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Upcoming Events

- ◆ War Cry : Grade 8 to 11
- ◆ Rapid Chess Tournament @ DHS
- ◆ Rugby vs KZN Development
- ◆ Lead Climbing Finals
- ◆ Grade 9 Spirit of Adventure
- ◆ Sport Tour to Parktown Boys'
- ◆ BE Mother's Day Dinner
- ◆ Rugby & Hockey vs Westville (a)

Shine : A Musical Extravaganza!

"Shine" fast became a buzz word to many talented young men of Durban High School after an extremely successful concert on Wednesday 25 April.

The two hour concert was attended by more than 300 guests who thunderously applauded as enthusiastic boys and girls from DHS and DGHS took to the stage, performing various genres of music.

The impetus that inspired Natalie Rungan, Director of Music at DHS, to calendar the event and write the theme song for Shine was her desire to create a platform where students who are gifted in music would be able to do just that ... sing, play their instruments in front of an audience, and basically to Shine as musicians.

In Miss Rungan's words: "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 or dance."

This year was the first year of Shine - a Musical Extravaganza hosted in Durban High School's DC Thompson Hall.

The concert showcased both individual and group performances of music students who have been trained at the Chris Seabrooke Music Centre. The show was a collaboration with Durban Girls' High School Music students, under the leadership of Miss Melindie Pretorius.

For many the highlight of the evening was the finale song "Shine" which had over 60 students on stage including the drumline, brass band, choir, and DHS Band all playing their hearts out. They certainly did Shine!



Shine : A Musical Extravaganza



An Appeal for New Benches

To the DHS Family

The SGB Maintenance sub-committee is currently on a drive to improve the appearance of areas our School for Founders Day in a month's time.

An area that has been identified as requiring desperate TCL is the seating around the sport fields. The benches just might be as old as the School is and we think it's time to renew them!

A quotation has been obtained from Envirotimbers for 3-seater benches at R2500 each, which includes a plaque to indicate who the bench was donated by.

Approximately 15 benches are required and we would like to ask for your assistance to purchase them.

Contribution Options:

Individual - one person donates one or more benches.

Group - a group effort to contribute towards a bench or two, eg, - donated by the 1st Team Cricket 2018, or the U16A Waterpolo team, or the Jones Family, etc.

The 2018 Grade 8s, the future Class of 2022, have already started the ball rolling by donating the first bench! Thank you, Grade 8s!

Contributions can be paid into the School bank account:

FNB Acc No: 50901294674
Branch No: 21126 (Musgrave)
Deposit reference: 9175/025
plus your name.

Please email the proof of payment and what you would like to have written on your plaque to:

Lyle Matthysen on:
lyle.matthysen@durbanhighschool.co.za.

Please phone Mr Matthysen if you required any further information:
082-413 3535

Thank you for your support of Durban High School!



The Grade 11s were fortunate enough to meet the Department of Health MEC, Dr Sbongiseni Dlomo, while at Shakaland



Grade 11 IsiZulu Class on their Cultural Tour



*Bouldering League Finalists:
Front Row (L to R): Ethan Wellen, Shakeel Ganie, Ethan Jacobs, Naveshan Pillay, Mohammed Suleman; Back Row: Jaden Naidoo, Kaiden Naidoo, Chris James, Mr Ian Lewis (M-i-C : Sport Climbing), Yadav Nunnan*



Grade 11 IsiZulu Cultural Tour to Shakaland

By Seluleko Sabela & Amahle Shazi

The IsiZulu Cultural Tour was a very riveting and educational experience. It is one thing to read and learn about an entire culture, but it is another thing to actually experience the culture and its people with your very own eyes. This trip was certainly worth every cent and one that will forever be engraved in our memory banks.

On Monday 26 March, the Grade 11 IsiZulu students were given the opportunity to travel on an IsiZulu Cultural Tour. This tour took us to three different locations, each having its own significance towards the enrichment of knowledge for the Grade 11 students.

Our first stop was at Shakaskraal, a heritage museum that taught us about the last days of King Shaka's life. We got to see the actual rock the King was sitting on when he was killed by his brothers.

We believe the highlight of this detour was seeing the memorial tombstone of the Great King that was erected by one of the former Zulu kings, King Cyprian.

Our next stop, much closer to our final destination, was at Fort Nongqayi in Eshowe.

Upon our arrival, we entered a very old church. We learnt about the history of the church and the involvement of one of the IsiZulu Kings and about the Anglo Zulu War that was fought in the area.

