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Latest from the Acting Head Master

It was fantastic to host Mr Trevor Bennison and his wife Yvonne at the Trevor Bennison Rugby Day on 22 March. Unfortunately, this year we only had eight schools participating due to the Private and Public schools closing on different dates. We hope this will not be an issue in 2018. We thank all the schools who participated and wish them well for the season. My thanks to all my staff who made the day possible.

For assembly on Thursday 23 March, I prepared a motivational reading mainly for our 1st XV who had played most of the match on Saturday with 14 men and could have easily taken the victory in the last ten minutes.

Thomas Kempen, one of Deputy Head Prefects did this reading at assembly. Durban High School prides itself on producing gentlemen of character and leaders of substance. I have included Thomas's reading as the ending to my message. The reading is profound in its wisdom and is invaluable for all learners.

Wishing everyone a well-deserved holiday.

Alan Norton
Acting Head Master

This morning's reading is an adaptation of these great words written above you all:
May each and every one of them ever remember that as he is, so is his school.

Remember that if you are rude, so is your school;

if you are arrogant, so is your school;
if you have a sense of entitlement, so does your school;
if you are disrespectful, so is your school;
if you are ignorant, so is your school;
if you have no class, neither does your school.

You see: if I took every single one of you to Hilton College, Hilton would not be a great school because what you fail to understand is that as you are, so is your school.

SO, NOW!

Remember that if you are respectful, so is your school;
if you are honest, so is your school;
if you are full of pride, so is your school;
if you are full of passion, so is your school;
if you have composure, so does your school;
if you are humble, so is your school;
if you maintain high standards, so does your school;
if you show character, so does your school;
if you have integrity, so does your school;
that if you live to serve, so does your school;
if you have CLASS, SO DOES your school!

Grade 8s: YOUR SCHOOL!
Grade 9s: YOUR SCHOOL!
Grade 10s: YOUR SCHOOL!
Grade 11s: YOUR SCHOOL!
Matrics: YOUR SCHOOL!

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The 1st XV Rugby team after their win vs Port Natal at the Trevor Bennison Rugby Day

From the Acting Head Master cont'd

So it's time for the 20% of you who are respectful, honest, full of pride and passion, who have composure, are humble, who maintain high standards with character and integrity, those who serve and have class. It's time for you to stop tolerating the 20% who are rude, arrogant, entitled, disrespectful, and lack character and class!

And the 60% of you who sit on the fence and go with the motions, wake up. You have not inherited DHS from the 150 years of Old Boys, you are borrowing from the 1000s of brothers still to come.

Inside every single one of you is a DHS boy, inside every single one of you is a Horsefly.

Trevor Bennison Rugby Day

DHS took on Port Natal in the main game of the "Trevor Bennison" Rugby Day on the Wednesday 22nd March. In its 2nd year the rugby day was a success for those teams still finding their best combinations for the season ahead. In a shortened format of the game it was a good run out for the team.

DHS ran out comfortable 37-3 winners over their Durban counterparts, however, it was an unconvincing performance from the "Horseflies" who made too many handling errors on the day. Although the game had glimpses of excellence it was a forgettable performance by the blue and gold who are still trying to recover from a very inconsistent start to the season.

Standout performers were the two Grant Khomo players from last year, lock Celimpilo Gumede and inside centre

So, my brothers, DHS may not be perfect. No school is. But surely if we strive for perfection, we shall achieve nothing short of greatness.

So seek beneath the surface of who you are at this moment and decide who YOU want to be from this moment forward. Because as you are, so is YOUR SCHOOL, OUR SCHOOL; MY SCHOOL!!

And I want my school to be great ... the question is ... DO YOU?

Here ends this morning's reading.

Thomas Kempen
Deputy Head Prefect

Lwandile Menze. Both contributed with dynamic running that resulted in some positive momentum for the team. Tries were recorded intermittently throughout, with a special mention for wing Nkita Mhloma who crossed over for his first try at this level.

On a positive note, the DHS defence continues to stand resolute and they will take much confidence as they head to Saints in a few weeks' time.

There is still a lot of work to be done and the team is still finding its form but, with the continued effort they put in at practice, it seems they are not far away from finding the form that saw them dominate Northwood a few weeks back.

