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OUR PURPOSE

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

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(Devised by Andrew Lee – Grade 5: 2006)

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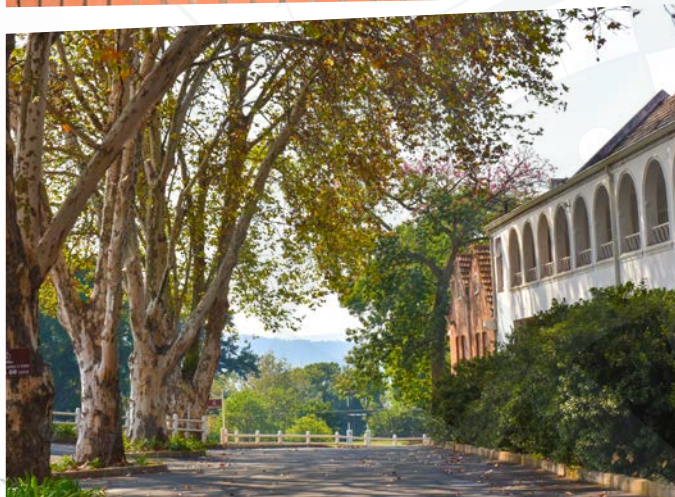
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What 2021 taught us is that grit and determination are intrinsically woven into the fabric of what makes Cordwalles so special and unique.

When school closed for the December holidays in 2020, we all thought that 2021 would herald a different, more normal, year from the very difficult year that Covid-19 had dealt us in 2020. Little did we know that Covid had other ideas and we would open the school year with the far from ideal scenario of online learning. Teachers had to find creative and innovative ways of getting to know the boys in their new classes virtually.

Fortunately, this did not last too long and we were again able to enjoy the advantages of onsite learning, albeit with the, by now well-known, restrictions that Covid forced upon us. We rolled with the punches, made adjustments and changed plans where necessary as the year progressed.

Despite the many frustrations experienced during the year, 2021 proved to be another successful year and many planned events were able to take place. However, bitter disappointments such as the curtailment of rugby season were also sent to try both staff and boys. Sadly, we were unable to hold the Asambe event at Karkloof Country Club, but the PA came up with two innovative alternatives in its place – the Golf Day and the family day spent enjoying all the wonderful benefits that our own forest area has to offer. Lifting of most Covid restrictions meant that we could finish the year on a high note. We bade a fitting farewell to the staff and the Grade 7s who were leaving their beloved Cordwalles and forging new paths in 2022.

What 2021 taught us is that grit and determination are intrinsically woven into the fabric of what makes Cordwalles so special and unique. Trials and tribulations may come our way, and we may be forced to bend, but we never break. The whole Cordwalles community pulled together and made the most of a difficult situation. We faced the challenges, we adapted and changed and we enjoyed a memorable year nevertheless. The well-known quote by Vivian Greene says; "Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass. It's about learning how to dance in the rain." Cordwalles never waited for the storm to pass, Cordwalles danced in the rain!

Mrs Gill Hall

Chairman of the Board Mr Campbell, Bishop Nkosinathi Ndwandwe, members of the Board of Governors, honoured guests, ladies and gentlemen and most importantly, boys of Cordwalles, we are delighted that Mrs Ruth Forder agreed to be our guest of honour today. Mrs Forder will be introduced more formally later on.

Today we are here to celebrate the 2021 academic year and recognize 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. I would like to make special mention of the number of workshops, training and staff developments that our staff have been on this year. Upskilling and developing our staff is a very important part of our strategy.

My job as headmaster is to report back on the past year and I realize that this can be quite dry and a little boring, especially for you younger boys sitting here. I want all you gentlemen sitting in front of me to think back and reflect on your year. I want you to think about some of the triumphs you may have had this year, no matter how big or small. The boys coming up to receive certificates today will be celebrating their achievements, and this is excellent. Many of you won't receive an award, but this doesn't mean you haven't had success in some form. You have all faced challenges this year. You have all had to climb your own mountains. Well done!

2021 was a year to remember in more ways than one. 2021, for me, will be remembered as a year we all tried to be the best that we could be. We often talk about excellence at Cordwalles, and I believe that many of our boys certainly did excel in different aspects of school life. Our Grade 7 boys of 2021 did not disappoint in terms of the number of scholarships they were able to win to high schools of their choice. 10 boys received scholarships. Well done boys! On a significant note, 19 of our Old Boys going into Grade 12 next year have been appointed into leadership positions in their respective schools.

We have once again done exceptionally well on the sports field with our boys punching well above their weight against much bigger schools. Highlights this year were the success of our swimming, cricket, rugby and hockey teams, who beat most of our local competition.

Special mention on the sports front must be made of Jack Benkenstein, the 1st XI captain, who broke the school batting record, amassing 210 runs against Clifton NR. He beat the previous record set by William Dixon-Smith who scored 209 against Highbury in 1958. David Steyn also needs special mention for his feats in the swimming pool and on the athletics track, where he broke seven records this year. Other highlights would be our open rugby sides winning all their matches against St Charles by over 40 points per game. Returning to school after Lockdown, seeing all our boys actively involved in sports games and being able to go on class outings and tours, makes us all very excited.



Our choir was able to gather and practise as the Covid-19 restrictions were eased and was able to sing at our carol service this year. The Grade Rs, 3s and 7s put on their annual productions in front of live audiences. The highlight being the Grade 7 show "Vaudeville." The other grades performed in front of virtual audiences.

Art and Design and Technology classes are now taking place in our brand new, state-of-the-art creative space. This facility, designed by Nick Grice, our school architect, will be officially opened early next year on our 110-year birthday celebrations. This is certainly an exciting and beautiful space for all Cordwalles boys to enjoy for many years to come.

My greatest debt of gratitude goes to our amazing Cordwalles staff, without whom this school would not exist. Teachers are the life blood of a school. I am constantly at a loss to convey to people what the Cordwalles staff are and do. Our staff put an enormous amount of enthusiasm, patience and time into moulding our boys to become better young gentleman, better scholars, better cultural artists and better sportsmen. Cordwalles staff are not just here to pass on received information. Good teachers do that. What great teachers do is mentor, provoke and engage, because education is about learning. The staff have served your sons well beyond the call of duty in these difficult and challenging times. This committed group of people are led by an experienced and forward looking management team. It is this team that is always questioning, guiding, pushing boundaries and testing new ideas to make sure we stay relevant and at the cutting edge. I would like to thank Duncan Greaves for his input and sound advice he adds to this, the engine room of the school. It is not just the academic staff that make Cordwalles what it is. I would also like to thank the support staff, the administration staff, boarding staff and the kitchen staff for their huge contribution. I am, and you ought to be, very grateful to all these people. Please let's show them our appreciation for all they do, particularly over the past testing and demanding year.

This is always a sad time of the year as we have to bid farewell to a number of staff members. Mrs Forder retires after 16 years of sterling service. There are no words big enough to convey the thanks that Cordwalles feels towards her. Thank you Ruth for going well beyond the call of duty to help make Cordies the great school it is today. You are efficient, dedicated, passionate and have instilled the importance of relationships. Thank you for guiding and looking after all of us

and always having lots of fun on the way. We wish you and Mike all the best for your retirement and many happy years touring the country and visiting Kyle and Georgie and Ross. Mrs Forder will be replaced by Mrs Kerry Koller who many of you will know.

Another sad goodbye is to our Head of Boarding. Mr Bailey has been appointed headmaster of Riverview Preparatory School in Malelane. Mr Bailey is an exceptional teacher, housemaster and deputy head who has shaped many a young boy's life in the classroom, on the sports fields and in the boarding house. Brendan oversaw the renovation of the boarding house in 2018. It is now a world class boarding facility and a number of his suggestions were incorporated into the renovations. He was also part of a dynamic marketing team that has seen the numbers in the boarding house increase from 35 boys to the 85 boys we have this year. Brendan, thank you for your friendship and loyal support as one of my deputies. We wish you, Janet, Jess and Kerry all the best. A point of interest is that in the last 12 years, eight members of staff at Cordwalles have gone on to become heads of other schools. Not only do we grow and nurture young boys to become men of significance, but just as importantly, we also grow and develop our staff. Mr Bailey will be replaced in the classroom by Mrs Lee-Ann Chapman, who will be returning to us from The Wykeham Collegiate. Mr de Jager joins the management team as the new Housemaster and Mr Robertson takes over Mr de Jager's responsibilities as the head of pupil affairs for Grades 6 and 7.

Mr Drewett, who has been an intern at Cordwalles for the past two years and who is now qualified, will teach the additional Grade 5 class, due to the increase in numbers in that grade. It is exciting to be able to offer internal promotion opportunities to our staff.

We are also sad to bid farewell to Ms Neliswa Khumalo, our Head of the Academic Support Unit, as she is moving up to St Stithian's in Johannesburg. Thank you Neliswa for the skill and expertise you brought to our Academic Support Unit. You have certainly raised the bar in a short space of time and have placed our academic support programme on another level. We wish you and Hlelo all the best in your move back to Johannesburg. Ms Khumalo has been replaced by Mrs Dakers.

Mrs Kirsten Greaves has been a Grade 4 teacher at Cordwalles for the past 4 years. She has been involved in many facets of the school. A class teacher, a sports coach and a person with a huge heart for outreach. Kirsten has been our liaison with Ashdown Primary and has initiated and run the Saturday school programme, Bambinsani for our support staff's children. This programme takes place on a Saturday morning and was designed to help these children catch up on school work that they have lost, due to the fact that most of them are still not back at school full time. Our academic staff and interns help out on a rotational basis. We were very excited this year when one of our ground staff's nephew was awarded a Jackson Foundation Scholarship to attend Cordwalles next year. Kirsten, although we are sad to see you leave the classroom, we are relieved that we will still see you around as a mum and a wife. Thank you for your contributions. Mrs Greaves will be replaced by Mrs Hoatson, who is no stranger to us and we welcome her as a permanent member of our

staff. Mrs Hoatson's position in Grade RR has been filled by Mrs Purchase and because of an increase in numbers in Grade RR next year we are opening up a second class and this class will be taught by Ms Mashinini.

We also say farewell to a number of interns and boarder masters. Miss Sandi Ncgobo, Mr Campbell Farr, Mr Cyril Mthimkulu and Mr Alex Bartlett our Gap student from the United Kingdom. Thank you all for your time and service.

Mrs Kim Mitchell has been our Occupational Therapist for the last 2 years. Kim, your involvement in the Academic Support Unit has been invaluable. We hope you get to spend more time with your young family. Thank you. Kim's place has been filled by Ms Liz Lee and we look forward to having her as part of the Support Unit.

Replacing a leaving teacher takes hours and hours of interviews and watching prospective applicants teach a lesson. We are in a very fortunate position that we get hundreds of applications for each post advertised.

I heard a very wise lady speak yesterday, which made my heart very warm. She said, once you have taught at Cordwalles, you will always be part of the Cordwalles family and I hope the staff leaving this year, will feel the same way.

Our theme for this year has been 'Opportunities'. Cordwalles is a place where our boys are privileged to have the opportunity to work and grow. They have the opportunity to obtain a world class education at one of the top prep schools in the country. They have the opportunity to develop skills as they have access to a wide range of cultural subjects; music, choir, instrument lessons, drama and art classes. All this with experienced specialist teachers who are passionate about what they do. Cordwalles offers an excellent standard of academics. Our results in the international and national benchmarking tests and the achievements of our Old Boys, who we track all the way through to Matric, are testament to this. Our boys have the opportunity to explore the world around them. Our flexibility in the curriculum ensures this as we are not bound by the rigid government Caps curriculum. The outdoor classroom is a truly unique facility, which allows the boys to explore, problem solve and investigate the great outdoors. Our boarders have the opportunity to enjoy top class boarding. They have great facilities and a brotherly and friendship-orientated programme. Our sports programme ensures that every boy has the opportunity to participate and experience being part of a team. In doing this, healthy physical activity becomes a life-long habit. It also gives the boys an opportunity to be competitive at the highest level and our excellent results this year are proof of this. At Cordwalles, we encourage our boys to pursue their personal dreams and passions in all areas. There is a place for everyone at Cordwalles. We believe that every boy has the potential and the right to become his own version of a unique young gentleman.

As a school, in 2021 we have had to respond to new challenges, often overnight. Another year of Covid-19, online learning, on and off sport and then the looting and destruction in July. All of us; staff, parents and boys, have had to be flexible. We have had to adjust with a minimum of stress and drama. We are constantly aware that school needs to be a safe haven for our boys. We have had to plan and adapt to new situations. Thank you, to all of you

for helping and supporting us as we have navigated our way forward. Yes, we have bent and we are still bending, but we are not going to break! As a Tanzanian proverb says, "The wind does not break the tree that bends."

Mr Campbell, thank you and the Cordwalles Board and the various Board sub committees for giving unselfishly of your time. Hours and hours of your own time has gone into supporting Cordwalles. I value your sound and wise counsel. I really do appreciate the fact that you are always available to me.

I would also like to thank my family in their absence. Belinda, Jemma and Matt are three important pillars in my life. I would like to thank Belinda for all she has done behind the scenes. She has been an outstanding support to me, being there to listen, advise and encourage, and has given me the courage and conviction to face the many challenges this year.

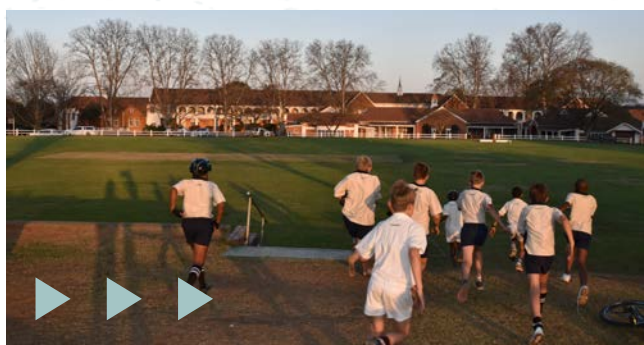
To Lynn Clark, my PA, thank you so much for your dedication, efficient hard work and your enormous support. Your kind and caring manner are so appreciated. You have done an outstanding job in keeping me in line.

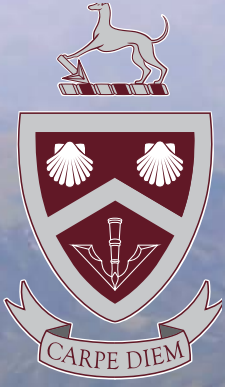
We have a magnificent team here at Cordwalles. It is a talented group that I want to grow. It is a team that cares for and nurtures young men. This team should not just see its primary role as educators. Teachers in great schools don't see teaching as a means of making a living, they see it as a vocation. Cordwalles is about relationships first and foremost. People are valued here. By people I mean the boys, the staff and the parents. I want Cordwalles to be a happy school – happiness is a by-product of all good, healthy things that happen. I believe Cordwalles is a happy school and that means we have a good, strong, resilient, boisterous, healthy system that has taken time to create.

Grade 7s, you have been a brilliant year group. Talented, passionate and just 'nice' boys. The way you spoke and what you said about the Cordwalles staff at our Grade 7 Leavers' Dinner was amazing. You blew us all away. We were very proud of you all. As you leave us to go out and start the next chapter in your lives, remember the values and lessons you have learnt here, through the good times and the hard. You boys have experienced some very difficult times and lost opportunities. We thank you for your enormous contributions to this wonderful school. Good luck and Godspeed.

Thank you all for the privilege of leading this great school. Do we always get things right? Possibly not, but at Cordwalles we like to try new things and to push boundaries without compromising on values, and this, we will continue to do. I wish you all a restful holiday and a blessed Christmas.

Mr Lance Veenstra





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No matter how old you are, there is always time to learn a new lesson. One lesson I thought I would try before leaving Cordwalles was to teach a class.

Well, the response that I got recently was not what I expected.

One morning when I noticed that the two Grade 1 teachers had slipped out, I entered the one classroom and cried out 'Hi boys I've come to teach you today!' Half of the boys looked horrified while the other half, I think, pretended to welcome the idea or ignore me. I wanted a 100% response so I turned on my heels and headed to the other Grade 1 classroom and made the same enthusiastic cry. Before I had a chance to listen to their muffled responses, the loudest reply that came forth was 'No thanks, we've already got a teacher!'. The lesson that I learnt that morning is the passion the Cordwalles boys have for their teachers. Don't mess with them as they know what they want, and it certainly was not me!

Good morning the Bishop, Chairman of our Board, our headmaster, invited guests, my colleagues, gentlemen of Cordwalles, parents and my family – my husband Mike, my mom Rita, Kyle and his wife Georgi, Ross and his girlfriend, Paige. Thinking back to Speech Day 2012, Ross had the honour of delivering the Grade 7 speech, as Dane has done so eloquently today. Little did I know that 9 years later, I would have the incredible honour of being your guest of honour at Speech Day 2021.

I would like to change that word honour to blessing, 'How very blessed I am today' and I would like to include you young men of the Grade 7, class of 2021, in that blessing as well. Soon we, with other boys and staff who are leaving today, will walk through the farewell tunnel of Let's Go Cordies. Together let's pause for a minute and acknowledge how blessed we are today to have been given the wonderful opportunity of attending and serving at our beautiful Cordwalles.

Boys, look to your left, look to your right, look behind you and look in front of you. Never forget the Cordies staff, your parents and your friends – they have all made a huge impact in your life. The blessings they have given you have made you who you are today. They have encouraged you, loved you and spurred you on to become the very best you can be. Never take them for granted.

Forgive me for always expressing my passion for Cordwalles, but I just can't help myself! I guess it has been my job as Head of Marketing to use all that we have here to its best advantage, to showcase what we stand for. It has been my privilege to have had the day-to-day experience of witnessing the true values of respect, integrity, care, love and endless blessings that bind us all together at Cordwalles. It has been my absolute pride and joy to welcome new families into the fold. Thousands of photographs will be a record of all that has happened here, and those scenes are etched in my memory forever.

I will never forget what you little men have done for me. My love for Cordwalles is because of you. Your happy faces, your willingness to be enthusiastic mentors for new boys, your



passion on the sports field, on the stage and in the music department and the incredible talent that emerges from the art department! That is testament to your depth of character! Keep on believing in yourselves – remember, Courage Builds Character, and follow your talents and dreams to become the best that you can be, In Mr Weaver's words, be the best FOR the world.

I have tried hard to accept you boys walking around the school with no shoes on, shirts untucked and you running through the passages. I really, really have tried hard! But I guess boys will be boys... but oh, please try one more time. I have also realized that what and who you are inside, is what really counts and what always shines through!

Shortly, we will leave this marquee, ring the bell and head off home. You are then on your way, with our blessing, as a Cordies Old Boy. But, before you drive off out of the Cordwalles gates with mom and dad, remember to stop in the quad and look to your left, look to your right, look behind you and in front of you and say thank you to these people. You are because of them. Give them that honour of receiving your blessing.

I know that I am the person that I am today because of everyone here, including my wonderful mom and my late father, and my family Mike, Kyle and Ross. I am so grateful for their love and support and endless patience too with all that I have been involved in at Cordwalles.

Mr Veenstra, in your own unique and special way you have given me the wings to fly. I thank you for the never ending opportunities that you have given the Cordies boys and to me. How blessed we are to have you as our headmaster and how blessed I am to have you as my friend. Thank you.

My time now at Cordwalles has come to an end. Ahead of me is a blank canvas but I know that it is too early to panic! My husband is retiring at the end of February 2022 and together we will go out there and see where the road will take us. 16 and a half years I have served at our beautiful Cordwalles, and every day has been better than the day before! Cordwalles has been like my youngest child. I have given my all and it has made me proud in return. I have loved the journey, the miles and miles of it! I hope that I have added value to Cordwalles because Cordwalles has definitely added value to my life, and much, much more.

Change happens, but with change comes excitement and a new rhythm.

Grade 7s, I am nervous and excited for the future and I am sure you boys are too, but always remember the blessings Cordwalles has given us. That will give us the strength to fly like an eagle – remember the eagle in the JP Quad with the words 'Fly Eagle Fly'. How exciting!

I leave behind an entire staff who I respect so highly. From the security guards, kitchen, ground and cleaning staff to the boarder masters, teaching and support staff. You have supported me in everything I have done and to work with you has been an absolute privilege. Yesterday Lungelo, one of the gardeners, gave me my moment in his own quiet way. There I was bossing him and the gardeners around, calling for the lawn mower, the weeds to be pulled out, the roses to be dead-headed and the quads to be swept one more time. Lungelo turned to me and said 'Mam, everything will be lovely for you tomorrow, I promise you'.

Kerry Koller and Michelle Breedt; you will add your special magical touch to Cordwalles. Cordwalles is in good hands and I can't wait to 'read all about it' and more!

Thank you Cordwalles for everything. I am so honoured to have served at this school, to have been part of its growth and development, to have celebrated special occasions and to be part of the school's history. You have blessed me and my family.

Now, together with the Grade 7 gentlemen of Cordwalles and other boys and staff who are leaving, it is time for us to say thank you and goodbye. And for me, to stop and smell the roses.

Until we meet again, thank you!

Mrs Ruth Forder



MICHAELHOUSE

***Boys today.
Men of principle tomorrow.***

Good morning parents, grandparents, members of the Board, staff, special guests and our Cordies boys.

Welcome to 2021 Speech Day.

More so than ever, with the news of a looming 4th Wave of Covid-19, it is a privilege to be gathered here today to celebrate the boys' achievements over this past year. Thank you to Lance, Ruth and the team for making this happen; we are all most grateful.

We have many special guests joining us today. Can you believe who is sitting on my right? Ruth, it is unusual not seeing you running the show at the back of the marquee. It is an honour having you on the stage today as you say farewell to our outstanding school. Welcome to Mike Forder and family. Well done to Kyle and Georgi for making it to SA from the UK before the travel shutdown.

Welcome to the Bishop of Natal, Bishop Nkosinathi Ndwandwe. Thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedule to be with us today. Our new Board members and their spouses. Ray Mkhulisi and Charmaine Padyachee, welcome and thank you for joining us today. Ray, I was wondering, this must be your first day sitting here since you were a Grade 7 leaver? Charmaine as a parent at the school and Head of Mathematics at Hilton College, this environment is familiar to you.

The Biggs, Fowlers and Sarah Pennington, always good to see you; we missed you last year but are grateful for your support. Past headmaster, Tim Evans and past Chairman Graham Evans, thank you for joining us along with a number of ex staff members.

On a sad note we lost a few Old Boys this past year. Both Liebie van Heerden and Norman Crookes were members of the 1948 cricket team here at Cordwalles; they were two of the five players that year who went on to represent South Africa. Wilbur Smith was another Cordies Old Boy who passed away a few months ago. These gentlemen all benefitted from the foundation that they received at our school. They went on to make us proud in their various accomplishments.

Lastly, Ron Nicolson, our Cordwalles Chaplain for ten years and a past school board member, passed away a few weeks ago. Ron will be remembered for his wisdom and humility.

Can we all stand and have a moment's silence to remember these great old boys and our loved ones we lost this past year to Covid-19.

Grade 7 leavers, in great tradition, I know you have enjoyed a special send-off. Thank you boys, for the leadership and the value you have added to Cordwalles; you have all endured many life lessons and created many memorable moments at school. We look forward to welcoming you back as Old Boys. Make the most of your high schools, thank your parents for this incredible opportunity and continue to build on the foundation you have laid at Cordwalles.

We have experienced another challenging year, with the uncertainty created by the Covid Pandemic. Although we only lost 16 physical days at school, the unknown made it difficult to roll out our routine Cordwalles programme. Interestingly, at the peak of the third wave, we had about eight boys who contracted Covid-19 but over 100 boys in quarantine and decided to close the school a week before the half term break.



Just when we thought things could not get any worse, so the looting and unrest in KZN brought on additional challenges. Although this took place during our school holidays, we felt its impact when three prospective boys chose to attend schools in other provinces. One family decided to go to Zimbabwe, along with six boys and their families deciding to emigrate at the end of this year. One of the positive observations of the looting was the incredible sense of community we enjoy at Cordwalles. We had parents and farmers offering their support. This ranged from pockets of potatoes and beans, to loaves of bread etc. Save Supermarket was, as always, most supportive. Our parents and teachers also volunteered to man roadblocks in our town and the farming districts, providing support to prevent further looting, damage and loss of life.

Our PA has made the most of the tough year. After the Hoatson family and their business Thirsti generously offered to sponsor our new Asambe series, our single most significant fundraising event, we had to cancel this due to the restrictions on social gatherings. The PA had a great interim plan and managed to organize a golf day at Victoria Country Club. It turned out to be a huge success and no doubt clear signs of people being starved of social interaction during the lockdown. The golf day raised R90 000. The PA also took on a great initiative to build 4kms of trails in our Cordwalles forest. Nic Floris, who designed the Olympic mountain bike track, assisted with this project. We did get to enjoy a memorable family day in the forest exploring these new trails. Thank you to all the parents involved in the PA. Your passion and enthusiasm for Cordwalles is appreciated, even more in the constrictive environment we find ourselves.

Some building developments... at the end of last year, we commenced building a new shed and garages in the workshop area at the back of the school. This is a vast improvement on what had been there previously and includes a storage area for the boys' bikes and a very recently tarred driveway.

Our exciting project for this past year was revamping our Art and Design and Technology rooms. A special thank you goes to old boy Ray Mkhulisi for his generous donation towards this creative centre. We look forward to the official opening on the 11th February 2022 which falls on Old Boys' Day and the school's 110th birthday. Please don't forget to book your tickets for the dinner dance celebration that evening. We look forward to seeing you all there.

In our recent Board meeting, we have approved the purchase of a new minibus. Unlike our current bus, it comes with air conditioning, much to the staff and boys' delight. We are in the early stages of planning a revamp to our science laboratory. Many old boys here will notice that the current science lab has not changed since they were here.

With the troubled Msunduzi Municipality and Eskom, the Board feels it is essential for the school to be relatively self-sufficient in its water and electricity supply. With this in mind, we are in the final stages of discussion on installing a solar plant. This will support the school's electricity demands during daylight hours. It will also save us R3000 per day in fuel for our generator and is a start to a longer-term plan to move off the electricity grid.

We have also employed the services of a groundwater engineer and hydrologist to give us some advice on an alternative water supply. We are fortunate to have a few boreholes on the property. Still, again we need to have a backup facility, especially for the boarding house and kitchen. We are exploring installing several tanks for this purpose.

The Board has formed a Transformation Subcommittee. The committee's role is to provide strategic oversight and governance leadership of all facets of diversity and transformation at the school. Ray Mkulisi has agreed to chair this committee, for which we are most grateful.

Cordwalles is in a healthy space. Our academic programme continues to flourish under Duncan Greaves' guidance. Our boys enjoy the many benefits of a Cordwalles education, entrenching themselves in all aspects of school life.

We are looking forward to more competitive sport next year. This has probably been the greatest casualty of Covid-19, thinking that our U11 rugby players of next year have barely played a match.

Thank you most sincerely to our teaching staff, who know no bounds and continue to go above and beyond to educate our boys. Your dedication does not go unnoticed. Juggling infections, vaccines, lockdowns, online teaching, face-to-face, etc., has been tough, and I am well aware of the mental fatigue endured. Take these holidays to rest and restore your personal wellness.

Before I get onto our thank yous and farewells, I felt it is important to mention Ali Kingsley and the great work she is doing at the Amathuba Foundation. Amathuba means opportunities, and it is just that. In the past few years, I have mentioned both the Jackson Foundation and the Safire Scholarship Programme. When she left Cordwalles as a teacher, Ali took it upon herself to get hold of all the past beneficiaries of these various scholarships. The stories inspired her to start the Amathuba Foundation. The role of the foundation is to facilitate opportunities for learners at educational centres of excellence. The purpose of these opportunities is to bring out the best in these individuals by placing them in an environment in which they can thrive. The stories of these transformed lives will inspire their families and greater communities, with the hope that one day these learners will be in a position to contribute to social change themselves in South Africa. Ali, you are an inspiration, as are the boys who have benefitted from this programme. Please support Amathuba where possible and keep up the fantastic work Ali.

We are sad to be saying farewell to Ruth. Ruth arrived here in 2005 at a small school of 261 boys and just 35 boarders. She did not need a job description as she embraced Cordwalles in every aspect. Through Ruth's passion, determination and love for Cordwalles, she played a significant role in growing our school by over 110 boys. Our boarding increased from 35 to 86 boys. She was the female touch behind R40 million worth of building done in her time at Cordies, from curtains and linen to interior décor and landscaping. She was often seen in our grounds encouraging our boys and often the staff to clean up and look tidy. I even polished my shoes this morning. She cast her magic over our website, Facebook and Instagram, with many incredible photographs highlighting special moments and lasting memories.

The hugely successful Mudman Series was started when Ruth joined and between her and the PA, this has been a game-changer for our school. Ruth, you truly embraced the Cordwalles product and believed in it with such conviction. This conviction has led many boys and parents to our school, resulting in many eternally grateful boys and old boys.

Will everyone stand?

Ruth, on behalf of the Board, the staff, the parents, boys and old boys, we will forever be grateful for the impact you have had on Cordwalles. Thank you!

We have two changes to the Board where Ryan Zammit and Thabs Dube step down. Thank you, gentlemen, for your valuable contribution; we look forward to working with Mel Klute as the new chair and Nadia Marais as deputy chair of the PA.

I thank Graham Evans for chairing the Cordwalles Trust for the past five years and his contribution to Cordwalles over the past 11 years. He has resigned and Kim Peddie has been appointed in his place.

A big thank you to Antoinette Hankinson, our Bursar. Apart from running the school's finances, she has the difficult job of collecting unpaid school fees. Antoinette, we are grateful for the continued hard work and support you give both the Board and the school.

Many thanks to our Cordwalles Board. Last week, it was great to have our first face-to-face Board meeting this year. Your wise counsel, support and dedication to Cordwalles is appreciated.

Last but not least, our Headmaster, Lance Veenstra. You have weathered another tough year. The role of a headmaster in a regular school environment is challenging at the best of times. These last two years have certainly been testing, and you continue to show great fortitude and resilience. Thank you for your clear and insightful leadership.

In closing, thank you parents, for your tolerance of these challenges that we have experienced over the past two years. Thank you for your continued support and for the fantastic opportunity you have given your boys. Wishing you a safe, restful and healthy holiday season.

Mr John Campbell

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“The deeper the foundation, the stronger the fortress”.

Good morning Bishop Ndwandwe, Mrs Forder, Mr Veenstra, Mr Greaves, members of the Board, staff, parents and fellow Cordwalles boys.

Today I have the privilege of talking on behalf of my fellow leavers about all the wonderful years we have spent at this school. Although our Grade 7 year wasn't quite what we had hoped it would be, due to Covid, we have made the best of it even through all the struggles and disappointments.

Little did I know when I started in the Inky that these years would be some of the best years I have ever experienced.

“The deeper the foundation the stronger the fortress”.

This is one of my favourite quotes. Not just because it is on the wall at the entrance to the Arsenal Stadium, but because it also reflects on our time here at Cordwalles.

For me, it highlights the word ‘builds’ in our motto, “Courage Builds Character”. We have built our foundations for the future. We have laid down the foundations for so many things.

I think especially of the foundation of friendships. The friendships that we have built here will last through thick and thin. As we leave Cordwalles and go to our different high schools, it will be these friendships and the memories we shared that will bind us. And stay with us forever

We have created the foundations of our characters based on core values. From the very first day that any of us joined Cordwalles, we were taught Respect, Courage, Compassion, Integrity, Responsibility and how to be a leader.

Respect has been ingrained in us. Wherever you go, whatever you do and whoever you meet, show respect, it is the way to success. For me it has been a combination of all these important lessons that has taught me the most important life skill that I will take away from this school, and that is how to be a leader.

In our last Natural Science lesson Mr Rob asked us something interesting. He asked “Can any of you tell me what leadership means to you?” Not a single one of us could give a reasonable answer. Most answers went along the lines of having someone to control or give orders to. This didn't sound right to me. Leadership is more than authority and power. So I did some research. The Google definition of leadership is ‘The action of leading a group or organisation, the state or position of being a leader’.

I guess that it is because of definitions like that, that we could not answer Mr. Rob's question. I looked further and I found this: “Leadership is about developing people and helping others reach their full potential.” I think this is the real definition.

Leadership isn't about making people listen, it's about making them want to listen. Great leaders don't just lead their team to victory, they push them past what they thought they could achieve and they also realise what an honour it is to be THEIR leader. As a leader, every day you have the opportunity to make a change in someone. It could be a simple thing like asking how their day was or something like encouraging someone to pursue their dream. No matter how seemingly insignificant, it will still make a difference



to that person, and a small difference becomes a bigger one in the future. It's like throwing a pebble into a still pond. The ripples start where the pebble landed and spread out around the pond. The impact of that little pebble grows into something significant.

“Great leaders don't set out to be a leader, they set out to make a difference. It's never about their role. Always about the goal.”

So what gets a leader going? Passion. It's that drive, that hunger. Not all leaders have it and that is the difference between a good leader and a great leader.

Cordwalles has nurtured the passion that is within us. We have been exposed to many varied choices and encouraged to find the thing that makes us feel fulfilled, the thing that makes us happy. We know what passion feels like, we just need to show it.

Mr Veenstra has given us a perfect example of how to lead and we just need to follow his example. The Springbok rugby captain, Siya Kolisi, had passion and led 15 men to victory in the World Cup and this passion has also spread around the nation.

“The deeper the foundation the stronger the fortress”

Arsenal is my club but I have to admit we didn't do too well in the last season, but their foundations stayed strong and didn't falter and now they are top 5.

This illustrates grit, determination and sustainability. We have been taught to stand our ground in tough times and if the fortress wavers, to build it stronger than before. If your foundation is strong you can always rebuild.

As we move onto this next part of our school journey, we must remember these lessons learnt at Cordwalles. As future leaders it is our task to make things happen. Don't wait for someone else to do it, create the future and the world that you want to live in.

And so, we bid farewell to Cordwalles and yet we take it with us in our hearts and heads.

“We didn't realise we were making memories, we were just having fun.”

Thank you.

Dane Harrison




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ACADEMIC PRIZES

GRADE 4D

Second in Class with Academic Merit	Charles Zammit
FIRST in Class with Academic Merit	Veer Bhagwan

GRADE 4G

Second in Class	Bryce Longmore
FIRST in Class with Academic Merit	Nicholas Ware

GRADE 5B

Second in Class with Academic Merit	Connor McMurray
FIRST in Class with Academic Merit	Tasheel Kassen

GRADE 5E

Second in Class with Academic Merit	Joshua Greaves
FIRST in Class with Academic Merit	Judah Steyn

GRADE 6 OVERALL

Academic Merit and Academic Tie	Thomas Browse
Academic Merit and Academic Tie	Dylan Leppan
Academic Merit and Academic Tie	Luneziwe Mshengu
Academic Merit and Academic Tie	Nicandro Padayachee
Academic Merit and Academic Tie	Kaidan Pillay
Academic Merit and Academic Tie	Nathan Simons
Academic Merit and Academic Tie	Arjun Wadhwani
Tied Second in Grade with Academic Merit and Academic Tie	Craig McKenzie Imran Mahomed
FIRST in Grade with Academic Merit and Academic Tie	William Wadman

GRADE 7

Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award	Bradley Cook
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award	Dane Harrison
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award	Arav Lalloo
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award	Matthew Longmore
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award	Jaemin Seong

GRADE 7 SUBJECT PRIZES

PRIZE	EXPLANATION	WINNER
ENGLISH		Matthew Longmore
AFRIKAANS		Matthew Longmore
ISIZULU		Banele Phoswa
NATURAL SCIENCE		Dane Harrison
MATHEMATICS		Jaemin Seong
SOCIAL SCIENCE		Matthew Longmore
THE CROOKES TROPHY	For the pupil who has achieved the highest combined aggregate for Social Science and Natural Science	Dane Harrison
THE RACIBORSKI INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TROPHY	For a boy who shows interest, commitment and dedication in and to computer science	Arav Lalloo
CODING AND ROBOTICS	For a boy who shows interest, commitment and dedication in and to coding and robotics	John Gilson
SMITH FAMILY TROPHY FOR SPEECH AND DRAMA	For a consistently high standard and contribution in drama lessons	Jack Benkenstein
DIRECTOR'S CUP – THE VAN VELDEN TROPHY	Awarded to a boy who showed enormous commitment to the school play and who led by example	Phupho Mpengesi
BEST ACTOR'S CUP	For his versatility and natural stage presence	Mholi Khuzwayo
ART	For a senior boy who shows a flair, talent and love for the subject	Murray McHugh
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	For a boy who displays an aptitude and love for the subject	Murray McHugh
GENERAL KNOWLEDGE	Awarded to the Grade 7 who has outstanding General Knowledge	Arav Lalloo
YOUNG READER OF THE YEAR 2021	Presented to a boy whose reading range is both diverse and discerning	Banele Phoswa
THE CHESS PLAYER OF THE YEAR		Mitchell Bekker

MUSIC

HALLOT TROPHY	For determination and dedication to music	David Colenbrander
BRENT BLACK TROPHY	For excellence in music. Awarded to a pupil who has a natural talent and works hard to achieve a standard of excellence	Simon Reeve

SPORT

THE FRED PALMER CRICKET BAT	The open Cricket Player of the Year	Jack Benkenstein
TENNIS CHAMPION	The open Tennis Player of the Year	Jack Benkenstein
THE REDFERN TROPHY	The open Hockey Player of the Year	Ethan Maltby
THE RUGBY TROPHY	The open Rugby Player of the Year	Guy Fender
HOUSEWORK TROPHY	Top 10 boys in Grades 4 to 7 are ranked and earn points for their house	4th Jacksons 3rd Tathams 2nd Baines 1st Butchers
THE COCK HOUSE	Champion Sports House	4th Tathams 3rd Baines 2nd Butchers 1st Jacksons

SPECIAL AWARDS

TATHAM MEMORIAL ESSAY	A boy in Grade 7 who, in the opinion of the staff and external examiners, has written the best set essay in English	Arav Lalloo
TWIN STREAMS EARTH CARE PRIZE – DONATED BY IAN AND JEAN GARLAND	The recipient must display a love for nature, and understanding of the environment and show an active appreciation for the innate value of our natural heritage	Joe Zunckel Jamie Wessels
CORDWALLES BOARDING HOUSE TROPHY – THE GAYLE BASTARD PRIZE FOR BOARDER OF THE YEAR	A pupil who shows empathy, guidance and reliability within the boarding house at all times	Phupho Mpengesi
DR MAURICE PETERS MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR SPORTSMANSHIP	A boy who displays humility in victory and graciousness in defeat, who at all times up-holds the ethos of manners, competitiveness and team spirit in a balanced fashion to the betterment of sport above himself	Reece Cole
ALL ROUND SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR – THE LIEBIE VAN HEERDEN TROPHY	The all-round sportsman of the year trophy is shared between two supremely talented sportsmen	Jack Benkenstein Reece Cole
THE WHITELAW TROPHY	The recipient of this award has been committed and achieved worthy praise for his huge contribution on the sports field, academically, culturally and spiritually	Matthew Longmore
THE WHITTLE TROPHY FOR COURAGE, TENACITY AND PERSEVERANCE	To a boy this year for his perseverance in adversity and continuous application, diligence and tenacity with a will to achieve	Shamshér Essop
SALLY CORNISH TROPHY FOR COMPASSION	The recipient of this award is respected for his gentle, unobtrusive care and kindness to all	Phupho Mpengesi
THE REED TROPHY FOR INTEGRITY	This boy has a deep sense of integrity and he is true to himself at all times. He stands up for what is right and is balanced and principled	Riley Graves
THE BIGGS FAMILY TROPHY FOR SERVICE TO THE SCHOOL	The recipients this year have worked hard behind the scenes and have given themselves selflessly, always in good humour to the betterment of the school and in support of their peers in very differing areas of Cordwalles life	Tahil Nankin Banele Phoswa
THE DE'ANN BROOKS TROPHY FOR TRIBUTE TO CORDWALLES	The trophy this year has been awarded to an outstanding gentleman who has a deep respect for all people, amazing empathy and intuition and is sensitive and caring to those around him	Bradley Cook

FINAL ACADEMIC AWARDS

THIRD IN GRADE 7		Arav Lalloo
SECOND IN GRADE 7		Dane Harrison
DUX OF SCHOOL	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 2021 Dux with an aggregate of 87,9%	Matthew Longmore
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	Mholi Khuzwayo
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 on by the Grade 4 – 7 boys and the staff. He is someone who raised the spirits of those around him. A boy one would be proud to introduce to your parents and friends as a role model	Mholi Khuzwayo

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

HEADS OF HOUSE

HEADS OF HOUSE	CAPTAIN	VICE-CAPTAIN
BAINES	Guy Fender	Banele Phoswa
BUTCHERS	David Steyn	David Colenbrander
TATHAMS	Mholi Khuzwayo	Jack Benkenstein
JACKSONS	Oliver Brown	Reece Cole

ST GEORGE CERTIFICATES

Guy Fender, Joshua Greaves, Bradley Cook, Dylan Leppan, Craig McKenzie, Matthew Longmore, Luneziwe Mshengu, James Kyle, Ayanda Kunene, Kuphelele Mchunu, Tahlil Nankan, Luthando Mxhego, Matthew Bastard, Heath Bullock, William Wadman and Jamie Wessels.

