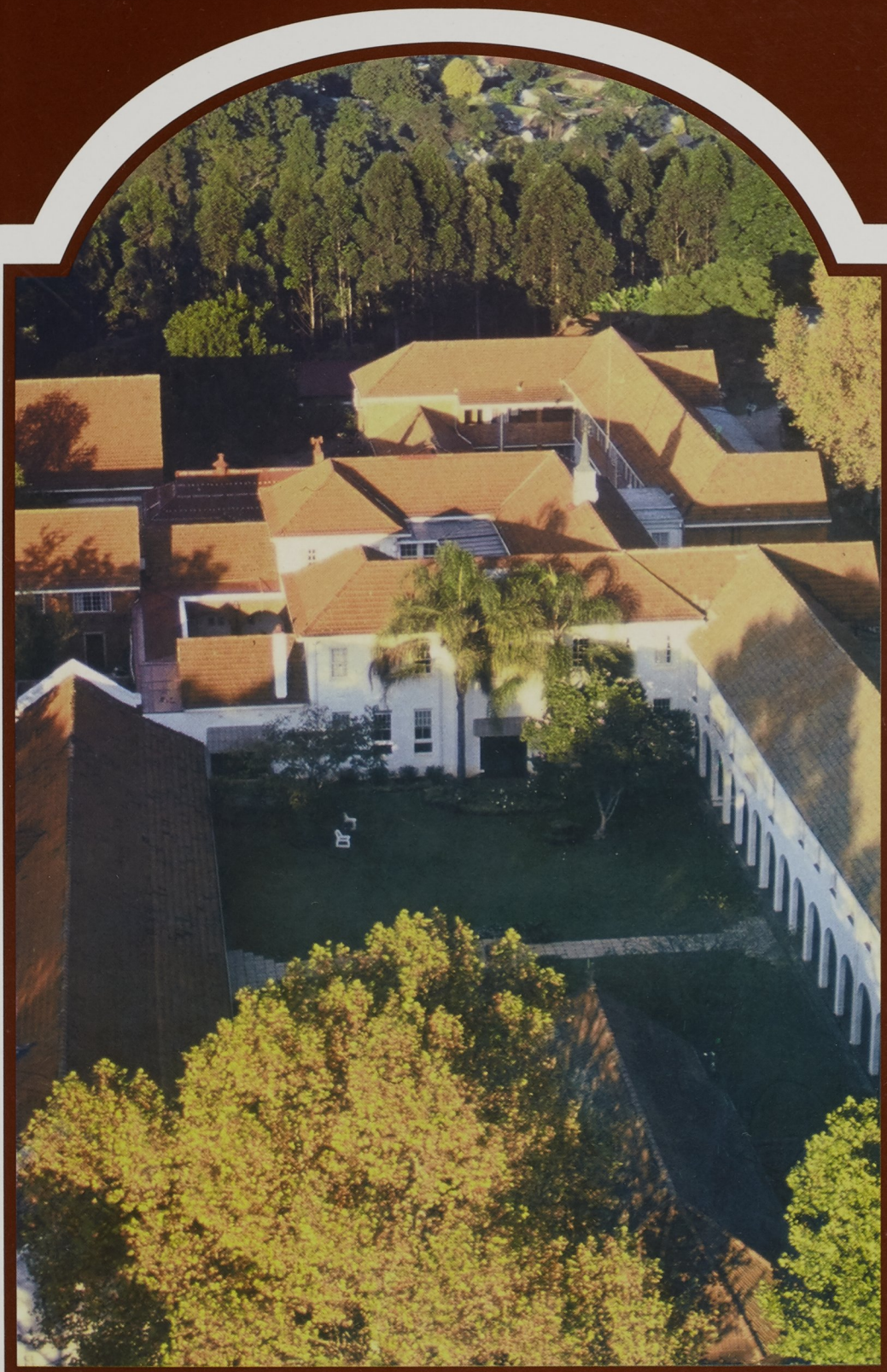


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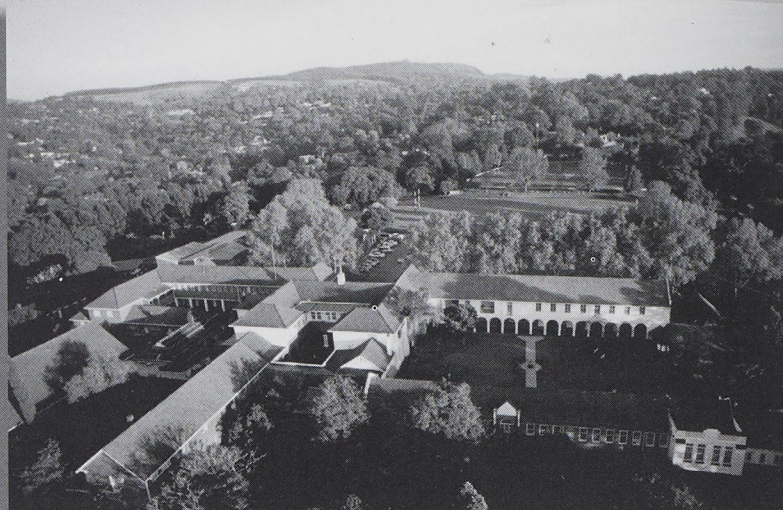
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from the headmaster

Mr Sparks, Mr Leclezio, Honoured Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen, Boys.

If one walks down the Chapel aisle and turns right at the altar steps, on the wall directly in front of you, is a large bronze plaque, which depicts two athletes in a running position. The one athlete is passing a flaming torch to the other. At the bottom of the plaque are three Latin words - VITAI LAMPADA TRADUNT - which translated means "They pass the torch of life".

Herein lies the message for the Cordwallles family - we pass on the torch of life to one another - father/mother to son, generation to generation, class to class.

In 1947, the then Headmaster J H E Besant (after whom this Theatre is named), reminded the Speech Day gathering of the 'Spirit of the School', fostering, among others, values such as honesty, truth, sincerity. I'm sure we are going to hear more about these values from our Guest of Honour later this morning. It was most interesting (and rewarding) to hear Andrew speak of these values a few moments ago.

Mr Besant, in his speech, went on to refer to the true guardians of Cordwallles as being not the Board, not the parents, not the staff but the boys themselves. It is for the boys to ensure that the Cordwallles value system is maintained and handed down from one class, (especially the Grade 7 leaving group), to the next class from one generation to the next generation - yes exactly as etched on the plaque of the two athletes that we find in our Chapel and placed there so many, many years ago.

This year's leaving group, so ably led by Awande Khumalo, Chris Smith, James Tatham and Andrew Bourdillon, have passed on a torch burning fiercely and brightly.

All the more remarkable in this day and age. An age where corruption, cheating and a lack of ethics is wide spread. Where are the value systems? Mr Sparks commented early this month in the Natal Witness, on politicians and job competitors, of using the 'undeniable smear' tactic.

It also seems as if you can do whatever you like, just don't get caught.

Here I believe the - Code of Conduct as opposed to a never-ending list of rules that we follow at Cordwallles, develops a maturity of thinking, behaviour and accountability, in our boys.

Thank you Grade 7s for being the role models you have been to the rest of the School, whether it be in the classroom, on the stage, on the sports fields or on the concert platform.

You have set quite a standard - that glowing torch - for next year's Grade 7s to follow.

Your leaving gift will bring back many fond memories of your year especially this year which I have "with tongue in cheek" termed my benefit year.

We started at Cordwallles together and we finish together.

The record of the rest of the School speaks for itself. Every single boy from Grade RR to Grade 7 has played a vital role in the life of the School. You have all helped to set a standard of which we can all be very proud.

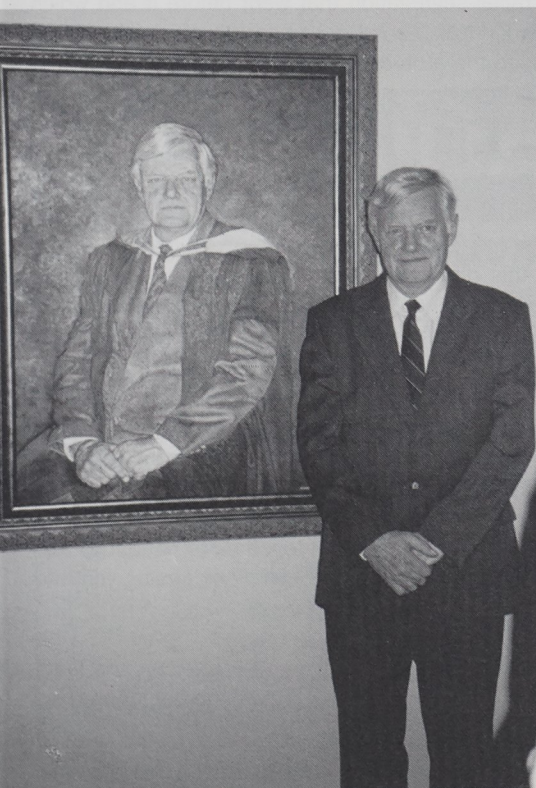
The School opening, virtually on 260 boys, in January next year, is a far cry from the 187 boys we had in 1999.

Over the past few weeks I have mentioned that a School has four foundation stones on which it is built the Boys, the Staff, the Board and the Parents.

I have touched on the superb performance of the boys this year - but what of the Staff? We are fortunately blessed with an outstanding staff at the School. Mrs Freestone and her "inkspots" lay the foundation for the main structure of the School so ably overseen by the Senior Staff. The "hard hat" support staff flits from floor to floor, reinforcing and providing additional support to the various levels. Our medical team ensures we are all fit for the day's work. The promotional, administrative and bursarial teams constantly reinforce our lines of communication and cash flow. The building surrounds are immaculately maintained and all aspects of the plant are fully operational. Our catering arm has done us proud.

One is always loath to single out members of any effective team but mention must be made of the project managers - Lynne Freestone, Franzl Bause, Glenn Jones and AntoinetteHankinson - no one can ask for a more dedicated and totally supportive group. But an architect cannot operate without his right hand and I have two of them - namely Sally Cornish and Mark Whitelaw. What would I have done without your advice, constructive criticism, caring, confidence but above all your support and friendship.

To you - the Staff as a whole - the success of the School can be put at your door.



Headmaster Tim Evans, standing next to his portrait by Brenda Johnstone.

The third foundation stone is the Parent Body - the PA under Sue Clark, the Class Mums under Paula Moore, the Property and Maintenance Committee under Russell Byrne (I would like to pay a special tribute to Pete Lawrence for his total commitment to Cordwalles since 1990 - we will miss you Pete), our Finance Committee under Andrew Walker, Nobby Clark and the Parents that Care, our Chapel Committee under Lyndy Domoney and so ably supported by Pixie van Heerden, Ian McGuigan and Joel Ruttenberg, as well as all those parents honoured at our Final Assembly on Tuesday.

To each one of you as parents thank you for putting your trust in our School and for making the many sacrifices that enable your son to be here. I hope all you boys thank your parents, sometime today, for this wonderful privilege.

The final foundation stone of our school is our Board of Governors, so well led by Mr Yann Leclezio. Having been given the privilege of leading the Independent School movement in Natal for the past 18 months I have come to realise, more and more, how fortunate we are to have the type of Board that we do at Cordwalles. Your vision, caring and professional expertise is hard to match in our SAHISA movement. Governing all the many decisions you have had to make has been first and foremost, your consideration of the needs of the Boys, Parents and Staff. Yann, to you and the entire Board, thank you for the privilege it has been to take Cordwalles into the 21st Century. I hope I have honoured the trust you put into my hands, as with the four previous Headmasters whom I followed.

To you all the Boys, the Parents and the Staff - I wish you every success for the future. May the Cordwalles torch burn even more brightly as you hand it down one from another.

Never forget that wonderful gift handed down to you so many, many years ago by Bishop Baines, 'Guard it well'.

from the guest of honour

Good luck to Mr Evans, as he moves on to a new world and a new life of his own. He has done great things during his term as headmaster of Cordwalles, and his legacy will certainly live on here - as I'm sure this wonderful school will live on in his own memory bank.

But it is to you, the boys of Cordwalles that I want to speak today. First of all to the Grade Sevens. This is your first Graduation Day, as you leave here to go on to High School. There will be many more graduation days as you move on and up the ladder of learning and growing up and taking your places as citizens of your country and of the world. You will graduate from high school, the university, then some of you will go on to do post-graduate studies.

No doubt you are looking forward to when your school days and all this learning are over. But I've got news for you. This ladder of learning is a Jacob's ladder. It has no end. You spend your whole life learning. Here I am at the age of 70 getting ready to register for a university course next year. In or outside of schools and universities, learning never stops. So you might as well learn to enjoy it.

So good luck to you, Grade Sevens, as you prepare to take your first big step up this Jacob's ladder. Have fun climbing.

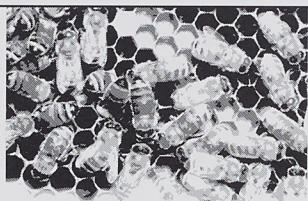
Now I want to broaden out and talk to all of you, from Grade Sevens to Grade Ones. I want to draw your attention to the fact that you are a very special and a very lucky group of young people. First of all because you are here at Cordwalles, one of the finest preparatory schools in our country, which has given you such a great start in life, and over the years, has produced many leaders in all sectors of our society.

But more than that, because you are part of an extremely fortunate generation. Yours is the first generation of South Africans to be born free. Free, that is, from the system of apartheid and the only slightly milder system of racial segregation that went before it and which together formed a kind of mental prison for all of us who came before you. It shaped the attitudes and minds of all our people for 350 years.

The system of apartheid and segregation effectively came to an end in 1990 when President F W de Klerk unbanned all the black liberation organisations and opened the way for negotiations that led to the birth of our non-racial democracy four years later. So 1990 was when this damaging system died. The same year in which most of you graduating Grade Sevens were born. The rest of you were born later. So you were all born free outside the mental persuasion of apartheid.

That is why I say that you are the first generation of South Africans to be born free. Free to study together in this school, to play together on its sports fields - and later I have no doubt to represent your province and your country on the playing fields of the world. To live together in the same areas, to work together, to be friends and colleagues together without laws and conventions forcing you into separate compartments.

But above all, to be free of the attitudes and prejudices, the fears and hurts that the old system inflicted to varying degrees on all previous generations of South Africans. The generations to which I and my parents and their parents belonged.



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I was present on that wonderful day when Nelson Mandela was sworn in at the Union Buildings in Pretoria as the first President of the new democratic South Africa. It was a very moving moment listening to his inaugural speech, when he made a vow. A vow, a covenant, to build a "rainbow nation" free of prejudice and injustice of one race against another.

A rainbow nation. What a wonderful vision. But is it possible in a world where there is so much conflict between different racial and religious extremists of all kinds; where people blow each other up and shoot children and commit terrible acts of violence because of the hatreds that flow around these differences?

Is it possible, given our long history of inflicting oppression and pain on people because of their colour? Sometimes important people from overseas ask me this question. And you know what I say to them? I say, I don't know, but if you want to find out, go to the schools, particularly the preparatory schools, and have a look at how the young people are getting on there. Because they are your periscope into the future. When I look at you, I am looking at the new South Africa 15 - 20 years ahead.

You, not us oldies here, not your teachers or me, *are* the new South Africa. If South Africa is going to make it, if it is going to achieve that wonderful vision of becoming a rainbow nation - then it is you who must achieve it.

So you see, freedom comes with responsibilities. That must be your target, your challenge. Because you will have come from Cordwalles, a school which has produced so many leaders in the past and will continue to do so in the future. Leaders of all kinds, in government, in business, in the professions, in sport. Many of you are going to be leaders who must show the way.

And not only to show the way for South Africa. Because South Africa itself must show the way in an increasingly dangerous world which, as I said a moment ago, is threatened by racial and religious extremism. A world that is also divided between the rich and the very poor and where the gap between the two is getting wider every day. Many of the same problems, in other words, that South Africa has suffered from and which we are now trying to solve.



Headmaster Tim Evans and Guest of Honour Allister Sparks.

So if you and your generation can get it right and really build that rainbow nation, you will also make South Africa a pioneer country that can show the way to the rest of the world.

I'm sure you don't think much about these things. And that's really the encouraging part of it. Because your relationships are so easy, so natural, that you just take them for granted. I can see that when I come here to watch your rugby matches and your cricket matches and the way you relate to each other on ordinary schooldays. And that is what makes me so confident about the future of our country. Because I have confidence in you.

But if you do think about it a little as you make your way from here today, then I hope you will realise what an exciting challenge lies ahead of you. It doesn't fall on every generation to be part of building a new country, to have been born at the moment of creation.

I have certainly found this a challenging country to live and work in. Yet when I look at what lies ahead for you, I envy you. Your lives will be much richer and more important. So I wish you all a wonderful future, and good luck as you climb that ladder. Climb high. But remember there's no end to it.

ALLISTER SPARKS

form prizes

In Grade 3S

For Consistent Excellence in Mathematics	Michael Dunton
Consistent Effort and Achievement	Craig Smorffitt
General Knowledge and Linguistic Ability	McGregor Stone
Determination and Diligence	Declan Bause
Consistent Effort and Achievement	Mandhir Lutchman

First in Grade 3	David de Gruchy
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In Grade 4D

Excellent All Round Academic Achievement	Dirk van Heeswijk
Consistent Good Work	Chad Crouch
Improvement and Perseverance	Tom Martin

In Grade 4H

Outstanding and Consistent Achievement	Mark Weston
Progress	Nathaniel Williams
Excellent All Round Achievement	Julian Jackson

First in Grade 4	Suhail Dada
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In Grade 5N

Outstanding Achievement
 Excellence and Diligence
 Conscientious Endeavour
 Outstanding Effort and Determination

Nicholas Platt
 Rainer Steinhagen
 Richard Lynn
 Dundas Clark

First in Grade 5

David Bradford

In Grade 6J

Determination and Consistent Effort
 Conscientious Endeavour
 Diligence

Laurence Aadnesgaard
 Jason Everard
 Gareth Crouch

In Grade 6T

Consistent Effort and Conscientious Endeavour
 Diligence and Determination
 Excellent Academic Progress and Diligence

Ian Scott
 Jason Hoepfl
 James Walker

First in Grade 6

Geoffrey Woollatt

In Grade 7BA

Application
 Diligence
 Consistent Effort

Warren Dundas-Starr
 David Groom
 Patrick Smythe

In Grade 7BR

Progress
 Application
 Industry

Heinrich van Wyk
 Kelvin Bell
 Jason Trautman

grade 7 subject prizes

The **English prize** for the top grade and excellence in English goes to **Andrew Bourdillon**.

The **Mathematics prize** for the top grade and outstanding Mathematics goes to **Chris Smith**.

The **Afrikaans prize** for the top grade and excellence in Afrikaans goes to **Heinrich van Wyk**.

The **Zulu prize** for the pupil who displays enthusiasm for the subject and who has a natural flair for the subject goes to **Awande Khumalo**.

The **Science prize** goes to the pupil who has shown great interest, enthusiasm and dedication to the subject. The prize goes to **Chris Smith**.

The **History prize** goes to the pupil who displays a love for the subject and an open interest in historical events and facts. The History prize goes to **Tristan Kirn**.

The **Geography prize** goes to the pupil who has a natural aptitude and special interest in the subject and the prize goes to **Edward Greene**.

The Smith Family Trophy for **Speech and Drama** is donated to the School for the first time this year by the Christopher Smith family on his departure from Cordwalles.

The trophy for 2003 is awarded to **Patrick Smythe**.

The **Information Technology Prize** has been donated by the Raciborski family to the School for the first time this year. Marek Raciborski attended Cordwalles from 1995 to 2002.

The winner for 2003 is **Vaughan Edwards**.

special prizes

The **Art prize** is awarded to both a Junior and Senior pupil who shows flair, talent and a love for Art. The **junior prize** (between Grade 3 and Grade 5) goes to **Cameron McConnell** and the **senior prize** (to pupils in Grade 6 or 7) goes to **Mitchell Hedges**.

The **Design Technology** award is for both junior and senior boys who have shown natural aptitude and skill in setting a high standard at all times in Design Technology. The **junior award** goes to **Adrian Bunge** and the **senior award** this year goes to **Cameron Inggs**.

The **General Knowledge** award goes to a junior and a senior boy who have achieved top marks in the annual General Knowledge test. The **junior award** goes to **Nicholas Platt** and the **senior award** goes to **Jonathan Stein**.

The **Hallot Trophy** for Determination and Dedication to music for 2003, goes to **Edward Greene**.

The **Brent Black Trophy** for excellence in music is awarded to a pupil who has a natural talent and works hard to achieve a standard of excellence. The 2003 recipient is **Travis Moore**.



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subject prizes

The **Good Conduct Cup** is awarded to the house in which the boys over the year have shown self-discipline, selfless service and good manners in and out of the classroom. The results for this year are as follows: 4th Jacksons; 3rd Tatham, 2nd Baines and the winner is **Butchers House**.

The **House Work Trophy** for Academics goes to the House, which achieves the most points when the final promotion marks are presented and the top 12 places are awarded points. 4th Baines, 3rd Jacksons, 2nd Tatham. The winning house is **Butchers House**.

The **Cock House Trophy** is awarded to the House who has attained the most points throughout the year in all extra-mural activities at the School. The results for the year 2002 is 4th Tatham, 3rd Jacksons, 2nd Baines and 1st **Butchers**.

The Ashes

The cricket match between the fathers and sons was again a hard fought affair with the result going in favour of the **boys** by 11 runs. Would **Andrew Bourdillon and James Tatham** come and receive The Ashes on behalf of the boys.

The **Tatham Memorial Essay** goes to a boy from Grade 7 who, in the opinion of the Staff and External Examiners, has written the best-set essay in English. This award was donated by Mr Errol Tatham. The 2003 recipient is **Andrew Bourdillon**.

The recipient of the **Twin Streams Earth Care** must display a love for nature, an understanding of the environment and be involved in active conservation. This Prize is donated to the School by Mr Ian and Jean Garland, leading conservationists and Mr Garland being an old boy of the School, attending Cordwalles from 1935 to 1939. The 2003 recipient is **Travis Clark**.

The **Crookes Trophy** was donated by the Peter Crookes family in 1990. The recipient of this trophy has achieved the highest combined aggregate for History, Geography and Science. The Crookes Trophy with an aggregate of 90% is awarded to **Andrew Bourdillon**.

The **van Heerden prize** is for outstanding service in the Chapel. This trophy was donated to the School by Pixie van Heerden. Pixie taught at Cordwalles for 23 years and continues to have a strong association with the School through her grandsons, the Chapel and the Inky Reading Programme. The recipient for 2003 is **David Groom**.

The Dr Maurice Peters Memorial Trophy for Sportsmanship.

This trophy was donated by the L U C Peters family on the anniversary of the School's 90th Birthday. The family is represented here this morning by Dr Peters, Shriyan, and Shrikant. The award is for a boy who displays humility in victory and graciousness in defeat. At all times up-holds the ethos of manners, competitiveness and team spirit in a balanced fashion to the betterment of the sport above himself. The recipient for 2003 is **Darren Anderson**.



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The "**Sportsman of the Year**" award is the L van Heerden Trophy. The recipient of this award is selected on a point system. He is a boy who has represented every 1st Team or A Team within the School. The criteria of fair sportsmanship are also very important. The "2003 Sportsman of the Year" is **Jason Trautman**.

The **Reed Trophy** has been donated by Ms Julie Reed, a staff member of Cordwalles for seventeen years. This trophy is for a boy who has played a supportive role both to the school and his peers. He is to have given of himself in all aspects of Cordwalles life. The recipient for 2003 is **Edward Greene**.

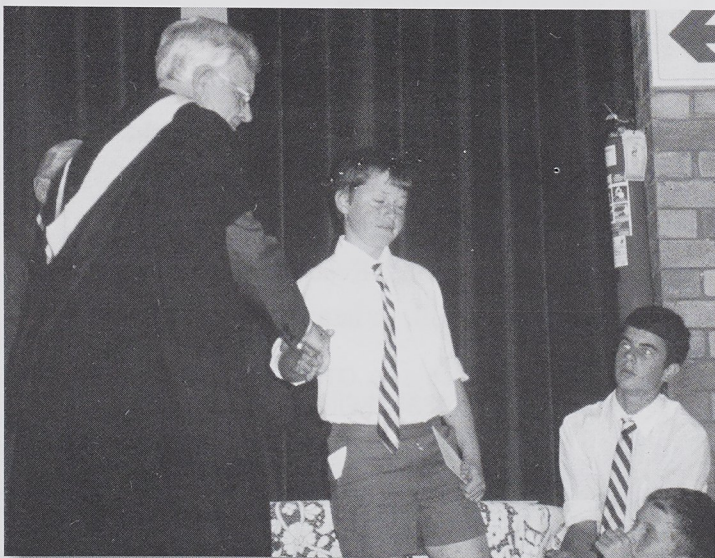
The **Whittle trophy** was donated by the Whittle family after their son Brendan left Cordwalles. This trophy is for Perseverance and Integrity and is awarded to **Lloyd Domleo and Gareth Harries**.

The **Biggs Family** donated this trophy in 1989 to a boy for loyal and dedicated service to the School. The recipient this year has been at the forefront of all School activities throughout his eight years at Cordwalles. The Biggs trophy goes to **James Tatham**

The **De'ann Brooks** Trophy has been donated by Mrs De'ann Brooks after some 24½ years of service to Cordwalles. De'ann epitomises the soul of Cordwalles publicly and internally. The trophy for **Tribute to Cordwalles** will be for boys who have contributed extensively to the school in all areas. Boys who have put Cordwalles forward in public and internally and this trophy will not necessarily be awarded every year. The trophy this year has been jointly awarded to two boys who have contributed to Cordwalles in every way with manners, self-discipline, success and giving the School an excellent public image. The 2003 Tribute to Cordwalles Trophy is awarded to **Andrew Bourdillon and Awande Khumalo**.

The **Dux of the School** is a Grade 7 pupil who has attained the highest aggregate over the whole year. The Dux for 2003 with an aggregate of 88% is **Andrew Bourdillon**.

The **Headmaster's Award** was instituted in 1988. It is awarded totally at the discretion of the Headmaster for Perseverance and general contribution to Cordwalles. The 2003 Headmaster's Award goes to **Cameron Inggs**.



Cameron Inggs accepts the Headmaster's Award.

Jason Trautman
receives the Sportsman
of the Year Cup.



The final award is the **John Fowler Good Fellowship Award**. This is voted on by pupils in Grade 5, 6 and 7 and by the Staff. This goes to a boy who in the opinion of the School, is a boy who shows sincerity, compassion, caring and loyalty to his fellow pupils. He is someone who raised the spirits of those around him. A boy one would be proud to introduce to your parents and friends as a role model. The recipient for 2003 is **Chris Smith**.

prizes

1. Writing Certificates:

Grade 3S:	Mandhir Lutchman
	Donovan Wewege
Grade 4D:	Sine Shelembe
Grade 4H:	Hylton Gordon
Grade 5N:	Cameron McConnell
Grade 6J:	Mark van Heerden
Grade 6T:	Haydyn Jordaan
Grade 7Ba:	Andrew St Leger
Grade 7Br:	Kelvin Bell

2. Merit Mark Certificates:

Grade 4D:	Bronze	Stephen Griffin
		Alexander Platt
	Silver	Dirk van Heeswijk
	Gold	Thomas Martin
Grade 4H:	Bronze	Toka Tsiki
	Silver	Michael Everard
	Gold	Greg Morum
Grade 5N:	Bronze	David Bradford
		Francois de Wet
		Patrick Dunton
		Nicholas Platt
	Silver	Rainer Steinhagen
	Gold	Brian Dedekind
Grade 6J:	Bronze	Craig Berrangé
	Silver	Laurence Aadnesgaard
	Gold	Lynton Dent
Grade 6T:	Bronze	Cameron Lindsay
		Ian Scott
		Jonathan Stein
	Silver	Scott Rogers
	Gold	James Walker
Grade 7Ba:	Bronze	David Groom
	Silver	Vaughan Edwards
	Gold	Cameron Inggs
Grade 7Br:	Bronze	Jason Trautman
	Silver	Chris Smith
	Gold	Darren Anderson

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Theatre Assembly:

Warren Dundas- Starr, David Groom, Chris Smith, Jason Trautman

Chapel:

Travis Clark, Lloyd Domleo, Warren Dundas-Starr, David Groom, Mitchell Hedges, Chris Smith.

4. General Certificates:

Most Books read from the School Library during 2003

Jason Everard

Young Critics Reader of 2003

Ian Scott

Reading Certificate:

Grade 3 **Donovan Wewege**Grade 4 **Michael Brombacher**Grade 5 **Nicholas Platt**Grade 6 **Jonathan Stein**Grade 7 **Kiran Ram**

Grade 7: Hardwork and Sound Application

Darren Anderson

Outstanding Work in Maths and Science

Andrew Bourdillon

Determination to Overcome Difficulties

Vaughan Edwards

Exceptional Growth and Support

Cameron Inggs

Determination to Overcome Difficulties

Wesley Middleton

Exceptional Personal Growth

Jonathan van Duyn

5. Certificates of Merit:

Music - Outstanding Performance in Music

Jonathan Chileshe and Stephan Hartzenberg

Chess - Certificates of Merit awarded to our Astute Chess Players:

Laurence Aadnesgaard, Lynton Dent, Garth Harding, Chris Smith, and Geoffrey Woollatt

Cricket - Outstanding Cricket Performance

Gareth Crouch, Reef Nakin, Mark van Heerden

6. Academic Merit Certificates:

Grade 4: (80% and above)

David Brill, Michael Brombacher, Suhail Dada, Shuaib Gause, Julian Jackson, Greg Morum, Dirk van Heeswijk, Mark Weston.

Grade 5: (80% and above)

David Bradford, Brian Dedekind, Nicholas Platt, Rainer Steinhagen.

Grade 6: (80%-84%)

Laurence Aadnesgaard, Andrew Craib, Jason Hoepfl, Elmar Kruger, Ian Scott.

Grade 7: (75%-79%)

Edward Greene.

7. Academic Colours (Tie):

Grade 6: (85% and above) Re-award

Geoffrey Woollatt

Grade 7 (80% and above) Re-award

Andrew Bourdillon, Chris Smith

New award **Jason Trautman****8. Interhouse Trophies:**

a.	Chess:	Butchers
b.	Shooting:	Butchers
c.	Soccer:	Baines
d.	Cross Country:	Butchers
e.	Tennis:	Junior: Butchers Senior: Baines
f.	Hockey:	Junior: Butchers Senior: Jacksons
g.	Rugby Kicking Cup:	Baines A Khumalo
h.	Rugby:	Junior: Butchers Senior: Butchers
i.	Cricket:	Junior: Tathams Senior: Jacksons

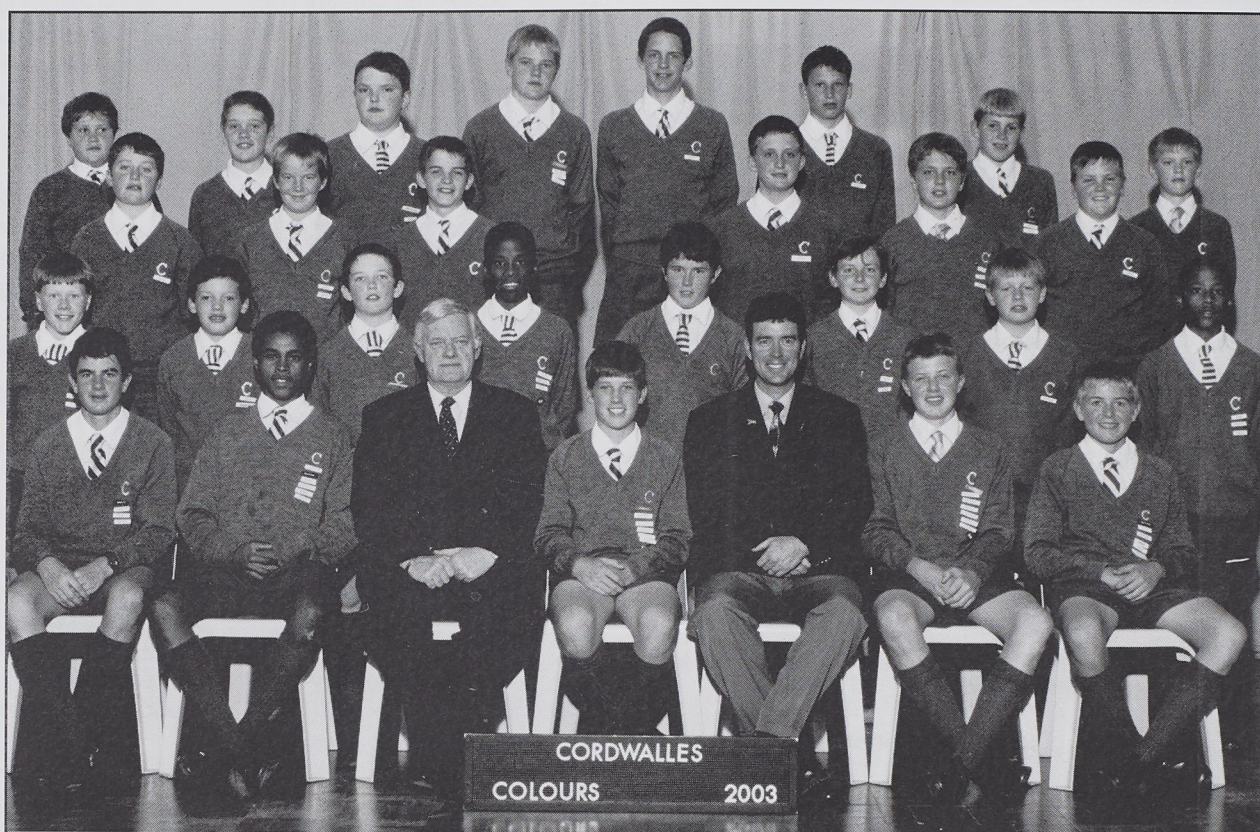
9. Individual Cup Awards:

- a. Chess Trophy:
Geoffrey Woollatt
- b. Guitar Floating Trophy:
Not awarded this year



James Tatham, Andrew Bourdillon,
Patrick Smythe and Jason Trautman.

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| c. | Cross Country Cups:
Junior
Intermediate
Senior | David Brill
Haydyn Jordaan
Jason Trautman | g. | Rugby Cup - Most improved open rugby player:
Darren Anderson |
| d. | Tennis Cup - Singles:
Junior
Senior | Adrian Gorny
James Tatham | h. | Rugby Trophy - Player of the Year:
Awande Khumalo |
| e. | Shooting Cup - Best Shottist:
Travis Clark | | i. | Cricket bat:
Andrew Bourdillon |
| f. | Hockey Cup - Redfern Trophy:
Jason Trautman | | j. | Producer's cup:
Awande Khumalo / Heinrich van Wyk |
| | | | k. | Best actor's cup:
Patrick Smythe |



COLOURS

Back Row: Heinrich van Wyk, Travis Clark, Alexander Poltera, Darren Anderson, Gareth Harries, Cameron Lindsay, David Groom and Geoffrey Woollatt.

Third Row: Cameron Inggs, Sean Mackenzie, Patrick Smythe, Andrew St Leger, Chris Smith and Warren Dundas-Starr.

Second Row: Haydyn Jordaan, Wesley Lewis, Sean Fox, Vukani Buthulezi, Chad Ware, Edward Greene, Kyle Schoerie and Reef Nakin.

