

an 'outstanding' report and classification belonging and ownership of their school and according to the rigorous criteria laid down the community it serves. The academic results by Ofsted. Interestingly, there were two main have soared and a high percentage of the 6th areas of focus that, according to the staff, Form now gain acceptance into university or have had a direct impact on the dramatically other tertiary institutions. Many of these young improved status of this school community. men and women are the first family members to enter into any form of tertiary education in Firstly, a framework was created for meaningful their communities, pastoral care, very similar to the Flouse system we currently enjoy at Roedean; secondly, One can so easily take for granted or even be and most importantly, attention was directed critical of the effect of strong traditions that are towards the tradition and values on which this values-based. Roedean's founding values of Truth, Honour, Freedom, I & i: WÊÊÊÊÊ Mr It 9HIjfr'gjSH ; and Courtesy have helped, M over one hundred and I II • • seven years, to build a robust ethos, and we W if ^ x - I i continue to benefit from our invaluable heritage, the impact of which must , V ^ never be underestimated. , ml Ig ■■ I li; This powerful heritage fyH|| ■ |i i i • of Roedean must serve 7- to inform and direct our ^ • Iwl * I future endeavours. We will 'I strive to address some of k, 'I the universal challenges Kji 'H1* \ W of economic sustainability, M * £&*§ gender equity, social and jS k , ill . environmental degradation, I 1 * ^ and enable the girls |g@l| , ♦ ' / , wL4| to acquire, not only ""**• '1 knowledge, but the critical WjfiËB ,, \ m é \$-4ÊÊËJLjÍ skills which will prepare UfSBiB[w 11 them to solve the complex " * ** *1 problems of the 21 st Íí£ 'WÍÊfe T' r*^H£ Century. It was my privilege, in June, to attend a national conference in Birmingham. This conference is run annually by the National College for Leadership of Schools and Children's Services. 2010 saw a record number of two thousand delegates, all representing school leadership. The vast majority of delegates hailed from the United Kingdom, with a small percentage drawn from around the world. At the pre-conference programme held over two days in Nottingham, I was the only South African present and involved with the independent schools' sector. The National College for Leadership of

Schools and Children's

Services has, as its
constituents, the state
education sector in the UK.

Whilst in Nottingham, I had an experience which allowed me to reflect on many aspects of the ongoing development of Roedean and, in particular, some of our current strategic imperatives. I was invited to visit a school in Nottingham that, over the past six years, had undergone a remarkable

transformation. Six years integral part of the school's history, 80th
ago, this senior school, with is seen here with Mary Williams, Executive Headmistress.

fourteen hundred pupils, had
been given a 'failing schools'

status by the much-maligned organization for
school evaluation in the UK - Ofsted. The
school was characterized by student violence,
high levels of truancy and absenteeism, and,
not surprisingly, very low pupil and staff morale

The academic results of those pupils who did
manage to complete their final examination
demands were dismal, to say the least. This
same school, six years later, has just received

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whole-school curriculum

Anne Lorentz, Gardening Supremo, who has served the Roedean community for and the enhancement of
a much valued and often envied school ethos, we are committed to inspire both girls and staff alike to lead lives of
school had been founded nearly one hundred significance, and to know that in so many ways
years ago, and which, over time, had sadly we are empowered to make a difference,
disappeared completely. Much successful

work has now been done to revisit the values 'We are made wise not by the recollection
and the traditions of this school and to take of our past, but by the responsibility of our
ownership of them once again. future.'

George Bernard Shaw

In the space of six years, the pupils and staff of this school have developed a strong sense of
Princess of Wales Terrace, Parktown, Johannesburg 2193

Congratulations to Samhaa Seedat in UIV who was awarded the major academic scholarship at St Andrew's School
for Girls for Senior School in 2011.

Georgia Williams, Christie Reeves, Marina Obregon, Ashleigh Stoger, and Carmen Daisy Wesson were selected to
represent Central Gauteng at the Squash IPT in Port Elizabeth.

Alida de Bruyn represented Central Gauteng in an Inter-provincial Rhythmic Gymnastics Competition, in which she
received a bronze medal in the Under 9 Ribbon Section.

Anisa Essop represented Central Gauteng at the Primary Schools' Tennis Tournament held in Pietermaritzburg from
June 11 -15. She also represented Central Gauteng at the Telkom SA Level 1 Regional Swimming Championships, in
which she was placed 2nd in 50m Freestyle. Anisa was placed in the top ten Central Gauteng Aquatics points
achievers for 2009/2010.

Congratulations to Kirsten Reeves on her selection for the Gauteng Schools' Aquatics Team. She was selected to swim
in all the A finals in the South African Schools' Championships, which were held in Cape Town in March, 2010

Robyn Murning in Upper IV has become a member of the 2010 Johannesburg Youth Orchestra, and is honoured to
have been given the position of First Trumpet.

