



* [THE] CORDIES

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* HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Dear Parents, Staff and Boys

As we reach the end of 2025, it has been incredibly special to celebrate our Grade 7 boys, who have now completed their Cordwalles journey and officially become our Class of 2025 Old Boys. They leave us ready for exciting new adventures at their respective high schools, carrying with them the values, friendships and confidence built over their years at Cordies. This moment is always filled with pride, emotion and deep gratitude as these young gentlemen and their families close one chapter and begin another.

Our theme for the Fourth Term has been **"Being Leaders and Team Players."** As South Africans, we don't have to look far for someone who embodies these qualities. Our Springbok captain, Siyamthanda Kolisi, continues to be a powerful example of leadership, humility and putting the team first.

One can only imagine the pride he felt walking onto the pitch for his 100th Test match at the Stade de France yet the day didn't unfold quite as he may have hoped. Substituted at halftime for tactical reasons following a red card to Lood de Jager, Siya could easily have stepped back in frustration. Instead, wrapped in the South African flag, he spent the second half cheering, encouraging, and fully supporting his teammates as they fought their way to a famous victory with only 14 men.

After the game, he reflected on that moment:

"When coach Rassie came to me, I had to put my emotions aside. The team comes first, no matter what. That's what this jersey means."

In that simple but profound response, Siya reminds us what true leadership looks like, quiet strength, humility and commitment to something greater than oneself.

As we reflect on this example, we are reminded that "Being Leaders and Team Players" isn't about individual recognition, but about lifting others, supporting the team and celebrating shared success. We hope this message continues to inspire our Class of 2025 Old Boys as they step confidently into high school and beyond and remind all of us of the power of being part of something greater than ourselves.

As we close the year, we wish all our Cordwalles families a restful, joy-filled holiday. Thank you for your support and your partnership.

We look forward to an exciting year ahead and to sharing Prospectus 2026 with you in the new year.

Mr Chad Barron
Director of Sport



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FOLLOWING BOYS AND STAFF WHO WILL BE CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS BEFORE THE NEXT NEWSLETTER. WE HOPE YOU HAVE A LOVELY DAY!

23 November	Taine Jones	13 December	Josh Hogg, Phiwokuhle Mpanza
24 November	Mr Ndlela, Mr Pretorius	14 December	Ebrahim Ally, Daniel Heyns
25 November	Rivaal Naidoo	16 December	Jace Payne
26 November	Kwadwo Peprah	18 December	Mrs Mathonsi
28 November	Tom Tedder, Ms Tweedale	19 December	Trent Parsons
30 November	Ruhan Naidoo	20 December	Griffin Cooke, Samkelo Nyabonda
1 December	Mrs Hankinson, Mrs Nero	21 December	Nkazimulo Mwelase, Reece Stegen
2 December	Brady Nero, Luke Stanford	22 December	Shaka Manqele
4 December	Travis Lee	23 December	Ngcebenhle Ngubane, Rishay Ramjiwan
5 December	Mr Nxele, Aiden Naidoo	24 December	Kingsley Bremner
6 December	Mr Zondi	26 December	Mrs Armstrong, Matthew Tarr
7 December	Connor Hickson, Sthandokuhle Mkhize	27 December	Cortez Gibb
8 December	Mrs Gwala, Singatha Makhaye, Uzair Moosa	28 December	Scott Hoatson
9 December	Mr Robertson, Ismaeel Abdool	29 December	Casey Klute, Lumile Siyo
10 December	Junior Ngqwangi, Nhlakanipho Sibiyi	01 January	Mbusowamakhosi Mncwabe
11 December	Kaiden Gobin	02 January	Blaise Laing
12 December	Mrs Hull	03 January	David Mckenzie

BIRTHDAY TEA WITH MR VEENSTRA



Back row: Travis Lee, Luke Stanford, Mr Veenstra, Thomas Tedder, Alistair van der Vyver, Connor Hickson