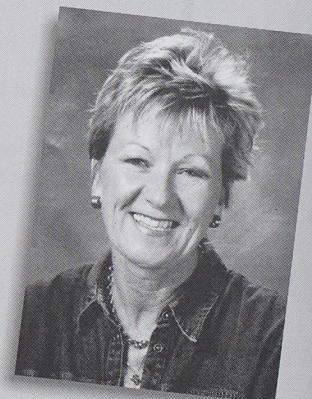
Seated: Wesley Middleton, Awande Khumalo, Mr Tim Evans (Headmaster), Jason Trautman, Mr Glenn Jones, Andrew Bourdillon and James Tatham.

editorial

A school magazine is the culmination of many months of compilation of contributions - of a school showing what they can do and what they have done.

This has happened through the dedication of the teachers, photographers and contributors, all of whom are proud of their achievements. "Thank you" is a small token for a huge effort but shows what can be done when a community comes together to a common goal.

VIV FORD





STAFF

Back Row: Derek Nell, Nola Browning, Jenny Calitz, Les Harwin, Nola le Roux, Colleen Groom, Wendy Fryer, Sharon Smallie and Brett Roux.

Fourth Row: Fred Potter, Naomi du Toit, Carol Fourie, Jean van Heeswijk, and Sue Stone.

Third Row: William George, Sally Cornish, Gareth Wills, John Gold, Ross McMillan, Derek de Goede, Brad Mitchell, Lynn Clark and Sharon Scott.

Second Row: Sue Smythe, Colleen Borain, Bridget Hardingham, Kerry Dent, Lee Anne Ras, Antoinette Hankinson, Winnie Hartzenberg and Linda Quibell.

Seated: Viv Ford, De'ann Brooks, Lynne Freestone (H.O.D Inky), Mark Whitelaw (Second Master), Tim Evans (Headmaster), Glenn Jones (Director of Sport), Franzl Bause (Boarder Master), Gayle Bastard and Denise Dedekind.

Absent: Joel Mofokeng, Bernard Kisbey-Greene, Heather Scholefield, Carol Haines, Cathy Orton, Erna Suhr and Chris Healey.

staff leaving

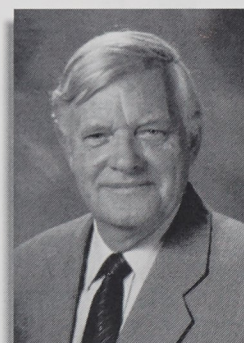
Mr Tim Evans (1996-2003) took up his appointment as headmaster in September 1996. He brought with him a wealth of experience and fresh ideas.

On his arrival, Tim was quoted saying "A school must be a place of adaptability, experimentation and invention, tempered with a tradition of the past." During his years here at Cordwalles, he endeavoured to achieve this statement. He channelled the focus to management of learning as opposed to teaching - he created the opportunity for teachers to become facilitators and children, the learners. "Every child has potential that needs to be

unearthed" was his belief. He encouraged all staff to create a world for the children, in which this could blossom.

Tim was Chairman of The South African Junior Cricket Board as well as Chairman of SAHISA.

He made many changes to the school during his stay. On the academic front, time and funding were spent on continually



Mr Tim Evans.

Warren Dundas-Starr

Cordwalles has given me the foundations and motivation to strive for success.



Cameron Ingg

Thanks for all my years at Cordies. It has been like a second home to me.



Sean Mackenzie

Coming to Cordies was the best chance my parents gave me to have a good and successful life.

replacing and improving systems. In his drive to strengthen communication between the school, The Parent Body and its Community, Tim introduced "The Parents Association" and an Executive Committee which incorporated "The Class Mothers" network. "Parents Who Care" was established in 1998. Upgrading of the grounds and buildings were continual.

For all of the above mentioned and much more, we thank Tim and wish him well in the future.

Mr Gavin Trollip (1998-2003)

As Cordwalles grew and expanded, the immaculate condition of the grounds and facilities were largely due to the Estate Manager Mr Gavin Trollip.

As he buzzed around on the estate on his scooter, overseeing cricket pitches, rugby post erections, mowing of fields and backwashing swimming pools, to name but a few of his responsibilities, Gavin filled his days between being a grandfather and the demands of an active and busy working boys' school. He was up early in the morning till early in the evening.

He worked unfailingly to the betterment of Cordwalles as an institution. We wish Gavin and Maureen a happy retirement down the South Coast.



Mr Gavin Trollip and his wife Maureen.

Appointment of New headmaster 2004

A warm welcome to Simon Weaver and his family - wife Karen and children Kirsty and Hayden.

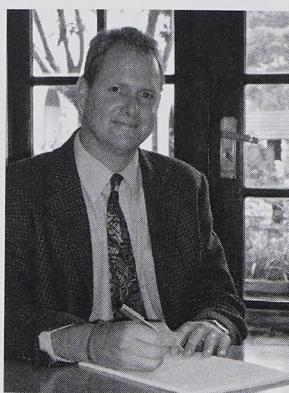
Prior to coming to Cordwalles, Simon served as headmaster of Pridwin in Johannesburg from 1999. He held the post of deputy head of The Ridge for four years, after a stint of six years at St John's College, so has extensive experience of independent school education for boys.

Simon's qualifications include a B.A. H.D.E from the University of Natal (Pietermaritzburg), B.A. (Hons)(Unisa) Counselling Psychology, and an M.Ed in Educational Management (Wits)(Cum Laude). He has been intimately involved with the development of

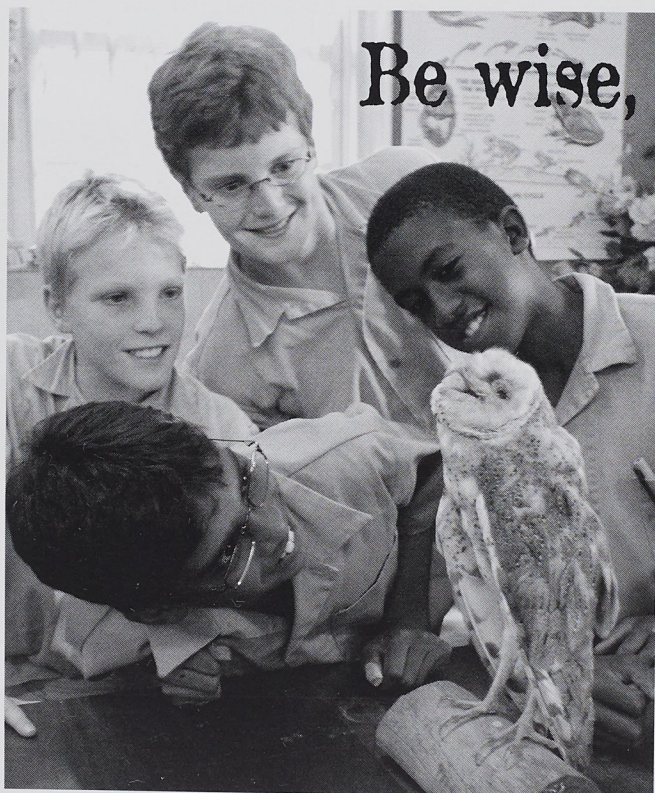
the Core Curriculum, a performance appraisal system, and studies on bullying. He is licensed as a lay minister with the Anglican Church and is a keen hockey player.

One of his achievements at Pridwin was to develop a mutually rewarding partnership between that school and neighbouring St Vincent's School for the Deaf, which was on the point of closing due to lack of funding.

We wish Simon and his family many happy years at Cordwalles.



Mr Simon Weaver.



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Michaelhouse	Edward Greene	Closed Scholarship
	Awande Khumalo	Sport Scholarship
	Jason Trautman	Sport Scholarship
	Chris Smith	Minor Scholarship

Cordwalles Scholarship for Grade 5-7

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Tegg, J	Steele, W	De Wet, R
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Fourie, C	Shandu, S	Bornman, J
Bradford, D	Laidlaw, j	Desai, S
Bunge, A	Dames, S	Ceronio, D
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To Hilton College	Bourdillon, A; Clark, T; Inggs, C; St Leger, A
To Michaelhouse	Edwards, V; Greene, E; Hedges, M; Khumalo, A; Smith, C; Smythe, P; Tatham, J; Trautman, J
To Kearsney College	van Wyk, H
To Felixton	Bell, K; Domleo, L
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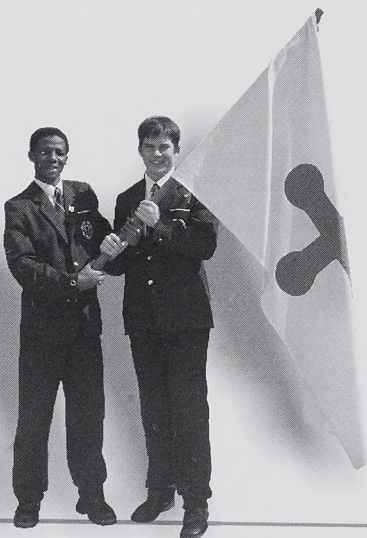
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Mr. Sparks, Chairman of the Board, members of the Board, Mr Evans, members of staff, parents and boys.

It is an honour and a privilege for me to present this years' Grade 7 leavers' speech. I would like to bid Cordwalles farewell on behalf of the Grade 7 boys and relate some of our experiences at Cordwalles.

In 1996, as Bill Clinton sailed into a second term of office and our very own Mr Evans took up the post of Headmaster at Cordwalles, we all started our schooling career as insignificant Grade 0s. With no front teeth, no idea of how to sit still for longer than 10 minutes and no worries in the world, the highlight of our day was to see what "treats" Mom had packed for us in our lunch boxes.

I remember going to school one day dressed as Farmer Giles! As an extension to our farm theme, we had to arrive at school with compost, fertilizer and tools, ready to plant veggies in the newly established veggie garden. Perhaps this was our introduction to "what you sow in life, you reap" but I only remember reaping huge amounts of cauliflower that year!

Gary Teichmann's visit to Cordwalles was an honour. We as Inky's barely reached above his kneecaps, but were all so impressed with him, and for weeks thereafter thought that we too, would become a Springbok Captain.

In 1997, the world mourned the death of Princess Diana, Mother Teresa and Frank Sinatra but at Cordwalles a new life had begun, Mr Whitelaw, now fondly known as "King of the Jungle", had joined the staff. We were so accustomed to gentle and softly spoken teachers in Mrs Hudson-Bennett and Mrs Hall, that we'd actually quiver in our sandals everytime we heard Mr Whitelaw getting a little hot under the collar. Our Nativity play, "The Grinch" kept us busy for weeks. The discipline of rehearsals and the big stage performance, for many of us, at first, certainly was a good introduction to the world of drama.

There are two occasions in prep school when you think you're topdog. One of them is in Grade 2, when you're suddenly the "big boys" of the Inky and you get to go on many more outings, you also get to lead first into assembly and no longer have to

queue for a turn on the jungle gyms. I think my over enthusiasm was a bit much for Mrs Ford as my first term's report comment read as follows "Andrew tends to take over in lessons and just needs to learn when he may and when he may not!" However, my third term's report comment showed an improvement - "Andrew has tried very hard to curb his impetuous outbursts"! It was obviously time to move on from the Inky.

While the rest of the world was bracing itself for the millennium bug, we in grade 3 were enjoying the challenges of team sport, especially our first year of rugby. Mrs Freestone, our class teacher, added her special touch to all our class outings. Our visit to the Sharks Board was the most interesting and I certainly gained a whole new respect for the sea on that outing. A highlight of 1999 was meeting and being photographed with Penny Heyns when she visited Cordwalles and receiving the U9 swimming champions trophy.

Unfortunately I was forced into a two year sabbatical from Cordwalles when my parents moved to the big smoke of Johannesburg but I did at least have Mrs D as my teacher for six months but missed out on the overnight trip to Tala Ranch and the experience of the night drive.

In Grade 5 the boys enjoyed their excursion to the Umgeni Valley and the fun of sleeping in their self-made shelters. The U11s had a fruitful sporting year and a lot of strength was added to the group with several new boys coming in. This year flew by I'm not surprised, with Mr Nell who, with his collection of clocks was always ahead of time!

I managed to persuade my parents to let me come back to Cordwalles as a boarder to complete my last two years of junior school. A lot had changed at Cordwalles, the numbers had grown, the trees had grown and new teachers had joined the staff. But fortunately the Cordwalles ethos was still the same. What I'd missed and hankered after, the friendships, the camaraderie and the family fellowship, were unchanged.

Our first "Open" year of sport was a great challenge in Grade 6 but under the leadership of our very competent sports coaches, we had an exciting and successful year with several of us reaching Midlands level in various sports.



Seen at the Leavers' Dinner - waiters from Gr 6 : Nicholas Byrne, Owen Gandar, JR Sesupeng, Sanda Shandu, Reef Nakin and Cameron Lindsay.

Mr Jones and Mrs Peckham were our class teachers and great rivalry existed between us. Mr Jones' class, known as the "softies", were allowed hot chocolate and duvets on really cold days, whereas Mrs. Peckham's class had to spend their free time reading in old dog baskets! One thing that really fascinates me about Mr Jones is the fact that he always wears odd socks and to this day I haven't found out the logic behind it. Perhaps his nickname "Skapie" has something to do with it!

Our trip to Spirit of Adventure was one to remember and a great lesson in teamwork and leadership skills. Our hockey tour down the South Coast was great fun, filled with laughter, good humour, great team spirit and we returned the victors of the tournament.

If I were to repeat any year at Cordwalles, 2003 would be it!

At first, I was sceptical about filling the shoes of last years' Grade 7s, but I soon realised that with the great group of friends and sportsmen in our year no goals set would be too far out of reach. Academically, the competition between the boys has been tight, but healthy. A highlight of mine this year was being awarded an academic scholarship to Hilton College. To Mr Evans, Mrs Brooks, Mr Whitelaw and Mr Bause, thank you for all your efforts and the time you all set aside to prepare us for our entrance and scholarship papers.

The throwing of cricket balls (not on the sports field) by Mr Bause always provided a good laugh during class. He did this when he was annoyed and Smythe and Khumalo, the main instigators, were quick to learn how to lift the lid of their desks to defend themselves. The red "cherrie" on Patrick Smythe's English book will remain a testimony to this.

Then there was Mr Whitelaw who was always quick to threaten us with a "Bernie haircut" and in so doing ensured that we all had our hair cut on time and I soon learnt that hair gel was definitely a no-no!

With only one defeat during the hockey season, we owe a great deal to Mr Jones. His dedication to the sport and his patience and commitment to the team has been awesome, as has his organization of all our sporting fixtures throughout the year. The highlight of the rugby season was our tour to the Eastern Cape. We won two out of three of our matches and taking the size of some of the opposition into account, I think we did fantastically well. Back home we had a very successful season and played some great games and in fact were unbeaten in Kwa Zulu Natal. A special thanks to Mr Whitelaw

for his devotion to the team and the special way in which he builds spirit and camaraderie amongst the boys. Thank you to Mr Healey for assisting with the coaching and for reffing our matches. It would me amiss of me not to mention the support of the parents at our matches and to Mr van Wyk baie dankie vir die goeie geesbou!

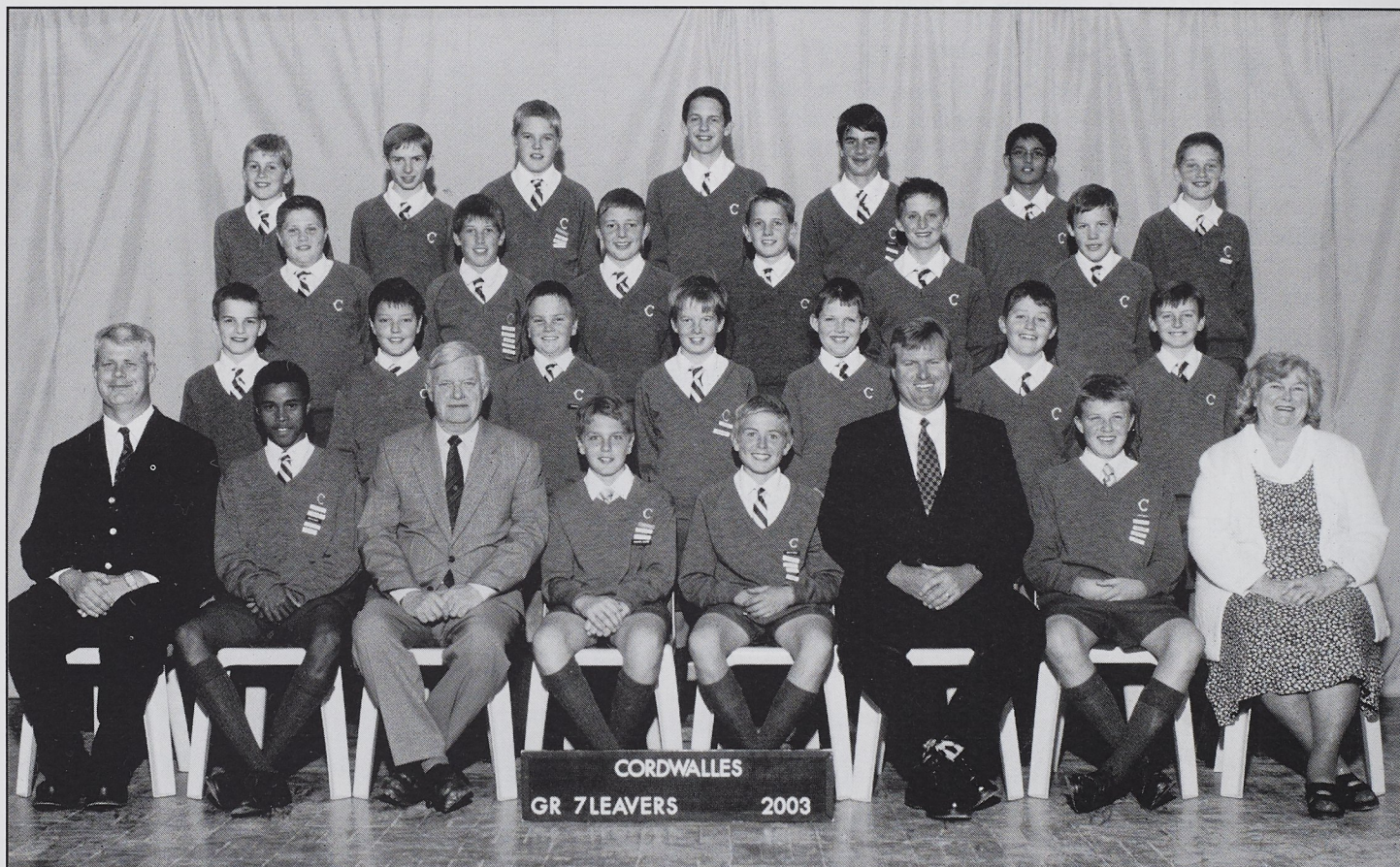
Our cricket season has been exciting under the leadership of Mr Bause, "the stats man", we've produced some fine results. Sweet victory for me was my first century against St Stithians but cricket being the true leveler that it is, I went out for a duck in the very next match! To Mr Bause, thank you for your dedicated approach, I have been proud to be your Captain.

Our play, the 3½ Musketeers, performed in the third term, was superbly produced by Mrs Hudson-Bennett and Mrs Hardingham and complemented by Mrs. Harwin's and Mrs le Roux's distinguished musical ability. It was great to see our 1st XI prop distinguish himself in a leading female role!

Sister really has been like a second Mom to all the boarders and a great comfort, especially to the younger ones. For me personally, when times were tough it was great to have you there. Thank you for all the hours spent on the side of the sports field in readiness for an injury. I'm sure I burst your strapping budget during rugby season!

To the Admin staff who keep the clocks ticking behind the scenes,

To the Boarder Masters who, besides their duties, put a lot of effort into entertaining the borders, always there for a game, a joke and a laugh,



GRADE 7 LEAVERS

Back Row: David Groom, Jonathan van Duyn, Darren Anderson, Gareth Harries, Wesley Middleton, Kiran Ram and Travis Clark.

Third Row: Heinrich van Wyk, Jason Trautman, Vaughan Edwards, Kelvin Bell, Andrew St Leger and Lloyd Domleo.

Second Row: Patrick Smythe, Mitchell Hedges, Warren Dundas-Starr, Sean Mackenzie, Tristan Kirn, Cameron Inggs and Edward Greene.

Seated: Mr Franzl Bause, Awande Khumalo, Mr Tim Evans (Headmaster), Chris Smith, James Tatham, Mr Mark Whitelaw (Second Master), Andrew Bourdillon and Mrs Dee' ann Brooks.

To the Music Department for the hours spent improving our musical talents,

To the Remedial Staff, for their specialist input,

To the Ground Staff for maintaining immaculate fields and general surroundings,

To Nola, for providing all the sports teas and the kitchen and laundry staff, for the endless cooking and cleaning you do for us all,

To our very special senior member of staff - Mrs Brooks - the local charities must love you - your commitment to gathering goods on their behalf has made us well aware of those less fortunate than ourselves. I'm not surprised that Cordwalles keep on asking you back for just one more year!

To our Parents, who have supported us throughout our time at Cordwalles,

A very big and sincere thank you to you all and I hope that next year's Grade 7s will enjoy and appreciate your value as we have done.

Last but not least, Mr Evans, you too are entering a new chapter in your life. You have been a great leader, a great example and a great encouragement to us. Cordwalles has grown from strength to strength under your leadership, and I quote from W Alton Jones



David Groom and Mr Evans at the Leavers' Dinner.

"The man who gets the most satisfactory results is not always the man with the most brilliant single mind, but rather the man who can best co-ordinate the brains and talents of his associates."

I believe that you and your team have achieved more than satisfactory results. On a lighter note we are all looking forward to receiving a photo of yourself dressed in Arabic robes, standing at the helm of your yacht!

On behalf of the Grade 7s, I wish you well. May your next challenge be as successful and rewarding as your last 8 years at Cordwalles have been.

I am proud to be a Cordies boy and to all the boys that we leave behind, may you too enjoy all the opportunities and experiences that this great School has to offer.

To my fellow Grade 7s I would like to end off by reading a part of Rudyard Kipling's poem - **"If"**

*"If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:*

*If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with Kings and not lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And which is more you'll be a man, my son!"*

Friends, what an awesome innings we have had together at Cordwalles. Keep in touch and good luck to you all.

THANK YOU.
Andrew Bourdillon
Grade 7B



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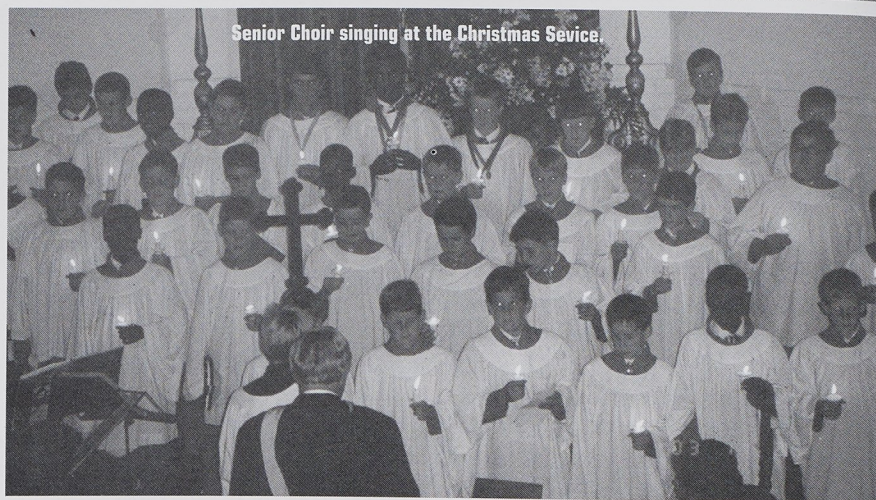
senior choir

The choir consists of forty boys from Grades 5 to 7. The boys voted for choir leaders and this year the leader was Awande Khumalo and the deputy leader, Sean Mackenzie. Both boys were very useful in their roles.

The Easter Service was the choir's first performance and sang "The Holy City" and "Because He Lives". Awande Khumalo sang very competently as a soloist. The boys sang at All Saints United Church once this year as well.

Combined Choirs was once again a wonderful success! This year we decided to have the event over three nights instead of two, to accommodate extra schools and to create more space on the stage. The schools which performed were: Cordwalles, Merchiston, Laddsworth, The Wykeham Collegiate, Scottsville, Clarendon, Cowan House, Pelham, Longmarket Girls' School, Epworth, St. Nicholas and Richmond. Cordwalles thoroughly enjoyed performing "Flying Without Wings" and "Buttercup". Once again Andrew Craib accompanied the combined choirs and Cordwalles songs on drums. Sanda Shandu and Stephan Hartzenberg performed a duet part for "Flying Without Wings" creating a real "Boy Band" effect! The atmosphere on these evenings was very relaxed as always and a tremendous time was had by the schools, choir teachers and audience alike.

In the third term the choir was involved with the senior play, "The Three and a Half Musketeers". Nola le Roux accompanied the choir and Jean van Heeswijk and Jenny Calitz were instrumental in teaching the choir the songs. They added colour and flair to the performances and are to be congratulated for their commitment and hard work.



Senior Choir singing at the Christmas Service.

The fourth term was very busy for the senior choir, with three events at which to perform. Firstly was the Music Revue and boys sang "One Moment In Time" and the Pop Idols performed as well. The Carols by Candlelight was held in the brick quad this year as the acoustics is better there than in the grass quad. The final event was the Christmas Service in the chapel and the choir performed four songs: "Holy Child", "Somebody Has To Tell The World", "Isn't He" and "Child of Love". Once again the following boys need to be made mention of for the solo parts they performed: Awande Khumalo, Sean Mackenzie, Matthew Shaw, Jason Hoepfl, Travis Lang, Stephan Hartzenberg and Sanda Shandu. The evening was a success and the boys did me proud!

Thank you, Senior Choir for your commitment and enthusiasm. I have so enjoyed the year and you get better and better!

Les Harwin
CHOIR MISTRESS



SENIOR CHOIR

Back Row: Patrick Howard, Jonathan Stein, Mivan Howard, Ian Scott, Dundas Clark, Sohis Hene, Jon-Paul Akal, Sanda Shandu, Joshua Williams, Warren Dundas-Starr and Sean Mackenzie.

Third Row: Awande Khumalo, Laurence Aadnesgaard, Johann Ackerman, Joel Bronner, Matthew Vacy-Lyle, Wesley Lewis, Patrick Dunton, Jason Hoepfl, Travis Moore and Wesley Middleton.

Second Row: Mrs Les Harwin, Nicholas Platt, Stephan Hartzenberg, Richard Lynn, Vaughan Edwards, Lloyd Domleo, Travis Clark, Scott Rogers and Alexander Poltera.

Front Row: Haydyn Jordaan, Tau Tsiki, Brian Dedekind, Travis Lang, Marc Stone, Adrian Bunge, Jonty Campbell, James Atwell, Matthew Shaw and Reef Nakin.

junior choir

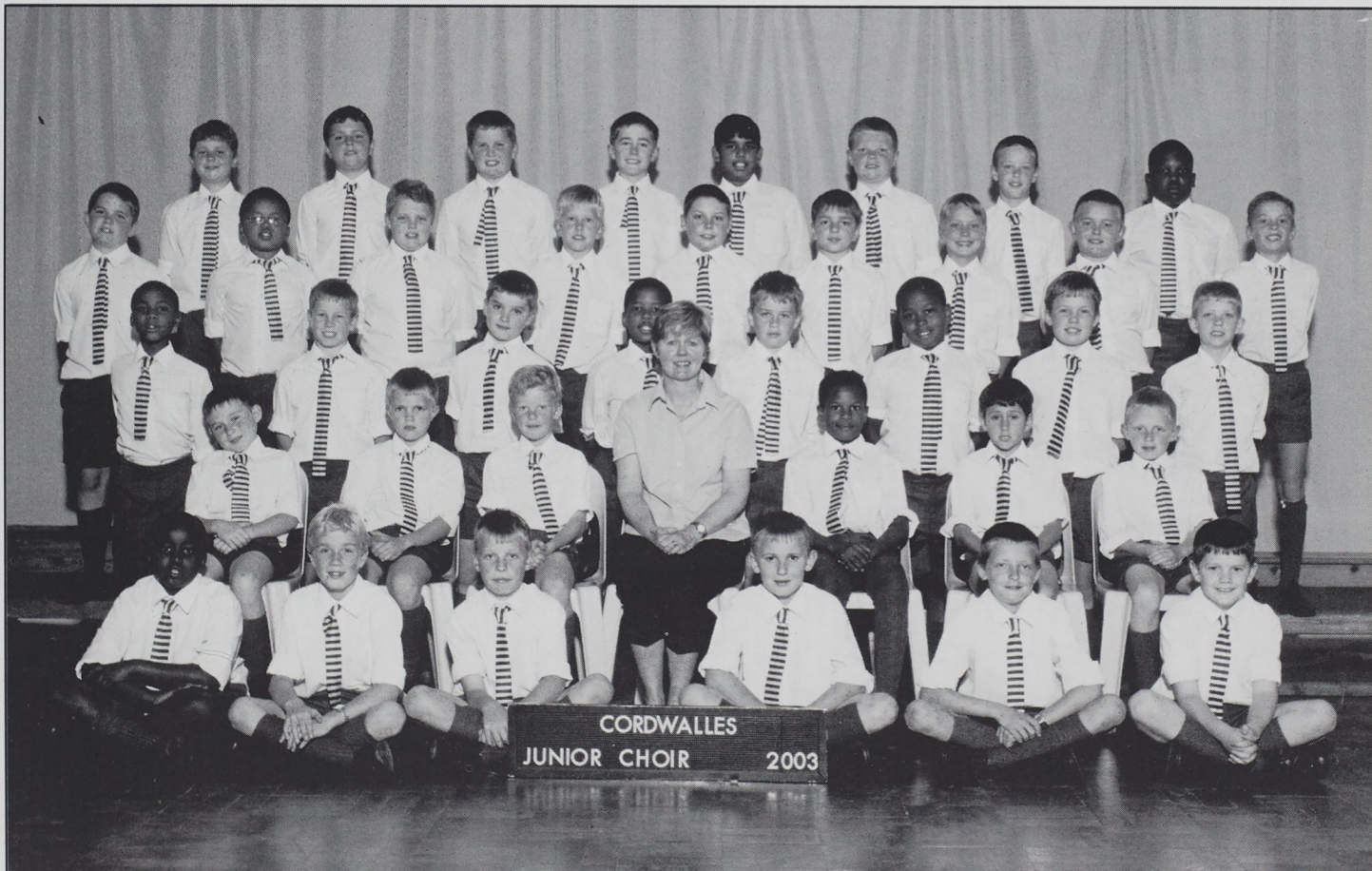
The Junior Choir grew in 2003 to 39 members. The boys in both grades 3 and 4 were very enthusiastic and sang with verve. The choir sang at the Junior Instrumental concert, the Music Revue and Carols by Candlelight. We seemed to focus on songs from sport, singing "Swing Low Sweet Chariot" and "The World in Union" (certainly suitable seeing that England won the rugby World Cup!) At the Carols by Candlelight, the choir sang the moving Chris de Burgh song "A Spaceman came Travelling" with Steve de Gruchy, the father of one of the choir boys. The boys enjoyed working with Steve and he added another dimension to their performance. Steve Griffin moved from singer to a very capable recorder player for the song. Thank you to both Steves.

The year ended with a round of Bush Golf in rather cool, overcast weather. We even returned more golf balls than we started out with, showing that we have budding golfers as well as singers in our midst! The boys have once again been wonderful to work with - a creative and energetic group. The Grade 4 boys will be missed but they have led by example and the Grade 3 boys will be welcome back next year.

Jean van Heeswijk



Seen at Carols by Candlelight - Stuart Brill and Morgan Harries with daughters Nicola and Lauren.



JUNIOR CHOIR

Back row: Hylton Gordon, Gregory Morum, Nicholas Ikin, Justin Cooper, Mandhir Lutchman, Travis Mitchell, Brett Peckham and Mkhululi Mkhulisi.

Third row: Chad Crouch, Thabo Malinga, Craig Smorfitt, Stephen Griffin, Richard Daniel, Bradford Griffin, Grayson de Villiers, Adrian Gorny and Brandon Haynes

Second row: Michael Mvelase, David Brill, Alexander Platt, Sine Shelembe, Michael Dunton, Teboho Mokoena, Sean Masson and Declan Bause

First row: Oliver Gould-Musgrave, David de Gruchy, Sean Burgess, Mrs. Jean van Heeswijk (Choir Mistress), Sine Shelembe, Matthew McCathie and Nicholas Last

Seated: Bongumusa Zondi, Nicolas Hellens, Thomas Martin, Nathaniel Williams, Kewan Harries and Michael Everard

pop idols

For the first time at Cordwallis, Pop Idols was held. Boys auditioned for the competition and the finalists performed two songs on the day. Outside judges were invited to assess our idols and give them valuable tips. The atmosphere was created with disco lights and a smoke machine, which were loaned to us.

Jason Everard was trained by Babs Music to operate the sound system and this enabled the boys to use microphones and have the benefit of digital delay . . . nothing is too much for an idol! The following boys took part in Pop Idols: Sanda Shandu, Stephan Hartzenberg, Laurence Aadnesgaard, Jethro Bronner, Toka Tsiki, Reef Nakin, Jonathan Chileshe, Tau Tsiki, Jean-Luc Talbot, Warren Dundas-Starr and Heinrich van Wyk. The results were:

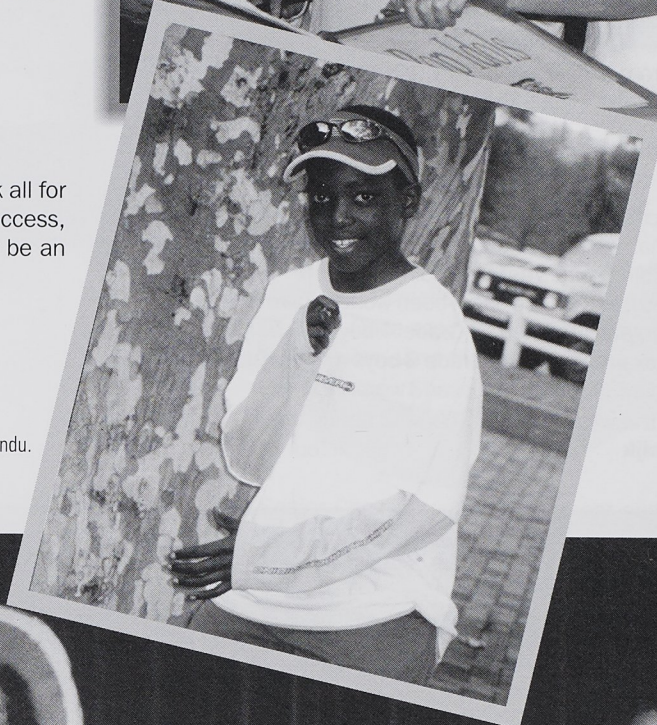
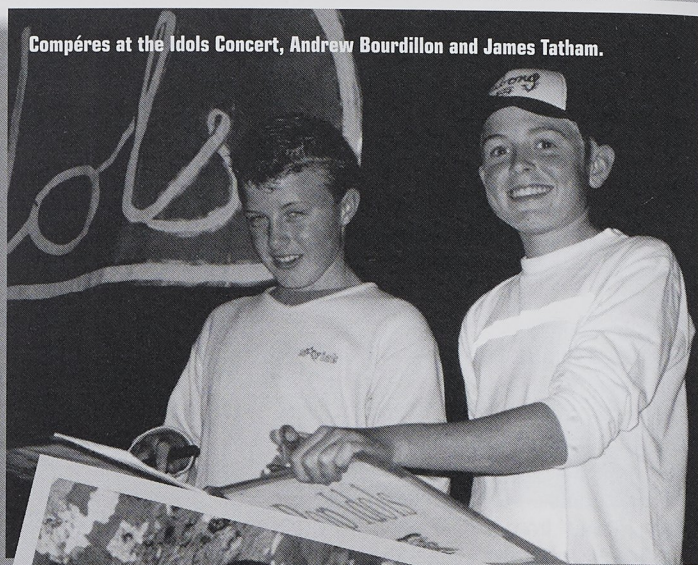
Third	Jethro Bronner
Second	Toka Tsiki
First	Sanda Shandu

I was very proud of all the boys who were brave enough to risk all for fame! They played the part of Pop Idol with huge success, entertaining a very appreciative audience! This will certainly be an annual event. Hopefully more boys will take part next year.

