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to pursue their passions

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OUR PURPOSE

To build a boy's best foundation for life in a changing world.

OUR MISSION

Creating an innovative and nurturing learning environment to inspire and educate boys to become men of significance.

OUR MOTTO

Courage Builds Character

(Devised by Andrew Lee – Grade 5: 2006)

Courage

To stand up for the truth, persevere, take risks, have faith, take action, feel compassion, be the best you can be.

Builds

This implies laying down a foundation on which further development takes place. Building relates to making progress, transforming, growing and achieving.

Character

Each one of us has a distinctive and unique character. Our character is determined by our mental and moral qualities. It is exposure to situations that require courage which builds our individual personalities and makes us who we are.

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EDITOR'S NOTE



A school such as Cordwalles offers its very fortunate boys a solid foundation in so many facets of life. With a 'foundation for life' such as is offered at Cordwalles, there is no reason why many of our boys should not leave school and go on to become major innovators, leaders of society, champions of the underdog and men of significance.

Despite all the problems that we face on a daily basis in South Africa, 2019 was an epic year in terms of outstanding feats achieved by South Africans from all walks of life. For many, the capturing of the World Cup crown by the Springboks was what stood out as the highlight! This magnificent achievement certainly brought our fragmented country together. The team's official hashtag #strongertogether was a very clever and inspiring one, and at Cordwalles the boys mirrored the enormous pride that the country was feeling for their rugby team.

There was a myriad of other fields in which South African athletes achieved excellent results. However, sport was not the only arena in which South Africans showed the world how much talent we have in our wonderful country.

Listed below are just a few of the amazing achievements of South Africans outside of the sports arena:

- Lucky Netshidzati was born to two deaf parents. As a way to communicate more effectively with them, he innovated a smart glove that has sensors which turn sign language into voice and speech.
- Lungelwa Tyali, an entrepreneur from rural Eastern Cape and co-founder of SolarTurtle, hopes to develop the BabyTurtle, a mobile solar kiosk that can be used in rural, off-grid areas to provide immediate relief for people that struggle to keep their phones and lights on.
- Entrepreneur Murendeni Mafumo uses macadamia nut shells to purify water and hopes that his innovation will mean safe drinking water for thousands of South Africans. South Africa is the largest macadamia producer in the world, and Mafumo uses locally-sourced shells to make an activated carbon filter with a nanofiber membrane.
- Camps Bay High School Grade 11 student, Storm Rhoda from Hout Bay, has won multiple awards for his Science Project – "Leveraging Machine Learning to Improve Medical Diagnosis". The algorithm is said to help yield faster results when testing for illnesses like pneumonia.
- 6 South Africans who attended the International Maths Olympiad, came home with great results.
- South African Professor, Mashudu Tshifularo, made history by performing the world's first 3D inner-ear surgery!

- The Queen of England was spotted wearing a beautiful piece of jewellery, made by a South African jeweller Kevin G Friedman.
- The Ndlovu Youth Choir auditioned for America's Got Talent and blew everyone away.
- Two South Africans made the world's "100 Most Influential People in Climate Policy" list.
- South African student, Martin Wierzbicki was named as one of the best scientists in the world!
- South African artist Peter Mammes has had one of his artworks featured in the London Underground, a great honour for the artist.
- Nineteen-year-old Kgaugelo Neville Ngomane won a prestigious environmental photographic competition for his Rhino Poaching image.

As one reads through this very abbreviated list of amazing achievements, one comes to realise that our country is blessed with a wealth of incredible talent in so many different areas. A school such as Cordwalles offers its very fortunate boys a solid foundation in so many facets of life. With a 'foundation for life' such as is offered at Cordwalles, there is no reason why many of our boys should not leave school and go on to become major innovators, leaders of society, champions of the underdog and men of significance.

As you browse through the content of this magazine, whether as parent, a Cordies boy past or present or as a member of the public or wider Cordwalles community, I hope that you get a real sense of just what a year at Cordwalles entails, a year of building a wonderful foundation... the events, happenings, productions, learning, outings, visits, sporting events, giving, pastoral care, worship, discoveries, music, enviro trips...the list is endless! Maybe, in the not too distant future, another few names of Cordies' boys will be included in the list of notable achievements by a South African?

Mrs Gill Hall
Editor

SPEECH DAY

Address by the Headmaster

"You will teach them to fly, but they will not fly your flight. You will teach them to dream, but they will not dream your dream. You will teach them to live, but they will not live your life. Nevertheless, in every flight, in every life, in every dream, the print of the way you taught them will remain." Mother Teresa.



Chairman of the Board Mr Campbell, Members of the Board of Governors, honoured guests, ladies and gentlemen and most importantly, boys of Cordwalles. We are delighted to have Dr Sooliman as our guest speaker today. Dr Sooliman founded the organisation, Gift of the Givers, which was started 27 years ago. Dr Sooliman will be introduced more formally later on. I would also like to take the time to acknowledge our colleagues from other schools and to mention, in his absence, Mr Dave Beetar, the Head of Merchiston Preparatory School and to wish him all the best as he recovers from his recent illness. Thank you all for your collegiality over this past year.

Today we are here to celebrate the 2019 academic year and recognise people involved in Cordwalles. Many of the achievements of our boys and staff are listed in the "Brag Sheet" that you would have found on your chair.

My job as Headmaster is to report on the past year and I realise that this can be quite dry, especially for the younger boys sitting here. I want all the boys sitting in front of me to reflect back on your year. I want you to think about the successes that you have had this year no matter how big or small. The boys coming up to receive certificates today will be celebrating their successes and achievements and this is excellent. Many of you won't be receiving an award but this doesn't mean you haven't had success this year.

2019 was a year to remember in more ways than one. A highlight for a lot of us was the fact that the Springboks won the World Cup Rugby tournament. #StrongerTogether was their slogan and as a school, we learnt a lot from this and in particular from our great captain, Siya Kolisi. In a post-match interview, Siya came across as humble, grateful, honest, being excellent and someone who acknowledges others and is of service to others. As a school, we try to bring in all these characteristics so we can be a better school, produce better people and become stronger together.

Just as the Springboks believe in excellence so do we at Cordwalles. We will always strive to be the best we can and we expect our boys to be the best that they can be.

We are not perfect by a long shot. Every single one of you boys sitting here has a God-given talent or ability that is above average. Maybe you haven't discovered it yet, but you do have it.

Having it isn't good enough though, you need to use it. Explore your gifting; look for opportunities to improve it and let the world be in awe by God's gift on your life. That is what is so wonderful about the Cordwalles of today, the diversity in opportunity to express yourself – make use of it.

Our leavers of 2019 did not disappoint in terms of the number of scholarships they were able to win to high schools of their choice. 11 boys received scholarships this year. Well done boys. Our academic programme keeps growing and goes from strength to strength. I would like to thank Mr Greaves, our Deputy Head of Academics, for his tireless work in this regard. We are very excited about the introduction of robotics and coding into our curriculum next year.

We have once again done exceptionally well on the sports field with our boys punching well above their weight against much bigger schools. 35 boys were chosen to represent Inland, Midlands or KZN in their respective sports. We are very proud of each boy's achievement and have included many other accomplishments of the boys in our Brag Book.

On the cultural side, we have 135 boys playing musical instruments and every boy participating enthusiastically in drama classes. All the boys in Grade 2 learn to play the recorder and boys in Grade 4 and 5 learn to play the ukulele, violin and guitar in their class music time and do so with great rigor and determination. Drama lessons provide boys with important skills, which they then demonstrate in the many plays and events we have through the year. At Cordwalles, every boy gets the opportunity of being on the stage at least once a year, which is indeed a great privilege. Mrs Peckham continues to take art to a new level by incorporating lessons that are relevant and she encourages our boys to make a difference in the world. Education is making our boys aware of the challenges that the world faces and encouraging them to become solutionaries in the future.

Because of the many successes of our boys, it is very easy to talk about highlights. However, the fundamental nature of involvement in co-curricular activity will always be the ongoing week-by-week commitment of our boys to activities, which will broaden and enrich their experience of life and enhance their personal development.

This year's theme for the year took on a slightly different slant to years gone by. While we continue to emphasise our core values of respect, responsibility, integrity, courage and compassion, we decided to use the theme summarised in the acronym L-I-F-E.

Our intention was not to paint a picture of doom and gloom, but rather to pose these realities of the environment as problems and challenges that we must overcome. Where better to have found the inspiration for this than in the creativity, inventiveness and innate hope of our children? I would like to thank our environmental committee for their brilliant assemblies, newsletters and for the inspirational guest speakers they sourced to come and speak to our boys. As Wendell Berry said, "A conservationist knows that the world is not given by his forefathers, but borrowed from his children."

We are also very proud of all the different projects we have been involved in this year when it comes to reaching out to those in our community who are less fortunate than we are. The list of all these projects has been included in the booklet on your chairs. What we are really trying to do is make sure that our boys become aware of the need and the deprivation of those who live around us and to do something about it. We believe that it is important that the boys should get involved and not merely raise money that is handed in without contact with those who we are giving it to. In this way, we hope to instill compassion and empathy in our boys so that they are able to think beyond themselves and their own needs.

It was for this reason I was very proud to be at a high school prize giving where one of our Old Boys, Keanu Chetty received the Azalea Rotary Club Book Award. His citation read as follows: Honest, kind and always willing to give up his own personal time to serve the well-being of others. He tutors pupils from Edendale every Monday in conversational English and basic math. He volunteered at the Salvation Army on Fridays, helped make sandwiches for Bread Buddies, volunteered at 1000 Paws and knitted for the 67 Blankets for the Nelson Mandela Day Drive. From all the accolades we get about our Old Boys, this one made me very proud.

I recently was fortunate enough to attend an address by Paddy Upton, who is an author and mental coach in a number of disciplines. He addressed us on the topic of "Winning with Kids". Paddy's journey has included being international crickets' first fitness trainer, performance director of the South African cricket team that became the first to simultaneously hold the world's number one ranking in all 3 formats of the game.

He shared his thoughts on what is required not only for success in sport but also for the process in life pertaining to the boys in our care:

- The need to plan, be prepared and set realistic measurable goals with regular honest reviews is crucial;
- The need to continually strive for excellence, to be the best that you can be without placing your ego first and at the expense of other people. Ideally serve other people first and work in and as a team;

The need to be courageous, resilient and committed to see things through and deal with both success and inevitable failure. Being able to deal with failure especially, remain focused, and bounce back is essential.

Parents have a huge role to play in this as well. As Rod Smith, a well-known Phycologist wrote, "do your young boys a few favours. Get out of the way so they can learn to forge their own paths. Resist the urge to speak for your children, especially when others (teachers and coaches are engaging them in conversation), trust life itself to teach valuable lessons. You can probably reflect on your life and acknowledge that some of the most valuable lessons you have learned you learned on your own. Learn to hold your tongue. Not everything you think or feel has to be said. This is especially necessary when you are stressed by matters unrelated to your children. Show up for events, sports, shows and presentations. Your support will be appreciated, especially if you are well-behaved. You may have noticed that some parents are not.

I would like to thank the Cordwalles parents for their support of our school and our boys. As the Headmaster of the school, one works closely with the Board and the parent committees. I would like to thank the members of all the various committees who have given unselfishly of their time and for all the many hours of hard work over the year.

Thank you to John Campbell, Chairman of the Board, for his invaluable advice and support over the year. I would like to thank my family, Belinda, Jemma and Matt for all their support. To my PA, Lynn Clark, thank you for your dedication, efficient work and your enormous support.

The greatest resource that we have at this school is the wonderful group of teachers and support staff who ensure that the successes mentioned previously are possible. The support staff were acknowledged at a special assembly on Wednesday. They are the ones that make it all happen. I have loved leading this outstanding group of people. They always go the extra mile, focusing on the positive within each child and working tirelessly to unlock and nurture each boy's potential.

Today we say a sad goodbye to a few special people. Lauren Corcoran, leaves after 4 years of teaching Grade 1. Lauren and her husband Shaun have moved to the United Kingdom. Mrs O'Donoghue has run the Drama Department for the last 3 years. We wish her and Rob all the best, in her well-deserved retirement. Mr Hounsom, the Deputy Head of Sport, has been appointed as the new Headmaster of Lynford Prep in Ixopo. After 10 years of loyal service, we wish him, Mags and Nathan well as they start a new chapter in their lives. Mr Campbell leaves us after 13 years' service. Mr Campbell has headed up the Afrikaans Department, been the assistant House Master and has been fully involved in the extra mural programme. We wish him, Rochelle and his two Cordwalles Old Boy sons, Landan and Jared, all the best as they relocate to Johannesburg. Mr Nell who has been at Cordwalles for 18 years also leaves us to go into retirement. Mr Nell is a schoolmaster of note having been involved in all areas of school life. We wish him and his wife Lyn well. Please let us stand and acknowledge the fine contribution that these people have made to Cordwalles.

To the Grade 7 leavers, remember that no matter how great your parents and teachers are in what they do, there is one thing you will have to decide upon and that is – ultimately – how you, personally, choose to live your life. That is completely and entirely

up to you! Mother Teresa said – and this is for your parents and your teachers: “You will teach them to fly, but they will not fly your flight. You will teach them to dream, but they will not dream your dream. You will teach them to live, but they will not live your life. Nevertheless, in every flight, in every life, in every dream, the print of the way you taught them will remain.”

As we move towards Christmas, remember that love, compassion and kindness are the cornerstones of most religions of the world.

We need to understand that these are of far more importance than the gifts we exchange at this time. I hope you will all have a very blessed Christmas filled with love, compassion and kindness. May these be the gifts that you exchange over this special time.

Mr Lance Veenstra
Headmaster

JUNIOR PRIMARY PRIZE GIVING



Mr John Campbell - Chairman of the the Board of Govenors; Mrs Laura-Jane Colepeper - Head of the Junior Primary;
Mr Lance Veenstra - Headmaster; Mr Luke Hounsom - Guest of Honour, Esihle Kunene; Reuben Szudrawski and Sachin Ramraj.

The Junior Primary Prize Giving was held on Friday 12th November. This occasion marked the end of the academic year and recognised each individual for their strengths, both character as well as academic, and for their achievements during the year. This is a day when teachers show such pride in how their boys have progressed, parents glow with pride as their sons are recognised and the boys themselves just about burst with pride when they are awarded their certificates and they realise that their efforts have been noticed.

This occasion is the most formal on the Junior Primary calendar. Each year, a Guest of Honour is invited. This year it was Mr Luke Hounsom, a staff member who is leaving to take up a headship at Lynford School, after 10 years as Deputy Head of Sport at

Cordwalles. Mrs Laura-Jane Colepeper, the Head of the Junior Primary Department, chose to focus on Mr Hounsom's boyhood as the topic of her speech. The tales of Mr Hounsom's school days, the anecdotes of his interests and early evidence of his special character traits were easy for the boys to identify with. Mrs Colepeper thanked Mr Hounsom for his involvement in the sporting lives of the JP boys and publically praised and made an example of his respectful, understanding, yet uncompromising demeanour.

Mr Hounsom presented the certificates, received a gift and was thanked. The Junior Choir sang, the school collect was recited and the proceedings were closed with a prayer and the singing of the school song.

SPEECH DAY



Siyamkela Maphumulo; Mr John Campbell; Sebastian Hofmeyr; Luke Spear, Mr Lance Veenstra; Sebastien le Roux and Dr Sooliman.



Connor Sawyer and Jarred Maltby proudly displaying their certificates.

SPEECH DAY

Address by the Chairman of the Board of Governors

A sincere thank you to all our staff and especially today to our teachers who continue to inspire our children, making an impact not only in our boys' lives but also on the profession and the community.



Ladies, gentlemen, and the boys of Cordwalles, it is an honour and great pleasure to welcome you to our annual speech day, the most significant day in our school calendar. We look forward to acknowledging and celebrating our boys' achievements.

Our special guests today include; Dr. Sooliman - welcome, and thank you for joining us as our guest of honour. I was most fortunate to hear your inspirational address at the Michaelhouse Speech Day last year, and I look forward to hearing your message today. We also welcome Mr Anthony Clark, the new rector of Michaelhouse and Bishop Dino Gabriel, who has joined us here today to say farewell as he retires as the Bishop of KZN. To all our old boys, thank you for joining us today. You have all had the benefit of a Cordies education, and many of you have sons and grandsons here today. Last year I mentioned Liebie van Heerden, John Fowler, Viv Biggs, and Fred Palmer who had left here more than 60 years ago. I was corrected after the ceremony by a few of them who mentioned that they had left here more than 70 years ago, unbelievable, and fantastic to have you join us today.

To our Grade 7 leavers, thank you boys for your contribution to Cordwalles; you and many of your parents have played a huge role in making Cordies what it is today. You may not really see the benefits of this foundation that you have been given until much later in life, but please still thank your parents for this incredible opportunity. Wishing you all the best at your high schools next year, enjoy the new opportunities and don't forget what you have learned at Cordwalles.

Moving onto some of the Board highlights from this past year:

Our numbers were a little down at the start of this year with 339 boys in the school. During the year, we have welcomed 20 new boys and we look forward to starting next year with 371 boys in the school. This is an unbelievable achievement. Credit must be given to Ruth Forder, Lance Veenstra and the marketing team. These numbers demonstrate something unique in South Africa where most of our independent schools are experiencing diminishing numbers primarily as a result of emigration and affordability.

Currently, we have boys at Cordwalles from eight different countries and five different provinces. This year, we even included a marketing trip to Dubai. Chatting to Ruth last week, she very humbly mentioned that our growth in numbers was due to our boys, as once she has done her bit, she lets potential new boys experience a day at Cordwalles. It is after this experience

that the boys are one hundred percent committed. Thank you, boys.

The Parents' Association, under the guidance of Rob Mitchell and his newly appointed deputy Ryan Zammit along with their very enthusiastic committee, had another bumper year with our only fundraising initiative, the Mudman. We had over 850 participants and raised R320 000 for our new multipurpose astro. The funding of this million rand project was by way of a loan from the Cordwalles Trust, and we have agreed to pay this back in three tranches. This astro has resulted in much curiosity by many a passer-by and been a great hit with the boarders, who play on it regularly after dark. Next year we will be having an official opening of this facility. We thought it would be great to invite the 1948 cricket team to the opening — this team had three players who went on to play cricket for South Africa.

Thank you to all our parents for both their financial support and participation in the Mudman. Due to logistical challenges, next year we have changed the name to the Aquelle DustBuster series and will be hosting this at the Karkloof Country Club.

Other projects which were completed this year include the rebuild of the locker room. This building had some old age cracks and after a little nudge from a reversing truck, finally qualified to be demolished and rebuilt. We also put up new shade cloth parking for our staff in the lower parking area and the CordwallesTrust funded this.

At the beginning of this year, we commenced renovations on the music block. Mrs Blunt and her music team have very patiently occupied the old Inky building for the past ten years. We now have purpose-designed music classrooms, including various specialist rooms for a variety of different instruments.

On the academic front... for many years we have participated in national benchmarking tests to ensure our education at Cordwalles is comparable to our peers. This past year we decided to write international benchmarking tests. These have given us the peace of mind and reassurance that we are offering a world-class education. This year we have also focussed on further integrating technology and project-based learning into our curriculum. Next year we will be introducing an innovation hub, where we will be offering robotics as a part of the Senior Primary curriculum. We are also in the planning stages of upgrading our science laboratory. Thank you Duncan Greaves for your continued diligence in ensuring our academic curriculum is future fit.

Cordwalles prides itself on being a prominent feeder school to our local high schools. Next year we have ten boys going College, thirteen to Michaelhouse, thirteen to Hilton, eight to St Charles and three to Kearsney. Thank you to the heads and deputy heads of these schools for their efforts in ensuring our boys have a senior school to attend.

People are at the heart of our school, and we should keep that heart healthy. Cordwalles has several initiatives giving opportunities to those less fortunate than ourselves. We have enjoyed great success with several staff who have studied and qualified as teachers. To mention a few, Thulani Dlamini has progressed from working in our gardens to being an IT and Zulu teacher; Mrs Carol Ndlovu was a cleaner and is now teaching in the Inky, Ms Nonhlanhla Vilakazi was also a cleaner and is currently assistant librarian and works in the aftercare. Next year Thobani Ndlela, one of the Red Alert guards will be joining us as an intern. Added to these success stories, we continue to give many boys opportunities to attend Cordwalles on both the Jackson and Safire Scholarships. Mrs Joanna Lourens, who is in charge of these programmes and Ali Kingsley continue to monitor and share the life-changing successes of these boys.

Early this year, we welcomed Rod Klute onto our finance committee and Thabsio Dube onto our property and maintenance committee. Thank you to both of you for your contribution you have made to Cordwalles this year.

Both Pierre Bekker and Todd Clark have resigned from the Board. Thank you Pierre, for your insights over the past ten years

and Todd for your contribution while Deputy Chair of the PA. Our two new faces on the Board are Anthony Clark and Ryan Zammit.

Bishop Gabriel, thank you for your spiritual guidance over the past four years. We wish you and your wife Elizabeth much happiness in retirement.

Thank you to the Board for their sound guidance over the past year. Special thanks to our committee chairs, Franci Leppan in marketing, James Wardlaw on property and maintenance, Kim Peddie in finance, Rich Kinvig on Old Boys and Rob Mitchell on the PA.

Antoinette Hankinson, our school bursar continues to run her team behind the scenes. We are so appreciative of all you do in this role, ensuring fees are collected and that the numbers work. A sincere thank you to all our staff and especially today to our teachers who continue to inspire our children, making an impact not only in our boys' lives but also on the profession and the community.

Lastly, thank you to our Headmaster, Lance Veenstra, under whose sound guidance and exceptional leadership Cordwalles is thriving. We are all very grateful for all you do for Cordwalles.

All that remains is for me to wish you all a blessed Christmas, happy holidays and safe travels.

Mr John Campbell

Chairman of the Board of Governors



Siyamkela Maphumulo and Akhona Mchunu.

SPEECH DAY

Grade 7 Leavers' Address

To my fellow Grade 7s,
Our destination awaits us - we are the gentlemen of the future.



Good morning Dr Sooliman, Mr Veenstra, Mr Campbell, members of the Board, staff, parents and fellow Cordies boys. It is a great honour for me to be able to give the Grade 7 leavers' speech for 2019.

Congratulations!

Today is your day.

You are off to Great Places!

You are off and away!

You have brains in your head.

You have feet in your shoes.

You can steer yourself in any direction you choose.

Dr Theodore Geisel Seuss, born on 2 March 1904, was a very inspirational man who wrote many light hearted children's books. Today my speech is inspired by his book, in fact his last book to be published before his death: 'Oh, the Places You'll Go!'

The cover of my copy of this book is an illustration of crazy, quirky yet very simple hot air balloons, with a typical Dr Seuss boy-like riding through the sky character.

Our Cordwalles lives are really like a hot air balloon ride.

Most of my peers started on ground level at Cordwalles.

In the Inky - the Cordies' incubator.

Here they started their journey. They boarded a basket called 'independence'. Parting from their moms and dads was traumatic, but it didn't take long for the basket to grow.

They started to weave and weave...experiences, friends, knowledge and skills and they grew their basket into a bigger and more comfortable gondola. (that's the real name for a hot air balloon basket)

This new comfort zone opened opportunities to learn more and the confidence to face obstacles independent of their parents. In their gondola, they had their foundation for life.

However, what is a gondola without a balloon? And so, their journey continued into the Junior Primary. It is here that they faced the challenge of learning to read and write and were introduced to mini sport. These activities stitched up a colourful, resilient and durable balloon. Each vibrant colour a special aptitude each boy gained as he found his strengths.

In the safety and nurturing environment of the Junior Primary, they used their talents to sew the balloon, which was called 'discovery'. Each individual panel was stitched, checked and restitched to ensure that their foundation would fly.

They were keen to take off:

...after all they were now entering Grade 4 and the Senior Primary phase.

However, something was missing... the "burner", to inject a flame to heat the air. This burner is called 'passion'.

The Senior Primary quickly instilled the passion and pride to fuel the fire. Team sport, team spirit, group work, projects, boarding, classes that grew our Cordie's hearts.

Grade 5 is where our courage grew and true friendships flourished.

This is where I joined the Cordwalles Family and I quickly wove my independence into the basket and embroidered my talent into the balloon. The Cordwalles passion was contagious and I was soon infected, my heart, mind and soul engulfed in the flames of the burning fire.

Grade 6 is where we turn up the heat to get airborne.

Finally, we entered Grade 7. We have welcomed new passengers on board. We have been on many test runs to ensure that our balloon is air worthy. From Hella-Hella to Babanango. Grease to go-karts. Leavers' Dinner to Final Chapel. Now we find ourselves here - confident, cool and itching to fly.

Our hot air balloon is ready.

It is time to float away, to witness a new adventure, a new beginning and a new day.

We are all very excited to take off into the world and see the most spectacular views.

However, the unknown is daunting - actually frightening. We may encounter storms that take us off route. Winds that will blow us backwards and clouds that will make us get lost. However, we must never forget who we are and where we have come from.

Never let your guard down, never leave the burner unattended. Passion can become arrogance and that is not what we have prepared for. That is not who we are.

To the very important staff in whatever role you play we thank you for everything you have done in helping us to build our gondola of independence. Our inflated balloon of discovery and our burner of passion, which is on full blast.

To our parents, guardians, grandparents and sponsors. We thank you for the opportunity to board this flight.
And to the boys in front of me. You all are building your balloon.
Build it strong. Build it wisely, but build it together.

To my fellow Grade 7s,
Our destination awaits us - we are the gentlemen of the future.

We have brains in our head.

We have feet in our shoes.

We can steer ourselves in any direction we choose.

We're on our own.

And we know what we know.

And WE are the guys who will decide where to go.

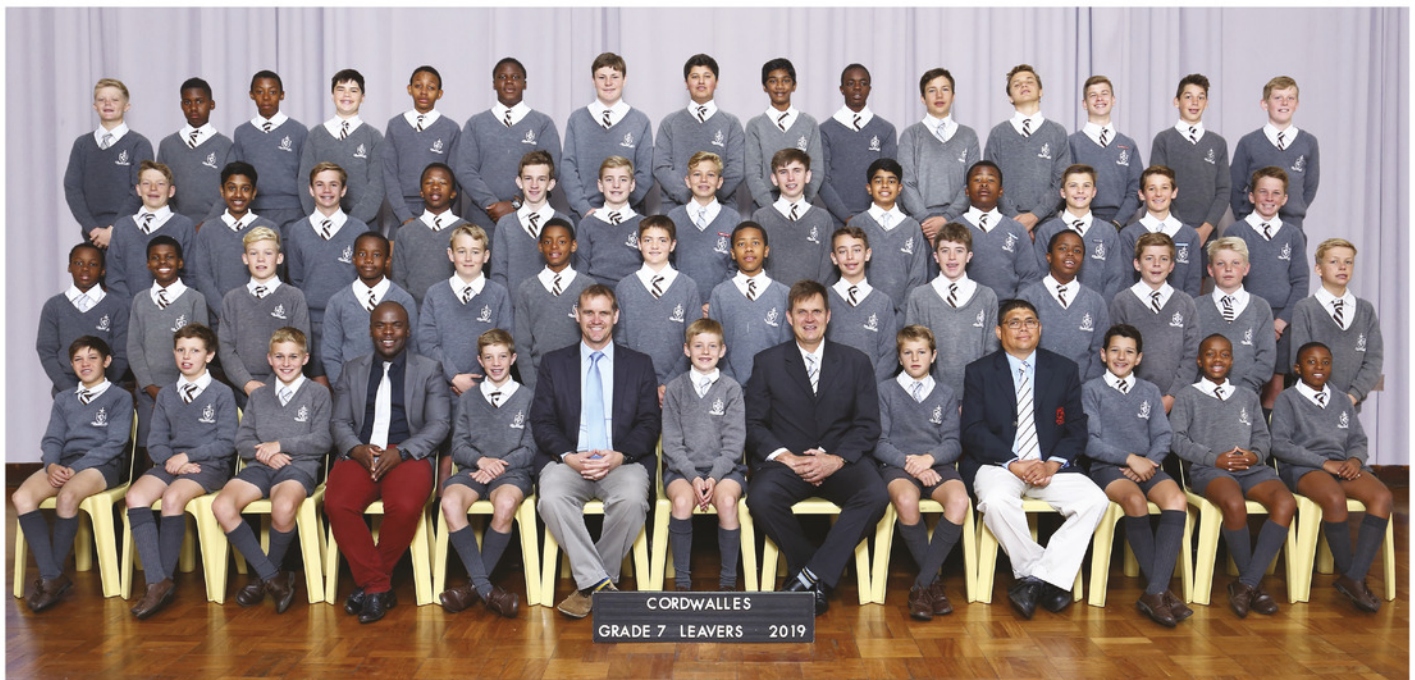
OH! THE PLACES WE WILL GO!

#UnlimitedOpportunityForBoys

We have an airstream to catch.

Thank you.

Luke Spear



Grade 7 Leavers

Back Row: Gareth Egberink; Bayanda Mbelu; Siyamkela Maphumulo; Jonathan Killick; Atuswe Nyoka; Langalibalele Mthimkhulu; Ewan du Plooy; Mahomed Haseeb Moosa; Harshad Pillay; Neil Bararugurika; Johnathan Baber; Riley Gehren; Luc Schraivesande; Joshua Aurets; Jared Wilson

Third Row: Kingsley Thompson; Kayden Naidoo; Benjamin Bryden; Sithenkosi Nkompela; Brendon Barnard; Joel Kempthorne; Connor Sawyer; Tristian Grant; Thivaar Mudaliar; Pikolomzi Nkompela; Sebastian Hofmeyr; Luke Spear; West Mitchell-Innes

Second Row: Ayabonga Shivane; Kuhle Phungula; Harry Jarvie; Ivan Jjuuko; Callum Henderson; Akhona Mchunu; Sebastien Gaboreau; Thalente Mbhele; Jasper Bruno; Andrew Boettiger; Luwanda Xengxe; James Reeve; Matthew Solms; Daniel Peckham

Front Row: Brackyn Middleton; Kyle Cameron; Jarred Maltby; Mr Sihle Nxumalo; Oliver Steiner; Mr Christiaan de Jager; Sebastien le Roux; Mr Lance Veenstra; James Fender; Mr Michael Campbell; Joaquim Abreu; Lubanzi Zulu; Lwazi Dlamini

SPEECH DAY

ACADEMIC PRIZES

This is for a boy who has achieved Academic Merit (80% and above)

Grade 4D

Academic Merit	Sbonokuhle Sithebe
Academic Merit	Luke Treleaven
Academic Merit	Mitchell Bekker
Tied first in Class with Academic Merit	Imran Mahomed and Kaidan Pillay

Grade 4G

Academic Merit	Connor Maitland
Academic Merit	Arjun Wadhvani
Second in Class with Academic Merit	Dylan Leppan
First in Class with Academic Merit	Luneziwe Mshengu

Grade 5E

Second in Class with Academic Merit	Bradley Cook
First in Class with Academic Merit	Arav Lalloo

Grade 5N

Academic Merit	Banele Phoswa
Second in Class with Academic Merit	Skyler Nienaber
First in Class with Academic Merit	Dane Harrison

Grade 5V

Academic Merit	Riley Graves
Academic Merit	Jaemin Seong
Second in Class with Academic Merit	Samuel Bromage
First in Class with Academic Merit	Matthew Longmore

Grade 6 OVERALL

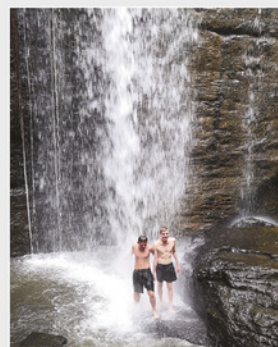
Academic Merit and Academic Tie	William Gilson
Tied third in Grade with Academic Merit and Academic Tie	Suvan Mohan and Milan Latchmanan
Second in Grade with Academic Merit and Academic Tie	Robbie Cullis
First in Grade with Academic Merit and Academic Tie	André Boshoff

Grade 7 OVERALL

Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award	Thivaar Mudaliar
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award	Ayabonga Shivane
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award	Luke Spear
Tied second in Grade with Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award	Connor Sawyer and Jarred Maltby
First in Grade with Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award	Sebastien le Roux



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GRADE 7 SUBJECT PRIZES

The English Prize : Luke Spear

The Afrikaans Prize : Luke Spear, Thivaar Mudaliar and Sebastien le Roux

The Natural Science Prize : Sebastien le Roux

The isiZulu Prize : Ayabonga Shivane and Kuhle Phungula

The Social Science Prize : Luke Spear

The Crookes Trophy - for the pupil who has achieved the highest combined aggregate for Social Science and Natural Science: **Sebastien le Roux**

The Mathematics Prize : Sebastien le Roux

The Raciborski Information Technology Trophy - for interest, commitment and dedication in Computer Science: **Joel Kempthorne**

Smith Family Trophy for Speech and Drama - for his consistently high standard and contribution in Drama lessons: **Ayabonga Shivane**

Director's Cup - The van Velden Trophy - for the two boys who showed enormous commitment to the school play and who led by example: **Sebastien Hofmeyr and Jarred Maltby**

Best Actor's Cup - for their versatility and natural stage presence: **Luke Spear and Luc Schraivesande**

Art Prize - for the senior boys who showed a flair, talent and love for the subject: **Callum Henderson and Ayabonga Shivane**

Design Technology Prize - for a boy who displays an aptitude and love for the subject: **Daniel Peckham**

Tatham Memorial Essay - awarded to a boy in Grade 7 who, in the opinion of the staff and external examiners, has written the best set essay in English: **Luke Spear**

General Knowledge Prize - awarded to the senior boy who has achieved top marks in the termly General Knowledge tests: **Mahomed Haseeb Moosa**

Young Reader of the Year 2019 - presented to a boy whose reading range is both diverse and discerning: **Mahomed Haseeb Moosa**

MUSIC AWARDS

Hallot Trophy - for determination and dedication to music: **Jarred Maltby**

Brent Black Trophy - for excellence in music. This trophy is awarded to a pupil who has a natural talent and works hard to achieve a standard of excellence: **Harshad Pillay**

The Chess Player of the Year: Connor Sawyer

SPORT AWARDS

The Fred Palmer Cricket Bat - the open Cricket Player of the Year: **West Mitchell-Innes**

The Redfern Trophy - the open Hockey Player of the Year: **Sebastian Hofmeyr**

The Rugby Trophy - the open Rugby Player of the Year: **West Mitchell-Innes**

Housework Trophy - the top 10 boys in Grades 4 to 7 are ranked and earn points for their house

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| 1. Baines | 2. Jacksons |
| 3. Butchers | 4. Tatham |

The Cock House goes to the champion sports house

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| 1. Jacksons - 95 pts | 2. Butchers - 91 pts |
| 3. Baines - 87 pts | 4. Tatham - 80 pts |

Dr Maurice Peters Memorial Trophy - for sportsmanship. Is awarded to a boy who displays humility in victory and graciousness in defeat, who at all times upholds the ethos of manners, competitiveness and team spirit, in a balanced fashion, to the betterment of sport above himself: **Joaquim Abreu**

All Round Sportsman of the Year Trophy - The Liebie van Heerden Trophy - This award goes to a boy who has played for the first team and representative sport in the following disciplines: cricket, rugby and hockey. He has swum in the A swimming team, represented the school at athletics and played in the 2nd tennis team: **Sebastian Hofmeyr**

SPECIAL AWARDS

Twin Streams Earth Care Prize - the recipient displays a love for nature, an understanding of the environment and shows an active appreciation for the innate value of our natural heritage: **Benjamin Bryden**

Cordwalles Boarding House Trophy - The Gayle Bastard Prize - for Boarder of the Year. This is awarded to a pupil who shows empathy, guidance and reliability within the Boarding House at all times: **Luc Schraivesande**

The Whitelaw Trophy - the recipient of this award has been committed and has achieved worthy praise for his huge contribution on the sports field, academically, culturally and spiritually: **Jarred Maltby**

The Whittle Trophy - for courage, tenacity and perseverance. This is awarded to two boys for their perseverance in adversity and continuous application, diligence and tenacity, with a will to achieve: **Siyamkela Maphumulo and Akhona Mchunu**

Sally Cornish Trophy - for compassion. The recipient of this award is respected for his gentle, unobtrusive care and kindness to all: **Thivaar Mudaliar**

The Reed Trophy - for integrity. This boy has a deep sense of integrity and is true to himself at all times. He stands up for what is right and is balanced and principled: **Luc Schraivesande**

The Biggs Family Trophy - for service to the school.
The recipient this year has worked hard behind the scenes and has given himself selflessly and always in good humour to the betterment of the school: **Mahomed Haseeb Moosa**

The De'ann Brooks Trophy - for tribute to Cordwalles, respect for God, others, the environment and himself.
The trophy this year has been awarded to two outstanding gentlemen who have a deep respect for all people, amazing empathy and intuition and are sensitive and caring to those around them: **Benjamin Bryden and Sebastian Hofmeyr**

FINAL ACADEMIC AWARDS

Dux of School - This is a Grade 7 pupil who has attained the highest aggregate over the whole year. He is a young man with a will to succeed. The 2019 Dux, with an aggregate of 87% is: **Sebastien le Roux**

Headmaster's Award for Leadership.
The boy who receives this award has made an outstanding contribution in all spheres of school life. He sets a fine example by always giving of his best in all he does. He has been an excellent ambassador and he has shown a willingness to stand by the values of the school: **Luke Spear**

John Fowler Good Fellowship Award
This goes to a boy who, in the opinion of the school, is a young man who shows sincerity, compassion, caring and loyalty to his fellow pupils. This award is voted for by the Grade 4 – 7 boys and the staff. He is someone who raises the spirits of those around him, a boy one would be proud to introduce to your parents and friends as a role model:
Siyamkela Maphumulo

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

ST GEORGE CERTIFICATES

Thalente Mbhele, Luke Spear, Reuben Szudrawski, Kaidan Pillay, Tumi Motsepe, Suvan Mohan, Radhesh Jhilmeet, Jonathan Killick

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Jarred Maltby	Hilton College Merit Award
Sebastien le Roux	Hilton College Merit Award
Luc Schraivesande	Hilton College Merit Award
Ivan Jjuuko	Hilton College Merit Award
Siyamkela Maphumulo	Hilton College Merit Award

Gareth Egberink	Maritzburg College Cordwalles Closed
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Sebastian Hofmeyr	Michaelhouse Minor Sport
West Mitchell-Innes	Michaelhouse Sport Exhibition
Ayabonga Shivane	Michaelhouse Cordwalles Closed

Thivaar Mudaliar	St Charles All Rounder
Harshad Pillay	St Charles Music

MUSIC

Leaders

Siyamkela Maphumulo	Choir Leader
Luke Spear	1st Deputy Choir Leader
Sebastian Hofmeyr	2nd Deputy Choir Leader
Atuswe Nyoka and Pikolomzi Nkompela	Djembe Troupe Leaders
Ewan du Plooy	Violin Ensemble Leader
Jarred Maltby	Saxophone Ensemble Leader
Ivan Jjuuko	Rock Guitar Leader

SOUTH AFRICAN SOCIETY OF MUSIC TEACHERS EISTEDDFOD

Piano Grade 1	Ethan Maltby	silver x 2 and gold
Grade 4	Rory Treleaven	silver and gold
	Harshad Pillay	bronze, silver and gold
Violin Grade 1	Johnathan Baber	silver x 2
Grade 3	Harshad Pillay	silver x 2

ABRSM EXAM RESULTS

Piano Grade 1	Rory Treleaven	pass
Grade 4	Ethan Maltby	pass
	Harshad Pillay	pass
Violin Grade 1	Johnathan Baber	pass with merit
Grade 2	Ewan du Plooy	pass
Grade 3	Harshad Pillay	pass with merit

TRINITY COLLEGE - LONDON

Saxophone Grade 4	Jarred Maltby	pass with merit
Drum Kit Grade 1	Jonathan Killick	pass with distinction
Singing Grade 3	Christopher Gilson	pass with merit

TRINITY ROCK AND POP

Drum Kit Grade 1	Milan Govender	pass
Grade 2	Ziya Jasat	pass with merit
	Thomas Charlton	pass
Vocals Grade 2	Mahomed Haseeb Moosa	pass
	Joel Kempthorne	pass with merit
	Callum Henderson	pass with merit

SPEECH DAY

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2019

HEADS OF HOUSE

Sebastian Hofmeyr	Baines Captain
Gareth Egberink	Baines Vice-Captain
Siyamkela Maphumulo	Butchers Captain
James Reeve	Butchers Vice-Captain
Connor Sawyer	Tathams Captain
Luc Schraivesande	Tathams Vice-Captain
Luke Spear	Jacksons Captain
Pikolomzi Nkompela	Jacksons Vice-Captain

CAPTAINS OF SPORT

Benjamin Bryden and Luc Schraivesande	Athletics
Sebastian Hofmeyr	Cricket
West Mitchell-Innes	Rugby
Oscar Steiner	Hockey
Kingsley Thompson	Swimming
Sebastien Gaboreau	Tennis

SPORTS CHAMPIONS

Swimming

U9	Joshua Bromage
U10	Rex Wardlaw
U11	David Steyn
U12	Tristan Atkinson
Open	Kingsley Thompson

Athletics

U9	Wandile Mthembu
U10	Mitchell Bekker
U11	David Steyn
U12	André Boshoff
Open	Benjamin Bryden

Cross Country

U7	Zach Greaves
U8	Joshua Cuff
U9	Wandile Mthembu
U10	Mitchell Bekker
U11	David Steyn
U12	Rory Treleaven
Open	Joaquim Abreu