Middle row: Armaan Modi, Kwadwo Peprah, Aiden Naidoo, Rivaal Naidoo, Sphehile Khanyile

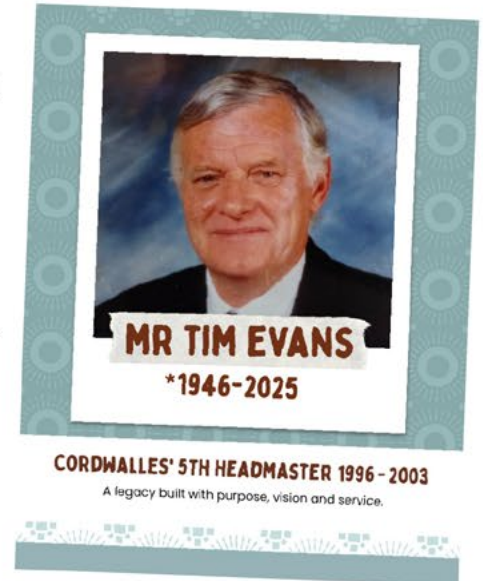
Front row: Sthandokuhle Mkhize, Ezra Horsley, Zach Kleinhans, Izac Marais



*NEWS

Mr Tim Evans, the 5th Headmaster of Cordwalles Preparatory School (1996–2003), passed away on 29 November. We honour a leader who arrived at a time of significant challenge and, through clear vision and steady leadership, set Cordwalles on a new and confident path. Tim strengthened pupil support, reinvigorated music and sport, upgraded facilities, revitalised boarding and grew the school from 187 to 242 boys, establishing Cordwalles as a leading boys' preparatory school in South Africa.

He treasured the Chapel motto *Vitai lampada tradunt* – “they pass the torch of life” and lived it fully in his service to this community. His legacy endures in the school he helped shape. May he rest in peace. – Mr Lance Veenstra (Headmaster)



A BABY BOY: A BUNDLE OF ENERGY, A POCKETFUL OF SUNSHINE AND A LIFETIME OF LOVE.

DUMA FAMILY

Congratulations to Spokuhle and Anitta Duma as they welcome their son, Khuselo, a sweet little brother for Nceba in RR. Wishing your family all the joy and warmth that a new baby brings.

LEE FAMILY

Congratulations to Richard and Katy Lee on the birth of their son, Hector, little brother to Max in RR and Fergus in RRR. May your home be filled with laughter, love and wonderful new memories.

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to the Archibald family on the passing of Amanda's father and Michael's grandfather (Grade 4D). Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of loss.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS & GRADE RESTRUCTURING FOR 2026



GRADE 4 We will have two classes taught by Mrs Dedekind and Mrs Nero.

GRADE 5 Three classes these will be taught by Mrs Schmidt, Mr Buitendach and Ms Strachan, who we warmly welcome from Clarendon Primary. We are also pleased to confirm that Mrs Goosen will be teaching the small classes in Grades 4 and 5 in Mathematics and English.

GRADE 6 We will have three classes taught by Mrs Chapman, Mr Sibisi and Mrs Griffin. In addition to her class, Mrs Griffin will also be teaching Grade 6 and 7 English.

IN SICKBAY We are delighted to welcome Mrs Dawn Goodwin to the Sickbay, where she will be caring for and supporting our boys.



*MATHS OLYMPIAD

MATHEMATICS EXCELLENCE: SOUTH AFRICAN MATHEMATICS OLYMPIAD 2025

In August this year, 51 of our enthusiastic Grade 4 to 7 boys took part in the South African Mathematics Olympiad (SAMO) a challenging national competition that puts problem-solving and logical thinking skills to the test.

We are proud to share the outstanding results achieved by our boys:

4 Gold

20 Silver

19 Bronze certificates were awarded!

Special congratulations go to the following boys who achieved exceptional results, placing in the Top 20 nationally for their grade:

Grade 5: Connor Smith

Grade 6: Muhammad Essa, Shreyan Naidoo, and Luke Carroll

Well done to all our participants for their hard work, dedication and love for mathematics.

