennings, L Zono.
Front Row: A Purdon, Mrs J Stewart, M Awobokun-Allanso (Vice-President), B Trafford (President), Mrs I Schweyer, M Bowker.



### LIBRARY PREFECTS

Back Row: K Seymour, T Rouhani, S Nyangiwe, C Mancapa, D Shone, E Maddocks, M du Preez, F Marais, H van Zyl, V Bills, L Madikiza. Front Row: Miss F Marali, S Pote, D Scholtz (Head of Library), Mrs Scholtz (Librarian), K Weyer, T Stott.



### **GRADE 10 TOASTMASTERS**

Back Row: L Mvuza, Q Mapoma, E Denton. Second Row: W Poole, J Fourie, K Burgess, G Maree.

Front Row: W Shiel, E Fraser, Mrs T Adendorff (Teacher-in-Charge), N Sibeko, K von Holdt.

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### **GRADE 11 TOASTMASTERS**

Back Row: O Kingwill, M Mutuku, W Stapleton, G Viljoen, A Luke.
Second Row: K Cawood, J Hart, M Gardner, S Campbell, A Meyer, A Archibald.
Front Row: L Kingwill, M Drew, Mrs T Adendorff (Teacher-in Charge), M Jennings, J van Zyl.



### **GRADE 12 TOASTMASTERS**

Back Row: A Crompton, J Taljard, N Hassanali, S McCabe.
Front Row: T Wille, M Caporossi Cugildi (Captain), Mrs T Adendorff (Teacher-in-Charge), L Poole (Vice-Captain), Y Matroshe.



# **Kingswood Sport**

### **Athletics**

> Master in Charge: Mr Zweli Mbenyana

> Coaches: Mr Tyrone Scholtz

Mr Dean Fereirra
Miss Natalie Ross
Mr Stegmann van Zyl

Mr Stegmann van ∠y

Captains: Aimee-Leigh Pote

Sanelisiwe Nkatsha

"The current men's 100m world record is 9,58 seconds, set by Jamaica's Usain Bolt in 2009, while the women's world record of 10,49 seconds set by American Florence Griffith – Joyner in 1988 remains unbroken" www. google.com.

Kingswood athletics remains vibrant and exciting. We competed and somewhat dominated our local Grahamstown school's competitions in the first term and ultimately, Athenkosi Halom, Lebogang Nkone, Ewan Pieters, Aimee-Leigh Pote, Dominic Shone and Sanelisiwe Nkatsha qualified for the Sarah Baartman (formerly known as Cacadu) district. Athenkosi went on to qualify for the South African National Secondary Schools Championships held in Polokwane. Travelling to Polokwane proved more tiring than the competition itself for Athi.

Our athletics season in September was once again a unique opportunity for all pupils to be exposed to various athletics events. The start to the season was interrupted by persistent rains which was welcomed by our local farmers. Eventually we started with heats (trials for Sports Day). 98% of our pupil population participated in one or more events which is always encouraging.

We hosted the annual Girl's Triangular once again this year. The final

results for this competition were: DSG 1st (253); Kingswood 2nd (235) and VGHS 3rd (204). Mr Mike Bandey presented the Ann Bandey Shield to the winners on the day.

The Boys Quadrangular was hosted for the first time by Graeme College and our boys gave a good account of themselves at this meeting. Kingswood narrowly missed the second place. The final results were: Grey 1st (49); SAC 2nd (31); KC 3rd (28) and Graeme 4th (21).

The Hirsch, SF Edwards and Sammy Gunn Shield event was hosted this year by Queen's College. Some notable performances by Kingswood athletes were:

### Hirsch Shield: the U19 division:

- > Ewan Pieters, 1st in discus throw (38,39m) and 2nd in shot put (11,90m);
- > Sanelisiwe Nkatsha 3rd in 200m (23, 00 seconds)
- > Bradley Moorcroft 3rd in 3000m (10 min 45;30sec)
- > Nicholas Schenck 3rd in Javelin (45,97m)

### SF Edwards: the U16 division:

> Athini Galada, 2nd in shot put (10,91m) and 3rd in Javelin (43,41m)

### Sammy Gunn: the U14 division:

- > Joshua von Holdt, 1st in Shot Put (12,13m)
- William Pieterse 1st in 1500m (4min 49,10sec) and 2nd in 800m (2min 18,00sec).
- > Cameron Lombard 2nd in Discus (35,19m)

The final results were that Kingswood was placed 3rd in the Hirsch shield (U19) behind Queen's and Grey at 1st and 2nd respectively. Eleven schools took part in this year's Hirsch Shield event. In the SF Edwards, Kingswood was placed 8th and in Sammy Gunn shield, we finished 4th





Thomas Klopstra 90mHurdles race - Sammy Gunn Shield





Muhammad Ali Chughtai finishing the 1500m race





(1st was Selborne, 2nd Grey and 3rd Queen's)

Sports Day was well supported with an enthusiastic spirit on Gane field on the day. Mrs Cathy Pote was our guest of honour and she presented the trophies and shields.

#### The victor and victrix ludorum:

### U14:

Megan du Preez

Boys: Dominic Shone and William Pieterse U16:

Kate von Holdt Siwaphiwe Ntlahla Boys:

### Open division:

Hannah Lewis Boys: Bradley Moorcroft

Overall house positions were: 1st Gane (320); 2nd Chubb (293); 3rd Jagger (278) and 4th Wood (174). The Jim Fouché competition in Bloemfontein was enjoyed by all the athletes who attended and they gained valuable experience.

Lastly, I would like to thank the following people for their support throughout the year, my right hand man, 'Meneer' Scholtz for the support and sincere advice, "Baie dankie meneer", Cathy Pote and her team of ground staff led by Thembani, "Enkosi kakhulu, madoda". My sincere gratitude also goes to Mike Bandey and Gregg Rippon for volunteering to coach Pole Vault and Hurdles respectively. Lastly to Mr Jon Trafford, Mr Guthrie and the entire Senior School staff for all the assistance and support during the athletics season. Thanks to one and all!

### **ZMBENYANA**





**BOYS QUADRANGULAR ATHLETICS** 

Back Row: H Robinson, B Duxbury, B Moorcroft.

Second Row: W Pieterse, R Craig, W Potgieter, M Jennings, E Mrwetyana, S Ntlahla.
Front Row: Mr T Scholtz (Coach), J Christie, S Nkatsha (Captain), Mr Z Mbenyana (Coach), E Pieters (Vice–Captain), N Schenck, Mr S van Zyl (Coach).

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### **GIRLS TRIANGULAR ATHLETICS**

Back Row: M du Preez, M Awobokun-Allanso, C Chona.
Third Row: Z Mbenyana, E Denton, A Meyer, L Bega, B Walker.
Second Row: B de Klerk, P Duxbury, C Trow, K Cawood, E Williamson, L Robinson, H Lewis, C Daniels.
Front Row: Mr T Scholtz (Coach), T Wille, A Pote (Captain), Mr Z Mbenyana (Coach), H Knott-Craig, T Buttner, Mr S van Zyl (Coach).



Back Row: J McCreath-Lombard, A Balopi, H Robinson, J von Holdt.
Third Row: N Lawson-Smith, S Chaparira, T Mwinyi, D Shone, M Chughtai, A Tonjeni, A Klaas.
Second Row: S Charles, E Mrwetyana, W Pieterse, R Craig, S Ntlahla, A Hoyi, T Dimati.
Front Row: Mr T Scholtz (Coach), B Moorcroft, S Nkatsha (Captain), Mr Z Mbenyana (Coach), E Pieters (Vice-Captain), N Schenck, Mr S van Zyl (Coach).

### Basketball

Michael Jordan had this to say about basketball "The game of basketball has been everything to me. My place of refuge, place I've always gone where I needed comfort and peace. It's been the site of intense pain and the most intense feelings of joy and satisfaction. It's a relationship that has evolved over time, given me the greatest respect and love for the game." Looking back to the year 2015, this statement summarises the basketball atmosphere and vibe around Kingswood College.

For the few pupils in the school community who play basketball, it has indeed been their all. They have continued to grow and to gain in confidence. The girls' team maintained an unbeaten first term. To add to this, three of our U16 players were selected earlier in the year to represent the Eastern Cape in national trials and subsequently, two of them made the SA U16 team. Later in the year, further Eastern Province trials were held and five girls made the U16 team and five, the U18 team. Two boys who were the only ones eligible for trials (all other boys were not South African citizens) made the District U18 team but could not be selected for the EP team as the province decided to select players for U18 in 2016.

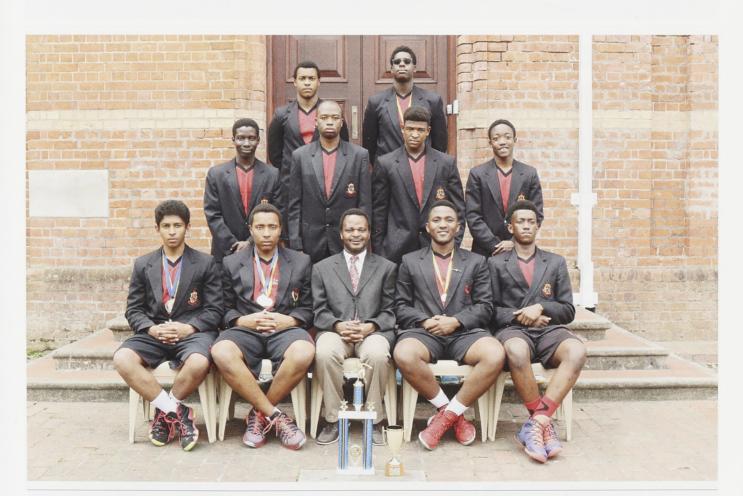
The boys' team won most of their matches, only losing to Grey PE. The team played St Andrew's four times this year and we won three of the matches. We also participated in the PE Comets 3rd annual tournament

"A basketball team is like the five fingers on your hand. If you can get them all together, you have a fist. That's how I want you to play."

and our boys and girls teams won the tournament crowning the year as the team to beat in the Eastern Cape. Congratulations are in order for Nthabiseng Sibeko and Okuhle Mbewu who were voted the MVPs for the tournament. The following boys and girls were selected into the all-stars teams for the tournament: Mihlali Nxopo, Lungisa Duruwe, Nthabiseng Sibeko, Sher Singh, Lubambo Sibam and Okuhle Mbewu. It can be summarised by Coach K (Mike Krzyzewski) who had this to say about a team "A basketball team is like the five fingers on your hand. If you can get them all together, you have a fist. That's how I want you to play." All our teams have come a long way and are now playing as a teams.

I want to thank the coaches, managers, management and student assistants who helped with driving and the pupils who find their place of refuge on the basketball courts.

### ■ G P MAKONI



**1ST BOYS BASKETBALL** 

Back Row: M Mutuku, W Usher.

Second Row: C Masima, Z Mageza, O Mbewu, W Balaile.

Front Row: S Singh, L Sibam (Captain), Mr G Makoni (Coach), S Segoete (Vice-Captain), T Pheko.

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1ST GIRLS BASKETBALL Back Row: L Ngcete, J Cheng, N Myeko, L Bega, Y Bukula, N Ndlovu. Front Row: K Mugerwa-Sekawabe, L Duruwe, Mr X Kula (Coach), M Nxopo, N Sibeko.



### **2ND BOYS BASKETBALL**

Back Row: L Makobole, M Wilmot, T Stott, D Mostert, L Tekane, P Segoete.
Front Row: A Balopi, A Galada (Captain), Mr G Makoni (Coach), O Motsei (Vice-Captain), S Nyangiwe.



2ND GIRLS BASKETBALL

Back Row: B Dimati, S Pepper, B Bidla, M Makoni.

Second Row: S Mrwebo, H Paruk, M Gabaraane, R Balopi, S Bikani, M Makoni, S Nomoyi.

Front Row: S Makgatlhe, C Chona, S Ndlebe, Ms S Zamani (Coach), Mr X Kula (Coach), S Thurairatnam, X Pendlani.

### Cricket

### 1st XI Cricket

Kingswood's cricket continues to grow from strength to strength. Built on years of incredible tradition at the College, our cricket side is always expected to perform consistently, and also raise the bar each year. We have had some incredible performances along the way this year, despite some inconsistency at times. In the first term, we managed to contrive a loss on the final day of the season, which ended up being the only blemish on the results card during the term. It was not only complacency on the players behalf, but also on the coaching staff. I was away at provincial hockey trials that day, and was forced to stay updated electronically, which can probably be directly linked to a lazy performance on the day. It was a game we probably would have won 9 out of ten times, but that (of course) is the only one that actually counted. A blemish yes, but it was still a term of some spectacular cricket that included wins over our local rivals and a superb trip to the ISCF. Sadly, we didn't pull the usual big guns in this year's festival, but then still produced the performances, to very convincingly, outplay St Charles, Cornwall (by an innings) and Uplands.

As usual, there are always many people that play a big role in providing the platform for our teams to do well. Cathy Pote can be incredibly proud of her workforce, as there have been so many compliments paid

with regards to our cricket facilities this year. During the OK match, a debate had started about which field is looking the best. In fact, they are all very different fields, but are all in spectacular condition at the moment. I did catch myself early one morning, while walking up to the HPC for an exam invigilation session, pausing while crossing City Lords, to admire the serenity across the spectacular field. We lost our beloved Gane Field for the term, due to the exciting developments and work on the pitch, which meant that Knight Field became a temporary 'home' for us. Watching both Daine Kruger and Brad Haller get centuries on Knight (in the middle of the campus), was actually something guite special. The move though, sadly meant that we never got to enjoy the camera equipment, set up on Gane earlier in the year. Jon Leiper deserves a big 'thank-you' as he has helped with a lot of the cricket admin again, and we have also been lucky enough to have Carey Pohl and Lee Pote help with the conditioning of players. However, without any doubt, the success of our cricket at the moment, is directly related to the work ethic and influence of Murray Ranger. Kingswood's cricket has never been in better hands, and he will no doubt, take the future of cricket at this great College, to even better and greater things. Murray completed his Level 3 coaching qualifications this year, and was also selected to coach the EP U19 side at the Khaya Majola week in December. Murray's impact, reaches far greater than on the cricket field, and we are very privileged

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Back Row: W Potgieter, J Williams, G Matheus, M Pyle, J van Blerk, J Rippon.
Front Row: J Hare (Scorer), J Sholto-Douglas, Mr M Ranger (High Performance Coach), B Haller (Captain), Mr G van Molendorff (Coach), D Kruger, S Potgieter.
Absent: T Pedro, R Victor, J Ives.



### 2ND XI CRICKET

Back Row: S Thomas, C Matthews, H Robinson.
Second Row: A Hawkesworth, J Wilmot, J Christie, J Hart, J Rippon, S Qupe.
Front Row: M Webber, L Carey, Mr G Shaw (Coach), B Wilmot (Captain), L Turner.

to have him working with our cricketers on a daily basis. I would imagine we are the envy of many schools.

After losing the T20 fixture against our rivals down the road, they impressively went on to represent the Warriors at this year's final. Amazingly, Grahamstown has been represented there in consecutive years, and we were incredibly proud to support Carl Bradfield (OK 1992), who took his St Andrew's team as far as they did. We did end up ending our impressive run of success against them in the final term, after only posting a modest total, we missed a number of chances to win the game, and let them sneak home. Likewise, we should have easily chased 125 to beat Grey this term as well, but seemed to lose our way. Our team had some great wins though, which probably made those losses even more frustrating.

Throughout the year, Brad Haller seemed to be a level ahead of most of our opponents. He was again awarded the Jones-Phillipson Trophy, although this year didn't have to share the prize. I have no doubt that he will captain the Warriors U19 Cubs side in January as well. He was awarded Honours last year, and will be regarded as one of the finest cricketers to ever grace Gane Field. He scored more than 2100 runs and picked up 115 wickets for the 1st XI, which included four 5-for wicket hauls, fourteen half-centuries and two centuries. That means he is only the second bowler to reach 100 wickets, and I wonder how many will do so and score 2000 runs at the same time. What an incredible all-rounder he has developed in to. This year we also saw Daine Kruger reach the 2100 mark, which also included fourteen half-centuries and two centuries. Daine was sublime throughout the year, and was rewarded with selection into the EP U18 side. His cover-drive had all of us in awe on a regular basis. Jimmy Sholto-Douglas also had a very impressive year, after starting on fire in the first term. He was selected in the EP U17 side for the second year in a row. He was probably good enough to also be included in the U18 side, but lost a little form towards the end of the year. This year we also gained the experience of a number of lads doing a Bridging Year. Garrick Mattheus' experience and knowledge was fantastic, and although we lost him to the Currie Cup winning Kings U19 side for most of the final term, we will very fondly reflect on his brutal century against St Charles. Jeremy Ives (a quality all-rounder), went on to represent the Zimbabwe U19 side, although we possibly didn't see the very best of him during his time here. He, along with Ryan Victor, played some crucial innings throughout the year though. Ryan patiently played a number of varying roles for us over the years, and was always incredibly passionate about representing the 1st XI. Weston Potgieter, is without doubt the most improved player we have in our squad at the moment, and I have the feeling he is going to be the player that holds our batting together next year, and the thorn in the side of many opponents. He would get a good run for his money as 'most improved player, from Tony Pedro. Tony has become a reliable fighter in the middle order who plays a crucial variation in our bowling attack. We were thrilled to hear of his inclusion in the Country Districts U17 side. Jarod van Blerk was always dangerous with the ball in hand, and was ably supported by Jordan Williams. Both, will no doubt have superb seasons next year. Shane Potgieter, sadly, also hangs up the gloves after being our very reliable keeper for a number of years. It was also interesting to note that Marco Lombard (OK 2014), was announced as the 2014 CSA U19 T20 player of the year, at their awards dinner in June.

Our team continues to play in the Bathurst League, which offers fantastic opportunities for our lads to play at the country venues. We are also exposed to some incredible cricketers in the league, who often give the boys a masterclass while batting. Sadly, we had to relinquish the Shaw/ Brown trophy to St Andrew's, but not after Daine Kruger reminded us of his incredible talent in an awesome innings.

In summary then, our 1st XI enjoyed wins over Pearson (6 wkts), Dale (9 wkts), Muir (215 runs), St Andrew's College (6 wkts), St Andrew's School (87 runs), St Charles (208 runs), Uplands (7 wkts), Cornwall (innings and 36 runs), Woodridge (6 wkts), Hudson (195 runs), Paarl Gym (79 runs) and Graeme (7 wkts) in various school fixtures. But were also brought back to ground with the odd loss to Framesby (60 runs), St Andrew's College (3 wkts) and Grey (13 runs).

As always it has been an honour and privilege to be associated with Kingswood cricket. Again, our lads have been proud quardians of our beacon, and hand over that significant responsibility to a new and exciting group of players in the new year. We continue to promote the 'process' ahead of the 'result' and by doing some have earned the respect of every opponent that we come across.

Jimmy Sholto-Douglas 101\* vs Cornwall Hill February 2015

### Summary of outstanding individual achievements in 2015:

### Centuries:

Jilling Shorto Douglas	101	VJ COITITION TIME	i cordary 2015
Garrick Mattheus	144	vs St Charles	February 2015
Brad Haller	104*	vs Paarl Gim	October 2015
Daine Kruger	117*	vs Paarl Gim	October 2015
5-wicket hauls:			
Brad Haller	5 for 8	vs Muir	February 2015
Jimmy Sholto-Douglas	5 for 21	vs Uplands	February 2015
Jeremy Ives	5 for 12	vs Dale	March 2015
Tony Pedro	6 for 48	vs Framesby	March 2015
Brad Haller	5 for 43	vs Graeme	October 2015

### EP Reps:

U18	Daine Kruger		
U17	Jimmy Sholto-Douglas		
U15	Caleb Daniels, Nick Wilmo		
CD U17	Tony Pedro		

### ■ G VAN MOLENDORFF

### 2nd XI Cricket

This year was the final swansong for half of the team who had played the majority of their cricket in 2nds for the past three years. Needless to say, they were a closely-knit bunch with plenty of spirit.

The boys were again successful against the schools we play in the Eastern Cape and Border region, where we find ourselves a little way behind St Andrew's and Grey, but a good way ahead of the rest.

The 3rd term saw us playing 50 overs cricket, and the boys acquitted themselves very well. The 2nd XV comfortably beat Hudson Park and Graeme, were soundly beaten by SAC and Grey and we enjoyed nailbiting victories over a Paarl Gym touring side and the OKs.

For many of the games, we were without as many as six of the matrics who were writing exams, which gave us a chance to 'blood' the new talent that will be occupying the older brigade's positions next year. From the performance against Grey, it is evident that next year's bunch will be up for any challenge thrown at them!

We bid farewell to stalwarts: Bradley Wilmot, James Wilmot, Lloyd Turner, Josh Christie, Mark Webber, Luke Carey and James Russell. They have entertained us both on and off the field and continued to play 'Albany Cricket' at its finest.

Results: Played 13, won 10, lost 3

■ GARETH SHAW

### 3rd XI Cricket

We started the year with an experienced and well-balanced squad which was able to play some really good cricket. There were a few notable individual performances through the year. Two centuries and one 5-wicket haul was achieved, as well as a number of other good batting and bowling performances during the season. All who played in the 3rds enjoyed their cricket, while further developing their technical, self-discipline and teamwork skills.

James Wilmot started as our Captain. Once he moved to 2nds, Caimen Toich, Hayden Kruger, Joshua Hart and Bradley Deysel had opportunities to lead the side. The following players represented the 3rd XI on 1 or more occasions, at various stages through the year: Hayden Kruger, James Wilmot, Caimen Toich, Reeden Vermeulen, Nicholas Schenck, Siyo Qupe, Harry Robinson, Josh Hart, Andrew du Toit, Lutho Tunisywa, Cassidy Daniels, JC Kockett, Lushano le Roux, Aidan Hawkesworth, Callum Zwicky-Wardle, Bradley Deysel, Sean Campbell, Pierre Wansbury and Ntsika Ndlebe.

Thanks go to Cameron Braans who assisted with coaching duties through the year.

Played 13 won 6, drew 1 and lost 6

■ N W J HARTZENBERG (TEAM COACH)

### 4th XI Cricket

The 4th cricket team has had a tremendously successful season. While we have not necessarily achieved the most amazing results, we have had an immense amount of fun. It is said that the strongest bonds are formed in the most trying of conditions. As a team we have endured some heavy defeats but this has brought the boys closer together and they showed some real character, battling onwards, despite the odds.

While we have not enjoyed the sweet taste of victory when competing against our perennial rivals, St Andrew's College, we can find solace in having given them a run for their money. Under the initial leadership of Matthew Maree and then Callum Zwicky-Wardle and Bradley Deysel, the team came ever so close to victory with two of our games coming down to 'last ball' or 'last wicket' to win scenarios.

The chaps were always keen to get out onto the middle and we took every opportunity to do just that. Our real challenge this season has been our batting, which has been lacklustre. It seemed that whenever a batsman started building momentum, he would play a silly shot and get out, so our focus has been on playing each ball on its merit and playing shots based on field placements. It has been good to see many of our batters gaining confidence and I look forward to seeing what they can accomplish next season. The 4th XI bowlers have also begun to realise how to bowl to a specific field and keep the extras to a minimum. Our fielding has also vastly improved this term as the boys showed great enthusiasm; really putting their body on the line to save a run or two.



**3RD XI CRICKET** 

Back Row: S Qupe, B Deysel, L le Roux, C Zwicky-Wardle. Second Row: P Wansbury, A Hawkesworth, S Campbell, J Hart, C Daniels. Front Row: A du Toit, H Kruger (Viec-Captain), Mr N Hartzenberg (Coach), J Wilmot (Captain), N Schenck.



### **4TH XI CRICKET**

Back Row: I Hassanali, S Bidla, A Klironomos. Third Row: N Ndlebe, J Pieterse, A Mfecane, J Joe. Second Row: H Wicks, T Seamatha, C van Aardt, C Day, N Stone, R van Niekerk.

Front Row: N Hassanali, M Maree (Captain), Mr R Jones (Coach), C Zwicky-Wardle (Captain), B Deysel (Captain).



### **U15A CRICKET**

Back Row: J Kelly, B Archibald, T Reeve, C Appelt.
Second Row: T Rippon, B Harvey, C du Preez, S Dumezweni, S Stretton, K Kalipa, L Thorburn.
Front Row: S Charles, J Potgieter (Vice-Captain), Mr M Ranger (Coach), N Wilmot (Captain), D Griesel (Scorer).

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### **U15B CRICKET**

Back Row: S Dumezweni, T Reeve.

Second Row: P Segoete, A Hoyi, C Kahla, A Tonjeni, Y Libi, T Dimati. Front Row: M Nel, J Whittemore (Captain), Mr R Howden (Coach), S Nyangiwe, M Chughtai.



### **U14A CRICKET**

Back Row: M Krige, C Daniels, E Maddocks, J McCreath-Lombard.
Second Row: M Pieterse, N Lawson-Smith, W Pieterse, Q Caiger, Q Shiel, J Mills.
Front Row: B Hurly (Scorer), A Meyer (Captain), Mr A Timm (Coach), C Lombaard (Vice-Captain), J von Holdt.

The young men of the 4th team demonstrated great character and sportsmanship in all of their matches and can be proud of their achievements this year.

RORY JONES

### Colts A Cricket

The Colts A team have had a tough 2015. We have played some brilliant cricket but at times, we let ourselves down with some disappointing performances. We played our best cricket at home, where we pulled off some fine victories against the likes of St Andrew's, Framesby, Pearson and Graeme College. Over the February half term, the team attended the ISCF, hosted by Clifton in Durban. This was a tough festival which proved invaluable in terms of the experience the boys gained.

As a group, we continued to learn and grow. The enthusiasm of the team was always fantastic. They worked hard at practices and were always very keen. We tried to focus on developing real cricket awareness throughout the season - getting bowlers to understand what fields they should be bowling to and why. The batters needed to play to their strengths and were encouraged to occupy the crease. We worked really hard at simulating match-type situations at practices, which in turn forced the players to think and react accordingly.

Nick Wilmot must be congratulated on his selection to the EP U15 cricket team. Nick had a very good term 1, with the highlight being an incredible 200 not out against Muir College. Other notable batting contributions throughout the year came from James Kelly, Justin Potgieter, Kamva Kalipa and Blaine Archibald. On the bowling front, Blaine Archibald bowled superbly at times and led the way, picking up 20 wickets.

Looking back on the season, there is no doubt that the team have shown growth individually both as cricketers and as people. A fantastic team spirit was maintained throughout the season and that was always pleasing to see.

In closing I would like to thank a number of people for their contributions.

- Mzi Mangi for his valuable input throughout the year as the assistant coach.
- > The ground staff for all their hard work in preparation of our facilities.
- > The catering staff for always ensuring the boys were well fed
- Sisters Junkin and Starke for looking after the boys when they were sick or injured.
- > The Wyvern for the fantastic lunches for coaches and visitors.
- > Head of Cricket Mr Jonathan Leiper for all your hard work.

Last but not least, to all the parents who supported us week in and week out, your support was much appreciated. I would like to encourage the boys to continue working hard but more importantly to always enjoy the game of cricket.

■ M RANGER

### U15B Cricket

The U15B cricket side had a decent start to the season with a 5-wicket victory at home against Graeme College. In the 20-20 encounter, Kingswood were sent into bat and managed to post a fair total of 114-5, with an impressive knock of 37 by Sixolise Nyangiwe. Having posted a defendable total, the Kingswood bowlers came out firing with the following bowling figures: Christian Appelt 3-12 (3 overs), Aluta Tanjeni 2-14 (2 overs), and Thomas Reeves 2-12 (3 overs). Kingswood bowled

Graeme out for 81. But one must not forget Muhammad Chupti's record-breaking 27-ball over, which provided some entertainment for the afternoon.

In the U15's second match, a 30-over encounter against St Andrew's College, the opposition were sent in to bat and posted a big total of 237-7. Sinesipho Dumezwini was the only bowler who stood out with figures of 2-25 in his 5 overs. Kingswood managed to get off to a decent start with 90-4 after 14 overs, however, the batting order collapsed somewhat and we were bowled out for 155. Sinesipho must be commended yet again for his impressive 39 runs. Result: Kingswood lost by 82 runs.

The third match, a 20-20 against St Andrew's College, saw Kingswood post 140-6. Brandon Harvey scored an impressive 38 runs, as well as Sinesipho Dumezwini and Anathi Hoyi with 19 and 16 not out respectively. However, St Andrew's reached the total in 14 overs which saw us lose by 4 wickets. Sinesipho bowled well again with figures of 1-20 in 4 overs.

The fourth match, a 20 over fixture away against Graeme College saw Kingswood post 125-5. Thomas Reeves made 38 and Mike Krige an impressive 50 run knock. Graeme fell 19 runs short of the target which saw us taking the victory. Some impressive bowling figures: Sinesipho Dumezwini 4-25 (4 overs), Aluta Tanjeni 1-12 (4 overs), Thomas Reeves 1-10 (4 overs), and Julian Whittemore 1-13 (4 overs).

The U15B side was not as successful in the latter part of the season, as they lost to St Andrew's on two occasions as well as Graeme at home. Notable performances with the bat included: Liam Thorburn 28 and Julian Whittemore 24 against SAC. Notable bowling performances: Thomas Reeves 2-8 (2 overs) against Graeme. Overall the boys seemed to have an enjoyable cricket season and they gained a lot of cricket knowledge and experience. I wish them all the very best for 2016.

■ MR R HOWDEN

### U14A Cricket

This was a year of 2 distinct halves for the U14A cricket team. The second half saw them playing to their potential and winning 5 of their 8 games with an agonizing draw against Hilton who were hanging on desperately at the end and the only loss to Grey in their last match.

The year started with disappointing batting displays against Pearson and St Andrew's, followed up by victories against Woodridge, Muir, Dale and Framesby.

The team travelled to the Hilton Cricket Festival early in October. This



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event was a most useful exercise and after a draws with Westville and Hilton, we comprehensively beat St Charles and Michaelhouse. This was the start of some good cricket and the top order put in strong displays which saw us chase down 204 against St Andrew's and set Hudson an imposing 258. We also bowled Graeme out for 75.

The team was captained by all-rounder Aiden Meyer who picked up two 5-wicket hauls and also made 114 against Hudson. He was also a fine fielder along with most of the team. The spear head of the bowling was pace man Caleb Daniels who in the second half of the year blew the opposition top order away as against St Charles and Hudson with 4 wickets each match; he also got a 5 wicket haul against Muir. He was selected for EP U15A.

The batting had depth and most of the batsmen bowled so there was a lot of variety. Seamers Josh von Holdt, Ethan Maddocks, Cameron Lombaard and Mike Krige all contributed at various stages while Quinlan Caiger's slow medium bowling into a gale against St Andrew's saw him get a 5-wicket haul and he often put a brake on the opposition's scoring. William Pieterse worked on his leg spin and was rewarded with a 5-wicket haul against Graeme while putting together some important spells. Nick Lawson-Smith and Jack Mills completed the spinning options.

Josh von Holdt's 83 not out against St Andrew's was memorable and showed what potential he has after a match winning 53 against Framesby. Jack Mills also played some important innings. Quinton Shiel was a capable wicket keeper while Cameron Lombaard and Mike Krige were a competent opening pair with Caleb Daniels having the potential to become a hard hitting finisher.

Thanks go to Mr Wayne Wiblin and Mr Murray Ranger who assisted

with the coaching and added a lot of value. Blake Hurley was our loyal scorer. Mr Stegman van Zyl also got the boys fit before the Hilton festival Played 15, Won 9, Lost 3, Draw 3

■ TTIMM

### U14B Cricket

The U14 age group is lucky to have an abundance of cricket players, and the B team had a squad of 17 players. This gave everyone an opportunity to play cricket this year. We played ten matches, lost 7 and won 3 of them. The team learnt a tremendous amount and improved through the season. The boys worked hard in the net sessions and when it came to the matches they were prepared. A team weakness was that they did not value their wickets while batting and this, unfortunately, was the case in most of their matches.

There was a vast improvement from the first term to the third term. The boys were gentlemen on the field and off. They always looked neat and tidy and had respect for their opponents. The attitude the boys showed on the field and in the practices was fantastic. There were plenty of laughs and memorable moments for the coaching staff.. We have learnt good lessons from the boys and will treasure them. We were fortunate to have strong leaders in the team and their maturity in many aspects of the game showed in the matches that we played. The boys still have a lot to improve on but with the correct attitude, they will succeed. We look forward to seeing the boys develop in the years to come.

■ F RUBIDGE



**U14B CRICKET** 

Back Row: B Hurly, S Smit, A Reeve, J McCreath-Lombard, S Tsili.

Second Row: N Mkatini, A Klaas, K Seymour, T Haller, C Mancapa, J Griesel.

Front Row: E Connan, E Yates (Captain), Mr F Rubidge (Coach), J Cawood (Vice-Captain), Z Mei.

### Boys Hockey

### 1st XI Boys Hockey

Taking over a team from a long term coach is never an easy task. With no real pre-season to speak of, the team assembled three days before our Kingswood Hockey Festival for a training camp and a little bit of prep for the season ahead. The festival in itself was successful and it looked like we were on track for a very good season - winning 3, drawing 1 and losing only 1.

But reality kicked in. I think our whole season was summed up in two games -Pearson High School and K-Day. Both ended in draws, when they could have been won if we had finished our opportunities and been more consistent with our concentration.

The team was one of the fittest units I've coached and their dedication to training was superb. They were a tight unit, becoming more of a family during the season. Their comradery

resulted in some really special times together.

However, it was a tough season. The team played some really inspiring hockey but, at times, made errors that let them down. Inconsistency coupled with some crucial illtimed injuries, prominent dual rugby/hockey sportsman leaving hockey during the season (they were replaced by some very able and enthusiastic under 16 players), and top class opposing goalkeepers meant that we had a less than memorable season - winning four matches, drawing four and losing seven. We would have liked to have done better.

The following boys were recipients of awards during the season: Josh Christie - EP U18B and Kingswood College Player of the Year; Steven Savage - Kingswood College Most Improved Player of the Year.

I would like to thank the following members of staff: Mr Van Molendorff for his support, guidance and valuable input at halftime talks and Mr Van Zyl for his dedication as the team's conditioning coach/manger. Your time and effort was greatly appreciated by both the boys and myself. I also thank every single boy that played for this 1st team for their dedication, effort and loyalty that was proved to me and their teammates over and over again throughout the season. It is with a heavy heart that we say good bye to a long and distinguished list of matric and BY players: Josh Christie, Shane Potgieter, Micheal Pyle, Caimen Toish, Vaughan Mayer, Bradley Wilmot, Steven Savage, Bradley Haller and Jeromy Ives. Bon voyage, lads - live the adventure and enjoy the journey of life!

As we look to the future and the rebuilding begins, I leave you with this thought: "Don't fear failure. It is not failure, but low aim, that is the crime." Bruce Lee

### ■ MR R AMBLER



**1ST BOYS HOCKEY** Back Row: B Moorcroft, S Savage, J Sholto-Douglas. Second Row: N Wilmot, J Mutuku, C Toich, B Wilmot, A Sandys-Thomas, N Stone. Front Row: D Kruger, S Potgieter (Captain), Mr R Ambler (Coach), J Christie (Captain), M Pyle.

### 2nd XI Boys Hockey

The 2nd Boys Hockey team have had a fair season with 4 wins, 3 draws, and 5 losses of which they scored 18 goals and conceded 21. Highlights include a 4-3 win over Merrifield College, a 3-3 draw against St Andrew's College, as well as the unfortunate 2-1 loss against St Andrew's College on K-day. From several early morning training sessions to practicing in the rain, the boys' commitment levels and team spirit have been unquestionable. Callum Wardle (Captain) and Mitchell Gardener (Vice-Captain) demonstrated great leadership abilities, as they led by example and uplifted team spirit and morale when times were tough. The most valuable player title is shared between Stuart Thomas and Siyo Qupe. Stuart's skill on the ball, distribution and drag-flicking ability was a significant asset to the team, whereas Siyo was the foundation of the defensive unit, with a number of tremendous saves throughout the season. The most improved player was Chris Matthews. His determination and willingness to improve were evident in his performance towards the end of the season.

On the attacking front, the forwards, George Chemaly, Callum Wardle, Hilton Wicks, Jarod van Blerk, and Tony Pedro had some excellent counter-attacks, with some great 2 v 1 manoeuvres resulting in a number of goals. Their pace and skill upfront created difficulty for the opposition. In the midfield, Mitchell Gardener, Stuart Thomas, Clifford Loock and Chris Matthews linked well together in distributing the ball to the forwards. They also ought to be commended on their defensive work rate and ability to break-down play. Defensively, Siyo Qupe, Todd Mpeli, Lloyd Turner, Joshua Hart, Alex Fulford and Matthew Jennings provided a solid platform for the team to go forward. Their communication and ability to trough the ball around the back improved immensely throughout the season. All defenders made a number of crucial tackles that prevented the opposition from scoring.

Overall the 2nd XI hockey team were a well-structured side and they displayed some excellent patches of hockey. They ought to be commended on their sportsmanship both on and off the field.

### ■ R HOWDEN

### 3rd XI Boys Hockey

The 3rd Boys Hockey team attacked their season with plenty of vigour and flair. It didn't take long before the team began playing with a compact structure, regimented defence. fluid link-line and a succinct counterattacking composure which made them a force to be reckoned with in the Makana Hockey league for the 2015 campaign. A combination of discipline, work-ethic, respect and a love for the game allowed us to train hard, improve on our close-quarter skills and apply a detailed aptitude towards the sport without sacrificing any enjoyment one takes from playing the game and achieving in a team environment. Our season began well as we started off slowly with a couple of draws, first against Port Alfred and an internal fixture against the U16B side which allowed us to build and develop our unique brand of counter-attacking hockey. We fought hard and showed plenty of determination against sides who had some gifted individuals but with the help of William Stapleton and Cameron Day at sweeper and goalkeeper respectively, the defence remained organised and resolute during critical passages



**2NDS BOYS HOCKEY** 

Back Row: G Chemaly, J van Blerk, C Matthews, C Loock, S Thomas, A Falford, J Hart, T Mpeli. Front Row: S Qupe, A Pedro, Mr R Howden (Coach), C Zwicky-Wardle (Captain), M Jennings, H Wicks, L Turner.



3RDS BOYS HOCKEY
Back Row: D Moore, M Drew, J O'Neil, W Stapleton, T Walker, S Singh, B van Houten.
Front Row: S Campbell, J Wilmot, C Day, Mr L Willetts (Coach), M Maree (Captain), J Nicholas, T Rusike.



### **4THS BOYS HOCKEY**

Back Row: M Phakisi, M Lewis, T Pitcher, T Stott, L Wray, T Pheko, A Griplas, R Seamatha.
Front Row: D Mostert, C Masima, Mr G Makoni (Coach), B Deysel (Captain), Mr L Sigauke (Coach), N Ndlebe, M Segoete.

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which enabled us to absorb pressure and quickly transition into attack.

Travelling to Pearson, we suffered a narrow defeat where we dictated the tempo and controlled the possession for large parts of the game, yet we unfortunately lacked a clinical touch in front of goal. Playing our first round of fixtures against St Andrew's, we were held to a 0-0 draw as our offense mounted many meaningful attacks and the link-line performed stupendous work helping out the defence and assisting the attack against a quality organised St Andrew's outfit. Our penultimate fixture against Grey saw us slip to a narrow 3-2 loss as the game ebbed and flowed in a fixture that produced our best hockey. Grey converted two early short corners as we managed to claw our way back into the match through some inventive play and clinical finishing by our front three. Pushing forward to win, we were hit on the counter to lose the match but the team were proud of the hockey they produced and remained cheerful on the trip back from PE. We ended off the season with a 1-0 win over Graeme College on City Lords which reflected how far we had come both as individual hockey players and more importantly as a team. All in all, we had an incredibly successful season. Granted, some results did not always go our way, but the value in achieving a healthy, enjoyable and disciplined respect for the game, our teammates and the qualities in which it takes to succeed transcended the win/loss column into something far more meaningful.

#### L WILLETTS

### 4th XI Boys Hockey

This year the fourth team had a mixed season coupled with great performances but unfortunately the results did not reflect our efforts. The boys started the season sluggishly and our hockey was characterised by the boys adopting an 11 man defensive strategy in order to minimize the number of goals conceded. After a few warm up games that allowed the boys to experience fluid, offensive and attacking hockey the boys truly came out of their shell and began to display some breath-taking performances worthy of Kingswood men.

The most notable performances must have been our performances against our rivals from across the creek. Our first match against them was a one-sided affair that was dominated by aggressive and clinical shot-taking by a St Andrew's forward. That match ended 6-0 to them. However the result does not reveal that all 6 goals were conceded in the first half. The second half performance inspired an enticing fixture the following week at K-Day. This encounter was characterised by a resolute and compact defence and a dynamic and disciplined shape attributed to decisive distribution by the Kingswood links. After pinning St Andrews into a trench like formation for most of the second half the boys were unable to eke out an equaliser. Courtesy of a late goal the game ended disappointingly at 2-1 to St Andrews.

After the boys displayed preeminent performances which saw them narrowly lose against albeit superior opposition in the form of Graeme and Port Alfred 1's the boys were eager to eclipse their bitter rivals in the final show down. After taking a well-deserved lead the Kingswood boys showed their earnest intent. However two brilliantly taken St Andrews goals appeared to dampen the attitude of the boys to their customary fate. However through grit, determination and inspiration from their captain the boys showed their composure and resolve and managed to secure a well-deserved 3-3 result against their defiant rivals.

Notable mention should go to Liam Wray and Troy Pheko for their versatility, dependability and their ability to contribute significantly to most of our transitions from defense to attack. Alex Griplas and Mpho Mokoena displayed the most improvement throughout the season. Mpho having only started playing hockey this season and despite his limited exposure was arguably the man of the match in our final game and deservedly so. Alex's discipline and distribution in front of the defence was the catalyst towards our defensive improvement and his distribution ensured our offensive threat. Tristan Pritcher and Chaza were our most consistent players throughout the season. Despite us conceding at least 2 goals every match their defiant tenacity and courageous defensive efforts ensured that we were always within a goal or two of positive results against stiff opposition. As captain Bradley Deysel's contrbutions to half time team talks should not go unmentioned. He earned the teams respect through his commanding instructions and helpful criticism. He had a great season both as goalie and Captain.

### ■ L SIGAUKE (ASSISTANT COACH)

### U16A Boys Hockey

I have been coaching now for several years and I have always valued the opportunity I am given to impart a sense of value on a young learner's life, as well as instil the purest form of love for the beautiful game that is hockey.

The beginning of the season saw us come together as early as March to prepare for the Independent Schools Hockey Festival which was hosted close to home by St Andrew's College. I was impressed by the way the boys conducted themselves during the short week that we had to prepare and also how the seniors united in creating a great team atmosphere from the outset, with a certain air of competitiveness and willingness to learn and apply themselves during every session. This was clearly reflected in the results we obtained during the festival with us remaining unbeaten with some impressive victories over schools such as Uplands (5-0), Oaklands (3-1), Clifton (2-0) and Glenwood (3-1). A special mention must be made here of the newly appointed captain, Jeff Mutuku, and his deputy, Brian Duxbury, for leading from the front and rallying both the juniors and seniors in the team in such a way as to create this strong foundation for the season.

We returned after the break and seemed to have lost the tenacity and killer instinct we gained during the festival, losing narrowly to Hudson in a game that was called horribly short due to time constraints, as well as to a very strong Queen's outfit. The lads soon picked up the pieces though and returned to winning ways, putting some of their best performances together against an unbeaten Pearson side (3-1) and a stubborn Alex team (2-0). The striking prowess and attacking danger of players such as Jeff Mutuku, Nicolas Wilmot and Anthony Sandys-Thomas started to show in these games, ably supported by the likes of veterans like Mbasa Mrwebi and the ever-aggressive duo of Calvin du Preez and Reagan van Niekerk.

These solid performances were followed by two frustrating defeats against opponents, Dale and Stirling, who only beat us in their ability to finish more clinically, leaving the team rather despondent, knowing they could have salvaged far more than two defeats from those fixtures. The defensive integrity of the senior back four; comprising of Tariq "The General" Mwinyi, James "The Ripper" Rippon, Brian "The Tall Ginger" Duxbury and Nathan "The Lil' Ginger" Stone, must be applauded here though as they kept us in the game more times than I could count. They were assisted by the likes of some seriously competent juniors -Justin "Die Potlood" Potgieter, James "KillBean" Kelly and Gino "The Silent Assassin" Sesia. A special mention here of our keeper Luc "Cray Cray"



U16A BOYS HOCKEY
Back Row: L Crompton, G Sesia, A Sandys-Thomas, J Rippon, B Duxbury, J Kelly, T Mwinyi, N Stone, R van Niekerk.
Front Row: N Wilmot, C du Preez, A Hawkesworth, Mr D Jackman (Coach), J Mutuku, Mr J Hellemann (Coach), M Mrwebi, J Potgieter.



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### **U16B BOYS HOCKEY**

Back Row: D Mostert, R Walgaard, A Galada, S Exley, C van Aardt, M Kondolo, I Hassanali.
Front Row: A Hawkesworth, A Klironomos, B Butterworth (Captain), Mr M Lovatt (Coach), D Carter, W Shiel, J Pieterse.



U16C BOYS HOCKEY
Back Row: H Qangule, J Lundh, B Harvey, C Morel, E Marais, L Dangazele, O Mgijima, S Govender, C Kahla, A Hoyi, Y Libi.
Front Row: M Shearer, M Chughtai, P Wansbury, B Banda (Captain), Mr N Hartzenberg (Coach), J Strydom, M Wilmot, S Charles.

Crompton who, despite his disadvantaged height, made a consistent amount of gamechanging saves to support the hard work of his fellow teammates in front of him.

The season took a positive turn after these fixtures and true to form, the gents pulled themselves together for an impressive run of results that began with a 1-all draw against St Andrew's College on K-day. The most compelling draw of this specific fixture was how much heart the team showed to come back from a 1-0 deficit at half time and dominate a second half that could have easily ended in us taking the result. They continued this rich vein of winning form against Victoria Park High School (3-0) and Westering High School (1-0) with the only real drawback being our inability to finish in front of goals. The evermaturing midfield needs to be congratulated here on their improvement in distribution, with players like Anthony Sandys-Thomas and Justin Potgieter really showing their class alongside an already established centre link in Nicolas Wilmot. The improvement of certain individuals earned them call ups to the 1st team, a well-earned reward for the likes of Jeff, Anthony, Nathan and Nicolas here. A special mention should also be made here to Nathan, who proudly represented the school at provincial level and also to Nicolas and Jeff, who were unfortunately cheated out of deserved positions on the Eastern Province team.

The looming curse of not being clinical in the last quarter of the field seemed to bite us hardest in the penultimate fixtures we played against Woodridge and Grey. We showed some great structure and creativity at times in both these games but were outdone by our own inability to finish - something both opposing teams punished us for quite brutally. The one thing that cannot be faulted here though was our tenacity and never-say-die mentality which meant that, regardless of the game situation; we fought on and created some nervous moments for teams throughout the game. The team regrouped themselves one last time for our game against Port Alfred 1st XI, who boasted some extremely dangerous pace and flair up front within their ranks. A special mention needs to be made here of Aidan Hawkesworth, who rightfully earned himself a starting position in the final game of the season – a testament to his improvement during the year. The gents rose expertly to the task at hand and even after conceding an early goal continued to fight back, earning them 3 goals in the process and once again, a mountain of chances that were not taken.

We came out 3-1 victors, a fitting end to what has been an extremely challenging but fulfilling season.

The conclusion of the story is simple: 9 wins, 6 losses and 1 draw. This summary illustrates what was a very competent season of hockey which, if we were brutally honest with ourselves, could have been even more impressive with some better finishing in the business end of the field. I expect to see guite a number of these players compete for first team positions next year and I hope I get to see their potential fully unleashed in the years to come. I salute the seniors who have always led from the front under the watchful guidance of Jeff and Brian and I honour the juniors, who have impressed by keeping the pace and standard high through some tough growing pains this year. These gents have the ability to make a dramatic impact next year and I look forward to seeing their progress in due course. Stay true to the standard, be the difference and never back down, for such is the way of the U16A team. Godspeed gentleman, until we meet again.

### D JACKMAN

# U16B Boys Hockey

The U16B boys hockey side had a fantastic season, both in the local Makana League as well as in our midweek fixtures. As the season progressed, each player grew and improved and by the end of the season we had established a fantastic team culture where the boys realized that working as a team was far better than as individuals.

Our season got off to a blistering start with the team winning our first few fixtures convincingly. We then came up against the St Andrew's U16B side in a pre-KDay fixture. It truly was a great game of hockey, in which we went down 3-1, conceding two late goals.

The boys learned some valuable lessons from this loss, bouncing back to win a Makana League fixture against Port Alfred 9-0. This was testament to the never-say-die attitude which became so synonymous with the side and made the team an absolute pleasure to coach.

Highlights of the season included our 1-1 draw on K-Day, a 5-0 win over the Kingswood U15A side in the Makana League, as well as a very closely fought 2-1 victory over Woodridge toward the end of the season, where Aidan Hawkesworth and Jeremy Pieterse combined to score our best goal of the season sublime hockey.

But the game which stands out most was

our 4-0 victory over the St Andrew's 4th XI in our last competitive game of the season, which served as a fitting finale to a wonderful season.

We had a solid defense consisting of our vice-captain Tiaan Van Aardt, Warren Shiel, Douglas Mostert, Mutale Kondolo and Simon Exley. These five defenders excelled throughout the season and grew in confidence and ability. Douglas' and Mutale's attacking runs out of defense were a potent weapon for the side throughout the season.

The defense was ably assisted by our goalkeeper David Carter. I applaud David for his efforts this season, having not played in this position since junior school, and it was fantastic to see his growth in this role as the season wore on. His last-minute save against Woodridge was a highlight.

Our links were incredible, with our captain Bryce Butterworth providing much needed calmness and genuine ability on the ball, while Alexi Klironomos and Imran Hassanali excelled out wide, dominating throughout the season and giving our opposition much to ponder.

Upfront we were blessed in Aidan Hawesworth, Athini Galada and Jeremy Pieterse, to have players of natural ability and a keen eye for goal, always attacking the opposition with pace and clinical thinking.

Special mention must be made of Aidan for his fully deserved call-up to the A side - just reward for his eye-catching performances all

It has been a great privilege to coach these young men who were so passionate about their hockey. It was an amazing season and I look forward to seeing all of them progressing next season.

### ■ M LOVATT

# U16C (D) Boys Hockey

The following players regularly represented the team through the season; Pierre Wansberry (goalkeeper), Murray Wilmot, Lloyd Dangazele, Brian Banda, Onika Mgijima, Christopher Nochera, Jonathan Lundt, Brandon Harvey, Muhammad Chughtai, Ettienne Marais, Michael Shearer, James Strydom, Sandiso Charles, Kahla Camagu, Anathi Hoyi and Hlaks Qangule. Jaslin Joe, Sesh Govander, Siwa Ntlahla, Yoluwe Libi and Ross Craig also played for our team on occasions.

The leadership roles in the team were shared amongst the more senior players in the group. In this regard thanks and congratulations are due to Brian Banda, Lloyd Dangzela, Murray Wilmot and James Strydom,

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who helped both on and off the playing pitch, through the season. Brian Banda was the officially appointed captain

We played 11 matches in all, mostly as part of an informal local Makana Schools league. We managed to win 6 and lost 5 of these games. Some of the wins were emphatic as were a few of the losses. The different teams we played against (either once or twice) through the season were: St Andrew's College U16C, U16D, 3rds, 4ths and U14B, Kingswood 3rds and U14B, and Graeme College 2nds/jnrs.

Practices and matches were tackled with enthusiasm, while enjoying playing the game was emphasised at all times. It was pleasing to see the skills level improve consistently through the season. Well done to all concerned on an enjoyable season of hockey.

■ N HARTZENBERG

# U15A Boys Hockey

It has been a very exciting and successful season for the U15A boy's hockey team this year. The season started off with a tough 4-1 loss to the Kingswood U16 B team in the Makana league. From then onwards, the team had a good spell suffering no further losses. The boys showed a lot of dedication, discipline and passion throughout the season which resulted in a unified team that was easy and enjoyable to coach. Some superior performances were their 3-1 victory over a very strong Pearson High School U16B team and a dominant performance to beat St Andrew's College U16B 4-2. The team has grown immensely throughout the season. The boys now not only play hockey, but have learnt how to 'think hockey'. This group of boys is very talented, and with a little more hard work and discipline, they have the potential to be playing 1st team Hockey in the years to come. I wish them all the best of luck with their hockey in the future.

■ L MSUTU

# U14A Boys Hockey

The Kingswood U14A hockey team had an exceptional season this year. The passion and dedication from the boys resulted in only two matches being lost during the season. The team began the year with a rather agricultural style of play, but improved with every match, ultimately achieving a class of hockey which was spectacular to watch.

The first match of the year was a disappointing 4 – 0 loss to Queen's College. However, this game set up the platform for what turned out to be an outstanding season as the team went on to win every game they played. Highlights included beating St Andrew's College twice, with a convincing 3-1 victory on K-Day, and an 11-0 truimph against Victoria Park. At this point in the season, the boys had found their chemistry and were truly playing as a team. The structure and finesse of the performances was breath-taking.

Special mention must be made of Aidan Meyer who held the team together with some awesome vision and passing. Caleb Daniels and Quintin Shiel were both exceptionally clinical strikers throughout the

...the boys had found their chemistry and were truly playing as a team.

season and some fantastic goals were scored, while Cameron Lombard and William Pieterse were stalwarts at the heart of defence.

The final game of the season was an unfortunate loss to Grey College. This game was not an accurate representation of the excellent season which the team had. I would like to commend the boys for the enthusiasm and dedication with which they approached every practice and match; it was wonderful to coach a team with such commitment. Lastly, I would like to thank Mr Gregg van Molendorff and Mr Daniel Jackman for their coaching advice and support. I would also like to thank Mr Michael Stead for his assistance on the admin side.

■ D FERREIRA

# U14B Boys Hockey

The U14Bs enjoyed a stellar season of hockey this year, winning all but two matches. This is a tremendous feat, and a clear indicator that the U14 hockey talent pool at Kingswood has great depth.

The U14Bs played in what is known as the Makana League this season, which saw the side

Participating in an array of local fixtures. Teams played included St Andrew's, Port Alfred and even some internal Kingswood fixtures. I must commend the boys on the hard work they put in, and more importantly, their willingness to learn about what the game of hockey has to offer. The season kicked off with a game against our rivals, the St Andrew's U14Bs. Unfortunately, we narrowly lost this match. However, it was only fitting to come away with a 4-0 win against the same opposition in our final match of the term. It is a pleasure witnessing what you have drilled in practice being reflected in the match situation - this most certainly has been the case towards the latter half of the term.

This season was also not without its travels, and the two wins that the boys picked up in Port Elizabeth are worth mentioning. Our first opponent was that of Alex Road, a strong hockey unit. The team put their bodies on the line and came away with a 3-0 win. Sinxo Nyangiwe and Zinga Mei both played particularly well, with Six scoring one of the better back-stick goals I have seen to date, and Zinga saving a well directed penalty flick. Woodridge would be our next opponents that we would overcome, again with a convincing 3-0 victory. The boys played a great game of expansive hockey, while implementing a very effective system of short "1, 2" passes. Jano Griesel finishing up the match with a brilliant deflection.

All the boys have made tremendous strides in their hockey game this term. However, there are a few players that must be singled out for their performances. Firstly, Ethan Yates has proved to be a force to be reckoned with this season. He has established himself as a solid half, strong on the ball with immaculate dribbling skills. Jano Griesel top scored this season with 7 goals. She has developed a real knack for scoring goals, especially towards the latter half of the fixtures. Last, but not least, Ernest surname can be mighty proud of the progress he has made on his game. Having only started hockey for the first time this year, Ernest was more than willing to put in the hard work to become successful on the turf, and before he knew it, found a niche for himself in the links - a real worker bee.