Robyn also plays First Trumpet in the Johannesburg Symphonic Wind Band, a position she has held since 2009.

Kathryn Reeve, Pascale Fairbairn, and Angeliki Koutromanos were awarded full provincial colours for Karate and
competed in the SA Championships in Bloemfontein in March. Kathryn came 2nd in her age group in Kumite, and was
selected to represent the National Karate Team in Zimbabwe, where she obtained an overall second place in Zone 6
(African Countries) for Kumite.

U13s

Natasha Tenderini, Alexandra Bantock, Tyla Jacobs, Thandiwe Bvurere, Kirsten Graves, Christie Reeves, and Sarah Fox

U12s

Tessa Glyn, Harriet Brookes-Gray, Carmen Daisy Wesson, and Olivia Olsson. Absent, Jemma Williams

UPPER JUNIOR

Congratulations to the following girls who were selected for D9 Hockey Teams in their respective age groups:

Afrikaans Spraakgilde: Kara Birkenmayer, Charlize Morgan, Franci van Rhyn, and Ronel Irvine obtained distinctions in the individual category.

Katherine Kriegler, Nicola Mitchell, and Jessica Dix have all been placed in the top fifty of the prestigious De Beers English Olympiad. This is a remarkable achievement, as more than 6000 pupils entered the 2010 English Olympiad.

Helen Byrne, Alexa-Mae Fiford, Mary Kennedy and Yeukai Mutemeri also received Gold Awards.

Romana Katrakilis participated in a Clay Target Shooting Competition held at the Sterkfontein Clay Pigeon Club in Olifantsfontein. Together with her Father, Grandfather, brother and cousin, they won the team event.

Gina Horscroft has been awarded a Hennie Joubert Merit Prizes for performance in Piano Grade 6 in the UNISA Music Examinations.

Roedean's results in the Speech and Drama College (SA)'s 2010 Public Speaking Competition were, as always, excellent, with many teams gaining A and A+ symbols. However, perhaps the most impressive achievement was the winning of the challenging Trophy Team Competition for the second year in succession. Roedean's three speakers were Jessica Dix, Helen Byrne, and Danai Musandu. Their topic was a quotation from one of Emily Dickinson's poems: "Tell all the truth, but tell it slant."

Mbali Khumalo and Katherine Kriegler

have been offered places in the 11th Grade to study at Maret School in Washington DC and The Masters School in New York respectively. This was facilitated by the ASSIST Exchange Programme. They will return to Roedean to complete Matric.

Hannah Massyn won the National Essay Competition, "Mon Heros et Moi", which is organized to celebrate La Francophonie.

Paloma Gaywood was one of only nine candidates selected as a finalist of the Annual Val Whyte Bursary Ballet Competition held in May.

Alexandra Plakas and Jaylin de Klerk are both members of the Johannesburg Youth Orchestra in the Symphonic Wind Band and Jazz Orchestra respectively.

Keren Buisson-Street has been selected to represent South Africa at the 22nd World Scout Jamboree in Sweden in July, 2011.

Khanyisile Peterson has been invited to represent South Africa at the Giffoni Film Festival in Italy at the end of July.

Claudia Dehnke was accepted to study with the renowned American Violin teacher, Professor Mimi Zweig, at the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music Academy in Bloomington during July, 2010

THE 2010 SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Highlights from Calendar

Some exciting ventures that have taken place over the past 6 months:

- The Lapdesk Company, in collaboration with Hyundai, invited Roedean to participate in its Urban Schools' Ticket Fund Campaign. Roedean submitted a document outlining the various Social Responsibility projects in which its pupils are involved. Roedean was one of the twenty schools selected and was awarded 113 World Cup tickets.

These tickets were then handed over to two of our community partners,

Jabulani Khakibos Kids' Shelter and Christchurch Care Centre, both in Berea. The staff and children, of both these homes were overwhelmed by the gesture. The children accompanied

by their care-workers and staff, attended a match at Soccer City on 17 June and will be able to say "We were there!"

- The Grade 11 pupils, in partnership with Siyakhanya Food Garden, have learnt about the intricacies of designing and developing a permaculture food garden. A design which one of the

Grade 11 groups submitted was chosen by the expert at Siyakhanya as the most practical design.

The Roedean Environmental Club will lay out and plant the food garden at NOAH (Nurturing Orphans with AIDS for Humanity), Yeoville, in the spring.

- A group of members from Interact participated in a Spin-a-thon

to raise funds for our community partner, The Foundation School (Sparrow Schools). The pupils had a wonderful time spinning for a couple of hours in the Melville Spin Studio.

- On a cold Monday, the members of the Matric Dance Committee volunteered their evening to serve soup to more

than 200 destitute people at the Holy Trinity Church in Braamfontein.

- A group of pupils volunteered for Habitat for Humanity's Youth Build Project in Orange Farm.