You have truly made us proud! - **Mrs Easthorpe** (Head of Mathematics)

*OUTINGS

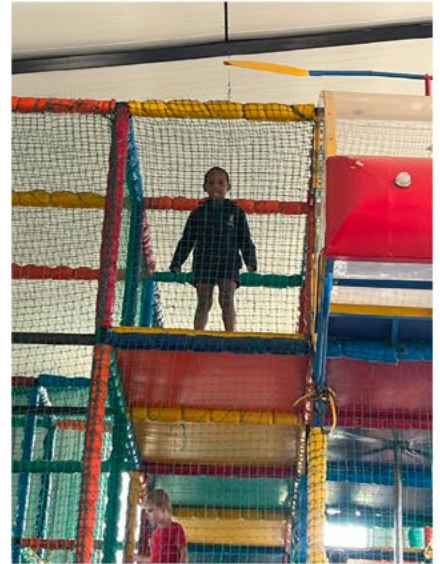
GRADE RR AND RRR OUTING TO "GO

On Friday, 7 November, the Grade RR and Grade RRR boys visited 'Go Wild' in the Midlands. The bus trip was a highlight, with excited shrieks of delight echoing along the way. Our boys thoroughly enjoyed exploring the extensive play area, where they engaged in climbing, navigating various structures, and extending their physical capabilities in a safe and stimulating environment. - **Mrs Holdsworth** and

Mrs Purchase



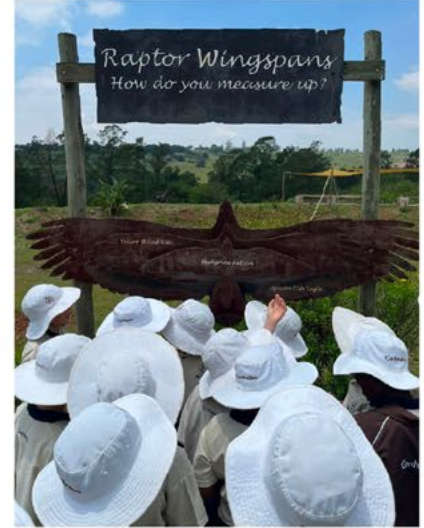
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GRADE 1 OUTING TO "AFRICAN BIRD OF PREY"

The Grade 1's visited the African Bird of Prey Sanctuary! It was the most incredible experience to see the raptors up close. The boys shared their amazing knowledge and learnt even more about these wonderful birds. The highlight of the outing being the show and being able to touch the African wood owl and alligator and witness the vultures being fed. A most worthwhile time away was had by all. - **The Grade 1 Teachers**





GRADE 3 TWC VISIT

On Thursday, 7 November, our Grade 3s were thrilled to welcome the TWC Grade 3s for a morning of outdoor fun and discovery! Mr Mduduzi Miazor, a facilitator from the Sustainable Schools Programme, led an exciting lesson all about edible weeds. Who knew that some of the plants we see every day can actually be eaten? After learning a few fascinating facts, the boys and girls set off on a lively scavenger hunt to find their own edible weed specimens. There was teamwork and curious chatter, as everyone explored the great outdoors. What a wonderful morning of learning, friendship, and adventure.

– The Grade 3 Teachers





* OUTINGS

GRADE 4 QUEEN ELIZABETH PARK

The Grade 4 boys had the pleasure of taking a short trip to Queen Elizabeth Park, where they spent the morning exploring the natural surroundings. This outing formed part of their Natural Science curriculum, as the boys have been learning about invertebrates. Equipped with a scavenger hunt rather than detailed instructions, they eagerly ran off to explore the bush in search of various creatures and natural treasures.

They returned with muddy faces and beaming smiles, excited to share their discoveries.