Les Harwin

Winner of the Pop Idols Competition, Sanda Shandu.

Compères at the Idols Concert, Andrew Bourdillon and James Tatham.



FINALISTS IN THE POP IDOLS COMPETITION:

Back Row: Jethro Bronner, Jean-Luc Talbot, Mrs Les Harwin, Reef Nakin, Heinrich van Wyk, Jonathan Chileshe and Stephan Hartzenberg.
Front Row: Laurence Aadnesgaard, Toka Tsiki, Warren Dundas-Starr, Tau Tsiki and Patrick Smythe.



orchestra

The orchestra of 2003 was a treat to conduct. With some boys playing at grade 5 level, this made the learning and performing of new pieces a delight. Sometimes whole programmes were put together in less than a week with our talented players.

The orchestra participated in the Easter Service, and again provided the finale at each end of term concert. They were greatly enjoyed by the grandparents on Spring Day, when they performed for half an hour in the dining hall.

At Christmas time, some of the boys accompanied the choir in the chapel and as always, the year ended with a repertoire of Christmas Carols being performed after the Prize Giving ceremony, as parents had tea.

At an individual level most of the orchestra boys played their Royal School Examinations, some of them even performing two exams in



one year, as well as writing theory exams and participating in the eisteddfod. We are very proud of Travis Moore who was selected to perform at the prestigious Sanlam Competition, held in Cape Town.

Three of our boys, Alexander Poltera, Wesley Lewis and Travis Moore, were asked to perform at a Tatham Art Gallery concert on the 17th December and each gave his best performance at that venue. Wesley and Travis have been offered their own Tatham concert to be held, on the 5th May 2004.

Well done to all our dedicated music boys of 2003.

Nola le Roux



Junior violinists, Eric van Heeswijk, Daniel van der Leeuw, Mrs Heather Scholefield, Brett Hooper and Andrew Lee.

Wesley Lewis and Sean Mackenzie playing at Carols by Candlelight.



ORCHESTRA

Back Row: Wesley Lewis, Jonathan Chileshe, Stephan Hartzenberg and Sanda Shandu
Font Row: Edward Greene, Travis Moore, Mrs Nola le Roux, Sean Mackenzie and Alexander Poltera

chess

Chess has been a popular activity at Cordwalles again this year. The ladder board did not have enough space for the long list of juniors interested in playing the game!

The Senior and Junior teams played matches against Clifton Nottingham Road and Cowan House during the first and second terms. The Seniors played games of a high standard often facing strong opposition. The Juniors were a very capable group who were unbeaten as a team. They should prove to be a tough act again next year!

In the fourth term, the Triple C Triangular Series was played against Clifton and Cowan House. Each section played a tournament, which recognised individual performance, and once again this tournament proved to be a successful way to end the "Chess Year". The Senior boys were well placed within their groups with Kyle Forder emerging

as the most improved player of the tournament for Cordwalles. The Juniors produced the top two players of their tournament - Kewan Harries and Garth Harding respectively.

Interhouse chess was played in the third term. Butchers won the Senior Section and Tatham's the Junior Section. The Senior interhouse champion was Lynton Dent and the Junior champion was Greg Morum.

The Chess Player of the Year trophy was awarded to Geoffrey Woollatt. Geoffrey has been a committed and consistently good player of the game. Certificates of Merit were awarded to Geoff Woollatt, Chris Smith, Lynton Dent, Laurence Aadnesgaard and Garth Harding for their commitment to chess and for the high standard they maintain in their games.

Jean van Heeswijk



SENIOR CHESS

Back Row: Scott Rogers, Stephan Hartzenberg, JR Sesupeng and Kiran Ram.
Second Row: Johann Ackerman, Laurence Aadnesgaard, Chris Smith and Vukani Buthelezi.
Seated: Kyle Forder, Geoffrey Woollatt, Mrs Jean van Heeswijk, Lynton Dent and Jason Hoepfl.

David Groom

Cordwalles has a very special place in my heart and it has given me a sound foundation and a stepping stone for my future. I will cherish my memories of Cordies forever.

Patrick Smythe

An eight year experience that will last me a life time. Thanks Cordies for getting me ready for further education and for preparing me for the future.



JUNIOR CHESS

Back Row: Justin Kirk, Mkhululi Mkhulisi, Greg Morum, Tau Tsiki and Kewan Harries.

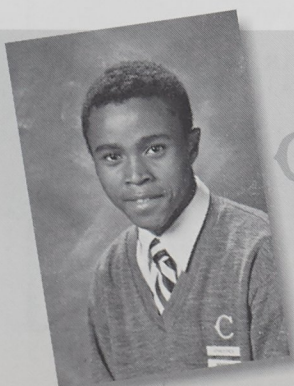
Second Row: Grayson de Villiers, Chad Crouch, Michael Everard and Alex Platt.

Seated: Dirk van Heeswijk, Garth Harding, Mrs Jean van Heeswijk, Marc Stone and Toka Tsiki.



cultural day

Cultural Day held by the Zulu teacher, Mr Joel Mofokeng.

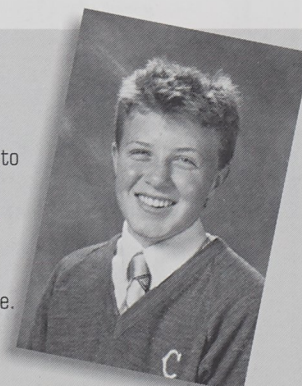


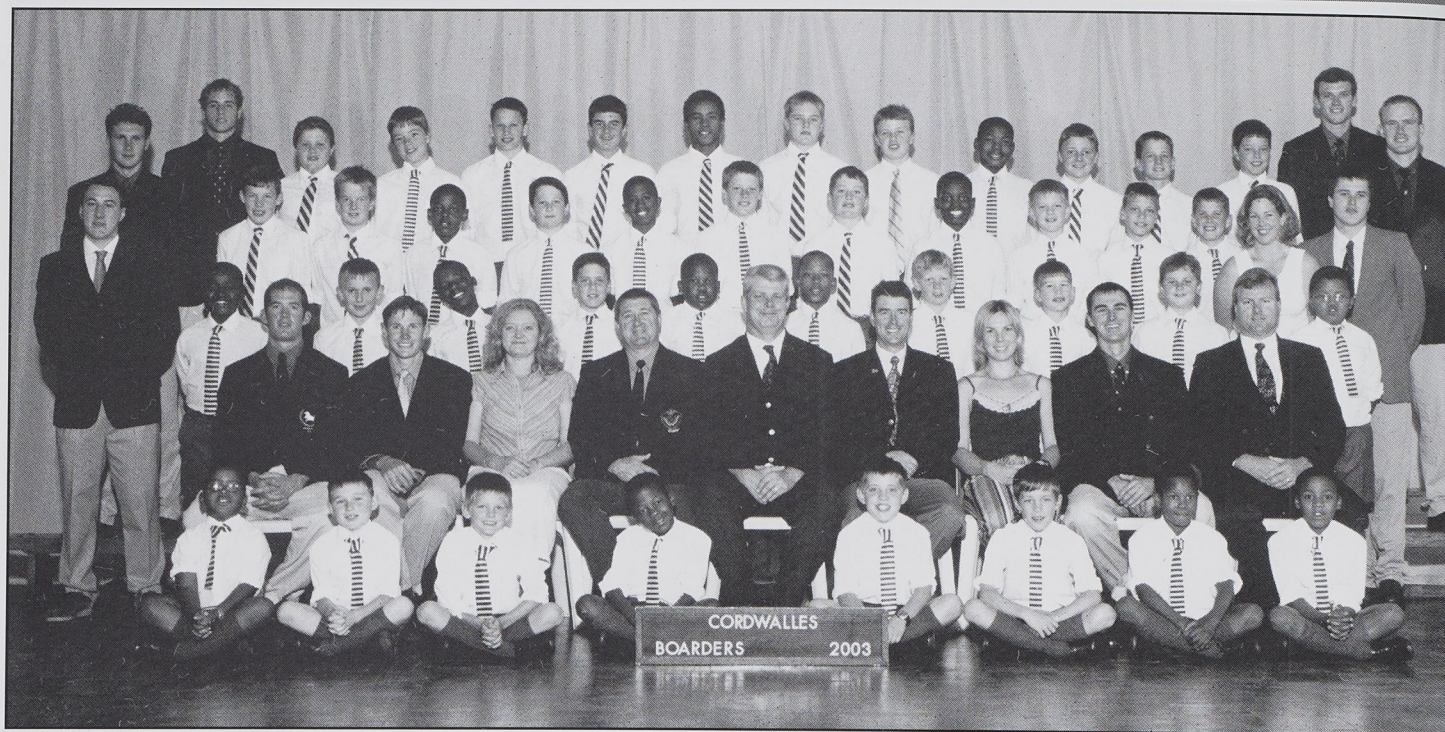
Awande Khumalo

Cordwalles has established me extremely well for my life ahead. They have provided us brilliant facilities and teachers. Thank you Cordwalles for a magnificent eight years and a strong foundation.

Andrew Bourdillon

The best decision I've made in my life was to come back to Cordwalles and in doing so, I've accomplished many of my goals, made true friends and feel confident going into the next chapter of my life. Thank you to the Cordies family for the great experience.





BOARDERS 2003

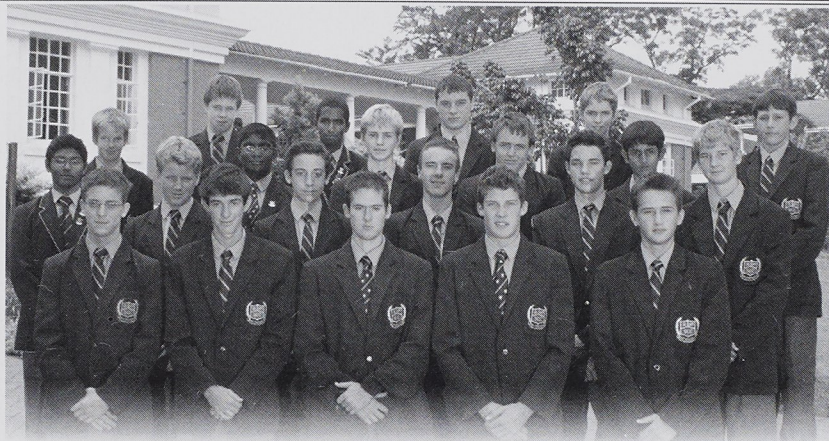
Back Row: Mr. Brett Roux, Heinrich van Wyk, Owen Gandar, Cameron Lindsay, Wesley Middleton, Awande Khumalo, Darren Anderson, Andrew Bourdillon, JR Sesupeng, Vaughan Edwards, Kelvin Bell, Mitchell Hedges and Mr. Ross McMillan

Third Row: Mr. Chris Healey, Lloyd Domleo, Sean Mackenzie, Soyiso Hene, Jon-Paul Akal, Jonathan Chileshe, Patrick Howard, Cameron Lindsay, Sanda Shandu, Geoffrey Woollatt, Jethro Bronner, Miss Jenny Calitz and Mr. Gareth Wills.

Second Row: Mr. Will George, Bongumusa Zondi, Nathaniel Williams, Tau Tsiki, Joel Bronner, Mkhululi Mkhulisi Reef Nakin, Matthew Vacy-Lyle, James Fisher, Hylton Gordon and Thabo Malinga.

Seated: Mr. John Gold, Mr. Duncan Greaves, Miss Wendy Fryer, Mr. Derek Nell, Mr. Franzl Bause, Mr. Glenn Jones, Mrs. Naomi du Toit, Mr. Brad Mitchell and Mr. Mark Whitelaw.

Seated (floor): Zi Nkala, Oliver Gould-Musgrave, James Badcock, Toka Tsiki, Travis Lang, Matthew Hanbury, Sine Shelembe and Michael Mvelase.



the SCC CORDIE connection

For many years now Old Boys of Cordwalles have formed a strong part of St Charles College, primarily because it is an independent boys day school in Pietermaritzburg. Parents like the fact that their sons are continuing at a small school, write an Independent Examinations Board (IEB) Matric and now have access to the internationally benchmarked Cambridge qualification as well. Parents like the access we have to all first-division sporting codes. All this, within the framework of a Christian

ethos engendering compassion and self-discipline.

We too value our relationship with Cordies – in this photograph of some of the current Cordwalles boys at St Charles, there are boys who are very strong academically, those who are strong musically, debaters, there are no fewer than three first XV rugby players, three first XI hockey players, soccer players, a surfer, a MTX rider, and cricketers of note, one of whom, Lyndon Govender, tucked away second from the left in the back row, is the top schoolboy

wicket-keeper in South Africa and, with a string of other accolades, has Academic Honours into the bargain.

What we emphasise is that because St Charles is a small school, all boys get a chance to shine and take part – something they seldom do in bigger schools and then, sadly, all too often only as spectators.

With a committed and highly qualified staff, St Charles has so much to offer, particularly fees which are the lowest of any independent high school in Pietermaritzburg.



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2003 proved to be another fun filled, action packed year in the BE at Cordwalles. There is no doubt that the boarders played a major role in the sporting and cultural success enjoyed by the school this year. The enthusiasm and spirit generated by both the boys and duty staff has led to a happy second 'home' for all.

Throughout the year, there were forty boys boarding and during the third term, there were fifty-two boarders. Parents have continued to make use of temporary boarding, ranging from an overnight stay to a couple of weeks, and this has been a useful experience for a boy to be exposed to boarding.

My sincere gratitude goes to Nola for her superb meals, Fred for his diligent maintenance, the boarder masters for their enthusiastic commitment to the boys and an excellent group of Grade 7 dorm captains. A very special thank you to Sister for all her tireless efforts and care for our boarders. Please, Sister, make sure there are no neck operations next year, since we, as the duty staff, are not fully aware of all that you do at Cordwalles.

**FRANZL BAUSE
BOARDER MASTER**



Having fun at Karkloof Falls during a boarder outing.



BOARDER MASTERS & MISTRESSES

Back Row: Duncan Greaves, John Gold, Ross McMillan, Derek de Goede and Gareth Wills.
Second Row: Chris Healey, William George, Naomi du Toit, Jenny Calitz, Brett Roux, and Brad Mitchell.
Seated: Derek Nell, Mark Whitelaw, Franzl Bause (Boarder Master in Charge), Glenn Jones, and Wendy Fryer.

stake your claim

PARENTS ASSOCIATION FUND RAISER

There was much excitement at Cordwalles as half term of the last quarter of 2003 approached. The Parents Association had organised a "Stake-your-Claim" Fund Raiser which involved all the pupils at Cordwalles. Each Boy was asked to sell tickets for R10,00 per ticket and for every twenty sold, he would get one free. There were prizes for the most number of tickets sold, with the main prize of R7 000 going to the ticket placed closest to the drawn co-ordinates.

Each grade from RR through to Grade 7 came out onto the rugby field to place the stubs of the tickets they had sold. Endless fun was had during the morning while the tickets were placed and Rugby looked as if snow had just fallen by the time all the stubs had been pegged. At noon the school was abuzz with an almost tangible anticipation as the four points were drawn so it could be established whose ticket was closest to the point where the two ropes crossed.

Calvin Swart won the cash prize of R7 000.

Nicolas Panas was placed first in the boys' ticket sales competition.

Congratulations to all the prize winners!



Nicolas Panas with Mr Craig Stone.

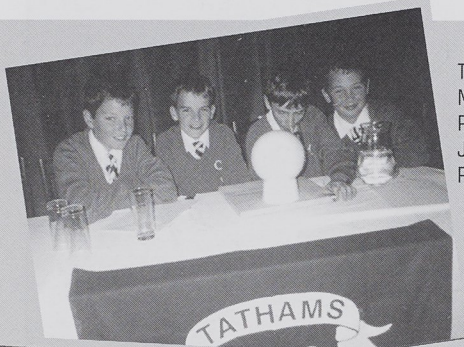


Calvin Swart, winner of the Stake Your Claim Prize.

A handsome sum of R40 000 was raised for the school, and is to be used for the proposed extensions to the Pavillion.

A very special thank you from the Parents Association of Cordwalles to all the boys, parents and staff who worked so hard to make "Stake-your-Claim" such a resounding success.

CRAIG STONE
PARENTS ASSOCIATION



The Tathams Team:
Mitchell Hedges,
Patrick Smythe,
Jonathan Stein and
Patrick Dunton.

general knowledge

During Saturday school we had our Inter-House General Knowledge Quiz but sadly Jacksons won!

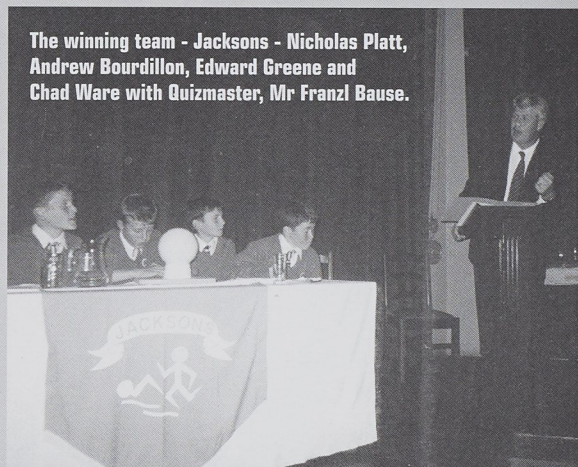
The quiz is divided into various sections "Make it 24" - a Maths section, Know your Animals, a Sports section, Know your Music and an Historical section.

It was a very tense time because you have to beat everyone else to the buzzer and remember to answer the question correctly. Sometimes when you stand up - you simply go blank.

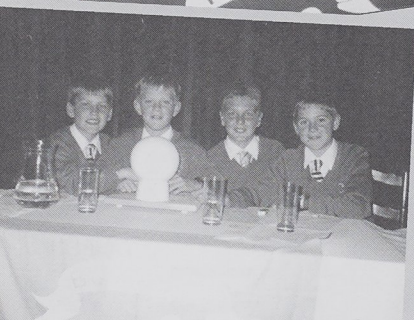
You can lose points by choosing a question that is worth three points: if you get it incorrect you are **minus** two!

From hitting the buzzers to audience participation, I'm sure it was enjoyed by all.

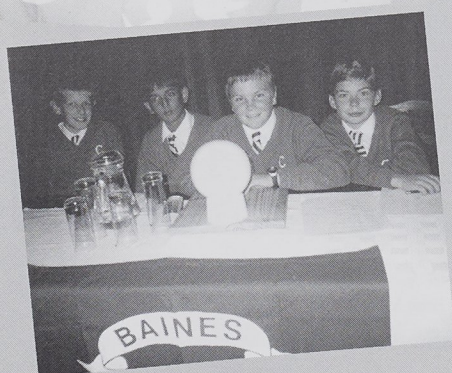
LAURENCE AADNESGAARD
GR 6J



The winning team - Jacksons - Nicholas Platt,
Andrew Bourdillon, Edward Greene and
Chad Ware with Quizmaster, Mr Franzl Bause.



The Butchers Team:
Cameron McConnell,
Geoffrey Woollatt,
Chris Smith and
Laurence Aadnesgaard.



The Baines Team:
Oliver Jones,
Kiren Ram,
Warren Dundas-
Starr and
James Atwell.

hobbies

As usual, Friday afternoon hobbies provide a variety of choice from debating to bonsai, canoeing to ten pin bowling. The boys have the choice of a different hobby every term and the selection covers a range of pastimes, which appeals to nearly every child. Each individual can spend time doing things other than sport or music and expand his thinking laterally, creatively and imaginatively. No wonder it is never a problem staying late on a Friday!



Canoeists: Nathaniel Williams, Warren Dundas-Starr, Matthew Shaw, Bradford Griffin, Shane Wilson and Jean-Luc Talbot take to the Duzi.



Out bowling - Andrew Bourdillon, Wesley Middleton, Cameron McConnell and James Attwell.



Waterpolo team - Travis Clark, Chad Ware, Cameron Lindsay, Andrew Bourdillon, Marc Train and Michael Everard.



Learning all about Bonsai - Laurence Aadnesgaard, Vaughan Edwards, Andrew St Leger, Patrick Smythe, Warren Dundas-Starr and Mrs Joy Smyly.



Gareth Harries

Thank you for helping me to achieve what I have. Cordwalles is so fantastic.

Andrew St. Leger

Thanks to Cordies for a wonderful seven years. At Cordies, I have enjoyed every moment. Thank you.





Looking through the books on offer - Sean Fox and Chad Ware.

book week

5 - 7 May 2003

What a pleasure it was to witness the enthusiasm with which the boys (and parents!) embraced this whole concept!

Audrey Hitchcock was her usual inimitable self and had the boys spellbound with her readings of some wonderful books.

Our visitors on the Tuesday presented a variety of books in various ways. Story reading, story acting and story telling. All the grades were catered for and it seems everyone enjoyed their hour.

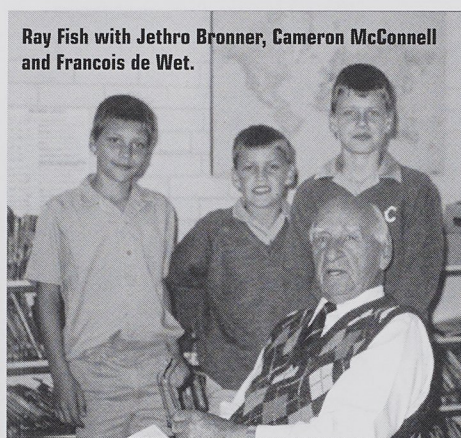
The book sale was a resounding success and it was exciting to see just how many books were bought by our Cordwalles community. This of course enabled the school library to purchase a good selection of Fiction and Non-Fiction books too!

Thank you to all the boys, parents and teachers who supported this week.

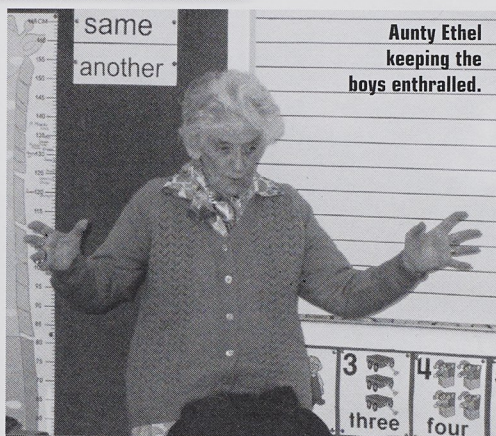
Remember reading is an extension to another dimension!

SHARON SMALLIE
LIBRARY

Jonathan Stein,
Oliver Jones and
Scott Rogers.



Ray Fish with Jethro Bronner, Cameron McConnell and Francois de Wet.



Aunt Ethel
keeping the
boys enthralled.

flashy gem

The excitement mounted as the marqu e was erected on the field and tickets for "the emerald" were madly being sold. Months of preparation went into this event which culminated in the Music Departments from St John's D.S.G., Michaelhouse, The Wykeham Collegiate, Hilton College, St Annes and Cordwalles Prep producing a wonderful morning of melody from each school band or orchestra.

The "emerald" was a generous donation from Mr & Mrs Marcos Galanis - their son Elefthenios was at Cordwalles from 1990-1997 - that was raffled and incorporated into an event that entertained the audience who sat around their picnic hampers and enjoyed the amazing musical programme.

Mrs Clare Byrne and her team worked tirelessly towards this outstanding success and as was heard mentioned afterwards, "What a perfect way to spend a Sunday!"

Winner Nicolas Hellens holding his "Gem" and Certificate of authenticity.



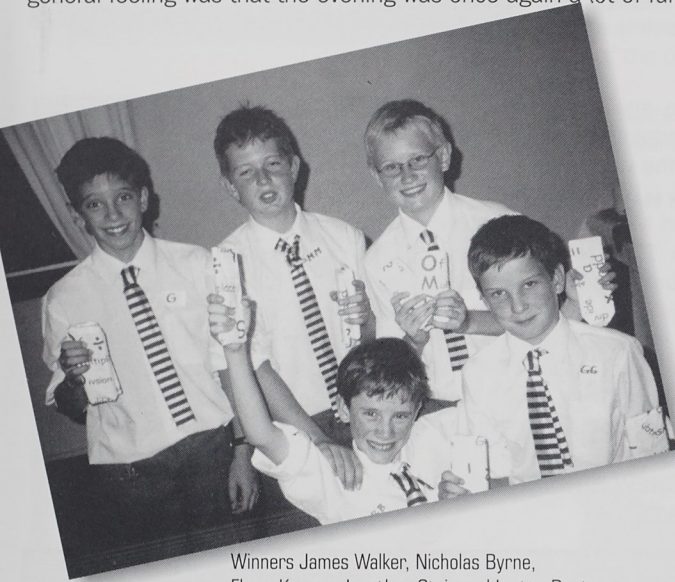
maths relay

GRADE 6 PARENT/SON MATHS RELAY

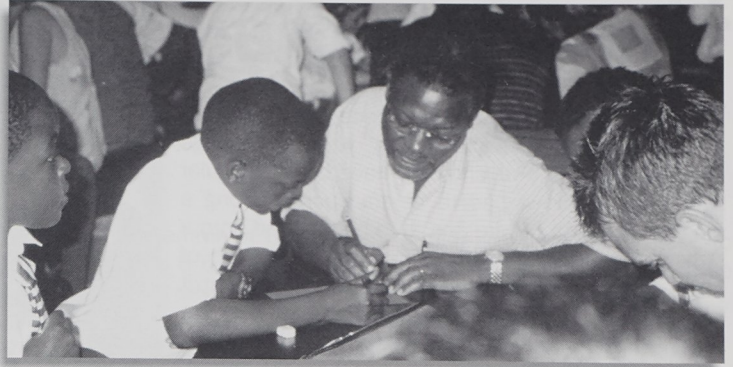
The Dining Hall was crowded for this annual event! Many of the boys brought, not only both parents (although only one is officially permitted to participate) but brothers and sisters and some friends too!!

A whole table full of supporters!

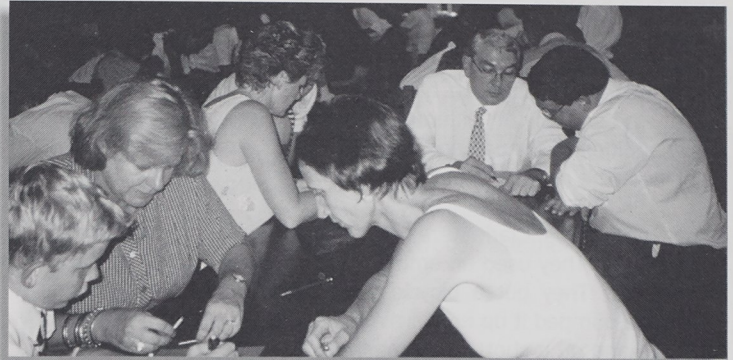
The hall was soon a buzz with interjections of "Got It"! There was much scratching of heads and a few Dads even admitted to "cheating" by sneaking a quick look at a nearby rival's computations! The boys enjoyed racing up to the markers' tables and some even helped their parents to do the problems! The general feeling was that the evening was once again a lot of fun.



Winners James Walker, Nicholas Byrne, Elmar Kruger, Jonathan Stein and Lynton Dent.



Sanda Shandu and Dad at the Maths Relay.



Putting their heads together at the Maths Relay Matthew and Sue Vacy-Lyle, Helen Rogers, Con Hartzenberg, Stephan Hartzenberg and Karen Lindsay.

The Prize Winners Were:

Most Points -	Elmar Kruger and Dad
	Lynton Dent and Dad
Handicap Winners -	Nicholas Byrne and Dad
	James Walker and Mom
	Jonathan Stein and Mom

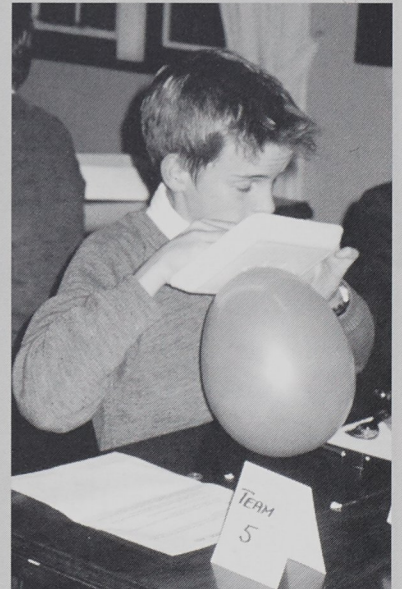
DE'ANN BROOKS

design challenge

On 9th September 2003, fourteen local schools visited Cordwalles for our fifth Design Challenge. The boys and girls were put into teams comprising five pupils each from a different school.

The dining hall was soon a hive of activity as the teams brainstormed, planned, made and tested their devices.

Patrick Smythe preparing his hovercraft at the Design Challenge.



This year the device set was a balloon/air driven hovercraft, which proved to be more difficult than the teams first anticipated.

The evening ended with a hilarious fifteen minutes when the hovercrafts were demonstrated. Prizes were awarded by the roving judges for ingenuity, organisational skills, group co-operation and others including the best device! A good time was had by all.

DE'ANN BROOKS



Chris Smith and participants from St Johns DSG, Scottsville and St Charles.

the egg race

The build-up to the "egg race" was full of conspiracy and secrecy!! This year's challenge involved a "bomb", which could have been a regular sized marble and it had to be transported along a taught 4m length of wire and then be dropped onto a target, approximately half way across the length of wire. Our form of transport could be anything but it had to be self-propelled and it had to go the entire length of the wire. There were several prizes to be won - the fastest "machine", closest to the target, most innovative machine and the best machine made by a boarder.

We all gathered in the dining hall, our parents enjoyed a sherry while we all inspected each other's machines. There were a lot of different machines and some colourful designs, different shapes and sizes and very unique names for the machines. The race eventually got under way.....

Nobby and Travis Clark were the first to go with an extremely unique idea. They used an empty coke bottle with an air pressure movement. They put a bicycle valve onto the one end of the bottle and pumped it up until it almost exploded, and then opened the valve and off it shot! Their machine certainly was the quickest along the wire but unfortunately they were a bit off target when it came to dropping the "bomb".

Patrick Smythe had a very attractive design with red and white stripes painted along the side of his machine. Lloyd Domleo had a highly technical, yet very effective design and he won the prize for the best boarder. David Groom's invention certainly attracted our attention with all its guinea fowl feathers and Gareth Harries taught us all a thing or two about mechanical engineering! Gareth's machine was very well built and worked very well too, but



Lloyd Domleo, Travis Clark, David Groom, Gareth Harries, Front: Sean Mackenzie, Jason Trautman with their 'inventions'.



Seen at the Egg Race, Cameron Inggs and Heinrich van Wyk watching Mrs Shelley Hedges putting the final touches to Mitchell Hedges' creation.

once again off target. Jason Trautman had a very exciting and entertaining machine that involved a firecracker that undoubtedly got the vibe going.

Sean Mackenzie's machine was truly brilliant and he walked away with 1st prize! His axled design combined with speed and an accurate bombing definitely deserved the top prize.

The evening was a great success and we all had a good laugh! I would like to thank Mrs Brooks for the well organized evening and hope the "egg race" tradition continues at Cordwalles for many years to come.

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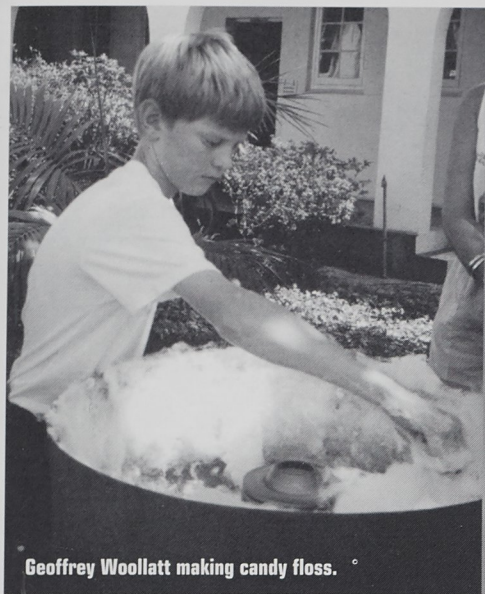
entrepreneurial skills

The Entrepreneurial Skills programme at Cordwalles starts in grade 4 and builds up to the Market Day that the grade 6 boys are involved in. The grade 6 boys started the year off with a self-assessment of where their interests and their talents lay followed by the planning and carrying through of their businesses.

The Market Day was held at the end of the third term. There were a good variety of businesses with plenty of food and drinks for those who had completed the Fun Run prior to the stalls opening. Haydyn Jordaan and Matthew Shaw were responsible for boys and girls with brightly coloured hair, James Walker and Daniel-Marc Dolpire provided a mini putt-putt course for younger children, Chad Ware hit the jackpot with his mini cricket bats and balls and Alexander Poltera's beautiful paper maché cats were a hit. Laurence Aadnesgaard and Matthew Vacy-Lyle used Cordwalles as the basis of their businesses items with the 'C' on it and calendars with photographs of the school. These were just a few of the diverse businesses that were operating on the day.

Each businessman received an award in the fourth term to recognise the special qualities of their particular business.

JEAN VAN HEESWIJK



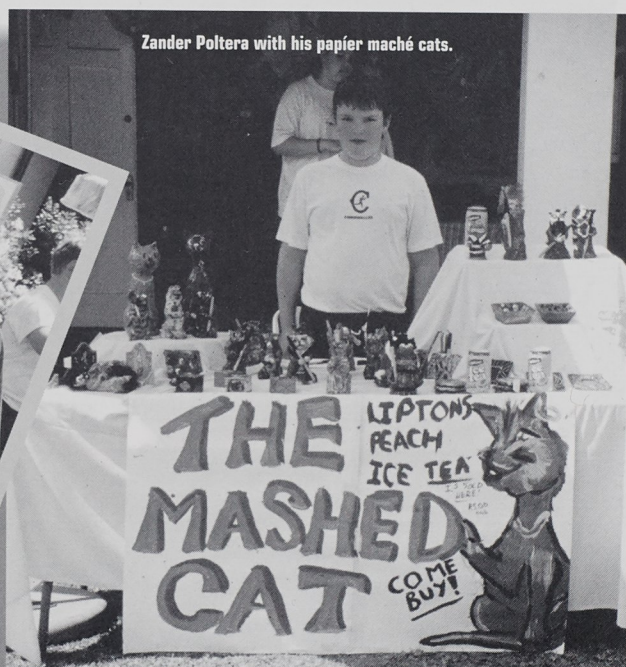
Geoffrey Woollatt making candy floss.



Laurence Aadnesgaard and his "C" things.



Nicholas Byrne showing James Badcock his Trick Sticks.

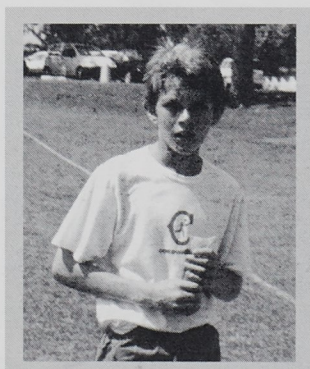


Zander Poltera with his papier maché cats.

fun run



First Woman home at the Fun Run - Trish Campbell.