Finally, we reached our end destination, Shakaland. We were in the epitome of an IsiZulu home, the home of a

King. We were housed in traditional IsiZulu huts, with a modern touch.

We then attended various lectures on the structure of an IsiZulu homestead and who a traditional IsiZulu family comprised of.

After that we were entertained by marimba players that played traditional pieces that went down well with the sunset.

Following a scrumptious dinner, we travelled the entire length of Southern Africa through song and dance recitals and we believe we speak for our classmates when we say it was the most special experience, one that is seldom encountered in a lifetime.

The following day we engaged in various activities, with stick fighting being the most popular one. Luckily there were no injuries!

The sad part had to come when we had to depart from the IsiZulu heaven of Shakaland.

Thank You to all the staff involved in the planning and success of this magnificent trip. From Mrs Sibisi, Mr Nhlabathi and Mr Deon for accompanying us, to Mrs Du Preez's kind words before we left and of course, to the Head Master, Mr Pinheiro, for allowing his students to have this opportunity.

An IsiZulu Proverb of thanks: Izandla Zidlula Ikhanda (Our hands extend our head)

(The Grade 11s were also fortunate enough to meet the Department of Health MEC, Dr Sbongiseni Dlomo, while at Shakaland.)

Extra Mural Results

RUGBY vs MICHAELHOUSE

1st XV Rugby : Match Report

DHS welcomed their counterparts from Balgowan on a stunning day for schoolboy rugby. With a slight North Easterly blowing, the wind was always going to be a factor in the game. It was to be a tale of two halves and DHS withstood a 2nd half comeback from House to run out victors in a well-deserved 27-14 victory.

DHS started the stronger of both teams, and looked resolute in defence as all House efforts to breach the DHS defensive line were thwarted. It was an excellent defensive performance in the first half, but one felt that the DHS team had defended too much in this half and this would hurt them later on in the game in regards to fitness. This defence was a direct result of being unable to secure their lineout ball, which made it very difficult for School to launch and sustain any credible attack.

However, such is the strength of the DHS turnover game that it led to their accumulation of points in the first half. A turnover resulted in "School" launching an unstructured attack that allowed DHS to end up close to the House goal line. A series of well navigated forward plays ensured that eventually tight-head prop, Mthokozisi Gumede, crashed over for the first try of the game.

School continued applying pressure on the House attacking game, and from another turnover they worked the blindside multiple times before in-form scrumhalf, Jaydian Cedares, scampered to a try and took the lead to 14 points. The diminutive scrumhalf then sealed another with a nimble-footed run that allowed him to twinkle-toe perilously close to the outline

and score another try in the corner and allow DHS to secure a 19-0 lead at the break.

The 2nd half would always be a difficult task for the "Horseflies" as they had used a lot of energy in defence in the first half, they also had to contend with the wind in the 2nd half.

A penalty kick that didn't find touch led to House's first try of the game and allowed them a sniff into the game. Their second came shortly after as sustained phases led to an overlap and another try for the away team, both kicks being converted. The score 19-14.

The momentum had clearly shifted in favour of the away team, and DHS had to rally hard to pull this game back. Such is the tenacity of this DHS unit that, although not at their best, they were able to ensure a period of phases to allow fly-half, Shakur La Douce, to slot a penalty from a tight angle to take the lead to 8 points.

With the game still on the line, DHS capitalised on a quick-tap penalty from La Douce whose quick thinking ensured centre, Lwandile Menze, on his return from injury, scored the final try of the game. This all but ended the House resistance and secured another victory for the "Horseflies".

It was a game that ebbed and flowed nicely, although the messy breakdown management detracted from the spectacle it could have been. All in all, DHS will be happy to have ground out a win before they leave for the Grey Festival on Thursday.

Scott Mathie
1st XV Rugby Coach
Head of Rugby

RUGBY vs MICHAELHOUSE

	DHS	Michaelhouse
1 st XV	27	14
2 nd XV	19	14
3 rd XV	5	32
4 th XV	0	50
U16A	0	50
U16B	0	38
U15A	14	25
U15B	0	31
U14A	52	0
U14B	60	0

HOCKEY vs MICHAELHOUSE

1st XI Hockey : Match Report

This past weekend saw us heading into a tough contest against a top Michaelhouse 1st XI Hockey team. We were prepped for the game and the boys stuck to the game plan in the first half, forcing a tightly contested game. Michaelhouse did not capitalise on a few short corners and chances, while the DHS boys' basics let them down when a few great attacking opportunities arose. With just a few minutes left in the first half we got caught on the ball, creating a turnover in a bad area which allowed Michaelhouse to run through to the goals scoring a tap in, putting DHS 1-0 down at half time.