Well done to all of you on a fantastic season - you can all be proud of what you have accomplished, both on and off the field. The team environment this season has always been a positive one, and a pleasure to have been involved with. I hope to see all of you on the astro again next season!

■ M LOVATT



**U15A BOYS HOCKEY** 

Back Row: J Strydom, A Tonjeni, A Reeve, B Archibald, A Bouwer, D Kemp, B Balopi, C Appelt, S Dumezweni. Front Row: T Rippon, T Wille, K Kalipa, T Dimati, Mr M Mangi (Coach), S Stretton, W Thorburn, S Knight.



U14A BOYS HOCKEY
Back Row: N Lawson-Smith, S Smit, C Daniels, N Lombaard, W Pieterse, J Cawood, M Pieterse.
Front Row: A Klaas, Q Shiel, Mr D Ferreira (Coach), A Meyer, J Whittemore, J Mills.

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### **U14B BOYS HOCKEY**

Back Row: T Walgaard, H van Zyl, Z Mei, D Shone, E Connan, E Maddocks.
Second Row: J McCreath-Lombard, E Yates, K Seymour, T Rouhani, B Hurly, V Bills.
Front Row: S Nyangiwe, L Makobole, M Krige, Mr J Kurz (Coach), J Griesel, C Mancapa, Q Caiger.



### **EP HOCKEY REPRESENTATIVES**

Back Row: C Daniels, M du Preez, K von Holdt, C Daniels, N Stone, A Meyer, Z Mbenyana. Front Row: A Mills, E Fraser, H Lewis, Mr A Guest (EP U14A Coach), C Trow, A Pote, E Denton.

# Kingswood College Hockey Club

For the first time in many years, our hockey club underwent some significant changes. Rob Ambler joined us and coached the boys 1st XI side, I moved across to the girls, Allayne Guest took charge of a hugely talented U14 girl's side and we welcomed a whole new set of Student Assistants to the coaching staff. Our hockey club remains the envy of many schools, as we use a vast variety of coaching tools to get the best out of our teams. Bob Woolmer famously said, "that to improve your performance by 100%, just find 100 things to improve by 1%", and I have always adopted that kind of thinking. We continue to make use of the Gamebreaker video analysis software extensively and Jon Hellemann has recently started what will hopefully be a successful AV enrichment group. We also employed an impressive group of outside coaches to the club as well. Namely Duncan Rist (OK 2013) - goalkeeping coach, Gill Fitzhenry (OK 2009) - Junior School, Cody van Wyk (SA U21 mens side) - Senior School Girls, Kelly Dixon (OK 2009) - Senior School Girls, Grea Keyter -Junior School, Chad Drake (OK 2013) - Junior School, Ruru Msutu (OK 2010) - Senior School Boys, Chelsea Knott - Senior School Girls.

Kingswood again, successfully hosted its annual hockey festival at the start of the season. It's quite amazing that we have 28 teams here for the weekend. Our girls were sublime. winning 6 out of 6 matches, with some tough fixtures. The boys too were impressive, winning four of their matches. As usual, it is a great team effort from our staff to host the event. with our accommodation venues bursting at the seams to house everybody. The U16A girls attended the Woodridge Festival, while the U16A boys participated in the Independent Schools Festival hosted by St Andrew's in Grahamstown, where Daniel Jackman's team went unbeaten.

A massive thank you must go out to our staff and in particular, the Student Assistants, who coach our teams brilliantly throughout the year despite their own commitments. We have always had a superb relationship with the Rhodes Hockey Club, and hence attract some superb players as Student Assistants. It is easy to see how seriously they take their coaching roles. Although not Rhodes students anymore. it was also brilliant to have the likes of Daniel Jackman and Mziyanda Mangi coaching at Kingswood; both have made an enormous impact on our hockey.

From an administrative side, Charlene

Palmer has been superb with Mike Stead and Allayne Guest also helping significantly with the daily administration. We can so easily take our facilities for granted, but viewing the matches from the balcony of the HPC, must be the best vantage point to watch a hockey match in South Africa. Both boys and girls use the HPC for indoor hockey as part of the Interhouse events. A pre-season indoor league got the season off to a good start, and helped our players working on their basics early in the year.

In the girls Interhouse event, Jagger came up trumps overall, while Chubb won the boys trophy. The boys have always shown great pride and passion in the event, and I was glad to see the girls a little more competitive this year. We lose some massive players at the top end this year, but they have set the perfect role model for some very exciting Grade 8's starting off their hockey in the Senior School.

# 1st XI Girls Hockey

I suppose the best place to start writing this report, would be with the two young ladies who both celebrated 100 caps for Kingswood on K-Day. An incredible achievement indeed, and a proud moment for everybody attached to the 1st XI. Aimee-Leigh Pote and Hannah Knott-Craig have been the backbone of the 1st XI for a number of years, and were simply sensational this year. The most remarkable thing about them, was the positive influence they had within the squad. Often you find players of this quality at small schools having a detrimental effect, but they seemed to instil confidence and bring out the best of the players around them. What is even more incredible was their own awesome relationship, and how it bonded the team together. It was as though they understood and fully accepted their responsibility together. Hannah dominated in the midfield, even when up against the best players in the country. What set her apart from the normal midfielder, was her ability to eliminate on the edge of the circle, and get a shot away. Some of the goals that she scored as a result, were memorable. A harder working sportswoman and better role model you will not find anywhere. I had even used Hannah as an example in the cricket change-room earlier in the year. Just in front of her on the field, was our inspirational captain and the most amazing young girl you

will ever want to meet, Aimee-Leigh Pote. As a hockey player, everybody knows that Aimee was arguably the very best striker in South Africa, but that's only half of who she is. Her impact off the field was probably just as devastating to opposition. Time and time again, she showed unbelievable class and skill, destroying opposition defenders at will. But always trusting those around her, and setting up so many goals during the season. Her work rate and passion for hockey, is what drove this team forward at every practice session. Both of these young women allowed others to express themselves as well, and as a result every player improved immeasurably during the season. At the back, our wildly charismatic keeper, Khanyi Kuzwayo, had a superb season. She worked so hard, and her success is a great story to any young player coming through the ranks. Jamie-Lee Stone and Casey Arthur had their first full seasons for the 1st XI and were rock solid at the back, Emma Stirk learnt a great deal, and probably doesn't realise just how much knowledge she has and how well she has displayed that in match situations. Ella Denton is without doubt one of our most exciting players for the future. She forced her way into the 1st XI and never looked back, playing a vital role in defence this year. The defence was led by Courtney Trow, who excelled in her new challenge in the 'engine room'. So much so that she knocked on the door of the EP U18A side this year already. We could not have expected anything more from her this year, and she will be an awesome player next year. Twinkle Allanso and Sheree Purdon fed off Hannah in the midfield, and lifted their own games as a result. Conna van Blerk did the same and would have learnt so much from playing around the senior player. Next to them was our speedster, Hannah Lewis - raw, quick and exciting. I was not at all surprised when she was selected in the EP U18B team. Adding her into the midfield, seemed to open up every game, and created so many more attacking opportunities for us. I can't wait to see her play next year; watch this space. Young Bianca de Klerk came off the bench on a number of occasions to show exactly how exciting the future of Kingswood hockey is. Upfront with Aimee was Kate von Holdt, who excelled during the season showing great speed and skill. To think that she still has two full years left, makes me worry for the opposition defence in years to come. Emma Fraser was just as effective, and showed

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a tough tenacity which is so often lacking from girls sport. She learnt the value of being clinical in the circle and scored so many goals, feeding off the other strikers brilliantly. Paula Duxbury and Kristin Sandys-Thomas were also key figures for the 1st XI and will no doubt continue to play important roles within the side next year.

In a year where we made sure not to ignore the youth coming through, we also gave a few opportunities to Bianca Walker, Nealy Lombaard, Kelsey Purdon along with a few others to represent the College at the highest level. Sadly, Karolynne Koch struggled with injury throughout the year, and never managed to get back to the same level as she did in the previous year. It was awesome to see the EP U16B side do brilliantly, with four of our players representing Kingswood.

There were so many highlights of the season and there is no way that I will be able to reflect on each. That said, we always mention how these magazines are Kingswood's only historical reference points. Recently, at a reunion function at the Wyvern, a few OK's were perusing their relevant magazines and reminiscing. With that in mind, I am going to refer to ten random highlights, which I am hoping they read in twenty years time and smile while remembering them:

Hannah Lewis stopping on the field, hands up in the air, exclaiming, 'I don't know what to do'. Amazingly, she would go on to dominate later in the season.

- > Emma Fraser drinking the 'penalty corner water', and not using it on the dry surface.
- > Khanyi's perfectly timed tackle, getting ball and player, against Clarendon.

- > Kate von Holdt scoring within 3 minutes against Collegiate
- Staying with this group for a week at the City Lodge in Johannesburg.
   Messy.
- Morning team chats around the breakfast table at Chapman Hotel in PE
- Aimee's incredible goal vs Herschel, vs Pearson... vs Cambridge... vs DSG... enough said.
- > Players' post match feeling after beating Collegiate.
- > End-of-season emotion of players at Alex and especially at the last home game.
- > Hannah Knott-Craig's wonder goals vs Outeniqua and VG.
- > Kingswood girls' scoring their first ever drag flick goal, against Woodridge.

Coaching girls is indeed very different, and they are clearly a far more emotional species. They play sport differently, and respond differently. I was consumed by their collective personalities, and thrived on getting them to play a particular brand of hockey. So much so, that I could not possibly be a prouder coach at the end of the season. We lost a few big games, which was obviously disappointing, but the 'process' was emerging as an exciting element. We were started to get a few things right, and I was blown away with the type of hockey that they would eventually play. We have often said in our change room, that what we are trying to accomplish is setting up each player for their next level. So for many it would be to adequately prepare them for varsity or club hockey, and for others to prepare them for another full year within the 1st XI. I am told that beating Collegiate was something that is not



**1ST XI GIRLS HOCKEY** 

Back Row: K Sandys-Thomas, E Denton, K von Holdt. Third Row: C van Blerk, C Trow, K Kuzwayo, H Lewis.

Second Row: E Fraser, S Purdon, M Awobokun-Allanso, E Stirk, J Stone, C Arthur, P Duxbury.

Front Row: Ms C Palmer (Assistant), A Pote (Captain), Mr G van Molendorff (Coach), H Knott-Craig (Vice-Captain), Ms C Pohl (Physio).

achieved often, and they probably were not amused at being outplayed by such a small school. But that's exactly what they were, outplayed from the first minute to the last. Outplayed, by a hungry group of exceptional people. To finish the season on the note that we did, was a goal they set straight after the disappointment of losing the K-Day fixture to a superb DSG team. We ended unbeaten in the last 6 fixtures, scoring 23 goals and conceding 6. And again, far more importantly, playing attractive and patient hockey. It all started months earlier, the Greg Beling festival in East London, and then to the St Mary's Festival, which had 20 minute, one-way matches, which lent itself to producing the exact opposite of what we wanted to work on at Kingswood. It allowed plenty time on the turf, in a very different format, against some of the top hockey schools in the country. Our side actually did superbly well, only losing two matches. But, with the format as it was, our large number of drawn results meant that we were not going to progress in to the top levels of the tournament. So with six draws from ten games, we finished positively despite our final placing, which ironically was at the bottom end of the tournament. We were counting down the days, until we needed to be ready to play our 'first match'. The last stop was the Kingswood Festival, where our girls were amazing, winning all six matches, and setting a clear level of potential. The season then started with the odd hiccup but soon found a consistent level of performance. It was clear that execution of tactical plans was not something that comes naturally to our girls, and this has since been identified as something we need to inculcate in our younger teams. The only real disappointments of the season were losses to Stirling, Pearson and Clarendon where we seemed to let ourselves down, and never played to our potential. The Clarendon match was particularly perplexing, after doing so much right during the game, we had absolutely nothing to show for it at the end of the game. We would later use the Stirling game to motivate us for the Collegiate clash, which again showed the character of the people we were dealing with. And against Pearson, we simply didn't arrive mentally in order to compete against a strong team. A good life lesson in serious sport is that you only have one chance, and you can never come back for a 'mulligan'. It is strange to get to the end of a long hockey season, and wish it was about to start. And that's exactly where, I find myself at the moment. We have ended playing our best hockey, and are mentally in a great place and now have a superb understanding of the game. Sadly, we say farewell to our matrics, and bring a close to the season on what is the perfect note.

One of the biggest challenges that we threw at the girls this year, was how we seem to revolve around the 1st team sports only. This is an unbalanced system, which creates negative connotations. They responded brilliantly and never missed a single U14A match during the season. You don't have to go much further than the U16A practice slot to see just where Kingswood hockey is at the moment. And when you see what Mziyanda Mangi's team was doing in matches, you know that the future is very bright. Along with his side-kick, Cody van Wyk, they have created an awesome culture of hockey that is being played exactly how it should be.

Charlene Palmer has not been with Kingswood long, and this season I realised just how influential she is as part of our sports department. Not only did she do most of the hockey admin for us, but also travelled with the 1st XI to various festivals. The girls loved her, and thrived on her positive nature and very professional approach. She has played a crucial role in our team (and Kingswood hockey in general) functioning as well as it has. We also got the green light to get Carey Pohl working with the 1st XI during the season. That was probably the first building block and a massive step in the right direction. Carey was so vital to our team, and

her weekly strength and conditioning session, and pre-match sessions were exactly what we needed. Carey has become synonymous with the success of Kingswood sport over the recent years. Likewise, we were also lucky enough to use the expertise of Greg Wilmot, the local sport psychologist to chat to the girls about a few topical sport issues.

It would then be a fitting end to this report, to for one last time, thank all those who have made this season such an amazing one for a very proud coach. From our supportive parents, to professional staff and most importantly to an incredible group of young ladies. I will be retelling some stories for a long time still. It probably wasn't the best season re statistics, but there was something very, very special about it!

# G VAN MOLENDORFF DIRECTOR OF HOCKEY

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Player of the Year: Aimee-Leigh Pote
Most Improved Player: Hannah Lewis

**Honours:** Aimee-Leigh Pote (2014) and Hannah Knott-

Craig (2014)

**Colours:** Courtney Trow and Hannah Lewis

Standards (2015): Jamie Stone, Casey Arthur, Ella Denton,

Conna van Blerk, Twinkle Allanso, Sheree Purdon, Emma Fraser, Paula Duxbury

Standards (2014): Khanyi Kuzwayo, Kate von Holdt, Emma

Stirk, Karolynne Koch

**Provincial Reps:** Ella Denton, Kate von Holdt, Emma Fraser

and Bianca de Klerk (U16B). Courtney Trow and Hannah Lewis (U18B) and Aimee-Leigh

Pote (U18A captain).

### Results

# Pre-Season Greg Beling Festival (East London):

Played 4; won 1, drew 2, lost 1.

### St Marys Festival (Johannesburg):

Played 10; won 2, drew 6, lost 2.

Kingswood Festival:	Played 6; won 6.		
Opponent	Results		
Hudson	Lost 1-0		
KHS	Won 3-0		
Pearson	Lost 5-0		
Stirling	Lost 3-2		
QHS	Won 2-0		
Clarendon	Lost 4-1		
DSG	Lost 2-0		
Collegiate	Won-3-2		
VP Herschel	Drew 2-2		
Woodridge	Won 6-2		
VP	Rained out		
VC	Won 7.0		

Overall: Played 26; won 15, lost 8, drew 9.

### 2nd XI Girls Hockey

The 2nd XI had a tough but successful season this year. Although we came head-to-head with some very strong opposition, the girls fought until the bitter end, not once throwing in the towel. Practice sessions

Won 4-1

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were productive but fun and I think the girls came away from every session having either learnt something new or determined to put into a game situation what we had practised the week before.

One of the challenges this season was all the travelling and away games. We travelled to East London twice, Queenstown, Port Elizabeth and King William's Town in five consecutive weeks! Despite this, we started on a high note, being one of the few Kingswood teams to win against Hudson Park. I was fortunate to coach a group of individuals who each had their own unique skills and contributions to make on the park. Although our defence had a shaky start to the season, Emma Albers, Maria Caparossi, Shannon Andrews, Alexa Archibald and Kiara Toich soon became a solid and reliable team. making big tackles and keeping the opposition out of our 'D'. Our Goalkeeper, Kami, made some massive saves at the back and certainly kept us afloat and in the game on more than one occasion. Our mid-fielders, however, were the stars of the show. With the likes of Paula Duxbury, Sheree Purdon, Kristen Sandys-Thomas and Morgan Lloyd, it soon became quite evident why no team should ever underestimate us. They controlled the mid-

field beautifully, often turning over possession and setting up the strikers to put the ball in the back of the box. Both Paula and Sheree should be commended on their work ethic on the park. They gave 100%, whether we were leading the game or not. Kristen impressed with her incredible aerial skills and ability to maintain possession. It comes as no surprise that these three girls would go on to be called up to bench for the 1st XI throughout the season. Our strikers impressed with their pace up front and ability to outsmart the opposing defence on so many occasions. As captain and Left Striker, Taryn-Maie Wille led by example and was a key player because of her pace and never-say-die attitude. Chloë Donian and Tania Buttner worked well together and were often in the right place to put the ball away. Their work rate on the field and determination to score goals motivated their fellow team mates and I applaud them on a wonderful season.

The highlight for any sporting team at Kingswood is undoubtedly K-Day. Although the score was not to be in our favour on the day, a 2-3 loss was a fair reflection of the game. We had our chances, but just couldn't capitalise on them.

Out of 12 matches, we won 6 and lost 6.

What an incredibly high note we ended on. however. We managed to score 11 goals in just two games! Nothing makes a coach prouder than a team who can follow through right until the end, despite it being a long and tiring season. Well done!

A huge thank you to the whole team and in particular, our Captain, Taryn-Maie Wille, for an incredibly enjoyable season. It was an honour to coach such a wonderful group of ladies. My thanks also go to our Gap Student, Max Renouf, who played a huge part in coaching and assisting the team throughout the season.

Results:	vs Hudson	won 1-0
	vs Queenstown	lost 1-6
	vs Clarendon	won 3-1
	vs Pearson	lost 1-6
	vs KHS	won 4-0
	vs Stirling	won 2-0
	vs DSG	lost 2-3
	vs Collegiate	lost 0-4
	vs Woodridge	lost 0-1
	vs Herschel	lost 0-2
	vs VG	won 7-0
	vs Alex Road	won 4-0

■ C PALMER



2ND GIRLS HOCKEY

Back Row: K Toich, S Andrew, E Albers, M Lloyd, A Archibald, K Sandys-Thomas, S Purdon, P Duxbury, K Koch. Front Row: K Nyangiwe, M Caporossi Cugildi, T Wille (Captain), Ms C Palmer (Coach), T Buttner, C Donian.

# 3rd XI Girls Hockey

This year has been a bit of a rollercoaster ride for the 3rd Girls Hockey team. The dynamics in the team made cohesion somewhat difficult with a full spectrum of skill level between the players. This caused difficulties when it came to structure on the field during matches. Unfortunately, inconsistencies in attendance of players on weekends rendered us short every week, leaving us borrowing players from other teams. As a result, it made it more of a challenge to grow together. Despite all of this, as well as not having our own goal-keeper the whole season (yet again having to borrow various players from other teams each time), the team has done very well to achieve what they did. Lead by Captain Justine Bowker and Vice-Captain Sasha Kasperski, the senior players in the team really stepped up to the plate, putting in a lot of extra effort where it was needed, on and off the field.

Our four defence players performed very well throughout the season, putting up a solid fight at the back, and learning how to get the ball through to our players up front. I saw noticeable increases in confidence – a key factor for these positions – from players that were with me last year which showed in the way that they cleared out the ball from the back.

Our links and forwards worked incredibly hard together to get the ball up the field, particularly when working with an inexperienced and less-than-confident team member, where a lot of help and guidance was needed. I was very impressed with the work rate of the more senior players, and the way they took on this role.

There are some very talented players in the team, and a lot of potential, and once the girls start gelling on the field, they play some beautiful hockey, with true enjoyment of the game, and more than likely, positive results.

Despite the challenges we had, I really enjoyed getting to know the girls better this year. They never gave up, and with enthusiasm and the right attitude were an absolute pleasure to coach, making my job a lot easier and enjoyable! Well done, girls!

MS M MOSS

## U16A Girls Hockey

The team was captained by Kelsey Purdon and she was helped by the fact that a lot of the players had been in the team the previous year. The season started off with a pre-season tour to Woodridge where the girls played some really good hockey with awesome structure and a solid defence to help win four out of five games and one draw.

The holiday came and we had a slow start to the first two games of the season but the team guickly got back into the swing of things. playing some really great hockey. The team trained really hard this season and improved with every session we had. I look forward to seeing how they do in the seasons to come.

M MANGI

# U16B Girls Hockey

The U16B hockey team has grown from strength to strength and produced a good set of results reflecting an outstanding season of hockey!



3RD GIRLS HOCKEY

Back Row: N Ndlovu, L Jacobs, C de Jager, K Cawood, M Foord, J Price, M Dukada. Front Row: L Poole, J Bowker (Captain), Ms M Moss (Coach), S Kasperski (Vice-Captain), R Basson.



U16A GIRLS HOCKEY

Back Row: R Knight, D Higgs, S Whittington-Ferreira, T Schwedhelm, K Biggs, P Stirk, G Peckham, S Welgemoed. Front Row: S Ralebala, N Lombaard, C van Blerk, Mr M Mangi (Coach), K Purdon, B Walker, L Gambale.



### **U16B GIRLS HOCKEY**

Back Row: B Dimati, U Mrwetyana, P Bradfield, T Victor, R Smit, P Stirk, S Welgemoed, I Joubert.
Front Row: L Bega, T Labuschagne, K Burgess, Ms J Stidworthy (Coach), J Hare (Captain), E Williamson, J Cheng.

Throughout the season the solid back four, Tami Labuschagne, Sarah Welgemoed, Bec Smit and Bonolo Dimati, kept us in the game on many occasions. As defenders, they were dependable and gained confidence throughout the season. Bonolo was often impenetrable as our last line of defence, and on the few occasions the oppositions broke through they had to face off with Luana De Sousa Carvalho Bega in the goals. As a keeper Luana has taken no prisoners this season and her quick reactions have more than once saved the team from defeat.

The links had to work very hard at the beginning of the season as they soon learnt that communication in the midfield was the key to success. Tilabo Williamson was the centre pivot and her ability to switch channels played a crucial role on the field. Jessica Cheng has good speed when carrying the ball and scored a phenomenal goal against Woodridge in one of our last games. Imma Joubert's confidence in her own ability grew in leaps and bounds and she often found herself in the right position at the perfect moment to assist in winning goals. Peyton Bradfield's high energy on the field and hardworking attitude no matter what was always felt by the rest of the team.

The forwards kept the team entertained throughout the season, from missing open goals in drills to falling over for no good reason - they have been fantastic! Kristin Burgess and Julia Hare, the two "grannies" of the team brought their humour and ability to laugh at themselves to every practise and every game. Taryn Victor surprised everyone with her natural hockey ability, and always ran hard during games. Uyinene Mrwetyana has proven to be a force to be reckoned with and has dodged many defenders with her speed and ability. Pippa Stirk is a human tornado on the field and her winning goal at K-Day was a highlight for the season!

I am exceptionally proud of what this team has achieved this season, both on the field and as individual players. They always managed to pick one another up when the team was down and learnt quickly from their own mistakes. I look forward to watching these girls grow and become the future of Kingswood hockey.

### ■ J STIDWORTHY

# U16C Girls Hockey

Although the results may not reflect the season these girls have gone through, it has been an incredible time of growth and development. We have faced many injuries and challenges along the way, however, the team has always given it their all and rose up to the challenges.



Through the away season, we have always had our spirits high and managed to enjoy every moment, with the last practice ending in songs and laughter!

The final K-day score was 0-3 to DSG which was disappointing; however, throughout the matches played, the team have tried their best and made every moment on the field unforgettable. Highlight matches were the win against Queenstown Girls' High School, Hudson Park and to finish off the season, a victory over Victoria Girls' High School. Co-captained by Dayle Adams and Laila Rouhani, the U16C girls have created a spirit of comradery and friendship within the team throughout, which has resulted in an excellent hockey season!

### ■ TMCCARTHY

## U16D Girls Hockey

The U16D girls' hockey team has been an absolute pleasure to coach this season. The girls have all put 100% of their time and effort into learning and improving their hockey skills. This was proven in their matches where each player always had a moment, one which surprised me and showed just how much practice and hard work pays off. The girls' became a real team, working together and encouraging one another to strive for excellence and achieve, which resulted in them winning the majority of their matches this season. The girls showed true dedication to this team, both in practices and matches and can be extremely proud of themselves and their hard work. This team has made coaching worthwhile, as their passion and love of the game was always evident and created a great atmosphere and vibe to work in. I thank the girls for an awesome season and hope that next season will be filled with as much hard work and dedication as they have shown now.

### ■ K SEDGWICK

### U16E Girls Hockey

The U16E's hockey season started early this year with a very impressive game against DSG, which we drew 0-0. This was an excellent result, especially since the team had only had one practice together before the match. Right from the start they gelled well together and enjoyed every moment of game time and practices which consisted of many team and skill building activities. Our first away game against Clarendon, in East London, was definitely a highlight as the enthusiasm and Kingswood spirit was incredibly high. The girls played with their hearts on their sleeves and managed to score their first goal of the season, a great team effort. What has made us a better hockey team is the fact that the girls have learnt throughout the season that communication on the field is key to a good game with good results. This was evident in our much anticipated K-Day games. Playing two games in a day is a very difficult task. The girls are to be commended on the attitude and the strength they showed throughout both matches which we only narrowly lost.

I am very proud of the progress this team has made this season. The strikers have had a few injuries and therefore a number of them have had to miss games. In saying this, credit must be given to the rest of the team who stepped up, willing to make the effort for their team and school. I am very proud of the teams' ability to adapt in different game situations and they can be proud of themselves to see how far they have come

## ■ MS C KNOTT



### **U16C GIRLS HOCKEY**

Bak Row: Z Mageza, I Mager, L Booi, H Deysel, E Knott, G Maree, K Wootton, L Lutshaba, S Mrwebo.
Front Row: Y Bukula, T van Niekerk, D Adams (Captain), Ms T McCarthy (Coach), L Rouhani (Captain), A Magobiane, L Zote.



U16D GIRLS HOCKEY

Back Row: Liya Planga, Danielle Griesel, Dayhna van der Merwe, Celine Wehmeyer, Jeanne Fourie, Micaela Lucas, Sinesipho Sicholo.

Front Row: Athi Xundu, Wendy Poole, Kuhle Stamper, Kate Sedgwick (Coach), Kendra Willows, Maka Makoni, Georgia Cadle.



**U16E GIRLS HOCKEY** 

Back Row: S Bikani, K Madikiza, C van Rensburg, H Price, A Daniels, C Knight, L Mtumtum, H Paruk. Front Row: L Ngcete, M Opperman, D Peenz, Ms C Knott (Coach), C James (Captain), C Stoltz, C Dullabh.



**U14A GIRLS HOCKEY** 

Back Row: R Koch, K Wicks, N Mabusela, B Mildenhall, C Hobson, C Chona, K Gontshi, C da Costa, S Makgatlhe.
Front Row: L van Heerden, A Mills, C Daniels (Vice-Captain), Mr A Guest (Coach), M du Preez (Captain), Mr D Jackman (Assistant Coach), Z Mbenyana.

### U14A Girls Hockey

Kingswood College is blessed to have a talented group of U14 hockey players. Their dedication to training throughout the season has been incredible. Their cohesion as a team improved on a weekly basis and the team spirit amongst the girls has been unrivaled. The girls have been fantastic at juggling their time between their hockey commitments which, for some, included both school and Eastern Province, and other school sports. The level of improvement from the very first time they played together at the EP trials weekend, where they lost to a PE school, to their final game which they convincingly won 5-1 against the same school, has been remarkable. There were a few bumps along the way and some hard lessons about "switching on" from the very first whistle needed to be learned. Through the season the girls only lost 2 games. One game in particular saw them 0-4 down with 5 minutes to go. They remarkably managed to score three goals in 4 minutes and disallowed a short corner in the final minute to ultimately lose by only 1 goal! K-day saw them win 2-1 which was one of the many highlights of the season. The Collegiate game saw us up against very strong opposition and some outstanding defensive work and goalkeeping by Lushana, including a P-flick save, saw us only lose 0–1. Another highlight was an amazing team goal in the final game which saw the girls score in less that 10 seconds at the start of the second half - the endless sessions of 3-man weaves paid off!

Sincere thanks to Mr Jackman for his assistance and patience during the season. His work with the halves and goalkeeper was invaluable and they eventually managed to get a trough right in the final game!

Congratulations to Amy Mills, Zinathi Mbenyana and Megan du Preez for making the EP U14A side of which Amy was the vice-captain.

Ciana Daniels made the EP U14B side. The U14 girls can be proud of the way they have carried themselves this year. I am sure that all of the girls will agree that they improved so much on an individual basis over the season. Kingswood can look forward to many good years of hockey as these girls move up the age groups.

### ■ A GUEST

### U14B Girls Hockey

The team got off to a good start this season with convincing wins against Hudson and GHS. The following game would be the most memorable with a hard-fought draw against Clarendon. The match against DSG on K-Day yielded an unfortunate result with a one-nil loss to their u14B side and a nil-all draw to their U14C side. However, this result was a considerable improvement from the pre-season match.

Overall, the team won three, drew two and lost 3 matches. A total of 9 goals being scored this season. Special mention should be made of Lucy Robinson (C), who led the team by example with an exceptional work-ethic. Rachel Strachan and Donna Boman were also indispensable players, strengthening the team's defence, while also supporting and contributing to the team's attack. On attack, Amira Moodley should be commended for her contribution to the total number of goals scored this season.

The matches this season have not been easy. But, the girls' passion and enthusiasm for the game has meant that each player contributed 100% of their ability on match day. As a result, the girls can be proud of what they have achieved this season.

### ■ MS K DIXON



**U14B GIRLS HOCKEY** 

Back Row: K Mutuku, R Balopi, H Phillips, N Freitag, A Schulpfort, E Kingwill, T Watae, M Gabaraane, M Makoni. Front Row: B Sithole, A Moodley, R Strachan (Vice-Captain), Ms M Moss (Coach), L Robinson (Captain), D Boman, S Nomoyi.

# Netball

It is with great pride that I reflect on another successful season of netball at Kingswood College. I am grateful to our coaches for the tremendous role they have played in developing the potential of our girls - inspiring them to enjoy the game, to set goals for themselves and to become the best players they can be. We have been fortunate to have another full season where more girls have shown enthusiasm to sign up for netball, delivering U14A to D, U16 A to F and U19A to E teams!

Although we were sad to say goodbye to our mommies-to-be Mrs Candice Serfontein and Mrs Liza McLean last term, we had the privilege of welcoming Ms Lindi Lombard, Ms Nomphelo Stuurman, Ms Brittany Barrowcliffe, Ms Ali Gibson and Ms Lauren Barnes to our department this year. Much appreciation also goes to Ms Noma Bill, Ms Sindi Zamani and Mrs Tracy van Molendorff who has shown great commitment and service to KC netball over the past few years!

My sincerest best wishes to the netball girls and staff as I bid you farewell at the end of the year. You have shown me that anything is possible if you set your mind to it and I look forward to hearing great things about KC netball in the future!

■ M MULLER

# 1st Team and U16A

Our 1st Team kicked off the season with a teambuilding-goalsetting camp to Addo. where we stayed at Kudu Ridge Game Ranch. We filled our two days with enriching activities that enhanced the building of relationships, getting to know and trust new team members and pushing physical boundaries towards ultimately learning how to trust yourself. Apart from the pen-and-paper work, the girls enjoyed a canoe trip, hiking on the ranch and a Zipline trip.

Ms Dumisani Chauke, senior provincial player, Nelson Mandela Bay U21 coach and Head coach at NMMU, hosted a workshop for our 1st and U16A teams after we returned from the April holidays. Her input on attacking, defending and on-court tactics was of great worth for both players and coaches alike. What an inspirational lady!

Former South African Goalkeeper, with two World Cups and 82 test matches on her résumé, Mrs Lana Krige, joined the girls just

before K-Day for a refresher workshop over two practices. Her experience as a national coach, as well as former NMMU coach, was evident in her interaction with our girls. They loved the sessions and it was valuable to see how Coach Krige reiterated the work done by Coach Bill

Our annual fixture with DSG on K-Day was once again one of the highlights of our season. Even though we did not play on home turf this year, the ever-exciting match ended with a nail-biting score of 27-27. Another highlight was the well-deserved 22 -23 score against Collegiate Girls' High School: a true reflection of great netball!

To conclude, I would like to congratulate the 1st Team girls who received recognition for their lasting contribution to KC netball. Well done to Hannah Lewis, Ashleigh Meyer and Margaret (Twinkle) Allanso for receiving Colours for netball. We are inspired by all the hard work and determination you girls have shown on the court throughout the season. Furthermore, a special mention to the leadership shown under Twinkle's captaincy together with vice-captain Ashleigh. You girls have made us proud!

### Results

Date	School	16A	1st
20 March	DSG	12 - 9	22 – 24
6 May	PJ Olivier	No game	16 - 13
15 May	Clarendon	5 - 16	18 -23
29 May	KHS	7 - 10	15 – 23
5 June	Stirling	21 - 11	20 - 20
12 June	DSG K-Day	21 - 15	27 – 27
19 June	Collegiate	15 - 18	22 – 23
10 July	Woodridge	13 - 8	29 – 18
24 July	Herschel	14 - 22	20 - 21
27 July	PAHS	19 - 10	38 – 13
29 July	VGHS	7 – 10	17 – 12
31 July	Pearson	10 - 31	12 - 43

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■ M MULLER & N BILL

# 2nd Team and U16B

The U16B team of 2015 was magnificent. The highlight was definitely winning both K-day matches! Special mention has to be made of Taryn Victor, contributing to the success of many of our matches and improving her shooting skills tremendously throughout the season. Pippa Stirk exhibited excellent maturity in her ability to motivate the team. A victory of 27-2 against Woodridge College and a final win against VGHS confirmed that

the team had become more like sisters than mere team mates.

The team bonding sessions we had, truly helped us through the season as we created platforms to learn about each other's strengths and weaknesses. We may have had some tough losses but the girls did not let that deter them from seeking opportunities to create learning moments. Mihlali Nxopo has been an inspirational player showing a vast improvement throughout the season. Bronwyn Trafford's shooting ability went from strength to strength, and she deserves a special mention and gratitude for her part in our team. The girls took every bit of advice as a challenge, contributing to their winning culture. They made me very proud with a final score against Woodridge College of 28 - 0. It was a pleasure to coach you, girls!

■ N STUURMAN

### U16C and U16D

During my time as the coach for the U16 C and D netball teams, I got the opportunity to be a part of the girl's development into better netball players. Each girl showed a distinct amount of respect for the sport and were all willing to work hard in order to improve. They showed resilience and mental toughness and where able to bounce back after a tough match. I felt privileged to be a part of a prestigious school in helping to coach the girls towards being better netball players. Each young lady showed vast improvements on their skills in their respected areas. I look forward to seeing them excel in the future.

■ A GIBSON

### U16E and U16F

This season started off with a group of girls who thought netball was not fun and that it was just a game to fill in time. Throughout the season, we developed many skills in a fun but proactive way. The result was a group of girls who could not only play a decent game of netball but gained many skills that helped them work as a team. The U1 E and F netball teams accomplished a lot and had fun doing so. From Easter egg hunts as fitness exercises, to going on out runs and winning one of two matches, this team, towards the end, enjoyed attending netball, and more importantly

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enjoyed playing the game again.

**■** B BARROWCLIFF

### 3rd and 4th Team

I have thoroughly enjoyed working with this group of girls, even though it was only from half way through the season. The girls welcomed me with their positivity and happy faces from day one and I have not seen one upset. They have shown a lot of determination and dedication to the team. They improved drastically over the season, from not being able to defend to defending brilliantly in their last game. The highlight of the season was their almost-win against Woodridge College. The goals that were scored went in brilliantly, making me as their coach so proud. I am proud to have been their coach, to witness their progress and to help them in progressing further. Their warm hearts, lovely personalities and constant smiles has made coaching them the highlight of my season. I wish my girls all the luck for the future.

L BARNES

### 5th Team

The 5th netball team has had an enjoyable season; the girls definitely prize the camaraderie and social interactions of team sport over the competitive side. We started the season off by practicing with the 3rd and 4th teams. We played a number of internal matches against them but the pressure of numbers and court space forced us to go off in our own direction. We played one external

match against DSG and narrowly lost by 3 goals. Good use was also made of the HPC and the gym when weather conditions were not conducive to being outside. The often-heard laughter emanating from out practice sessions was evidence of the fact that the 5th netball team were a group of happy and motivated team players. Much progress was made, and while our ball skills still need some intensive drills, we certainly have grown as individuals through being of member of this team.

**■** T VAN MOLENDORFF

## U14A and U14B

It was a tough start to the season, with the girls still finding their feet in the beginning; adjusting to their new teams and team members. With time, dedication and hard work the girls grew in both confidence and skill, finding each other much easier on the court. Looking back to the start of the season and where the girls started and where they are now at the season's end, I am filled with joy and pride to see the amount of growth that has taken place. A highlight of the season was the U14A team winning K-Day which set the pace for the rest of the season in both teams. Getting to know and work with the girls was an honour and a privilege and made for an amazing and very enjoyable season.

■ LLOMBARD

# U14C and U14D

This has been a very successful and exciting season for the U14C and D squad. I

had an enthusiastic and energetic bunch of girls. Their positive energy and spirit as well as their willingness to try different positions have made them a pleasure to coach. We have worked so hard to develop power, speed and basic skills. We also put more effort into the rules of the game as we all know that without them, the girls will never be able to showcase their talent. Positioning themselves on court was another aspect of our focus this season.

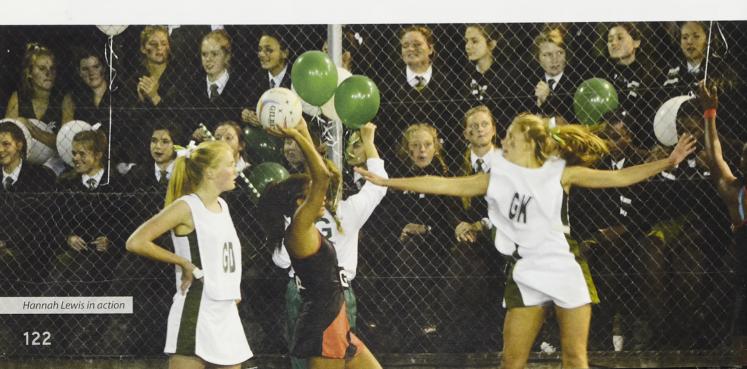
They started with such enthusiasm and commitment and as a result, they showed a remarkable progress. We nurture them physically and also look after their state of mind, so that they are able to read the game, think fast and apply the rules as they play. They motivated each other on and off the court. They have learnt to work together as a team and have have enjoyed fitness sessions under the leadership of Ciana Daniels. She captained the team and her contribution and dedication to the game paid off. She is respected by her team mates.

The highlights of the season have to be the victory over Clarendon as well as winning our match on K-Day. I would say, without a doubt, communication and passion for the game were the key aspects to our success this season. The girls have played their hearts out, listened to each other, took instructions and advice with good spirit and finally they put all of that to practice on court where they were rewarded with excellent results. I believe, in time, they will become very competent players. Well done, girls! You have made me proud.

### Results:

Played 7; Win 5; Loss 1; Draw 1

■ SZAMANI





### Senior School **SPORT**



1ST NETBALL
Back Row: T Madasa, E Williamson, T Schwedhelm, N Sibeko, L Mvuza, S Klopstra, T Labuschagne.
Front Row: E Banister, M Awobokun-Allanso (Captain), Ms N Bill (Coach), A Meyer (Vice-Captain), H Lewis.



**2ND NETBALL** 

Back Row: L Duruwe, Y Matroshe, N Myeko, M Nodada. Front Row: M Nxopo, L Zono (Captain), Ms N Bill (Coach), B Trafford, N Biggs.



**3RD NETBALL** Back Row: M Lloyd, H Cadle, A Jonas. Front Row: Ms L Barnes (Coach), M Sesia (Captain), G Sargent.



**4TH NETBALL** Back Row: A Sifumba, N Kamardinova, A Purdon, L Griplas. Front Row: Ms L Barnes (Coach), H Eichhoff, B Bidla.

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U16A NETBALL
Back Row: B de Klerk, D Peenz, E Williamson, Q Mapoma, K Biggs, S Welgemoed.
Front Row: T Madasa, S Ndlebe (Captain), Ms N Bill (Coach), N Lombaard (vice-Captain), S Nyanda.



U16C NETBALL Back Row: L Booi, P Bradfield, A Daniels, E Knott, L Lutshaba, X Pendlani. Front Row: S Bikani, A Xundu, Ms A Gibson (Coach), U Mrwetyana (Captain), L Ngcete.



**U16D NETBALL** Back Row: L Planga, H Deysel, A Daniels, C Dullabh. Front Row: K Stamper, Ms A Gibson (Coach), S Sicholo.



U16 E & F NETBALL Back Row: M Lucas, K Wootton, K Willows, C James. Front Row: J Kinghan, Ms B Barrowcliffe (Coach), C van Rensburg, I Joubert. Absent: A Sesia, S Bikani, S Thurairatnam, E Vousden, R Smith, S Norman, I Hoops.



Back Row: M Gabaraane, B Mildenhall, A Schulpfort, A Mills, C Chona. Front Row: S Makgatlhe, Z Mbenyana (Captain), Ms L Lombard (Coach), L van Heerden (Vice-Captain).



### **U14B NETBALL**

Back Row: D Boman, K Mutuku, N Freitag, C da Costa, S Nomoyi. Front Row: K Gontshi, C Hobson (Captain), Ms L Lombard (Coach), R Koch.



**U14C NETBALL** 

Back Row: K Wicks, N Mabusela, H Phillips, T Watae, B Sithole. Front Row: R Strachan (Vice-Captain), Ms S Zamani (Coach), C Daniels (Captain), L Mtumtum.



**U14D NETBALL** 

Back Row: M Makoni, F Marais, K Madikiza, A Moodley. Front Row: C Knight, Ms S Zamani (Coach), E Kingwill, R Balopi.

# Rockclimbing

I think those that relished the opportunity to start or continue climbing in 2015 at this school might have been a bit disappointed. I was on long leave in the summer term, and so climbing didn't get under way until well into the winter term, after the Grade 8 and 9 adventure camps.

There was ample opportunity on Wednesdays thereafter, but the weekend trips planned for winter were all scuppered by inclement weather or transport issues, or clashes with mainstream sports events.

The spring term has also been disappointing in that Wednesday outings have been compromised by bad weather, but we have managed outings to Moodies, the Scoops, and Thornkloof - all steller crags within 20 minutes of Grahamstown. The weekend trips to the Mtsontsi and the Hog were poorly subscribed, and in the case of the latter, turned into more of a hiking and scrambling outing with the majority of participants being especially non-climbers, who relished the opportunity to just get out.

Maybe the Rockclimbing Club needs to transform into a 'Mountain Club' for the weekend meets - where being in the mountains is the principal focus, and those that specifically want to climb are given the opportunity, but not as the sole focus.

Fortunately, all the pupil body from Grade 8-10 have been exposed to rockclimbing on their adventure camps this year, and so the seed has been planted. Maybe, next year, with a more cannily-devised programme of rockclimbing, a few pupils will, like Andrew Bishuarat, be able to do something like his, "... It was a recognition of what I enjoy most about climbing—hard, creative, wild climbing. What made it memorable was that I was able to enjoy that acceptance in the very moment of placing my feet on dime-sized smears while cranking on small handholds, climbing up and onto that fine line where you are so barely attached to the rock but somehow you are able to keep going. In a fever of confidence, I felt completely unattached to the desire or need to attain successes, ticks and trophies. All I craved was to be on the end of a long rope and riding the stone, fully engaged with body and soul, toward that arterial blood-red horizon in which there's a future holding the promise of greater things to come..."

**■** KJAMES

# Rugby

### 1st XV Rugby

For sheer excitement and exhilaration, the 1st XV's 2015 season will be hard to beat! Seven of the first 9 matches were decided in the final minute and saw us experiencing both disappointment and satisfaction. These extreme moments forged the character of the team and bonded them closer and closer. When we faced our reckoning vs St Andrew's on K-day, trailing 14-3 with 20 minutes to play, the side was able to calmly steel themselves and produce their most scintillating rugby of the season to score three beautiful tries in a golden period of 10 minutes to win the match. Kingswood has been starved of K-Day wins, and the victory produced an amazing outpouring of emotion and happiness from so many of the extended Kingswood family that were in Grahamstown on that special day.

The 1st XV was a side to be reckoned with. Their results against big traditional schools speak for themselves. After quite a long absence, Kingswood again toured Johannesburg to the KES Easter Festival. Three wins vs Parktown, Hentie Ciliers and St David's was a great start to the season. They played a wonderfully attacking, ball-in-hand style of rugby. This was always going to be a very testing season with only three home fixtures. The close defeats to Queen's, Dale and Brandwag might have been a lot different had they been home fixtures.

Much of the team's success can be attributed to the support system they have had helping them achieve their maximum potential: Stegman van Zyl was a tremendous help with training, Conditioning Coach Lee Pote sacrificed an incredible amount of his time for the boys and was hugely successful. Forward specialists Robbie Kempson and Jaco Kirsten gave up their time to travel to Grahamstown to offer their excellent assistance. Thanks to Craig Andrew for organizing our PUMA sponsorship and his technical video support, and then there was Manager Wayne Rathbone's tireless non-stop organization.

Physiotherapists, Carey and Nicola whose professionalism, patience and hard work kept the side intact along with medical personnel Sister Junkin and Dr Oostuizen. Thanks also to Head of Rugby Mr Serfontein for his support and organization.

The side's greatest attribute this season was their closeness as a group. These boys reveled in each other's success. Here I am not just talking about the 1st XV but more the squad of 23 boys that all played such a big role in the side's success at various times during the season. These boys have developed an incredible bond that will live on long after they have left school. To guote Ian McGeechan, the British Lions coach:

"You will meet each other in the street in 20/30 years' time... there will just be a look...and you will know just how special some days in vour life are"

# Kingswood vs St Andrew's College (K-Day) (won 20-19)

There was a lot of excitement around the 1st XV game with both sides having very similar results up to this encounter. Kingswood had only won twice in the last 20 years and were very determined to gain a win. Both Kingswood and College tried to spread the ball but nerves were letting both teams down until Kingswood, through flyhalf Garrick Mattheus, slotted a penalty to give them the early lead. This seemed to settle some nerves and both teams were sparked into action as play moved from side to side. College rounded off a fantastic move that started inside their own 22 as Seb Mulders crashed over in the corner after a good break by captain Tom Lane. College took the lead 7-3 and this is how it remained until half time. The second half saw College go straight onto the attack and convert a try early as Tom Lane went over under the poles and flyhalf Anthony Dakin converted giving College a 14-3 lead. Kingswood enjoyed a surplus of possession through the middle part of the second half and were putting the College team

under pressure as they gained territorial advantage. Fullback Athi Halom rounded off a brilliant counter attack which Mattheus converted. This seemed to spark Kingswood and they threw everything they had at the College defence by attacking with ball in hand. Their persistent attack paid dividends as they scored twice in guick succession as first wing Ezra Mager scored a sublime backline try off first-phase after the forwards had won a lineout and driven SAC close to the tryline. JP Barkhuizen then scored the try of the match in the right hand corner, which started deep in the Kingswood half and went through numerous hands (forwards and backs) before the hooker was on hand to go crashing over in the corner. This gave Kingswood a sizeable 20-14 lead going into the last 10 minutes. The College side was not done however and came charging back. Seb Mulders went over near the poles only to be called back for an earlier forward pass. Then Kingswood managed to hold up the wing over the tryline in the dying seconds of the match. With the final hooter having gone College finally managed to claw their way over the line as wing Tim Bloem scored in the corner. With the 8000 strong crowd holding their breath the kick went wide. Kingswood K-Day victors 20-19.

### Kingswood vs Graeme (won 16-10)

The derby day vs Graeme contained the added incentive of being crowned "champions of Grahamstown". Kingswood who had most of the possession and territory managed to scrape home with a 16-10 victory after a determined fightback from the visiting team.

After the Kingswood maul was penalized 3 times driving for the line,

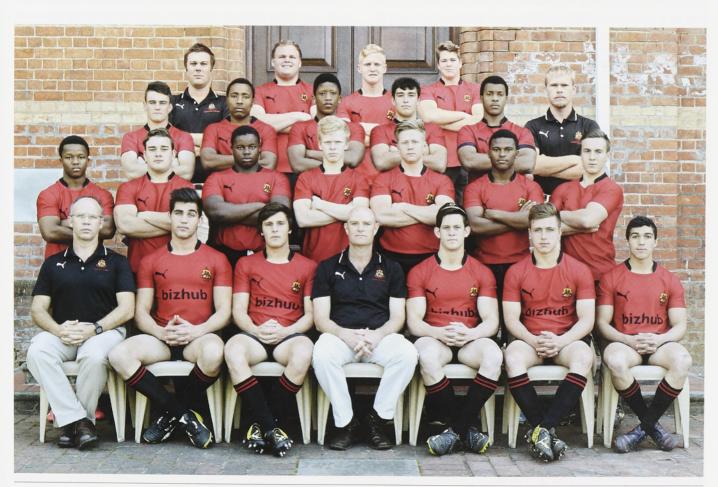
Kingswood managed to keep the Graeme side on the back foot both in the scrums as well as in the line outs. Kingswood got the first points on the board when they were awarded a penalty in range which was converted by center and captain Josh Shelley.

After the restart, Kingswood ran the ball back at Graeme who turned it over but knocked on, giving Kingswood the scrum. After some phases, Graeme were penalized and Kingswood kicked for touch setting up another lineout on the Graeme 5m line. Kingswood forwards continued to dominate at the lineouts and Victor seemed to score, but the ball was deemed held up and Kingswood were awarded a 5m scrum. From the scrum, the Kingswood backs set up a skip move which went out to the wing who crossed over in the corner for the first try of the game. Shelley missed the tough conversion from the touchline. After the restart. Graeme managed to stay in the Kingswood half for a good period of play and were eventually awarded with a kickable penalty which was converted, giving Graeme their first points of the game.

Half time score: 8-3 to Kingswood

The second half saw Graeme winning the first penalty and kicking for touch to set up a lineout. The lineout throw was not straight and Kingswood took back possession and after a period of play were awarded a penalty from where they took another 3 points from the boot

Kingswood dominated for another period of play but just could not seem to break the Graeme defense again and attempted to add points from a drop kick which went wide and short. Graeme ran the ball back



### **1ST XV RUGBY**

Back Row: Mr L Pote (Conditioning coach), J Viviers, G Mattheus, M van Breda. Third Row: S Potgieter, L Sibam, O Losaba, J Sholto-Douglas, M Mutuku, Mr S van Zyl (Assistant coach) Second Row: A Halom, JP Barkhuizen, T Mangwana, H Robinson, J Russel, S Mzanywa, J Theron.

Front Row: Mr W Rathbone (Manager), J Lizamore, R Victor, Mr G Shaw (Coach), J Shelley (Captain), M Webber, E Mager.

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at Kingswood and broke 70m down the touch line for what looked like a certain try only to knock the ball on over the try line thanks to a superb cover defense tackle from Athi Halom. Kingswood kicked clear after the scrum and won yet another Graeme line out to spread the ball out wide where Graeme intercepted the ball for their first try of the game. Graeme converted the kick making the scores 11-10 in favour of Kingswood.

Both teams kicked the ball back and forward and made a few half breaks until the Kingswood backs spread the ball out wide to substitute centre Harry Robinson who forced a linebreak and fed Shane Potgieter who tore down the touchline to score Kingswood's second try. Shelley missed the conversion keeping the score at 16-10 to Kingswood. The clock ran down after the next few phases and Kingswood kicked the ball out of play to emerge victorious. End score: 16-10 to Kingswood.

# Kingswood vs Queen's (lost 43-35)

It has been wonderful to get this great derby going as a proper fixture again! Kingswood played with determination and tenacity but failed in the dying moments of the game to take their opportunity. The match was an incredibly tense affair and yet produced exhilarating running rugby and many tries. Both teams contested for the lead right up to the final whistle.

As always, the Queen's College Victoria Recreation Ground provided an electric atmosphere for the many Old Boys who came to watch. After some solid work upfront, Kingswood secured quality ball from a line-out on the Queen's 22m line. The backline took advantage of this front-football and were able to move it out wide quickly and Josh Shelley beat his man for a superb try under the poles. Garrick Mattheus converted the try. Kingswood ran through several phases and was unlucky to knock the ball on in a very promising position. Queen's were quick to fire back and some good hands and a missed tackle put them on the scoreboard. They missed the conversion. Kingswood struck back with three points when Queen's made an error off a deep restart and Mattheus made no mistake with a penalty kick. Queen's responded quickly by breaking around the blind-side, of a scrum, and scoring a converted try in the corner to lead 12-10.

Queen's retaliated with six phases of pick and drives and despite valiant defense, Kingswood were unable to halt their momentum at this point and they went over for another try which was not converted. After a sustained period of pressure, Kingswood's defensive line broke and Queen's found themselves with numbers out wide. A well struck conversion added the full seven points and put Queen's College firmly in the lead. But it was now again Kingswood who struck back and capitalized on a Queen's error and the resulting scrum. Scrumhalf Mark Webber linked up with Athi Halom who made the break down the blindside, with a burst of his trademark speed, spreading the ball to James Russell who scored in the corner. The conversion was missed but Kingswood were right back in the game. After some determined rucking, Kingswood forced another turnover and with some thinking, spread the ball wide to Athi Halom who darted past the defence and scored a converted try. Kingswood had managed to edge into the lead 24-23 in the dying seconds of the first half.

The second half followed much in the same vein as the first with possession and territory changing hands continuously. Queen's took advantage of good ball and scored another converted try. The deciding factor was which team was going to take advantage of the other's mistakes. At times, it seemed as if the play could go either way. Kingswood fought back and were awarded a penalty which kept them in the hunt. After some insightful play and a Queen's error, Kingswood were awarded a penalty which they decide to turn into a scrum.

Scrumhalf Mark Webber spied a gap in the defence and snuck in for a converted try. It was now a one point game as Kingswood trailed 35-36. After running 80m from behind their tryline, the Kingswood boys found themselves in a commanding field position with minutes to go. They worked the ball well and after a few phases attempted a drop goal from in front of the uprights. Although the ball was firmly struck it missed the posts and that ultimately proved the deciding act of the game. Off the resulting 22m restart, Queens scored a converted try in the corner. Final score 43-35. It was a game ultimately won by inches. Kingswood though, could hold their heads high as they matched the hosts blow for blow right till the end.

# KES Rugby Festival

# Kingswood vs Parktown (won 22-16)

Kingswood started off their KES Festival with a hard fought 22-16 win against a very physical Parktown side. Kingswood scored a well-worked set-piece try with their backline in the first 5 minutes.(scorer Athi Halom, converted by Garrick Matheus). After that, it was all Parktown for the rest of the half as they applied lots of pressure punching holes in the Kingswood defense which resulted in 2 penalties (score 7-6). Just before half-time, Parktown again surged forward and managed a powerful converted try to extend their lead to 7-13.