CHARLOTTE HULLEY:

Social Responsibility Co-ordinator/ Manager

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY HIGHLIGHTS

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Matric Dance Committee cleaning up, after assisting with the soup kitchen.

Site at NOAH to be used for the planned food garden

Soup Kitchen at Holy Trinity Church in Braamfontein

Interact girls energetically participating in the Spin-a-thon

Shane Immelman (CEO of the Lapdesk Company International) who in collaboration with Hyundai, handed over the FIFA World Cup Tickets to Mrs Mary Williams (Executive Head Mistress)

Dear Charlotte

We were very impressed with the entire World Cup organisation, i.e. The park 'n ride system, the security at the stadium, easy access to toilets and catering and mingling with the friendly excited fans was part of the fun, which made for a very successful day out for us. Sitting in the sun behind the goal posts was an extra bonus: THANKS. The gift bags with hats and lanyards are very precious memorabilia the boys will be able to show their children one day and be able to WERE THERE'.

Warm regards

Stefanie, the Board, Staff and all the Boys at Jabulani Khakibos

Everyone at Jabulani Khakibos Kids was extremely delighted with the generous opportunity afforded by Hyundai to attend the Argentina/South Korea 2010 soccer match at Soccer City, as you will see by all the happy smiling faces in the photographs attached.

THE ROE DEAN IAN, 2010

ART TOUR TO EUROPE

During the Easter holidays, 30 excited Roedean girls took to the air from Oliver Tambo airport, en route to an Art Tour in Europe. Accompanied by the as-excited Ms Lordan and Ms Bogaard, they had a successful flight to Madrid, whence they took a transfer flight to London. London was an enriching experience, and the range of galleries and activities was excellent. We had the benefit of seeing both top contemporary and historic artworks. Negotiating the tubes in London was a most interesting experience, with the girls quickly adapting to the system! One of the highlights of London was undoubtedly the service we attended at St Paul's Cathedral on Easter Sunday. We were seated under the dome and were transported by the glorious singing.

Paris was bitterly cold, but beautiful. Our first stop was Montmartre, the area in which the Impressionists made their mark. We went to the outstanding Rodin Museum, and Notre Dame Cathedral was awe-inspiring. One clear image of our time in Paris is the girls lined up stoically in the cold and rain outside

Archway in Madrid at the start of the Road to Toledo

the Musée D'Orsay. It was a test of nerves and well worth the effort, as the collection in that gallery is truly vast.

Many crêpes later, we boarded an overnight train to Barcelona.

Barcelona, where we stayed in a beachfront hotel, was loved by all. The joy of experiencing Antonio Gaudi's spectacular architecture and mosaics will never fade! From the Catalan Museum to the La Sagrada Familia Cathedral, Barcelona never failed to please. The more balmy weather was also most welcome. From Barcelona, we went by train to Bilbao. It was a long journey, but worth every minute, as the Guggenheim Museum houses one of the finest collections of contemporary art in the world. The large installation of metal sheets by Richard Serra amazed the girls, especially the girls who do not take Art as a subject, as his works are developed through Mathematics and the computer, before the metal is bent.

Then on to Madrid, where we joyfully avoided the bullfighting arenas! The Prado Museum was an excellent reference point for Spanish

Rodin's Thinker

Art, as it is studied in the Art curriculum. Again, the benefit of actually seeing artworks outside of books was an invaluable learning experience. We then took a day trip to the medieval town of Toledo, where we were treated to a visit to a medieval foundry. The craftsmen still temper the steel in the manner in which it was tempered centuries ago.

Toledo is rich with history from a time when Christians, Jews, and Muslims lived peacefully together. This is often seen in the fusion of architectural styles. The narrow, winding streets and ancient buildings transported one back in time, but the only knights we encountered were the suits of armour at the foundry! Then back to Madrid, whence we flew home to South Africa. The flight back was hardly noticed, as the girls slept soundly after walking miles around Europe. The tour was a truly magnificent experience, and was loved and appreciated by all.

RUBY BOGAARD: Design and Art Teacher

Architecture by Gaudi:

Girls having Fun

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- ROEDEAN FASHION SHOW, 2010

KITCHEN COUTURE

The annual Roedean Fashion Show was held on Wednesday, 24 May. This year, the theme was “Kitchen Couture”, and the Ante-Matric girls certainly “cooked up a storm”, creating a night of old-school kitchen glamour. The social-awareness drive focused on hunger, cleanliness, and hygiene in the home. A few of the AM girls helped out at the Christ Church soup kitchen. “Good, clean fun” for the evening came in the form of dance and vocal entertainment, as well as the modelling of a number of well-known fashion brands and formal wear.