S Mathie
1st XV Rugby Coach / Head of Rugby

Performing Arts Competition



Cham Zondeki, Asande Kunene, Nkanyesi Hlongwa, Nthutezelo Mbadi and Manelisi Buthelezi won Best Overall Performance



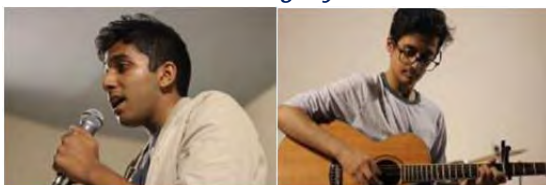
Aphiwe Shabangu (left) won Best Overall Performance in Music and Siyathemba Ngcobo won Best Vocal



Sisanda Sithole and Eyami Mvelase performing "When cool gets cold"



James Dufana won the Dance Category



Cohen Naidoo (vocals) and Akil Jamnadas (guitar) won the Best Duo

The Durban High School annual Performing Arts Competition showcased the immense cultural talent at DHS. The dance, drama and music showcase allowed the learners the opportunity to explore different creative avenues. Learners were privileged enough to perform in the newly launched Chris Seabrooke Music Centre and as well as the established Seabrooke's Theatre. The amazing facilities did not overshadow the performers as our gentlemen lived up to true DHS standards and principles.

The Dance and Drama category comprised of 12 items and formed the foundation of new dance groups and young talent. Talented hosts Nthutezelo Mbadi and Manelisi Buthelezi masterminded a script of political satire - "Goennews" - along with with Cham Zondeki, Asande Kunene, Nkanyesi Hlongwa which won the Best Overall Performance. James Dufana won the Dance category with a brilliant solo piece entitled "Illusion of Bliss". Lesedi Lesesa won the Best Actor of the night with a convincing monologue entitled "Fear". The PAC also saw the inception of two new dance crews - Young Bloods and 2k17. The ever growing Poetry section allowed opportunities for new writers and creative forms of expression. Sisanda Sithole and Eyami

Mvelase blew the audience away with their duo "When Cool gets Cold".

The music category comprised of 14 items which included a variety of genres, from pop to traditional, as well as original compositions. With the addition of the new Chris Seabrooke Music Centre at DHS, many new faces appeared this year, highlighting some amazing talent, which is a positive for the development of arts at the school. The newly formed DHS band was exceptional and singers that had previously not been heard were given a platform to show off their talents. However, Siyathemba Ngcobo showed that he has what it takes to win the Best Vocalist category with his outstanding performance. Cohen Naidoo (vocals) and Akil Jamnadas (guitar) won the Best Duo category, and the Best Overall Performance went to rapper and newcomer, Aphiwe Shabangu, who brought the audience to their feet at the end with thunderous applause. Durban High School would like to thank everyone who supported the show and we look forward to seeing the DHS talent and support grow from strength to strength.

G Sooriah / N Rungan
Subject Head : Drama / Head of Music

Beauty & the Beatz

The Matric fundraising event: Beauty & the Beatz was a throwback to all things casual. The evening of 24 March 2017 began with an amazing line-up of performers from our 'Old Boys' to our current learners. An amazing up-and-coming rap rendition from a young Grade 8 performer had the audience in rapture with his very own composition. We are certainly looking forward to some

awesome performances in the years to come from this young man. Mkhize and his group of dancers/ rappers really had the crowd going and clapping to the beats of his very catchy, "Give me the Coke"

Other performers included our own Ed Sheeran in the form of Cohen Naidoo, with his version of "Shape of You", who was
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Our Matric Boy and Staff strutting their stuff at the Matric Fashion Show!



Poetry Club Open MIC

Beauty & the Beatz cont'd

accompanied by the talented band players. TT Shabalala, an 'Old Boy' delivered a sterling performance ... as always.

The Beatz segment ended all too soon and the fashion section followed quickly afterwards.

Again this year, our matric boys outshone the girls on the ramp. Credit must go to Shaun Stander (owner of Mobile Model Management) who never hesitates to help us out with the choreography. The time and commitment he gives to our school is highly appreciated. Thank you Shaun for all that you do for our school. Our youngsters displayed class and a great deal of professionalism when they modelled the clothing lines and were well represented.

It is always good to watch our normally academically and sport-inclined learners get out of their comfort zones and take to the spotlight of a different kind. This is such an excellent, fun way of raising funds for the Matric Dance.

Our models looked like supermodels as they took to the

Poetry Club Open MIC

Durban High School's Poetry Club played host to the second Open Mic event at DHS, on 17 March 2017. The event took place on the third floor of the new Victor Daitz Mathematics and Science building. The mood in the room was set with the lights dimmed and fairy lights draped all around. Learners from various schools, such as DGHS, George Campbell, DGC and our partner school from Kwadabeka were invited to participate. MC of the event was our very own Lindokuhle Dlamini (Captain of the DHS Poetry Club 2017). Lindokuhle said, the Open Mic event went extraordinarily well, with performances from Mfundi

ramp in the various garments so kindly loaned to us by various Fashion Stores in and around Durban. This year, we welcomed to our school, a regular feature on SA Fashion Week, Vanessa Pillay of Hombre garments. What a pleasant surprise to discover our 'Old Boy' Jeandre Peterson taking charge of her designs. It was so refreshing to see a display of such a totally different range of garments.