Frogs, bugs, worms and many other fascinating creatures made for an exciting and memorable morning. It was a wonderful opportunity for the boys to reconnect with nature and enjoy a refreshing break from the classroom.

We can highly recommend Queen Elizabeth Park as a family outing destination!

- The Grade 4 Teachers





*SPORT DESK

CAPITAL K SWIMMERS



A huge well done to our Capital K swimmers: David Schiever, Lyric Easthorpe, Nathan Ayekun and Christian van Aardt, and Mrs Jen Easthorpe!

CARTER DESFONTAINES

Well done to Carter Desfontaines, who proudly represented the Guardians cricket team in Bloemfontein from 27 November to 1 December. We are so proud of you, Carter!



CRICKET RESULTS

*WEEK 5

Team	Opponents	Result	Special Mentions
1st XI	Highbury 1st XI	Cordwalles won by 163 runs	Z. Greaves 137, S. Naidoo 68, H. Young 47, N. van Zyl 30, C. Newborn 4/21
2nd XI	Highbury 2nd XI	Cordwalles won by 44 runs	K. Bryden 34, R. Jelliman 44, M. Visvanathan 5/14
3rd XI	Highbury 3rd XI	Cordwalles won by 37 runs	
4th XI	Highbury 4th XI	Cordwalles won by 10 wickets	L. Wetton 59*, N. Mthethwa 28*
5th XI	Cowan House 2nd XI	Cordwalles lost by 3 wickets	K. Pillay 32, I. Jali 4/11
6th XI	Highbury 5th XI	Match Abandoned - Weather	W. Riley 67*, N. Francis 30, T. Phakathi 27
7th XI	Cowan House 3rd XI	Cordwalles lost by 16 runs	H. Christopher 35
8th XI	St Charles 8th XI	Cordwalles won by 4 wickets	
9th XI	Cowan House 4th XI	Cordwalles lost by 8 wickets	
U11A	Highbury U11A	Cordwalles won by 6 wickets	J. Hogg 30*, C. May 28
U11B	Highbury U11B	Cordwalles won by 7 wickets	J. Kleinbooi 3/7, A. Dimba 44
U11C	Highbury U11C	Match Abandoned - Weather	
U11D	Cowan House U11B	Cordwalles won by 6 wickets	J. Payn 4/14, S. Archibald 3/15
U10A	Highbury U10A	Cordwalles won by 34 runs	P. Norton 61*, G. Mac Gibbon 30, C. Desfontaines 25*, C. Gallagher 3/10
U10B	Highbury U10B	Cordwalles lost by 3 wickets	S. Phetha 34
U10C	Highbury U10C	Cordwalles lost by 6 wickets	
U10D	St Charles U10C	Match Abandoned - Weather	
U9A	Highbury U9A	Match Abandoned - Weather	M. Govender 80*, W. Myhill 34
U9B	Highbury U9B	Cordwalles won by 45 runs	Q. Clark 52*
U9C	Highbury U9C	Cordwalles won by 7 wickets	