SCHOLARSHIPS

HILTON COLLEGE	Jack Benkenstein	Merit Academic
	Guy Fender	Merit Academic
	Mholi Khuzwayo	Merit Academic
	Banele Phoswa	Merit Academic
MARITZBURG COLLEGE	Bradley Cook	Cordwalles Closed and Academic Scholarship
MICHAELHOUSE	Reece Cole	Sport Scholarship
	Thomas de Charmoy	Sport Exhibition
	Dane Harrison	Minor Open
	Matthew Longmore	Cordwalles Closed
ST CHARLES COLLEGE	Arav Lalloo	Academic Merit Award

MUSIC

LEADERS

CHOIR LEADER	Mholi Khuzwayo
DEPUTY CHOIR LEADER	Matthew Longmore

AWARDS

ABRSM THEORY

GRADE 5	Craig McKenzie	pass
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ABRSM PIANO

GRADE 1	Jared Cole	pass with distinction
GRADE 2	Connor McMurray	pass with merit
GRADE 3	Kaidan Pillay	pass with merit
GRADE 4	Simon Reeve	pass
GRADE 5	Craig McKenzie	pass with merit

ABRSM VIOLIN

GRADE 1	Shamshér Essop	pass with merit
GRADE 3	Connor Maitland	pass with merit

EISTEDDFOD RESULTS

CLASSICAL PIANO GRADE 1	Jared Cole	2 golds, 1 silver
CLASSICAL PIANO GRADE 1	Connor McMurray	1 gold, 2 silvers
CLASSICAL PIANO GRADE 4	Simon Reeve	1 gold, 2 silvers
CLASSICAL PIANO GRADE 5	Craig McKenzie	2 golds, 1 silver

ROCK SCHOOL BASS GUITAR

GRADE 1	Nathan Daniel	pass
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ROCK SCHOOL GUITAR

GRADE 1	Tahil Nankan	pass
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TRINITY COLLEGE LONDON

ALTO SAXOPHONE

GRADE 3	Connor Maitland	pass with distinction
GRADE 4	Connor Maitland	pass

TRINITY ROCK AND POP VOICE

GRADE 3	Nathan Daniel	pass
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MARITZBURG JUNIOR ENSEMBLE

	Connor Maitland	First violin and saxophone soloist
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SPORT

CAPTAINS

CRICKET	Jack Benkenstein
RUGBY	Mholi Khuzwayo
HOCKEY	Chris van Rooyen
SWIMMING	David Steyn
TENNIS	Jack Benkenstein

SPORTS CHAMPIONS

SWIMMING	U9	Vihaan Kassen
	U10	Samuel Gilson
	U11	Ross McHugh
	U12	Rex Wardlaw
	OPEN	David Steyn
ATHLETICS	U9	Milann Engelbrecht
	U10	Charles Zammit
	U11	Ross McHugh
	U12	Rex Wardlaw
	OPEN	David Steyn
SHOOTING	MARDALL SHOOTING CUP	David Colenbrander
TENNIS	THE KRAMER CUP	Phillip van der Vyver
	SENIOR SINGLES CHAMPION	Jack Benkenstein
CHESS	JUNIOR CHESS PLAYER OF THE YEAR	Veer Bhagwan
	SENIOR CHESS CHAMPION	Mitchell Bekker

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

KWAZULU-NATAL MIDLANDS AND UMGUNGUNDLOVU DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

TENNIS	UMGUNGUNDLOVU	
	U13	Josh Nicholson
HOCKEY	KZN INLAND	
	U13A	Jack Benkenstein, Ethan Maltby, Chris van Rooyen
	U13B	Reece Cole
	U13 INLAND – non-travelling reserve	Matthew Longmore
	U12A	James Dellis, Riley Muir, Imran Mahomed, Luke Treleven
CROSS-COUNTRY	KZN	
	U12	Mitchell Bekker, Luke Treleven

STAFF REPRESENTATIVES

MIDLANDS RUGBY COMMITTEE	Lance Veenstra
MIDLANDS RUGBY COMMITTEE	Hayden Everill
MIDLANDS RUGBY COMMITTEE	Chad Barron
PMB ART TEACHERS' FORUM CO-ORDINATOR	Kerry Peckham
KZN INLAND PRIMARY SCHOOLS HOCKEY EXECUTIVE	Richard Robertson
KZN INLAND PRIMARY SCHOOLS CRICKET CHAIRMAN	Chad Barron
MIDLANDS CRICKET VICE CHAIRMAN	Chad Barron
BOARD MEMBER OF ISASA PENSION SCHEME AND PROVIDENT FUND	Christiaan de Jager

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY 2021

As a member of the Anglican Board of Education, we are encouraged to reflect a generosity of spirit. One of the hallmarks of an Anglican School is a spirit of kindness, compassion and respect for all people. This expresses itself in a healthy relationship in the school as well as in the wider community. Concern for common good is shown through community service and the support of charity work and healthy relationships. Our focus in this regard remains Ashdown School in Edendale. However, we have not made it exclusively so. Due to Covid-19 our classes still have not been able to go out as they have done in previous years.

AS A SCHOOL

Collection of Easter Eggs given to various charities.

Frontline Workers – Collection of lipice for the Care Packs.

Painted the jungle gym at Ashdown and donated books from our Cordwalles Book Sale.

Life Changer: Life Boat Vouchers purchased by boys for the homeless of Pietermaritzburg.

Donated our old large chess pieces to Ashdown for their new 'games' programme that Ashdown is trying to initiate. Cordwalles Old Boy Matthew Gray raised money for paint and went to Ashdown to paint a chessboard in the playground area.

Casual Day – R20 to support children with disabilities and to motivate boys to support our South African Paralympic Team.

Money was donated to **One Life Foundation** for "shelter bags" for the homeless.

Love Boxes were made by our boys and donated to various Old Age homes.

Soul2sole – shoe collection.

As a school we supported **SA Legions** on 11 November for Armistice Day.

Grade 6 collected waste for **Singakwenza Waste to Toys Workshops**.

My passion this year, when doing assemblies with the boys, has been birds. I decided to link this with our ceremony today as we recognize not only the boys but Ms Khumalo, our Head of Academic Support who has played such a major role in so many of our little boys lives.

Here on the stage is my 'Tree of Treasures' and each 'treasure' symbolizes an inspiring quality we have seen shine through in Ms Khumalo.

The first treasure is the actual 'tree'. The birds build their nests in the branches of the tree. The tree puts out its branches to help the birds to have somewhere to nest. It is a safe place for them to build their nest. Ms Khumalo, thank you for being our academic support tree. Thank you for extending your hand to EVERY child that has needed you, just as a tree extends its branches for birds. You have never turned away a child and if you have not had the capacity to take on a new boy, you have made a plan for them to be accommodated. Here is a much smaller branch to remind you of your hands that have been outstretched towards each Cordies boy who has needed you. In a similar way, you have provided a safe place in your room, just as a tree is a safe place for birds to build their homes. Thank you for being there for our gorgeous boys who need you.

Our next treasure is a nest. Ms Khumalo, you have woven a nest for every boy in your care. Each nest has been carefully constructed by you to be perfect for each boy. You have chosen the material, games and methods you have used to ensure each little child is learning and growing as they spend time with you in their little nest. You have lined their nest with the coping skills, knowledge and the love that they have needed to succeed and develop. Just as a bird takes care to build the perfect nest, so you have done for our boys – thank you.

Our ostrich egg is a treasure too. Ms Khumalo, just as birds keep their eggs warm and incubate them, spending many hours doing so, so you have done for our boys in the academic support unit. You have ensured that each boy has had much of your attention and time in order that they are warm and growing correctly. Just like this hard ostrich egg shell that can withstand enormous pressure, you have done extremely well to flourish and maintain your cool with your heavy case load and with the demanding JP and Inky teachers as we pick your brain for ideas to help the little ones in our care be the best that they can be. You have a knack of remaining calm and go about your necessary business of doing what you need to do when the rest of us are maybe not as calm.

Let's look at the next treasure on our tree – feathers. Ms Khumalo, thank you for being the 'feathers' for our boys. In building their skills and their knowledge, you have given them the confidence to fly. Just as feathers are made so that birds can fly, you have nurtured the boys' self-esteems to give them the tools or 'feathers' to allow them to fly. In my opinion, nothing is more important than a child's healthy self-esteem. Thank you for building the boys' confidence and giving them their wings to fly.



Our last treasure is the little Blue Crane. Ms Khumalo, just as the Blue Crane is a rare species, so we believe you were a rare find for us, here at Cordies. And just as the Blue Crane is our national symbol for South Africa, you have been our Cordies symbol for the academic support unit. We were so fortunate to have had you for the four years you have been with us. Thank you for sharing your knowledge, skills and friendship with us. We have been blessed by your time here with us.

Our treasures have come to an end, our tree a little emptier. Ms Khumalo, we pray that you have woven a nest for yourself too, one that is filled with precious Cordies memories and friendships. May the ostrich egg remind you of your strength in difficult times and that the time you put into every child is rewarded with their achievements and successes as they grow and develop. May the feather help you fly into your future and new position, with confidence and a knowledge that this is the right move for you and Hlelo. The Blue Crane, may it be a reminder that you are a rarity, a most special lady. The branch that we are here for you, always, keep remembering to extend your hands and heart, as we will do ours, so that we can keep in touch.

Mrs Derryn Odell





Nicholas Adam

Very generous, loves his food and has everything in his lunch box. Nic is a typical East Griqualander. He loves his hunting and fishing but the boys can't understand why he still gets cold in the morning having grown up on a farm in Kokstad. Nic's friends say he is the kindest person, a good friend who is considerate and is always there for them if they need him. He is also the best clay pigeon shooter of all time, having hit 11 clays in a row! Nic is an absolute gentleman with a deep sense of curiosity. He is highly regarded amongst his peers and the staff as he is so easy to engage with. So Nic, as you go off to your Dad's old school, don't lose that permanent, dynamic smile, your love of wildlife and that wonderful calm nature of yours. Oh yes, one last thing Nic, the boarders going to College ask that you never stop being a tuck shop for them.



Reece Cole

Well-mannered, a gentleman, a farm boy and a talented sportsman. Reece will be remembered as a young man who is content simply just being himself. He doesn't feel the need to compete or compare himself to others. He has integrity and is respected by others. His teachers say he always sets a good example and tries to do the right thing. His love of sport and farming is legendary. These are the two pursuits that make him the happiest. For him farming is not a job, it is a way of life. His friends say he loves telling stories and then finds them hysterical. They say he has a great aim when kicking for posts, but is even better when it comes to throwing his eraser. Just ask Tshepo and Ollie. Reece, you have worked so hard and we are proud of what you have achieved. As you continue into high school, remember to continue giving of your best, because what you plant now, you will harvest later.



Jack Benkenstein

Loves banter, good at drawing, enjoys Krispy Kremes, hard to wake up and loves green liquorice. Jack is quick witted and fast with a comeback. He has an opinion on everything. His friends say he is the funniest person in class and can imitate the voices of famous people. He is a sporting legend. A genuine all-rounder. He has a huge natural singing ability which he shared willingly in the Grade 7 play. He is the Senior Champion tennis player and 1st XI cricket captain. In Grade 1, Jack said when he grows up "he wants to play cricket for South Africa, but wants to play for fun and not for money and he wants to be the captain." Jack's determination to do well was well illustrated in his record score of 210 not out against Clifton Nottingham Road. We know that you are going to fly at high school, Jack. The world is your oyster.



David Colenbrander

David loves Mother Russia and even squats when he dances. He knows everything about W.W.II fighter planes and is passionate about basketball. David is energetic and can be the funniest boy in class. David loves popcorn, although he tends to burn it! However, he will be remembered for snacking on the rugby stand when he lost all his teeth taking a bite out of the concrete. He has huge musical talent, with natural ability on the piano and with vocals. David has been a long standing member of the saxophone ensemble. David, your friends have noticed that whenever you step onto the sports field you show true Cordies passion. This was evident in the way you captained the 2nd XI, instilling spirit and camaraderie. This will stand you in good stead as you move onto Maritzburg College.



Oliver Brown

Loyal, fun, reliable, mischievous and a caring friend. Oliver is a Winterton farm boy who is adventurous and loves being outdoors. He has an unassuming, wonderful personality with great manners. His friends say he is very protective about his dorm and is always laughing and clowning about and luckily never gets caught messing around. They also say he is very helpful in class, especially with Maths. He is well liked and respected by his peers and he has contributed to much of the fun and laughter in class and the boarding house. His election as head of Jackson House is an honour and reflects his leadership qualities. Ollie is a very good sportsman and is passionate about rugby. He represented the school in the 1st XV and the 1st XI. Ollie, as you leave us, we hope you tackle life's challenges as you have tackled your years at Cordwalles, with determination, passion and never backing down from a challenge.



Bradley Cook

Brad the Dad, Cookie Monster, smart chilled and the DT boss. Brad is an organized, mature young man who has a quiet, yet strong personality. He has an all-round natural ability. He is kind and respects everyone. His friends say he is very good at building things and loves chocolates, noodles and vanilla cookies. Brad is another boy who got stuck into everything Cordies has to offer. He is a longstanding and loyal member of the choir and guitar group. He loves canoeing and riding motorbikes and is a leader in his rugby and hockey teams. Brad, you are a boy of few words, but what you do say is always sensible and thoughtful. You are going to fly at high school because you can take care of yourself and you have a balanced head on your shoulders. You are a young man that we are all proud of.



Yeshaylin Chetty

Mr Chetty loves to game, is kind and generous. When Yeshaylin was in Grade 1, he said he wanted to be a lawyer when he grew up. Yeshaylin is a good friend to many. His love of reading is legendary and he always makes people laugh. His friends will remember him for always answering questions in assembly, for being a tactical negotiator and for his love of soccer at breaks. They also say they have never not heard him talk. Yeshaylin, remember that strength is the courage we find during difficult times and this makes our soul grow. So as you leave Cordwalles, stay patient and trust your journey.



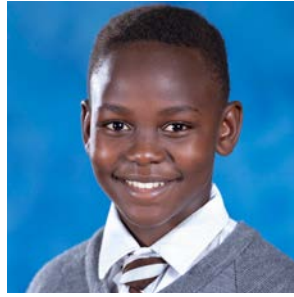
Oliver Crowe

Polite, happy, friendly, bubbly and kind. Oliver is an easy-going, unassuming and exuberant young man. His friends love his sense of humour and say he never looks at the bad side of the problem. They have noted his love for farming, horses, polo and hunting, as he rarely talks about anything else. To his friends, he is an absolute legend. His teachers will remember him as a popular, charming boy who always has a plan up his sleeve. These plans can include selling Chappies in the boarding house, bringing a paintball gun to school or collecting boiled eggs at breakfast. Oliver has a flair for the dramatic arts, and in particular, comedy and clowning. He loves entertaining his peers with his "Shrek Dance" and his jokes, sound effects and sayings. Oliver, we have loved having you at Cordies. Continue making people laugh, because we know it makes you happy too.



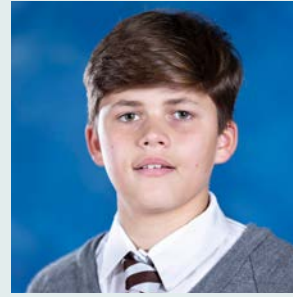
Nathan Daniel

Big Nate, good friend, wildly creative, a gentle giant. Nathan's friends describe him as being encouraging and trying his best at everything. He is the person who is there for you when you are hurting. He is rough on the outside but a good soul on the inside. He is exactly what you look for in a true friend. We all remember how kind you were to Jaemin when he got here and couldn't speak English. Nathan has been a loyal member of the music department. He has sung in the choir, been part of the worship group and plays the bass guitar. Nathan was cast so well as the innkeeper in the Inky play, always accepting people into your space with a kind word. Nathan, don't lose your love of trying new things. This and your integrity will stand you in good stead as you continue on your journey to high school.



Thomas de Charmoy

Thomas hasn't been with us very long, but wow he has made his mark. Just like Danny in the Grade 7 play, he is a very easy boy to talk to and has fitted in well at Cordwalles. His performance as Danny in the play was superb and authentic. According to his friends, he is passionate about sport, to the extent that he gets everyone else in the class to participate. Apparently you must never play touch rugby or open gates with him, because he will step you until your ankles are broken. Thomas has a great sense of humour and has worked hard in all areas of school life and we have absolutely loved having him at Cordwalles. As you leave us Thomas, keep your delightful sense of humour and carry on appreciating everything. Go well and we will watch your future with interest.



Chase Dormehl

"When I grow up I want to be a policeman, own a restaurant, have children and own a farm", said a little Chase in Grade 1. Chase has always been full of fun and nonsense. In Grade R he is remembered for his love of bikes and often made his teacher laugh. He once took home the class hamster and it came back to school with a funny leg. He proudly told the teacher that he let it ride in his tag car down the driveway. His friends say he is one of the funniest people they know, he is adventurous and always has a plan. He is well known for falling off his chair and motorbike, but he always gets back up. Chase is very aware of the wider world around him and always contributes enthusiastically. Chase, you are a skilled huntsman. Remember, life is like a treasure hunt, now go out there and find the treasure trove.



Tristan Durow

When Tristan was in Grade 1 he wanted to be a fisherman and fish for South Africa. He also said he wanted to live in America and have a wife with blonde hair. With Tristan's passion for riding motorbikes and his business brain, we hope he doesn't decide to take his talents to America. Tristan's friends describe him as a loyal friend and someone who stands up for you when no one else does. He is fun-loving and loves others laughing at his jokes. Tristan has been with us since the Inky and we have witnessed wonderful growth – from being a spider in the Nativity play to the confident young man we see before us today. Go well Tristan and we hope you don't miss Tahlil's curries too much next year.



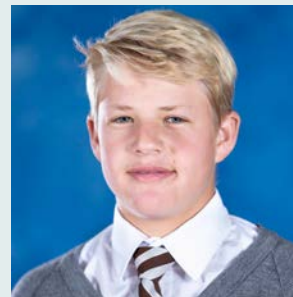
Fergus Erskine

Fergus joined us from the UAE and has grown enormously in his years at Cordwalles. He has begun to believe in himself and is trying hard to be the best that he can be. Fergus' friends say he is very good and kind and has a great sense of humour. He loves motorbikes and his love for horses and polo are traits that have run in the Erskine family for generations. Unfortunately, due to Covid-19, Fergus was denied a chance to show off his rugby talents. He may have been prevented from playing rugby but it certainly didn't stop his night runs, which I am told he is very fond of. In Ireland, the name Fergus means 'valiant warrior' and 'strong one'. As you leave us remember to be the strong one. Hard times are a blessing in disguise. Let go and embrace life to the full.



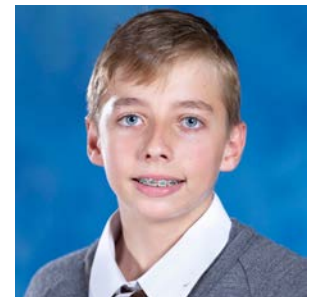
Shamshér Essop

When Shamshér was in Grade 1 he said when he grew up he wanted to be a professional BMX rider or a downhill rider. He is considered to be the best BMX rider in the school. Shamshér is a hard-working young man with a strong personality. He stands up for himself and for what he believes. He has grown so much this year and is always surrounded by lots of friends. He is well mannered and has been a presence in the violin ensemble. Shamshér's determination to do well was evident even in Grade R when he trained for the Mudman by running around his house and couldn't wait to get to school to tell Mrs Odell. Shamshér, as you proceed onto the next stage of your journey, keep your sense of humour and continue to say "no out of strength, instead of yes out of weakness". Shamshér your mother would have been so proud of you!



Guy Fender

Energetic, charismatic, full of beans, always greets with an infectious smile. Guy is a bright, capable young man who does everything with passion. He has been an amazing dorm captain in the Grade 5 dormitory. Guy is a true all-rounder from East Griqualand. He has excelled in the classroom, was a lead in the Grade 7 play and was a prominent member of the 1st team in a wide range of sports. He has natural ability and can often be seen pumping iron at his homemade gym at the containers. His friends say he is quick-witted with a good sense of humour and is always chewing something dirty. Guy, you have been a wonderful boy to teach because you are always keen to learn new things. We wish you all the best as you go out to fulfill your enormous potential.



John Gilson

A good friend, creative, excellent manners and a kind heart. John's friends say he is the guy with the best food. He has a sought-after sweet collection and always has a stash of sweets stored somewhere. They also say he is helpful, funny and good to talk to. He is very creative with giving people nicknames. Being a real farm boy from East Griqualand, John is passionate about hunting and motorbikes. One of his friends commented that he eats dirt a lot because he falls a lot. I hope that isn't true JJ! We are going to miss seeing this practical boy, always tinkering and fixing things around Cordwalles. Your name in Hebrew means 'Grace by God'. A solid, traditional name which exudes strength and kindness, and suits you so well.



Nicholas Gosling

The guy with a great sense of humour. Nicholas goes by a couple of names. Nic, Goose or Gozzo. He has grown enormously in confidence and now really believes in himself. Nicholas loves a joke and is perpetually making his friends laugh. His friends say he always looks happy and friendly and apparently loves eating. Nicholas's creativity has shone through with his love for art and he has shown incredible knowledge and has engaged during class music. Nicholas, as you leave us to start the next chapter in your life, remember that amazing things happen when you try. Believe in yourself, you can do it. Dream big!



Dane Harrison

A superb gymnast, super smart, Arsenal supporter, funny, always happy and smiling. From a little mouse in the Inky play to Davey in the Grade 7 play, Dane certainly has made his mark at Cordwalles. He is an intelligent young man who only lets you see his brilliance on his own terms, in a very humble way. He is a true all-rounder. From an outstanding academic, to a longstanding and loyal member of the music department where he plays the guitar and has a beautiful solo voice. He always gives 100% on the sports field. In Grade 1 Dane said he wanted to be an oncologist and have two kids. He also spoke about building a hospital to help people. Dane, we have seen you grow into a young man who is calm, organized and precise, both in your thinking and the work that you have produced. Dane, the world is your oyster and we know you will achieve great things in life.



Riley Graves

I want to play rugby for the Springboks, I will have wi-fi and chilli jam, I want to care for the next generation. These exciting words were spoken by Riley when he was in Grade 1. The way Riley has approached his sport with determination and hard work could mean he has a good chance of representing South Africa one day. He has been 100% committed to his swimming. He is a polite, industrious gentleman with a fantastic smile. Riley has a quiet, yet strong personality and knows where he is going and how he is going to get there. His friends say he is never afraid to take up a new challenge and is always the first person to encourage them on the sports field. Riley, you are a man of integrity. Cordwalles has taught you to fly, now go out there and soar like an eagle.



Jack Hermon

Jack will always be known at Cordwalles for his love of night runs and because he has the school record for having the most nicknames. Jack came to us from Singapore with a very posh accent and has made Cordies his second home. His friends say he is entertaining and loves to joke with his friends. The boarders know he stashes his tuck under his bed, but he is generous and always shares it. It sounds as though Jack is a real foodie as he enjoys fish fingers, sweets, chocolates and his love of two minute noodles is legendary. Jack, you have created your own story here at Cordwalles. Go well next year and we hope you learn to wake up in the mornings as you were never able to do that at Cordies.



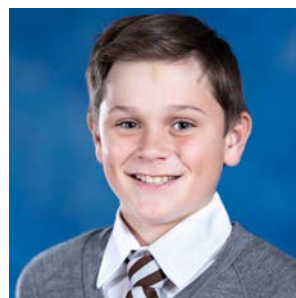
Thandolwethu Gumedede

Loves to game, a food trader of note, loves Tik Tok and is a very good listener. When Thando was in Grade 1 he said when he grew up he wanted to be a movie star and that he was going to make transformers. Well, Thando has transformed himself from a cute little sheep in the Inky Nativity play into a generous young man who loves a joke and is never seen without a smile on his face. Thando will be remembered as someone who loves to try new things, as someone who always wrote lines for Mr Nel and as someone who bought pizzas for the boys in his class when it was his birthday! Thando you are another long standing Cordies boy. As you continue onto your next adventure, don't lose your respectful nature and that bright smile of yours. Thank you for your contribution.



Oliver Hoatson

Salt of the earth, respectful, well known for yo-yos, boomerangs and he loves golf. Oatmeal, as his friends call him, always comes to school with a new gadget that gets everyone's attention. He is a good friend with exceptional manners and he loves his family. If it is playing golf, kicking a ball or using his lovely solo voice in the Grade 7 play, Oliver has made his mark at Cordwalles. He is a friendly and fun-loving young man who loves nothing better than exploring the campus and playing games with his friends in his spare time. Oliver has taken on the challenges with both hands and has done exceptionally well. There is a saying that you learn a lot about a person by what he chooses to do when no one is watching. This sums Oliver up perfectly. Ollie as you leave us, you have within you right now, the skills and capacity to take on the world.



Joshua Harris

It has been wonderful to see Joshua grow from a shy young boy, who never said a word in the Yellow Group, into this kind, talented young man with such a beautiful smile. He has a quirky sense of humour and we have loved seeing his growth in confidence and the ability to speak out. Joshua's friends say he is shy, but strategic and one of the most chilled people ever. They are amazed at how he never gets caught when he is naughty. Joshua is well known for his ability to ride motorbikes and for his love of pizza. Joshua treats everyone the way he wants to be treated and is a legend at soccer. He can often be seen running around the campus barefoot and as one of his teachers said 'he has made swinging on his chair an Olympic sport!' Joshua you have made the most of your foundation, keep being the polite and friendly young man that you are. Now go off and fly!



Hayden Holt

He is a quietly spoken boy who only speaks when he has something to say. Hayden has a huge heart, is empathetic and has been a longstanding choir member. He is interested in everyone and is so friendly. His friends and teachers say he is kind and caring and respects others. Hayden is one of a long line of Zambians that we so enjoy having at Cordwalles. Being so far from home, Hayden has made the boarding house his second home and has become an integral part of boarding. He has been a very good dorm captain and has been the person who makes people feel at home when they are homesick. Because of Covid-19, Hayden has spent more time doing lessons online than anyone else. His teachers were so impressed with his determination, industry and independence. Hayden, you have shown perseverance and courage in your years at Cordies.



Oliver Jarvie

A lovable rogue, where there is mischief, Oliver won't be far away. Dorm visits after lights out and night runs – Oliver is not one to miss out. Apparently, he is the chief planner of night runs, no matter who is on duty. Oliver loves rugby and as one of his friends said "even with the smallest hands he is one of deadliest tacklers and ball stealers." His friends say he is known for sharing useless facts and always thinks he knows the right answer to everything.

Some do say he has a very hard skull, like a turtle and loves finding golf balls deep in the Zimbali dams. We have loved having this charming young man, who sees the funny side of everything at Cordwalles. He laughs easily and laughs a lot. Keep smiling, Oliver and be the reason why everyone around you smiles too.



Sbonakele Khoza

He is a great friend, the best dorm captain, has the most infectious laugh and is passionate about soccer. Sbo's friends say he may be short but is big inside. He is the small guy that comes out of nowhere. Sbo will be remembered for his positivity and having the funniest laugh, and also for making random jokes and funny comments. One friend mentioned that Sbo is the happiest guy he has ever met. Sbo listens, watches, smiles and takes everything in. He is like a sponge. He doesn't get involved in disputes and is peace loving.

Sbo as you leave us to start the next stage of your journey, I want to leave you with this quote, "Your power of love far out rules your love of power". We have loved having you at Cordwalles. Go and fly like an eagle now.



Mholi Khuzwayo

When Mholi was in the Inky Nativity play he was cast as one of the kings. Nothing much has changed since then. Mholi is noted for his presence and is a leader on and off the field. He has the traits of a servant leader. He is very kind and always thinks of others first. These are some comments from his friends: "Mholi was the first person to help me when I came to Cordies." "He is the humblest person I know and does his best in everything." In the Inky he referred to himself as the mini-beast and the self-appointed waterboy for the 1st XV when his brother Mheli played.

He now, not only captai's the 1st XV, but is the leader of the choir where we will remember his solo work for years to come. Mholi, you are a respected and respectful young man. As strong and capable as you are, you still treat everyone with kindness and gentleness. What a great example you have been.



Arav Lalloo

Loves cricket, is mad about soccer, has the latest Premiership transfer news and always talks about Liverpool. Arav is a true football fan and for some reason thinks that Messi is better than Ronaldo. Arav's other sporting love is cricket. His excellent leg spin bowling has made him an integral part of the 1st XI. He is a bright boy with an impressive general knowledge, especially about sport and sport trivia. An excellent mathematician and someone who loves to eat prawns. Arav's friends say he is softly spoken and is a loyal friend who loves his hair! Arav, as you leave Cordwalles, carry on being a wonderful young man who is always true to himself. As Gandhi said "In a gentle way, you can save the world".



Locke Lloys-Ellis

When Locke was in Grade 1 he wanted to be a fisherman.

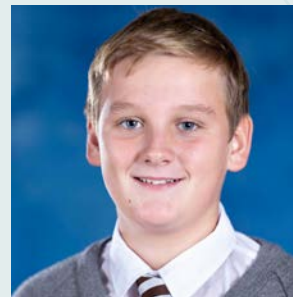
He wanted two babies and a dog. Locke has been at Cordwalles for many years and has grown into a calm young man with an incredible will to do well. He has shown tenacity and grit. They say that good manners are a sign of strength. This certainly rings true for Locke. It has been wonderful to watch Locke grow from a rather shy young man into a confident and engaging young man that he is today. His friends say he is a loyal friend who is full of fun and humour. Locke, in all the years you have been at Cordwalles, you have stood out for the care, patience and kindness you have shown towards others. We have loved the way you offer help to those around you in your very quiet and humble way.



Matthew Longmore

Amazing manners, loves going to the farm, passionate about his cricket at break, is always laughing and having fun and respects everyone. Matt has been fully involved in all areas of Cordwalles life. He was the deputy choir leader who showed his vocal ability by singing solos.

Matt's interests in business were well noted in Grade 1 when he said he wanted to be a stockbroker, like his Dad. He had such a delightfully simple way of explaining to his friends. He said if you put money on the stock market, it will make babies and you will get more! Matt loves his sport and has played at a high level. Matt, as you go off on your new adventure, don't lose that accommodating and selfless attitude. Keep that spirit of competitiveness and determination burning inside you. You are a leader who knows the way, shows the way and goes the way, with the right attitude.



Finley Macgregor

Finley is the self-proclaimed, unofficial captain of everything at Cordwalles. If it is a game of touch rugby or a competition in the dorm, Finley's natural leadership ability shines through. He has come a long way since joining us at Cordwalles. His friends say he is such a great guy who loves food, is honest and open in his dealings with others and is not afraid to stand up for what he believes in. He always finds a way to make everyone in his dorm laugh. Finley, your friends love your jokes but say you make far too much noise on night runs. Your teachers have identified your business acumen and know you are going to fly one day. It has been encouraging to see the confident, mature and calm young man that you have grown into. We have so enjoyed having you at Cordies, even if it has only been for a year and a term.



Syun Maharaj

When I grow up I want to be a soccer player and a cricket player and I will share my money with the poor. Nothing much has changed for Syun since Grade 1, except for his height. He is still very kind and thoughtful and he still loves his cricket. Who will ever forget the time he broke the bail on a cricket stump when he karate chopped it? His friends describe him as a very calm person, doesn't get angry and is a chilled person to talk to. Courage and integrity are the foundation of Syun's character and he will be remembered for his exceptional manners. Syun, remember that the greatness of a man is not in how much wealth he acquires, but in his integrity and the ability to affect those positively around him. Thank you for your contribution to Cordwalles.



Andiswa Mahlase

Andiswa has been at Cordwalles since the Inky. We have seen him grow into a lovely young man. In Grade 1, Andiswa said when he grew up he wanted to act in a show, live in Durban and be famous. Well, Andiswa is well on his way to fulfilling some of these dreams. Musically he is hugely talented and loves playing the guitar. He loves poetry and creative writing where he displays a deep understanding of the world. His friends say he can write about anything and has a great and open personality. He has the ability to make people really laugh. Andiswa is a thinker and sometimes his thoughts are deep. He is quietly sensitive and often overthinks things. He is also very cool. He has the moves and he has street style. We could see him living in the 80s dressed in Sophiatown, Kofifi style. Go well Andiswa, think deeply before you act and use that street style to do good in the world.



Tshepo Molai

This young man is a proud Zimbabwean. He has an infectious laugh, is funny and loves food. Tshepo loves talking and is so interesting to listen to. His friends love his kind nature and have noticed his continual singing. He knows the lyrics to most songs and raps. We will never forget his incredibly powerful singing voice which he used so well in the Grade 7 play. Tshepo is like a brother to his friends and is a well-liked head dorm captain. His classmates mentioned he has the funniest laugh and never stops laughing and that lessons would be dead boring if Tshepo wasn't in them. Tshepo is always hungry and his love for burgers is legendary. Tshepo you are unique and different. You shine in your own way. I leave you with one question, why fit in when you were born to stand out?



Ethan Maltby

Addicted to Twinkies, loves the outdoors, is so funny and kindly shares his food with the boarders. When Ethan was in the Inky he loved making things out of blocks. Not much has changed as he still loves fixing, making and building stuff. Ethan brings a wonderful sense of fun to the classroom. He sees the comical side of things and encourages others not to take themselves too seriously. He is a talented hockey player who reads the game with devastating effect and is able to turn any match. His friends comment on his endless energy and know that with Ethan, size certainly doesn't matter. When Ethan was in Grade 1, he wanted to grow up to be a game ranger and a vet. He also wanted to own a coffee shop, get married and live in Australia. Well Ethan, we hope your dreams come true. You have been a good servant to Cordwalles.



Phupho Mpengesi

Enjoys soccer, has the best smile, is very sensible and has a contagious laugh. Pops has been fully involved in the music department which has given him the opportunity to showcase his huge musical talent. Pops has made his mark at Cordwalles through his good manners, by being respectful, mature and having strong principles. He always has a smile on his face and has a superb attitude in his dormitory and the boarding house. Pops is well-mannered, responsible and is aware of other boys' feelings and demonstrates empathy and concern. This has made him an excellent dorm captain this year. His friends find him reliable and can trust him with anything. He is so neat and organized and never loses anything. Go well Pops. We have loved having you at Cordies.



Chase Maskell

Loves riding bikes, loves to sleep, loves music, loves arguing and even though he is a boarder, he always has a packet of chips and biscuits at break. Chase has traveled a great journey through Cordwalles, from the Inky to Grade 7. He has blossomed into a natural leader which is illustrated by the way he looks out for his friends and how incredible he has been with his Cordies family. We are sad that we never saw Chase and his teammates perform for the 1st XV rugby side. We know he would have had a great season as a quick and chirpy scrumhalf. Chase is charismatic and people are drawn to him. He is eager to get things right. Chase, these are wonderful attributes to take with you on your new adventure at high school.



Vuyisa Mqokiyana

Energetic, loves pranking people, always positive, a very good gymnast. Vuyisa's friends say he is the loudest person in the grade. He never stops talking and is never seen to be unhappy. He is a legendary mathematician and loves solving complicated problems. Vuyisa can often be seen with a beautiful smile on his face and was totally at ease singing a brilliant solo in the Grade 7 play. He has made his mark in the boarding house with his friends and academically in the classroom. Vuyisa, remember the difference between the impossible and the possible lies in your determination. You have been a loyal boarder since Grade 4 and we wish you well.