The 2nd half started with Kingswood finding space in the backs and setting up fullback Athi Halom for a great try underneath the posts. Garrick Matheus converted to take the lead 14-13. Kingswood now began to enjoy lots of possession and it was only a matter of time before wave-upon-wave of attacks out wide saw Lutho Nomoyi's grubber kick bounce kindly into the hands of Athi Halom as he went over for his hattrick of tries. (19-13). Garrick Matheus later booted a great penalty to extend the lead to 22-13, and although Parktown themselves kicked a 3 pointer, Kingswood managed to hold out in the dying minutes for an exciting 22-16 victory.

### Kingswood vs Hentie Cilliers (won 28-26)

In a wonderful advertisement of running rugby, Kingswood edged out a very game Hentie Cilliers to win 28-26. The match started at a furious pace with both sides spinning the ball out wide at every opportunity. Hentie Cilliers were first to score after a sublime 80m effort (0-7), only to have Kingswood come roaring back with a penalty and another wonderful set-piece try scored by the fullback Athi Halom. At halftime, Kingswood led 10-7.

The second half saw Kingswood extend their lead with 2 well-taken penalties by Garrick Mattheus, before Hentie Cilliers' flyhalf kickedgathered-and-scored under the poles to narrow the score to 16-14. Athi Halom scored another superb try for Kingswood out wide, only to be matched by Hentie Cilliers minutes later. (23-19) With 5 minutes remaining, both sides AGAIN swopped tries! (Ezra Mager dotting down for Kingswood). Players and coaches were left breathless with the final score at 28-26 to Kingswood.

# Kingswood vs St David's (won 30-14)

Kingswood saved their best performance for their last match, as they over-powered St David's with a good blend of forward power and a skilled backline. If Kingswood might have left their supporters wondering about their ability to 'finish sides off' before, this clinical performance made everyone sit up and take notice. Kingswood again opened the scoring with fullback Athi Halom slicing through the defense to score underneath the poles. Garrick Matheus duly converted the try and added two long-range penalties minutes later to extend the lead

to 13-0. Kingwood's pack continued to outmuscle their opponents and provide their backs with very good ball, while flyhalf Garrick Matheus's raking kicks kept St David's well inside their half. Just before half-time. two consecutive Kingswood defensive errors gifted St David's a soft try and the sides went into the break with Kingswood leading 13-7.

The second half saw Kingswood take their game to another level, with tries by Athi Halom and Lutho Nomoyi and a faultless kicking performance by flyhalf Garrick Mattheus. All were made possible by a forward pack that was hungry, clinical and agile. Kingswood ended 30-14 victors.

■ G SHAW

# 2nd XV Rugby

Coaches: Robert Charlton

Matt Robertshaw

Captain: Andrew du Toit Vice-captain: Weston Potgieter

The 2nd XV had an excellent season in a number of ways. They won 8 out of their 12 matches but these results don't tell the whole story. Unfortunately, they played their most powerful opponents away from home and three of their four losses were closely fought encounters. where, if they had had home ground advantage, it may have swayed the result in their favour. The team scored 424 points (an average of 35 points per game!) while conceding only 190 points. This is indicative of the brand of rugby they played. From the start of the season, the team adopted an exciting, attacking style of rugby in which they attempted to keep the ball alive and run from literally anywhere on the field. This resulted in a number of spectacular tries but more importantly, in the players thoroughly enjoying their rugby and revelling in the thrill of getting onto the field and just playing.

The team was able to play this brand of rugby because we were fortunate to have a number of very talented ball players and plenty of speed. Just as importantly, the team did the basics properly. They had a strong pack of forwards and so could more than match their opponents in the tight exchanges. They scrummed particularly well, were generally solid when it came to line-outs and worked tirelessly in the rucks. Their forwards were also very mobile, enabling them to link effectively with the backs. The backs ran hard, fast and straight and with their flair, speed and ball skills, were able to penetrate most defences. With the philosophy of never giving the opposition the ball by kicking it to them, the backs often launched attacks from their own try line and this sometimes resulted in tries! Another vital ingredient accounting for the success of the side was the tremendous attitude and team spirit that developed among the players. This resulted in the team gelling quickly into a cohesive unit and exhibiting an excellent fighting spirit. Finally, there was plenty of depth this year and we could draw from a strong 3rd XV without unduly weakening the team or affecting our style of rugby.

There were a couple of noteworthy and unusual achievements this season. Firstly, one of our front-ranks, Ewan Pieters, was selected to represent the Eastern Province Country Districts team at Craven Week. Secondly, four players (Ewan Pieters, Harry Robinson, Jacques Viviers and Ole Losaba were awarded Standards for rugby and when one includes



### 2ND RUGBY

Back Row: T Lawson-Smith, H Robinson, L Sibam, J van Zyl, A Kosi, R McCarthy, L Nkone, D Kruger.

Second Row: S Nkatsha, K Boman, H Kruger, L Turner, L Freitag, M Takeloo, S Mti.

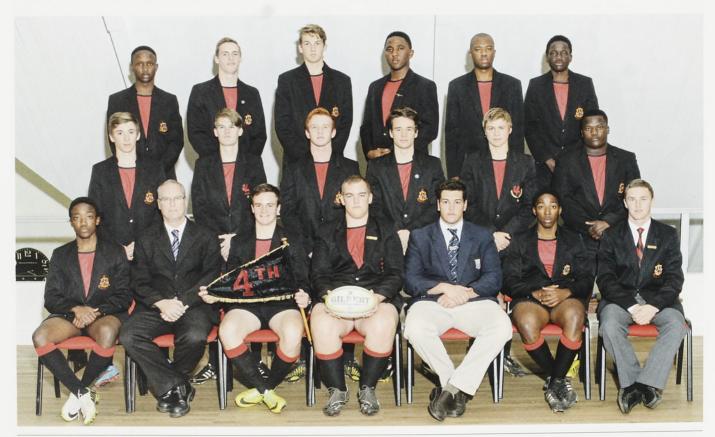
Front Row: Mr R Charlton (Coach), J Viviers, R Vermeulen, A du Toit (Captain), W Potgieter, N Schenck, Mr M Robertshaw (Coach).

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### **3RD RUGBY**

Back Row: R Craig, A Crompton, R McCarthy, L Carey, M Drew, J van Zyl, J Kockott.
Second Row: L Wehmeyer, N Dowdle, S Qupe, H Kruger, J Christie, O Mbewu, H Wicks, A Luke.
Front Row: Mr T Timm (Coach), K Boman, L Turner (Vice-Captain), S Burchell (Captain), L Freitag, Mr J Schenck (Coach), B Wilmot.



## **4TH RUGBY**

Back Row: L Tunyiswa, A Baxter, O Kingwill, S Segoete, B Mageza, M Zimba.

Second Row: R Craig, S McCabe, J Taylor, F Weylandt, L Kingwill, A Mfecane.

Front Row: W Balaile, Mr J Leiper (Coach), J Hart, B Deysel, Mr J Schenck (Coach), M Rantsoareng, B Wilmot (Assistant Coach).

Nicholas Schenck (Standards in 2014) then a third of the starting line-up had earned Standards by the end of the season – this has to be some sort of a record!

Thanks must go to Mr Robert Shaw for his outstanding work (especially with the forwards), to Mr Gareth Shaw for his invaluable input in terms of developing the skills of the players, Mr Stegman van Zyl for his general help and to Mr Lee Pote for making sure the team was fitter than all the teams we played against. Special mention must also be made of the captain, Andrew du Toit and vice-captain Weston Potgieter, who did an excellent job of leading the side both on and off the field.

### ■ R CHARLTON

# 3rd XV Rugby

I enjoyed working with this group who produced some fine rugby this season and were competitive in all their games.

The K-Day fixture saw us with a 15-point lead and then a heartbreaking loss of 22-29. Wins against Hudson, Lilyfontein 1st, Muir and Pearson, as well close results against Dale and Queen's, showed the boys' commitment. One of the best game of the season saw, an at-times, heart stopping game finish in a 5-5 draw with Graeme.

Team selection was interesting with up to 7 changes a match due to injuries and changes in the teams above. Daine Kruger, Okuhle Mbewu, Lindi Nongwana and Lloyd Freitag also played for the 1st XV while a large number played for the 2nds at times.

The forwards coach, Jonathan Schenck made sure the forwards performed well. The captain Scott Burchell, Asemahle Mfecane, Bradley Deysel along with Okuhle, Lloyd and Lindi were part of the formidable front rows while Ryan McCarthy, Mitchell Drew and Cobus van Zyl acquitted themselves well at lock. The young loose trio of Neil Dowdle, Siyo Qupe and Hilton Wicks are showing a lot of potential for the future while Hayden Kruger was an accomplished flanker.

Lloyd Turner was a fine scrum half with Josh Hart as his understudy. Luke Carey made a successful transition from lock to the fly half berth, which was vacated by Daine Kruger, while Josh Christie put in some excellent performances when available. Kegan Boman was a formidable runner in the back line scoring some great tries. Lisa Gora has promise as a centre having speed and was a regular line breaker. Azile Luke and Ross Craig filled the wing berths. JC Kockott was an excellent full back. Nippy, elusive and the possessor of a booming boot, he never had a bad game and was a great team man. Lehan Wehmeyer proved a most useful utility back and came on splendidly as the season progressed

A team is only as good as its reserves and Luke and Oliver Kingwill, Banzi Mageza, Simphiwe Segoete and Lutho Tunyiswa always played with commitment.

### T TIMM

### 4th XV Rugby

This season was a slightly frustrating one for the 4th XV. With everyone fit in the school, we had a full side with a few reserves. Unfortunately, injuries and suspensions in teams above us meant that we were very seldom able to practice as a team, or indeed play matches. Where we did play matches, the boys could normally only practice on the Thursday before – once other sides had been formalised. Despite all of the frustrations, it was pleasing to me that we had a solid core of dedicated and enthusiastic players, who turned out in rain and shine

I would like to thank the boys who turned out for the 4ths this season. Their dedication, passion and sheer love for the sport were inspiring.

to play rugby. It is a testament to the character of the boys that they did not allow the lack of match time to interfere too much with their attendance at practices.

In the four matches that we managed to play, the boys played with good passion, and not a small amount of skill. Bradley Deysel and Luke Kingwill played their hearts out on the field, and never gave up. Motsamai Rantsoareng was press-ganged into playing hooker for us, where he would have preferred his natural spot on the flank. Josh Hart provided a good link for us at scrumhalf and flyhalf, Al Baxter provided good cover at wing and lock (yes, LOCK!), and Sean McCabe was a tireless worker on the wing.

Our first match was against Hudson Park in East London. After going down by two tries early on, the boys recovered well and dominated large portions of the match. Our defence let us down at key times though, and we were chasing the game going into the last ten minutes. We rallied well with two quick tries to bring us to within two points of Hudson. With the final move, we lost the ball to an intercept, and Hudson ran out 31-24 winners. Against Dale, we were lethargic, and never came to terms with their pace. The boys were extremely disappointed with the 27-0 defeat. On K-Day, we started brightly and scored early on. However, we were unable to maintain our intensity, and lost 41-5. We saved the best for last, and totally dominated the match against Graeme. Our 29-5 victory was a wonderful way to end the season, and a fitting farewell to our Grade 12 stalwarts.

I would like to thank the boys who turned out for the 4ths this season. Their dedication, passion and sheer love for the sport were inspiring. It is always easy to practice and train when you have a full squad – less so when you know there is no place to test your skills. The number of boys turning out is a testament to their character.

### ■ J SCHENCK

# U16 Rugby

Coaches: Mr Z Mbenyana and Mr Scholtz

Assistant Coach: Mr C Braans
Captain: Lushano Le Roux

This team started off this year's season by taking part in the U16 rugby festival hosted by Hilton College. Here, the team gelled well and started playing a good brand of rugby. This festival was good preparation for the season. Three players joined this team this season, namely, David Carter, Pierre Wansbury and Onkgopotse Motsei. We played eight matches at the Hilton Festival, won two, drew one and lost five.

During the normal season, the team started off well. Their first game was against Muir which they narrowly lost 21 – 22. From this point onwards, the team embarked on a mission of putting their bodies on the line and striving for glory. They played twenty matches in total (8 at the U16 festival and 12 during this rugby season). This team made us proud when they were not scared to take up teams that would on paper be considered as far too strong to play against.

I would like to thank all the lads who wore the Kingswood rugby jersey for this team with great pride throughout the course of this season.

At the U16 festival, they could only take fourteen players as other boys could not be part of the team due to various reasons. As one can imagine, each boy had to play all eight games, as there were no replacement players but they all played with great gusto throughout the tournament. (At this point, I should place on records our sincere thanks to Greg Spear from Hilton College, who filled in as a fullback during this tournament.)

Like any other rugby season, this was no different - the boys produced a mixed bag of results. However, the matches against Pearson, Sterling, Port Rex and Queen's stand out. The boys played with great grit and determination. Against Queen's, the game could have gone either way and we lost it in the last ten minutes, but as a coach I could not have been prouder of the boys. I would like to thank all the lads who wore the Kingswood rugby jersey for this team with great pride throughout the course of this season. Thank you for your dedication and loyalty - it was much appreciated. I wish you all well for the open division. We will be following your progress with interest. I would also like to congratulate Brian Duxbury for being nominated the most dedicated player in the team. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our assistant coach, Mr Cameron Braans, for the hard work and long hours he put in on the practice field. It was really great to have an Old Kingswoodian giving back his expertise to his old school. I would also like to thank Mr Nick Tisdale from the UK, who helped out with a little bit of coaching during his visit to our school. We also thank Mr Ian Campbell-McGeachy from the Western Cape who also shared his rugby expertise with our boys. Thank you, too, to my good friend and fellow coach, Mr Tyrone Scholtz, for his support and invaluable advice throughout the season.

### ■ Z MBENYANA

# U15A Rugby

The U15A rugby team can be proud of the way they have conducted themselves on and off the field this season. I feel it would be unfair to judge them on their results alone as they have given so much of themselves, week in and week out. The amount of character they have shown and the willingness to put their bodies on the line every Saturday epitomised what this team was all about this year.

We were not the biggest side you will see, but I feel we made up for this in the way we played and our never-say-die attitude. Our aim throughout the season was to stick to our structures and keep the ball. If we did that well enough, we knew we would start creating holes in the opposition defence for us to exploit. The players worked hard for each other and this resulted in us scoring some good tries. The boys were encouraged to back themselves and their skill sets. Obviously, with this approach, mistakes were often made. The key for any team is to learn from your mistakes and it was pleasing to see how the boy's decision-making improved during the season. We have been inconsistent at times in terms of our performances and this is an area we will need to work hard at. The challenge throughout the season was to improve

every single weekend.

We battled with some injuries throughout the term but it was always fantastic to see that the new players who came into the side were just as committed and always gave 100%. The players faced various challenges throughout the season and there is no doubt that they would have learnt a lot about themselves.

The team was very ably led by Kamva Kalipa and Sandiso Charles and this created good camaraderie within the group. All the players have played their part in contributing to a very enjoyable season and I would like to thank them all for their efforts. I will follow their development closely over the next couple of years at Kingswood.

In closing, I would like to thank Pieter Serfontein for giving so freely of his time and assisting in the development of this team. His input and support was much appreciated by both myself and the players. Thanks too to Sisters Junkin and Stark as well as Carey Pohl and Nicola Brown for all your hard work behind the scenes.

### **■** MRANGER

## U15B Rugby

This season has been a real smorgasbord of practices, games and results. At the beginning, it was clear that we would need to be creative as we only had 11 players. Fortunately, we were able to combine our team with some players from the U14B side so that we did not have to play 10's and sometimes, potentially, 7's rugby, due to injuries, on the weekends. This meant that while we practiced together, the team did not gel as well as they should have.

This was fortunately not the case on K-Day where they did gel as a team. Our smorgasbord of a team consisted of players who had returned from playing for the A team and some pupils who did not routinely play rugby this season. What a game! These young men tackled like riot police at a protest rally. They scrummed, rucked and mauled the opposition out of the game and won some excellent turnover ball. From all this possession, we were able to unleash Shingirai Chaparira and Chiti Mutale on them. With some excellent conversion and touch finders from Sinesipho Dumezwen, we managed to beat a very determined U15C side, but only just! The main difference was that they suffered from the same malady that our team had in most of our games – negativity. I am not sure why we had this brief reprieve, but I am very glad for the consequence. They had gone from being "Prince Prawns" to "King Prawns". The garlic butter on the top for all of us was watching the 1st XV win later that day too!

While the other results for the team might not have been as spectacular, as individual players, I think they ended the season as more agile, flexible and technically competent players. Watch this space - there are talented players in this team who will be doing good things in Grade 11 and 12.

### ■ W RATHBONE

### U14A Rugby

At the start of the 2015 rugby season, we were delighted to see 37 boys at our first U14 rugby practice. The depth in playing numbers remained fairly consistent throughout the season and this proved to be invaluable at times when our U14A team was plagued with injuries.

As expected, our initial challenge was to assemble an U14A rugby team, comprised of players from several feeder schools to the College,



### **U16 RUGBY**

Back Row: M Phakisi, M Kondolo, L Dangazele, S Bidla, M Strachan, B Duxbury, A Klironomos, S Pote, J Joe.
Second Row: O Motsei, N Ndlebe,T Mwinyi, C van Aardt, A Galada, D Carter, O Mgijima, B Banda, M Mrwebi.
Front Row: P Wansbury, Mr C Braans (Coach), Mr Z Mbenyana (Coach), L le Roux (Captain), Mr T Scholtz (Coach), J Mutuku (Vice-Captain), B Butterworth.



# **U15A RUGBY**

Back Row: A Balopi, D Kemp, A Bouwer, B Archibald, M Chughtai.
Second Row: A Hoyi, S Ntlahla, S Dumezweni, A Tonjeni, A Sandys-Thomas, S Stretton, C Kahla.
Front Row: Mr P Serfontein (Assistant Coach), T Dimati, K Kalipa (Capt), Mr M Ranger (Coach), S Charles (Vice Capt), M Segoete, T Rippon.

### | Senior School SPORT



Back Row: C Appelt, D Kemp, A Reeve, A Bouwer, C Mutale, J Lundh.

Second Row: M Segoete, S Nyangiwe, S Dumezweni, S Chaparira, M Shearer, J Whittemore.

Front Row: S Knight, L Crompton, T Wille, Mr F Rubidge (Coach), W Thorburn, Mr W Rathbone (Coach), Y Libi.



# **U14A RUGBY**

Back Row: Z Mei, E Connan, C Daniels, C Lombaard, W Pieterse.

Second Row: E Yates, M Krige, J McCreath-Lombard, S.Tsili, B Hurly, K le Roux.

Front Row: Mr M Ranger (Coach), M Pieterse, D Shone (Captain), Mr P Serfontein (Coach), N Lawson-Smith (Vice-Captain), A Klaas, J Mills.

with players playing in their 'right' positions and also playing as a unit. The side, very ably led by Dominic Shone and Nicholas Lawson-Smith, eventually evolved from being a group of individuals to being a team with pride in who they were representing and also a team that played as a cohesive unit.

Technically - the focus was on developing players with sound core positional and individual skills that would stand them in good stead as they matured and moved through the ranks at Kingswood College. We believe that this was achieved to a large extent. However, this aspect of play will need to be revised and further developed amongst these boys in years to come.

As a team, it took us a while to adapt to the challenges of representing Kingswood at U14 level - where our lack of depth in comparison to the majority of our opposing teams, as well as our lack of overall physical stature, often works against us. In saying that, our forward pack proved to be a very efficient unit, very seldom being outplayed by any opposition we came up against. Our backs took longer to come together. However, towards the end of the season, they were attacking with considerably more purpose and belief! Our best performances were without doubt our matches against Stirling and Woodridge, where we played some exciting and efficient rugby, completely outclassing our opponents on

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Ranger for his coaching input and support throughout the season - his wisdom and general presence were key factors in the positive development that the U14A team experienced this year. I have no doubt that this team will go on to achieve many good things during their time at Kingswood!

### ■ P SERFONTEIN

# U14B Rugby

The U14B season was successful in a number of ways. If one were to measure success based only on wins and losses then perhaps the casual observer would disagree with me. However, if you were to gauge success on the personal development and courage displayed by the boys, the statement certainly holds true. The U14Bs started off the season with an emphatic win over their Muir rivals but did not carry this momentum through the holidays into the second term. We then faced a series of strong teams such as Queens College and Dale with varying degrees of success. On several occasions, when numbers were down due to injuries, we joined forces with the U15B boys which provided a great learning opportunity.

The boys can count themselves unlucky not to have won more games this season. Sport reveals character and it is in the face of defeat that real character is displayed. They showed great determination, stuck to their guns and showed what they were made of. A number of the players in the side ended up making their mark in the U14A team by the end of the season, a testament to their hard work paying dividends. We also had some players who had never played the game before and it was great to see their progression through the season. It all came together in the final game of the season against Graeme. The boys really pulled together and played as a unit, scoring a number of well worked tries. Although they lost that game, I'm sure they will all agree that it was their best performance all season, ending on a high note.

The U14B boys learned the value of teamwork and how to face challenges head-on. I hope to see them continue their tenure at Kingswood in the same spirit and thank them for all their efforts.

### R JONES



### **U14B RUGBY**

Back Row: A Reeve, J Lankester, B Hurly, T Rouhani.

Second Row: K Lutshaba, A Rathbone, J Cawood, T Haller, B Maposa, L Makobole, K Renene.

Front Row: N Mkatini, E Maddocks, Mr R Jones (Coach), H van Zyl (Captain), Mr J Randall (Coach), Q Caiger, C Mancapa.

# Sailing

Despite some logistical issues this year, the sailors have produced some excellent results given the challenges they have faced. At the Gypsy Nationals Regatta, held at Redhouse Yacht Club (RYC) on the Zwartkops River, Kingswood Sailing Club was placed 3rd in the Club event. Jon Theron (skipper) and Warren Shiel (crew) were placed 3rd in the Nationals and were the first scholars. Alistair Baxter (skipper) and Daniel Moore (crew) were placed 5th in a fleet of very experienced sailors from around the country.

These results set the tone for our biggest event on our sailing calendar, the Inter-Schools Championships which is hosted by RYC. We only entered 3 boats into the Open Fleet of the competition where we made a clean sweep. Jon Theron and Warren Shiel won, Daniel Moore and

Sango Bidla were placed second and Cameron Day and Alistair Baxter were placed third. Unfortunately, the team from Percy Mdala High had one extra boat in the competition and managed to beat us into second place overall, however it is the first time we have been in the top 2 in a while and the boys and I were very pleased with the results.

Once the weather warmed up in the third term, we sailed in the Hurricane and Spring series races at RYC and took part in Bart's Bash

which is a race sailed at the same time all around the world. The tight racing at these events clearly prepared the crews well for the Eastern Province Sailing Championships held at Wriggleswade Dam in October. Jon Theron and Warren Shiel were the first Juniors, and third in the Open Class. Blake Hurley sailed in a very competitive Optimist class and his placing improved steadily throughout the three days of competition. Daniel Moore and Alistair Baxter were very consistent

and Daniel is making good progress as a skipper. He and Warren are definitely on track to take the helm from Jon at the end of the year. Sango Bidla and Camagu Kahal accompanied the team to gain experience. Unfortunately, that also entailed almost sinking Zimbi after they forgot to put the bungs in, but they

assure me it was a lesson well learned!

At the final Awards assembly, it was very satisfying to see Jon Theron receive his Colours Award for sailing as the criteria for doing so are very rigorous. He also received the Best Skippers trophy this year and Warren Shiel and Alistair Baxter shared the Maintenance Cup. This brought to a close a very busy and successful sailing season.

■ W RATHBONE

When the storms of life

come, adjust your sails.



SAILING

Back Row: B Hurly, S Bidla, D Moore. Front Row: W Shiel, A Baxter, Mr W Rathbone (Co-ordinator), J Theron.

# Squash

Kingswood College squash has enjoyed yet another extremely good year, a watershed year for squash at Kingswood College. The hard work and effort that the players have put into their squash has paid dividends. This year we have been able to produce some outstanding performances and the history books have been rewritten in so many pleasing ways.

This year saw Kingswood's first girl squash player chosen to represent SA Schools squash. Hannah Knott-Craig was chosen to represent the SA U19 Girls' Schools team to tour to Malaysia and Hong Kong where she played in the Malaysian Junior Open in Penang, earlier in the year. She was also the runner-up in the Plate section of the Hong Kong Junior Tournament, played earlier on the tour.

Daine Kruger, Hannah Knott-Craig and Zinathi Mbenyana finished with a top 10 ranking in the SA Schools Closed Tournament early in the year. Twenty one players represented the Eastern Province in the South African inter-provincial tournaments held throughout the country, from the U11 to the Open age groups. Vaughan Meyer and Travis Whitehead were both members of the successful EP U19 boys' teams who won bronze in the U19 age group. Both Hannah Knott-Craig and Zinathi Mbenyana were ranked in the SA Schools' Top Ten for 2015. Vaughan Meyer was the EP U19 Boys Age Group Schools Champion with Zinathi Mbenyana being crowned the EP Schools U14 Girls Age Group Schools Champion, while Hannah Knott-Craig was the EP Schools Open U19 Girls' Champion for 2015.

Earlier in the year, the boys' 1st team was invited to the esteemed FNB Invitational Squash Tournament in Bloemfontein where they played schools such as Wynberg Boys' High, Grey College, Saint Andrew's (Bloem), Saint John's and Pretoria Boys' High and once again produced great results, only losing one match. The boys 1st team was also invited to participate in the St Stithians Sports Festival where the team was able to demonstrate the strength we have in squash. We produced some great results beating schools such as St John's, St Stithians and Northcliff.

This was then followed up with emphatic wins over Grey High and Framesby to be crowned the Eastern Province Top Schools team for the 3rd year running. The girls did not allow the boys to overshadow them and they saw off a very strong DSG team in the finals of the EP Top Schools Championship playoffs and were duly crowned EP Top Schools Champions for the 2nd year running. This in itself was an amazing feat. The two teams then travelled up to Pietermaritzburg to participate in the South African Top Schools' Tournament which pitted the best schools in each province against each other. The Kingswood girls' team finished 6th which is to be commended, bearing in mind that they lost two key players prior to their departure due to an unfortunate bus accident. The boys pulled off a memorable victory against Rondebosch, who were the eventual winners, but we were still able to finish in 3rd place. It was the first time ever that Kingswood teams have been able to achieve these kinds of results in at a national tournament.

Currently, Kingswood teams continue to enjoy success in the Makana and Districts Squash Association League. This year we entered 9 teams (7 senior and 1 junior teams) and they have all performed well. We were very proud of our teams who completed a near 'clean sweep' of the leagues. The boys' 1st team won the 1st league comprehensively (3rd year in a row), having played 182 games and only conceding 18 games. The 2nd, 3rd and 4th teams also won their respective leagues. Not to be outdone, the KC Junior School 1st team won their league as well. So, to put our achievements in perspective, the teams won the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th and 6th leagues this year. This is an amazing achievement. Well done to all the players.

As we are in the throes of rebuilding our teams as we lose many of our top players, the Kingswood 'Stayers Team' travelled to Cape Town and enjoyed a successful Wynberg Stayers Festival. This festival becomes the benchmark for our squash as we start setting new goals for 2016.

During the year we were very fortunate to be able to host the South African Mens' Squash #1 and #2 ranked players. Both Steve Coppinger (#1) and Sean le Roux (#2) currently play in the Professional Squash Association circuit and hold international ranking of 16 and 31. They delighted a full squash court with an exhibition match and entertained the crowd with some amazing and deceptive shots. Some of the local players had the opportunity of playing against both players.

Towards the end of the year, Kingswood College squash completed its Championship Tournament and we would like to congratulate the following age group champions for 2015:

- > The Judy Hartzenberg Trophy Girls Open Champion Hannah Knott-Craig
- The JF Frayne Shield Boys' Open Champion Vaughan Meyer
- The Natasha Alexander Cup Girls U16 Conna van Blerk
- The Trevor Cohen Trophy Boys U16 James Kelly
- > Girls U14 Champion Zinathi Mbenyana

Below Left: Hannah Knott-Craig - SA Schools U19 Girls' Squash Representative. Below: Vaughan Meyer and Quintin Shiel as Age group winners. Right: Bronze Medal winners at SA Top Schools Squash Tournament.















- > The Matthew Tait Trophy for Boys U14 Quintin Shiel
- > The Gareth Stevens Cup for Effort and Enthusiasm Joshua Thorburn
- > Trophy for Most Improved player Courtney Trow

Each year, squash players throughout the world celebrate squash in what is known as World Squash Day. National Squash Federations and clubs all over the world participated in this event to promote squash on Saturday 10 October. This popular annual event, which has taken place against a backdrop of the sport bidding for a place in the Olympic Games, is endorsed by the World Squash Federation (WSF). Unfortunately, after having had the sport's hopes raised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) of being included as a sport by offering the 2020 Games' hosts the chance to increase the number of sports agreed by the Buenos Aires session in 2013, the Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee recommended a further five – but did not include squash.

This year was the first time that we have tried to encourage Grahamstown squash players to get together to celebrate this event. The response was simply amazing. Fifty keen and enthusiastic players converged on the Kingswood College courts to be taken through a short but intense warm-up. This was followed by an energy-sapping Agility and Movement Course which got the heart rates up and cleared the lungs for a morning of enjoyable squash both in the singles and doubles format. Beginner players were accommodated with coaching sessions which provided the necessary guidance by qualified coaches. All players that participated in the event received free T-shirts donated by an anonymous donor.

We hope to celebrate this event again next year and to get fully behind the fundraising drive of the WSF for UNICEF.

I would like to thank all the coaches, parents and players that have made this year such a success. It must not be forgotten that in order for these players to have reached this level of squash, many sacrifices have been made. I would also like it noted that due to the generous sponsorship that we have received from a number of people who have made it possible for our teams to participate in top tournaments in South Africa.

■ IKNOTT-CRAIG

## Swimming

Swimming has received a well-deserved boost since elite coach, Graham Williams, joined us at the beginning of the year. Despite the dwindling numbers of swimmers, those that do take the sport seriously are receiving professional and individual-based coaching. Kingswood participated in the various local galas where we swam against DSG, SAC, VG, Graeme and Port Alfred High School.

The Kingswood College Interhouse Gala that was held in February once again enjoyed mass-participation and was a huge success. The support at this event is always fantastic and there was lots of cheering and singing going on from the side of the pool! Results were as follows: Wood 1st, Jagger 2nd, Gane 3rd and Chubb 4th.

The Kingswood Championship Gala, which was held in March, was where the true swimming talent of Kingswood came alive. Sarah-Jane Klopstra broke her own record for the Girls Open 50m Breaststroke that was set in 2013. The new record stands at 39.28sec. The final results were as follows: Wood 1st (Awarded the Birch Cup), Chubb 2nd, Jagger 3rd and Gane 4th. A number of swimmers also managed to achieve their Colours and Standards awards in the various events. Trophies for some of the events were awarded to the following recipients:





Back Row: D Boman, C Hobson, E Kingwill, E Williamson, E Knott, L van Heerden, S Klopstra. Front Row: T Schwedhelm, W Shiel, Ms C Palmer (Coach), C Rowlands (Captain), D Moore.

#### OPEN

- > Anne Young Trophy for Girls Open 100m Freestyle: Sarah-Jane Klopstra
- > Susan Webb Floating Trophy for Girls Open 100m Breaststroke: Flla Denton
- > Boys Open 200m Freestyle: Jamie Nicholas
- > Boys Open 100m Freestyle: Jamie Nicholas
- > Boys Open 200m IM: Jamie Nicholas
- > Boys Open 100m Butterfly: Bradley Moorcroft
- > Martin Colley Trophy for Boys Open 100m Backstroke: Callum Rowlands
- > Open Victrix Aquarum: Paula Duxbury
- > Open Victor Aguarum: Jamie Nicholas

- > Girls U16 100m Backstroke: Sarah-Jane Klopstra
- > Bruce Niland Trophy for Boys U16 100m Freestyle: Devon Kemp
- > Sandberg Trophy for Boys U16 100m Breaststroke: James Kelly
- U16 Victrix Aquarum: Sarah-Jane Klopstra
- > U16 Victor Aquarum: Devon Kemp

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- > U14 Victrix Aquarum: Amy Mills
- > U14 Victor Aguarum: Thomas Klopstra
- C PALMER



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### Tennis

#### BOYS

Tennis at Kingswood College continues to thrive and grow in numbers. Each year we grow by about 10% to the extent that we now have 160 tennis players pass through the courts on a weekly basis. This is an extremely positive sign for the interest and growth in tennis. We also had a record number of 55 matches organized for the various teams across the age groups. This required a large amount of support and dedication from the various coaches in making this possible in respect to hosting or driving to Port Alfred, East London and Port Elizabeth on a regular basis.

The start of the year saw representatives from all age groups compete in the Grahamstown Championships. Kingswood did exceptionally well and had a number of players winning their age groups. In fact, Kingswood pupils reached the finals of almost all the different categories. As a result of these fine efforts, numerous players from our U14, U16 and open sides were selected to play for the Albany side which competed against an exceptionally strong Midlands side.

All our fixtures in the 1st term were narrow losses, but the level of tennis played was of a good standard. The boys are starting to see and understand that it is not about the power or strength of the shot but rather the accuracy and placement of the shot. Tennis is a thinking game, every shot is about trying to outplay and outwit your opponent.

In this regard, the first team has been made up of a core of

experienced senior players who have all contributed to the competitive tennis this year. However, there is an exciting group of U15s who show good promise and potential for the future. We hope to build on this talent next year and to organise more fixtures at this level so that they may gain important experience. It is hoped that more boys will take tennis next year as it is an all year, life-time sport.

Selbourne/Clarendon hosted a superb doubles tournament which proved to be a tough weekend of matches, but very beneficial in the development of our personal game. We finished 5th overall which is an improvement of 2 places from the previous year. In October, we





**1ST BOYS TENNIS** 

Back Row: J Hart, M Strachan, C Loock, C van Zyl, J Rippon. Front Row: C du Preez, I Hassanali, G Chemaly (Captain), Mr M Stead (Manager), J Kelly, H Wicks.

### SPORT | Senior School



2ND BOYS TENNIS
Back Row: L Wehmeyer, B Duxbury, M Wehmeyer.
Front Row: P Wansbury, Mr M Stead (Manager), J Potgieter, N Dowdle.



U15A BOYS TENNIS Back Row: B Harvey, C Lombaard, D Kemp, B Hurly. Front Row: A Meyer, H van Zyl, Mr M Stead (Manager), Q Caiger, J Mills.

travelled through to the Hilton/St Anne's doubles tournament. The tennis this year was of a very high standard with numerous SA ranked tennis players present at this tournament.

I must thank once again Chris Loock and Neil Smuts for their time and efforts this year. We are extremely fortunate to have such committed and experienced tennis coaches for the tennis players at Kingswood College. Without the support of Michael Stead and the student assistants, we would not be able to meet the demands of the growing numbers of tennis players.

■ J HELLEMANN

#### **GIRLS**

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2015 has been a successful and busy year for Girls Tennis. The start of the year saw representatives from all age groups compete in the Grahamstown Championships. Kingswood did exceptionally well and had a number of players winning their age groups. In fact, Kingswood pupils reached the finals of almost all the different categories. As a result of these fine efforts, numerous players from our U14, U16 and open sides were selected to play for the Albany side which competed against an exceptionally strong Midlands side.

The majority of tennis this year was played in the 1st term, with the usual Knight Shield, and Independent Schools Tennis Festival.

The Independent Schools Tennis Festival was hosted by DSG in Grahamstown. It was an enjoyable event, one in which friends were made and some exceptionally hard, long tennis matches were fought. We finished 8th overall and the girls are to be congratulated on their superb sportsmanship on and off the court. The girls were exposed to a high level of tennis.

Selborne/Clarendon hosted a superb doubles tournament which proved to be a tough weekend of matches, but most beneficial in the development of our personal game. We finished 5th overall which is an improvement of two places from the previous year. In October, we travelled through to the Hilton/St Anne's doubles tournament. The tennis that was played was of a very high standard with numerous SA ranked tennis players present at this tournament. But we thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of improving our game, playing against some of the best in the country. The girls finished 6th overall which was a great improvement from the last time we partcipated in 2013.

These results and strengths of tennis throughout the age groups. bodes well for the future and suggest a bright and prosperous few years ahead. This, coupled with the devotion of all coaches involved this year, suggests that next year promises to be an exciting one. We express our thanks to Chris Loock for his dedication and enthusiasm and continued nurturing of all our prospective tennis players at Kingswood.

J HELLEMANN



1ST GIRLS TENNIS

Back Row: L Zono, L Rouhani, K Sandys-Thomas, T Victor, K von Holdt, A Mills Front Row: K Purdon, T Buttner, Mr J Hellemann (Coach), P Duxbury, N Lombaard.

### SPORT | Senior School



2ND GIRLS TENNIS
Back Row: L Zote, B Walker, L Rouhani.
Front Row: S Andrew, Mr J Hellemann (Coach), B Trafford, C Donian.



3RD GIRLS TENNIS Back Row: W Poole, K Burgess, G Maree, G Cadle. Front Row: L Zote, Ms K Sedgewick (Coach), R Knight.



**U15A GIRLS TENNIS** 

Back Row: K Gontshi, N Mabusela, T Labuschagne, P Stirk, I Joubert. Front Row: A Mills, Ms E Pock (Coach), K Biggs, Z Mbenyana.



U15B GIRLS TENNIS Back Row: H Paruk, K Wootton, J Cheng, C van Rensburg. Front Row: R Strachan, Ms E Pock (Coach), B Mildenhall, K Wicks.

### Water Polo

#### 1st Team Boys

The season started with a baptism of fire, with training involving swimming up to 20km in a week and dealing with skills and strategy. The boys put their heads down and tackled their respective challenges head on.

The season started with the Port Rex Tournament, which was a learning experience of note. Ending in the bottom four was a bitter pill to swallow but it made the team more determined to rectify mistakes and strategies. We came home and started to rebuild.

Next was the the Selbourne Vides Tournament. A fitter, more organised and galvanised team turned up and played some great polo, beating Grey College amongst others to reach the quarter finals. Unfortunately, we lost the quarters and came 7th, one of the highest finishes for a Kingswood College 1st Team in Vides history.

Playing at home in front of enthusiastic Kingswood College parents, pupils and staff helped the boys to play at another level for the St Andrew's Plate. Not losing a game during the group stages was a highlight, drawing with Selbourne 2nds and beating Grey 2nds in a nail-biter got us through to the semi-final. The semi-final against Hudson Park was another nail-biter with the game ending in a draw thanks to Steven Savage's penalty save with seconds remaining. We won the penalty shoot out and the game, not missing a penalty and Steven yet again making two crucial saves. An emotional win for both the players and the coach! Losing to Selbourne in the final was a valuable lesson and experience for the team. Silver in the St Andrew's Plate - the highest any Kingswood College 1st Team has placed in this event.

Next up was a trip to Kwazulu Natal and the National Co-Eds Water Polo Tournament. Yet again the group stages proved to be no problem for the team. We moved through to quarter finals against Stirling. Saying this game was close was an understatement but with 1 second remaining, we sealed victory with a great goal from Michael van Breda. In the semi's, we came up against a very good and well-drilled Crawford Lonehill side and lost to them. We lost to Westering in the third/fourth play-off but 1 know the boys had given it their all by the looks of disappointment and tears in the eyes of the senior players. A coach can ask for no more. Kingswood College ended 4th with William Stapleton and Jacques Viviers being selected for the tournament team and William being awarded best defensive player of the tournament.

I am incredibly proud to have spent time and had the privilege of coaching this team. Their work ethic, attitudes and team spirit was unbelievable. Michael van Breda was a superb captain and leader, ably assisted by Steven Savage, Jamie Nicholas, Jacques Viviers, and Jake Oniel as senior players in the side. I wish you all well in your future endeavours as you leave Kingswood College.

Congratulations to the following boys who made provincial teams to represent Eastern Province at the South African School Water Polo Tournament at the end of the year: Thomas Klopstra (U14B), Bryce Butterworth, Luke Kingwill and William Stapleton (U17). Well done and good luck.

The 2015 1st Team Water Polo epitomises exactly what Kingswood College is about with their fighting spirit, great attitudes and phenomenal work ethic. I thank you all for the experience. I look forward to 2016 and a new crop of players.

#### R AMBLER

#### 2nd Team Boys

Coach: Robert Charlton
Captain: Kegan Boman

The first half of the season was a very frustrating and disappointing one. The 2nd team was plagued with a lack of fixtures which meant that it was difficult to get the players to mesh as a team. Inevitably, this led to some individualism, bad discipline and poor commitment.

However, the third term saw a remarkable transformation with the departure of the matrics. We were left with a young, inexperienced side, most of whom had played U15 in the first term. While this presented a challenge in terms of basic skills, the team's positive attitude and enthusiasm, plus more regular games, saw the side improve rapidly and develop a healthy team spirit. This augers well for our 2nd team next year.

#### R CHARLTON

#### 1st Team Girls

To a large extent, 2015 was the beginning of a new era for 1st team girls' water polo at Kingswood. 2014 saw us lose four girls who had represented the team for four years, so 2015 was always going to be a 'building year' of sorts. However, in saying that, in Jamie Stone and Sheree Purdon (who captained the team), we were blessed with the presence of two outstanding examples of effective leadership. The culture that was established in our team environment by these two and Ashleigh Meyer (vice-captain), was one that allowed the team to play well above its potential and level of maturity on many occasions – turning a supposedly average season into another successful season within a very competitive setting. Congratulations also to Sheree and Jamie for reaching the milestone of 150 games for the 1st team in the process – a fine achievement!

As always, the focus for the 1st team was to ensure that we were performing at our very best by the time we took part in the St Peter's Tournament in February. This tournament is unofficially seen as the national championship of sorts for 1st team girls in South Africa. After having come 24th/24 in 2012 in our first outing at this event, 20th/24 in 2013 and 13th/24 in 2014...we set ourselves the goal of ending in the top ten schools taking part. In 2015 we eventually ended in tied 9th/28 place which was remarkable for a fairly young side – a sign of a system that is gradually creating more depth in quality of players at our disposal, given our small school numbers.

We continue to try and play a brand of water polo that is defensively very strong as well as one that is exciting in attacking play. However, the next few years will require of us the mastery of the 'little but very important things' in order for us to well and truly establish ourselves as a leading water polo school for girls in the country. We look ahead at 2016 with our hearts set on getting to the play-off stages at St Peter's – a tough but very attainable goal! I would like to take this opportunity to thank the girls for a most enjoyable season of water polo!

Congratulations to the following girls in the 1st team who were selected into the various EP representative teams:

SAU18 Training Squad – Ashleigh Meyer

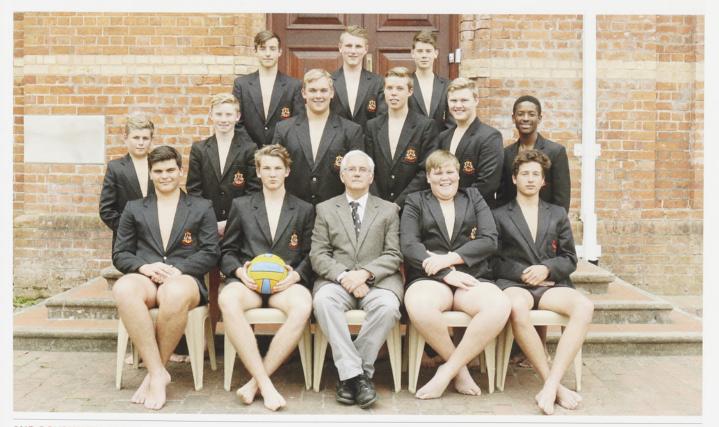
EPU18A – Ashleigh Meyer, Nicola Biggs and Paula Duxbury

EPU16A – Emma Fraser and Kelsey Purdon



#### **1ST BOYS WATER POLO**

Back Row: J van Zyl, B Duxbury, W Stapleton.
Second Row: B Butterworth, B Moorcroft, D Kemp, L Kingwill.
Front Row: J O'Neil, M van Breda (Captain), Mr R Ambler (Coach), S Savage (Vice-Captain), J Nicholas.



### 2ND BOYS WATER POLO

Back Row: A Bouwer, M Drew, S Exley.
Second Row: S Knight, T Wille, B Deysel, E Marais, S Pote, J Strydom.
Front Row: A Griplas, O Kingwill (Captain), Mr R Charlton (Coach), D Carter, G Viljoen.

### SPORT | Senior School



#### **U15 BOYS WATER POLO**

Back Row: T Klopstra, J Lankester, A Bouwer, D Shone. Front Row: J Strydom, T Wille, Mr J Randall (Coach), S Knight, D Kemp.



#### **U14 BOYS WATER POLO**

Back Row: H van Zyl, J McCreath-Lombard, J Lankester, V Bills, K-Seymour.
Second Row: T Seymour, J Griesel, T Rouhani, E Yates, M Krige, A Rathbone, C Mancapa, L Webb.
Front Row: T Haller, Mr J Schenck (Coach), T Klopstra (Captain), Mr W Rathbone (Coach), D Shone.

#### **EPU15A** – Bianca De Klerk and Tilabo Williamson

Congratulations also to the following girls who received these new awards in 2015:

Standards: Emma Albers, Emma Fraser, Kelsey Purdon, Conna Van Blerk,

Bianca Walker and Sarah-Jane Klopstra

Colours: Paula Duxbury

Honours: Nicola Biggs and Ashleigh Meyer

DATE	OPPOSITION	RESULT	GOALS FOR	GOALS AGAINST
21/01/2015	KCU15A Boys	W	15	1
24/01/2015	DSG	W	2	0
30/01/2015	80/01/2015 Reddam House Inv		2	2
30/01/2015	30/01/2015 Stirling		4	8
31/01/2015	York	W.	23	2
31/01/2015	Hudson Park	W	11	2
31/01/2015	01/2015 Clarendon		7	9
01/02/2015	/02/2015 Hudson Park		7	1
01/02/2015	1/02/2015 Reddam House Inv		3	2
04/02/2015	04/02/2015 SAC6		5	5
07/02/2015	7/02/2015 Hudson Park		5	2
11/02/2015	1/02/2015 SAC5		5	3
13/02/2015	3/02/2015 York		8	0
13/02/2015	Hudson Park	W	5	0

DATE		OPPOSITION			RESULT	GOALS FOR	GOALS AGAINST
13/02/20	015	Herchel l	Herchel U16A			5	2
13/02/20	015	Bloemhof U16A			W	8	1
13/02/20	015	Somerse	Somerset College			8	0
13/02/20	015	Springfie	ld U16A		W	3	1
14/02/20	015	DSG				1	1
14/02/20	14/02/2015 Alex Road			L	1	3	
14/02/20	02/2015 Alex Road 2nds			W	7	0	
14/02/20	4/02/2015 Pearson U16A			W	4	1	
18/02/20	3/02/2015 Rhodes			W	5	0	
20/02/20	015	Pearson			L	0	4
26/02/20	015	Bloemho	f		W	5	1
26/02/20	015	St Mary's			L	0	3
26/02/2015		Kingsway	/		W	0	
27/02/20	015	DSG			L	2	3
27/02/2015		Rand Par	k		W	V 5	
27/02/2015		Thomas I	More		W	3	
27/02/2015		Durban C	Sirls		L	8	
07/03/2015 09/03/2015		Pearson			L	6	
		DSG			D	4	4
Played	Won	Drew	Lost	Win Rate	Success Rate	Goals For	Goals Against
33	21	4	8	64%	76%	174	77



1ST GIRLS WATER POLO Back Row: K Purdon, B Walker, E Williamson, S Klopstra.

Second Row: E Fraser, C van Blerk, E Albers, H Lewis, P Duxbury, B de Klerk.
Front Row: N Biggs, S Purdon (Captain), Mr P Serfontien (Coach), A Meyer (Vice-Captain), J Stone.

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Results	-Term 3	2015						
		OPPOSITION			RESULT			
03/10/20	)15	DSG	DSG			4	2	
08/10/20	)15	St Peter's			L	2	4	
08/10/2015 Hudsc			Park		W	9	1	
08/10/20	)15	Fourway	S		W	W 14		
09/10/20	)15	Kingsway	/		W	1		
09/10/20	)15	Pearson			L	0	5	
09/10/20	)15	Thomas I	Thomas More W			4	2	
10/10/2015		Crawford			D	3	3	
16/10/20	)15	Kingsridge			W	25	0	
16/10/20	)15	Woodridge			W	22	1	
16/10/20	)15	Clarendon			L	2	5	
17/10/2015		Collegiat	е		D	2	2	
17/10/2015		Stirling	Stirling			2	15	
17/10/2015		Pearson	Pearson V			7	5	
31/10/2015		Collegiate L			L	1	4	
07/11/2015		DSG			L	3	5	
Played	Won	Drew	Lost	Win Rate	Success Rate	Goals For	Goals Against	
16	8	2	6	50%	63%	105	55	

#### ■ P. SERFONTEIN

#### 2nd Team Girls

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This season started off with a bang, with the team playing in the Alex Tournament in Port Elizabeth. The girls improved immensely throughout the tournament which was a positive way to start the season. They showed big match temperament and a lot of respect which is a good trait to have in a team. The bond in the team was great and it showed in the pool as they worked well together.

The skills in the team continuously improved throughout the season which was rewarding for both the players and me as the coach to see. The many local games played definitely grew their confidence and knowledge of the game. The girls ended their season with a nailbiting game against DSG 2nds where they won 4-3. This was one of the highlights of the season and a great way to end off.

#### ■ J REEVES

#### U14 Girls

The U14 girls water polo team has seen a number of opportunistic challenges in the past year. The tour to Reddam in the beginning of the year exposed the players to a very high level of junior water polo. This tour was beneficial for the girls as they were hosted with the Reddam families securing connections for future water polo tournaments. Touring is challenging both physically and mentally, but the girls showed good character facing the number of obstacles which were presented.

The second season witnessed a greater degree of improvement. The individuals in the team each showed some form of improvement from the start of the season to the end. The tournament, played in East London, familiarized the team with the calibre of water polo in the Eastern Province region. The team was placed in the top 5 at the tournament.

Towards the end of the season, the players in the team continued to show great enthusiasm and I would hope they continue striving to improve their own abilities in the water. The U14 girls water polo team can be proud of their achievements and look forward to greater successes in the future. I wish them all the best for their future in the sport.

#### R DU TOIT

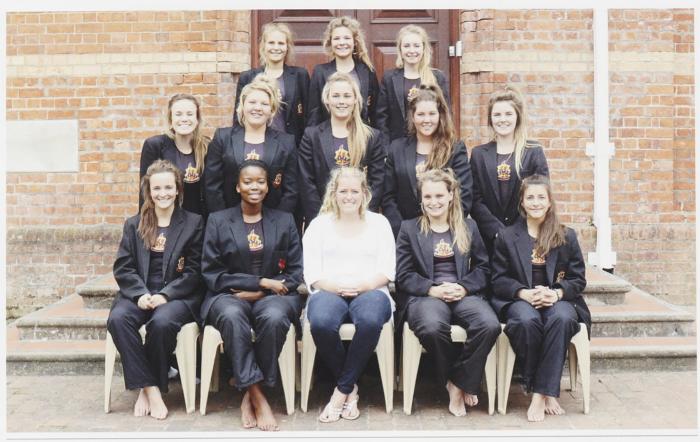
#### U15 Girls

The U15 team have enjoyed a very successful and positive season this year and their results attest to this. The team showed passion and dedication towards their training throughout the season, which showed in their results over weekend fixtures and at tournaments. They beat every other U15 team in the Eastern Cape at least once and went unbeaten in their section of the Grahamstown water polo league. The girls played in three tournaments this year. The Shaun Fuchs Cup hosted by Crawford Lonehill in Johannesburg was undoubtedly one of the highlights where the girls drew to the eventual winners, Reddam House in the pool stages, and went on to make the quarterfinals. The girls placed 7th out of 21 teams here and came back with much confidence to finish the first half of the season strong. Quite remarkably, the girls only lost 3 matches in the first half of the season, with two losses coming at the Shaun Fuchs Cup to Clarendon and Durban Girls' High and a single loss back home to Collegiate.

In the second half of the season, the girls began by playing at the U15 tournament hosted by Collegiate and placed 7th before going on to make the semi-finals of the Clarendon Stayers Tournament. The girls lost narrowly by one goal on penalty shoot-outs to the eventual winners, Stirling, but redeemed themselves with a strong finish over Clarendon to finish 3rd out of 10 teams. This group of girls made coaching an absolute pleasure and the talent pool in this team can only mean positive and exciting things in the future for Kingswood girls water polo.

#### ■ M STIRK





#### 2ND GIRLS WATER POLO



#### Senior School SPORT



#### **U15 GIRLS WATER POLO**

Back Row: B de Klerk, S Welgemoed, P Bradfield, E Knott, L Bega, P Stirk, D Peenz. Front Row: S Phillips, K Biggs, Ms M Stirk (Coach), T Labuschagne, E Williamson.



#### **U14 GIRLS WATER POLO**

Back Row: L van Heerden, E Kingwill, B Mildenhall.
Second Row: R Koch, N Freitag, L Robinson, C Knight, D Boman.
Front Row: C Hobson, A Mills, Mr R du Toit (Coach), C Daniels, R Strachan.



# MUSIC SCHOOL







# **Music School**



## "To stop the flow of music would be like the stopping of time itself, incredible and inconceivable" - Aaron Copland

nother year at the Music School has passed. It is becoming increasingly challenging for music teachers and music pupils to find time for music in the pupils' busy life of academics and sport. But we rally on: stopping the flow of music is not an option.

Asia Wicherek joined us as a part-time teacher of the piano this year. She comes originally from Poland. Asia has a passion for keyboard instruments of all ages and great skill in playing them. She also has a vast knowledge of music of all periods - from pieces which are still being written right back to the Middle Ages. She is unfailingly enthusiastic and excited about all kinds of music. She has been a kindly gale of fresh air to us in the Music School this year.

Joni and Simon Stickells left the College at the end of this year. We thank them for their work over the last three years and wish them well as they relocate to KZN.

More than 125 pupils from the College have been having individual lessons on the available instruments: piano, oboe, bassoon, flute, clarinet, saxophone, violin, trumpet, euphonium, trombone, French horn and tuba. Thirty-two of these pupils joined the Subject Music programme in the Senior School. The Junior School musicians play a practical assessment twice a year and attend Music Theory classes on a Thursday afternoon during Prep. Children learning an instrument must participate in an ensemble. Instrumentalists play in the Concert Band, Junior Band and/or the Jazz Band, Brass Ensemble, Saxophone Ensemble, Clarinet Ensembles. Pianists join Piano Ensembles, sing in the Choir or play percussion in one of the Bands. Furthermore, all Junior School pupils are encouraged to get involved in music groups such as Choirs, Marimba Groups, Recorder Groups or Violin Groups. There are 194 pupils singing in our choirs: Preppie Choir, Junior Choir, Senior Choir. This represents 28% of the College's pupils. The number of boys joining seems to be on the increase. Towards the end of the Summer Term,

eighteen members of the Senior Choir formed a Chamber Choir.

Many Sundowner concerts were held and junior musicians played regularly in the Friday morning Chapel services.

#### The following musicians achieved cultural awards this year:

- > Music Standards: Eugenie Brand, Lungisa Duruwe, Makatendeka Makoni, Murray Wilmot, Lubabalo Zote, Milani Nodada
- Music Colours: Damon Wolff
- Choir Standards: Ivana Hoops, Ivana Mager, Zethu Mageza, Yonela Mnqandi, Asemahle Magobiane, Sixolisiwe Mrwebo, Sanelisiwe Ndlebe, Hlakanipha Qangule, Siyo Qupe, Alysha Sesia and Sarena Thurairatnam
- > Choir Colours: Ambesa Jonas, Lutho Zono and Callum Zwicky-Wardle Seventy-three pupils were entered for UNISA, Trinity College (London) and Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music practical and theory exams. For the first time a Clarinet Quartet and a Chamber Trio were entered for the UNISA Ensemble category. The results for the 2015 examinations are listed at the end of this report.