First Boy in - Garth Harding.



First Man in - Vivian Jordaan.

Some of the artwork

on display during the
Entrepreneurial Morning



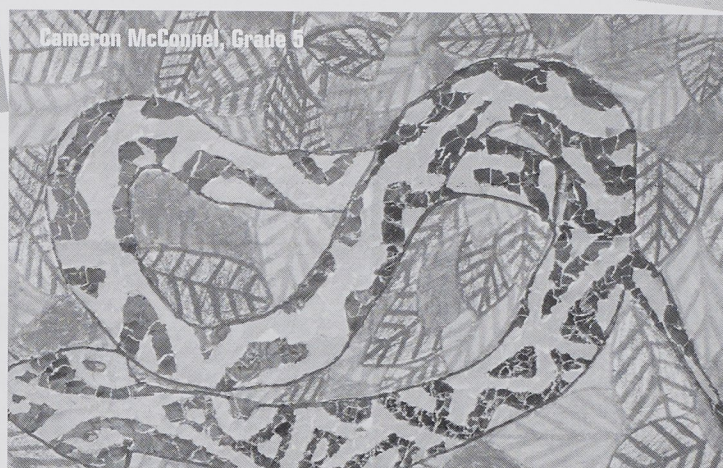
Sean Burgess, Grade 3



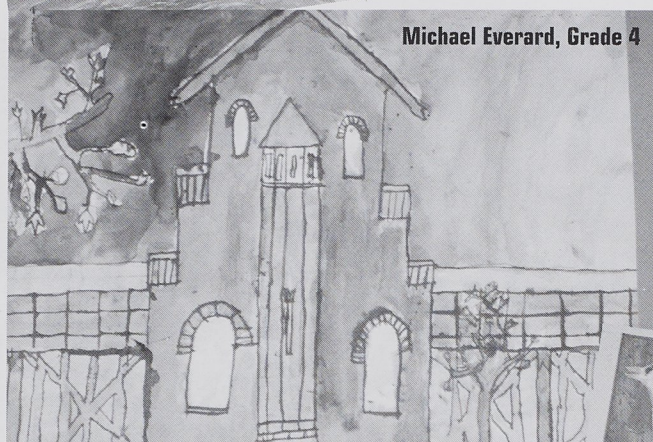
Nicholas Ikin, Grade 3



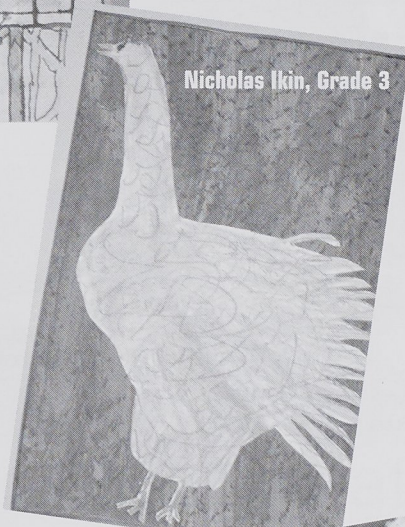
Robbie Lynn, Grade 1



Cameron McConnell, Grade 5



Michael Everard, Grade 4



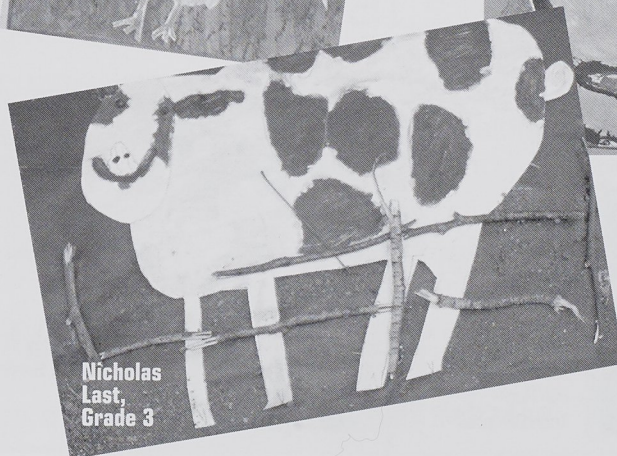
Nicholas Ikin, Grade 3



Sean Burgess, Grade 3



Grade 0
Butterflies



Nicholas
Last,
Grade 3

school picnic

While others enjoyed a relaxing public holiday, the Cordwalles boys and staff prepared themselves for the long, steep walk under the warm morning sun.

Everyone seemed so keen and excited to do this walk but I had totally the opposite attitude. Five kms up probably the steepest hill in Maritzburg with the temperature in the high 20s, I didn't see any reason to be excited.

As we started walking or running for some crazy but keen boys, I started to realize why all the staff and boys would rather be doing this on their public holiday than relaxing. Mr Harmsworth and Mr Wills were sent up with the first runners and were aiming to beat Mr Greaves' record time, which was achieved the previous year.

The rest went up in classes. The chanting of songs and many stories told, made the walk really enjoyable. By the time the last group had reached the summit, Nola and her crew had set up tea and scones for the staff and juice and biscuits for the boys. We felt like English Royals on an African Safari.

The staff relaxed under the trees while the boys and students had to collect items that were on a list given to each House. These were to be used for various 'Treasure Hunt' categories which members of the staff judged. There definitely seemed to

be a bias against the originality and humour of the students!!! I couldn't believe why I didn't win the best pack competition!

There were many laughs throughout the competition

Chris Kelland, Hylton Gordan,
Julian Jackson and Brett Hooper.



How to build a safe fire.

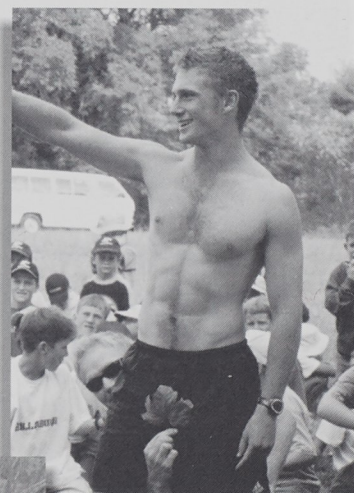
and some great performances and ideas were produced by the boys. The performance of the day went to Mr Mitchell who sang "Will you be my hero Baby" to Mr Whitelaw who ended up sitting on his knee and receiving a kiss on the cheek!

After the typically delicious lunch, the boys had to find themselves kindling and wood to produce little campfires, and they had great enjoyment in cooking marshmallows.

Unfortunately all good things have to come to an end with the trek back down the hill and straight into rugby practice.

A very well organised and enjoyable day.

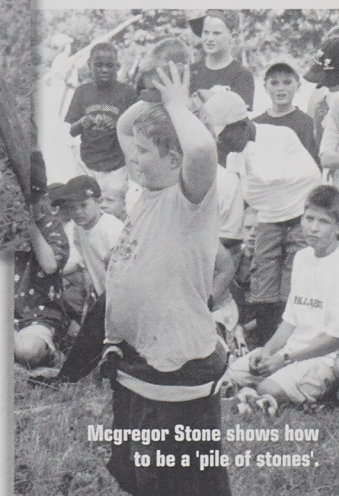
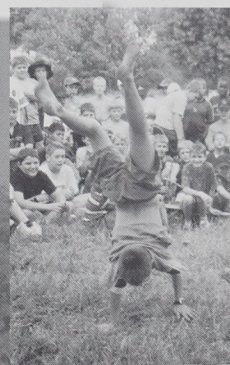
**DEREK DE GOEDE
BOARDER MASTER**



Chris Healey shows off
his six pack.

Walking on his hands
as part of one of
the School Picnic
Challenges -
Travis Lang.

Jean-Luc Talbot
creates his own
shelter.



Mark Whitelaw judges the 'longest stick'.

Teamwork: Viren
Thupsie being lifted
up by Warren
Dundas-Starr.

Mcgregor Stone shows how
to be a 'pile of stones'.

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The Three and a half musketeers, David Groom, Patrick Smythe, James Tatham and Andrew Bourdillon.

the three and a half musketeers

Having watched six or seven senior plays over the years at Cordwalles, The Three and a Half Musketeers, as adapted by Sheryl Hudson-Bennett has to be one of my favourites, if not **the** favourite.

It never ceases to amaze me what the producers, in this case Sheryl Hudson-Bennett and Bridget Hardingham, can get out of these twelve and thirteen-year old boys. Since Cordwalles does not put on its annual play with a girl's school, the boys will always be expected to play female parts. In this case, we had quite a few: Cameron Inggs as Madame Bushwhack - Bush....Whack!, Kiran Ram as the serving girl who simply didn't like Aromat's (Andrew Bourdillon) singing or pecks on the cheek, Sean Mackenzie did a splendid job as Custard, always buzzing around Louis (Edward Greene), Warren Dundas-Starr played Queen Anne with confidence, the three giggling maids Mimi, Fifi, and Bibi ably played by Kelvin Bell, Travis Clark and Tristan Kinn and who will forget Countess de Whimper played by Heinrich van Wyk whom we are so used to seeing shouting and shoving on the rugby field. I think part of the audience was also waiting in anticipation for Hannes van Wyk's reaction to seeing his son dressed as a Countess, in net stockings, a short black skirt and a red wig nogal!

The three musketeers, Pothole, Aromat and Applesauce, played by James Tatham, Andrew Bourdillon and David Groom respectively, just seemed to gel together. I wondered, however, if the name Pothole, had anything to do with his not being able to keep his Pony together! I seem to recall Andrew playing an excellent "Grinch" in his younger days and James dressed up as a "Cloud" in Gr I....time passes all too quickly.

Patrick Smythe, who played the half musketeer, Darth Canyon, just didn't put a foot wrong. He certainly is a natural little actor. You definitely deserved the Best Actor's Cup. Well done Patrick!

Awande Khumalo (Richelieu), Jason Trautman (Count of Monte Christo), Wesley Middleton (Robaire / Soupcon), Darren Anderson (Jean Pierre / Man in Tavern / Executioner) and Andrew Craib (Buck) showed us that they could not only play a good game of rugby but could "strut their stuff" on stage as well.

No show is ever complete without the paparazzi and of course we must have the spies! These were ably played by Lloyd Domleo, Mitchell Hedges, Chris Smith, Jonathan van Duyn, Vaughan Edwards, Gareth Harries and Andrew St Leger.

The senior choir added a lot of zest to the play as well. They sang with expression and enjoyment. Thanks must go to Jean van Heeswijk and Jenny Calitz for teaching the boys their songs.

As Tim Evans often commented, not too many Boys' Prep Schools accompany their plays with an orchestra and once again Nola Le Roux and her boys must be congratulated on an outstanding accompaniment. I believe some of the orchestra boys did their own thing at times, but that's boys for you!

Well done to all involved in the play, it was truly awesome!

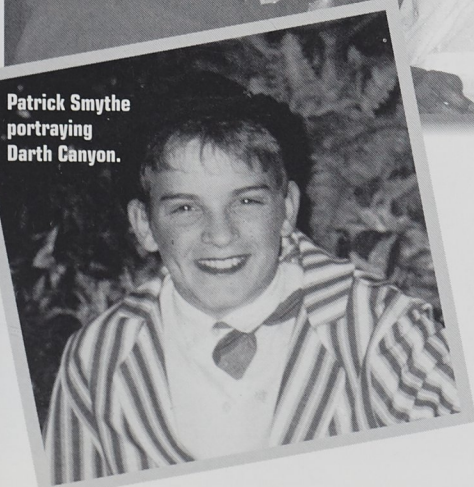


Heinrich van Wyk as Countess de Whimper with her three handmaidens, Tristan Kinn, Kelvin Bell and Travis Clark.

Andrew Bourdillon serenading Kiran Ram.



Patrick Smythe portraying Darth Canyon.



Sean Mackenzie as Custard and Warren Dundas-Starr as Queen Anne.

inky 2003

**"I am only one,
But still I am one.
I cannot do everything,
But still I can do something;
and because I cannot do
everything I will not refuse
to do the something that
I can do."**

Edward E Hale
(1822-1909)

This was the recurrent image and unifying idea that flowed through the Inky in 2003. The teachers at Cordwalles encourage all our boys to do what they CAN do. Whether it be singing and acting in plays, playing a musical instrument, kicking a soccer ball, painting a picture, reading a book or being a good friend. We try to tell everyone . . . You can do anything you want to do!!

In the Foundation Phase where we work, we believe that it is here, that all these skills for life are learnt. Robert Fulham's book 'All I really need to know I learnt in Kindergarten' outlines 13 concepts that are acquired in years from Grade RR to Grade 3.

- Share everything.
- Play fair.
- Don't hit people.
- Put things back where you found them.
- Clean up your own mess.
- Don't take things that aren't yours.
- Say you are sorry when you hurt somebody.
- Wash your hands before you eat.
- Flush the toilet.
- Warm cookies and milk are good for you.
- Live a balanced life - learn a little and think a little and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work every day a little.
- Take a nap every afternoon.
- When you go out into the world, watch out for traffic, hold hands and stick together.



To ensure that the boys get plenty of opportunities to practise these skills we have an enthusiastic group of ladies who are committed to the boys in their care. Carol Fourie, an experienced Pre-Primary teacher joined our staff in January to teach our second Grade R class. Wendy Fryer, a well known Junior Primary teacher, joined us in Grade One. We welcomed these two very dedicated educators into our Cordwalles family and were very excited to have them share their expertise.

We accept that we teach little boys but we never minimize their experiences or thinking. We are constantly aware that adults can learn discernment from these young minds and we have learnt that wisdom is not always found at the top of the university mountain but often found in the sandpit at Cordwalles.

If ever you think a four year old is too small to be effective try being in bed with a mosquito and you will realise.....size has nothing to do with - what can be achieved.

**LYNNE FREESTONE
(H.O.D INKY)**



inky sports day

Having two "athletically challenged" children who were not used to walking barefoot, let alone competing in a sports meeting barefoot, I was apprehensive as to what to expect. Coming from the Isle of Man where the boys had just competed in a Sports Day which was very low key and friendly, I did not know what to expect from a South African school where sports is so much higher on the agenda (even though this was one of the many reasons we chose to move back). I was pleasantly surprised to see that everyone was encouraged, even the strugglers.

The children were extremely well behaved at all times; in fact we barely saw them if they were not competing. Who would have known they could be so well behaved? On a personal note, I found it very good that the majority of younger children's races were in the form of relays. In fact, my "athletically challenged" two must have been put in the fastest team, for the first time ever. They felt as though they had won the race, which was really good for them. Their participation in the diverse activities of a race, not only took some pressure off them, and made it fun for them, but also showed parents the various skills they are learning at school.

I would not be a true Manxman if I did not mention the weather, which was very kind to us, and gave us a bright day. I am sure I speak for everyone when I say that a great day was had by all and it is nice to see such good support from the parents. The children's faces at the end of the day spoke for them; they had a really good morning, and a lot of fun was had by all.

My compliments to the teachers who kept the day running smoothly and made it a fun day for all involved. Thank you.

CHARMAINE HARDIE
GRADE R PARENT



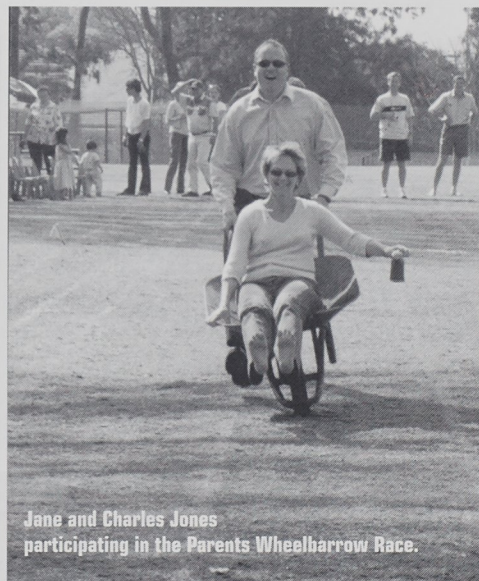
Naazhim Sheik getting the hang of it in the Gr 2 'I wanna Ride My Bicycle' relay race.



Daniel Hirschowitz in 'Bob the Builder'.



Sven Appelt as 'Bat out of Hell'.



Jane and Charles Jones participating in the Parents Wheelbarrow Race.

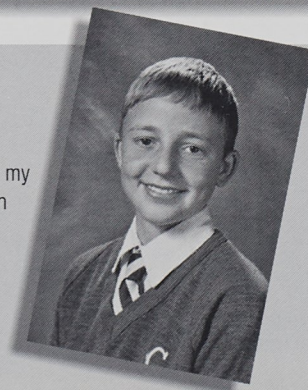


Tristan Kirn

Cordwall has been a second home for most of us. Thanks for the wonderful three years full of friendship.

Vaughan Edwards

Cordies has been my foundation for my learning career and the BE has been my second home.



inky fun gala

At last the day of the 2003 Cordwalles Inky Fun Gala dawned! After weeks of practice, the Inky boys were ready to show off their swimming skills.

Being a Public Holiday, there was a great crowd armed with cameras, picnic rugs and treats, ready to share the excitement. The endearing part was that no matter how proficient the boys were at swimming, they were encouraged to participate, and above all, have fun.

In some ways, the gala was more of a karaoke as the boys sang and performed in the water to the tunes of "The Crocodile Rock", "Pretty Belinda" and "The Ketchup Song".

The "Splendid Splashers", "Desperate Dashers" and "Frenzied Flappers" from Grade R and RR marvelled in the water, as did the "Macho Monkeys" and the "Dodgy Drivers"!

The "Kickerboard Kings" together with the masters of Freestyle, Froggy and Backstroke from Grade 1 and 2 performed admirably.

"Hey Babe" it was indeed "Raining Men" as the dads and the lads enjoyed splashing in the water in the Parents and Sons Race! But, "Great Balls of Fire", so did Mrs Freestone!

Although there were some calls of "Help! Help!" the boys were "Kicking Kings" and "Our Little Prince Charmings" indeed did themselves proud.

TRACEY MARSHALL GRADE RR MOM



Gr R's boat race.



Sister showing the men how it's done!



Dads 'giving it stick'.



Chris Kelland swims across to save his classmates in the Fireman Fun race.



Gr 1's line up to 'Pretty Belinda'.



Jamie Hadley-Grave and Dad in the Dads and Lads race.

the pied piper

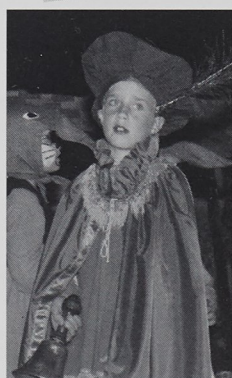
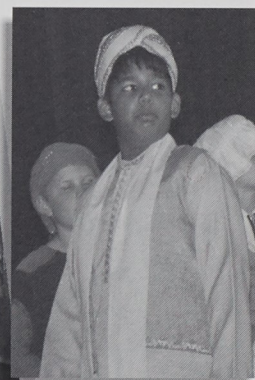
produced by Sheryl Hudson-Bennet

The theatre swirled in a host of music framed by the activities of the mischievous rats. The play presented as a chic, creative fun performance. The enjoyment of the songs and total involvement of all the boys was admirable. The positive, brightly attired town crier, ringing his bell, kept the thread running through the story. The cats' superb dance and the others' twitches, leaps and stretches amused the audience - chuckles echoed continually throughout the evening.

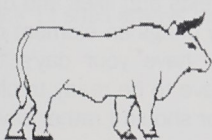
Inevitable, impromptu additions were delightful and a credit to the

producer for allowing them the freedom! Their individual interpretations retained an innocent charm, so frequently dampened in an attempt to achieve a perfect performance. The Pied Piper played the tune with confidence drawing the story together.

Observing the intense commitment of each little boy and his passion for his part, reminds us sensitively, of the importance of such an opportunity.



FARMERS!

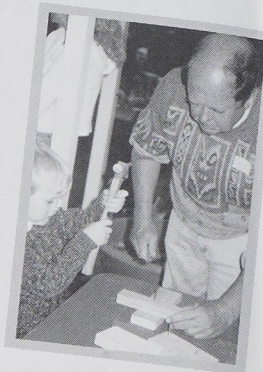
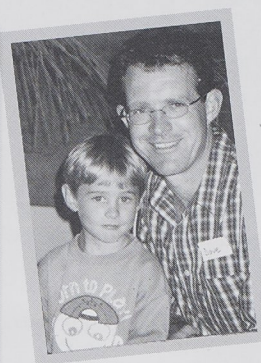


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GRADE RR



grade rr

REFLECTION OF A

It was with immense delight that I took up the privilege of accepting the position of being the Grade RR teacher for the 2003 intakes. Little did I know just how extremely privileged I was to be, for it was not only the special boys I grew to love, admire and respect, but also their very dear and special parents.

I have always believed very strongly in the importance of building up a child's love and confidence of himself, and each day brought new opportunity to nurture, guide and extend the boys' horizons and their self-concept. To be able to interact daily with the parents in their son's development and achievements (and disappointments) is to me one of the essential elements in the process of growing healthy, happy and well adjusted little men.

The Grade RR phase of education is a very stimulating and exciting process to be involved in, because the children bring their interests and likes and dislikes to you on a daily basis. Each day brings an element of surprise and intrigue, for though you have your day's teaching prepared and planned, you have to be ready to change your focus at the drop of a hat, or should I rather say; as a slimy tree frog is





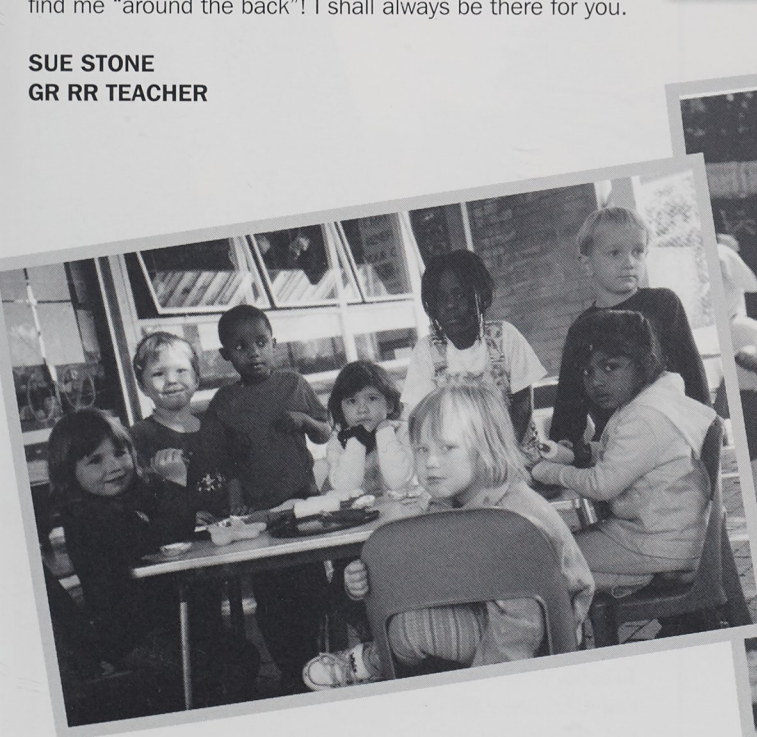
TREASURED YEAR

placed in your lap! It is this uniqueness that makes each day so rewarding and refreshing, not just for the boys, but more so, for you the teacher, who holds their interests and their "love-for-life-and-learning" in the palm of your hand!

The boys develop and grow not just weekly, but daily, and to say "Good-bye" at the end of the year, though hard as it is, yet too, it is greatly rewarding. I count myself very lucky that I am part of the foundation phase of their years of being a "Cordie-boy", because I am still able to watch with interest and affection as they pass through this wonderful school and move onto the final stage of their education.

Thanks go to you, my dearest little 2003 Grade RRs, and to your most special parents for giving me the most wonderfully memorable and treasured year of teaching. Good luck little men. May God bless each and every year of your Cordwallis life, and remember that you will always find me "around the back"! I shall always be there for you.

SUE STONE
GR RR TEACHER



GRADE R



Julian Yates at the Strawberry Farm.

In 2003 we welcomed Carol Fourie to join Sue and Kerry in our Pre-Primary department. Carol's arrival as a second Grade R teacher enabled us to run an Open - Plan integrated morning for our little boys. Little did our Cordie Boys realise that whilst they were absorbed exploring in the different play areas, the three teachers, with a combined 45 years teaching experience, were observing their social, emotional, physical and intellectual development. Detecting early learning difficulties is one of the roles of the Pre-Primary teacher.

Our large Cordwalles Estate and vast grounds once again allowed for much learning outside of the classroom. At least ten visits also extended the boys in their hands on learning. Mums who assisted with transporting also felt privileged to socialise and meet new Mums and observe their little guys learning.

THE GRADE R TEACHER

- She is a warm, caring person who loves little children.
- She wears comfortable clothes and spends much of her time sitting on the floor, or at the level of the learners.
- She likes to hug the children.
- She does not mind sticky fingers on her clothes when the children hug her back!
- She is energetic.
- She is able to watch all of the children all of the time.

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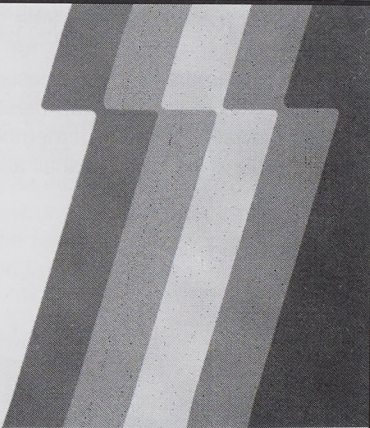
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Cordwalles Swimming Team.



Rugby - team work.



Hockey 1st team.



Athletics - Awande Khumalo leading the field in the hurdles.



House captains proudly display their colours.





Warren Dundass-Starr as Queen Ann of France and Edward Greene as Louis, King of France.



Awande Khumalo as Richelieu.

the three and a half musketeers



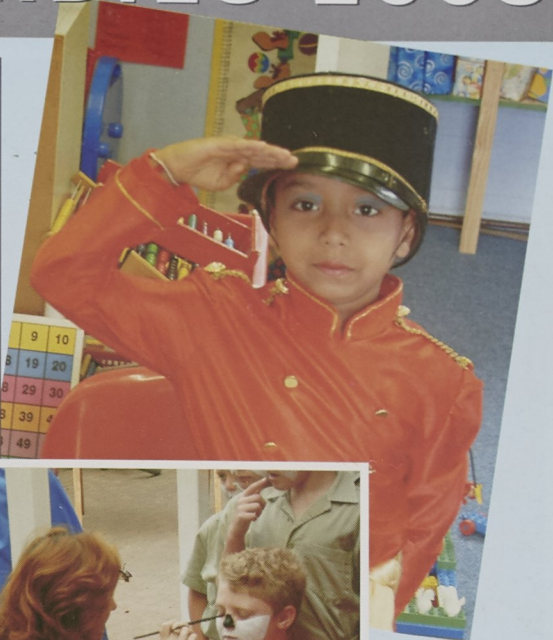
Awande Khumalo giving Wesley Middleton what for.



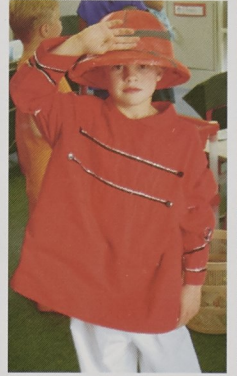
Cameron Inggs and Andrew Craib as Madame Bushwick and Lord Buckingham respectively.



And the three lookalike handmaidens David Groom, Andrew Bourdillon and James Tatham.



the pied piper





THE WELL LOVED TUG-O-WAR:
Heinrich van Wyk and Chris Smith give their all for Butchers.

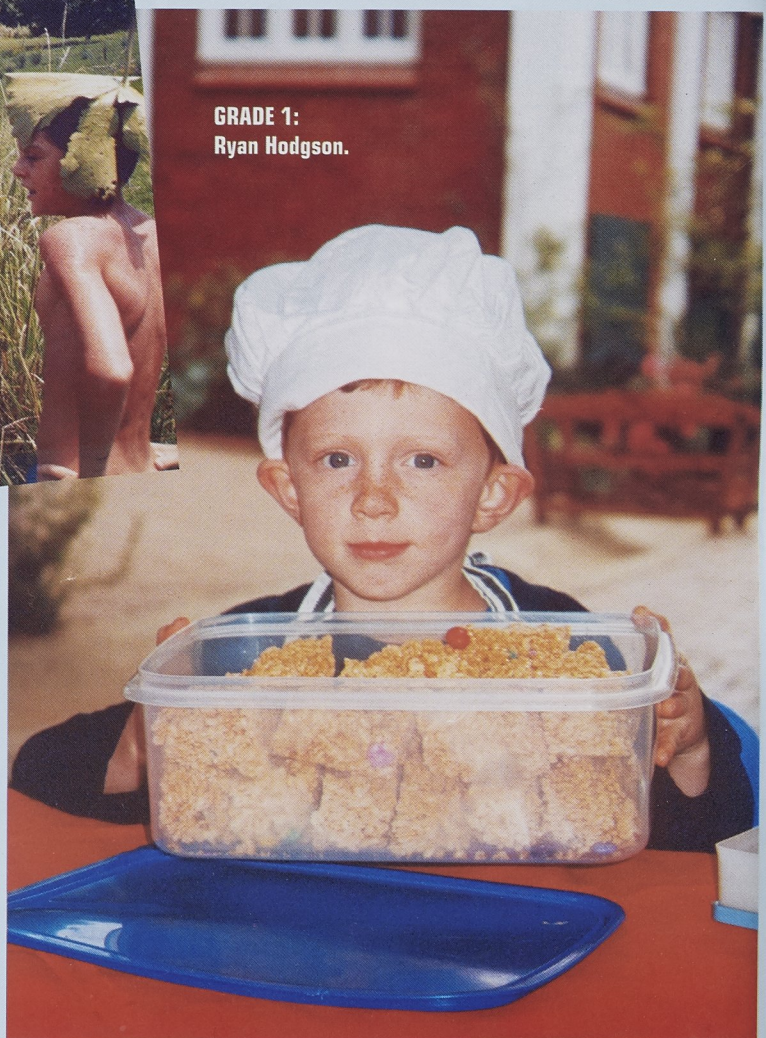
GRADE 6:
After the mudfight
at the Grade 6
Bushman sleepover.



GRADE 5:
Even the dam had
some exciting experiences



GRADE 1:
Ryan Hodgson.



GRADE 5:
Beautiful cheese plates designed
and painted for caring mothers.

- She does not mind the noise of children talking and laughing.
 - She is creative.
 - She has good ideas for making sure that each child develops his/her full potential.
 - She does not mind asking for help and she certainly does not mind asking for waste material for her children to use in their learning experiences.
 - She is a good storyteller.
 - She provides the link between home and school; she prepares the children for formal school by providing the necessary security to build their confidence and skills so that they want to explore their world and learn more and more.
- "Shuters" 2003**

KERRY DENT
GR R TEACHER

grade r



Mums come for morning tea
which the boys made and served.



Learning all about
wire-making.

GRADE R

Travis Clark

Cordies has been a second home for me over the three years that I have spent at this wonderful school. It has given me a solid foundation for high school. Thanks, Cordies.

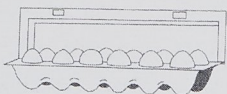
Wesley Middleton

Cordwalles has given me opportunities that I will take with me forever. Thank you to Mr Evans and staff.

GRADE 1

Our School Assembly

I like it when the egg crashed. Mr Jones caught all his eggs. I liked the egg splat competition. It was fun I wished we had caught our egg.



Trystin

Our School Assembly

I liked the egg splat on the floor and I liked it when Mrs duToit caught the egg. It was great fun I laughed lots.



Brett

FEEL HAPPY.....

When my brother is at home

.....When we don't have homework and when I visit friends

I FEEL SAD.....

When I am left at home with my parrot

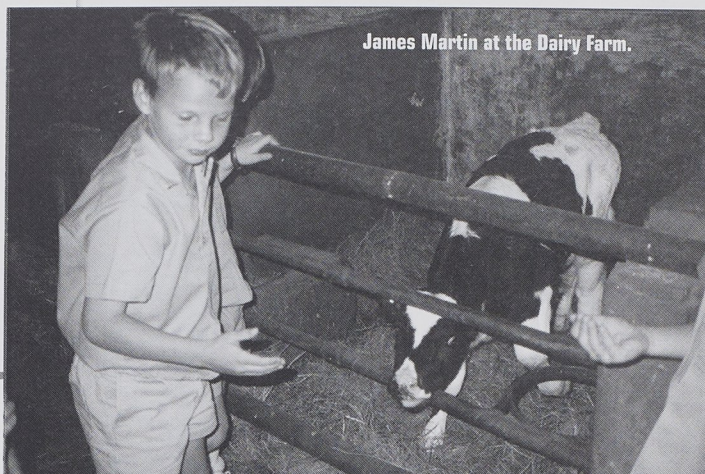
Michael Dedekind

Gr 1G

.....one of your dogs die

Ross Lewis

Gr 1W



James Martin at the Dairy Farm.



Wesley Jones shows Robbie Lynn and Travis Fourie the correct way to hold a python.

grade 1

HOCKEY

I scored four goals and nobody can beat us! I like playing centre forward. My team is called "Hockey Boots".

Mark Dunton

Gr 1G

OUR VISIT TO TALA

We saw hippopotamus. Hippos don't eat fish. We saw springbuck. We saw ostriches. We went on a free game reserve ride on a truck. We saw giraffe.

Robbie Lynn

Gr 1W

I liked it when the African Jacana almost fell into the gate with the hippopotamus. It was funny.

James Laidlaw

Gr 1G

At Tala Game reserve we swam in the pool. Hippo can hold that breath for six minutes. We saw springbuck. We saw rhino and it was white. We went on a free ride and saw giraffe.

Travis Fourie

Gr 1W

I liked it when we went to the lookout. It was fun and the view was beautiful with the masked weavers singing.

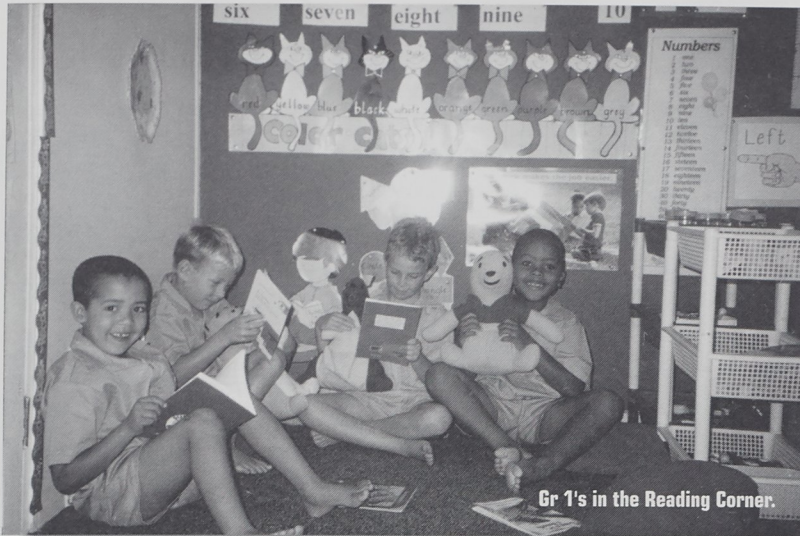
Gary Porter

Gr 1G



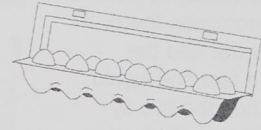
Travis Fourie

8 Sept 11:00
Grandparents day
Granny and Grandpa
Came and looked
at our books.
We went to
the chapel.
We went for
a treasure
hunt. My
Granny found
my baby picture
so quickly.



