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Eastern Evening #Pyardostihai

Tina Turner's song: "Simply The Best," aptly described this year's Eastern Cultural Show #PYARDOSTIHAI - A BOLLYWOOD MUSICAL.

This brilliant performance related the story of three high school friends caught up in a love triangle.

The Rudra Dance Company, consisting of DHS Old Boys Priyen Naidoo and Pavishen Paideya, who cut their dancing teeth on our very own stage about 10 years ago, together with a group of girls (Lerisha Munsami, Kaylee and Sainita) transformed our DC Thompson Hall into a vibrant display of Bollywood dancing.

Putting together a Bollywood musical was a dream I realised with the help of Pavishen.

The first scene burst onto the stage with our boys performing an energetic classroom scene. The well placed voice over took the audience through the entire story; beginning with the meeting of the lovers, the friendship, the falling in love and then finally the choice that had to be made. Leading obviously to a broken heart.

The dances depicted each dramatic scene in precise dance moves. I am still astounded by the fact that our learners managed this with just one month of practice. Some of the more poignant scenes (which I am sure will remain in my mind for a long time include) included: the challenge of the two lovers competing for the love interest - such an awesome

synchronisation between Pavishen and Priyen, the solo performance of Pavishen when he is left heartbroken, the solo performance of Lerisha when she had to make a choice and lastly the dance medley comprising of just our school boys.

The stage was an explosion of sound and light right from the beginning. The audience were left mesmerised by the performances and managed to catch a breather when the Matrics took to the stage to showcase their take on Eastern Fashion during the first half of the show. A beautiful display of grace and style.

The second half of the show was just as vibrant. The song "Ain't no sunshine when she's gone" sung by Lesedi Lesesa and accompanied by Prenav Gopal on tabla, Cameron Naidoo on guitar and Yaron Smith on trumpet only emphasised the heartbreak experienced by the lead dancer.

One dance followed another and I am still amazed at the boy's ability to remember all the choreography! The Western fashion component was just as classy. Well done Matrics!

Sridhar Chandraduth must be congratulate; despite dislocating his kneecap two hours before the show started, he returned from the hospital in time for the finale and performed in it!

A huge thank you to all those who contributed to the success of this evening:

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The cast of #Pyardostihai with Mrs Nagiah



Eastern Cultural Evening



Head Prefects for Blackmore House
Tiagan Terreblanche (Deputy),
Donovan Adams (Head Prefect),
Martin Mugoni (Deputy)



Phendulani receiving one of his awards from Mr Jojo

Eastern Evening cont'd

- Mr Pinheiro for affording us the opportunity to host such an event
- Pavishen Paideya, a DHS old boy for the choreography, costumes; ticket and poster design
- Rudra Dance Company
- Devesh, Jonathan and Paul for Sound and Lighting
- Wed in Style for the draping
- Peppers & Pans for the refreshments
- Hala for video
- Mr Lewis for being my right-hand man
- Ms Drew for printing, programme design and photos
- Dupie and his team for the security
- Ms Rungan for music item and the running the Tuck-Shop
- All the cast members - you have surpassed all my expectations
- And lastly to the parents of the dancers - thank you for your patience and understanding.

We look forward to your support next year.

S Nagiah
M-i-C : Eastern Evening

Blackmore House Dinner

The eagerly anticipated annual Blackmore House Dinner was held on Friday 13 October in the dining hall. The evening celebrated those who had done well throughout the year, on the sports field, culturally and in academics. It was also a time to say farewell to the outgoing Matric body of 2017.

The event started around 5:30pm. Among the invited guests were Head Master, Mr Pinheiro, and his wife, and Mr Athabile Jojo. Mr Jojo was Head Prefect at DHS in 2003 and has the guest speaker at last year's Junior Prize Giving.

To start off with, we received some mouth-watering starters from the Peppers & Pans staff. Guest Speaker for the night, Mr Jojo, then gave the whole house a motivational speech which was very moving.

Next on the programme was the main course, followed by some musical interludes from talented Grade 8, Sisho Msweli and the prize giving.

Senior Housemaster, Mr Adam, then announced the Blackmore House Prefects, the Head Boy and the two deputies for 2018.

Head Boy: Donovan Adams
Deputies: Martin Mugoni,
Tiagan Terreblanche
Prefects: Danken Ellis,
Celimpilo Gumede,
Mthokozisi Gumede,
Lwandile Menze,
Asamde Mnguni,
Reabetsoe Ndaba

The Prefects were each presented with a pledge that they had to commit to in front of the House, saying they would hold the position with honour and integrity and always approach their duties with self-discipline. They were led by the outgoing Head Boy, Phendulani Buthelezi. We wish these fine gentlemen a great time as they serve their fellow brothers.