Mardall Shooting Cup for the best shotist:
James Reeve

Doubles Junior Tennis Champions
Arjun Wadwhani and Luke Treleaven

The Kramer Cup - Senior Doubles Tennis Champions
Kingsley Thompson and Sebastien Gaboreau

Senior Singles Champion
Sebastien Gaboreau

Senior Chess Champion: Connor Sawyer

Junior Chess Champion : Dane Harrison

KWA-ZULU NATAL MIDLANDS AND UMGUNGUNDLOVU DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

Cricket

Midlands U12
Luke Campbell, Radhesh Jhilmeet, Ethan Muir, Ethan Clark
Midlands U13
Sebastien Gaboreau, Luwanda Xengxe, Ivan Jjuuko, West Mitchell-Innes, Sebastian Hofmeyr, Matthew Solms
Inland U12A
Luke Campbell, Radhesh Jhilmeet, Ethan Muir
Inland U12B
Ethan Clark
Inland U13A
Ivan Jjuuko
Inland U13B
West Mitchell-Innes, Sebastian Hofmeyr, Matthew Solms

Hockey

uMgungundlovu District U12
Qiniso Ngubane, Olwethu Radebe, William Gilson, Samuel Deane
uMgungundlovu District U13
Ivan Jjuuko, Matthew Solms, Jarred Maltby, Sebastien le Roux, Sebastian Hofmeyr, Oscar Steiner, Thivaar Mudaliar, West Mitchell-Innes, Lubanzi Zulu
KZN Inland U12A
William Gilson, Samuel Deane
KZN Inland U13A
Ivan Jjuuko, West Mitchell-Innes, Oscar Steiner
KZN Inland U13B
Sebastian Hofmeyr, Jarred Maltby
KZN Inland U13C
Lubanzi Zulu, Matthew Solms, Sebastien le Roux

Rugby

Midlands U12
Alexander Ardé, André Boshoff, Luke Mitchell
Midlands U13
Luwanda Xengxe, Ivan Jjuuko, Riley Gehren, West Mitchell-Innes, Luc Schraivesande, Sebastian Hofmeyr
Sharks U12A
Alexander Ardé
Sharks U13B
Luc Schraivesande

Swimming

KZN uMgungundlovu
Benjamin Bryden, Dane Harrison, Robbie Cullis, Tristan Atkinson, Kingsley Thompson

Tennis

U13 uMgungundlovu
André Boshoff

Cross Country

U10 KZN
Mitchell Bekker

RECOGNITION OF NON-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

KZN Action Cricket U13

Joaquim Abreu

KZN Gymnastics

Dane Harrison

Go-Karting

Troy Snyman

2019 South African National Mini Max Karting Champion
and 2019 Northern Regions Mini Max Karting Champion

Coding Challenge 2nd in SA

Joel Kempthorne

**AMSASA International
Championship 1st Prize**

Skyler Nienaber



Troy Snyman

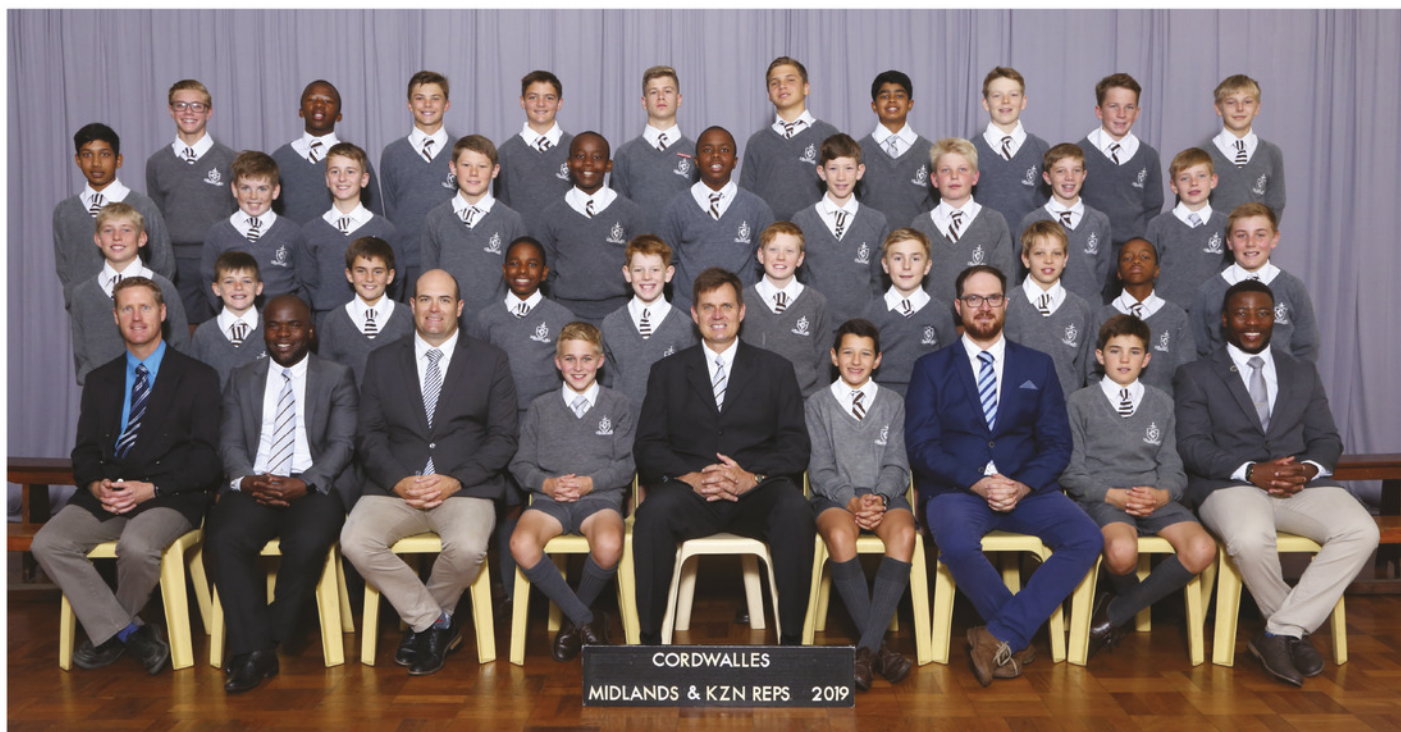
STAFF REPRESENTATIVES

Lance Veenstra
Luke Hounsom
Hayden Everill
Kerry Peckham
Richard Robertson

Midlands Rugby Committee
Midlands Cricket selector and Midlands U13B coach
Midlands Rugby Committee and Midlands U13A assistant coach
PMB Art Teachers' Forum co-ordinator
KZN Inland Primary Schools Hockey Executive
uMngungundlovu Primary School Hockey selector
KZN Inland U13 Hockey selector
Midlands U13 Cricket selector
Inland U13 Cricket selector
Inland U13A Assistant coach
Midlands Rugby U12 selector
Midlands Rugby U12 coach

Cyril Mthimkulu

Gadge Sibisi



MIDLANDS AND KZN REPRESENTATIVES

Back Row: Radhesh Jhilmeet; David Steyn; Sithenkosi Nkompele; Sebastian Hofmeyr; Sebastian Gaboreau; Luc Schraivesande; Riley Gehren; Thivaar Mudaliar; Kingsley Thompson;
West Mitchell-Innes; André Boshoff

Third Row: Ethan Muir; Robbie Cullis; Riley Graves; Luke Mitchell; Ivan juuko; Luwanda Xengxe; Ethan Clark; Matthew Solms; Oscar Steiner; Sebastien le Roux

Second Row: Mitchell Bekker; William Gilson; Olwethu Radebe; Dane Harrison; Tristan Atkinson; Tristan Durow; Samuel Deane; Lubanzi Zulu; Luke Campbell

Front Row: Mr Richard Robertson; Mr Sihle Nxumalo; Mr Luke Hounsom; Jarred Maltby; Mr Lance Veenstra; Joaquim Abreu; Mr Hayden Henderson-Everill; Alexander Ardé; Mr Gadge Sibisi



Kayden Naidoo

Enjoys reading, is 'Fortnite' and 'Minecraft' crazy and loves Disney films. Kayden's Grade 1 teacher describes him as a gorgeous boy who always tried so hard. He was a package of positive attitude, self-respect and quiet assurance. He has been involved in the music department and came out of his shell as a fabulous 'Eugene' in the Grade 7 play 'Grease'. Since the days of being an angel in the Inky Nativity play, Kayden has matured into a gentle but strong personality who is self-disciplined and dependable. His friends say that he is a massive animal fan and wants to be a zoologist one day. Kayden, we look forward to hearing your success story as you move into the new world of high school.



Joel Kempthorne

Tech wizard, self-assured, friendly nature and easy conversationalist. Joel is appreciated for his loyalty and his passion for what he does. His friends say he is the computer 'go to' person and is amazing at transforming rubbish into something useful. He has been a real muso who has used his lovely voice to good effect in the choir. Joel always has a happy greeting for everyone and has been a fantastic help and support with the sound and lighting in the theatre. We are very proud of his coding project for which he came second in the country. Joel, as you leave Cordwalles surround yourself with those who appreciate the energy and greatness in you.



Jasper Bruno

Enjoys reading, is very creative, loves fishing and always remains true to himself. We have loved the way he jumped straight into Cordwalles life when he arrived from Zambia. Jasper has fitted in so well and is always positive and enthusiastic. His teachers say he is solid, mature, well-mannered and dependable. He is never drawn into negativity. In Social Science lessons, he expresses a great interest in worldly issues. His friends say he is a good friend to everybody around him and they enjoy spending time with him. Jasper, we have loved having you at Cordwalles and just wish you could have been with us for longer.



Connor Sawyer

Loves everything Zambian. Connor has enjoyed expressing himself visually and has always given of his best in the choir and in rock guitar group. As a T-Bird in the Grade 7 play 'Grease', we got to see the quality side of Connor emerging. His friends say he is so good at acting, that he can actually pretend to be scared of girls. Connor is well liked by his classmates and he treats others with fairness and understanding. Connor, we have seen the kind and compassionate side to you. We know that you know what you want, so go out there and get it.



Joaquim Abreu

The next Ronaldo, motivational, respectful, stands up for others. Here is a young man that is determined, hardworking and always has a smile on his face. He is 100% committed, 100% honest and 100% genuine. Joaquim has been at Cordwalles since the Inky and what a good advert he has been for our school. His friends say that he is always there for them. Joaquim your family has been a great support not only to you but to Cordies as well. Go well and all the best.



Ayabonga Shivane

Ayabonga has had an amazing journey at Cordwalles and has grasped all his opportunities with both hands. He has been a committed choir member and soloist. Ayabonga has an incredible talent for expressing himself and his creativity has shone through in his art classes where he is especially good with animation. He was an outstanding Rizzo in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' where he totally captured the character. Ayabonga loves being around people and he always has a book in his hand. Ayabonga you have come such a long way from your Grade 4 days when you battled to get up and do an oral in front of the class. You are now like a well, filled with a depth of wisdom, creative ideas and emotion.



Atuswe Nyoka

When Atuswe was in the Inky, he was like a Jack-in-the box who was willing to try everything. Aftercare was his favourite place where he loved being outdoors playing soccer. Nowadays he can be found on the basketball courts or making 'beats'. His friends say he is one of the best 'beat makers' at Cordwalles. Atuswe is a superb tenor soloist in the choir and the Djembe Troupe leader. He was excellent in organising the backstage crew in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' where he was gentle, helpful and dependable. Atuswe, we will remember you for your entrepreneurial spirit and your beautiful manners. Who will ever forget your granny who has been an anchor in your life? As Dr Seuss said, "You are off to great places! Today is your day! Your journey is waiting so get on your way!"



Callum Henderson

An avid reader, open, honest and loves to chat. Callum is his own man and is not one who is easily influenced. He is a unique and wonderful young man. Callum has travelled a long road from being Oopsy Doopsy, the main part in the Inky Nativity play, to a lovely Pink Lady in the Grade 7 play 'Grease'. Callum is beautifully spoken and is brave enough to be true to himself. He has been thoroughly committed to the music department and has been a regular Pop Idol contestant over the years. Callum's friends say that he is the most loyal friend of all and is a real Harry Potter geek. They are in awe of his Lego building abilities, where he can build almost anything. So Callum, as you finish your journey here at Cordwalles, remember you can and we know you will. We are watching you.



Kingsley Thompson

A proud Zambian who loves escalators, fishing and is the king of giving people nicknames. Kingsley has settled in so well at Cordwalles, it is as if he has been here forever.

He has a mischievous nature and his friends love his sense of humour.

Kingsley is the Open swimming champion and is known for his huge hitting in the 1st XI cricket side.

This proud Zambian also made a hilarious cheerleader in the Grade 7 play 'Grease'. Pringle, we wish you had been with us for longer but you have made a huge impact in the year you were with us. Go well.



West Mitchell-Innes

West is a typical farmer. His happy place is outdoors where he can be found fishing, hunting, riding his motor bike and telling jokes and stories to anyone who will listen.

West has the most mischievous smile. His friends call him the 'Walrus'. This comparison with a walrus illustrates West's perseverance and the courage he has shown in overcoming his physical challenges. West is a real team man and an all-rounder. With all his success, West was always happy to share the glory with his teammates. West, as Dr Seuss said, "Today you are you that is truer than true. There is no one alive that is you-er than you."



Thivaar Mudaliar

Always on time, reliable, trustworthy, good morals, bright and a fanatical Liverpool supporter. From the Candy Floss Man in the Inky play to Roger in the Grade 7 play 'Grease'; a member of the choir and a dedicated guitarist, Thivaar has excelled on the stage. His friends describe him as a genius, a true Cordwalles boy; someone who is always helping people. They love the way he jokes around with them and how he imitates different accents. Thivaar, with the exceptional qualities you have and the respectful way you treat everyone around you, you are going to fly when you leave Cordwalles. Keep on being the wonderful young gentleman you are.



Pikolomzi Nkompela

Piko is a charismatic leader who has the unique gift of being able to ignite those around him with energy and enthusiasm. He is the deputy leader of the Djembe Troupe and a loyal member of the choir. His role as 'Sonny' in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' was memorable. A staff member said that there is something so likeable about Piko. He represents many aspects of his culture, which in itself commands respect. His exploits in the goals for the 1st XI hockey side were noteworthy. A well-known hockey writer commented that Piko will be a famous South African player one day. His friends say he is always on the prowl for a joke to tell. Piko, people follow you, so think deeply about the way you wish to go.



Lwazi Dlamini

Always smiling, Mr Cool, smart dress sense, a strong and confident boy. Dynamite definitely comes in small packages. His Grade 4 teacher remembers him as being a Drama king. She left the classroom once and came back to find him pretending to be Mrs Kingsley teaching at the front of the class. He is a hugely talented vocalist and potential instrumentalist. Watch this space... Lwazi attracts energetic, like-minded company and gives meaning to the words 'streetwise' and 'savvy'. His friends know him by the nickname 'Wiseman' and say he is the greatest of joke tellers, who can be stubborn but fun. "Dlam, Dlam" there is never a dull moment when you are around.



Luke Spear

Multi-talented, an avid reader, has an excellent general knowledge, writes beautifully and is always up for a new challenge. Luke is a young man who has influence and sets a good example for those around him. He is a perfectionist and was an outstanding 'Danny' in the Grade 7 play 'Grease'. His talent, humour and enthusiasm came to the fore, as did his excellent vocal talent. One of his friends said that he is smart, creative and imaginative beyond your wildest thoughts. They also said he is kind and knows what he wants and how he is going to get there. He is also described as an amazing friend that is loyal, has integrity and stands up for what is right. Luke, as you continue on your educational journey, seize the day and make your life extraordinary.



Johnathan Baber

Loyal, kind, caring, and well-mannered. Johnathan is comfortable in his own skin and is a loyal friend. He loves his music and plays the violin and ukulele. Johnathan was an excellent T-Bird in the Grade 7 play 'Grease', but over and above that, he was an indispensable Director's Assistant. His teachers say he is logical in the way he works things out and that he is genuinely concerned about the feelings of others. His friends say he is positive and loyal with a great sense of humour and is always in a good mood. So Johnathan, carry on being the enthusiastic, engaging young man, who has a positive outlook and always puts others' needs before his own. We believe the best is still to come!



Siyamkela Maphumulo

What a humble, empathetic and generous young man who always tries his best and never gives up. Siya's friends describe him as the 'smile' of the school and is so much more than just a friend. Siya was an outstanding and unforgettable 'Pink Lady' in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' and who could ever forget his wonderful rendition of "Freddie my love"? He is an excellent soloist and has given his all as the choir leader this year. Siya, even in adversity you have kept that big beautiful smile of yours. You have been called the 'Rock of Cordwalles'. Wow, what a compliment! Siya, as you leave us to go up the hill, carry on being the sensitive, genuine young man you are, someone who is always there for his friends.



Kuhle Phungula

A pro at dorm cricket; well mannered; has a good heart; is always laughing. Kuhle has grown so much since he started at Cordies as a shy young man in Grade 4. He has been a long-standing member of the choir and djembe troupe and was an excellent T-Bird in the Grade 7 play 'Grease'. Kuhle's friends say he is funny, kind, gets along with everyone and is able to express his feelings. He is a good friend and has a positive attitude that rubs off on others.



Benjamin Bryden

A solid citizen, mature, perceptive and insightful. Benjamin has been a hugely committed and loyal muso, being a member of various music groups. He excelled in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' even though he forgot to escort Cha Cha in a chivalrous manner. Benjamin has shown himself to be a strong character who is also able to be gentle and kind. He is a young man firm in his own self-worth. Benjamin loves the farm, polo and his hair. He has proved to be a great all-rounder, excelling in the swimming pool, on the athletics track and in the 1st XV rugby team. His friends say he is a great conversationalist, with good morals.



Daniel Peckham

Here is a young man who has matured and grown into himself. In Grade 1 he loved to be outdoors, was a real boy and a creative thinker. Not much has changed since those days. Daniel is an energetic, absolute farm boy. He is purposeful and practical and this will stand him in good stead as he enters the next stage of his life. He has been a committed choir member. In the Grade 7 play 'Grease,' Daniel was kind, helpful and revealed a great stage presence. He is described by his friends as someone who loves fishing and motor bikes, is very friendly and enjoys a good banter. We will watch your future with interest. We believe the best is yet to come.



Jarred Maltby

One of Jarred's friends said that Jarred is the most amazing young man ever, passionate and good at everything and such a good guy to be around. Wow, what a compliment! Jarred has excelled in all areas of school life. His commitment to the music department has been commendable. He did a fabulous job as Sandra Dee in the Grade 7 play 'Grease', was chosen for Midlands tennis as well as playing for the 1st hockey and cricket teams. His Grade 1 teacher remembers his bright smile, his delightful sense of humour, his loads of empathy and being comfortable on centre stage. Jarred is also known for making everything fun and for having the best lunch boxes in the school.



Oscar Steiner

Ever since his Grade 1 days, Oscar has shown a quiet determination. He has been involved in the music department, he was a fabulous and hilarious 'Blanche' in the Grade 7 play 'Grease', bringing his own interpretation to the part and getting a great audience response. Oscar excelled on the hockey field captaining the 1st team and being selected for his province. His courage on the rugby field was evident when he came on as a reserve for the 1st team and proceeded to stop the biggest Merchiston player in his tracks. Oscar, your friends call you the Silent Assassin, a dark horse who listens quietly, is conscientious and is kind in word and deed. These attributes will stand you in good stead as you move onto bigger things.



Elias Mutale

Mature, motivated, perseveres and makes the most of any situation. He is a quiet and well-mannered young man and treats all people he encounters with respect. Having only arrived this term Elias has worked hard to catch up. He has settled quickly and easily into life at Cordwalles and has already contributed. His determination and enthusiasm to become fully involved in all activities has made him a popular young man. Elias has made many friends in a very short time and these friendships will stand him in good stead as he moves off to Hilton College next year. His passion is soccer and he enjoys nothing more than playing a game of football with his friends. Elias, you are a true gentleman and we are so glad you joined us, even if it was for only one term.



Thalente Mbhele

I.T. genius, gaming guru, great manners and a kind heart. Thalente is sincere, thoughtful and is easily able to form relationships. He never fails to greet you and has a great sense of humour. Thalente is a deep thinker and is not afraid to say what he thinks. He was an Angel in the Inky play many years ago and was transformed into an excellent Pink Lady in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' where he was a real support to Mrs O'D with his helpfulness and kindness. His friends say he can always make you feel better and loves all food, even if it is terrible. Thalente, it has been wonderful to watch you mature and grow into a self-assured young man with principles. As you move into the next stage of your school career, don't ever stop asking those thought-provoking questions. Go well!



Sebastien le Roux

An avid reader, great general knowledge, a human calculator and very talkative. Sebastien's intellect has always been appreciated and this, combined with his sound values and quiet nature, will take him a long way in life. He has been fully involved in all school life. His passion for music has shone through with his involvement in the choir and the guitar group. His talent on the stage was showcased in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' where he bravely played a girl, Patty Symcox. He is also a good and confident soccer player and he stepped up this year to be a valuable member of the 1st hockey team. Sebastien, we remember well the days you loved to go to aftercare and we have loved watching you grow into a charming young man.



Neil Bararugurika

Avid reader, extensive general knowledge, biggest stasher of sweets and a fast food junkie. Neil is remembered as being bright-eyed with a big smile when he started here in the Inky. My, hasn't he grown? He loves history especially the history of the World Wars. Neil has been a long standing member of the choir where he puts his awesome base voice to good use. We are also going to watch, with interest, how he puts his creative talents to good use in the future. His friends say he is a joker in the Boarding House, where he spreads his humour and infectious smile wherever he goes. Neil, keep on treating others with respect and you will be a success in life.



Luwanda Xengxe

A funny, cool guy who always has a trick up his sleeve. There is never a dull moment when Luwanda is around and he always has a smile on his face. He is a multi-talented young man inside and outside the classroom. His friends say he has a strong personality and is a leader. He always gives 100% in all he does. They also say he is the best "beat maker" in the school and is a beast on the rugby field when he played for the 1st XV. Luwanda put his strong solo voice to good use this year in the choir and was a great help in the backstage crew in the Grade 7 play 'Grease'. Luwanda, even though we only had you at Cordwalles for a short time, remember to live humbly no matter what. Give much, even if you have little and forgive all, especially yourself.



Brendon Barnard

Loves to game, a Man United fan, has the best parties and is the best defender in soccer. Brendon has surrounded himself with a strong group of friends who say that he is easy to relate to and has an underlying inner strength. He is a gentleman who is kind, dependable and always has his friends' back. Brendon has shown so much grit and perseverance and has a good sense of humour hiding in there somewhere. Just like the angel, Brendon was in the Inky Nativity play, he may be a man of few words but he has a gentle heart and has never been heard to say a mean word about anyone. Barny, we will remember you as a fighter, a survivor and an achiever!



Joshua Aurets

Loves Kung Fu and soccer, is a cycling legend and is the Cross Country King. This gentleman has shown such determination and is his own person in every way. Joshua is a creative young man. He is chatty, friendly, sincere, modest and humble. His friends say he is always looking to help others, is dependable and very transparent. He laughs at cheesy jokes and tries hard to prove his friends wrong. He is another boy who has been here since the Inky and we have loved having him at Cordwalles. Joshua, the biggest compliment you could be paid is when one of your teachers described you as having integrity.



Ewan du Plooy

An enquiring mind, sensible, an excellent and sharp sense of humour and extremely determined. Ewan is a delightful individual with a wonderful, strong character. He has contributed much to the fun and laughter of his grade. He has excelled in music being a dedicated violinist and leader of the string ensemble. Ewan had a great cross country season and he is an open sea-swimming champion. His friends say that he is fascinated with all things Japanese and sushi. They also comment on how he looks at the downside of life in a funny way. Ewan, as you enter the next chapter of your story, remember the biggest challenge is going to be to remain true to yourself in a world that is trying to make you like everyone else.



Jonathan Killick

Having to move to a new school, in a different country, for the final year of one's primary school is never easy. Jonathan has risen to this challenge and has remained true to who he is in the process. He has overcome the difficulty of being away from home and has given of his best in so many areas. Jonathan was a committed drummer who has loved working on the pottery wheel. On the stage, he was an excellent and memorable Ms Lynch in the Grade 7 play 'Grease'. He is polite and never afraid to offer an opinion or ask a relevant question. He is up to date with what is happening in current affairs and loves reading the display boards and newspapers in the library. Jonathan's friends say he is kind and caring and puts others' needs above his own.



Mahomed Haseeb Moosa

Always willing and committed, goes the extra mile, a gentleman, a great sense of humour and my goodness, he can even act! Mahomed's acting talent was spotted when he was the Popcorn Man in the Inky play. Even in Grade One Mahomed loved to share stories in detail. He has grown into a voracious reader, a tech wizard and an expert on Harry Potter. He can tell you the password to Gryffindor Tower and how many stairs there are in Hogwarts. Mahomed's friends say he loves to play fight, is kind and always willing to share things with the boarders. Apparently, he loves quoting Shakespeare and poems. Mahomed as you leave us don't lose your confidence and strong voice.



Sebastien Gaboreau

Kind, loves fishing, treats others with respect and loves his hair. Sebastien's friends say that he is a good friend who gets along with most people and is the king of making people laugh. They say he is quiet except when he is around his close friends, then you see his true colours come to the fore. Sebastien is well-known for looking after the Zambians. He has been fully involved in the life of the school, enjoying the guitar; giving of his best as a weight lifting 'Jack' in the Grade 7 play; he is the school tennis champion and plays in the 1st cricket team.



Brackyn Middleton

Tenacious, determined, kind and friendly. This young man is not afraid to work hard. He will be remembered for being a little package of dynamite. Brackyn has been a long-standing member of the choir who is always impeccably behaved. Brackyn's tenacious attitude was seen when he approached Maritzburg College to be a ball boy during their rugby season. His determined spirit saw him being the first non-College boy being allowed to do ball boy duties.

Brackyn, you have your head screwed on right, you know where you are going and with your conscientious and resilient nature, you will win this race.



Bayanda Mbelu

Crazy about basketball, loves dancing and music, and loves to laugh even if the jokes are not funny. Bayanda has been a long standing member of the choir and djembe troupe. His teachers see him as being a calm young man who has matured steadily over the years. Bayanda's friends will remember him for bringing Oros and water to school and his love of food. They see him as an amazing best friend and a PlayStation guru.

Bayanda your bravery and perseverance are to be admired. As you leave Cordwalles, keep growing as your own person, carry on being strong enough to stand alone, smart enough to know when you need help and brave enough to ask for it.



Harry Jarvie

Loves caviar, Future Life, his phone and Mauritius. Harry is an engaging, fun-loving boy who is bright and energetic and always gives of his best. His friends say that he is dependable and easy going and a real hit with the girls. Harry has been a committed member of the choir. He has worked hard for Cordwalles on the sports field having played for the 1st XV rugby side and the 1st XI cricket side. His strength on the rugby field was his defence. Who will ever forget the way he closed down Merchison's most dangerous player which contributed to that famous win? Harry you have only been with us for a year and a half but you have made your mark.



Sithenkosi Nkompela

Brave and proud, knows his own strengths and weaknesses, fearless equestrian and jockey; has a thirst for knowledge. Sithenkosi has a special love for horse riding, stick fighting and of course the mighty Eastern Cape. He is a strong-hearted young man who had a storming rugby season, playing for the 1st XV and for Midlands. He is a beast at rugby and his rampaging runs, like his role model Siya Kolisi, will be remembered for a long time. However, Sithenkosi has other sides to his personality. He has been a committed choir and djembe troupe member. Sithenkosi, take pride in how far you have come and believe that you can go even further.



Matthew Solms

Matthew is a typical farmer from the Drakensberg. He is very much at home on the farm and happy in the bush, where he can be outdoors fishing, hunting and riding his motorbike. His friends say he can be mischievous and that he loves to sleep. His teachers say he is quiet but serious and has a mature view about things. He showed his caring nature by the way he led his Cordies family. Matthew is also passionate about sport where he was an important member of the 1st hockey and cricket teams. Apparently, it is impossible to get him out in dorm cricket. So Solmänder, we encourage you to believe in yourself as you move onto high school and remember, "a bad day fishing is better than a good day at work."



Kyle Cameron

Loves soccer, tries hard at everything, is patient and kind with a great sense of humour. Kyle has come a long way since he was a 'Ringmaster' in the Inky Nativity play. He has been fully involved in school life from a long-standing choir member to a boy who enjoyed being on the sports fields. When Kyle was younger, he spent a lot of time chatting to teachers in the front of the bus where he had to sit due to his carsickness. He is a genuine young man who will do anything to help you. With his soft heart and love of animals, he has shown us how to feel deeply, to be honest and open about feelings and emotions. As one of his friends said, "Kyle gets along with who he wants to and not who everyone else wants him to."



Jared Wilson

Big Red, Bitcoin King and good friend to everyone. When Jared was in Grade 4, he often spoke about his dad's factory and was motivated by anything that needed planning, solving or fixing. Mrs Colepeper says that Jared is one of the most talented practical thinkers she has ever taught. He is able to think out of the box. He was a cheerleader in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' but was less believable and hilarious but definitely stoical and determined in his role. One friend said that 'Willow' is a shy and quiet person but once you get to know him, you will never see him without a smile on his face. Another friend said he loves playing cricket in class and when he is with his friends, he relaxes and becomes himself. Jared, with your business mind and a Bitcoin book you are going to go far in life. Enjoy the journey.



Harshad Pillay

A car encyclopaedia who loves gaming, is extremely kind, is intuitive and creative. He is polite and his behaviour is always impeccable. Harshad has been an outstanding muso who has embraced everything musical since Grade 2. He has reached his Grade 4 level in piano and Grade 3 level in violin. His commitment to the choir and string ensemble has been outstanding and we will watch his musical future with interest. His other great interest is cars. His friends say he can listen to a car's engine and then tell you what make it is. He is described as the calm in any storm, peaceful and the peacemaker.



Luc Schravessande

Mature, a man of few words, impeccable manners, loves supreme clothing and is his own man. Luc is a focussed and talented young man. His performance as 'Kenickie' in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' was awesome. He kept play practices on an even keel with his quiet leadership and by setting an excellent example. Luc is a true all-rounder. He is a creative young man and was an amazing vocalist in the choir with an ability to sing Falsetto. He is passionate about rugby and was deservedly chosen to represent Midlands U13A and the Sharks U13 B team. Luc, as you move on up the hill, never apologise for having high standards. People who really want to be in your life will rise to meet these standards.



Andrew Boettiger

The white Zulu, uncomplicated, easy going, loves fishing and enjoys the outdoors. Andrew is a boy of deep integrity with a strong sense of justice and fair play. He has come such a long way from that homesick young boy who did his best just to keep smiling. We love how he stepped out of his comfort zone in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' to be a cheerleader. This showed us a boy of substance. Andrew is literally a salt of the earth boy. He is true to himself and is a loyal friend. One of his friends said that he is kind, always willing to share and never fails to take time to look out for his friends. The support staff can testify to Andrew's friendship. They are also going to miss him as he leaves Cordwalles.



Riley Gehren

A boy with a mission! He has a clear purpose in life with definite goals. His friends say he is a beast on the rugby field and that when he runs at you, you had better get out of his way. An integral member of the 1st XV rugby side he displayed an unbelievable pain threshold by playing, uncomplaining with a sore hamstring, for most of the season. The stage was not his forte, but my goodness he looked and acted the part as Scorpion, in the Grade 7 play, 'Grease'. Riley's friends say he is streetwise and mischievous and was the mastermind behind many a night run. As you leave us, Riley, we know that the one thing you are NOT going to miss, is Mrs Lowe constantly saying to you, "Where is your hat Riley?"



Tristian Grant

A minion lover, a deep thinker, loves to share his food and is always willing to try new things. Tristian has been a Cordies boy since the Inky. He has held his own at Cordwalles and has turned into a delightful, helpful young man with impeccable manners. He has made the most of his time here, being a long-standing member of the choir and being in the Rock Guitar group. Tristian chooses his words with care and always makes a logical and persuasive argument. His friends say he is trustworthy, and is always there for them, no matter what. In the Grade 7 play 'Grease' Tristian played the role of Coach Calhoun with aplomb. So Tristian, as you enter the big wide world of high school, your humour, good manners and integrity will stand you in good stead.



Langelibalele Mthimkulu

Langa is a quiet, respectful young man. His lovely sense of humour is accompanied by the heartiest laugh you will ever hear. His friends say he is only able to laugh in Zulu. Langa is an amazingly loyal friend who helps you no matter what the circumstances are. His cheerfulness and good manners lift those around him, as does his giant solo voice. He is an avid reader and a committed chorister. His performance as the Main Brain, Mr Vince Fontaine, the stunning DJ in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' was wonderful. Langa was unstoppable on the rugby field, where he played for the 1st XV. Who will ever forget his performance against Merchiston? Langa, we are all on your team, and we can't wait to see you fly at high school.



Lubanzi Zulu

Known as the 'mouth', a chatterbox who over-exaggerates and loves KFC. This popular young man is a talented muso and has used his energy well over the years. As a charming Grade 4 he loved his bike and could be seen doing wheelies and riding all over the school doing tricks. His passion nowadays is skateboarding and hockey, where he was an important member of the 1st XI hockey team. Lubanzi has a natural affinity for the stage, where he was a sizzling 'Frenchy' in the Grade 7 play 'Grease'. His friends describe him as a rugby stepping machine and he always makes people laugh by annoying them. Lubanzi, as you go skating into the future, remember you are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem and smarter than you think!



Sebastian Hofmeyr

Stands up for what is right, always willing to try things, never loses his cool and is a good friend. Basti is a real all-rounder. He was thoroughly involved in the music department as Deputy Choir Leader and is a superb soloist. He was an unforgettable 'Doody' in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' with his lovely stage presence and excellent voice. He is a talented sportsman having played in various provincial teams and captaining the 1st XI cricket team. Basti doesn't ignore life's troubles but he is an optimist who always looks for the good in things. He thinks before he says things. In the boarding house, he has been a very caring and exciting dorm cop. He loves a good joke and is a loyal friend.



James Reeve

Cricket fanatic, lovely sense of humour, energetic and loves to just chill. James has made his mark in the short time he has been at Cordwalles with his wonderful calm nature. He was a regular in the 1st XI cricket team; he has huge musical potential and was a lovely cheerleader in the Grade 7 play 'Grease'. His friends say that he loves being around people and has an artistic touch to him. James' nickname is Reevomanda and his friends will always remember him as someone who loves his sleep and who never goes out in a cricket game. James, even though you have only been with us for a year, you have been a great addition to our Grade 7 group and have contributed much to the ethos of Cordwalles.



Ivan Jjuuko

Loves his food, especially KFC, is competitive and talented at most things he puts his mind to. A young man who is fully involved in all areas of school life. He is a natural musician who has been a past Idols entrant and is an excellent guitarist. He has a great stage presence and added huge value to the Grade 7 play 'Grease'. His Inky teachers remember him as an Angel in the Nativity play, who was very bright eyed, good at all ball activities and a natural leader – not much has changed. Ivan is a born sportsman with a determined attitude. He has been selected for various provincial sides. Ivan, people follow you, so think deeply about the way you wish to go. You can achieve so much in life provided you choose to lead in the right manner.



Gareth Egberink

Gareth and his gang. A pleasant disposition, impeccable manners, loves to laugh and crack a joke. Gareth has a quirky sense of humour and is in the most cases the source of much of the fun and laughter shared by his friends. Gareth has been fully involved in school life this year. He has been a member of the choir and gave it his best shot in the Grade 7 play 'Grease' even though the stage was not his comfort zone. Gareth was an important member of the 1st XV and his contribution meant much to the success of the team. His friends say he is a strong leader in his dormitory and very good at bacon slicing. His teachers say he is quiet but always courteous and kind.



Akhona Mchunu

The stepping king, seriously good at soccer, caring and kind hearted. Akhona was quiet and reserved when he arrived here in Grade 4 from Winterton. My, how he has grown in maturity and confidence! He has a lovely sense of humour and knows where he is going in life. His friends say he is the fastest and most skilful of rugby players and is always in a good mood. Apparently, he uses his speed to get to all unwanted food, before the other boarders get there. They also say he has lots of common sense! Akhona, you are leaving behind all the memories you have made. Now before you, you have all your dreams. Don't forget, you have around you the support and love of all who love you.



James Fender

Fender Bender, goal orientated, with a great sense of right and wrong, is extremely fast and is always humble. James is a real farm boy who chats easily. He has opinions, which he openly voices. James has a lovely sense of humour, which was evident during Book Week. He dressed up as a tin of baked beans. The book he was referring to was 'Gone with the Wind'. Do you get it? James has a huge heart, which was evident in his performances for the 1st XV rugby and hockey teams. This was also evident when he pushed himself out of his comfort zone to act as Cha Cha in the Grade 7 play 'Grease'. His dancing and the way he held his cigarette will be remembered for a long time.

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ST GEORGE CERTIFICATES



Jonathan Killick

Having to move to a new school in a different country for the final year of one's primary schooling is never easy. Jonathan has risen to this challenge and remained true to who he is in the process. He has overcome the difficulty of being away from home and has given of his best in many areas. He is polite, but never afraid to offer an opinion or ask a relevant question. His commitment to the play was evident and commendable. Having moved into a dorm captain's role this term, he has proven to be a very kind and caring boy who is willing to put others' needs above his own. At Cordwalles, we encourage boys to be themselves, to be kind and compassionate and to follow their dreams. Jonathan is a worthy recipient of this St George Certificate.

Kaidan Pillay

This St George Certificate is awarded to Kaidan as he arrives daily at Cordwalles and will ensure he comes and personally greets a staff member and makes eye contact. Kaidan finds his teachers at the beginning of a lesson and at the end of a lesson to thank the teachers who have taught him. When Kaidan leaves each afternoon, he will take the time to come up to you and quietly say thank you and greet you. He is also compassionate and respectful, making sacrifices to ensure other boys are included or happy. He is a true Cordwalles gentleman and displays the values of what a Cordwalles boy should be.



Suvan Mohan

This St George Certificate is awarded to Suvan for his unfailing and impeccable manners. Suvan is a gentleman and a role model in everything he does. He shows respect for his peers and teachers. Suvan finds his teachers at the beginning of a lesson, at the end of a lesson and at the end of the day to make eye contact and to greet them and thank them for the lesson. Suvan is wise. He knows when to speak up and when to keep silent and just listen. He knows when to step forward and when to hold back and allow his peers to push past. He does not need to be in the front. He does not seek the limelight as he does not seek external affirmation. Yet, when he is called upon to take the lead, he is always well prepared, confident and competent. A quiet and wise leader. Suvan knows who he is and he remains true to himself in all situations.



Luke Spear

Luke is a true Cordwalles gentleman, never forgetting to greet whoever passes him. He shows respects to both adults and his peers, and in return is respected by all boys. He has shown leadership qualities within the A and B swimming squads, collecting the team lists and ensuring the boys are at their respective races. When calling out the U9 boys he will carefully explain what is required by each team member. Luke lives by the Cordwalles pledge, respecting himself and others, being responsible, organised and honest. He is a good team player and shows self-discipline.

Thalente Mbhele

On many occasions Thalente has shown the true characteristics of a Cordwalles gentleman. He has wonderful manners and never fails to greet and engage with adults. Thalente is aware of others and often puts their needs before his own. On many occasions he has offered to carry teachers' bags and books. This year, on the very first rainy day, he came to the Grade One classroom to be a monitor for the class. He listened to what was expected of him. He managed to keep the boys calm and busy for the duration of break. Well done Thalente! You are a wonderful ambassador for Cordwalles.



Tumi Motsepe

Tumi is awarded a St George's Certificate in recognition by the staff who attended the Grade 6 Great Adventure. Tumi stood out for his ease of manner, his charming smile and his maturity in being able to remain uninvolved in group dynamics that were exclusive and sometimes unkind to boys in the grade. He would unobtrusively step in when his peers needed emotional and physical support. He was supportive and kind. He helped the staff in the loading of bicycles, stacking chairs, tidying up areas and fetching and carrying materials. He showed consideration for others by joining the queue at the back. He maintained his sense of humour and kindness throughout the trip. Tumi, is a worthy recipient of this prestigious Cordwalles honour.

Radhesh Jhilmeet

Radhesh is a consistently polite, well-mannered young man who is mindful of others. He shows strong leadership without needing to impose himself on his peers. He considers the opinions of others and is careful to ensure that he does not hurt people's feelings. Radhesh is a young man who is not scared to work hard. He is helpful without any expectation of reward, but rather simply because it is right and good to be helpful. He has achieved significant success on the sports field already this year, but he also understands that he plays within a team upon which his success relies. He is humble and gracious despite the outcome. He treats success and failure with the same attitude, ensuring that the game remains in perspective. He is always respectful of the officials and appreciative of their efforts too. Radhesh is recognised for doing those ordinary things that we value, but doing them exceptionally well.

Reuben Szudrawski



During the first term, the Grade 3s went on an excursion to the Fort Nottingham Forest in the Midlands, where they undertook a forest walk. Unfortunately, the forest has not been regularly tended and cleared, therefore the paths are almost invisible and very overgrown, so this was a real adventure, taking us well out of our comfort zones. The walk took much longer than expected and was very tough, demanding dexterity, stamina, determination and bravery. Reuben showed extreme tenacity and a positive attitude throughout the hike. He was determined to be independent and requested assistance only where absolutely necessary. Reuben showed a heightened awareness of which branches to grab and demonstrated the art of careful footing. What was really remarkable was that Reuben showed concern and interest in the well-being and whereabouts of his peers and his teachers during the entire hike. Reuben and his seconds arrived at the finish before anyone else, as others had, intentionally or unintentionally, taken a detour, which left them temporarily stranded! This proves that slow and steady triumphs in the end and illustrates most surely that thinking of others is always an option; one which fuels you and the people around you. Reuben contributed to the team spirit and supported his peers right to the very end, taking pleasure in their achievements as well. Reuben is commended for his determination in the face of difficulty; courage builds character.