The most exciting part of the show was the showcasing of the work of the Photography Competition finalists and the modelling of the Design Competition finalists’ garments. The audience was treated to the remarkable creativity of both the budding photographers of Roedean, who were faced with the challenge of taking a photograph with the theme “decontextualisation of things found in the kitchen”, and Roedean’s Coco Chaneles in the making, who had to design and make a dress completely out of kitchen materials. The photographs were displayed in the “Art Gallery” created outside Founders’ Hall and strikingly expressed the interesting themes.

Lethabo Kekana and Mary Kennedy:

Ante Matric

Couture: turning items from your kitchen into high fashion.

MATRIC DANCE FUNDRAISERS

Every year, the members of the Matric Dance Committee are responsible for raising funds so that they can create an evening of magic and memory, a dance at which dreams come true. 2010 has been no different, and the Roedean Ante Matrics have shown the whole Roedean community just how creative and resourceful they are!

We painted the roses red It was very difficult to think of an appropriate theme for Valentine’s Day, a theme that would capture the essence of Roedean. Our aim for 2010 was to make Valentine’s Day more about friendship and take it to a completely new level. After much deliberating, our amazing committee remembered the line from a song in Alice in Wonderland: “We’re painting the roses red”. So, we got planning the theme of Alice in Wonderland.

The main activities on our agenda were Civvies Day and the Valentine ‘s Day cake-and-candy sale. The theme for Civvies Day was “A character from Alice in Wonderland and we saw some of the craziest Mad Hatters, the prettiest Alices, and many other weird and wonderful Wonderland creations. The Mad Hatter’s Tea Party proved to be a delicious and beautiful high tea in the Cultural Courtyard.

We also sold the beautiful Rosa Roedean to supportive parents and teachers.

Jade Arenstein and Emma Cooper:

Ante Matric

Kitchen

Valentine’s Day, a time to feel special!

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Exploring the Orange River.

Summiting The Iron Crown (Wolkberg)

Youth Empowerment

The President’s Award is the South African name for the internationally renowned Duke of Edinburgh’s Award. Since 2007, Roedean has run the programme, and the girls have responded enthusiastically to the slogan: “Challenging young people everywhere.” Girls fulfil their requirements in the areas of skills, physical activity, community service, Adventurous Journey, and, on Gold Level, there is the addition of a residential project.

Roedean is proud of the girls' fourteen Gold Awards, seventeen Silver Awards, and forty-nine Bronze Awards. The Adventurous Journeys are especially memorable for the girls: hiking, canoeing, horse-riding, and climbing form the core of Reflections on the value of the President's award's Adventurous Riding at Golden Gate. the events, all of which build character and camaraderie. Below, Caitlin Gaynor offers us insight on her unforgettable experience:

Sandy Murray: President's Award: Award Leader for Roedean.

JOURNEY:

The journey was absolutely fantastic and I learnt so much! Everything was new, but I got through it all. I didn't know anybody at all and I did not know what to expect. Besides being freezing, we had good weather, apart from the first day which featured a blizzard and a 10-degree wind! The place we went to was absolutely stunning and it opened my eyes to so much more in life. The "bigness" of everything around me was so improbably beautiful that all my problems seemed insignificant. While on horseback, one finds that there is so much time to think about everything and, because nobody spoke very much then, I was able to relax and reflect. The horses were gentle and unbelievably strong! They were as unfailing as machines up those really steep and unstable mountain "paths". I appreciated this journey as much as I possibly could, and I definitely grew: emotionally, physically, and mentally. When I arrived home, I felt refreshed and (to be honest) like a completely different person! That probably sounds clichéd, but I believe that this journey changed me as a person and altered the way I view life. Thank you to Sonja Thomas and Mrs Murray for their support and for arranging this amazing experience-it was truly magical.

Caitlin Gaynor: MV.

Magaliesberg Hike.

Rowing on the Ebenezer Dam.

Roedean Enrichment Society !

FRENZY

To date, the Roedean Enrichment Society has enjoyed a very successful 2010! All the events have been well attended by members of the Roedean community and by guests, and the screenings have provoked a great deal of impassioned discussion.

The films screened have ranged from Max Ophuls's Le Plaisir, a bitter-sweet adaptation of three Guy de Maupassant stories, to Alan Bennett's witty and poignant examination of patriotism and treachery, An Englishman Abroad. Hitchcock's darkly comic Frenzy and Stanley Kramer's satirical allegory, Ship of Fools, proved to be especially popular.

However, I was particularly delighted by the joy with which young viewers greeted Jeremy Brett's clipped, icily intellectual Sherlock Holmes! Clearly, no modern distortions by Guy Ritchie would satisfy Roedean students. The Enrichment Society is very appreciative of the enthusiastic commitment of all its regulars. Roedean pupils should be aware that the Society offers them a chance to be exposed to rare works that they will certainly not find in their local Video /DVD outlets.

Long may the Society flourish!

DIGBYRICCI: H.O.D. English.

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BENNETT

An Englishman Abroad

WAGNER EVENING

The girls would like to thank Ms Bowen and Mr Schmitt for putting this wonderful showcase together. We all enjoyed it and would love to do it again!

