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- ◆ Grade 10 Life Sciences Excursion
- ◆ Shine : A Musical Extravaganza
- ◆ 1st XV/U14A Rugby to Grey PE
- ◆ BE Weekend Out
- ◆ Long Weekend
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Performing Arts Competition (PAC)

Drama/Dance

The Performing Arts Competition did not disappoint this year.

This year the candidates that auditioned seemed to shy away from Drama Pieces and focus more on dance and movement.

The evening, slickly MC'd by David Whitfield and Jeevesh Sooriah, was fast-paced and entertaining. The movement pieces were vibrant and varied and displayed some awesome talent from our learners.

The Drama/Dance section of the evening was adjudicated by well-renowned Durban singer and actress, Marion Loudon. She thoroughly enjoyed her evening, and said that "it far exceeded her expectations!"

The winners of the Dance and Drama Categories were as follows:

Best Individual Performance - Mfundo Mkhize: Untitled

Best Drama Piece - Lesedi Lesesa and Zakariya Adam: Woza Albert!

Best Movement/Dance Piece (shared prize) - Ayanda Mnguni, Nhlakanipho Gumede, Seluleko Sabela and Lesedi Lesesa: Christmas Carollers
Adarsh Maharaj: Bollywood Dance

Ms K Smith
Subject Head : Drama

Music

The music category comprised of 14 items which included a variety of genres and some amazing young talent. With Music now being a Subject at DHS, many new faces appeared this year which is positive for the development of Arts at the school. Music was divided into 3 main categories, which included both instrumental and vocal performances. Platforms were created for both Classical and Pop genres to allow for a wider pool of students to participate.

The DHS band, Altitude, the overall winners of the Music Category, were exceptional with Goodwill Mbombi's original composition "Ghost Writer" leaving the audience enthralled.

However, Amahle Shazi showed that it takes more than just musical talent alone to win, as he blew the audience away with his charismatic rendition of Adele's "Rolling in the Deep". He had the audience in their feet, dancing along with him, giving him the win for the best Pop performance category.

Seluleko Sabela won best Classical Performance category with his beautiful delivery of the "Lord's Prayer".

Overall all the standard of the contestants was high and contestants were exceptional in their preparation for the competition.

Ms N Rungan
Head of Music



Winning Group Performance - Altitude



Best Drama Piece - Zakariya Adam (R) & Lesedi Lesesa



Best Individual Performance - Mfundo Mkhize (R)



Best Dance/Movement Piece (shared) - Christmas Carollers



Best Pop - Amahle Shazi (L)



Best Classical - Seluleko Sabela

Shine : A Musical Extravaganza

School concerts are pretty special events to attend regardless of your age. They are events where so many dreams yet to be fulfilled are often birthed and imagined. A breeding ground for the world's future artists, a place where so many of our industries leading musicians first discovered their love for their craft.

In her first year as the Director of the Chris Seabrooke Music Centre at Durban High School, Natalie Rungan, noticed that there were few platforms provided for music students who were learning instruments to perform on. Musicals and Drama productions were plentiful, but the old school music concert somehow didn't seem to make its appearance.

This was the impetus that inspired the vocalist/songwriter to calendar the event and write the theme song for Shine. "I wanted to create a platform where students who are gifted in music will be able to do just that ... to sing, play their instruments in front of an audience and basically to Shine as musicians. Music students are very special, even peculiar, and many of them are complete introverts who don't necessarily thrive in performances that require them to act and or dance."

Natalie recalls: "My career first started on my high school stage, when I was asked to sing

a Whitney Houston song - I will always love you. When I started singing, the silence in that hall was what convinced me that I had something special to offer people. The applause that followed is what helped me fit in to a world where all I wanted to do was hide."

This year will be the first year of "Shine" hosted at Durban High School's DC Thompson Hall on 25 April at 6pm. The concert will showcase both individuals and groups of music students who have been trained at the Chris Seabrooke Music Centre, and in collaboration with Durban Girls' High School Music students under the leadership of Miss Melindie Pretorius.