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STAFF LEAVING



MRS CARMEN O'DONOGHUE

Carmen joined us in 2017 from another famous boys' only prep school, St. Andrews. She had a very respectable reputation in drama and music circles and had also tutored at Rhodes University. Carmen made an immediate impact at Cordwalles. The boys looked forward to her drama lessons because they were fun and relevant. **Carmen has a strong passion for children and for Drama.** Her interest in the boys she taught was picked up quickly by the boys. She was always willing to listen to their problems and always encouraged them to be the best they could be.

Carmen directed some amazing Grade 7, Grade 3 and Grandparents' Day performances. Her presentations were fun and beneficial and as one boy said, "She has changed my thoughts on acting, I now love it".

Every year the Grade 7s have to choose a staff member who they want to talk about, Carmen is a popular choice. This is what some of the boys have said about Carmen:

- Been a role model for everyone
 - She understands you
 - She is energetic and is loving and caring to all
 - We love her L.O lessons because we can talk about anything
- She has got to know all our personalities

Carmen is now going to be able to spend more time with her children and grandchildren who are spread across the world in Zimbabwe, Norway and Cape Town.



MR DEREK NELL

Derek has been at Cordwalles for 18 years. **He is a man of integrity, is mindful of those around him and always goes out of his way to greet you.** Derek has a wonderful sense of humour and is a brilliant team player.

Derek is what I term a School Master. He takes responsibility for the boys in his class and has high expectations, which boys strive towards. I am always amazed at how Old Boys always mention him when they reminisce about Cordies. He is one of those teachers who could teach, coach, do boarding duties, manage a touring team and still have time for his family. He always does things with passion and pushes boys to be the best they can be. An accomplished sportsman himself, Derek's coaching was out of the top drawer and many boys have been privileged to have had Derek as a coach.

There are a number of things we are going to miss about Derek:

- He always wears his long brown socks when he goes on an outing.
 - He always takes his whistle to break.
- He gives his boys fun projects to do in class.
 - He teaches his boys about integrity and honesty.
 - He has good manners.
 - He always stands up to greet the ladies in the staff room.
 - He has his own coffee mug in the staff room and keeps it in his pigeonhole.
 - He tells funny jokes.
 - He moans about Pencilbox and Adam (we think he still wants to handwrite his reports)
 - He carries his golf clubs in an old hockey bag.

I once asked Derek why he never applied for a management position and he said he was just happy teaching and getting on with the job rather than having to deal with management issues on a daily basis. A simple, honest answer from a dedicated and all-round talented educator.



MRS LEE-ANN CHAPMAN

Lee is a remarkable colleague and a friend to many. She has been an integral part of the Cordwalles team. She is an achiever who works hard and tirelessly to deliver excellent results. She is always willing to assist colleagues. She is the kind of person who unselfishly puts others first; especially the development and daily happiness of the boys. Her integrity and commitment to all she does has left a lasting impression in the minds of the many boys whom she has taught, and the colleagues who have become friends to last a lifetime.

She loves her family; they are her everything. She is an amazing mother, wife and friend. Her creative look and her way of teaching is contagious. She has motivated her colleagues to become more creative in their teaching and has encouraged them to think out of the box and try new things. Her classroom has the most exciting and colourful posters and quotes and is a safe place for her boys to learn and make mistakes, whilst having fun at the same time.

Lee's sense of style is amazing! We all love how she dresses and how she puts her outfits together. We have never seen her wear the same outfit in all the years that she has taught at Cordwalles.

Lee has a generosity of spirit, exceptional work ethic and compassion for others. She is a true collaborator who in her own humble, unassuming way has contributed enormously to the culture of Cordwalles.



MR MICHAEL CAMPBELL

Michael has been at Cordwalles for the past 13 years. He came to us from Woodlands Primary School. Michael also brought his two highly-talented and well-liked boys Landon and Jarred with him. All three of the Campbell men have been huge assets to Cordwalles.

Michael is one of the most caring men I know. He has a real heart for pastoral care. The work he has done in the Boarding House, especially with the Grade 4 and 5s has been outstanding. Michael headed up the Afrikaans Department and made the subject come alive. Boys in Kwazulu-Natal do not often hear Afrikaans being spoken, but Michael's classroom is always a hive of activity with various videos and Afrikaans music being used to make the subject more interesting. Our boys were always well drilled in Afrikaans and have a reputation at high schools for knowing 'Trompie' very well.

Michael's contribution on the sports field has also been immense. He coached a range of sports very competently. His U10A hockey side was always well drilled and most importantly, always had lots of fun.

This is what boys in Michael's class said about him:

- He is a fun teacher who always sneaks a joke in class and he tells the best stories.
- He is the most caring and motivating teacher I have ever had.
- He is passionate about all he does and he believes in me.
- He doesn't tell the whole class if someone gets a bad mark.

We wish Michael, Rochelle, Landon and Jarred all the best.

STAFF LEAVING



MR LUKE HOUNSOM

It has been my privilege to have taught with Luke for the last ten years.

We have certainly walked a long and close path together and I like to think I can call Luke a loyal friend. I have also had the privilege of sharing and celebrating many successes and milestones with Luke during this time. He is without doubt a people's person. He loves nothing better than standing around a fire debating things like education, sport and how to braai the perfect steak.

Luke is a passionate man – everything he does, he does with intent and conviction. He is a dedicated husband, father, teacher, coach and a fiercely loyal friend and colleague. Luke has taught isiZulu, Maths, Phys Ed, been a class teacher and has coached 1st team cricket and rugby sides with outstanding success.

A boy that Luke coached this year described him as being the most motivational rugby coach. He said he would never forget the time Mr Hounsom got so angry when Merchiston got a penalty on our try line that he tried to rip out his hair, but he had no hair!

We wish Luke, Mags and Nathan everything of the best in their new environment.



LAUREN CORCORAN

It feels as if Lauren has been with us forever. When Lauren started at Cordwalles four years ago, she slotted in straight away and has become an integral part of the Junior Primary team. "At Cordwalles we think big and then we think a whole lot bigger", were some of her first words upon arriving at Cordwalles.

Over the four years, we have found that she is passionate about many things. Family, running, Cordies boys, running, animals, running, friends, running, healthy eating, running, charities, running, the Cordies C team swimming and U9 hockey. Lauren took over the organisation of Cross Country when she got here and her passion for running as you have heard – rubbed off onto the boys. This year we have had the best cross country results in a long time.

Her passion for running has seen her run 8 Comrades and various ultra-distance events; one of which was the 100 miler in the Karkloof. The race has a cut-off time of 36 hours, but Lauren managed to complete it in 34 hours. Wow! What an accomplishment.

But, Lauren's biggest accomplishments are achieved daily in her classroom where she instils a burgeoning desire for knowledge in the boys she teaches. Her youthfulness, enthusiasm and energy have been a huge asset to Grade 1 and the Junior Primary Department.

Lauren is going to be greatly missed and we wish her, Shaun and their two dogs, Mishka and Foxy, all the best in their new adventure in the UK.

STAFF NEWS



Hayden Henderson-Everill married Jayne Gardner on 13th April



Michelle Gillon married Jason Breedt at Hilton Bush Lodge on 29th June



Richard Robertson completed his 2nd Dusi Canoe Marathon



Lindy and Ashley Govender welcomed baby Eli Ashriel on 29 January



Stuart Rogers and his wife Jackie welcomed baby Kaylin Rogers on 15th November



Lauren Corcoran also completed the grueling Rhodes Marathon



Lauren Corcoran completed the Comrades Marathon



Michael Campbell completed his 11th Amashova

NEW STAFF



Miss Bianca Milan
SP Intern



Mr Brandon van Zyl
Boarder Master



Mr Campbell Farr
Boarder Master



Mr Hayden Henderson-Everill
Grade 5 teacher



Mr James Hall
Boarder Master



Mrs Allison Gilbert
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Mrs Caitlin Hull
Grade R teacher



Mr Dundas Clark
Boarder Master



Armour for life

These are my number ones. The blazer and tie I wear each day at Michaelhouse. To you they might seem like simple clothing and adornment. But they are much more than that. Though they are light, they carry weight. The weight of integrity. The weight of humility, compassion, courage and understanding. They are my identity and armour. They give me the courage to learn to discover and to embrace the opportunities that life will present to me. And when I leave my school, I will continue to wear them inside of me. My number ones might appear as a simple blazer and tie - but they are the makings of a man.

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BOARDING HOUSE

2019 proved to be a happy and successful year in the boarding house. The Grade 7 boys led by example and they are congratulated and thanked for their co-operation, responsiveness and the mature manner in which they conducted themselves. The upgraded boarding house has done much to enhance the general atmosphere and the increased personal space and improved cooling and ventilation have been exceptionally well received.

The highlight of the first weekend was again the team building, water activities and braai that the boarders enjoyed with their big brothers. The Big Brother programme is an important aspect of the pastoral care we offer at Cordwalles and the relationship between the boarders and boarder masters does much to set the tone in the boarding house. The boys and their 'big brothers' enjoy suppers together each Monday and this, together with the outings and activities during each term, helps to further strengthen this relationship.

Dr Rob Pluke continued with his involvement with boys and staff during the course of the year. It remains a concern to me that boys seem to instinctively buy into the 'Code of Silence'. This is such a dangerous attitude and one that has caused a great deal of harm to countless individuals in many institutions over the years. Cordwalles adopts a blame free approach to hurtful behaviour and boys are encouraged to seek help from an adult they trust immediately they feel threatened in any way. It is never 'snitching' to seek help when an individual is being hurt either physically or emotionally.

Sisters Sue Warr and Linda Mapham are thanked for the continued willingness to hug, love and listen to the boys. We look forward to Joanna Lourens joining our boarding staff in 2020. Jo will help the Grade 3, 4 and 5 boarders in a pastoral role. We anticipate that the increased female influence will further develop the homely feeling within the boarding house.

Dave Evans and the maintenance staff, together with the cleaning staff work tirelessly to ensure the boarding house is in immaculate condition at all times. Their efforts are greatly appreciated. The cleaning ladies are often to be found straightening beds and folding clothes and blankets. They go way beyond the call of duty and looking after 80 plus young boys is a rather thankless task.

The philosophy in the boarding house is all about better people making better boarders/boarder masters. With that in mind we continually strive to be the best we can be in all that we do. We focus on personal excellence and in looking for small improvements every time we undertake a particular activity. We strive to have boarders that are well prepared for high school, boarder masters who grow and develop and move on to greater things and academic staff who continue to learn and improve so their contribution develops and grows. In this system it is important to leave the boarding house in a better state than you found it. In order to achieve this goal it is vital to have seniors and staff who lead by example and not merely tell others what to do!

Our boarder masters and interns contribute a great deal in many areas in the boarding house.

A sincere thank you to all for your effort, time and care. We bid farewell to Sips Mwelase, Thobs Majola, Brandon van Zyl, Allison Gilbert, Bianca Malan and Melissa Bell this year and wish them well on their next adventure.

Michael Campbell, Ruth Forder and Antoinette Hankinson all play a vital role in the successful running of the boarding house and they are thanked for their tireless efforts.

A special mention must be made of the incredible contribution that Michael Campbell has made over 12 years of loyal, selfless and tireless service in the boarding house. We wish Michael and his family well as they move on to new challenges in Gauteng and at St David's. Luke Hounsom has also given so much to make the boys' lives better and we thank him and wish him and his family well at Lynford School.

We wish all the Grade 7 leavers the best as they head off to their respective high schools. We look forward to hearing of their successes in the years to come. Luc Schraivesande is congratulated on being awarded the Gayle Bastard trophy for Boarder of the Year for 2019.

Mr Brendan Bailey





BOARDING HOUSE STAFF

Back Row: Mr Jason Buitendach; Mr Brandon van Zyl; Mr Hayden Henderson-Everill; Mr Dundas Clark; Mr Luke Hounsom; Mr James Hall

Middle Row: Mr Siphesihle Mwelase; Mr Campbell Farr; Mr Cyril Mthimkhulu; Mr Gadge Sibisi; Mr Masimbonge Mthembu

Second Row: Mrs Allison Gilbert; Mr Wiseman Mnyandu; Miss Melissa Bell; Mr Ruben Holman; Mr Sihle Nxumalo; Miss Bianca Milan

Front Row: Mr Christiaan de Jager; Sr Linda Mapham; Mr Brendan Bailey; Mr Lance Veenstra; Mr Michael Campbell; Mrs Sue Warr; Mr Richard Robertson

BOARDING HOUSE



OPPORTUNITY
to enjoy world-class boarding

Cordwalles has a history of an excellent boarding facility, lauded for its care of the boys, great food and facilities in a brotherly and friendship-orientated programme.



CHAPEL & PASTORAL CARE



Armistice Day Service



Ash Wednesday Service

Today is Ash Wednesday and the first day of Lent, which stretches all the way to Easter. It's a special time in the church year when we remember how much Jesus loves us. This morning the Cordwalles boys had a special Ash Wednesday service outside in our amphitheatre.

Rev. Tracey Bell reminded the boys why Ash Wednesday is a special time of the year, while she burnt palm leaves to make ash. Before drawing a cross on the boys' foreheads with the ash, the school said the following prayer together:

Lord, bless these ashes to our use and grant that they may remind us of Jesus our treasure. And, help us to sparkle this Lent with kindness, generosity and fun!

We ask this, so that we can glorify the name of Christ our Lord, Amen.



Easter Service



New Boys' Tea



Cordies Families



Christmas Service





2019 will be a year to remember! On 19 February, the much awaited renovation to the music block began. The area was out of bounds to the boys, and whilst they knew something was going on, their weekly lessons and activities were not disrupted. Behind the scenes, however, between drilling, banging and much mess, the music block was transformed into what we have today – a large, modern auditorium which can seat 100 people with ease, four practice rooms, two staff toilets and four completely revamped, freshly painted teaching classrooms, with new carpets and ceilings. What has always been a “happy place” for boys has now become even more conducive to creativity and learning, and we are all delighted with the end result.

Weekly class music has taken place from Grades RR – 7 where boys followed various teaching plans exposing them to the basic concepts of music. The younger boys were introduced to class recorder, class ukulele, class guitar and class violin. What a privilege for these boys to be able to experience learning these instruments in a fun and communal way.

From there, they are also able to choose these instruments to learn privately, along with drum kit, saxophone, piano and voice. These lessons continued to take place during the school day, and boys are encouraged to progress at their own pace. Boys also have the option of preparing for overseas exams in the board that suits them best.

The various early morning and afternoon groups prepared for

different events during the course of the year, where they were able to showcase their skills appropriately. The Junior Choir met regularly and forms a solid foundation for the Senior Choir and Chamber Choirs. Their presentations were lively and entertaining, displaying the obvious enjoyment they were experiencing. The Senior Choir, comprising Grades 5 – 7 boys, ended the year with an astounding 95 members. For the first time, certificates of service were awarded to boys in Grade 7 who had shown long standing service to the choir for 8 to 12 terms. The high number of recipients showed the level of commitment from these boys. They did not disappoint with their leadership in the Easter and Christmas services and annual combined choirs’ evenings.

The numbers in the rock guitar and strings groups have also steadily increased over the years. The hard work and effort put in during lessons have borne fruit and the boys can be exceptionally proud of their level of skill when showcasing their work.

Although a small group comprised the saxophone ensemble, the haunting “Last Post” remains a highlight for them annually and they must be commended for the level they achieved.

The Cultural Week was undoubtedly the highlight of the musical year and has been reported on separately due to the large content required.

Music is certainly thriving at Cordwalles.

Mrs Lillemor Blunt

Official opening of the refurbished Music Block

On Tuesday 23 July we celebrated the official opening of the newly refurbished Music Department, with a few words from Lance Veenstra, John Campbell and Lillemor Blunt. In 2008, the fragmented Music Department was able to move into the recently vacated premises of the Inky Department. The vision was there then, and we are now able to celebrate in the dream becoming the reality.

The whole block received new ceilings, fresh paint and new carpets, four new practice rooms and a wonderful new auditorium have been created. New staff toilets have also been an essential addition.

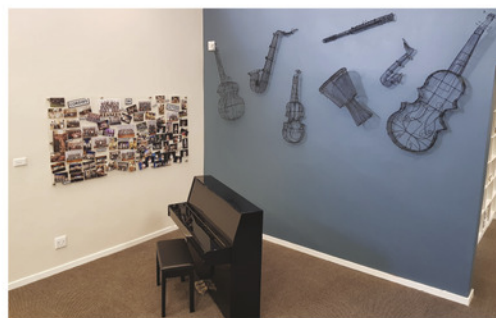
After snippets of guitar, violin, piano and voice performances from our current Grade 7 boys, Rev Tracy Bell, with the help of Tumi Motsepe, concluded the programme with a blessing of the newly created space.

We are so delighted with the new look, and know that the boys will continue to take their love of music to the next level.

Thank you to everyone, past and present who has placed such importance on this vital part of the school curriculum, and also to the parents for supporting their boys and allowing them to explore their cultural talents.

We are left with Rev Tracy Bell's words:

*"May the God who dances and sings
Cause a spirit of joy to bubble up in you.
May the Christ who leads our praises
Inspire you to drum, dance, jingle, and sing.
May the Spirit who sang creation into being
Dance between us, causing us to make a joyful noise.
Let everything that has breath;
Praise the Lord! Amen."*



MUSIC







SENIOR CHOIR

Back Row: Luc Schraivesande; Gareth Egberink; Merlin Brown; Franko Böcking; Riley Gehren; Atuswe Nyoka; Langelibalele Mthimkhulu; Mahomed Haseeb Moosa; Harshad Pillay; Neil Bararugurika; Jonathan Killick; Bayanda Mbelu; Tahl Nankan; Tristian Grant; Connor Sawyer; Joel Kempthorne

Fifth Row: Mhlengi Nsuntsha; Hayden Holt; Langelihle Dlamini; Andiswa Thwala; Daniel Peckham; Charles Fawcett; Jordan Fryer Dudley; Tumi Motsepe; Kerwyn Maistry; Luke Mitchell; Syun Maharaj; Kuhle Phungula; Thomas Mason; Ayabonga Shivane; Mholi Khuzwayo

Fourth Row: Nathan Daniel; Jasper Bruno; Ivan Jjuuko; Luke Campbell; Oliver Gray; David Steyn; Benjamin Bryden; Pikolomzi Nkompela; Sithenkosi Nkompela; Kayden Naidoo; Akhona Mchunu; Ethan Muir; Kyle Lewis; Callum Henderson; Harry Jarvie; Luwanda Xengxe; Thivaar Mudaliar

Third Row: Thalente Mbhele; Inathi Nota; Lubanzi Zulu; Nathan Koller; Jarred Maltby; Robbie Cullis; Samuel Deane; Oagile Dingake; Bakuena Lekitla; Oscar Steiner; Sebastien le Roux; Bandile Mkhize; Joaquim Abreu; Kyle Cameron; Rory Treleaven; Bradley Cook

Second Row: Olwethu Radebe; Ntando Nyabonda; William Gilson; Andiswa Mahlase; Fergus Erskine; Samuel Bromage; Qiniso Ngubane; Thomas Charlton; Siyamthanda Duma; Ilonathemba Zwane; Joshua Harris; Arav Laloo; Banele Phoswa; Joshua Easthorpe; Lwandle Gabuza; Boleng Seoe

Front Row: Sbonakele Khoza; Brackyn Middleton; Matthew Longmore; Christopher Gilson; Sebastian Hofmeyr; Mrs Jackie Kruger; Siyamkela Maphumulo; Mr Lance Veenstra; Luke Spear; Mrs Lillemor Blunt; Dane Harrison; Chase Maskell; Lwazi Dlamini; Wenzile Nzuza; Ethan Maltby



ALL STRINGS

Back Row: Oliver Hoatson; Franko Böcking; Langelihle Dlamini; Shamshér Essop

Middle Row: Olwethu Radebe; Connor Maitland

Front Row: Johnathan Baber; Mrs Jackie Kruger; Ewan du Plooy; Mrs Lillemor Blunt; Harshad Pillay



DJEMBE TROUPE

Back Row: Andiswa Thwala; Thalente Mbhele; Bayanda Mbelu; Mahomed Haseeb Moosa; Sithenkosi Nkompela; Luwanda Xengxe; Ivan Jjuuko

Middle Row: Qiniso Ngubane; Kuhle Phungula; Mholi Khuzwayo; Ilonathemba Zwane

Front Row: Lubanzi Zulu; Sebastien le Roux; Pikolomzi Nkompela; Mrs Lillemor Blunt; Atuswe Nyoka; Jarred Maltby; Lwazi Dlamini



JUNIOR CHOIR

Back Row: Connor Maitland; Luke Treleven; Sbonokuhle Mnculwane; Cameron Hohls; Awande Moyo; Xolo Dlungwane; Wandile Mthembu; Kuphelele Mchunu
Second Row: Craig Nel; Weston Soar; Tumelo Dube; Ayanda Kunene; Sbonokuhle Sithebe; Zinathi Mahlangu; Blake Bullough; Noah Rushton; Joshua Greaves
Second Row: Sayden Naidoo; James Longmore; Luminathi Ntombela; Muhammad Noorgat; Luneziwe Mshengu; Esihle Kunene; Dingaan Buthelezi; Imran Mahomed
Front Row: TJ Dube; Ryley Klute; Sondisa Hloba; Joshua Bromage; Mrs Carmen O'Donoghue; Khethelo Mthembu; Musa Babopeng; William Thompson; Tarik Ramdhani



VIOLIN ENSEMBLE

Back Row: Ewan du Plooy; Johnathan Baber; Harshad Pillay
Front Row: Mrs Jackie Kruger



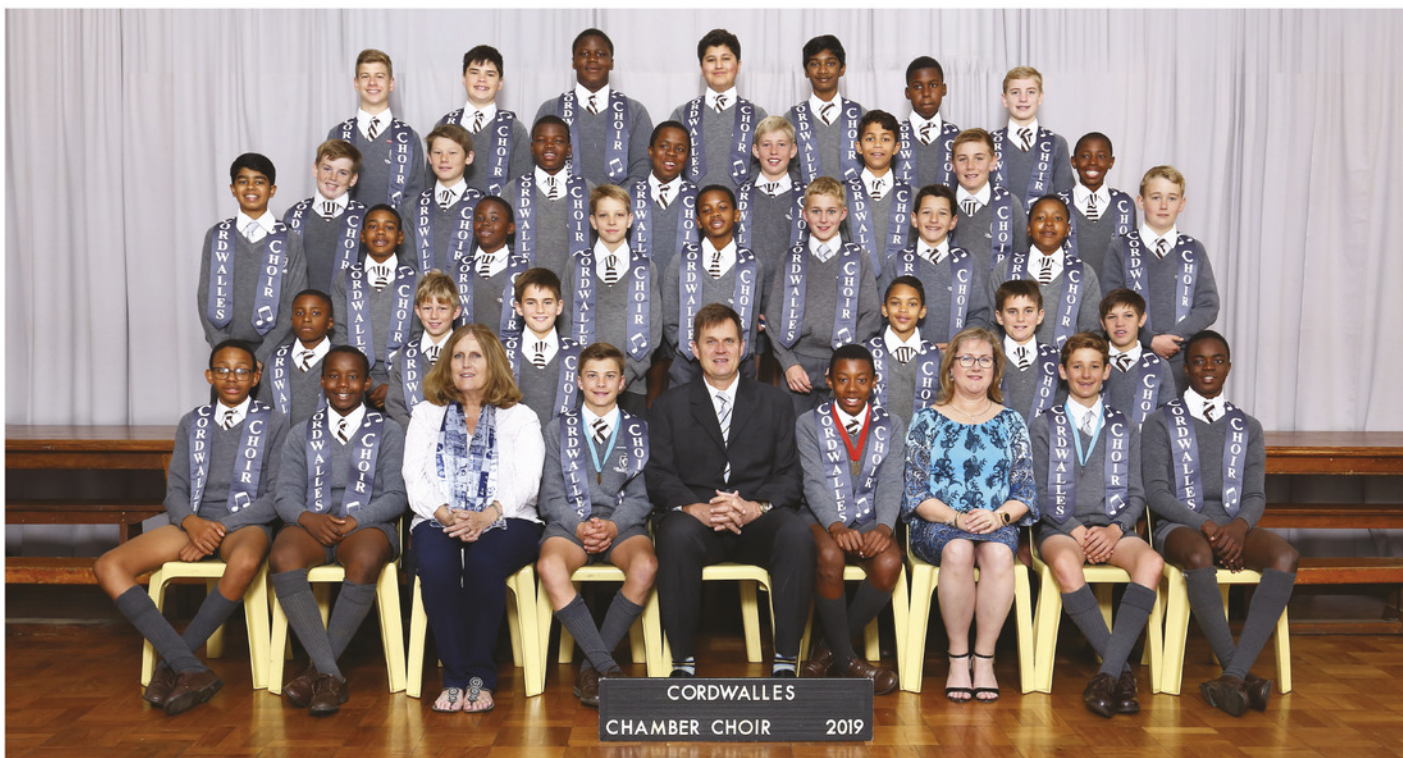
DRUMLINE

Back Row: Ethan Muir; Andiswa Thwala; Tumi Motsepe; Thalente Mbhele
Front Row: Mholi Khuzwayo; Mr Bernard Kiseby-Green; Robbie Cullis



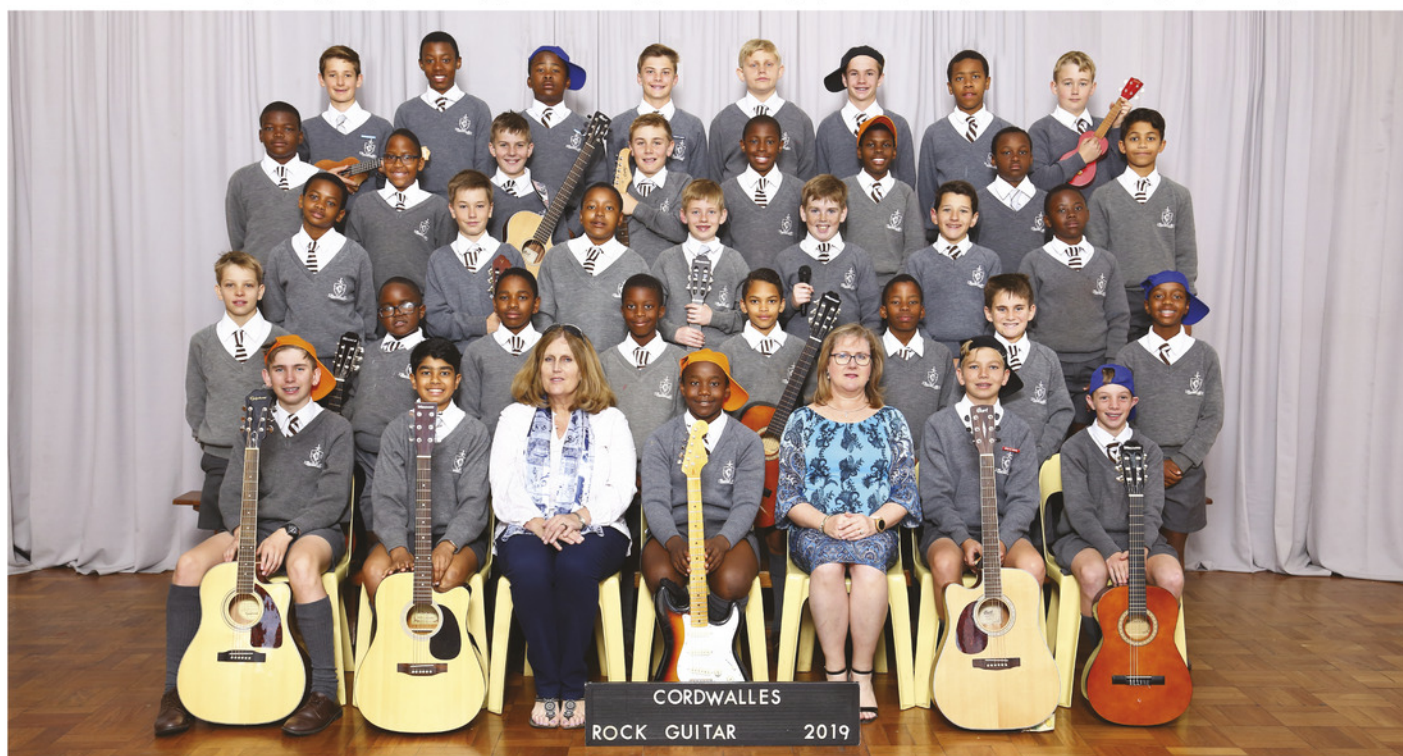
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Back Row: Jarred Maltby; William Gilson
Front Row: Mr Bernard Kiseby-Green; David Colenbrander



CHAMBER CHOIR

Back Row: Luc Schraevesande; Jonathan Killick; Langelibalele Mthimkhulu; Mahome Haseeb Moosa; Harshad Pillay; Bayanda Mbelu; Joel Kempthorne
Fourth Row: Thivaar Mudaliar; Robbie Cullis; Luke Mitchell; Tumi Motsepe; Luwanda Xengxe; Ethan Muir; Kyle Lewis; Luke Campbell; Langelihle Dlamini
Third Row: Lwandle Gabuza; Ilonathemba Zwane; Samuel Deane; Mhlengi Nsuntsha; Jarred Maltby; Joaquim Abreu; Qiniso Ngubane; Callum Henderson
Second Row: Lwazi Dlamini; Rory Treleaven; William Gilson; Joshua Easthorpe; Christopher Gilson; Brackyn Middleton
Front Row: Atuswe Nyoka; Ivan Jjuuko; Mrs Jackie Kruger; Sebastian Hofmeyr; Mr Lance Veenstra; Siyamkela Maphumulo; Mrs Lillemor Blunt; Luke Spear; Neil Bararugurika



ROCK GUITAR

Back Row: Luke Spear; Siyamkela Mapumulo; Pikolomzi Nkompele; Sebastian Hofmeyr; Merlin Brown; Benjamin Bryden; Thalemb Mbhele; Callum Henderson
Fourth Row: Tumi Motsepe; Oagile Dingake; Oliver Gray; Luke Campbell; Langelihle Dlamini; Kuhle Phungula; Ayabonga Shivane; Kyle Lewis
Third Row: Mhlengi Nsuntsha; Nathan Koller; Qiniso Ngubane; Sebastien le Roux; Robbie Cullis; Joaquim Abreu; Ilonathemba Zwane
Second Row: Samuel Deane; Inathi Nota; Olwethu Radebe; Ntando Nyabonda; Joshua Easthorpe; Boleng Seoe; Christopher Gilson; Lubanzi Zulu
Front Row: Tristian Grant; Thivaar Mudaliar; Mrs Jackie Kruger; Ivan Jjuuko; Mrs Lillemor Blunt; Connor Sawyer; Oscar Steiner



KEARSNEY COLLEGE

Academics - the number one priority

Kearsney's exceptional 2019 IEB results:

- 100% pass rate and 98% Bachelor Degree pass rate (vs ave rate for all IEB schools: 89,51%)
- 48,2 % of Maths boys achieved distinctions (IEB schools' distinction rate: 24,9%); Kearsney Maths grade average: 75,4%;
 - 27,4% of Phys Sciences boys achieved distinctions (IEB schools' distinction rate: 16,9%).
- 9th consecutive year Kearsney's Maths and Science distinction rates have been approximately double those of the IEB;
 - 56,9% of Engineering Graphics & Design boys achieved distinctions (IEB schools' distinction rate: 28,2%).
- 56,3% of Information Technology candidates achieved distinctions (IEB schools' distinction rate: 39,5%);
 - 30% of Kearsney candidates achieved 3 or more distinctions.

Kearsney Phys Sciences grade average: 69,9%;

Five boys in the top 1% (top 13 in SA). Grade average for EGD 81%;

Sport

68 Kearsney boys selected for provincial teams, including

3 boys for Craven Week and 1 for U18 Academy Week.

7 Kearsney boys were selected for SA squads in 2019, including

1 for SA U16 HP Hockey squad; 1 for SA U18A tennis; and 1 for SA U17A water polo touring team.

Kearsney Old Boys Sbu Sangweni (2018) and Dylan Richardson (2017) were selected for the Junior Springboks.

Cultural

The Kearsney College Choir was ranked 17th in the world by the international organisation Interkultur in 2019.

The Choir earned two gold medals and one silver at the last World Choir Games in 2018.

The Choir has now achieved 15 gold medals and seven silvers at the World Choir Games since 2000, making it the second-most decorated choir in the history of the World Choir Games, the largest choir competition in the world.

In 2020, the Choir will compete in the World Choir Games in Flanders, Belgium.

CULTURAL WEEK

Week nine of the second term arrived, and Cultural Week kicked off with an interview-based assembly between Kerry Peckham and Giffy Duminy. Giffy is an urban artist from Durban, and after telling the story of how he started his career with spray painting, he transformed the Grade 7 stairwell with his artwork of a huge chameleon catching a butterfly. He encouraged the boys to follow their passions, especially if they are more culturally inclined.



Giffy's chameleon with Atuswe Nyoka and Thalete Mbhele

Some notes from Mrs Peckham: On Monday Julian Kruger came to model dogs and wild animals from clay with the Grade 4s. He made it look so easy, but when the boys created their own sausage dogs, they realised how much skill Julian has. The Grade 6s were privileged to have Jenny Milborrow come and spend a morning sketching charcoal figures. The boys learnt how to work with proportions and had fun drawing each other.



Yahya Hansrod figure drawing



Julian Kruger demonstrating clay work

Siyabonga Sikosane came to inspire the Grade 5s with his talent of painting houses and township scenes. This proved to be a valuable time of learning how to use a grid to create the optical illusion of space on a 2-D scale.



Siyabonga Sikosane painting township landscapes

The Grades 4 – 7s had the privilege of being exposed to some vibrant and creative aspects of Drama through the workshops run by the Pietermaritzburg Arts Collective. BreeH Cele, who is the theatre manager at St John's DSG and Mlondi Ngubane, who works in the drama department at UKZN, ran physical theatre workshops for the Grades 4 and 5 boys. Grades 6 and 7 thoroughly enjoyed improvisation and soundscape workshops. It was wonderful for the boys to experience different forms of stage performance through fun and interesting activities. The workshops which were energetic and physical, required quick thinking and team work and were thoroughly enjoyed by all the classes involved.

Over the course of the four days, each boy who is learning a musical instrument had the opportunity of playing a prepared piece in front of his peers and invited parents. There were five recitals for this purpose. This gives the boys the confidence, in front of a smaller audience, to perform and gain experience and exposure.

The Grades RRR – 3 boys were treated to separate sessions with "Talking Drums", where clapping, listening and instruction following were necessary. Teachers were able to assess their class's concentration and sequential and rhythmical skills.



The conditions on Tuesday night were perfect for our annual campfire evening, where boys and adults alike, sang and enjoyed the new repertoire, prepared by Mrs Kruger.



The annual “Pop Idols” took on a different name and slight change in format. Each class was able to take part this year in the “C Factor”, where boys were able to enter into the junior or senior category. Winner of the single junior “C Factor” was Ziya Jasat, singing “We are the Champions”. In second place was Mholi Khuzwayo singing “Happy”. Luneziwe Mshengu took third place, singing “Dancing with my Father”.

Group winners were Vuyisa Mqokiyana and Andiswa Mahlase singing “Believer” and in second place Tumelo Dube, Xolo Dlungwana and Sondisa Hloba singing “Grenade”.

Grade 6L won the overall class competition, singing “Old Town Road” while 5T followed closely, singing “Bills”. Christopher Gilson won the singles section of the senior competition singing “How Long Will I Love You”. Tied second place with Ilo Zwane singing “Stay with Me” and Robbie Cullis singing “Talking to the Moon”. In third place was Basti Hofmeyr singing “Let it Go”, tied with Qiniso Ngubane singing “Hall of Fame”.



Sebastian Hofmeyr, Tumi Motsepe and Luke Spear won the group section singing “Dancing on my Own”. In second place was Robbie Cullis and Christopher Gilson singing “Hold Back the River”.

The house songs were once again closely contested with much creativity and choreography involved. Congratulations to Baines House, who once again won the coveted title.



The final recital was an opportunity for all the music groups, as well as some of the top individual pupils to perform to an evening audience.



Congratulations to every boy who contributed towards the phenomenal art display. Cultural Week is indeed a highlight on the calendar card for all the boys, and we look forward to next year with anticipation.



CHESS



Junior Chess

Early Monday mornings were always a busy time in the Media Centre. A large group of enthusiastic Grade 4 and 5 chess players gathered at 7am to pit their strategic thinking skills against each other. Many boys who were relatively new to the game soon learned how it all worked whilst being mentored and guided by the more experienced players.

Although half an hour is not an ideal length of time to attempt to get a decent game of chess in, the boys really enjoyed themselves and made the most of their Monday mornings. The top 8 boys on the chess ladder formed the Junior Chess team. A competitive evening of chess was enjoyed against the TWC girls. The boys managed to outsmart the girls. The evening concluded with a delicious supper of chicken burgers and cupcakes. A very good reason - according to the boys- to win a place on the chess team!

The Junior inter-house chess competition was won by Luke Treleaven of Baines and Dane Harrison was Junior Chess Player of the Year.



JUNIOR CHESS

Back Row: Dane Harrison; Yeshaylin Chetty; Riley Graves; Samuel Bromage
Front Row: William Thompson; Arav Lalloo; Mrs Gill Hall; Rhett Beaumont; Luke Treleaven

Senior Chess

Senior chess at Cordwalles has always been an exciting end to the week on a Friday morning. It could have been the morning treat that awaited them at the end of their short 30 minutes of fierce battles and testing of strategies, or the idea of being the one to say a well-earned enthusiastic CHECKMATE that has made it so popular amongst the senior players. We decided to throw in some curveballs for the more experienced players towards the end of the year by introducing them to four player chess. This instantly became very popular and has a different set of rules and tactics that have to be used to play the game.

While we have a very limited time, it has become important to still teach some key strategies and tactics which one hopes has been of benefit to the boys. When the really strong players share their ideas, the boys try some of the moves in their own games! Without singling out specific players, I would like to say well done to the entire senior team for playing such strong games, being so helpful to each other and trying their best, even when they felt like they could not win. The senior team played really well against the TWC girls and won their matches by a big margin! The boys were very focused and played like gentlemen!

Well done to Connor Sawyer for clinching the title of Senior Chess Champion of the Year! Congratulations also go to all the other players who ranked in the top ten and played in the inter-house chess games. Tathams (Connor Sawyer) were the winners followed by Jacksons (Thivaar Mudaliar), then Butchers (Mahomed Haseeb Moosa) and in fourth place, Sebastien le Roux of Baines.



SENIOR CHESS

Back Row: Luke Campbell; Mahomed Haseeb Moosa; Johnathan Baber

Middle Row: Sebastien le Roux; Robbie Cullis

Front Row: Bandile Mkhize; Connor Sawyer; Mr Yasean Khan; Ayabonga Shivane; Thivaar Mudaliar





In the technology and screen-dominated world that we live in today, one may ask oneself whether reading or being read to is really important any more. The answer is a resounding YES, YES, YES! It is probably more important than ever before! If you needed proof that boys love being read to, then all you have to do is walk into a library lesson or classroom when the boys are being read to. Find a book that captivates them and sparks their interest, then it is easy to reap the rewards of a very special time together during which the boys are silent, listening intently and totally immersed in the story that is being read to them. Our boys are so busy at Cordwalles and finding sufficient, meaningful time to read is difficult. Despite this, it is vitally important that the boys read or are read to for a minimum of 20 minutes a day, and it is up to both parents and teachers to encourage and model this.

The Media Centre is a busy, bustling place and a wonderful haven in which to spend a working day! In 2019 we again hosted a Books2You book sale which was very well supported. This year, through the generosity of many parents, we used the book sale as a vehicle to purchase a starter collection of isiZulu readers for Ashdown. Once a work party of mums had covered the books in plastic, the Grade 3 boys handed over the readers whilst on a visit to Ashdown.

During Book Week, Lori Preston, a South African author,

entertained the boys from Grade 2-5 with stories from her very entertaining new books. The boys loved listening to how Lori was inspired to write the books and hearing about the process that is followed in order to get a book published. On the Monday of Book Week, boys and teachers came to school dressed as a character from a book. Many very clever outfits kept us all guessing as to who the book character was.

The highly anticipated visit by the very entertaining Hooked on Books production took place in the Besant Theatre. The boys were thoroughly entertained by the brilliant actors as they used drama to tell the stories from a range of popular children's books. Those boys who were chosen from the eager volunteers really enjoyed participating on stage and did so with great aplomb!

On Thursday 21st February, four very enthusiastic and excited boys – Mahomed Haseeb Moosa, Kayden Naidoo, Thivaar Mudaliar and Sebastien le Roux – represented Cordwalles at the annual Kid's Lit Quiz, held at Athlone School. The Kid's Lit Quiz is an international competition and the quiz at Athlone was one of the regional heats. Our Cordies boys equipped themselves very well. Answering questions on many diverse categories pertaining to books, nursery rhymes, movies, comics and graphic novels, amongst others, they managed to finish in a very respectable 4th place, after lying 2nd at half time. Well done boys, we are proud of you.