Our various ensembles performed at many annual Kingswood College functions during the course of the year. Here is a list of some of the musical activities.

#### **January**

> The music teachers gave their own Sundowner concert. The programme included the 'Adult Beginner String Ensemble'. Marni van der Westhuizen (violin) and Stephen Holder (cello) were the beginners and Joni Stickells (viola) their teacher.

The Junior Choir spent a weekend at Assegaai Trails learning new music.



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- Valentine's Day Concert in the Cohen Courtyard. Kingswood and Mary Waters talent came together for two hours of music. The special project this year was International Childhood Cancer.
- > The Senior Clarinet Ensemble played at the Valentine's Combined Staff tea held in the Museum.
- > Sarah Burnett, Principal bassoonist of the Britten Sinfonia based in the UK, visited Grahamstown and gave our bassoon pupil a lesson.
- > Twenty-five saxophonists attended our Sax Day with Cecile Dubois (France) and Connections Saxophone Quartet. Adam Campbell (OK 2014), one of Cecile's students, and Paul Richard, who directed our 2014 Sax Day, played in the quartet. Madame Dubois gave a master class and the participants worked on ensemble items for the evening concert.
- Concert in the Dark a new venture. Emily Fryer and Kwazi Mkula (cello teacher at DSG/SAC) joined Kingswood music teachers to give a concert in our Chapel. The audience enjoyed the concert. Some comments: 'an innovative and fun evening' and 'with the music playing from on high and behind, I felt as awed as a novice monk upon entering an ancient abbey'. R1700 was raised for the St John's Eye Clinic.

#### March

- > The Brass Ensemble toured to Gaborone and Kimberley. Three concerts were given in Botswana and special thanks must go to Debbie Albers and the Balopi family for hosting our pupils. The musicians enjoyed the experience of a new culture during their short visit. In Kimberley, the Ensemble played at Newton Primary School and visited the Big Hole.
- > The Brass Ensemble played at the 50th OK Reunion over Foundation Weekend
- The JS Bach Birthday Concert: Staff and pupils played music by Bach. Asia Wicherek, our special pianist, played a contemporary Polish piece with Bach references.
- > The Concert Band gave its annual Cheese and Wine concert in the High Performance Centre in aid of the Grahamstown Hospice. The 155 guests enjoyed the repertoire and R14 160 was raised.
- > The Jazz Band played at the annual Bathurst Agricultural Show.
- The Senior Choir participated in the second Masicule Choral Concert in the City Hall. Each choir sang an item and then joined in for the Mass Choir items. A celebration of the voices of Grahamstown, the event included various local school choirs and adult choirs.

#### April

 Makatendeka Makoni (clarinet) and Eugenie Brand (cello) attended the Franschhoek Chamber Music Festival - a week-long course with excellent teachers and participants.

#### May

- > Grade 7 Class Music went along to the International Library of African Music (ILAM) where Dr Andrew Tracey entertained them. ILAM has a substantial collection of traditional instruments from a number of African countries including Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Malawi, Zambia, Uganda, South Africa, and Namibia.
- > The Senior Choir went on a mini-tour to East London to participate in the Port Rex Eisteddfod. The members enjoyed the experience of interacting and listening to other Choirs. They achieved a well-deserved silver award for their performance. The Brass Ensemble also entered in the Port Rex Eisteddfod and returned with a gold award.
- > The Junior Choir competed in the AKTV Applous competition for the

- second year, and achieved a bronze award.
- Marni van der Westhuizen attended an Orff course in Cape Town presented by Susie Davies-Splitter from Australia.
- Our ensembles and soloists played in the SAC/DSG Music Festival and Junior ensembles joined in for a combined concert at Graeme College, hosted by Victoria Primary School.

#### June

- The Jazz Band played at the 10- and 20-year Reunion Dinner over K-Day weekend.
- > Sax and Clarinet ensembles played at Brookshaw Home in Grahamstown.
- The Concert Band played the Reverend Howard Kirkby Memorial Concert in the College Chapel.

#### July

- > The Junior Choir sang for the congregations of two Port Alfred churches.
- The Brass Ensemble played for the OKs in Bedford for their annual AGM and Dinner. Special thanks to OKs Ian and Kim van Niekerk for hosting the group.
- > The Big Hymn Sing in the Cathedral. The Concert Band accompanied the hymns and all three College choirs sang.
- The Chamber Choir sang at Brookshaw Home in Grahamstown. The audience, some of them Old Kingswoodians, thoroughly enjoyed the music.

#### **August**

> The Concert Band gave six performances on their annual tour to Bloemfontein: Elizabeth Jordaan Tehuis in Cradock where they raised just under R5000, Sentraal Music Academy, Tjokkies Primêre Skool, performance class for the Odeion School of Music (UFS), concert with the Bloemfontein City Youth Orchestra at the Musicon and a Big Hymn Sing at the Gereformeerde Kerk in Bloemhof. We stroked sleeping cheetahs and genets; saw black leopards, white lions and a tiger.

#### September

- > The NMMU Concert Winds gave a concert in the College Chapel.
- Lungile Sonwabo, a member of the Rhodes University Chamber Choir, started working with the Senior Choir members, teaching them traditional African songs for the Prize Giving concert. The choristers thoroughly enjoyed this interaction and we look forward to future endeavours next year.
- > The Junior Choir visited Port Alfred again, this time to sing at Damant Lodge and Settlers Park.
- The Concert Band also went to Port Alfred to give a concert in aid of Sunshine Coast Hospice. R3824 was raised.

#### October

> Georgia Cadle (clarinet), Makatendeka Makoni (clarinet), Liyabona Planga (clarinet), Uyinene Mrwetyana (alto saxophone), Lavela Booi (tenor saxophone), Etienne Marais (baritone saxophone), Kuhle Stamper (French horn) and Lubabalo Zote (trombone) auditioned successfully for the East London Wind Orchestra course - a weeklong course aimed at giving students the opportunity of integrating with musicians from other schools and music institutions in the vicinity. The Orchestra consisted of 35 members so Kingswood College was certainly well-represented – we had eight pupils on the



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- course. Jenny Brand attended the final concert and came back very impressed with the Orchestra's performance which included some challenging repertoire.
- Parents' Week always a busy time for the Music School with ensembles performing at the Choral Concert, Confirmation Service, Prize Givings and the Valedictory Service.
- > Our third Piano Playathon this year we included master classes given by Asia Wicherek. The informative sessions covered the importance of relaxation and posture, improvisation, practising methods to minimise frustration and boredom, how to self-motivate and an interesting historical session about the clavichord, harpsichord and Kingswood's original 1829 Erard piano. Pupils from Kingswood College, Victoria Primary, Graeme College and DSG/SAC Music School enjoyed playing to each other. In total, 67 pianists played over 200 pieces in approximately eight hours, showing that piano playing is alive and well in Grahamstown.

#### November

- > Drum major and 2016 Concert Band leader, Milani Nodada, led our Band for the annual Remembrance Day Parade. The Band members were complimented on their marching. We also held a special Remembrance Day Service in our Chapel on 11 November.
- > The Junior Clarinet Ensemble entertained guests before the Pre-Primary Concert and at a Lebone House tea to say thank you to the Project Read volunteers.
- Advent Chapel Service The Senior and Junior Choirs sang for this annual special service. The Brass Ensemble accompanied some of the hymns at the service.
- Another visit to Brookshaw Home, the third one this year, by our Senior Choir and Brass Ensemble. We plan to incorporate visits to local communities at least once a term. Music can be a great source of comfort to the elderly and ill.
- The Preppie Choir sang at the Pre-Primary and Prep Department Carol Service and the Junior Choir sang Grace at the Grade 7 Dinner.

#### ■ S HOLDER



Valentine's Concert -Joni Stickells and Leander













**BRASS ENSEMBLE** 

Back Row: R Balopi, L van Heerden, A Balopi, C Appelt, K Stamper, L Zote Front Row: E Albers, Mr S Stickells, D Wolff, M Nodada



Back Row: L Planga, S Ralebala, S Ralebala, Z Mbenyana, K van Staden, M Makoni, E Brand, D Griesel, A Xundu, R Balopi, K Stamper, L Zote Second Row: K Gontshi, U Mrwetyana, G Cadle, C Hobson, L van Heerden, E Marais, S Smit, E Williamson, C Appelt, E Fryer, T Madasa, R Makoni Front Row: M Wilmot, N Myeko, A Balopi, T Pitcher, J L'Ange, Mr S Holder, D Wolff, B Moorcroft, M Komb, M Nxopo, M Nodada Absent: L Duruwe

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JAZZ BAND Back Row: K Weyer, L Booi, J Lankester, D Reid, M Wilmot, K van Staden, L Zote Front Row: B Moorcroft, T Pitcher, Mr S Stickells, J L'Ange, D Wolff



#### **CHAMBER CHOIR**

Back Row: A Magobiane, A Jonas, K Kalipa, S Qupe, S Ndlebe, S Norman, Y Bukula, S Makgatlhe, L Zono Front Row: T Rusike, T Pitcher, E Pieters, K Nyangiwe, Mrs J Stickells, C Zwicky-Wardle, Q Maboza, J Theron, S Mrwebo



PIANO ENSEMBLE Left to Right: S Pepper, Q Ban, Mrs A Smith, C Chona, S Makgatlhe



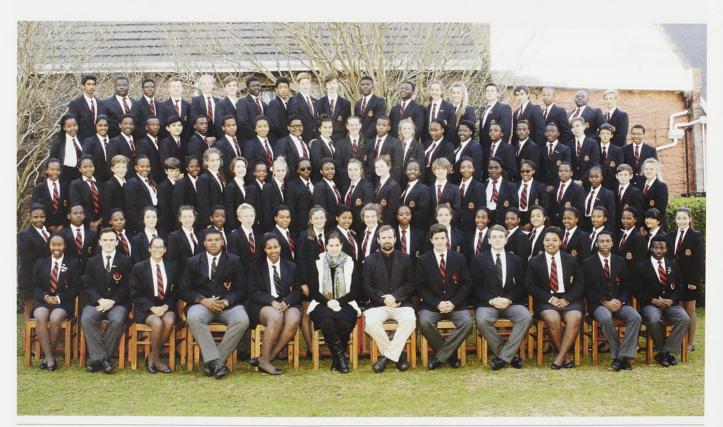
**CLARINET ENSEMBLE** Back Row: K van Staden, M Makoni, N Myeko, C Hobson, G Cadle Front Row: L Planga, S Ralabala, Ms J Brand, K Gontshi, Z Mbenyana



SAXOPHONE ENSEMBLE

Back Row: L Booi, T Watae

Front Row: U Mrwetyana, Mrs J Brand, M Nxopo



#### SENIOR CHOIR

Back Row: S Govender, A Mfecane, A Tonjeni, J Lombaard, A Schulpfort, S Smit, C Mutale, C Daniels, T Klopstra, J Lankester, L Dangazele, A Galada, K Biggs, T Schwedhelm, W Shiel, C Morel, S Dumezweni, L Nongwana, E Yates

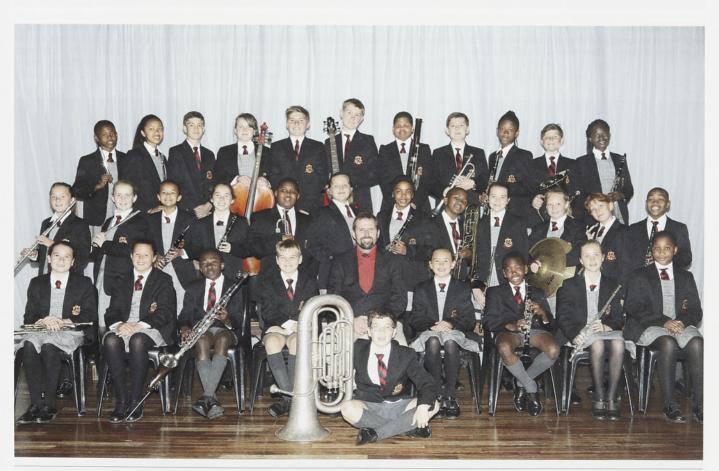
Fourth Row: Y Bukula, S Thurairratnam, J Strydom, S Ntlahla, C Pepper, C Kahla, K Kalipa, J Cheng, S Norman, S Pepper, T Labuschagne, S Qupe, A Mills, A Daniels, S Ndlebe, U Libi, A Hoyi, T Dimati, H van Zyl, Q Caiger, H Qangule
Third Row: R Makoni, B Dimati, J Cawood, M Gabaraane, M Pieterse, T Watae, L van Heerden, R Johnson, K Madikiza, F Marais, L Booi, A Magobiane, C James, K Weyer, L Lutshaba, E Branda, N Mabusela, K Mutuku, R Balopi, A Klass, S Bikani, J Mills, S Welgemoed

Second Row: S Ralebala, M Segoete, S Mrwebo, A Sesia, B de Klerk, C Mancapa, J Whittemore, Y Mnqandi, D Boman, L Ngcete, K Wicks, Z Mageza, I Mager, L Mtumtum, S Makgathle, I Hoops, S Nomoyi, K Stamper, S Sicholo, C Dullabh, J Kinghan

Front Row: L Zono, J Theron, R Basson, E Pieters, K Nyangiwe (Choir Leader), Mrs J Stickells (Conductor), Mr S Stickells, C Zwicky-Wardle (Choir Leader), T Pitcher, A Jonas, Q Maboza, T Rusike



**MUSIC STAFF** Back Row: Mrs A Smith, Ms M van der Westhuizen, Mr S Stickells, Mrs J Stickells Front Row: Mrs E Brand, Mr S Holder (Director of Music), Mrs A Bradfield



JUNIOR BAND

Back Row: W Madasa, J Cheng, M Fourie, T Repinz, T Haller, D Reid, L Frans, J Maritz, K Losaba, T Mills, E Makungu
Middle Row: C Bristow, J Gleaves, D Erasmus, E Klopper, A Opperman, Z Chadwick, R Singh, L Stamper, Z Lombard, T Yates, J van der Westhuizen, K Tinga
Front Row: C Wales, A Hobson, T Nhlapo, C Sholto-Douglas, Mr S Stickells, T Vassiliou, K Mafongosi, A Appelt, O Bulani Floor: P Rathbone



VIOLIN GROUP
Back Row: L Matebese, K Gesha, N Achermann, J Field, A Hobson, S Bidla, O Gesha, T Brown, R Reid, S Zweni, P Makoni
Front Row: M Sheard, S Swartbooi, D MacQuilkan, Ms M van der Westhuizen, M Adriaan, P Caiger, K Addison



#### RECORDER GROUP

Back Row: M Martin, S Martindale, K Gesha, J Taljaard, T Vassiliou, O Gesha, U Nkwinti, M Herring, B Wolff, M Adriaan Front Row: K Lucas, P Sizani, Mrs J Stickells, R Goliath, Ms M van der Westhuizen, E Poultney, E Vassiliou

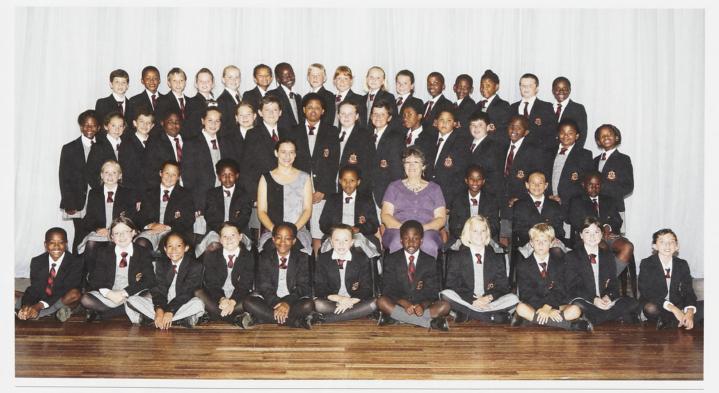


#### PREPPIE CHOIR

Back Row: K Ouya, A Nyangiwe, F Klopper, T Young, L Tweddle, K Mbenyana, J Pieterse, A Wilson, M Govender, M Esterhuysen, S Butters, M Adriaan, S Swartbooi, R Dullabh

Middle Row: E Beatt, S Zweni, K Hambaze, J Field, R Reid, K Gesha, S Mahlasela, J Barnard, S Nyangiwe, J Connan, A Pieterse, N Nyembezi, S Vokwana, L Nkatazo, L Matebese, S Martindale

Front Row: M Sheard, A Brown, S Qeja, Ms M van der Westhuizen, P Caiger, Mrs J Stickells, J Campbell, L Godlimpi, M Martin Floor: S Zothe, O Makhuluma, C Sickle, E Poultney, H Ntlumbini, C v Heerden, R Oosthuizen, E Vassiliou, K Addison, W Beatt, J Hamer



#### JUNIOR CHOIR

Back Row: P Rathbone, M Madikiza, W Edwards, M Lisher, J Gleaves, D Erasmus, L Musa, X Potgieter, J van der Westhuizen, A Albers, C Wales, K Lutshaba, O Gesha, O Bulani, D Fincham, N Juana

Middle Row: L Nxati, E Klopper, A Rathbone, A Opperman, I Nel, K van Staden, J Maritz, L Frans, T Repinz, G de Klerk, K Losaba, R Caiger, S Fincham, L Stamper, L Godlimpi, I Gontshi

Front Row: L Sheard, A Hobson, A Mpuqa, Ms M van der Westhuizen, L Pangwa, Mrs A Smith, M Mfundisi, T Vassiliou, T Musa Floor: T Kekana, T Brown, M Herring, H Terblanche, S Ngumbela, L Maddocks, T Nhlapo, C Campbell, S Price, M van Wyk, S O'Keeffe

### 2015 EXTERNAL EXAMINATION RESULTS

	NAME		INSTRUMENT	BODY	GRADE	RESULT
	Carla	Bristow	Flute	UNISA	Grade 1	pass
	Jessica	Gleaves	Flute	UNISA	Grade 1	pass
	Jill	Cheng	Flute	UNISA	Grade 3	pass
	Makarurama	Makoni	Flute	UNISA	Grade 4	merit
	Danielle	Griesel	Flute	UNISA	Grade 6	
			Clarinet	TCL	Grade 1	pass
	Kano	Mafongosi				merit
7	Lilitha	Lukwe	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 2	pass
}	Dominique	Erasmus	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 2	merit
)	Emke	Klopper	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 2	merit
0	Keena	Losaba	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 2	merit
1	Emma	Makungu	Clarinet	UNISA	Grade 2	merit
2	Tawanda	Nhlapo	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 2	merit
3	Radhika	Singh	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 2	merit
4	Zoe	Chadwick	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 3	distinction
_				TCL	Grade 4	
5	Ntombi	Myeko	Clarinet			merit
6	Sesame	Ralebala	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 5	pass
7	Caitlin	Hobson	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 5	merit
8	Zinathi	Mbenyana	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 5	merit
9	Liyabona	Planga	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 5	merit
0	Kayla	van Staden	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 5	merit
1	Georgia	Cadle	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 6	merit
2	Makatendeka	Makoni	Clarinet	TCL	Grade 6	merit
3	Luvo	Frans	Bassoon	UNISA	Grade 1	merit
	Athi	Xundu	Alto Sax	TCL	Grade 2	distinction
4						
5	Tristan	Pitcher	Alto Sax	TCL	Grade 3	merit
6	Tsepo	Watae	Alto Sax	TCL	Grade 3	merit
7	Athi	Xundu	Alto Sax	TCL	Grade 3	merit
8	Kayla	van Staden	Alto Sax	UNISA	Grade 4	merit
9	Uyinene	Mrwetyana	Alto Sax	TCL	Grade 5	merit
0	Mihlali	Nxopo	Alto Sax	UNISA	Grade 5	merit
1	Jonathan	L'Ange	Alto Sax	UNISA	Grade 7 Performance Assessment	C+
2	Babongile	Bidla	Tenor Sax	UNISA	Grade 1	pass
3		Booi	Tenor Sax	TCL	Grade 4	merit
	Lavela		Tenor Sax	TCL	Grade 5	merit
4	Lavela	Booi				
5	Etienne	Marais	Baritone Sax	TCL	Grade 4	pass
6	Avela	Opperman	Trumpet	TCL	Grade 3	pass
7	Joshua	Maritz	Trumpet	TCL	Grade 4	merit
8	Damon	Wolff	Trumpet	TCL	Grade 8	pass
9	Tom	Mills	Euphonium	TCL	Grade 3	pass
0	Kuhle	Stamper	French horn	TCL	Grade 4	merit
1	Lushana	van Heerden	French horn	TCL	Grade 4	pass
2	Reatile	Balopi	Trombone	TCL	Grade 2	pass
		-		TCL	Grade 2	pass
-3	Lathitha	Stamper	Trombone			merit
4	Lubabalo	Zote	Trombone	TCL	Grade 6	
-5	Atang	Balopi	Tuba	TCL	Grade 3	merit
6	Teagan	Repinz	Cello	TCL	Grade 1	distinction
7	Thato	Kekana	Violin	TCL	Grade 1	distinction
8	Etienne	Marais	Violin	ABRSM	Grade 6	pass
19	Teagan	Repinz	Piano	ABRSM	Grade 1	distinction
0	Amelie	Appelt	Piano	UNISA	Grade 3	merit
1	Luke	Kelly	Piano	UNISA	Grade 3	merit
2	Gemma	Lankester	Piano	UNISA	Grade 4	merit
						merit
3	Tristan	Pitcher	Piano	ABRSM	Grade 4	
4	Sumana	Pepper	Piano	ABRSM	Grade 5	pass
5	Gemma	Lankester	Theory	UNISA	Grade 3	merit
6	Kayla	van Staden	Theory	UNISA	Grade 3	distinction
57	Danielle	Griesel	Theory	UNISA	Grade 4	pass
8	Lungisa	Duruwe	Theory	UNISA	Grade 4	merit
9	Mihlali	Nxopo	Theory	UNISA	Grade 4	pass
50	Lutho	Zono	Theory	UNISA	Grade 4	merit
		Marais	Theory	ABRSM	Grade 5	pass
1	Etienne	Etienne Marais, Mr Holo	/	UNISA	Chamber Trio	merit
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# JUNIOR SCHOOL











#### JUNIOR SCHOOL STAFF

Back Row: Zola Jonas, Cheryl Foord, Catherine Euijen, Viviane Ngoie, Jenny Brand, Marni van der Westhuizen, Annette Knott-Craig, Angela Baines, Anne Skelton, Ilse Appelt

Middle Row: Sue Pyle, Joanne Kelly, Brett Long, Philip Dowdle, Marian van Aardt, Rev Dix Sibeko, Diane von Holdt, Carissa Wilson, Vivienne van der Merwe, Shirley Fletcher, Debbie Kent

Front Row: Bridget Wilmot, Greg Baxter, Jenny Redpath, Derek Braans (Junior School Head), Jon Trafford (College Head), Linda Reynolds, Quinton Tait

# **Kingswood College Junior School Staff 2015**

#### Junior School Head

Derek Braans

BA HDE

### Junior School Head's Personal Assistant

**Dominique Bowker** 

### Teaching Staff

Angela Baines

Prim T Dip (Senior Primary), HDE (Pre-Primary) B Ed

**Greg Baxter** 

Zola Jonas

Joanne Kelly

Philip Dowdle Catherine Euijen BA, HDE (Senior Primary)

HDE, Pre-Prim Dip, BA,

BEd (Endorsement Special Needs Ed)

Cheryl Foord B Prim Ed (Junior Primary)

Prim T Dip (Junior Primary),

ACE (Environmental Education)

B Prim Ed (Senior Primary), Dip (Special Needs), ILT 1

Debbie Kent Prim T Dip (Junior Primary), HDE (Pre-Primary) Annette Knott-Craig

**Brett Long** 

HDE (Junior Primary and Remedial) Sports Management Diploma;

B Tech (Marketing); PGCE

Jill Long

Dip Ed (Junior Primary), ACE (Pre-Primary)

Viviane Ngoie BA (Hons), HDE, MA Jenny Redpath

BA, HPTC

Linda Reynolds

Prim T Dip (Junior Primary),

HDE (Pre-Primary),

Dip (Remedial), ACE (Gifted Child)

Anne Skelton

Prim T Dip (Junior Primary) **Quinton Tait** 

B Ed (Hons), FDE (Computers in Education),

ACE (Technology) HDE (Senior Primary)

Marian van Aardt

HDE (Junior Primary)

Vivienne van der Merwe

HDE (Senior Primary) BA (HDE) ACE (Foundation Phase)

Dianne von Holdt **Bridget Wilmot** 

HDE (Pre-Primary)

Carissa Wilson

B Prim Ed (Senior Primary)

## **Staff News**

2015 has once again, been action-packed, full of fun and I believe very successful for us at Kingswood Junior. Every staff member needs to be thanked for contributing to the wonderful atmosphere we are fortunate to have. I am also grateful to the staff for being so passionate, for always being so willing to do the extras and for creating such a stimulating environment for our students. The camaraderie which exists amongst staff members is wonderful to observe and we are certainly a very close group of people. Thank you for another wonderful year. I salute you all!

Sonia Nel-Laing joined us as Front Office Assistant and School Shop Administrator at the beginning of the year. With her organised, capable and efficient manner, she has certainly been a valuable addition to the staff contingent. We look forward to working with Sonia for many more years.

We welcomed Gap Students, Max Renouf from Scotland and Jordan Cottle from England, who both very quickly made their mark in so many ways during the course of the year. Max returned after his year in September to be replaced by his brother James, and Jordan returned home in early December. We, as usual, also welcomed a large contingent of Student Assistants from Rhodes who have coached sport and assisted with duties at Intermediate House and Van Vuuren Village.

During the course of the year we also welcomed various groups of PGCE (teaching) students from Rhodes into our academic domain for their practical teaching stints.

In addition we celebrate these proud moments for our staff:

Anne and Paul Skelton welcomed their new grandchild, Mckenzie, into the family in May, 2015. She is the daughter of Sarah (nee Skelton, Head girl in 2000) and Dale Bannatyne.

- Derek and Cathy Braans' eldest son, Cameron, qualified as a Senior School teacher in November with English and History as his majors.
- Megan Foord, daughter of Cheryl and Craig was elected as Head of Day Girls for 2016.
- Jenny Redpath was blessed with a beautiful grandson, Caleb. He was born to Jenny's daughter, Nicky and son-in-law Dave in November 2015. Her son, Stuart announced his engagement and will be married to Helen in December 2016.
- Annette and Ian Knott-Craig travelled to New Zealand to meet their new granddaughter in December.
- Matthew, son of Catherine Euijen, was inducted as the Head of the SCA and he will be deputy of Wood House for 2016.
- > Shirley Fletcher celebrated her 80th birthday.
- Lauren Kent (OK 2006) is working on a super yacht which travels between the Mediterranean, Maldives and Carribean. She has worked herself up the ranks and is currently on trial as a Chief Stewardess on the yacht.
- Shelley Kent (OK 2008) has relocated from Edinburgh to Bath with David Denton (OK 2008) who moved to Bath rugby for a 3 year contract. Shelley is a Senior Account Executive at Realise Digital managing an array of leading financial and sporting brands' digital advertising in the UK.

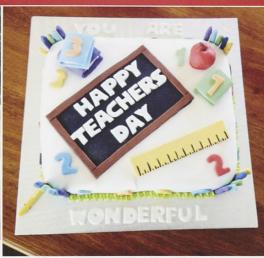
My thanks to the 2015 Magazine Committee headed by Dewald Koen (Senior School) and Vivienne Van der Merwe (Junior School) for their monumental efforts in putting this magazine together. It is a great reflection of the happy and energetic buzz at Kingswood! Enjoy the read.

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# **Staff Photo Board**























# Happy 80th Birthday Mrs Shirley Fletcher -







## A true Kingswood legacy!

ingswood College has been a home to Shirley Fletcher and her family for many decades. Studying teaching in Grahamstown and then sending her boys from Zambia to board at Kingswood, later Shirley was welcomed onto the Junior School Teaching Staff in 1974, and quickly become an integral part of Kingswood College. She hit the ground running and became involved in many facets of school life. She was first appointed as the Art teacher and then Head of the Art Department. Shirley and her late husband, Gordan Fletcher, became House Parents to Jacques House in 1978 and during their nine year tenure, became loving surrogate parents to the girls. Shirley was a real mother to the Jacques girls who had travelled so far from home and she welcomed them with much love to the Kingswood family. Perhaps it is her own understanding of relocating from Zambia to South Africa as well as sending her own boys to boarding school, that allowed her strong maternal nature to shine during her time as House Mistress. However, it was not just the girls that Shirley had a strong impact on. She regularly threatened to kiss any boy who was caught with his hands in his pockets! Imagine returning to hostel and having to admit you had received a kiss from Mrs Fletcher!

Shirley has become an institution on campus and part of the furniture during her four decades at Kingswood. She was given the moniker, "Pink Panther" by staff at the Junior School as she regularly adorned pink clothing. Whilst at Jacques House, Shirley earned her nickname by patrolling the corridors at night in her pink dressing gown. She was always alert to any mischief the girls might be getting up to. Her turf was the 'Chapel Lane' between the chapel and the dining hall and she had a sharp nose for catching girls who had sneaked away for a little cuddle with their beau. A past pupil recalls that Shirley would "lie in wait" for any couple who were getting a bit too close and then send them on their way with a reprimand or worse!" Fourteen to seventeen is such an impressionable age, where much guidance and support is needed and Shirley supplied all this, whilst never forgetting how important laughter was. She encouraged her girls to fulfil their potential and welcomed them into her home, regularly inviting them over for a game of cards and a chat. Years later, she has mastered Social Media and continues to stay in touch and wish her girls 'happy birthday' on Facebook.

Shirley was a strict, but loving teacher and a proud member of the Kingswood family. She believes firmly in the traditions of the school and







upholding them. Teaching has become a part of the Fletcher family tradition, with two of Shirley's sons following in their mother's footsteps to become educators. Past headmaster, Denzil Finchman, recalls that Shirley crept into the hearts of everyone as she was a wonderful person to have on the staff. She brought a positive energy to the school, often dancing around the staff room. Every Friday, she would disappear for an hour and come back with a sparkling new hairstyle. Over the years, Shirley has been involved in a variety of positions at the school. In her 'retirement', she takes students for Learner Support Lessons and runs the school museum. If everyone requires any information regarding the history of Kingswood, Shirley is your go-to-girl!

Mrs Fletcher still remains a firm part of life at Kingswood and the staff and pupils, past and present, wish her the happiest 80th birthday and thank her for many years of selfless service.

NICOLA VAN DER MERWE

# **Farewell to Linda Reynolds**

fter 24 years of teaching, it is hard to imagine Kingswood without Linda Reynolds. Her association with this school began in 1988 when her eldest son, Shaun was enrolled in Grade 3 teacher, where she has been ever since. The grounding she gave the children was rock solid and they loved her despite (or perhaps because of) her strict, but always scrupulously fair, discipline. She will also be remembered for her wonderful hockey coaching skills with the U9 girls' team and as a team swimming coach. Amongst Linda's many impressive talents was her ability appointed Head of Department in 2008 and successfully led the Prep Department through many Grandparents' Days; sports days; splash galas and other such events. For many years she drove children safely and always uncomplainingly from Port Alfred to Grahamstown and back every day, and was still usually the first to arrive in the mornings! Linda will be sorely missed and we wish her all the best on her retirement.



# **WELCOME AND FAREWELL!**

## We welcome our new pupils and say goodbye to those who are moving on

MANYARA, Sheila-Marie - Kenya

**SALVETE - 2015** ACHERMANN, Nathan - Grahamstown ADAM, Zozibini - Grahamstown BARKER, Olivia - Grahamstown BARUTI, Kutlo - Botswana BEATT, William - Port Alfred BEKEZULU, Lathitha - Mthatha BOWLES, Reagan - Grahamstown BROWN, Michelle - Tanzania BURGESS, Ethan - Grahamstown CAIGER, Paula - Grahamstown CAIGER, Rahl - Grahamstown CHAPARIRA, Simbarashe – Zimbabwe **COPTEROS, Ilyo** – Grahamstown **DE BEER, Tom** – Grahamstown **DE WET STEYN,** Caleb – Port Alfred DOLD, Daniel - Grahamstown GCEZENGANA, Luphumlo – Port Alfred GODLIMPI, Liqhawe – Port Edward GOLIATH, Rogan - Grahamstown GOVENDER, Alyssa – Grahamstown HAAKONSEN, Hamish - Grahamstown HALLER, Tristan - East London JIMERE, Victor - Botswana KATE, Unakho – King William's Town KNOTT, Raquel – Fort Beaufort KRIGE, Janey - Aberdeen LISHER, Morgan - Grahamstown

LLOYD, Nicholas - Grahamstown

LUCAS, Kayleigh - Grahamstown

MAHLASELA, Saliswa - Mondeor

MAKHULUMA, Othandwayo – Grahamstown

LLOYD, Sarah - Grahamstown

MANYARA, Malkia - Kenya

MARO, Eliaimooko (Elly) – Tanzania MARTHINUS, Thurston - Grahamstown MAZWAI, Inga – East London MEIKLE, Courtney - Zambia MEIKLE, Erin – Zambia MOSE, Lisakhanya – Grahamstown MPUQA, Asiphe – Grahamstown MUSA, Linda - Botswana MUSA, Tinashe – Botswana MZOZOYANA, Axola – Grahamstown NAWAZ, Hammad – Grahamstown NEL, Isca - Namibia NFUKA, Della – Tanzania NTSHEBE, Xhanti – Grahamstown NYANGIWE, Axolile – East London PLANGA, Uviwe - Grahamstown POULTNEY, Emily - Grahamstown QEJA, Simnikiwe – Mthatha
RICHARDSON, Emma – Grahamstown ROUX, Jano – Port Elizabeth SHEARD, Megan - Cathcart SICKLE, Caden – Grahamstown SIZANI, Pontle – Grahamstown STAVRIDIS, Daniel - Port Alfred **TERBLANCHE, Hannah** – Grahamstown TWEDDLE, Lana-Mae - Grahamstown VAN HEERDEN, Cristiano – Grahamstown VAN NIEKERK, Jack – Somerset East VASSILIOU, Eva – Grahamstown

YATES, Tamlyn - Plettenberg Bay ZOTHE, Sethu – Nelspruit ZULU, John - Zambia

#### **VALETE - 2015**

ALBERS, Alex – Port Alfred ALBERS, Sarah - Port Alfred BASSON, Dominique – Grahamstown BOGATSU, Letihogonolo - Port Alfred BOWEN, Cameron – Zambia BURGESS, Ethann – Grahamstown CAMPBELL, Chani – Port Alfred CAMPBELL, James - Port Alfred CHADWICK, Gemma - Zambia COPTEROS, Ilyo – Grahamstown **DE BEER, Tom** – Grahamstown **ESTERHUYSEN, Mira** – Grahamstown FINCHAM, Devon – Port Alfred FULLER, Shannon - Kenton-on-Sea KATE, Unakho – King William's Town LLOYD, Sarah – Grahamstown MVULANA, Mawande - Grahamstown NKATAZO, Lihulmile – Grahamstown NONTSO, Amkela – Johannesburg NONTSO, Yambeka – Johannesburg NYEMBEZI, Nemihle - Grahamstown RICHARDSON, Emma – Grahamstown SWARTBOOI, Saskia – Grahamstown VAN DER WESTHUIZEN, RJ - Port Alfred



# **Prize Giving Speech**

ore than 100 years ago, Charles Blondin, the man who invented the high wire act, announced to the world that he intended to cross Niagara Falls on a tightrope. This was 340m long, 8,3cm in diameter and stood approximately 16 floors above the water. Five thousand people, including the Prince of Wales, gathered to watch. Halfway across, Blondin suddenly stopped, steadied himself, back flipped into the air and landed squarely on the rope before continuing to the other side. During that year Blondin crossed the falls again and again – once blindfolded, once carrying a small stove, once in chains and once on a bicycle. Just as he was about to begin another crossing, this time pushing a wheelbarrow, he turned to the crowd and shouted, "Who believes I can cross pushing this wheelbarrow?"

Every hand in the crowd went up. Blondin pointed at one man and asked him, "Do you believe I can do it?"

The man replied, "Yes I do!"

"Are you certain?" asked Blondin.

"Yes," replied the man.

"Absolutely certain?" asked Blondid again.

To which the man replied, "Absolutely certain!"

"Thank you!" said Blondin. "Then, Sir, will you please get into the wheelbarrow"

Guest of honour, Dr Barbara Matthews; Chair of Council, Mrs Di Hornby; College Head, Mr Jon Trafford; fellow Heads, Tracy Laubscher and Gareth Allman; OK Vice President, Mr Warrick Strachan; Members of Council, Parents, Staff and students of Kingswood Junior - welcome to Prize Giving 2015.

This is a time where we acknowledge those who have excelled academically during the year, as is always the case, there are many who have achieved during the year who will not be receiving prizes, but have

been, and will still be acknowledged at other forums.

As we approach the end of another year, it is again time to reflect on the past 12 months. On what we have done well, what has worked, but may require some refining and what needs to change. Earlier in the year we received a visit from the Rhodes Education Department to analyse and unpack how we taught, assessed and implemented the Grade 6 and 7 Geography Syllabus into the Social Studies Curriculum. Comparisons were made with other schools in Grahamstown and the feedback was extremely positive and whilst confidential, we were delighted with what was reported and we received much praise for the excellent overall education we are providing. Results of various Maths and English Olympiads, General Olympiads in all grades and IEB Core Skill Assessments continue to be most encouraging, reaffirming our position as an excellent educational institution, providing a stimulating and exciting environment in which to learn.

New introductions this year include the Junior School Meeting, one of its Strategic Imperatives by implementing our Critical Thinking Skills Policy into our every-day Teaching Programme across all grades. The Neuronet Movement Programme introduced from grade 00 to Grade 3 has proven to be a huge success in assisting our students with concentration, auditory processing and co-ordination. The formation of an EarlyAct Club, following basic Rotary Club guidelines, is also a meaningful addition to our Grade 7 Leadership Programme.

We live in an ever changing world and it is impossible to have all the knowledge required at any given point. It is therefore vitally important that we provide our students with the tools they require for effective learning in the future, as well as to create a passion for learning. In other words, at Junior School level our primary aim should be to ensure students become critical creative thinkers, and lifelong learners. I believe in most cases we are achieving these important outcomes.







Looking back on this past year, I realise how much learning has been packed in for our girls and boys and staff and what an exciting year it has been for us all. Our teachers and support staff have worked tirelessly to enable students to develop academic, creative, physical, social and emotional skills and knowledge. Throughout the year there have been many amazing learning opportunities inside and outside the classroom. While much of what we aim to do academically gets delivered in the classroom, we also use many outdoor, cultural and extra-curricular opportunities to compliment the programme our boys and girls receive. These are varied and planned carefully to ensure that everyone receives a genuine holistic education.

The current production of *Seussical* is a perfect example of involving a large number of students in a positive cultural experience – hopefully something the cast will remember for many years to come.

We also remain passionate about embedding Christian values, knowledge and understanding within our school ethos. Here I pay tribute to Rev Dix Sibeko and our team of RE Educators for the meaningful role they continue to play in ensuring our Christian Curriculum is entrenched in our student body. I also take this opportunity of formally wishing Rev Sibeko everything of the best in her new role in Port Elizabeth and we thank her for her passionate input over the past 4 years.

Of course we need to find ways to continue to raise the bar and keep our students motivated and eager to learn. Brittanica, My Cyberwall and the E classroom are now being implemented in many learning areas and our seniors will be bringing their own devices to school, to ensure that we are able to use and enjoy the new technology on offer. We certainly have no intention of ever replacing the teacher, but used effectively and wisely, the vast range of technology available can always compliment and enrich what a teacher delivers in any lesson.

It has for me, again, been a real privilege to lead the Junior School this year and I continue to be overwhelmed by the enthusiasm, commitment and support of our staff, parents and students. The parent body continues to be involved in so many ways and our KJPA, under the passionate leadership of Lyn Hobson, has introduced a range of new events this year, adding much to their social and fundraising efforts.

The Kingswood Junior staff remains committed, sensitive and caring to every child. We are incredibly fortunate to be such a unified and integrated staff who manage to have a great deal of fun and laughter inour daily lives - so necessary in the teaching profession! I thank you all for your continued support in every way which ultimately ensures leading this school remains an absolute pleasure. Equally, I would like to pay tribute and thank the staff, matrons and student assistants who play such a pivotal role in the lives of our boarders. A lot of "behind the scenes" work ensures that our students have beautiful surroundings and incredible facilities within a secure area. A sincere thanks to all those who ensure our school is not only a good school, but an excellent one.

At the end of this year, we take leave of our Prep Department HOD,

Mrs Linda Reynolds, who will be retiring after 24 years of dedicated service to our Junior School. Linda, we will miss you and thank you for the valuable role you have played in the lives of so many young girls and boys who have passed through your Grade 3 classroom.

The contribution of the College Council, under Mrs Di Hornby's outstanding leadership, remains invaluable to our school. This positive relationship enables us to continue to improve our school on every level.

On this note, approval has been granted for the building of a brand new Intermediate House. Finances have been approved by the Centenary Trust and the early planning has commenced. We are extremely excited about this new project which will have a profound impact on our Junior Girls' Boarding.

Senior Management continue to work well together in the interests of the College as a whole and my thanks are again due to Jon Trafford and Steve Gardner for their on-going support and friendship.

Of course, the College reaches a special milestone, when we celebrate our 125th anniversary in 2019. The Planning Committee has been formed and some of the groundwork for a number of special events to be hosted during that year has commenced.

So, back to Blondin - Would you get into that wheelbarrow?

After all, Blondin had proved himself many, many times before. Girls and boys, there will come a time for you all when in order to succeed, you will need to put your trust in others – you may need to trust their judgment, advice or ideas, based on their track record and take a leap of faith. It is not always easy taking risks. Before doing so, consider all the factors, then make a calculated decision. Blondin had a very good reputation and had proven himself so there was no real reason for anyone to have been afraid or not to take the risk with him.

Good planning and thorough preparation are essential for any success, but equally important is the ability to adapt to obstacles that may interfere with the plan. So, be prepared to adapt, be flexible and know when to implement changes.

There will always be times in our lives where you have to take opportunities – you need to take these, even though at times they may appear risky. As Richard Nixon said, "If you take no risks, you will suffer no defeats. But if you take no risks, you will also have no victories."

Girls and boys, you have parents who are supportive and loving, teachers to mould and guide you, friends to make and keep forever and all of this within a nurturing environment filled with solid values. You now need to use these opportunities, be brave, be strong, be determined and enjoy **your** journey in the Kingswood Junior wheelbarrow!

Parents, your children are your most precious cargo and a good education is the greatest gift you can bestow on them. We thank you for getting into our wheelbarrow – for putting your trust in Kingswood to deliver the education that will assist them in becoming the very best that they can be.

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## **Junior School Prize List 2015**

### GRADE 4:

#### ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE:

Thato Kekana Morgan Herring Tricia Vassiliou

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Tricia Vassiliou

#### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:

Lauren Maddocks Lara Sheard Jano Taljaard Alexandra Albers Amy Hobson Connor Sholto-Douglas Cady Wales Ben Armstrong

#### **GBS MUTUAL BANK PRIZE** FOR ACADEMIC PROGRESS:

Shayne Price Asiphe Mpuga

#### **DILIGENCE CERTIFICATES:**

Mihlali Pangwa Kamil Hango Luke Claassens Megan van Wyk Ophola Bulani

### GRADE 5:

#### ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE:

Carla Bristow Megan Schmidt Luke Kelly

#### MUSIC:

Luke Kelly

#### **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:**

Zanel Lombard Taryn Brown Adam Young Jessica Gleaves Ndemogbe Juana Jordan Mildenhall Xande Potgieter Michael Van Staden

#### **GBS MUTUAL BANK PRIZE** FOR ACADEMIC PROGRESS:

Sarah O'Keeffe

#### **DILIGENCE CERTIFICATES:**

Ryan Bristow Emke Klopper Morgan Lisher Janike van der Westhuizen Tom De Beer Bradley Huson Keena Losaba

#### GRADE 6:

#### **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE:**

Colby Cockcroft Amelie Appelt Gemma Lankester

#### MUSIC:

Gemma Lankester

#### **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:**

Callum Sholto-Douglas Raquel Knott Blyth Hobson Darius Govender Lizalise Godlimpi Sarah Albers

#### **GBS MUTUAL BANK PRIZE** FOR ACADEMIC PROGRESS:

Sizenalo Bidla

#### DILIGENCE CERTIFICATES:

Wanda Madasa Rahl Caiger Daniel Reid Linda Musa Emma Makungu Teagan Repinz Cole van der Merwe Jill Chena

### GRADE 7:

#### ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE:

Eliaimooko Maro

#### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:

**Emily Webber** Janey Krige Jenna Wright

#### **GBS MUTUAL BANK PRIZE** FOR ACADEMIC PROGRESS:

Richard Kombe Sesame Makgatlhe

#### MUSIC:

Kayla Van Staden

#### **DILIGENCE CERTIFICATES:**

Kayla Van Staden Sheila-Marie Manyara Kasonde Mutale Destine Mayanja Cole Gailey Serena Pyle Lukho Mbenyana

## SPECIAL PRIZES:

#### **ENGLISH:**

Eliaimooko Maro

#### **MATHEMATICS:**

Eliaimooko Maro

#### SCIENCE:

Eliaimooko Maro

#### SOCIAL STUDIES:

Eliaimooko Maro

#### FRENCH:

Eliaimooko Maro

#### XHOSA:

Lukho Mbenyana

#### **AFRIKAANS:**

Janey Krige

#### **DESIGN TECHNOLOGY:**

Janev Krige Michael Fourie

#### GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

(Grades 4-7):

Michael Fourie

#### INFORMATION

TECHNOLOGY: (Graphics) Andrew Rathbone

#### INFORMATION

TECHNOLOGY: (O.K. Western Province Branch Prize)

Joshua Maritz Wynne Edwards

Tana Mati Kasonde Mutale

#### JUSTIN DE WET STEYN:

(For Public Speaking) Kasonde Mutale

#### JACK POPE SPELLING

(Gr 4 & 5):

Bradlev Huson

#### JACK POPE SPELLING

(Gr 6 & 7):

Colby Cockroft

### **READING PROGRESS**

(Gr 6 & 7)

Amkela Nontso

#### DOROTHY REED PRIZE:

(For Most Improved Music Pupil) Jill Cheng Avela Opperman

#### Carol Tarr Prize:

(Speech and Drama) Morgan Herring

### SPECIAL AWARDS:

#### JACK ELLIS MEMORIAL CUP

(Boarder Boys): Neo Mkatini

#### **GOSLING GOOD** FELLOWSHIP TROPHY:

(Boarder Girls) Sesame Makgatlhe

### FORD GOOD FELLOWSHIP

TROPHY (Day Boys):

Joshua Maritz

#### FORD GOOD FELLOWSHIP

TROPHY (Day Girls):

Luvo Frans

#### MIKE KENT MEMORIAL

AWARD: For Sportsmanship

(Girl or Boy) Amkela Nontso

#### **DENZIL FINCHAM DUX** SCHOLAR AWARD:

Eliaimooko Maro

# **LEADERSHIP**

## Developing the Leaders of tomorrow

he Leadership Programme at Kingswood Junior remains firmly entrenched in the everyday life of the pupils at the school and many interesting projects and events have taken place via the various committees during the year. All Grade 7s form part of the Committees Programme where their forums are able to represent the voice of the school and new ideas and potential projects are presented

The Leadership Programme commenced with the traditional camp in Somerset East where various leadership styles and techniques were unpacked, both theoretically and practically. It provided the perfect opportunity to integrate the Grade 7s via various team-building exercises. This year all Grade 7s were, again, divided into Service, Environment, Mentoring, School Newspaper, Media and Fundraising Committees. A very meaningful and popular addition this year was the formation of an EarlyAct Committee, a Youth Programme of Rotary International, Involvement at the Lebone Centre by the Mentoring Committee was also a workable addition to their usual programme followed during the year.

The Public Speaking Programme continues to be presented with much success. It was, again this year, interesting to observe the progress made by the boys and girls as they became more confident and accustomed to speaking in front of an audience as the programme gained momentum. The Class Assistant's Programme provides all Grade 7s with the opportunity to expand their leadership potential as they all have a class in their care for part of the year. The Grade 7s also took on the role of Mentor, with each of them looking after a Grade 1 pupil, and

helping them to settle into their new school environment. The weekly Friday Chapel plays, where all Grade 4-7 classes present a mini-play usually based on a bible story, is another way in which we provided opportunities for our youngsters to engage with an audience.

Our annual Exchange Programme with fellow Methodist School, Kingswood Bath, in the United Kingdom continues to flourish and remains an important part of our programme. This year, four of our pupils, Joshua Maritz, Matthew Stretton, Emily Webber and Lukho Mbenyana, spent an enjoyable six weeks experiencing life as British school children at our sister school. We, as usual, reciprocated and enjoyed the company of four Bath students on our campus for a similar period of time.

Our annual Internal Eisteddfod, hosted in Term 2, has become a favourite on our calendar and a large numbers of boys and girls continue to enter in the English, Afrikaans and Xhosa sections. Outside adjudicators are brought in to ensure the standards remain high. This year we added Unprepared Reading to our Programme and we were pleasantly surprised at how many Grade 6 and 7 pupils entered this category.

Towards the end of the year the traditional King Pin awards were made in recognition of exceptional leadership, loyalty, friendship, manners and exemplary service to the school. All Grade 6s and 7s, as well as staff, vote according to strict criteria provided.

Congratulations to the following who were selected as King Pins

Sesame Makgatlhe, Richard Kombe, Amkela Nontso, Serena Pyle, Kayla van Staden, Caitlin Wilmot, Jenna Wright, Emily Webber.

D BRAANS



KINGSWOOD BATH EXCHANGE PUPILS Back Row: M Stretton, E Webber, J Maritz, L Mbenyana Front Row: Mrs J Redpath, Mr D Braans



Back Row: Destine Mayanja, Radhika Singh, Victor Jimere, Lilitha Lukwe Front Row: Kamo Nontso (Secretary), Serena Pyle (Chairperson), Erin Meikle (Treasurer)



**EARLYACT COMMITTEE** 

Back Row: V Jimere, L Lukwe, E Meikle, D Mayanja, R Singh

Front Row: S Pyle, Mrs J Long, A Nontso

## EarlyAct Club

n January 2015, EarlyAct was introduced at Kingswood Junior School. Through a process organised by Mr Derek Braans, a committee of 7 pupils were selected. Everyone was welcomed to the first meeting and it was explained how EarlyAct fitted into the bigger picture of Rotary. Members were introduced to the 'Four Way Test' and the election of office bearers then took place. Aims for the year were discussed, bearing in mind that the aim was to do something for the school community, local community and globally.

It was decided to start off by holding a raffle to start some funds for the club. The Committee was invited to join the Interact Club on 23 February to listen to Ms Lara Kruiskamp, Chief Executive Officer of The President's Award, speaking on "7 marathons on 7 continents in a year". Her aim was to raise money for widows and orphans in Grahamstown. The committee was motivated by her talk and felt that they would like to contribute towards her soup kitchen that would soon be starting. The Raffle closed at the end of term, with Erin and Victor selling the most tickets. The raffle took the form of guessing how many sweets were in a jar and Mrs Augustyn, the matron at Intermediate House, won, as she had the closes guess of 210 sweets. A total of R205 was raised from this initiative. The "Tom's Shoes" project was carried out in conjunction with Mr Long from the Grahamstown Rotary Club. The EarlyActors identified under-privileged children and arranged for the boxes of shoes to be brought to the School Hall, where they measured and fitted the shoes for the children. During the second term, beads were purchased and the EarlyActors made bead bracelets which were then sold. The profits from this project were distributed to Hospice and a food kitchen. We extended this group and invited Grade 6 pupils to join the club. 12 extra members were gained and 4 younger children whose parents are Rotarians also joined Earlyact. Serena Pyle, the chairperson, had the opportunity to address a group at a Rotary lunch. The Rotary Club of Grahamstown kindly donated a banner for our club which the Chairperson received at the Rotary Induction Dinner in May.

■ JLONG

## Fundraising Committee

he Fundraising Committee started the year with much excitement and many ideas. We managed to organise discos, Valentine's Day gifts, movie nights and various other events. Each member of the committee got to experience working in different positions on the Committee, such as Chairman, Treasurer or Secretary. Money raised by these events was donated to the SPCA and to Santa's Shoe Box.

This group do need to ensure that, while it is all good and well having ideas and plans, these do need to be put into action. Unfortunately, as the year drew to a close, many of the events that were planned did not come to fruition. This was a good lesson learnt and the group members began to understand all the administration that goes into putting on and following through with a successful event. I trust that all the experience gained by the members, stand them in good stead for future projects.

■ B LONG



**FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE** 

Back Row: H Matiso, K Mutale, N Mkatini

Front Row: G Reed, Mr B Long, S Makgatlhe, Mr D Braans, K Lutshaba

## Environmental Committee

e often hear about our negative impact on the planet, our environmental footprint. But footprints are only half the picture. The other half is only just coming into view. It's called a handprint, and it measures the positive impacts we can make, simply by changing the way we do things, at home, and at work. What is better than keeping a small Ecological Footprint? Well, leave a good Ecological Handprint. Do something positive that lasts a long time, ecologically speaking. Don't just stand there. Give the world a hand!" Quoted from Hand Print - Action towards sustainability.

The Environmental Committee has been hard at work, yet again this year, ensuring that our Green Flag status is maintained and sustained in working towards our final Diamond Award Status. On Tuesday, 27 October, 2015 Ms Gladys Tyatya and Ms Priya Ballabh, from Rhodes University Environmental Learning Centre, Eco Schools' Project Managers, did an on-site audit. This was to assess that Kingswood College was continuing to promote Environmental Awareness throughout the school, in order to sustain whole school involvement in maintaining our Platinum Award Status, amongst the Eco Schools. The theme for 2015 focused on educating and promoting sustainable soils, as well as maintaining our many and varied Eco Projects throughout the year. The audit went extremely well and the project managers were impressed with the soil display in the Junior School foyer, where all the teachers submitted samples of the pupils' work and projects which they had incorporated into their curriculum throughout the year. As an Eco School with Platinum status, we at Kingswood, must continue



to maintain and expand on our various Eco projects over the next few years in order to achieve Diamond Status and to continue to maintain our Green Flag.

To this end, our Environmental Committee began the year by taking



**ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** 

Back Row: E Maro, J Roux, M Sishuba, D Nfuka, S Manyara Front Row: J Zulu, Mrs C Euijen, K Renene, Mr D Braans, K Baruti



Environmental Board Display on Arbour Day and Kenton Rhino Run.

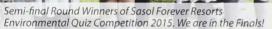


Board and oral presentation at Sasol Forever Environmental Quiz Competition, Gariep Dam.











Taking part in Finals Quiz at Gariep Dam. From left to right: C. Sholto-Douglas, S. Albers, C. Cockroft, A. Appelt, M. Madikiza, R. Caiger.

part in the annual Rhodes University Green Fun Run. We had a good turnout and the participants each received a Spekboom to plant and a donation was made to the Environmental Committee at Rhodes.

The following month, on Saturday, 28 March, at 8.30pm, we called all pupils and their families to support the WWF'S Earth Hour initiative. Ahead of Earth Hour, people were asked to heed the call by Ban Ki Moon, the UN Secretary General, to join the movement online, "to send out a clear message to global leaders that the citizens of the world want action on climate change. "An inspiring video explaining the campaign was shown to our pupils during our regular Friday assembly in the Chapel. Our children were reminded that they are the future generation that has the power to take action and that action is now. There have been several calls to government to turn to renewable energy and away from harmful fossil fuels and expensive and secretive nuclear energy. God has provided us with the best solar and wind resources in the world. Renewable energy can be installed within a year or two, nuclear power stations take up to 15 years and will not solve our current energy crisis. Private enterprise will invest in renewable energy, and taxpayers will pay heavily for nuclear power. Our Kingswood families were encouraged to support Earth Hour and to take action on climate change for the sake of our children and their future.