When asked why Natalie had chosen to work with high school children for this season of her career she answered passionately, "It's time to give back to the next generation. I have learnt so much over the past 20 years of being an industry professional and am aware that we need to encourage the next generation to help them develop in their talents and gifting."

Tickets cost R30, making this affordable for a larger audience to attend.

For more information or bookings email, musicadmin@durbanhighschool.co.za or call 065-865 1029.

Experience Life in Blackmore's

Grade 7 boys who are interested in boarding are invited to spend the weekend at Blackmore House to experience the life of a boarder.

The weekend is planned for 18 to 20 May and the visiting boys will watch DHS play Maritzburg College and participate in

planned activities. It promises to be a fun-filled weekend.

Contact Lyle Matthysen and/or Shawn van Rensburg for further information and to book your place:

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Extra Mural Results

RUGBY vs NORTHWOOD

1st XV Rugby : Match Report

There was an 11-try fest in Durban North where Durban High School (DHS) beat hosts Northwood 50-27 in 70 minutes of non-stop action on Saturday.

DHS's counter attack and turnover play was of a very high standard during this match. School opened the scoring in the 5th minute after a flat-angled kick by the Northwood pivot landed in the breadbasket of a DHS player and that turnover soon resulted in Captain/No.8, Celimpilo Gumede, stepping inside a marker and taking off on a carry of over 50m all the way to try-line. It was impressive display of speed by the tall SA Schools player. Flyhalf, Shakur la Douce, added two to make 7-0.

With the wind behind them Northwood were in-it-to-win-it during the first half and many believed it was their year to topple "School", and a try from their inside centre generated a new found belief in the boys from Durban North.

However, this belief was soon eroded as four minutes later DHS re-established their lead. A penalty allowed the boys from the Berea to set up a lineout near the Northwood try-line. Go-to man, Celimpilo Gumede, took it cleanly and from there School controlled possession, until intelligent scrummy, Jaydian Cedares, worked the blindside and drew a defender before pushing a pass to flank, Adrian Dirks, who had positioned himself next to the touchline and dived over in the left corner to make it 12-10.

In the 30th minute the DHS lead was extended to 19-10 thanks to more splendid counterattacking. It was heart-breaking for Northwood because the play

started so well for them. However, in an attempt to go wide from first phase ball, possession lost on the right wing. Swift to respond, one of the ever-alert DHS players cleverly made good use of the ball by producing a long pass to the other side of the field where players were already queuing up with New Zealand rugby-like urgency and understanding of what had to be done to maximise on the situation. From there, right wing, Malusi Ntuli, did the main damage with a sprint up the outside before feeding to support player Dirks who cantered in, with la Douce adding the extras.

DHS wing, Ntuli, added another vital contribution by winning the ball back at the very next kickoff. Flyhalf, la Douce, then expertly nudged the ball into a space on his right in the 22m and the decent chase forced a Northwood sweeper into touch inside the redzone. A successful lineout and rolling maul ensued and when the Northwood resistance crumbled, it opened a path for Horsefly's hooker, Mpendulo Sibiyi, to cross the white chalk and grow his team's lead to 24-13.

The action-packed sequence just before the halftime break characterised this game. DHS fullback, Darren Booysen, had hacked ahead and things were looking promising for DHS at first. Northwood then managed to re-gather the ball and attacked DHS line with fervour. DHS produced a resilient defence of their line to close out the half with the score-line intact.

It was always going to be a difficult task for the home team playing against the wind in the 2nd half, and the "Horseflies" made this count to good effect. Six minutes into the second half, DHS were again able to rely on their lineout set-piece, backed

up by disciplined and organised pressure, via several different ball-runners. This gradually broke down the Northwood defence until the home team ran out of credible defenders and Captain Gumede powered over near the upright. La Douce tapped over the conversion to increase the lead to 31-13.