I look forward to many more boys stopping me in the corridor to tell me what book they are enjoying reading – maybe, not enjoying SO much that he did not learn for a test - as happened this year when one of our little men was enjoying reading ‘The Boy who Harnessed the Wind’ so much, that this took complete priority over his test!

As Groucho Marx said, “I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book.”

Let’s us all encourage our boys to open a book rather than turn on the television!

Mrs Gill Hall



SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



Our purpose is to educate boys and to prepare them for the world, their world, into which they will burst to make a life and serve their purpose on earth. They cannot do this if they have had limited experience of the country in which they live; they need to have been exposed to all facets of our South African society and they need to be aware of its diversity.

INKY

The Grade RRR Inky boys collected dog food and blankets for Summerveld Dog Rescue in Assagay. The ladies who run the facility came to school to pick up the donations and gave all the Inky boys a talk on looking after animals, as well as sharing how they care for their dogs – all 70 of them!

The Grade RR boys collected food for the SPCA. They visited the SPCA and dropped off their donations. The boys got the opportunity to interact with the animals and give them some love

while they wait for their forever home.

The Grade R boys visited The Nest facility for the aged. The boys took puzzles and the elderly watched, assisting where they could, as the boys proudly completed their puzzles. The boys sang songs for the residents too. They went from room to room singing for those who were unable to join us in the lounge. The Nest were extremely grateful for our time and the songs sung.



GRADE 1

30 Grade 1 Ashdown children joined us on a morning down at the Outdoor Classroom. In pairs, the Cordwalles boys and Ashdown children went on a treasure hunt, looking for interesting plants and seeds in the Cordwalles forest. Snack was shared before moving on to making pine cones coated in birdseed for the birds to eat. To end off our special time together, fires were built and marshmallows roasted.

GRADE 2

Our visit to Ashdown

We went to Ashdown School to share our new art knowledge and skills of reusing recycled materials to create art works. Each Cordwalles boy had to demonstrate how to make a flower using milk cartons to a group of Ashdown Grade 2 children. It was an incredibly successful morning where new skills were learnt and more friends were made.

Ashdown visit us in the Outdoor classroom

The Grade 2s enjoyed a fun-filled day in the Outdoor Classroom with friends from Ashdown. There was much excitement as everyone walked down the steep pathway happily chatting away, getting to know each other. As part of our day, we played literacy and numeracy games which we gave to Ashdown to use in their classrooms. It was lovely to receive photos from the Grade 2 Ashdown teachers showing us how our visitors taught the rest of their class to play the games.

Making sandwiches for our 67 Minutes

In Grade 2 we decided to make sandwiches as part of our 67 Minutes give back project. These sandwiches were given to various homeless children.

GRADE 3

The Grade 3s visited Ashdown Primary, specifically their Grade 3 department. The purpose of the visit was to deliver some stationery for the teachers and children, bought with donations from our Grade 3 boys and their families. We also delivered the readers which had been purchased by boys from across the grades when we had the Book Sale earlier this year.

For some boys, it was their first visit to Ashdown. We are so grateful to always feel so welcomed there and it is heart-warming that so many little boys have become familiar to us, as they are part of the group which has visited Cordwalles regularly throughout the year. Our boys had the experience of being included in the morning lessons in the Grade 3 classrooms. Upon reflection when we returned to school, they discussed the differences between their own school and Ashdown, their own lives and some of the lives of the children at Ashdown.

The fact that we took stationery and books to Ashdown is irrelevant. More important is the relationships which have been established and the opportunities which have been presented to be exposed to the world beyond our school.

All the interaction with Ashdown this year by various grades and groups, in various settings, involving such a variety of activities, have been successful and appreciated; thank you to all the



teachers who have orchestrated this. Thank you to parents and the boys for your generosity of spirit and your kindness and friendliness to our friends from Ashdown.

We look forward to the new initiatives which are planned with Ashdown for 2020.



SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

GRADE 4

Ashdown

A fun morning was enjoyed at Ashdown with their Grade 4 children. The Cordwalles boys had to plan and organise an art activity. Each Cordwalles boy worked with a group of Ashdown children showing them how to make a paper maché heart using recycled paper. Recycling at home was encouraged through the conversations shared.

Emuseni

Grade 4 boys had the privilege of singing to and entertaining some of the 55 residents at Emuseni Old Age Home in Edendale. The boys had baked and iced cupcakes with caramel at school. After singing to all the residents, they spent time chatting to the elderly and ensuring they all received a cake. The boys loved the morning. As one boy said, "For me, seeing them enjoy our music, made me feel like it was the best day of their lives." Grade 4 boys also delivered the Love Boxes to the residents later in the year.

GRADE 5

Why the Butterfly Project?

The Roselands Trust raises funds to sponsor vulnerable children who live in poor and abuse-stricken communities so that they can visit Roselands Outdoor Centre and participate in a 3-week programme called The Butterfly Project.

The aim of the project is to help children come to terms with their own situations and to recognise their self-worth. As a consequence of this, the children will hopefully become empowered to face challenges and deal effectively with circumstances in the harsh realities of life. With a positive self-esteem they will respect others and in turn take responsibility for caring for their environment. Ultimately, Roselands feels certain that those who pass through this project will have developed skills that will enable them to return to their communities as leaders and catalysts for change.

A huge thank you to all the generous, supportive parents and hardworking boys who participated in our Ancient Egypt spell-a-thon and raised an amazing amount of R14785 for this very worthy cause.

GRADE 6

Grade 6L created Book Friends to share our love of books and reading. The boys collected preloved books from home. These books were enclosed in weather-proof ziplock bags, each with a beautiful bookmark. The bookmark explained in English on one side and isiZulu on the other, that the enclosed book, "...was not lost but was a gift to the person who found it..." The finder was asked to read it or give it to a friend who would enjoy it. These books were placed strategically at bus stops outside schools in and around town.



GRADE 7

This year the Grade 7s decided to do something different. In all the years that we have been going to Babanango, we had not realised that the local community do not have electricity connected to their homes. This year we decided to collect candles, matches and Easter eggs. During the trip we visited the local homestead to learn more about the Zulu culture. After the stick fighting, we took the opportunity to deliver our donations. The smiles on faces and the gratitude in eyes were the biggest reward that we could have received. Thank you to all the Cordwalles families for all their kind donations.



Mozambique

It was not only a bakkie load, but also a Quantum bus filled with boxes of supplies for flood victims in Mozambique. A very big thank you to all who responded to our #CordiesCares and Shares appeal. Thank you to Hilton Christian Fellowship who transported the donations to Mozambique.



Ashdown

Scouts at Ashdown immaculately dressed-thank you for the khaki donations. Vegetable seedlings kindly donated by Sunshine Seedlings.



SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Ecobricks

The first 115 ecobricks that passed the 'squash test' were donated to Roselands Outdoor Centre. These ecobricks, will be utilised to build a library for the farm school at Roselands - the wonderful venue that the Grade 5 boys visit on their environmental trip each year.



Dylan Leppan and Rex Wardlaw sold lemonade to raise money for Mandela '67 Minute challenge.

We were very pleased to have donated R3336.10 from Cake and Candy to the Limitless Foundation as well as R1714.70 to this foundation raised from the Cordies 6 x 7 challenge. Xilombe Tlakula, Class of 2011 who lost his arm in an accident whilst at Hilton College and several years later tragically passed away, founded Limitless Foundation.

Swimathon

The Cordwalles boys swam and raised funds 'with gees' for the 'SwimChix Pink Drive team' who swim 8 Midmar Miles for charity. In doing so, they **created 'hope'** for many, who would not otherwise have access to reasonable care and treatment. All who benefit from this charity are most grateful for an amount of R30 000 raised through the generosity of the Cordwalles Family.



Easter Egg Distribution

During the school holidays, some Cordwalles boys delivered boxes of Easter eggs, collected by the school, to a variety of institutions. Thanks to the generosity of the school community, many less privileged people were given a little love and the treat of an unexpected Easter egg.

The boys visited children's homes, community projects, a hospital and rural crèches to meet the residents and children and to provide some Easter joy!

They visited Lion's River Primary, Seventh Heaven Old Aged Home, PMB Children's Home, Greys Hospital, Khazimulo Children's Home, Sunfield Home, the Boake family, Never Neverland Crèche, and Esther House, amongst others.

We can relay sincere gratitude and appreciation from these institutions to the Cordwalles community for the kindness shown by this outreach initiative.

Excerpts from two of the thank you letters received:

"It is always wonderful when our home is remembered by the community which is willing to share their bounty with the lesser fortunate and it is heart-warming for us. May it continue to go well with Cordwalles Preparatory School.

*Many blessings and lots of love,
Colin and Pam Boake and all the children."*

"Thank you to Oliver Gray and to the boys of Cordwalles Preparatory School for your kindness in visiting our children at St. Joseph's yesterday. The children who mostly come from Mpophomeni Township were delighted with the chocolate Easter eggs! We on the staff appreciate your outreach to the poor here and at Khazimula. The values you displayed today will serve you well in the future."



3 April 2019

Oliver Gray & The Boys of Cordwalles Prep School
Cordwalles Preparatory School for Boys
Private Bag 9063
Pietermaritzburg
3200

Dear Oliver and the boys of Cordwalles Prep School

On behalf of all those involved at Khazimula, I would like to thank you for reaching out to each one of the children in our care with your donation of Easter eggs. All our children love chocolate and it was a special treat for them to be able to have an Easter egg on Tuesday afternoon. Your generous donation will ensure that they will be having a Happy Easter! More importantly – it is a huge source of comfort to them to know that other children care about them!

May your hearts be happy knowing that you have given our children a reason to smile.

Happy Easter to you and your families.

With heartfelt thanks

Lorraine Yoko

LORRAINE YOKO

VISUAL ARTS



This year has been an exciting and creative time in the Art Department. Boys learn very differently to girls and hence the art programme is active and focusses on techniques and skills.

The art programme is designed to instil a love for art. Art around the world is studied and we visited the Tatham Art Gallery and Ardmore Ceramic Studio.



Art is also used to send messages and we used art as a vehicle to cross socio-economic, cultural and language barriers as we worked with the Grade 2, 4 and 5 boys at Ashdown. It was a wonderful way for our boys to consolidate what they had learnt and teach it to groups of children focussing on the concept of recycling and caring for the environment.



In the art room the boys learn "It's not a problem to have a problem". Art is a great vehicle to teach problem solving where boys learn how to fix their own mistakes and realise that there are endless ways of fixing a problem. This an important skill for our boys to learn in the 21st century.

Amongst other things it also teaches the boys to become independent thinkers, as they have many of their own decisions to make when making a composition.

A lot of time has been spent working on the confidence of each boy as this self-belief is critical in the creative process of making art. We do this by talking about each other's artwork and encouraging each other. This builds a mutual respect and the art room becomes a safe place for boys to share their crazy, creative ideas and create.

With the theme for the year being LIFE, we have explored many related art projects, but the one that jumps out the most was the

Grade 5 project on the Amur falcons. These boys not only drew the falcons, but also sculptured them out of polystyrene and painted them with pattern. They ended the project with a nest of kindness.

This project demonstrated how we normally start off with a 2-D project and then move onto 3-D projects which helps the boys visualise the subject matter in a different way. Many different materials are experimented with, giving each boy a chance to find something they enjoy.





Jaemin Seong making a Megalodon



Leeash Chetty



Shahil Pillay



Connor Brown



Samuel Deane



Alex Roberts



Mfundo Foslara



Benjamin Bryden



Joshua Aurets



Ayabonga Shivane



Yanga Ngubane



Rory Treleven



Kerwyn Maistry



Ethan Muir



Samuel Browning



Jaemin Seong



Sunflowers inspired by Van Gogh



Scott Hoatson, Zach Greaves and Mahir Mohun doing pottery



Hayden Holt and Thandolwethu Gumedé

DRAMA

2019 has been a busy year in the Drama Department. In the second term, all the Grades 4, 5 and 6 boys presented a vibrant, diverse and meaningful Grandparents' Day performance, linked to the school's theme for 2019. "Cordies Cares" was an opportunity to showcase our school's commitment to addressing environmental issues. Through choral verse, song, dance and short skits, the boys presented a slick show which was enjoyed by all. The third term saw the Grade 7s present an outstanding production of a junior edition of the musical, "Grease". It was a challenging task, but the boys excelled in their roles, delighting audiences with this fun, familiar and well-loved

show. In the fourth term, the Junior Primary boys took to the stage to perform "Ye Ha!" a rollicking, fun-filled Western adventure, with the core theme being good versus evil. The Grade 3s delighted their audiences with wonderful renditions, and were impressive in pulling off a difficult script. The Grade 1s and 2s entertained beautifully in their supportive role, with song and dance. All in all, it has been a wonderful, happy year of growth for Drama at Cordwalles.

Mrs Carmen O'Donoghue
Drama Teacher

Junior Primary Production – Ye Ha!





DRAMA

Grade 7 Production – Grease





EVENTS

Arbor Day

Arbor Day 2019 was another huge success due to the fabulous support that we as a school get from our parents and boys. That our Arbor Day programme was able to link to the theme of Environment: Earth also provided an excellent reference point in classes across the school.

This year we planted three sections of the Environmental Area, namely a very small pocket below Mr Veenstra's house and two large sections above Gibson's Field. We planted another 225 trees this year; an amazing feat! Every one of the 21 species that were planted this year is indigenous to the Pietermaritzburg area and replaced exotic eucalyptus plantation.

Arbor Day also gave us the opportunity to take stock and reflect on what we have achieved over the last number of years. The planting of this year's trees below the swimming pool connects to indigenous trees that were planted there by boys 10 years ago! I really would encourage you to take a walk down to the Outdoor Classroom and have a look at the trees that were planted in that area in our 2017 effort. I assure you that you will be inspired. And while looking at the trees, don't forget to look even higher as there is a wide range of raptors that are also frequent visitors to our school. You never know what amazing sighting you may be blessed with.

Mrs Sam Hubble and Mr Richard Robertson



Book Week

Grade 4 - Danny, the Champion of the World by Roald Dahl



Grade 5 - Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl



Grade 7 - The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins



EVENTS

General Knowledge

A wide and varied general knowledge is always something to strive for and there are plenty of opportunities for the boys to extend and build on their personal wealth of knowledge.

A written GK test is completed by all boys in Grades 4 to 7 at the end of Terms 1 and 2. On the final day of Term 3, the much anticipated and very enjoyable Inter-House GK Quiz took place. The 5 members of each team are those boys who have been the top achievers in the tests in the previous terms. Mr Bailey is a wonderful quiz master and the boys were challenged with a wide range of questions - both visual and auditory - from ten different categories which included topics such as Missing Parts, Hats, Rugby World Cup, Science, Current Affairs and Cartoon Characters. The closely fought contest was won by Tathams.

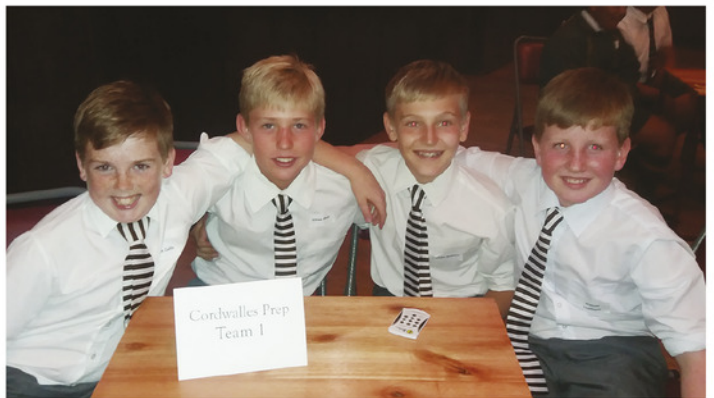
On the evening of Tuesday 17th September, eight very excited Grade 6 boys represented Cordwalles at a most enjoyable inter-schools GK event at Kearsney. Our boys, in teams of four, competed against 15 other teams, which were mainly schools from Hillcrest, Durban and the North Coast. The boys equipped themselves very well, displaying an impressive and varied depth of general knowledge. The teams did themselves and Cordwalles proud. A few technical hitches meant that the evening was somewhat disrupted and we were only told the top 5 places. Cordwalles Team 2 finished in 5th place in a closely fought "fastest-finger", multi-choice based competition, consisting of a shortened 7 categories which included topics such as Flags of the World, Famous South Africans, Mathematics and Planets. Thank you to the parents who drove to Kearsney to support the boys. Your interest and backing is much appreciated.

Mrs Gill Hall

Grade 6 Maths Challenge

The annual Grade 6 Maths evening was once again a fun filled and popular event. What was particular heartening this year was to see many boarder parents and siblings made such an effort to attend the event. It was a welcome change to hear the sound of Maths chatter in the dining hall, with some of the conversations being quite animated as parents and sons were fully engaged in Maths problems. A special thank you to the staff that gave up their Friday evening to ensure the event was as enjoyable as it was and to the kitchen staff for providing delicious snacks.

Mr Duncan Greaves



Hobbies



EVENTS

Grandparents' Days





EVENTS

aQuellé Cordwalles Mudman

*Did you know.....*that in 2019 we hosted the 16th Cordwalles Mudman event at Midmar Dam?

*Did you know.....*our current Cordwalles boys weren't even born when the first event took place way back in 2004?

*Did you know.....*that through the Mudman events the Parents' Association/Mudman Committee have raised R3 850 000.00 for the school?

*Did you know.....*that the money has paid for:

- Upgrading the Pennington Pavilion from a little 'hut' to a lovely club house
- Awnings at the swimming pool, starter blocks, changing room upgrades
- Theatre benches, floors and sound in the Besant Theatre
- Acoustics in the dining room
- IT Equipment
- Building the Centenary Pavilion at Gibson's Field
- Building the Outdoor Classroom in our own school forest
- Upgrading 3 tennis courts into a multipurpose Astro Turf
- Upgrading 1 tennis court into an all-weather court
- Installing air conditioners in the Grade 6 and 7 classrooms
- Upgrading cricket pitches and electronic score boards
- Refurbishing staff houses

*Did you know.....*that the Chairman of the Board, his board members, the Headmaster and his School Executive Committee appreciate the enormous contribution the boys, parents and staff make towards the success of this incredible fundraising event...whether it be working tirelessly to find sponsors and prizes, participating as an athlete on the day, being a marshal way out in the bush, assisting in the car park, setting up the banners, handing out medals, buying and selling the Bayala raffle tickets in order to raise R172 000, working through the night installing the floating bridge or just being there on the day supporting their children? Thank you!

Did you know..... the aQuellé Cordwalles Mudman 2019 event raised R300 000. These funds will be used to pay for the costs of, over a 3-year period, the multi-purpose astro turf sports facility near Hollows Field.

Did you know..... As part of our social responsibility, R20 000 will be donated to Ashdown Primary School in Edendale to pay for more whiteboards in classrooms.

Once again a MASSIVE thank you to **Rob Mitchell** (PA Chairman and Mudman Race Director) and his incredible team of Cordies parents who put together a very well organised and most enjoyable aQuellé Cordwalles Mudman event.

Todd Clark	Ryan Zammit	Mel Klute	Sarah Cuff	Caryn Maitland	Bronwyn Goosen
Paula Böcking	Mel Dickason	Nathi Duma	Hayley Griffin	Stuart Beaumont	Lane Reynolds
Wendy Gray	Sue Mitchell	Cathy Grant	Kerry Koller	Sam Hubble	Leigh Henderson
Tarryn Hoatson	Marci Bullock	Veronica Abreu	Melissa Gravett		

And not forgetting **Terry Lloys-Ellis** and the Grade 5 parents who were marshals out on the course, manned the entrance to Orient Park, helped in the car park and more.

Special mention must be made to the awesome **Cordwalles staff** and the student masters who were up very early to work at the ROAG Mudman and Life Kidz Mudskippers registration marquee, as well as out on the Life Kidz Mudskippers course with **Luke Hounsom**. **Michelle Breedt**, **Dave Evans** and the **Cordwalles ground staff** contributed to the success of the event too. Thank you! Thank you!

See you all next year – boys, parents, staff, sponsors and, of course, athletes!!

Mrs Ruth Forder



EVENTS

Nannies' Day

Every year we invite the very special people in our boys' lives to school to come and see what their little charges get up to each day. We also take this opportunity to thank our nannies for all they do for the boys. Such a happy morning is had, as the boys show off what they can do both inside the classroom and out. It always amazes us teachers how the boys take responsibility for their special person, showing them around and enticing them to play. Much laughter fills the air as we see nannies playing soccer and sliding down slides with their boys.

The boys then entertain the folk with some songs. This is always a highlight for the nannies. The morning ends with the nannies heading off to have some tea and cake, with a much needed rest before going home.



Polar Bear Challenge



EVENTS



Grade 6 UK Exchange

Oh my gosh! Where do I start to share all that I did, saw and learnt on the UK Exchange trip? It is impossible to tell all here, but some things became abundantly clear:

Firstly, the exchange boys, Nathan Koller, Rory Treleaven, Christopher Gilson, Thomas Mason and Luke Campbell were a pleasure to travel with. They behaved appropriately, acted responsibly, were confident and independent; I was very proud to be associated with them. Many strangers in airports and on flights were interested to know where the boys came from and where they were off to and for what reason. Many commented on their good manners.

Upon arrival at Heathrow, once the boys had been united with their host families, I went off on my own mission, to visit other schools; St George's in Weybridge, Papplewick in Ascot, Elstree in West Berkshire and by default, St Neot's in Berkshire and Danesfield Manor School, in Walton-on-Thames. During this two-week period, I checked back into St Piran's twice, once to see the boys and spend the day at school and then again on their final day at the school. This last day ended with the usual 5pm end of week chapel service and bell ringing ceremony, which was followed by a farewell braai (or barbeque) in the school grounds (in the drizzle). Once again, the boys were showered with praise for the way they had acquitted themselves in the homes of their hosts and it was interesting to see the degrees of friendship and bonding which had taken place over the exchange periods; our boys having established closeness with the parents and siblings of their hosts.

It is daunting to find oneself in an unfamiliar environment and it was with apprehension that I woke up on the days I was to visit schools. However, in all cases, I felt so welcomed and had my reservations immediately quelled upon arrival. Schools had gone to the trouble of planning a programme suited to the requests I had made, which meant that my time was well spent and I came

into contact with the relevant staff members.

Of course there are many differences in the UK schools, but strangely, many similarities as well. As I kept repeating; 'The same, but differently packaged.' This made me realise that in our types of schools, we all have a focus and sense of purpose, to educate and develop children to the best of their ability and persuasions, using the staff and facilities available to us. The interest of the child is always number one priority. I had my senses and passion reawakened and couldn't wait to get back to savour fully our own Cordies atmosphere of learning and education. Contrary to popular belief, discipline in English schools is alive and well; that is in the public schools I visited anyway. Yes, the haircut and dress codes may be lax in our eyes, however, when it comes to classroom behaviour, respect and self-discipline, expectations are firm, with pupils being positively motivated, guided and constantly encouraged. Very little else of meaning can happen unless discipline prevails and it is imperative that children learn the behaviours which are socially acceptable and which allow an atmosphere conducive to learning to be established.

Each school has its own character and its own stand out point, some right out there as part of their marketing, and some intrinsically woven into the buildings and the practices of the school. Papplewick is known for its herpetology department, St Piran's for being the family school, St George's for being part of an extensive, highly regarded senior school, Elstree for their enormous grounds and freedom for their pupils and Danesfield Manor for being 'The small school with the big heart.' This brought home to me the fact that there is NO OTHER SCHOOL LIKE Cordwalles; we are our grounds, our buildings, our history, our traditions, our facilities, our staff, our pupils, our families and our curriculum. Nowhere in the country, or in the world is there a replica; Cordwalles is unique.

I am quite sure that the parent bodies and the families associated with the schools I visited are very decent people, but it is so comforting and gratifying to be back amongst the familiarity and friendliness of our Cordwalles family and to hear conversations in isiZulu, observe our multi-cultured, colourful surroundings and to be drenched in real sunshine and to feel free in our large, blue skied spaces. We are blessed and privileged to live in this special place. I have always loved seeing how other schools operate. Walking around, watching carefully, inspiration can be found in the smallest, most unlikely places. I am reminded that every little thing each of us does, as a teacher, a pupil and a parent, gives an impression and a silent message to others about what we really

stand for and gives onlookers a tell-tale sign of our standards, deep ethos and our real intentions.

So, amidst the revelations of extensive, ancient school buildings and grounds, meeting a diverse range of teachers (many ex-South Africans), recognising that schools all over the world face similar challenges and triumphs, feeling a deep sense of reverence and awe whilst sitting in on incredible lessons in practical, happy functional classrooms, feeling immense gratitude for the opportunity afforded me, I have returned home feeling so proud to be part of Cordwalles and can only hope that I have represented our school and our country well enough.

Mrs Laura-Jane Colepeper



The St Piran's exchange is an experience that I will never forget.

Our journey started at King Shaka Airport on the 2nd May. We were lucky as a group because we were all close friends and were accompanied by two fantastic teachers and two happy St Johns girls. As we boarded the plane and waved our anxious parents goodbye, the trip became a reality.

The plane trip was long but uneventful. We all watched as

many movies as possible and Tom got a big fright from a new, loud, loo flushing experience, but he escaped unharmed. Rory snored loudly for a long time.

We were met by our hosts at Heathrow and went off with them in our separate directions. Luckily, I had met Findley when he stayed with my family a month earlier. I was a bit nervous to spend the two weeks with a family that I did not know. They were very kind and looked after me well. Their home was very different to mine. It was quite small and we all had chores around the house. They live on the Thames in a small village called Maidenhead. It was wonderful to be able to walk around and explore the village with Findley. We also did some canoeing outings on the Thames. Arriving at school after the weekend was great because we got to see the other Cordies boys.

St Piran's has girls. This made for quite an interesting school time! The girls always like to be the teachers' pets. We were kept very busy at school – some of the lessons took 90 minutes. The food at school was delicious! We went on many wonderful outings. Some of my favourites were Legoland, The Windsor Horse Show and the Harry Potter studios. I bought a giant chocolate frog with my pocket money.

The two weeks went by in a flash and sooner than we knew it we were back on the plane heading for Africa.

The experience of the exchange was amazing. I learnt how privileged we are to live in big houses with lots of space and how

much my family, friends and home means to me. I felt that I grew from the experience and I have made some friends in the UK that I intend to keep in touch with.

Grade 5s – it is a wonderful, once in a life time experience that shouldn't be missed.

I would like to thank Cordwalles for giving me this fantastic opportunity.

Christopher Gilson



The Desmond-Webb family made me feel very welcome on my arrival in England. It was nice to see the familiar faces of all the boys from St Piran's that had been in South Africa. Straight away my exchange family took me touring the British countryside. We spent a long weekend in Devon where we sailed, watched horse racing, rode bicycles around a very small village and had proper British food at a pub

along the river. Once the long weekend was over I reunited with the Cordies boys at St Piran's. Indoor corridors, sitting on the floor at assembly, no home classroom and girls; very different from Cordwalles. School at St Piran's was fun and I met lots of other nice children.

I was lucky to play cricket for St Piran's and helped my team win. We were spoiled by our host families and were taken on some awesome day trips; Legoland, Rush, Harry Potter World and a day trip to London. Our day trip to London included London Underground trips, a sight seeing bus tour with high tea, the London Eye, and my favourite, The London Dungeons.

With my time in England coming to an end we said our goodbyes and were all super excited at the thought of seeing our families again.

I thoroughly enjoyed my once in a lifetime exchange experience. I learned so much and would love to be able to do this again.

Thomas Mason

EVENTS

Grade 6 UK Exchange



The exchange to the UK was an amazing experience for me. I thoroughly enjoyed every minute and was very blessed to stay with an awesome family, the Chambers. They welcomed me into their home and it was interesting to see how their daily routine differed from ours back home.

They were very generous and we did many exciting things. While I enjoyed The Abingdon Airshow, The Tough Mudder Obstacle Race, Pub in the

Park and an English pub experience - my three main highlights were The Harry Potter Studio, Thorpe Park and Legoland!

I also loved my time in London. It was very busy and I enjoyed experiencing the Underground transport system and found the old buildings, like Buckingham Palace, extremely beautiful. During my second day in London we went to the London Dungeons, which was both fun and scary. That night we went to the theatre and saw "The Show That Goes Wrong". It was a comedy that I really enjoyed.

St Piran's is a very old school and I found it interesting how they did different things to our school, like calling the children in after break using walkie talkies! I also made some good friends at St Piran's who I enjoy chatting to and keeping in touch with.

Thank you to Mrs Colepeper for looking after us so well on the plane there and back, it was comforting to have such a kind teacher with us when we said goodbye to our parents.

Lastly, I would like to thank Cordwalles, St. Piran's and my parents for making this 'once in a lifetime' experience possible. I am very grateful and will treasure all these memories forever. London, I'll be back! I encourage the Grade 5s to give it a go!

Nathan Koller



My farewell from school set the scene. We were given a Cordies farewell tunnel and as we walked through the cheering, my excitement became real.

We arrived in

London at 8am and the St Pirans' boys and girls had a banner up welcoming us all. We went to school that day and met Mr Carroll. I have to say that I wasn't really up for school but it wasn't too bad and we had a delicious lunch.

Fitting into the Reeve family was quite easy. They were very welcoming and had been well informed of all my favourite meals. We spent time with the other families. We had a few barbecues together and played badminton and croquet regularly in the evenings with Sandy. The thing that stood out for me was the weather. It rained a lot!

I visited two beautiful stately homes. The one house was where Meghan Markle got ready before her wedding to Prince Harry. It had an amazing maze. I participated in a traditional bluebell picnic and ran in the egg and spoon and sack race. I got to play cricket at Taplow Cricket Club in front of Windsor Castle and won the match ball. We went to London by train and saw famous sights like Big Ben and London Bridge to name a few. We saw a really funny show called "The Show That Goes Wrong", visited the Harry Potter Museum and got the biggest fright of my life when a mentor suddenly appeared outside the train's window. We had high tea on a London bus and great fun at Legoland.

Perhaps my most favourite was the silent disco. I would like to thank Cordwalles for this wonderful experience, attending St Piran's School, whilst living with an English family was such a growing experience. It taught me to be adaptable and most importantly, grateful for all we have: the space, the sport at school and my parents for allowing me to participate in the exchange. I would highly recommend this exchange to other Grade 6 Cordwalles boys.

Luke Campbell



It all started with "Let's go Cordies" and off we went on our exciting journey. In London we met up with our hosts and went to school for 2 hours. The school was beautiful (I loved the pool, it was so warm), although the work was harder. The hospitality my hosts showed me was incredible. We visited many of the landmarks including Carters Steam Fair, The London Eye, Legoland, Stonehenge and

my favourite, Harry Potter World. We also went punting at Oxford. I loved Harry Potter World because it showed you the behind the scenes workings of the movies themselves. The London Eye was exciting because you saw all the famous landmarks of London. We also went to the Royal Windsor Horse Pageant. It was amazing - the people were doing all kinds of things on horses. England was wonderful and I am glad I had the opportunity to go.

Rory Treleven

School Picnic





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SCHOOL COUNCIL

Imagine a meeting that starts with hot chocolate and muffins. After that, a bit of discussion, then disagreement and finally smiles. Well, on some of the faces anyway. This might sound like something out of the corporate world, but School Council meetings here at Cordwalles are no different. We vigorously discuss amongst other things: the need for more soccer, why we need two hoops for basketball, how we can fit in more hobbies, why we need more bunny chows during lunch and the need for a light in the swimming pool toilets, to name a few.

As always in life, we can't be assured that these things will happen, but we can try our best to make it happen. It was wonderful to have had the Capitol Caterers team with us, to discuss dietary options and why we are having meat free Mondays at Cordwalles. I must say that the boys get great marks for their orals, as their points are always expertly put across and I enjoy the valuable debates. As a group of School Council boys, we will continue to work together to make the Cordwalles experience a worthwhile one.

Mr Christiaan de Jager



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PROJECT WEEK

Grade Four

The aim of our project week was to research endangered species and to make the boys and others aware of how these animals are becoming endangered. We chose and researched an endangered animal. Here we found out how the animal behaves, lives and how it has become endangered. We then made a poster for a silent protest.

In Art and DT we finished off our game reserves and made little plasticine animals. They were awesome! We also did cupcake

making where we iced a cupcake and made an elephant out of icing. Then we performed soapbox speeches to make people stop poaching and killing endangered species.

The highlight was the 'Sphero Wars'! First, we designed and built a sphero vehicle cover and built a game reserve in the classroom out of wooden blocks. We then had a war between the rangers and the poachers. The poachers sadly won the game. Let's not let that happen in real life!



Grade Five

Scientists around the world need your help. The plants and animals in our oceans and seas are being destroyed. The scientists are looking for students to use their imagination and creativity to help solve this problem. They need you to invent a device, product or machine that can help the ocean environment around the world. These inventions must be used to help a certain topic or problem that you choose. For example Over-Fishing, Endangered Animals, Dying Coral Reefs, Hazardous Waste, Litter, Water Warming, Habitat Destruction, Shark Finning, Oil Spills etc. Your choices and decisions could help save the planet and protect our oceans and seas. Be creative, use your imagination, think differently, and save our waters!



PROJECT WEEK

Grade Six

Delicious, healthy smoothies bursting with flavour and containing a wide variety of carefully researched ingredients were enthusiastically planned, made and then devoured by the Grade 6 boys on the Thursday of Project Week. This smoothie-making exercise was the culmination of the week, during which the boys had explored and researched different aspects of the History of Medicine and Natural Medicine. Over the course of the week, the boys visited an herb farm to learn about the healing properties of herbs; listened to an interesting and informative talk by a dietician on healthy eating choices and an enlightening talk on our local water resources; researched water-borne diseases and then made their own water filters and finally, paid a fascinating visit to the newly-opened Pietermaritzburg Eye Hospital.



Grade Seven

During Project Week, the Grade 7s had lots of fun whilst learning about the world around them. We decided to work around 'a dollar a day' theme with sustainability of the environment in mind. The boys designed their own solar ovens to bake bread. We also walked down to Save Supermarket to buy supplies. The boys got into groups and had to buy enough food for three meals; lunch, dinner and breakfast for the next morning. They also built shelters from forest materials to provide them protection for the night. The boys were only provided with plastic

sheeting for a roof in case it rained. They were ingenious in their plans and the implementation of their designs. All the staff were most impressed by the boys' cooking skills with potjie pots and basic utensils. Some might have been a bit hungrier than others, came lunch on the Thursday, but all had a great experience. This made us realise how privileged we are to go to a school like Cordwalles. A huge thank you must go to Mrs Hubble and Mr Robertson for their planning, effort and input to make this such an enjoyable and worthwhile experience for everyone.



ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION



We are blessed at Cordwalles to have such an amazing forest and outdoor area to explore and learn in. The wonderful thing about this area is that it is a space that evolves and changes naturally. This allows for a great scope of learning, discovering, exploring and adventure.

As the seasons change, the plants, trees and grasses tell a story and for the boys to be able to immerse themselves in the natural world gives them such a tangible experience to learn from and relate to.

Movement is one of the things that boys love to do and the natural outdoor space at Cordwalles allows for and encourages this. Hands on experiences, sunshine on faces, feet in the mud and a smoky fire close by allow for such a rich time of sensory learning.

The opportunities for creativity and innovation are always close at hand. What is wonderful is how nature provides its own plentiful resource of materials and wonder.

A main focus of 2019 was on the theme of the year LIFE and the themes for each term - Limited Water, Infinite Energy, Feast or Famine and Environment: Earth. These linked in well with the Outdoor Education lessons and provided a good platform and framework for integrated learning.

The opportunity for each grade to spend a whole Friday down at the Outdoor Classroom, allowed for time for the boys to really immerse themselves in activities and tasks. Having more time and space with ownership of their tasks, allows the boys to work collaboratively. This was particularly true of the Grade 7 project week.





ENVIRONMENTAL TRIPS

Grade Three - CUMBERLAND NATURE RESERVE

The annual trip to Cumberland Nature Reserve proved just as much fun, if not more, than the previous year. Cumberland is the perfect setting to have a camp, where boys feel free in the surrounding space. They gain independence and confidence within secure, reasonable boundaries and return to school energised and enthused by all that they have enjoyed and achieved. The boys described it as 'the best fun', the best camp' and this is what some of them wrote:

On the second day we went to the dam and we did blow gun shooting. There were darts and the pipes we shot the darts out of. There were 16 targets. The scores you could hit were 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10. The next activity we did was kayaking. We went on the dam with our kayaks. We played 'crocodile', a version of 'stuck in the mud'. Thank you Cumberland for a wonderful trip, it was such fun!

Remember when we did our war cries at Cumberland, 'Cumberland Kids' against 'Killer Pirates'? My favourite activity was the Octoboard. We had to work as a team to finish all the levels. It was great fun! Then we played 'peg line'. We had to stay behind the red rope and lean right forward to peg a peg on a line connected to two trees. It wasn't easy.



Grade Four – SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE

Grade 4 boys went to Spirit of Adventure and had a wonderful time trying various activities. Carefully planned activities to encourage teamwork and leadership while having fun are organised throughout the three days. Some of these activities include abseiling, rock climbing, raft building and climbing through a very dark set of tunnels called the “snake pit.”

These are some of the reflections written by the boys:

“I learnt to try new activities, to never give up, to never being scared of anything, to ask someone if you need help and to listen to your team.”

“I learnt we could achieve more in life if we can conquer our fears and things are better together. Spirit of Adventure has helped us to work together and then you can prosper in life.”

“I learnt to trust my friends and believe in myself.”

“I learnt that I am a good leader and that I should never give up and nothing is impossible!”

“I think it is an amazing place because they help you when you struggle or if you need support in different activities.”

It is on these outings that boys grow in confidence and share many experiences.



ENVIRONMENTAL TRIPS

Grade Five – ROSELANDS

"Travelling. It leaves you speechless, then turns you into a storyteller."

This quote proved to be perfectly apt when listening to the boys on their return journey from Roselands, when much excitement was expressed in the form of reminiscing and jubilant song. Memories of a challenging hike to a remote waterfall, a muddy obstacle course and songs sung through marshmallow-filled mouths, at the fire pit. Each story more vivid and exciting than the last, was punctuated with songs learnt and secrets shared, whilst new friends were made.

Roselands has the perfect combination of adventure and comfort and affords each and every boy the opportunity to learn, grow and overcome their fears, in a safe and friendly environment.

Our boys were reassured that to truly experience and express their fears and insecurities is a sign of strength and not weakness. They were encouraged to find ways not to let their emotions control them, as this is what being courageous and accountable entails. So much of the message imparted by the wonderful staff at Roselands is in line with the values upheld at Cordwalles.





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ENVIRONMENTAL TRIPS

Grade Six - THE GREAT ADVENTURE

The Great Adventure kicked off under bright and warm skies. The boys, although a little nervous, set out excitedly on the first leg of their trip: the walk all the way up to Hilton. The hot weather made for somewhat slower going than usual, but when the boys reached the transition point and got their hands on some nourishment, they were once again ready for action. The cycle leg is always great fun and dry roads made for some quick progress. After a brief stop and drink at the Hilton College campus, we departed again for the thrilling descent into the Umgeni Valley.

Our successful arrival at the Henley Lapa is always greeted with enthusiasm as the boys have the freedom to explore, play in the river and generally just relax in a pristine natural environment with no modern distractions. However, it was not long before they began the task of making their fires in preparation of cooking their own dinner. This is always a task that brings a great sense of satisfaction, particularly if they can exercise enough patience to allow their food to cook slowly. A long first day was capped off sitting around their campfires before falling asleep under the stars.

Day 2 was another scorcher, so the damp feet from crossing the river dried quickly. Upon being met by the Umgeni Valley Nature Reserve staff, the boys were sent on an Amazing Race. The tasks involved group activities that had to be completed before the next destination was revealed. By lunch time, the boys had made their way to the camp where they would be based for the next

few days. The following day and a half were filled with various activities that included teamwork and individual challenges. The abseil is always a highlight for many boys and the cold water of the dam was significant incentive to build a good raft. Fabulous food, stokbrood, stalk the lantern, and the ever-present "threat" of the local rain-spiders all combine to challenge and sustain the boys in a variety of ways.

For some, Day 4 arrives far too soon while for others the thought of heading home to a steaming hot shower and soft fluffy pillows can't come soon enough. The return journey is also challenging as it involves much of the reverse walk-cycle-walk of Day 1. However, the boys somehow seem to accelerate as the 'horse smells home' phenomenon kicks in around World's View. Arriving back at school is a tale of two perspectives; exhausted boys being greeted by relieved mums. Another Great Adventure successfully completed.





ENVIRONMENTAL TRIPS



Grade Seven – BABANANGO

On Sunday 19th May, the Grade 7 pupils left for their annual Battlefields trip to Babanango. After stopping at 'The Boardwalk' in Eshowe, we continued on our way to Dingaan's Kraal. Here our tour guide, Thulani, started educating us on Zulu culture and the Anglo-Zulu war. Afterwards, we visited the 'Spirit of Emakhosini', which was erected in honour of the seven Zulu kings. Lastly we visited Ulundi, where the final battle took place on the 4th July 1879. Here we saw King Cetshwayo's kraal and artifacts from that time. On Monday we made our way to Isandlawana. We climbed to a great vantage point and relived the whole battle again, through sound effects and beautiful storytelling. Afterwards, we drove to Rorke's Drift and through role play we realised how brave the men on both sides must have been and what a fierce battle it was. The museum in particular was a favourite amongst the boys.

Next, we had a quick lunch at Isibindi Lodge, courtesy of the Gehren family. Back at Babanango Valley we enjoyed: stalk the lantern, star gazing, visiting a Zulu village and stick fighting. I do hope that the friendships made and the special 'gees' during this trip will remain with the boys and that they will always have fond memories of this trip.