Our School Assembly

I like it wen the egg fell on the chair it was funny and then the boy bad to choose a grade and then Ishmael dropped it and his band stanck then Mr Jones got another egg.



Gary

Our School Assembly

I like it When Mrs Groom caught the egg. I like it when Ishmael caught the egg and dropped it. I wish we caught it and then we would have still been in the competition.



Khaya

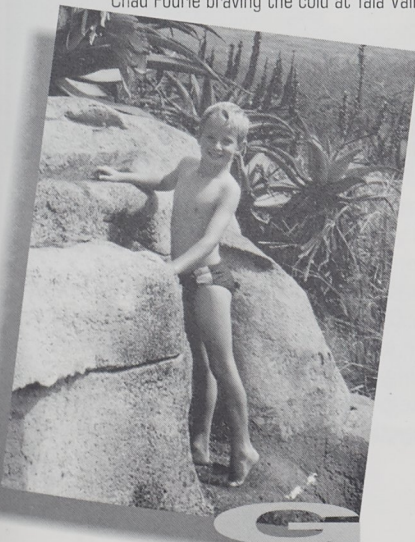


INKY SPORTS DAY

On Sports Day I won two races and my Dad and Mom watched me race. They went in the wheelbarrow race and Mom shouted "Help help Bubbles!"

Mark Hadley-Grave

Chad Fourie braving the cold at Tala Valley.



GRADE 2

THE COWAN HOUSE RIDE

I was just having a uoojuwal morning like going to school but this time, I was not going to school. This time I was going to Cowan House to ride the twenty ky ride. Trust me, if my mom was there, she would not let me ride the twenty ky ride. In fact she would not even let me ride the five ky ride. But today was my lucky day. My mom was faraway from here in Cape Town. And thank 'gard' for Tessa. She took me there so now I could ride the twenty ky ride. So the man from coca-cola started the forty ky people off. Ralfie and Spiderman were also going down the bumpy road with other riders. After that it was me the suckiest rider of them all. I thought I was going to come last but let me tell you that is much later in the story. Well then it was the count down 5 4- 3 2- 1- and we were off! On our massive ride through the forest. We rode through all sorts of sand and land. In the race, in a competitive part, my mouth piece of the camel pack, came off and joos started to pour on to my legs and knees. I stuck it in my mouth and started to drink and I drunk the whole two litres. I rode on to the finish. I felt like falling on the ground but I did not. My knees could not hold me up. I went to do some fun things. There was a place where you won prizes. I spent R20 on that tombola. Finely I won something nice, but it wasn't a rugby ball. Then it was time to go home. I didn't want to go home so my dad said I could stay and ride home but I didn't want to ride home so I went home with him.

Murray McDonald
Grade 2F



Visiting the Harries' timber farm, Morgan Harries shows Dale Russell how to plant a new sapling.

Waiting for the game at Clifton Nottingham Road.



'Timber!' - At the Peckham's farm.

A WEEK-END IN THE LIFE OF A GRADE 2 BOY

On Friday I was absolutely exhausted. But on Saturday I had lots of fun because Amy Vernon came and she brout bionikils. I am so jeless because she has the blue, and the black and the green and I only have the white. But when I get my Christmas cash I am going to get all of them. Ha ha ha and no ones going to stop me! Later on we played 'druwentjies' for a few minits. We ate at 8.30. Andy and his friends ambushed us and asked if they could swim. On Sunday I lost my mum's car keys and she was shouting her lungs out at us and when I found them she didn't even say thank you. When I got there the girls made up the stupid name peg-leg. Later on we swam and swam and then we built a base. It is so cool because it has a snack bar, a jyme and chairs and oranges and everything. I forgot to menchan, when Amy Vernon came, we played with the bionikils for ages.

Paddy Lee
Grade 2F

grade 2



Visiting the Steinhagens new 'home in progress' - Murray McDonald, James Hadley-Grave and Bjorn Steinhagen.

Learning about roof trusses before lunch - Oliver Howard, Murray Evans, and Sebastian Holzbach.



I AM A BIRD

Once upon a time there was a bird and his name was Simon and one day he was sitting on top of a tree in this magnificent damp jungle.

He could hear the chattering of a Crowned Eagle so he followed the sound and after an hours flying he found it. You probably wonder how I heard that bird from a mile away?

Because he has such good hearing. That bird that was calling him was a bird that was looking for a mate so he mated with her. He is a Crowned Eagle and he is so beautiful that he could fall in love with himself. Then they flew off together and he went to get some

twigs for the nest where there were people that kill birds and they kill them for their claws to show off and sell them and they spotted him and aimed with a gun but luckily his mate was sitting in the trees behind them looking around and she saw them aiming the gun at him and she came down quietly and when she was about a metre away from the gun she made a quick reaction and knocked the gun out of his hand and picked it up and dropped it in a bush.

She came back to him and they flew off happily together. The end.

Simon Purdon Gr 2F

MY TURTLE STORY

Once upon a time I went to the beach. I went scuba diving and I found some sand moving. I found a turtle. I swam back to the shore with the turtle. I wondered what I should name it. For two days I wondered what I should name it. Then I thought of the name Creepy. He liked his name. I showed Creepy how to play sport like soccer. He beat me at head soccer. I found lots of turtles and I had enough to make a business called Pet Turtles.

Jack Peckham
Gr 2L

MY SEED THAT HAD MAGIC

One day I went for a walk in the forest and I saw millions of trees and nuts. All of a sudden I saw a little sparkle in the tall grass. I was walking to it but then an old man said . . . "That's my seed."

I said "What seed?"

"It is a magic seed", said the old man.

"Are you sure . . . Can I have it?"

He said "No . . . you have to pay me first."

"How much?"

"R30." . . . So I gave him the money.

I took the seed and I planted it . . . then I went to bed.

Next morning I went to the bedroom window. I saw the tree and had bananas and grapes and chocolates.

I said that **IS** . . . a magic seed.

Bjorn Steinhagen
Gr 2L

I AM A QUILL FEATHER

One day I fell off a bird and as soon as I hit the ground a boy picked me up and took me inside. Then he got a stick and a knife and started to carve the stick. Then he got some sticky tape and stuck me to the stick. He then got another stick and carved a bow.

Then he got some string and tied it to the bow.

By now he had made his own bow and arrow and when his Dad came home he made him a target. The next day he was playing with his bow and arrow all day. He had to call the maid because his arrow had got stuck in a tree. They couldn't get it down and when his Dad came home they got the arrow down with a pool net. Then they stuck the target on his wall and he started shooting again with the arrow.

Brett Hooper
Gr 2L

FOREST EXCURSION

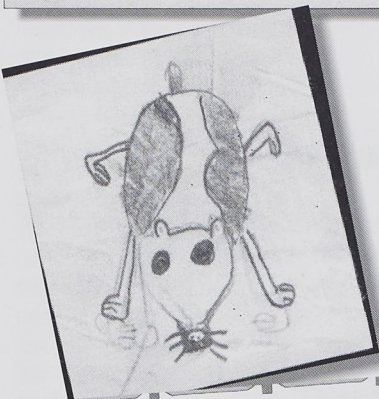
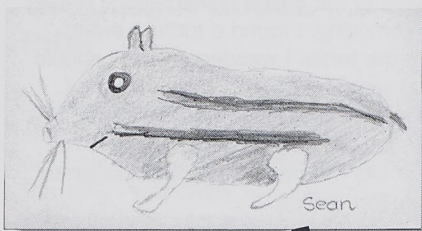
We had read about the Lorax by Dr Seuss (who looked after the trees) and so on March 26 we went to the Top Crop Nursery to see how trees grow.

We washed the boxes with copper solution then put seeds into the boxes.

On another farm I saw trees that were so big. I saw the trees being chopped down. Mr. Harries gave us little trees to plant.

Naazhim Shaik

GRADE 3



Max

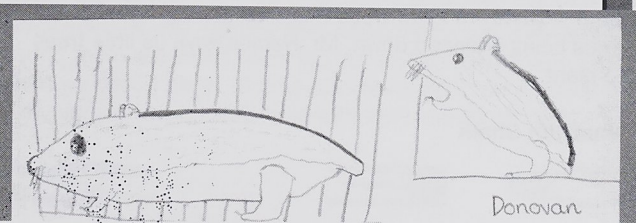
Max is adventurous.
He explores the
classroom. He eats
whiskers and he loves
smoked salmon. His
fur is cream and grey.
He has soft fur and
he has blue eyes that
glow. He is a Blue Point
Persian. Max is my cat.
He is sleek. He laps
milk with his rough
pink tongue.



Nicholas Last



Nicholas I

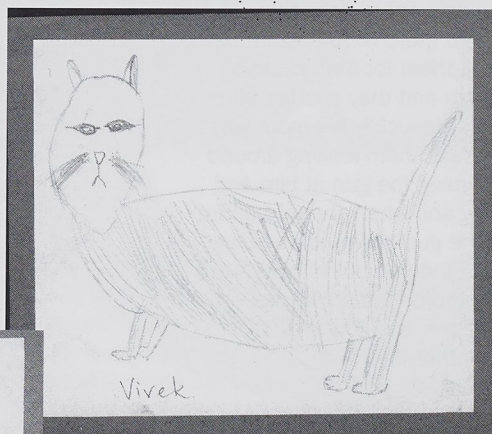


Donovan

Pet Week in Grade 3

One of the highlights of Grade 3 was our Pet Week. Some of the boys were given the opportunity to bring their scaled, furry, four legged and feathered friends to school! They sketched them, wrote about them and learnt how to care for them correctly. They were very enthusiastic about collecting food for the less fortunate animals at the S.P.C.A. and enjoyed a visit to hand over the spoils to the grateful recipients!

FOOD	What my pet needs	VET
	Each day my pets play and bounce along They run around so that they are strong	
WATER	My dog needs grooming each week So that their hair is smooth and neat	EXERCISE
	I love my pets and they love me too	
LOVE	My pet needs the vet each year to be checked	GROOMING
	My pets need lots of sleep and rest So that they are at their very best	
HOME	My pets have to have a home and often deserve a juicy bone	SLEEP
	My pets need care every day so they can be fit and healthy to play	
	CRAIG	



Vivek

grade 3

Our Visit to the S.P.C.A.

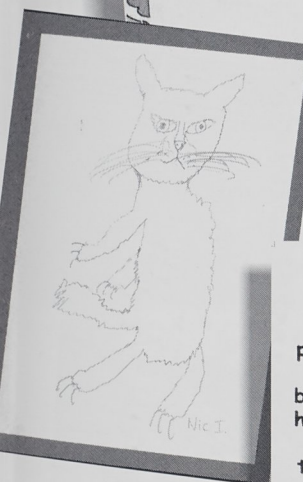
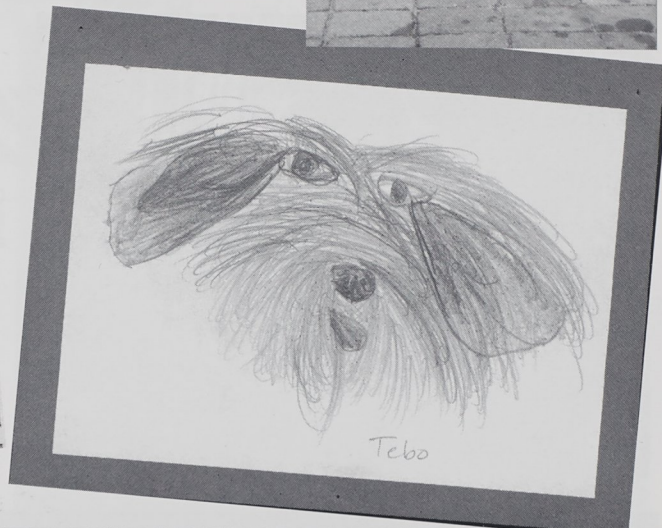
On Tuesday we went to the S.P.C.A. When we got there Mrs Vida showed us the Garden of Remembrance where dogs that have died have their names written on plaques on a wall. Some only lived for a few months, others lived for about 21 years. We then talked about the S.P.C.A. and what they do. We learnt what vaccinate and sterilise means. We learnt how they trap feral cats to vaccinate and sterilise them. Then Mrs Vida took us into the S.P.C.A. First we saw two calves and a goat with her kid. We then went to the large male dogs. We played a bit with and then we went to the cats. We stroked them and loved them. Then we saw the female dogs. We played and played with them. They were so cute. I wanted all of them but some did bite a bit. Others just wanted attention. Sometimes I felt sorry for those who didn't get lots of attention. I liked it very much when they came up and sat in your lap. We had so much fun. After quite a lot of time with the dogs we went to wash our hands and get our lunch. We then ate our lunch. We read more of the plaques and noticed a dead rat on the ground. It looked so ugly. I enjoyed it very much. Thank you very much Mrs Vida.

David

Declan Bause with his dog Gummy.



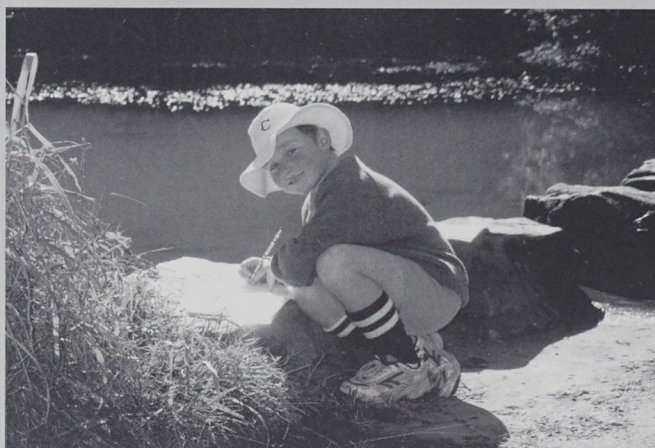
Vivek Bhagwan with his Beagle, Sable.



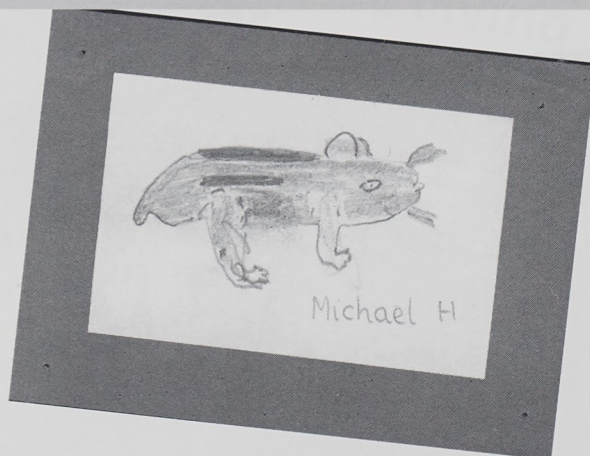
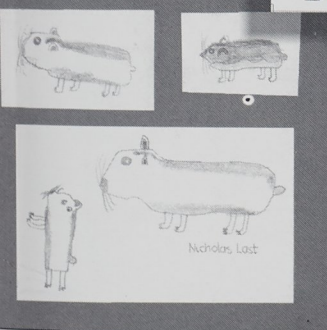
Cornflakes

He is a corn snake and is 33 centimetres long. He eats pinkies. He has no venom so he constricts his prey. He has black shiny eyes like beads. He has different shaped patterns on his back. He has a triangular flattened head. He glides like an eagle when he moves. He's got a muscular smooth, scaly body. He's got a forked tongue that keeps flicking in and out of his mouth. He smells with his tongue. He has a long tapering tail.

Michael Dunton



Oliver Gould-Musgrave being observant at Botanical Gardens.



GRADE 4

Grade 4
outing to
Ishona
Langa



Obstacle Course!

grade 4



Concentration
from Hylton Gordon
and Julian Jackson.

Day 2

On day two we had hot chocolate
then we went for a walk. After
the walk we had breakfast.
Breakfast was scrambled egg on
toast and Cornflakes.

After that we went to see the
crocodiles and Ossie the Ostrich,
Hagar the blind Bushpig and
Survivor the warthog and the
Samango monkeys that had been
adopted.

When we went on a drive we saw
giraffe, zebra, duiker, blesbok
and impala.

Stephen Griffin



Cordwall's Boys can also be hunters!

Snakes

We didn't go in our huts but we went
to the fire and met the two rangers
called Greg and Charlene. They
taught us about snakes there are
neurotoxic snakes they effect your
nervous system and they are cobras.
Cytotoxic snakes eat or rots away
your tissue and they are Adders.
Haemotoxic you will bleed
internally and there's no clotting
and they are the boomslang, but a
vine snake is much worst than the
boomslang you need a blood
transfusion.

Grayson de
Villiers



Well this is
something
different!



Mud is fun!

Mud fight

we went to a little dam and we had a mud fight. we started the fight on land. There were million of mud balls and then the mud fight got intense. we got into the water and some of us were getting pounded but we stood up to them. Then we got back at them. I got hit in the leg. Then we stopped. we went to a resevoir to clean off. we had such fun. Then it was time to go back to camp.

by Jean-luc Talbot

Fire and hut making (Team Building)

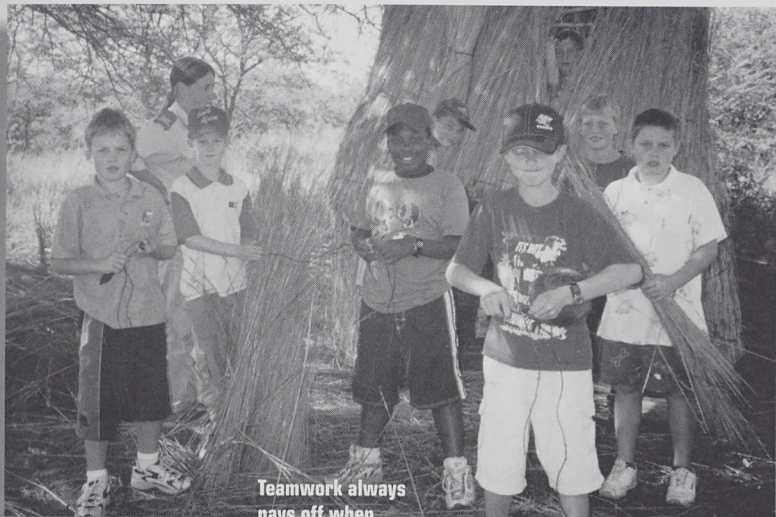
It was bush men day and we had to make a fire without a match but we got a coal. Our group made a fire. We had finished the beehive and it had to be waterproof. We were starving and we went to dig for amadumbi and cooked stick bread. We also had to make arrows.

By Russell Daniel

Ishona Langa Obstacle Course

We had to cary an egg through the obstacle course with one person blindfolded. Then during the obstacle course had somethings where you had to go over high poles and under low poles. Then we had to go over a balance beam, then climb a wall and go down a net, go over tyres that were swinging, then go over a wall of tyres. We then had to swing over a ditch with muddy water in it some people fell right into the mud, they were filthy. The last thing we had to do was climb under a net with cold, muddy water and sprint to the finish.

By Dirk



Teamwork always pays off when building huts.



Learning about snakes!



Round the camp fire at the end of the day.

Leaving and Arriving

On Tuesday the 20th of May the grade 4 were going to Ishona Langa. I was so excited we left at 8:15. I went with Tom's mum. We packed our bags. When we were at Ashburton we stopped for the other cars. When we got to the border I started to look for buck. When we got to Chippawa camp we ran to get a place to sleep all the bungalow were gone so we went to a tented hut we put our bags down. He rang the bell so we sat around the camp fire. He introduced us to Greg, Charlene and Sam

Sean Masson

GRADE 5

ROCKY STREAMS

Rocky Streams is located in the beautiful Cumberland Nature Reserve about 20kms from Pietermaritzburg. Coming to Rocky Streams made our trip fun, exciting and safe.

DAYTIME ACTIVITIES

When at Rocky Streams there are many daytime activities such as hikes, games, water studies, orienteering, Abseiling and the Commando Course. When we got to Rocky Streams we started with orienteering which got us used to the area. Next we played some educational games such as the bomb disposal, the spider web and the communication challenge. We also did a water study and found some freaky creatures. Next we went Abseiling, which was the best, and it was 10m high! some boys were really scared at the beginning. The next day we went on a 4 hour hike to a waterfall which was fun. We also did the Commando Course that day, which was really muddy.

EVENING ACTIVITIES

We did lots of evening activities such as Stalk the Lantern, games and creative project work. Stalk the Lantern was my best.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Rocky Streams provides good accommodation such as hot showers, 2 dorms with 25 beds in each, and a dining hall. The food at Rocky Streams is really good specially cooked by Figgy.

WILDLIFE

We saw lots of wildlife at Rocky Streams such as impala, duiker, kudu, signs of otter, crows and fish eagles. We were told there was a lot more wildlife.

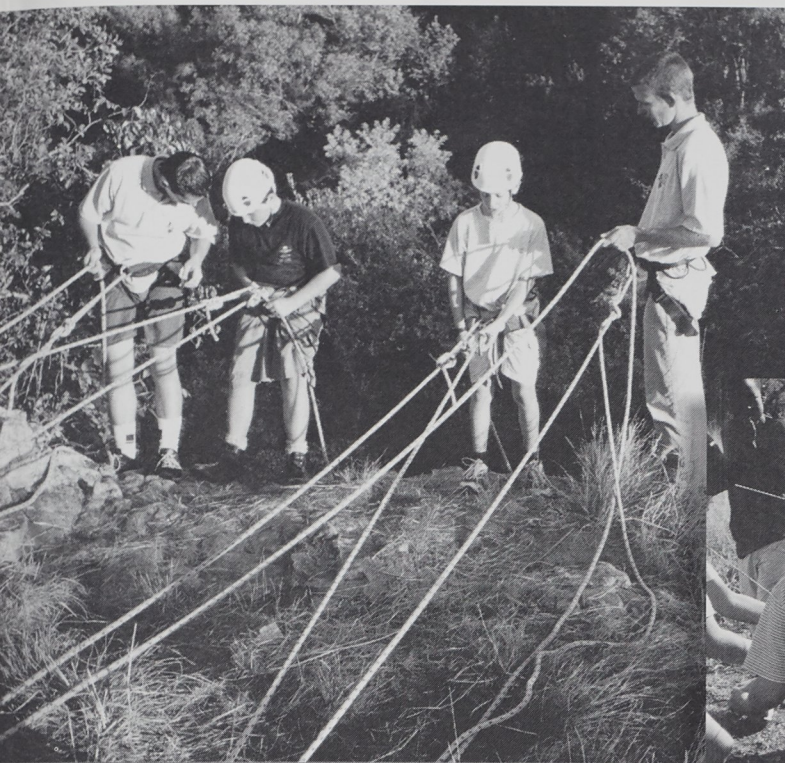
DAVID BRADFORD
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ROCKY STREAMS

grade 5



The clay pit was enjoyed by all.
Paddy Dunton and Adrian Bunge
directing the team's progress.



ROCKY STREAMS

Justin Cooper and Francois de Wet facing their own 'fear factor' during the abseiling.

The excitement mounts. Cameron McConnell, Joel Bronner and Brian Dedekind feeling every movement through the spider web.



ROCKY STREAMS

Team work was the name of the game through the obstacle course.

After the obstacle course. The camps answer to the 'Hoover washing machine'.



ROCKY STREAMS

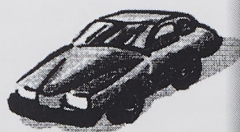
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GRADE 6

SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE TRIP THERE AND WELCOME

After excitedly saying our final goodbyes to our loving families, we arrived at school with mixed feelings. Mr Jones separated us into our driving groups. Mivan, Jason and I drove in Mrs Ackerman's silver car. We told jokes and ghost stories all the way. Finally arriving, we were nervous/excited because of all the 'scary' rumours about not being fed. We were met by James in the parking lot and told to carefully follow the straight road to the well-worn gate and sit patiently under the tree. Rudy, who told us about the camp, met us and told us that all the rumours were not true. He hurriedly sent us to our instructors. The instructors' names were Nina, James, S'bu and Caitlin. We were sent to choose cabins and we met at the logs.

Elmar Kruger
Gr 6J



AROUND THE CAMPFIRE

On the second night at Spirit of Adventure, we all sat around a warm fire, sipping hot chocolate and crunching biscuits. We all collected wood and in a few minutes the fire was blazing. We all talked about our stay so far and the fun activities we did in the day. Everyone was enjoying themselves. Shaun Johnson had a great time up to when he tripped and hit his nose on a log around the fire, he was quickly taken to the medical aid hut. His nose was very swollen the next day but he was still cheerful and laughed about it. We started to tell scary stories, Jono Stein told a few good ones but the best story went to Joshua Williams with "The Silver Bullet". Everyone was staring into the fire thinking about the stories. We started telling jokes. I have never seen anyone laugh as much as Nic Byrne, he couldn't sit up straight. A lot of boys went to bed after that and a few of us stayed up longer. Mr Jones and Mrs du Toit were telling us about some of the rumours. JR put his takkie on a hot brick around the fire and melted it. Mr Jones said "There isn't one trip that I have been on that someone hasn't melted their shoes at the fire". We all went to our cabins and went to sleep, that's what Mr Jones thought!

Geoffrey Woollatt
Gr 6J

THE ASSAULT COURSE

We got there all excited and ready to go. Caitlin, our instructor, showed us all around the challenging course. She took us to the beginning and....."Go!" she shouted. We were off like a rocket,

running straight into the over-under bars. Those didn't cause too much trouble. Next we got to the 'net', which was a huge cargo net that we had to climb upside down for a while and then scrambled straight up and over, then we had to roll off the end. We had a bit of difficulty getting over that and we had to apply teamwork. Then we came to the tyres, which were just normal army tyres. Then we leopard crawled under some small wire netting, we got through that easily. Then we got to the balancing beam. For that we had to help each other across. Then we go to the bunny hole. It was a lot like the scary snake pit but it was shorter. Then we ran through a dirty ditch that was over grown with irritating weeds! After that we climbed over a wall, this was probably the most challenging obstacle because we had only a rope. The sloth ropes came into view. We were almost at the finish, there was no giving up now. We jumped onto the sloth ropes and like a sloth we got from one side to the other. Lastly we got to the monkey bars, in a matter of twenty seconds we were through those and touching the stump. We finished the course in twenty minutes and thirty seconds. We had conquered the assault course!

Andrew Craib
Gr 6J

ABSEILING

We left to go abseiling and were not really nervous at that point. The road we took was very windy and long. As we got there, we saw the wall and it was very high with a straight drop at the beginning and about a quarter of the way down there was a slope.

After seeing the wall everybody was saying that they were not going to do it because it was so high. Personally I felt like I had butterflies flying around in my stomach but I said to myself that I was going to face my fears. We had ten people in our group. Our guide was Caitlin and she was eighteen. We were told how to put our harnesses and helmets on. Geoffrey went first while everybody watched. We had to climb over a wall to get ready to go down. Caitlin told us to lean back and sit on our harnesses. We also had to hold the clips which the ropes were tied to. When I went down, there were many feelings going through my body like nervousness and excitement. Out of our ten people only two did not go down.

Mark van Heerden
Gr 6J

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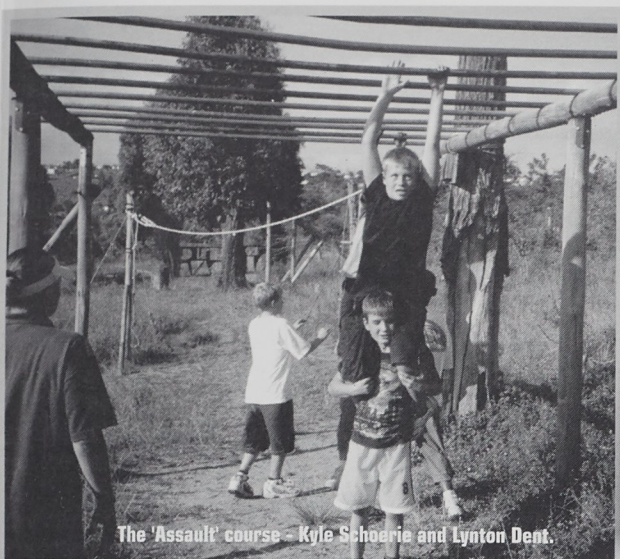
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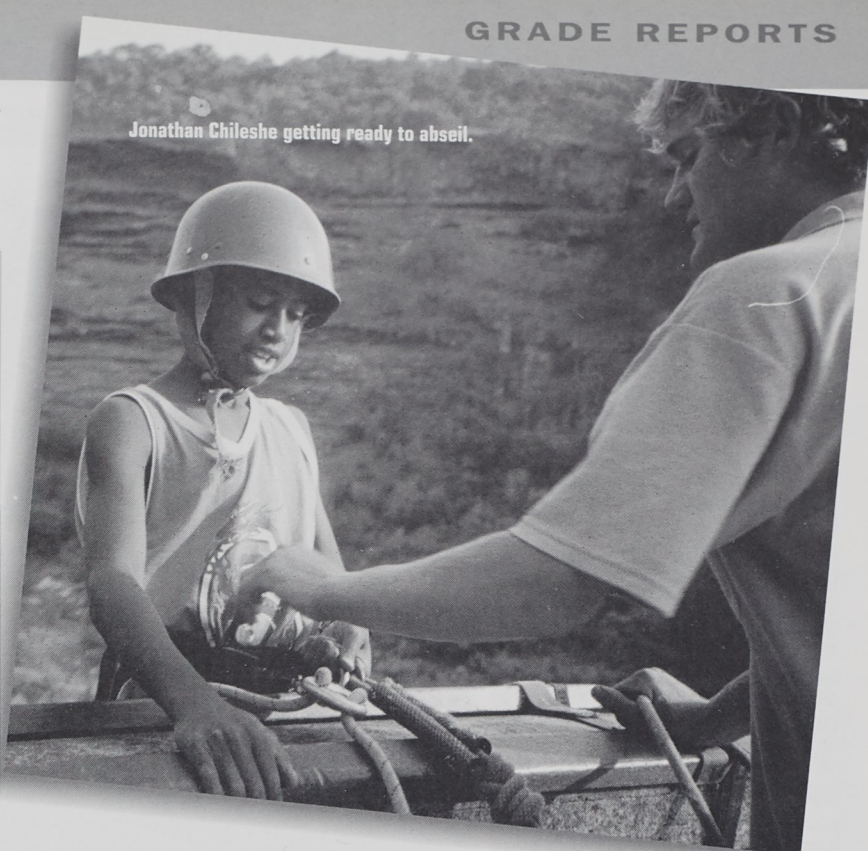
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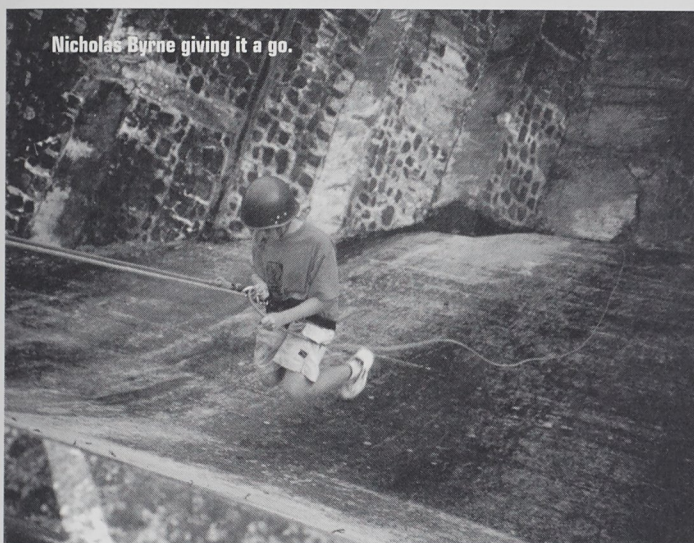
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The 'Assault' course - Kyle Schoorie and Lynton Dent.



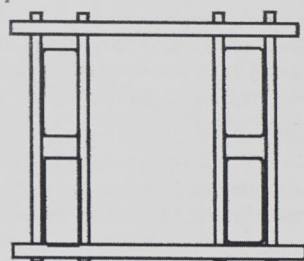
Jonathan Chileshe getting ready to abseil.



Nicholas Byrne giving it a go.

RAFTING

On the last day of camp we were making rafts. We walked down to the big cold dam. Then we got our equipment which was four blue barrels, six round planks and eight pieces of rope. All the teams did the same design which was a square like this. When we had finished we had to get our paddles. Team D stole Chad's blue paddle and left a disgusting white one. We started in the ice cold water and vigorously paddled to the start. When we got there we slowly lined up. SPLASH! the paddle fell and we started. JR pushed us off. Team B and Team C had a big collision. When the teams got to the end they had to quickly dismantle their spectacular rafts. Team D came 1st, Team B came 2nd, Team C came 3rd, Team A came 4th and then we packed up the equipment. It was a good, enjoyable experience and a lot of fun.



Lynton Dent
Gr 6J



SNAKE PIT

When we got to the snake pit everybody was confident, but when we got in the snake pit it was pitch black and everybody was scared. The first time we went in, it was hard because we had to reverse as we had landed up in the dead ends. Most of the time we got lost because it was so dark, so we held on to each other's feet so we wouldn't get lost, but sometimes we went too fast and we couldn't find their feet. In the middle there is a vent where most of the light comes from. After the vent it is pitch black again but not long from the vent are openings. There are two openings, one on the left and one on the right. Gary and Geoffrey got the Cordwallles record for 2003 it was thirty five seconds. When we got out of the snake pit we were all dirty.

Johann Ackerman
Gr 6J



Raft building.

GRADE 7

THE DEFEAT AT ISANDLWANA

I think Chelmsford was the main reason behind the British defeat. I also think Pulleine and Durnford played a role, not a big one but I think it all added up to the British defeat.

Chelmsford as the one who made the decision to split his force, which should never be done unless you are one hundred per cent sure where the enemy is (in this case the Zulus) and how big it is (one thousand five hundred) but he wasn't sure because he hadn't seen the Zulus. He had only received a message from Dartnell asking for reinforcements, Dartnell also said that he intended to attack the Zulu army the next day.

This was when he split the force because if the Zulus were gathering near there, Dartnell and his men were in serious danger.

Before leaving Isandlwana, Chelmsford issued some orders, one of these was that Lieutenant-Colonel Pulleine was to be in charge at camp Isandlwana, (this is a mistake because Pulleine had never commanded behind enemy lines). He also told Pulleine to defend the camp, if attacked he must pull all his troops back.

Another order was that Durnford was to march at once to camp Isandlwana. Chelmsford then left. He left one thousand six-hundred men at Isandlwana and took two thousand five hundred with him.

When Durnford arrived at Isandlwana he took over because he had more military experience than Pulleine.

When one of the scouts that Pulleine had sent out earlier arrived back at camp he said that five hundred Zulu warriors were heading in the direction of Chelmsford's force. It was then that Durnford decided to go and help Chelmsford. (Durnford is disobeying orders). Then Durnford tells Pulleine to extend his lines if he is attacked. So now when Pulleine gets attacked he does what Durnford told him to do. He is now disobeying orders that Chelmsford gave him. Chelmsford is also a higher rank than Durnford. This is why the British lost at Isandlwana.

Edward Greene
Gr 7Br



BABANANGO

That morning we all had to get up very early because we had to leave at 7:00. We then had a long bus drive ahead of us.