Murray McHugh

Muzzman, a true-blooded South African, loves surfing and golf and finds it impossible to keep his hair controlled. Murray has a love for the outdoors and comes alive in this space. His eagerness, enthusiasm and willingness to engage are a delight and a joy to see. Murray's friends say he loves using hair products, but his hair still does what it wants! They also say he is trustworthy, loves to laugh and is always willing to experiment and try new things. Murray has been a longstanding and loyal choir member and is an avid sportsman. He is an engaging young man who never fails to greet you. Murray, we have loved seeing you grow into this strong-willed young man who stands up for what he believes in and not one to be easily influenced. Well done Murray and all the best in your next adventure at high school.



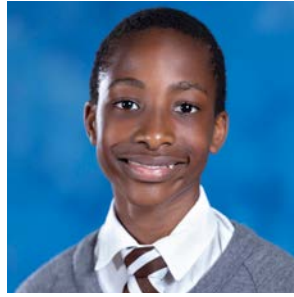
Langelihle Myeza

He loves drawing, is always looking for sweets, is good at football and is the best keeper in hockey. Langelihle has been a boarder since Grade 4 and can often be seen arguing with Vuvu. Never violent though! He always has his nose in a book and is the most voracious reader in Grade 7. Langelihle has an uncanny way of finding sweets, loves being one of the boys and often gets into mischief. Langelihle has been described as a reader, doodler, scribbler and a fiddler, but don't underestimate this boy. He thinks differently. Langelihle, the world is not shaped by people who all think the same but by people like you, who are unique. You have made the most of the opportunities that Cordwalles has given you, now go out there and fly!



Tahil Nankan

Tahil the technician who laughs at everything. He has a great heart and is a person you can trust. He is strong-willed and cannot be easily swayed. These are some of the things Tahil's friends have said about him. Wow, Tahil, what great compliments! Tahil is his own person and is never afraid to ask if he doesn't understand something. He is a helper of note, always there to support and offer assistance especially in the Audio Visual department, at assemblies and Chapel services. Tahil has been a longstanding choir member and has made good progress with the guitar. We have loved having this thoughtful, kind, very helpful young man with us over the last 9 years. He has grown in stature and confidence over these years and we know he is going to reap the fruits of his labour. Tahil we know you are going to go out there and make a difference in the world.



Asande Ngcamu

Sincere, reliable and someone who doesn't feel the need to be heard the whole time. Asande, or should I say Ronaldo, is a big Liverpool supporter and loves his break time soccer. His friends say he is so good at soccer that he never fails to sheebie someone. Asande loves to laugh and make others laugh. He has a great sense of humour and turns anything you say into something funny. Asande, we have loved seeing your kindness, your honesty and respectfulness. With these wonderful attributes and your sense of humour, stand tall and be proud of yourself. All of us here, your supporters, think you are amazing!



Skyler Nienaber

Competitive, hardworking, quiet, loves music and is someone who strives to do his best. Skyler is a popular young man who arrived in Grade 4, and boy are we glad he came! He came to Cordwalles with a reputation of being a fast runner and a human calculator. We soon found out that both of these comments were true. Skyler is an athlete of note and we were very sad not to have seen more of him on the rugby field this year. His friends say he has a good sense of humour and is a food vending machine during break times. We have enjoyed getting to know this quiet young man, who is not afraid to stand up for himself. Skyler as you leave us, continue being the sensible, well adjusted, mature young man who thinks, speaks and acts with dignity.



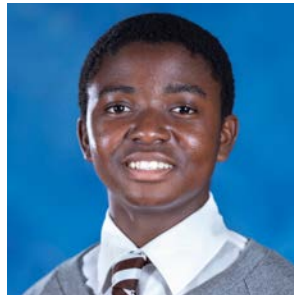
Lizwelihle Ntshangase

Always positive, can make you laugh no matter what. Very talented at soccer and has the weirdest laugh. Lizwelihle is considered to be the funniest person in the grade by his friends. He is always cracking a joke and telling everyone to watch his cooking show, which isn't real. Never a dull moment when Lizwelihle is around. He has made steady progress on the piano and was enthusiastically involved on stage. Lizwelihle is an even-tempered, well-mannered young man and has acquitted himself well in all areas of school life. He is able to converse about a wide range of topics, doing so in a polite and respectful way, whether with his peers or adults. Lizwelihle, we have loved having this kind, sensible, compassionate young man with a beautiful soul. With your head screwed on as it is, you are going to be a success. Go well!



Wenzile Nzuza

"I want to be a great rugby player, be a businessman and live in Australia." These words were written by Wenzile when he was a cute little Cordies Grade 1. He has come out of his shell and is unfailingly polite. He loves to have conversations with his friends, treats others with fairness and respect and is someone who is easy to befriend. His friends say he is always positive, a good friend and is really kind and fun to be with. He has a beautifully rich solo voice which he has been happy to share over the years in the Pop Idols, C Factor and more recently in the Grade 7 play. He also plays the piano. Wenzile we have loved having you at Cordwalles. Remember, life is tough, but so are you, never stop dreaming and continue to sing your way through life.



Banele Phoswa

Chilled, smart, loves soccer and paintball games. Banele has been a longstanding member of the choir. He is talented on stage where he proudly shows his lovely tenor solo voice and was fantastic in the Grade 7 play 'Vaudeville'. His friends say he is a natural leader and is determined to succeed even if it is arguing about soccer and P.S.G. They also say he is helpful and generous and has the best, albeit evil, laugh in the whole school. The staff say he is an incredibly respectful and considerate young man whose manners are beyond reproach. He is not afraid to stick up for what is right. Banele is a quiet boy who speaks volumes by saying nothing. He watches and learns. He listens and thinks. Banele, you are a wise and highly respected young man. You have your foundation, now go off and fly.



Simon Reeve

Loves horses (sometimes more than people) is very kind, has dry jokes and is always telling people why to invest in Bitcoin. Simon is a popular young man who includes everyone in everything and is encouraging and supportive of his friends. He is seen as a good role model and he has excelled in the music department and is very comfortable on stage in front of an audience. Simon, remember that if passion drives you, hold the reins and chase your dreams. Music gives you a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination and light to everything. So as you gallop off into the future, we will remember you with fondness.



Jaemin Seong

Jaemin has had an amazing journey here at Cordwalles. He arrived in Grade 4 and asked for an iPad for Google Translate as he couldn't speak a word of English. Three years later he can speak three different languages! Jaemin's friends call him the NumberSense Ronaldo, who will beat you in Maths with his eyes closed. Jaemin is a popular friend on the playground who loves a joke and enjoys a laugh. He is not afraid of hard work and is a tough young man who represented the 1st XV rugby side. Jaemin, we wish you well as you head back to South Korea. Thank you for your contribution and for allowing us to learn from your culture.



Tariq Sewsunker

Calm, quiet, loves fishing and is very generous. Tariq has been with us since his Inky days. In the Inky Nativity Play – A Baby was Born – he was a cute little mouse, alongside Dane and Matthew. In Grade 1 he said he wanted to be a policeman when he grew up. He also wanted to stop pollution and to play rugby for the Springboks. His friends say he has the most infectious laugh and loves eating sweets and popcorn. Apparently one thing he doesn't love is preparing and doing orals. Tariq can often be seen at the centre of an animated conversation when he is with his friends, most probably telling a really good joke.



Connor Simpson

Oupa joined us last year and before he could showcase his talents, Covid-19 hit us. Since school has opened up again, Connor's talents have come to the fore. He has been amazing on the tennis court and has blossomed in the 1st XI cricket side, becoming a valuable member of the team. His friends recognize that he is his own person and always sticks by your side even in tough times. Wow, what a lovely friend to have. Connor you have fitted in so well at Cordwalles. People like you because of your kindness and your good heart. Your quiet confidence will enable you to go out there in your cricket match of life and hit whatever you want for six!



Tanen Soar

Has a lovely singing voice, is quiet and unfailingly polite. Tanen has a tight knit group of friends who value his friendship and interaction. They say he has a wonderful, calm nature and never seems to get flustered. He is laid back in his approach and has really grown in confidence this year. Tanen is softly-spoken, well-mannered and genuinely cares for those around him. We have been so impressed that Tanen has read every single book of the "Who was ..." series in the Cordies library. Tanen, we are going to miss this sensible young man, with a tenacious resolve. Someone who does not give up easily.



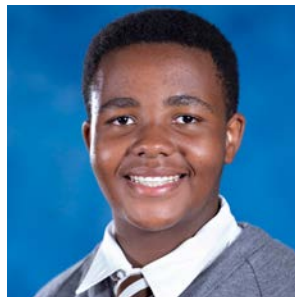
Matthew Steel

Very energetic, loves bubble gum, will tackle anyone on the rugby field and always comes to school with fancy food. In Grade 1, Matthew said he wanted to be a Lego collector so he could give it to his son and then he could play with his son. His Grade R teacher still remembers how Matthew ran into her classroom after being away for a few days and exclaimed "I am returning myself back to school". Matthew's empathy has come to the fore in how nurturing and caring he has been to the juniors in his Cordies family. Matthew, you have always been a brave boy who is persistent and determined. We appreciate your cheeky sense of humour and we wish you well in the next chapter of life's journey.



David Steyn

Enjoys kiteboarding, always cool, chilled and funny and loves his hair. David arrived at Cordwalles in Grade 5 and has made his mark even in these difficult times. His friends say that he is kind, mature, sensitive and sensible. They also say he is fast, tall, strong and is a good friend. He is a determined person and endeavours to get the job done, he never slackens off. David has been impressive on the sports field this year. Victor Ludorum in swimming and athletics, he broke 7 records. We are going to miss this hard-working young man with an angelic smile. Go well in the Cape, there are many more records waiting to be broken.



Andiswa Thwala

Andiswa loves Rap songs, Marvel and DC comics, basketball and watching Superhero shows and movies. Andiswa is a young man who is always keen to try something new, and when he does he puts 100% into everything. His friends say he always lends a helping hand to those in need and is a really kind and genuine guy. Just don't make him angry! He can make his friends laugh out of nothing but they complain that he is difficult to wake in the morning. Andiswa has been fully involved in the music department, participating in the choir, guitar group and worship group. We have enjoyed having this popular Joburg boy with us over the years. All the best and continue being the nurturing, committed young man that you are.



Chris van Rooyen

Chris has only been at Cordwalles for two years, but it feels as though he has been here for much longer. From a homesick boy, we thought he would never settle down, but look at him now, a confident young man with a cheeky smile. He is a great hockey player and was captain of the 1st XI hockey team. His friends say he is a great friend, especially in the boarding house. Coming from farming stock, he loves his dogs, hunting and fishing and is fearless on his quad bike. Chris, as you start your new adventure, remember you can't climb ladders with your hands in your pockets – stand up, stand out and stand tall.



Peter van Rooyen

Strong willed, with a great sense of humour and a mischievous streak. Peter arrived from Monzi and quickly made a name for himself as a leader, a stasher and an organizer of night runs. His friends say he is a good friend who loves fishing, hunting and farming. He is also a master at thinking up great nicknames for others but hasn't one for himself! Peter is a bright boy. Unfortunately, he didn't really get to show off his rugby talent, only playing one game for the 2nd XV this year. Peter isn't shy, but prefers to only speak when he has something meaningful to say. He has grown and matured so much in the time that he has been at Cordwalles. Peter, you are a popular boy, comfortable in your own skin, a potential leader. Go lead the right way!



Oliver Vickery

Big Vik, quiet, has a great sense of humour, never stops smiling especially in rugby photos and is positive and enthusiastic. His friends say he always wakes up with messy hair and loves cricket and rugby. He is also known for his quick-witted chirps in class. When Oliver was in Grade I, he said he wanted to be a rugby player and be the kicker for South Africa. We are so sad that there was only one rugby match this year, as Oliver would have had a great season. On his first day in Grade R, Oliver told Mrs Odell that he had spent the holiday catching rhino and elephant; she thought he was telling a 'tall story' until Mr Weaver told her it was true. Ollie, you are the last of the Vickerys, after Joe and Harry, to come through Cordwalles. We know that with your hard working approach and eagerness to please, you are going to fly at Michaelhouse. Thank you for your contribution, we have loved having you!



Jamie Wessels

Quiet, humorous, has a positive and determined approach to life. Jamie has grown into a mature and confident young man who has really come out of his shell. He is unfailingly polite and well-mannered. His friends say he is reliable, considerate and is easy to have a conversation with. They love the way he treats everyone with fairness and respect. They recognize his love of animals and that he is a very good soccer defender and say he comes alive in the outdoors. Jamie, we are going to miss your wonderful nature that makes you easy to befriend. You have had a fantastic year.



Joe Zunckel

Sleeps with his hat on, immune to the cold, loves farming and is known to everyone as 'Joe's Uncle'. Joe is a salt of the earth farmer from the Bergville area who joined us as a very homesick boy in Grade 5. We now have a well-mannered, through and through gentleman who is honest, reliable and sincere. His friends say that he is smart, strong and always hungry. He is silently naughty and loves to be involved in everything. Joe is a good friend who is supportive. His friends feel very sorry for him because of the fact that his surname starts with a Z and that means he always has to go last for orals. Joe, knowing the young man you have become, you are going to be a man of significance one day.

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Joshua Harris
Arav Laloo
Locke Lloys-Ellis
Tariq Sewsunker
Connor Simpson
Jamie Wessels

Other Grade 7 boys

Hayden Holt
Kingswood
David Steyn
Glenwood House
Jaemin Seong
Korea

Other boys

William Asherson
Blake Boast
Olerato Chitanga
Khaya Dube
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Cooper Hardy
Joshua Hardy
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Lubanzi Zikhali
Nqubeko Zondi



Guy Fender

Since being asked to act as a dorm captain, Guy has taken a real interest in the younger members of his dorm and made an enormous effort to ensure that they are always ready on time, correctly dressed, prepared for the day and that their living area is clean, tidy and in good condition. While showing compassion and kindness, he has also demonstrated his leadership ability by insisting the boys in his area behave appropriately, that they have their laundry correctly ticked

off and ready each morning and that the dorm's inspection is always of a very high standard. He has lead by example and shown the characteristics of a servant leader by not only telling and asking, but also always doing what needs to be done.

In the evenings, he has used his initiative to help hand out laundry and has done so in a very organised and mature manner. He himself has demonstrated his willingness to accept responsibility, to help and to lead others whenever necessary. While assuming a leadership role and being seen as a leader by his peers, he has also demonstrated excellent manners, respect for the boarding staff and a mature attitude at all times. His actions and attitude have made the boarding staff's job so much easier.

For his great compassion, helpfulness and leadership, this St George Certificate is awarded to Guy Fender.

Joshua Greaves

Josh shows an excellent attitude towards school. He is kind to his peers and makes an effort to assist classmates and teachers. He unfailingly stops and genuinely greets adults and visitors and sets a good example. Josh strives to do the right thing. He is a respectful young man, who embodies the core values of Cordwalles – respect, courage compassion and integrity. He is worthy of this award.



Bradley Cook

Bradley is a young man, who always gives of his best in everything that he puts his hand to. He is impeccably mannered, organised and helpful; in all spheres of Cordwalles. Bradley is a wonderful example of what a Cordwalles gentleman should be.

Matthew Longmore

Matthew has well developed organizational skills, he is self-sufficient and independent and takes full responsibility for his actions and learning in a very mature manner, in the classroom, on the sports field and in the music block. He deals with his peers and staff in a pleasant manner.

Dylan Leppan

Dylan is a well-rounded, grounded young man who is very comfortable with who he is, displaying maturity and level-headedness in all situations. Dylan is kind, considerate and respectful in his interactions and will always volunteer if help is needed. He is young man of integrity who can be relied upon to do the right thing at all times. Dylan is quietly confident and self-assured, possessing many natural leadership qualities, which means that his peers look up to him and follow his example. Dylan, you are an excellent example of a fine young Cordwalles gentleman and are very deserving of this St George award.



Craig McKenzie

Craig is a multi-talented young man who, despite his many talents, remains humble and grounded. He exudes a quiet, calm confidence and his peers are drawn to him because of his natural leadership skills. Craig is incredibly organised and he copes extremely well with his very full schedule. He displays enormous commitment to everything that he does, never giving half measures and never compromising the standard he has set for himself.

Craig is fully involved in what is on offer in the music department. The instruments that he is learning – piano, saxophone, guitar, ukulele and theory – require huge discipline, sacrifice and commitment in order to progress. The work ethic and self-discipline that he has displayed are way beyond his years. Craig is deserving of this St George because he displays many of the character traits that Cordwalles strives to develop in a boy and he is someone who is looked up to and admired by his peers.



Luneziwe Mshengu

Luneziwe is a boy who is blessed with many talents. He is humble, courteous and unfailingly well mannered. Luneziwe is a good friend to all and interacts harmoniously and respectfully with his peers and adults alike. He is fully involved in every aspect of what is on offer at Cordwalles. He is a determined and dedicated academic, who applies himself conscientiously to his studies. He is also a talented musician who is taking full advantage of what is on offer in the music department. Although he is exceptionally busy, Luneziwe is organised and on top of his game. He is the embodiment of the core values that Cordwalles holds dear – a young gentleman through and through – he is thoroughly deserving of this St George award.



Ayanda Kunene

Ayanda offered his services, without being asked, on the hockey field this season and came to help with the U10 side. He demonstrated compassion and kindness towards his peers and he showed great sportsmanship and a sense of humility on the field. Ayanda gladly helped the U10 players practise their drills and continuously encouraged them to improve. He showed them new skills and helped them to practise and progress throughout the season.

Ayanda showed great leadership on the field and demonstrated compassion and patience towards the U10 players. He had a humble attitude and showed respect to everyone. Ayanda embodied the Cordwalles core values of respect, responsibility and compassion on the sports field.

For his great compassion, helpfulness and leadership on the sports field, this St George Certificate is awarded to Ayanda Kunene.

James Kyle

James has led by example this year by showing manners and a willingness to offer help to members of the staff. James never hesitates to greet each morning and has offered to assist members of staff in his own time with certain tasks. He is a polite young man who is a great ambassador for Cordwalles. Well done, James!

Kuphelelele Mchunu

Kuphelele displays true leadership and initiative. He is a great example to others and has the respect of his peers. Kuphelele helped clean up all the litter in the grass quad during the rain, after the boys had enjoyed their morning tea. He was not asked to do this by a teacher, he did this on his own, therefore showing great initiative. Well done, Kuphelele!

Tahil Nankan

Tahil is a gentleman with exemplary manners. He never fails to greet his teachers and friends every morning and to thank his teachers and peers during and after a lesson. He is sincere about his gratitude. Tahil is altruistic. The word 'altruistic' means 'other people'. Tahil is a servant leader who goes above and beyond to help other people; to make their task easier by lending them a helping hand.

Tahil has a passion for IT and his skills in IT are excellent. He has become involved in helping in the theatre, classroom and chapel whenever IT skills are required. He is the one whom his peers turn to in class when they need help on their computers. He is a reliable and willing helper.

It is for all of the above that Tahil is acknowledged and awarded a St. George certificate.



Heath Bullock

Heath is a young gentleman who possesses many positive character traits. He has impeccable manners and will greet and thank without fail. Heath is highly principled and he displays integrity at all times. He has a strong sense of right and wrong and will not allow himself to be influenced by the actions of others. Heath is a helpful and caring young man who is always looking out for others; never seeking the limelight for himself. He is a loyal and supportive friend.

Heath thoroughly deserves this award and is recognised for being the upstanding young man that he is.



William Wadman

William is determined, committed and very organised. He approaches everything that he does with a sense of purpose, wanting to do the best that he can. He is respectful in his interactions with both boys and staff. William is quick to own up if he is thought to be in the wrong and will accept the consequences without question.

William is an upstanding young man who is an example to others. He is a deserving recipient of this award because he displays so many of the characteristics that Cordwalles strives to instil in the boys who pass through these doors.



Luthando Mxhego

"Character is what you do when nobody else is looking."

Luthando is humble, caring and he always seeks to improve the wellbeing of the people around him. He shows compassion and empathy for those who are struggling, he gives his time freely to those who need it and he joyfully offers assistance whenever he sees the need or opportunity.

He is happy to do the dirty work behind the scenes, without any need for recognition or praise. He chooses first to listen, speaking only when it is required of him. However, his actions speak volumes in the place of his few words. Despite an often small audience who see or notice what he does, Luthando applies himself to the utmost of his ability in every task; he tries to maximise his talents and gifts by striving for excellence in everything that he puts his hand to.

Matthew Bastard

"The true measure of a man is how he treats someone who can do him absolutely no good."

– Samuel Johnson

Matthew lives up to this statement in every way. In his own quiet manner, he is caring and compassionate. He takes an interest in others, preferring first to listen; he is never judgemental or dismissive. He offers his help willingly to anybody who requires it.

Matthew is reliable and trustworthy. If given a task, he will complete it to the best of his ability regardless of how complex or simple the task is. He always tries to do the right thing, because it is the right thing to do. He earns respect by giving it first without hesitation. He treats everybody equally, because everybody deserves the utmost dignity. Rather than speaking about them, Matthew lives out and demonstrates our Cordwalles values.



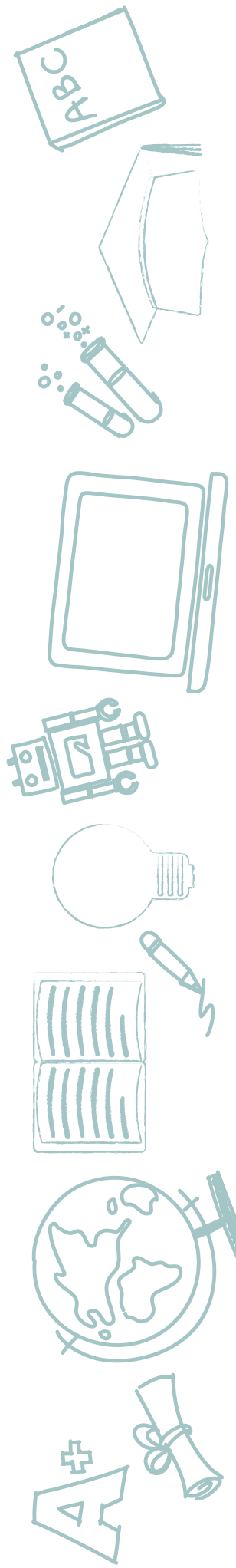
Jamie Wessels

Jamie is awarded a St George for the persistence, courage and perseverance he has displayed at school. He has taken on all his challenges with good humour and has been completely respectful and courteous to boys and staff alike. His gentle, unassuming kindness has enriched the lives of those around him and this has not gone unnoticed. He has consistently upheld the values of Cordwalles.



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Brendan Bailey

It has been my privilege to have taught with Brendan for the last 10 years.

We have certainly walked a long and close path together. Brendan and I go back to our school days at Maritzburg College. At Maritzburg College, Brendan was a superb sportsman; one of those people who had a natural eye – hand co-ordination and was good at any sport he put his hand to.

Brendan taught at Cordwalles from 1998 until 2000. He was a Grade 6 class teacher and was also Director of Sport. I have always wondered how a class teacher could also be Director of Sport but Brendan did remind me that there were only 170 boys at Cordwalles at that time. Old Boys fondly remember their time spent in Brendan's classes and especially the methods he used to get them to read more. His classroom was, what is now a dormitory in the boarding house. He also coached the 1st team cricket and went on numerous 1st team rugby tours to the Eastern Cape. After teaching overseas and spending time in the corporate world, Brendan returned to Cordwalles in 2012. He headed up the maths department and in 2013 became the Housemaster. In 2017 Brendan was appointed as a Deputy Head. It is in the boarding house that Brendan made his mark. He has been a fatherly figure to the boys, especially the out of country boarders. At times he has vigorously defended the boarders against other staff members who had the audacity to say something negative about them. Brendan has been instrumental in developing the boarding house into a smart and homely environment. The boarding numbers have increased significantly under his watch and he drove the renovations that have ensured that we now have a top class boarding facility.

Brendan is what I term a 'school master'. He takes responsibility for the boys in his care. He is one of those teachers who can teach, coach, do boarding duties, manage a touring side and still have time for his family.

How his colleagues will remember him:

- Loves condensed milk.
- And a good red wine, especially Chocolate Block.
- His favourite meal at school is a sausage roll – not.
- He is a master of South African accents.
- Has an amazing sense of humour.
- Looks after the boarder masters as if they were his own kids.
- Fanatical about having a neat garden and his lawn cut.

Boys had to say:

- Mr Bailey is a good teacher because he is always there to help us. He is also a very funny teacher.
- Grade 5 has been one of my favourite years because of Mr Bailey.
- Mr Bailey is kind, funny, understanding, loving, makes jokes and disciplines us.
- I like the way he does not hold back, he gives good speeches.
- He brags about his cooking skills.
- Mr Bailey is the best.
- I like that he is extremely fun. I wish he was our teacher forever. Thanks so much Mr Bailey and I hope to see you soon.
- He loves listening to Afrikaans songs.
- He does not know how to use a computer.
- Mr Bailey is very loud.
- Mr Bailey can turn a boring class into a fun filled lesson with his jokes and that's his superpower.

Brendan has a wonderfully dry sense of humour that often takes time to appreciate. His true intelligence shows as he can engage with people on all sorts of topics. He is one of the people I can approach with a problem and so often will find a quick and easy solution. Another excellent trait is his ability to just listen and he will offer sound advice only when asked. Under Brendan's quirky sense of humour is a real softie. This side of him is usually reserved for his family, his boarders and his pets Drew, Charlie, Bongji and Twicks.

Brendan is a dedicated husband, father, teacher, coach and is a fiercely loyal friend and colleague. The very special people in Brendan's life are the 3 Bailey ladies. His wife Janet and daughters Jess and Kerry. It has been great having the Baileys on the property and sharing a neighbourly fence with them for many years.

Riverview, where Brendan is taking up the Headship, will be richer for having Brendan and Janet Bailey in their ranks.

Mr Lance Veenstra

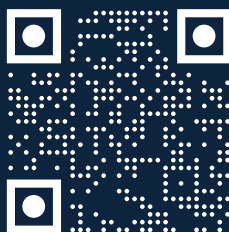


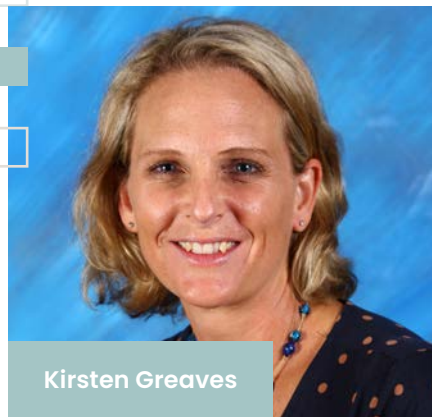
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Kirsten Greaves

Jeremiah 29:11

'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.'

Although we sometimes wonder why things happen, God has a plan for each of us on our journey, and he had a good reason for bringing you and your beautiful family to Cordwalles. Kirsten, you planted the seeds of awareness and appreciation of everything and of

everyone around us, opening our eyes by the way you see and question the world. You fight for the rights of all, being selfless and empathetic.

So many, both adults and children, have felt, seen and heard the way you acknowledge and respect people you come into contact with. Your consideration and understanding character have been inspiring. Your caring heart has brought about an amazing initiative – Bambinsani. Your passion and commitment to make a difference in the lives of others is evident – you have "Walked the Talk." You are an example of standing by your principles and acting on your beliefs.

In the classroom the boys in your care have benefitted as you are intentional in ensuring they are well supported in their needs, always having their best educational interests at heart. You give a lot of thought to the most effective ways of teaching boys. Our four years together have been a journey of sharing and learning from each other, whether it was 'let us do poetry', or, during lockdown, when you managed to train the Google Dinosaur (which you affectionately called me) within a week! Thank you for sharing your skills and time with me.

As you take time out next year, we know we will still see you in and around school, in a different role, as Josh and Zach are still Cordies boys and Duncan will be the well fed, nurtured husband!

Let us ponder on the words spoken by Anthony Hopkins:

"None of us are getting out of here alive, so please stop treating yourself as an afterthought. Eat the delicious food. Walk in the sunshine. Jump in the ocean. Say the truth you're carrying in your heart like hidden treasure. Be silly. Be kind. Be weird. There's no time for anything else."

God has a plan, Cordwalles is thankful you were part of his plan. We wish you everything of the best as the rest of the plan unfolds. Go well Kirsten, we wish you much joy as you pursue your heart, our loss is your family's gain.

Mrs Denise Dedekind



Ruth Forder

"Leadership is about making others better as a result of your presence and making sure that input lasts in your absence".

Sheryl Sandberg COO Facebook

I can't believe that this day has arrived and we are saying goodbye to Ruth Forder, marketer extraordinaire. After 20 years of been associated with Cordwalles and 16 years on the staff, Ruth has given selfless service to the school.

She is leaving us to spend a deserved retirement with her husband, Mike.

After having been employed by Simon Weaver, Ruth has been affectionately referred to as the 'mother of Cordwalles' because of her protective nature and unconditional love and support of the boys, staff and parents and because of her competency and ability to get any job done. She has been an integral part of the life of Cordwalles.

It is hard to quantify the exact role and influence Ruth has had on Cordwalles during her time here. Her role has evolved from being just a 'job' to incorporating Cordwalles as part of her family. Ruth has, over time, created a protective barrier around the Cordwalles team, absorbing pressures and stress so that many of us could focus on other parts the job. This meant dealing with parents, sponsors, bus drivers, old boys, gardens and car parks. The list can go on and on.

Her constant presence at all functions is comforting and greatly appreciated. Ruth always goes beyond the call of duty. Her organisation and her attention to detail is brilliant and she is always driving us to achieve the best we can achieve for Cordwalles. Her dealings with the

class parents, the PA, her contribution to Mudman, DustBusters and Asambe has been immense. The Cordwalles gardens always look absolutely amazing. Ruth has directed the gardens over the years. Those of us that have worked with Ruth know how competitive she is. She is always the first one who wants to know the sports results and woe betide if we haven't beaten a rival school.

Her time has now come to an end but, we know her love for the boys and families of Cordwalles will never stop. It is in her blood. Ruth has always been there to assist staff in their roles and has been a sounding board when we've needed someone to listen. Not only has she been an incredible colleague to work with and someone we respect, but she has become a trusted confidant to us and to many Cordwalles families. Memories of marketing trips will remain with us forever. If it was being pulled off the road by a policeman in an African country, negotiating treacherous roads, trying to get the IT to work, late nights in Winterton or looking for passports; they have always been filled with lots of fun, laughs and the occasional bit of shopping, especially in the malls of Dubai.



Dundas Clark



Alex Edmonds



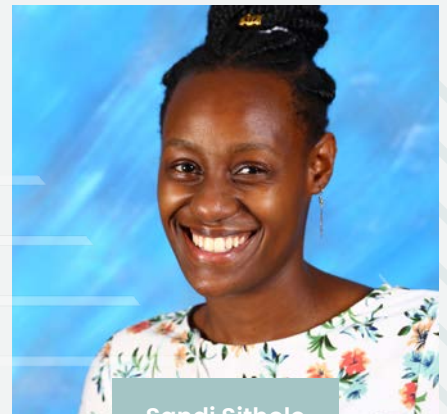
Ruben Holman



Kim Mitchell



Cyril Mthimkhulu



Sandi Sithole

It has been a privilege to work alongside Ruth who has given so much of herself for 16 years. We are indeed indebted to her for how much she has done for Cordwalles.

We have often heard people say, "We just don't know how Ruth finds the time to do it all". Well Ruth, the time has come for you to tend your own garden, travel with your family to the berg, bush and sea and to forget about the next Cordies fundraising event, sports teas and those poor boys who run along the corridors after lunch and the boys with unbuckled sandals and shirts which need to be tucked in. We all hope you find the time to put your feet up and enjoy time with Mike, Ross, Kyle and Georgi and of course find time for yourself. Ruth, we wish you and Mike all the best in your well-deserved retirement. Your gardens and family trips are calling and you are now going to spend quality time with your other family.

"If your actions create a legacy that inspires others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, then, you are an excellent leader."

Mr Lance Veenstra

Neliswa, along with her daughter Hlelo, arrived at Cordwalles in January 2018 from St Stithians in Johannesburg to join us as Head of Learning Support. At that stage the role of Head of Learning Support was part time – leading the department and also taking individual remedial lessons.

Such is Neliswa's vision and passion that the role quickly became full time and one of Neliswa's great accomplishments at Cordwalles was incorporating 'in class' small group support, which by the end of her stay at Cordwalles was in place throughout the Junior Primary. Neliswa has amazing compassion and patience for the boys in her care and has the ability to make each boy feel unique. She individualizes her lessons and the boys loved their time with her.



Neliswa Khumalo

Neliswa was also studying towards her Master's Degree as well as prioritizing her role as a mother to Hlelo.

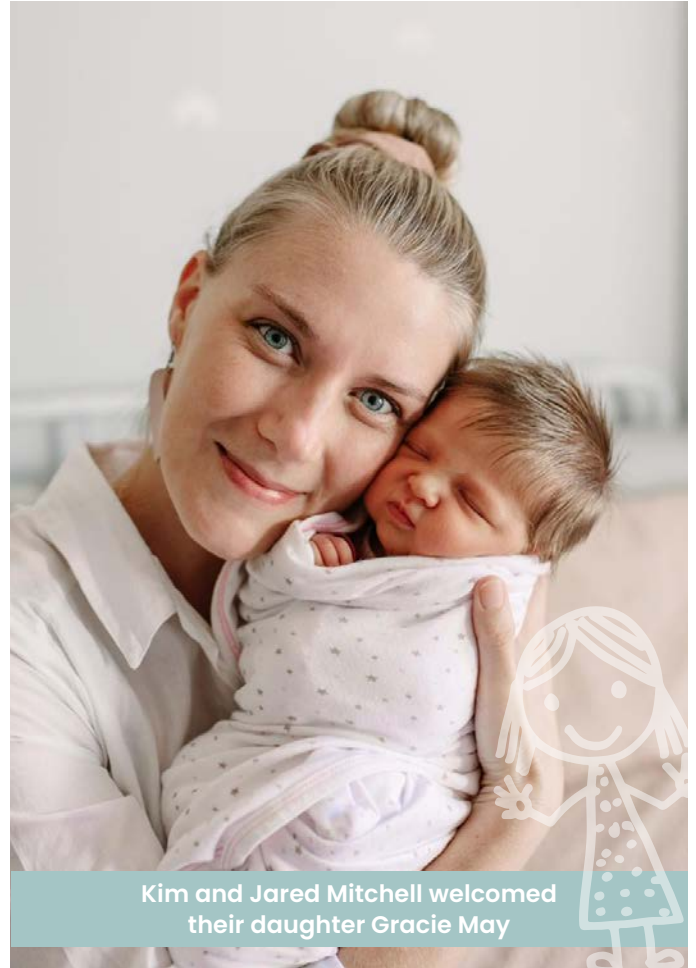
She is unfortunately leaving us to return to St Stithians to be closer to her family in Johannesburg. This is also where Hlelo will start school.

Neliswa has made a huge contribution to Cordwalles and will be missed by the staff and boys and will always be a part of the Cordwalles family.

Mr Duncan Greaves



Kelly Jansen van Vuuren swam the Capital K with her nieces



Kim and Jared Mitchell welcomed their daughter Gracie May



Michelle Breedt and her husband Jason, welcomed their son Ryley Charles Breedt on 7th May



Richard Robertson completed his 4th Dusi Marathon



Alex Edmonds and her husband Matt welcomed their son Murray Ford Edmonds



Dave Evans' son Siphoswe married Tiyon in April



Zolla Maphanga married Siphesihle Wiseman Zuma on 25th September



Thulani Dlamini, his wife Sphumelele Viona and their son Luyanda Lubanzi welcomed their son and baby brother Uhlelo Ayanda on 8th April



Mike and Ruth Forder's elder son Kyle, married Georgi Forrest on 19th December

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Mr K. Naude, Miss S. Sithole, Mr C. Farr

Front Row: Mr D. Lourens, Mr R. Robertson, Mr S. Nxumalo, Mrs S. Warr, Mr B. Bailey, Mrs J. Lourens,
Mr C. de Jager, Mr D. Greaves, Mr H. Henderson-Everill



2021 has been a very enjoyable and successful year. The boys have been co-operative and have responded so well to the protocols implemented due to Covid-19. The easing of restrictions and the opening up of sporting activities were warmly welcomed and the boys have given their all in every activity offered to them. The boarding staff have also had to adjust and have been faced with longer hours and a vastly increased administration load. Thank you for maintaining a positive attitude and a good sense of humour at all times.

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 remains 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.

Sisters Sue Warr and Linda Mapham and Mrs Joanna Lourens are thanked for their continued willingness to hug, love and listen to the boys. Mrs Lourens and her team of interns have continued to improve the homely atmosphere in the Grade 3, 4 and 5 dormitories. They take exceptional care of our younger boarders.

Mr Dave Evans and the maintenance staff work tirelessly to ensure that the boarding house is in immaculate condition at all times. The ladies who clean the boarding house are often found remaking beds, folding blankets and putting clothes away. I really hope the boys appreciate all that they do. It is no small task caring for 90-odd boarders and we are so lucky to have such a dedicated and caring support staff.

The philosophy of 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 on

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 and lady interns who grow and develop and move on to greater things and academic staff who continue to learn and improve, so that 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! I trust that the Grade 7s of 2021 prove to be the great leaders they have the potential to be.

Our boarder masters and lady interns contribute a great deal in many areas in the boarding house. A sincere thank you to all for their effort, time and care. The boarder masters have been registering the arrival of every boy at school for well over a year now – thank you gentlemen. The latest wave of Covid has seen Alex Bartlett return home to Boston in America and we also bid farewell to Campbell Farr, Cyril Mthimkhulu and Sandi Sithole this year. Good luck for the future.

Joanna Lourens, 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. We wish Ruth well in her retirement; she has been such an integral part of our boarding establishment for the past 16 and a half years.

We wish all the Grade 7 leavers everything of the best as they head off to their respective high schools. We look forward to hearing of their successes in the years to come. Phupho Mpengesi is congratulated on being awarded the Gayle Bastard Trophy for Boarder of the Year for 2021. Pops is an amazing young gentleman and a most deserving recipient. He has enjoyed an exceptionally successful year.