Boitsheko Ganyane: Head of Choir, 2010.

Owing to the enthusiasm and dedication of Inez Patel, Christina Wu, and Mrs Susan van Straaten, Roedean hosted a very successful homage to Richard Wagner's Ring cycle. Mr Ricci gave a lecture on his trip to Bayreuth

INTERSCHOOL CHO

On 12 March, the Roedean Senior Choir hosted an interschool choir festival with four other girls' schools. The aim of the night was to interact with other schools through the use of music. The schools that were invited were St Mary's School, Waverley, Kingsmead College, Jeppe High School for Girls, and the

in August 2009, and the well-known local baritone, Francois Moller, delighted the audience with his passionate, moving rendition of Winterstürme.

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Oprah Winfrey Academy for Girls. The night was an amazing showcase of talent, as each school was given the chance to perform many different genres of music. To end an amazing night, all the choirs performed a combined mass piece conducted by the Roedean Choir Master, Ralf Schmitt.

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AMAHA LOVEMORE COMPETITION

J^MAHA LOVEMORE MUSIC COMPETITION, 2010

The Music Department hosted the 8th annual Music Competition in July. We are indeed fortunate to receive ongoing financial support from our sponsors, Lovemore Music Centre. Invitations were extended to surrounding schools and three categories could be entered: Piano, Wind Instruments, and String Instruments. The results were as follows: The prizes in each category consisted of: First prize: R3 500; Second Prize: R2000; Third Prize: R750.00. Our two esteemed adjudicators, Marian Friedman (piano) and John Hinch (orchestral instruments), adjudicated performances of AS FOLLOWS: a very high standard and nine finalists were selected to perform at the Gala Evening on Friday, 23 July, at which the winners were announced.

Strings: Winds: Piano:

1st Prize: 1st Prize: 1st Prize:

Vivienne Janse van Rensburg - Fladia Buongiorno - Recorder Elizabeth Gaylord

Pedal Harp (Trinity High School) (Reddam House) (Roedean School)

2nd Prize: 2nd Prize: 2nd Prize:

Wilmien Janse van Rensburg - Visser Liebenberg - Clarinet David Ng

Violin (Pro Arte) (St Stithians)

(Roedean School)

3rd Prize: 3rd Prize:

3rd Prize: Seo Hee Lee - Flute (Roedean Andre Breet (Hoërskool Florida)

Claudia Dehnke - Violin (Roedean School)

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Congratulations to ALL the Roedean participants! NELL BOWEN: H.O.D. Music

David Ng -St Stithian's College

Elizabeth Gaylord ■ Roedean School

Seo Hee Lee -Roedean School

Claudia Dehnke -Roedean School

Vivienne Janse van Rensburg -Trinity High School

Visser Liebenberg -Pro Arte

Andre Breet -Hoërskool Florida

Fladia Buongiorno ■ Reddam House

HOUSE PLAYS: 2010

These articles were written by the House Play directors, reflecting on the process and products of the adventure that was the 2010 House Play Competition.

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Bears House Play - Coraline (Directed by Erryn Gracey &

Tendani Mulaudzi)

This year, Bears House presented Coraline. based on the novel by Neil Gaiman. My co-director and I decided that the fantasy world would suit our talents best. Coraline's is a child's fantasy world of dancing mice, games, surprises, macabre threats, delicious food, and a Russian circus man. There were no creative limits, and our cast and crew contributed every ounce of creativity they had to the production.

To quote one of our cast members, "Rehearsals are when our day starts!" Each rehearsal redefined 'creative', and I was always left smiling. The girls approached obstacles with enthusiasm, never seeing problems, only solutions. No matter how many times they had to 'retake' a scene, they always put their all into the performances.

Trouble Lurks for Coraline

Kats House Play - Snow White (Directed by Jessica Dix)

When given the task of directing the Kats House Play, I felt as if I had been handed a blank canvas and a paintbrush. It was my job to come up with something alluring that would fill the big white space with movement and colour.

Informed that my play must have a chorus, I linked the original Greek chorus with the fairytale narrator. I sifted through my collection of old fairytales, and found a story encompassing romance, tragedy, and horror. Just like that, I started splashing paint onto the canvas, and the magic started to take place.

A bunch of roses for the Queen

Mirror Mirror on the wall, who's the fairest of them all?

Lambs House Plays -Nightmare Before Christmas (Directed by Megan Culligan)

Each director was asked to produce a play which included a large chorus. It seemed like a fairly straightforward task, but, after realising that meant leading over 30 girls every practice, I soon found out the only way to control such a large group was through the promise of fun and chocolate cake.

We workshopped The Nightmare Before Christmas: comic at times, but chilling too, it was a feast for the eyes, with magnificent costumes and sets. It was full of fun and fright! The cast and crew truly exceeded all expectations. Hard work, dedication, and talent, nurtured with large helpings of cake, resulted in a spectacular and very well-received production.