On Wednesday, 20 May, 6 pupils selected from Grade 6, took part in The Sasol Forever Resorts Environmental Quiz, held at St Andrews Prep. Gemma Lankester, Callum Shalto-Douglas, Colby Cockroft, Amelie Appelt, Mangaliso Madikiza and Rahl Gaiger were the members of our team. The theme of the presentations and subsequent questionnaire that the pupils had to complete was Global Warming, the impact on the environment and alternative forms of energy to ensure sustainability and preservation of our planet, Earth. Several teams from surrounding schools such as DSG, St Andrews, Graeme, VG, PJ Olivier and Kingswood all took part. At the end of the presentations, the teams had to answer a questionnaire and one team was selected from each school to go through to the second round of the competition. Our team was selected as they did very well in their questionnaire. For the second round of the competition our team was then required to complete and submit a portfolio of work entitled, "Our Carbon Footprint" for the semifinal round of the competition. Again our Kingswood team, entitled The Red Dragons, was placed 4th in the Eastern Cape with a total of 116 points out of 140. As a result they were invited to the Gariep Dam for the weekend - 30 October to 1 November, where they competed against

#### CULTURE & ENRICHMENT

Junior School

13 other teams selected from the Eastern Cape and Free State. The organizer of the event, Wikus Koen, commented that over 1000 teams had taken part in the various rounds and that the competition had been tough. As a result, the 14 teams selected for this final round had accomplished a major achievement and should be exceedingly proud of their efforts. For the final round, each team was required to create a board display about Global Warming, based on their submission for the semi finals, which involved actively engaging within their community about ways to reduce carbon emissions. The board display was based on their findings and a 10 minute presentation in front of a panel of judges and other competing teams kick started the grueling and tough competition our team faced. The teams also had to compose and sing an environmental song based on Global Warming. Practical group activities and presentations by the organizer, Wikus Koen, and an additional final guiz, completed the hectic weekend activities. Saturday evening culminated in a gala dinner and Prize Giving ceremony. Kingswood was placed third and the team were delighted that they had done so well given the very tough competition they had faced all weekend. Special thanks must go to Dr Ilse Appelt, who accompanied and drove us to Gariep Dam and to Sarah Albers for kindly stepping in to replace Gemma Lankester who was unable to attend this final leg.

September was yet again the start of a cold and wet, but beautiful spring season and we celebrated Arbor month. The theme for this Arbor month was forests and people - investing in a sustainable future. The 2015 trees of the year are, Forest Bushwillow (Combretum Kraussii) common

species and Parsley tree (Heteromorpha Arborescens) rare species. As September is also Heritage Month, we focused on our heritage trees namely Sophia Town Oak tree and Sagole Baobab tree in Limpopo.

Sunday, 20 September, dawned bright and beautiful as a day to save the rhinos. More than forty excited Kingswood boys and girls boarded a bus to Kenton for the famous Rhino Run. The Rhino Run is an annual event held in different locations all over South Africa in order to help raise funds to stop rhino poaching. Our pupils were only too happy to enjoy a fun day out for this worthy cause. The trail took the participants along the beach and over a few more challenging obstacles - rock climbing and a few thigh-burning dunes. Kingswood were joined by pupils from other schools, the local community, people from out of town and lots of dogs ready to run for the cause too. They completed the course, exhausted but happy and feeling like they had made a difference. Kingswood Junior, again, had the most entries from a single school and returned the proud winners of the Rhino Trophy.

In closing, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to my hardworking and enthusiastic committee for all the time and effort they put into their Leadership Programme this year, as well as the Grade 6 Team, who were instrumental in us being placed in the top 3 schools out of over 1000 teams who entered at the start of The Sasol Forever Environmental Quiz. Well done to you all and remember our Dr Seuss inspiration from 'The Lorax'... Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better...it's not.

■ CEUIJEN

## Mentoring Committee

n my second year as facilitator of this committee I was, again, impressed by the general empathy and caring nature of most of the members. The Committee decided it would be meaningful to focus on mentoring and interacting with the ACE (Aftercare and Enrichment) children from the Lebone Centre and, whilst we always feel we could have done more, some value was added to the lives of these vulnerable children during the year by the Mentoring Committee.

The Committee also continued with their usual mentoring of boys and girls at the school who may have been facing and dealing with some tough times. All Grade 7s were also 'allocated' a Grade 1 pupil at the beginning of the year where they fulfilled the role of Mentor to assist with 'settling in' and acclimatizing to 'big school'. Some mentors really fulfilled an important role in assisting these Grade 1s and this special relationship between the juniors and seniors in the school has been a fulfiling experience for all.

My thanks to all involved in the Mentoring Committee for your work and efforts during the year. I trust you all gained much from your involvement.

D BRAANS

"Sometimes, the experts forget they were once beginners."
You must be gentle with beginners; they have great potential
to be experts." - Lailah Gifty Akita.



MENTORING COMMITTEE
Back Row: G de Klerk, E Webber, J Wright
Front Row: C Wilmot, T Haller, Mr D Braans, L Mbenyana, M Stretton

## The Media Centre

Then the staff receive feedback from our external benchmarking tests, we are always in awe of how well our pupils fare and much has to do with the amazing reading ethos that is created at our school. We are blessed with a well-stocked library, various graded Reading Schemes, the internet programme "Readers are Leaders" and the Prep Dept have extensive libraries in their classrooms. When we started loading the Grade 1 resources onto our Libwin System recently. I realised we did not have enough shelf space in our Teacher's Resource section for even the Grade 1 books.

We still have to tempt too many pupils to read extensively. It becomes all to evident in Grade 7 when many pupils find comprehension tasks challenging because their vocabulary is lagging behind their chronological age and then there is no quick fix or extra lessons that can rectify the situation. Ask your children to read portions of their books to you - while you are cooking supper and it is quite relaxing listening to a good story!

The Media Committee meet in the library every second Tuesday and they start with a meeting where minutes are kept by the secretary to discuss their plans for the fortnight. The pupils run the "Word of the Fortnight" which now includes the Grade 3 classes and the "Book of the Month". I have shown the pupils how our Libwin System works and they enjoy having a turn to scan out books for pupils coming in to exchange books.

We had a visit from Books2You over Prize Giving Week and it affords pupils and parents a chance to purchase books at very

We found ourselves running out of shelf space this year and after much discussion, we decided not to put in new large shelves, but rather to have portable display boxes made. A local carpenter made us a variety of colourful boxes which are proving very popular with our pupils and we change the displays regularly. We put out specific authors or genres and pupils can go straight to the displays to look for exciting reads. My thanks to the KJPA for funding this project. We also purchased some exciting board games for the library this year and many of them are for developing our pupils' critical thinking skills. The Grade 5s make good use of these between sport and prep and enjoy some fun time with their friends.

■ V VAN DER MERWE

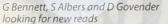


#### MEDIA COMMITTEE

Back Row: C Gailey, F McCune, Z Booi, R Kombe, A Rathbone, W Edwards Front Row: L Frans, Mrs V van der Merwe, T Mati, Mr D Braans, J Maritz









New games for our Media Centre

# From the Houses

## Intermediate House

ntermediate has been bursting at the seams this year, with 38 girls from all over the continent. Much laughter and singing, playful chatter and activity is constantly heard in the House from the time they wake up in the morning until their heads gratefully hit the pillow at night. Over the weekends, the girls enjoy engaging in a wide variety of interesting activities from crafts to games, movies and talent shows, outings, baking and sport. We certainly know how to have fun and relax and grateful thanks go to the Intermediate Student Assistants who assist in planning these activities and making the girls' time here during term as interactive and pleasurable as possible. Mrs A, our compassionate matron, takes extra special care of the girls' needs even down to baking them each a special individual cupcake to wake up to on their birthday.

Intermediate seeks to uphold the College values which are given high priority in our meetings, discussions and everyday interaction with the girls. We endeavour to mould young ladies who are honest and caring, tolerant, outward-looking, humble and responsible. Our "Values Jar", into which marbles are placed whenever such characteristics are witnessed by others, has been steadily gaining marbles throughout the year, and we hope it will be full before the term is over. Last year, our Miss Intermediate Shield was introduced. This award is given to a Senior Grade 7 girl who most embodies these values and Tsepo Watae was the proud recipient in 2014. Congratulations must also go to Sesame Makgatlhe for earning the Gosling Good Fellowship Award for Intermediate, which was presented to her at Prize Giving. Commendations are also in order for the numerous boarding girls who received awards and accolades for their academic achievements this year. It was impressive to see the number of boarders who excelled in the classroom in 2015.

Our formal dinner was held in the second term with a "Spring" theme and it was pleasing to see the confidence with which our grade 7 pupils delivered their speeches. Our guest speaker was Ms Sarah Williams from the USA, currently an honours student at Rhodes University, who shared with the girls about putting PEP into their step: the Promise of God's provision which enables us to live Enthusiastically and with Purpose. We trust that this lesson will be taken into their lives as they continue along their careers at Kingswood.

It is clear that the girls make firm friends here at Intermediate. Testament to this, is the excitement they emanate upon returning after a long holiday. Many of the girls readily express how blessed they are to be nurtured in this family environment whilst receiving the privileged education they enjoy.

J KELLY



Fourth Row: W Madasa, C Cugildi, K Losaba, C Meikle, D Mayanja, E Meikle, K Mutale, S Bidla, J Cheng, D Nfuka, L Lukwe Third Row: G Chadwick, J Pieterse, L Pangwa, S Ngumbela, L Godlimpi, R Knott, M Brown, S Makgatlhe, L Sheard, M Manyara, L Pangwa Second Row: L Musa, M Manyara, T Yates, K Baruti, R Singh, E Makungu, I Nel, E Maro, S Ralebala, E Klopper, J Van der Westhuizen First Row: Miss C Wilken, Miss Z Mbobo, Miss C Awolaja, Mrs J Kelly, Mrs U Augustyn, Miss V Selley, Miss L Patterson, Miss S Heard-Hoare Floor: S Zothe, K Ouya, M Sheard, L Bekezulu

## Van Vuuren Village

hile there is often reference made to boarding as a 'Home away from home', at Van Vuuren Village we do not try to replace home, but rather we aim towards creating a 'homely' atmosphere. The four houses and their surrounding grounds, often referred to as 'The Village', offers a relaxed environment where boys can express themselves and grow socially. Each boy has his own private cubicle, where he can do his homework without distraction and it gives them a sense of privacy. Our 39 boys are spread over the four houses according to their ages and our live-in matrons and housemaster play an integral part in assisting the boys with their daily routines and personal growth. These include wearing the correct uniform, homework tasks, communication with parents, hygiene and social development.

We encourage our boys to develop a strong value system, make friends and let visitors and new boys feel welcomed. Our Chapel forms the cornerstone of our education and through our weekly messages regular emphasis is placed on integrity, tolerance, caring, compassion, respect and responsibility. We are fortunate to be able to accommodate all our student assistants in the village and they add enormous value as tutors, mentors and role models to our boys. With boys coming from as far as Egypt and Tanzania, pastoral care is high on our priority list. Boys, depending on the circumstances of the challenges they face being far away from home, are assisted by the matrons, the housemaster, the Chaplain or School Psychologist.

There are opportunities for spiritual growth as a boarder. The boys attend Kwam every Friday evening and Mr Lester Sigauke regularly visited on Wednesday evenings to conduct bible sessions. Current affairs are discussed via stories and many of our boys have benefited from Lester's advice on how to handle challenges and disappointments.

Our Chapel stewards, Liam Webb and Richard Kombe proudly served the College and its community during their final year in Junior Boarding.

Our boys live busy lives and every boy is expected to participate in two winter and two summer sports and most of the boys play matches on Fridays and Saturdays. Weekend activities are planned for those boarders who spend their weekends at the village and these include outings to the beach, hikes on Mountain Drive, games in the back garden or on the AstroTurf, movies and talent competitions. It is clear from watching the boys at play within the village, especially during their free time, that they are having fun with their friends.

Congratulations to Neo Mkatini, who was the worthy recipient of the Jack Ellis Trophy. Neo, together with Kamo Nontso and Manyano Sishuba, started boarding as preppies and they take with them many memories and lessons learnt as they enter senior school.

We were honoured to have had Mr Ross McCreath as our guest speaker at our annual formal dinner. Mr McCreath is the founder of the

Tiger Titans Cricket Club in Bathurst and he gave this strong message to our boys, which we hope they will carry with them throughout school and life: "There is no greater honour than service. There is no greater reward than service. And today, as you may know, there is no greater need. Although I was enlightened and somewhat given a reason to start the cricket club, youdon't need a reason to help someone. Remembering each individual's value and worth is the first step towards service to others. Regardless of how you spend your time after leaving Kingswood ... please captures the richness and complexity of what you've learned here, that is, life is a calling of service to others. It is in caring for others that you'll also find your own life enriched."

Q TAIT



Fourth Row: S Chaparira, L Webb, J Hoops, K Trytsman, J Roux, M Motswaiso, T Haller, M Fourie, M Sishuba, F McCune, R Kombe, G Bennett, M Stretton Third Row: T Kekana, G Davies, K Hango, S Mahlasela, B Armstrong, D Gcume, L Ouya, J Mildenhall, K Mafongosi, A Pieterse, K Mudabuka, Y Nontso, T Musa Second Row: M Madikiza, V Jimere, T Seymour, A Nontso, J Zulu, N Mkatini, H Matiso, I Mazwai, D Odunuga, K Renene, K Tinga First Row: Mr J Renouf, Mr T Radloff, Mr M Anderson, Mrs R Oosterhagen, Miss D Duggan, Mr Q Tait, Mrs A Tait, Mrs A Duggan, Mr J Devis, Mr S Stopford, Mr J Cottle Floor: C Godlompi, S Qeja, J van Niekerk

# The Houses







Top Left: Some of our Junior Dorm girls enjoying our Formal Dinner.
Top Right: The Intermediate girls learned to knit this year!
Above: The College Museum served as the perfect venue for our VVV Formal Dinner.
Below Left: Miss Bloy reading a bedtime story to our 2 Park boys.
Below Right: Our Van Vuuren Village boys having fun on Kenton beach.





# **Pre-Primary**

t has been another busy year at the Pre-Primary and we had an enrolment of 49 children. At the start of the year, we introduced NeuroNet, an American based programme, which was implemented in our Grade 00 class and goes through to Grade 3 and here the children get to learn through movement.

During the course of the first term, all those new to the school had the following screenings done - Hearing, Vision, Speech and Auditory, as well as Occupational Therapy. A Pharmacist and Dentist came to address the Grade 0 children when they were discussing "hospitals and doctors". We were also fortunate enough to have a most exciting visit by the members of the Fire Station, and the children all got the opportunity to ride around the block in the fire truck with the sirens blaring. The term was concluded with the Grade 0 class going on a walk-about around the school campus, and the Grade 00 class celebrated the conclusion of their transport theme by having a Pirate Day.

This year we celebrated Mother's Day with a Fashion Show. All the boys and girls got the chance to model and there was many a tear from the proud Moms. On Grandparents' Day, the children entertained these special people in their lives with some songs, presented them with a personalised key ring and proudly showed them around their school. All the children painted what they thought their Grandparents looked like, which was up on the walls for all to see. Father's Day was held in the High Performance Centre and took the form of a Games Evening. It was a wonderful occasion, where the children got to play and spend some special time with their Dads. Some of the activities included building paper aeroplanes, piggy back rides, hitting a bat and ball, step and catch to name a few. To celebrate Youth Day, the children came to school dressed in their favourite Super Hero outfit.

Our two fundraisers for the year included our "Bike and Boerie Ride" and the Tombola Stall at the Moonlit Market. We purchased a variety of activities to improve our little one's fine motor skills with these proceeds, as well as a large selection of plastic containers to store them in. Our thanks must go to Kerry Peter and her enthusiastic Pre-Primary Committee for all their hard work and dedication.

This year we have been fortunate enough to be able to offer 3 extra-mural activities after school. These included Fitkidz, Playball and

Ruggakids. Whilst not compulsory a number of our children have enjoyed engaging in these activities.

The children always enjoy attending functions at the Junior School-some of these included the Prep Department Splash Gala and Athletics Day, a Puppet Show and Chapel services. Our Annual Spring Walk to the Junior and Senior School to hand out flowers always brings a smile to those giving as well as those receiving. We also attended the Junior School Production, Seussical, and the amazing Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits – the Prep Department's end of the year concert.

During the course of the third term, we held our Sports Day on Heritage Day, and this was well supported. The children can all be very proud of themselves on their efforts. We celebrated our heritage this year by braaing some boerewors, which was followed by each child getting the chance to braai his/her own marshmallow. Our "GO PINK DAY" this year was a very significant one, and a really special one, as we were able to celebrate the fact that one of our very own pre-schoolers had managed to beat Cancer this year.

Our annual concert, A whale of a time at the Beach, was a great success. A few of the children participating were only three years of age at the beginning of the year, so we were really proud of their efforts on the stage. For some of the children, the mere fact that they are up on the stage was a huge achievement and accomplishment.

As the year drew to a close, a highlight for many of our Grade 0s was their long-awaited visit their new Grade 1 classes for next year. There is always so much excitement and anticipation as they move onto "BIG SCHOOL," and we wish them all the very best as they start their formal education.

To conclude the year, we joined the Prep Department with an evening Carols by Candlelight in the Chapel. The year would also not be the same if we did not end off with a visit from Father Christmas – a highlight for many of our pupils.

At the end of each year, when one looks back, it never ceases to amaze how happy all our little charges are and how much they have grown. My grateful thanks goes to Jill, Sue, Precious and Vuyokazi, as none of this would be possible without their hard work and dedication.

■ B WILMOT

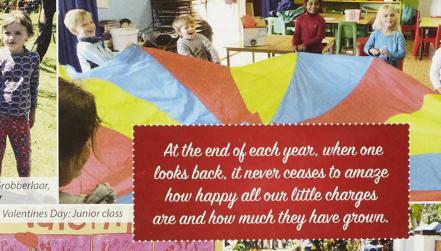




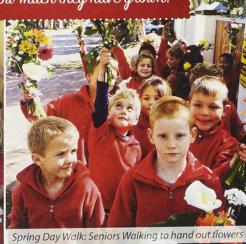






















Prep Dept Splash Gala: C Painting, A Pieterse, M Schmidt, K Gesha

# **Prep Department**

e have enjoyed another busy and productive year - in the classroom, on the sport's field and in the various dance, art and music groups such as recorder, marimbas and violin.

The staff have attended workshops in Port Elizabeth, our ISASA Cluster Meetings with other Junior Primary teachers and the TEACH! Conference during the year, which always lends itself to more selfdevelopment and teaching motivation.

Once again the children were entered into an external "Conquesta" Olympiad in Numeracy, Literacy and Life Skills. We also entered the S.A.C.E.E. (South African Council for English Educators), English Language Olympiad, and we were very pleased that our results were higher than the national average in all the grades.

We tried to include as many fun days as possible for the children during the course of the year. We had a Crazy Easter Bonnet Day, visited the Museum, and had various Dress-up days. The Grade 1s had 3 M.A.D days (make a difference) where they thanked their mentors, the Matrics and the Cleaning and Maintenance staff. We organized a Science Day where many different Science experiments were put out in the hall and the children all enjoyed the variety of experiments. We had an entertaining "Story Telling Evening" where Mrs Hellemann, a Rhodes Drama Student, told some traditional and humorous stories to the children in the evening. They arrived in pyjamas, with snacks and blankets and hopefully the love of reading and listening to stories was stimulated.

The pupils went on educational outings to the beach and surrounding Game Farms, Pineapple Farms, Sci Fest, Ichthyology Dept, AMI, (African Musical Instruments) and play productions at various schools in Grahamstown. Heather Tomlinson, our visiting puppeteer

from Kwa-Zulu Natal, gave a very informative and interactive puppet show on the appreciation of our environment. The children also spent a morning at the Children's National Arts Festival Programme held at St Andrew's Prep, where they attended craft activities and a show. We had our annual Splash Gala, Sports Day, and various hockey, netball,

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cricket and rugby matches against other schools throughout the year. We have always been impressed by the competitive spirit shown by our children and how they fare so successfully against far bigger schools in hockey, rugby and cricket. We are very proud of our three swimmers who were selected for the U9 Albany Swimming Team. Chris Loock, our professional Tennis Coach, held the Prep Dept Tennis Challenge Day, where the skills acquired during the year, were put to the test in a fun day.

This year we were very excited to introduce our Neuronet Programme, which involves learning through movement. The children have various exercise routines they do every day for 20 minutes, involving movement, visual memory and written work. The motto for this programme is, "Get your brain to practise what you want your brain to learn". The goal of Neuronet is to help the children become independent learners. They learn how to automate basic academic skills, improving their reading math-fact retrieval, language skills and handwriting. If academic skills are not automated, children will be self-distracted during learning. Basic reading, writing and maths skills have underlying components that must be automatic in order for children to use these skills as tools for higher-order learning. As we have started this programme this year in Grade 00, we hope to see the long-term benefits when they reach Grade 1.

Food Technology in the Foundation Phase is a time when a number of skills are developed. The children need to work co-operatively, listen to instructions and follow them accurately. We practise good habits like washing hands before working in the kitchen and eating and table manners. We discuss healthy eating and the importance of eating 5 fruits and vegetables and drinking plenty of water every day. We also learn to read recipes and how to halve or double a recipe. This helps to develop the numeracy concepts. Most of all we have fun making a range of treats, both savoury and sweet, healthy and not so healthy!

The highlight of the year was, of course, our end of year production called "Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits". The term ended off with a combined Pre Primary and Prep Dept Carol Service, run by the children themselves. Both of these productions contributed greatly to our Public Speaking Programme and built up self-confidence and self-esteem in the children.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my Prep Dept teachers for all the care and concern they have shown to our little people, and for their willingness to go beyond the call of duty at Kingswood, throughout the year. You have been an amazing staff to work with over the years and I am going to miss you all tremendously.

. I am retiring at the end of the year, and I would like to take this opportunity to also thank Kingswood and all the parents for their tremendous support during my time here. My 24 years of teaching at Kingswood have been so fulfilling, and I am going to miss everyone, especially the children!

#### ■ L REYNOLDS



# All about me





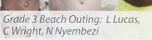




L Bogatsu, S Qeja, F Klopper









Athletics Sports Day: A Wilson doing long jump



















McGurkus, the Cat in the Hat, our narrator, tells the story of Horton, an elephant who discovers a speck of dust containing tiny people called the Whos, including Jojo, a Who child who gets into trouble for thinking too many "thinks." Horton's challenge is twofold - not only must he protect the Whos from a world of naysayers and dangers, but he must also guard an abandoned egg that's been left in his care by the irresponsible Mayzie La Bird. Although Horton faces ridicule, danger, kidnapping, and a trial, the intrepid Gertrude McFuzz never loses faith in him. Ultimately, the powers of friendship, loyalty, family, and community are challenged and emerge triumphant!"- from the MTI website.

With a show like the one described above, how can one not enjoy the experience! We started the show with auditions in March. With a strong turnout for the auditions - the arduous task of casting began. The talent was endless and multiple Adele renditions sometimes painful. However, with much deliberation, the casting was done!

At the beginning of the second term we began the long road to the production. We had to first perfect the singing and then the choreography! With help from Miss Marni van der Westhuizen as Musical Director, Ashley Meyer and Emma Albers took on the challenge of being choreographers in their Grade 11 year at school with aplomb.

Soon the pieces were coming together! With the show being a heavy dance and singing show, it did take some time before we had the show limping along. That is when the real work began. One thing that I will always try to instil in my casts, is that as a cast we are a family. We want to be the best we can be and work together doing this. With this cast it was interesting to see how the idea of family started to develop and the passion for what we were doing started to grow. Like any family there were ups and downs and "Dad" Director had to get involved. Hopefully, however, the overall experience was one that was worth it for the cast.

In the third term the show truly started to come together and we started adding the final aspects. Sound and lighting stations, and the crew were all hard at work getting to know, in two weeks, what the cast had had a whole term to learn. I must commend Kayla van Staden and her crew on the stellar work that they did, as they truly

pulled the show together.

Special thanks must go to Mr Mc Nally and Mr Botha and their team for the fantastic sets and support for the show. Also without the support of staff and parents this would not happen. Special mention must go to Mr Braans, Mrs Redpath, Mrs Wales, Mr Dowdle, Mrs Bowker, Mrs Nel-Laing, Mrs Van Der Merwe and Mrs Foord for their help with various tasks.

I think the show was a fantastic success and I hope that the cast will carry the memories for years to come!

■ S STICKELLS







# Ali Baba and



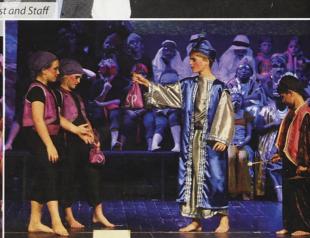


















Traders of the Bazaar: J Barnard, M Manyara, E Beatt, Z Nagdee, L Lucas, H Ntlumbini

# the Bongo Bandits







Dusty and Sandy Sandals: Princess and Handmaidens: A Wilson, M Wilmot

J Gadd, P Caiger, R Reid





A Nyangiwe, R Oosthuizen, Achermann, W Beatt, D Dold







Grand Vizier (J Connan) and Booboo (D Martin)



Guard Achoo: M Baxter



Snake Charmer:



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li Baba and the Bongo Bandits story was a true mix of the

traditional Ali Baba and Aladdin. The writer Craig Hawes gave this timeless tale a twist in this mystical musical comedy. The ancient city of Old Baghdad was in chaos. Whilst the bustling bazaar was overrun with ruthless robbers, up in the palace Sultan Pepper's precious princess and Royal ruby vanished. To make matters worse, it seemed the poor Sultan couldn't trust his own Vizier, Mustapha Widdle, nor his mischievous monkey Booboo. So when Ali Baba discovered the hidden Cave of Wonders, the secret hideout of Balthazar Bongo and his bumbling bandits, it was down to him to save the day! But when his ravenous tap-dancing camel bit off more than he could chew and Ali was accused of royal robbery, his fate seemed as sealed as the Cave of Wonders itself! With the sands of time rapidly running out. Ali escaped the clutches of the Evil Vizier, and freed the princess. He flew by carpet back to Baghdad with the help of the Genie who was released from a bottle of ketchup. They advised the Sultan of the Viziers foiled

With colourful characters, a hilarious script with an excellent play on words, really fun songs and a sprinkle of sparkle from a genius genie, this magical musical was a real hit with the children and audience alike. The children (and the staff) were still singing the songs - long after the production was over.

plans and life in the Old Baghdad was restored to normal once more.

The Grade 3 characters took to the stage like professionals. The Grand Vizier, Mustapha Widdle (Jason Connan) spoke very confidently and his monkey Booboo (Daniel Martin) stole the show with his facial expressions! Ali Baba (Simthandile Zweni) and the Princess (Paula Caiger) sang their solos beautifully and were naturals on the stage. Florence Baba (Khanya Mbenyana) fitted the part as the bossy mother of Ali. Dusty (Micalea Wilmot) and Sandy (Amy Wilson) were brilliant and carried out the humour of the script with maturity. Bongo (Sixolile Nyangiwe) was a real natural on the stage and led his team of Bandits with aplomb. He needed very little directing as he just seemed to know exactly how dramatic to be! The camel (Christian Neising and Ethen Peter) with their toe tapping dance and sound effects, brought the house down as well.

The Grade 1s and 2s loved their dance routines, and their confidence grew with each performance. But I really think the Grade 2 Belly Dancers stole the show. They had very little coaching, looked fantastic in their outfits and danced with all the moves of professionals.

The children spent many hours rehearsing and their efforts culminated in the colourful and vibrant production. I was amazed at the level and maturity of the acting the children produced. This was the most difficult and lengthy script I have ever used, and I did have concerns in the beginning whether they could pull it off. But they did it as usual, and received many accolades afterwards. Although these productions seem to take up so much preparation time and give many grey hairs, it is always so rewarding to see the growth in confidence and self-esteem of the children. Especially in those who were so reluctant to speak in the beginning!

Many thanks to my Prep Dept Staff for all their assistance in different areas, as this vibrant production was a real team effort! To the willing Moms who helped with make-up and especially to Nikki Wales for the amazing costumes which were outstanding and made the show! To Richard McNally, his staff and Chanelle Wolff for creating the set for us. Simon Stickells, thanks for organizing the lights and technology, which helped to create an amazing setting on the stage.

Last and most important of all, thank you to all the Prep Department children. We were all very proud of your fantastic performances.

#### L REYNOLDS

# **Creative Writing**

## Grade 1

#### SPRING

The Spring Morning

Once there was a tree. The tree loved the loepards sitting on the tree. The tree was so excited! but once there was a lion! and the lion was scratching on the tree! The tree was not happy. The lion went on the branches and the tree swung the branches and the lion fell down of the tree. And all the loepards came back! The tree danced with the loepards. They were so happy and They all lived happily ever after.

#### ■ ERICHARDSON

The blossom day

I like to be a tree because birds sit on me and in the spring I grow blossoms. I like birds to sleep on me. But I don't like winter

#### ■ N LLOYD

The day at the Baobab in spring

I am a baoba tree. I have animals on me and it's fun I to woch them running throo the bronchs. It's so fun being a tree. And I love the woodpecker that Lovs me bac.

#### ■ I COPTEROS

#### MY PRAYER TO GOD

Thanks you God that it is kissing day today. Thank you for the ocean amen. Thank you for dying on the cross for our sins. Thank you for the dolphins and the animals. Amen.

#### ■ H HAAKONSEN



#### **ALIBABA**

In the play I am a Bandit. My favourite part of the play is the jars. I wear a black top and black pants. And Mustifir Widdle is our mastir. And the Bandits stole the royal ruby. Ali Baba got the royal ruby back. The end.

#### **■** EBURGESS

My favouite part of the play is when the Bongo Bandits discover that there royal ruby has gone missing. My favourite dance is for the very first time I also like the Bongo Bandits dance. And I like my costume very much its violet it has a shinny blue headband and I have a violet ring. I'm a handmaiden I dance with the princess. I also love the belly dancers.

#### ■ A GOVENDER

I am a Bongo Bandit and I wear a black shirt and a black pants and a headband and a waistband and Mustifir Widdle tried to stole the royal ruby and find the genie. Princes Satsuma wanted to go skating and then shoping and then she ran away from the palace guards then the palace guards saw the jars then our code was spaghetti that is up and nickers is down and princess satsuma was in the cave then Ali Baba saved princes satsuma.

#### ■ TMARTHINUS

#### NEWS

We went for a walk at Rhodes in the garden and I saw a butterfly. This wecand my cousins are coming. My mother is going to by me a scaydbord. Do you know how to drive a scaydbord? Me and my sister played at home.

#### ■ R GOLIATH

I went to the festival with my sister and my dog, Mom and dad and my cousins we had fun After that we went to wimpy I had a Burger my cousin had a hotdog my sister had a happy day and then we went to the ballet show after that we went to the movies Tinkerbelle and the secret of the wings and we watched Rapunzel and then we watched Frozen and then beauty and the beast and after that we watched Ariel's beginning and then we went

home in the morning Pontle Hogana and me had a sleep over.

#### ■ UPLANGA

## WHEN I GROW UP

When I grow up I want to be a teacher because a teacher teaches children that their can learn reading and ABC and phonics and sums and counting and maps.

#### ■ U KATE

When I grow up I want to do a business. I want to do lik my Dad my Dad is a business. I go to do a business. I going to have lot ov cars. I going hav a huge hows.

#### X NTSHEBE

I want to be a rock-staar. I want to play the drums. For Christmas I want to get the drums. Wen I go wosh school of rock and I see fredi play the drums I stat dreemin about drums. I want to be a swomin tisha. I am gowin to tish pepl to swim. I am going to fund a band and then I am going to play mosk. I wont to be a fishaman. I am going to fish wen I am a swomin-tesha. I am going to tish swomin.

#### ■ C DE WET STEYN

I want to be a botanist and botanists collect plants and the plants woet thay collect beautiful plats and wen thay collect plants it makes them into very good people and thay cep plants very healthy they giv plants word plants can be big and smollsome plants can grow fut some plants can hav flaws. And some cants. Botanist ar very good.

#### D DOLD

I want to be a artist because I like to do art. A artist dus art. Every day a artist travels the

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whole world. The artist have a art stardyo. They love to do artist. They sell they art to get cash. Artist is full of paint they wer thes clos not to get paint and a artist is cuvid in paint.

#### **■** KLUCAS

I want to be a builder because I can build a house. I want to be a nurse so I can help people. I love judges. They can send people to jail. I want to be a artist so I can paint.

#### CSICKLE

#### WHY I LOVE SOUTH AFRICA

I love South Africa because the flowers beautiful. I love the mountains I love the birds I love the birds because make sounds I love animals. I love filwur.

#### R BOWLES

Why I love S.A.: I love our animals and I love the S.A. animals. And I love our tress because they give us oxygen and they give us shayd. And trees give us fresh air and we love the S.A. people.

#### ■ A NYANGIWE

#### MY HOLIDAY

I went to George on the first day of holiday and I went to the doct.

#### J VAN NIEKERK

I went to Cape Town with my dad and we play at the beach and we war swiming at the pol it was so fun and we went home me and my Dad we play at home and it was muy bruthers bethday and we eat a cayk it was nuys we were happy.



I stay at home a long long time until my new teeth up. And we went to spur and wet back home. Beat pizza and then we went to the hospital to see my grandpa and he is dead

#### ■ ZADAM

I went to kids beach. Then I went to my cousins. I went the rock pool,

#### ■ SLLOYD

When it was half-term I went to Johannesburg, In Johannesburg I went to a hotel and I slept for one night. It is fun to read a book. A book is the fun thing in my life. The postmen book was fun for my. On Sunday I

#### I MOSE

My Dad took me camping by the river with my frens and we went fishing with our Dads and we caught a lot of fisha dnl caught abot ten fish at the river. And then we went to P.E. and we went ice skating with my family and we went to East London because my sister hat to go to hospital and then my Dad took me to McDonalds for lunch. I ordered a kiddies meal and then my Dad took me to a toy shop and he got me a toy snak.

#### **■** E POULTNEY

On half-term I went to Port Alfred and I went shopping at pic and pay and I got lots of stuf. And then I stayed at home reading my book and that was awesome. Then I wathet

T.V. channel 201 and that was rugby world cup. And South Afrik vs Waels and we won them just buy 4 ponts and the sore was 23 to 19 and that was close and that was an awesome weekend. Thanks you.

#### C VAN HEERDEN

This holiday we left on Saturday at 4:30 in the morning and we went to the Augrabies falls and we slept at there for one night. Then we went to namaguland to see the flower's and do you knowe that the flower's onlee bloom btween July and August and we went on a walk btween the flowers. And then we went to Laglus wher the Atlantic ocean and the Indian ocean meet and at Laglus we went insiad the secend oldest litehouse and its one that woaks. And then we spent a night at

#### F VASSILIOU

#### MR BRAANS

Mr Braans works hard and Mr Braans is thin and Mr Braans tells what to do. He makes everybody happy.

#### ■ H NAWAZ

He maks me happy. He does sport. He wears a blue shirt. He wears a tie. He is peach. He is funiy and nice. He wears long pants.

#### ■ NACHERMANN

Mr Braans is tall and short. He does work and he teachers the andr 9 rugby then he goes home and he lazers around for the rest of the day. I feel sory for him becos he does not get env break.

#### **■** W BEATT

He lik tv and he lik to hunt with hes kid. He watch the school and he lik to go outing with hes kid. He looks liks he lik to go swimming.

#### ■ O MAKHULUMA

Mr Braans has classes. He is toll. His hair is blackish brownish. He wes fancy clothes and he wes a tie. At the afternoon he sit on his chair watching the clouds. And he drink coke. He makes me feel happy.

#### ■ M SHEARD

#### THE FLYING CARPET

The carpet looks like a met and the carpets colour is red and green and theres me and Lisa on my carpet and Lisa and I are going to play and we are going to play hade and seek and we are going to the swimming pool and we

swimand we went to the zoo and we saw a superman.

#### A MZOZOYANA

#### THE LONELY BIRD

On top ov a tree sat a bird a rather lonely bird. She was lonely bekos she lost her chicks. She was vere sad and one morning she didn't no that she was siting on three eggs. Wen she sar that she was siting on three eggs she was happy.

#### R OOSTHUIZEN

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## Grade 2

#### THE MAGIC GARDEN

Once upon a time there was a beautiful fairy named Kora. She played in a very special garden it was magical. Kora was 10 years old she lived with her parents in a little flower house near the gazebo. One day Kora was in the garden when she saw lots and lots of fairy tribes coming into the garden then Kora saw the King and Queen fairy. Kora was very scared so she hid in the flowers. Then she saw the Queen was very sick. Then the army stoped the King came to Kora and asked her if she wanted to be the new Queen. Kora said yes and she lived in the palace happily ever after.

J FIELD

J HAMER

#### RUGBY WORLD CUP COMPETITION

Once upon a time me and my brother went to go to Port Elizabeth to a flight to Johanusburg because we wanted to go to England to watch South Africa vs New Zeland. So when we got to Johanusburg we had three hours to look around before our flight. So we went to get som ice-cream. When we got on the over-night plane we watched some movies. When we got to manchester we went to a train station that went nearest to the stadium then we walked the rest of the way. We sat at the top row. Then the match stated. A man announced that whoever won this match won the world cup 2015. Then they sung etc etc..... and then the match started. New Zealand kicked the ball. South Africa caught the ball, they ran, they past to each other, when the ball got to the side of the pitch the person accedently pased to the outline, so it was New Zealands ball. We got our South African flags and got something to eat. We ate hamburgers and coke. Later it was half time the score was 0-0. Then near the end of the match New Zealand almost scored a try but then south Africa got the ball. They ran then someone almost tackeled him but then he dropd the ball and kicked it. When 75:00 of the mach had gone it was still 0-0! Then south Africa skipped the players and ran very fast but some one from New Zealand ran even faster and tackled him. But it was a high tackel so South Africa had to try and kick it over the poles but it was a very hard position to kick over. And it hit the post and then it just went over. They won the world cup! We camped in for the night. Then we caught the bus and went to the train station then we caught the overnight plane and when we got home I fell asleep in the shour.

HORRID HENRY
Henry went inside to tell

mum that Peter snuck outside and woke him up. Mum! screemed

Peter. Mum rane outside Peter was stuck in the tree. Peter wy are you up there get down this instint said mum. I cant Im stuck, said Peter. Wy are you up there said mum. because ... because I I wanted to see the ferys, said

Peter. Wat ferys there is no such thing as ferys, said dad. Your in big big truble mister said mum Waaa wailed Peter.

J HERRING

Dimple

Stinger

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Horrid Henry ran inside and went to bed and went to sleep with Peter outside in the apple tree siting on a branch in the morning Henry went to his perents. Peter went outside at twelve o'clock in the night, he said to them. I saw him he is in the apple tree. So they went to the apple tree. Peter get down from there right now shouted his father, you are not allowed outside for the hole month said his mother. But I cant get down said Peter then we will have to get the lader so they got him down so he had to read books and do everything inside untill the end of the month. So horrid Henry got his revenge. Peter was cross because Henry lied to him about the fairys.

## ■ Y NAGDEE

#### THE SCOOP

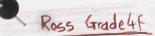
My mom is voted #1 Mom because.. she is in the Kingswood book. I love it when my mom gives me sweets and I love it when she swims with me. We like to bake, we like to run and take my dog for a walk. She loves cleaning.

■ J PIETERSE

#### THE SEA AND MY 5 SENSES

I see the sharks in the sea. I taste the sand in the beach. I hear the people swimming. I smell the seagulls in the sea. I feel stones on the sand.

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#### GIRAFFE

Long ago there was a giraffe that had no neck, so the giraffe went to eat and he ate so much he dint no that there was a long stick and ate it and he went to the dockter and the dockter sed it's not going to hurt it's going to hurt a lot. So dockter took it out and giraffe went back home. It was nely night time and when he went to bed his neck was very long so his neck had no space so he had to sleep on the flor and next morning he went to the dockter and sed I dont like this neck. And the dockter sed you have the most special neck in the wold.

#### ■ KHAMBAZE

#### MY BEACH POEM

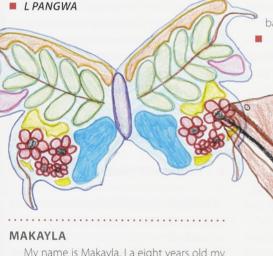
B is for the beautiful rocking boats.

E is for enourmous waves cracking

A is for amazing waves.

C is for the crabs

H is for Hermit crabs



My name is Makayla. I a eight years old my birthday is on the 7 of January. I am tall I have brown eyes. I have straight hair and I am kind. I live with my mum and she is a lawyer and I live with my dad he is a prosecutor and I have one brother and one sister and a granny and a dog. My favourite colour is blue. My favourite food is prawns. My favourite subject is maths and my favourite sport is netball.

#### ■ M GOVENDER

#### THE GARDENTRAPESAURUS

Once in a garden in Cape Town there lived a guy who's name is Daniel and he's twentythree years old and he was born in 2015 and the wether was realy realy realy suny and hot. So he decided to go to the garden and then he saw a gardentrapesaurus and there was a strong wind and they fight to death and the dinosaur ate him and that was the end of him and twenty years after all that fighting the ghost of Daniel was born and desperate to rule the earth and he killed the gardentrapesaurus. And he lived in a grave yard making all the skellatons come, to live and be his minions to rule the earth... wohahaha.

#### D MARTIN

#### MY SPRING PICNIC

On the 10 September we went to the Botanical Gardens. It was a real Spring day, sunny with a slight wind. We left at about 10 o'clock by bus.

The treats mum packed me were a packet of Lays chips and some wine gums. I also brought my net and a container to catch tadpoles. When I was catching tadpoles almost everyone asked me if they could use my net. At least it felt like that!

We also went for a walk. On the walk we saw some Monkey Puzzle trees. Monkey Puzzle trees were alive at the time of the dinosaurs. We also saw a small Bamboo forest, a river and a Crab Apple tree with lovely blossoms.

Then we went back to school. We came back at 12.30!

A BROWN



#### **PRAYER**

Dear God

Thank you for sending your sun to die on the cross for our sins. Help us to be tolerant of each other. Thanks for the nature around us. Thanks for our family and friends to support us when things are rufe for us.

Amen

■ G HANDLEY

Dear Lord

Thank you for sending your one and only Son on the cross to forgive our sins. Please bless us and give us thanks in our hearts. Lord please give us tolerance. I pray for people that have Asthma like my friend Liam. I pray that you keep us safe. In Your precious name. Amen

#### ■ L GODLIMPI

#### **FESTIVAL OUTING**

My favourite thing was when we went to the children's festival. We made memo books. I listened to the story. The story was about a old man and he put a little girl in a drum.

When I went to Village Green I bought a key ring for Mrs.van Aardt. It was a elephant. I also bought a whistle. When I pull a string it will whistle. I bought popcorn and a slush puppy.

ON Friday I went to my friend's house. Her name is Chelce. We had a braai.

#### ■ M ADRIAAN

#### SPRING POEM

S – Springbuck – The lovely springbuck I see on my way to P.E.

- Picnic - I like having a family picnic on the lovely grass.

R – Red Flowers – I love red flowers.

I - Insects - I love looking at the beautiful insects.

N - New - New fresh flowers

G - Giving poor people food.

■ L MATEBESE

#### MUSEUM OUTING AND NEWS

Last week we went to the museum to learn about Dinosaurs and Fossils and it was very interesting.

On Saturday I played with my Lego and I built a plane and a car with my sister. Then we went to P.E. to our cousins to sleep there. We watched a movie and played games. Then we went to our granny's house and we had so much fun.

#### R DULLABH

#### **GRANNY POEM**

G - My granny likes to garden

R - My granny likes to read the newspaper.

A - My granny likes animals.

N – My granny never lets me down

N - My granny likes to knit

Y - You are a lovely granny!

#### ■ F KLOPPER

G – My grandpa likes gym

R – My granny likes roses

A – My granny is awesome

N - My granny likes knitting

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D – My granny is a dear

M – My granny makes milk tart

A - My grandpa is amazing!

■ L WILLIAMS

#### LOVE IS...

Riding my bike with my family When I play on my laptop with my sister When I play cricket with my daddy.

■ ISHOBA

Love is playing with my sister. Love is watching TV with my family Love is going fishing with my family

■ S QEJA

Rock climbing with my daddy
Baking with my mom
My dog like playing with me
Playing mind craft with my cousins
Going to the beach with my family.

■ I TWFDDIF

#### K-DAY NEWS

On K-Day we played against St Andrew's. I watched the first team rugby and they won so we went to the Wyvern and I had so much fun!

■ S BUTTERS

#### **GRANDPA GETS CAUGHT...**

One day I went to my grandpa and granny's house because my granny told me that my grandpa was snoring.

My grandpa sat on the couch and we were watching TV. My granny was making a cup of tea. She called me to come and help her. When we were about to call out, "It's tea time!" we heard someone snoring and we stopped. We tiptoed to look and we saw my grandpa fast asleep. We took a photo of him and then we put it one you tube. I showed my friends and they laughed. I showed my mom.

When it was late my grandpa woke up. He heard us laughing and asked, "Why are you laughing?" We told him what we did. He said, "What?" He was very embarrassed.

■ S VOKWANA

## Grade 3

#### MY CLASSMATES

Brogan is my favourite friend and a good swimmer.

Panashe is a good runner and he tackles well in rugby.

Hlomla tells funny jokes and he is friendly. Nemihle is a new boy and he is quiet in class. Amy is a pretty girl and her Mom is a teacher. Jessica is a kind girl and she is always smiling. Ashton is a good runner and he plays rugby well.

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Emily has long red hair and she sings in the choir.

Christopher is a good athlete and swimmer. Zak is my friend and he loves Maths.

Saskia is very good at Netball and she reads well.

Simtha is good at all her work and she is helpful.

Rosalie is very good at spelling but she doesn't always get a sticker.

#### ■ S MARTINDALE

Christopher is cool. He likes email.

Saskia and I always play together. We like each other.

Emily and I walk together. We chase each other after lunch.

Zak is so tall and Zak is so funny to play with. Ashton is good at choir. Ashton tells me jokes. Panashe listens carefully in class. Panashe is good at soccer.

Brogan is good at reading and music. Jessica is my best friend. Jessica has soft hair. Amy is cute. Amy is kind.

Rosalie is quiet in class. Rosalie behaves a lot. Hlomla takes care of me and I take care of him. Hlomla was my friend from Grade1.

Stuart is good at rugby and at writing.

Nemihle is good at tennis. Nemihle and I play together.

■ SZWENI

Malkia is the new girl I like her hair style she has a lovely white smile and she's from Kenya. She is kind and sweet and if I'm sad she will make me happy.

#### ■ L LUCAS AND P CAIGER

Khanya is really beautiful and sweet and she never lets me down. She is smart, kind and always neat.

#### J GADD AND P CAIGER

Khwezi is such a kind boy has never said anything bad. He is such a playful kid and such a good boy.

#### ■ G CHADWICK, M MANYARA AND S NYANGIWE

Paula is a smart girl that never gives up and always wins drawing competitions. She is very good at Minecraft and singing.

#### ■ M BAXTER AND M WILMOT

Christian is the most sensible boy in our class. He's good at drawing and rugby and he is a calm person.

#### ■ K GESHA AND S MAHLASELA

Michael is very sporty and good at rugby. He is really happy when he plays rugby and really does try hard with his work.

#### ■ C WRIGHT AND P CAIGER

Morgan is a good sportsman. He always lets me play touch rugby. He is very good at tennis and squash and went to E.P. trials.

#### ■ K MBENYANA AND C WRIGHT

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Luke always has a short tie and he is very good at rugby and cricket. He likes playing soccer and is very energetic.

#### S MAHLASELA AND M WILMOT

Jenna is sweet and kind and she helps people when they are stuck. She is very good at cricket, tennis and hockey.

#### ■ M SCHMIDT AND G CHADWICK

Micaela is good at Afrikaans and is so kind and dresses so neat - go Micaela!" She is really good at hockey and she is one of the kindest girls in the class.

#### ■ S NYANGIWE, L LUCAS AND J CONNAN

Gemma is very smart and fast at maths. She is a nice girl and looks so smart every day. She is kind and funny too.

#### ■ K GESHA, M BAXTER AND S NYANGIWE

Jason likes competition and he is a good reader He is intelligent and likes to be smart. L Lucas and K Mbenyana

Salizwa is a great runner and is very sporty and a great friend. He always scores the tries in our rugby matches and has a big smile.

#### J CONNAN AND L LUCAS

Sixolile is a good reader and good at rugby. He is fun and likes to tell jokes and he is a friend to everyone

#### J GADD AND M SCHMIDT

#### ALI BABA AND THE BONGO BANDITS

In the play the Vizier wants to be Sultan but he needs the royal ruby to help him. The princess runs away and finds a girl named Ali Baba and Ali's Mom Flossy Baba. Princess bought a carpet from Flossy. Back at the palace The Vizier hired Bongo, a robber, to steal the royal ruby. The Vizier thinks there is a magic genie in the royal ruby. Princess, Flossy and Ali have a walk and find the Back

of Beyond. Princess looks in the cave and finds the royal ruby. Princess gives it to Ali and Ali gives it to her camel, who swallows it. Ali gets arrested, the camel gets taken back to the palace and Princess is captured. Flossy buys a Tomato Sauce bottle, rubs it and a magic genie appears. Genie and Flossy get Ali and the Princess back. In the end the Vizier gets the ruby but does not get to be Sultan. I am a handmaiden to the Princess.

#### R REID

"Salaam Salaam a thousand welcomes weary travellers. Shake the desert dust from your sandals and step this way. I see you have an eye for a bargain." I am Alakazam, I sell beards and strange Tomato sauce. I sell beards to the Princess Satsuma and tomato sauce to Flossy. The Grand Vizier wants to be Sultan so he makes a robber band to steal the Royal Ruby. Then the Princess and Ali find the Cave of Wonders and take the treasure to the palace. The Vizier pretends that Ali is the leader of the Bandits. So they find out.....and live happily ever after.

#### ■ G CHADWICK

Our play is called Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits. My part is the Princess and in the first part I come in wearing a bag over my head and then I have to wear a bushy beard. My father in the play is Sultan Pepper. I might have to wear a bag and a beard but at least I get to sing my own song. Oh well I didn't tell you about it. It is called For the very first Time. There are other songs in the play like Baghdad Bazaar, Humphrey and Bongo Bandits. I don't like the Bongo Bandits because they locked me in The Cave of Wonders. Luckily Ali saved me and I got out! Well that's how my story goes!

#### ■ P CAIGER

In the play I was Flossy who is Ali Baba's mom. I was quite sad when I found out

but then I got used to it. I sell carpets for unfair prices and my carpets are ugly! My favourite part is where Ali sings the song Humphrey, I wanted to be Alakazam. The play is a mixture of Aladdin and Ali Baba. Our play is very funny and it is in Arabia. There is a Sultan, Vizier, Princess and Booboo and the Vizier wants to steal the Royal Ruby. He orders the Bongo Bandits to steal it. In the end the Vizier ends up with it. My favourite part is scene 5 when I try to buy a book. I love our play and I am so sad that it is Mrs Reynolds last play. I just wish she could stay one more year. Thank you Mrs Reynolds and Mrs Kent for an amazing play.

#### ■ KMBENYANA

I am Bongo and I have a big part in the play. I am the leader of the forty bandits. I tell them that we are going to raid the Sultans palace. Then Princess Satsuma comes and ruins the plan so I throw her in The Cave of Wonders. Then she gets out and while she is making her way to Baghdad, we Bandits sneak into the palace but two stupid bandits put sleeping powder into the jars where the other bandits were. Then the Princess came with a Genie then she roars so loud that she scares the pants off me!

#### ■ SNYANGIWE

#### **FUN SCIENCE DAY**

My first and favourite experiment was the dye/colour shaving cream. Where you would almost fill a bottle with water and then put shaving cream onto the top then dye it. Pretty cool huh! Well my second favourite was the bubbles one. You would get a wire and shape it then put it in soap then blow it.... of course. The third one I like is static electricity. There is static electricity in your body but when you rub the balloon on your head the static comes alive!

■ B WOLFF



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#### HALF TERM AND FESTIVAL NEWS

At the Festival I played the marimbas. It was fun because we made the best beats. Then we went to the show. It was so cool and very funny but so scary. We went to the art place and made a noughts and crosses board. On Friday my parents came to fetch my brother Matthew, my sister Jasmine and I. We went back to East London. Our cousins came for a sleep over. We had supper at Spur and we went deep sea fishing and we caught a small shark and a cob. We also went to fly planes at Wings Park.

#### ■ A PIETERSE

#### WHY DON'T I HAVE A SHELL

Once upon a time there lived a tortoise called Sammy. Sammy lived in South Africa. But he had a big problem he had no shell. All his friends were mean to him. So he left to another country. So he made a map. First he will go to Big Snake River then he will go to the Lion Valley then he will stay at Tortoise land. But he really wanted a shell. So off he went to Big Snake River. On the way he sang a song about Tortoise Land. When he got there, there were snakes. But he saw a boat so he hopped on it. That was close he said. Then he went to dry land. Off he went to Lion Land. He sang a song about Tortoise Land. He entered the Lion Valley. He was walking through the long grass. Roar!!! It was a lion. Sammy ran his fastest but he could not run very fast. Hullo said the lion. H...u...ll...o said Sammy. Do you want a shell yes please, then come with me to my cave. So they entered the cave. There was an old tortoise shell. So they put it on. Thank you said Sammy. So he walked a long way singing

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Land. Yippy!!! He met lots of friends and he lived happily ever after.

#### ■ JBARNARD

#### STUART AND LION

Stuart lived in the town he was happy and his mam said go and sale this cat for me.

Stuart went to sale the cat and then he sold it to a farmer. Anether farmer wanted to buy it coasted a million rand. There was a man called Quivah his surname is Brogen. Stuart said that he will take that cat for a lion.

Stuart took the lion and Stuart went home. The next day there was a bin stock he climbed the bin stock with his lion. When he saw the house he went inside he saw a mason.

At that time Stuart was frying the mason and Stuart's lion ate the lion.

Stuart left behind his lion eating the mason and he was eating the mason when he went out he didn't see the bin stock he fell on his lion. His mom was laughing at him like a grade 1.

#### ■ H NTLUMBINI

#### **EMILY AND WILLIAM'S ADVENTURE**

Once upon a time there was a little old women who lived by the sea side with her daughter and son one day Emily and William said to their mom they were going to whales island. On Monday they got out their dad's old boat and sailed away when they got there all around were whales when they got on the island lots of birds were flying all around them. After they got to the mermaids pools they put on their costume and jumped in and had fun. After they got out they went to pirates cave and found mermaids money Emily went out the cave and went for a walk

then William ran after her then they went to parrots forest and swung from tree to tree. After they ran and jumped in to the river they found a river dolphins and they swam with them the dolphins swam away they thought the dolphins were beautiful they walked on to elephant land and saw a baby elephant in the river having fun with her mom we went to go and find a Gold coin for our mom. Guys did I tell you what our mom's name is well her name is Joanne. So we went to the water fall caves and we went in we saw bats and mice then we went to the end of the cave and found the gold coin so I put the gold coin in my bag. So went to the rocky mountain and I got lost so my broth William was running all over the place trying to find me then he found me at the elephant land with the baby elephant. So we made a little house out of sticks because it was almost night so we went to bed we were scared but soon it was morning again and we went back to the sea side and the lived happily ever after the end.