*In the bus
There was no fuss
We all had our ups and downs
Although we acted like clowns
We went up and down hills
Seeing many road kills*

*We stopped for something to eat
Even if it was chicken feet
We were all very hungry
And even started to eat fungi*

*We were very hot and had seen the camp
All of us wanted to get damp
We were amazed to see such a big river
It made Mr Whitelaw quiver.*

Kelvin Bell
Gr 7Br

On our way to Babanango we stopped off to see the Ultimatum tree.

*The sun shone down on the tree
Where the British waited patiently
The Zulus came hastily.
The ultimatum was delivered quickly
The Zulus left in a fuss
Even though they had no bus.*

Lloyd Domleo
Gr 7Br

After driving for a bit longer we stopped off at a place called Dingaan Stad. At Dingaan Stad we looked around a museum that contained lots of Zulu history. We then went and looked at some old Zulu huts.

*Dingaan's tribe lived at this place.
But eventually moved on at a great pace
The kraals were made out of thatch
Inside it was so warm it could make an egg hatch.*

Edward Greene
Gr 7Br

After looking at the kraals we went to see where Piet Retief and his seventy Burgers had been killed. The place was called Kwamati Wone.

*Dingaan lied
And Piet Retief died
Along with all his friends
At Kwamati Wone
They got put on the stake one by one
They all died a painful death
Now in a grave they all rest.*

Kelvin Bell
Gr 7Br

We then had a short drive and finally we had arrived at Babanango. The camp we were staying at was called Rock Pools.

*Rock pools bush camp
Had many a tree lamp
Sitting and waiting where to go
Wondering and snitching for what they would show
The stream was so quiet
Not like a huge riot
All you could hear were the birds in the tree
Not even a buzzing bee
Chasing each other with a crab in hand
Not even sure if we could sit or stand
Finally packing to go back to school
So we could sit in the warm heated pool.
The next morning everyone was refreshed and we were ready for the big day ahead. Once we had eaten a delicious breakfast we headed off for the challenging obstacle course.*

We were all nervous to see what was in store
 We looked like monkeys all over the floor
 We climbed on ropes and in trees
 It was all fun but some obstacles hurt our knees
 After this we went for lunch
 We all ate as a bunch.

Edward Greene
Gr 7Br

After we had all rested, we were put into groups and we set off on the Orienteering.

The water in the stream sounded like a fountain
 In the early morning we set for the mountain
 Up the mountain down the hill
 It was like a tough rugby drill
 Searching for the yellow disks
 Around the reserve was quite a risk
 We saw one high in a cabbage tree
 Our whole group was filled with glee
 On that disk there were letters
 Some were good and some were better
 We eventually came to a conclusion
 Between the groups there was confusion
 That was now the end of the day
 I'm sure a good long sleep would pay.

Mitchell Hedges
Gr 7Br

We then visited Rorkes Drift

At Rorkes Drift there was a fight
 The battle raged on day and night
 They fought through weather thick and thin
 Nobody knew who would win
 When morning was in sight
 The British had won the important fight.

Chris Smith
Gr 7Br

The next morning we were up bright and early again because we had to pack the bus and get ready to leave.

Leaving in the bus
 Created a lot of fuss
 It was very boring
 And there was nothing to discuss
 As soon as things started to get fun
 Car sickness had begun
 I managed to keep it in
 Until Kelvin kicked me in the shin
 So it came all out
 And everyone let out one big shout.

Darren Anderson
Gr 7Br

That night we went stargazing as our activity.

Babanango's sky was clear and bright
 To see the stars was a beautiful sight
 I scanned the sky for sparkling stars
 Until I came across the planet Mars
 Then a shooting star would fly across space
 Oh how it made up the Southern Cross
 All acted just like a boss
 Hundreds of stars made up the Milky Way
 I spotted them as I lay.

Jason Trautman
Gr 7Br



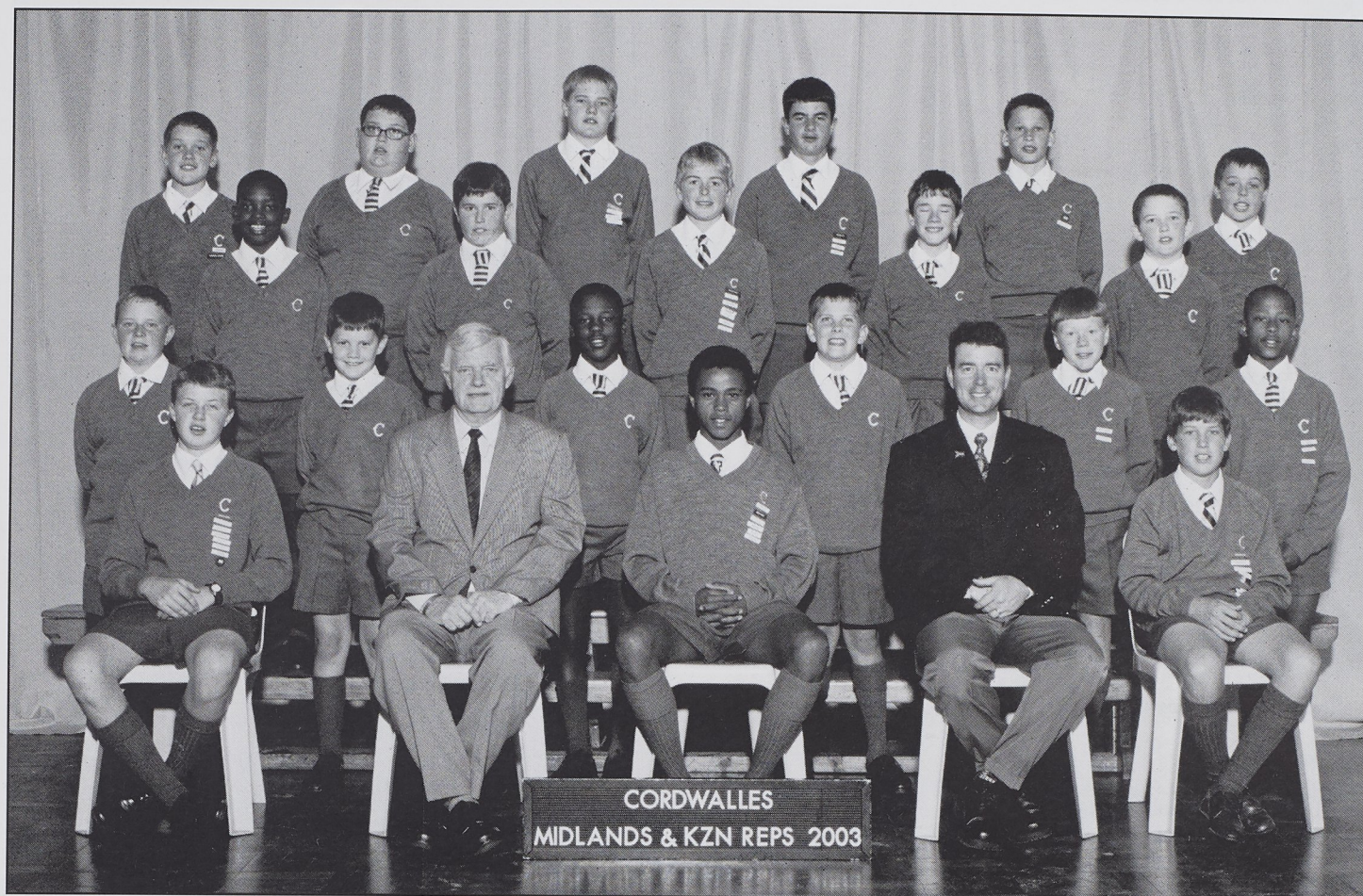
Having fun at Babanango.



The next morning we were scheduled to go and see Isandlwana and Rorkes Drift.

It all started with a word or two
 To the British, Natal was very new
 All the British wanted was land
 But the Zulus were prepared with the army in hand
 The Zulus waited with anticipation
 Even though they fought a different nation
 They hacked and stabbed, they didn't stop
 The blood was shed drop by drop
 All over the battlefield blood was shed
 The men lay around injured or dead
 The last man sat and shot from the cave
 Now there rests his big stone grave
 This wasn't at all a trick or treat
 Nothing but a plain, crushing defeat.

midlands and kzn reps



MIDLANDS AND KZN REPS

Back Row: Travis Clark, Stephan Hartzenberg, Darren Anderson, Wesley Middleton, Cameron Lindsay and Gareth Sharpe.

Third Row: Sanda Shandu, Chad Ware, James Tatham, Jonathan Stein and Sean Fox.

Second Row: Gareth Crouch, Michael Everard, Tau Tsiki, Marc Train, Haydyn Jordaan and Reef Nakin.

Seated: Andrew Bourdillon, Mr Tim Evans (Headmaster), Awande Khumalo, Mr Glenn Jones and Jason Trautman.



Kelvin Bell

I've enjoyed my five years at Cordwalles and it will help me in my years to come. Thanks.

James Tatham

I have been at Cordwalles for eight years and it has given me everything that I need for high school. Thank you.

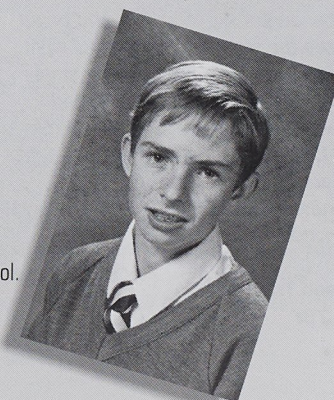


Mitchell Hedges

Cordwalles and the BE has prepared me well for high school and I have made more friends. Thank you Cordwalles for what you have done for me.

Jonathan van Duyn

Cordwalles has given me great opportunities that I wouldn't have experienced at any other prep school.



athletics

All our athletes and coaches deserve to be congratulated on doing Cordwalles extremely proud in the 2003 athletic season. During the annual Inter House Championship meeting no fewer than 13 records were broken.

FINAL RESULTS WERE AS FOLLOWS:

Baines
Butchers
Jacksons
Tathams

Standard House Points (The Orr Trophy) - Baines
Field Events (The John Brown Trophy) - Awande Khumalo
The Relay Cup - Butchers
U9 Champion - Sine Shelembe
U10 Champion - David Brill
U11 Champion and Junior Victor Ludorum - Haydyn Jordaan
U12 Champion - Reef Nakin
U13 Champion and Senior Victor Ludorum - Awande Khumalo

NEW RECORDS:

Field Events

Long Jump U9 - Sine Shelembe - 3,91m
Long Jump Open - Awande Khumalo - 5,04m
High Jump Open - Awande Khumalo - 1,53m
Shot Put U11 - Patrick Howard - 9,16m
Cricket Ball Throwing - Wesley Middleton - 62,70m



Mrs Rose Harries presenting the Victor Ludorum cup to Awande Khumalo.

Track Events

1200m U11 - Haydyn Jordaan - 4:07,28s
1200m Open - Awande Khumalo - 4:01,04s
Hurdles U11 - Haydyn Jordaan - 13,44s
Hurdles Open - Awande Khumalo - 14,59s (equalled record)
800m Open - Awande Khumalo - 2:30,87s
60m U9 - Sine Shelembe - 9,13s
80m U10 - David Brill - 11,94s
100m Open - Awande Khumalo - 12,94s
150m Open - Awande Khumalo - 19,53s

Many thanks to Mrs Rose Harries for being our Guest of Honour and handing out the various trophies.



ATHLETICS

Back Row: James Walker, Mark van Heerden, Nicholas Platt, Shaun Johnson, Wesley Middleton, Kiran Ram, Laurence Aadnesgaard and Joshua Williams.

Third Row: Chad Crouch, Haydyn Jordaan, Nicolas Hellens, Garth Harding, Marc Train, Mark Weston, James Fisher and James Attwell.

Second Row: David Brill, Toka Tsiki, Grayson de Villiers, Gregory Phillips, Julian Jackson, Gary de Allende, Sean Burgess and Sine Shelembe.

Seated: James Tatham, Reef Nakin, Jason Trautman, Mr Tim Evans (Headmaster), Awande Khumalo, Mr Derek Nell (Master in Charge), Vukani Buthulezi, Tau Tsiki and Darren Anderson.

The athletes also travelled to Durban to participate in an Inter-School Athletics Grand Prix at Clifton Preparatory School. This is always a fun evening and the boys performed very well.

The highlight of the Athletic season is the Inter Prep Meeting held at Merchiston Preparatory School. Unfortunately inclement weather prevented the field events from taking place. This however did not deter the boys from giving their absolute best in the track events. The athletes ran exceptionally well and Cordwalles was honoured in winning this competition. The following boys received places in their events:

U9	Sine Shelembe - 80m; 100m
U10	David Brill - Hurdles; 100m; 150m
U11	Haydyn Jordaan - Hurdles; 1200m Garth Harding - 1200m Laurence Aadnesgaard - 100m; 150m
U12	Reef Nakin - Hurdles; 100m; 150m Kiran Ram - 1200m
Open	Awande Khumalo - Hurdles; 100m; 200m Jason Trautman - 1200m (new record)

Colours awarded to:

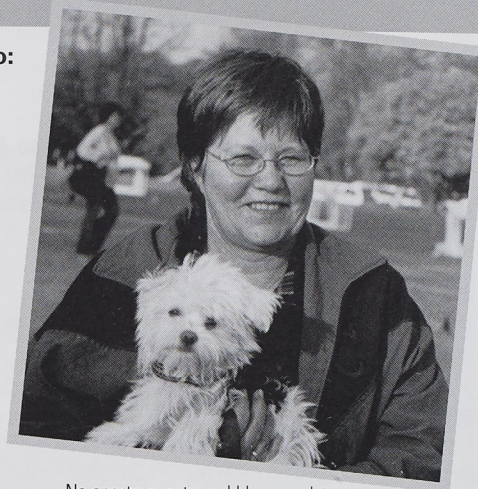
Awande Khumalo;
Darren Anderson;
Jason Trautman;
Haydyn Jordaan and
Reef Nakin.

Certificates of Merit awarded to:

Laurence
Aadnesgaard; Gary
de Allende and
Garth Harding.

Thank you to all staff, parents and boys who were involved in athletics this year. Without your dedication and enthusiasm Cordwalles would not have enjoyed the success it has had this year.

DEREK NELL
MASTER IN CHARGE



No sports event would be complete without Sr Bastard - and Candy!

cricket



1st XI CRICKET

Back row: Warren Dundas-Starr, Jason Trautman, Travis Clark, Wesley Middleton, Mark van Heerden, Andrew St Leger
Second row: Reef Nakin, Sean Fox, Wesley Lewis (Scorer), Gareth Crouch
Seated: Awande Khumalo, Mr Tim Evans (Headmaster), Andrew Bourdillon (Captain), Mr Fanzl Bause (Coach), James Tatham (Vice-captain)

TEAM:

Andrew Bourdillon (captain), James Tatham (vice-captain), Jason Trautman, Wesley Middleton, Awande Khumalo, Andrew St Leger, Travis Clark, Sean Fox, Mark van Heerden, Gareth Crouch, Reef Nakin, Warren Dundas-Starr and Wesley Lewis (scorer).

AWARDS

Colours: Andrew Bourdillon, James Tatham, Jason Trautman, Wesley Middleton, Awande Khumalo.

Certificates of Merit: Andrew St Leger, Travis Clark, Sean Fox, Mark van Heerden, Gareth Crouch, Reef Nakin.

KwaZulu-Natal Midlands Team: Andrew Bourdillon (captain), Jason Trautman, Wesley Middleton, Awande Khumalo, Reef Nakin.

KwaZulu-Natal Primary Schools Teams: U13A: Awande Khumalo

Played 19, Won 14, Lost 3, Drew 3

The 2003 1st XI was an excellent team who enjoyed a superb season. To lose only three games out of nineteen and to win all six matches in the fourth term was a fantastic achievement.

This year started off with a wonderful five wicket victory over Highbury and before we left for the Prep School Festival hosted by Highbury in their centenary year, further victories were recorded against St Charles, Pelham and Cowan House. It was at this festival that the team really started to jell. On the first day, we beat St Johns (Johannesburg) by seven wickets and thus were drawn to play the powerful St Stithians team from Johannesburg. The boys were nervous to bat first and after losing an early wicket, Jason Trautman (95) and Andrew Bourdillon (102 not out) put on an unbelievable 192 run partnership. The game was eventually drawn but that partnership made the other teams sit up and notice our first team.

Unfortunately, the last day's play was washed out and after returning from the festival and recording a nine wicket victory against Treverton, cricket showed what a leveller it can be, when we were given a six wicket hiding against Scottsville. This defeat shocked us back to reality and a depleted team, due to swimming in Bloemfontein, failed by only six runs to beat Merchiston in a 50 overs match. We then beat Clifton (Nottingham Road) in a nail-biting finish by two runs before losing by three wickets to a good touring team from Tzaneen, Unicorn Prep. We ended the first term with an emphatic 95 run win over the United Kingdom touring side, St Anselms.

However, it was only in the fourth term, that this team, after superb rugby and hockey seasons, reached its full potential. Six victories in six games were recorded against Clifton (Durban), Northlands (Durban), Merchiston, Highbury, Clifton (Nottingham Road) and Athlone.

Andrew Bourdillon proved to be a fantastic captain who led by example. He has matured into a superb number three batsman and his 562 runs which included two centuries and three fifties at an average of 43,23, was invaluable to the team. His shrewd, tactical knowledge of the game and good fielding will be sorely missed. Jason Trautman was our other run scoring machine, totalling 524 runs including four fifties at an average of 30,82. His deceptive medium pace bowling yielded a useful 14 wickets.

Wesley Middleton proved to be a wonderful all round scoring 340 runs (average 28,33) and capturing 29 wickets (average 9,34 at only 2,3 runs per over). His twin opening bowler, Awande



The U11 Cricket Tour to Kokstad. Taken at the Penny's farm in the Swartberg.

Khumalo, struck fear into many an opening batsman and his selection into the KZN U13A team as well deserved. He took 24 wickets at an average of 12,83. Our vice-captain James Tatham proved to be a useful all rounder scoring 138 runs and capturing 17 wickets.

Two of our other senior players contributed significantly to the side. Andrew St Leger, as an opening batsman, scored 270 runs and Travis Clark was an efficient first change bowler who took 18 wickets and had an impeccable economy rate of 2,7 runs per over. Warren Dundas-Starr earned his first team cap as a hard hitting lower order batsman.

Our Grade 6 boys promise much for next year. Sean Fox scored a creditable 217 runs (average 21,70) and Mark van Heerden captured 13 wickets as a lively medium pace bowler. Gareth Crouch was a very efficient wicket-keeper who made very few mistakes over the course of 18 matches. Reef Nakin was an excellent fielder at covers and a useful lower order batsman.

To the Grade 7 boys in the team - a huge thank you for all you have done for the Cordwalles 1st XI and I look forward to hearing about your cricketing exploits at your senior schools and hopefully, after school as well.

FRANZL BAUSE
1st XI CRICKET COACH

cross-country

This year's Cross-Country season was both busy and highly successful.

The Senior boys attended 2km practice runs on three afternoons a week, eager to improve their colour cards and personal best times. Many boys ran in our various Inter-School competitions, showing determination and perseverance in their consistently good running performances.

Cordwalles hosted our own Inter Schools Cross Country event with 19 schools and over 500 runners participating. Thanks to a real team effort by all staff and ground staff, the afternoon was a great success.

22 of our boys received their 50km badges. Special mention must go to Travis Lang who completed 109kms!



Haydyn Jordaan - winner of the Intermediate Trophy with Mr Tim Evans.

Colours Awards

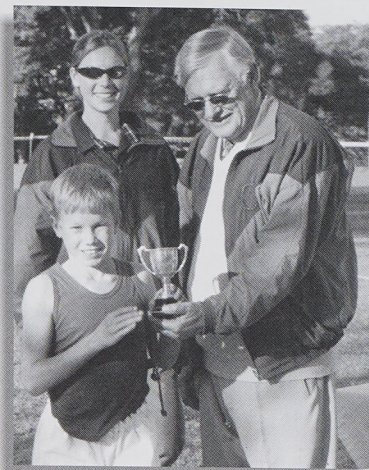
H Jordaan, V Buthelezi, D Anderson, J Trautman

Certificate of Merit

G Harding, G de Allende, R Nakin (re-award), C Lindsay, E Greene, L Domleo, T Lang, J Chileshe, A Bourdillon

Our Inter House Cross-Country was run on the 30th May. This proved to be a most fun-filled afternoon with Butchers taking the lead, followed by Jacksons, Baines and Tatham's.

David Brill accepting the Junior Cross Country trophy from Mr Tim Evans with Mrs Naomi du Toit in the background.



The following boys were awarded trophies for their outstanding performances:

Junior - David Brill - Baines
Intermediate - Haydyn Jordaan - Tatham's
Seniors - Jason Trautman - Jacksons

The Inter Prep was held at Clifton Durban where our boys performed extremely well, really giving it their all.

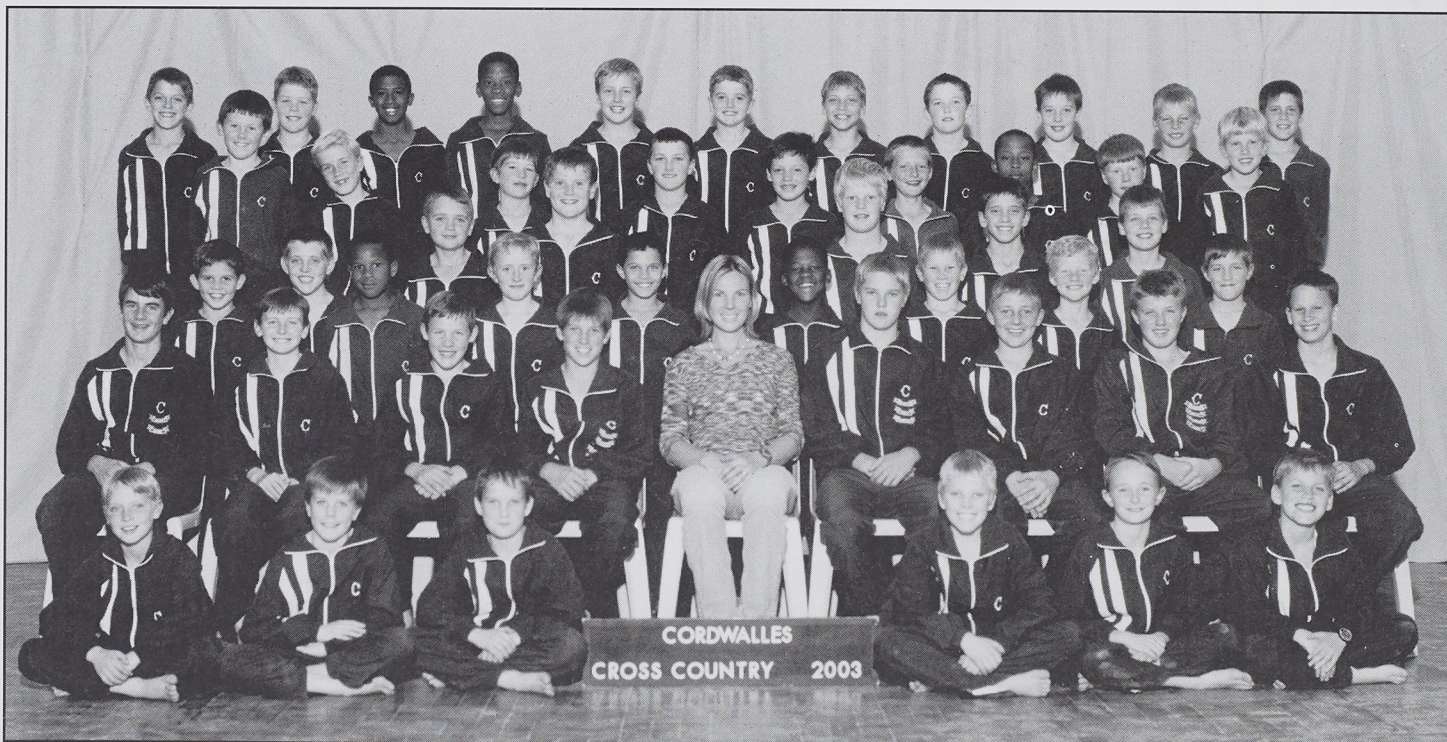
Cordwalles gained two first positions by H Jordaan (U11) and J Trautman (Open), two second positions by T Millar (U7) and M McDonald (U8) and two third positions by B Painter (U8) and D Brill (U10). Well run Cordies!

The U7 and Open Teams both received an overall first place.

Congratulations to Haydyn Jordaan who was selected for the Midlands Cross Country team.

Well done and a big thank you to all runners and staff, especially Mrs Dedekind and Mrs Groom who helped make this Cross Country season such a wonderful success.

NAOMI DU TOIT CROSS COUNTRY TEACHER



CROSS COUNTRY

Back Row: Garth Harding, Dundas Clark, Jonathan Chileshe, Vukani Buthelezi, Mivan Howard, Ian Scott, Jethro Bronner, Sean Fox, David Bradford, Thomas Martin and Joel Bronner.

Fourth Row: Mark Weston, Nicolas Hellens, James Fisher, Kyle Forder, Wesley Lewis, Kewan Harries, Reef Nakin, Haydyn Jordaan and Stephen Griffin.

Third Row: Travis Lang, Rainer Steinhagen, Nicholas Platt, Mark van Heerden, James Walker and Francois de Wet.

Second Row: Marc Stone, Sine Shelembe, Donovan Wewege, Gary de Allende, Toka Tsiki, David Brill, Sean Burgess and Matthew Hanbury.

Seated: Wesley Middleton, Edward Greene, Lloyd Domleo, Jason Trautman, Mrs Naomi du Toit (Coach), Darren Anderson, Vaughan Edwards, Andrew Bourdillon and Cameron Lindsay.

Seated(floor): Grayson de Villiers, Julian Jackson, Lynton Dent, Jonty Campbell, Gregory Phillips and Cameron McConnell.

hockey

Played	16 (including Hilton and Michaelhouse Festivals)
Won	13
Lost	1
Drew	2
Goals for	61
Goals against	9

Certificate of Merit:

Darren Anderson, Mark van Heerden, Gareth Crouch and Andrew Craib

Colours:

Awande Khumalo (re-award), Wesley Middleton, Chris Smith, Andrew Bourdillon, Gareth Harries, Jason Trautman, Reef Nakin, Vukani Buthelezi, David Groom and James Tatham.

Midlands Representation:

Jason Trautman A side

Wesley Middleton B side

The 2003 hockey season kicked off again at the end of rugby term with a couple of late afternoon runs squeezed in between rugby practices and the setting sun. I don't think anyone, looking at the group of boys gathered, would ever have envisaged a season so successful, by a talented motivated group of seniors.

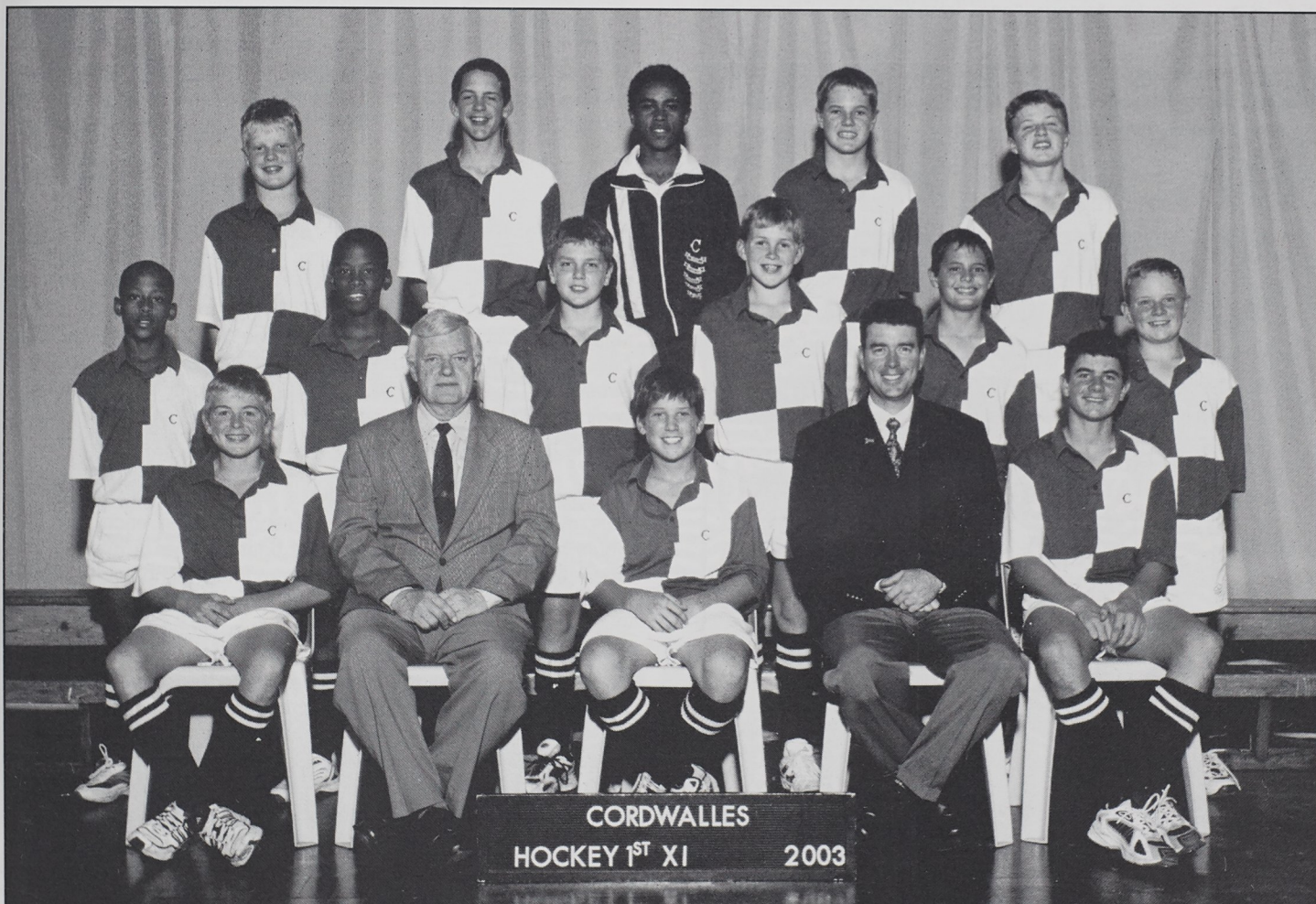
A sniff of what was to come emerged at the Hilton, Michaelhouse festival where for the first time in the five years I've been at

Cordwalles, we went unbeaten. More importantly this group of boys gelled very quickly and were able to put a game plan into motion or adapt their game plan as the situation arose. I was also very fortunate in having a number of boys that could play in various positions and were able to do so at a moments notice.

I must mention the superb support I've enjoyed from the team of coaches at Cordwalles. It's a pleasure to walk around at practices and see the basics being taught and the boys, by the time they reach the 1st XI know the hockey jargon and the different systems being used.

Our defensive line remained unchanged this season, with Awande Khumalo again as large as life in the goal. Compared to last year, he had a very quiet season, on average letting in a goal every 2 games. It was many an attacker that lost his nerve at the top of the circle when looking up and seeing a charging figure in red bearing down on him!

Wesley Middleton as sweeper was perhaps the most improved and most versatile of all the players. He has a very solid clearance hit and learnt to tackle low as the season progressed. It was perhaps his ability to counter-attack that was his greatest asset. Very upright, he surprised many an opposition by waltzing past them and laying off at the right time. I will always remember the little smile on his face as he tackled his coach during the staff vs 1st XI match the score which now eludes me . . . Well done Wesley - a superb season.



1st XI HOCKEY

Back row: Mark van Heerden, Gareth Harries, Awande Khumalo, Darren Anderson and Andrew Bourdillon.

Second row: Reef Nakin, Vukani Buthelezi, Chris Smith, David Groom, Andrew Craib and Gareth Crouch.

Seated: James Tatham (Vice-Captain), Mr. Tim Evans (Headmaster), Jason Trautman (Captain), Mr Glenn Jones (Coach) and Wesley Middleton.

Our half-line of Andrew Bourdillon, Chris Smith and Gareth Harries was as tight as a defensive wall can be. All three boys brought their own positive brand of hockey to the team. Andrew, his solidness around his body, Chris his discipline and vision and Gareth his ability to turn defence into attack. All three boys contributed hugely towards our successful season and combined so well as a half line. The match against Highbury comes to mind where Chris was given the task of man-to-man marking their centre forward. As a result, he hardly touched the ball, but took his opposition marker out of the game by sticking to him for 50 minutes. On a couple of occasions Gareth, as left half, would find himself foraging down the right wing reluctant to part with the ball after beating a number of opponents with his pace and lethal jab! Andrew was a little more defensive and was able to let the ball go at the right time and be available for the return pass. These defensive five I am going to miss!

Jason Trautman, our captain and centre link was the engine room where all our attacks began. He has the ability to make the ball look like it is glued to his stick and on a few occasions I have seen him dribble from inside his own half into the opposition circle. He is a natural with a feel about him that I have not seen very often. To lead and be part of a talented team is no mean feat. Congratulations on a wonderful season Jason. I really do hope you continue playing this fine game.

Our outside links varied between Reef Nakin, Vukani Buthelezi and David Groom. Vukani grew in stature as the season progressed and many times his hard tackling and pinpoint layoff were called on. He also played wing very effectively. David was perhaps our most natural left-sided player. He disguised his pull extremely well and was able to skip past defenders by popping the ball over their stick or by using his famous "one armed reach". David and



Jason Trautman presenting coach Glenn Jones with an end of season gift.

Vukani combined very well on the left and many a goal originated from these two talented players. Reef was our workhouse and allrounder. He was able to tackle on both sides of his body and he was extremely nippy and managed to relieve many an opposite number of the ball through sheer determination and deftness. Reef covered a lot of ground during a game and was our Mr Reliable either at link or centre forward.

James Tatham played the majority of the season at centre forward. His pace on attack left many a defender for dead and he had the ability to be in the right place at the right time in the circle. James was versatile enough to play in the link line where his distribution skills were his main asset. His control of the ball made it very difficult to dispossess him.

Our specialist right wing, Darren Anderson, unfortunately missed a fair part of the season due to injury. His place was difficult to fill as he had pace, an eye for the gap and would always back himself on one vs one situations. Darren followed instructions very well and kept to the basics, which made him an integral part of the team.

Our three super-subs, Mark van Heerden, Gareth Crouch and Andrew Craib played most of their season in the 2nd XI and straight afterwards, donned the 1st XI jersey and played an integral part in the 1st XI's success this season. All three boys slotted into their roles on the field like seasoned players and took back to the second side all they had learnt from the 1st XI. I look forward to building on what these boys have been taught, during next season. Thank you Andrew, Gareth and Mark for your commitment, enthusiasm and willingness to be shuttled back and forth between the 1st and 2nd side.

My goals for this year's 1st XI were two-fold. Firstly, to improve their own personal skill level and secondly, that each individual would have the confidence to either beat a player or make a pass when he had the ball. So often primary school players get flustered on the ball or feel they are under pressure when they should be thinking "I have the ball, let them get it away from me." These two goals were achieved by lots of small game jams where the boys honed their skills in a constricted space. This went a long way I believe, in helping us achieve our excellent results.

To the 2003 1st XI squad - Well Done on an outstanding season and thank you for all your hard work and commitment on the field. Please make an effort to continue playing this wonderful team game and I look forward to following your progress in your respective Senior School. To the parents that were ever present on the side of the field, thank you for your support and encouragement. Until next season.....

GLENN JONES
1ST XI HOCKEY COACH

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rugby

As we approach the end of 2003, post World Cup Rugby, I asked the question last year, how patient would the South African public be with the then new Springbok coach. Well it's a year later, the World Cup is over, we have a new order completely in Springbok rugby, England are the new world champs and Johnny Wilkinson is the toast of the world.