Lock, Shock and Barrel! And Jack the Pumpkin King

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The characters of Halloween Town send chills down one's spine.

A little help from a Cat!

Congratulations to everyone who participated. The standard was excellent in every aspect, from the innovative set designs to the engaging performances. It was Kats House, however, that walked away with the prize for the Best Play.

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Hockey

Congratulations to Hannah Benn, Nicola Mitchell and Philippa Raal who were selected for the D 9 U18 Hockey team, Sarah-Ann Sabbagh D9 U16 Hockey team and Jessie Shultz for the D9 U14 team. A special congratulations to Tsholofelo Marishane on her selection for the Gauteng U14 C Hockey team.

As the 2009 Reef Cup winners, Roedean hosted the tournament in 2010. Unfortunately, the Roedean swimming-pool was still under construction and we had to look at hosting elsewhere. Parktown Boys' School was very accommodating and allowed us to use its facilities. After tough pool matches and a nail-biting semi-final, Roedean did not claim back the trophy, and

lost to St Stithian's 2-7 in the final. It was not lost without a fight! A tournament team was selected, and congratulations to the following girls on their selection: Gabriella Maree, Rachael Mackell, Meaghan Oosthuizen, Laura van der Griendt.

WENDY IEVERS: H.O.D. Sport.

Teagyn Gracey and Nompilo Sibisi were selected to represent Central Gauteng in the Youth Event at the South African National Diving Championships in Durban this year. Loan Heilner participated in both the Youth and Senior Events.

Rebecca Henning, Suki Pieterse, and Stephenie Burrell achieved 1 st place in the various Equestrian qualifiers held thus far in 2010.

Lamis Essop has been selected to represent South Africa in the U15 tennis team. The team will tour Argentina, and the players will participate in tournaments and friendly matches in June, 2010. She also represented Gauteng in the Interprovincial Tournament.

Well done to: Gauteng U16A

Laura Buck and Marijke Bruins Sarah Jenkins and Ines Obregon Kathleen MacWilliam

Gauteng U16B

Gauteng U14A

Laura Buck and Marijke Bruins participated in the 2010 SA Schools' Squash Closed Tournament. This tournament is by invitation only for the top 4 players from each province. Well done on this remarkable achievement!

CONGRATULATIONS to Gabriella Maree who was selected for the South African Water Polo National Women's Team.

She is a true Springbok! This team participated in the Water Polo World League Tournament, which took place in June in Greece.

We are also very proud of a number of girls who will be representing Central Gauteng at the Squash Interprovincial Tournament.

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UNIOR SCHOOL LIFE

A REFLECTION: UPPER JUNIORS

As we reflect on the challenges and excitement of 2010, our hope is that every school experience instils in our pupils the aspiration to look beyond themselves, to make a positive mark on their school community, and to be worthy of their heritage.

The Junior School photographs reflect much of our interactive and cross-curricular learning. Success in these areas is achieved through involvement, discipline, hard work, and resilience. Achievements in and beyond the classroom depend heavily on the ability to learn from mistakes and on the spirit to turn challenges into opportunities.

The girls in the Upper Junior all benefited from exciting Adventure Camps. The Form IIs spent three fabulous days at Bush Pigs; the Form IIs visited La Palala; the Lower IVs enjoyed a unique cultural experience at Botshabelo, while the Upper IVs experienced alternative ways of thinking and communicating at Konka Camp in the Magaliesberg. The Junior School has been a keen supporter of the World Cup 2010. 'Football Fridays' saw our pupils dressed in an array of colourful jerseys, reflecting our diverse communities love of the game, and pride in our country's hosting this momentous event.

The World Cup featured highly in our curriculum initiatives this year. All the Upper Junior pupils created artworks, celebrating all things South African. The Lower IVs used their Art research for a short speech. They also paid a visit to The Mail and Guardian to learn more about the media and their coverage of the World Cup. The Upper IVs did a similar project for Music, researching information to create songs of celebration. The sounds of vuvuzelas and the pounding of gumboots coming from the music room were a joyful anticipation of World Cup 2010.

Our annual Arts and Literature Week was an exciting celebration of music and reading.

The Character Dress-up Day and the hotly contested literature quizzes allowed our girls an opportunity to display their breadth of knowledge about children's literature. The Ellis Pearson production was a sheer delight, as well as a strong indictment of urbanization and the destruction of our precious forests. The music of the Johannesburg Philharmonic Orchestra filled Founders' with an astounding reminder of the power of sound. Well-known author, Chris van Wyk, visited Roedean early in June, regaling the Upper Juniors with stories from his childhood and signing copies of his books.