#### ■ E BEATT

#### THE COOL GIRL

Once upon a time there was a girl called Cool Girl. She was a normal girl she was scared and she was shy. But suddenly she was the coolest girl in the school because she had invisablety and Laser eyes and she was flexible. Her costume was black white and pink her hair was black and her eyes were red she was holding an invisible Shield and a laser gun. Bash supervillains she said. Then she went outside and

their was bubble man blaster



a horrible fight. Blaster bubble shot her in the arm then she shot him on his back pop he died. And then blaster brain said I am undefeatable then she punched him and then she was the super hero of the day and I hope I see her again.

#### ■ SSWARTBOOI

#### ZAK AND THE ROBOT HANDS

Once upon a time there lived a boy named Zak he lived with his Granny and Grandpa. They lived on a small island near Madagascar. One day Zak was told to go to the farm shop and sell his unicorn to a farmer. The farmer was so pleased that he gave Zak robot hands and a box. He took them home and put them under his bed. Then he went to sleep. The next morning the robot hands were gone he went to the window and saw a plane. He jumped in and started it he was surprised he knew how to fly one. He travelled round the world to places unknown like dark scary caves tall mountains and cool landscapes until the plane just stopped at a castle. The doors opened the drove in then an old wizard pooped and said "this is your destiney". Zak said "my who-bit-a -whatnow". The wizard said you are special you must find a pair of car keys hidden in a mountain in Russia. When you find them press the middle button which will make me your wish granter forever if you want. Ok I will do it for you where must I start. I will give you tickets to Russia that is where you will start. He found the mountain he saw the keys just then an ugly person popped up. I said what your name is. "My name is Ashton"Yeah he said and ran for the keys. Ashton caught him and almost threw him off the mountain. Then somebody yelled stop it was Stuart his friend from years ago. Ashton was so scared he ran all the way down the mountain. Victory was theirs he pressed the middle button and they were at Zak's house with the wizard. What will your first wish be? I wish that everyone lived happily ever after. Good wish said the wizard.

#### ■ 7 NAGDEE

#### **IZZI IS STEW**

Now you all know the story of Jack and the been stork but this time I have turnd it round just a tiny bit it all started like this. Izzy's Mom was diying of hunger and her brother and her father and plus her little little sister. Izzi thort this was all entirely her folt. Then her father said go to the village and sell our goat. She turnd around and lookd thow the rusty olde window and heard a bleat. Fine I will go and sell it. On the way there an owld man was passing by. Izzi said in a sweat vous oh please.!! Do by this goat she said to herself or I will be killed by my mother and father. I do not have eny money but I do have these toy rockets. I said how is this supposed to get money with siley old rockets? Wen I turnd around he was gone wit the silly old goat. Of cours Izzi did not care one bit at all and off she skipt. Wen she got home Izzi called her mother. Izzi called her father. Who must I come to mother or father. You choose said her mother and her father. Then I will come to mother ferst then you father. Then my father herd a shot from the forest. Izzi's father ran into the kitchenand said in a very calmy way. Now go to your room but what abot supper you will go without supper young lady. Throw the little rockets out of the window. That knight she herd a bang she ran out of the house and her eyes almost burst. Wen she saw the rockets and she saw a whole throught the clouds. Wen she was up there she hear ve vy vo vum I smell the blud of an Englishman. Oh that dose not sound go at all said Izzi in a rather skerd way. She jumpt onto the rocket and knockt all the other rockets down. And can you ges what happened next. That was the end of the giant. And Izzi's mother never knew about the giant or her father. Do you know why because they were still snoring in bed. A WILSON

## Grade 5

#### WHY THE IMPALA IS SO FRIENDLY AND SHY

One beautiful sunny morning in the dry savanna Rain was not providing the thundery storms with the cold, shiny, crystal clear water that the animals needed. It was now becoming a huge dry drought. Lion was walking one afternoon in the dry bush tiered and thirsty. The amazing animals were dying of thirst and Lion was getting very hungry. The following day Lion was starving and he strolled through the long tall bush when he spotted in front of him a lonely Impala grazing peacefully. Lion couldn't believe his luck and he held in his roar of amazement.

The hunt was on and Lion stalked through the long, tall, dry grass. He crawled so silently and carefully without making the slightest of noises. He was two meters away when Lion gave the deadly pounce! But, Impala saw Lion out of the corner of is unbelievable eye and gave the leap of his life, out of the way! Then the frightening chase was on and Impala was quick with his steps and turns. It was terribly hard for Lion to keep up with the springing Impala because Lion had no satisfying meat to munch on while Impala had the tall brown grass to graze on. Eventually Lion couldn't keep up and stopped with exhaustion. Impala turned around noticing it and boasted," My feet are burning baby, burning, ha ha". Then Lion gave the roar of his life with all that he had left in him and Impala fainted with fright! Lion strolled to his yummy meal proud of himself. He arrived at his prize possession and roared again at impala to show who is king of the land. Impala woke suddenly with his heart in his throat.

Lion said to Impala," I will spare your life but you must learn one lesson from this. You must never be so proud. At that moment Rain poured down the rains. They flooded the water holes and rivers. That is why from that day to this, Impala is always so friendly and shy!

#### L KELLY

#### HOW GOLDY THE CHICKEN GOT HER SPECKLES

One day there was a chicken named Goldy. Goldy was happy but there was something that always annoyed her. The problem was she had no speckles.

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One day she snack out the hock and wondered far and wide. She had heard about this baboon that lived in a huge baobab tree and that he was the wisest animal on the farm. He would be able to help her.

On the way to baboon she saw the farmer coming past. He was going to look at his cattle. The grass was dry so it was the same colour as Goldy. She did not get seen by the farmer, she was camouflage.

She eventually reached the tree and she called the baboon. He replied and said, "Who is it?" "It's Goldy the chicken." Then Baboon said, "What is the problem?" Then the chicken sat down and spoke to the baboon and told him why she had come here. She told baboon that she wants to have speckles.

Baboon thought about it and he came up with a plan. He asked her what colour she wanted she wanted her speckles to be. She said, "Black" So then the baboon said he would ask the hadedas for some feathers. Luckily they were on top of the baobab tree. There were twenty of them and they each donated two feathers each. The baboon pulled out some of the golden feathers out of the chicken and replaced them with black ones. That's how Goldy the chicken got her speckles.

#### **■** J MILDENHALL





#### HOW THE GEMSBOK GOT HIS LONG HORNS

There was once a time when Gemsbok had short stubby horns. Gemsbok was very proud of his short horns and was always boasting to the other animals. Eventually the other animals grew so tired of Gemsbok and his boastful ways that they decided to call a meeting.

Lion was the head of the meeting he said," I think we should teach Gemsbok a lesson and here's what we are going to do." All the animals huddled together. Lion began," Springbuck and Zebra will go up to Gemsbok and say the Kudu wants to challenge him to a fight, whoever wins gets to be the most powerful of all the buck, but Kudu will actually hook his horns around Gemsbok's horns and pull them out of his head then Gemsbok will no longer be able to boast about his short horns."

The next day the plan was in full action, Springbuck and Zebra went to Gemsbok and asked him. As planned he said, "Yes." That afternoon the fight began. Kudu hooked his horns around Gemsbok's and pulled. He pulled and pulled and eventually stopped. By then Gemsbok's horns were so long that they almost touched his back.

As Gemsbok realised that his horns were long he ran off into the bushes. It was only a few weeks later that Kudo saw him at the waterhole. Gemsbok said "I have learnt my lesson and I will never brag again." He has kept his promise.

#### ■ CBRISTOW

#### THE BIRD WITH A SPECIAL CALL

The go away bird was such a kind and wonderful bird he said hello to all who passed him. Until one morning a nice, sunny day in the savannah, he was high in a beautiful baobab tree, Suddenly Lion asked for a party, the bird agreed. The bird didn't know what was coming and so it was settled.

Lion said hello to elephant and invited him. After that it was monkey, the baboon, zebra crocodile, springbok and all of the animals.

That evening they arrived, there were lots of animals. They absolutely destroyed the place standing all over the grass, they even destroyed the bushes where the bird ate. They even destroyed the beautiful baobab tree. The bird just managed to escape from his nest.

The next morning the place was ruined, the angry bird was furious. He had to make another nest and he even had to find another tree. So he searched, first he had to find another tree to settle in. He found another tree near the waterhole and began to gather sticks and twigs for his nest. A couple days later through all that hard work he managed to build his home.

That's why today and onwards the go away bird tells everyone to go away and get a life.

#### ■ BRADLEY HUSON

#### PERFECT OCEANS

We have perfect oceans. They are in wavy motion. When we tan in the sun. And don't forget your lotion.

D FRASMUS

#### WHY MEERKAT AND DRONGO **ARE ENEMIES**

Drongo is a small mischievous little bird. So one winter day drongo could not find any bugs. He was searching every ware but he could not find any. Then he remembered he stashed some bugs in a little hole. When he remembered where it was he flew there but he saw meerkat eating his bugs.

For the next few weeks he was planning his revenge, then he got the perfect plan, to perfect the meerkat, enemy call. When it was ready he flew over to meerkat's burrow and did the call. Then meerkat scurried away and drongo ate his bugs. And that is why Meerkat and drongo are enemies.

■ X POTGIETER

#### RUGBY

Awesome game to play Such a rough game but the best Hospital concussed

#### ■ M VAN STADEN

#### CANGO CAVES

When I go to the Cango caves. I often get mango craves.

And when I'm there to see and do.

There's nothing I'd rather do then be

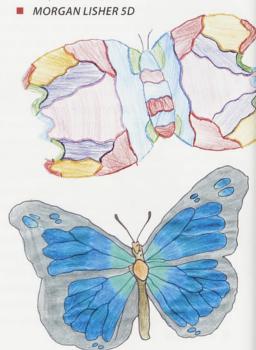
And when I leave it always seems like a maze.

#### J GLEAVES

#### RHINOS

People are mean. People go shooting. Poaching all day long. People don't care. Poor rhinos.

People are mean.



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#### LOUIE

Loves me lots

Often is strict but

Underneath is kind

I love watching her bake

Every day she smells like Christmas cake

■ TBROWN 5D

#### ANDREW

Adores chocolate and banana Not short very, very tall: has to Duck when going through doorways Really kind, cuddly and Encouraging When I'm nervous

■ TRROWN 5D

#### **ISABEL**

I love my Granny

So much but I never get to see her

And I wish I could.

Beautiful or gorgeous our Grannies are precious.

Every day be kind to our Grannies.

Love your Grannies so you don't grow apart like me

Look after your Grannies because they won't be around for much longer.

■ SO'KEEFFE 5D

#### **GRANDPARENTS**

Granny has delicious cooking her

Rice is very nice

And she is loving, caring and understanding

Never ending stories

Parent wise

O GESHA 5D

And trustworthy, trustable

Responsibility wise Entertaining us when Never not encouraging The best granny ever

Granny has delicious cooking her Rice is very nice And she is loving, caring and understanding Never ending stories Parent wise

And trustworthy, trustable Responsibility wise

Entertaining us when

Never not encouraging

The best granny ever

#### L NXATI 5D

Great at

Reading me stories

Always playing with me

Never shouting but

Downright they are Polite

Even when I make them

Run out the door screaming

And often the

Nabors knock at the door

Telling us to

Shh or keep it down

#### J VAN DER WESTHUIZEN 5D

#### THE OCEAN

Dangerous, Frightful! Immersing; fills me with awe. Rough, Restless, Cold waves.

■ TARYN BROWN GR 5D

#### **BOKNES**

I went to the beach To look for buried treasure I found it ... I'm rich!

MATTHEW HUSON GR 5D

Inexplicable God's cool hand comforting Me when I'm too hot.

KALLUM TRYTSMAN GR 5D

#### SOUTH AFRICAN POEM

There once was a rainbow nation. Who rose from a bad situation. Then came Mandela Who united us all together.

And I'm part of that generation.

P RATHBONE 5D

#### A FARM CALLED BENGHOIL

On a farm called Benghoil Where boys have to toil Sat Ryan in a smock Smashing rocks on a block To improve the condition of the soil

R BRISTOW 5D

#### WHY ARE CLOUDS WHITE?

In the beginning the clouds were given the most beautiful colours since their wispy, shapeless appearance was nothing without colour. They were red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet. The clouds were given these good looks on one condition: they never let their anger hurt anyone.

The clouds were pleased with this easy bargain as the most that when they were angry was that it rained.

All clouds had a mistress called Scarlet. She was in charge of them. Scarlet was a unicorn.

One day a little boy was playing in a field near by Scarlet's house when he happened to glance up into the sky.

Now this boy was a very curious little boy and clouds hate questions. They despise questions. There is no real reason for this but questions make clouds angry!

"Why are you so wispy?" asked the innocent

Oh no! This wasn't just any question but one that toughed on the clouds weakness: their wispiness!

The clouds glared and it started to drizzle.



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pour. "Why is it raining?" Another question! The clouds went ballistic!

The boy ran off home as the clouds ranted and raged! They went on! It rained, it poured, and it bucketed! Still the clouds didn't stop. This went on for three days!

On the fourth day it started to flood! Everything was wet! The world smelt musty! People screamed!

On the fifth day the rain stopped yet everything was ruined and people had lost their homes! This meant the clouds had broken their promise!

Scarlet took their colours and spread them across the sky. From then on whenever it rained there was a rainbow!

■ TBROWN 5D

#### HOW HYENA KEPT LAUGHING

One day when Hyena woke up he gazed up at the sunrise and wished he was humorous but he was miserable, tired, depressed and hoped he would cheer up.

Every animal tried to cheer him up or tell him a joke or two but it was no use, Hyena would just sigh and moan as he would walk away. Even on his Birthday he would just find a quiet place and sleep.

Until one day all the animals were so fed up that they decided to have a meeting by the Huge Rock.

After a while all the animals were met at the Huge Rock except for Hyena who was sleeping. After a lot of arguing Monkey had a grand idea that Lion should tell a joke "Because Lion has never told a joke to Hyena

And he might be funny besides he might just laugh at how he looks". So then all the animals agreed that Lion will meet him Hyena the next day.

The following morning Lion was strolling around the savannah looking for Hyena to tell a joke to. When he did find him he was sleeping so Lion gave a roar and immediately Hyena sprang as high as he could that Springbuck got jealous. When Hyena got his nerve back lion got ready to tell a joke but before he got the chance Hyena started to chuckle and then laugh! Lion asked in a shock "what's so funny I didn't even get a chance to tell a joke!?" When Hyena got his chuckling controlled he said "sorry it's just that you have such a wicked hairstyle ha! Ha! From that day foreword Hyena couldn't stop laughing that the animals were more annoyed than proud that they got Hyena to finally laugh that is why today hyenas keep laughing!

■ M HUSON 5D

#### HOW THE SUN GOT HIS FLAME

A very long time ago, when there were two moons, and no sun to light up the way, so it was always very dark and people had to make fires to be able to see anything.

The people were annoyed that they always had to light fire to see, so they all decided to make a big fire in the middle of the village so that all could see their way around.

The people all set off to find as much wood as they could, and put it all in the middle of the village.

The village elder lit the fire and slowly the flame got higher and higher until it was so high that it was touching the second moon! The second moon burst into flames and filled the land with bright colours!

The people were overjoyed and they praised the second moon and gave it a new name: Sun.

When the first moon heard about the sun's beautiful flame, it became so terribly jealous. It wished to seek out the sun and steal its flame.

So whenever the moon comes looking for the sun, the sun disappears, and returns only when the moon is gone.

■ A YOUNG 5D

#### SCHOOL, SCHOOL TYPICAL SCHOOL

English, Math, Geography Science, SOS, Biology Drama, Art, Technology Pencils, pens, erasers Some even have lazers Those are for the dazers Books worksheets homework too! I have no clue what to do! I need help from you and you! But I really need the loo! So, can I go Miss Clue?

#### ■ AMELIE APPELT

#### THE COLD WINTER NIGHT

The icy winds on the cold winter night Without a single spark of light The Sun tries to fight for its right But fails against winter With its beautiful white glitter The trees are all naked Without being warm They just hope the Sun will make it And pray there will not be a storm If there is one Please don't be too rough Because our poor Sun Isn't that tough

Winter winds, winter ice Please don't make us pay the price All the animals are hidden away To come out a sunnier day Maybe some winter birds will come to play But let's just see what they will say Put on the winters ring Because I love to watch everything Inside my warm cottage thing It's wonderful to have a winter With its beautiful glitter That makes everything white On this cold winter night

#### ■ AMELIE APPELT

#### FIRE POEMS

The flames came down the hill like water on a mountain side. There were only ashes and smoke. The trees and animals had died. They sent in the fire fighters and tried to stop the flames. It took them forever but they stopped it in a couple of days. The flames did so much damage to the bushes and the trees. The only colour was blackand no signs of green.

#### R CAIGER

A fire is like a lion Roaring and frightening all the people in its path, and scaring them away.

A fire is like a lion Never dies and hard to tameand always wins the fight.

A fire is like a lion Killing animals and their homes, and eating them alive.

#### ■ G LANKESTER

#### COLD WINTER

In the bare, cold trees There is in buzzing of the bees The crisp cold morning air There is no fruit in the trees, nor a pear Drinking hot chocolate next to the flames Listening to stories told by Uncle James I wear a coat, gloves and a scarf I love playing in the snow, it makes me laugh

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The cold night and the misty mornings Frost on the grass as the sun is dawning

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Chipping ice off the windscreen of our car Making snow angles, I'm loving the winter so far.

#### R KNOTT

#### THE FAMILY BRAAL

The fire is burning,

The steak is cooking,

And the jokes are turning,

Music is on drinks are in.

But watch out before the beer kicks in,

The coals are alive while the smoke rises.

Friends and family come and cheer,

You must arrive before the beer gets here,

It's a hot day and I am hot jump in the pool before you dry out,

Come family it's time for tea but it won't be long before you can leave.

#### ■ B HOBSON

#### THE STOWAWAY OF THE SEA

(extract)

I am stuck in one of the crates belonging to Bill Jarphongtan, onboard one of the lifeboats. The crate is locked, I can't get out and I'm starving. I can hear Polly barking! He must also be on the lifeboat, or am I hallucinating? I don't know. The only way to see out is through the small slits in between the planks that make this small crate.

Oh no! There's a huge ship heading for the boat, and for me and Polly! It could even be the Carpathia, but it might not be, and even if it is, Jarphongtan could be on it. I am not taking my chances. The problem - it seems to be getting closer and closer, and continuously gaining speed. Polly's gone mad and is barking like there's no tomorrow, but I can't blame her as there probably isn't! The boat's bobbing up and down even more vigorously now, as the ship approaches. How I got here, is what I will tell you in these last few minutes, or maybe even seconds, before my inevitable death!

#### ■ C COCKCROFT

#### I FOUND MYSELF IN A BLUR OF SPEED

The sun was slowly rising in the cool early morning breeze. Shadows flickered across the track ahead and the insects buzzed noisily. The Impala nibbled the new shoots of grass, flicking their tails furiously at the midges. The Mountain Reedbuck gave off a loud whistle from high up on the mountainside.

Ears pricked and hooves flying over the ground, tail held high,

nostrils flared and eyes wide. Her muscles rippled and veins bulging, her back arched as she pulled against my tight grip. My muscles tensed. My heart pounded against my chest. "I must hold her back." I told myself. Her hindquarters were streaked with sweat as her mane bounced with each stride. I loosened my grip as she snatched at the reins. I crouched low against her neck becoming streamlined with her. Gazing through her delicate ears, my hair was whipped from my face and my legs were tense against her sides. My eyes stung from the cool blast of air. Watching the Impala scatter ahead of us in fright of us in flight. I held her back to take the bend ahead of us, but that would not slow her. Her hooves galloped on, gathering speed. She threw her head in frustration and fought my grip. My muscles strained to hold on, hugging the bend at a tilt. Each stride was crucial. If either one of us made a mistake, it could be life threatening at this speed.

The world faded around me as I found myself in a blur of speed, tearing up the track. Nothing would stop her now. I knew the dangers ahead before I even took the bend. I knew this could happen. It did. I slipped, my foot fell from the iron faster than a split second. I clamped my leg against her side in shock, causing her to quicken her pace. She shied sideways, just avoiding the rocks piled up on the side of the track marking out a deep hole. Clinging on for dear life, I grabbed her mane to steady myself and held back my scream that would only frighten her more. I regained my balance and swung myself into the saddle in one easy motion. Sitting deep in the saddle like a sack of grain strapped to her back, she couldn't get rid of me that easily.

I let out a sigh of relief and relaxed, concentrating on the track up ahead and on the grass which now shone golden. The dew shimmered on the perfectly spun spider webs in the grass,

like silk thread with little glittering diamonds and on the warm comforting sun. The steam puffed out her nostrils into the cool air and the rhythm of her hooves pounding the ground was reassuring. If it could only carry on like this forever, but nothing lasts forever, no moment ever. But the moment is worth living for. Every second of it is worth it, it always is.







# Grade

#### THE ELEPHANT WHISPER

Deep in the heart of Africa two elephants, Jano and Tristan, were falling behind the two herds.

Jano: Oh Tiki! (Tristan's nickname). I'm so hot from walking in the sun all day. (He moaned)

Tristan: Oh, I think I saw a waterhole just over vonder.

(Jano and Tristan played in the waterhole for a good 10 minutes)

Jano: Wow! That sure cooled me off.

Tristan: Uh, Uh, Ja...a...no I think we lost the herd

Jano: But we have to see Lawrence. (He started to crv)

Tristan: No tears! We will find Lawrence.

Slowly, but surely they started to make their way to Lawrence. But during the journey they got the strangest feeling and it was so gut wrenching, it almost felt like physical pain. But deep down they knew what would happen, but they couldn't bring their hearts to believe

Jano and Tristan: We will miss you forever. (With a sadness that will never go away).

#### ■ T MATI AND K VAN STADEN

#### I FOUND MYSELF

I found myself stranded on an island, in the middle of nowhere, I could hear the sound of rushing water, animals and the sound of the sea. When I tried to get up, but I realised I was stuck in sand. The sand was up to my neck and I was well and truly stuck. I then tried to free my arms by pulling hard. I pushed down with both arms and legs and then I was free. I was exhausted and it took me a while to calm myself. I was just bothered by one thing, why AM I HERE? I was hungry, cold and ALONE.

I stood up and looked from side to side to see if I could see anything. Then out of the corner of my eye, I saw something that had washed up ashore and I slowly walked towards it. As I got closer, I realised that it was a battered crate. I found a small rock and started to break the mouldy planks that were softened from the sea water. I gingerly looked inside and there was a waterproof chest. I pushed the crate over and the chest fell out. It wasn't locked and Inside the chest was an emergency bag full of food, blankets, a Swiss pocket knife, 4 flares, and a fire starter.

I sauntered along the shore and picked up drift wood along the way. Days had passed by and I had ventured deep into a jungle. I had already set up a camp and had made a hammock to keep me away from the deadly insects on the jungle floor.

I suddenly heard the low siren of a ship that was far out at sea. I ran, as fast as I could holding the 4 flares in my hand and I lit one of the four and waved the flare. Surely they would be able to see me. Nothing happened, so I lit two more flares and waved them too. Still nothing! I had one last chance, I ran back to the camp and grabbed my hammock and lit it with the last flare to make a fire, to signal the ship passing.

At long last, I saw a helicopter and I was taken to safety.

#### ■ C GAILEY

I found myself lying down in the vast Karoo desert with no water or food. I came to notice that I had taken a big blow to the head from a rock or something, but I seemed fine. I began to drag my weary feet in search of civilization, but I realised I needed to find something to eat and drink.

I gathered some wood to make a fire, got an empty bottle and found this small type of oasis with fresh water, but I couldn't find anything to eat. The next morning I found myself lying in a puddle, as it had been raining, but it was still so hot.

Later on in the day when the dark clouds moved away, I found some dried up sticks and made some shade using my shirt as an umbrella over the sticks. I walked south and after four hours of walking I came across some klipspringers and threw a rock at the fattest one. I hit it on the head with such force and I ate delicious meat that night. For the next few days I was still going south and found myself at a beach and I knew if I walked along there I would eventually find civilization. I walked for about a day and a half until there was a road somewhere in the mountains so I followed it and it lead me to a town which I called Slumtown. Some people said that I was delirious and needed to see a doctor, but that meant that I had to walk again. I saw the doctor and he told me I was dehydrated and needed to eat something and didn't stop me from eating a McFeast to fill me up. The next day I got a job.I carried on with my life as if nothing had happened. I found myself back in society, but I had to work hard to claim my position. It was a good life and I found myself with a family within next ten years.

#### ■ M FOURIE

#### ...... IN CHAINS

Taken from the world of which I knew, Forced to the coast,

To travel to the world of where snow blew, No language I knew of the most,

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Seen to the world ruled by the Unknown, Sold in an auction.

To be a slave.

Given a new name,

That further embarrass me,

Working in the sleet snow and rain, If only they could feel my rath and my pain, But alas, until I'm old, useless and all, I shall be free yet have a nasty fall,

Until then, I work, get punished, the routine, Hoeing new fields,

Planting new seeds.

I was taken from the world I knew, To work in the world of which snow blew...

#### ■ ANDREW RATHBONE

#### THE HUNGRY FLAME

The hungry flame eating everything in its path With RAGING FURY and powerful rath

"Run Run!" the people cry Then they watch the animals die

"Why Why" the people say "Whoever did this they must pay"

We have NO House NO Home And that person should know

Breathing in the oxygen to make more flames Everybody wondering who to blame Poor animal's blood rushing thru their veins All they are hearing is the smashing of window pains

They are confused They are surrounded by burning fumes

As the people drive helplessly by In their mind they think "Why Lord why"

Why what did this happen to us is the lesson It feels like complete rejection

So we drop to our knees and ask this question

"Lord, why haven't you given us our daily blessina."

#### M SISHUBA

#### THE PAIN OF SLAVERY

My siblings and I were kidnapped in the late 1840s and the kidnappers threw us in the back of a bakkie, which was filled with men, women and children of all ages. We were shocked as we did not know what was going on and surprisingly the kidnappers threw some of our friends and their parents in the back of the bakkie too.

We asked the other terrified people what was going on and they explained to us that we were going to be sold as slaves in America. We were then transported to the port and we got out of the bakkie. I was surprised to see so many white people there, as I have never seen any white person before. The kidnappers put us into a big cargo ship. The ship was filled with thousands and thousands of people crying, yelling and screaming their lungs out. It was at dawn when we left the port and when we arrived at our destination in Maryland, New York the next day. It was bright and sunny, but dark in the ship. We were taken out of the ship. thrown onto another bakkie and then taken to the area were the auction took place.

There were about two hundred buyers at the stand and we were huddled up in a group. crying our eyes out and so scared of what was going to happen to us as we watched the others being sold. A while later, one of the white men came up to me, un-cuffed me, grabbed me by my hand and pushed me onto the stage. As the auctioneer was bidding, one of the men told me to move up and down the stairs as they were convinced that my right foot was lame. I was finally sold for \$500 to a French man called Jean Pierre. Pierre grabbed me and threw me into his truck along with twenty other slaves. On our way to his house, it was raining heavily and I was inconsolable,

> knowing that I would never see my siblings or parents ever again. It was a long trip and we

got there late at night. He took us to a room that had rats and rodents and he told us that we would be sleeping in there. At first, I was terrified, but the question was how were we all supposed to fit in that room?

In the morning when I woke up, I felt like all the parts of my body were crushed like a melon, because I had shared a bed with five people. Our owner took us to the field and he forced us to work in the various plantations. It was such a harsh environment to work in and I will never forget it for the rest of my life.

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#### ■ F MARO

#### TWELVE YEARS A SLAVE!

It was an unusual hot autumn day when I was forced into a cage with 40 other women. We had to stand from tallest to shortest in age groups, which made me first. I was tangled in the chains around my feet and that made it difficult for me to walk. The auctioneer called me the matriarch of a herd of elephants! He spoke to me rudely and told them my name was Sarah

He was wrong and I did not believe him. He had lied as my name is Axoliswa. He impressed the buyers by giving them false information. He started auctioning me at \$100, because they classified me as the 'hard worker'. The auctioneer was talking recklessly and making jokes about me, which people found hilarious. It wasn't funny as he was rude and he degraded me.

I ended up being sold to a man with 5 children and 2 wives, for \$375. A tall man indeed came up to the stage proudly. He looked at the auctioneer and whispered at him, "You're still in debt to me, that money will help me pay it!" He had a long silent pause then sharply faced me. He turned and twisted me around like a dice. I was his now, I couldn't do anything to prevent the harassment. He grabbed me by the collar of my calico top and pulled me offstage into his truck.

We arrived at his farm just a few hours before midnight. My master then led me into my new home - a small shack not more than 5 metres





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wide. He told me that I will be living there for the rest of my years, so I better get used to it. He provided me with a bucket for showering, two sets of clothes and a mattress with no sheets or blankets. The next morning he woke me up with a shotgun to my head. He never even gave me time to shower and I had not showered for the past 15 days.

He struck me with a thick bamboo on my way there. He told me I must start working immediately. My first job was cutting down sugar canes while he sat under a tree shade drinking Irish whisky. I shed tears in the hot humid 131 Fahrenheit weather. I missed my family!

D MAYANJA

#### **GRAAD 6 BESKRYWINGS**

Hierdie voorwerp kom in baie verskillende kleure. Daar kan prentjies of woorde daarop wees. Dit is van blou denim gemaak en kan goeters rondra; meesal dinge waarmee jy kan skryf en inkleur. Ek het 'n lang, blou een met 'n groen ritssluiter. In skole word dit gebruik deur leerlinge en onderwysers. Jy kan hierdie voorwerp in verskillende grotes kry. Raai wat is dit?

#### A APPELT

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Dit is soos 'n reghoek aan die voorkant en onder die reghoek is die enjin. Die agterkant is 'n cabinet waarin die bestuurder sit. Daar is twee groot bande aan die agterkant en aan die voorkant is kleiner bande. Hierdie voorwerp kom in alle groottes. Jy kry hulle met dakke en party is sonder dakke. Die ding kan 'n sleepwa of 'n ploeg trek. Raai wat is dit?

#### ■ R KNOTT

Stoute dinge wat ek al gedoen het.

Toe ek jonger was, het ek my rok en die gordyne gesny met 'n skêr en my ma was baie kwaad. Ek het ook altyd my groente vir die honde gevoer toe my ouers nie kyk nie. Gelukkia het hulle nie uitgevind nie! Een keer het ek my niggie in die swembad gestoot met al haar klere aan. Sy was baie vies met my!

#### A APPELT

Wel, dit was die eerste keer dat ek by Iris oorgeslaap het. Ons het gewag tot middernag om ons eie dansparty te hou met net twee mense. Vroeg al, het ons gesê ons gaan slaap. Ek het aangetrek soos 'n 'belly dancer' en Iris soos 'n outydse koningin. Ons het gewag tot al die ligte af was en toe begin ons!

#### A MCNALLY

Ek wens...

Ek wens dat ek vir Jesse Clegg en sy pa kan ontmoet, want ek hou baie van die musiek wat hulle skrvf.

mishandel. Hulle behoort baie straf te kry as hulle so iets doen.

Ek wens daar was net twee dae van skool en vyf dae van naweek, want skool maak my so moea!

#### A MCNALLY

Ek wens dat wanneer ek ouer is, ek 'n aktrise sal wees omdat ek drama wil studeer.

Ek wens ek kon vlieg, maar dit sal nie gebeur nie – net in my drome!

Ek wens dat ek in die O.P. Waterpolo-span aanvaar word sodat ek die Oos-Kaap kan verteenwoordig in sport.

Ek wens dat mense sal ophou om renosters te stroop omdat ek nie oor hulle wil praat soos oor dinosorusse nie.

Ek wens dat mense sal ophou om geniepsig te wees, want dit maak ander mense hartseer.

#### ■ G LANKESTER

#### **GRAAD 6 LIMERIEKE**

'n Dame wat woon in Parvs het 'n baie groot wit en swart huis. Daar is baie deure. die kleur van haar klere aroen, wit, geel en grys.

#### A APPELT EN D STAVRIDIS

'n Sekere Mybel van Tonder is baie bang vir die donker. Sy het 'n groot kat, wat slaap op die mat. Die dier is regtig 'n wonder!



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'n Dame wat woon in Parys het aekyk hoe die son rys. Sy sit op die grond, sonder om te frons. met haar koffie en beskuit.

R CAIGER EN L KINGHAN

#### **GRAAD 6 THOMAS BAINES UITSTAPPIE**

Helder Modderia Aangenaam Swart

Bruin Aksie-rvk Inheems Noodsaaklik Ea

Skitterend ■ B HOBSON

Tradisioneel Helder Oud Mooi Aktief Skoon

Breed Aantreklik Intelligent Nat Elegant Swart

I NEL

#### LIEWE DAGBOEK

Woensdag, 14 Oktober Nadat ek opgestaan en aangetrek het, het ek saam met my pa die plaas gaan kyk.

Hy was besig om 'n nuwe pomphuis te bou. Hy moet dit voor die naweek klaar maak sodat die bome water kan kry. Ons het ook die nuwe motorfiets gery. Dit is 'n Yamaha AG200 vir die

■ R KNOTT

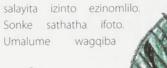
#### **ELWANDLE**

NgoMgqibelo we 20 kaSeptemba savuka sahlamba, sanxiba impahla zokudada sapakisha izinto zaselwandle, sahamba saya eOrient Beach nosapho.

Safika sakhupha izinto sahlala esantini. Mna nobhuti wam satshixa imoto. Umama wabiza abazala bam, umalume, umakhulu nabahlobo bam uLisa noLihle Kekezwa. Bonke bafika sadlala ibhola, umama wasibiza satya inyama yenkuku. Sakuggiba sadlala ivolibholi, sadada eLaguni ndabona unokrwece emanzini. ndawukhupha emanzini. Ndabona unonkala ndamqibisela emanzini umama wava ekhava wayo thatha into yokoja sathenga enye invama. Umama kaLisa wava evenkileni wayo thenga iplanga lokuwiza.

Umama kaLisa wabuya neplanga lokuwiza uLisa wayowiza. Mna ndayothatha iplanga elinamavili ndasusa amavili ndakuggiba ndayowiza nam. Umalume wayokoja, utata wathatha unomathotholo. ULihle wancedisa umalume ngokoja. Umama wandibiza wathi mandigade umntwana yena uya evenkileni uyothenga ezazinto zokudlala

zilayitayo.Utata wathatha ikhamera emotweni. Kwathi kusenjalo ubhuti wawa emanzini. Unonkala wamtsweba kubhontsi, waphuma ngoko emanzini. Umama wabuya ndathatha imatshisi emotweni ubhuti



ukukoja. Sonke satya saggiba sagogosha izinto sagoduka.

#### ■ IMAZWAI

#### **UMZI WEZILWANYANA ZASENDLE**

KwakungoLwesine ezintsukwini, sihamba nootitshala bethu. Sasivuya kakhulu sisiya kumzi wezilwanyana. Safika esikolweni utitshala wasikhwelisa ebhasini. Kube mnandi kakhulu endleleni sihambe, sihleka ebhasini.

Side safika apho sasisiya khona. Safika ehekeni kuvaliwe asakwazi ukungena.

Unogada walapho wathi masilinde phandle kwiindawo yezilwanyana iiyure ezinthathu, kuba, umzingeli ongenamvume uvule iheke kwiindawo yemikhombe, vaphuma, Oosomahlathi

bakhangela imikhombe, amapolisa asukela umzingeli.

Abanye abantwana babesoyika, abanye bezipholele nje bedlala itshesi, ndaza mna ndadlala nabo. Emva kweyure enye, uWanda waba nexhala, wathi uza kufika emva kwexesha kumdaniso wakhe. UTawanda wathi ufuna ukugoduka. UDami wathi unesithukuthezi.

Emva kwevure ezinthathu, unoqada wathi singakwazi ukungena, ngoba amapolisa ambambile umzingeli.

Kuqala sitye umngqusho eholweni. Emva koko sakhwela iLandrover. UGreg wathi ubona ihlosi elihle. Sonke salibona ihlosi, Sibone indlovu enkulu, kodwa inobubele. Sibone imazi-yengonyama izala ithole. Emva koko sagoduka kumnandi.

#### ■ C COCKCROFT

#### **UMHLA NGENGXAKI**

KwakungoLwesine ezintsukwini, sihamba nootitshala bethu. Sasivuva kakhulu sisiva kumzi wezilwanyana. Safika esikolweni utitshala wasikhwelisa ebhasini. Kube mnandi kakhulu endleleni sihamba sihleka ebhasini.

Side safika apho sasisiya khona. Safika ehekeni kuvaliwe asakwazi ukungena. Unogada walapho wathi iingonyama ziphumile kwindawo zazo. Ingonyama zazithe saa endleleni. Unogada ufune ukuzisusa kodwa azafuna ukuhamba. Ihlosi lifune ukutya inxakhwe. Umkhombe wagumba, wafuna ukugila inciniba. Zide zangeniswa, izilwanyana. Sangena kwindawo yezilwanyana. Sadlala umbhoxo nesoka. uJJ

wayikhaba ibhola yangene emanzini. Ingwenya yavela. Sayibona thina, kodwa uJJ noLathi abayibonanga. uJJ wangena emanzini, yaphuma ingwenya. Babaleka



njengo Usain Bolt.

Emva koko satya inyama yenkuku. Abanye abantwana bahambile, bayojonga umthi okufutsane, kodwa abayibonanga ingonyama. Ingonyama yatsiba, yaphantse yatsibela phezu komnye wabo. Babaleka bangena ebhasini ingekabafumani ingonyama.

#### D ODUNUGA

#### **UHAMBO NGENQWELOMOYA**

Uhambo lwam ngenqwelo-moya belumnandi kakhulu. Bendihambe nabahlobo bam uMatthew Stretton, uJoshua Maritz kunye noEmily Webber. Besiya eNgilane. Sihambe ngengwelomoya yaseMzantsi Afrika.

Inqwelomoya yethu ithathe iiyure ezilishumi elinanye. Sakhwela sayokuhlala ezitulweni zethu. Mna bendihleli ecaleni koEmily. Safaka amabhanti enqwelomoya kuze singa ngqubeki xa kukho ingxaki. Kwafika oobhuti bafaka izifafazi ukuze izifo zasemMzantsi Afrika zingade zifikelele eNgilane. Umabona kude walayita, kwavela omnye usisi wachaza indawo nendlela zokuphuma ukuba kungakho inqxaki. Emva koko, kwathetha umqhubi. Wathi sihambe kakuhle, wachaza ukuba siza kufika ngabani

ixesha eNgilane.

Sihambe ezoyure zilishumi elinanye. Endleleni eyayo satya isophoro, ngoba sakhwela ebusuku. Kusasa ke ngoku satya isidlo sakusasa. Bekumnandi okokutya. Kwiyure yesine, kwafika omnye usisi wabuza mna nabahlobo bam ukuba sisalungile na? Thina sathi ewe, saphinda, sathi enkosi kakhulu, wasinika amanzi nezinye izinto zokusela. Mna ndabukela umboniso bhanya-bhanya kunye noEmily. Ndazama ukulala, kodwa, andakwazi, ngoba izitulo zazilalisa kakubi. Ekuqgibeleni ndalala, noxa ndalala iyurana nje ezimbalwa. Safika eNgilane, wathi umqhubi, sijonge ngaphandle sabona..... Yho! Kuhle kakhulu eNgilane.

Inqwelo-moya yethu yade yafika emhlabeni. Savuya kakhulu! Belumnandi kakhulu uhambo lwam ngengwelomoya!

#### ■ L MBENYANA

#### **NGUMNTU ONJANI UMAMA?**

Umama ngumntu othandekayo. Umama ngumgcini khaya. Xa engekho umama ikhaya ayilo khaya. Ngumama ke lowo. Umama ngumntu owamnkela iindwendwe
Aziphe iti namaqebengwana.
Ndimqhwabela izandla umama
Ngezinto asenzela zona
Soz' umbon' ediniwe.
Ndingathetha ndithini na ngomama!
Singahlala kude kuse.
Ndithanda ntonye ngomama
Soz' akuphoxe noba sekutheni
Nanko ke umama!

#### ■ L LUKWE

#### MAMA ENDIMTHANDAYO,

Namhlanje ndifunde ukwenza isaladi yeziqhamo.

Ndifuna imengo, ipayina, ivatala, ikiwi, iidiliya nepopo. Ndenza nje;

- > Ndihlamba izandla zam.
- > Ndichube, ndisike iziqhamo zam kakuhle.
- Ndisika imengo, ipayina, ivatala, ikiwi, iidiliya nepopo.
- Ndigalela iziqhamo zam esityeni, ndizidibanise.
- Isaladi yeziqhamo, ikulungele ukutyiwa Uze uyonwabele mama kuba ufundiswe ngumntwana wakho.
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# **SECURING GRAHAMSTOWN**



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# **Senior Primary**

# Academic Report

hilst the changes in education over the last decade have been many and varied, there has been a resurging need to actively develop in our pupils the other three Rs' – reasoning, resilience and responsibility. Given the frenetic pace and demands of society, these three skills are essential for success in life.

We owe it to our children to teach them how to be critical thinkers. Fisher (1998) in 'Teaching Thinking' says, 'A good teacher makes you think even when you don't want to.' Teaching critical thinking skills has been identified as one of the strategic academic imperatives for the College. Junior School teachers attended an I.E.B. workshop entitled. "The Critical Learner'. The focus was to ensure that our pupils are able to read critically; consider information from multiple sources; seek and consider alternative hypotheses; distinguish between important and less important information in order to analyse and draw meaningful conclusions; recognise faulty thinking such as bias and prejudice: organise thoughts and articulate them concisely and coherently; see similarities and analogies that are not superficially apparent; and learn independently and display a sustained interest in doing so. The workshop created a springboard for the development of a formalised, structured policy to teach and assess the development of critical thinking skills across all grades. We have already had one follow-up workshop to exchange ideas.

Another important academic development this year has been the launch of the I.E.B. Primary Schools' Initiative. The aims are to address specific primary school concerns around critical learning and assessment practices; to provide workshops and training; to keep schools informed about national and international trends; to provide opportunities for

professional development; to provide external validation (bench marks) of school standards: to provide the latest information about Education Policies; and to establish a PSI Conference at Regional level.

This will create opportunities for teachers to interact with colleagues from other independent schools more regularly through 'cluster groups', conferences and workshops. We have the opportunity to participate in a

new external I.E.B. bench-marking test for Grade 7s, which will assess skills needed for high school and so ensure continuity. It is intended to be an assessment that focuses on the skills, application of knowledge and attitudes required by a citizen of the 21st century.

In the area of Technology there have been a number of developments as well. We have purchased licences to run an exciting online software programme, 'My Cyberwall', across all learning areas; and the new on-line 'Children's Britannica'. We are also discussing the selection of relevant online textbooks which will make access to information much easier for our pupils. The intention is to initially pilot this in Grade 6 and 7 next year.

A number of staff attended workshops hosted by the Elsen Academy. Key-note topics included 'The Brain and Focusing', 'The Brain and Sensory Processing' and 'The Brain and Movement'. Mrs Catherine Euijen also attended the Conference for Education and Healthcare Professionals.

Of particular interest was the latest research and medication regarding ADD/ADHD by Dr Jody Pearl, a neurologist from Johannesburg. Dr Stephanie Gottwald from Boston trains educators in the RAVE-O specialist reading intervention programme, for children with dyslexia. We are keen to invite her to address our staff in the near future.

The main topic of our 'Teach' Conference this year was 'Visible Learning' (John Hattie). The information focused on the extensive research findings of John Hattie, regarding the influences/innovations which have the greatest impact in increasing student achievement. Some of these include student expectations, classroom discussion, assessment and effective feedback to ensure deep learning and study skills.

There have been many academic highlights and successes from our pupils throughout the year.

Our Inter-House Maths Relay Competition was held in Foundation Hall at the end of January. Eight teams participated in a very exciting competition which was characterised by great camaraderie, much cheering and even a few songs. A comment which was overheard was, 'Gee, I never realised Maths could be such fun!' Slater emerged the winners, followed by Tarr, Dacam and Rich.

Rhodes University hosted a special 'Maths Experience' for Grade 7 pupils, who were interested in attending the course. The event was designed to challenge and entertain the children, and to stimulate interest in Mathematics. The 7 pupils wrote the same paper as Grade 8s, and acquitted themselves well. Of the sixty Grade 7 and 8 pupils who wrote, Elly Maro was placed fourth. These pupils were able to attend regular problem-solving sessions to develop their ability and to prepare

> them for the Olympiads. All Grade 4 to 7 pupils wrote the first round

of the South African Mathematic's Foundation Challenge. It consisted of twenty complex problems which had to be solved in an hour. Nationwide tens of thousands of pupils enter this challenge and we were delighted when thirty one of our pupils made it to the final round.

In February the Grade 4s held their annual Pirates Day, They arrived, looking appropriately

scary, brandishing swords and revolvers! After having a tricky Mathematics session with pirate puzzles, the pupils told the class their pirate stories. They read pirate maps, drew pirate ships, listened to pirate poems and created their own 'pirate boats' from edibles!

Kingswood Junior Grade 7 pupils once again participated in the Exclusive Books LitQuiz competition in Port Elizabeth. Four Grade 6 pupils attended as observers. Wayne Mills, the guizmaster, who flew in from New Zealand to test the teams, opened with these words. "You need to have read every book written in the English Language over the past 300 years to take part in this quiz!" What he was implying was that pupils need to be widely read and he asked questions about books written 100 years ago, to the latest reads. Twenty two teams were represented at St Georges Preparatory and the competition was really tough. There were 10 rounds with 10 questions in each round. Some of the categories were: Princesses, Harry Potter and Body Parts.





Kungawo Lutshaba.

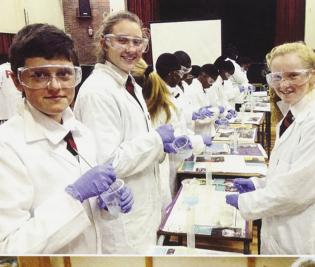
Above Right: Science Day – Gizelle de Klerk, Erin Meikle and Jenna Wright discovering the wonders of Science.

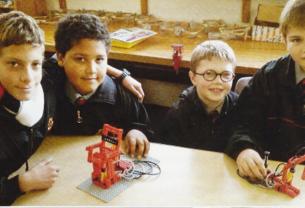
Right: Mathew Vivier, Rahl Caiger, Colby Cockcroft and Callum Sholto-Douglas with their Robotic designs.

Below: Grade 5s entertaining their Grandpas and Grandmas.
Below Right: Science Day – Tristan Haller and Fergus McCune
Bottom Left: Kingswood/Bath Exchange students – Joshua Maritz, Matthew

Stretton, Lukho Mbenyana, Emily Webber.

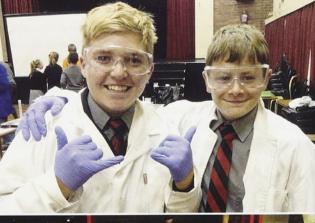
Bottom Right: Maths Relay competition – Maths is fun.













Our team consisting of Tana Mati, Joshua Maritz, Kungawo Lutshaba and Andrew Rathbone did us proud by winning one round, and they were placed 7th overall.

Our Junior School Parents' Association purchased new games for our pupils to enjoy in the library. These were specifically selected to test and develop critical thinking skills and will be well used on cold winter afternoons.

The Grade 7s were given an opportunity to observe and participate in a Chemistry Demonstration put on by the Rhodes University Chemistry Department. They saw the effects of liquid nitrogen; how a liquid changes colour as the PH levels change; and watched balloons with helium and oxygen pop. They were then able to conduct their own experiments. This included making jelly from borax and polyvinyl alcohol, as well as timing and observing how long it took magnesium to dissolve in hydrochloric acid.

In May we hosted our Internal Eisteddfod, covering all three languages offered at Kingswood. It was wonderful to see the great number of entrants and thanks are due to all Language teachers for arranging this event, as well as to our adjudicators Mrs Vivienne van der Merwe, Mr Denzil Fincham and Mr Siphelo Mtshiki for giving up their time to perform this important role.

#### There were many notable and outstanding achievements. The summary of results was as follows:

English: Gold awards for groups in Grades 4, 5, 6 and 7 as well as 9 Bronze, 34 Silver, 32 Gold and 4 Double Gold (Tawanda Nhlapo, Zoe Chadwick, Megan Schmidt and Darius Govender) individual awards.

isiXhosa: 8 Bronze, 16 Silver, 12 Golds and 1 Double Gold (Jordan Mildenhall) award.

Afrikaans: 6 Bronze, 16 Silver, 5 Gold and 1 Double Gold (Darius Govender) award

In the Unprepared English Reading section there were 8 Bronze; 18 Silver; and 5 Gold Awards.

As part of their Social Science module on vegetable farming in the Eastern Cape, the Grade 4 classes made vegetable soup; engaged in discussions about poverty and poverty alleviation. The soup was taken to the Little Red Dragon pre-school children. Our pupils spent a happy hour entertaining these little ones.

A number of Grade 7 pupils entered the Public Speaking competition in August. Mr Dowdle and Andrew Loizou, a public speaker of note, were

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the adjudicators. Andrew gave the speakers good advice and feedback. Kasonde Mutale was adjudged the Best Public Speaker of 2015. The title of her talk was, 'My biggest concern for the future'.

All the Grade 4 to 7 pupils wrote the South African Council for English Education (SACEE) assessments. Competition is always very stiff and this year close to 3500 students from 102 well- resourced and, in most cases, academically strong schools participated. In analysing the results it was most pleasing to note that every grade at Kingswood was above the national average by between 2 and 11 %.

Grade 5, 6 and 7 pupils also wrote the Afrikaans Conquesta assessments in the third term. Five of our pupils achieved Platinum Awards (85-100%); there were nine Diamond Awards (76 - 84%); seven Gold Awards (70 - 75%) and ten Silver Awards (60 - 69%).

In November we received the results of the I.E.B. Grade 6 Core Skills Tests. This is a non-curriculum based assessment which focuses on the application of skills and knowledge that a Grade 6 pupil should have developed over a period of time in school. The pupils are assessed across four strands - Language thinking; Mathematical thinking; Visual Literacy; Complex thinking (higher order thinking skills). According to the I.E.B 3840 Independent School pupils wrote the tests. Our results in all the strands were above the I.E.B level.

A number of individual pupils attained very pleasing results. Gemma Lankester - 95%; Amelie Appelt - 94%; Callum Sholto-Douglas - 84%; Blyth Hobson - 82%; Colby Cockcroft - 79%; Sarah Albers - 78%; Daniel Reid - 76%; Iris Vos - 75%. A further 13 pupils scored between 60 and 74%.

This has been a busy year on the academic front. Our Staff Development Programme and various bench-marking tests serve to inform our planning and teaching, and keep us on the cutting edge of good practice.

#### ■ J REDPATH

## ART

rt continues to be taught in the Junior School as part of the school curriculum. Grades 1 to 4 pupils are taught by their respective class teachers and Grades 5 to 7 classes are taught by Mr Dowdle. The Grade 5s are taught throughout each term, but the two Grade 6 classes alternate in six week cycles between Art and Economic Management Sciences. The three Grade 7 classes alternate between Art, Design Technology and Information Technology, also in six week cycles.

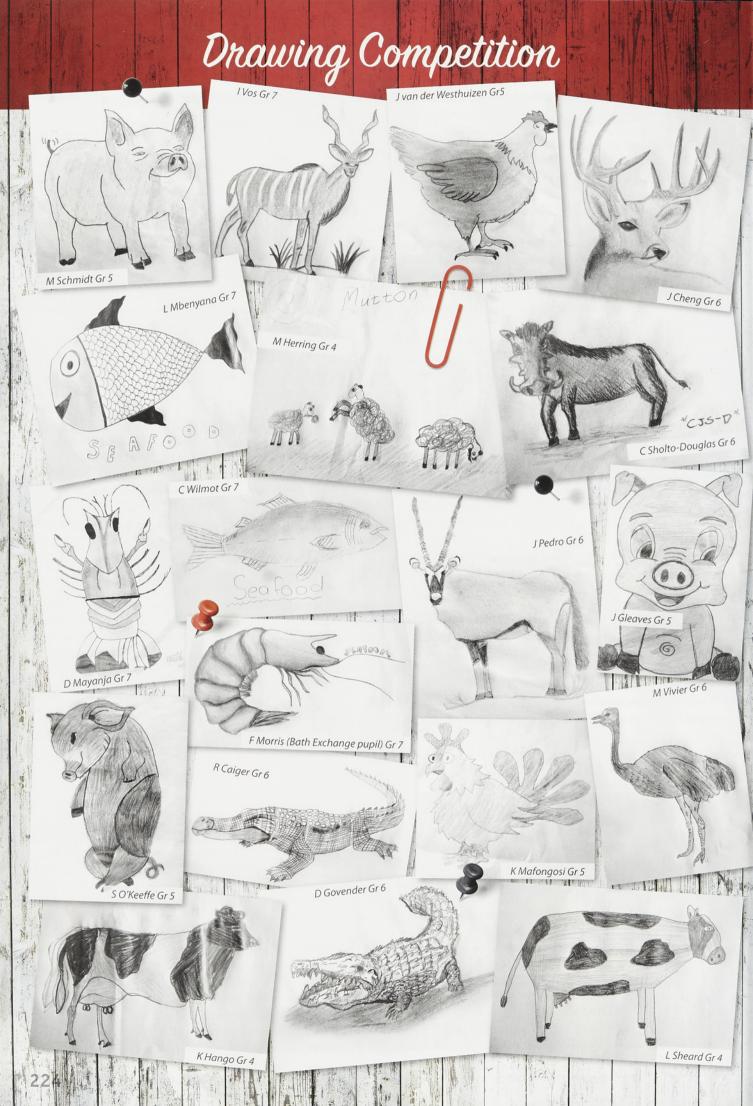
As usual, a drawing competition, compulsory for all pupils from Grades 4 to 7, is held at the end of each term. Gold, silver and bronze certificates are awarded to worthy entries. In the first term, a choice of two topics was given; "My African Heritage" or "Myself at Kingswood". The second term's topic was aimed at providing the KJPA with illustrations for their "KC Cookbook". The third term invited pupils to copy or design their own colourful insect.

To qualify for the annual Grade 7 Art Prize, a portfolio of at least three works completed during the year had to be submitted for adjudication. Of these works, one must be a pencil drawing, one a painting of any medium and one other which may include a sculpture, craftwork, or any other medium of choice. The prize this year was awarded to Tana Mati and Kasonde Motale.

At the annual Bathurst Show Art Competition this year, Kingswood achieved one rosette, four gold, fourteen silver and twelve merit awards out of a total of 56 entries.

Mrs Jacqui Jones has handed over the reins of the Catalyst Art School to Ms Brittany Barrowcliffe this year. The Art School continues to be run in the afternoons at Kingswood as an extra activity, catering for those pupils who wish to further develop their art.

#### ■ P DOWDLE











# Design Technology

esign Technology is a creative problem-solving process and includes the study of both design practice and design theory. The design process involves problem identification, planning, research, innovation, conceptualisation, experimentation and critical reflection. Design adds value to life by creating products that have a purpose, that are functional and that have aesthetic value. Design products can shape the social, cultural and physical environment to the benefit of the nation. Most importantly, Design equips pupils with crucial life skills such as visual literacy, critical and creative thinking, self-discipline, and leadership. It also encourages pupils to be resourceful and entrepreneurial, to strategize and to function inside a group. (Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statement: January 2012)

In the Intermediate and Senior Phases, our pupils spend an average of 18 hours a year in the Design Technology class working on various projects and learning how to work with specific tools and materials. Our pupils participate eagerly in activities and many say they wish they had Design Tech more regularly.

Q TAIT

**Top:** Pupils are taught how to use a variety of tools safely and with confidence. **Bottom:** Kuhle Tinga and Mathew Vivier solving a problem.