*WEEK 6

Team	Opponents	Result	Special Mentions
1st XI	St Charles 1st XI	Cordwalles won by 3 wickets	V. Kassen 3/31 & 30*, Z. Greaves 70
2nd XI	St Charles 2nd XI	Cordwalles won by 4 wickets	M. Tarr 3/17, J. Cheesman 41, T. Drakopoulos 37
3rd XI	St Charles 3rd XI	Cordwalles lost by 5 wickets	K. Boettiger 27
4th XI	St Charles 4th XI	Cordwalles won by 6 wickets	J. Morrison 3/12
5th XI	St Charles 5th XI	Cordwalles lost by 70 runs	I. Jali 28*
6th XI	St Charles 6th XI	Cordwalles won by 98 runs	L. Matswiri 77*, J. Clarence 31
7th XI	St Charles 7th XI	Cordwalles won by 48 runs	K. Shazi 29*, S. Nyabonda 26*
8th XI	St Charles 8th XI	Cordwalles won by 7 wickets	P. Mpanza 3/14
U11A	St Charles U11A	Cordwalles won by 112 runs	C. May 101*, T. Hoatson 59*, S. Dicks 37, G. Cooke 6/21
U11B	St Charles U11B	Cordwalles won by 9 wickets	A. Dimba 6/7, J. Kleinbooi 47*, K. Perry 30*
U11C	St Charles U11C	Cordwalles lost by 25 runs	M. McHugh 3/16, H. Mahlaba 3/18
U11D	St Charles U11D	Cordwalles won by 10 runs	
U10A	St Charles U10A	Cordwalles won by 30 runs	D. Wills 71, C. Desfontaines 31*, J. Laing 25, P. Norton 4/26
U10B	St Charles U10B	Cordwalles lost by 9 wickets	
U10C	St Charles U10C	Cordwalles won by 37 runs	
U9A	St Charles U9A	Cordwalles lost by 7 wickets	
U9B	St Charles U9B	Cordwalles lost by 5 runs	
U9C	St Charles U9C	Cordwalles won by 8 wickets	L. Ngobese 36

PINK DRIVE

*OUTREACH

Our boys brought wonderful energy and teamwork to this year's Pink Drive Swimathon in support of breast cancer awareness. Dressed proudly in pink, they arrived ready to swim for a cause that is meaningful to many families in our community.

Swimming in their Cordies Families groups, the boys encouraged one another throughout the morning – cheering, counting lengths and celebrating every effort. The atmosphere around the pool was lively and full of support, with parents and families adding to the spirit from the sidelines. With music playing and plenty of smiles, it was a morning that felt both fun and meaningful.





The Swimathon also gave the boys a chance to enjoy time together. Between sessions, they shared lunch with their Cordies Families and took part in a fun activity, adding to the sense of connection and camaraderie. Their positive attitude showed how committed they were to the fundraising effort and how much they wanted to play their part.

A warm thank you to the Pink Drive team for spending time with our boys and sharing more about the important work they do. Their passion continues to inspire, especially as they prepare for the 8 Mile Charity Swim at Midmar Dam.

It was a day of service, connection, and community – true Cordwalles spirit. Together, our boys helped raise an incredible R30 000. – **Mrs Dedekind** (Head of Pastoral Care)





LOVE BOXES COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPORT

The Cordwalles boys once again showed their kindness and generosity through the creation of Love Boxes for old-age homes in our community. Each box was carefully packed with toiletries and a small treat simple items chosen to bring a little comfort and joy to the elderly.

The boys delivered these Love Boxes to several homes, including Emuseni Old Age Home where they previously visited to sing and share cupcakes as well as Emma Barter Home, NCVV and Isabel Beardmore Home. They approached the outreach with enthusiasm and genuine care, taking pride in serving the residents they met along the way.

Thanks to the support of our Cordwalles community, more than 260 Love Boxes were prepared and distributed. This incredible effort reflects our shared commitment to service, empathy and living out our values in meaningful ways.

It was a heartwarming initiative that reminded us how powerful small acts of kindness can be and how our boys can make a real difference when they serve with love. – **Mrs Dedekind** (Head of Pastoral Care)



NO ACT OF KINDNESS, NO MATTER HOW SMALL IS EVER WASTED. - AESOP



A THOUGHTFUL ACT OF KINDNESS

During an U11 cricket match in October between Cordwalles and Scottsville Primary, Hosea Govender (Grade 5E) noticed that many of the Scottsville boys were sharing worn cricket equipment. After the match, during the traditional handshake, Hosea quietly offered his own pads and gloves to the team, a simple, thoughtful gesture that was met with big smiles and grateful hearts.

With encouragement from Mrs Dedekind, Hosea later helped invite the Cordwalles community to donate any pre-loved cricket gear. The response was heartening, with five large bags of bats, pads, gloves, and equipment collected and handed over to Mr Molefe, a senior sports coach at Scottsville Primary.