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Front Row: Adam Haines; Carter Desfontaines; Jackson Storrar; Akhanya Makhanya; Aphile Mbanjwa; Teiyan Chetty

red group



Back Row: Kukhanya Sokhabase; Onika Kweyama; Ms Sarah Browne; Nathan Hounsom; Amandla Dimba; Aariyan Ruthnam; Sebastian Panczyk; Blake Boast; Christian Grové; Aman Bugwandin; Kylan Deonundhan; Mrs Carol Ndlovu

Middle Row: Nathan Ayekun; Levi Hull; Kwenama Cele; Adam Bromage

Front Row: Sahal Dawood; Thomas Hoatson; Jack Munro; Marcus Marais

Absent: Yadav Kassen

INKY 2019

blue group



Back Row: Mrs Derryn Odell; Nsika Mncube; Mason Stretch; Kataya Kasaba; Tushar Singh; Lucas Marais

Middle Row: Moosa Noorgat; James Kelmanson; Jordan Goosen

Front Row: Tariq Bositsumune; Kingsley Nott; Uhlelo Ngubane; Kavan Naidu; Nkanyiso Dlamini

Absent: Jamie Groenewald; Sharyan Iyer

green group



Back Row: Connor Griffin; Lulonke Mkruqulwa; Seth Gravett; William Riley; Zethembiso Cele

Middle Row: Ahmed Abdool; Mrs Caitlin Hull; Shreyan Naidoo; Franklin Storrar; Jared Aiston; Alexander Reitz; Phiwokuhe Mpanza

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Absent: Sahal Bayat

INKY INSIGHTS

Pearls of wisdom overheard

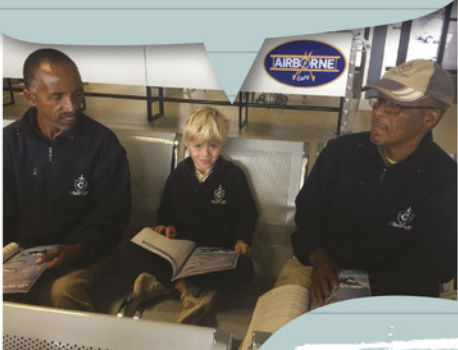
BIKES

'I can't believe I can finally ride my bike.'
'I don't need training wheels anymore.'



AIRPORT

'It's a runaway!'
'How does the aeroplane stay in the air
when gravity keeps pulling it down?'



BAKER BAKER



ENVIRONMENT

'After walking in the forest where there were thorns:
'Mr Evans is going to be working for a very long time if
he thinks he's going to get rid of all these thorns.'





FREE PLAY

'Lucky we don't have girls here, or else everyone would want to marry me!'

Teacher: 'A little birdie told me that you were being unkind'

'What's that birdie's name? I'm going to tell my brother to kill that birdie!'

'You got no shoes? Are your feet hotted?'



EASTER BUNNY



INKY INSIGHTS

Pearls of wisdom overheard

SPECIAL VISITORS



AUTUMN FUN

'What is the point of having all this bamboo when we don't have any pandas?'

'This place looks like its abandoned!'

'What does awesome mean?' After long and detailed explanation.....

'Oh, I thought it was when the leaves fall off the trees.'



PSYCHOMOTOR

After Mrs Odell had threatened them with no bubble machine if they don't listen.....

'And you're not even kidding, Mrs Odell!'





SENSORY PLAY



CHAPEL

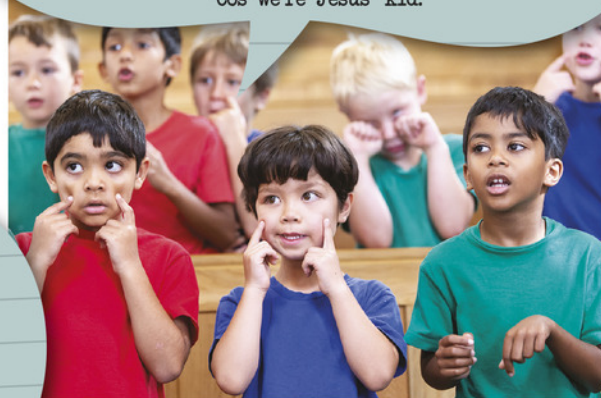
'Guys, if you're good and kind you will always be alive in heaven, not on earth but in heaven.'

Mrs Odell asked: 'Why are we all special?'
'Cos we're Jesus' kid.'



HAIBO

'I wish I was an ant so I could tunnel underground to Mrs Odell's house and visit Haibo whenever I want'
'I'm going to ask Mrs Odell to come and live with me so Haibo can live with me too.'
'What about Mr Odell?' 'He can come and live with me too!'



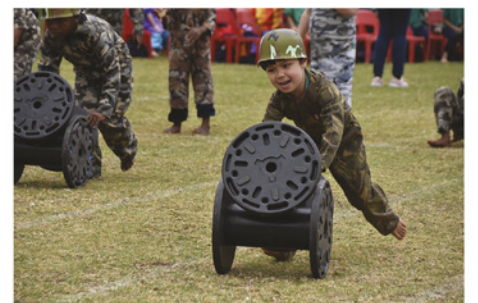
Inky Nativity



Inky and Grade 1 and 2 Fun Gala



Inky and Grade 1 and 2 Athletics Fun Day





JUNIOR PRIMARY

Days like this...



Life in the Junior Primary is light-hearted, relational, interactive, fun and educational! Each day dawns with many hugs, varied stories, plans, hopes and dreams! And that's just the teachers! During the course of the year we have embraced each new day of learning together; our routines are far from hum-drum. There is always action, activity, chatting and laughter. Groups of activity in the classrooms and on the corridors are all working purposefully, following the guidelines of their teachers, facilitated by the class interns, or their peers, to reach outcomes and more importantly, enjoy and grow in the process!

Chapel services and assemblies, together as a Junior Primary Department provide the opportunity for much conversation and discussions about life experiences and lessons, as well as the time to pay emotional attention to deaths, births, welcomes, goodbyes and other events.

We are a 'tight' team; that is why it was a real wrench to say goodbye to Mrs Lauren Corcoran in October. She and her husband have relocated to the United Kingdom. Goodbyes have been in the air as we also bade farewell to our 3 interns;

Mrs Gilbert, Miss Bell and Miss Lalbeharee. We wish them well as they continue their respective journeys in the educational field. They will be missed.

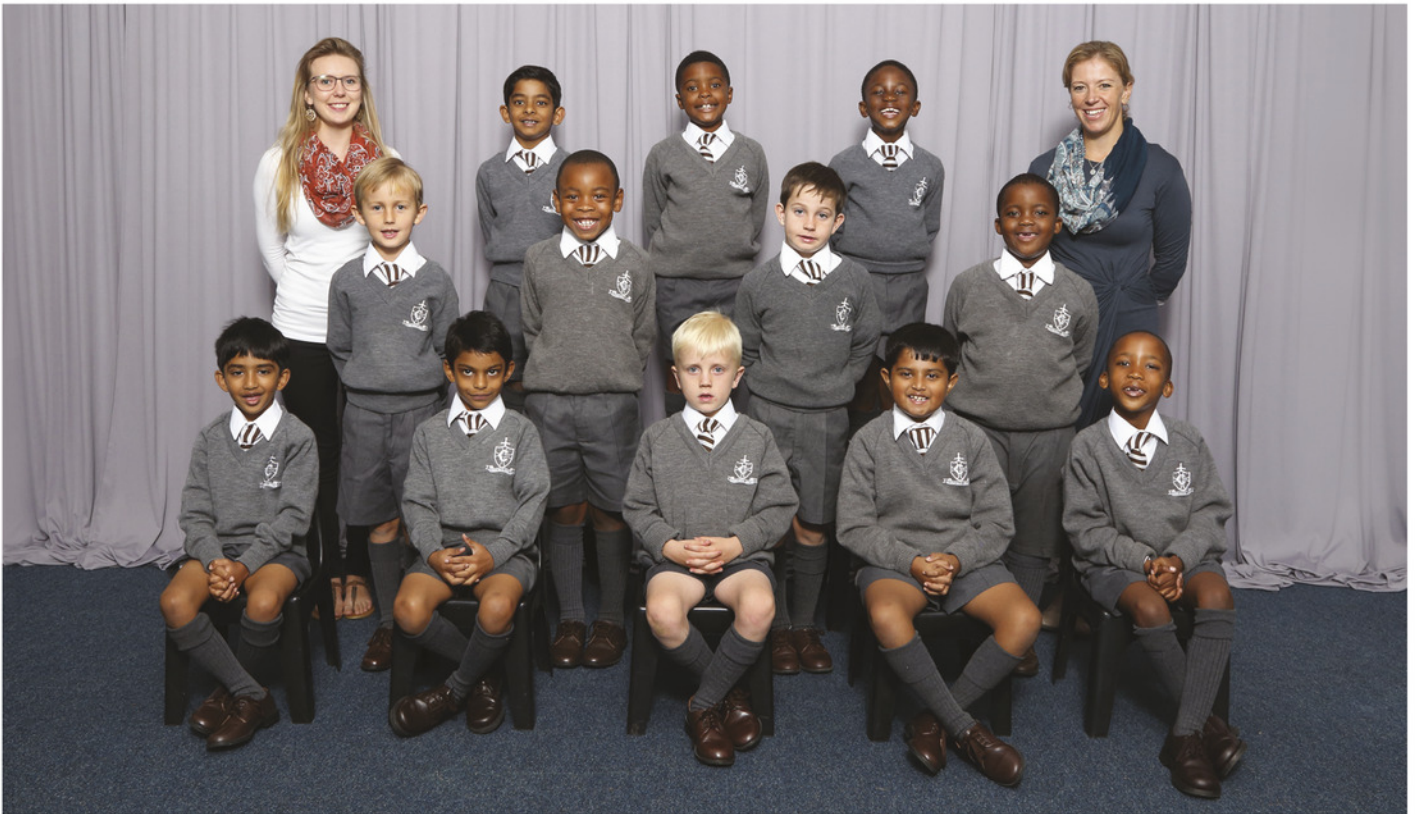
Looking back at photographs of the past year, it is so obvious that each boy has grown physically and their maturity and self-confidence are tangible. This shines through in the smiles and poses for the photos. This evidence is enough for us. Are the boys happy? Are they gaining self-belief and self-assurance? Have they learnt to read, so that once they enter Senior Primary, they are able to read to learn? Do they feel a sense of belonging at school and in this world? If we can answer 'yes' to these questions, we have served our purpose.

We have enjoyed theme days, special assemblies, sports and gala days, outings, the production 'Ye-Ha!', visiting shows and speakers, walks in the forest, the Outdoor Classroom, Arbor Day, Book Week and so much more. Phew! As I ponder and record all of this, I see why this is a place we love to be and why this is a place where boys love to play and learn. I am so grateful and proud of who they become.

Mrs Laura-Jane Colepeper
Junior Primary HOD

And this...





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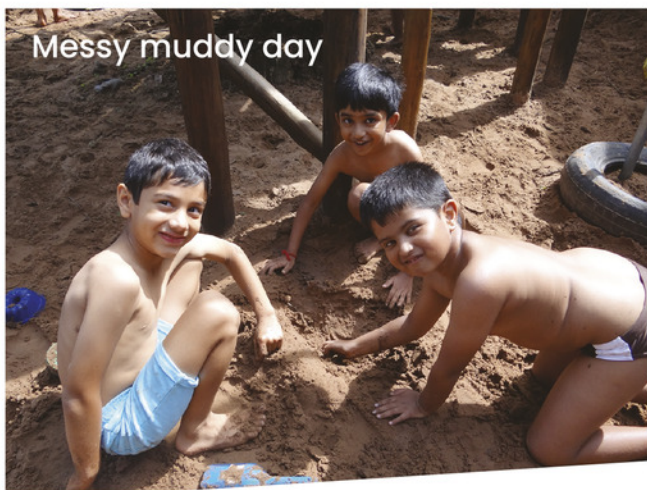
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GRADE 1FD

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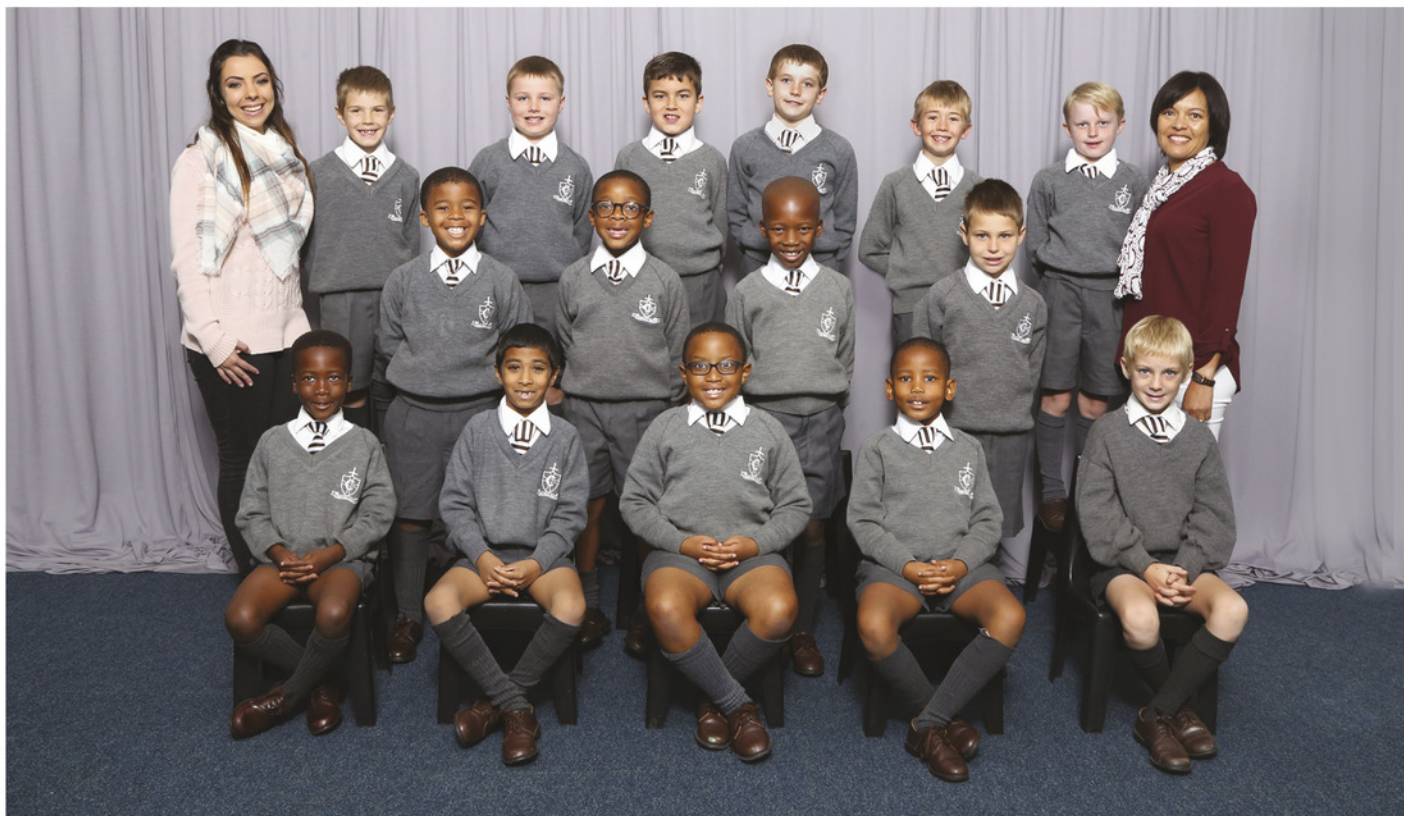




Tala Game Reserve



Our very own Duzi king

**GRADE 2J**

Back Row: Miss Melissa Bell; Nicholas Ware; Samuel Gilson; Diego Jesus Pestana; Samuel Browning; Cole Hooker; Joshua Cuff; Mrs Dorrianne Julius

Middle Row: Amazi Luthuli; Holi Zondi; Lukholo Matanzima; Tom Oxenham

Front Row: Meloh Mthembu; Abhay Ramraj; Olwethu Ntombela; Mpilo Khumalo; Charles Zammit

Came later in the year: Daniel Steyn

**GRADE 2L**

Back Row: Miss Melissa Bell; Veer Bhagwan; Sam Henderson; Preston Becker; Arinda Mugabi; Ben Clark; Aqhama Kankqu; Mrs Joanna Lourens

Middle Row: Konke Mahlase; Malachi Hull; Thabiso Nthoba; Shiar Safia

Front Row: Akabongwe Ngubane; Joel Shuttleworth; Jival Naidu; Bryce Longmore; Olinda Kweyama

Came later in the year: Rourke Champkins



Botanical Gardens



Butterflies for Africa



Dads and Lads

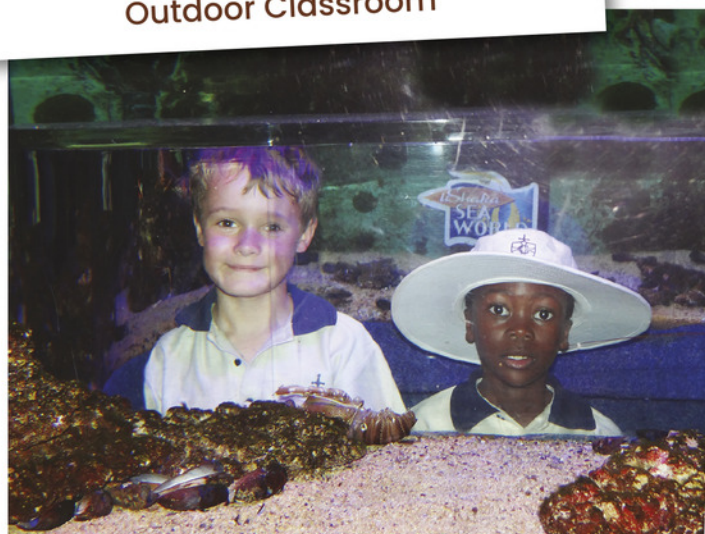
In the Classroom



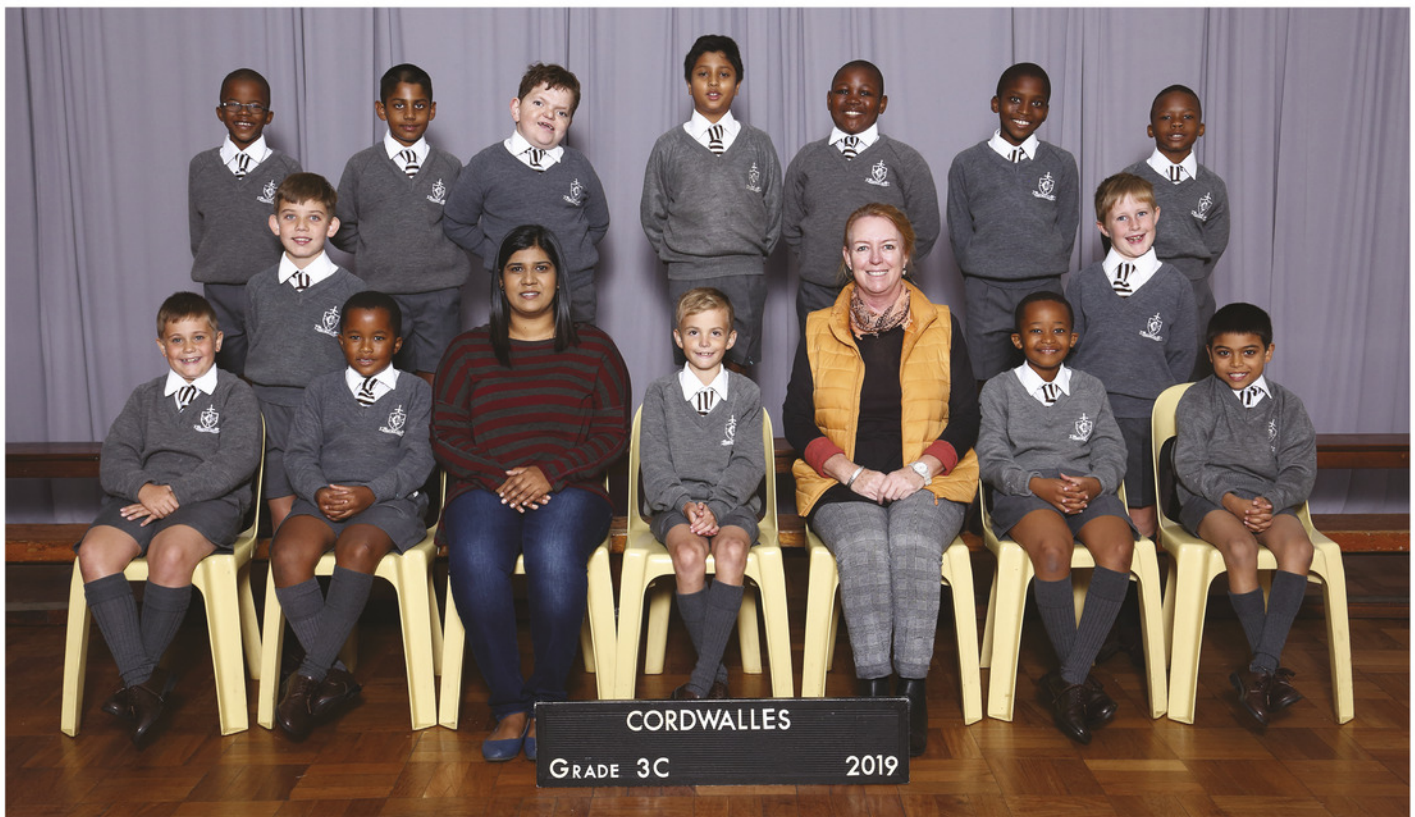
Moms and Sons Tea Party



Outdoor Classroom



uShaka



GRADE 3C

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Middle Row: Weston Soar; Joshua Greaves

Front Row: Ryley Klute; Dingaan Buthelezi; Miss Ariksha Lalbeharee; Craig Nel; Mrs Laura-Jane Colepeper; Esihle Kunene; Mateusz Pancyk

Came later in the year: Judah Steyn



GRADE 3T

Back Row: Mohammad Noorgat; Zinathi Mahlangu; Awande Moyo; Ntokozo Mkhize; Blake Bullough; Luminathi Ntombela

Middle Row: Joshua Bromage; Noah Rushton

Front Row: Tarik Ramdhani; Sachin Ramraj; Leesh Chetty; Ms Hayley Tweedale; Musa Babopeng; Ayabonga Khanyile; Shahil Pillay

Came later in the year: Visaiyen Iyer



Mangroves



Dads and Lads



Wetlands



Fort Nottingham Forest Walk



Peckham's Farm



Mums and Sons



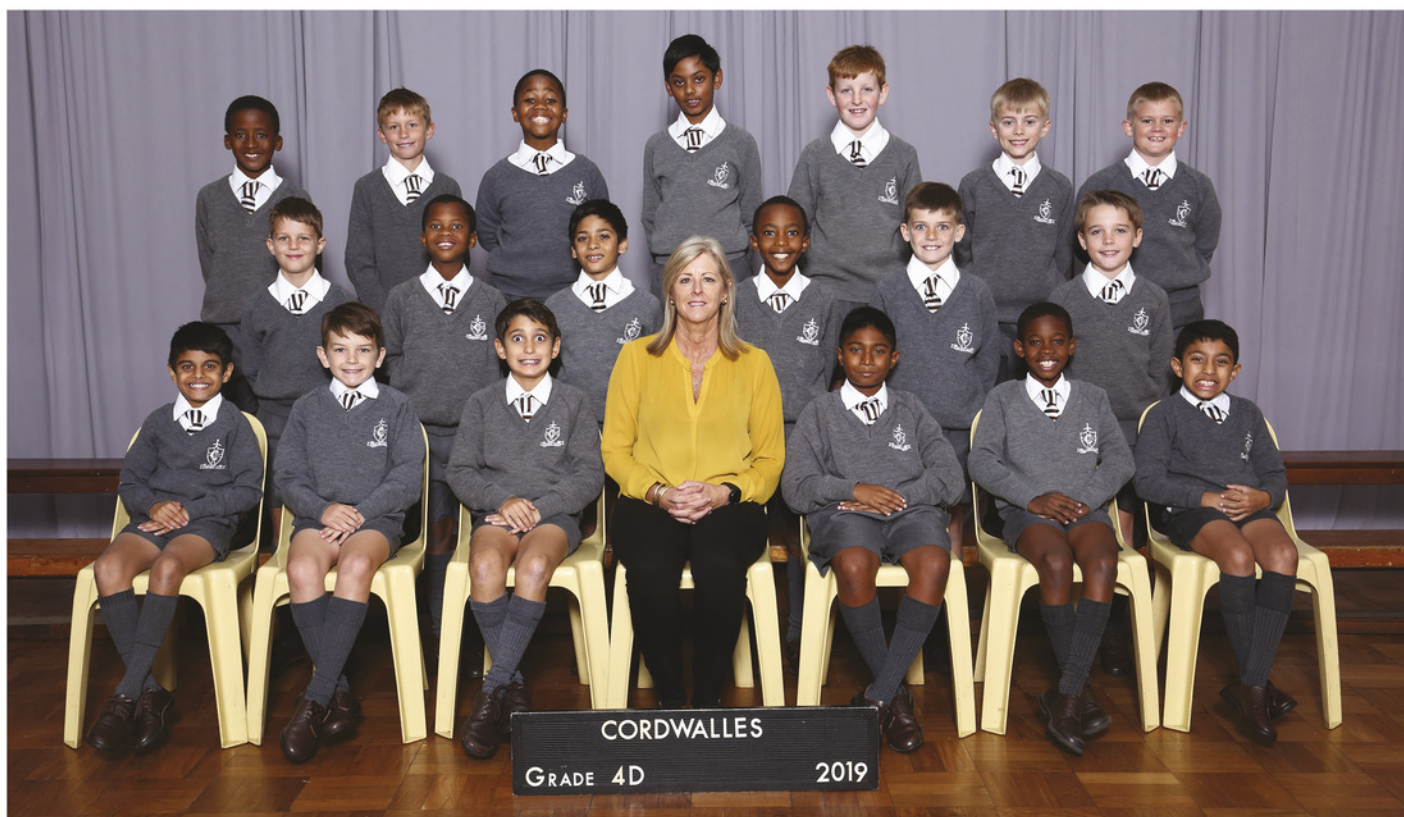
SENIOR PRIMARY



#UnlimitedOpportunityForBoys

OPPORTUNITY

for boys to be boys



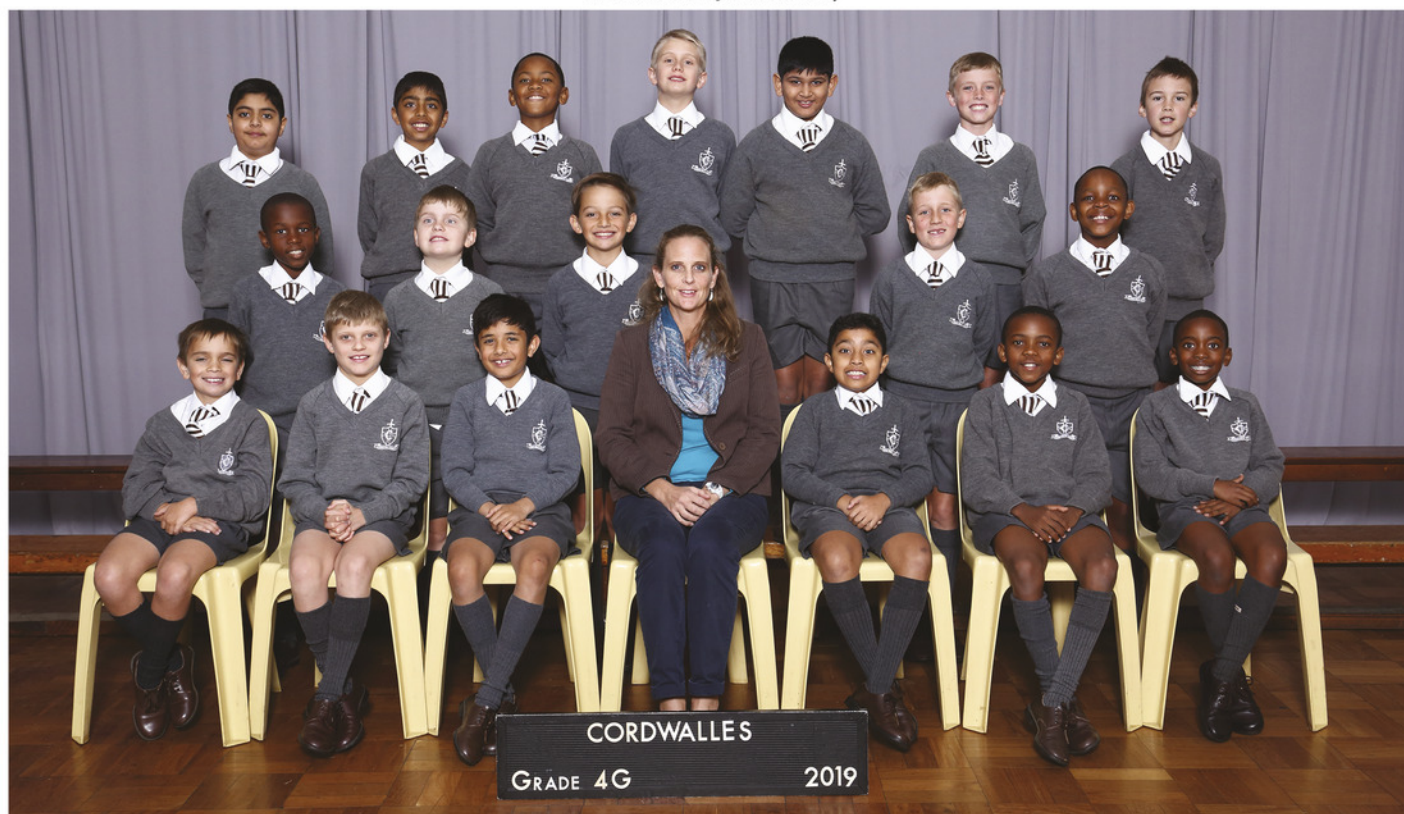
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Middle Row: Daniel Marshall; Ayanda Kunene; Milan Govender; Tumelo Dube; Mitchell Bekker; Jordan Bateman

Front Row: Nirvaan Bhana; Caleb Kinvig; Imran Mahomed; Mrs Denise Dedekind; Sayden Naidoo; Sondisa Hloba; Shezaad Asmall

Came later in the year: Josh Hardy



GRADE 4G

Back Row: Zuhayr Dawood; Arjun Wadhwani; Aaron Wesi; Cameron Hohls; Muhammad Nasser; Rex Wardlaw; James Ware

Middle Row: Lungelo Sibiya; Connor Maitland; Dylan Leppan; Rhett Beaumont; Sbonokuhle Mnculwane

Front Row: William Thompson; James Longmore; Ziya Jasat; Mrs Kirsten Greaves; Ziyaad Asmall; Luneziwe Mshengu; TJ Dube



Victorian Day



Proudly South African - Voting Process





Mandela Capture Site



Science Morning



Ready Steady Cook





GRADE 5E

Back Row: Arav Lalloo; Oliver Brown; Murray McHugh; Nathan Daniel; Guy Fender; Yeshaylin Chetty

Middle Row: Nicholas Adam; Tanen Soar

Front Row: Wenzile Nzuza; Jamie Wessels; Bradley Cook; Mr Hayden Henderson-Everill; Matthew Steel; Langelihle Myeza; John Gilson

Absent: Vuyisa Mqokiyana; Jack Hermon



GRADE 5N

Back Row: Tristan Durow; Chase Dormehl; Oliver Vickery; Tahil Nankan; Syun Maharaj; Joe Zunckel; Skyler Nienaber

Middle Row: Thandolwethu Gumede; Shamshér Essop

Front Row: Ethan Maltby; Dane Harrison; Banele Phoswa; Mr Derek Nell; Chase Maskell; Oliver Hoatson; Tshepo Molai

Absent: Hayden Holt



GRADE 5V

Back Row: Riley Graves; Jaemin Seong; David Steyn; Andiswa Thwala; David Colenbrander; Mholi Khuzwayo

Middle Row: Joshua Harris; Oliver Jarvie; Nicholas Gosling; Locke Lloyds-Ellis; Samuel Bromage; Jack Benkenstein

Front Row: Sbonakele Khoza; Andiswa Mahlase; Fergus Erskine; Mrs Kelly Jansen van Vuuren; Asande Ngcamu; Tariq Sewsunker; Matthew Longmore



Outdoor Classroom

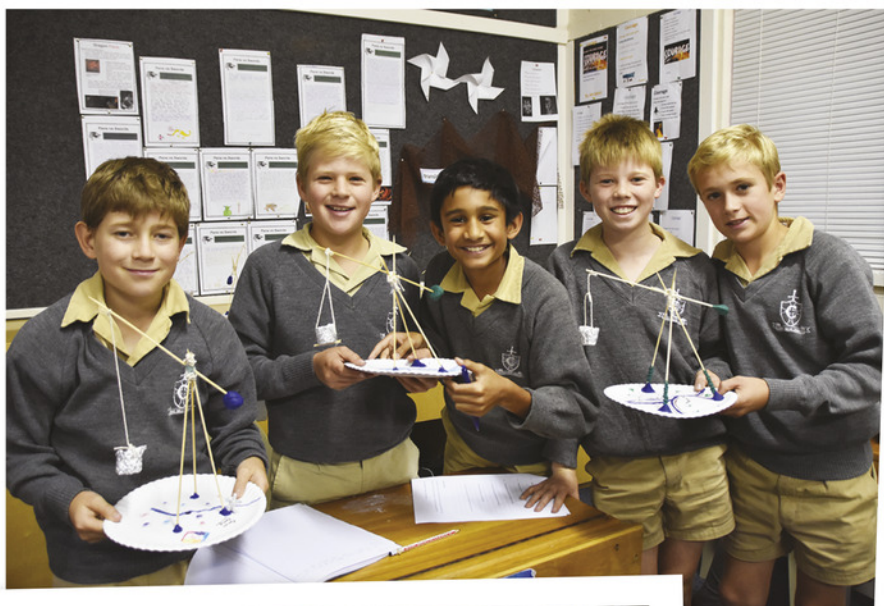




My Life and Memorable Moments Orals

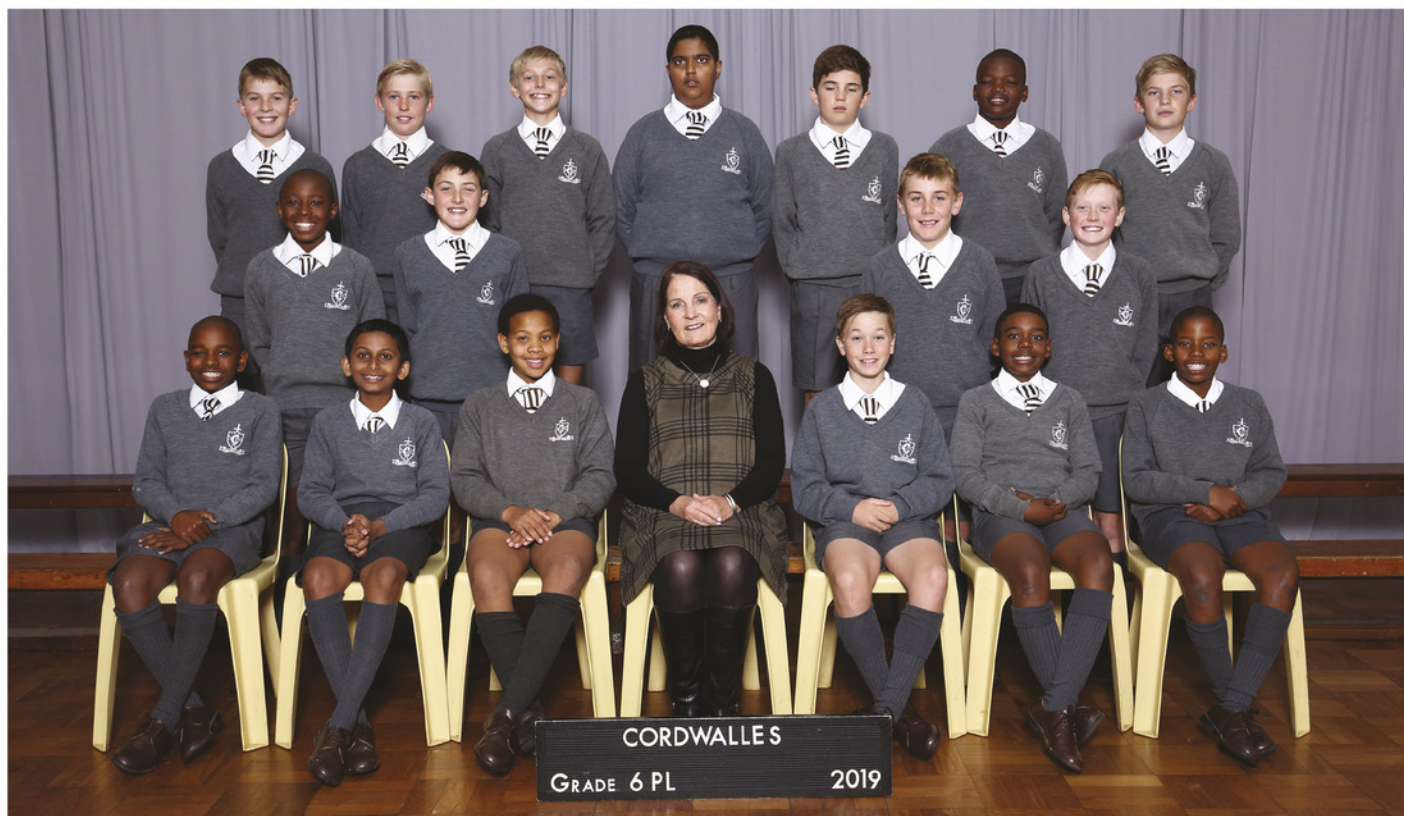


Robotics - Candy Machines



Wedgewood Nougat Outing





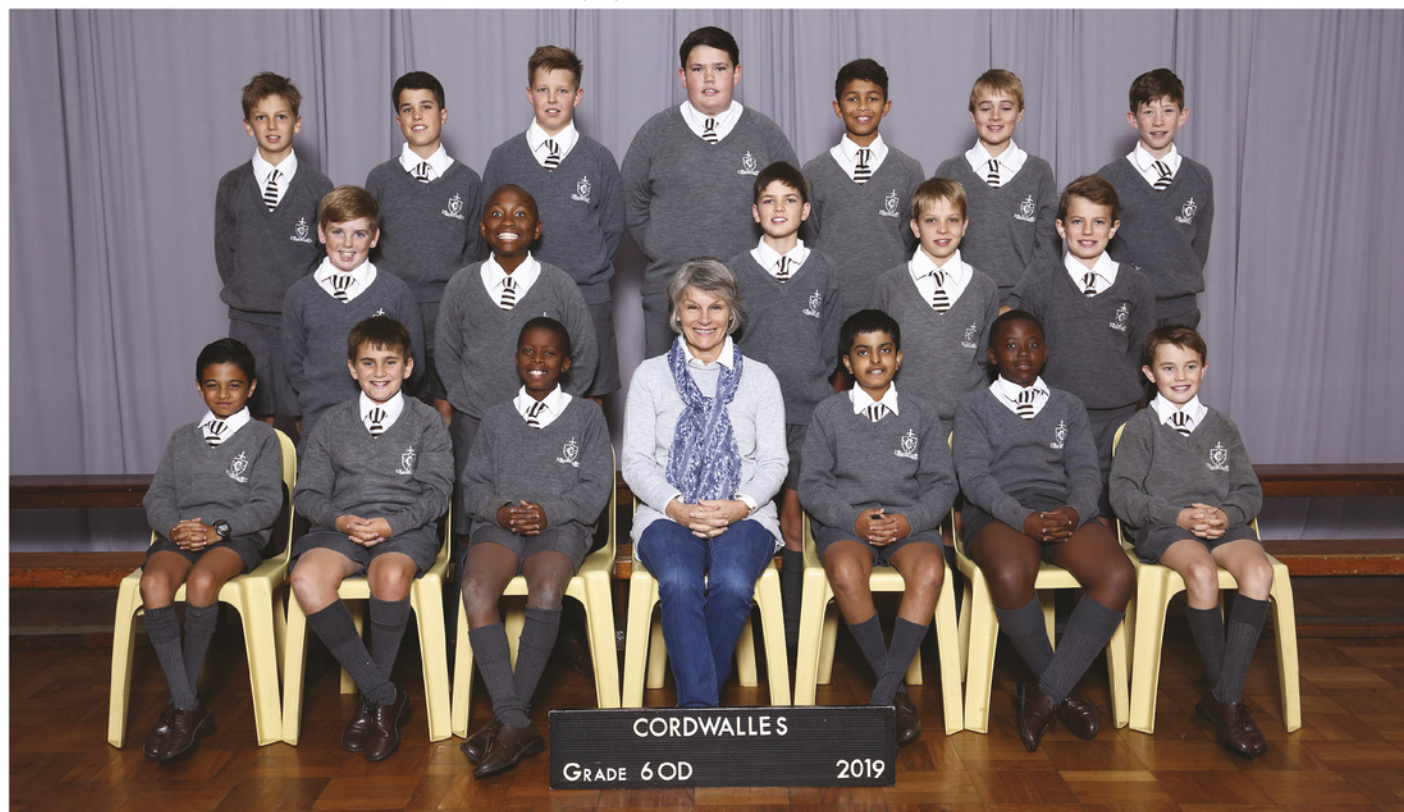
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Front Row: Olwethu Radebe; Milan Latchmanan; Siyamthanda Duma; Mrs Philippa Lowe; Nathan Koller; Lwandle Gabuza; Boleng Seoe