Social Responsibility plays a pivotal role in the Junior School. Our girls interact weekly with Tape Aids, Philile Pre-school, Park Care Frail Centre, Door of Hope, Agape, and The Key School in a variety of projects, each offering our pupils a unique learning experience. The range of ages and the diversity of our pupils are assets to the various organizations. The pupils provide dynamic ideas for projects, adding energy and liveliness to the lives of those with whom they connect.

Parents and prospective parents gained firsthand insight into our curriculum on Learning in Action Day. They were welcomed into classrooms to observe the many topics and methods used daily in our teaching and learning. There was a wonderful enthusiasm and passion for learning throughout the day, and great interest and support shown by our parents.

Other events that have taken place this year include: the Form II Soiree, chess matches, EMS market days, Chatterbox, Family Life talks, the Guild of Public Speaking Festival, the Kids' Lit Quiz, and outings to The Mail and Guardian and to the Voortrekker Monument.

According to educationalist, Mark Treadwell, a key goal for schools should be to expose young people to as many different opportunities as is possible so that they can discover for themselves what they are inherently good at. We hope that our many and varied activities this year have gone some way towards achieving that goal.

JAN MALLIN: Junior School Headmistress and GILL MURDOCH: Junior School Librarian.

Junior School Photographs

Form II Camp

Form III Camp

Lower IV Camp

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"Going on camp was an exciting experience for me. I loved having new challenges and looking after my own things."

Victoria Roetger: Form II

"Lapalala was great. We swam, climbed, crawled, ran, canoed, walked and hiked, and had fun. "

Jackie Duvenhage: Form III

"Everyone always worked together.

We had fun, no matter the rainy weather.' Natasha Rajak: Lower IV

“Much of the focus was on planning and solving problems. We had to compete in an obstacle course that would have tested the mettle of Navy Seals.”

Mrs Carr and Thuli Thabete

“Judging by our classroom, I think that Lower IV. 1 had the best spirit for the World Cup!”

Alice Phale: Lower IV. 1

“On our Market Day we learnt about making profits. The market was such a hit and I cannot wait for the next one.”

Husnaa Jhavary: Form II

Literature Week

Music

Form II Soiree

Upper IVs at Konka Camp

World Cup Classroom

Form III Easter Market

Literature Week Football Friday World Cup Assembly

“The Ellis Pearson play was very humorous “On Football Friday, we all dressed to Excitement was at a premium at our final

and also showed us the importance of trees support our favourite teams. It meant a lot “World Cup” assembly, and why they are so crucial to our survival. ” that we could support one of Africa’s biggest

Natasha Rajak: Lower IV events in history. ” Masego Moloto: Form III

“The Travellina Bookshop had lots of brilliant “I played the djembes and was also hard at Author Chris van Wyk delighted us with

hooks like The Mysterious Benedict Society work doing the LIV Market Day. For djembes, stories of his childhood.

by Trenton Lee Stewart and The Silver Biade we played different rhythms and each had by Sally Gardner. We all had a superb time our own solo. It was a fun day for everyone. ”

choosing Pascale Naude: LIV

Emilie du Toit: Lower IV

“On Thursday our team dressed up as Alice in Wonderland. Then we were challenged to a Literature Quiz.”

Tessa Glynn: Lower IV

“The Upper IVs had to research and perform a gumboot dance for Music. This project expanded our knowledge of South African music and history.”

Nsunga Chiyungi: UIV1

Literature Week

Learning-in-Action Day

Author Visit

“We presented a soiree called ‘All about me’. A soiree is like a concert. On the evening we did speeches, and English poems, and there were lots of hilarious quotations, dances, and songs.” Caroline Vermeulen: Form II

Julia Quaker and Kea Mokhobo playing Grade 2s playing soccer on St Margaret’s Alexia Davies and Hayley Tsuen cheerina their

maths games in Grade 1 Day. teams on St Margaret’s Day.

Julia Smith in her traditional clothing. Wandi Nduvane and Zano Sibisi showing their true Zulu colours.

2 Derin Erciyas Sayuri Pillay and Isabella Anderson

performing in a India Legh picketing performing in a Folk

Folk Dance in at Road Safety Week. Dance in Music lessons.

Music lessons.

Caitlin Murphy talks Kai-Nam Chen and her mother, about colours in Zulu Yan Chen at the Grade 1 Mothers’ lessons. Day Assembly.

Tiane Parris and the Form 1s playing soccer on St Margaret’s Day.

Ella Berman and Isabella Isabella Deppe and Andrea

Cunningham at the Easter Bonnet Munnik as Grade 0 ‘Water Parade. Witches’.

Henrietta Fernandez and Aerin Williams playing happily on Sensory Day.

Georgina Edge and Francesca Gnodde play chess against St John’s Prep.

Zoey January and Aba Daniels reading together on the St Margaret's lawn.

Lara Moschides en Sarah Herr maak "worsbroodrolletjies"

Mrs. Goncalves teaches girls and parents the Diski Dance.