What began as one small act of kindness quickly grew into something special a reminder of the generosity, empathy, and quiet leadership we love to see in our boys.





*OLD BOYS

SIR TERENCE ENGLISH

It is with great sadness, and immense pride, that we acknowledge the passing of one of our Cordwalles Old Boys, Sir Terence English, who passed away in Oxford at the age of 93.

Born in South Africa in 1932, Sir Terence attended Cordwalles during the wartime years from 1943–1945, where he was a member of the 1st XV rugby team and part of a generation of boys who grew into influential leaders in many walks of life. After moving on to Hilton College, he initially qualified in Mining Engineering at Wits before changing course to pursue medicine in London, qualifying as a doctor in 1962.

In 1972, Sir Terence was appointed to Papworth and Addenbrooke's Hospitals, where he went on to perform Britain's first successful heart transplant in 1979 a landmark moment in medical history. Under his leadership, Papworth became internationally recognised for heart and lung transplantation. He was knighted in 1991 for his outstanding contribution to medicine. Sir Terence remained closely connected to Cordwalles through the Old Boys' Club and continued to take a warm interest in his old prep school some 76 years later.





HILTON COLLEGE

First Name	Surname	Grade	Achievement
Andre	Boshoff	12	Sport: Tennis – The Maltby MVP Cup for 2025
Blake	Bullough	9	Sport Awards: Cricket – Merit Certificate U15
Blake	Bullough	9	Presidents' Award: Bronze
Dominic	Dunn	9	Sport: Made the Zambian National Polo Team
Jamie	Dunn	12	Sport: Made the Zambian National Polo Team
Dominic	Dunn	9	Academic: DEFL (French Diploma in French Language) Junior Level A1 Certificate
Dumisane	Gondwe	8	Academic: DEFL (French Diploma in French Language) Junior Level A1 Certificate
Chris	Johnson	12	Sport: Golf – Half Colours
Chris	Johnson	12	Gordon Grieve Trophy: Match Play Champion of the Year
Mholi	Khuzwayo	11	Service Tie: Marketing
Mholi	Khuzwayo	11	Academic: DEFL (French Diploma in French Language) Junior Level A1 Certificate
Wandile	Mthembu	9	Sports Awards: Cricket – Merit Certificate U15
Craig	Nel	9	Presidents' Award: Bronze
Knox	Rutherford	10	Presidents' Award: Bronze
Matthew	Stott	10	Presidents' Award: Bronze
Phillip	Van Der Vyver	9	Presidents' Award: Bronze
Adam	Wingfield	12	Academic: DEFL (French Diploma in French Language) Junior Level A1 Certificate

MICHAELHOUSE

Waterpolo

Tristan Atkinson (Class of 2020) was awarded the Whitaker Trophy for the first team player who has shown the greatest improvement from U14 to the open age group.

Rugby

Lwandle Dube (Class of 2024) received the Garth Finnemore Memorial Trophy for passion, dedication and Brotherhood.

Music

Connor Maitland (Class 2022) – Full school colours for Music

Luneziwe Mshengu (Class 2022) – Full school colours for Music



SPEECH DAY & PRIZE GIVING

2025

Our Senior Primary Prize Giving was held on Friday, 28 November. Our Guest of Honour was Mr Antony Clark, Retiring Rector of Michaelhouse.

Mr Clark's message highlighted the challenges of social media and smartphone use for children, emphasizing the risks of cyberbullying, exposure to harmful content and impacts on mental health. He encouraged parents to delay giving smartphones, support school policies and prioritise outdoor play, friendships and real-world experiences. Drawing on research, he praised Cordwalles' play-centred, nurturing environment and wished all families and especially the Grade 7s moving on a happy and successful 2026.