# Information Technology



015 has seen the Junior School in a whirlwind of change as we have moved away from Outlook to Gmail and a new Google platform, which should allow us access from anywhere in the world. We have recently purchased "My Cyberwall", a CAPS compliant Educational Resource which has regular updates. The teachers are really enjoying this added resource in their arsenal of teaching tools. The WiFi strength has been upgraded in the Junior School with the addition of extra APs in the classrooms. All teachers from Grades 4 to 7 are now making use of the Pencil Box Reporting System and Grades 1 - 3 will be adopting this reporting option at the start of 2016. We are currently in negotiations with IT Schools to enable the Grade 6 and 7s to make use of the BYOD option in 2016 and we are installing the necessary apps for the students to make use of these wonderful tools.

G BAXTER

Many interested parents and

# **Outdoor Education, Tours & Excursions**

n this country we are still fortunate to enjoy many wide-open spaces, good resources and a rich natural heritage. As human beings we too often take our environment for granted. For this reason we have a responsibility towards our children to inculcate in them an awareness of, and a respect for, the wise management of our heritage. Our outdoor education visits are carefully considered and developed to form an integral part of our academic programme.

In February the Grade 4 classes enjoyed a walk-about of Grahamstown to learn more about the history of their immediate surroundings. They visited the Cathedral, Fort Selwyn, Commemoration Church and the Eastern Star Museum. At the museum they learnt about the process of printing. The old photographs of Grahamstown and the many statues formed part of their evidence studies.

This was followed by an 1820 Settler outing to Fairewood. Basil Mills from the National English Literary Museum introduced them to Life in Settler times. They learned about plant medicines, conditions on board ship, important people of the times and the most popular - weaponry! Mr Mills had them marching in formation, playing croquette and learning to throw the horse shoe! They ended the busy day by making up 'settler plays' which they performed at school.

In Term 1 the Grade 5s spent the morning on a game drive through Kariega Park Game Reserve. Many mammal, bird, reptile and plant species were identified and some of the pupils were lucky enough to get close up to two huge buffalo bulls wallowing in the mud, with a cow and her calf.

In May they spent two days at the Boknes Outdoor Education Camp. The

camp was run by Basil Mills and "Bubbles" from NELM. Included in the activities were exploring Middle-to-Late Stone Age shell middens and discovering thousand-year old pottery remnants and stone implements in the sand dunes, thus providing concrete evidence of southern Africa's first inhabitants. A hike to Dias Cross ensured a wealth of exciting finds such as a decaying beached juvenile Southern Right Whale, jellyfish, a baby turtle and numerous species of fish. Standing at the spot where Dias placed a padrao in the 15th Century AD, the pupils learnt that South Africa was "discovered" before America. Talks and demonstrations on the history of early explorers; pirates (past and present); shipwrecks; sunken treasure and survival skills added great value to their school studies.

The Grade 5s also spent a morning at Dold Field enjoying fun-filled but extremely relevant activities that highlighted the need to "respect yourself, respect each other and respect the environment". Particular emphasis was placed on the plight of the rapidly dwindling rhino populations of the world as well as the concept and importance of food webs. The horrific statistics of rhino poaching (1 215 killed last year!) was explained to the pupils, and possible solutions to this devastation were debated. The Coaching For Conservation course was run by a team of three from the Investec Rhino Lifeline Foundation and was followed-up by the completion of coursework booklets during Science classes.

The Grade 6 group enjoyed their first outing at the 'African Imprint'

Outdoor Centre in the Sunday's River Valley. The objectives of the outing were to make the new pupils feel part of the Kingswood family, to foster co-operation in a group context and to conquer new challenges. The activities were varied, and included canoeing; an obstacle course; foofie sliding across the Sundays River; challenge games; a night activity; and dismantling and re-assembling an old cannon, which had to be transported across a 'mountain'. Much time was spent on water activities as the sweltering heat took its toll. The indigenous trees purchased by Kingswood pupils since 2009, and donated to the Centre as part of their environmental awareness programme, are all doing well.

In June the Grade 6s enjoyed two days at the Thomas Baines Nature Reserve. One of the objectives of this excursion was to encourage positive attitudes towards the conservation and wise management of our natural heritage. Learning the biological names of indigenous trees and shrubs; myths and legends told by the inimitable Basil Mills; learning about snakes and meeting Tinkerbell, the Burmese Python: plays with an environmental theme; and sketching the cycads in the reserve all formed part of a rewarding programme. It was good to be away from the routine bustle and noise of the city and to observe the

> beautiful aloes in bloom whilst hiking through the reserve.

The highlight of the year was a

three-day outing at the Hobbitonon-Hogsback outdoor centre in October. The pupils were assisted by the Hobbiton Instructors, 5 volunteer students and the staff from the National Education Literary Museum. Activities were varied (Middle and High Ropes courses - abseiling, climbing wall, trapeze jump, zip line)

and focused on team building and decision making. Pupils learnt the value of sacrifice and trust, the important elements of functioning effectively as a group. They also enjoyed hiking to the Madonna and Child Waterfall, visited the 800 year old Outeniqua Yellowwood, and followed the Hobbit Trail. From a literary perspective, they focused on Tolkien and his connection with the area, and solved the many riddles from 'The Hobbit'. Whilst hiking, Basil Mills shared his knowledge of the indigenous forest. We would like to thank him for his input in making this a memorable experience for the pupils.

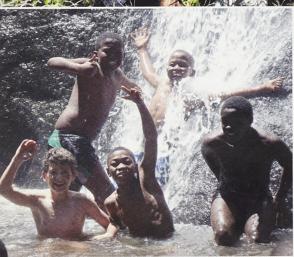
During the 1st week of the school year, the Grade 7 class of 2015 attended a leadership camp at 'Die Lapa' near Somerset East. The pupils faced a number of challenges and obstacles. Given a map of the area, they were required to find their way to a 'hidden treasure' - their lunch! Given the January heat, the wet obstacle course provided much entertainment. Other activities included the King Swing, horse riding, a dry obstacle course, quad bike rides, paintball and water challenges, with all the instructions in Afrikaans!

Many interested parents and other experts in their field have contributed to the success of our outings this year. We extend our grateful thanks to all those who have volunteered to make learning interesting and fun.

■ J REDPATH











Top Left: Grade 6s at the Leopard Statue in Thomas Baines.
Top Right: Grade 5s at Dias' Padrao at Boknes.
Above Left: Grade 6s at Hobbiton-on-Hogsback, Teagan Seymour, Lathitha Stamper, Kuhle Tinga, JJ Jonas and Simbarashe Chaparira brave the icy waters of Madonna and Child Waterfall.

Above Middle: Grade 5 'Pirates' at Boknes. Above Right: Grade 6 - JJ Jonas in action on the High Ropes Course at Hobbiton-on-Hogsback.

Below Left: Grade 5s at the 'Coaching for Conservation' course.

Below Right: Grade 7s – This is life!

Bottom Left: Grade 7 girls on their leadership camp. Challenges are fun!

Bottom Middle: Grade 5s on their game drive at Kariega.

Bottom Right: Grade 7 boys meeting their challenges on the leadership camp.























Top Left: Even the Student
Assistants are expected to meet
challenges at the Grade
7 Leadership Camp.
Top Middle: Grade 4 'Settlers'
at Fairewood.
Top Right: 'I know I can do this!'
Miss Z Mobobo on the trapeze at
Hobbiton-on-Hogsback.
Above Left: Basil Mills talking to
Grade 4s about the history of the
Grahamstown Station.
Above Right: Grade 5s and the
instructors from Investec Rhino
Lifeline Foundation.
Left: Grade 4 'Settlers'
at Fairewood.

Below Left: Grade 5s enjoying the beach at Boknes.
Below Middle: 'It takes team work!' Raquel Knott, Darius Govender, Avela Opperman and Daniel Reid on the Middle Ropes course at Hobbiton-on-Hogsback.
Below Right: Luke Kelly, Kano Mafongosi, Matthew Huson, Michael van Staden and Cameron Bowen admire their castle at Boknes.
Bottom Left: Grade 4s learning about the history of their city.
Bottom Right: Grade 6s on the obstacle course at African Imprint-Team work!













**CULTURAL TOUR** 



#### ALBANY REPRESENTATIVES

Back Row: R Henry, A Albers, M van Staden, L Webb, M Gadd, L Mbenyana, L Kelly
Middle Row: M Stretton, M Schmidt, G Lankester, G de Klerk, M Fourie, E Webber, J Wright, J Roux, C van der Merwe
Front Row: G Handley, T de Beer, L Claassens, A Hobson, T Vassiliou, M Schmidt, E Beatt

# **Sport**



EP REPRESENTATIVES
Back Row: A Nontso, J Roux, G de Klerk, L Kelly
Front Row: R Henry, Mr G Baxter, K Handley



SPORTS TOURING TEAM

## **Athletics**

t was an absolute miracle that we managed to prepare athletes and select teams to compete in the various competitions, after the first week of our season was rained out. It was all made to look easy as experienced coaches, combined with enthusiastic pupils, worked hand in hand towards yet another successful season.

Every Junior School pupil competed in the Tabloid Meeting, where they participated in the 100m sprints, 600m, long jump and cricketball throw. This year, Slater walked away with the laurels with Rich ending second.

Our athletics' team again participated at the two Inter-school events - the Independent Schools' Meeting and the Triangular.

Kingswood hosted the Independent Schools' Meeting at Gane Field and we achieved an amazing 25 first places, which was well backed up by 21 second positions. There is no doubt that should we have scored points on the day, the Kingswood team would have been victorious.

#### The following athletes achieved first places at the Independent Schools Meeting: (New Records \*)

B Nkwinti B U10 cricket ball; M Fourie B Open long jump; E Meikle G Open long jump; D Odunuga B U12 cricket ball; T Kekana B U10 600m\* and long jump; L Ndyoko B U11 high jump; G de Klerk G Open shot put and cricket ball\*, M Mfundisi G U10 long jump; J Roux B Open shot put: C Meikle G U11 200m and 100m; M van Staden B U11 200m; S Chaparira B U12 200m\*, 100m\* and shot put; J Cheng G U12 high jump and long jump; L Kelly B U11 100m, long jump and cricket ball; C van der Merwe B U12 800m; L Mbenyana G Open 800m; I Vos G U12 cricket ball.

Kingswood also achieved four first places and three second places in the 4 x 100m relays, which included the record breaking run of our U12 boys' team.

At the Triangular Meeting, the Kingswood girls came third behind VP and DSG, while the Graeme boys won, with Kingswood ending

combined second with St Andrews. The efforts of our athletes were admirable and we often saw the Kingswood athletes fight till the bitter end for a placing.

#### First places at the Triangular were achieved by: (New Record\*)

G de Klerk G U13 shot put\* and cricket ball, S Chaparira B U12 100m; T Kekana B U10 100m and 600m; C Meikle G U11 100m and 200m, E Meikle G U13 long jump; L Kelly B U11 cricket ball; B Nkwinti B U10 high jump.

The highlight of the day for the Kingswood team was the relays. The G U10, B U10, B U11 and B U12 teams came first and all the other teams achieved second places.

**Sports Day** brought down the curtain on a very successful season for our athletes. Excited pupils turned up early in anticipation of a day where they could show off their best skills, compete with their friends









Thato Kekana and Simba Chaparira bettered long standing records at the Independent Schools Meeting. Thato broke the 600m boys U10 record that stood for 39 years, while Simba broke the 200m and 100m records for boys U12. The 200m record stood for 24 years.

and cheer from the stands. The top 8 athletes were entered into each event, with the hurdles and the middle-distance races open to all athletes. The middle distances were well supported and most pupils took part in the 400m, 600m or 800m races. The encouragement and camaraderie we saw among team mates, together with good sportsmanship, contributed to a wonderful spirit. We must congratulate our House Captains for organizing their teams and leading by example.

Four records were broken on the day: Gizelle de Klerk bettered the girls U13 Cricket Ball and Shot Put records and Simba Chaparira broke the 100m and 200m records for boys U12.

#### Winners:

- > Bennie Goldburg Shield (Tabloid) Slater House
- Rippon Cup (Relays) Rich House
- Rev. Kirkby Shield (Sports Day) Slater House
- > Slater are the overall winners of the athletics season with the Rich second and Tarr ending third.

U9	Victor Ludorum	Lihlumile Nkatazo	
U9	Victrix Ludorum	Rosalie Reid	
U10	Victor Ludorum	Ashton Pieterse	
U10	Victrix Ludorum	Mihlali Mfundisi/Tricia Vassiliou	
U11	Victor Ludorum	Lisakhanya Ndoyoko	
U11	Victrix Ludorum	Courtney Meikle	
U12	Victor Ludorum	Dami Odunuga	
U12	Victrix Ludorum	Jill Cheng	
U13	Victor Ludorum	Jano Roux	
U13	Victrix Ludorum	Erin Meikle	

Our first recipient of the Greg Rippon Cup for the Performance of the Season went to Simba Chaparira for his time of 12.88 sec for the 100m boys under 12, which he ran at the Independent Schools' Meeting.

Special mention must also be made of the following impressive performances during the season:

Thato Kekana bettered a 39 year old, 600m record at the Independent Schools' Meeting, Gizelle de Klerk achieved first places in all her cricket ball and shot put events and broke four records in the process, while Simba Chaparira smashed four records in the sprints, improving the times by large margins.

Athletics is a whole-school affair and remains one of the highlights on our sporting calendar.

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## Cricket

ricket at Kingswood continues to be a popular sport and players at all levels have enjoyed the challenges and opportunities the game continues to provide. The U13As were once again fortunate enough to attend the Prep Schools' Cricket Festival held at St Andrew's this year. This allows the boys to compete against the top cricket playing schools in the country. The U13A and U11A teams also participated in the annual Knysna Sport School Cricket Festival which was excellent preparation for both teams ahead of their long season.

We were also fortunate enough to play against visiting teams such as Newland House (UK), Reddam (Cape Town), Glenwood House (George), Pecanwood (Hartbeespoort), Ruzawi (Zimbabwe) and Queens (Queenstown). We also played our traditional fixtures such as St Andrew's, Graeme, Woodridge and Clarendon Park, which made it a busy and enjoyable season.

#### **U13A**

The team produced a mixed set of results this year. It proved to be challenging for this young team, however, it was great to see their growth throughout the year. The boys played approximately 20 matches, which was a great opportunity for all to develop and they began to realise what their role in the team was and how they could contribute in a team environment. There were areas that required improvement for individual players, and it is my hope that the boys work on these areas moving forward. One area in particular is the understanding of the importance of occupying the crease for longer periods of time, as being able to utilise the full allocation of overs is vitally important. Special mention must be made of Jano Roux and Darius Govender, who were chosen to represent the Eastern Province U13A and U13B team respectively. I believe each player can look back on a most enjoyable and productive season and I wish all the boys moving on, all the best in the years to come, as they continue participating in this great game.

#### **U13B**

The important thing about cricket is not always the victory but the way we play the game. The team often found it difficult to "get going" in terms of batting and after laying a good foundation, this was often "whittled away" by a few rash shot selections by the batsmen that followed. The boys' confidence grew towards the end of the season and resulted in an improvement in this department. There are a few hidden talents in this team and I hope they will realise their ability and put it to good use on the cricket field. The team shared many special times together, enjoying much fun while competing most competitively. All the best moving forward with your cricket careers, boys!

#### **U13C**

The U13C team enjoyed a year which saw a vast improvement in individual performances and technique. As a result, the team to put in a competitive showing in the Grahamstown league. The large squad led to there being healthy competition for places, with the C team fielding 23 different boys during the season. This resulted in many players winning caps for the B team. The boys displayed great commitment and spirit, showing good sportsmanship even in some very close defeats, whilst being gracious in victory. I would like to thank everyone for a very successful and enjoyable season.

#### **U11A**

The U11A team did their school proud this year! We played 13 matches - winning 11. The team was ably captained by Luke Kelly, who showed a mature understanding of the game for his age. Luke Kelly, Michael van Staden, Matt Gadd and Bhuko Nkwinti made the bulk of our runs, but an area of concern was the contribution the bottom order made with the bat. With maturity, we hope they will be able to improve in this area. The team's strength was definitely that of the bowling unit. Openers, Lisakhanya Ndyoko and Luke Kelly were well supported by Matt Gadd and Michael van Staden. Luke was the main wicket taker and Michael can be proud of his 5 wicket haul against SAP. Jordan Mildenhall has developed into a credible leg spinner, but he needs to learn to cope under pressure. Melon Draghoender and Ross Henry had some good success later on in the season. The team received many compliments for their fielding, especially at the Knysna Cricket Festival. Christopher Painting is a much-improved wicket keeper, while Melon Draghoender took some fine outfield catches.

#### **U11B**

The progress of the U11Bs throughout the year was pleasing to witness. The boys learnt a great deal more about the game and gained confidence at the same time. Playing most Saturdays meant that the batsmen got time in the middle and the bowlers were able to get overs under the belt. This started to show as the season progressed and some fine individual performances were witnessed. This effort and hard work by the boys must be commended. If the boys continue with this same determination and enjoyment for the game then there is no doubt that some of these players will slot into the 'A' team next year and perform well. All the best in your future cricketing careers, boys!

#### U9A

The U9A cricket team enjoyed an amazing year with most boys making pleasing progress in both the batting and bowling departments. At this level, we don't really judge success on results, but I do believe winning seven of the eight games played during the year, does indicate just how this team 'grasped the basics' and developed as the season progressed. In the batting department, we focused on ensuring the bad ball was dispatched to the boundary and the good ball was played on its merits. From a bowling point of view, we tried to ensure the bowlers concentrated on 'line and length' rather than trying to bowl too quickly and I believe much success was achieved in both areas. This year's team had many strengths, the most notable I believe was their passion for the game and the enjoyment they got out of their matches and practices was really wonderful to observe. The boys were always keen to learn and listened intently to what was explained at practices. Morgan Baxter played a crucial role both as a batsman and bowler and other notable contributions came from Luke Lucas (batting and bowling), Michael Schmidt (batting and bowling), Franco Klopper (batting and bowling) and Angus Brown (bowling). My thanks to Terence Radloff for always encouraging the boys and his commitment throughout the year. Thanks must also go to the many parents for their support at the matches during the season.















First Row Left to Right: Daniel Dold in action against Oatlands. / U9 Mini-cricket Festival, The Oval, Bedford. / Christian Cill Call

Second Row Left to Right: U9 Mini-cricket Festival at Yellowwoods. / Jordan Cottle discussing strategies with Reagan Bowles during a KC Mini-cricket Festival. / The U11 boys having a team chat Left: Darius Govender after scoring a century against Herbert Hurd for

the U13as.

Right: Darius Govender (U13B) and Jano Roux (U13A) after receiving their Eastern Province caps at St Georges Park.

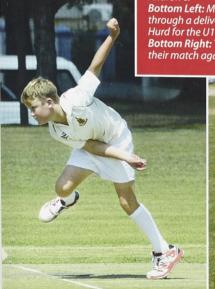
Far Right: Damilola Odunuga in action for the U13as against St

Andrew's.

Bottom Left: Matt Gadd sending
through a delivery against Herbert









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**U13A CRICKET** 

Back Row: D Odunuga, L Webb, C van der Merwe, T Mills, J Roux, D Govender, C Sholto-Douglas Front Row: K Nontso, M Fourie, Mr D Braans, M Stretton, Mr B Long, G Bennett, B Hobson



#### **U13B CRICKET**

Back Row: F McCune, M Sishuba, M Motswaiso, M Bouwer, Z Booi Front Row: K Tinga, M Jacobs, R Kombe, Mr G Baxter, G Reed, T Seymour, U Jonas



Back Row: M Madikiza, L Stamper, T Vivier, J Zulu, A Opperman, L Ouya Front Row: W Edwards, C Gailey, V Jimere, Mr B Long, J Maritz, M Huson, K Mafongosi



Back Row: J Mildenhall, R Henry, M van Staden, L Ndyoko, L Claassens, U Nkwinti Front Row: M Draghoender, Y Nontso, M Gadd, Mr Q Tait, L Kelly, A Pieterse, C Painting

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**U11B CRICKET** 

Back Row: Y Nontso, D Gcume, I Mazwai, J Hoops, S Nyangiwe, L Msindwana, T de Beer Front Row: R Bristow, Q Buwa, C Sholto-Douglas, Mr B Long, K Mudabuka, G Davies, T Kekana



#### **U11C CRICKET**

Back Row: K Gesha, A Young, P Rathbone, X Potgieter, O Gesha, N Juana, J Taljaard Front Row: T Musa, S Price, B Armstrong, Mr S Stopford, H Weissenberg, K Hango, L Gcezengana



**U9A CRICKET** 

Back Row: P Makoni, S Martindale, L Lucas, J Connan, Z Nagdee, J Herring, K Hambaze Front Row: A Brown, M Schmidt, Mr D Braans, M Baxter, Mr T Radloff, F Klopper, H Ntlumbini



Back Row: L Nkatazo, I Copteros, C Niesing, C Wright, B Mbombiya, E Peter, S Mahlasela, N Nyembezi, B Wolff, S Butters, N Achermann Middle Row: H Nawaz, S Qeja, D Martin, A Nyangiwe, Y Nagdee, M Harjeven, L Williams, T Young, R Dullabh, D MacQuilkan, L Godlimpi, C Van Heerden, I Shoba, C Sickle

Front Row: W Beatt, X Ntshebe, R Bowles, Mr J Cottle, T Marthinus, Mr P Dowdle, R Goliath, J Hamer, C de Wet Steyn Floor: E Burgess, N Lloyd, J van Niekerk, H Haakonsen, D Dold, R Oosthuizen

#### Mini Cricket

Players from Grades 1 - 3 participated in our mini-cricket programme unless they were selected to play for the U9A side. The matches against other schools follow the mini-cricket format ensuring that each player in the 8-a-side team gets to bowl, bat, keep wicket and field during an innings. The focus during practices and matches is skills development and the enjoyment of the game. Two Mini-Cricket Festivals took place in the first term and participating schools included St Andrews Prep, Port Alfred Primary, Oatlands Primary, Gill College, Yellowwoods and Bedford Country School.

In the third term, one KC team was invited to participate in the inaugural, "Bedford Country School Bat" Mini-Cricket Festival held at the renowned Old Mill Cricket Oval just outside Bedford. Our team consisted of 2 Grade Two boys, 3 Grade Three boys, 1 girl, and 2 Grade Four boys. The players had their first taste of "real" cricket and the "tour" coincided with the annual Bedford Garden Festival and so ensured that there was a lot on offer for the families who travelled to support the cricket. The outing was most worthwhile and enjoyable and we look forward to being invited back in 2016. Our Kingswood Mini-Cricket Festival saw a total of 13 teams descend on Gane Field at the beginning of November.

The focus during practices and matches is skills development and the enjoyment of the game.

All four of our mini-cricket teams played two matches each during the afternoon. Much experience was gained and fun was enjoyed by all. My thanks go to the mini-cricket coaches, Lesley Bloy, Jordan Cottle, Marc Anderson and James Radloff for their patience, expertise and dedication throughout the season.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the coaches for their input throughout the season. Their willingness to help individual players, as well as mould their teams, is greatly appreciated. I would also like to thank Mr Ranger for his valuable technical input into Junior cricket, as his contribution is vital to both players and coaches. Finally, my thanks must go to the ground and kitchens staff for always ensuring that our facilities and fields are picture book perfect and that the eats and drinks served are top notch.

■ BLONG

# Cross Country

he annual Inter-House Cross Country took place on Thursday, 30 April. The day was set to be perfect, but then the dreaded rain arrived! The nervous U9s were the first to run and all put in a sterling effort to complete their route. Up next were the more experienced U11 age group and tactics were being whispered about on how and why certain running styles should be adopted, but at the end of the day it was grit and determination that saw the victors through to the finish line. In the U13 age group we saw a lot of personal challenges between the students which led to great rivalry and many a good laugh. The spirit was high amongst the houses with Rich taking the bragging rights for cheering. Every house cheered for their runners whether they were first or last, as they were all after the trophy!

#### The individual age group champions were:

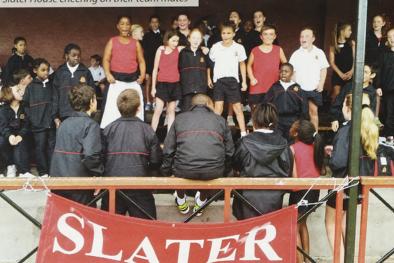
	1st	2nd	3rd
U9 Boys:	L Nkatazo	Z Nagdee	P Makoni
U9 Girls:	J Gadd	A Wilson	R Reid
U11Boys:	L Kelly	T Kekana	G Davies
U11Girls:	T Vassiliou	M Herring	K Losaba
Boys Open:	C van der Merwe	D Odunuga	B Huson
Girls Open:	G de Klerk	G Lankester	C Wilmot

The points were tallied up and for the third year in a row Slater were the overall winners for the Inter- House Cross Country. Well done on a fine effort!

The **Independent Schools Meeting** was diarised to be run on 22 July at the Rhodes Athletics Track and to be hosted by DSG, but due to flooding the event unfortunately had to be cancelled. Alternate dates were suggested, but the various school calendars were simply to full to be able to get a suitable date.

■ G BAXTER





# Boys Hockey

t has once again been a fine hockey season for the Kingswood boys. We started with the annual Kingswood Hockey Festival, where the U13A and U13B teams got in some early practise and an idea of what lay ahead. The boys performed well, with the knowledge that places were up for grabs for the forthcoming season. Matches against our traditional rivals such as Clarendon Park, Woodridge and St Andrews were always going to be the highlight of the season and all our teams performed admirably in all three of these fixtures.

#### U11A

The U11A team had a very good start and a rewarding end to their season. The team had some strong individual talent that truly stood out. However, there were times when they lacked the necessary unity that was required to win games. In their match against Woodridge, some fantastic play was seen. The boys encouraged one another and learnt how to play as a team. If they continue in this manner and make sportsmanship just as much of a goal as improving their skills, then they will go very far in their hockey careers.

#### **U11B**

The U11B/C boys' hockey teams had a relatively mixed season in terms of results, yet an enjoyable one. Often playing opposition 'A' teams, the boys showed great strength of character on the field. With the B and C team not having a set squad, there was healthy competition for positions and this led to an enjoyable atmosphere in training sessions. The improvement by some of the boys was rewarded by being called up to the 'A' team.

#### U13A

The U13As started the season off slowly as fixtures only got into full swing after a good pre-season schedule. The team soon got over the slow start to the season and managed to find their feet in what was a busy winter programme. They somehow overcame the obstacles and by the end of the season were playing some really good hockey. The U13B team should also be commended for always pushing for a

place in the 'A' side. They would often practise skills taught to the 'A' team, thus keeping them in contention when it came to selections. This created a competitive atmosphere, one that coaches enjoy, as it gives greater scope for selection and definitely makes for stronger teams. The highlight of the season was obviously our K-day victory. It was a goal to goal affair with both sides not prepared to give an inch. It took a fine individual effort from Jano Roux to eventually win the game for the team. Jano must also be congratulated for his EP 'A' team selection this year. The team must also be praised for always being keen to learn, putting into practice what they had learnt and by giving 100% for their coaches and Kingswood Junior School. Boys, we salute you and hope that your hockey careers go from strength to strength.

#### U13B

The U13B hockey team had a successful season. They started off well with a victory against Port Alfred, and then unfortunately lost to Clarendon Park and St Andrews. The end of the season saw the boys really start to play well, and as a team produced some fine performances against Woodridge and St Georges. All in all, it was a highly enjoyable season, with many highlights and good hockey. The team was committed at all times and they were a pleasure to coach.

#### **U13C**

The season started off well with players keen and eager to impress. However, the performances did not quite live up to the players' expectations. After realizing the mistakes made in the first few games of the season, players started to link up and support one another. This was vital towards the end of the season, where there were some impressive performances by the boys. The season concluded with the U13A team playing matches on their sports tour to George. This brought down the curtain on what was a fine effort by all the Kingswood boys. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the coaches for their efforts throughout the season. The boys learnt a lot, improved their skills tremendously and played with passion.

#### ■ BLONG





**U13A BOYS' HOCKEY** 

Back Row: D Odunuga, M Stretton, D Govender, T Mills, C van der Merwe, G Bennett, H Matiso, N Mkatini Front Row: B Hobson, A Nontso, Mr D Braans, J Roux, Mr R Ambler, G Reed, M Fourie









Above Left to Right: Greg Bennett playing for the U13A team in action against St Andrew's / Jano Roux was selected for the EP U13A team / Neo Mkatini playing against St Andrews / Jano Roux in action against St Andrew's.

Bottom: Damilola dribbling against St Andrew's for the U13A team.



U13B BOYS' HOCKEY

Back Row: R Kombe, Z Booi, T Haller, M Motswaiso, F McCune, S Chaparira, Front Row: K Renene, K Tinga, T Seymour, Mr R Ambler, L Webb, U Jonas, D Stravidis



U13C BOYS' HOCKEY
Back Row: C Sholto-Douglas, A Opperman, T Vivier, M Bouwer, L Stamper, J Zulu
Front Row: W Edwards, L Ouya, B Huson, Mr R Ambler, C Gailey, K Lutshaba, K Mafongosi



U13D BOYS' HOCKEY Back Row: K Trytsman, J Maritz, M Sishuba Front Row: C Cockroft, M Vivier, R Caiger, Mr R Ambler, A Rathbone, M Madikiza, L Kinghan



U11A BOYS' HOCKEY
Back Row: G Davies, N Juana, B Nkwinti, M Gadd, J Hoops, L Claassens, L Msindwana, R Bristow, K Mudabuka
Front Row: T Kekana, M van Staden, Mr D Braans, L Kelly, Mr S Kelly, Y Nontso, A Pieterse



#### U11B BOYS' HOCKEY

Back Row: M Draghoender, Q Buwa, T De Beer, C Sholto-Douglas, O Gesha, A Young, H Weissenberg, K Hango Middle Row: B Armstrong, P Rathbone, D Gcume, S Nyangiwe, I Mazwai, X Potgieter, L Ndyoko, R Henry, J Mildenhall Front Row: L Gcezengana, J Taljaard, T Musa, Mr S Kelly, S Price, K Gesha, C Painting



#### **U9 BOYS' HOCKEY**

Back Row: S Martindale, B Mbombiya, N Nyembezi, M Baxter, E Peter, S Mahlasela, J Connan, Z Nagdee, M Schmidt, L Lucas, J Herring, L Nkatazo Middle Row: S Qeja, Mr J Cottle, L Godlimpi, Mrs D von Holdt, K Hambaze, Mr M Anderson, H Ntlumbini Front Row: B Wolff, C Wright, P Makoni



**U8 BOYS' HOCKEY** 

Back Row: R Dullabh, S Butters, M Harjeven, F Klopper, C Niesing, L Shoba, L Williams, D MacQuilkan, T Young Front Row: Y Nagdee, Mr J Cottle, J Hamer, Mrs D von Holdt, D Martin, Mr M Anderson, A Brown



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Above Left: W Madasa in a tussle for the ball. Above: Team talk at the Kingswood Junior Hockey Festival. Far Left: U13As short corner. Left: J Krige and L.Mbenyana playing at the hockey festival. **Right:** J Cheng against Clarendon Park.

# Girls' Hockey

he 2015 hockey season was an exciting and fun-filled one and whilst we saw great wins, draws and losses amongst all the teams, it's in the progression of skills achieved that we should measure our success by. Two skills' clinics were run by the Head of Hockey at Kingswood, Greg von Mollendorf, and his team of enthusiastic coaches. The players from U10 - U13 attended and there were various stations and at each station a different skill was practised. The girls loved these sessions and they all learnt valuable new skills from this team of experienced coaches.

In each age group there was a vast improvement in our players' techniques this year. Team sports present many challenges for our girls and valuable lessons are learnt both on and off the field, so we have worked hard at developing our girls to become competent team players. Encouraging commitment is vital, as it is here that pupils feel a part of their team. Fitness was also seen as an important part of performance during practices and matches.

The U8 and U9s, enjoyed a successful season with some fine wins. The little girls have continued to improve their skills and participated enthusiastically in their matches. The U9A team proved to be guite a dynamic side this season with the forwards showing determination in their attacking skills. As a result, they scored many goals in match situations. I have really enjoyed coaching them and look forward to watching their future on the hockey field with much interest.

#### L REYNOLDS

The U10 girls had a very successful hockey season this year, with the A team playing constructive hockey during their matches, most of which they were fought hard to win. The B team had 3 players who had never played hockey before, so I must congratulate all the players for their hard work and enthusiasm this season. Well done, girls!

#### ■ CFOORD

There were only 14 girls in the U11 age group this season, which meant we could only field one team. The girls needed to adjust to playing full-field hockey, which places great demands on them to aquire better skills, improve their match play techniques and to be far fitter. After some intense practices and a demand for dedication from their coach, the girls started to reap the rewards of their efforts during their matches. The season ended with the girls feeling really proud of themselves and they had learnt much about the importance of team play.

Many of our senior girls started off the season by playing in our annual Kingswood Hockey Festival. Many schools attend this pre-season event and much fun was had by all.

Our U13 C team enjoyed a wonderful season with our 5 new girls' skills improving guickly. They were playing matches long before they really understood how the game was played, but we kept encouraging one another, playing positively regardless of the score. Each of the girls had an opportunity to captain the side and develop their leadership skills. The season ended with a cake party and the girls applauding one



J Krige pushing out at the Hockey Festival.

another for their teamwork and sportsmanship. The cherry on top was a victory in the last match. Well done, girls.!

#### ■ A KNOTT-CRAIG

The U13B girls had a wonderful season with three wins, two draws and two losses. The girls had lots of fun and great improvement was evident throughout the term. They played together as a team and showed good camaraderie.

#### ■ G FITZHENRY

The U13A team had a most successful season. They encountered some tough competition at times but they held their own very well. Everyone was very committed to raising the bar of fitness and this was evident in some tough practices. Throughout the season significant improvement in match play was evident. Congratulations to Gizelle de Klerk who was selected to play in the EP U13C side. Our girls also enjoyed a very successful tour to the Southern Cape. They were brave enough to do some zip–lining on the way and everyone had lots of fun in George, and many lasting memories were made both on and off the field.

A huge thanks to all our dedicated spectators who braved some very chilly mornings and rainy matches to support and encourage our teams. Thank you to the competent catering and ground staff for all their unfailing assistance this year.

My sincere thanks must go to all the hockey coaches for all their support and dedication throughout the season.

#### C WILSON



**U13A GIRLS' HOCKEY** 

Back Row: K van Staden, J Cheng, I Vos, E Meikle, E Webber, J Wright Front Row: C Wilmot, L Mbenyana, Mr D Braans, G de Klerk, Mr J Radloff, I Nel, S Makgatlhe

Floor: T Mati



U13B GIRLS' HOCKEY
Back Row: R Singh, G Lankester, J Pedro, L Frans, D Mayanja, S Pyle, W Madasa
Front Row: A Appelt, A van Wyk, D Basson, Mrs C Wilson, S Ralebala, T Yates, S Albers



U13C GIRLS' HOCKEY Back Row: R Knott, M Manyara, C Cugildi, K Mutale, L Lukwe, L Musa, L Godlimpi Front Row: A McNally, E Maro, T Repinz, Mrs A Knott-Craig, S Bidla, E Makungu, K Baruti

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**U11A GIRLS' HOCKEY** 

Back Row L Nxati, D J Erasmus, E Klopper, Z Chadwick, K Losaba, M Schmidt, Z Lombard, J Gleaves, C Bristow Front Row: M Lisher, J Van der Westhuizen, Miss C Wilken, I Gontshi, Mrs C Wilson, K Handley, T Brown



#### **U10A GIRLS' HOCKEY**

Back Row: T Vassiliou, A Mpuqa, A Hobson, A Albers, C Wales, O Bulani, M Mfundisi, L Maddocks Front Row: L Sheard, H Terblanche, S Ngumbela, Mrs C Foord, M van Wyk, M Herring, M Pangwa



**U9 GIRLS' HOCKEY** 

Back Row: M Manyara, M Wilmot, J Gadd, J Barnard, R Reid, S Zweni Front Row: S Swartbooi, E Beatt, G Chadwick, Mrs L Reynolds, A Wilson, K Mbenyana, P Caiger



Back Row: L Tweddle, M Govender, J Pieterse, L Matebese, G Handley, J Field, L Pangwa Front Row: K Addison, M Adriaan, Miss S Herd-Hoare, M Martin, Miss C Awolaja, K Ouya, S Zothe

## Netball

e are really fortunate in having such a positive and enthusiastic netball staff at Kingswood Junior. We were lucky enough to participate in a pre-season workshop on the rules of the game with Noma Bill, the Kingswood College first team coach.

The Kingswood girls have had a very busy and successful netball season. Our matches have been played with great enthusiasm and a very good spirit. We have fielded two teams in each age group from under 8 to under 13. We have played matches against Victoria Primary, Oatlands, St Andrew's Prep, DSG, St Mary's, Port Alfred, Kenton, Hermitage House, Woodridge, Collegiate, PJ Olivier and Sweet Valley. We have tried to let as many girls play a match as we possibly could. Our under 12 teams have had a particularly good season.

Our U13A team, ably and enthusiastically coached by Ntosh Ndunjwa, toured with the sports team to the Southern Cape where they convincingly won their match against Holy Cross and narrowly lost to Glenwood House. They also had a very tough fight on their hands when they took on the might of the 'Kingswood Staff' team! Our annual Interhouse contest was won by Dacam House with Tarr House in second place.

Thank you to our netball coaches and girls for a very successful and enjoyable netball season. We also really appreciate all the hard work from our grounds and catering staff. Another big thank you goes to BUCO for their sponsorship of junior netball this year, including post covers, bibs, bags and netballs and to Craig Andrew who facilitated this sponsorship.

#### A BAINES AND J REDPATH



Alex Albers passing the ball during a match against Kenton



U13A NETBALL

Back Row: S Makgatlhe, G de Klerk, L Frans, E Webber, K van Staden Front Row: L Mbenyana, Mr D Braans, Mrs J Redpath, E Meikle



Above: The staff team who played against the under 13A team - Front row: Derek Braans, Quinton Tait, Brett Long, Back Row: Max Ranouf, Stegman van Zyl, Philip Dowdle, Sean Kelly, Jordan Cottel, Greg Baxter. Above Right: Lauren Maddocks taking a free pass for the under 10 team against Kenton. Right: Buco staff members handing over their sponsorship certificate and equipment to Derek Braans on the Kingswood netball courts. They are accompanied by Jenny Redpath, Janey Krige and Sesame Ralebala. **Below:** The U13A netball team who took on the staff team - Front row: Sesame Makgathle,

Lukho Mbenyana, Middle row: Gizelle de Klerk, Charlotte Scruton, Kayla van Staden, Emily Webber, Luvo Frans, Back row: Erin Meikle, Freya Morris.

Below Right: Greg Baxter preventing Gizelle de Klerk from retrieving the netball during the staff vs pupils match.

Bottom Left: Philip Dowdle and Luvo Frans in action during the annual staff vs pupils match.

Bottom Middle: Tricia Vassiliou trying to intercept a pass during the under 10A intercept a pass during the under 10A match against Kenton.

Bottom Right: During the staff vs

pupils match.









U13B NETBALL Back Row: R Singh, S Pyle, D Mayanja, J Wright, L Lukwe, S Ralebala Front Row: T Mati, Miss A Mbonani, K Mutale, Mrs J Redpath, C Wilmot



U13C NETBALL
Back Row: R Knott, A McNally, E. Maro, T Yates, D Basson, M Manyara
Front Row: L Godlimpi, Mrs J Kelly, K Baruti



U12A NETBALL Back Row: A van Wyk, C Cugildi, I Vos, S Bidla, W Madasa Front Row: G Lankester, Mrs J Kelly, J Cheng



U12B NETBALL Back Row: I Nel, E Makungu, J Pedro, T Repinz, L Musa Front Row: A Appelt, Mrs J Kelly, S Albers

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U11A NETBALL Back Row: E Klopper, Z Chadwick, K Losaba, M Schmidt, Z Lombard Front Row: J van der Westhuizen, Mrs J Redpath, I Gontshi



U11B NETBALL Back Row: M Lisher, L Nxati, J Gleaves, D Erasmus, C Bristow Front Row: T Brown, Mrs J Redpath, S O'Keeffe



Back Row: T Vassiliou, M Mfundisi, A Hobson, A Albers, C Wales, O Bulani, A Mpuqa, L Maddocks Front Row: L Sheard, M Herring, M van Wyk, Mrs Z Jonas, S, Ngumbela, H Terblanche, M Pangwa



#### **U9 NETBALL**

Back Row: G Chadwick, R Reid, M Wilmot, J Barnard, M Manyara, A Wilson Front Row: S Swartbooi, S Zweni, E Beatt, Mrs M van Aardt, J Gadd, K Mbenyana, P Caiger



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**U8 NETBALL** 

Back Row: L Pangwa, J Field, L Matebese, G Handley, M Govender, L Tweddle Front Row: K Addison, M Martin, M Adriaan, Mrs B Wilmot, J Pieterse, K Quya, S Zothe

## Rugby

hose of us who watched the semi-final match between the Springboks and the All Blacks during the 2015 World Cup, witnessed some very special scenes played out on the screen after the final whistle. We saw two contrasting reactions; ecstatic All Blacks celebrating with arms in the air and disappointed Springboks, who gave everything on the day and still came second. Their heads were down, some were lying or sitting down trying to deal with the disappointment. These reactions are common in sport, but what happened next is what makes rugby such a special game and why we should encourage our young boys to continue to play the game.

Out of respect, the modest All Blacks turned their attention back to the Springboks. We saw All Black players help exhausted Springboks up off the ground, handshakes and hugs all around and words of congratulations and condolences exchanged between players. While this was all happening on the field the cameras shifted to the two coaches where they were embraced in a rugby-hug in the coaches' box. We then saw the All Blacks make a tunnel and applaud the Springboks off the field. These scenes epitomise the mutual respect the two teams have for each other, but it also teaches us about how to live our lives.

Rugby can therefore be considered one of the many ways in which we educate children. It teaches us about playing in a team, working towards a mutual goal, hard work and sacrifice, sportsmanship and that you cannot always win. However, you should always behave like a winner, be modest and show respect towards your opponents, coaches and referees

Under the watchful eye of Mr Serfontein and Mr Ranger, our Grade 1 and 2 boys were introduced to the fundamentals of the game. Weekly practices were eagerly attended and skills were developed in an environment where the emphasis was also on having fun and playing games. They participated in two tournaments of which Kingswood played host to one at City Lords. Our Grade 1s and 2s also formed part of the K-Day experience and took on their counterparts in fierce battles akin to those of the older boys.

2015 has been a most enjoyable and successful season for the U9A rugby boys, where so much was learnt by the players about the basics of the game. Mr Braans reported that the progress, development and commitment of each of the boys during the season was wonderful to see and most players will be able to move to higher ranks with much confidence. Some very good basic forward play was evident during the season and the backline always looked dangerous when they had the ball in hand. The area where much attention was focused was the defence and here the boys really did excel with some great 'try saving' tackles witnessed during the season. Success at U9 level should not be measured by results, but it was pleasing to record good wins over Port Alfred, Union High, Clarendon Park and Graeme.

The season got off to a great start for Mr Radloff and his U11B team. With a positive attitude and displaying good structure, the boys won their first fixture, against Gonubie. This positive attitude persisted throughout the season and led to many exciting matches. One of these fine fixtures took place in Graaff Reinet against Union, where despite a strong comeback from Kingswood, a last minute try to Union was the final decider in the host's favour. The highlight of the season was the exceptional all-round structural and tactical performance demonstrated by players, which resulted in a close loss to Graeme, a draw on K-day against St Andrew's Prep and a resounding victory against Woodridge. A number of standout performances as well as an enthusiastic group of U10 players bodes well for what could be an exciting season for Kingswood U11 rugby in 2016.

If one had to look at the results it might appear that the U11A side did not have a very successful season, but Mr Baxter felt that the boys grew in leaps and bounds during the season and improved in most aspects of the game. There was a lot of talent and commitment in this group and the boys came to practices willing to learn and improve their skills and game structure each week. We experimented with numerous combinations in the hope of finding the best position for each player. The key techniques taught to this age group were to catch, to draw, to pass and to run straight with pace, as this usually leads to the demise of many an opponent.

The U13B team started their season with a fine performance against the Kenton U13A team, pulling off a narrow victory. As the season progressed the boys became more confident in their skills, and were able to retain the ball for longer periods of time and their defensive structure improved significantly. One area where the team did let themselves down was their inability to start their matches well. They let through many soft tries and had to play catch-up rugby for the rest of the game. To their credit they did seem to play a lot better in the second half and this was no more evident than in their match against St Andrews. Their handling skills, rucking and mauling skills and all-round game improved significantly during the season, which was the result of their commitment at practices. Mr Long believes that the boys need

to grow in confidence in order to be competitive for the whole match.

When we welcomed Mr Duncan Bush into our ranks as U13C coach, it was evident from his preparation and passion for rugby that the boys were in for a treat. By running basic drills he developed the boys' techniques and they quickly grew in confidence. The boys started to understand the game better with the result that they could play a more structured game and subsequently produced some pleasing results. Due to a lack of numbers, we could not always field a full side and played 7 a 10A-side rugby, which allowed for a more open game. This usually suited our opponents better who had more pace out wide. Positive aspects in their style of play included good ball retention skills and controlling first-phase ball. We feel that should these players develop the physical aspect of their game, they would become more competitive on defence.

The U13A side, under the guidance of Mr Tait and Mr Devis, were put through their paces at the pre-season training camp and came out keen to show off their skills while wearing the coveted red jersey with their numbers on the back. The camp also gave the coaches the opportunity to get to know the strengths of the individuals and to design and implement a game-plan for the season. This approach was well received by the boys and each player understood his role in the team. We were very satisfied with the game management of our boys and we witnessed some scintillating rugby from this team. Ball retention, clean-out and handling skills were top notch and with ball in hand, our players gained many running metres. Unfortunately we lacked pace out wide and we had to focus on creating chances in the midfield. We won most of our lineouts and scrums on our own putin, which formed our main attacking platforms. Through our defence and ability to compete for the ball in the tackle, we pressurized the opposition into making mistakes, which became the trade mark of



#### **U13A RUGBY**

Back Row: M Jacobs, Z Booi, M Sishuba, M Fourie, D Reid, M Motswaiso, J Roux, R Kombe, G Bennett, M Stretton

Middle Row: K Tinga, D Odunuga, Mr J Devis, A Nontso, Mr Q Tait, G Reed, U Jonas

Front Row: T Seymour, C van der Merwe, S Chaparira

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the team. We often received compliments from the opposition coaches about how the Kingswood boys played high-pressured rugby and did not give up. This was most evident in the matches against Union, Graeme, Outeniqua and Glenwood where we had to play catch-up rugby and against St Andrew's when the penalty count mounted up against us in the first half and the boys stood a risk of losing their structure. Jano Roux and Dami Odunuga are two players to watch in the future as they were devastating on attack and were responsible for a high percentage of the points in the season. For his excellent all-round season, support of his team mates and humble approach to his game, Dami was voted the most valuable player of the season.

Results:		
PJ Olivier	won	35 – 7
Gonubie	lost	8-19
Port Alfred	won	30-0
Lillyfontein	won	29-17
Union	lost	21-45
Clarendon	won	22-14
Grahamstown Primary	won	12-0
St Marys	won	38-0
St Andrew's	won	25-19
Woodridge	won	25-7
Graeme	lost	8-12
Glenwood	lost	19-26
Outeniqua	lost	17-21
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After the Triangular with Grahamstown Primary and St St Mary's, a team was selected to play against St Johns from Johannesburg

and Sweet Valley from Cape Town. The Red Dragons, as this team was called, went down 30 points to 10 against St Johns and unfortunately the match against Sweet Valley was called off due to a waterlogged field. This is a pity as we had built up momentum and the boys were very impressive in the practice leading up to the match.

For the coaching staff, each end of season means the inevitable loss of players we grew fond of, but with it comes the challenge of new blood, bringing with them their own unique talents and skills. We look forward to the start of the 2016 season and all the challenges and rewards it holds for us blessed few who love and serve the game.

Q TAIT







Above Left: Michael van Staden carried the ball well throughout the season and ended off some good team tries for the U11As. Above Right: Lhlumile Nkatzo on the attack with his Grade 2 team mates in close support during the Mini-Rugby Festival hosted by Kingswood Left: Dami Odunuga proved his all-round skills by being the top points scorer for the under U13As. His team mates also voted him most valuable player

Right: Jano Roux was on top form for the U13A team this year scoring many scintillating tries.

Below Left: The Red Dragons team shortly before kick-off against St John's. With them is sponsor Trevor Davies from Crossfit.

Below Right: Kingswood hosted a Triangular with St Mary's and Grahamstown Primary. Here Thato Kekana starts an attack for the U11A team.









**U13B RUGBY** 

Back Row: B Hobson, T Mills, Z Booi, F McCune, M Bouwer, M Sishuba, C Sholto-Douglas, T Seymour, B Huson Front Row: K Mafongosi, L Ouya, M Huson, Mr B Long, L Webb, U Jonas, D Stravridis



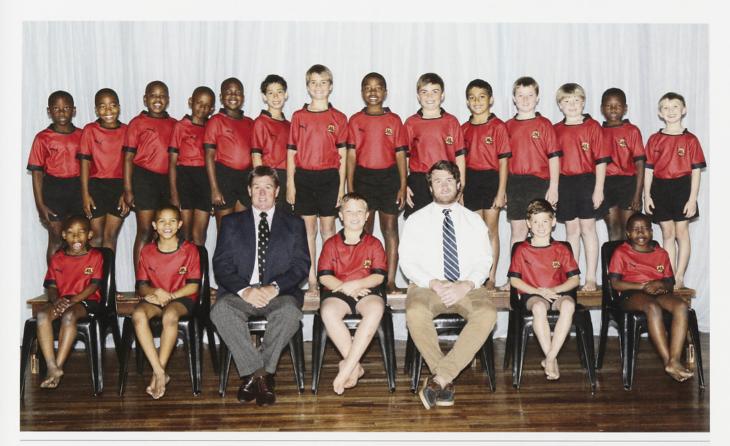
Back Row: J Zulu, L Stamper, A Opperman, T Vivier, K Trytsman, R Caiger, V Jimere Front Row: W Edwards, M Vivier, T Mills, Mr D Bush, D Govender, C Gailey, T Nhlapo



U11A RUGBY
Back Row: T de Beer, N Juana, J Mildenhall, B Nkwinti
Middle Row: L Claassens, L Ndyoko, I Mazwai, L Kelly, S Nyangiwe
Front Row: C Painting,G Davies, K Mudabuka, Mr G Baxter, M van Staden, C Sholto-Douglas, T Kekana



U11B RUGBY
Back Row: S Price, K Hango, H Weissenberg, O Gesha, B Armstrong, Q Buwa, A Pieterse, M Draghoender
Middle Row: L Msindwana, P Rathbone, X Potgieter, J Hoops, M Gadd, R Henry, D Gcume
Front Row: J Taljaard, L Gcezengana, Y Nontso, Mr T Radloff, R Bristow, T Musa, K Gesha



Back Row: I Shoba, K Hambaze, B Mbombiya, L Nkatazo, N Nyembezi, Z Nagdee, J Connan, S Mahlasela, M Schmidt, J Herring, C Wright, S Martindale, P Makoni, A Brown

Front Row: S Qeja, L Lucas, Mr D Braans, M Baxter, Mr S Stopford, F Klopper, H Ntlumbini



#### **U8 RUGBY**

Back Row: H Haakonsen, A Nyangiwe, T Young, S Butters, D MacQuilkan, B Wolff, E Peter, C Niesing, M Harjeven, Y Nagdee, R Dullabh, L Williams Middle Row: N Achermann, C De Wet Steyn, Mr M Ranger, X Ntshebe, Mr J Cottle, J Hamer, Mr P Serfontein, C Sickle, H Nawaz Floor: W Beatt, R Bowles, E Burgess, D Martin, C van Heerden, R Oosthuizen, L Godlimpi, T Marthinus, D Dold, R Goliath

## Squash

quash at Kingswood has been privileged to enjoy another successful year. With so many sports on offer at the school and each coach making their demands on the same players, those playing this sport have been remarkable in producing the results that they have.

Kingswood Junior entered one team in the Makana and Districts Schools' Squash 5th League this year. The KC Junior 1st team was made up of the following players; Neo Mkhatini, Luke Kelly, Amkela Nontso (captain), Matthew Stretton, Greg Bennett and Demi Odongwa. This is an amazing accomplishment seeing that they participate against a number of Senior School Teams.

We were also pleased to hear that 2 players had been selected to represent Eastern Province this year. Amkela Nontso (U13 boys) and Luke Kelly (U11 boys) played in the various Inter-Provincial Tournaments, staged in different parts of South Africa this year. We were all very proud of Luke Kelly, who was crowned the Boys U11 Champion at the EP Schools Open Squash Championships.

Many of our players were fortunate to attend a training camp held by SA professional coach, Alan Stapleton, from Port Elizabeth at the beginning of the year. They were all put through their paces - working

hard on technique and movement on the court.

Each year squash players throughout the world celebrate squash in what is known as World Squash Day. National Squash Federations and clubs all over the world participated in this event to promote the game on Saturday, 10 October. This popular annual event, has taken place against a backdrop of the sport bidding for a place in the Olympic Games, and is endorsed by the World Squash Federation (WSF). This year we decided to become part of this event and invited players from Grahamstown to join us as we celebrated squash. The response was simply amazing and 50 keen and enthusiastic players converged on the Kingswood College courts to be taken through a short, but intense warm-up. This was followed by an energy-sapping agility and movement course which got the heart rates up and cleared the lungs for a morning of enjoyable squash both in the singles and doubles format. Beginner players were accommodated with coaching sessions which provided the necessary guidance by qualified coaches. All players who participated in the event received free T-Shirts donated by an anonymous donor.

Our Junior School Age Group Squash Championship was held and the following players must be congratulated on winning their respective sections:

- > U11 Girls Squash Champion
  - Iviwe Gontshi U11 Boys Squash Champion Morgan Baxter
- U13 Girls Squash Champion
- Luhko Mbenyana

- > U13 Boys Squash Champion
- Luke Kelly

The school has been very fortunate to have coaches that have been willing and dedicated to providing the opportunities that these players have enjoyed and I thank them in their absence. To make it all possible, the contribution of the parents must not be overlooked. Thank you to all of you for the support that we have received this year.

■ I KNOTT-CRAIG



Left: World Squash Day 2015: Luke Kelly - EP U11 and EP U11 Age Group Champion. Below: World Squash Day 2015 - Matthew Stretton; Daniel Stravridis; Greg Bennett; Olivia Price (DSG) and Amkela Nontso.





SQUASH JUNIOR 1 Back Row: L Mbenyana, G Bennett, A Nontso, D Odunuga Front Row: J Cheng, M Stretton, L Webb, N Mkatini



SQUASH JUNIOR Back Row: A Nontso, J Roux, G Bennett, M Stretton, D Odunuga Front Row: L Kelly, Miss V Selley, N Mkatini



## Swimming

e have had a very successful swimming season this year. Mr Graeme Williams has had an amazing influence on the level of swimming and the success of our young swimmers at the Junior School. We thank him most sincerely for his input. We also wish him well for the future as he leaves Kingswood to start a new life abroad.

#### **Tabloid Gala**

We started our swimming season with the Tabloid Gala. Although we as swimming coaches probably chose the worst day of the year for our Tabloid Gala, I do not believe that the awful weather impacted negatively on the quality of the swimming. Congratulations to the following who all achieved a full house of 16 points: Luke Kelly, Janey Krige, Ross Henry, Michael Fourie, Cole van der Merwe, Megan Schmidt, Gemma Lankester, Gizelle de Klerk, Alex Albers and Erin Meikle. Many of the other swimmers also attained a four in their favourite stroke. Congratulations to Rich House for coming first, followed by Tarr, Slater and Dacam. A big thank you to all the swimmers, parents and staff for braving the weather. Well done!