Rugby at Cordwalles continued to enjoy a high standard of play throughout the 2003 season. All teams enjoyed successful seasons and it was the style of play, which was impressive.

It is my feeling that the intensity of the game has increased and it is largely due to the professional era where the boys watch this on television and at the stadiums.

Thanks must go to all the support that rugby gets from all the different departments within the school. Nola Browning and her staff, Fred Potter and his staff, the boys at Cordwalles do appreciate this work as do the rugby coaches and we know how privileged we are to have these facilities.

Our boys, parents and staff are to be complimented once again on the way the boys played the game of rugby. On how they support all the teams, always encouraging your team, applauding good play from both teams and enjoying the time unifying our school. A great deal of emotion, excitement and enthusiasm is brought out of all of us when watching rugby. How this is handled is the important thing and we at Cordwalles would like to thank you for the camaraderie that is developed with our schools we play against.

Special thanks must go again to Mr. Glenn Jones who is instrumental in driving the sport forward at every opportunity. His support is greatly valued.

To the coaching staff, a big thank you for your input. U9s Messrs Jones and Greaves, U10s Nell, Dargavel and de Goede, U11s Bause and Mitchell, Opens Healey, Harmsworth, Gold and Wills. These are determined and dedicated men who strove to improve the boys' skills and ability throughout the season.

The U11A and 2nd XV are two teams that need to be singled out as having outstanding seasons. The U11As only losing one match, the very last one of the season. The 2nd XV taking on many 1st XV and winning these matches on several occasions. Well done boys.

Once again the season was akin to a swarm of bees. Everybody busy doing their jobs and Saturday mornings were extremely enjoyable developing the school unity. The boys have a wonderful school spirit. There just seems to be something about the contact nature of the game, which makes boys form a closer bond.

1ST XV RUGBY

What a team! No coach could ask for more from any team let alone an U13 side. They had everything that was required of a truly outstanding unit.

Awande Khumalo was the team's star but he was ably supported by the entire team. Awande led by example, he led with passion and the team returned the favour with equal commitment. He was backed up most ably by James Tatham who marshalled his back line players extremely well.

The team wasn't particularly big at forward with them being out-weighted and out paced on more than one occasion. What this team clearly had was BMT (Big Match Temperament), they believed completely in themselves as a team first and foremost.



1ST XV RUGBY

Back row : Travis Clark, David Groom, JR Sesupeng, Wesley Middleton, Mark van Heerden, Andrew St. Leger and Heinrich van Wyk.

Second row: Reef Nakin, Warren Dundas-Starr, Chris Smith, Andrew Craib, Vukani Buthelezi and Gareth Crouch.

Seated: Andrew Bourdillon, James Tatham (Vice-captain), Mr. Tim Evans (Headmaster) Awande Khumalo, (Captain), Mr. Mark Whitelaw (Coach), Jason Trautman and Darren Anderson.

This came from the talented players in the team and I believe from an attitude, which is being cultivated on and off the sports field at Cordwalles. The parents at Cordwalles are a team, a family; the staff shows that they are a team in all aspects of school life in and out of the classroom. A fair amount of effort on the staff's side went into keeping this team on an even keel after some extremely good wins. They could have had the tendency to become complacent. It was in this area that Franzl Bause played a big part; with his love for the game he would watch each match and feed back his opinion to the 1st team in and around the school on Monday or Thursday. Then before the game, much talk would go into preparing the boys in his "care"; in Awande Khumalo's case I believe it worked wonders. On one occasion he was told that his tackling was suspect on another that his captaining not positive enough and on yet another that his work in the tight loose wasn't active enough. After each debate Awande would improve this part of his game and never let it slip again.

Another motivating factor was a loss in cricket against a team the boys believed implicitly that they just had to turn up for the match. This reminded them that in sport you have to play to your full potential each and every time you run onto the field. Motivation always plays a big role in any sports team or in life and this team was extremely easy to motivate they were self-driven. They wanted to get better, play more attractive rugby, improve their skills and practice was always a pleasure. The boys gave of themselves in all areas with great passion.

The season got off to the usual start with our tour to the Eastern Cape. Once again this very successful exercise introduces the boys to rugby at this level and galvanises them into a team quickly. The tour was a much-reduced programme after the lessons learnt in 2002. It must be said that these three games set the scene for the season. A good win against Kingswood, the tightest against St. Andrews and then the narrow loss against Woodridge all served lessons for the boys. The St. Andrews game

was intense and against a huge pack of forwards, yet the boys played their hearts out and on this occasion succeeded in a game that most watching thought we would lose.

In the Woodridge game I believe the boys panicked a little in the face of some heavy tackling and again this and the loss brought home some very good lessons. It all enabled the coach to try out combinations and decide who should play where.

The 2003 team was made up of boys who generally were competent but jelled together as a team beautifully. The pack was small but stood shoulder to shoulder led in the front by Heinrich van Wyk and Chris Smith, the former being the talker and Chris the pillar. The front row was completed by Warren Dundas-Starr who did a superb job on the tight head side - he was our rock.

It is impossible to report back on every game, as much as I would like to, as every game has its highlights. The season is kicked off locally by the Midlands tournaments, which don't excite me as much as a full match but does give us another opportunity to cement combinations and places.

The games that really stood out for me would have to be the Merchiston game when the team was extremely focused and played powerhouse rugby, overwhelming their opponents on this day. Merchiston were no match on this occasion as we were able to nullify the number eight and the Merchiston flyhalf was totally outplayed by the combined efforts of the loose forwards.

The Clifton Durban and Highbury games were extremely tough games and it actually felt as if Highbury had control of the game for the first ten or fifteen minutes, yet we scored twice in this time and it seemed to break their spirit. The Clifton Durban backline looked dangerous but the forwards allowed them no ball and when they did get ball Tatham, Buthelezi, St. Leger and Bourdillon cut them down time and again.

Always tough matches are played against Cowan House and Pelham with the boys playing superb rugby against both these teams. The Pelham pack needed to be seen to be believed; the boys scrummed extremely well against a massive pack and the whole team was awesome taking the game to the Pelham players.

The Clifton Nottingham Road game was also special as the team played without Khumalo who was playing for Natal. The boys really played well with Anderson having a fine game at 8th man.

The 2003 team was a special unit. The tour started excellent groundwork, the boys developed into a unified team unit with great spirit. A vote of thanks to Derek Nell, Glenn Jones, Franzl Bause, Chris Healey and Rupert Harmsworth for their expertise as staff and to Derek and Glenn for their time on the tour.

Tim Evans always gave us his full support and was a superb baggage master. Tim was always quite exceptional with his support for all sport at Cordwalles and was always there for the rugby team.

Special mention must be made of Brent Trodd who gave up many hours to help coach the team. He would try and watch as many games as his work would allow and the boys truly appreciated his efforts, advice and enthusiasm. The backlines marked improvement with their handling and defensive lines can be attributed to Brent's work. Thanks goes to Alan Shaw who regularly worked with the front row forwards.

The efforts of Colin van Heerden and Petrie de Villiers on one afternoon each was greatly appreciated. The rugby report would not be complete without mention being made about the fantastic

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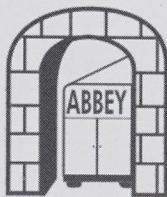
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parental support. It is easy to be supportive when the team is going well and winning, but there was a good vibe, from the tour through to the last game. These parents were led by the effervescent Hannes van Wyk and balanced by many fathers and mothers who needed to keep their emotions in check. At no stage in the season was there one derogatory word said to opposition players or our own. Well done and thank you - I wouldn't expect anything less.

Finally boys, you can be proud of yourselves. You certainly made your school and your coach extremely proud of you all. Does one! Does all!

Mark Whitelaw

1st XV Coach

1ST XV PEN PICTURES:

Captain: Awande Khumalo 8th Man, Rugby Colours (re-award), Kwa Zulu Natal Schools' U13A Vice-Captain.

Awande's feel for the game was amazing. He instinctively knew when to run, when to pass and when to kick. He led his team from the front scoring 34 tries in the season beating his previous record (and the School's record) of 33 tries in a season. It is clear that in two seasons Awande scored 67 tries yes Khumalo will be missed in 2004.

Awande's passion was unbelievable. He wanted to play well, be better and he achieved his goals and more this season. Awande was absolutely outstanding in every aspect of the game. On attack he was elusive, fast and strong, being impossible to stop 5-metres out. On defence he was priceless, nobody ran past Awande, he was everywhere. Time and again he would make try-saving tackles to prevent the opposition from scoring. These big hits are vital to keep the opponents under pressure and not let them into the game. Awande would take the touch kicks and I remember him missing one touch finder the whole season. At first I wondered about Awande's ability to lead his men without stirring up his team mates with provocative things, however he was able to lead with dignity and passion. No coach could have asked for more from his captain. When the going got tough Awande was the first to put his hand up. Awande wasn't only an exciting player at school level, his ability was recognised at provincial level, and was identified along with Charl Fouché, the DPHS and Kwa Zulu Natal Schools' flyhalf, as the Kwa Zulu Natal Schools' players of Craven Week.

Awande believes in himself and so he should. He needs to keep his feet on the ground and he'll develop into one of the most exciting rugby players to have played for Cordwalles. His brilliant attitude, commitment and wonderful ability earned him the Rugby Player of the Year award. Well done and we'll watch carefully as you develop at high school.

Vice-Captain: James Tatham Inside Centre, Rugby Colours, Midlands U13B

James' leadership in the back line and generally in the team was extremely valuable as the boys naturally followed his example on and off the field. James displayed his bravery on more than one occasion but especially after receiving a big knock on his arm at practice from JR Sesupeng. It was the same arm he broke in 2002 playing Midlands U12 and we were concerned that there may be a hairline fracturing.

James' fearless tackling and good, quick hands made him perfect for the 2nd 5/8 position. He was excellent in off loading to various teammates and then backing them up in the ensuing tackle, ruck, maul or to receive the pass back. James was like a fourth loose forward and a great deal of the team's success resulted from quick second phase ball enabling us to run off this. Well done James on an excellent season, you have an exciting future on the sports fields, we wish you well.

Andrew Bourdillon: - Full back, Rugby Colours, Midlands U13B

Andrew was an excellent fullback, one who always seemed to have lots of time. A player who has time on a rugby field is one with class. Andrew could play in any position in the back line, be it flyhalf or fullback. After some early season matches, we settled for what was best for the team Wesley Middleton at flyhalf and Andrew at fullback. The decision was based on the fact that he could run from the back. He is extremely elusive with a wicked side step. Andrew was solid under the high ball and with his positional play he had a natural feel for this. He had excellent hands and as his kicking of the ball out of hand developed so he used this to good effect. Andrew is determined, brave and above all largely talented. Who will forget Hansmeyer the Merchiston 8th man picking up at the base of the scrum and heading for Andrew with a pointed finger? Needless to say,



The Eastern Cape rugby tour team, with coaches Mark Whitelaw (L) and Mr Derek Nell (T.R)

Andrew made that tackle and many more. Even with the smooth hairstyle. I look forward to seeing how things develop at high school in only his third year of rugby. Andrew's determination makes him an outstanding rugby player. Best wishes.

David Groom: Wing

David was a loyal and brave member of the 1st XV. He had a good tour of the Eastern Cape playing all three games. As a wing in the 2003 team he was the quickest of all three boys who played here. Unfortunately due to one or two injuries David lost a bit of confidence and played most of his games in the 2nd XV. A true credit to him, was when he came back from injury, he was very supportive of the 1st XV, being willing to be a reserve on the bench and he acquitted himself outstandingly for the 2nd's week in and week out. David always ran hard and straight with the ball in hand and I have been impressed with the way his defensive tackling has improved. Well done David.

Andrew St. Leger: Wing, Certificate of Merit

Andrew must be given a good deal of credit for the way he played his rugby. He was totally dedicated to the team in every sense of the word. Andrew would have preferred to play loose forward or centre, where he would have done well. However, in the coach's opinion, I needed him on the wing with other players in these other positions. Andrew never flinched. He accepted his place and worked hard at it. What Andrew lacked in pace he made up for with hardness. Andrew never missed a tackle he could make. Who will forget those bullocking runs with head down, head first into the opposition. Andrew worked really hard on fielding cross kicks and up and unders and this paid off. Well done Andrew.

Andrew Craib: Wing

Andrew had a good solid season on the wing. Again, like Andrew St. Leger, Andrew Craib is more naturally a flyhalf or fullback but the team needed him on the wing and that's where he performed extremely well. Andrew's defence was extremely good, making vital tackles as the last line of defence and he was very good under the high ball. He had trouble with his feet, in particular his heels, yet he played through this problem and put his team first at all times. Andrew is a very exciting prospect for next year and he, like others, will form the core of the 2004 team.

Vukani Buthelezi: Outside Centre Colours

What an exciting rugby player this young man is. Vukani came into his own this year. He has an excellent eye for the gap, running with beautiful balance and has a real feel for the game. Vuks, as he is known, can defend and attack with equal ability. As he believed more in himself, he took on the opposition more and always created problems for them. One of his biggest attributes was his ability to support the ball carrier and would use his speed to keep up with the likes of Khumalo and Nakin with ease. An exciting prospect for 2004, the question is where will he play next year?

Wesley Middleton: Flyhalf Colours, Midlands U13A

Wesley is an excellent rugby player and he too could play in a number of positions in the back line. He started off at fullback, however we moved him to flyhalf because of his big boot giving the team another option. It worked extremely well on defence and Wesley's educated boot helped a great deal for cross kicks and grubbers. Wesley needed to know just how good he actually was and then he would always play unbelievable rugby.

His best games were against Merchiston and Highbury, big games and Wesley stood up to be counted. Before these games Wesley had tended to be brilliant against weaker opposition and shying off against the tougher teams. This wasn't the case this year and Wesley showed what a strong runner he is putting various people into gaps after he'd done the hard work. Wesley formed an excellent combination with his half back partner Reef Nakin. Wesley's huge contribution to the team was his calm nature and even more when things were going against us Wesley would remain in control. Well done Wesley, I will watch your sport progress with interest, you have a bright future in which ever sports you choose to continue with, best wishes.

Reef Nakin: Scrum half, Colours, Midlands U12

One of the most improved rugby players in the team. Reef's work rate was fantastic. He is a naturally balanced runner who scored some amazing tries.

Reef was equally effective on defence and attack; he is immensely strong in the upper body and fearless to the point where he would never back away from any opponent. He was "Reef the Lion Heart". When the team was under pressure so he played even better. His ability to read a game of rugby is exceptional. He just knows where to be at the right time. His ability to break, kick or pass the ball was uncanny. Reef, although naturally talented needed to work on two aspects of play and work he did. He worked tirelessly on his pass and his kicking to try and perfect both. His attitude towards his sport is an example to the younger boys hard work pays off. Reef formed an outstanding combination with Awande Khumalo in particular and his half back partner Wesley Middleton. With Awande, Reef had an amazing understanding and few will forget the excellent tries these two set up. The one against Highbury was a classic, as Khumalo broke and Nakin timed his run to perfection to receive the pass and run all of 20 metres to an open try line.

Reef is one of those hungry players always looking for the ball. He is an exciting prospect for 2004. Well done on an excellent 2003 season.

Warren Dundas-Starr: Loose Head, Certificate of Merit

Warren was a wonderful team man, he never said much but he did his job and more. Warren, during the course of the season, became very fit and increased his upper body strength. Warren was often smaller than his opponents yet we never heard him complain. Usually it was left up to JR Sesupeng or Mark van Heerden who would exclaim "Shoo did you see the size of the prop that scrummed against Warren!"

Warren worked on his technique a great deal and he was like a sponge, he would listen intensely to advice about binding, how to put his feet and what to do with his head. Alan Shaw and Hannes van Wyk were invaluable in this area and Warren would listen to each of us in turn and then adapt it to his own compact and effective technique. It pleased me no end when Warren started contributing in the tight loose, being really effective clearing out the opposition, to present good, clean second phase ball. Well done Warren on an outstanding season, you played some excellent rugby in one of the toughest positions on the field.

Chris Smith: Hooker, Colours

Chris Smith really came of age during this rugby season. He had shown glimpses of what was to come in the previous year but no one would believe how Chris would develop. Usually the hooker of any team needs a bit of madness in him, yet in Chris we had a perfectly sane boy who just loved the fire in the front row. Chris is intelligent and he used this on the field, organising the lineouts, the calls, and the scrums. At first Chris was quiet in settling his scrum but soon learnt to stamp his authority.

Chris was the complete hooker I was looking for. He threw in beautifully in the lineouts to two, four and six. He developed an outstanding understanding with Darren, Mark and particularly Jason at six. His hooking was extremely good even under huge pressure. After one session with Derek Nell on rugby tour Chris' hooking came on in leaps and bounds.

This was all expected of Chris, yet it was in the tight loose and general play that Chris excelled as the fourth loose forward. He was often first to breakdowns, in support for a pass or to make a tackle. Chris was a man to go to war with, he clearly understood his role. He carried it out to the letter of instruction and he was tough he soon learnt that he wouldn't stand back for anyone. Who will ever forget the huge tackle on Chris against Cowan House as he ran down the touch line only for him to stand up, dust himself off and get ready for the next line out. This is true grit - best wishes.

Heinrich van Wyk: Tight Head Prop

Here was the team's heartbeat! Heinrich was vital to the spirit of the team. He never stopped talking, encouraging and staying positive towards his fellow players. He was the corner stone of our scrum. This is where the battle is won and lost, and Heinrich stood his ground throughout the season.



He scrummed extremely well against usually bigger opponents, he lifted well in the lineouts and his work in the tight loose was very good. Heinrich was an asset to the first team in so many ways and as a player he was unlucky not to get regional selection. As a team man he was amazing, always asking a little more from his fellow players be it at practice, in a match or in our team talks before the game. I will always remember Heinrich chivying his team mates "Come on ous, let's do it properly now!" or "Big scrum, this is a big scrum!"

He worked hard in the tight, but never shirked in the loose being powerful on the drive developing a good body position and extremely committed in the tackle making several hits a game. Heinrich I'll watch your progress with interest. Keep up your positive attitude to this wonderful game of rugby.

Gareth Crouch: Scrum-half, Certificate of Merit, Midlands U12

Gareth is a very promising rugby player who takes the game to the opposition. He is strong and has an excellent break using his strength to hold off the tacklers until he can offload to the arriving support players. He has a good service and always protects his flyhalf well, taking the ball back into the forwards if there is too much pressure.

Gareth is naturally a hard player who tackles well so his defence is solid and invaluable to any team. It was clear that when Gareth didn't play for the 2nd XV they lacked drive and penetration. His ability at the break down to be a fetcher to recycle the ball enabled his teams to get quick second phase ball.

Gareth is an exciting prospect for 2004. He is the complete team player always giving everything he had even after playing a full match he was ready to play the next game.

JR Sesupeng: Lock, Certificate of Merit

JR was in the engine room and this engine never miss fired. He is extremely strong and although quiet and unassuming got through a lot of work. At practice he needs to be chased to get fitter and next year needs to be fit at the beginning of the season.

JR took some big knocks during the season but seldom flinched. On the one occasion when he needed to leave the field against Pelham, the scrum tended to disintegrate and break up. Heinrich van Wyk was always complimentary about JR packing down behind him high praise indeed seldom given to a lock by any tight head prop forward.

JR needs to be more active in the tight loose and put in some of the big tackles he is capable of.

We look forward to big things from JR next year.

Mark van Heerden: Lock, Certificate of Merit

Mark's game improved as the season wore on. He improved his running lines, he got better at knowing when to drive with the ball and when to clear out the opposition. Mark is a hard player giving 100% at all times, he was extremely effective in the lineouts and the tight loose. He will also tell you that it is a huge jump from U11A rugby to 1st XV games and in the forwards this is particularly tough. Mark made the adjustment extremely well moving to lock even though he would prefer to be a loose forward. He learnt about teamwork because at this level it's about fifteen players who need to work together and Mark will be an exciting prospect for 2004. Well done on a very good season in which you gave everything to your team Mark.

Travis Clark: Lock / Flank

Travis in his quiet manner played his heart out. No one could ask more from a boy whose fitness levels were very good and he kept working throughout every match.

Travis did extremely well in the lineouts and proved that he could take the ball at two, four, or six throughout the season.

He was effective in the loose, getting to break downs quickly and recycling second phase ball. In the latter part of the season, Travis came

on from the bench at either lock or flank with equal willingness, he was there for the team and they appreciated his commitment as much as I did.

It is the players like Travis who are the true strength of any good team, the boys who give of themselves even though they may be disappointed not to be in the starting line up. Well done Travis on a very good season, one in which you played gutsy rugby.

Jason Trautman: Flank Colours, Midlands U13B

What a player! Jason was one of those who made things happen. The tougher the game the better he played. By his own high standards, Jason had a quiet start to the season against Kingswood and St. Andrews, but in the tough encounter against Woodridge he was back to his best and never looked back. Thinking about the season he was extremely valuable as our fetcher, his fitness enabled him to get in support like no one else could and the Midlands teams missed him when he was unable to play for them in this role. His jumping at six was excellent where he developed such a sound understanding with Awande, JR and Chris. Jason is a tough, hard player who reminded me of Rassie Erasmus at his best. He added to the team with his leadership skills and was able to motivate the boys when things were getting tough.

It may be a while before we see his like again in that he was amazing how he got wide to support wings and was able to get up to support Reef or Awande on the break. Jason, you'll have a tough decision to make when you choose your sport next year, you are in the enviable position to be able to choose from two top sports. I wish you well in the knowledge that what ever you do, will be to the best of your ability. I will watch your progress with interest. Best wishes.

Darren Anderson: Flank Colours, Midlands U13A

What a wonderful season. Darren had an outstanding attitude to the game and he grew and developed with every match. Darren became the perfect blind side

flanker. He was big, strong and fast. As he began to believe in himself as a forward so he played better and better.

On the tour, Darren started off in the lock position and played well there, however his pace and support play made one wonder how much more effective he would be on the flank. When the move was made he slotted in perfectly, and became extremely effective as many teams were watching and marking Khumalo and not expecting us to attack with Darren. To his credit, Darren would listen intently to advice, study running lines and very quickly became an excellent loose forward. Darren is an extremely brave player who runs straight and tackles hard and well. What more can a coach ask for? He completed an outstanding loose forward trio of Khumalo, Trautman and Anderson. These are men to have in the benches with you to say the least. Darren's move from the wing to flank forward was a great success for he applied himself totally to his new position. His value to the team was immense and due to the huge improvement in his skills, ball handling and all round play, he was our choice for "Most Improved Rugby Player of the Year".



Coach Mark Whitelaw.



1ST XV RUGBY TOUR

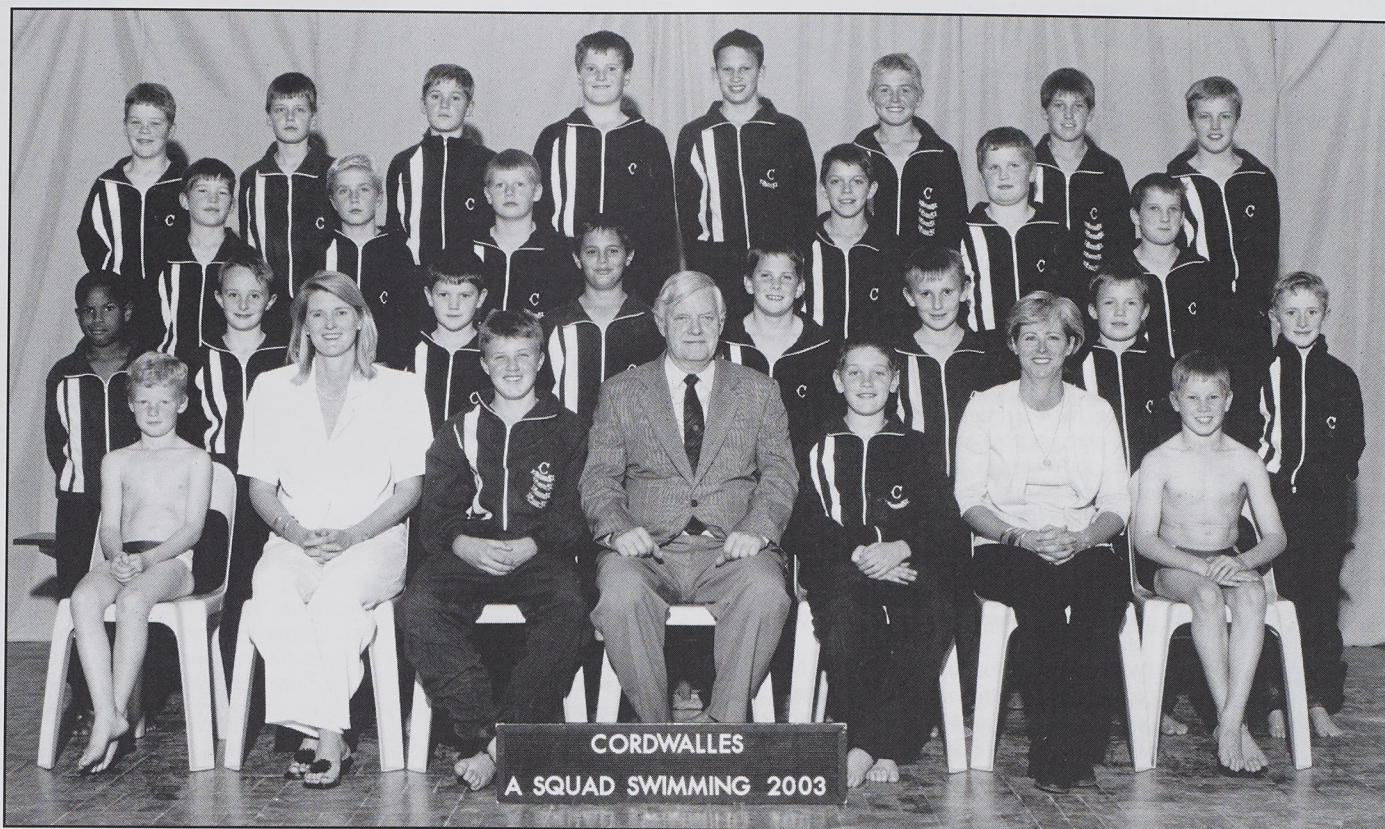
Back row : Travis Clark, Darren Anderson, Scott rogers, JR Sesupeng, Andrew Bourdillon, Mark van Heerden, David Groom, Cameron Lindsay, Heinrich van Wyk

Second row: Kyle Forder, Sean Fox, Vukani Buthelezi, Chris Smith, Warren Dundas-Starr, Gareth Crouch, Reef Nakin

Seated: Mr Derek Nell, Wesley Middleton, Mr.Tim Evans (Headmaster) Awande Khumalo, (Captain), James Tatham (Vice-captain),

Mr. Mark Whitelaw (Coach), Jason Trautman, Mr Glenn Jones

Swimming



A SQUAD SWIMMING

Back row: Dundas Clark, Francois de Wet, Laurence Aadnesgaard, Nicholas Platt, Cameron Lindsay, James Tatham, Jason Trautman and Mivan Howard.

Third Row: James Fisher, Nicolas Hellens, Kyle Schoerie, Garth Harding, Nicholas Ikin and Lynton Dent.

Second Row: Sine Shelembe, Gregory Phillips, Michael Everard, Andrew Craib, Marc Train, Nathaniel Williams, Sean Masson and Donovan Wewege.

Seated: Sean Burgess, Mrs Colleen Groom (Coach), Andrew Bourdillon, (Captain), Mr. Tim Evans (Headmaster), Travis Clark (Vice-captain), Mrs Denise Dedekind (Coach) and David Brill.



B SQUAD SWIMMING

Back row: Nicholas Byrne, Oliver Jones, Vaughan Edwards, Owen Gandar, Jonathan van Duyn, Awande Khumalo, Scott Rogers, Mark van Heerden, Jean-Luc Talbot and Patrick Smythe.

Third Row: David Bradford, Sean Fox, Edward Greene, Luke Purdon, Elmar Kruger, Craig Berrangé, Ian Scott, Jon-Paul Akal and Justin Kirk.

Second Row: Adrian Gorny, Jonathan Campbell, Brian Dedekind, Thomas Martin, Oliver Clark, Haydyn Jordaan, Chris Leclizio and Julian Jackson.

Seated: Suhail Dada, Grayson de Villiers, Wesley Middleton, Mrs Colleen Groom (Coach), David Groom (Captain),

Mrs Denise Dedekind (Coach), Bradford Griffin, Craig Smorfitt and Michael Mvelase.

V-I-C, V-I-C, V-I-C-T-O-R-Y**Victory, victory is our cry****V-I-C-T-O-R-Y!**

Yes boys, this certainly is how we all felt after two great swimming seasons! Perhaps we could take the liberty of changing this "war cry" to . . .

C-O-R, C-O-R, C-O-R-D-I-E-S**Cordies, cordies is our cry****C-O-R-D-I-E-S.**

To sum up our two seasons we thought the acronym "Cordies" would be apt.

Committed swimmers who need to be **C**ongratulated.

Open swimmers we will miss you but wish you all the best in your respective senior schools.

Relay magic, especially freestyle!

Dedication and **D**etermination went hand in hand.

Inter-Schools A and B Gala.

Enthusiasm, especially at the 6:30am starting whistle.

Spirit and **S**tyle and **S**uccess. Well done boys!

Champion of champions Swimming Gala and Interhouse Gala:

Numerous new records were set which is always most encouraging.

Age-Group Champions:

U9	- Nicolas Hellens
U10	- Marc Train
Junior Victor Ludorum	- Kyle Schoerie
U12	- Chad Ware
Senior Victor Ludorum	- Andrew Bourdillon and Travis Clark

Standard Points:

1 st	- Jacksons
2 nd	- Tathams
3 rd	- Butchers
4 th	- Baines

The relays proved very exciting. The boys gave of their best. The final results were as follows:

Relay cup:

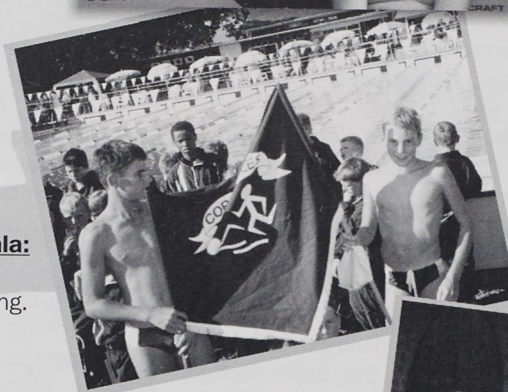
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2 nd	- Tathams
3 rd	- Baines
4 th	- Butchers

Inter-house:

1 st	- Jacksons
2 nd	- Baines
3 rd	- Butchers
4 th	- Tathams



Seen at the 'A' Gala held at the Pine Street baths - James Tatham, Donovan Wewege, Travis Clark, James Fisher, Lynton Dent, Garth Harding, Front - Chad Ware and Scott Rogers.



Wesley Middleton and David Groom hold the Cordwalles colours at the 'A' Gala.



Mrs Sue Tatham, Guest of Honour at the Champion of Champions Gala, presents the Victor Ludorum to joint winners, Travis Clark and Andrew Bourdillon.

Swimming colours were awarded to K. Schoerie, C. Lindsay, C. Ware, A. Bourdillon, T. Clark, J. Trautman and J. Tatham (re-awarded)

Certificates of merit for swimming were awarded to F. de Wet, D. Clark, A. Craib, J. Fisher, W. Middleton, D. Groom, J. van Duyn, M. Train, M. Howard, I. Scott, N. Byrne and L. Aadnesgaard.

In conclusion, it remains for us to thank Gavin Trollip, Fred Potter and John Masson and their team for keeping our pool clean and leak free! To all the staff for being available and willing to help at our various galas. We are always most grateful to you. To Sue Tatham we thank you for being our guest of honour.

To the boys we have really enjoyed working and training such talented Cordies boys. To all the Cordie families that were always present at our galas thank you, and I hope you realize how valuable your support is to us and your boys.

We end with a quote that sums up our feelings on building your boys' confidence, fitness and pride.

"Words can be weapons, and words can be healing. Words can unite friendships or severe in enmity. Words can unlock who I am or mask me from others."

Walter J. Burshardt

May we use words in our teaching to unlock each boy's God given talents.

**COLLEEN GROOM AND DENISE DEDEKIND
(SWIMMING COACHES)**



The winning U13 age group - Jason Trautman, James Tatham, Andrew Bourdillon and Travis Clark, with the Ann Rosari Cup.

tennis

Tennis has continued to flourish at Cordwalles in 2003. Numbers at voluntary tennis in the afternoons have grown and there were several boys who played tennis at school for the first time. Competition was fierce for the first sixteen places on the junior and senior tennis ladders as these boys were our league players in the third term.

Under the guidance of Chris Folker at early morning squad practices, our teams performed extremely well during the league season. Six of our eight teams were unbeaten.

House matches were played in the fourth term with Butchers coming up trumps in the junior section and Baines walking away with the trophy in the senior section. There was a good entry for the singles and doubles championships. The final matches were of a high standard and played in excellent spirit.

The junior doubles title was won by Adrian Gorny and Rainer Steinhagen who defeated Nic Platt and Garth Harding. Adrian Gorny also won the junior singles title beating Rainer Steinhagen in an exciting match. The senior doubles title was won by Sanda Shandu and Sean Fox. They defeated James Tatham and Andrew St. Leger. The senior singles title was won by James Tatham in a rain-interrupted game when he defeated Sanda Shandu. Well done to all the participants in the championships. We were proud of the way in which the boys displayed sportsmanlike behaviour and excellent tennis etiquette on and off the courts.

Special congratulations to Sanda Shandu who was selected to play for the KZN USSASA Primary Schools C Team in Pietermaritzburg in July this year. We are very proud of him. Well done Sanda!

Rainer Steinhagen too deserves congratulations. He was awarded a trophy for sportsmanship from the Midlands Tennis Association. Thank you, Rainer, for being such a wonderful ambassador for Cordwalles.

Special mention must also be made of the boys who were awarded their tennis colours this year. Congratulations to James Tatham (re-award), A. St. Leger (re-award), Jason Trautman and Sean Fox. Well done to the boys who received Certificates of Merit for tennis. They were Andrew Bourdillon, Sanda Shandu, Andrew Craib, David Groom and Warren Dundas-Starr.



1st TENNIS

Standing: Sean Fox, Jason Trautman
Seated: Andrew St. Leger, Mrs S Scott (Coach) and James Tatham

A very big thank you to Nola Browning and her staff for supplying our teas for our matches, and to all our parents who continue to support and encourage their boys.

WENDY FRYER AND SHARON SCOTT



Jason Trautman

My four years at Cordwalles has been a great experience for me. Thanks Cordies for turning me into a better person and I really enjoyed my time here.



Edward Greene

My years at Cordwalles have been the best of my life. Thank you, Cordies.



Heinrich van Wyk

Cordwalles is the best prep school in the world. I have enjoyed it a lot and will always remember this excellent school.

My Grandparents

Great at cooking crumpets and pancakes.

Oldest out of my grans and grandpas.

Good at tennis.

Old and has wrinkles.

Dad of my dad.

An excellent squash player.

Dada likes playing snooker.

A member of the Victoria Country Club.

Dirk

Great at making tea.

Really they are special in my life.

And did I mention they make a fine cup of tea.

Never grumpy.

Does he work for a dentist? yes.

Porridge they have every morning.

Excellent at making go-carts.

Really he loves brandy and coke.

Every day they are the best.

Never unkind.

The best grandparents ever.