ACADEMIC PRIZES
THIS IS FOR A BOY WHO HAS ACHIEVED Academic Merit (80% and above)

<u>In Grade 4C</u>	
Second in Class	Hunter Goosen
FIRST in Class	Charvk Singh
<u>In Grade 4D</u>	
Academic Merit	Alexander Riley
Second in Class with Academic Merit	Mahdi Noorgat
FIRST in Class with Academic Merit	Joshua Goble
<u>In Grade 4N</u>	
Second in Class	Raihil Pooran
FIRST in Class	Esile Ngqwangi
<u>In Grade 5B</u>	
Second in Class with Academic Merit	Thomas Hoatson
FIRST in Class with Academic Merit	Nathan Ayekun
<u>In Grade 5E</u>	
Academic Merit	Kylan Deonundhan
Academic Merit	Matthew Goble
Second in Class with Academic Merit	Connor Smith
FIRST in Class with Academic Merit	Kye Perry
<u>In Grade 5H</u>	
Second in Class	Kwenama Cele

FIRST in Class with Academic Merit		Caleb May
<u>In Grade 6 OVERALL</u>		
Academic Merit and Academic Tie		Jacques van Graan
Academic Merit and Academic Tie		Dhyan Padiachy
Academic Merit and Academic Tie		Simphiwe Pooe
Academic Merit and Academic Tie		Lucas Marais
Academic Merit and Academic Tie		William Riley
Third In Grade with Academic Merit and Academic Tie		Milan Ndlovu
Second in Grade with Academic Merit and Academic Tie		Luke Carroll
FIRST in Grade with Academic Merit and Academic Tie		Shreyan Naidoo
<u>In Grade 7</u>		
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award		Sahil Naidoo
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award		Keval Pillay
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award		Gavin Carroll
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award		Yashlan Chetty
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award		Titus Drakopoulos
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award		Daniel Harris
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award		Uzair Moosa
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award		Zach Greaves
Academic Merit and Academic Tie Re-Award		Harry Christopher

Grade 7 Subject prizes

PRIZE	EXPLANATION	WINNER
The English prize goes to		Yashlan Chetty

Tatham Memorial Essay	Goes to a boy in Grade 7 who, in the opinion of the staff and external examiners, has written the best set essay in English.	Daniel Harris
isiZulu prize goes to		Udumolwakhe Phoswa
The Afrikaans prize goes to		Yashlan Chetty
The Raciborski Information Technology Trophy	This Trophy is for a boy who shows interest, commitment and dedication in and to computer science is shared between	Andrew Theunissen and Siyanda Sangweni
The Natural Science prize goes to		Daniel Harris
The Mathematics prize goes to		Yashlan Chetty
The Coding and Robotics	For a boy who has shown interest, commitment and dedication in and to coding and robotics. The prize is shared between	Andrew Theunissen Connor Hickson
The Social Science prize goes to		Yashlan Chetty
The Crookes Trophy	Is for the pupil who has achieved the highest combined aggregate for Social Science and Natural Science.	Yashlan Chetty
(Director's Cup) The van Velden Award	This year, the trophy is shared by 2 boys who showed enormous commitment to the school play and who led by example.	Edward Hill Scott Hoatson
Smith Family Trophy for Speech and Drama	For a consistently high standard and contribution in their drama lessons is shared by	Andrew Thenuissen Udumolwakhe Phoswa
Best Actor's Cup	For his versatility and natural stage presence	Samkelo Nyabonda
Art Prize	for a senior boy who shows a flair, talent and love for the subject This year the award is shared between	John Thompson
General Knowledge Prize	Awarded to the Grade 7 who has outstanding General Knowledge	Chatonda Moya
Design Technology Prize	For a boy who displays an aptitude and love for the subject. This year the award is shared by	Andrew Theunissen Connor Hickson
Young Reader of the Year 2025	The Most Consistent Reader in Grade 7 this Year	Uzair Moosa