Absent: Troy Snyman **Came later in the year:** Jack Glutz



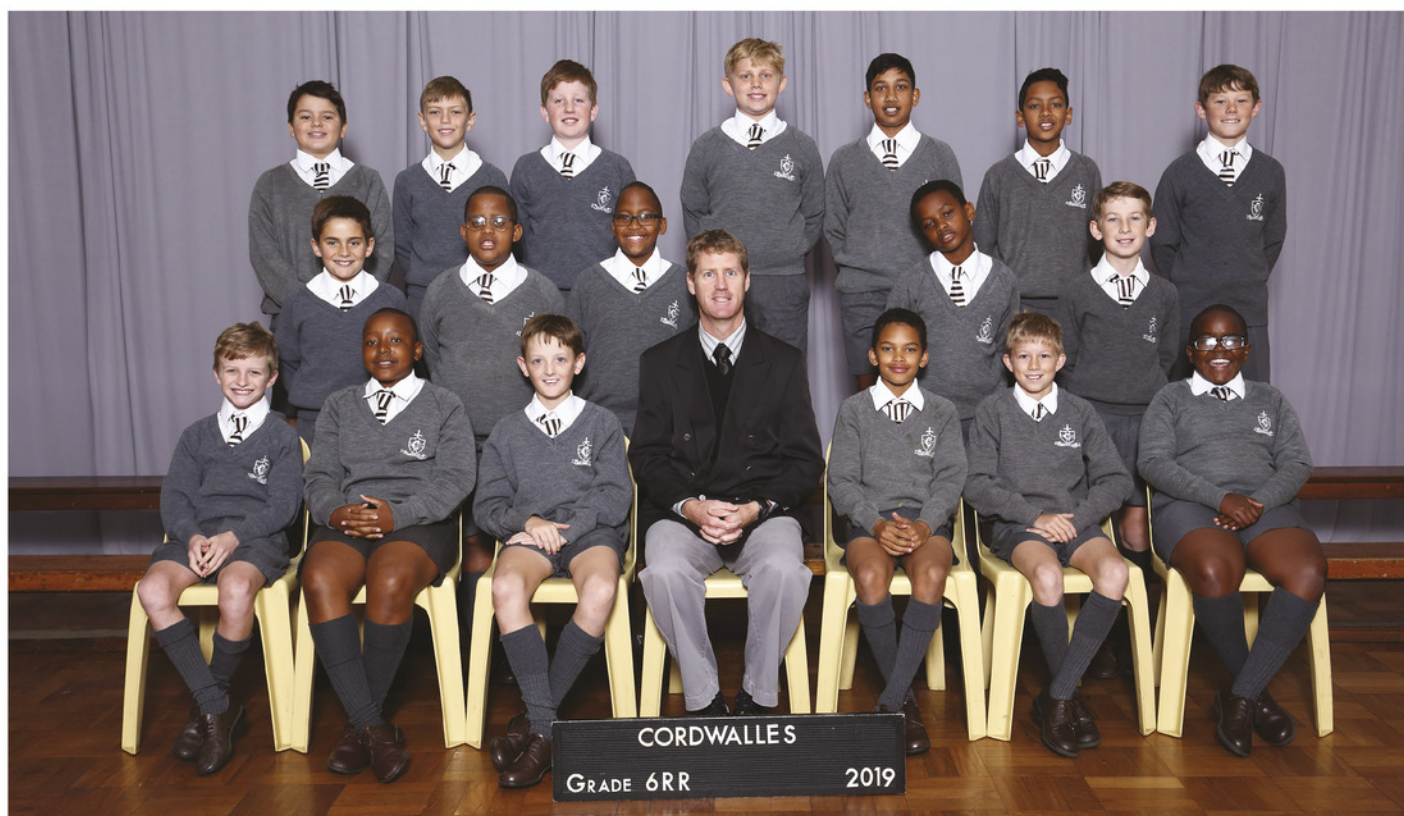
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Middle Row: Robbie Cullis; Bakuena Lekitla; Thomas Mason; Samuel Deane; Thomas Charlton

Front Row: Shivaan Bhana; Christopher Gilson; Ntando Nyabonda; Mrs Carmen O'Donoghue; Yahya Hansrod; Ilonathemba Zwane; Alex Roberts

Came later in the year: Bryce Johnson



GRADE 6RR

Back Row: David Sutton; Charles Fawcett; William Leathern; Merlin Brown; Radhesh Jhilmmeet; Kerwyn Maistry; Luke Mitchell

Middle Row: William Gilson; Bandile Mkhize; Oagile Dingake; Mhlengi Nsuntsha; Adam Zammit

Front Row: Nathan Dickason; Qiniso Ngubane; Jason Peddie; Mr Richard Robertson; Joshua Easthorpe; Rory Treleaven; Inathi Nota

Came later in the year: Chris Johnson





Arbor Day



Athletics

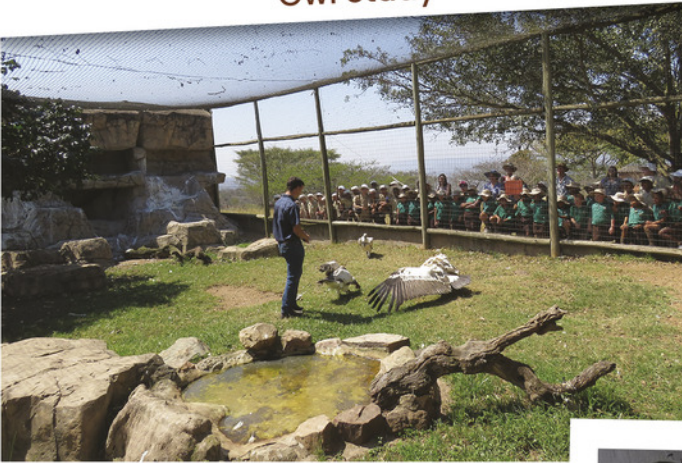


Phezulu with the St. Piran's boys





Owl Study



Project Week





GRADE 7C

Back Row: Luke Spear; Benjamin Bryden; Pikolomzi Nkompela; Ewan du Plooy; Gareth Egberink; Joel Kempthorne; Callum Henderson

Middle Row: Luwanda Xengxe; Andrew Boettiger; Kayden Naidoo; Akhona Mchunu

Front Row: Lwazi Dlamini; Kyle Cameron; James Reeve; Mr Michael Campbell; Harry Jarvie; Sebastien le Roux; Lubanzi Zulu

Absent: Luc Schraevesande

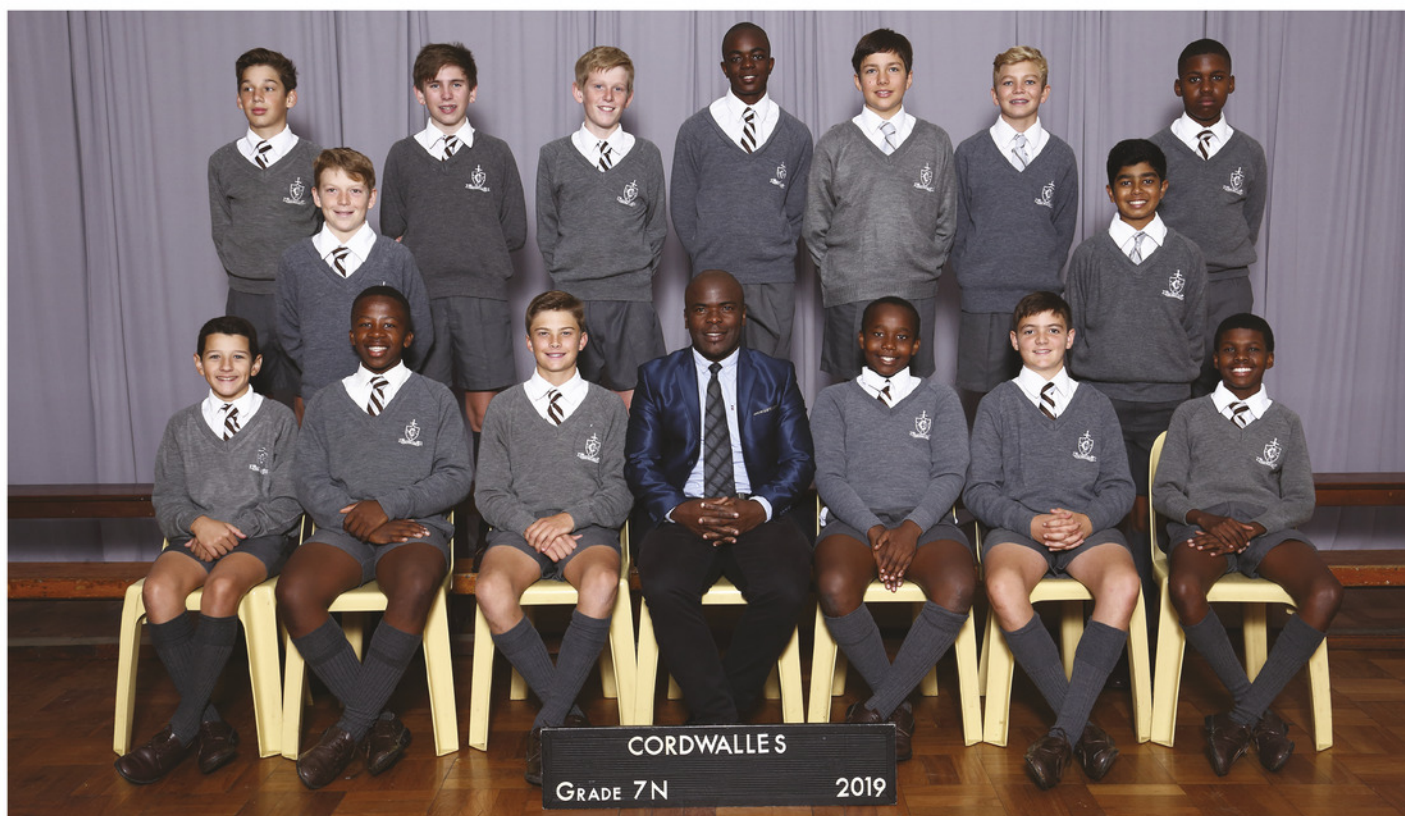


GRADE 7DJ

Back Row: Brendon Barnard; Jonathan Killick; Harshad Pillay; Langelibalele Mthimkhulu; Mahomed Haseeb Moosa; Atuswe Nyoka; Riley Gehren

Middle Row: Matthew Solms; West Mitchell-Innes; Talente Mbhele; Jasper Bruno

Front Row: Jarred Maltby; Oscar Steiner; Ayabonga Shivane; Mr Christiaan de Jager; Daniel Peckham; James Fender; Brackyn Middleton



GRADE 7N

Back Row: Joshua Aurets; Tristian Grant; Jared Wilson; Neil Bararugurika; Johnathan Baber; Connor Sawyer; Bayanda Mbelu

Middle Row: Kingsley Thompson; Thivaar Mudaliar

Front Row: Joaquim Abreu; Sithenkosi Nkompela; Sebastian Hofmeyr; Mr Sihle Nxumalo; Ivan Jjuuko; Sebastien Gaboreau; Kuhle Phungula

Absent: Siyamkela Maphumulo





Grade 7 Leadership Camp





Arbor Day



Grade 7 Blessing



Etiquette





Go Karts



Polar Bear Challenge



aQuellé Visit



Gift to the School



Outdoor Learning





Public Speaking



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TATHAM MEMORIAL POEM BY LUKE SPEAR

Rainy Day

Drip, Drop, Drip.
The skies above have flipped.
From a joyful-blue, to a saddened-grey.
Today is a rainy day.

Pitter, Patter, Pitter.
Spiderwebs begin to glitter.
Raindrops bless each withering flower,
with this sudden, unexpected shower.

Splash, Splish, Splash!
The rain begins to crash.
From a shower to a downpour.
The water hits the drought-cursed floor.

Patter, Pitter, Patter.
The candyfloss-clouds start to scatter.
The crickets begin their chirping,
the frogs begin their burping.

Drop, Drip, Drop.
The last droplets tickle every farmer's crops.
The gutters are now a perfect place,
for a fantastic, paper-boat race.

A rainbow decorates the pink-blue sky.
'Red' and his friends dance way up high.
The golden sun smiles down as if to say,
Today WAS a rainy day!

House Committees

BAINES



BAINES HOUSE

Back Row: Ivan Jjuuko; West Mitchell-Innes; Brendon Barnard; Joshua Aurets; Riley Gehren; Sebastien Gaboreau; Benjamin Bryden

Middle Row: James Fender; Andrew Boettiger; Matthew Solms; Thalente Mbhele

Front Row: Ayabonga Shivane; Gareth Egberink (Vice- Captain); Mr Christiaan de Jager; Sebastian Hofmeyr (House Captain); Kyle Cameron

BUTCHERS



BUTCHERS HOUSE

Back Row: Tristian Grant; Jonathan Killick; Mahomed Haseeb Moosa; Ewan du Plooy; Jared Wilson; Luwanda Xengxe

Middle Row: Sebastien le Roux; Jasper Bruno

Front Row: Lubanzi Zulu; Siyamkela Maphumulo (House Captain); Mr Sihle Nxumalo; James Reeve (Vice-Captain); Lwazi Dlamini

JACKSONS



JACKSONS HOUSE

Back Row: Akhona Mchunu; Sithenkosi Nkompela; Thivaar Mudaliar; Harshad Pillay; Kayden Naidoo; Kingsley Thompson; Kuhle Phungula
Front Row: Brackyn Middleton; Harry Jarvie; Luke Spear (House Captain); Mr Michael Campbell; Pikolomzi Nkompela (Vice-Captain); Oscar Steiner; Jarred Maltby

TATHAMS



TATHAMS HOUSE

Back Row: Atuswe Nyoka; Johnathan Baber; Langelibalele Mthimkhulu; Neil Bararugurika; Elias Mutale; Daniel Peckham
Middle Row: Joel Kempthorne; Bayanda Mbelu
Front Row: Joaquim Abreu; Connor Sawyer (House Captain); Mr Richard Robertson; Luc Schraevesande (Vice-Captain); Callum Henderson



ATHLETICS TEAM

Back Row: Oliver Brown; Guy Fender; Jordan Fryer Dudley; Radhesh Jhilmmeet; Alexander Ardé; André Boshoff; David Steyn; Connor Brown; Murray McHugh; Samuel Deane

Fourth Row: Judah Steyn; Blake Bullough; Rex Wardlaw; Qiniso Ngubane; Tristan Atkinson; Lance Price Moor; Mitchell Bekker; Joshua Greaves

Third Row: TJ Dube; Joshua Bromage; Ayanda Kunene; Simbarashe Mudavanhu; John Gilson; Wandile Mthembu; Sbonokuhle Sithebe; Sondisa Hloba; Nirvaan Bhana

Second Row: Rory Treleven; Olwethu Radebe; Oscar Steiner; James Fender; Akhona Mchunu; Joaquim Abreu; Joshua Easthorpe; Luke Treleven

Front Row: Mr Jason Buitendach; Sebastian Hofmeyr; Mr Derek Nell; Benjamin Bryden; Mr Lance Veenstra; Luc Schraivesande; Mr Luke Hounsom; Riley Gehren; Mr Gadge Sibisi

ATHLETICS REPORT

The 2019 Athletics season started with a bang from the first day back at school in the third term. Track event heats were held in preparation for our annual Inter-House Athletics meeting. The field event finals were held in the week running up to the meeting on Friday. Special mention must be made of David Steyn. He broke two field event records, namely the U11 long jump with a leap of 4,35m and the U11 high jump, setting a new record of 1.38m.

The track event finals are always an exciting day as the boys' natural competitiveness means that every boy tries his absolute best in whatever race he runs. After the last track event was run the points tally could not have been any closer between first and second place—there was one point in it! The day came down to the tug-o-war finals. Baines and Butchers were separated by one point and they were both in the tug-o-war finals. The excitement was palpable amongst boys and parents alike. After 3 pull offs, Butchers emerged victorious and in so doing walked away with the Inter-House Athletics cup.

The results were as follows:

Inter-House Cup - The Stewart Trophy:

- 1st Butchers – 194
- 2nd Baines – 193
- 3rd Jacksons – 171
- 4th Tathams – 129

The Orr Trophy for Standard points: Jacksons

The Relay Cup: Butchers

The John Brown Trophy for Open Field Events:

- 1st – Akhona Mchunu
- 2nd – Oscar Steiner
- 3rd – James Fender, Riley Gehren and Benjamin Bryden

U9 Champion:

- 1st – Wandile Mthembu
- 2nd – Blake Bullough
- 3rd – Simba Madavanhu and Joshua Bromage

U10 Champion:

- 1st – Mitchell Bekker
- 2nd – Ayanda Kunene
- 3rd – Rex Wardlaw

U11 Junior Victor Ludorum:

- 1st – David Steyn
- 2nd – Guy Fender
- 3rd – Murray McHugh

U12 Champion:

- 1st – André Boshoff
- 2nd – Samuel Deane
- 3rd – Olwethu Radebe

Open Senior Victor Ludorum - The Scott Trophy:

- 1st – Benjamin Bryden
- 2nd – Luc Schraivesande
- 3rd – Akhona Mchunu

The climax of the Athletics season is always the Inter-Prep meeting held at Merchiston. This year the event was held on Wednesday 31st July. The field events took place in the afternoon and there were some notable performances from our athletes. Simba Maduvanhu won the U9 High Jump and David Steyn won the U11 Long Jump.

The track events took place in the evening under lights on a chilly night. Our Cordwalles boys did us proud. At times, our boys needed to dig deep, as they were stretched with the number of races that they participated in. Although this was a wonderful team effort, there were once again some notable individual performances. David Steyn broke the 70m hurdles record and finished first in the 150m and the 100m. Mitchell Bekker ran a wonderful 1200m race to finish in first place.

The final results were as follows:

1st – Merchiston	152 points
2nd – Cordwalles	79 points
3rd – St. Charles	73 points
4th – Highbury	58 points
5th – Pelham	46 points
6th – Howick	45 points

I would like to extend a huge thank you to Mr David Evans and his wonderful ground staff for all the hard work they put in getting the Athletics track looking so good. Our boys are truly fortunate to have such wonderful facilities at their disposal.

Mr Luke Hounsom





CRICKET 1ST XI

Back Row: James Reeve; Radhesh Jhilmeet; Sebastien Gaboreau; Kingsley Thompson; Ethan Muir; Luke Campbell

Middle Row: Jarred Maltby; Harry Jarvie

Front Row: Ivan Jjuuko; Mr Darren Mortimer; Sebastian Hofmeyr; Mr Lance Veenstra; West Mitchell-Innes; Mr Cyril Mthimkhulu; Matthew Solms

CRICKET REPORT

The 2019 cricket season began with trials in the first week of the new school year. These trials were met with great excitement and the boys were raring to get going.

The most excitement was from the U9 age group as these Grade 3 boys were about to begin their hard ball cricket careers. It was the first time that they were able to put on pads and gloves and this was met with much chatter as boys compared kit.

This age group grew from strength to strength as the season went on and I must commend the U9 coaches for their patience and hard work throughout the season. The growth in all the boys from the first to the fourth term was very evident.

The U10 age group had a solid season as a whole. The boys in this age group were a wonderful bunch who were eager to learn and grow in their cricket.

The depth in the U11 age group made competition for places tough. There was a huge improvement in the skill level of the boys throughout the year and this was fantastic to see. The highlight for the U11A squad was their trip to Johannesburg to play against St Johns and The Ridge. They played some wonderful cricket and this was a turning point for them in their season.

The Open age group saw 112 boys arrive for the first trial. This meant that we would need to field 10 cricket teams in this age group. As a result, the Cordies Big Bash League continued in 2019. The 8th, 9th and 10th teams played in an internal round robin format most Thursday afternoons.

The rest of the Open age group had a successful season with

some excellent cricket being played by all the teams. The 1st XI had a very successful season, playing fantastic attacking cricket. The top order was exceptionally strong and they were all hard-hitters who scored lots of runs between them, often dominating attacks in the process. West Mitchell-Innes and Sebastien Hofmeyr both scored hundreds during the year. The bowling attack was brilliantly lead by Radhesh Jhilmeet, and he ended up being the leading wicket-taker by some distance. As a Grade 6 boy, this was fantastic.

The 1st XI participated in the Prep Schools Cricket Festival which was hosted at Kingswood in Grahamstown this year. It was a wonderful experience for the team and they learnt a lot whilst on the tour.

All-in-all, this was an outstanding season. Throughout the year and across all age groups, there were 27 fifties, and 3 hundreds scored, 8 five-wicket hauls and 2 hat tricks taken.

I would like to thank all the dedicated cricket coaches who were instrumental in making the cricket season so successful and enjoyable.

I would also like to thank Mr David Evans and all his ground staff for the wonderful work that they do to keep our facilities at the high standard that they are. Our boys are exceptionally fortunate to be able to play on such amazing fields week in and week out. To the catering staff who provide wonderful teas throughout the year, thank you.

Mr Luke Hounsom





CRICKET 2ND XI

Back Row: Ethan Clark; Chris Johnson; Harry Vickery; Bryce Johnson; Luke Mitchell; Connor Brown

Middle Row: Samuel Deane; James Fender

Front Row: William Gilson; Oscar Steiner; Mr Jason Buitendach; Luwanda Xengxe; Jarred Maltby



CRICKET 3RD XI

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CRICKET U9B

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Cross Country

CROSS COUNTRY REPORT

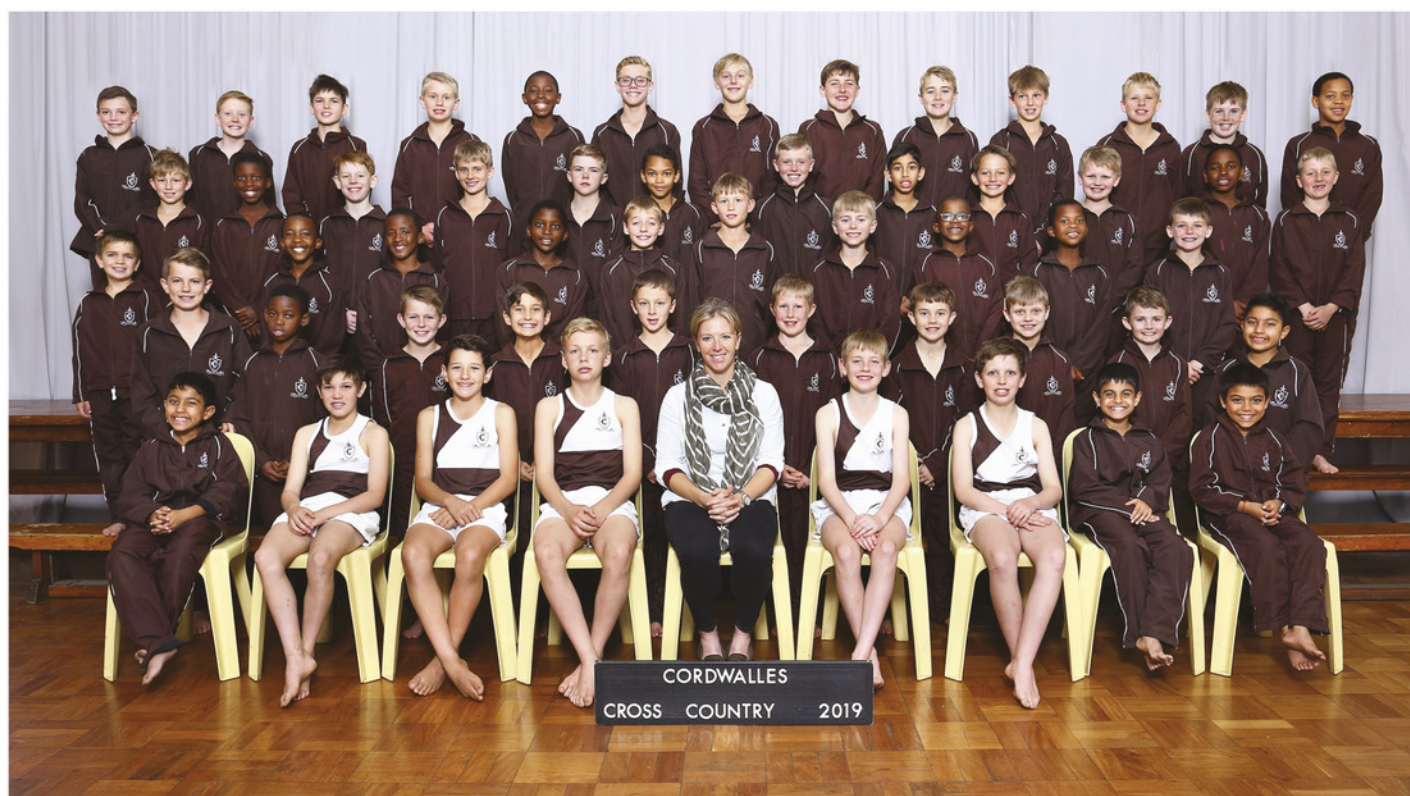
The cross country season is my favourite time of year. The mornings are crisp, the days are clear and beautiful without the searing heat and the trees bear those gorgeous autumnal colours. The conditions are perfect for running and the cross country team certainly took advantage of that. The term was a busy one with cross country meetings at Cowan House, Treverton, Clifton Nottingham Road and Laddsworth. The team showed diligence and dedication and I was proud of every member, from those competing for top positions to those doggedly accumulating kilometres in order to earn a badge.

A new feature this year was optional early morning sessions for the cross country team, focusing on speed and sport specific skills. It was encouraging to have a growing number of boys joining these sessions. A highlight of the season is always the Cordwalles Forest Run, Cordwalles' turn to host an inter-school cross country meeting. As always, it was exceptionally well attended and our beautiful school grounds got to show off for more than 700 children. The inter-house event was also a festive, yet competitive event, with some records broken and an impressive effort given by each and every boy.

A special mention must be made of Mitchell Bekker who won the U10 age category at the KZN Cross Country Championships.

As I reflect on these accomplishments, I am already looking forward to the leaves changing and to the return of the cross country season.

Mrs Lauren Corcoran



CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

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HOCKEY REPORT

Many of the boys at Cordwalles began their hockey season well before the official hockey term. The provincial trials process began in March and continued through various rounds of selection that saw four U12 boys and ten U13 boys playing in the uMgungundlovu District teams at the final provincial trial. Of those boys, two U12s and eight U13s were selected across the various KZN Inland hockey teams that represented the province in the various regional and national tournaments.

For the bulk of our boys, hockey begins in July and continues for a jam-packed period of 8 weeks. We were fortunate to enjoy the use of our brand-new artificial surface during the season, but this didn't save the bus drivers too much as the buses constantly ferried boys to various pitches around the city for both training sessions and matches. With every team being scheduled for at least one session of training on an artificial surface each week, and our matches taking place almost exclusively on artificial surfaces, the hockey season is a busy time for each of the 24 teams that we put out on a weekly basis. Mr Hounsom does an enormous amount of work coordinating training, venues and transport, and as a hockey club, we are hugely grateful for his efforts over the past five years as Head of Sport.

Saturday mornings are hectic occasions as the boys get to play their inter-schools matches. Teams are spread out across as many as four separate venues on any particular day and multiple matches happen simultaneously in the junior age groups. This requires various staff coordinating, umpiring, managing, coaching, giving first aid, providing teas and transport as matches take place across the city. We are grateful to our support staff who manage this with such cheer as well as to our teachers and boarder masters who give so freely of themselves to positively affect the boys.

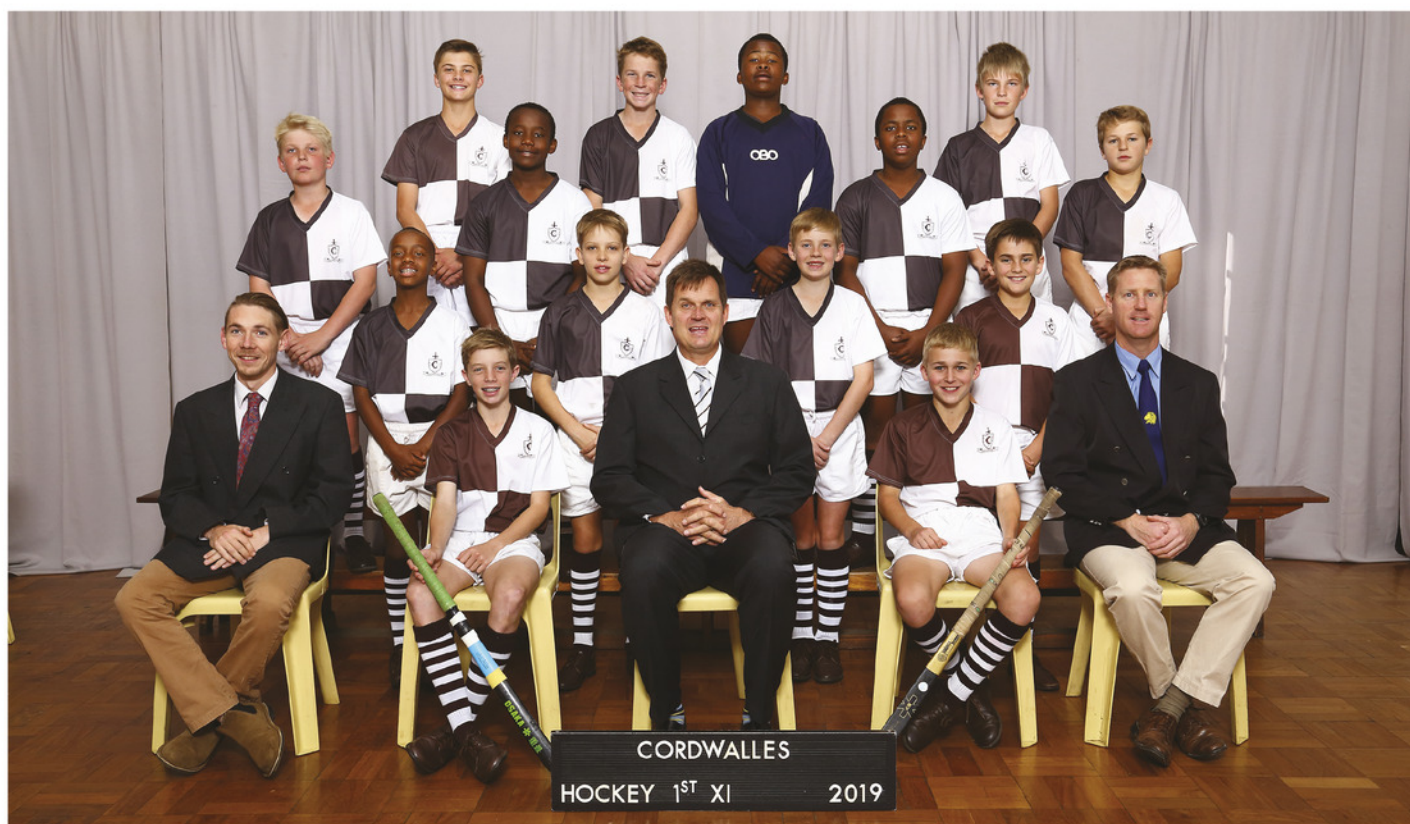
While there are many measures of success, our results are one barometer that we monitor. The enormous team effort from all involved in hockey at Cordwalles ensures that the weekly results are overwhelmingly positive. However, of more significance is the conduct of our boys and how they play, how they carry and represent themselves, their school, their families and their teams. Learning to give everything they can on the field, to win with humility and to lose with grace, to battle to the final whistle; all of these are traits that get displayed on a weekly basis.

The 1st XI squad is the busiest team in the school playing in festivals and hosting touring teams on a regular basis. The bulk of these boys were involved throughout the provincial process and would have played regularly from March through to September! While the school season was a great deal of fun, it is most enjoyable when the team plays to their fullest potential and that only happens when much hard work has already taken place. The 1st XI squad are commended for their efforts throughout the year and the way that they carried the flag for Cordwalles on the hockey field. They played some exciting hockey and showed enormous character through the season.

My thanks are extended to all the parents for their loyal and balanced support of our boys throughout the season. I am frequently struck by the evident contrast in the conduct of the supporters alongside the field. Thank you for the grace and dignity that you model to our Cordwalles boys. Our coaching staff are also an incredible group who give enormously of their time and energy to not only coach but also officiate the innumerable matches that take place through the season.

Mr Richard Robertson





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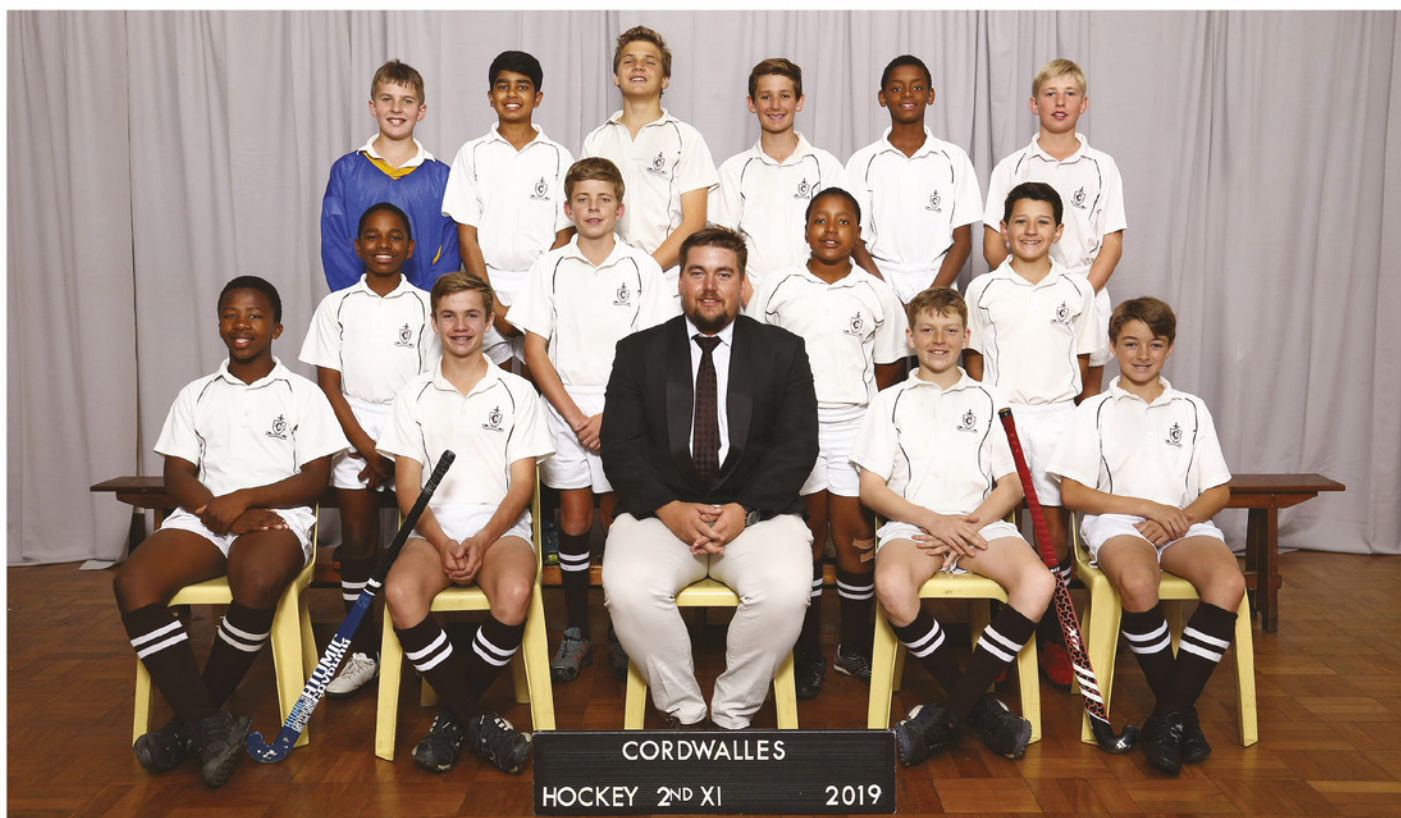
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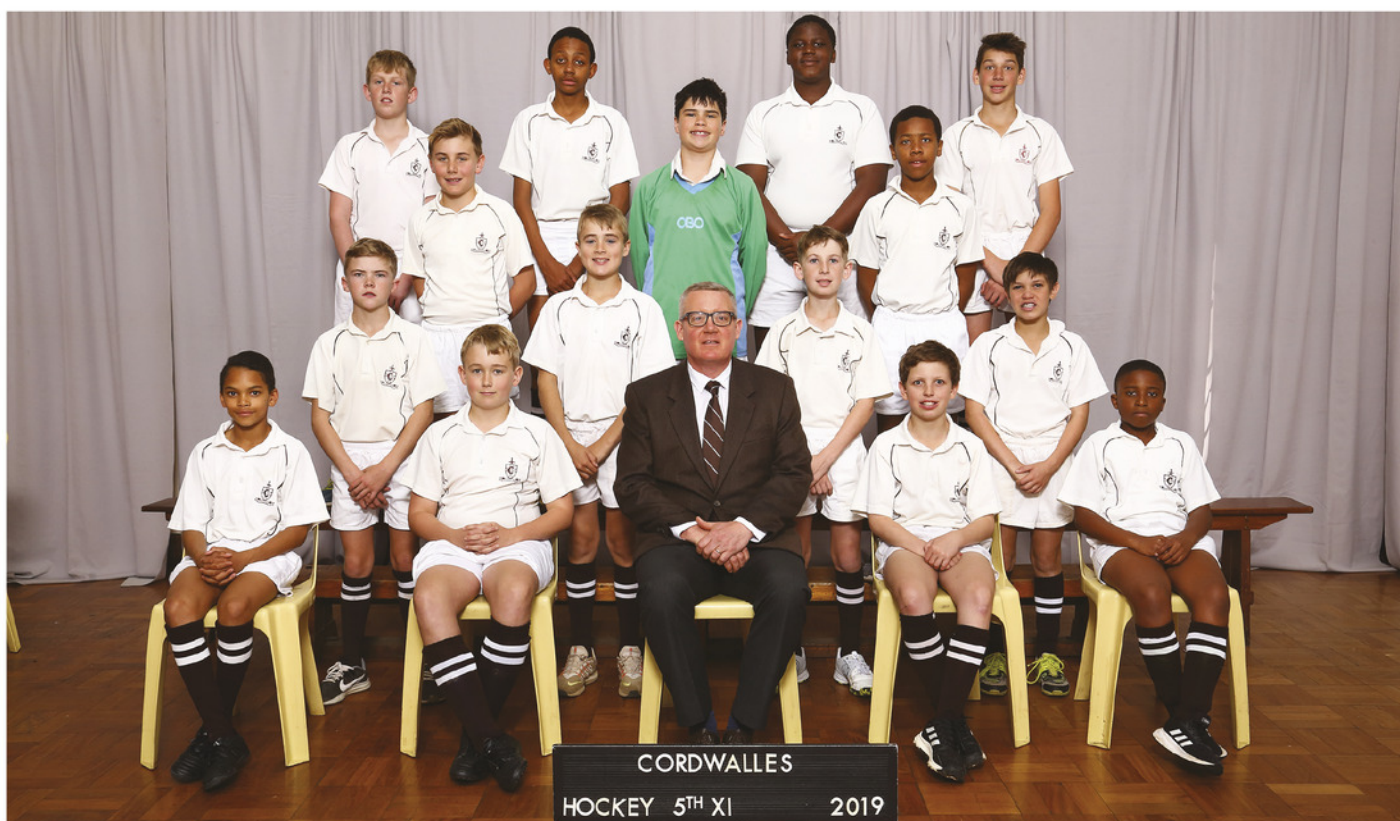