A poor exit by Northwood but also an excellent catch on the run by flyhalf, la Douce, set the next DHS try in motion, 15 minutes into the half. DHS moved the ball through hands and flank, Dirks, who was once again stationed on the wing, had the first crack at the line after a carry up the left. A few teammates also went for it and were repelled before a good flat pass by scrumhalf, Cedares, to his tighthead, Mthokozisi Gumede, did the trick and DHS went two scores ahead again at 36-20.

In the 21st minute a Northwood overthrow to their lineout gave DHS replacement hooker, Stoney Steenkamp, an opportunity to set off on a long breakaway run. He and Captain Gumede then came up with the classic 1-2 passing exchange to allow the burly utility forward to finish what he had started. With two extra points by the number-10 it was 43-20.

A minute later DHS completed their eight-try rout. After the kickoff, playing with so much confidence, they again freed up the ball and looked to direct it to the player in space, who this time happened to be outside centre, Macneil Jenner. He burst free along the left touchline and found pacy little halfback, Cedares, in support, who rounded off. La Douce landed his fifth conversion to make it 50-20.

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Extra Mural Results cont'd

It was hard to single out DHS's outstanding players because they had all combined so well and so unselfishly as a team to keep the scoreboard ticking over. The team also has to be commended for the work they did on the ground where their eagerness to pilfer never seemed to wane. The score in the end almost flattered the hosts as it could have been an even bigger scoreline had La Douce converted the 17 extra points.

So far this season DHS have exceeded expectations. One has to praise their enthusiastic players who have been rising to the occasions. Their coaching staff also deserve to be complimented for the attractive and smart brand of rugby that is being applied.

Scott Mathie
1st XV Rugby Coach
Director of Rugby

RUGBY vs NORTHWOOD

	DHS	Northwood
1 st XV	50	27
2 nd XV	5	5
3 rd XV	7	5
4 th XV	10	12
U16A	0	51
U16B	0	52
U15A	12	22
U15B	10	15
U15C	10	5
U14A	10	12
U14B	24	5
U14C	26	5
U14D	10	22

HOCKEY vs NORTHWOOD

	DHS	N'wood
1 st XI	2	3
2 nd XI vs 3 rd XI	3	3
U16A	0	9
U14A	0	4

SPORT CLIMBING

On Sunday 15 April the DHS team took part in the Final Round of the Bouldering League at Southern Rock Climbing Gym in New Germany. As this is a world class venue, the team was faced with very challenging problems in the preliminary round which also consolidates points from the previous rounds held at Southern Rock and Westville Girls' High.

After the preliminary morning round the top five in each league and age group were chosen to take part in a final round where they were faced with five problems and had 5 minutes to achieve the best possible score in each.

As the final round levels the playing field the DHS climbers took advantage of this and really performed well. This Sunday the team takes part in the third round of the Lead Competition at Kloof High School and we wish them well for this round.

Final positions were as follows:

U19 A League:

Chris James 2nd
(This places him second in the province.)
Kaiden Naidoo 4th

U17 B League:

Mohammed Suleman 2nd
Jaden Naidoo 3rd
Ethan Jacobs 4th

U15 A League:

Ethan Wellen 4th

U15 B League:

Shakeel Ganie 2nd
Yadav Nunnan 4th
Naveshan Pillay 5th

Ian Lewis
M-i-C : Sport Climbing

DHS Golf Day

The DHS Golf Day, which is being held on Thursday 31 May at Royal Durban Golf Club this year, promises to be an exciting, successful day, with the School celebrating its 152nd anniversary in style.

Sponsorship is being offered at each tee and each green. In addition, a title sponsorship for the putting green, paved area under the flag poles and chipping green is being also offered.

Company banner/advertising may be displayed at the greens or tees.

Nearly half the holes have already been sponsored, so please get hold of Candice Herbst at the DHS Foundation soon if you would like to get involved and make the most of this opportunity.