The showstopper had to be, once again, the DHS staff modelling segment. Thank you to the staff that embraced the theme *Beauty and the Beasts* and took to the ramp in style. The Beasts were easily complemented by the ladies who all looked stunning.

Thank you to all our sponsors for the evening. All those who attended, were thoroughly entertained.

S Nagiah
Matric Fundraiser Co-Orindator

Mkhize, Gopal Bhavir, Snesizwe Mahlalela, Reason & Sanity, himself and other great performances from other poets from the various schools who participated.

"... the atmosphere was very lovely and everyone enjoyed themselves as we heard poems of love, heartbreak, friendships, self-awareness ... it truly is an event I can guarantee those who were present will remember!" - Mfundo Mkize (Grade 11)
"... we come here to have fun" - Jamshid Rodrigues (Grade 8)

Ms L du Buisson
M-i-C: Poetry Club

Extra-Mural Results

RUGBY vs HILTON

It is always an exciting opportunity to run out on Kings Park for a fixture, but what was billed as a mouthwatering early season affair didn't quite live up to its billing. It was indeed a clash of two styles; the expansive game versus the highly structured one. Disappointingly in the end for DHS and the neutrals it was Hilton who ran out victors by 10 points to 6, with their combative defensive performance and dominant kick and chase game.

DHS started poorly with a lot of handling errors that kept them from gaining any momentum in the game. With the game being played as running time instead of playing time due to the time restrictions at Kings Park, it was clear that Hilton had come to try and disrupt DHS from playing their continuity based game. They did this well by good kick and chase lines and being very competitive at the breakdown. It was also clear that they intended to make the game very stop start by forcing untimely breaks at every possible opportunity allowing the clock to wind down and break any momentum.

The game, however, turned for the worst for DHS when on the 20th minute, DHS lock Celimpilo Gumede was issued with a red card for an alleged punch thrown. This was going to make the task even greater for the "Horseflies".

Hilton managed to gain the necessary territorial advantages and from two penalties were able to score two driving tries, failing to convert both.

After the break, DHS looked by far the more threatening team and started to expose the holes in behind the defense. Some cleverly placed kicks from scrumhalf Sanele Nohamba nearly resulted in a few tries but the bounce of the ball just eluded the DHS team on

the day. The scrumhalf slotted two magnificent penalties in the blustering wind to keep DHS within a score of Hilton. Although having the opportunity to win the game at the end, DHS lacked the composure needed to see the game through and were unable to score when being in good positions.

The positives for the DHS team has to be their resolute defense, which for the greater part of the game operated with a man less and were never threatened to concede from open play. The fact that the team rallied to nearly beat the Hilton side with 14 men speaks volumes of their resolve and character. Although a loss, there were clearly signs that this team has something special but will need to find greater consistency in their play if they are to reach their potential.

S Mathie

1st XV Rugby Coach/M-i-C : Rugby

	<i>DHS</i>	<i>Hilton</i>
1 st XV	6	10
2 nd XV	5	71
3 rd XV	7	48
4 th XV	3	51
5 th XV	0	56
U16A	15	32
U16B	0	42
U15A	12	12
U15B	5	61
U14A	0	47
U14B	12	62
U14C	5	53
U14D	5	10

RUGBY vs VOORTREKKER

The "Horseflies" played their annual midweek fixture against Voortrekker under lights on Wednesday night and were able to string together a much better performance, running out dominant 50-0 victors over Voortrekker.

Although DHS made a few handling errors on the night, their ability to

score from turnover ball has allowed them to take games away from their opponents this term. The team found some much needed composure with Sanele Nohamba starting at flyhalf. His tactical kicking early on helped DHS find the territorial advantage from which to mount their attacks.

Loose forward Sean Barnes made his comeback from concussion and took his place in the starting front row for the game. The forwards certainly gave the team the front-foot ball they needed and some excellent performances from tighthead prop Mthokozisi Gumede and flanker Asande Mnguni brought a lot of energy to the team.

Tries rained down from early on as DHS took an early lead through some great interplay amongst the forwards. Ultimately, the DHS attack possessed too much for Voortrekker, who, credit to them, fought valiantly the entire game. They are certainly physically in great shape and can be proud of their efforts.