#### **Championship Gala**

On Thursday, 26 February, the Junior School once again held our annual Championship Gala. There was some truly remarkable swimming with 9 records broken. Congratulations to the following swimmers for breaking records: Luke Kelly who broke the Individual Medley, Breaststroke, Backstroke, Freestyle and Butterfly records in the U 11 age group. Other record breakers were Ross Henry, and Cole van der Merwe and Rich and Slater House each broke one record in the relay events.

Congratulations to Slater House for winning the Championship Gala and taking home the Leavers Shield Trophy.

#### Congratulation to the following swimmers who were Victrix and Victor Ludorum inners:

U8	Georgia Handley	Cristiano van Heerden	
U9	Gemma Chadwick	Michael Schmidt	
U10	Alex Albers	Ross Henry	
U11	Megan Schmidt	Luke Kelly	
U12	Gemma Lankester	Cole van der Merwe	
Open	Gizelle de Klerk	Liam Webb	

#### **Short Course Gala**

Kingswood hosted the Short Course Gala with all the Grahamstown schools attending. Our Kingswood swimmers were most competitive and did us proud

Age	Name	Stroke	Place
U9	Morgan Baxter	backstroke	3rd
U9	U9 team	4x25m breaststroke relay	3rd
U9	U9 team	4x25m medley relay	3rd
U9	U9 team	4x25m backstroke relay	3rd
U9	Emily Beatt	backstroke	3rd
U9	Rosalie Reid	breaststroke	3rd
U9	Georgie Handley	backstroke	4th
U10	Ross Henry	backstroke	1st
		breaststroke	2nd
		freestyle	2nd
U10	U10 team	backstroke and breaststroke relay	2nd
U10	U10 team	medley relay	3rd
U10	Alex Albers	freestyle and backstroke	3rd
U10	U10 team	breaststroke and freestyle relay	2nd
U11	Luke Kelly	backstroke and breaststroke	1st <b>N</b>
	U11 team	4x25m breaststroke relay	2nd
	U11 team	4x25m backstroke relay	3rd
U11	Megan Schmidt	freestyle	1st
		backstroke	2nd
U12	U11 team	medley and backstroke relay	3rd
	Cole van der Merwe	breaststroke	2nd
U14		4x25m breaststroke relay	3rd
		4x25m backstroke relay	3rd
		freestyle relay	2nd

#### **Independent Schools Gala**

On Tuesday, 10 March, a number of pupils attended the Independent Schools Gala hosted by St Andrew's Prep. This gala was attended by DSG, St Andrew's Prep, Kingswood, St George's and Woodridge. Congratulations to all our swimmers for their amazing participation. Special mention must be made of Luke Kelly for achieving a first place

and breaking the record in breaststroke and backstroke. Megan Schmidt was placed 1st in freestyle and the U11 team came first in the freestyle relay. Ross Henry achieved a first place in the backstroke event and two second places.

#### Inter-Districts Gala

The Inter-Districts Gala was held in Graaff-Reinet this year and a large number of Kingswood children were selected for the team. Congratulations to all our Kingswood pupils for their excellent participation and wonderful swimming. The Albany Team came first with a number of records broken by Kingswood pupils.

#### Congratulations to the following pupils:

Emily Beatt	50m backstroke	3rd
Georgie Handley	50m backstroke	1st
Alex Albers	50m backstroke	1st
	50m freestyle	1st
Amy Hobson	50m butterfly	2nd
Ross Henry	50m backstroke	1st
	50m breaststroke	1st
	50m freestyle	2nd
Luke Kelly	50m freestyle	1st NR
	50m breaststroke	1st NR
	50m butterfly	1st <b>NR</b>
Tom de Beer	50m butterfly	2nd
Megan Schmidt	50m freestyle	2nd
Cole van der Merwe	50m breaststroke	1st NR
Liam Webb	50m backstroke	3rd
Emily Beatt	50m freestyle	2nd

#### **Dolphin Shield Gala**

The Dolphin Gala was held at DSG and hosted by VP this year. Kingswood was particularly competitive in the U9, 10 and 11 age groups, achieving nine first places overall. Congratulations to Luke Kelly, Alex Albers, Ross Henry and Megan Schmidt for achieving first places in their various races, as well as the U10 boys' and girls relay teams.

Special thanks to all the swimming coaches for their time and enthusiasm. Also to the Kingswood College maintenance team for our wonderful facilities. Most of all thank you to our swimmers for all their hard work and long hours in the pool.

#### ■ CFOORD

The Prep Department enjoyed a busy swimming season this year, with a greater emphasis put on the beginner swimmer group with the help of the professional coach Graeme Williams. We had a Fun Splash Gala, with all the children participating with much enthusiasm. We were delighted to see the number of U9 swimmers who were selected for the Albany Swimming Team and this team participated in the Inter-District Gala. We were very pleased to see the eager participation of so many pupils at the Championship Gala, including a few very capable Grade 1s, so this bodes well for our swimming next year.

#### ■ L REYNOLDS

Below Left: U9s getting ready to swim in the Championships Gala 2015
Below: Boys open Championships Gala 2015
Bottom Left: Tabloid Gala
Bottom Middle: Tabloid Gala
Bottom Right: Old Kingswoodian Chris de Wet Steyn and his son
Caleb at the Championships Gala











#### **GIRLS SWIMMING TEAM**

Back Row: K Van Staden, E Webber, I Vos, J Pedro Middle Row: G Chadwick, T Vassiliou, A Albers, M Schmidt, G Lankester, T Yates, A Hobson, L Sheard Front Row: E Beatt, G de Klerk, Mrs C Wilson, E Meikle, Mrs C Foord, R Reid, G Handley



Back Row: B Hobson, D Funani, M van Staden, R Caiger, M Fourie, F McCune, T Mills, C van der Merwe, T Seymour Middle Row: M Schmidt, T de Beer, L Claassens, W Edwards, L Kelly, R Henry, J Connan, J Mildenhall, Z Nagdee

Front Row: C Painting, B Wolff, M Motswaiso, Mrs C Foord, L Webb, M Baxter, S Martindale

Floor: C van Heerden



VICTOR/VICTRIX LUDORUM WINNERS

Back Row: L Kelly, L Webb, M Schmidt, G De Klerk, G Lankester, C van der Merwe, A Albers, R Henry

Front Row: E Beatt, M Schmidt, Mrs C Foord, G Chadwick, C van Heerden

### Tennis

he Grahamstown Tennis Championships, from which the Albany teams are selected, were played in February. Seven Kingswood children made the Albany tennis teams and a number of reserves were also selected. Kingswood was particularly well represented in the 12&U Girls' with three players and one reserve.

- > 10&U Boys: Albany 1st seed Luke Kelly; 5th seed Matt Gadd. Morgan Baxter - reserve at No 7.
- > 12&U Boys: 3rd seed Darius Govender.
- 10&U Girls: Emke Klopper and Jessica Gleaves as reserves at nos 7 & 8 respectively.
- > 12&U Girls: 2nd seed Jenna Wright; 4th seed Janey Krige; 6th seed - Lukho Mbenyana; 7th seed - Emily Webber.
- > 14&U Girls: 4th seed Gizelle de Klerk.

The following children took part in a 10 & Under Inter-Schools tennis tournament at Victoria Primary during the first term: Luke Kelly, Matt Gadd, Michael van Staden, Jessica Gleaves and Emke Klopper. They enjoyed some very good tennis against schools from Cradock, Graaff Reinet, Port Alfred and Grahamstown. The Kingswood team was victorious, winning the Gillidot Team trophy.

At the start of the third term, our U13A girls played against Ruzawi, a touring side from Zimbabwe. The standard of tennis was high but unfortunately rain interrupted play throughout the afternoon. The same top eight girls also played against a very strong Collegiate side.

The Inter-House tennis tournament was played in good spirits. Slater House was victorious, with Tarr second, Rich third and Dacam fourth.

#### The results of the Tennis Championships in the various age-groups are as follows:

- **U11 Girls Singles Champion:** Jessica Gleaves
- U11 Girls Singles Runner-up: Emke Klopper
- U11 Girls Doubles Champions: Jessica Gleaves and Emke Klopper
- U11 Girls Doubles Runners-up: Megan Schmidt and Jenna Gadd
- **U11 Boys Singles Champion:** Luke Kelly



Inter-house tennis - Back row: J Krige, D Govender, Front row: J Wright, M Fourie

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- > U11 Boys Singles Runner-up: Matt Gadd
- > U11 Boys Doubles Champions: Luke Kelly and Matt Gadd
- > U11 Boys Doubles Runners-up: Michael van Staden and Jordan Mildenhall
- > U13 Girls Singles Champion: Jenna Wright
- > U13 Girls Singles Runner-up: Gizelle de Klerk
- > U13 Girls Doubles Champions: Jenna Wright and Gizelle de Klerk
- > U13 Girls Doubles Runners-up: Lukho Mbenyana and Janey Krige
- > Winner of the U13 Girls Back Draw: Sesame Ralebala
- > U13 Boys Singles Champion: Darius Govender
- > U13 Boys Singles Runner-up: Kwande Renene
- > U13 Boys Doubles Champions: Neo Mkatini and Damilola Odunuga
- > U13 Boys Doubles Runners-up: Darius Govender and Cole van der Merwe
- > Winner of the U13 Boys Back Draw: Damilola Odunuga
- > Most improved players: Jill Cheng and John Zulu

Thanks must go to all the coaches for all their time and commitment, the parents for their support and to all the players for their enthusiastic participation.

■ D KENT AND P DOWDLE

Top Right: Interhouse tennis - Back row: J Cheng, J Krige, Front row: L Mbenyana, J Wright. Right: Gillidot Trophy. Far Right: Gillidot Trophy winners - Back Row (L to R): L Kelly, M van Staden, M Gadd. Front Row (L to R): J Gleaves, E Klopper. Below: Brotherton Birch Open Trophy & U13 Girls Championship winner - J Wright.

Below Middle: Most Improved
Player of the Year - J Zulu; J Cheng.
Below Right: U13 Girls Doubles
Championship winners G de Klerk; J Wright.
Bottom Left: U13 Boys Championship winner - D Govender.
Bttom Right: U13A Girls
vs Collegiate.















U13A BOYS' TENNIS
Back Row: K Renene, D Odunuga, C van der Merwe, M Fourie, T Mills, H Matiso, A Nontso
Front Row: D Govender, Mrs D Kent, Mr D Braans, N Mkatini



U13B BOYS' TENNIS Back Row: B Hobson, M Bouwer, M Motswaiso, J Maritz, J Zulu Front Row: M Jacobs, Mrs D Kent, G Bennett,

Floor: D Stavridis



U11A BOYS'TENNIS Back Row: R Bristow, J Mildenhall, M van Staden, L Claassens, B Nkwinti, M Baxter Front Row: M Gadd, Mrs A Knott-Craig, L Kelly



U11B BOYS'TENNIS
Back Row: K Mudabuka, S Nyangiwe, I Mazwai, Y Nontso
Middle Row: C Painting, Mrs A Knott-Craig, G Davies,
Front Row: A Pieterse, T Kekana



U13A GIRLS'TENNIS
Back Row: J Cheng, J Pedro, G de Klerk, E Webber, K van Staden
Front Row: J Wright (captain) Mrs D Kent, Mr D Braans, L Mbenyana



U13B GIRLS' TENNIS Back Row: T Yates, S Pyle, W Madasa, C Wilmot Front Row: S Ralebala, Mrs D Kent, C Cugildi

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U11A GIRLS'TENNIS
Back Row: C Bristow, Z Chadwick, M Schmidt, Z Lombard
Front Row: J Gleaves, Mrs M van Aardt, E Klopper



#### **U11B GIRLS'TENNIS**

Back Row: A Hobson, J van der Westhuizen, L Maddocks Front Row: J Gadd, Mrs M van Aardt, T Vassiliou

### Water Polo

he 2015 water polo season proved to be a year of growth and development in the U13 side, with many Grade 6s joining the side as first time water polo players at the beginning of the year. Over the course of the year, the girls have come together as a team and the more experienced Grade 7 players have passed on their skills and knowledge of the game to create a strong U12 side to lead the Junior School Team in 2016.

The season started off with some tough opposition leading to unfavourable results, but the girls showed true Kingswood sportsmanship by never dropping their heads and consistently playing to the best of their ability regardless of the scoreboard. This determination and eagerness to learn resulted in 10 of the girls being selected to represent the U13 Eastern Province Water polo Team for 2015. This was a great opportunity and accomplishment for these talented players. This experience of playing provincial water polo will stand them in good stead for future years, as they will be exposed to a high level of skills and ability from around the country. The A Team was already exposed to this level of water polo at the annual Cannons Creek Water polo Tournament which they attended in Cape Town at the end of October. Although being slightly intimidated by the number of schools and level of water polo, the girls learnt a lot and all considered it a successful tournament.

This was followed by the annual Kingswood College U13 Girls'Festival in which both the A and B sides played. There was a marked improvement in the A sides' game following the Cannons Creek Tournament and the



team showed this with exciting wins against Stirling and DSG, as well as a draw against Hudson Park- all strong water polo schools. Although the U13 Water polo Programme is a fairly new initiative, it has put the players in a much stronger position when entering high school having had previous experience of the game and opportunities to participate in tournaments and provincial events. The much-appreciated support of parents on the side of the pool, as well as the friendships made in the team throughout the year, has lead to a very successful and enjoyable season in the pool.

#### ■ TFOSS



GIRLS' WATER POLO TEAM

Back Row: J Pedro, E Webber, E Meikle, K Mutale, I Vos

Middle Row: G Lankester, C Cugildi, J Cheng, G De Klerk, T Repinz, J Wright, W Madasa Front Row: A Appelt, D Basson, R Singh, Mr P Serfontein, I Nel, T Yates, S Albers





# THE OLD KINGSWOODIAN CLUB







## THE OLD KINGSWOODIAN CLUB

015 has certainly been a busy year for the Old Kingswoodian Club and it is hard to believe that so much action can be packed into one year. This was the first year that the bulk of the functions arranged by the OK Club office were held under the mantle of the recently formed Kingswoodian Club which includes OKs, staff, parents and past parents in the various invitation lists.

The Burton Street jacarandas are in full bloom which always signals that it is time to look back on the year and reflect on what worked well. what needs improvement and what the OK Club can do to ensure that it maintains the full support of our global community of OKs who are scattered throughout the world. Under the astute leadership of our president, Johnny Goldberg and vice-president, Warrick Strachan the OK Club continues to pursue different ideas and methods of keeping OKs connected. OKs are a very important part of the Kingswood community and it is pleasing to know that the College Head, Jon Trafford, appreciates the support that Kingswood gets from its alumni.

Kingswood will be celebrating its 125th year in 2019 and plans are already afoot to ensure that this will be a bumper year for Kingswood. The OK Club will also be focusing on the various celebrations that will take place and will be keeping you well informed about what is planned by the OK Club. The 125 campaign will also involve an intensive fund raising effort and to this end I would like to encourage OKs to support their alma mater generously. Independent schools such as ours cannot survive on school fees alone and to ensure that we remain top of the ivy league of co-educational schools we as OKs need to "come to the party". We ask ourselves why we should spend a portion of our meagre budget that we allow ourselves each month on the school we once attended. The reality is, we shouldn't have to be convinced to contribute to the future of our alma mater - we should know that by giving back to Kingswood we thank it for where we are today – we often fail to connect the dots of our success to our alma mater.

#### Why should OKs give back to their alma mater?

- > Support from OKs will play an integral role in determining the future and continued growth of Kingswood.
- You are giving back to more than your school; you're helping the next generation of movers and shakers receive the same high quality of education that you got from Kingswood.
- OKs should want to see their alma mater grow in stature, and one way to help out is by giving back.

- The value of your school education increases as your alma mater continues to maintain its reputation of being at the top of the ivy league of Independent co-education schools.
- It is a way to stay connected with Kingswood.
- Giving back is a 'thank you' for the amazing learning experience that Kingswood offered you.
- Regular contributions help bolster the operating budget of your alma mater
- It's tax-deductible. Why not give to your school rather than paying the taxmanl
- Giving back doesn't have to mean money we often forget that our time is valuable and can be almost as important as any donation we make to our alma mater. Human capital is just as beneficial to the sustained vitality of Kingswood and can be just as important, if not more, than purely financial support.
- When we give back to Kingswood, we get a sense of satisfaction in knowing that we're furthering the aims of the College that did so much to educate us and give us a better life.

#### NEWS FROM THE OKOFFICE

### In Memoriam

Sadly we have to report that the office received notification of the passing of the following OKs during 2015

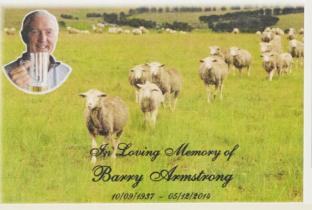
BARNES, Christopher	(OK 1960)
COLLETT, Jason	(OK 1964)
<b>DECHOW,</b> Ernest	(OK 1950)
DOBIE, Jack	(OK 1925)
FRASER, Neil	(OK 1968)
GELB, Julian	(OK 1965)
ISTED (nee GREEN), Toshca	(OK 1991)
KRUGER, Kosie	(OK 1965)
MOWTELL, Brian	(OK 1973)
OSLER, George	(OK 1956)
PENGELLY, Trevor	(OK 1958)
PRICE, Wendy	(STAFF)

### **ALAN JOHN TRUTER**



4 June 1959 - 26 February 2015







John Seals Berrington 28/10/1930 ~ 28/10/2015

## Old Kingswoodian News



## Engagements



Casey Crafford and Carla Ortlepp



Donné Brotherton and Mike Roberts





Chris de Klerk and G'Anne Abrahams

## Weddings





Donne Brotherton and Mike Roberts



Naas Ferreira, Gay Ferreira, Anton and Sarah-Jane Ferreira, Johnno Bradfield, Cheryl Bradfield



Andrea Burmeister





Anton Ferreira and Sarah-Jane Bradfield



Mike Cohen and Amy Conyers



Bruce Brown and Nicola Vogel



Graham du Plessis and Claudia Fraser

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RIDLEY, Roger	(OK 1966)
STEP, Christopher	(OK 1969)
STEWART, Phillip ("Charlie")	(OK 1975)
TRUTER, Allan	(OK 1977)
WHITFIELD, Des	(OK 1946)
BERRINGTON, John	(OK 1948)
COLAHAN, Denis	(OK 1945)
COLEMAN, Garry	(OK1964)
MINTY, Andy	(OK 1965)
SCHOLTZ, Pieter	(OK 1947)
SMAILES, Vic	(OK 1951)
THOMPSON, Ann	(STAFF)

#### A Tribute to Ann Thompson by Tommy Hartzenberg

Ann, after elder brother, John, was the eldest of the four daughters of Jack and Rene Slater. She lived with her parents in Jacques House for 22 years. She qualified at Grahamstown Training College and taught at KC Prep for 4 or 5 years during which time she married Stewart Thompson who had come from England to teach at Kingswood College.

When the tennis pavilion at City Lords became available for the Wyvern Club, Ann, with very limited facilities, set about making it a warm and welcoming venue for OKs, staff and parents to enjoy refreshments and meals when the school programme required it. Such was her service to Kingswood that she was honoured by having the coveted Wyvern Award bestowed on her.

After some four very successful years at the Wyvern Club, they moved out when Stewart was appointed as Deputy Head. During this next period Ann was appointed to assist in the PR/OK office where she was responsible for all travel bookings, sending out OK newsletters and, among other things, helping with fund raising through the 300 Club. Again she was a great asset.

In due course Ann and Stewart retired to Gonubie, near East London where they lived until Ann became ill and needed expert care. At this stage they moved to be near their eldest son, Michael, in Stilbaai, and then Ann was placed in a facility in Mossel Bay where, recently she passed away.

She will be remembered with great fondness by all who knew her at KC. At the time of writing this, a celebration is being planned for Stewart who will be turning 90 towards the end of the year, 2015.

Over the years Tom and Kay had become great family friends of Ann and Stewart and we have shared many happy memories. We, too, will feel a great sense of loss at her passing.

### Engagements

- Maria Phieros (OK 2002) to Michael Hoarau
- Ruairi Shanahan (OK 2003) to Clara Delany
- Christopher de Klerk (OK 2003) to G'Anne Abrahams
- Mark Fetting (OK 2004) to Clementine Davies
- Andrew Paxinos (OK 2002) to Sheree Cloete
- Alistair Scott (OK 1998) to Kate
- Jonty Truter (OK 2007) to Alexandra Fae Mitchell
- > Mika Marffy (OK 2007) to Douglas Badcock
- > Robbie Arnold (OK 2007) to Tarryn Yorke
- Rhys Comley (OK 1993) to Alix
- Emma Collett (OK 2005) to Mark Calvert
- Lauren Bradfield (OK 2005) to Peter Jackson

- Donne Brotherton (OK 2008) to Mike Roberts
- Grant Hattingh (OK 2008) to Pippa Buchanan
- Camilla Bailey (OK 2006) to Graeme Lucas-Bull
- Casey Crafford (OK 1999) to Carla Ortlepp

### Weddings

- Donne Brotherton (OK 2008) to Mike Roberts
- Graham du Plessis (OK 2001) to Claudia Fraser
- Mike Cohen (OK 1996) to Amy Convers
- Josie Smith (OK 2008) to Stephen Middleton
- Charles Muir (OK 2004) to Kate Worthington
- Phillip Krige (OK 1988) to Christine
- Jess Baker (OK 2000 ) to Arne Hansen
- Bruce Brown (OK 2000) to Nicola Vogel
- Owen Poultney (OK 1996) to Lara Greaves
- Cameron Turner (OK 2006) to Lynne Mugglestone
- Nicholas Bradfield (OK 2003) to Andrea Burmeister
- Sarah-Jane Bradfield (OK 2002) to Anton Ferreira (OK 1998)

### The Patter of Little Feet

- > Shane (OK 2004) and Jessica Turner a daughter, Zara Vivienne, born on 25/11/2015
- Ryan (OK 1992) and Karen Christian a son, Blaze, born on 23/11/2015
- Vanessa (nee Moss OK 1997) and William Copeman a son, Mark, born
- > Kerry-Lynne (nee Rodgerson OK 2004) and Richard Wiers a son. Daughtry, born on 18/07/15
- Lorimer (OK 2002) and Donné Pittaway a daughter, Claire, born on 09/07/15
- Liza-Mari (nee Retief OK 2003) and TJ McLean a daughter, Mia, born on 12/06/15
- > Nicole (nee Mason OK 2002) and Gavin Ward-Able a daughter, Olivia May, born on 10/02/15
- Dinkie (nee Eksteen OK 2001) and Bryan Rowsell a daughter, Diana, born on 11/02/2015



#### Welcome

At the end of the year the matric Class of 2015 were welcomed as life members of the Old Kingswoodian Club. We trust that their association with the OK Club and the Kingswoodian Club will be a long and rewarding one and that they will take great pride in the fact that they will still be associated to their alma mater through these two clubs. Congratulations and welcome to the following young men and women from the Class of 2015 who walked the Kingswood walk until the completion of their final exams at the end of November. You have been fine young ambassadors for Kingswood and we wish you all well for the future.



### **Matrics**

**ARTHUR, Casey Lyn** AWOBOKUN-AIIANSO, Margaret Amiete Ovindamola

**ANDREW, Shannon Frances BALAILE**, William Mujuni **BANISTER**, Emma Louise BASSON, Robyn Valerie Natasha BAXTER, Alistair Ian Clitheroe **BOMAN**, Kegan Robert **BOWKER**, Justine Elizabeth **BURCHELL**, Scot Wesley **BUTTNER**, Tanja **CADLE, Holly May CAPOROSSI CUGILDI, Maria** 

Vittoria CAREY, Luke Cameron **CHEMALY, George Paul CHRISTIE**, Joshua Jay **CLARKE**, Stevan Graham **CROMPTON, Adam Henry DE JAGER, Christie DOLD, Bradley Lorimer DONIAN, Chloë Ruth** du TOIT, Andrew Clarence

**DULLABH, Neschay Thasvir** FREITAG, Lloyd Robert GODWIN, Alexander William **GRIPLAS**, Lydia Alice **GUNN**, Kayla Jade HASSANALI, Nadir Hassan **HOOPS, Aaron Roy** JACOBS, Lauren Leigh KAMARDINOVA, Niso KASPERSKI, Sasha Dalena KLAASEN, Levana KNIGHT, Alison Rebecca KNOTT-CRAIG, Hannah Sue KOCH, Karolynne Jade KOFFIE, Meagan Kayla KOMB, Melanie Yvonne Wanko KOSI, Ayabonga Nsikeleli KRUGER, Daine KRUGER, Hayden L'ANGE, Jonathan Christopher LINDHORST, Melissa Anne LIZAMORE, Jason Peter LOOCK, Clifford Chart MABOZA, Qiqa MAGEZA, Zwelibanzi Zipho Zinzuile

MAREE, Matthew Miles

MASIMA, Chazha Jacob **MATROSHE**, Yolokazi ME CABE, Sean Francis ME CARTHY, Ryan Aidan MEYER, Douglas Vaughan MPELI, Todd Owens NICHOLAS, Jamie Christopher NOMAVUKA, Unam Zukhanye **NYANGIWE**, Kamvelihle Singobile O'KEEFFE, Max Southwood O'NEIL, Jake Anthony **OPPERMAN, Marthinus Jacobus** PITCHER, Tristan River **POOLE**, Louise Carmen POTE, Aimee-Leigh **POTGIETER, Shane Derek** PRICE, Jessie Ruth **PURDON,** Ashleigh May **PURDON, Sheree Lee** PYLE, Michael Jonathan **RUSIKE**, Tenotenda Evaristo **SARGENT, Gina Mary** SAVAGE, Steven Michael **SCHENCK**, Nicholas Martin Alexander **SEGOETE, Simphiwe Thabang** 

SESIA, Mikaela Sharon SIBAM, Lubambo SIFUMBA, Abulele STIRK, Emma Jane STONE, Jamie-Lee STRACHAN, Megan Louise TALJARD, James Bradley TAYLOR, Jack TEELE, Tsepang THERON, Jeffrey Michael THERON, Jon Philip TOICH, Caimen Nicola TOICH, Kiara Nicole TRAFFORD, Bronwyn Kate TURNER, Lloyd Hamilton VAN BREDA, Michael Christopher VERMEULEN, Reeden **VIVIERS**, Jacques WATKINS, Ariana Heloise Jo WEBBER, Mark John Franklin WHITEHEAD, Travis Nicholas WILLE, Taryn-Maie Edith WILMOT, Bradley John WILMOT, James Michael Keith WOLFF, Damon Staude ZIMBA, Malama Levi ZWICKY-WARDLE, Callum David

### **Bridging Year**

BARKHUIZEN, JP BOSHOFF, Kavlan FULFORD, Alex

HALLER, Brad (Matriculated at KC 2014)

IVES, Jeremy KOCKOTT, JC

MAGER, Ezra (Matriculated at KC 2014)

MATTHEUS, Garrick MATYUNU, Ajax

MBETSHU, Niana **RUSSELL**, James

**Thomas** 

SHELLEY, Joshua (Matriculated at KC 2014)

VICTOR, Ryan (Matriculated at KC 2014)

The year-end brings with it many mixed emotions for those whose school careers at Kingswood have come to an end. On the one hand, there is the euphoria with the thought of going into the big wide world free of the restrictions that are synonymous with boarding school, and on the other hand, the regret of saying goodbye to school friends and leaving the secure environment that KC has provided. Good pre-alumni relations with the school are vital for the success of the OK Club and to this end a lot of thought gets devoted to ensuring that current matric

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pupils are well informed about their future responsibilities as OKs before they leave. The Executive Committee of the OK Club has taken a firm decision to make every effort to stay connected with our younger generation of OKs. In the past there tended to a bit of a void in the first 10 years after leaving school during which there was very little contact with this group. To implement this process plenty of effort has gone into educating the matrics and the bridging years about the aims and functions of the OK Club, their responsibilities as OKs and stressing on them that Kingswood is their school. For their school to succeed it needs the unconditional support of its alumni. Much of the third term is spent going through various processes that ensure that when the matrics walk out of the gates of Kingswood they will be very familiar with the workings of the OK Club and will no doubt be proud of their new found OK status.

The bulk of the action took place immediately before and during Parents Week. Tiny Tuesday took place on 6 October. The matric leavers get dressed in their smallest tightest clothes which they wear to class. The history of this tradition is a bit obscure but by all accounts, it is a celebration of their first years at Kingswood as "tiny tots" in the Junior School.

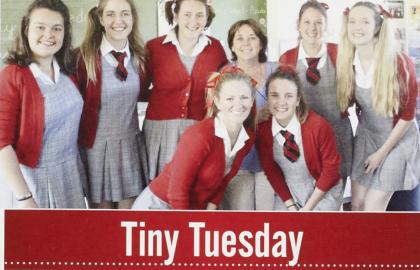
The outfits cannot be very comfortable and it astounds some how they manage to fit into these tight little outfits. Nevertheless great fun is had by all and it sets the tone for what is to follow. The traditional shirt signing happened on 8 October. The matrics used an old shirt on which their friends and classmates write messages. Together with this is the use of copious amounts of lipstick which gets planted on many cheeks - both pupils and staff. The matrics get given a chance to visit the Junior School which is no doubt a highlight for the little ones. It is too endearing to see the look of absolute awe on the faces of the juniors when one of their heroes has planted a big red lipstick kiss on his/her cheek. I am sure they are loath to wash it off that night! The Bridging Year Valedictory Service and Dinner took place on 9 October. This group of young men and women made a huge contribution to the school during 2015 and they certainly received well deserved recognition for what they had achieved during the year. One of the major events is the Leavers Dinner and this year it took place on Saturday 10 October. It was certainly an evening to remember. The pupils' speeches were well

presented, it was great to see so many parents present and above all it was very evident that this was a close knit group of Kingswoodians who would soon be leaving Kingswood. This too was the first time that the pupils wore their OK ties which no doubt played a big role in uniting them as OKs.

The official tie presentation took place on Monday 12 October. This usually takes place before the Leavers Dinner but due to difficulties with scheduling all the events taking place during Parents week, the dinner had to precede the tie presentation. However, this was not a bad thing because it was very significant to have the matrics wearing their ties at this ceremony. At the presentation the OK Club vice-president, Warrick Strachan, addressed the matrics during which he explained the functions and aims of the club. After completion of his address the matrics were called up to the front of the chapel to be welcomed as OKs by Di Hornby (Chairman of Council), Warrick Strachan (Vice-president of the OK Club) and Jon Trafford (College Head). It was very significant that the whole school was present and the loud applause that the newest additions to the OK Club received must have made them very proud to be progressing to the next level of their life-long association with Kingswood. Something very significant took place at this ceremony – the matric Class of 2015 handed over a sum of money to the Legends Fund as their first act of support to their alma mater. They arranged a fun run and the proceeds raised were used to purchase a bench which is now on Cops Lawn with the balance going to the Legends Fund. Well done to the matric Class of 2015 – this kind gesture was greatly appreciated.

One of the highlights of Parents' Weekend is the Valedictory Service which is certainly a fitting way in which to take leave of the Class of 2015 - there is hardly a dry eye in the Chapel by the end of the service. Once the congregation is seated the matrics file into the Chapel, all seated together in the front pews. The Heads of School address their fellow matrics and bid them farewell. The school hymn was sung with great gusto and the traditional "God be with you till we meet again" brought with it the usual emotion which is indeed special. After the service, when everybody has gathered their composure, the Clock Tower Race takes place followed by one last traditional war cry on the circle in front of the KC gates.

























At the conclusion of their final exam the College Head, Jon Trafford, invited the newest members of the OK Club, together with their parents, to have snacks and refreshments with him at the Wyvern Club. At this occasion he finally bade the matric Class of 2015 farewell and wished them well with their future endeavours. He also reminded them to take the time to thank their parents for all the sacrifices that they made in order for them to attend a great school like Kingswood. He then formally presented them with their OK Club Life Membership Certificates after which they were no longer pupils at Kingswood - they were OKs.









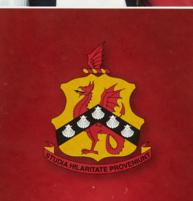












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Row 1: Annette Knott-Craig, Hannah Knott-Craig, lan Knott-Craig Row 2, L-R: Kiara Toich, Sally Toich, Caimen Toich. Paul Webber, Mark Webber, Kim Webber.

Row 3, L-R: Andrew Bowker, Justine Bowker, Claerwen Bowker. Di Price, Jessie Price, Mark Price.
Ross Purdon, Ashleigh Purdon, Claire.
Row 4, L-R: Gwyneth Trafford, Bronwyn Trafford, Jon Trafford. Kevyn Stone, Jamie-Lee Stone,

Row 5, L-R: Francois Kruger, Hayden Kruger, Daine Kruger, Nadine Kruger. Vanessa Dold, Bradley Dold, Tim Dold

Row 6: Lloyd Turner, Margie Turner, Brenda Newton, Herby Newton.

## **Branch Reports**

One of the biggest challenges facing the OK Club at present is that of good support at branch functions. We need to think out of the box to find ways and means of arranging functions that appeal to our OKs – the days of simply supporting an event under the banner of "the old school tie" seems to be something of the past. There are a number of factors that count against many of the OK functions such as cost, travelling at night, busy work schedules and family commitments. These are real problems and the branch committees need to take these factors into account. However, the OK Club certainly had a busy year despite these constraints with 6 reunions, 16 branch functions, 4 sports events and 4 executive meetings taking place. The branch chairmen, together with their committees, must be thanked for all the time and effort that they invest towards running vibrant and successful branches.

There are now 16 OK Club branches spread across the globe – we are particularly excited to announce that as from 2016 we will have the UK branch revived as well as new branches in USA and Australia.

#### Australia

Chairman: Shirley Birch shirley.v.birch@gmail.com

Shirley Birch (OK 1978) has kindly volunteered to head up the branch in Australia. She lives north of Perth and will first of all concentrate on Western Australia. She will also be appointing committee members from each state with the idea of arranging OK functions in each state on the same day of the year. This is the only way to go about it because Australia is so vast. Belinda Eisenhauer (OK 1977) has offered to assist Shirley and together they will make a great team. If there are any OKs who would like to assist please contact her on the above e-mail address.

Shirley has set up this Facebook group so please join - https://www. facebook.com/groups/865240096898010/

This is exciting news for our 160 OKs now living in Australia and hopefully 2016 will be a great year for the OK Club in this country.

# EL: Head Prefects meet in East London, Judy Sheard (OK 1981) and Kyle van Niekerk (OK 2008) met up with the 2015 Head Prefects Jamie Nicholas and Ashleigh Purdon

#### Border/Kei

Chairman: Andy Moorcroft (OK 1978) andym@imaginet.co.za, 082 371 8930

The annual East London Kingswoodian Club Function took place at the Lord Selbourne Guesthouse on 24 February 2015. Once again this function combined with a marketing presentation. Kingswood's profile in the Border area had increased dramatically during the last few years which has a knock-on effect on the Kingswoodian Club. It was great to have a spread of different generations of OKs who all had a good few stories to tell about their days at Kingswood. Jon Kingon (OK 1964) told us that he really regretted not being able to attend his recent reunion but assured us that he would come up to Grahamstown for K-Day – well it was a good thing that he did and maybe he should attend every year! Given the growth in numbers from this area it would be prudent of the OK Club to consider increasing its profile in East London by arranging more functions during the course of 2016.

#### Botswana (BOTS)

Chairman: Sam Gibson (nee Paxinos OK 2006) sampaxi@gmail.com, 00 267 724 68425

The annual combined marketing/Kingswoodian Club function took place in Gaborone on 2 March 2015. This is always a special place to visit because the Kingswood community in Botswana are so passionate about their alma mater. The excitement is palpable when the OKs ask about members of staff who taught or coached them, they love getting an update on sports results and always seem so pleased to hear that KC is going "great guns". It was nice to see a few babies around who I am sure will be the next generation of Kingswoodians from Botswana. Sam Gibson does a great job running the OK Club branch in Botswana for which we are very grateful.

#### Gauteng (GT)

Chairman: Kim Williams (OK 1983)

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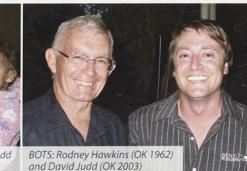
This is the biggest OK branch boasting 785 members. Kim Williams has done amazing work in this branch during the years that she has been at the helm. Unfortunately she does not always get the support from OKs that she deserves. However, she and her committee have persevered and can be proud of what they achieved during 2015.

The AGM was held at the Glendower Golf Club on 16 July. Kim was unanimously re-elected as Chairman of the branch and she was pleased to welcome two younger OKs to serve on the committee namely Brett Hobson (OK 2005) and Kyle Junkin (OK 2005). At the meeting Kim urged OKs to contact her if they have new ideas about the types of events that get arranged so that the attendance and support at these events can be improved.





BOTS: Belinda Muir (nee Coghlan OK 2005) and Michelle Judd (OK 2000) with their future Kingswoodians





GT: Bruce Brown (OK 2000), John Bandey (OK 2001) Richard Brotherton (OK 2006) and Brett Rheeder (OK 2000)



GT: Dean Webster (OK 1974) and Bruce Curtis (OK 1975)



GT: Andrew Carey (OK 1981), Dave Papenfus (OK 1980), Ian Cooper (OK 1980), John Dunlop (OK 1981)



GT: Ian Cooper (OK 1980), John Dunlop (OK 1981). Richard Hall (OK 1999), Alistair Scott (OK 1998)



GT: Champion OK golfer Oliver Carey (OK 1998)



GT: Elaine and Vivian Rudman (OK 1957) singing talent after the dinner



GT: Jann Cheyne (nee Koch OK 1984) displayed her immense



GT: 1970 Classmates Ian Gourlay and Grant Dewar Morgan Habib (OK 2008)



GT: Jenna (OK 2011) and



GHT: Rhodes function at the Wyvern: Kurt Lane, Sasha



GHT: Natalie Wood (OK 2013), Kirsten Foord (OK 2013), Megan Dawe, Robbie Sholto-Douglas, Jono Braans, Cuan Sauter Moss (OK 2009), Caroline Ross (OK 2008), Natalie Ross (OK 2008)



GHT: Simon Wormald (OK 2013), Sean Biggs (OK 2013)

This year it was decided to combine the annual golf day and the annual dinner into one event which proved to be a great idea. This took place at the Glendower Golf Club on 2 October 2015. Costs were cut so as to make it more affordable and this proved to be a smart move that attracted just over 100 people at both the golf as well as the dinner that took place after the golf Prize Giving. The Yates family were absolute stars at this event - Kim Williams (nee Yates) ran the show, Sandy Burnard (nee Yates OK 1985) who is the General Manager at Glendower, was the consummate host ensuring that the attention to detail was amazing, Mike Burnard (Sandy's hubby) is the green keeper and the fact that Glendower is the home of the SA Open speaks for itself and added to this Lynne Yates (Kim and Sandy's Mom) did all the catering for the dinner - what a contribution from an amazing family.

## **Grahamstown (GHT)**

Chairman: Jean Rodgerson (nee Jeffrey OK 1980) jean@remaxfrontier.co.za, 082 772 0396

There are currently 127 OKs studying at Rhodes University. In line with the OK Club's initiative to stay connected with the younger generation, invitations were sent out via e-mail and Facebook inviting all the Rhodes OKs to a drinks evening at the Wyvern Clun on Friday 6 November 2015. Unfortunately this date, which was the only one available, clashed with Rhodes exams but nevertheless about 40 OKs attended. The OK Club paid for their drinks and great fun was had by all. This post by Sasha Dawe (OK 2012) on the Facebook page says it all "Great feeling to be called back as an Old Boy and receive the treatment we did. Thank you for extending the invite to those of us who have only the expectations of our future to offer. Proud to be an Old Kingswoodian".

#### Karoo

Chairman: Geoff Kingwill (OK 1979) geoff@kingwill.co.za, 083-2813205

No formal functions were held under the auspices of this branch during 2015. It is a vast area and very difficult for OKs to get to functions. However, there has been renewed interest from this part of our hinterland with regard to enrolment at KC so this new impetus should signal more activity from this branch. The OKs, parents and past parents from in this area are still a great support to KC which is much appreciated.

#### **KZN**

Chairman: Chris Hobson (OK 1992) chris.hobson@buco.co.za, 082 334 9583

This branch is currently in limbo because our long-serving chairman, Chris Hobson (OK 1990), will be leaving KZN to move to the family farm in the Bedford district. Chris has really tried hard to keep the KC flag flying in KZN - an area with relatively few OKs. He arranged a number of









(OK 1988), Ann, Kim, Adriaan (OK 1961), Vega and Stephen (OK 1963)



PA: Jim Truscott (OK 1955), Tony Border (OK 1953) and Tommy Hartzenberg (Hon OK)



PA: Warrick Strachan (OK 1982)





PA: Ross Shiel (OK 2012), Ken Hall (OK 1968), Di Shiel, Rusty Shiel

golf and family days over the years. We appreciate all that he has done for the OK Club and wish him well with his farming venture. It will be great having him closer to KC.

#### Midlands (ML)

Chairman: Andries van Niekerk (OK 1988)

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The AGM and Annual Dinner of the Midlands branch took place on Friday 17 July 2015. The historical Bedford Club, together with the superb catering by Keith (OK 1977) and Karen Morgan, makes this one of the flagship events on the Kingswoodian Club calendar. As usual the dinner was well attended by both the local Kingswood community and a contingent from Grahamstown. The Senior School Head, Paul Guthrie, was the guest speaker, toasts to KC, South Africa and the ladies were made which all added to the wonderful traditional atmosphere that prevailed at the dinner. In the past the AGM was held before the dinner and it was very poorly attended. This year chairman Andries van Niekerk decided to go about things a bit differently - there was a break in the meal after starters had been served during which time OKs moved to the meeting room to attend a shortened version of the AGM. The Kingswood Jazz Band, who were invited to the dinner, then provided the entertainment for the spouses while they remained seated in the dining area. The meeting was soon over after which OKs returned to their seats and the dinner proceedings continued. This worked really well and will no doubt be the format from now on. This is one of our oldest OK Club branches which boasts a very proud history.

#### Northern Cape

Chairman: Tikket van Wyk (OK 1970) tikketvwyk@gmail.com, 00264 811 245122

Much like the Karoo branch this one also battles with its vastness -OKs are scattered far and wide. Tikket van Wyk does a great job keeping the KC community informed about what is happening at KC and rarely misses an OK executive meeting in Grahamstown having travelled all the way down from Karasburg in Namibia – indeed a stout effort from this loyal OK. Kingswood has a rich history in the Northern Cape which it most certainly treasures.

#### Port Alfred (PA)

Chairman: Warrick Strachan (OK 1982) warrick@oldmutualpfa.com, 072 376 6523

The annual bring and braai, which was held at the Port Alfred Ski-boat Club on Sunday 20 September 2015, is always a special one because it is attended by a number of our senior OKs who have retired in Port Alfred. They are so proud to be associated with Kingswood and speak so fondly of their years at KC. There is never a dull moment when







PA: The champion angler Garth Bradfield (OK 1994)





Frederichs (OK 1996), Bob Shaw (OK 1965)







Tommy Hartzenberg is holding fort around the braai fire!

The 14th annual Kingswoodian Club Golf Day which is held at the Royal Port Alfred Golf Club took place on Sunday 28 December 2014. This popular event was once again fully booked but unfortunately inclement weather kept 48 of golfers away. Despite this hiccup 210 golfers had a great day, some played good golf and others not so good. Days like this would not happen were it not for the generous support from our sponsors who we would like to thank for their continued support. This is without a doubt one of the biggest and most popular golf days held in the country.

The annual Kingswood Fishing Weekend was hosted by the Port Alfred Branch this year. After much deliberation it was decided to move this event from Haga Haga, where it has been held for the last number of years, to Canon Rocks. The OK Club hired the facilities at the Diaz Angling Club which were absolutely ideal for this weekend. There was plenty of banter, tall fishing stories and even a mysterious disappearance of some bait. The aspirant anglers arrived on Friday afternoon raring to go and there was an expectant vibe amongst the troops. After the braai the participants were filled in on the rules of the competition. It was early to bed for some whilst others spoke their angling abilities up until the early hours of the morning. The men were up at 05h00 on Saturday ready for a hard day's fishing. On Saturday we were treated to fresh oysters and a lovely lamb potjie - just what the weary anglers needed (with a little something to wash it down...). Reasonable success was had by most but the best was saved for last - Garth Bradfield (OK 1994) landed a magnificent Musselcracker half an hour before weigh-in time on Sunday morning. The venue and KC camaraderie was brilliant - so hopefully we will have an even bigger turnout next year. Our thanks to Diaz Angling Club as well as to Francois Kruger (OK 1980) and Greg Baxter (KC Staff) for all that they did to make this event the success that

Champion Angler: Garth Bradfield (OK 1994) Biggest Cob: John Moorcroft (KC parent) Most Fish caught: Greg Timm (OK 1996) Biggest Shad: Brett Knott (OK 1992)

#### Port Elizabeth (PE)

Chairman: Keri Purdon (OK 1986) chiro@drkeripurdon.co.za, 079 497 5117

Keri has worked really hard on getting the PE branch up and running again and it was no surprise that a very successful event was held at the Humewood Golf Club on Friday 5 June 2015. During the afternoon a number of OKs played golf and they were blessed with perfect weather - no wind! In the evening about 90 OKs and parents were entertained by Kingswood classmates Meyrick Pringle (OK 1984) and Gavin Victor (OK 1984). Gavin asked Meyrick a number of questions about his school days as well as his illustrious cricketing career. This was very entertaining and insightful and thoroughly enjoyed by all those present. Well done to Keri Purdon for arranging a great evening - it was particularly pleasing to have OKs from a number of different eras present at the function. There is no doubt that everybody left feeling very proud to be a member of the Kingswood family. Percy McLean (OK 1984) is the general manager of the Humewood Golf Club and he went out of his way to make us feel welcome – thank you Percy.



SC: Mike Fryer (OK 1965), Lawrence Crafford (OK 1972), Alan Cherrington (OK 1965)



SC: Joan Lombaard (nee Gleaves OK 1985), Adele Conyers, Mark Conyers (OK 1996), Rex Hart (OK 1987)



WC: Nick Charlton (OK 2009), Casey Crafford

(OK 1999), Steve Gardner (OK 1976), Ross Shiel(OK 2012), James Miller (OK 2008)



ZM: Chris Wienand (OK 1970), Karl Frick (OK 1993) and Kevin Puffett (OK 1980) at the Lusaka CC





ZM: Kingswoodian cricketers playing at Lusaka CC Derek Anderson, Duncan Hawkesworth, Matk taylor (OK 2005), Colin van Niekerk (OK 2006), Sean Cooke (OK 2007)

ZM: OKs enjoying the cricket at Lusaka CC



Southern Cape (SC)

Chairman: Joan Lombaard (nee Gleaves OK 1985) joanie@intekom.co.za, 083 677 7108

The Southern Cape function once again took place at the Knysna Yacht Club which is an ideal venue for this type of informal function. There was a good cross section of OKs from different eras present and all spoke very fondly of their alma mater and regaled us with many tall stories from their years at KC. There is never a dull moment when Mark Conyers (OK 1996) is around! The venue was great and we must thank Joanie for arranging this event. Hopefully we will have more support from the OKs from George next year.

#### **United Kingdom**

Chairman: Patrick Forsyth, patrick.g.forsyth@gmail.com Chairman: Douglas Freeman, dougfreebob@gmail.com

Not much has happened in the UK recently mainly because we have not had anybody to run the branch. Fortunately Patrick Forsyth (OK 1992) and Douglas Freeman (OK 1996) have offered to head up this branch from 2016 which is indeed exciting news. We currently have 355 OKs living in the United Kingdom, the bulk of whom are in London.

#### USA

Chairman: Kelly Hilton-Green kellyhiltongreen@gmail.com

Kelly, who lives in Stuart, Florida kindly offered to head up the OK branch in USA. He has worked hard at "cleaning up" the database but will no doubt need volunteers to assist due to the size of the USA. He has concentrated on the eastern region and hosted Craig Andrew, Kingswood's Director of Development, on his recent fund raising trip to USA. Kelly is a very passionate OK so I am sure you will be hearing from him next year. I do know that he is keen to arrange an OK get together during the Rugby 7s in Las Vegas during 2016.

#### Western Cape (WC)

Chairman: Richard Fincham (OK 1996) richard@aliwalroad.co.za, 082 898 9329

This branch has grown in numbers dramatically in recent times. We now have 742 OKs listed for the Western Cape. The numbers are bolstered by the large number of students who are studying there which means that the branch committee is going to have to look at how these young OKs can be encouraged to support OK functions. Currently the branch organizes a popular and professionally run golf day which is well supported but will need to consider other events that will involve a broader cross section of OKs. The committee in the Western Cape have devoted much time over a number of years to ensure the smooth running of this branch for which we are very grateful. The time has, however, arrived for the younger generation to also get involved so hopefully 2016 will be a bumper year for this branch. Mention must be made of Elana Brooke for all that she has done for the OK Club in the Western Cape. She is extremely energetic and efficient and does not accept second best. The time and effort that she puts into ensuring that the golf day is a success is simply amazing. Thank you Elana - your efforts are greatly appreciated.

The Western Cape Traditional Rivals Golf Day took place on 16 October 2015 at the Royal Cape Golf Club. A big field of just over 100 golfers enjoyed the fine weather and superb playing conditions to return some really good scores. For a number of years this branch has donated an amount of R15000 raised at the golf day as a bursary towards the Kingswood education of a pupil from the Western Cape – a fine gesture indeed.

#### Zambia (ZM)

Chairman: Mark Taylor markbarrytaylor@yahoo.com

A combined marketing/OK trip to Zambia took place early in July 2015. Functions were held at the Lusaka South Cricket Club, Mkushi Golf

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Club and in Kitwe. All these were well attended by parents, past parents and OKs. The Lusaka function "piggy backed" on a local cricket fixture in which a number of the Kingswood community were taking part. Others who were not playing came to watch and obviously were delighted to be part of a Kingswood get together. After the match the fires were lit. good Zambian steaks sizzled on the coals and a convivial atmosphere prevailed. Kingswood sponsored a golf day at Mkushi which has become somewhat of a Kingswood stronghold. I think one could safely say that plenty of golf was played! The final function at Kitwe took the form of a family day at a dam just outside Kitwe. Judging by the interest at these events there is no doubt that Kingswood's rich and long history with Zambia is indeed still alive and well.



## **OK SPORT**

### Rugby and Hockey vs Old Andrean /Old DSG

The annual rugby and hockey (men and ladies) against the OA/ ODSG once again took place on the eve of K-Day. The fixtures were played on City Lords and it was pleasing to have so many OKs participating. These fixtures traditionally take place at the school that is not hosting K-Day. The idea of these matches is to foster a sense of camaraderie between the alumni of the three schools and I have no doubt that this is achieved. The results are really not important as long as everybody has heaps of fun. It was nice to see so many of the pupils watching the games which adds to the whole build up to K-Day.

#### Old Kingswoodian Rugby Football Club

Four years ago Casey Crafford (OK 1999) and Graham du Plessis (2001) decided to enter an OK side in the Cape Town 10s rugby tournament. This was indeed a smart move because it was the start of bigger things to come. The team entered in the Cape Town 10s is called the Old Wyves (as in Wyvern) and from humble beginnings it has now become a major event on the OK Club calendar. Players from all over the country converge on Cape Town – a good blend between youth and experience. What is even more pleasing is the ever growing band of OK supporters who pitch up at the Hamilton Rugby Club to support the team. The results may not be important but by all accounts the famous Kingswood bulldog spirit always prevails and the men have



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done well - reaching the semi-finals last year and missing the semis on a count out this year. By all accounts the meetings after the matches are legendary and certainly not for sissies!

On the back of this Brett Hobson (OK 2005) gathered the troops in Johannesburg and entered an OK team in the Pirates Rugby Club Old Boys 10s competition which took place on 21 November 2015. They did really well

winning the Bowl competition in style and will no doubt enter a team next year again. The team received a cheque for R2000 for their efforts which they have donated to the Kingswood ICDP Trust.

Brett Hobson (OK

2005) with the trophy

Well done to all concerned and let's hope that the Old Kingswoodian Rugby Football Club keeps growing and that it will involve many of our young OKs. The Cape Town 10s has a netball section as well and maybe we need our old girls to enter a team in this competition as well.

#### **OK Cricket fixtures**

The traditional Past vs Present cricket fixtures that used to take place on Foundation Weekend have now been moved to the last Sunday of September. The main reason for this is that the rugby season has slowly



but surely encroached on the cricket season which means that the pupils are already preparing for the rugby season when Foundation Weekend comes along. This year we managed to get two OK teams to play against the KC 1st and 2nd XIs. Good cricket was played with the OKs winning the 1st XI game quite comfortably - Brett Long (OK 2002) was in fine form scoring 94 runs for the OKs. The 2nd XI match was won by the school boys after a nail biting finish to the game. Our thanks to the OKs who played - I know that the boys really look forward to this fixture.

## REUNIONS

Six very successful reunions took place during 2015 which were really well attended. Reunions are very important because the more OKs we can get back to the KC campus, the more the word will get out that KC is really doing well. Many OKs who have not been back to Kingswood

for many years cannot believe how the campus has changed and how stunning the facilities are. However, it is even more pleasing to hear them say that the Kingswood ethos that they experienced is still prevalent today. There is no doubt that they leave Kingswood after the reunion feeling proud of the fact that the legacy that they left has afforded the pupils of today a world class education

The 50-year reunion for the Classes of 1964, 1965 and 1966 took place on Foundation Weekend during March. The 50-year reunions take place every 3 years because the attendance at single year reunions is very low mainly because many of these senior OKs are not keen to travel great distances but when three years get grouped the collective attendance is good. These reunions are really special and what a privilege it is to see classmates meeting each other again for the first time in 50 years!



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K-Day weekend was certainly a busy one with the 10 and 20-year reunions taking place. Our thanks must go to the amazing team that managed to find the time and space to facilitate the catering and hosting of these two groups. K-day is a very difficult weekend to host reunions mainly because of the large volume of visitors and alumni who flock to Grahamstown for the weekend. However, it is understandable that K-Day is a good "hook" on which to attach to a reunion which will often encourage a good attendance. Special mention must be made of the Class of 2005 because this was without a doubt the best attended 10-year reunion for many years with 54 attendees. It was nice to see so many of the parents of the OKs attending the 10-year reunion joining their sons and daughters at the cocktail function. Well done, Kyle Junkin, for all your hard work in getting such a good turnout. Let's not forget that these two groups had the added satisfaction of witnessing a great KC victory on Lower Field!

The last weekend of July which coincided with the Graeme/VG derby day as well as the traditional Chapel Anniversary Service, was the perfect weekend for KC to host the 30 and 40-year reunions as well as a

girls reunion to celebrate 40 years of girls in the Senior School. Special mention must be made of Sandy Burnhard (nee Yates) and Shirley Birch for the amazing job they did in arranging the 30 year and girls' reunion respectively. The turnout was phenomenal and they no doubt spent many hours (and days) planning what turned out to be hugely successful reunions. Well done. To be part of a combined reunion dinner in the High Performance Centre that seated just short of 200 OKs was very special indeed. In a special moment at this dinner Naartije Moss (OK 1975) made a presentation to the College Head, Jon Trafford – he returned the Jacques House bell which he accidently "picked up" way back in 1969 when he left the Junior School. His story evoked much hilarity and set the tone for a great evening. A fitting send off to these reunions was the attendance at the Chapel Anniversary Service and once again a treat to have 150 OKs attending this service. The school hymn was sung with great gusto and during the singing of "God be with you till we meet again" many OKs linked arms and dare I say it many tears were shed. That is what Kingswood is all about.

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