Mr Brendan Bailey

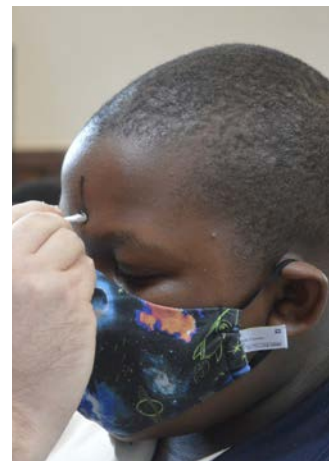
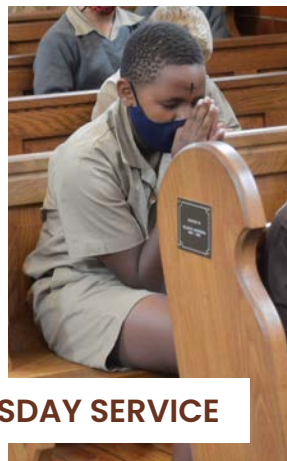
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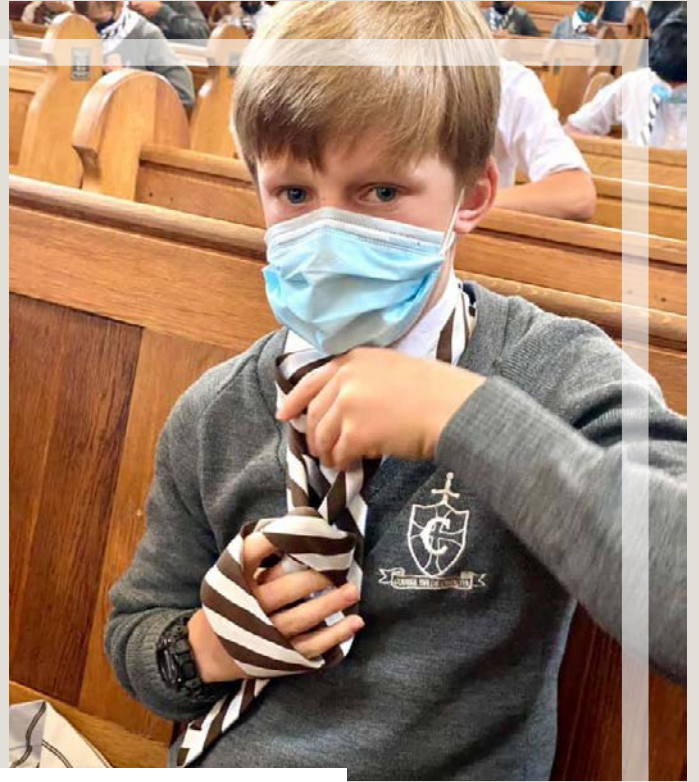


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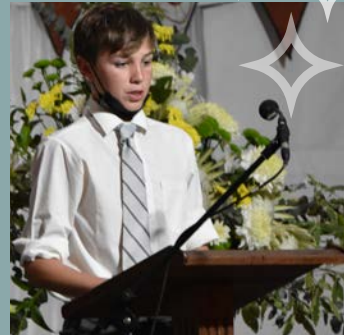


BLESSING OF GRADE 7 BOYS





CHRISTMAS SERVICE



CORDIES FAMILIES





FRANK JACKSON



NEW BOYS TEAS



LEAVERS CHAPEL





We approached 2021 tentatively, but with the hope of returning to what we were familiar with. For the most part, we managed to adapt and fit in as much as we possibly could, under the Covid regulations. The boys became used to social distancing and following all the hand washing protocols strictly, before all private lessons.

Singing was allowed, as long as correct distance was applied and of course wearing a mask. This was very difficult and we look forward to the day when masks can be removed permanently and we return to our former enthusiasm.

We managed to enjoy separate Easter services and soloists were able to convey the special meaning of Easter sensitively.

The highlight of the second term was the cultural week and a separate report can be read outlining the programme and the success thereof. Whilst the way in which things were done was different, the boys overcame, and managed to still present items for Grandparents' Day in the form of recordings, took part in Eisteddfods and overseas exams remotely. The standard was maintained under unusual and trying conditions and the boys did not give up.

The diversity of the Christmas Service which showcased the whole music department and prize giving items, ended another different, yet productive musical year.

Mrs Lillemor Blunt









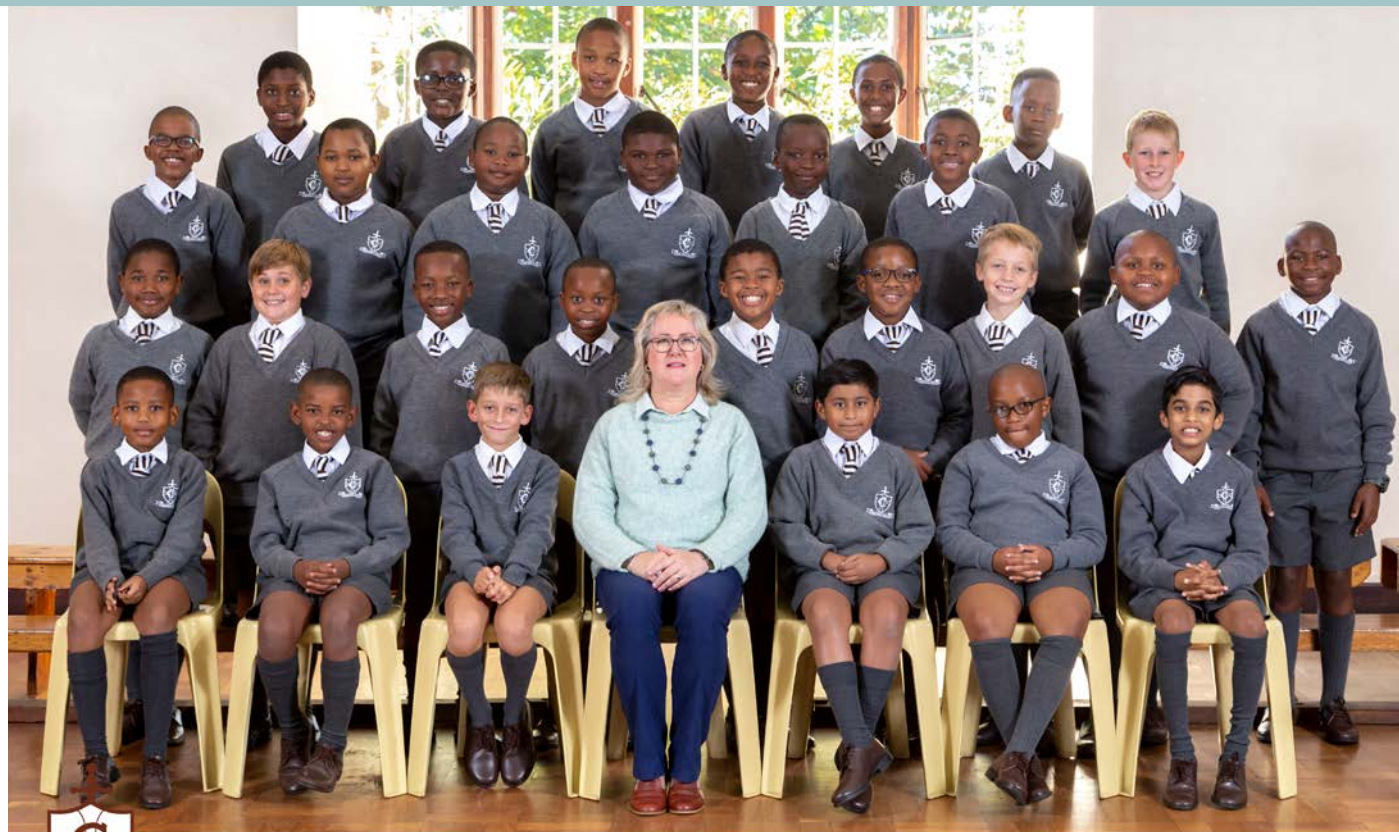
SENIOR CHOIR

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SENIOR GUITAR GROUP

Back Row: Shaka Zulu, Luke Treleaven, Luthando Mxhego, Bradley Cook, Dane Harrison, Sbonokuhle Sithebe, Ayanda Kunene, Banele Phoswa, Xolo Dlungwana, Luneziwe Mshengu **Front Row:** Knox Rutherford, Andiswa Thwala, Tahil Nankan, Nathan Daniel, Mrs J. Kruger, Craig McKenzie, Cameron Hohls, Andiswa Mahlase, Nicholas Wulfsohn



JUNIOR CHOIR

Back Row: Wandile Mthembu, Arinda Mugabi, Lwandle Dube, Bambolwethu Sithole, Jayden Wiltwer, Warona Ramorobi **Third Row:** Simbarashe Mudavanhu, Luminathi Ntombela, Lubanzi Ngcece, Avuyile Mbele, Sizwe Masinga, Silo Duma, Joshua Greaves
Second Row: Konke Mahlase, Ryley Klute, Lukholo Matanzima, Akabongwe Ngubane, Amazi Luthuli, Holi Zondi, Malachi Hull, Aqhama Kankqu, Thobisa Ntombela
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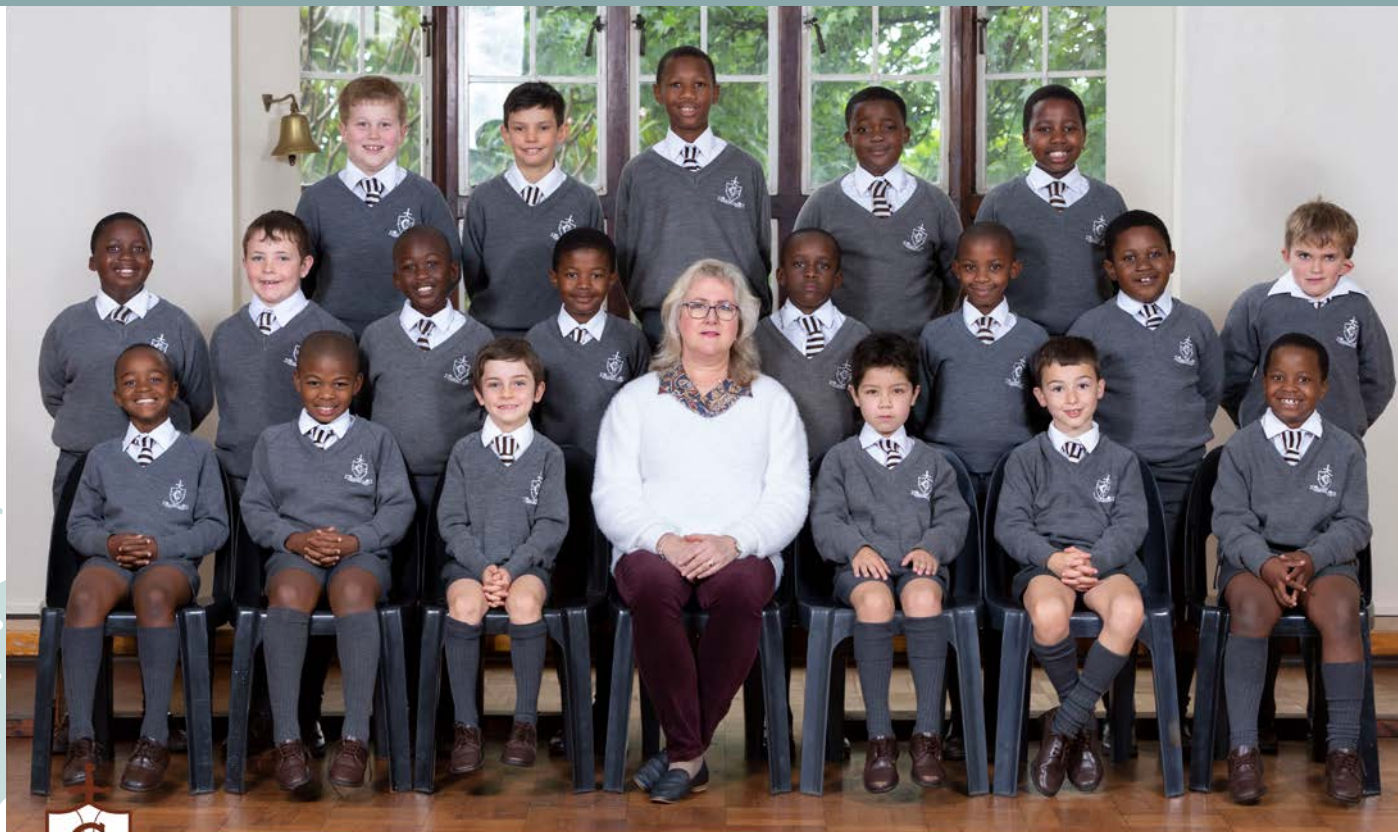
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Back Row: Jared Cole, Daniël Steyn
Front Row: Cameron McCleary, Mrs J. Kruger, Bambolwethu Sithole



SAXOPHONE ENSEMBLE

Back Row: David Colenbrander, Craig McKenzie
Front Row: Connor Maitland, Mr B. Kisbey-Green



JUNIOR PRIMARY CHOIR

Back Row: Connor Griffin, James Eustace, Mbusi Ntombela, Inhle Jali, Khaya Dube

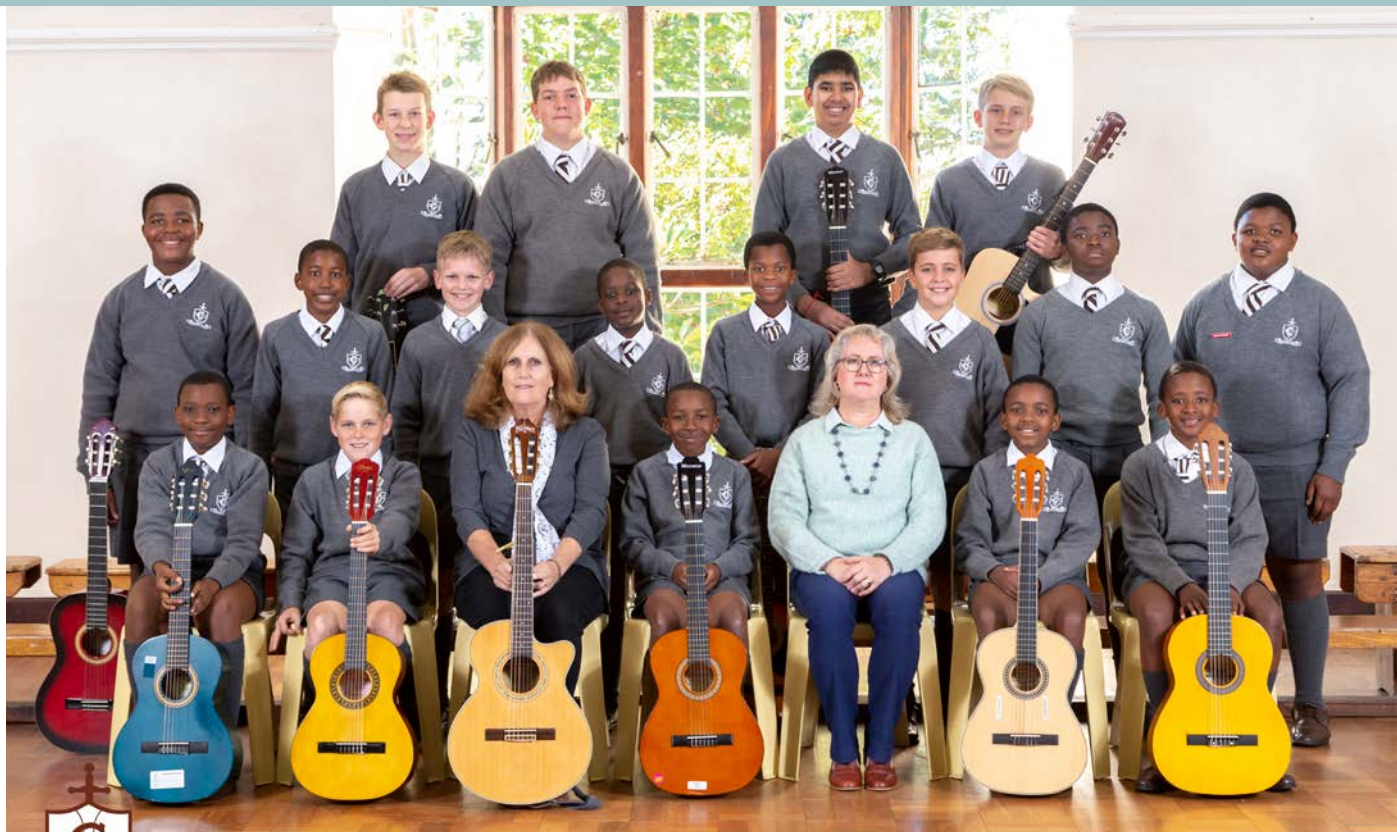
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DRUMLINE

Back Row: Wandile Mthembu, Simbarashe Mudavanhu, Craig Nel, Warona Ramorobi, Judah Steyn, Kuphelele Mchunu **Front Row:** Bambolwethu Sithole, Mr B. Kisbey-Green, Jayden Wiltwer



WORSHIP GROUP

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WHOLE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

CULTURAL WEEK

We are so grateful that our Cultural Week took place at the end of the second term. Many changes had to take place at the last minute, and every effort was made to give the boys the best experience possible.

Sanjeet Treeluck and his son Vaishnav, opened the week with an amazing display of their traditional instruments and spoke to the boys about their origins and then demonstrated the sounds.

All the boys who learn an instrument privately, were given the opportunity to play their prepared piece in front of their peers in the same grade at their respective recitals. This is a very important part of the learning process and builds confidence and mutual respect for each other.

Local opera singer and vocal coach, Emma Farquharson imparted, upskilled and contributed to the boys' vocal understanding and development.

Siyabaseka Youth Arts group from Melmoth, ran a Zulu Culture performance and workshop with the boys. The performance workshop gave the boys an insight into certain Zulu cultural features and practices like amahubo, igqumshela, ingoma, stick-fighting and isicathamiya.

Nadja Bartel ran an acrobatics and gymnastics 101 workshop with the boys. Boys' fitness levels were tested, followed by fundamental skills and elements for these tricks.

In the art room, the Grade 4 boys were treated to Julian Kruger's magical fingers as he manipulated clay with ease and modelled sister's precious dog Charlie. The boys then had their turn.

With the careful guidance of Jenny Millborrow, the Grade 5 boys learnt how to apply slip to a clay tile, on which they used the fish theme to decorate it.

The Grade 6 boys had huge fun transforming their contour drawings into funky faces. Using abstract shapes and weird colours, Clare Hudson Reed guided the boys in using their imagination to create faces.

Carrie Bennet used wooden fish to illustrate how graffiti style print and patterns could be used to design a special cutting board for Father's Day.

Ian Turnbull, from the Caledonian Pipe Band, gave the boys a short demonstration on how the bagpipes work, then played them some well known tunes.

The much anticipated "C Factor" ended off the week's workshops and events. Each class presented their song, which they had chosen and worked on during class music. They were judged on choreography, creativity and overall entertainment. Congratulations to the following classes:

1st place: 6H – "Waka Waka"

2nd place: 5E – "Impi"

3rd place: 4D – "Sunflower"

Junior winners:

1st place: Olinda Kweyama – "Black or White"

2nd place: Aqhama Kankqu – "I'm Blue"

3rd place: Lukholo Matanzima – "Heart afire"

Senior single winners:

1st place: Mholi Khuzwayo – "Giant"

2nd place: Luneziwe Mshengu – "Up"

3rd place: Ziya Jasat – "Talking to the moon"

Senior group winners:

1st place: Banele Phoswa, Mholi Khuzwayo and Andiswa Mahlase – "Talking to the moon"

2nd place: Craig McKenzie and Luneziwe Mshengu – "Angels"

Well done to all the boys who either participated in their class song, individual or group items or class workshops. We look forward to a bigger and even better Cultural Week next year, hopefully with no restrictions so the boys can be enriched even further in this vital element of education.

Mrs Lillemor Blunt





Both the Junior and the Senior teams had a mixed year with being able to play in some parts of the year and not playing at all in other parts of the year. This was disappointing for all of us, as we were really looking forward to the inter-school tournaments. The boys won all their matches against the schools we played for inter-school fixtures during the year and were poised for the finals when Covid destroyed that opportunity for the inter-school competition.

Junior Chess

The boys were excited to play chess and showed their commitment even while juggling their time between swimming and tennis. They loved the opportunity to play again and I commend the junior team in practising their skills as they played superb games with each other. The boys seemed to have understood the rules better and worked well with some of the more advanced moves. It has been amazing to see how much they do enjoy competing against each other and trying out the new forms of attacks or defences that they have learnt.

In the last few weeks of the fourth term, we committed to playing the inter-house chess and had some really good games. The inter-house semi-finals featured Baines, Butchers and Jacksons with Joel Shuttleworth vs Connor McMurray and Murray Dicks vs Veer Bhagwan. The winners were Jacksons with Connor McMurray and Veer Bhagwan both ending up in the finals. Well done to everyone for all their hard work in the year, not just for those who were selected to play for the school.



Senior Chess

The seniors have had another challenging year. We are so proud of how well they adapted to these changes and have managed to make time for some chess! We had many moments of tense, healthy competition during our internal games. The boys were also poised to do their best to win the Inter-school chess, when we were given the sad news that no inter-school chess would be allowed in the third term. We started the fourth term with a bang and tried to regain the momentum we had gained during the year. The boys had to also ration out their time between chess and tennis and yet they managed to play incredibly well against TWC. I remember the look on the boys' faces as they managed to beat their worthy female opponents and would race over to the scoring table after their win was confirmed. Chess is a game of wit and strategy. Patience and planning is key to the success in the games you face. The boys this year really showed off their skills and we had some amazing games being played by very skilful and tactical boys.

The inter-house battle was fierce on all fronts. The boys were surprised at each other and the skilful moves that were being made by all sides. After many games and plenty of sweet rewards at the end, we managed to come down to the inter-house being played between Mitchell Bekker from Jacksons and Nathan Simons from Tatham's and William Thompson from Tatham's and James Hulett.

The finals were played by James Hulett and Mitchell Bekker who clinched the title of Inter-House Champion for his house – Jacksons – and clinched Chess Champion of the Year. Well done to all the senior boys.

Mr Yasean Khan





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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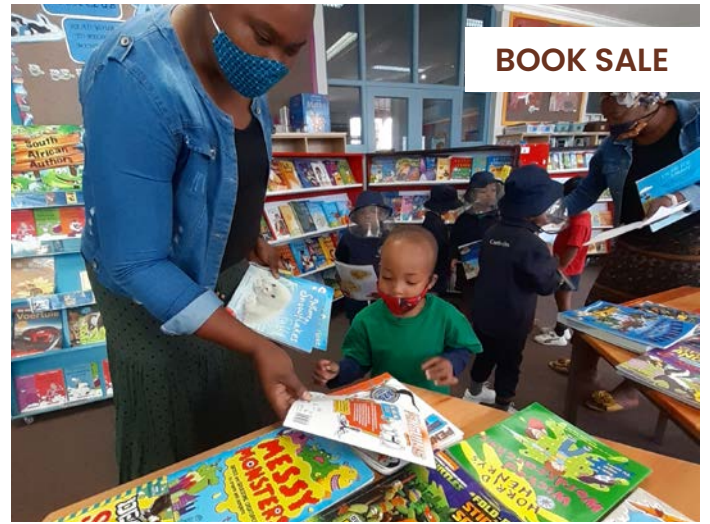
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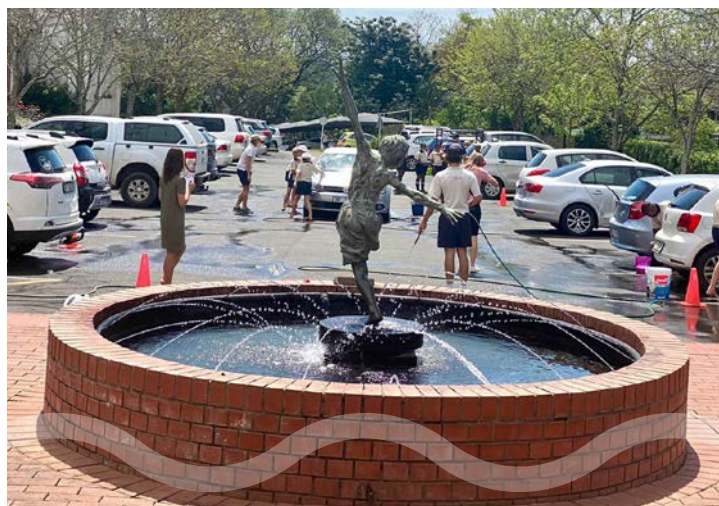


SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

As a member of the Anglican Board of Education, we are encouraged to reflect a generosity of spirit. One of the hallmarks of an Anglican School is a spirit of kindness, compassion and respect for all people. This expresses itself in a healthy relationship in the school as well as in the wider community. Concern for common good is shown through community service and the support of charity work and healthy relationships. Our focus in this regard remains Ashdown School in Edendale. However, we have not made it exclusively so. Due to Covid-19 our classes still have not been able to go out as they have done in previous years.

As a school:

- Collection of Easter Eggs to various charities.
- Frontline Workers – Collection of lip-ice for the Care Packs.
- Painted the jungle gym at Ashdown and donated books from our Cordwalles Book Sale.
- Life Changer: Life Boat Vouchers purchased by boys for the homeless of Pietermaritzburg.
- Donated our old life size chess pieces to Ashdown for their new 'games' programme that Ashdown is trying to initiate. Cordwalles Old Boy Matthew Gray raised money for paint and went to Ashdown to paint a chessboard in the playground area.
- Casual Day – R20 to support children with disabilities and to motivate boys to support our South African Paralympic Team.
- Money was donated to One Life Foundation for "shelter bags" for the homeless.
- Love Boxes were made by our boys and donated to various Old Age homes.
- Soul2sole – shoe collection.
- As a school we supported SA Legions on 11 November for Armistice Day.



Grade 4 – Carwash

Ashdown

We are very grateful to Mrs Hazel de Lange, grandmother of Ryan de Lange in Grade R, who very kindly donated some paint to us. This enabled some of our staff to work alongside some of the Ashdown staff last Friday afternoon. The tasks were to paint the jungle gym and paint hopscotch in the playground.

The President Award is a global youth achievement award. It helps young people equip themselves for life by teaching them physical, social, cultural and community skills. There are bronze, silver and gold levels, which require the participants to complete various levels and difficulty of community service hours, hikes, skills, residential projects and sports over a certain period of time.

The award is a personal challenge rather than a competition and the teenagers are supported by supervisors and assessors. Their efforts are rewarded with an internationally acknowledged certification, as well as their own personal growth towards becoming committed, responsible and fulfilled citizens of this world. Matt Gray, Class of 2017, undertook to earn his President Award by painting a chessboard at Ashdown School. Matt did his Silver Award last year and he is currently busy doing his Gold Award this year, which he hopes to finish at the end of the year.

Chess pieces were donated by Cordwalles.





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DUZI CLEAN-UP AFTER LOOTING



SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Easter Eggs

Some of the many thank you letters we have received:

St. Joseph's Crèche:

Dear Friends at Cordwalles, Thank you for your generous donation of Easter eggs for our children at St. Joseph's Pre-school. Despite the pandemic, we have been able to make it possible for 45 little children to enjoy fun, education and healthy meals five days a week. At our 'end of term' party the children enjoyed hot dogs and Easter eggs. Please thank your staff and students for their outreach to children in need.

Pietermaritzburg Mental Health:

"There are altogether 515 beneficiaries to whom we are wishing to give Easter eggs. Your donation has enabled us to achieve this. Please convey our appreciation to all who have sincerely made the Easter weekend special for all at the Pietermaritzburg Mental Health."

Emma Barter Home:

"When the Easter eggs are handed out we tell the residents they are from people outside the Home. Every one of our residents appreciates the gifts they receive from outside the Home especially when it is children giving, so please convey the residents thanks and appreciation to the children who donated Easter eggs."

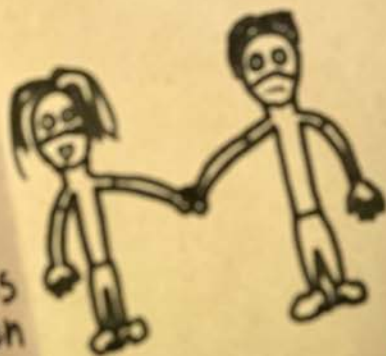


EASTER EGGS



FRONTLINE WORKERS

Dear Doctors and Nurses thank you for caring for all the people you've saved I hope this letter can brighten your mood.



Dear Doctors and Nurses! Thank you for caring for all the very sick covid-19 patients. Together, we will conquer covid and become stronger!

Thank you
Thank you
Thank you



lots of Luck and good

Love Ben



LIFE BOAT VOUCHERS

LOVE BOXES





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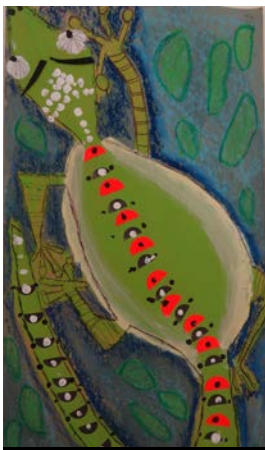
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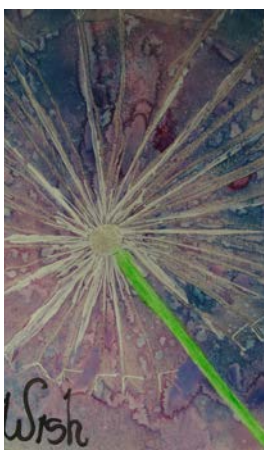
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William Riley





2021 was the year of blessings! I was given the wonderful news that this was the year my 'dungeon' would be revamped into a palace. In true style, I asked the boys how we were going to contribute toward the cost and they decided to generously donate their talent in the form of a group art work that would be auctioned off.

The work began and soon we had a pile of magnificent canvases which Mrs Bullock so patiently photographed and catalogued for our online auction which took place at the end of half term. Thanks to Peter Maskell, who so kindly offered us his auctioning platform, a whopping R70 000 was made for the art department!

The second term also saw us moving out of the old Art room into my temporary one in the foyer of the theatre. This term also saw the launch of the 'CANS can make a difference' competition. The aim was not only environmental awareness, but also to raise money for a dog to help track poachers in the Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Game Reserve. The boys were true to form and rose to the occasion in good spirit and bought in over 29000 cans, raising an amount of R5000.

Art has been used again to express the boys' unique talents. The programmes have involved multi-layered techniques which teach various skills and allow a unique and individual response from each boy.

I have tried to expose all boys to using clay this year, which offers a rich learning experience. With two kilns installed in the new creative centre, the boys have enjoyed this privilege. The Grade 7 boys have also had the opportunity of working on the wheels and learning the skill of throwing. Clay is a wonderful medium as it offers the opportunity to develop fine and gross motor control. It is also a medium that is forgiving of mistakes. Sculpture gives children the chance to perceive space and 3-D form in a new context.

The Grade 7 boys were fortunate to visit the Ardmore Studio in the Midlands to be inspired with pattern making and sculpture techniques.

The trip to the African Bird of Prey Sanctuary at Umlaas Road proved to be incredibly valuable. It not only equipped the Grade 6 boys with knowledge about owls, but also inspired them to observe the shape, texture and colour of the large variety of owls in the enclosures, setting them up for success in the owl sculptures that took place later in the pottery studio.

The Grade 4 boys were inspired by their visit to the Karkloof indigenous forests and the wetland for their biodiversity art piece.

Art at Cordwalles continues to grow from strength to strength and we look forward to an exciting 2022.

Mrs Kerry Peckham







Duncan Dicks



Joshua Cuff



Malachi Hull



Nicholas Ware



Rafe Vickers



Samuel Gilson



Veer Bhagwan





Josh Greaves



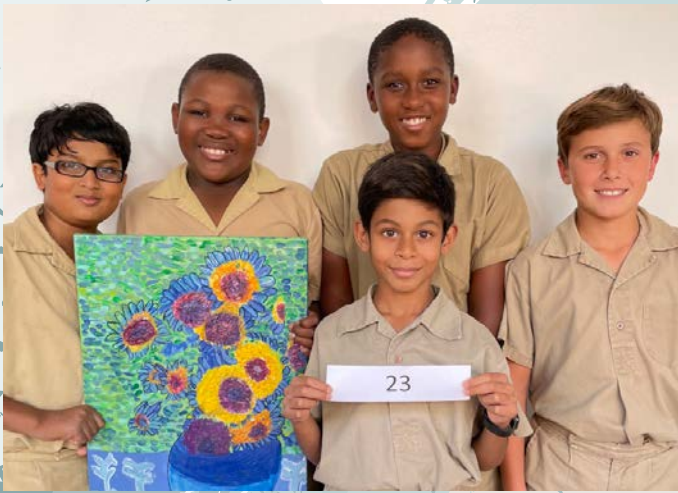
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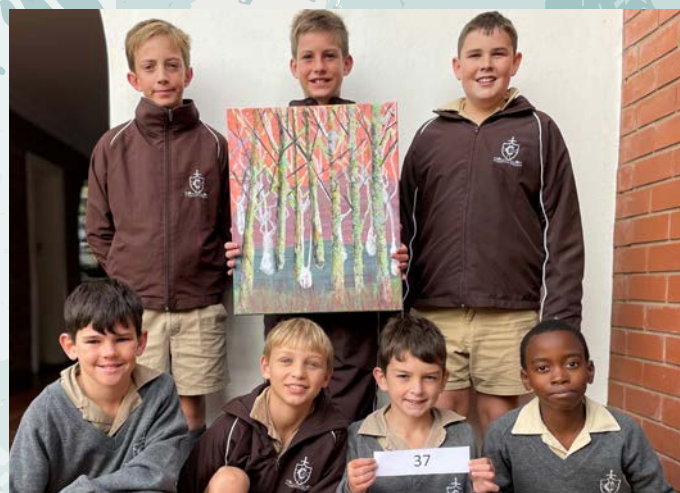
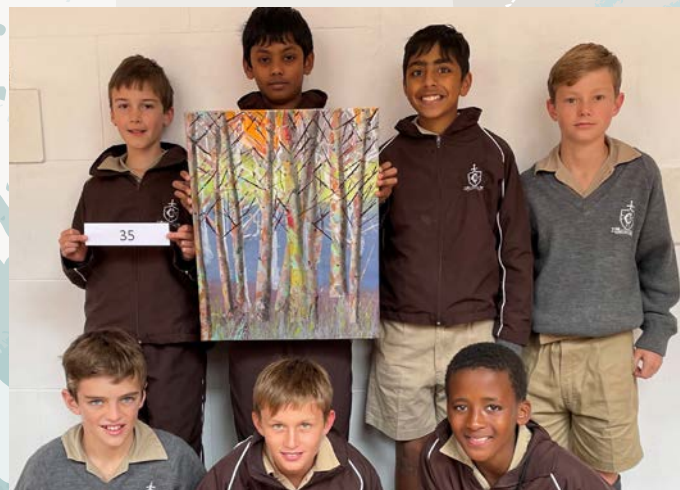
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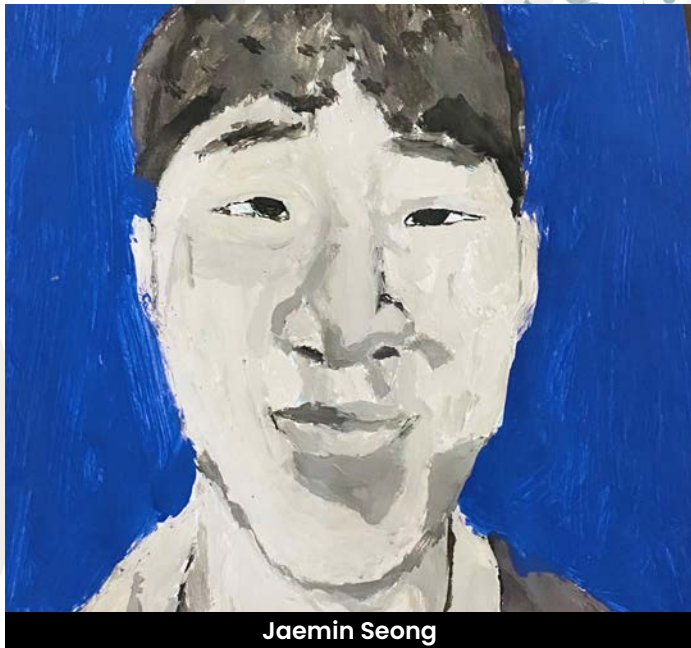


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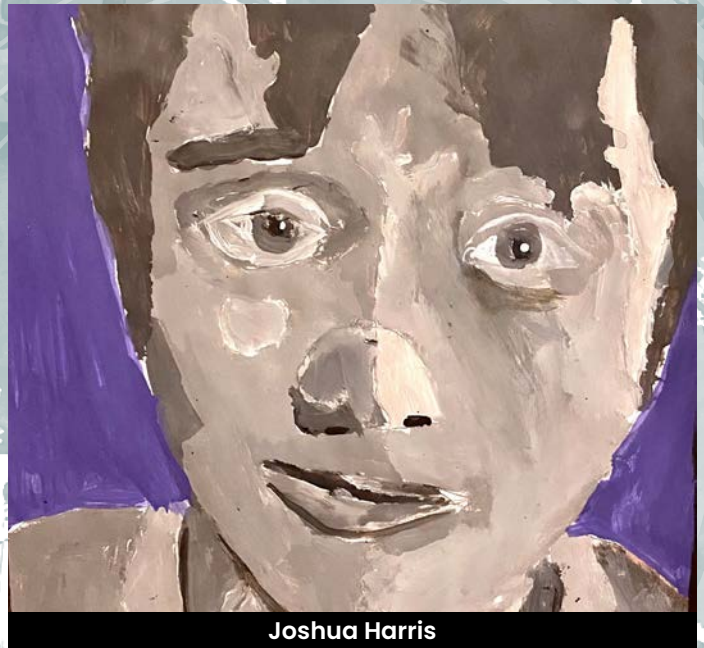


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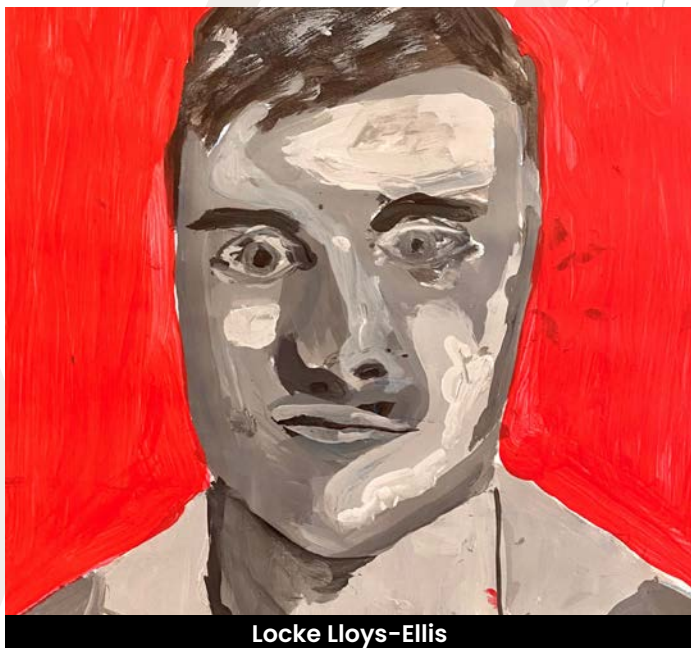




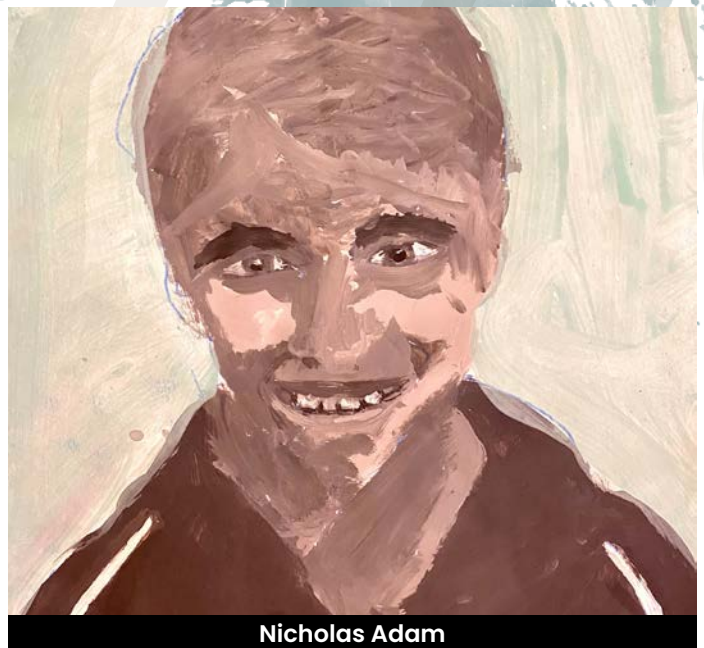
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Joshua Harris



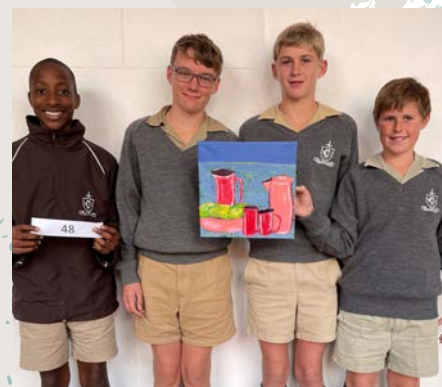
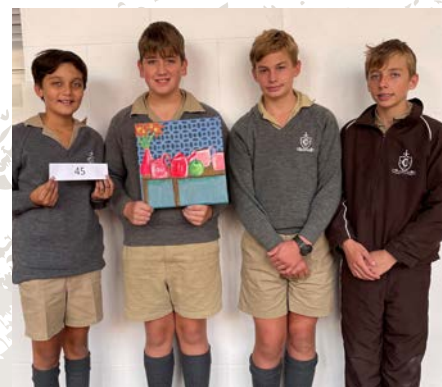
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Tanen Soar painting a self portrait



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FEATURED: VIDYANTH BHOLA (CEO) AND
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Vidyanth Bhola, Director from VHA Accounting Solutions Incorporated, commented on the win: "During the latter part of my working career, I had a passion to form my very own Accounting Practice. I envisioned to become a complete cloud-based firm as well as a complete digital practice in an effort for a 'greener environment'. Stepping out of a stable job into the business environment which directly effects your livelihood is not an easy decision to make. However, I decided to take that leap! Many of my associates at that point in time believed that I would fail. Our journey began from humble beginnings as we started off as a home-based company, which we used to establish our brand today. This was our foundation. We decided to partner up with Xero, a cloud-based accounting program. We are the only complete cloud-based firm in the Midlands area.