40 YEARS ON!

Once a year, the South African Old Roedeanian Association celebrates Foundation Day. Each year, the 40-years-on class is honoured, and 2010 was no different. Val Beaumont and Marion Goodwin were able to reunite most of the 1970 matriculating class from the far corners of the globe. There were Roedean delegates from Singapore, Canada, and England. The Old Girls were overcome with excitement to be back in "the land of youth and dream", and fervently defended the honour of their respective houses: "Bears', Bears', Bears' is best of all."

This year's Foundation Day also marked the end of Sallyann Niven's term as president of the S.A.O.R.A, as she graciously handed over leadership to Brett Jury. Brett has a vision for the Old Girls' Association that sees the Association as playing a more active part in the school's daily living. We look forward to the Association's involvement, especially in the story-telling about yesteryear's Roedean.

A delicious Foundation Day lunch was shared by all in attendance. We had the opportunity to view the new Roedean DVD, which captures the heart and soul of our beloved school, and reminds us of the many different aspects that make Roedean the indomitable force it remains today.

We can say with certainty that, come February 2011, we will all be in need of another Foundation Day, and an opportunity to share a cup of tea with an old friend who remembers how fabulous you once were (and still are!). It is certainly a good reason to sing the school song with the exuberance and passion of one's youth.

BRETT JURY, President of the S.A.O.R.A. and TARRYN SACHS, Public Relations Officer.

Sitting in class, repeating by heart the critical dates of World War II, one finds it difficult to imagine that we will make the indelible mark on the world we hope to make, and that each one of us has the potential to be significant. It takes an "Old Girl" with a fascinating story, however, to show us the roadmap to success and remind us that we are capable of the unimaginable, if we advance one step at a time. Belinda Bowling is an Old Roedeanian who has raised the hopes of a nation and certainly has a story to tell.

Belinda Bowling is an environmental lawyer who was based in Kabul, Afghanistan, for the past six years. Earlier in 2010, Belinda

was acknowledged by the Afghan president, Harmid Karzai, when she was awarded the country's highest civilian honours, the Order of Malalai, for the programmes she implemented to develop an Environmental and Natural Resource Management Capacity in the war-torn country. Belinda studied at UCJ, after matriculating from Roedean School, and she now holds a BA LLB LLM (Marine and Environmental Law). Belinda has made great strides forward as the United Nations' Environmental Programme Manager. We look forward to sharing in the future successes of this Old Roedeanian, who is genuinely changing the world in which we live, and we salute her courage!

Belinda Bowling: A Roedean ambassador who is changing people's lives.

1970 matriculating class - 40 years on!

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were filled, and kuduzelas blared out their message - just another evening at Roedean School!

A highlight of the 2010 calendar has certainly been the Gala Dinner, which was held on 30 April. This event was the first fundraiser held by the school to raise funds for the exciting new building project. The evening glittered with Roedean stars: Debora Patta was our guest speaker, and Mr Digby Ricci entertained us all with his wit as Master of Ceremonies. There were other "celebrities" present, and they should not be forgotten: Vera Wang, Arturo Toscanini, and William Kentridge, were all part of the evening's glamour. Each one was part of the hugely successful auction, thanks to our generous Roedean parents.

The Original Tons earned their reputation as home-grown Divas. We sat spellbound as the ladies took to the stage. They were dipped in "bling" and boasted sensational voices.

Our guests were dressed to impress!

Mary Williams (Executive Head Mistress), Faye Cranmer (Old Girl), Angel Jones (Chairman of the Fundraising Sub-Committee)

Debora Patta reignited our patriotism as she recounted many of the amazing experiences and encounters she has had as a South African journalist.

Thank you to all donors and sponsors for making the Gala Dinner a possibility and a huge success. Over R400 000.00 was raised!

On Monday, 19 July, the S.A.O.R.A. held the first of a series of business breakfasts to create opportunities for an Old

Girls' business network and to continue to raise funds for the Legacy Fund. On this occasion, Ms Barbara Creecy - MEC for Education, Gauteng, and Roedean Old Girl (Matric 1975) was the Guest Speaker. The breakfast was well attended by Old Girls and parents. Ms Creecy entitled her presentation The Challenges in State Education. The candour with which Ms Creecy dealt with some of the desperate challenges currently faced gave her audience a sense of determination to address what could so easily be seen as overwhelming problems. In the fields of literacy and Mathematics and the Sciences, the situation in education remains dire.

As you know, Roedean is currently positioning itself to develop a strategic initiative related to the teaching of Mathematics and the Sciences. Ms Creecy's discussion served to strengthen our resolve with regard to developing these areas of expertise in the Roedean curriculum!

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Barbara Creecy delivering her address: Challenges in State Education

Jan Mailen and Kirstin Otten

Mary Williams and Janet Saner

Monica Katrakilis, Dorothy Christodoulou, and Sasha Martalas

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