The Chess Player of the Year:		Jack Clarence
MUSIC		
Hallot Trophy	For determination and dedication to music.	Inhle Jali
Brent Black Trophy	For excellence in music. This trophy is awarded to a pupil who has a natural talent and works hard to achieve a standard of excellence. It is shared between	James Eustace Jack Clarence
The Fred Palmer Cricket Bat	The Gr 7 Cricket Player of the Year is	Zach Greaves
The Redfern Trophy	The Gr 7 Hockey Player of the Year	Harrison Young
The Rugby Trophy	The Gr 7 Rugby Player of the Year is shared by	Titus Drakopolous and Caleb Newborn
Housework Trophy For academics	Top 10 boys in Grades 4 to 7 are ranked and earn points for their house	4th - Butchers 3rd - Tathams 2nd - Baines 1st - Jacksons
The Cock House	Goes to the champion sports house	4th - Butchers 164 3rd – Tathams 167 2nd – Baines 176 1st – Jacksons 188
Twin Streams Earth Care Prize Donated by Ian and Jean Garland	The recipient must display a love for nature, an understanding of the environment and show an active appreciation for the innate value of our natural heritage.	Hayden Solms
Cordwalles Boarding House Trophy The Gayle Bastard Prize	For Boarder of the Year. This is awarded to a pupil who shows empathy, gives guidance and is reliable within the boarding house at all times.	Samkelo Nyabonda
Dr Maurice Peters Memorial trophy for sportsmanship	Is awarded to a boy who displays humility in victory and graciousness in defeat, who at all times up-holds the ethos of manners, competitiveness and team spirit in a balanced fashion to the betterment of sport above himself.	Vihaan Kassen
All Round Sportsman of the year The Liebie van Heerden Trophy	The all-round sportsman of the year trophy is awarded on a points basis to a boy for his contribution across all sporting codes and taking into account provincial representation. This year's recipient has made a meaningful contribution to sport at Cordwalles, representing the 1st team in four different codes. He has also represented the school in athletics and cross-country, showing commitment across a wide range of	Zach Greaves

	disciplines. Beyond Cordwalles, he was selected for KZN Inland U13A in both hockey and cricket, and also represented the Midlands U13B rugby team.	
The Whittle Trophy Courage, tenacity & perseverance	These individuals have overcome adversity and has shown tremendous tenacity in defeating the odds	Connor Hickson Harry Payn
Sally Cornish Trophy Compassion	The recipient of this award is respected for his care, kindness, outstanding manners and his friendly engaging manner with adults and his peers.	Samkelo Nyabonda
The Reed Trophy 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. This year the trophy is shared by	Milun Visvanathan Alondwe Biyela
The Biggs Family Trophy Service to the School	The recipient this year has worked hard behind the scenes and has given himself selflessly and always in good humor to the betterment of the school and in support of his peers.	Edward Hill
The De'ann Brooks Trophy for Tribute to Cordwalles For respect for God, others, the environment & himself. (manners & thinking of others)	The trophy this year has been awarded to a boy who has contributed to Cordwalles in every way with manners, self-discipline, success and giving the school an excellent public image.	Zach Greaves
The Whitelaw Trophy	The recipient of this award has shown commitment and achieved worthy praise for his huge contribution on the sports field, academically, culturally and spiritually.	Caleb Newborn
Headmaster's Award	The boy who receives this award has made an outstanding contribution to Cordwalles both on the sports field and in the classroom. He has done it in his own quiet, unobtrusive way and is respected for his kindness and integrity.	Titus Drakopolous
John Fowler Good Fellowship Award	The award 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 is kind and caring. A boy one would be proud to introduce to your parents and friends as a role model.	Zach Greaves

FINAL ACADEMIC AWARDS	<i>We now come to the final academic awards which culminates in the award for Dux of the School.</i>	
Third in Grade 7	Shared between	Keval Pillay Daniel Harris
Second in Grade 7		Sahil Naidoo
Dux of School	This is a Grade 7 pupil who has attained the highest aggregate over the whole year. He is a young man with a will to succeed. The 2025 Dux with an aggregate of 89,32 is:	Yashlan Chetty