Winning this award has been our 12-month goal. No matter the outcome, win or lose, we will get back up and work ten times harder. With celebrating this award, we are also opening our third branch in my hometown, Greytown. In a short period of time, we now have a complement of three branches. I associate great work to sport, as a fellow sportsman I believe one should always plan, plan, plan and execute. With winning this award, we would like to pay tribute to our entire staff at VHA Accounting Solutions Inc, and our loyal clients. We have the best training facilities from soft skills training to technical skills training. At VHA Accounting Solutions Inc we equip our staff with state-of-the-art systems. Our team has great discipline, commitment, dedication, and excellent client communication skills. We invest in client relationships. We also want to thank our marketing consultants, Ben Van der Westhuyzen and Andrew Yoko from the Succeed Group in Cape Town, who are always innovative and dedicated. Also, we would like to mention our App Integrator and Implementation Specialist, Jaryd Neuville."

This year's judging panel was made up of Xero leadership, along with guest judges from the Xero community, including previous Xero Award-winners and industry leaders.

"Standby -- ACTION!"

The Dramatic Arts journey in 2021 at Cordwalles was filled with great excitement, creativity, outstanding performances, theatre sports competitions, and artistic celebration! This year saw boys from Inky to Grade 7 perform their plays to live and virtual audiences. A variety of themes, dramatic art forms, skills and knowledge, all acquired and explored by the boys throughout the year in drama, were put on exhibition for the Cordwalles community to spectate, participate in, celebrate, and enjoy!

Grade R:

The Grade R boys gain more confidence in the creative and expressive movement in their Drama and Dance classes. Their 3 dances for their Nativity play were a testament to the skills they developed throughout the year. From learning set choreography, to improvising with props, and freestyling to worship music, the boys wowed the audiences and made their parents and school very proud.



GRADE R NATIVITY



DRAMA AND PRODUCTIONS

Grade 3:

I AM AN AFRICAN

The Grade 3 boys put on a fabulous performance in the show, I AM AN AFRICAN. The skills and knowledge acquired in Drama, from storytelling forms such as myths, legends, folktales, and folklore, culminated in the staging of 2 African folktales, The Frog's First Croak and Anansi and the Most Covered Rock.



Grade 4:

Grandparents' Showcase

(Choral Verses, High Hopes, The Pied Piper)

The Grade 4 boys used what they had learnt about verbal dynamics, group focus, and speaking and moving harmoniously with others to successfully perform and record their choral verses, High Hopes sing-song and Pied Piper play for their Grandparents' Showcase.



DRAMA AND PRODUCTIONS

Grade 5:

Grandparents' Showcase (WOW! What A Year!)

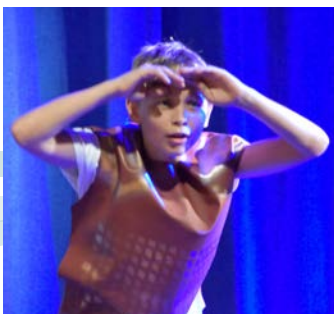
The Grade 5 boys had a great time staging and recording their production, WOW -- What A Year! They commemorated our place in history during these extraordinary and challenge times with wonderful sing-song and dance.



Grade 6:

Grandparents' Showcase (Fleeced)

The Grade 6's nautical musical had audiences on the edge of their seats as Jason and his courageous Argonauts set sail on their quest to find the Golden Fleece! The boys had a great time on stage performing this epic Greek mythological story, and looked awesome on stage in their costumes with their props, on their custom built set. It was lovely to see them supporting each other in the auditorium as well as backstage/behind the scenes.



DRAMA AND PRODUCTIONS

Grade 7:

Despite all the challenges faced along the way, the Grade 7s play was a great success. The boys' enthusiasm and determination to stage Vaudeville was truly remarkable. Their different acts and scenes from Dannie, Newsies, and the West Side Story had audiences, live and online, in stitches and enjoying light, but meaningful entertainment. Thanks to a team of amazing mums, led by Lara Steyn, Tracy Cook, and Lauren Maltby, who assisted with costumes and make up.





Cordies Improvathon Squad (The Gang)

What is an Improvathon?

An improvathon is a series of quick-acting challenges performed by two competing teams, presided over by a referee and a judge who gives instant scores to the winning team of each task. As the challenges are based on improvisation, there's no planning or preparation needed. Each individual task calls for a different number of actors.

Our Grade 7 boys developed their improvisation and expressive skills through theatre sports in preparation for the "The Big Battle" improvathon against St Charles College.

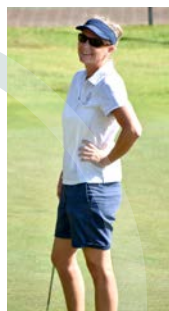
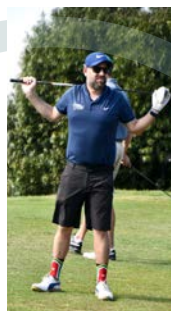
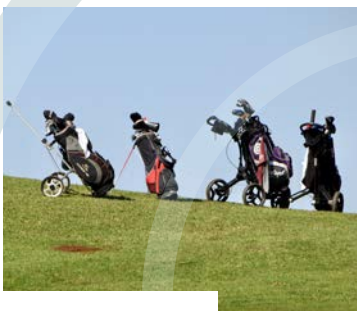
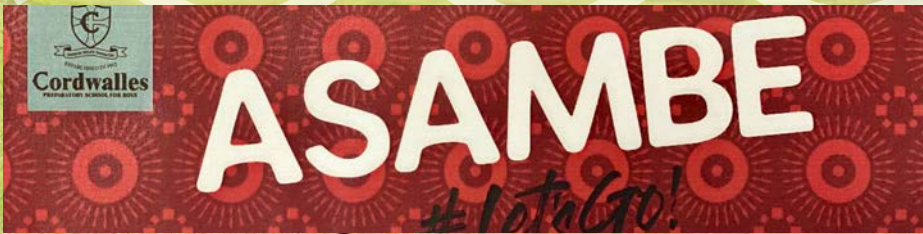
The following boys competed in the 2nd annual Improvathon versus St Charles College (SCC):

Jack Benkenstein	Vuyisa Mqokiyana	Chase Dormehl
Langelihle Myeza	Sbonakele Khoza	John Gilson
Chase Maskell	Lizwelihle Ntshangase	Syun Maharaj
Guy Fender	Matthew Steel	Tshepo Molai
Peter van Rooyen	Thomas de Charmoy	Oliver Crowe

Cordwalles won by 2 points and Vuyisa Mqokiyana was the Man of the match. The boys had lots of fun and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. They demonstrated great courage, commitment, focus, and creativity, and were great ambassadors of our school.

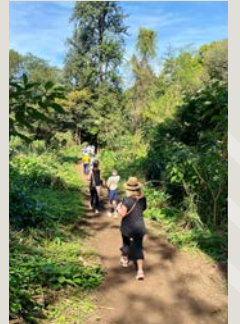


EVENTS



ASAMBE GOLF





ASAMBE WALK AND PICNIC



EVENTS





Grade 4

The highlight and springboard for the Grade 4's Project Week was an outing to the Karkloof to learn more about endangered species and the importance of them in the ecosystem. Here, Mrs Peckham organised for the boys to walk through different types of forests and they were treated to various talks about the importance of cranes, frogs and organic farming.

The boys were privileged to hear from Jeanne Tarrant, who is the programme manager of the Threatened Amphibian Programme. They even had a chance to search for frogs in the wetlands. As part of their learning about the life cycles of various species, the boys experimented with play dough to create the life cycle of the frog. This idea was expanded upon and an app was used on the iPads to make an animation of their creations.



Grade 5

The Grade 5s had a blast during Project Week. The focus was on the ever-exciting Olympic Games. Each group was allocated a different country to learn about. However, there was an environmental spin on this. We focused on how global warming had affected these particular countries and how we could reduce the negative environmental impact. Global warming causes major natural disasters in many areas of the world. The boys studied which natural disasters occurred most often in their given country.

Great fun was had in designing our very own sustainable sports stadium, which would host the Olympic Games. What materials would be used? Where would these be found? The boys were forced to think of how their sustainable stadium would differ from normal sports stadiums. The art room was full of energy and here the boys created their countries flags and various emblems. Much fun was had during this week, however, many important lessons were also learnt.



KARKLOOF WETLANDS



PROJECT WEEK

Grade 6

Project Week is a highlight of the First Term. It allows the boys to step out of the routine of academic classes and to be hands-on, interactive, and experiential in finding a solution to a possible real-life problem.

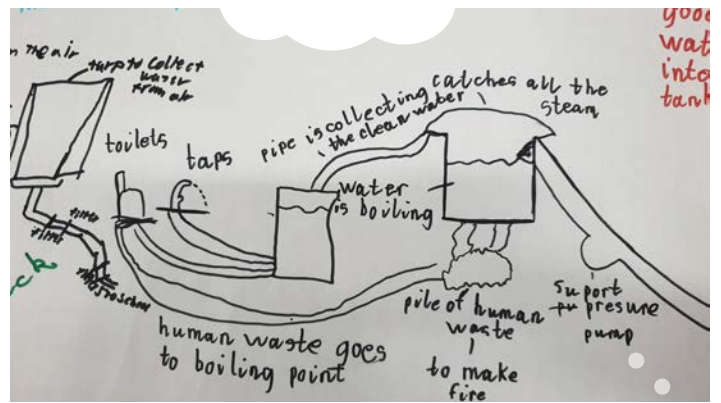
Our theme for 2021 was WATER. Over the week the boys participated in hands-on activities where they explored:

- **Water, water, anywhere.** An exercise where boys learnt about various water resources, the quality of the water available, and the economic accessibility to this water.
- **Dirty Water?... So What!** An exercise in seeing how dirty water can affect a community.
- **Hand washing hang-ups.** The importance of hand washing and how much water is used to wash hands.
- **Wasted Water.** Negligence and the price of water. Read a municipal bill and work out what it costs daily, monthly and annually.
- **What if?**

Imagine it is the year 2054. You are 45 years old. You have a son in boarding at Cordwalles.

The problem is... all the water in Pietermaritzburg has dried up. Cordwalles has NO WATER. None in the swimming pool, none in Teddy Bear's Creek, none for the boys to wash their hands or shower and none to flush the toilets. There is only a very expensive supply of water for cooking and drinking.

As parents of Cordwalles boys you want to come up with a solution to the problem. Your task is to Think, Research, Plan and Deliver your Solution.



Grade 7

Sir David Attenborough said: "Today we're living in an era in which the biggest threat to human well-being, to other species and to the Earth as we know it, might well be ourselves."

This quote sums up the theme for our Grade 7 Project Week this year. The boys were challenged to think about sustainability and how we can make our world more sustainable. Amongst other things, the boys were inspired by various clips and they had to research, design and build a sustainable house out of materials found around school. Once this was done they had the opportunity to feed back and face some questions about their models. We also looked at various projects around the world where sustainability and saving the environment has had a great impact. With this in mind, we brought it closer to home and the boys were given some sustainable projects that they could design and complete in the Cordwalles forest – Building a climber box, making a footpath near the outdoor classroom, building some benches on a footpath, making a climbing frame or building a vegetable patch. The weather was not always great, but the boys showed perseverance and skill with all sorts of tools. (Some more than others!) The whole grade thoroughly enjoyed being challenged mentally and practically during Project Week to think how they can leave a better world behind for future generations.



ENVIRONMENTAL TRIPS

Grade 3

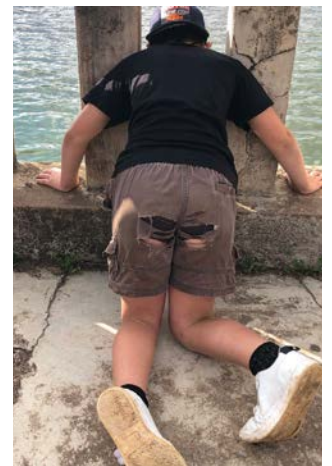
- C** – Curious boys excited to embark on their first ever environmental trip
- U** – Uncertain expectations combined with excited chatter
- M** – Members of a team all learning to work in unison
- B** – Beautiful environment waiting to be explored and appreciated
- E** – Everybody was included and encouraged
- R** – Running around freely was what the boys really enjoyed
- L** – Lunches, dinners and breakfasts were simply delicious
- A** – Around the campfire in the evening was entertaining
- N** – New skills were learnt
- D** – Days were filled with exciting challenges and wonderful teamwork



CUMBERLAND

Grade 4

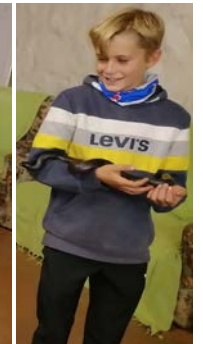
During our time at Spirit of Adventure, we were reminded about the immense value of going on school trips. With COVID-19 having suspended all these activities in 2020, the boys really missed out on key social and team building experiences, where they would normally have had a chance to develop certain socio-emotional skills. The boys very quickly, needed to learn the importance of working together and for each other, in order to reach a common goal. Soon the boys started to encourage each other and work together through abseiling, rock-climbing, mini-Olympics, assault course, raft building and climbing through dark tunnels in the 'snake pit'. By the end of the three days, the boys had grown in appreciation and tolerance of each other's strengths and weaknesses and were much closer as a grade. Spirit of Adventure truly provides opportunities for personal growth that they would not acquire in the classroom.



Grade 5

The boys absolutely loved their awesome adventure to Roselands. Excited chatter could be heard on the bus for much of the way. The boys were greeted with friendly, welcoming faces by the Roselands staff. The various activities were met with excitement and commitment from every boy. The highly anticipated zip-line had all the boys and staff members eagerly awaiting their turns at the top of the ledge. The speed, the height and the freezing water were enough to keep even the bravest on their toes.

The gruelling obstacle course was not only fun, but there were lessons to be had. Teamwork and communication being some of these important lessons. The boys thoroughly enjoyed learning how to build their very own shelters, just like the indigenous San people used to. Being taught by an expert kept the boys engaged, as attention to detail was vital. The boys thoroughly enjoyed all the different experiences that Roselands had to offer.



ROSELANDS



Grade 6

The Grade 6s embarked on a brand new Great Adventure this year. Our new venue, GwaHumbe Game Reserve, and our new service provider, Farm Adventures, held the promise of a spectacular venue with dynamic input and plenty of fun along the way.

In preparation for the trip, our boys were taken through how to pack their backpacks effectively to make the hiking as easy as possible. This included ensuring that they were only carrying what they actually needed for the trip. Upon arrival at GwaHumbe, the first order of business was to get to the campsite which was totally inaccessible by bus, nestled in the picturesque valley alongside the stream and pond.

Having reached the campsite, the boys had to set up their tents, hang the showers, and get their bearings around their new home for the next few days. Unlike many other school camps, the boys were tasked with the preparation of aspects of all the meals as each group was responsible for the preparation and cleaning up of one meal throughout our time there.

In what proved to be a challenging but rewarding experience, the groups had to cook their own potjies. Patience on a grumbling stomach is indeed a virtue, but the meals were well worth the wait as each pot was eagerly devoured.

Despite long days of physically demanding activity, the bum slide in the crisp May waters of the stream was always a great hit, and the warmth of the ever-burning fire afterwards, was a comforting treat. As darkness descended, the contrast of the cold air against the radiant warmth of the roaring campfire and no other light bar the stars, provided the perfect conditions for revelrous evening songs. And when they were completely spent, the chorus of frogs provided a continuous soundtrack to the boys' dreams.

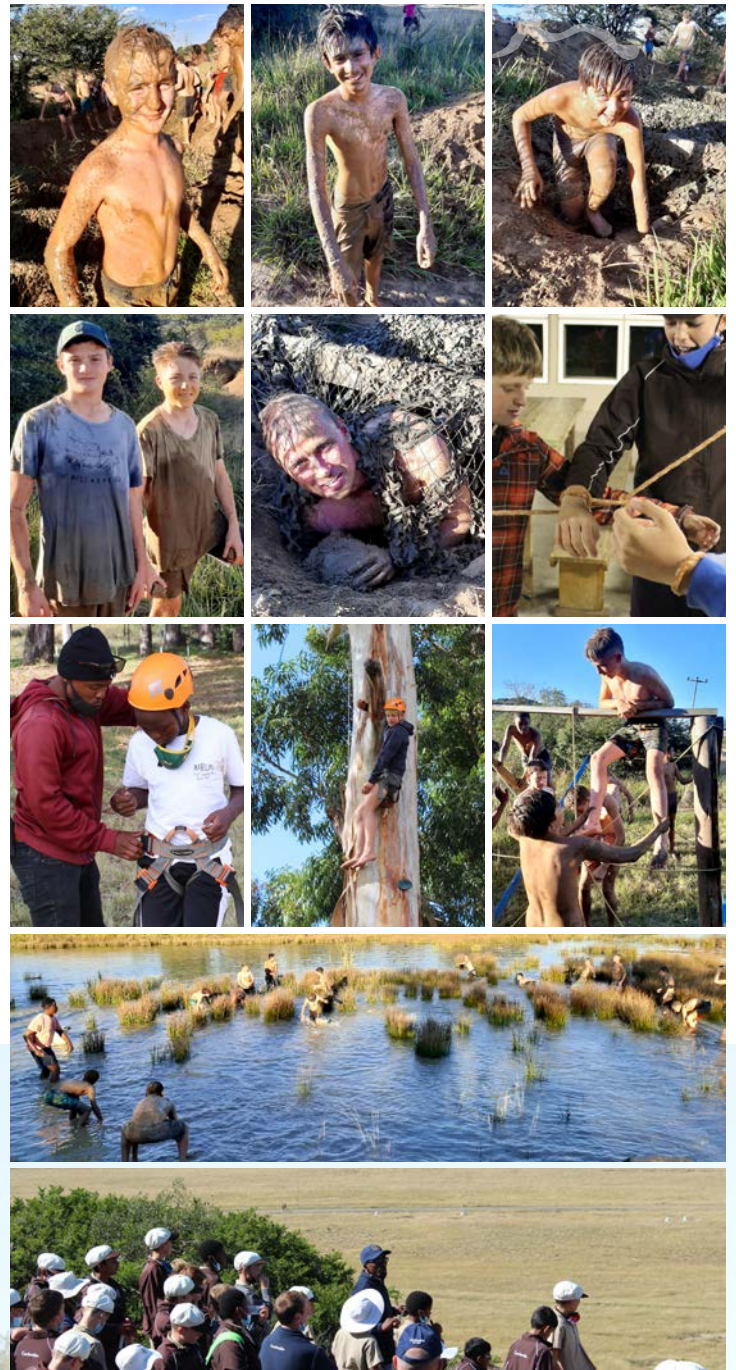
Game drives, night walks, poacher tracking, team games, archery, plenty of fun, cooking, cleaning, setting up and taking down, and of course the hike back up the hill, made for some exhausted boys at the end of our four days. The privilege of being able to spend time in such a stunning environment, without any disturbances from the outside world, made for a wonderful and memorable trip.



Grade 7

On Sunday 16th May, the Grade 7 pupils left for their annual Battlefields trip to Elandsheim. Even though we shortened the journey, it still felt like a long way to get there. Can you imagine that you were in the Anglo-Zulu War and you had to travel by ox-wagon and horseback?

Our hosts at Elandsheim were great. We had delicious food and lots of fun. Of course trading tuck and night running between the cabins were also high on the agenda. On the 18th our tour guide, Themba, started educating us on Zulu culture and the Anglo-Zulu War. 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 realized how brave the men must have been on both sides and what a fierce battle it was. The museum, in particular, was a favourite amongst the boys. Back at Elandsheim, we enjoyed: skits, mud fights, making Zulu pots and beading. We 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 special experience.



BATTLEFIELDS





The opportunities and scope for learning in so many varied and integrated ways is bountiful in our beautiful outdoor space. The possibilities for exploration and adventure, creativity and hands-on problem solving are endless. Key global and local environmental topics and issues were addressed in lesson times, as well as during the whole grade Outdoor Classroom Fridays. We looked at different elements of life and living things in a natural setting as well as beginning to explore how to live in harmony with nature. Being in touch with our planet and the ways that it allows life to exist and thrive was a focus as we unpacked some of the basic needs that we have as humans. The importance of growing our own food and how to do this in a way that is regenerative for our planet has given us a springboard for the vegetable garden project on our school grounds.

Learning how to grow food in a sustainable and mindful way, looking at soil health, composting and having a holistic approach to food production has led to much discussion and food for thought. Awareness of our planet and the vital importance of healing and protecting it has been a strong theme throughout the year. Understanding our role and the impact that we have is key to taking responsibility for this beautiful Earth. The boys have been able to experience our forest and outdoor space in a number of tangible and impactful ways. This is forming the basis for many more lessons and concepts which will be as much a part of them as their muddy feet and smoky clothes after an outdoor session in our beautiful forest.

Mrs Samantha Hubble



OUTDOOR EDUCATION





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GRADE RRR – MRS HOLDSWORTH – RED GROUP

Back Row: Aphinda Ngqwangi, Katleho Phoofole, Anesu Mbhele, Linamandla Sithole, Hassan Tootla, Connor Moodley

Middle Row: Zachary Roberts, Shivaay Bhola, Busamantungwa Mabaso **Front Row:** Fynn Usher, Mrs L. Holdsworth, Zohar Mahabeer, Gabriel du Casse, Zach Kleinhans, Hunter Mitchell, Casey Klute, Mrs D. Holmes, Zac Marais



GRADE RR – MRS HOATSON – YELLOW GROUP

Back Row: Herbain Naidoo, Junior Soqashe, Ngebenhle Ngubane, Nkanyezi Buthelezi, Mandulo Mabaso, Andrew Craig, Mphilwenhle Ntuli, Seungwon Lee **Middle Row:** Saiyur Bridgmohan, Nikeel Pooran, Rivaal Naidoo, Maxon Rogers, Phasika Mchunu, Uminathi Ngobese

Front Row: Quinn Clark, Mrs D. Hoatson; Mpendulo Dlamini, Riyav Mewalall, Nyeziyamfumu Mnguni, Langaletu Ngobese, Mrs C. Ndlovu, Yarav Maharaj, Ngubeko Hlabisa **Absent:** Yusuf Hoosen

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GRADE R – MRS HULL – GREEN GROUP

Back Row: Matthew Driemeyer, Daniel Wills, Amaan Gani, Adam Haines, Jackson Storrar, Zwelenkosi Mbelu, John-Marc Laing, Reevalen Maistry **Middle Row:** Akhanya Makhanya, Ryan de Lange, Carter Desfontaines **Front Row:** Alexander Riley, Anathi Shawa, Miss A. Cook, Daniel du Casse, Abongwe Shelembe, Sahat Somar, Mrs C. Hull, Ismail Abdool, Aphile Mbanjwa



GRADE R – MRS KYLE – BLUE GROUP

Back Row: Joshua Chishala; Muhammad Cassim; Charlie Kelmanson, Esile Ngqwangi, Charvk Singh, Matthew Gravett, Ezra Horsley, Mahdi Noorgat **Middle Row:** Lubanzi Zikhali, Luthando Duma, Teiyan Chetty **Front Row:** Fletcher Diack, Mrs B. Kyle, Christiaan Van Aardt, Hunter Goosen, Singa Mabovana, Bondile Xaba, Miss A. Cook, Raihil Pooran **New boys not in photo:** Finley Rishworth, Kian Rajah



100 DAYS AT SCHOOL



ART



BIKE DAY





AUTUMN LEAVES OUTING

BIRTHDAYS



BOYS AT PLAY



CHAPEL



BOYS AT PLAY

DRESS UP



FOREST AND OUTDOOR CLASSROOM





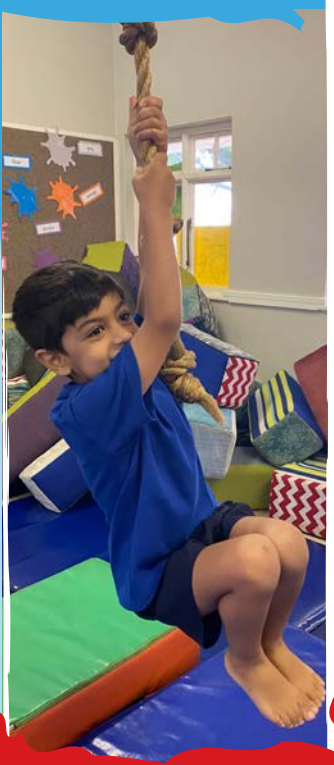
IN THE CLASSROOM



JUNGLE GYM



PSYCHOMOTOR



THEME DAYS





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Grade RRR - Grade 12 | Boarding from Grade 3

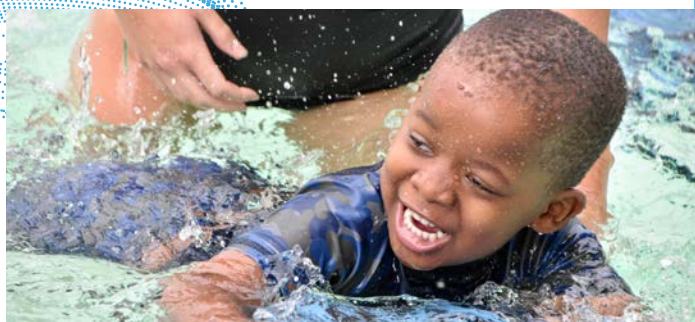
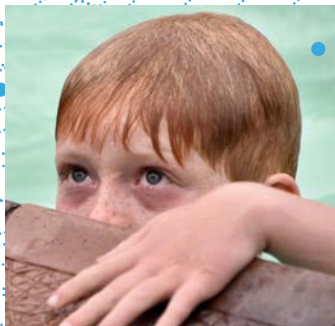
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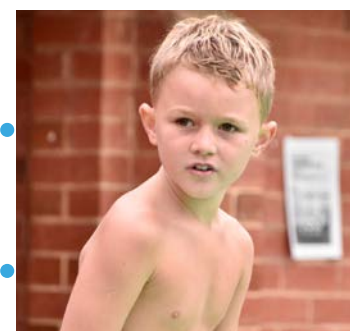


Educating Women For The Real World



INKY AND GRADE 1 AND 2 GALA





INKY AND GRADE 1 AND 2 ATHLETICS FUN DAY





JUNIOR PRIMARY REPORT

Our general school theme for this year has been Opportunities. Each term we have focused on a different facet of this theme; **Term 1 – Flexibility, Term 2 – Hope, Term 3 – Attitude** and **Term 4 – Love**.

I chose, as our Junior Primary theme for the year, **BIRDS**. I am very privileged to live in the surrounds of an animal sanctuary and the birdlife in our garden is magnificent. My husband and I spend many hours watching the birds and enjoying their antics.

This year, in our assemblies and some chapel services, we combined the two themes. In this way, the boys learnt something about birds through the Junior Primary theme, and we linked this to our whole school theme for the year. It made the theme of Opportunities more tangible for the boys, and those with a good knowledge of birds were able to share this with their peers.

In Term 1, we spoke about the Pin-tailed Whydah and how it changes its plumage in the mating season. We related this to flexibility and how we need to be flexible to change too, and adapt to our environment so that we can be happy and content. We also spoke about the Wagtails I had seen raising a Red Chested Cuckoo in their nest and how they had to adjust to look after and care for this rather big bird.

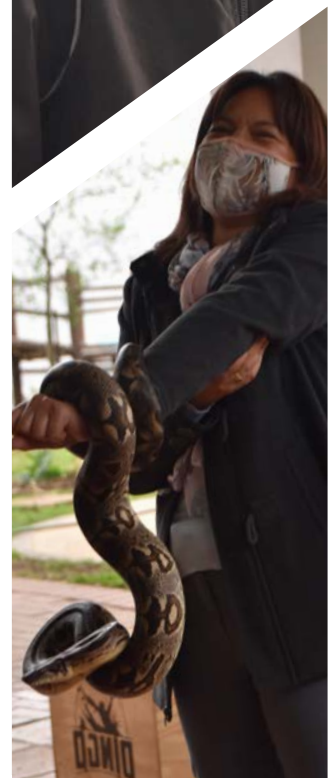
Term 2 brought the theme of Hope. Hope is closely linked to trust and we spoke about a 'skydiving' kind of hope. The type of hope where we trust things will happen just as we hope they will, just as we trust that a parachute will open when we jump out of an aeroplane. We linked this to the Trumpeter Hornbill that visits the Fig tree in my garden. The female encloses herself in their nest in the trunk of the tree, leaving just a little hole, for the male to come and feed her while she cares for the eggs. She has an instinctive hope and trust that this will happen.

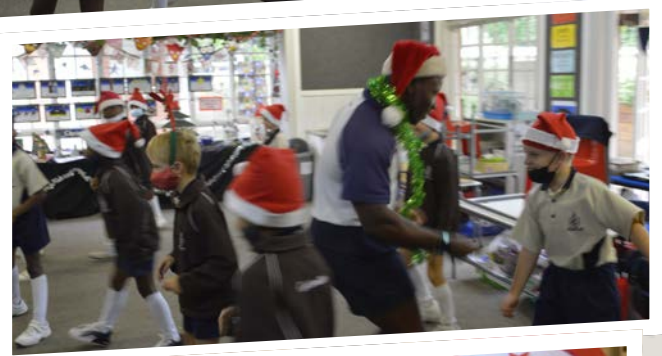
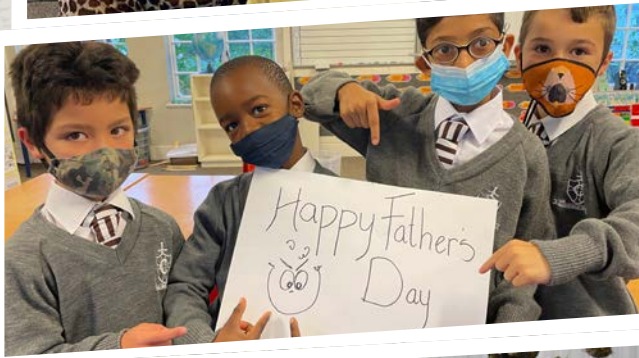
Attitude was the theme for Term 3. We discussed the Fruits of the Spirit and the attitudes we aspire to live by. We talked about the Yellow-billed kite and the Fiery-necked Nightjar and their positive attitudes; how they don't give up and keep going, looking for opportunities to get what they need in order to survive. We spoke about courage as an attitude which we all need, and we looked closely at our Cordwalles badge and our motto "Courage Builds Character".

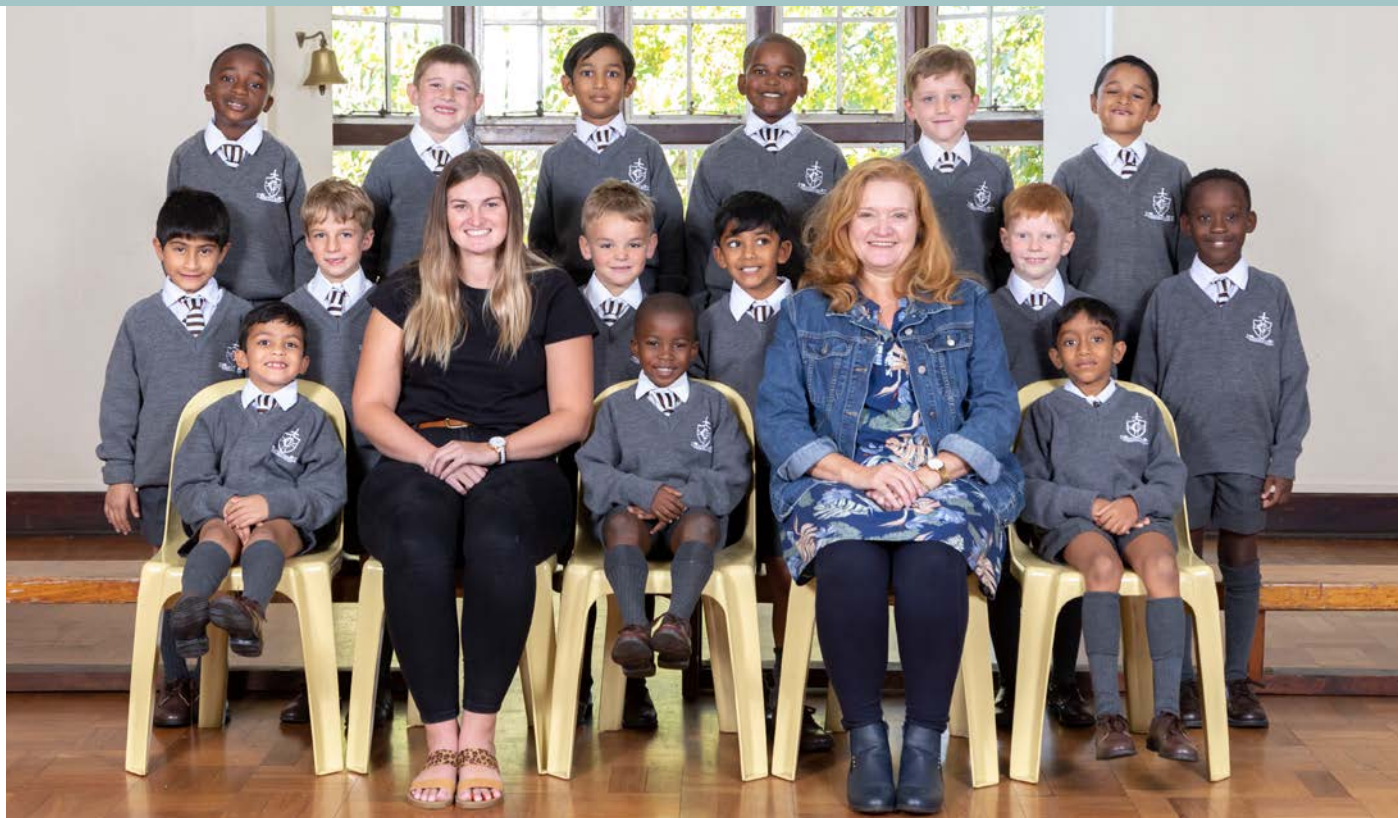
Term 4 brought the theme of Love. We discussed ways in which we can show love to those around us. We spoke of the different kinds of love for family, friends and teachers. Watching beautiful love dances in the bird kingdom was entertaining, fascinating and amusing; the birds had us laughing at quite a few of their antics. The greatest love story in the Bible was read and we spoke about how God so loved the world that he gave His only son to us.