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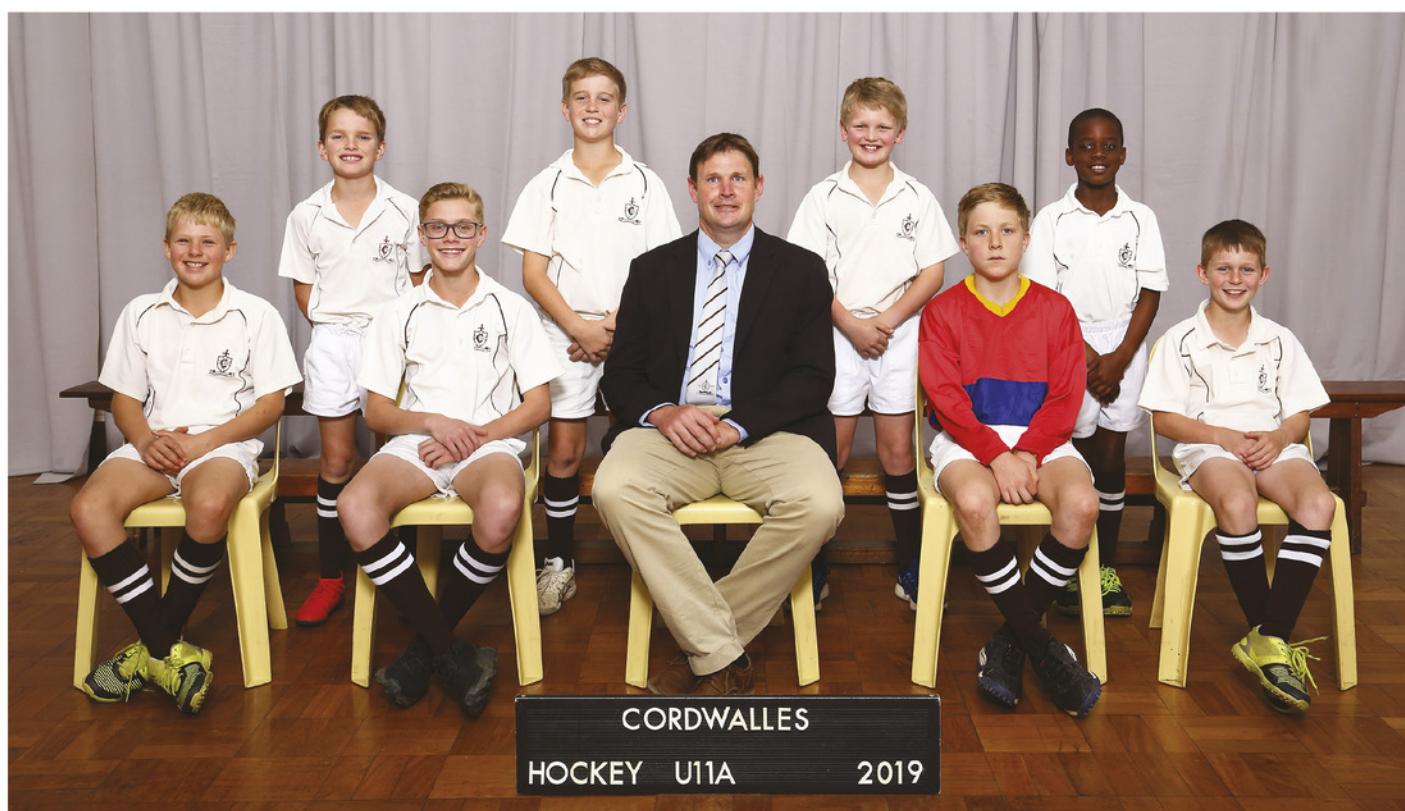


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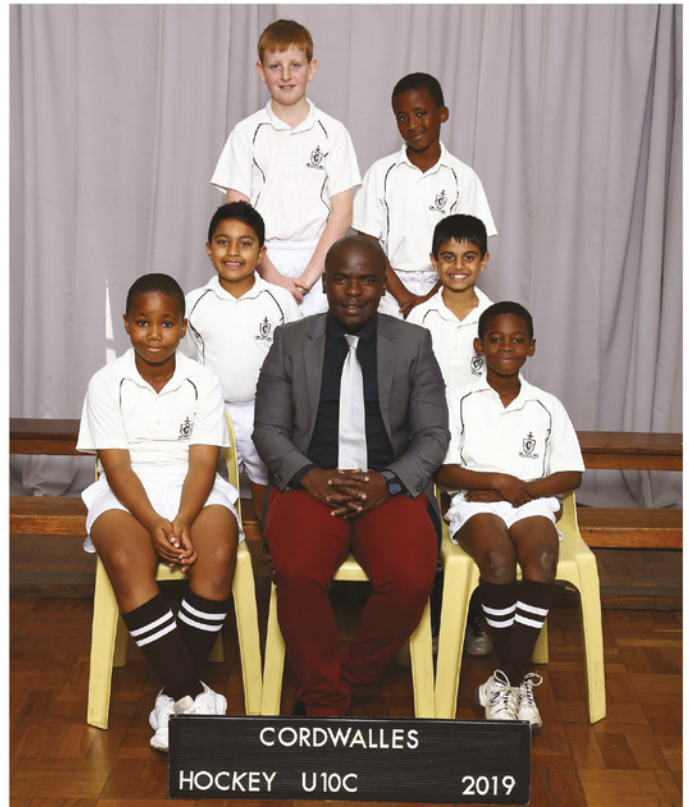


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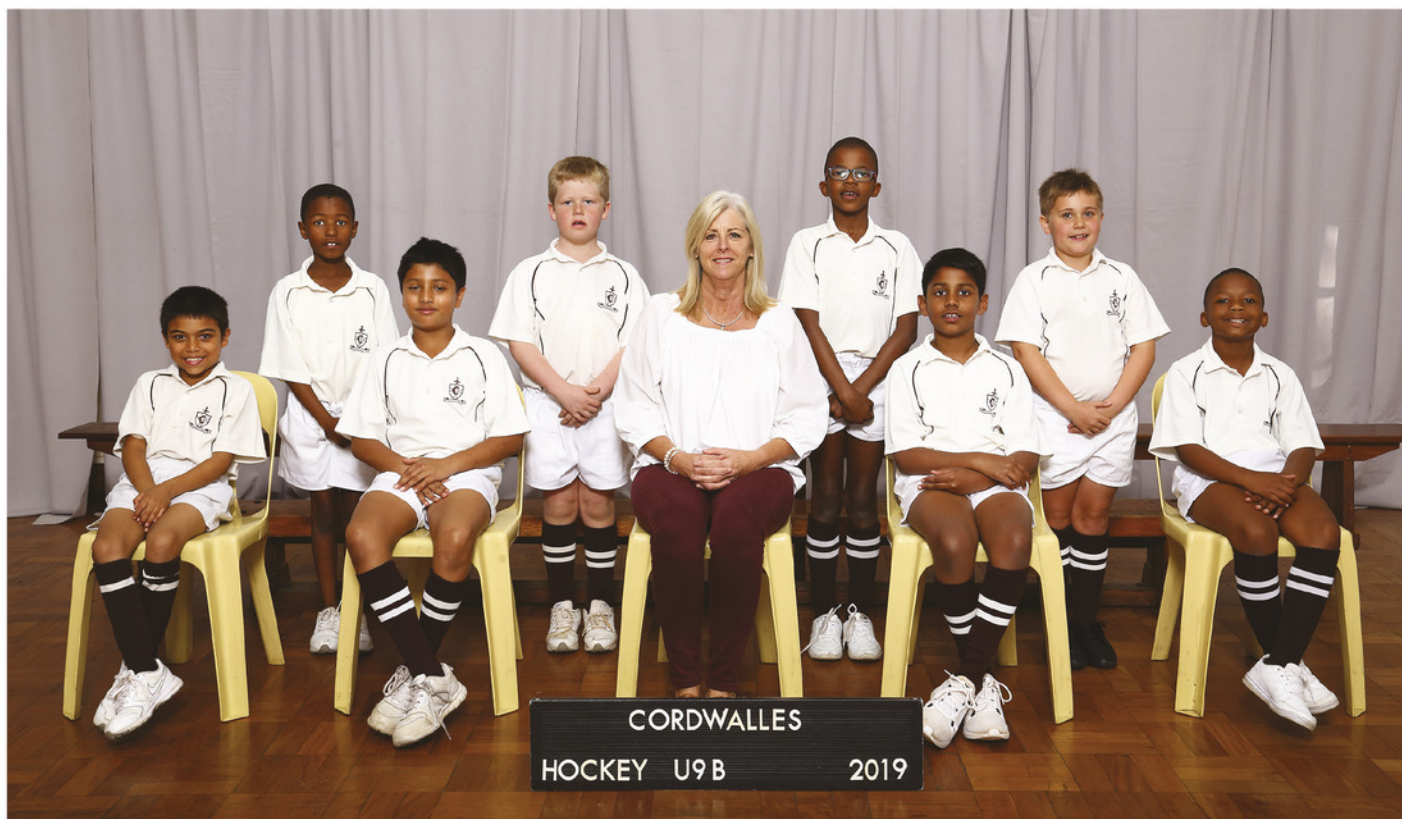
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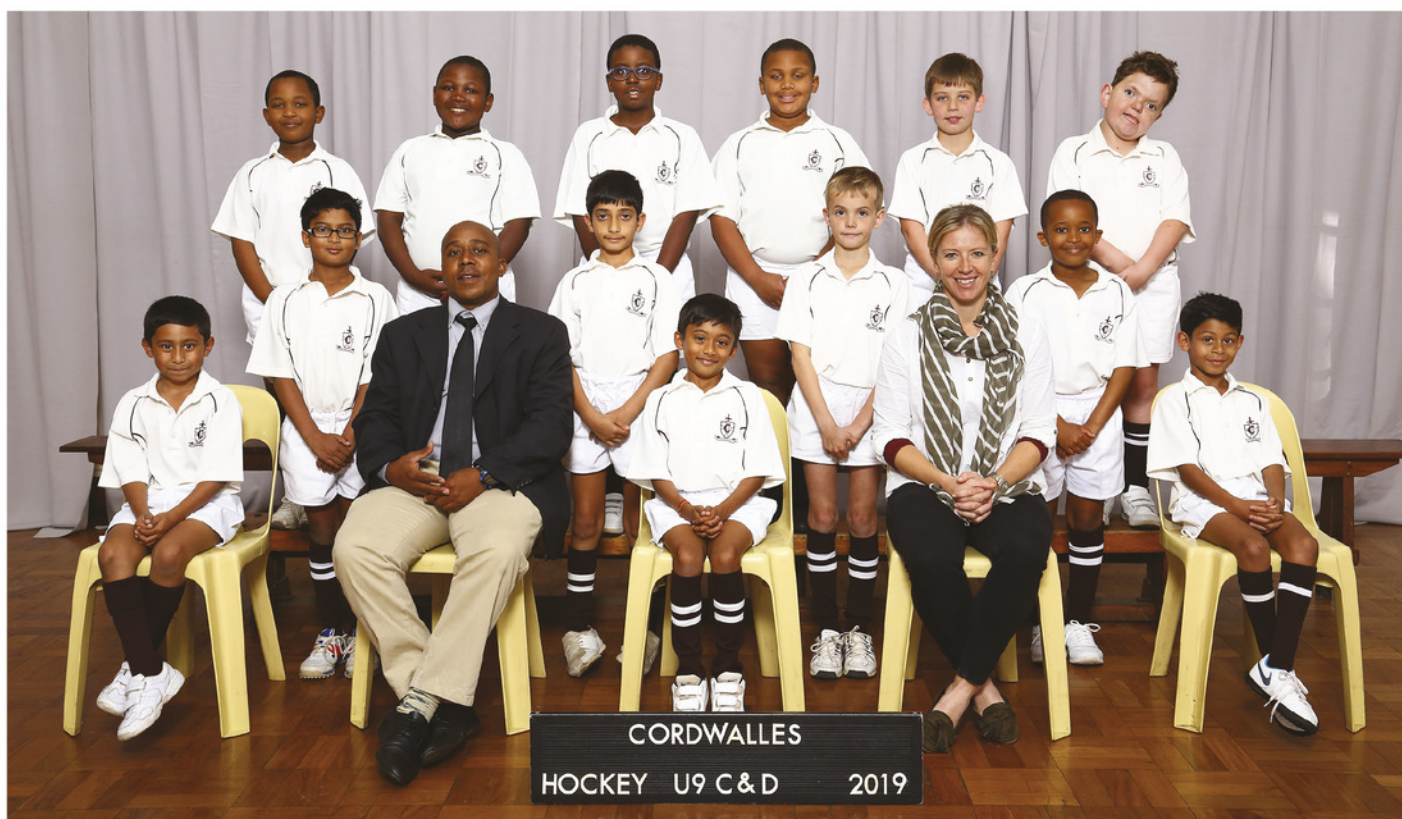
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RUGBY REPORT

Once again the Cordwalles rugby season was greeted with great excitement. There is something special about rugby season that makes our boys come alive.

We began with trials for everyone on the last Saturday of the first term and the excitement was palpable amongst the boys. The cheers could be heard from classrooms as a boy dodged a tackle or scored a fantastic try.

The season began in earnest in the second term with the annual Midlands Rugby Festivals. The U9 age group was at Cowan House, the U10s at Cordwalles, the U11s at Howick Prep, the 1st and 2nd teams at Merchiston and the rest of the Open age group were at St Charles. Matches were 12 minutes one way and this was an ideal way for boys and coaches to settle into the season. The U9 age group grew immensely throughout the season. The boys showed wonderful determination during practices to improve their skills and all round ability. Towards the end of the season the boys had made very pleasing progress and a couple of very close matches were played.

The rugby season was very exciting and enjoyable for all concerned in the U10 age group. The boys in all the teams coped very well and developed strongly, improving their personal and team skills from game to game. All the boys participated with enthusiasm and passion and were always willing to try new positions when the team required it. The boys showed a great deal of courage and determination throughout the season and in many instances, the teams did well in holding off stronger and more experienced opposition. To those parents who so loyally supported the team and provided transport, we extend our sincere thanks.

On the whole, the U11 age group can look back at a highly successful season.

Many of the boys were eager for the highly anticipated rugby season. Boys could be seen working hard at practice and competition for places in the A team was going to be hard-fought. Our season kicked off with the annual tournament held at Howick Prep School. Here, all the boys in the U11 age group had a chance to play matches against various local opposition schools and the opportunity to face off against some of the bigger schools from Durban. This proved a great day out as the Cordwalles boys managed to win most of their games. The U11C team had lots of fun while learning about this wonderful game under the direction of Mr Rogers and Mr Farr. They are to be commended on their efforts as these boys were often up against stiff opposition. The U11B team was coached by the ever-enthusiastic Mr Nxumalo. This team had a wonderful season, winning the majority of their games. Many of these boys played with great passion and pushed hard for A team positions. They played a good style of rugby where everyone understood their specific position. The U11A side must be commended on a highly successful season. The boys learnt to work together as a team and improved on their skill-sets, which was pleasing to note. The team went unbeaten with notable victories over St Charles and

Merchiston. They played a good brand of rugby and the boys started to understand their different roles within the team. The Open age group had a very successful season as a whole. The depth that we had in this age group was wonderful to see with lots of jostling for places taking place. Six Open teams were fielded throughout the season and the camaraderie amongst the age group was fantastic.

The 1st XV touring squad had a successful trip to Johannesburg to play in the prestigious St John's Easter Rugby Festival over the Easter weekend. This was an ideal pre-season for the team and it would stand them in very good stead for the rest of the season. The tour ended with 3 matches having been played and, of those, we won one, drew one and lost one.

The 1st XV went on to have an extremely successful season, playing some wonderful rugby with their set piece play and defence proving major strengths for them.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the coaches who have contributed to a very successful rugby season. Their efforts and dedication are hugely appreciated. Our boys are very fortunate to have such wonderful coaches coaching them at Cordwalles.

1st XV Caps:

21 - Ivan Jjuuko

15 - Sebastian Hofmeyr

10 - Luwanda Xengxe, Benjamin Bryden, André Boshoff, Gareth Egberink, William Mitchell-Innes, Harry Jarvie

9 - Alexander Ardé, Oscar Steiner

8 - Luke Spear

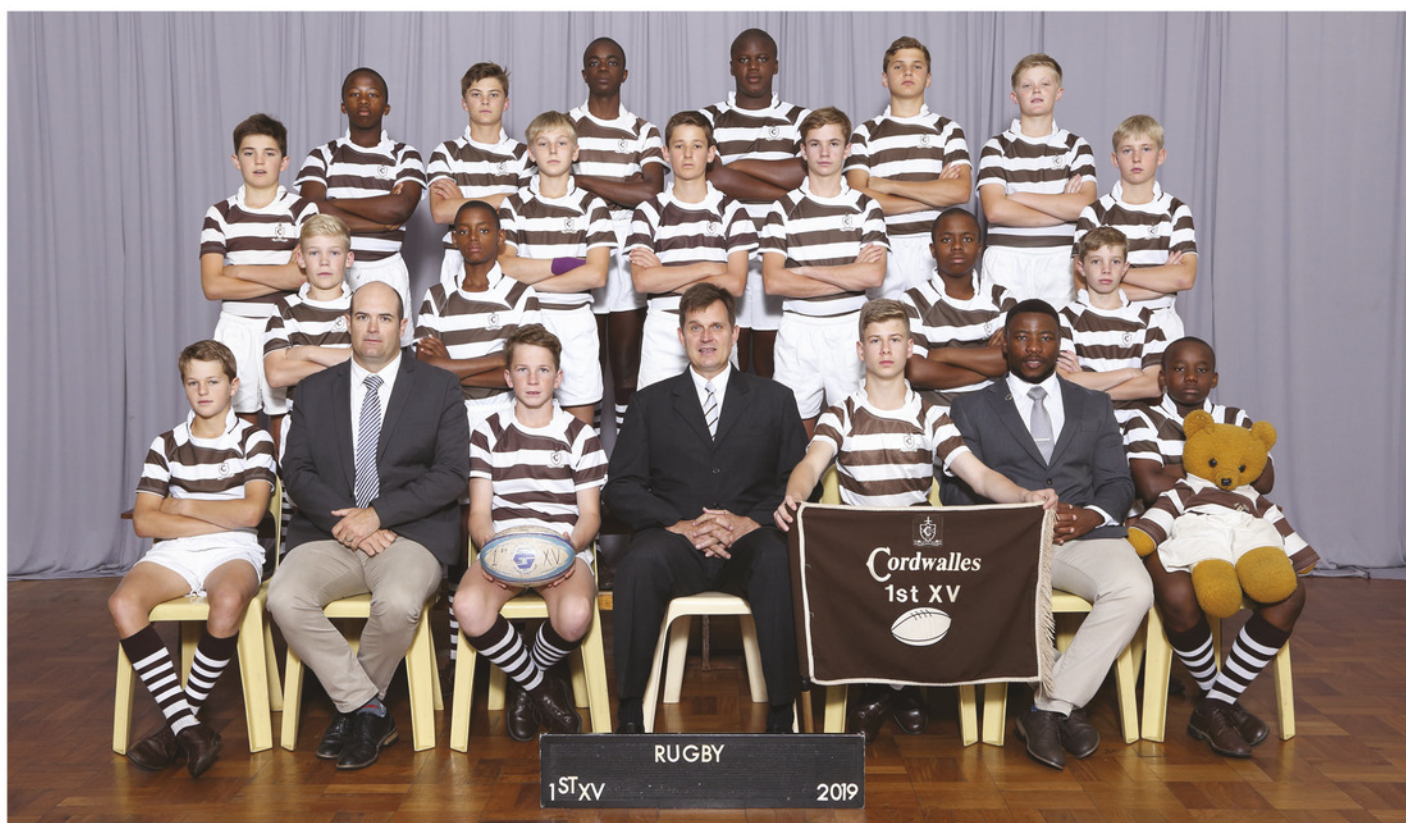
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Mr Luke Hounsom

1st XV Rugby Coach





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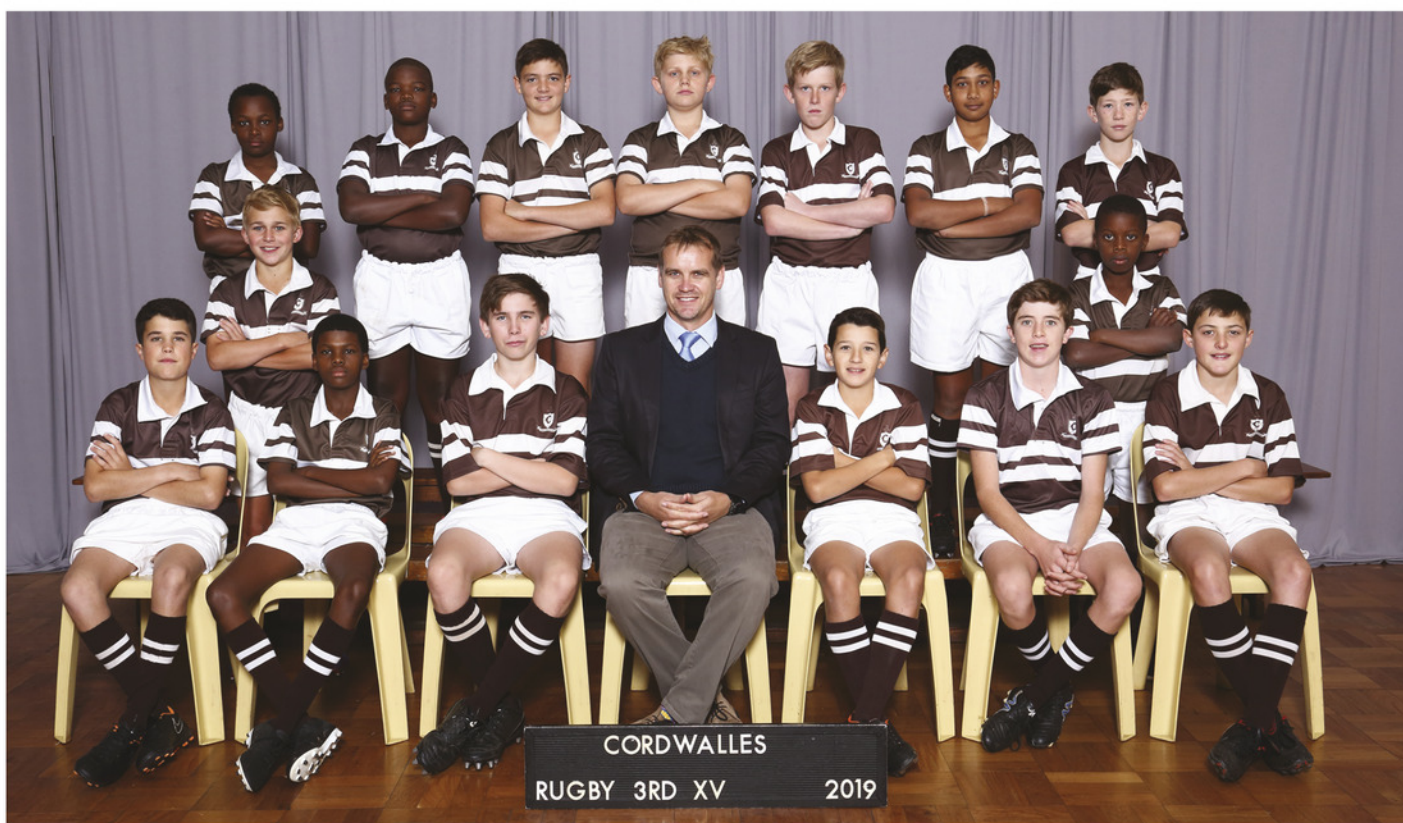


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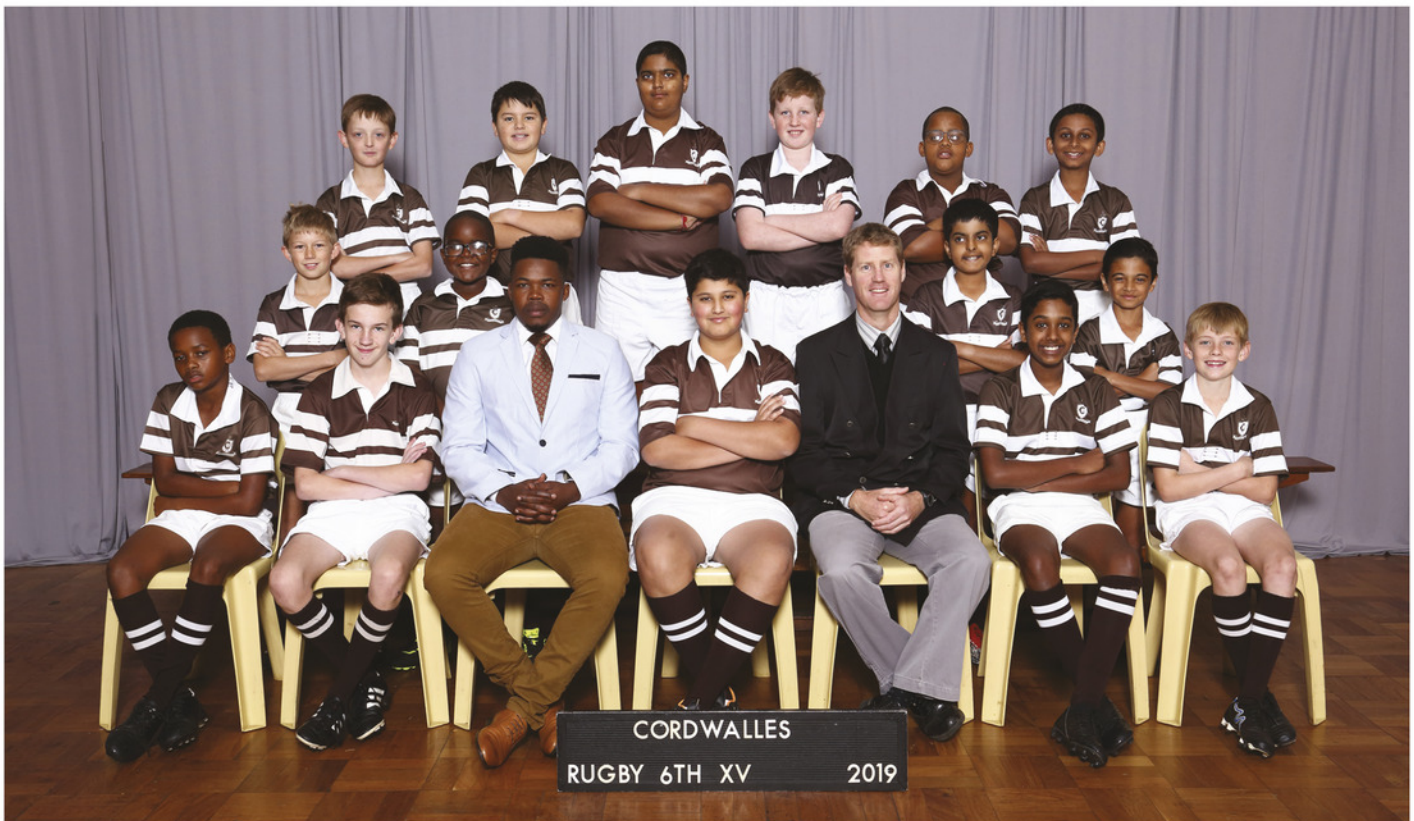


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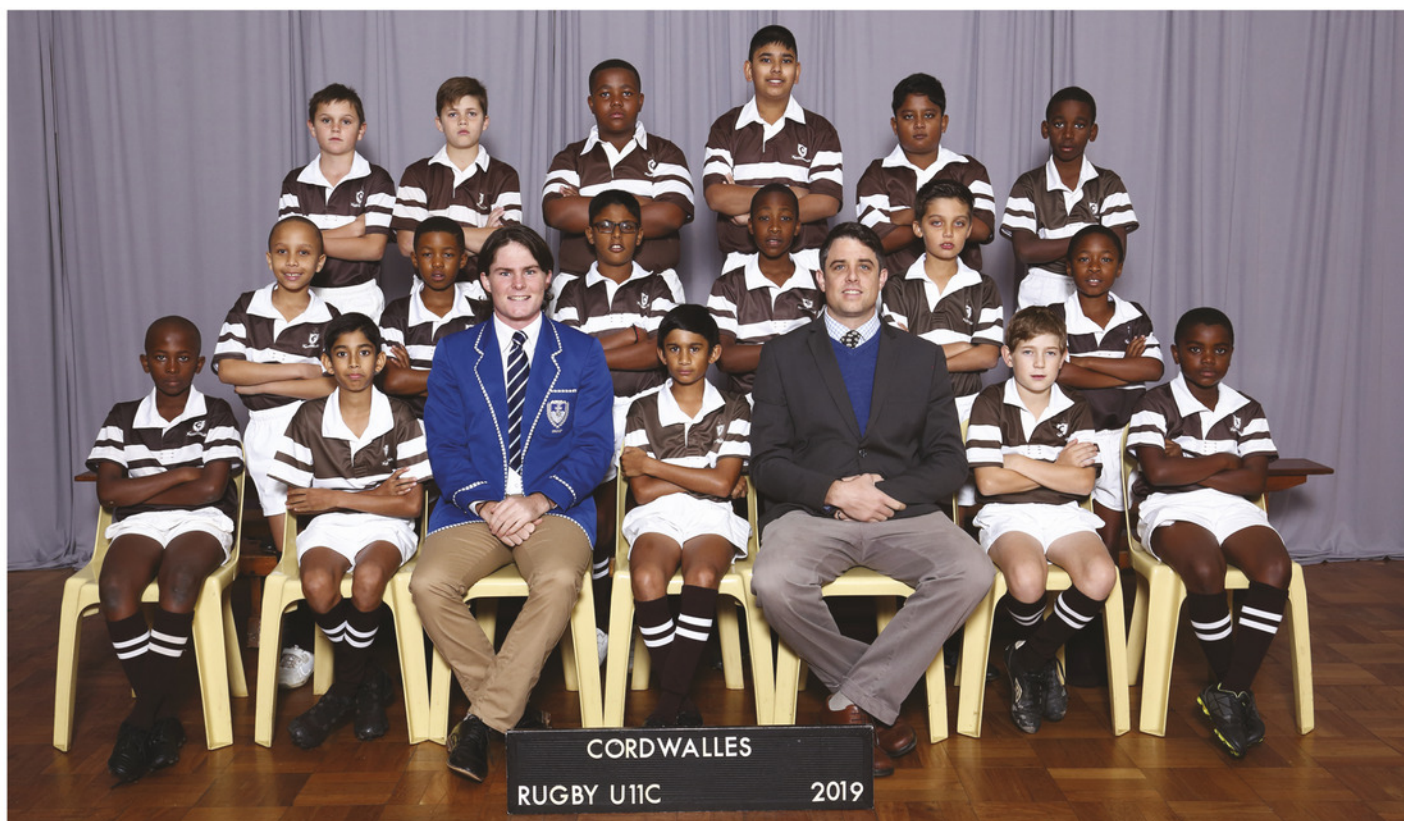


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RUGBY U10B

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Front Row: Shezaad Asmall; Sondisa Hloba; Caleb Kinvig; Mr Michael Campbell; TJ Dube; Ziyaad Asmall; Nirvaan Bhana



RUGBY U10C

Back Row: Sbonokuhle Sithebe; James Ware; Cameron Hohls; Kaidan Pillay; Thomas Leather; Zuhayr Dawood
Middle Row: Ziya Jasat; Connor Maitland
Front Row: William Thompson; Sayden Naidoo; Tumelo Dube; Mr Thulani Dlamini; Lungelo Sibiya; Milan Govender; James Longmore

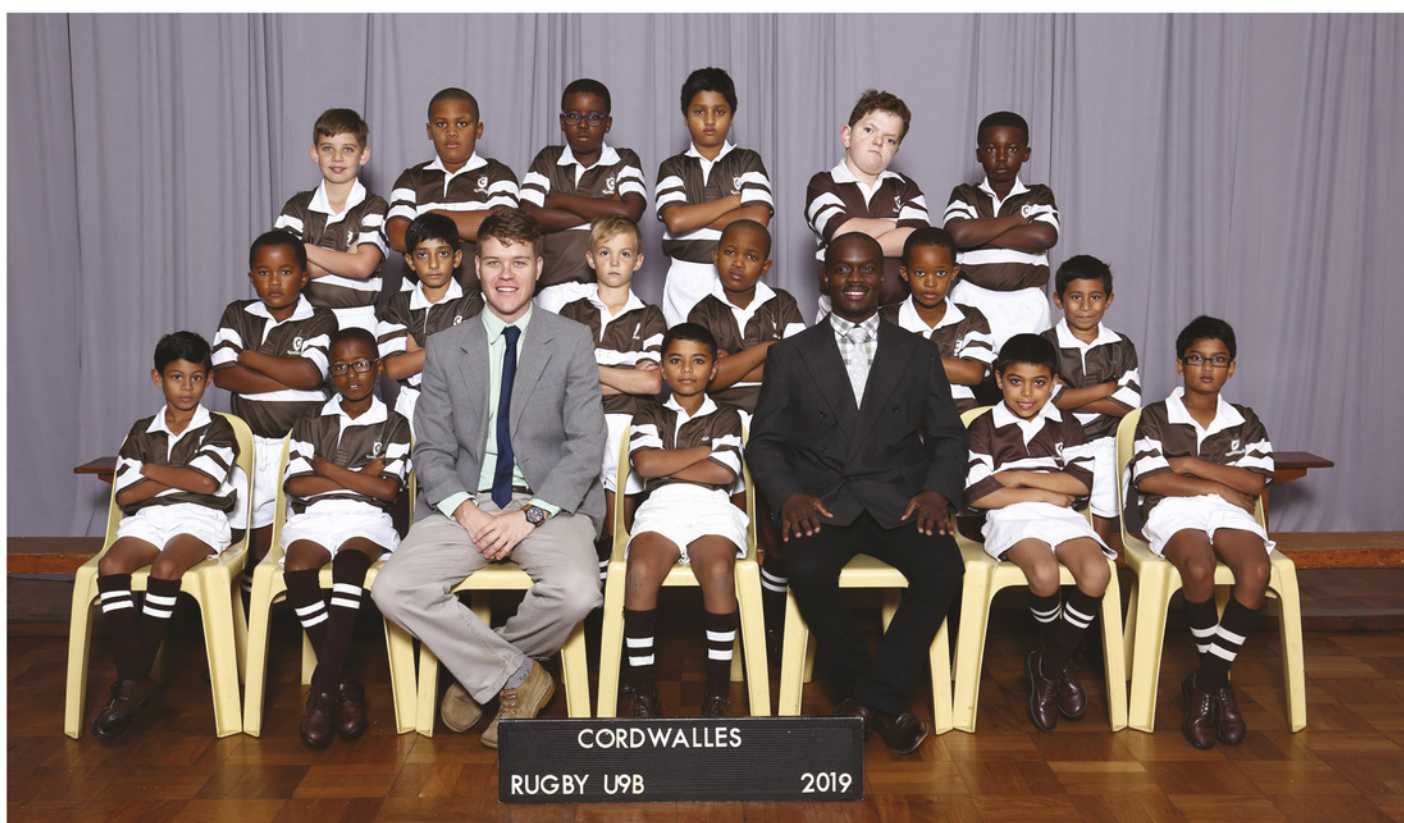


RUGBY U9A

Back Row: Kuphelele Mchunu; Wandile Mthembu; Simba Mudavanhu; Blake Bullough

Middle Row: Noah Rushton; Joshua Greaves

Front Row: Musa Babopeng; Khethelo Mthembu; Mr James Hall; Ryley Klute; Joshua Bromage



RUGBY U9B

Back Row: Weston Soar; Awande Moyo; Ntokozo Mkhize; Tasheel Kassen; Reuben Szudrawski; Zinathi Mahlangu

Middle Row: Dingaan Buthelezi; Muhammad Noorgat; Craig Nel; Luminathi Ntombela; Esihle Kunene; Tarik Ramdhani

Front Row: Shahil Pillay; Ayabonga Khanyile; Mr Dundas Clark; Sachin Ramraj; Mr Masimbonge Mthembu; Mateusz Panczyk; Leeash Chetty



SWIMMING A TEAM

Back Row: Samuel Bromage; Robbie Cullis; David Colenbrander; Thomas Mason; Ethan Muir; Oliver Gray; Luke Mitchell; Riley Graves; Murray McHugh; Skyler Nienaber

Third Row: Luke Treleaven; Dane Harrison; Tasheel Kassen; Rex Wardlaw; Dylan Leppan; Matthew Longmore; Joshua Nicholson

Second Row: Joshua Bromage; Imran Mahomed; Craig Nel; Blake Bullough; Ziya Jasat; Wandile Mthembu; Daniel Marshall; Ryley Klute

Front Row: David Steyn; Benjamin Bryden; Mrs Wendy Fryer Dudley; Kingsley Thompson; Mr Lance Veenstra; Joaquim Abreu; Mrs Denise Dedekind; Sebastian Hofmeyr; Tristan Atkinson

SWIMMING REPORT

The 2019 swimming season began with time trials for all the boys and the selection of the A, B, C and D squads. Early morning training and afternoon sessions soon started in earnest as boys wanted to improve their fitness to challenge to move into higher squads or improve their strokes. A very big thank you to all the coaches who have encouraged the swimmers to improve their skills and times throughout the season.

The highlight of the season is our Inter-House Championship Gala, where all boys from Grade 3 - 7 participate. This year the champion house was Butchers, followed by Baines, Jacksons and Tathams. The U9, U10 and U12 champion swimmers were Joshua Bromage, Rex Wardlaw and Tristan Atkinson respectively. The Junior Victor Ludorum was David Steyn and Kingsley Thompson claimed the Senior Victor Ludorum trophy.

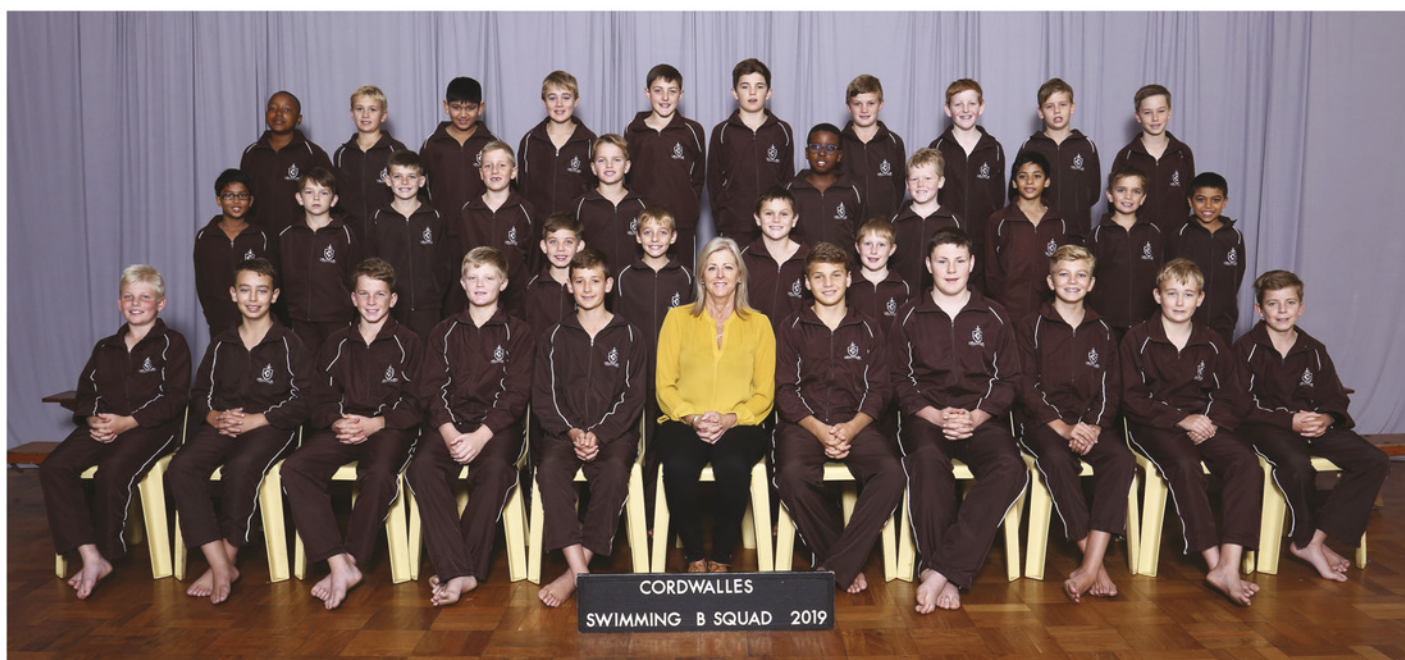
A record 17 boys were selected for the KZN uMgungundlovu swimming team. Congratulations to the following boys: Dane Harrison, Robbie Cullis, Tristan Atkinson, Benjamin Bryden and Kingsley Thompson who were awarded their full KZN uMgungundlovu colours for qualifying within the specified times. The culmination of the swimming season is the inter-school galas held for the A, B and C teams. The A team was placed second behind Merchiston and the B team won the B gala. As a result, they will be promoted to the A gala next year. The C team was

placed third in the D gala, where they swam against many A teams. Thank you to all the coaches and boys for another wonderful swimming season.

Mrs Denise Dedekind







SWIMMING B TEAM

Back Row: Qiniso Ngubane; Oliver Brown; Muhammad Nasser; Connor Brown; Jordan Fryer Dudley; Alexander Ardé; Joe Zunckel; Thomas Leathern; Oliver Jarvie; Nathan Koller

Third Row: Leeash Chetty; Caleb Kinvig; Mitchell Bekker; Rhett Beaumont; Chase Maskell; Ntokozo Mkhize; Noah Rushton; Milan Govender; William Thompson; Mateusz Panczyk

Second Row: Weston Soar; John Gilson; Joshua Harris; Joshua Greaves

Front Row: Matthew Solms; Jasper Bruno; West Mitchell-Innes; Gareth Egberink; Luke Spear; Mrs Denise Dedekind; Riley Gehren; Ewan du Plooy; Connor Sawyer; Callum Henderson; James Reeve



SWIMMING C TEAM

Back Row: Nathan Daniel; Joel Kempthorne; Thivaar Mudaliar; Jared Wilson; Tristian Grant; Jonathan Killick; Johnathan Baber; Merlin Brown; Joshua Aurets; Sebastien Gaboreau; Nathan Forte; André Boshoff; Syun Maharaj

Fifth Row: Radhesh Jhilmeet; Jarred Maltby; Thomas Charlton; Adam Zammit; Guy Fender; Mholi Khuzwayo; Jaemin Seong; Samuel Deane; Jack Benkenstein; Jason Peddie; Kyle Cameron; Matthew Steel; Cameron Hohls; Oliver Vickery

Fourth Row: Ethan Clark; Matthew Blair; Luke Campbell; Harry Vickery; Kyle Lewis; Harry Jarvie; William Leathern; Charles Fawcett

Third Row: Ruben Szudrawski; Zuhayr Dawood; Arav Lalloo; Ntando Nyabonda; Skyler Nienaber; Nicholas Adam; Fergus Erskine; William Gilson; Tanen Soar; Joshua Easthorpe; Ilonathemba Zwane; Awande Moyo

Second Row: Heath Bullock; Kuphelele Mchunu; Oliver Hoatson; Mrs Deryn Odell; Bradley Cook; Ms Sarah Browne; Luke Treleaven; Mrs Lauren Corcoran; Brackyn Middleton; Jamie Wessels; Connor Maitland

First Row: Musa Babopeng; Nirvaan Bhana; Dingaane Buthelezi; Sayden Naidoo; Ethan Maltby; Muhammad Noorgat; James Longmore; Alex Roberts; Esihle Kunene; Ziyaad Asmall; Sachin Ramraj; Shahil Pillay

TENNIS REPORT

Another year has passed and tennis has remained popular amongst the boys, ensuring depth and strength throughout the Senior Primary. As a result, we have been able to enter an additional team in both the Senior and Junior Leagues. The Senior A League structure changed this year, which meant there were only 3 players per team in the A and B teams. This allowed the boys the opportunity of playing both singles and doubles, ensuring a more competitive atmosphere and more experience in singles play for our top players. The senior boys did very well, winning most of their matches, with TWC remaining their greatest competition (or perhaps our boys are just impeccable gentlemen!).