The format of the Golf Day is 4 Ball Alliance, 2 scores to count. The cost is R1900 per four-ball, which includes green fees and dinner with entertainment, after the golf.

Prizes are being sought for the Golf Day and we would be honoured if you or your company would like to participate in the day by sponsoring prizes.

A list of all sponsors will be displayed at the Golf Day, and acknowledged on the DHS Foundation and DHS websites, their Facebook pages and newsletters.

Our golf days are always fun-filled, giving parents, Old Boys, visitors the opportunity to play some golf and network and enjoy the beautiful Durban winter.

Please contact Candice Herbst in the DHS Foundation Trust office for further information and sponsorship opportunities.
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Debating Results

DHS Senior 1 vs Kingsway 1
DHS Senior 1 lost the debate.

DHS Senior Debating 2 vs
Durban Girls' College 1
DHS Senior 2 lost the debate.

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The Weeks Ahead

Friday 20 April

D&D Chess Challenge vs George Campbell (h)
Staff Development : 13h45 : AJ Human Room

Saturday 21 April

Rugby/Hockey vs Michaelhouse (h)
COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE
Academic Development Programme (ADP) Tuition : 08h00-14h30

Sunday 22 April

Lead Round 3 @ Kloof : 07h30

Monday 23 April

BLOOD CLINIC @ DHS : 08h30-14h00 : School Hall
Squash DHS1/DHS2 vs Clifton & Kearsney (h)
Grade 9 Parent/Teacher Meetings : 17h30 : AJ Human Room

Tuesday 24 April

Grade 10 Life-Sciences Excursion to Twinstreams : 24-26 Apr
Junior Debating @ Westville Boys'

Wednesday 25 April

Cross Country @ Clifton
GBF AGM
Shine - Musical Extravaganza : 6pm : Hall : Tickets R30pp

Friday 27 April

PUBLIC HOLIDAY - FREEDOM DAY

Saturday 28 April

BE Weekend Out
Rugby : 1st XV & U14A to Grey PE
Rugby Festival : 28-30 April
Academic Development Programme (ADP) Tuition : 08h00-14h30

Monday 30 April

SCHOOL HOLIDAY

Tuesday 1 May

PUBLIC HOLIDAY - WORKERS DAY
Boarders Return

Wednesday 2 May

Cross Country @ Kingsway/Kuswag

Thursday 3 May

Senior Debating @ Holy Family

Friday 4 May

Chess vs Glenwood (h)

Saturday 5 May

Rapid Chess Tournament @ DHS : 07h30-18h00
Rugby vs Crawford LL & KZN Development (h)
Tennis vs Pinetown Boys' (a)
Academic Development Programme (ADP) Tuition : 08h00-14h30

This Weekend's Fixtures

RUGBY vs MICHAELHOUSE

Team	Time	Venue	Referee
1 st XV	14h40	Van Heerden	Society
2 nd XV	13h30	Van Heerden	Society
3 rd XV	11h10	Van Heerden	Mr Pillay
4 th XV	10h00	Van Heerden	Mr Genade
U16A	12h20	Van Heerden	Society
U16B	09h00	Van Heerden	Mr Lombard
U15A	11h00	Nourse	Society
U15B	13h00	Nourse	Mr Levin
U15C	09h00	Nourse	Mr Mathie
U14A	10h00	Nourse	Society
U14B	12h00	Nourse	Mr Matthysen
U14C	10h00	Sandford	Mr Pina

HOCKEY vs MICHAELHOUSE

Team	Time	Venue
1 st XI	10h00	Riverside Astro
U16A	09h00	Riverside Astro
U16B	11h10	Riverside Astro
U14B	12h11	Riverside Astro
U14C	13h10	Riverside Astro

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DHS GOLF DAY

Thursday 31 MAY 2018

Royal Durban Golf Club

Tee-off times from 10h00 to 12h00

R1900 per fourball (incl green fees and dinner)

4 Ball Alliance, 2 scores to count

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