DHS can be most pleased with their defensive efforts this term as they have conceded only 10 points from 3 games. This is certainly a great base from which to start. The team now travels to the St Stithians Rugby Festival over the Easter Weekend and are hoping to emulate their new found form.

DHS 50 Voortrekker 0

HOCKEY vs HILTON

The first half of this game was the single most disappointing half of hockey I have experienced in my three years at DHS. The boys started off without any intensity which from the side of the field looked like a lack of interest and belief. True to our start, we found

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The new mural on the wall at the DMG looks really good! Thanks to DHS Old Boy, Dusted Ink.



Congratulations to Nathan Harvey, in Grade 8, who participated in a competition in New York with the KZN Youth Band and won a Gold medal in Carnegie Hall! Nathan plays he plays Euphonium.



Extra-Mural Results cont'd

ourselves two goals down inside the first five minutes and the trend of conceding soft goals continued throughout the first half and before we knew it were 0-7 down and it was half time.

After a stern talking to during the interval and a crash course on what it means to wear the DHS badge on your shirt and some harsh truths, the boys came out with a bit to prove. And to their credit, the fight that the boys put up was pleasing to see; but also a little disappointing due to the fact that because of our lack of performance in the first half, the match was over as a contest. That being said, we managed to get the first goal of the second half - after a period of sustained pressure on the Hilton goal we were awarded a penalty corner which was not converted; however, we received another PC due to a foul inside the 16 yard area and from the resulting PC we pulled a goal back. Hilton managed to get control of the game again after that but the fight and resistance shown by our boys paid off as they struggled to find the net. Hilton

eventually did get an eighth goal with 5 minutes left to play.

Overall it was a game of two completely different halves. Hopefully a valuable lesson was learnt and going forward we will not have a repeat of the 30 minutes of madness we experienced against them.

R Beaumont
M-i-C : Hockey

	DHS	Hilton
1 st XI	1	8
2 nd XI	0	10
U16A	0	5
U14A	0	8

DEBATING RESULTS

Senior 1 vs Clifton
DHS lost the debate
Senior 2 vs Werda Hoër
DHS won the debate and Lesesa Lesedi was the overall best speaker

Junior 1 vs Durban North College
DHS won the debate and Ziyaad Joosab was the overall best speaker
Junior 2 vs Brettonwood
DHS lost the Debate

MySchool

Thank you to all those parents who contributed to My School in March and who consistently use their MySchool card every month.

For those who are a little less consistent, please remember to swipe your card in April. Store your MySchool card with your Woolworths card for ease of use when purchasing. Using this card is such an easy way to contribute to DHS.

You can find the Myschool partners in your area using the following link:

[tners/partners?name=®ion=1004001&page=5](https://www.myschool.co.za/partners/partners?name=®ion=1004001&page=5).

Go to <http://www.myschool.co.za/> to change to DHS or to apply for a new card. There is also an application form on the DHS Communicator (click on Resources).



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Holiday Activities

Boys from Durban High School will, as usual, be participating in various activities during the holidays.

Our Rugby boys are off to play at various festivals and our Hockey boys are playing at KES from 13 to 17 April and some of our Climbers are participating in the Bouldering Nationals in Gauteng on 1 and 2 April.

Finally, we will once again be hosting our annual Basketball Tournament over the Easter weekend. The Tournament is to be held at the DUT (Durban University of Technology) Sports Centre in Steve Biko Road, from 14 to 16 April.

Teams from Zimbabwe, Swaziland and Gauteng will be playing. Two of our teams are participating so do come along and support our boys.

Please find the full fixture list on page 8.

Good luck to all our boys in their various activities ...

The Weeks Ahead

Thursday 30 March
Senior Debating @ Northlands
Girls' High : 15h00

Friday 31 March
School Breaks Up for Easter
Holidays @ 10h40

Monday 17 April
Boarders after 15h00

Tuesday 18 April
School Opens for the 2nd Term

Wednesday 19 April
Grade 12 Parent Teaching
Meetings from 17h30 in AJ
Human Room

Thursday 20 April
Grade 11 Parent Teaching
Meetings from 17h30 in AJ
Human Room
BDO Quiz @ Glenwood

Friday 21 April
Poetry Schools Open MIC @
Seabrooke's Theatre
D&D High School Chess Challenge
@ DHS : DHS vs George Campbell

Saturday 22 April
Rugby and Hockey vs Michaelhouse
(h) COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE

Monday 24 April
Grade 10 Parent Teaching
Meetings from 17h30 in AJ
Human Room

Tuesday 25 April
Grade 9 Parent Teaching Meetings
from 17h30 in AJ Human Room

Wednesday 26 April
Grade 8 Parent Teaching Meetings
from 17h30 in AJ Human Room

Thursday 27 April
Public Holiday - Freedom Day
1st XV Rugby Tour to Grey High in PE
: 27 to 29 April
BE Out Weekend : 27 Apr to 1 May

Friday 28 April
School Holiday

Saturday 29 April
BE Out Weekend

Holiday Activities
1-2 April
Bouldering Nationals in Gauteng

1-3 April
U15A Northwood Rugby Festival

3-8 April
U14A & U16A Glenwood Rugby
Festival

13-17 April
DHS Basketball Festival at DUT

13-17 April
1st XI Hockey Tour to KES

13-17 April
1st XV Rugby St Stithian's Festival

Rugby : Holiday Fixtures

1st XV @ ST STITHIANS RUGBY FESTIVAL :13-17 April

Date	Opponent	Time	Venue
13 April	St Albans	12h15	Baytopp Field
15 April	SACS	12h15	Baytopp Field
17 April	Grey PE	15h00	Baytopp Field

U16 @ GLENWOOD RUGBY FESTIVAL :3-7 April

Date	Opponent	Time	Venue
4 April	Potch Gim	12h30	Field 2
6 April	Wesvalia	09h50	Field 2
8 April	Montana	13h50	Field 2

U15 @ NORTWOOD RUGBY FESTIVAL :1-3 April

Date	Opponent	Time	Venue
1 April	Biopela Secondary	11h30	Northwood
2 April	TBC		
3 April	TBC		

U14 @ GLENWOOD RUGBY FESTIVAL :3-7 April

Date	Opponent	Time	Venue
3 April	Wesvalia	10h00	Field 2
5 April	Potch Volkskool	10h00	Field 2
7 April	Jim Fouche	11h00	Field 2

DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT



14 TEAMS

(FROM KSAO, ZIMBABWE, SWAZILAND)

DATE: 14-16 April

VENUE: DUT

(Steve Biko Rd)

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Durban High School Basketball Tournament

14 - 16 April 2017



Fixtures @ DUT Indoor Sports Centre

Day 1 : Friday 14 April

Court A			Court B		
08h00	#1 St Alban's	vs DHS 1	#2 PBHS	vs	Clifton
09h30	#3 CHISZ G	vs College	#4 Bafokeng	vs	Heritage
11h00	#5 CHISZ E	vs DHS	#6 CHISZ D	vs	DHS Cubs
12h30	#7 CBC	vs Kearsney	#8 Enjabulweni	vs	CHISZ G
14h00	#9 DHS Cubs	vs PPI	#10 Mashonaland	vs	St Alban's
15h30	#11 Heritage	vs Njabulweni	#12 College	vs	CHISZ D
17h00	#13 Clifton	vs DHS Cubs	#14 DHS	vs	Mashonaland
18h30	#15 CHISZ E	vs The Glen	#16 CHISZ D	vs	Enjabulweni

Day 2 : Saturday 15 April

Court A			Court B		
08h00	#17 St Alban's	vs St Alban's	#18 PBHS	vs	College
09h30	#19 CHISZ D	vs Enjabulweni	#20 CHISZ E	vs	Bafokeng
11h00	#21 DHS	vs Glenwood	#22 Clifton	vs	College
12h30	#23 PBHS	vs Enjabulweni	#24 St Alban's	vs	CBC
14h00	#25 College	vs DHS Cubs	#26 Heritage	vs	Mashonaland
15h30	#27 CHISZ G	vs PBHS	#28 Bafokeng	vs	St Alban's
17h00	#29 CBC	vs DHS	#30 Enjabulweni	vs	Clifton
18h30	#31 St Alban's	vs CHISZ E	#32 PBHS	vs	CHISZ D

Day 3 : Sunday 16 April

Court A			Court B		
08h00	#33 Mashonaland	vs CBC	#34 DHS Cubs	vs	Enjabulweni
09h30	#35 DHS	vs Bafokeng	#36 Clifton	vs	CHISZ G
11h00	#37 Enjabulweni	vs College	#38 CBC	vs	Heritage
12h30	#39 CHISZ D	vs Clifton	#40 CHISZ E	vs	DHS
14h00	#41 Pool A1	vs Pool B2	#42 Pool B1	vs	Pool A2
15h30	#43 Pool A3	vs Pool B4	#44 Pool B3	vs	Pool A4
17h00	#45 LG No 41	vs LG No 42	#46 WG No 43	vs	WG No 44
17h00	#47 FINALS				