The junior ladder was hotly contested through the year and the Grade 4s in particular, have shown a keen interest and enthusiasm for the sport. It is exciting to see how many Cordwalles boys participate in the CF tennis tournaments through the year. Particular mention must go to André Boshoff who was selected to represent the U13 Midlands tennis team who participated in the Primary Schools Districts tennis tournament in Durban.

Many thanks go to the teachers who accompany the boys to their various matches and to Chris Folker and his team for their expertise and passion as we work to improve the tennis at Cordwalles.

Mrs Kirsten Greaves





TENNIS 1ST TEAM

Back Row: Jarred Maltby

Middle Row: André Boshoff; Sebastien Gaboreau

Front Row: Mrs Kirsten Greaves



TENNIS 2ND TEAM

Back Row: Luke Campbell

Middle Row: Sebastian Hofmeyr; Oscar Steiner

Front Row: Ms Sarah Browne



TENNIS 3RD TEAM

Back Row: Samuel Deane; James Reeve

Front Row: Oagile Dingake; Mr Luke Hounsom; Jared Wilson



TENNIS 4TH TEAM

Back Row: Ethan Muir; Robbie Cullis

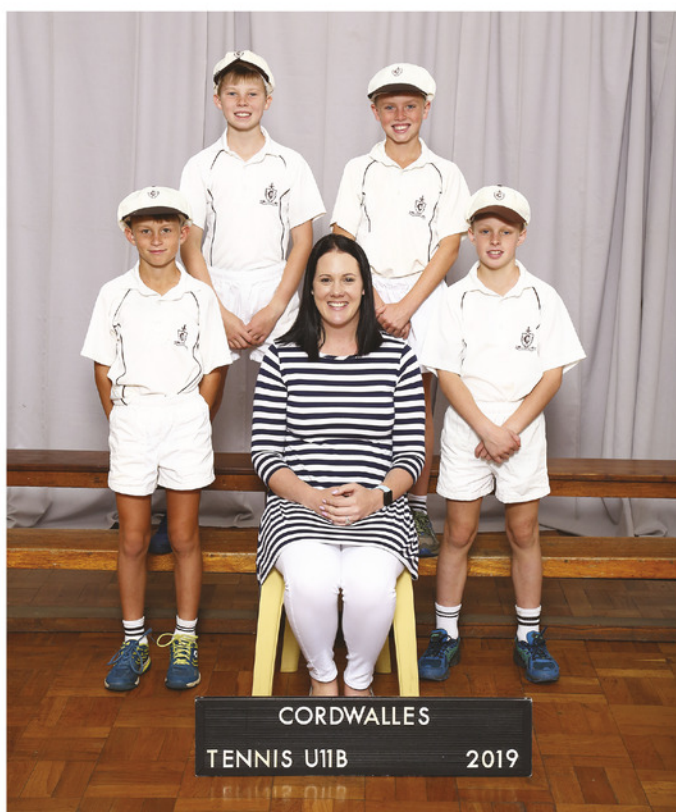
Front Row: William Gilson; Mrs Kirsten Greaves; Adam Zammit



TENNIS 5TH TEAM
Back Row: Kingsley Thompson; Tumi Motsepe
Front Row: Connor Sawyer; Mrs Kirsten Greaves; Daniel Peckham



TENNIS U11A
Back Row: Ethan Maltby; Jack Benkenstein
Front Row: Skyler Nienaber; Mr Luke Hounsom; Joshua Nicholson



TENNIS U11B
Back Row: Murray McHugh; Rex Wardlaw
Front Row: Luke Treleven; Mrs Kelly Jansen van Vuuren; Bradley Cook



TENNIS U11C
Back Row: Guy Fender; Oliver Hoatson
Front Row: Oliver Vickery; Mrs Kelly Jansen van Vuuren; Tshepo Molai

Old Boys

Dear Cords,

I cannot believe that the time has come again to put together the roundup of another year!

As the year draws to a close, we cannot let it pass without sending our thoughts and prayers to all our Old Boys living in Australia. As we watch with horror and sadness the wildfires disaster that is playing out across the country, our thoughts and prayers are with everyone.

During the course of the year we held several events including Old Boys' Day, an informal evening in Johannesburg and we welcomed back the Class of 2014 for their Matric Reunion.

There were sad losses as we said farewell to two members of the Class of 1948. Three members of that class went on to become Springbok cricketers, namely Derek Varnals, Kelly Seymour and Norman Crookes. It was with sadness that we learnt of the passing of Derek and Kelly.

The Old Boys' Committee have taken a decision to start the process to digitalise the school archives in order to preserve them for future generations.

There has been much to celebrate with the achievements of our old boys currently at high schools and the Annual Review is contained within these pages. We are sure the wider Cordwalles community will wish to extend their congratulations to everyone on their successes.

Of course, the Annual Review is drawn from contact with the high schools as well as from information supplied by parents and the boys themselves. We urge everyone to keep us posted with information on achievements they feel they would like recognised in the school magazine/Cordies Chronicle, so do please keep me posted by emailing me at: oldboys@cordwalles.co.za.

Whilst the Annual Review covers news from high schools, we would also welcome news from ALL Old Boys across the decades. News of career appointments, marriages/births and all news you believe would be of interest to other Old Boys.

As we head into a new year and a new decade, may I wish you all, and Cordwalles, a wonderful year and decade ahead. We are looking forward to Old Boys' Day 2020 on February 7th and to catching up with many of you as the school celebrates 108 years!

Best wishes,

Mrs Charlotte Usher

Cordwalles Old Boys



Archives

At the start of 2019 we said farewell to our archivist Gwyneth Pendock who, for almost three years, worked tirelessly to bring the Cordwalles papers and photographs into order. Gwyneth joined us in February 2016 having visited the Old Boys' office to drop off a set of prints belonging to her son, Cordies Old Boy, Graeme Pendock (1979). Having learnt of her background as a trained archivist, Old Boys' secretary, Charlotte Usher approached Lance Veenstra with a view to setting up a proper historical archive. Gwyneth has done an incredible job of sorting, cataloguing and creating an archive which will be of great interest to all involved with the school. Her work means that any future plans to digitalise the archives has been made that much easier. Huge thanks go to Gwyneth for her dedication to the task at hand. We wish her a very happy retirement!

Letter from the Chairman

2019 was a successful year for the Old Boys' Club. Many events were held and these were well attended. The exciting part for me as the Chairman is that so many of the younger generation of Old Boys are becoming involved with the school. We received a number of visits this year and Grant Clow (1985) deserves a special mention as he came to visit the school whilst on a trip home to South Africa from the United States.

The annual Old Boys versus School Boys cricket match held on Old Boys' Day, saw two teams of Old Boys play against the school's 1st and 2nd XI respectively. The Gaudy Dinner was well supported and many different age groups attended. In 2018, it was decided that the Gaudy would be open to any Old Boy who wished to attend, which has resulted in more people attending and helps to create ties across the years which is an important role and function of the Old Boys network. A slight change has been made to how Old Boys' Day will work in future with the addition of a "veteran's luncheon" being held during the day. This will allow us to accommodate our older Old Boys who are wanting to be involved in the school but who find that travel at night is difficult for them.

Charlotte Usher has remained the backbone of the Old Boys' Club and continues her tasks with diligence, organising events, preparing Old Boys board reports, maintaining the Old Boys database, all from the South of France and the UK. It was extra special that Charlotte attended the Old Boys' Day this year. Michelle Breedt assisted Charlotte and was instrumental in organising our committee meetings and some of the day to day

affairs of the Old Boys' Club. Ruth Forder assisted and I need to thank all of them for their ever-giving spirit and the time that they spend assisting with making the Old Boys' Club a unique club. The Committee members also require significant thanks for their phoning and following up with Old Boys and spreading the word. James "Coach" Wardlaw (1987) again delivered two strong teams for the cricket and we must thank him for his continued involvement and dedication.

2019 presented significant challenges with a lot of changes occurring in South Africa, and this has reflected on how the Old Boys' Club is working. More and more of our members are heading for distant shores. As a result, we have decided to host another event in London in 2020, as there is a significant concentration of Old Boys there. Date to be confirmed.

I am proud to say that in 2019 the school is functioning at a high level and the boys are well taught and afforded so many opportunities. This in turn ensures that they are equipped to face the challenges of the modern world.

I look forward to a successful year ahead for the Old Boys' Club and the school and, with the Committee, wish all Old Boys a successful 2020. We would like to see all of you back at the school or at one of our external events in the very near future.

Mr Richard Kinvig (1988)

Chairman, Cordwalles Old Boys



Class of 2019

At the end of the year, the Class of 2019 was inducted into the Old Boys' Club by the Chairman, Richard Kinvig (1988,) where they received their Old Boys' ties at the Grade 7 Leavers' Chapel Service. This rite of passage into the history books of Cordwalles marks the end of their time as 'boys' of the school and they enter a new phase when we hope they will remain connected, via the

Old Boys' Club. We look forward to following their achievements at high school and to welcoming them back in 2024 for their reunion during their Matric year. Those 5 years go by all too fast and before you know it they will be walking back through the gates! We wish them all the very best as they embark on new adventures.

School Birthday – Cordwalles turns 107!

Can it be possible that 7 years have now passed since we celebrated the Centenary in 2012 and all the festivities which that entailed? The Baines Walk, the Centenary Ball, the Cordwalles Rose and Centenary Wine and so much more, it truly gathered the Cordwalles Community together in a big way.

With the run-up to, as well as the actual Centenary event, came an opportunity to change the visible face of the school and, in the 12 years since the Centenary Appeal was launched (2007), new buildings have sprung up all over the campus. The Hamilton Media Centre, the Staff Room, the Ronald Brooks Administration Block (previously the Headmaster's house), the Andrew Rattray Pre-Primary, the Centenary Junior Primary, the Environmental Classroom and most recently the newly extended Chapel.

These have brought enhanced teaching and learning experiences which benefit pupils and staff alike.

However, despite this, what matters most is that Cordwalles remains true to the values which it imparts to the boys, those of courage and respect, integrity and compassion, combined with responsibility. Whilst these have been interpreted differently over the years by the different custodians of the school, the core intention remains the same and long may that be.

Every year, the boys, staff and guests gather to celebrate with a birthday cake. Pictured below is the Centenary Birthday Cake - a glorious chocolate extravaganza worthy of such an occasion. This year, we enjoyed another beautiful birthday cake!

Happy 107th birthday Cordwalles.



Old Boys' Cricket

OBs vs Cordwalles 1st and 2nd XI

Brilliant weather set the scene for the cricket matches which took place in the afternoon. Both the Old Boys and the school boys came onto the pitches with enthusiasm and determination. This delighted the watching crowd and resulted in two very closely fought T20 matches.

Cordwalles 1st XI beat the Old Boys and Cordwalles 2nd XI lost to the Old Boys.

Lots of fun was had by all on and off the field. Our thanks go once

again to James Wardlaw (1987) who so generously gave of his time to organise this fantastic event. This is fast becoming a popular fixture at Old Boys' Day and, although held on a Friday, is attracting many people wishing to take part.

Final scores:

Cordwalles 1st XI 155, Cordwalles Old Boys 138. Cordwalles 1st XI won by 17 runs.

Cordwalles 2nd XI 153 Old Boys 154. Old Boys won by 1 wicket.



Old Boys gather in Johannesburg

With the school on tour in Johannesburg, it was an ideal opportunity to gather for an Old Boys' function. As in previous years, the event was hosted at The Johannian Club, St. John's by Headmaster Lance Veenstra and Richard Kinvig, Chairman of Old Boys. This was attended by a small, but enthusiastic bunch of old boys who arrived to celebrate their ties with Cordwalles.

As always, the venue was superb and thanks go to Claire Dowdle and her staff for ensuring the smooth running of the evening.

The formal part of the evening was well received and was followed by many stories being recounted, from which it is evident that the boys across the generations enjoyed many of the same experiences. The evening ended up with a lot of jovial banter reinforcing "The Ties that Bind".

We look forward to another reunion soon and to meeting up with more Old Boys and furthering the Cordwalles community connections.





Welcome back to the Class of 2014

A highlight of each school year is the 5 Year Reunion when we welcome back to school our old boys who are currently in Matric. This year it was the turn of the Class of 2014. The boys and their parents came together with the Headmaster, staff (past and present) and the Chairman of the Old Boys' Club to reminisce about their journey through Cordwalles and high school and to learn of their plans for the future. It is an opportunity for the boys to reconnect and engage once again and to reaffirm the Old Boys' Club motto "The Ties that Bind".

As always, it was a wonderful evening enjoyed by all. Following an address given by Lance Veenstra, Matthew Barrett (Hilton College,) who gave the Grade 7 Leavers' Speech back in 2014, was invited, as is customary, to speak on behalf of the boys.

We look forward to keeping in contact as they move on to new adventures and wish them all the very best for the future.

Below are some of the comments received from parents:

"Thank you for the most special evening! I have so many emotions going through me now and I want to thank Cordwalles for giving the boys such a special start in life as well as a fantastic send off!"

"We had a wonderful 9 years at Cordies with lots of very happy memories so it was lovely to spend the evening with everyone"

"Thank you so much for the most stunning, special evening last night. It was just wonderful being back in that special place and we honestly felt as if we'd 'come home' to our family. You all put in so much effort and it was great making contact with everyone again. Cordwalles has to be THE BEST prep school ever! Despite the upgraded buildings and facilities, what really counts is the incredible staff. The dedication, compassion and love for the boys is something we are blown away by. Each boy is so important to you and this is a unique, incredible quality! Huge congratulations to you for making it such an exceptional institution"

We look forward to seeing the young men of 2015 next year!





Reunion Dinner

In the evening, around 60 Old Boys sat down for dinner in the hallowed halls of the school dining room. It was particularly wonderful to welcome boys from the Class of 2007, namely Sine Shelembe and Bongumusa Zondi. It is rewarding to see younger Old Boys taking up the mantle and we look forward seeing more over the coming years.

The evening was once again, one of banter, goodwill and reminiscing. As the evening grows year on year, it only reinforces the importance of the role of the Old Boys in the life, health and community of the school and that our motto "The Ties that Bind" has never been more true.

Plans for 2020

It was suggested by a few of our much valued older Old Boys that they would rather attend a lunch, preferring not to travel at night, or have to find accommodation. Next year, we will be holding a Chapel Service in the morning followed by a lunch for Old Boys from the years 1940 – 1960. They will then be free to watch cricket and depart when it suits them. They are of course welcome to join us for the dinner in the evening should they so wish. In this way we hope to accommodate a wider spectrum of Old Boys and to be able to meet and catch up with them.



DID YOU KNOW...

How the Pennington Pavilion got its name.

The Pennington Pavilion, which we have come to know so well through its various sporting and social occasions, was named in memory of two long-serving and outstanding members of the Cordwalles staff. These were brothers, Maurice and Gerald Pennington. If you ask anyone who was at Cordwalles before 1960 who made the deepest impression on them, most will say it was Maurice (known by his initials SMOP). During the first 50 years of the school's existence, Maurice Pennington was the coach, leader and master of sport at Cordwalles – what an incredible achievement and one which is surely hard to beat today! His brother Gerald (known as GOMP) spent 23 years at Cordwalles and his only break in service was from 1940-43, during which time he served in World War II. Old Boys remember Gerald as a gentle disciplinarian who administered corporal punishment with a butter pat! Maurice and Gerald were uncles of Old Boy, Rex Pennington (1936) who had a deep love for Cordwalles and who had attended so many functions over the last few years until his death just over a year ago.

Shock and horror! ... Were there ever girls at Cordwalles?

Could it possibly be true that Cordwalles was once co-ed? Never, I hear you say, Cordwalles is staunchly all about boys. However, you would be wrong! For a very brief period, during the stewardship of Headmaster David Bawden, there were a handful of girls enrolled at Cordwalles.

Cordie Girls, is a nickname long associated with Cordwalles and one, which the boys of yesteryear will well remember! However, between 1989 and 1995, a decision was taken to admit girls at Inky level. There were never more than seven little girls wearing grey tunics and white blouses or yellow and white checked dresses. But, according to Pixie van Heerden, they made their mark during the Nativity play when a REAL girl played the part of Mary! Dave Bawden's daughter Kelly, completed Grade 3 at Cordwalles and Paula Breetzke was admitted to Grade 5 for one year under the tutelage of Pixie. Ultimately, the decision was taken to keep Cordwalles as a boys' only school! So there you go – Cordies Girls became a reality, albeit briefly!

Well I never!

Guy Rose (Class of '58) wrote about an old Cordies friend of his who, whilst traveling through the Northern Transvaal late one night, unfortunately broke down. Of course at the time there were no cell phones, but he fortunately had a radio transmitter in his car. He sent out an SOS which was picked up by the captain of an SAA aircraft flying over the area. The captain turned out to be Peter Houghton who had been at Cordwalles between 1957 and 1960. Peter arranged for a breakdown truck to be sent to the driver in distress!

What would our boys think now?

John Fowler (1942-1948) whose son and grandson also attended Cordwalles remembers:

- The early morning compulsory jump into the cold water plunge pool in the change room.
- The grey flannel short-pants suit with coat and long grey socks which was the school uniform.
- The stiff Eton collar worn with discomfort to church on Sundays. (These were based on those worn at Eton College, UK which was founded in 1440 – have a look at their website)
- How boys were told to jump under their beds if the air raid siren sounded.
- That most boys travelled to and from school by train.
- How bad behaviour meant one was sent to stand outside in the corridor in full view of the Headmaster's study. Beza (Jack Besant, first Cordwalles Headmaster who was brought out from the UK in 1912) would stalk out of his office and, after a few 'tweaks' of the hair in front of your ear (very painful), he would send you back to class. Imagine Mr. Veenstra doing that these days!
- All boys were called by their surnames only and, in the case of brothers, the eldest was referred to, for example, as 'Fowler major' and the younger as 'Fowler minor.' Should there be a third brother, he would be 'minimus' – these reflected the fact that Latin was taught at school!
- Floating paper boats down the fast flowing gutters on each side of the main quad.

Most of all, John remembers that Cordwalles was a home from home and that wonderful friendships were cemented at school, friendships which have lasted a lifetime – This truly represents the Old Boys' Club motto "The Ties that Bind"

Old Boys

News of Old Boys

Congratulations to the following:

Peter Ardington (1960) was a recipient of the Michaelhouse St. Michael Award held at a recent ceremony.

A world-renowned veterinarian, Peter has given generously of his time and resources for the upliftment of people as well as being involved in conservation of the veld. The citation describing his life and work reveals just how significant his contribution to South Africa has been over the past number of years. Peter shared the award with a fellow Michaelhouse Old Boy.

To read the citation follow the link: www.michaelhouse.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/Peter-Ardington-Citation-formatted-MHS.pdf

Tristan Blewett (2009) was been given a massive opportunity to try out for New Orleans' American Football NFL team, **The Saints**.

Tristan's sport has always been rugby, playing in U18 Craven Week, followed by a place with the Sharks Academy, culminating in his inclusion in the **Sharks Super Rugby** squad 2017.

After a short stint (2018-19) with Port Elizabeth's **Southern Kings**, where he made two appearances, plus one for the **Eastern Province Elephants** in the Currie Cup, Tristan moved to the USA to join Major League Rugby, playing for **New Orleans Gold**.

We understand that a local artist had watched Tristan playing and recommended him to The Saints who followed up on the lead and offered him an opportunity to try out for the team.

Tristan was interviewed and said:

"When I first came over with my coach, I was joking about it saying, 'I'm going to live here to play American football, and then two weeks ago when I got the call we both laughed because it actually happened,'" he said with a laugh.

Blewett said he never really followed American football growing up but is "putting my head down for this and taking the opportunity with both hands."

Tristan, your Cordwalles coaches and teachers could not be more proud of you and will be watching with great interest as your career progresses.

Many congratulations! Let's go Cordies, let's go!

To see Tristan's interview, follow the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BniDQQHjdE>



McGregor Stone (2007) graduated as a qualified vet in 2018, from Onderstepoort University, Pretoria and is currently doing his 'Comm Serve' year as the state vet at Allerton, Pietermaritzburg. He hopes to further his veterinary experiences in the UK in the future (pictured with parents, Craig and Suzie Stone. Suzie taught at Cordwalles from 2001-2007).

Travis Mitchell (2007) recently graduated from the University of Pretoria after completing a 6 year MBChB degree. Travis, now Dr Mitchell, is currently undertaking a 2 year Internship at Baragwanath Hospital in Soweto.





Jared Campbell (2013) has been selected to play for the SA U21 Men's Hockey Team.



Gary Porter (2009) was selected to play for **Ikey Tigers**, to compete in an Invitational World University Cup in Japan.



Niall Wheeler (2009) was selected to play for the South African Men's Water Polo team, which competed in the EU Nations Cup. This event was held in the Czech Republic in June.

Old Boys far and wide!

The Old Boys' Club's thoughts and prayers went out earlier in the year to those Old Boys living in Christchurch, New Zealand; Mozambique; Zimbabwe and Malawi. We have Old Boys living in all these countries and we continue to think of them and their wider communities that have been so affected by the actions of both man and nature.

Visitors to the School



J Sesupeng (Leaver 2004)



Grant Clow



Peter and Paul Mazabuko

Obituaries

Owen Hooker (April 1936 - April 2018)

Born and raised in Pinetown, Owen attended Cordwalles between 1946 and 1949.

We were sad to receive the following email from John Hooker (1958) regarding the passing of his brother Owen in April last year (2018).

"He played in the famous 1st XI of that era. After leaving Michaelhouse and Durban University, he joined the company 3M and became Financial Director and then Director of the Medical Business Unit, until he retired to White River.

He lived in White River for many years but struggled with a very difficult illness for some time. He leaves his wife Audrey and daughters Chloe and Savanna".

Owen had corresponded with the Old Boys' office over the years and I remember meeting him when he returned to the school for an Old Boys' Day. We send our condolences to his wife and daughters.

Charlotte Usher

Miles Barry Mathew (Cordwalles 1966-1969)

My father, Miles Barry Mathew was born in Durban on the 25th of April 1956 and lived on the family sugarcane farm near Mtunzini on the North coast of KZN with his parents, Barry and Margaret Mathew.

Miles attended Mtunzini Primary School for two years, before being sent off to Cordwalles as a termly boarder in Grade 3. He was accompanied by his younger brother, Craig Mathew as a Grade 1 pupil. They both had hugely fond memories of their time spent at Cordwalles. Once Miles completed his time at prep school, he went on to start his high schooling at Kearsney College, a school he stayed passionate about all his life. He went on to send myself, Patrick, and my two brothers, Richard and Oliver to Kearsney College, as well as taking on the role as the Zululand Branch chairman for the duration of our time spent at the college.

Miles loved the outdoors, usually spending family holidays fishing and diving on the KZN north coast, travelling to their family cottage in Morrungulu, Mozambique or hunting in Botswana.

From Kearsney, Miles went on to do his time in the service, then completed his tertiary education at Cedara Agricultural College. On completing his time at Cedara, he travelled the Americas, England, Europe and Australia.

Miles ultimately took over the family sugar cane farm. He went on to marry my mother Penelope Jane Drake and had the three of us boys.

Miles continued his outdoor lifestyle, loved his farm, travelled, was an active member of his community and loved his family and friends. He will always be remembered and loved by all those that were close to him.

Patrick Mathew

Son

George Derek Varnals (Cordwalles 1945-1948)

We were saddened to learn of the passing of old boy Derek Varnals, a member of the formidable Cordwalles 1st XI of 1948.

Attending Cordwalles between 1945 and 1948 along with fellow cricketers, Kelly Seymour and Norman Crookes, Derek went on to Michaelhouse and then to Rhodes University, where he studied for a B.Com.

Derek enjoyed a 10-year career in South African domestic first class cricket, as a right-handed batsman. and played for Eastern Province, Transvaal and Natal. During his 1957-58 season he averaged more than 50 runs per innings and then, in the 1964-65 season, he made three centuries, including one for Natal against the MCC touring side. It was this that propelled him into the South African cricket team for the first three tests. Unfortunately, he was dropped from the third test and subsequently retired from cricket. He showed his first-class bowling in the final overs of his final Test match.

His post cricket career saw him working as Personnel Director of Unilever and Managing Director of Lipton.

We are sure the wider Cordwalles community would wish to join the Headmaster, Lance Veenstra and the staff in sending our condolences to his wife and family living in Australia.

Michael Arthur “Kelly” Seymour (5 June 1936 -17 February 2019)

It is with sadness that we learnt of the recent passing of Kelly Seymour in Cape Town at the age of 82.

Born in Kokstad in 1936, Kelly attended Cordwalles between 1947 and 1949 before moving on to Michaelhouse. Kelly then studied medicine at UCT before going overseas. Kelly entered the Medical profession and went on to lecture at Groote Schuur and was Medical Director of a pharmaceutical company.

Whilst at Cordwalles, Kelly played in the famous 1948 1st XI. The team of 1948 was coached by Maurice Pennington who was not only the coach, but also leader and master of sport for the first 50 years of the school's existence. The 1948 1st XI had three players who went on to represent South Africa, namely Kelly Seymour, Norman Crookes and Derek Varnals. This must be a record for a South African Prep school.

Kelly was a lower-order, right-handed batsman and a right-arm, off-break bowler who was later selected as a right-arm off-spinner. He became a regular choice for Western Province, and was selected to the Springbok team, playing seven Test matches against Australia and England between 1963 and 1970.

On behalf of the Cordwalles family, we extend our deepest condolences to Kelly's family and friends.



The Cricket team of 1948. Back: Brian Strachan, Owen Hooker, Murray Armstrong, Ken Lee, Kelly Seymour; Seated: Viv Biggs, Noman Cole, Derick Varnals (captain), Norman Crookes, Liebie van Heerden; Front: John Fowler, Craig Rattray

It is interesting to note from the photograph the ongoing connections with the school:

Bryan Strachan - sons **Hylton Strachan** (1981) and **Ross Strachan**, whilst not an old boy, became a much loved boarder master at Cordwalles.

Murray Armstrong - 2 sons at Cordwalles, **Simon Armstrong** (1979) and **Gillespie Armstrong** (1985)

Viv Biggs - son **Bryan Biggs** (1979) and 2 grandsons, **Steven Kriel** (2014), **Dylan Kriel** (2017)

Norman Crookes - Brother-in-law of **Viv Biggs**, uncle of **Bryan Biggs**

Liebie van Heerden - grandson, **Mark van Heerden** (2004), wife Pixie taught at Cordwalles and continues to assist with Junior Primary reading on a voluntary basis.

John Fowler – son **David Fowler** (1980) and grandson, **Nicholas Fowler** (2012)

Craig Rattray – grandsons, **Hylton Gordon** (2006) and **Ross Gordon** (2009). Cousin of **Michael Rattray** (1945)

CORDIES OLD BOYS

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LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Cordwalles Old Boys' who have held Headboy and Deputy Headboy positions in recent years.

2008	Andrew Bourdillon (2003)	Head Boy	Hilton College
2011	David Brill (2006)	Head Boy	Michaelhouse
2011	Mark Weston (2006)	Head Boy	Grace College
2011	Marc Train (2006)	Deputy Head Boy	Hilton College
2012	Chris Brits (2007)	Head Boy	Michaelhouse
2013	Simon Purdon (2008)	Deputy Head Boy	Hilton College
2014	Robert Lee (2009)	Head Boy	Michaelhouse
2014	Daniel Anderson (2009)	Head Boy	St. Charles College
2015	Matthew Dahl (2010)	Head Boy	Hilton College
2017	Jonty Oosthuizen (2012)	Deputy Head Boy	St. Charles College
2018	Stuart Roy (2013)	Head Boy	Hilton College
	Scott Anderson (2013)	Deputy Head Boy	St. Charles College
	Jared Campbell (2013)	Deputy Head Boy	Maritzburg College
2019	Cameron Coley (2014)	Headboy	Hilton College

DUX OF SCHOOL

2009	Jonathan Stein (2004)	Dux	Grace College
2010	David Bradford (2005)	Dux	Michaelhouse
2011	Suhail Dada (2006)	Dux	Maritzburg College
2012	Mandhir Lutchman (2007)	Dux	Kearsney College
2017	Aashiv Soni (2012)	Dux	St. Charles College
2018	Scott Anderson (2013)	Dux	St. Charles College
2019	Jazon Lazarov (2014)	Dux	St. Charles College

LEADERSHIP APPOINTMENTS FOR 2020 (Class of 2015)

Matt Veenstra (2015)
Matt Zuncel (2015)
Brett Geyser (2015)
Pranav Pillay (2015)
Mark Grant (2015)
Joe Vickery (2015)
Gary Pitt (2015)

Prefect
 Prefect
 Head of Community
 Prefect
 House Prefect (Founders)
 House Prefect (East)
 House Prefect (Farfield)

Maritzburg College
Maritzburg College
Hilton College
Grace College
Michaelhouse
Michaelhouse
Michaelhouse

2019 MATRIC RESULTS

Congratulations to the Class of 2014 (Matric 2019) for their outstanding Cambridge 'A' Level and Matric achievements. We recognize here those achieving Distinctions in 3 or more subjects.

Cambridge 'A' Level Results

Jason Lazarov

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St. Charles College

Congratulations to Jason who was placed top A level Student for 2019 with a remarkable full house of distinctions and an average of 90% for his four A level subjects.

Matthew Barrett
Hamish Henderson
Gavin Veenstra
Jacques Monokoane
Faizel Mahomed

6 Distinctions
 4 Distinctions
 3 Distinctions
 3 Distinctions
 3 Distinctions

Hilton College
Michaelhouse
Michaelhouse
Hilton College
Maritzburg College



From left to right:

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

As the **Class of 2019** move on to High Schools, we are proud to announce the Grade 8 Scholarships 2020

Harshad Pillay
Thivaar Mudaliar
Jarred Maltby
Ivan Jjuuko
Luc Schravessande
Sebastien le Roux
Siyamkela Maphumulo
West Mitchell-Innes
Sebastian Hofmeyr
Ayabonga Shivane
Gareth Egberink

Music
 All Rounder
 Merit Award
 Merit Award
 Merit Award
 Merit Award
 Merit Award
 Sport Exhibition
 Minor Sport
 Cordwallies Closed
 Cordwallies Closed

St. Charles College
St. Charles College
Hilton College
Hilton College
Hilton College
Hilton College
Hilton College
Michaelhouse
Michaelhouse
Michaelhouse
Maritzburg College

2019 HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC AWARDS

COLOURS were awarded to:

Hamish Henderson (2014)

Matthew Barrett (2014)

Josh McKenzie (2015)

Michaelhouse

Hilton College

Hilton College

HALF COLOURS were awarded to:

Sandile Gombela (2014)

Joshua Cox (2015)

Brett Geyser (2015)

Hylton Royden-Turner (2015)

Amika Jjuuko (2015)

Pierre van der Westhuyzen (2016)

John Ross College

Hilton College

Hilton College

Hilton College

Hilton College

Michaelhouse

2019 HIGH SCHOOL CULTURAL AWARDS

COLOURS were awarded to:

Joshua Cox (2015) for Music

Ashley Vere (2016) for Music

Joshua Hadley-Grave (2017) for Music

Hilton College

Michaelhouse

Michaelhouse

HALF COLOURS were awarded to:

Jacques Monokoane (2014) for Music

Guy Daugherty (2014) for Service to the School

Simon le Vieux (2016) for Debating

Tomas Szudrawski (2017) for Debating and Music

Xihluke Marhule (2017) for Music, Debating and Service

Mvelo Guma (2017) for Music

Ntando Khumalo (2017) for Music

Hilton College

Hilton College

Hilton College

Michaelhouse

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2019 HIGH SCHOOL SERVICE AWARDS

TIES were awarded to:

Matthew Barrett (2014) for Marketing

Brett Geyser (2015) for First Aid

Hylton Royden-Turner (2015) for First Aid

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Hilton College

Hilton College

2019 HIGH SCHOOL SPECIAL AWARDS

Awarded at High School Speech and Prize-Giving Days and at other times during the year (known at the time of going to print).

From **Maritzburg College**:

Keanu Chetty (2014) awarded the **Azalea Rotary Club Award**

Jacques van der Walt (2014) awarded the **Oscar Servant Trophy** for Best All Round Cricketer in the 1st XI.

Jacques was the top scorer for the 1st XI

Matt Zunckel (2015) Form V Merit Certificate

Daniel van der Watt (2016) awarded the **Maritzburg College Trophy** for Champion Cyclist

Thomas Conolly (2016) Form IV Merit Certificate

Mark Laithwaite (2016) Form IV Merit Certificate

James Lalor (2016) Form IV Merit Certificate & prize for History, Life Orientation and Life Sciences

Cameron Hankinson (2017) Form III Merit Certificate

Wade Pillay (2017) Form III Merit Certificate

Judah Conolly (2018) awarded the **Parklane Super Spar Trophy** for the Most Promising Musician;

Form II Merit Certificate

From **St. Charles College**:

Jason Lazarov (2014) awarded **Dux** of St. Charles for 2019

James Hubble (2016) awarded the **"Saint Award"** which is given to one boy in the grade who displays service, the right attitude, initiative, nurturing and tenacity

2019 HIGH SCHOOL SPECIAL AWARDS continued

From **Hilton College:**

The **Silver President's Award**
Hylton Royden-Turner (2015)
Nic Campbell (2015)
Richard Karlson (2016)

The **Bronze President's Award**

Jacques Monokoane (2014)
Hamish Henderson (2014)
Tsepo Masuku (2015)

Natural Science Olympiad:

Amika Jjuuko (2015) Grade 10 Silver Certificate
Richard Karlson (2016) Grade 9 Gold Certificate
Sebastian Guimaraens (2016) Grade 9 Silver Certificate
Matthew Sara (2017) Grade 8 Silver Certificate

Matthew Barrett (2014) awarded the **Life Sciences Prize**

Ben Mason (2014) awarded the **Geography Prize** and **Visual Arts Practical Prize**

Joshua McKenzie (2015) awarded the **Grade 11 Mathematics Prize**

Richard Karlson (2016) awarded the **Grade 10 Information Technology Prize, Mathematics Prize** and the **UKZN**

Trophy and Sir Henry Strakosch Scholarship for Excellence in Mathematics and Science

Leevan Vather (2016) awarded the **Grade 10 English Prize**. He was nominated **Best Speaker** at the final of the Pietermaritzburg Schools' Debating League

Avuyile Zondi (2016) awarded the **Grade 10 Dramatic Arts Prize**

Sebastian Guimaraens (2016) awarded the **Grade 10 Engineering Graphics & Design Prize**

From **Michaelhouse:**

Hamish Henderson (2014) awarded the **Kevin King Memorial Award, Science Prize** and the **Information Technology Prize**

Gavin Veenstra (2014) awarded the **Des Sacco Award** for Best All Round 'A' Block sportsman as voted by his peers.

Pierre van der Westhuyzen (2016) awarded the **Floating Trophy** for Best Junior Canoeist of the Year 2019. He was awarded the **John W Hamilton Internal Scholarship**. The scholarship is awarded to the boy with the top aggregate in his grade who is not a recipient of another academic scholarship

Xihluke Marhule (2017) awarded the most **Promising Junior Speaker of 2019** and has qualified for the KZN Provincial Debating team

Fortune Mpofu (2018) awarded **Most Valued U15 Rugby Player**

From **John Ross College:**

Sandile Gombela (2014) awarded **Rugby Player of the Year**

SPORT AWARDS

Canoeing:

Jack Edmonds (2016)
Pierre van der Westhuyzen (2016)
Chase Leisegang (2016)

Honours
Honours
Honours

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Michaelhouse

Rugby:

Mark Grant (2015)
Christopher d'Oliveira (2014)
Gavin Veenstra (2014)
Amika Jjuuko (2015)
Joshua Cox (2018)

Colours
Colours
Half Colours
Half Colours
Half Colours

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Hilton College
Hilton College
Hilton College
Hilton College

Rugby Sevens:

Mark Grant (2015)
Joshua Cox (2015)

Honours
Half Colours

Michaelhouse
Hilton College

Tennis:

Gavin Veenstra (2014)

Half Colours

Hilton College

Hockey:

Matthew Barrett (2014)

Honours

Hilton College

Club Representation

Cricket:

Jacques van der Walt (2014) **Maritzburg College** selected to play for the Dolphins Premier League

SPORT AWARDS continued

SOUTH AFRICA Representation 2019

Niall Wheeler (2009) selected to the Mens's Water Polo team which competed at the EU Nations Cup in the Czech Republic in June

Jared Campbell (2013) selected to the U21 Men's Hockey Team

Canoeing: *South African Canoe Marathon Championships*

Jack Edmonds and **Pierre van der Westhuyzen** (2016) won first place in the U16 K2 event

Chase Leisegang (2016) and partner were placed fifth in the U18 K2 event

Leiderberg Vlei SA Schools' K2 River Championships: Free State

Jack Edmonds (2016) and partner were 1st U16 and U18 K2 boat and finished 8th overall

Chase Leisegang (2016) and partner were the 2nd placed U18 boat

Pierre van der Westhuyzen (2016) and his elder brother were placed 2nd in the U23s

Liam and **Oliver Bekker** (2017) were the 3rd placed U16 boat

Cycling:

Daniel van der Watt (2016) finished 4th in the SA Cross Country Event held mid-year

KZN Provincial Representation

Provincial Awards Ceremony:

Pierre van der Westhuyzen (2016) **Michaelhouse** awarded **U16 KZN Colours; South African Federation Colours for Youth Olympics** and **U16 Paddler of the Year**

Connor Leisegang (2018) **Michaelhouse** awarded **U14 School Victor Ludorum**

KZN Canoeing Marathon Championships:

Pierre van der Westhuyzen (2016) came 2nd in U16 K1

Chase Leisegang (2016) and partner came 4th in the U18 K2

Jack Edmonds (2016) and partner came 5th

Robert Butcher (2018) 1st and **Peter Hein** (2018) 2nd overall

in the U14 age group of the provincial canoeing league table

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KZN Sprints:

Pierre van der Westhuyzen had a great day on the water. He took top spot in the U16 K1 event and, with **Jack Edmonds**, won the U16 K2 200m dash. The following day Pierre added a third gold to his name in the U16 K1 event with the fastest boy's time of the day.

Cricket:

Ayanda Cele (2016) was selected for KZN Inland U17A

at the IPT in Port Elizabeth in December 2019.

Established as the leading spinner in the side Ayanda was awarded Man of the Match

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Basketball:

Simi Femi-Kayode (2015) selected for KZN U15A

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Hockey: *KZN Inland*

Matthew Barrett (2014) selected for KZN U18A

Matthew Bray (2016) selected for KZN U16A

Jarryd Pike (2017) selected for KZN U16B

Nkozi Shoji (2018) selected for KZN U14A

Michael Sara (2018) selected for KZN U14A

Kamohelo Rathepe (2017) selected for KZN U16A

Ayanda Cele (2017) selected for KZN U16B

Jeremy Foss (2017) selected for KZN U16B (reserve)

Jordan Baxter (2018) selected for KZN U14B

James Gilson (2018) selected for KZN U14B

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Soccer:

Kamohelo Rathepe (2017) selected for KZN Midlands U15A

Andisa Young (2017) selected for KZN Midlands U15A

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Rugby Sevens:

Mark Grant (2015) selected for KZN U17 Sharks Team

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Athletics:

Fortune Mpofo (2018) finished 1st in U15 in the 200m event

at a KZN Athletics league event

Michaelhouse

SCHOOL EXCHANGES 2019

Pierre van der Westhuyzen (2016)
Richard Karlson (2016)

Montgomery Bell Academy, Tennessee, USA
Eton College, England

Please note: The above is based on information sourced and supplied and omissions will regrettably occur. Please contact the Oldboys' office with details of any awards you believe should be recognized so that they can be included in future issues.

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CORDWALLES SCHOOL SONG

The Cordwalles family is one, united as we forge.
 The untempered mettle of our youth, in the footsteps of St George.
 Shield of faith there to protect us; sword of truth to guide our lives;
 'Courage builds character' as each of us now strives.
 We must use our given talents, achieving all we can,
 Fostering well the moral qualities that lead from boy to man.
 May we have compassionate hearts and minds, while helping all in need;
 Standing up for what is right and just let - Honour be our Creed.
 Let us strive in all endeavours, in the challenges we meet,
 Showing loyalty and steadfastness in triumph and defeat.
 Now in fellowship and friendship, together all are one,
 We prepare to face the future - Cordwalles lead us on.

David Anderson (Old Boy) October 2007

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