Still I love them everyday

Oliver Clark

Once there was a little duiker, who had broken his ankle.

Then a big lion came along and he was rather soft for this particular thing. So he gathered up soft things, put them in a safe place and lay the duiker on them. The lion provided food for the duiker and he visited the duiker every day. Soon the ankle got stronger and the duiker started to walk and then he ran and soon it was time for him to leave. But before that they promised to play with each other every day.

Justin Cooper
Gr 4H

ADVENTURE IN MONGOOSE RIDGE GAME PARK

In Mongoose Ridge Game Park two Scottish tourists had arrived. Their names were Arthur and Marther Hamly. It was midday and it was very hot. The tourists went to the pool to sunbathe, they put on their sun cream and Oakley glasses. They had lunch at 12:30. After lunch they went for a walk with a snack. On the walk the air got cool and a breeze picked up and they heard the birds chirping sweetly and then suddenly the birds went mad and Arthur and Marther turned round to see what the commotion was.

They saw a great big spitting cobra, they stood stock still. They remembered what they had read about the spitting cobra in the plane on the way here. It said that if you ever meet a spitting cobra you must close your eyes or if you have glasses put them on because if it spits in your eyes you could go blind. So of course they put them on and just in time because.....

The cobra spat at Arthur and hit his glasses. It turned to spit at Marther but she was too fast for it. Before it knew what was happening it was pinned to the ground by two sticks. They called Ranger Smith and they took the cobra out of the camp and let it loose. It slithered into the undergrowth and was gone. The rest of the week they went on day and night drives and had lots of fun.

Michael Everard
Gr 4H



Patrick
Smythe with
Grandparents
Betty and
Malcolm
Smythe.

BUTTERFLY
God made me colourful
With compound eyes
He gave me four wings
That are quite big in
size!



I fly around gardens on
sunny days

People gaze at me in
different ways

To think I was an ugly grub
And now I'm a beautiful
flying bug.

S Masson, DV Heeswijk, T Martin, K Harries

Fly

A fly was flying on a
really hot day.
My head has a mouth
and lots of eyes.
My thorax has my
wings and legs.
My abdomen has my
stomach and intestines.
I am not the best.
Rather a pest.
Not the prettiest.
But the ugliest on
planet earth.

Oliver



The Kite

There once was
a Kite
That went for a
flight
When he got
back
He got so taken
aback
That he got
stuck in a
Tree for all
eternity

Matthew
Hanbury
G4H



P art of peacock family
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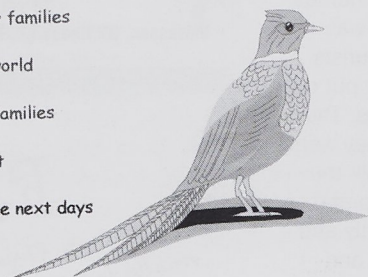


By Michael Everard



Gr 4 boys observing the efforts of baby frogs.

P oaching pheasants
H ard to poach
E aten by poor families
A ll over the world
S old to rich families
A re hunted at
N ight for the next days
T ea



By Suhail Dada

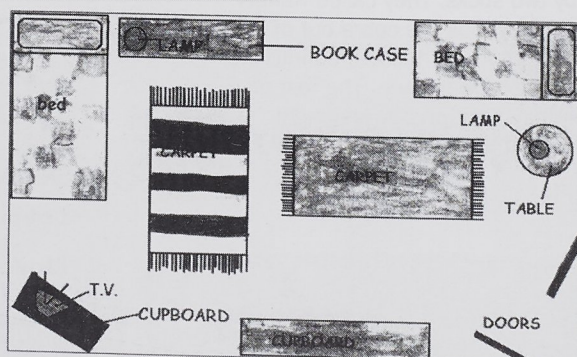
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By Andrew Jones



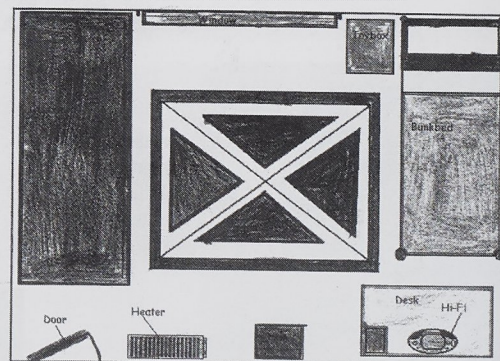
Jean-Luc Talbot tries his hand at weaving at the Shuttleworth Weaving Establishment.



MY BEDROOM KINGDOM

When I walk into my bedroom,
 I see toys and all kinds of fun things,
 I run here, then there and have all kinds of fun,
 Sometimes I have to stay in my kingdom,
 When I do something bad or naughty,
 I stay in my kingdom until I've thought about what I've done and said sorry.

Cameron McConnell



My Bedroom Kingdom

When I enter my bedroom kingdom my world lights up!
 But then it will go darker and darker when my brother plays his music.
 sometimes it will even drive me up the wall!
 But as you know that's not very good at all!
 I'll close the windows and shut the door and now there's no interruption any more !!

Joel Bronner

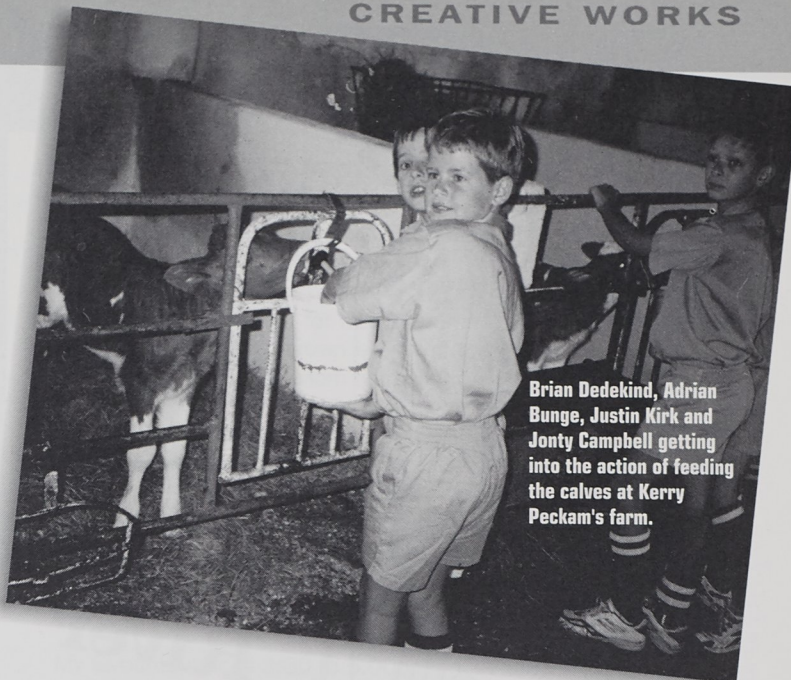
grade 5
bedrooms

grade 5n excursion

Our first field trip this year was to Mrs Peckam's farm on 18 February 2003.

The following are all the activities that we did on the day:

- Feeding the calves
- Learning and watching how cheese is made
- Learning the correct method of collecting and storing eggs
- Designing, painting own cheese plates
- Making of cheese dip
- Ride on tractor and trailer
- Swimming activities in dam



Brian Dedekind, Adrian Bunge, Justin Kirk and Jonty Campbell getting into the action of feeding the calves at Kerry Peckam's farm.

Many thanks to Mr Nell and Mrs Peckam for making this trip possible.

P DUNTON AND N PLATT

Luke Purdon and his team preparing their cheese for the cheese dip competition.



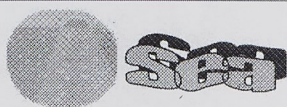
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WE DESCRIBED
THE TRIP:

Entertaining
Hands On
Spectacular
Educational
Challenging
Valuable
Creative
Enjoyable
Exhausting
Amazing
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Interesting
Informative
Wonderful
Smelly
Dirty



Marc Train and Justin Kirk realise that collecting the eggs was not that easy, especially with the dog waiting for the first slip.

grade 6



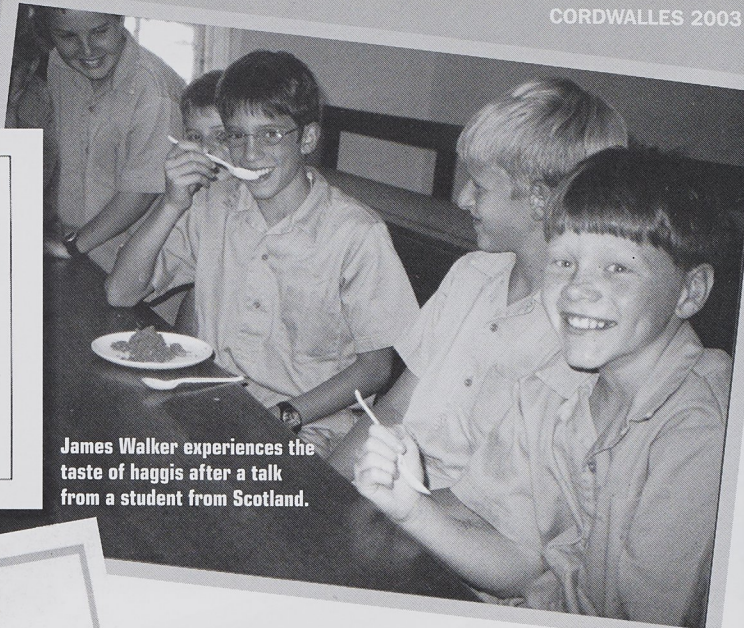
A huge mirror for
the stars and planets
to gaze upon their beauty.

E Kruger

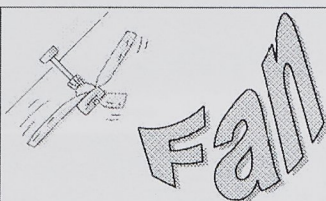
Fathers

Like the wind
can be very rough
and sometimes very
gentle.

E Kruger



James Walker experiences the
taste of haggis after a talk
from a student from Scotland.



A plane that has
crashed through
the roof
with the propeller
still rotating

E Kruger

River

flowing
like
the blood
stream
of my
body

By JR
Sesupeng

Dalmation

Is a
moving
dot 2 dot
worksheet.

G.Crouch

MUD SLIDE

MUD SLIDE FAST
AND FASTER WE
GO LIKE A BULLET
OUT OF A GUN
A MOTHERS
WORST DREAM
LIKE A MONSTER
OF OF A YOUNG
CHILDS
IMAGINATION

Nic Byrne

Nightmare

Nightmares like a
violent war
in your head
with all the ugly
things your heart
hates.

C Berrange

Clouds

Moving in
over the land
with the roof
closing in on
Cardiff Arms
park in Wales

Kyle F

Chaos

Is a pride of loins
r.u.n.n.i.n.g at a
f-l-e-e-i-n-g herd of
zebras. Trying to catch
a field of stripes

L Aardnesgaard

Swaying

The branches
were swaying
like seaweed
in the sea.

C Berrange

THIS IS ME!

I am Jason Hoepfl. I was born in Pretoria and I live at 9 Centenary Road, Clarendon, in Pietermaritzburg. I went to Hilton Pre-Primary School and I am at Cordwalles. I was three months old, I fell, and cracked my skull really badly and had an operation on my head and my stomach. I have a shunt on my head and I had an operation where they put a tube through my stomach and into my head to drain the brain fluids. I am eleven years old and my birthday is on the 28th March. I was also born in 1991. As a result of my fall I am brain damaged and my left side is weaker than the right.

My favourite room has to be my room and our lounge. My room is very small and has a metal bed pushed up against the left wall. I have a small metal bed side table and a huge metal desk. On my desk I have two model cars and a big television. The lounge is a mustard yellow colour with a big dresser and a large coffee table with many ornaments on. My favourite thing to do in the lounge is to watch DVDs on our DVD machine.

My favourite hour is between three and four because I play on the computer. I like playing Diablo 2, Age of Empires and Champion Bass.

My hobbies are my favourite subject to talk about. I love shooting because I love sending a screaming bullet at a target. I also like Ten-Pin bowling, partly because I have so much fun and I am good at it. I always leave my favourite till last. My favourite hobby is going to a disco and dancing with girls! I also like listening to music and my favourite song is Eminem: Lose Yourself!

I do have many ambitions but I wish to go to Michaelhouse and start my own company worldwide in the future, but in the present I want to get a serious girlfriend!

I also wish to act in a famous film and write my own book. Another ambition of mine is to come first in form this year because I take my academics very seriously.

To end off I must say that I have a very strange personality. It never stays the same for long but I only show kindness to those who deserve it and based on how I feel. I am a very fun person who dislikes ignorant and strict people but at the same time I like strict in a fun way. I must say I hate talking about myself but I don't feel sorry because of my left hand and left leg. I just see myself as a normal boy because I never remember being normal. That's a story about a bit of my life story.

JASON HOEPFL
GR 6T

'Howdy
pardner' -
Gr 6J
experience
being a
cowhand.



THIS IS ME!

My name is Jonathan Harry Stein. I am now almost twelve years old. I was born on the 4th March, which makes me a Pisces. I am quite unfit, and I do not enjoy, like, or deride pleasure from sport. I am quite good at English, Creative Writing, Art, History, and subjects like that. I am positively dreadful at Maths, but I have a wonderful voice, an ear for music and a highly imaginative mind. I am skinny, with deep brown eyes and brown hair. My parents are divorced. I live with my Mom and my Gran. I have two pet cats.

My favourite area is the lounge of my house. Here, you can barely see the coffee table or couch, because they are always heaped with pictures, poems, essays, books and other millions of things to keep me from going mad with boredom. I especially like this spot in winter - I heap it with blankets, teddy bears and hot water bottles. Then I snuggle up in my home-made cocoon and spend days there. Indeed, winter is my favourite season.

My favourite time is 3:30 to 5:00pm on a Friday. That is when I go to practices with the Pietermaritzburg Children's Choir. I love it because I get two hours to do one of the things I love most: Sing! I also enjoy this time because I have time to socialise with a diverse, interesting and friendly group of people.

My many hobbies are of such variety that I could write an entire encyclopaedia about them. Three of my favourites are: Reading, singing and computer games.

I am a positive readaholic! I am always reading. I have a very advanced reading age. I mostly read fantasy ('The wheel of time', 'The Lord of the Rings' etc.) or Sci-Fi, ('Star Wars' novels, 'Greg Bear' etc.). The only exceptions to this are Sherlock Holmes, Adrian Mole and Tom Sharpe. I like fantasy because it gives me a chance to escape.....to leave the humdrum of everyday life and go into a fantasy world where all is possible and the good guys always win.

I have a good voice, and singing gives me a nice feeling inside - like I'm not totally useless at everything. I can imitate a thousand voices. I sing everything from Shania Twain to Enya to Avril Lavigne to Pavarotti. And computer games? Well, my gaming tastes are similar to my reading matters. My favourite game, for example, is Warcraft 3 - featuring the demonic invasion of a magical world of orcs, elves, wizards and dragons.

I have lots of ambitions. I want to go to Hollywood, become a famous actor/director, spoofing the biggies of the past (hence my ideas - 'Bar Wars', 'Bored of the Rings', 'Larry Rotter', - the list is endless). I also have ambitions to be a bestselling fantasy novelist - actually I'm writing my second one at the moment. I want Jonathan Stein to become a household name. I want a mansion in Beverley Hills. I want a knighthood.

I am definitely not a normal preteen. Normal preteens do not spend their weekends at the theatre. Normal preteens have not read the entire works of Pratchett, Holt and Sharpe. Normal preteens do not work out that if you do the Bible code backwards, the first word in the Bible is 'dishwasher'. But whatever I am, I am always me.

JONATHAN STEIN
Gr 6T

grade 7

MY DREAMS FOR 2003

My report in 2002 was a successful one for me. My maths was high but I wish to improve it in the year 2003. My languages were not so bad but I would like to up my average by reading a lot more Afrikaans and English books. I hope to go to the library and read ten books a term. That's just one of my dreams this year. From getting COM for academics last year I wish to work really hard so I can achieve colours, I also will try to get into the General Knowledge Quiz.

Now onto sport. I had been in the first team for every sport except tennis last year which was a great achievement for me. But now this year my aim is to get in the first team for every sport I play. On tour for rugby I wish to work really hard and my goal is to get colours for rugby which I will greatly treasure. For cricket, I will also train and work really hard over our tour. I've worked really hard over the holidays because my goal is to lead the team out onto the field and hopefully get colours at the end of the term. Also one of my aims for cricket is to make a fifty for the first team and get another gold plate on my mini bat at assembly. For tennis my goal is to improve my game at early morning tennis with Chris and move my way up to the first team.

For Jacksons I would like to be captain for most of the sports we play but I do have some fierce competition. In swimming and cross-country, I hope to regain my cups and win the Victor Ludorum and the best Open Cross-Country runner for 2003. Hopefully that will be enough to be captain.

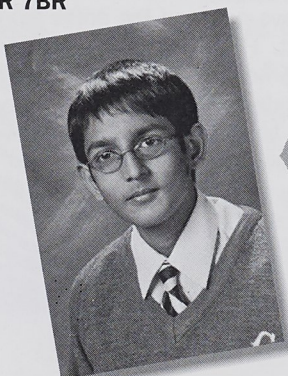
My goals outside of school is to start canoeing at a dam quite close to my house. After seconding my brother in the Duzi I have decided to start. I'm going to use my brother's old boat and in a few years I will hopefully be like my brother and paddling the Duzi.

My main objective in life is to be a golfer. I've already got my own set of clubs and next week I am starting to go to golf lessons at the Victoria Country Club.

I would like to start learning about birds and wildlife by starting in my garden. I want to start because at Hilton there is a wildlife centre with its own game park.

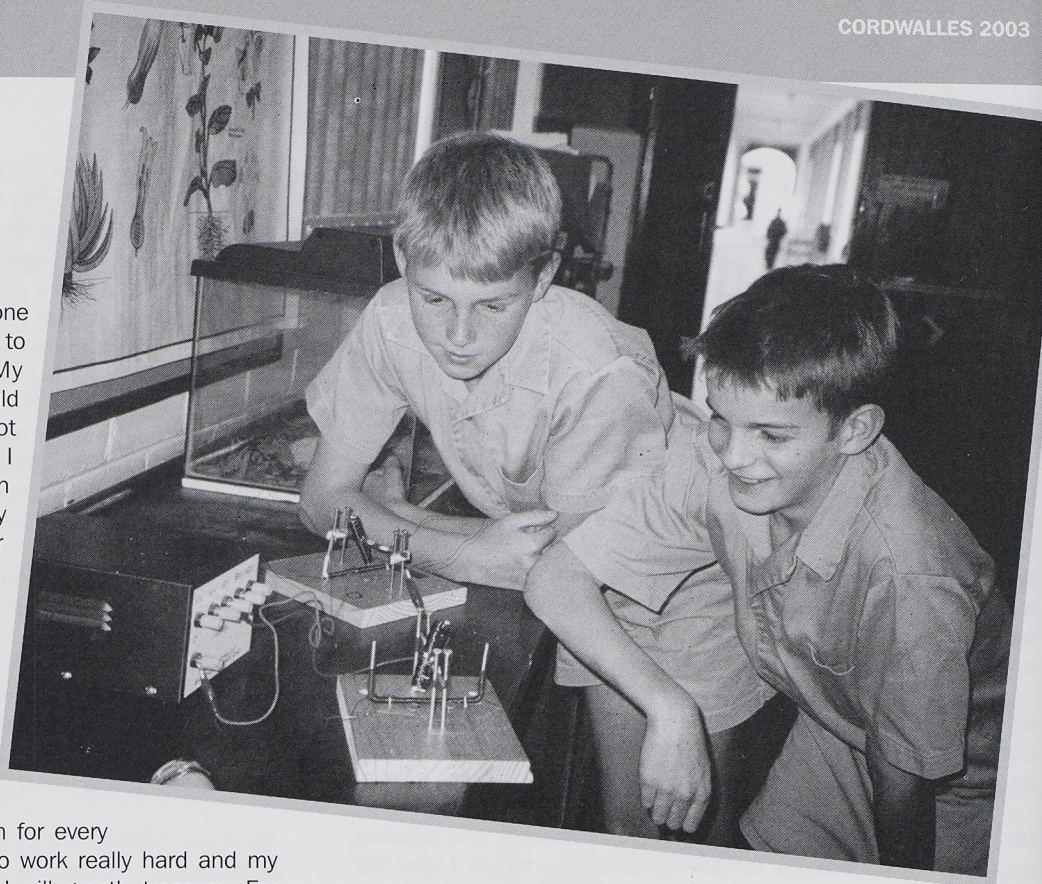
But my most important goal I think is to be kind and friendly so I can be a good leader for Cordwalles.

JASON TRAUTMAN
GR 7BR



Kiran Ram

Cordwalles has been an awesome experience for me and helped me improve my work. Thank you for preparing me for my journey through life.



David Groom and Patrick Smythe learn about electricity.

AN AUTUMN DAWN

The sun peers over the horizon. Pink, orange, and red creeps through the sky, and everything starts to light up. The night air is pushed away with a cool calm breeze. The sun glistens off the dew. The leaves rustle with excitement as a new dawn breaks. The birds start calling and start flying down to start eating. The shadows start diminishing as the wonderful rays take over the world. The distant hills are now visible and start taking shape. More birds start flying across the sky, their shadows darting everywhere. The sky seems like it is being colour washed. The leaves are spread across the garden and every now and again they start rustling and moving. Everything starts and stops like a tape being turned on and off. Everything is now light and the morning starts. This is an autumn morning.

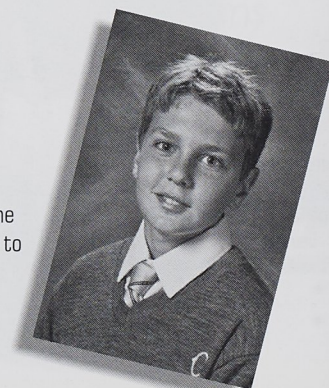
EDWARD GREENE
GR 7BR

THE CAVE

I headed up the mountain with more than one thousand Zulus behind me, I then stopped and looked around. I saw a cave and I started running toward it. It was a small cave, but big enough to hide in. I felt scared and alone. I saw all my friends being massacred, it seemed as though I was only one of a few British soldiers alive.

Chris Smith

My five years at Cordwalles has prepared me well and has helped me to be more confident in myself and to never give up.



As I was loading my gun tears poured from my eyes, I was shaking with fear. I prayed over and over asking God to guide me through this mess. And then Zulus started charging toward me, I took aim and fired. More and more Zulus started coming and I killed them off. It had been three to four hours and I started to think of my family, I thought about my life and how it had been so far and that this was probably the end of it. Then a whole bunch of Zulus entered the cave and then.....

DARREN ANDERSON
GR 7 BR

AMONG THE ROCKS

I was walking among large rocks at the beach. They were surrounded with lots of trees, vines and shrubs. There was a round rock that covered a cave so I moved it. It was hard but I did it. It was not wide but very high so I went in with my Jack Russell Josie. It was a long and dark tunnel. Then suddenly it opened into a whole new world. Well I looked to the side and saw a wall and a roof. All the people I saw were healthy, strong and young and everyone had dogs, cats and birds. The gardens were beautiful and the farms were lush and everything was just perfect. I did not see any litter. I saw a farm; the people who owned it were kind and they let my dog and I stay a day. It was lovely, we fed the ducks and collected the eggs from the chickens but I saw the strangest animal in one of the hocks. The owner said it was a duchick - a duck cross a chicken. Then it was time to go, so we set off and we closed the cave. I woke up with a jolt back into the real world and all that beauty had just been a dream.

LLOYD DOMLEO
GR 7 BR

At first we set off on a long journey,
Until it got dark and dreary.
We sat next to the fire
With nothing to desire.
After we entered our tents,
With air so dense,
We fell sound asleep
In a warm and cosy heap.

We woke up early the next morning
With everyone still yawning.
A little later our tummies started
Rumbling with the delicious smell
Of egg scrambling.

Thereafter the stillness and beauty
Of the surrounding mountains,
Filled our hearts with gladness
And our souls with music of birds singing cheerfully.

Warren Dundas-Starr
Gr 7 BA

Darren Anderson

Cordwall has prepared me well for high school and I have made many friends. It's been great!

AN AUTUMN DAWN

An Autumn dawn - the cold breeze flows through the trees. It feels unbelievably fresh and cool. The dark night turns into day. The crying of the birds echoes through the trees. The remaining night stars vanish into the emerging blue sky. The frosty grass and the new red sun tear through the night sky. Shadows of towering trees appear. More objects appear through the heavy mist, soon everything in view was very clear. Now it looked like a normal morning. As all the early birds crowed and cried, little bugs began hopping around, frogs croaking and waking up. The noise grew greater by the minute. The morning grew slightly warmer, the sun grew higher but the shadows shortened. The trees fall off graciously and come to a soft landing. I am so glad that we can wake up to such a beautiful dawn.

JAMES TATHAM
GR 7 BR

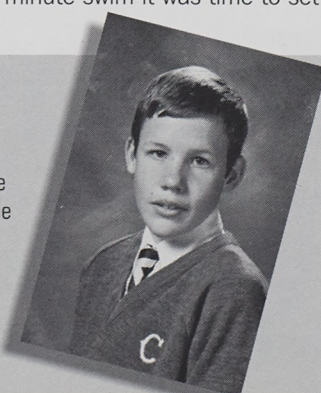
THE HAPPIEST DAY OF MY LIFE

It was a hot sunny summers day as I found myself lying down on a soft cozy mattress staring up at the peak of our tent roof at Cape Vidal. This was no ordinary day. Kevin, Matthew, my Dad and I jumped in the van with "Nomaganjani" our boat on the trailer. We cruised through the campsite and hit the ramps for the beach, the soft glossy beach sand poured in our tread marks as we sped to the sea. Matt and I standing on the back of the van thought it was heaven as we gazed onto the shimmering warm Indian Ocean with each little spray of water reflecting the red hot blazing sun. As we launched the boat that sound of water clapping against the sides of "Nomaganjani" got us jumping in joy for my first deep sea fishing adventure.

My dad drove the van up and Kevin got the motors started, we all hopped in and the 75hp motors rewed us out to sea splitting the waves, with an almighty force. Once all had calmed, we started heading for the rocky reefs approximately three kilometres out to sea. On the journey we came across a massive flock of seagulls fishing for the smaller fish like blacktail, mullets and other species. Closer to the reefs we saw schools of dolphins; the one school led us to the reefs. Mat and I were sitting on the front leaning over trying to touch them, Mat was successful, unfortunately I wasn't. We finally got there, we hauled our rods out and stuck lures on, we picked our spot and cast our bait onto the reefs. We then shoved our sunscreen on, grabbed a coke, sat down and relaxed. My Dad soon fell asleep, sunbaked in the front. Kevin was sitting down, legs up casing the beers. Ten minutes later we saw a knock on Kevin's rod, after a fifteen minute fight, the cuda managed to spit the hook out. After a few more knocks, beers, cokes and chips there was a take on my rod, I seized the rod and struck, I had him secured. Twenty minutes later with a club to his head the five-kilogram barracuda was in the hatchet. I had caught my first cuda and the supper for the night. After two more hours of fishing and a ten minute swim it was time to set for home.

Lloyd Domleo

My six years in the BE has helped me make more friends. Thank you for the superb foundation.



It was a rough trip home with a never ending pounding of swells upon us. The joke of the day was when my Dad jumped off the boat for a quick swim and Kevin put full throttles on and left my Dad in his wake. (He did go back for him).

When we got to the main beach, we waited for the right time to hit the beach. After a successful launch we drove back to the campsite to sit down at a delicious birthday cake, presents and a fish meal for me, mmm, it was scrumptious!

DAVID GROOM
GR 7 BA

THE TATHAM MEMORIAL ESSAY

THE PRIVILEGED CHOSEN FEW

There are many types and kinds of people, some are widely renown as icons in their sparkling music or movie industries. Some are leaders in their fields, others are poor, homeless, desperate and have nothing to live off. Then there are those special few that are admired, looked up to who people call their idols and have something to teach us on how to live our lives in a more interesting, exciting and satisfying way. These people are whom I admire.

I am a very competitive, positive, hard working, sensitive (when it comes to family matters), loyal and friendly person. I've learnt over the past years that you can't live life on your own, you need people around you and someone to be your idol and whom you admire.

I want to become a well known guy, a friendly exuberant man, have a healthy family with three kids who I want to raise happily and I would love to become a solid Christian one day.

I was brought up in many homes, one in Tzaneen, Pietersburg, Pietermaritzburg and now Johannesburg, yet they have all been the building blocks to a solid platform, on which I'm going to build my life.

Having had such a well protected and a solid upbringing, I took a new turn in another direction. That was to go to boarding school in Kwa Zulu Natal. I've had to adjust my living style and learn to cope on my own. I'm now at Cordwalles and have made great and exciting progress in my life. I could not have done it on my own though, I've had to follow the ways of people I admire, such as having self confidence in all that you do and believing in your own abilities. I'm a great admirer of Nelson Mandela, who stood up for what he believed in, which I think is a vital virtue that you must have in order to be successful.

Christianity is something that has always amazed me and to be honest, I don't take it seriously enough. I admire devout Christians because it takes great discipline, self control and belief to be one. A prime example is Eric Liddell from the film 'Chariots of Fire'. Along the same lines we come across Jesus, whom I greatly admire, for how he put others first.

There are also people that work really hard for a good cause and achieve overwhelming success, there are men and women who have huge hearts and open them up for the needy and helpless. These people can teach us all an important and vital lesson.



Andrew Bourdillon, Tristan Kirn, David Groom and Cameron Inggs give Patrick Smythe a push off in their home made go-kart.

When people have a keen sense of liveliness, positiveness and when they always look on the bright side of life, I get an urge of excitement and igniting passion to enjoy life and so I'm a great admirer of these positive people.

Out of all these gifted people, I think you have to choose a role model. This is someone that if you were to be exactly like him or her you would be overjoyed and satisfied with life. My father is someone I haven't mentioned but he's certainly someone I look up to, admire and strive to be like. He went to boarding school from the age of six in another country and so he's developed great courage and willpower, which I think is a great attribute to have. He played provincial sport all his life and played for his country on a few occasions. He now has raised and supported an amazing family which involves my mother, my sister and myself. He also runs and owns a successful business and quite uniquely always has time for fun and games, to go on holidays, to play with his kids and amazingly he also has a good and positive attitude towards life.

He has taught me many things, guided me through troubled times, always been there and created an outstanding father figure for me to look up to. It is because of all these things that I strive to be like him and that he is my role model. I admire my dad and people like him with huge respect.

In sport there are many people that I look up to including Jonty Rhodes for his lively and positive attitude and Terrence Parkin for beating all the odds and becoming a professional swimmer. Being deaf is one thing but then going on to swim in the Olympics is something that everyone should admire! (I'm one of those people that do).

If I take everything into account, I come out with this: I admire people that give their best in everything they do, give into life what they want out. People who take every opportunity given to them with both hands and people who put their mind to living life to its fullest! A quote that I think sums this composition up is this: 'A man will reap, only what he sows.'

Andrew Bourdillon
Grade 7BA

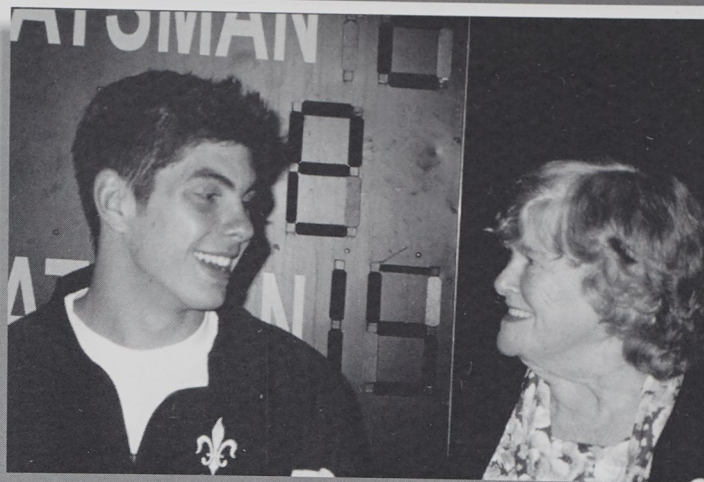
2003 CORDWALLES REUNION

We all arrived rather excitedly but also nervous after not seeing some of our old school friends for ages. We were welcomed by Mr Whitelaw and our teachers before tucking into the great snacks which were provided. We were all intrigued by the wonderful display which had been made showing the faces of all the boys who left Cordwalles in 1998. Some of our friends had changed hugely whereas some seemed exactly the same as they had been in standard 5. Boys rushed off to see the main school buildings and see what changes had occurred. Everything was pretty similar to what we remembered. Mr Whitelaw and Mr Evans both spoke to us and most of the rest of the evening was just spent talking and catching up on what had occurred over the past 5 years. Tiisetso Tsiki spoke on behalf of the boys, thanking both the staff and parents for the time that they gave us at Cordwalles. The evening didn't last long but it gave us enough time to catch up on a few stories and to get back into contact with our old school mates. A huge thanks must be given to those who put in such a great amount of effort in order for the evening to be as successful as it was.

JAMES GRIFFITHS



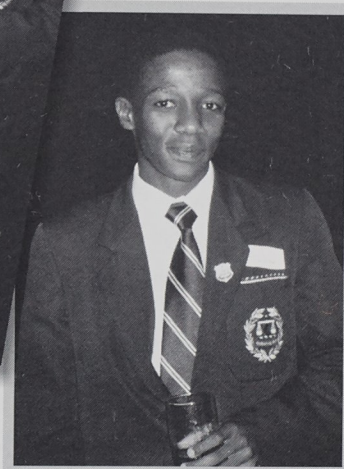
Catching up - Jimbo Walker, Tom Stavrides, James Griffiths, Kyle Emmerson, Dylon Ras and Adrian Brown with Mrs De'ann Brooks.



James Griffiths, who achieved 6A's in Matric, renews acquaintance with Mrs De'ann Brooks.



Warren Birk and Tiisetso Tsiki sporting their Cordwalles ties.



Tiisetso Tsiki (deputy head boy at Michaelhouse) saying a few words at the Old Boys' Reunion.

Mr Frank Hall and his wife Felicity, Cordwalles old boy (1925-1926) who came back to visit at the age of 92.



The parents of them all.



Saying goodbye to the Gap Students -

Back - John Gold, Mr. Mark Whitelaw, Rupert Harmsworth, Richard Dargavel, Duncan Greaves, and Chris Healey.
Front - Brad Mitchell, Derek de Goede and Mr Tim Evans.



Listening to a précis of their time at Cordwalles - Rupert Harmsworth and Richard Dargavel.



Rupert Harmsworth accepting a farewell gift from Mr Tim Evans.

Good evening everybody.

I would like to say thank you to Mr Bause for a happy and wonderful last year at Cordwalles. Thank you for being a lovely teacher. A teacher who can play with us boys but also can teach us things - shout really loudly!

We started with the World Cup Cricket and guessing who the winner would be. Thank you, Mr Bause for the egg on my head. Awande got the chips and cooldrink.

I remember at Babanango when we were playing at night, Mr Bause crept up on me and grabbed my shirt and gave me a huge fright!

And the one time Patrick was talking in class but Mr Bause noticed. Luckily he was able to get his desk lid up before the cricket ball got to him.

And I would like to share with you the Mr Bause shake, rattle and roll.

When I started at Cordwalles in Grade 0, I had only heard sound for 6 months. I could only hear "oo", "aa", "ee" and "or" before. Thank you to all my teachers and friends for helping me to get to where I am now.

GARETH HARRIES
Gr 7B

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