2021 has been quite a year. Just when we thought we could return to normal, we could not. What a blow! I can certainly praise each and every boy, intern and teacher involved in the Junior Primary this year. Yes, it hasn't been easy, but it has been a year where each person, big or small, has displayed a wonderful attitude. Opportunities have been sought and taken advantage of, flexibility has definitely been a strength, and hope has been our motto. This year we have displayed much love to all around us. What more can one ask for?

Mrs Derryn Odell







GRADE 1FD

Back Row: Nathan Ayekun, Blake Boast, Kylan Deonundhan, Onika Kweyama, Thomas Hoatson, Yadav Kassen

Middle Row: Sahal Dawood, Christian Grové, Struan Dicks, Aariyan Ruthnam, Jude Glasspoole, Amandlenkosi Dimba

Front Row: Kaiden Gobin, Miss T. Wheeler, Kukhanya Sokhabase, Mrs W. Fryer Dudley, Aman Bugwandin

Absent: Zachary Dancer

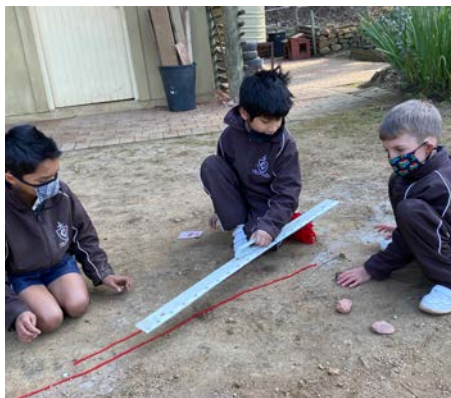


GRADE 10

Back Row: Marcus Marais, Ethan Kyle, Levi Hull

Middle Row: Malachi Lobban, Ryan van der Merwe, Khanya Mseleku, Onathi Nzimande, Shaka Manqele, Trent Parsons

Front Row: Nqubeko Zondi, Mrs D. Odell, Jack Munro, Miss D. Korb, Kaone Phutiagae





GRADE 2J

Back Row: Tariq Bositsumune, Connor Griffin, Zethembiso Cele, Lulonke Mkruqulwa

Middle Row: Jacques van Graan, Jordan Goosen, Nsikayethu Mncube, Moosa Noorgat, Seth Gravett, Alexander Reitz

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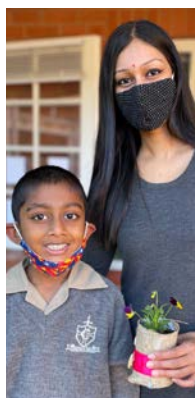


GRADE 2L

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Middle Row: Langelihle Sabelo, Elihle Ngcobo, Nkanyiso Dlamini, Ahmed Abdool, Shreyan Naidoo, Franklin Storrar

Front Row: Luc Marais, Miss S. Sithole, Dhyan Padiachy, Mrs J. Lourens, Nkazimulo Ngcobo



Moms' and Sons' Tea Party



Preston Farm Outing



Science with Mr Rob



Soccer





GRADE 3N

Back Row: Bhudhav Padiachy, Samkelo Mtolo, Milann Englebrecht, Alondwe Biyela, Milun Visvanathan, Ahmed Kajee

Middle Row: James Eustace, Daniel Harris, Chatonda Moya, Yanga Ngubane, Jamie Klute, Harry Christopher

Front Row: Scott Hoatson, Mrs K. Nero, Yashlan Chetty, Miss N. Esterhuizen, Tau Phetla



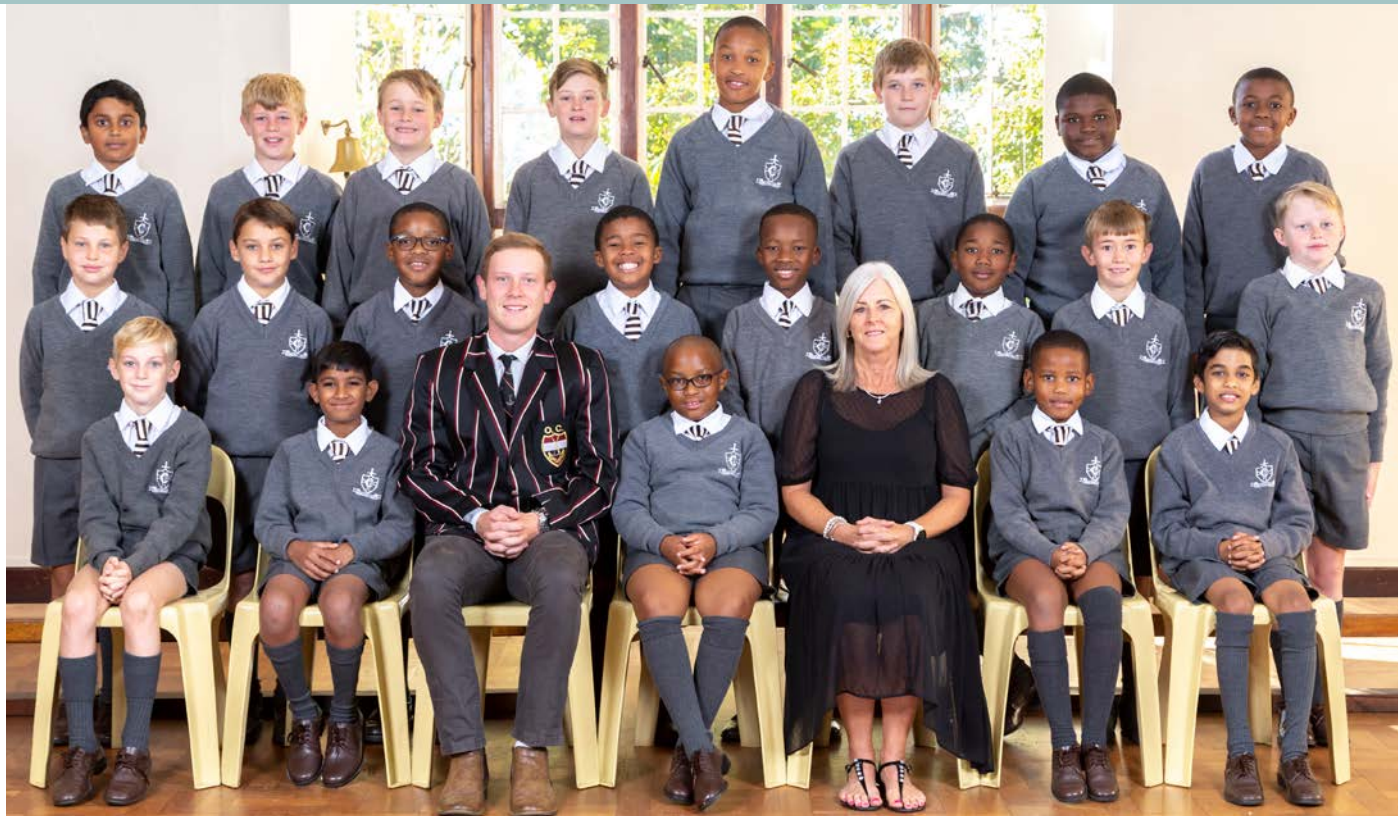
GRADE 3T

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Middle Row: Shih Naidoo, Khaya Dube, Zach Greaves, Samkelo Nyabonda, Harry Payn, Dowon Lee

Front Row: Keval Pillay, Ms H. Tweedale, Isisekelo Zwane, Miss N.Esterhuizen, Reece Stegen



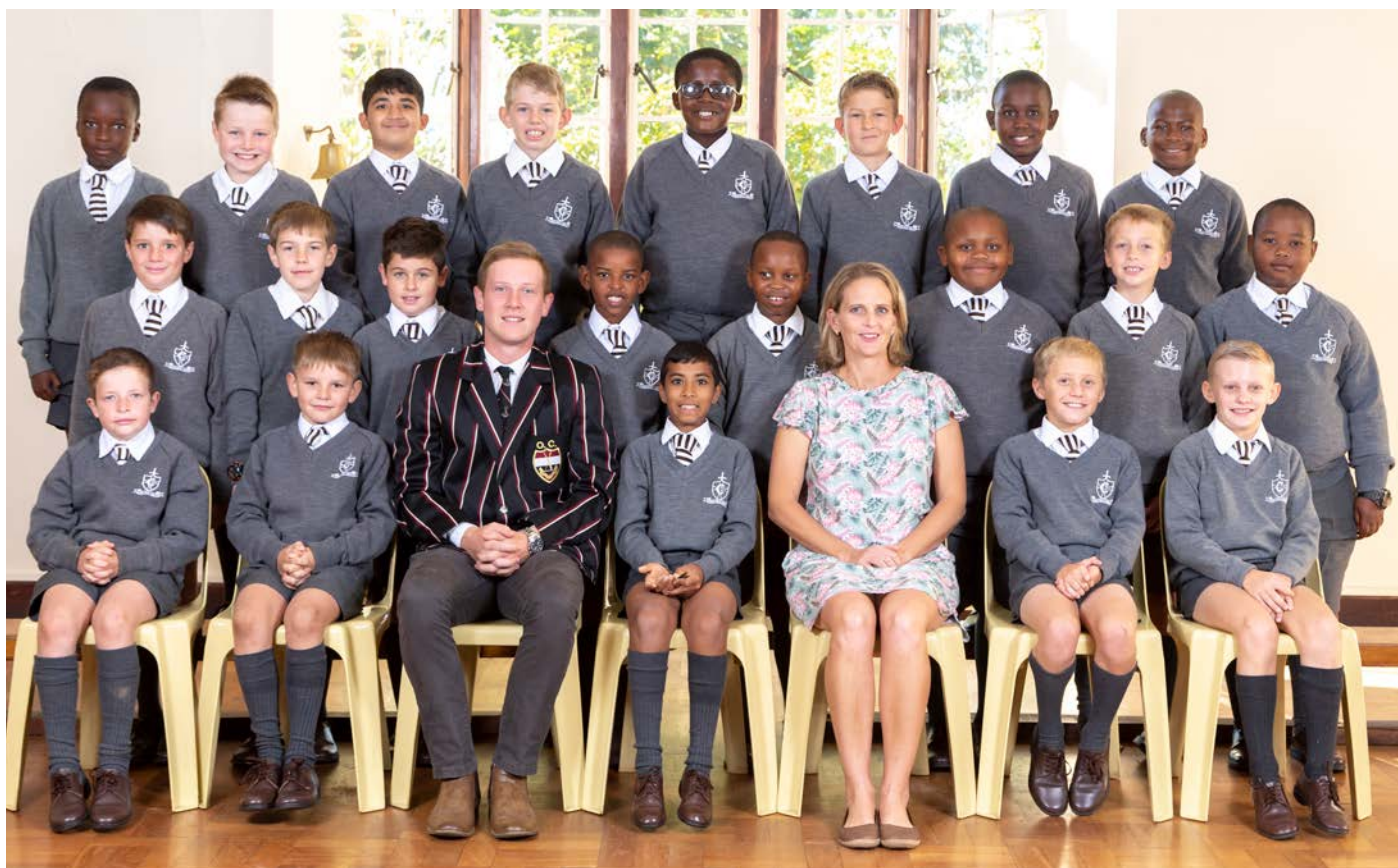


GRADE 4D

Back Row: Veer Bhagwan, Ben Clark, Sam Henderson, Rourke Champkins, Lwandle Dube, Samuel Browning, Avuyile Mbele, Silo Duma

Middle Row: Tom Oxenham, Cooper Hardy, Holi Zondi, Amazi Luthuli, Lukholo Matanzima, Konke Mahlase, Cole Hooker, Joshua Cuff

Front Row: Charles Zammit, Pavanaj Kallicharan, Mr J. Drewett, Olwethu Ntombela, Mrs D. Dedekind, Mpilo Khumalo, Shiar Safila



GRADE 4G

Back Row: Sizwe Masinga, Samuel Gilson, Adam Gani, Preston Becker, Arinda Mugabi, Rafe Vickers, Khuselo Sibiya, Thabiso Nthoba

Middle Row: Daniël Steyn, Nicholas Ware, Blake Stegen, Olinda Kweyama, Akabongwe Ngubane, Aqhama Kankqu, Malachi Hull, Lubanzi Ngcece

Front Row: Benjamin Sclanders, Duncan Dicks, Mr J. Drewett, Abhay Ramraj, Mrs K. Greaves, Joel Shuttleworth, Bryce Longmore

Bug Hunt and Outdoor Cooking



Cultural Week



Futuristic Transport



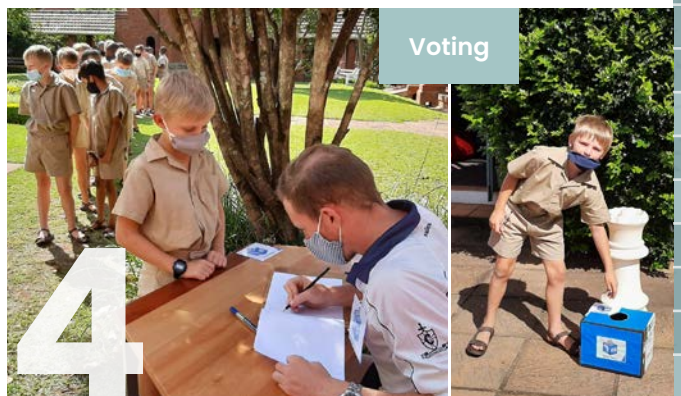
Paralympic Experience



Visit to Nelson Mandela Capture Site



Voting





GRADE 5B

Back Row: Jayden Wiltwer, Ntokozo Mkhize, Malik Maupa, Nkanyiso Xaba, Tasheel Kassen, William Lamb, Reuben Szudrawski, Musa Williams **Middle Row:** Simba Mudavanhu, Luminathi Ntombela, Blake Bullough, Oliver McSeveney, Noah Rushton, Connor McMurray, Rorke Gehren, Wandile Mthembu **Front Row:** Murray Dicks, William Asherson, Ryley Klute, Tariq Ramdhani, Mr B. Bailey, Ethan Walsh, Sachin Ramraj, Luqmaan Khan, Craig Nel



GRADE 5E

Back Row: Awande Moyo, Abdur Rahman Vally, Bambolwethu Sithole, Matthew Fisher, James Kyle, Weston Soar
Middle Row: Joshua Greaves, Ross McHugh, Judah Steyn, Muhammad Noorgat, James Arde, Warona Ramorobi, Phillip van der Vyver
Front Row: Jared Cole, Buhlebonke Ntshangase, Ayabonga Khanyile, Mr H. Henderson-Everill, Shahil Pillay, Leeash Chetty, Cameron McCleary **Absent:** Khethelo Mthembu, Kuphelele Mchunu
Arrived later in the year: Thomas McGregor, David Forbes, Max Johnson



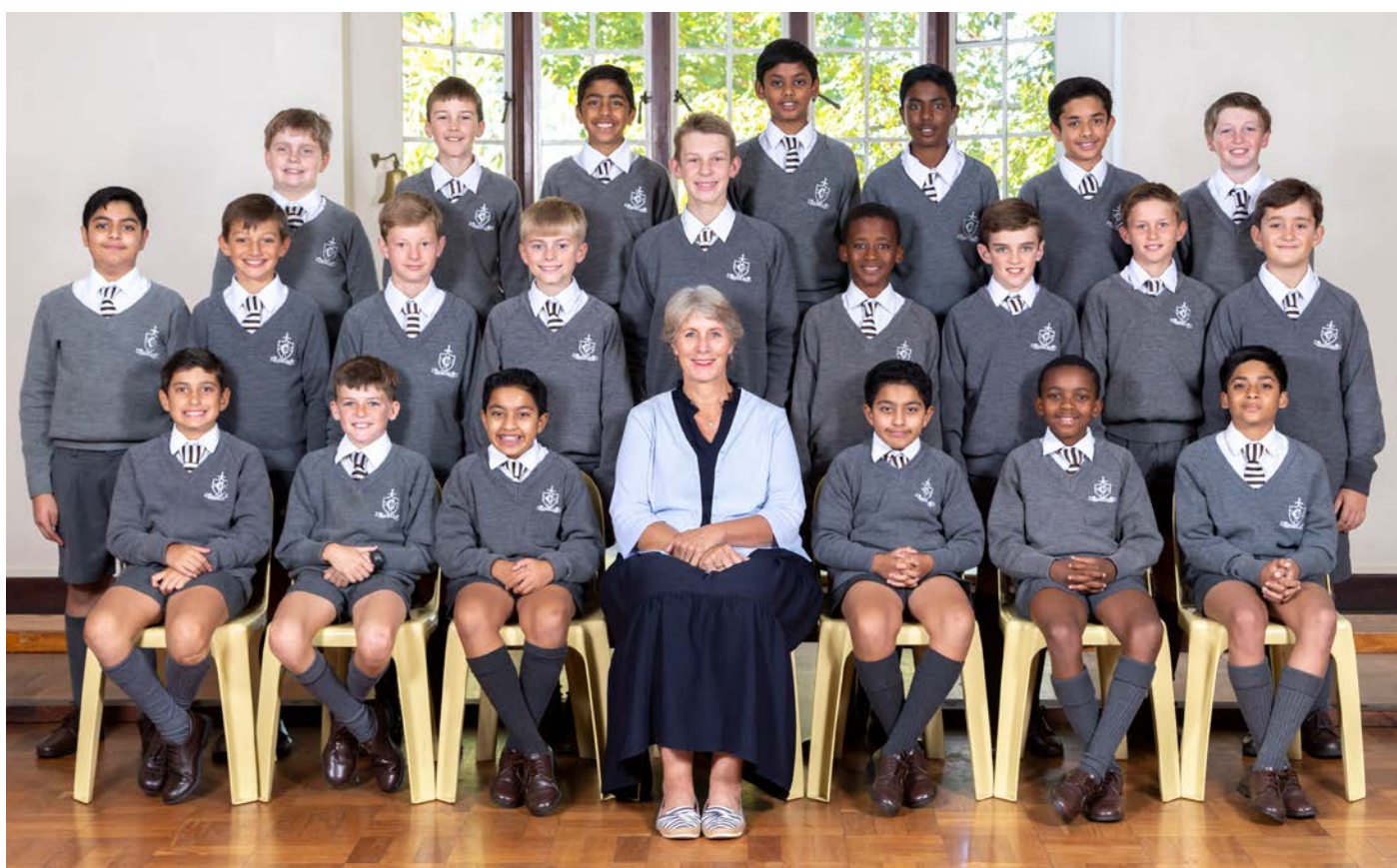
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SENIOR PRIMARY GRADE 6



GRADE 6E

Back Row: Lefa Matswiri, Thomas Leathern, Cameron Hohls, Muhammad Nasser, Sam Payn, Nicholas Wulfsohn
Middle Row: Xolo Dlungwana, Ayanda Kunene, Liyema Mwange, Sondisa Hloba, Sayden Naidoo, Jordan Bateman, Sbongaokuhle Mnculwane, Kumkani Dwenga
Front Row: James Longmore, Shaka Zulu, Mrs. J. Easthorpe, Matthew Stott, Massimo Calcaterra



GRADE 6H

Back Row: Connor Maitland, James Ware, Arjun Wadhvani, Kaidan Pillay, Nicandro Padayachee, Ziya Jasat, Thomas Browse
Middle Row: Zuhayr Dawood, Dylan Leppan, William Wadman, Heath Bullock, Craig McKenzie, Sbonokuhle Sithebe, Nathan Simons, Luke Treleaven, Martinho De Abreu
Front Row: Imran Mahomed, Mitchell Bekker, Ziyaad Asmall, Mrs. G. Hall, Shezaad Asmall, Luneziwe Mshengu, Milan Govender



GRADE 6R

Back Row: James Dellis, Rex Wardlaw, Riley Muir, James Hulett

Middle Row: Knox Rutherfordord, Josh Nicholson, Max Sclanders, William Eustace, Tumane Chitanga, Luthando Mxhego, Drew Lindsay, Matthew Bastard

Front Row: Daniel Urquhart, Caleb Kinvig, TJ Dube, Mr. R. Robertson, Josh Hardy, William Thompson, Daniel Marshall

Absent: Rhett Beaumont, Ben Hempson



Making fudge



Robotics



Mural in 6R



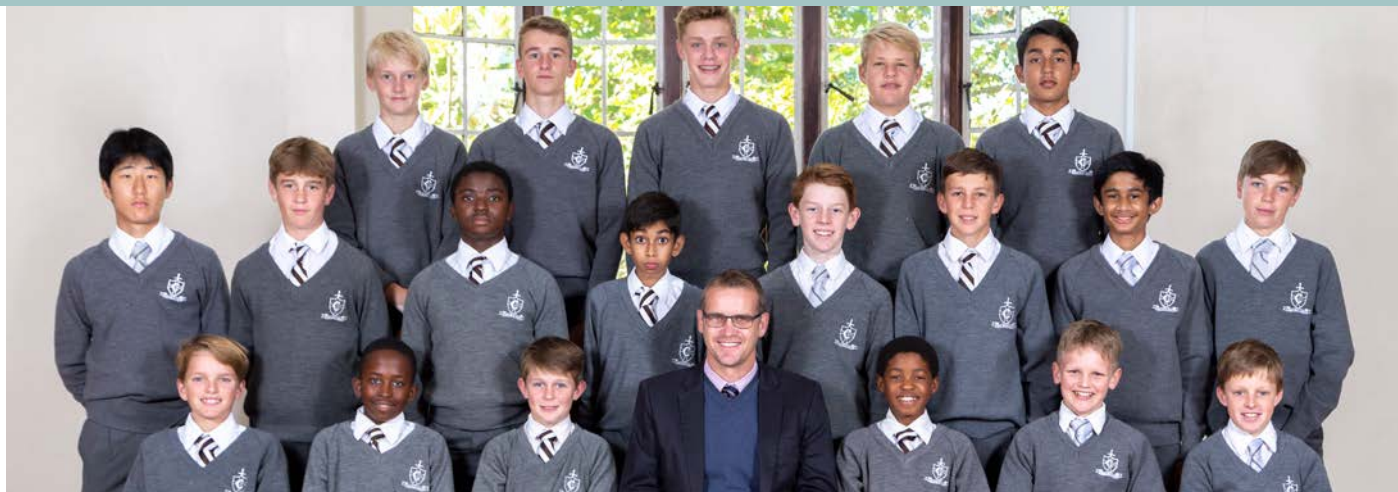
Reading to Grade 2 boys



Outing to African Bird of Prey Sanctuary







GRADE 7DJ

Back Row: Peter van Rooyen, Riley Graves, David Steyn, Guy Fender, Skyler Nienaber
Middle Row: Jaemin Seong, Jack Benkenstein, Banele Phoswa, Shamshér Essop, Dane Harrison, Chris van Rooyen, Arav Lalloo, Oliver Vickery **Front Row:** Chase Maskell, Langelihle Myeza, Ethan Maltby, Mr C. de Jager, Vuyisa Mqokiyana, Matthew Longmore, Bradley Cook



GRADE 7L

Back Row: David Colenbrander, Connor Simpson, Finley Macgregor, Tahil Nankan, Nathan Daniel, Joe Zunckel, Andiswa Thwala, Jack Hermon **Middle Row:** Tristan Durow, Andiswa Mahlase, Murray McHugh, Oliver Brown, Lizwelihe Ntshangase, Oliver Jarvie, Mholi Khuzwayo, Nicholas Adam **Front Row:** Joshua Harris, Simon Reeve, Sbonakele Khoza, Mr D. Lourens, Phupho Mpengesi, Matthew Steel, Thandolwethu Gumedede



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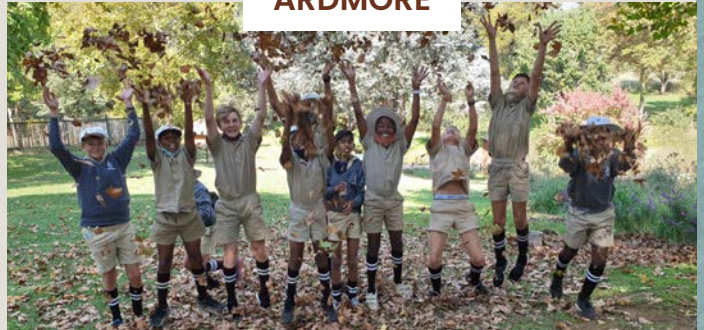
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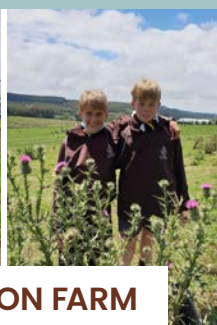
PUBLIC SPEAKING



ETIQUETTE



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PRESTON FARM



SPEAKERS



BLESSING



THIS WAS NO ORDINARY DAY AT THE BEACH

By Arav Lalloo

The beach, one of the world's most aesthetically pleasing places. The golden sun sparkles in the everlasting deep blue ocean. The soft but immobilizing sand that is touched by millions of organisms every day. The plants and animals whether they are big or small play a vital role in keeping this marvellous ecosystem alive. The beach is perfect... without humans.

He lies in the middle of his white fishing boat. His hand blocks the sunlight from blinding his eyes while the sun burns away at his white and red skin. He likes the feel of the sun on his body. A fishing rod stands in place, fastened into its holder, leaning on the edge of his boat. From the fishing rod, the line stretches out straight, exactly where it has been carefully cast into the blue water.

The rod suddenly starts to twitch, then it bends. He jumps up and jerks the rod from its grip. He smiles as he reels the fish in. He has caught his first fish of the day. The fish fights in his stocky hands but it is no use. He throws the fish into a large plastic bucket and turns to cast his line back into the water again.

He repeats this process for several hours until the sunlight weakens. He pulls up the boat's anchor and heads back to shore. The bucket is filled to the brim with fish. They are all dead. He looks down at the bucket and a look of greed imprints on his face. He secures the lid. He wants to ensure that the fish are dead and don't escape. No matter how hard the fish in the ocean may try, they will eventually all be caught. Soon the beach will be inhabited by one life-form only. Humans.

As the fishing boat approaches the dock, the man grows more excited. Money. He does this all for money. Humans are the most greedy creatures who will do gruesome things just for a piece of valuable paper.

He walks along the beach with his large bucket, full of fish. The dead corpses leave a putrid smell that wafts in his wake, polluting the air. He stops at a white vehicle. It matches his boat and has "Cam's Fishing" emblazoned in black, just above the number plate. The rusty hinges of the boot squeak painfully as he lifts the boot up. The inside of the boot is packed neatly with several identical buckets, identical to the one he is carrying. He carefully lowers the full bucket into the middle of them.

He leaves the parking lot and heads towards a colourful store. The store is full of little children looking at the sweets but he aims straight for the ice cream freezer. Ice cream is the perfect treat for the beach. He slides the freezer open and picks a Magnum. He leaves the freezer open. 'That's someone else's problem' and he ambles over to the till to pay. The lady frowns at him but says and does nothing. She accepts his money for the ice cream.

He exits the store with his Magnum in his right hand and his cash slip in his right. He drops the slip on the ground and walks towards the beach. He carefully opens up the wrapper on his ice cream whilst heading for the soft beach sand. The rich chocolate Magnum is delicious. The ice cream melts rapidly and he licks hungrily. He flicks the drips and throws the wrapper and the stick into the ocean. The ocean, the human's dump.

Something has to be done.

The ocean and its creatures have endured too much for too long.

The man walks back towards his white car and suddenly he looks up to the sky as he feels droplets of water splashing him. The sky is cloudless. A loud noise like the sloshing of water grows louder and louder. The man looks behind him and sees a gigantic wave speeding towards him and the shore. Before he can react the wave consumes him and tears him up into oblivion. The wave continues to rush on towards the shore and all the shops, man-made and unnatural. Everything is devoured, destroyed and washed away – including the humans.

Slowly and carefully, the wave subsides.

The sea organisms come out and continue to live and interact in their ecosystems. They work in tandem, helping each other to survive.

The sand is clean.

All pollution gone.

The pale moon moves across the blue-black sky reflecting ribbons of yellow across the waves.

This was no ordinary day at the beach.

This was the day that the ocean fought back.

SPORT ATHLETICS

The Athletics season which takes place at the start of the third term is a very special time. It does not matter if a boy finds himself in the A race or the G race, the healthy dose of competition that arises between himself and his peers is infectious. For sports enthusiasts, an Olympic year is always exciting. The image of Frenchman Lamont Jacobs winning the 100-meter sprint at the 2020 [2021] Tokyo Olympics will long live in the memories of people around the globe. There were also some special performances by the Cordwalles boys during Inter-house Athletics. Special congratulations must go to David Steyn who broke three records, as well as Mitchell Bekker and Lwandle Dube who both set one new school record apiece.

The new records now stand as follows:

Lwandle Dube	U10 Shot Put	9.10m
Mitchell Bekker	U12 800m	3:59.03s
David Steyn	Open Long Jump	5.26m
David Steyn	Open 800m	2.22.54s
David Steyn	Open 1200m	3:48.69s

The final results of the Inter-house Athletics were as follows:

STANDARD POINTS (THE ORR TROPHY)	Butchers
FIELD EVENTS (THE JOHN BROWN TROPHY)	David Steyn (Bu)
THE RELAY CUP	Butchers
U9 CHAMPION	Milann Engelbrecht (J)
U10 CHAMPION	Charles Zammit (J)
U11 JUNIOR VICTOR LUDORUM (THE STEWART TROPHY)	Ross McHugh (Ba)
U12 CHAMPION	Rex Wardlaw (J)
OPEN SENIOR VICTOR LUDORUM (THE SCOTT TROPHY)	David Steyn (Bu)
INTER-HOUSE CUP (THE STEWART TROPHY)	
4th – Tathams	3rd – Baines
2nd – Butchers	1st – Jacksons

A huge thank you must go to Mr Dave Evans and his team for the marking and preparation of the fields this year. I would also like to thank all the Cordwalles staff who helped out in various ways – your enthusiasm and assistance is so appreciated.

Mr Chad Barron





The Cordwalles boys work hard during the first and fourth terms; spending many hours in the nets and out on the fields, to consistently produce cricket results of which we are very proud. Once again there were many outstanding team and individual performances throughout the cricket season with a total of three centuries scored this year. Matthew Bastard scored 168 for the 2nd XI, Joe Zunckel scored 105 not out for the 4th XI and Jack Benkenstein broke the school batting record, amassing 210 not out for the 1st XI against Clifton Nottingham Road. He beat the previous record set by William Dixon Smith who scored 209 against Highbury in 1958. The top bowling figures of the year belonged to Joshua Greaves who took 6 wickets for 6 runs. His feat was closely followed by Sahil Naidoo who took 6 wickets for 12 runs. On forty occasions Cordwalles batsmen managed to pass the 50-run mark during the year and on 8 occasions the Cordwalles bowlers managed to take 5 wicket hauls or better!

The 1st XI played some excellent cricket in 2021. The boys responded well to the required demanding work ethic and developed into a fine, well-drilled team, astutely captained by Jack Benkenstein. The Open age group had a particularly good cricket season with numerous teams going unbeaten. The U9, U10 and U11 age groups developed well, showing improvements each game with the U11A team remaining unbeaten.

Through all the many great team victories; centuries and five-wicket hauls achieved during the year, a Cordwalles boy always ends each game with a noble handshake [or elbow tap] and a friendly smile. The importance of ensuring enjoyment and creating a life-time interest in the game is an important aspect of cricket at Cordwalles. It is clear from the above that cricket is in a very healthy state at Cordwalles. Well done to all the coaches and boys for their effort during the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Evans, our Estate Manager, and the ground staff for the fantastic job they do in preparing the pitches and fields. Our boys are certainly fortunate to be able to have the facilities they do at their disposal.

Mr Chad Barron





1ST XI

Back Row: Arav Lalloo, Reece Cole, Chris van Rooyen

Middle Row: Rex Wardlaw, Bradley Cook, Ethan Maltby, Josh Nicholson, Riley Muir, Oliver Brown

Front Row: Mr C. Barron, Jack Benkenstein, Mr L. Veenstra, Guy Fender, Mr C. Mthimkhulu



2ND XI

Back Row: David Steyn, Syun Maharaj

Middle Row: Arjun Wadhvani, Luke Treleaven, Nathan Simons, Oliver Hoatson, Dylan Leppan, Oliver Vickery

Front Row: Thomas de Charmoy, David Colenbrander, Mr J. Buitendach, Matthew Longmore, Matthew Bastard

**3RD XI**

Back Row: James Dellis, Skyler Nienaber, Murray McHugh

Middle Row: Thomas Browse, Taun Mitchell, Jordan Bateman, Drew Lindsay

Front Row: TJ Dube, Chase Maskell, Mr M. Mthembu, Peter van Rooyen, Josh Hardy

**4TH XI**

Back Row: Hayden Holt, Riley Graves, Lizwelihle Ntshangase

Middle Row: Nicholas Wulfsohn, Nicandro Padayachee, Nicholas Adam, Mitchell Bekker, Wenzile Nzuzo, William Wadman

Front Row: Imran Mahomed, Mholi Khuzwayo, Mr H. Henderson-Everill, William Eustace, Sayden Naidoo



5TH XI

Back Row: Andiswa Mahlase, Finley Macgregor, Andiswa Thwala

Middle Row: Thomas Leathern, Kumkani Dwenga, Oliver Crowe, Knox Rutherford, Ayanda Kunene, James Hulett

Front Row: Luneziwe Mshengu, Tshepo Molai, Mr C. Farr, Oliver Jarvie, Daniel Urquhart



6TH XI

Back Row: Jack Hermon, Nathan Daniel, Joshua Harris

Middle Row: Dane Harrison, Sbonokuhle Sithabe, Sbonakele Khoza, Daniel Marshall, Rhett Beaumont, Banele Phoswa

Front Row: Caleb Kinvig, Locke Lloys-Ellis, Mr S. Nxumalo, Jamie Wessels, Matthew Stott

**7TH XI**

Back Row: Chase Dormehl, Matthew Steel, Langelihle Myeza, Vuyisa Mqokiyana, Nicholas Gosling, Jaemin Seong

Front Row: Phupho Mpengesi, Shezaad Asmall, Mr B. Bailey, James Ware, Fergus Erskine

**8TH XI**

Back Row: Matthew Steel, Milan Govender, Phupho Mpengesi, Sondisa Hloba, Xolo Dlungwana, Sam Payn

Front Row: John Gilson, Chase Dormehl, Mr C. Wallace, Jaemin Seong, Shezaad Asmall



9TH AND 10TH XI



Back Row: Thandolwethu Gumede, Ben Hempson, Matthew Fisher, Muhammad Nasser, Craig McKenzie, Cameron Hohls, Kaidan Pillay, Lefa Matswiri, Zuhayr Dawood **Middle Row:** Tanen Soar, Shamsher Essop, Luthando Mxhego, Martinho De Abreu, Massimo Calcaterra, Shaka Zulu, Connor Maitland, Simon Reeve, Ziya Jasat, Sbhongakuhle Mnculwane **Front Row:** Liyema Mwange, William Thompson, Tahil Nankan, Mr G. Sibisi, Ziyaad Asmall, James Longmore, Heath Bullock



U11A



Back Row: Tasheel Kassen
Middle Row: Ross McHugh, Joshua Greaves, Blake Bullough, Sachin Ramraj, Judah Steyn, Wandile Mthembu
Front Row: Jared Cole, Cameron McCleary, Mr R. Robertson, Phillip van der Vyver, James Ardé

**U11B****Back Row:** Bambolwethu Sithole**Middle Row:** James Kyle, Thomas McGregor, Murray Dicks, Oliver McSeveney, Rorke Gehren, William Lamb**Front Row:** Ayabonga Khanyile, Buhlebonke Ntshangase, Mr K. Naude, Ethan Walsh, Luqmaan Kahn**U11C****Back Row:** Max Johnson, Bambolwethu Sithole, Awande Moyo**Middle Row:** Simbarashe Mudavanhu, Weston Soar, Noah Rushton, David Forbes, Warona Ramarobi, Jayden Wiltwer**Front Row:** Khethelo Mthembu, Kuphelele Mchunu, Mr J. Hall, Ryley Klute, Connor McMurray



U11D

Back Row: Ntokozo Mkhize, Musa Williams, Abdur Rahman Vally, Nkanyiso Xaba

Middle Row: Luminathi Ntombela, Craig Nel, Leeash Chetty, Reuben Szudrawski

Front Row: Tarik Ramdhani, Muhammad Noorgat, Mr T. Dlamini, Malik Maupa, Shahil Pillay



U10A

Back Row: Veer Bhagwan, Ben Clark, Joshua Cuff

Middle Row: Charles Zammit, Abhay Ramraj, Joel Shuttleworth, Blake Stegen

Front Row: Olinda Kweyama, Duncan Dicks, Mr C. de Jager, Cole Hooker, Benjamin Sclanders



**U10B**

Back Row: Rourke Champkins, Samuel Browning, Sam Henderson

Middle Row: Samuel Gilson, Blake Stegen, Daniel Steyn, Rafe Vickers

Front Row: Thabiso Nthoba, Lukholo Matanzima, Mr J. Drewett, Aqhama Kankqu, Tom Oxenham

**U10C**

Back Row: Silo Duma, Adam Gani, Khuselo Sibiya

Middle Row: Malachi Hull, Konke Mahlase, Bryce Longmore, Holi Zondi, Nicholas Ware, Sizwe Masinga

Front Row: Mpilo Khumalo, Mr C. Farr, Lwandle Dube, Mr A. Bartlett, Akabongwe Ngubane



U10D

Back Row: Preston Becker, Lwandle Dube, Arinda Mugabi

Middle Row: Avuyile Mbele, Pavanaj Kallicharan, Konke Mahlase, Sizwe Masinga

Front Row: Shiar Safa, Lubanzi Ngcece, Mr W. Mnyandu, Olwethu Ntombela, Malachi Hull



U9A

Back Row: Titus Drakopoulos

Middle Row: Andrew Theunissen, Vihaan Kassen, Khaya Dube, Daniel Harris, Alondwe Biyela, Milann Engelbrecht

Front Row: Zach Greaves, Scott Hoatson, Mr D. Greaves, Reece Stegen, Sahil Naidoo

**U9B**

Back Row: Mfundo Foslara, Patrick Ridl, Harry Christopher, James Eustace, Inhle Jali, Samkelo Mtolo

Front Row: Isisekelo Zwane, Keval Pillay, Mr D. Lourens, Chatonda Moyo, Harry Payn

**U9C**

Back Row: Milun Visvanathan, Ahmed Kajee, Bhudhav Padiachy, Mbusi Ntombela

Front Row: Jamie Klute, Yanga Ngubane, Mr H. Hankinson, Samkelo Nyabonda, Dowon Lee

SPORT CROSS COUNTRY

Always...