Finally the Grade 8s paid tribute to the Matrics, read out by Malibongwe.

Special thanks go to Mrs Hellenberg for the outstanding decorations in the hall, Mr Moodley for preparing all the awards and certificates, and lastly to Mr Jojo for taking time off his busy schedule to attending and sharing with us on the night.

Martin Mugoni : Grade 11



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Sport Results

BASKETBALL vs NORTHWOOD

	DHS	Northwood
1 st Team	65	21
2 nd Team	16	32
U16A	32	3
U16B	19	56
U15A	37	18
U15B	23	10
U14A	21	11
U14B	22	10
U14C	7	3
U14D	4	20

WATERPOLO : TOP 10 TOURNAMENT

1st Team - Pool Games

	DHS	Opponent	
1 st	3	Westville	4
1 st	10	College	7
1 st	5	Michaelhouse	4
1 st	2	Clifton	10

U14A Team - Pool Games

	DHS	Opponent	
U14A	1	Clifton	7
U14A	3	Westville	7
U14A	4	College	6
U14A	6	Glenwood	3

Weeks Ahead

Friday 20 October

Rugby Sevens Champions of
Champions Tournament in
Pretoria : 20-21 October
Water Polo : St Stithians
Tournament : 19-22 October
Seabrooke's Theatre : Dalida
Kolomatovic Belly Dancing Show

Saturday 21 October

Cricket / Basketball vs Clifton (a)

Monday 23 October

National Senior Certificate Exams
Being
Sport & Cultural Awards Assembly
: 08h00 - 09h00

Tuesday 24 October

NSC : ENGL P1 : 09h00 : 2hr

Wednesday 25 October

NSC : ACCN : 09h00 : 2hr
Cricket : Twenty20 vs Northwood
(a)

SGB Parent AGM and Budget
Meeting : AJ Human Room :
17h30

Thursday 26 October

Seabrooke's Theatre : Durban
Actors Studio : 26-27 October

Friday 27 October

NSC : MATH/MLIT P1 : 09h00 : 3hr
Staff Development : Project
Management : 13h45 - 16h45

Saturday 28 October

Cricket / Basketball vs Hilton (h)

Monday 30 October

Mentorship Assembly : 07h50
NSC : MATH/MLIT : 09h00 : 2hr
VSLA : 14h00 : 3hr

Tuesday 31 October

NSC : GEOG P1 : 09h00 : 3hr
GEOG P 2 : 14h00 : 1½hr

Saturday 4 November

Cricket / Basketball vs Glenwood
(h)

Sunday 5 November

1st XI DHS vs KZN U17 : 50 Overs (h)
: 09h00

Monday 6 November

Exams commence for Grades 8-11

Saturday 11 November

Remembrance Day

Thursday 23 November

Exams End
Leadership Camp : 23-25 November

This Weekend's Fixtures

CRICKET vs CLIFTON : Friday 20 October

Team	Time	Venue	Overs	Coach
3 rd XI	14h30	Theobald	20	Mr De Meillon
U15B	14h30	Riverside 1	20	Mr Scott
U14B	13h30	Riverside 2	20	Mr Horsely

CRICKET vs CLIFTON (a) : Saturday 21 October

Team	Time	Venue	Overs	Coach
1 st XI	09h00	Riverside 1	50	Mr Gcilitshana
2 nd XI	08h30	Kingsmead Oval	40	Mr Dube
U15A	08h30	Theobald	50	Mr Genade
U14A	08h30	Riverside 2	30	

BASKETBALL vs NORTHWOOD (a) : Saturday 21 October

Team	Time	Venue	Coach	Team	Time	Venue	Coach
1 st	14h20	Clifton 1	Zulu	2 nd	13h10	Clifton 1	Amisi
U16A	12h00	Clifton 2	Beukes	U16B	10h50	Clifton 2	Sibulawa
U15A	12h00	Clifton 1	Beukes	U15B	10h50	Clifton 1	Sibulawa
U14A	09h40	Clifton 1	Zulu	U14B	08h30	Clifton 1	Lufungula
U14C	09h40	Clifton 2	Kalonji	U14D	08h30	Clifton 2	Amisi

RUGBY 7s CHAMPIONS TROPHY (a) : 20-22 October

Team	Time	Opponent	Venue
1 st	16h40	Merensky	Camp Discovery, Pretoria
1 st	17h20	Waterkloof	Camp Discovery, Pretoria