LOVE WHAT YOU DO
AND DO WHAT YOU LOVE.

During this season of Cross Country, many boys showed much commitment and enjoyment for running. There was a determination to get better each week and a willingness to achieve 50km by the boys. Much diligence was needed to become part of the 50km achievers and this was shown at the early morning cross country runs as well as the regular afternoon practices. Well done to all the boys who achieved their 50km badge.

Considering we only had two inter-school events at St Charles and Cowan House, the boys remained enthused throughout the season. These two events took on a very different face as to what we are familiar with at inter-school cross country meets. With Covid-19 restrictions imposed, only two schools were allowed to compete at any given time. There was much excitement at our first event since the boys had previously run more than a year ago.

We were fortunate to fit in our inter-house cross country event, during which, yet again, all the boys showed much endurance and fearlessness as they tackled the challenging route. This year all Grade 1s and 2s participated in the inter-house event. The quote "Love what you do and do what you love", was evident week after week and we look forward to the next season of cross country.

Mrs Dorrianne Julius





CROSS COUNTRY SQUAD

Back Row: Khushelo Sibiya, Dylan Leppan, Lwandle Dube, Cameron Hohls, Riley Muir, Ayanda Kunene, Sbonokuhle Sithebe, Wandile Mthembu, Daniël Steyn

Third Row: Veer Bhagwan, James Eustace, Thobisa Nthoba, Joshua Cuff, Malachi Hull, Cooper Hardy, Milann Engelbrecht, Judah Steyn, Samkelo Mtolo, William Eustace, Charles Zammit

Second Row: Daniel Harris, Harry Christopher, Khaya Dube, Ethan Walsh, Chatonda Moyo, Yanga Ngubane, Isisekelo Zwane, Zach Greaves, Patrick Ridl, Harry Payn, Bryce Longmore, TJ Dube

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SPORT HOCKEY

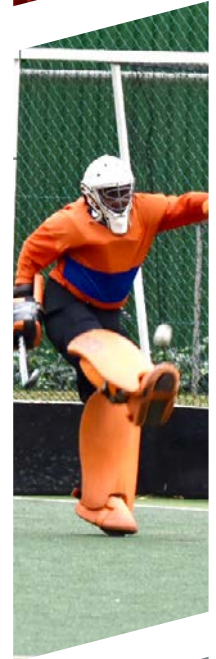
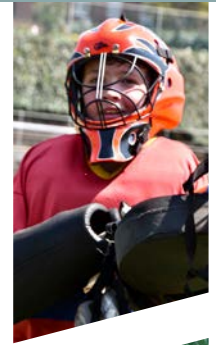
The opportunity to get back out onto the fields and play some competitive hockey in 2021 was relished by the boys and coaching staff alike, even though we were only able to enjoy a curtailed season. Firstly, national regulations prohibited inter-school fixtures, and then as the waves of Covid-19 swept through various schools at different times during the 3rd term, some fixtures were also cancelled. Despite these frustrations, when we did manage to get onto the field, the boys played some excellent hockey.

The Open age group enjoyed excellent results down the line against our opponents, but more importantly played an entertaining brand of hockey, despite missing a competitive season in 2020. Our junior teams had to make an enormous step up having effectively skipped an age group and along with it, all the development of rules and skills. Despite these challenges which were common to all our opponents too, the boys approached the season with plenty of pent-up enthusiasm.

Our senior boys were able to participate in the regional and provincial trials process. Eight boys were eventually selected to the various KZN Inland teams, although they never got to compete at an inter-provincial tournament. Another ten boys were selected to the Umgungundlovu District teams.

During the hockey season, we put out more teams than any other code at Cordwalles. Staffing such a large number of teams is a challenge and requires the input of staff from right across the school. I extend my thanks to them for their dedication, passion and commitment to ensuring that our boys are able to enjoy excellent coaching at every level. Mr Barron also deserves our thanks for the enormous logistical load which he carries during the hockey season.

Mr Richard Robertson



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**2ND XI**

Back Row: Lizwelihle Ntshangase, Rex Wardlaw, Skyler Nienaber, Murray McHugh

Middle Row: Nicandro Padayachee, Dylan Leppan, Imran Mahomed, David Colenbrander, Nathan Simons, Ayanda Kunene

Front Row: Josh Hardy, Bradley Cook, Mr J. Buitendach, Oliver Brown, William Eustace



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Back Row: Oliver Vickery, Andiswa Thwala, Jaemin Seong, Oliver Jarvie

Middle Row: Matthew Steel, Wenzile Nzuzi, Vuyisa Mqokiyana, Langelihle Myeza, Daniel Marshall, John Gilson

Front Row: Sondisa Hloba, Riley Graves, Mr C. de Jager, Dane Harrison, Sbonakele Khoza



4TH XI

Back Row: Jack Hermon, Chase Dormehl, Andiswa Mahlase, Arjun Wadwhani

Middle Row: Mholi Khuzwayo, Ziya Jasat, Nicholas Adam, Riley Muir, Thomas Browse, Kumkani Dwenga

Front Row: Oliver Hoatson, Phupho Mpengesi, Mr S. Rogers, TJ Dube, Drew Lindsay



5TH XI

Back Row: Knox Rutherford, Milan Govender, Rhett Beaumont, Nicholas Wulfsohn, Thomas Leathern, Simon Reeve, Josh Nicholson

Front Row: Liyema Mwange, Finley Macgregor, Mr B. Bailey, Daniel Urquhart, Ziyaad Asmall



6TH XI

Back Row: Joshua Harris, Locke Lloys-Ellis, Craig McKenzie, Thandolwethu Gumede

Middle Row: William Wadman, Sbonokuhle Sithebe, Shezaad Asmall, Matthew Bastard, Max Sclanders, Jamie Wessels

Front Row: Matthew Stott, Nathan Daniel, Mr J. Hall, Oliver Crowe, Luneziwe Mshengu



7TH XI

Back Row: Sam Payn, Sbongaokuhle Mnculwane, Tanen Soar

Middle Row: James Ware, Martinho De Abreu, Sayden Naidoo, Muhammad Nasser, Heath Bullock, Xolo Dlungwana

Front Row: Caleb Kinvig, Nicholas Gosling, Mr H. Henderson-Everill, Shamshér Essop, Shaka Zulu



8TH XI

Back Row: Matthew Fisher, Ben Hempson, Connor Maitland, Massimo Calcaterra, James Ware, Zuhayr Dawood, Lefa Matswiri, Kaidan Pillay

Front Row: Luthando Mxhego, Tahlil Nankan, Mr J. Drewett, William Thompson, James Longmore



U11A

Back Row: Rorke Gehren, Blake Bullough, Phillip van der Vyver, Ross McHugh, Wandile Mthembu

Front Row: Cameron McCleary, Mr D. Greaves, Jared Cole, Mr C. Wallace, Joshua Greaves



U11B

Back Row: James Kyle

Middle Row: William Lamb, Connor McMurray, James Ardé, Judah Steyn

Front Row: Luqmaan Khan, Ayabonga Khanyile, Mr M. Mthembu, Ethan Walsh, Murray Dicks



U11C

Back Row: Oliver McSeveney

Middle Row: Noah Rushton, Kuphelele Mchunu, Bambolwethu Sithole, Thomas McGregor

Front Row: Ryley Klute, Mr K. Naude, Sachin Ramraj



U11D

Back Row: Craig Nel

Middle Row: Awande Moyo, Weston Soar, Jayden Wiltwer, Tasheel Kassen

Front Row: Simbarashe Mudavanhu, Khethelo Mthembu, Mr G. Sibisi, Buhlebonke Ntshangase, Warona Ramorobi





U11E

Back Row: Luminathi Ntombela

Middle Row: Nkanyiso Xaba, Musa Williams, Muhammad Noorgat, Malik Maupa

Front Row: Shahil Pillay, Tarik Ramdhani, Mr W. Mnyandu, Ntokozo Mkhize, Reuben Szudrawski



U10A

Back Row: Thobisa Nthoba, Sam Henderson, Ben Clark

Middle Row: Joel Shuttleworth, Blake Stegen, Charles Zammit, Lukholo Matamzima

Front Row: Mr C. Barron, Duncan Dicks, Mr C. Farr



U10B

Back Row: Rafe Vickers, Lwandle Dube, Samuel Gilson

Middle Row: Daniel Steyn, Holi Zondi, Cole Hooker, Joshua Cuff

Front Row: Olinda Kweyama, Mr H. Hankinson, Bryce Longmore



U10C

Back Row: Aqhama Kankqu, Silo Duma, Samuel Browning, Rourke Champkins, Khuselo Sibiya

Front Row: Abhay Ramraj, Mr S. Nxumalo, Benjamin Sclanders





U10D

Back Row: Preston Becker

Middle Row: Tom Oxenham, Blake Stegen, Nicholas Ware, Malachi Hull

Front Row: Mpilo Khumalo, Mr D. Lourens, Akabongwe Ngubane



U10E

Back Row: Arinda Mugabi

Middle Row: Lubanzi Ngcece, Shiar Safla, Konke Mahlase, Avuyile Mbele

Front Row: Adam Gani, Mr T. Dlamini, Sizwe Masinga



U9A

Back Row: Vihaan Kassen, Andrew Theunissen, Milann Engelbrecht, Samkelo Mtolo

Front Row: Scott Hoatson, Mrs W. Fryer Dudley, Zach Greaves



U9B

Back Row: James Eustace

Middle Row: Daniel Harris, Khaya Dube, Sahil Naidoo, Inhle Jali

Front Row: Reece Stegen, Mrs D. Dedekind, Chatonda Moyo



U9C

Back Row: Alondwe Biyela

Middle Row: Harry Christopher, Patrick Ridl, Milun Visvanathan, Jamie Klute

Front Row: Harry Payn, Mrs D. Hoatson, Samkelo Nyabonda



U9D

Back Row: Mbusi Ntombela, Bhudhav Padiachy, Dowon Lee, Ahmed Kajee,
Mfundo Foslara, Titus Drakopoulos

Front Row: Isisekelo Zwane, Mrs C. Hull, Keval Pillay, Mrs B. Kyle, Yanga Ngubane

SPORT RUGBY

There was a feeling of great excitement as the rugby season grew closer. Boys could be heard in the corridors discussing their favourite positions and which teams they were hoping to make. Pre-season was full of grit and hard work as the focus was on ball skills and getting fit for the rigours of rugby. During the first practice session, all the boys were given a fitness test to determine their individual strength, stamina and agility skills. There was much anticipation for the outcome of the exercise, throughout the open age group.

In preparation for the first round of fixtures, inter-house games were played. These were great, as the boys left nothing in their tanks as they relished the opportunity to go head-to-head with their peers. Our first and only fixture, was against across the city rivals, St Charles College. Adrenalin was high and the Cordwalles boys could not wait to get stuck in. We all knew this would be a testing fixture, however, we were well prepared and ready to run out in the proud brown and white rugby jersey.

Our age group coaches focused on the basics of rugby while making sure that enjoyment was had. Here the fundamentals of the game are coached and the passion from the coaches clearly rubs off onto the boys in their care. The open age group was strong with plenty of depth. The first team was an extremely strong side and was desperately unlucky to have had their season cut short due to Covid. Mholi Khuzwayo and Guy Fender did a wonderful job to lead the team. The boys trained with enthusiasm and lots of purpose. We were extremely unlucky not to have had the annual KZN Midlands teams selected, as, Cordwalles would have done well to have produced many provincial players.

Mr Hayden Henderson-Everill





1ST XV

Back Row: Skyler Nienaber, Reece Cole, David Steyn, Riley Graves, Jaemin Seong

Middle Row: Oliver Vickery, Dane Harrison, James Dellis, Oliver Jarvie, Chase Maskell, Matthew Steel, Oliver Brown, David Colenbrander

Front Row: Mr H. Henderson-Everill, Mholi Khuzwayo, Mr L. Veenstra, Guy Fender, Mr G. Sibisi



2ND XV

Back Row: Jack Benkenstein, Nathan Daniel, Syun Maharaj, Peter van Rooyen

Middle Row: Kumkani Dwenga, Murray McHugh, Thomas de Charmoy, Bradley Cook, Ayanda Kunene, Riley Muir

Front Row: Ethan Maltby, Banele Phoswa, Mr J. Buitendach, Matthew Longmore, Mitchell Bekker



3RD XV

Back Row: Rex Wardlaw, Finley Macgregor, Locke Lloys-Ellis, Fergus Erskine

Middle Row: Lizwelihe Ntshangase, James Hulett, Knox Rutherfordord, Josh Nicholson, Matthew Bastard, Nicholas Wulfsohn

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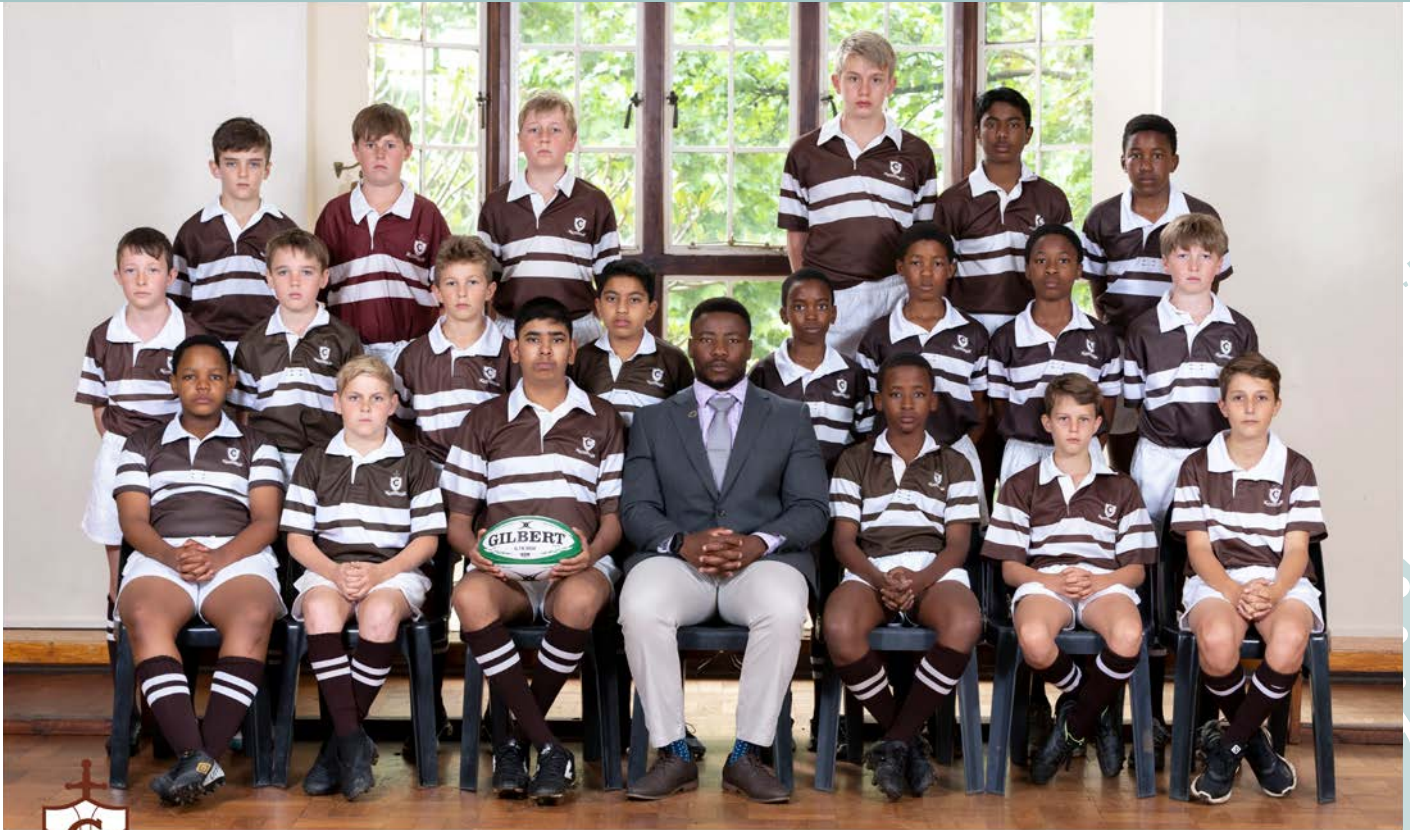


4TH XV

Back Row: Chris van Rooyen, Chase Dormehl, Arav Lalloo, Joshua Harris

Middle Row: Xolo Dlungwana, Dylan Leppan, Nicholas Adam, Luke Treleaven, Langelihle Myeza, William Wadman, John Gilson, Arjun Wadhvani

Front Row: Sondisa Hloba, Nicholas Gosling, Mr R. Richardson, Oliver Hoatson, Josh Hardy



5TH XV

Back Row: Nathan Simons, Oliver Crowe, Rhett Beaumont, Cameron Hohls, Nicandro Padayachee, Phupho Mpengesi **Middle Row:** Max Sclanders, Jordan Bateman, Daniel Urquhart, Shezaad Asmall, TJ Dube, Vuyisa Mqokiyana, Sbonakele Khoza, Thomas Browse **Front Row:** Sbongaakuhle Mnculwane, Matthew Stott, Tahil Nankan, Mr G. Sibisi, Sbonokuhle Sithebe, Daniel Marshall, Drew Lindsay



6TH/7TH XV

Back Row: Muhammad Nasser, Sam Payn, Matthew Fisher, Ben Hempson, Ziya Jasat, Shamshér Essop, James Ware, Zuhayr Dawood, Lefa Matswiri, Kaidan Pillay, Thomas Leathern **Middle Row:** Martinho De Abreu, Liyema Mwange, Luthando Mxhego, James Longmore, Shaka Zulu, William Thompson, Sayden Naidoo, Connor Maitland, Milan Govender, Simon Reeve **Front Row:** Tanen Soar, Wenzile Nzuza, Mr D. Greaves, Thandolwethu Gumede, Mr C. Wallace, Jamie Wessels, Ziyaad Asmall



U11A

Back Row: Ross McHugh, William Lamb, Kuphelele Mchunu, Rorke Gehren

Middle Row: Noah Rushton, Blake Bullough, Judah Steyn, Ethan Walsh, Jared Cole, Joshua Greaves, James Arde, Phillip van der Vyver

Front Row: Wandile Mthembu, Mr C. Barron, James Kyle, Mr J. Drewett, Cameron McCleary



U11B

Back Row: Bambolwethu Sithole, Nkanyiso Xaba, Tasheel Kassen, Malik Maupa

Middle Row: Awande Moyo, Connor McMurray, Sachin Ramraj, Buhlebonke Ntshangase, Ryley Klute, Luqmaan Khan, Musa Williams, Jayden Wiltwer

Front Row: Ayabonga Khanyile, Oliver McSeveney, Mr S. Nxumalo, Ethan Walsh, Khethelo Mthembu



U11C

Back Row: Weston Soar, Luminathi Ntombela, Tarik Ramdhani, Leeash Chetty, Muhammad Noorgat, Ntokozo Mkhize

Front Row: Warona Ramorobi, Craig Nel, Mr S. Rogers, Simbarashe Mudavanhu, Shahil Pillay



U10A

Back Row: Cole Hooker, Lwandle Dube, Rafe Vickers, Khuselelo Sibiya

Middle Row: Daniël Steyn, Aqhama Kankqu, Lukholo Matanzima, Charles Zammit

Front Row: Duncan Dicks, Mr J. Hall, Blake Stegen, Mr C. de Jager, Joel Shuttleworth



U10B

Back Row: Ben Clark, Samuel Gilson, Abhay Ramraj, Olinda Kweyama, Silo Duma, Adam Gani

Front Row: Joshua Cuff, Sam Henderson, Mr D. Lourens, Bryce Longmore, Thabiso Nthoba



U10C

Back Row: Rourke Champkins, Samuel Browning, Preston Becker

Middle Row: Sizwe Masinga, Tom Oxenham, Holi Zondi, Akabongwe Ngubane, Veer Bhagwan, Avuyile Mbele

Front Row: Konke Mahlase, Benjamin Sclanders, Mr H. Hankinson, Blake Stegen, Nicholas Ware





U10D

Back Row: Olwethu Ntombela, Arinda Mugabi, Konke Mahlase, Akabongwe Ngubane

Front Row: Shiar Safila, Malachi Hull, Mr T. Dlamini, Mpilo Khumalo, Lubanzi Ngcece

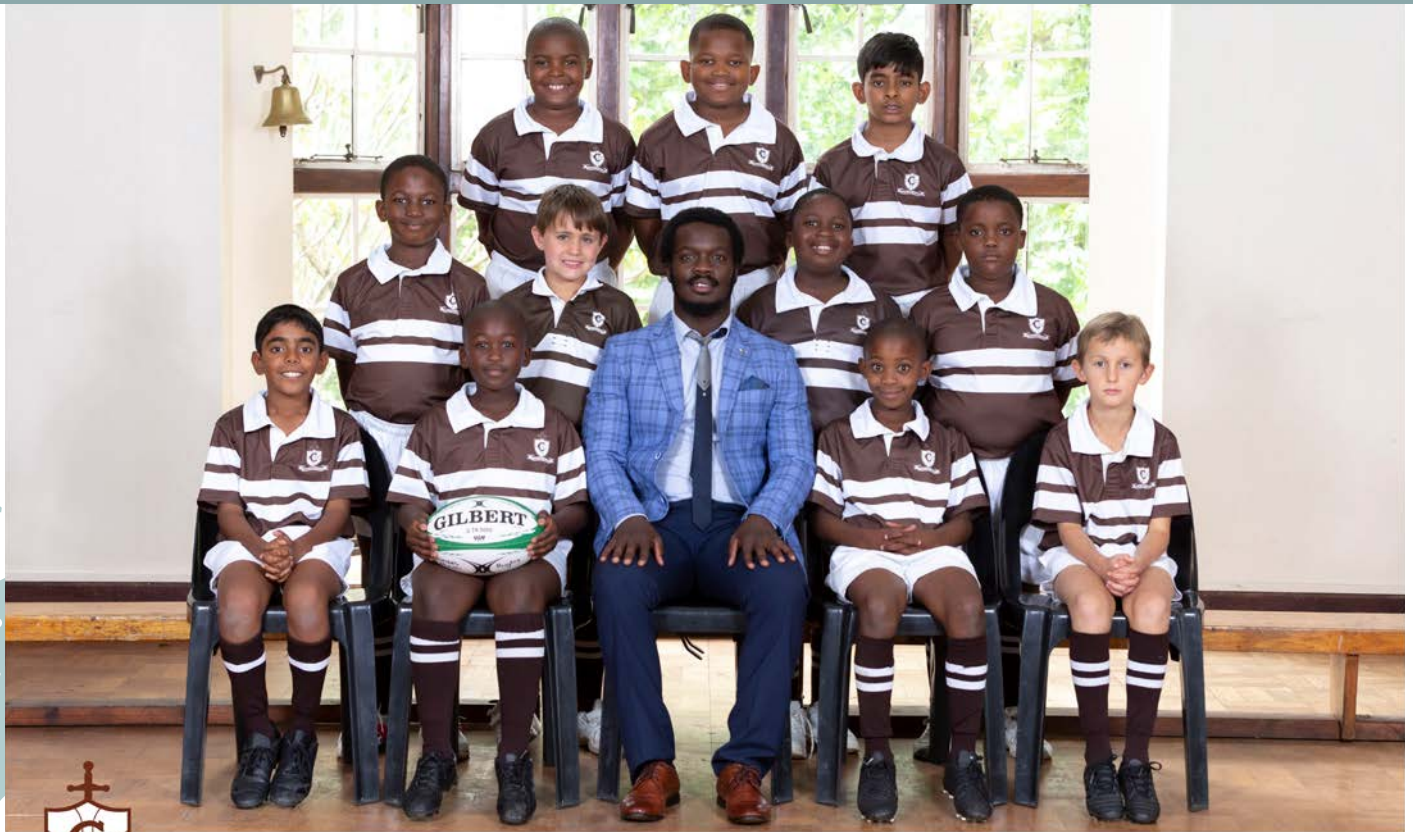


U9A

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Middle Row: Daniel Harris, Khaya Dube, Patrick Ridl, James Eustace

Front Row: Scott Hoatson, Mr C. Farr, Zach Greaves, Mr B. Bailey, Reece Stegen



U9B

Back Row: Alondwe Biyela, Mfundo Foslara, Milun Visvanathan

Middle Row: Samkelo Mtolo, Jamie Klute, Samkelo Nyabonda, Inhle Jali

Front Row: Sahil Naidoo, Chatonda Moyo, Mr M. Mthembu, Yanga Ngubane, Harry Christopher



U9C

Back Row: Mbusi Ntombela, Ahmed Kajee, Isisekelo Zwane, Bhudhav Padiachy

Front Row: Dowon Lee, Mr W. Mnyandu, Kaval Pillay





Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, none of the mini-galas could be hosted in 2021 and no Umgungundlovu Districts Primary Swimming trials were held. However, the coaches' enthusiasm to train the boys in the afternoons and early mornings of the first and fourth terms did not abate.

At the annual Championship Gala, competition was fierce, as Jacksons had won the Standard Cup for participation and the other houses, Baines, Butchers and Tathams, were all wanting to claim the Championship House Trophy. Butchers were the winners, followed by Baines, Jacksons and Tathams respectively. Baines won the Relay Cup. Live streaming enabled our parents to watch this event at home, as spectators were prohibited, due to Covid-19 protocols. Special mention must be made of David Steyn who, at the Pre-Gala Championship events, broke the Open Individual Medley record in a time of 1:16.03s. At the Championship Gala, David Steyn also broke three records – 25m Freestyle, 50m Freestyle and 25m Butterfly and Riley Graves also broke one record in the 50m Backstroke.

Our champion swimmers in each age group were:

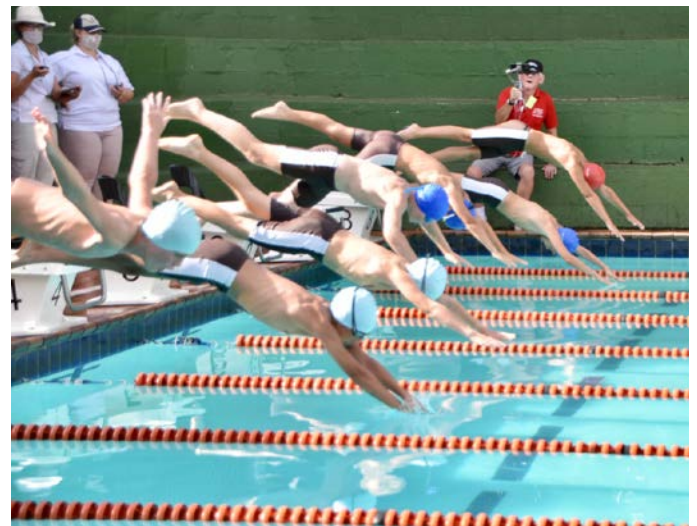
U9:	Vihaan Kassen
U10:	Samuel Gilson
U11: VICTOR LUDORUM:	Ross McHugh
U12:	Rex Wardlaw
SENIOR VICTOR LUDORUM:	David Steyn

The annual inter-schools galas were postponed until October and held under strict Covid-19 protocols. Merchiston won the gala with Cordwalles placing second. Congratulations to the Open A Relay team consisting of Skyler Nienaber, Reece Cole, Dane Harrison, Riley Graves and David Steyn. These boys won the Boys' Relay Trophy and broke records in the following events: 4 x 25m Medley, 4 x 50m Breaststroke and 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay.

The B team won the Inter-Schools B Gala and our C team was placed fifth in the C Gala.

Well done to all the swimmers.

Mrs Denise Dedekind





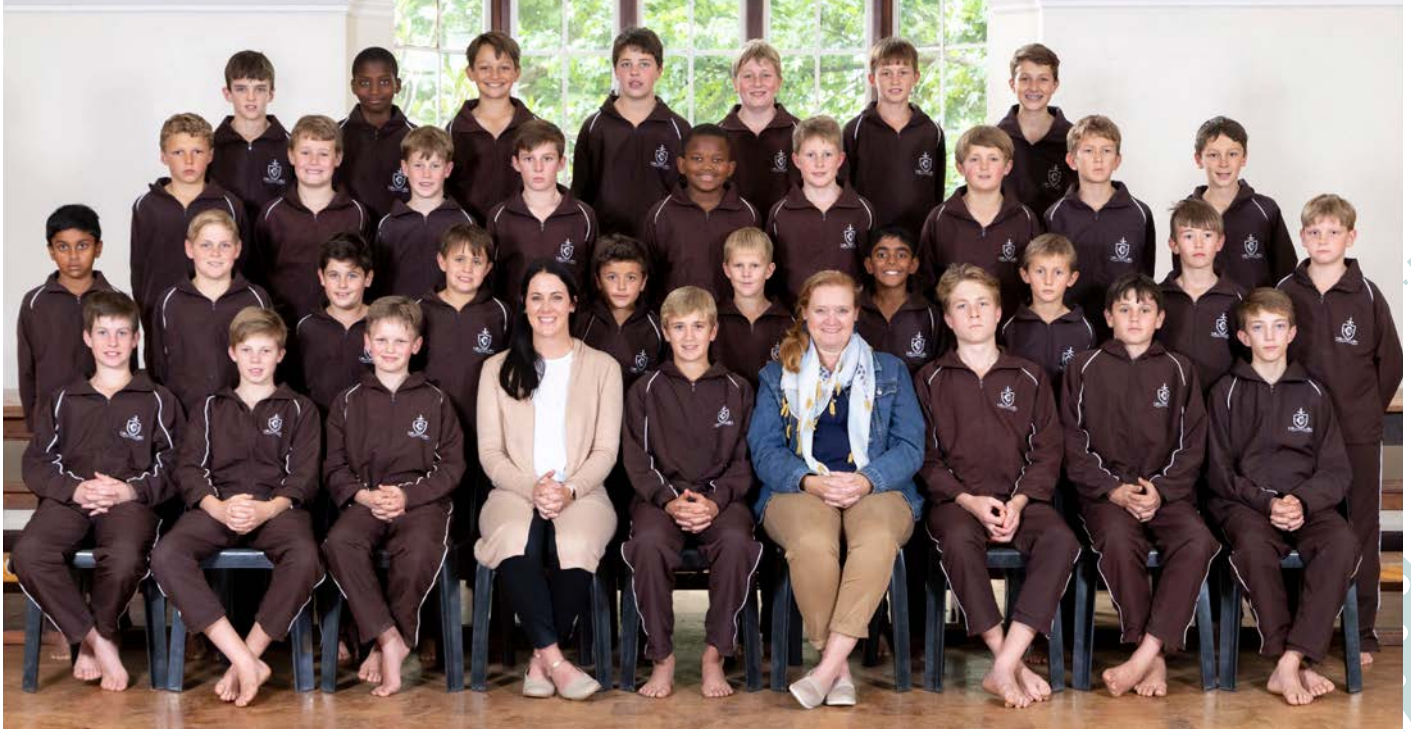
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Front Row: Dane Harrison, Skyler Nienaber, Mrs D. Dedekind, Riley Graves, Mr L. Veenstra, David Steyn, Mrs W. Fryer Dudley, Reece Cole, Craig McKenzie





B SQUAD

Back Row: Nathan Simons, Wandile Mthembu, Dylan Leppan, Nicholas Wulfsohn, Rhett Beaumont, Luke Treleaven, Drew Lindsay

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Front Row: Riley Muir, Murray McHugh, Matthew Longmore, Mrs K. Jansen van Vuuren, Oliver Brown, Mrs W. Fryer Dudley, David Colenbrander, Joshua Harris, James Dellis



C SQUAD

Back Row: Samkelo Mtolo, Jamie Wessels, Tanen Soar, Xolo Dlungwana, Nicandro Padayachee, Sam Payn, Thomas Leathern, Arjun Wadhwani, Ben Hempson, James Hulett, William Wadman, Oliver Crowe, Noah Rushton, Thomas McGregor

Fourth Row: Abdur Rahman Vally, Bambolwethu Sithole, Kuphelele Mchunu, Thomas Browse, Weston Soar, Milan Govender, Liyema Mwange, Jordan Bateman, Connor Maitland, Heath Bullock, Taun Mitchell, Josh Nicholson, Sbonokuhle Sithebe, Knox Rutherford, Martinho De Abreu, Sbonokuhle Mnculwane, Max Johnson, Zuhayr Dawood

Third Row: William Eustace, Max Sclanders, Phillip van der Vyver, James Longmore, William Thompson, Milun Visvanathan, Leeash Chetty, Daniel Urquhart, Preston Becker, Ben Clark, Adam Gani, Shezaad Asmall, Sachin Ramraj, Luqmaan Khan, Tom Oxenham, Craig Nel, Sayden Naidoo, Mitchell Bekker

Second Row: Daniël Steyn, Lukholo Matanzima, Bhudhav Padiachy, Mpilo Khumalo, Caleb Kinvig, Benjamin Sclanders, Olinda Kweyama, TJ Dube, Scott Hoatson, Isisekelo Zwane, Abhay Ramraj, Duncan Dicks, Bryce Longmore, James Eustace, Ziyaad Asmall, Josh Hardy, Charles Zammit, Thabiso Nthoba

Front Row: Oliver Jarvie, Nicholas Adam, Jaemin Seong, Shamsher Essop, Finley Macgregor, Mrs J. O' Donoghue Easthorpe, Nathan Daniel, Mrs K. Nero, Thomas de Charmoy, Mrs B. Kyle, Matthew Steel, Oliver Hoatson, Jack Hermon, Bradley Cook, Simon Reeve

SPORT TENNIS

2021 was an interesting year to say the least.

At the beginning of the year the senior and junior ladders were formed and the seniors were eager to challenge in order to climb their way up the ladder. The juniors, on the other hand, took a little longer to grasp the concept of the tennis ladder and the idea of challenging other players. It was encouraging to witness the number of enthusiastic players attending the practises regardless of the fact that tennis is not a compulsory sport and that it is scheduled on the same day as swimming. Boys were adept at juggling their afternoon commitments so as to fit in both sports.

In the second term we were invited to participate in the Rising Stars Tournament. We entered 2 senior teams and our boys did Cordwalles proud with their exemplary manners and wonderful tennis, coming first and second in the first leg of the tournament. Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, we did not participate in the next round.

The third term saw a combination of the inter-house tournament, senior and junior championship tournament

and the inter-schools' tournament. In the seniors' tournament, the winning house was Baines and the junior champion house was Jacksons. It was wonderful to witness the camaraderie, fierce competition and the fantastic tennis that was played by all participants.

The senior champion of champions went to Jack Benkenstein while the junior champion was Phillip van der Vyver. All the boys can be very proud of the standard of tennis that was on display during this tournament. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, many schools opted not to participate in the inter-schools' tournament and many of our games were cancelled. However, the matches we played were played with enthusiasm and enjoyment. The Cordwalles boys held their heads high, winning all their matches.

Hearty congratulations to all the boys who played tennis this year and a big thank you to Richard from Chris Folker Tennis, Mr Barron and the staff members who managed a team during the inter-schools' tournament.

Mrs Kirsten Greaves



**1ST TEAM**

Back Row: Ethan Maltby, Arjun Wadhvani **Front Row:** Jack Benkenstein, Ms H. Tweedale, Josh Nicholson

**2ND TEAM**

Back Row: Rex Wardlaw, Arjun Wadhvani
Front Row: Ethan Maltby, Mrs D. Julius

**3RD TEAM**

Back Row: Luke Treleaven, Nicandro Padayachee
Front Row: Mitchell Bekker, Mrs K. Jansen van Vuuren

**U11A**

Back Row: Blake Bullough, Charles Zammit
Front Row: Phillip van der Vyver, Mrs K. Greaves, Joshua Greaves

**U11B**

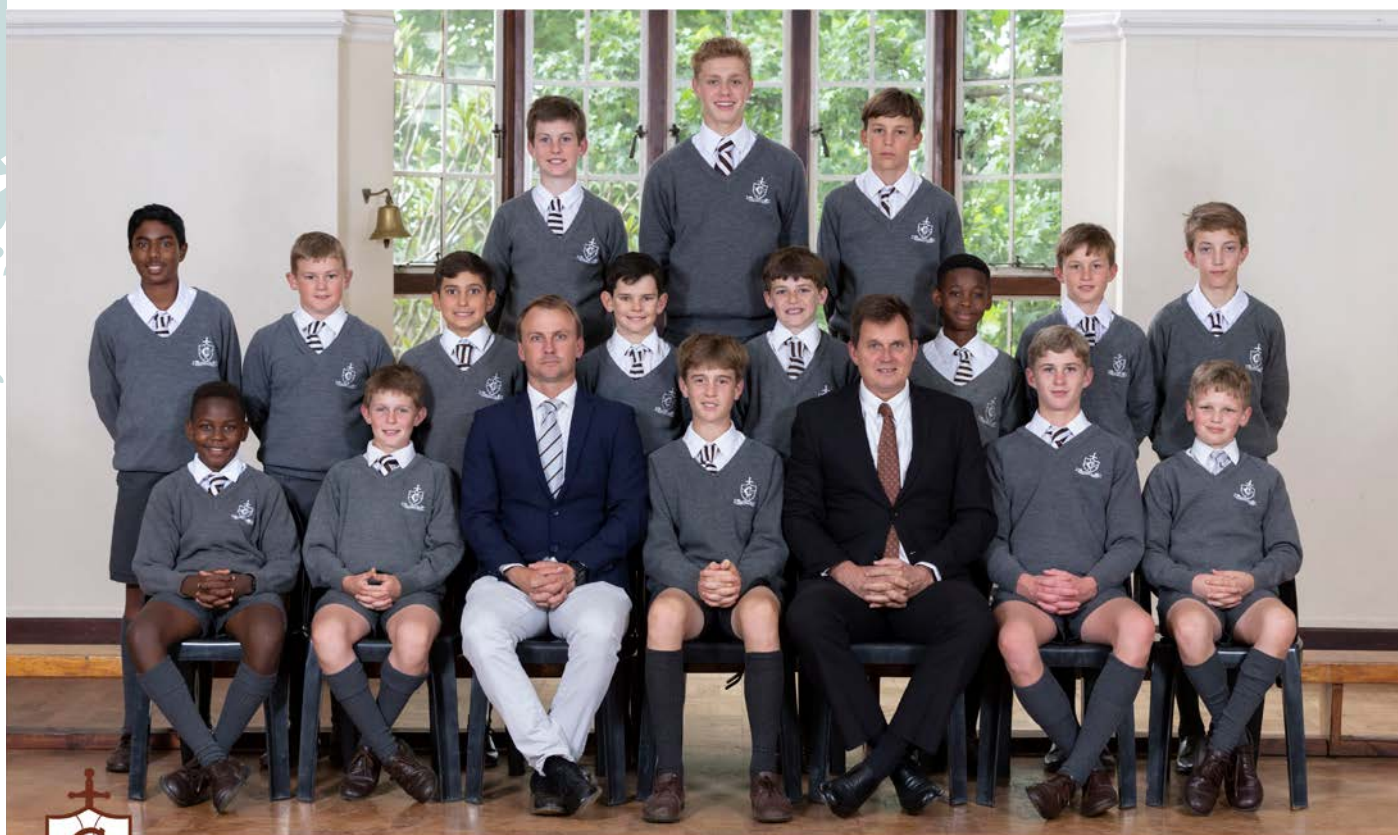
Back Row: Joel Shuttleworth, Sam Henderson, Lukholo Matanzima
Front Row: Mrs D. Odell, Luqmaan Khan

SPORT PROVINCIAL AND REGIONAL



PROVINCIAL REPRESENTATIVES

Back Row: James Dellis, Luke Treleaven, Imran Mahomed, Mitchell Bekker, Riley Muir, Jack Benkenstein
Front Row: Reece Cole, Mr C. Barron, Ethan Maltby, Mr L. Veenstra, Chris van Rooyen



REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Back Row: Riley Muir, David Steyn, Chris van Rooyen
Middle Row: Nicandro Padayachee, Josh Nicholson, Imran Mahomed, William Eustace, Mitchell Bekker, Sondisa Hloba, Luke Treleaven, James Dellis
Front Row: Thomas de Charmoy, Ethan Maltby, Mr C. Barron, Jack Benkenstein, Mr L. Veenstra, Reece Cole, Matthew Longmore



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Letter from the Chairman

As with 2020, 2021 was not a very successful year in terms of the Old Boys Club and the hosting of events, which provides the Old Boys an opportunity to come together. Many events were planned to be held which were, unfortunately, curtailed due to the ever-present COVID threat and the various waves experienced in South Africa and abroad. That said it appears as if everyone is starting to appreciate and live with the 'new norm' so, it is our intention to start pursuing events again next year. The first of these will be the combining of Old Boys Day on the 11th February 2022 with the celebrations for the 110th Birthday. The ever popular annual cricket matches between the first and second teams will take place and in the evening, Cordwalles will host a Gala Dinner/Dance at which we hope to see many of our Old Boys. Another highlight on the day will be the opening of the Creative Centre, which has been the subject of refurbishment this year.

Charlotte Usher has remained as the backbone of the Old Boys Club and continues her tasks with diligence, all from the South of France and the UK, and is looking forward to when events can resume. Michelle Breedt, has assisted Charlotte and was instrumental in organizing our committee meetings and some of the day to day affairs of the Club. Ruth Forder assisted and I need to thank all of them for their ever giving spirit and time that they spend in making the Old Boys Club unique. Ruth has notified the school of her retirement but has taken on the role of organizing the 110 year celebrations. We all thank Ruth for her involvement over the years and wish her all the very best for the future. Committee members Nick Rogers and Giles Kelmanson have played an instrumental role in maintaining the forward momentum of the Old Boys Club and require significant thanks for their phoning and following up with Old Boys and spreading the "word". James Wardlaw continues to be involved, most notably with the annual cricket match between the Old Boys and the School, and we thank him for his time and effort.

2021 had significant challenges, with a lot of changes occurring in South Africa, and this has reflected on how the Old Boys Club works. More and more of our number are, regrettably, heading for distant shores. With a significant concentration being in the UK/Europe, we hope to be in a position to host another event in London in 2022. Details to be announced when possible.

I am proud to say that the school continues to function at a very high level under the leadership of the Headmaster, Lance Veenstra and the boys are well taught and afforded a multitude of opportunities, which 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, together with the committee, wish all Old Boys a successful 2022. We hope to see you back at the school or at one of our events in the very near future.

Mr Richard Kinvig (1987)



Letter from the Secretary

Dear Cords,

Whilst 2021, like last year, has been scant in terms of Old Boys functions due to the ongoing Covid pandemic, it has not been one without success. This is reflected in the wonderful achievements highlighted in the Annual Review which, given these boys were directly affected by the restrictions enforced by the pandemic, are as strong as ever. Our congratulations go to all the boys in these year groups who have so magnificently weathered the storm.

Unfortunately, Old Boys' Day was cancelled this year, but it was a happy moment when the Class of 2016 returned to school in October and staff, parents and boys were reunited. There were sad moments when we bid farewell to old friends. One thing remains true, The Ties that Bind remain ever strong.

We are looking forward to 2022 and the wonderful 110th Birthday celebrations which are planned for February, including the re-opening of our soon to be completed Creative Centre (Art & DT room) which has been completely renovated. There will be a time to come together in the Chapel followed by tea and a tour of the school. We hope to see many Veterans at the lunch in the Pavilion and the Old Boys will be playing cricket against the current school 1st XI and 2nd XI – always a highlight in the calendar. Finally, a wonderful Dinner Dance is planned for the evening.

There is much to look forward to and we are confident that we will soon be able to recommence functions in other parts of South Africa and are also looking to hosting a function in the UK.

Until then, keep well and safe and keep in touch.

Best wishes,

Mrs Charlotte Usher

GENERAL NEWS

Tathams and a Springbok!

We were delighted, and rather excited, earlier this term to welcome to Grade RRR, albeit very briefly, Thomas Louw, who spent some time with us as a result of the Covid Pandemic. Thomas normally lives in the UK where his father, Springbok Francois Louw, currently plays rugby for Bath.

How come Cordwalles you ask? His family connections run deep within the fabric of Cordwalles. Francois is married to Sarah, whose father is Nigel Tatham ('70) and is therefore Thomas' grandfather. The family connection to Cordwalles stems all the way back to one of the original founders of the school and Thomas' great great great grandfather, F. S. Tatham. Nigel's grandfather, A. T. Tatham was First secretary and a lifelong member of the Board and Nigel himself was Chairman of the Board and a long serving member.

The boys of Cordwalles were thrilled when, in 2013 newly engaged Francois and Sarah, paid a visit to the school and Francois took the opportunity to spend time with the boys and talk about his rugby career. It was a pleasure to have Thomas at school and we hope to see him, along with his parents, back for a visit next time they are back home in South Africa.

VISITORS



Errol Drew

It was a great pleasure to welcome back to school Errol Drew (1961) who currently lives in San Francisco, USA. Errol paid a visit with his son Dillon, who will be starting at Michaelhouse next year in Grade 8. Errol was delighted to take a tour of the campus and to revisit his old school and haunts and was happy to have a copy of our wonderful history book "Cordwalles, the first 100 years". We wish Dillon all the very best next year and we hope to see Errol back at school in the very near future.

109th SCHOOL BIRTHDAY



We were fortunate to have four Cordies old boys come and celebrate our 109th Birthday.

All of these fine young men are Deputy Head Boys at their respective High Schools – MK Khuzwayo from Kearsney College, Callum Lee, Mark Laithwaite and Thomas Conolly all from Maritzburg College.

CULTURAL ACHIEVEMENTS



Harshad Pillay

OLD BOYS

Cricket South Africa announced a 15-man South Africa Under-19 squad following the conclusion of the CSA Under-19 Franchise Cubs Week, in Stellenbosch. In addition to the 15-man squad, five players have been included as part of an extended training squad, among which is our own talented KZN Inland all-rounder, Luc Benkenstein. Luc is currently studying at Hilton College. Congratulations!

Many congratulations go to Jared Campbell (2013) who was selected as co vice-captain to the U21 Men's South Africa Hockey Team. Jared played in the African Junior World Cup qualifiers in Ghana, in March.

On the wave of euphoria over South Africa's 2-1 win in the British & Irish Lion's Tour, we were delighted to learn that old boy, Lee-Marvin Mazibuko (2010) has made great strides in his rugby career and is pictured here with Kyle Sinckler.

From Cordies and Michaelhouse, Lee-Marvin headed to Cape Town in 2016 and went to Western Province Institute. He played Varsity Cup for UCT and was in the SA U20 & U21 teams. In 2020 he made his Currie Cup debut for Western Province vs Pumas and in 2021 his debut for the Stormers saw him on the field against the British & Irish Lions. Lee-Marvin told us that "this was the best rugby experience ever, as these matches only ever happen every 12 years and therefore to have played one match vs the British & Irish Lions in your career is amazing." It is an experience he says he will remember forever with a highlight being the referee was Wayne Barnes! Many congratulations Lee-Marvin!

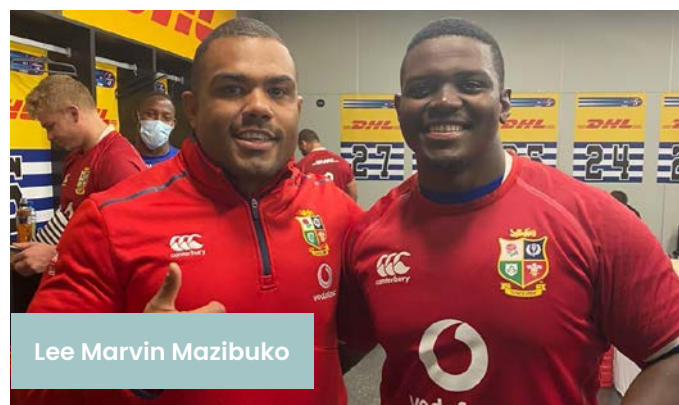
Underberg Polocrosse Club hosted a SA vs Zimbabwe junior development 'test' series. Lance Price Moor (2020) played exceptionally well (his team won all 3 tests) and was like the proverbial Jack Russell snapping at the heels of a Great Dane!

Cameron Lindsay (2004) scored a try for the Griquas in the 80th minute of the Curry Cup match in July, helping the Griquas to a win! Final score DHL WP 28-30 Tafel Lager Griquas

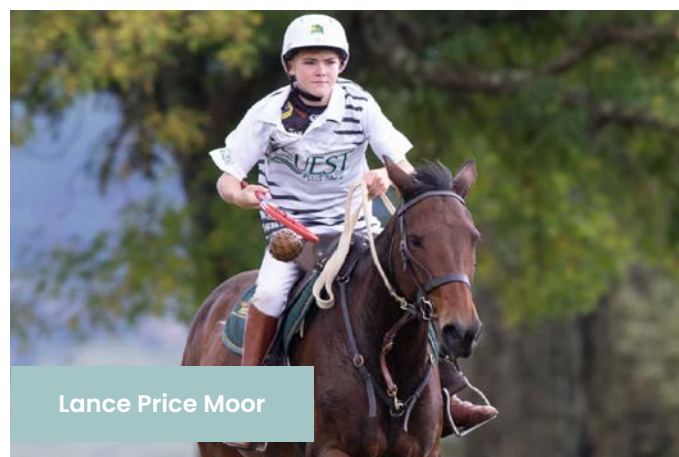
Hunter Whittle (2016) has been selected to represent the South African Junior Polo Team for 2021. He has also been appointed as captain of the team. Well done Hunter!



Luc Benkenstein



Lee Marvin Mazibuko



Lance Price Moor



Cameron Lindsay



Hunter Whittle



Scott Rogers



Jack Edmonds



Chase Leisegang



Nicholas Cook

DUSI 2021

Old Boys and the 70th Annual Dusi Canoe Marathon – 2021

With +/-400 boats and 700 paddlers, we congratulate all those who took part and give special mention to the following Cordies Old Boys for their wonderful achievements.

Scott Rogers (2004) 47th Overall

Jack Edmonds (2016) Michaelhouse came 16th overall and 2nd U18

Chase Leisegang (2016) Michaelhouse 66th overall and 18th U23

Nicholas Cook (2016) Maritzburg College 6th Junior Under 18

Travis Holdsworth (2016) Hilton College 171st overall

Ian Hemingway (2017) Maritzburg College and partner came 23rd in the K2

Christopher Adam (2018) Maritzburg College and partner came 32nd in the K2

Robert Butcher (2018) 195th overall and 3rd U16



Robert Butcher

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS:

Cordwalles Old Boys who have held significant leadership positions in recent years:

2008	Andrew Bourdillon (2003)	Headboy	Hilton College
2011	David Brill (2006)	Headboy	Michaelhouse
2011	Mark Weston (2006)	Headboy	Grace College
2011	Marc Train (2006)	Deputy Headboy	Hilton College
2012	Chris Brits (2007)	Headboy	Michaelhouse
2013	Simon Purdon (2008)	Deputy Headboy	Hilton College
2014	Robert Lee (2009)	Headboy	Michaelhouse
2014	Daniel Anderson (2009)	Headboy	St. Charles College
2015	Matthew Dahl (2010)	Headboy	Hilton College
2017	Jonty Oosthuizen (2012)	Deputy Headboy	St. Charles College
2018	Stuart Roy (2013)	Headboy	Hilton College
	Scott Anderson (2013)	Deputy Headboy	St. Charles College
	Jared Campbell (2013)	Deputy Head Prefect	Maritzburg College
2019	Cameron Coley (2014)	Headboy	Hilton College
2021	Mhleli Khuzwayo (2016)	Deputy Headboy	Kearsney College
	Callum Lee (2016)	Deputy Head Prefect	Maritzburg College
	Mark Laithwaite (2016)	Deputy Head Prefect	Maritzburg College
	Thomas Conolly (2016)	Deputy Head Prefect	Maritzburg College

DUX OF SCHOOL IN RECENT YEARS

Jonathan Stein (2004)	Grace College 2009
David Bradford (2005)	Michaelhouse 2010
Suhail Dada (2006)	Maritzburg College 2011
Mandhir Lutchman (2007)	Cordwalles 2007 and Kearsney College 2012
Aashiv Soni (2012)	St. Charles College 2017
Scott Anderson (2013)	St. Charles College 2018
Jason Lazarov (2014)	St. Charles College 2019
Richard Karlson (2016)	Hilton College 2021

2021 MATRIC RESULTS

Congratulations to the Class of 2016 for their outstanding Matric examination and Cambridge 'A' Level achievements. We recognize here those achieving Distinctions in 3 or more subjects.

Richard Karlson	9 Distinctions (Scholar of the Year)	Hilton College
Simon Le Vieux	8 Distinctions	Michaelhouse
Mark Laithwaite	7 Distinctions	Maritzburg College
Thomas Conolly	7 Distinctions	Maritzburg College
James Lalor	7 Distinctions	Maritzburg College
Jack Edmonds	5 Distinctions	Michaelhouse
Sebastian Guimaraens	4 Distinctions	Hilton College
Matthew Wilson	3 Distinctions	Hilton College
David Acres	3 Distinctions	Michaelhouse
Leevan Vather	3 Distinctions	Hilton College

Mhleli Khuzwayo	3 Distinctions	Kearsney College
Callum Lee	3 Distinctions	Maritzburg College

CAMBRIDGE A & AS LEVEL EXAMINATION RESULTS

Tristan Stielau	7 Distinctions	St. Charles College
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LEADERSHIP APPOINTMENTS FOR 2022 (CLASS OF 2017)

Olwethu Kweyama	Deputy Head Boy	Hilton College
Declan Sawyer	Head of Newnham House	Hilton College
Andisa Young	Head of House (Tatham)	Michaelhouse
Kamohelo Rathepe	Head of House (Founders)	Michaelhouse
Jeremy Foss	Prefect (West)	Michaelhouse
Byron Mitchell-Innes	Prefect (East)	Michaelhouse
Murray-John Pitt	Prefect (Farfield)	Michaelhouse
Joshua Hadley-Grave	Prefect (Ralfe)	Michaelhouse
Xihluke Marhule	Prefect (Ralfe)	Michaelhouse
Leo Baber	Prefect (Baines)	Michaelhouse
Wade Pillay	House Captain & Prefect (Snow)	Maritzburg College
Cameron Hankinson	House Captain & Prefect (Pape)	Maritzburg College
Matthew Chapman	House Leader (Nicholson)	Maritzburg College
Alex Barnard	House Leader (Nicholson)	Maritzburg College
Thomas Koller	House Leader (Nicholson)	Maritzburg College
Kamesh Padayachi	Prefect	St. Charles College
Matthew Gray	Prefect	Kearsney College

CULTURAL APPOINTMENTS

2021 (CLASS OF 2016)

Richard Karlson	Portfolio Head of Sustainability	Hilton College
Chungu Katayi	Portfolio Head of Community	Hilton College

2022 (CLASS OF 2017)

Xihluke Marhule	Captain of Debating	Michaelhouse
Matthew Sara	Portfolio Head of Sustainability	Hilton College
Charlie Foster	Head of Orchestra Head of Big Band	Hilton College

SPORTS APPOINTMENTS

2021 (CLASS OF 2016)

Chungu Katayi	Captain of Golf	Hilton College
Ryan Jenkins	Vice Captain of Swimming	Hilton College
Chae van den Berg	Vice Captain of Rowing	Hilton College

2022 (CLASS OF 2017)

Murray Dahl	Captain of Golf	Hilton College
Declan Sawyer	Captain of Squash	Hilton College
Thomas Koller	Shouting Captain	Maritzburg College
Jeremy Foss	Captain of 1st XI Cricket	Michaelhouse

2021 HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC AWARDS

HONOURS:

Sebastian Guimaraens (2016)	Hilton College
Tristan Stielau (2016)	St. Charles College
Jack Edmonds (2016)	Michaelhouse
Joshua Hadley-Grave (2017)	Michaelhouse
Xihluke Maruhle (2017)	Michaelhouse

COLOURS:

Simon Le Vieux (2016)	Michaelhouse
Richard Karlson (2016)	Hilton College
Shayur Maharaj (2017)	St. Charles College
Tomas Szudrawski (2017)	Michaelhouse

HALF COLOURS:

Declan Sawyer (2017)	Hilton College
Nic Hirschowitz (2017)	Hilton College
Kamesh Padayachi (2017)	St. Charles College

CULTURAL AWARDS 2021

HONOURS:

Avuyile Zondi (2016)	Drama	Hilton College
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COLOURS:

Xihluke Marhule (2017)	Debating	Michaelhouse
Leo Baber (2017)	Art	Michaelhouse
Byron Mitchell-Innes (2017)	Art	Michaelhouse
Matthew Sara (2017)	Drama	Hilton College

HALF COLOURS:

Drew Reynolds (2016)	Service	Michaelhouse
Wihan Joubert (2016)	Drama	Hilton College
Charlie Foster (2017)	Music	Hilton College
Adam Cameron (2017)	Culture (Enviro)	St. Charles College
Thomas Cullis (2017)	Culture (Enviro)	St. Charles College

SERVICE TIES:

Richard Karlson (2016)	Marketing	Hilton College
Joshua Matambo (2016)	Marketing	Hilton College
Olwethu Kweyama (2017)	Marketing	Hilton College
Matthew Sara (2017)	First Aid	Hilton College

MERIT CERTIFICATES AWARDED BY MARITZBURG COLLEGE:

Thomas Conolly (2016)
Mark Laithwaite (2016)
James Lalor (2016)

KZN CULTURAL REPRESENTATION:

Harshad Pillay (2019)	St. Charles College	Was selected to play in the KZN Youth Orchestra Shadow Orchestra for 2022
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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:

Mark Laithwaite	Maritzburg College Old Boys' Association Prize for Services to School; the Prize for History; the Olley Prize for History and English and the Nedbank Proxime Accessit for 2nd in Form
Thomas Conolly	Maritzburg College Old Boys' Association Prize for Services to School; the Prize for Achievement in Academics and Sports
Callum Lee	Maritzburg College Old Boys' Association Prize for Services to School
Daniel van der Watt	Maritzburg College Trophy for Champion Cyclist
Thomas Conolly	Shrives Trophy for Most Committed Player in the 1st XI Hockey Team
Mark Laithwaite	Oscar Servant Trophy for Most Committed Tennis Player in the 1st Team
Nicholas Cook	Oscar Servant Trophy (Highest placed Junior in the Dusi Marathon)

FROM HILTON COLLEGE:

Richard Karlson (2016)	Nicholas Arthur Memorial Prize for Mathematics DV Ducasse Prize for Physical Science Economics Prize; English Prize Information Technology Prize LAB Sharpe Memorial Prize for English; Chairman's Prize (to a top academic who has contributed significantly) Dick Graham Memorial Prize (best Trials results) DUX SCHOLAR 2021
Sebastian Guimaraens (2016)	Engineering, Graphics and Design Prize; Life Orientation Prize and Senior Verse Prize
Avuyile Zondi (2016)	Richard Haines Memorial Prize
Matthew Wilson (2016)	Entrepreneur Prize
Ryan Jenkins (2016)	The Haddon Trophy (for showing the most dedication to water polo)
Murray Dahl (2017)	The Geyser Family Trophy for Golf Sportsmanship
Michael Sara (2018)	Completed the Routes to Resilience Skills Extension Programme
Ruben Marx (2018)	Certificate of Merit for Swimming
Tayedza Jaravaza (2018)	Certificate of Merit for Athletics
Nkosi Shoji (2018)	Certificate of Merit for Hockey
Ivan Jjuuko (2019)	Certificate of Merit for Cricket

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2016 RECEIVED:**HEADMASTER'S LEADERSHIP AWARDS – LEVEL 2**

Travis Holdsworth; Brett Jarvie; Ryan Jenkins; Leevan Vather; Matthew Wilson; Avuyile Zondi

HEADMASTER'S LEADERSHIP AWARDS – LEVEL 3

Sebastian Guimaraens; Joshua Matambo; Chae van den Berg

PRESIDENT'S AWARDS

Matthew Wilson (2016) Silver **Michael Sara (2018)** Bronze

ST ALBANS COLLEGE INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS' VIRTUAL MUSIC, ART AND DRAMA FESTIVAL

Luc Schravessande (2019)	Platinum Certificate (90%–100%)
Elias Mutale (2019)	Gold certificate (80%–90%)
Luke Spear (2019)	Silver certificate (70%–80%)

FROM KEARSNEY COLLEGE:

Matt Gray (2017)	President's Award – Silver
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FROM MICHAELHOUSE:

Joshua Hadley-Grave (2017)	The Boo Lewis Prize for English The English Prize – First in Subject with Diligence
Xihluke Marhule (2017)	Advanced Programme in English – First in Subject with Diligence Advanced Programme in Maths – Diligence
James Gilson (2018)	Geography with Diligence & Economics with Diligence
Jonathan Baber (2019)	Natural Sciences with Diligence
Jack Edmonds (2016)	Merit Certificate – 80% or above aggregate
Simon Le Vieux (2016)	Merit Certificate – 80% or above aggregate
Xihluke Marhule (2017)	Merit Certificate – 80% or above aggregate
Tomas Szudrawski (2017)	Merit Certificate – 80% or above aggregate
Joshua Hadley-Grave (2017)	Merit Certificate – 80% or above aggregate
Jordan Baxter (2018)	Merit Certificate – 80% or above aggregate
Jonathan Baber (2019)	Merit Certificate – 80% or above aggregate
Radhesh Jhilmeet (2020)	Merit Certificate – 80% or above aggregate
Kamohelo Rathepe (2017)	Most improved Aggregate

FROM ST. CHARLES COLLEGE:

Tristan Stieulau (2016)	The Economics Prize attaining 95% in the final exams The McKenzie Shield for loyalty & service to the School
Richard Blewett (2016)	Certificate of Academic Excellence
Thomas Cullis (2017)	Attained Silver in The Duke of Edinburgh International Award

SPORTS AWARDS

HONOURS

Hunter Whittle (2016)	Polo	Michaelhouse
Jack Edmonds (2016)	Canoeing	Michaelhouse
Kamohelo Rathepe (2017)	Hockey	Michaelhouse

COLOURS

Travis Holdsworth (2016)	Rugby	Hilton College
Olwethu Kweyama (2017)	Cricket	Hilton College

HALF COLOURS

Chungu Katayi (2016)	Golf	Hilton College
Travis Holdsworth (2016)	Canoeing	Hilton College
Ryan Jenkins (2016)	Water Polo	Hilton College
Murray Dahl (2017)	Golf	Hilton College
Jeremy Foss (2017)	Hockey	Michaelhouse

SOUTH AFRICA REPRESENTATION 2021**POLO:**

Hunter Whittle (2017)	Captain (Karkloof Match)	Michaelhouse
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KTM OFF ROAD:

Cayle Dormehl (2014)	Selected to represent South Africa in the Ultimate KTM Off Road
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KZN PROVINCIAL REPRESENTATION:**ATHLETICS:**

Tayedza Jaravaza (2018)	KZN U18 400m (Gold)	Hilton College
	KZN U18 800m (Bronze)	Qualified for SA Championships

CRICKET:

Olwethu Kweyama (2017)	KZN U19 Inland	Hilton College
Ivan Jjuuko (2019)	KZN U16 Inland	Hilton College

RUGBY:

Travis Holdsworth (2016)	KZN U18 Craven Week	Hilton College
Fortune Mpofu (2018)	KZN Academy Week	Michaelhouse

HOCKEY:

Matt Bray (2016)	KZN U18B Inland	Hilton College
Nkosi Shoji (2018)	KZN U16A Inland	Hilton College
Kamohelo Rathepe (2017)	KZN U18A Inland	Michaelhouse
James Gilson (2018)	KZN U16A Inland	Michaelhouse
Piko Nkompela (2019)	KZN U16B Inland	Michaelhouse

ROWING:

Matthew Emmott (2018)	U16 Junior KZN Development Squad	Hilton College
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CANOEING:

Jack Edmonds (2016)	U18 World Junior Canoeing Marathon Championships (Romania)	Michaelhouse
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Please note: The above is based on information sourced and supplied and omissions will regrettably occur. Please contact the Old Boys' office with details of any awards you believe should be recognized so that they can be included in future issues.

Contact Charlotte Usher: oldboys@cordwalles.co.za

Welcome back to the Class of 2016

On a very chilly Sunday 3rd October, Lance Veenstra and staff, past and present, came together to welcome back the Class of 2016 for their 5-year reunion. This is always a very special event in the school calendar and one which the Grade 7 boys know about when they leave the gates for the last time as Cordwalles pupils. It is wonderful to see them return as young men with all the excitement of new adventures ahead.

The staff and parents enjoyed mingling and catching up on news and, as is customary on these occasions, the Headmaster addressed the boys, reminiscing about their days at Cordies, their achievements on all levels at High School and expressing good wishes for their future. Richard Kinvig, Chairman of the Old Boys' Club, spoke of the privilege of attending a school such as Cordwalles and the High Schools they are at. He urged the boys to stay in touch and looked forward to seeing them at functions in the future. Mark Laithwaite, who gave the Grade 7 speech in 2016, replied on behalf of the year group.

Mrs Charlotte Usher





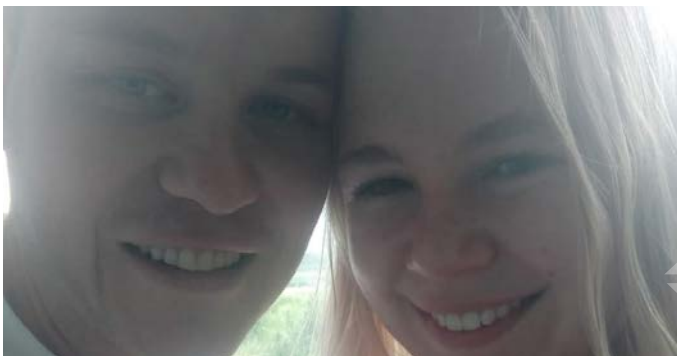
December was a very busy month for the Martin family. On December 4th, Tom Martin (Class of 2006), currently teaching at Rondebosch Prep, married Bianca Sa Couto in the beautiful setting of Wellington in the Cape. Amongst the wedding party were four Cordies Old Boys, brother James (2009), best man, David Brill and groomsmen, Stephen Griffin and Oliver Clark, all from the Class of 2006.



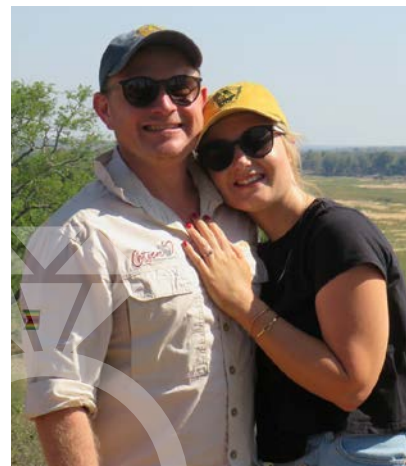
Then, on Christmas Day, James, a data scientist based in Johannesburg, became engaged to Claire Jenkins and the celebrations continued. The Cordies connections continue as Claire's brother is Ryan Jenkins (2016).



Murray McDonald and Tarryn d'Offay



Dundas Clark (2005) and Chelsea-Belle Gevers who also ended the year on a high note by getting engaged! Such happy news and exciting times ahead.



Gareth Crouch (Class of 2004) became engaged to Casey Boden during a trip to Mala Mala. Gareth had previously worked as a game ranger at Mala Mala under Mike Rattray, another Cordies Old Boy. Exciting times ahead in 2022.



Andrew Cullis (2011) and Liza O'Kennedy got engaged. With wedding plans in motion for next year it will be a busy and exciting time for the pair. We wish them every happiness for the future.



Nick Platt (Class of 2005) recently became engaged to Racine Denny, this is wonderful news and we wish them both every happiness for their big day and for the future.



CORDWALLES

Established in 1912, Cordwalles Preparatory School has long been proud of its enterprising and successful Old Boys whose careers span a diverse mix of conservation, academia, sport, business, literature, music, medicine and science.

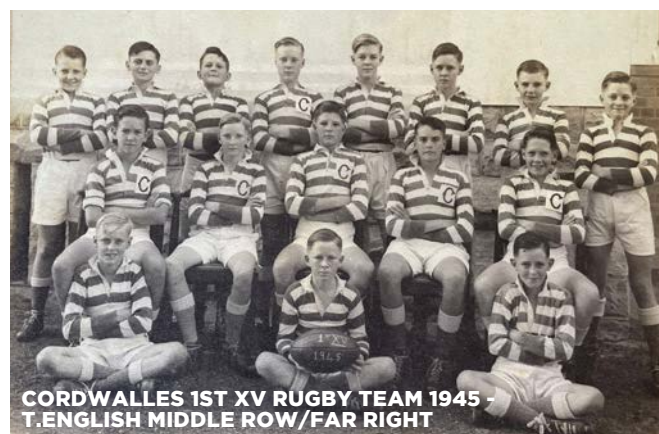
In this article, we look at the esteemed career of Sir Terence English, a retired cardiac surgeon who attended Cordwalles from 1943-1945 during the wartime years. Born in South Africa in 1932, his mother was a Lund whose family emigrated from Yorkshire on the ship Haidee arriving in Port Natal after a three-month voyage in 1850. Many of them became farmers in the Midlands. Educated at Cordwalles between 1943-1945 where he was in the 1st XV rugby team, Terence was part of a group of boys of that era who have played a prominent role and influence in many walks of life.

From Cordwalles, he moved to Hilton College and thereafter spent a year diamond-

drilling in Rhodesia, he qualified in 1954 with a BSc in Mining Engineering from Witwatersrand University. A small inheritance allowed Terence to pursue a different path and he decided to become a doctor, qualifying in Medicine in 1962 from London University.

Having completed his specialist training at Guy's Hospital, first in general surgery and then in cardiothoracic surgery, Terence was appointed to Papworth & Addenbrooke's hospitals in 1972 where his main surgical interest became establishing a programme of heart transplantation.

After three previous unsuccessful attempts in 1968 by Donald Ross (another South African), Terence performed Britain's first successful heart transplant in August 1979. From then, under his leadership and as Director of the British Heart Foundation Research Group, Papworth achieved an international reputation for heart and lung transplantation. Terence has been part of the



Cordwalles Old Boys' Club since its re-launch in 2007 attending several UK reunions.

We are incredibly proud of our Old Boy and the extraordinary achievements in

medicine and surgery in which he has played a major role.

We are particularly delighted that, some 76 years later, Sir Terence continues to be interested in his old prep school.



HONOURS AND APPOINTMENTS INCLUDE:

- Knight Commander of the British Empire for his contributions to surgery (1991)
- President, Royal College of Surgeons of England (1989-1992)
- President of the British Medical Association (1995-96)
- Master of St. Catharine's College in Cambridge (1993-2000)
- Deputy Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire (1994-2001)



Postscript:

In 2004, Charlotte Usher moved from the UK to SA and her son went to Cordwalles. Ahead of Cordwalles' 2012 centenary, she was asked to relaunch the Old Boys' Club and to build a database of Old Boys. In doing so she

found Sir Terence English, and on learning about his incredible achievements, inquired as to whether it was he and his team at Papworth who carried out a transplant on her brother-in-law's son. Replying that it was indeed his team, Sir Terence remarked that he

well remembered him for his fortitude and courage in one so young as he was 18 at the time. What a small world! One leaves SA for the UK and, fifty years later, one leaves the UK for SA, their worlds connected by a school and an operation!

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Norman Crookes – Class of '49

Born in 1935, Norman attended Cordwalles between 1946 – 1949 and was a member of the famous cricket team of 1948. Like fellow team mates, Derek Varnals and Kelly Seymour, Norman went on to become a Springbok cricketer, playing first-class cricket in South Africa from 1962 to 1970. He was an off-spinner and useful lower-order batsman for Natal and made his debut in first class cricket in the Currie Cup in 1962–63, taking 5 for 62 and 2 for 48 in Natal's victory over Western Province. He was selected to go on tour to England in 1965.

Norman's sister, Rose, married fellow Cordwalles old boy, Viv Biggs.



Liebie Van Heerden 1934 – 2021

We are very sad to announce that this morning we lost one of our most loyal and steadfast old boys, Liebie van Heerden. Liebie attended Cordwalles between 1942

and 1948 and was therefore part of that famous year group. Married to Cordwalles teacher, Pixie van Heerden, Liebie had, over many years, played a huge and integral part in the life of the Old Boys' Club. He was steadfast in his loyalty to the school, came to every Old Boys' Day and function and was instrumental, along with Pixie, in the production of the History of Cordwalles, the first 100 Years. We will miss his warm, gentle presence around the school and I, personally, will always be grateful to him for his support and regular visits to my office in the early days of the OB Club. Mark, Liebie's grandson is a member of the Class of 2004.

I know the Old Boys and the entire Cordwalles Community will join me in sending our love and condolences to Pixie and the entire family at this sad time. RIP and thank you for everything Liebie!

Adrian Justin van Maasdyk – Class of '48

We were saddened to learn of the passing of Justin van Maasdyk. A fellow of this illustrious year group, Justin lived in Durban, was married to Meg for 59 years who said that Justin often regaled her with stories of Cordwalles and the antics that he got up to with fellow classmates. Justin was a loyal old boy who attended many Old Boys' functions. Our condolences to his wife and family.

Vida Pennington

Vida was married to the late Denys Pennington (Class of '39) and mother of Andrew and Michael Pennington (Classes of '75 and '80 respectively). The Pennington family have played a huge role in the story of Cordwalles and Vida was a frequent visitor, up until 2010 when she suffered a stroke and the couple moved to the Ambers. We send our condolences to Andrew and Michael.

Tony and Alice Richter

It was with great sadness we learnt of the accident in which much loved and respected Hilton College teacher and rugby coach, Tony Richter and his daughter Alice, were both tragically killed. On behalf of all Cordwalles Old Boys and Cordwalles staff and boys, we send our love, thoughts and prayers to the Richter family, and to the Hilton College family and wider community. Many of Cordwalles' Old Boys in the last 21 years would have been taught, both on and off the field, by Tony and the impact of his loss will be felt far and wide. Our deepest condolences to the family.

Richard 'Tiny' Walker – Class Of '71

We have received the sad news of the passing of Tiny Walker whilst on a break in the Kruger Park. Tiny was a loyal old boy and supporter of the school for which he was presented with a "Friends of Cordwalles" award in 2009. The citation mentioned:

'Tiny is a fine example of a loyal supporter of Cordwalles. He attended Cordwalles from 1967 to 1971, together with his brother Martin; as did their father in 1939. His son James, 'Jimbo', was at Cordwalles from 1995 to 1998. Tiny has always been an ambassador for Cordwalles, particularly in the East Griqualand area, through whom many boys have been guided towards Cordwalles. He served as the Boarder Representative on the Parents' Association where he brought expert knowledge of the boarding experience to Cordwalles.'

On many occasions, Tiny and his wife Lynn hosted our rugby tour parties at their home "Yonaroo" and during these visits Tiny gave the boys many inspirational talks on team unity and belief.

Cordwalles has lost a true and loyal old boy and friend and we send our love and condolences to his family and friends.



Farewell to Wilbur Smith – Cordwalles 1941 – 1947

Today we mourn the passing of one of our old boys, world renowned author, Wilbur Smith whose books have had such a far reaching impact and brought much joy to so many people.

Born in 1933 in Northern Rhodesia (Zambia) he grew up and spent many hours exploring his parents' 25,000 acre farm where he learnt to hunt and observe and develop a respect for the wildlife around him. Here his sense of adventure was nurtured, not least of all through his mother's love of nature, painting and books. She encouraged him to read and he absorbed John Buchan, CS Forrester and Ryder Haggard.

At the age of 8, he was sent away to school and he embarked on the long train journey to board at Cordwalles in Natal, South Africa. Wilbur attended from 1941-1947 during the final years of the Besant era.

It is fair to say Wilbur endured rather than enjoyed school, but he caught the eye of his English teacher at the time, who spotted and encouraged the talent within. Wilbur was not inclined to sports but had a strong leaning toward the cultural side of life. In his last year (1947) he won the coveted Tatham Prize for English and it was at this point, according to his website:

"that was the first time that it entered my head that one day I might join the pantheon of writers and live on Olympus amongst them". It goes without saying that he fulfilled his dream in every sense, writing more than 40 books which sold over 149 million copies worldwide. Whilst his love of books was fostered by his mother, we are so proud that it was at Cordwalles where he saw the dream of becoming a writer take flight.

In the school archives we are honoured to have probably the first printed piece that Wilbur wrote entitled "The Monarch of Ilungu" which featured in the School Magazine of 1947, in which his writing style is clear to see.

We send our deepest condolences to his wife, Niso and to his family, friends and fans worldwide.

RIP Wilbur!

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