The second half started much the same as the 1st half until Michaelhouse scored another soft goal off a DHS error. 2-0 down we decided to try go for it and take Michaelhouse on; unfortunately, a key injury before the game opened us up at the back and we were eventually down 5-0. One last move, with a few positional changes to try force a result, DHS scored a fantastic goal to end the game 5-1 down.

Many positives to take out of the game, but in the end we need

Extra Mural Results cont'd

more work on our basics and technical ability. The team is starting to put together some good passages of play, we just need to do it for a full 60 minutes.

Michael Baker
1st XI Hockey Coach
Director of Hockey

HOCKEY vs MICHAELHOUSE

	DHS	Michaelhouse
1 st XI	1	5
U16A	0	6
U16B	0	3
U14B	1	5

GREY HIGH SCHOOL RUGBY FESTIVAL

1st XV Match Report

The DHS 1st XV travelled on the annual tour to the Grey High Rugby Festival in PE to take on two highly rated teams, namely St Andrew's College and Hoërskool Garsfontein. After an extremely long bus journey the boys were able to recuperate with a recovery day spent stretching on the pristine beaches of Port Elizabeth before taking on St Andrew's in their first game.

DHS underperformed in their first encounter although racing to a 10-0 lead after just 10 minutes. Scrumhalf, Jaydian Cedares, scoring both tries, showed his pace in both efforts. The game was played in hurricane like winds which was a very new experience for the Horseflies. The team appeared very flat and could not generate the same intensity in their defence that has become synonymous with the 1st XV this year. St Andrew's backs were blessed with some out-and-out pace and exploited holes in the DHS backline. The team committed the cardinal sin

conceding a bout of tries late in the first half leaving the half time score at 12-10 to the visitors. With the wind behind them in the 2nd half, DHS felt they could exploit this to their advantage. However, St Andrew's ability to keep the ball in hand led to some scintillating tries. It was game where it felt as if the long bus trip had taken its toll and the players just could not find that second gear. A disappointing performance against a top rated team. The final score 15-31 to St Andrew's.

The match against Garsfontein was to prove an even tougher fixture, with the big money spending Pretoria based outfit boasting a contingent of SA Schools players as well a plethora of U19 boys in the team. The opening 20 minutes of the match was enough to have any DHS supporter expecting the worst as Garsfontein raced to a 19-0 lead. DHS had uncharacteristically showed too much respect to their much larger opponents. However, in true DHS spirit the next 40 minutes proved to be some of our best and most committed rugby to date. It was as if a "cat had been set amongst the pigeons" as the DHS boys climbed into their opposition both on attack and defence. The tempo was frenetic and with a star-studded performance from Captain Celimpilo Gumede, DHS fought their way back into the lead, with a brace of tries for Gumede and another for flank Mnguni.

Another well-timed run by prop Mthokozisi Gumede, led to another try, with the prop showing his pace to go over the try line. However, the fairy-tale comeback, although thoroughly deserved, was not to be as Garsfontein answered with a well constructed set piece backs move to slice the DHS defence and score and convert to take

the scores to 26-29. The final few minutes of possession from DHS proved to be in vain as they tried valiantly to upset the applectart. It was a great performance and highlighted the ability of the team, it was just disappointing to come away with another loss.

Scott Mathie
1st XV Rugby Coach

1st XV Rugby @ Grey Festival

DHS	15	St Andrew's	31
DHS	26	Garsfontein	29

U14A Rugby @ Grey Festival

DHS	19	Grey High	28
DHS	43	Selborne	12

SENIOR DEBATING

Venue: Ridge Park College

DHS Senior 2 vs Eden College 1
DHS lost the debate

DHS Senior 1 vs Ridge Park 1
DHS won the debate
Cameron Naidoo was an Overall Best Speaker

BADMINTON vs WESTVILLE

DHS A	0	WBHS B	7
DHS B	0	WBHS A	7
DHS D	0	WBHS D	7
DHS C	1	WBHS E	6

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Blackmore Experience

The planned weekend boarding experience, which was scheduled for May has had to be rescheduled due to the primary schools participating in rugby.

The Blackmore Experience will now be held on the weekend of 15 to 17 June, which is when the fixtures vs Kearsney will be played.

Please contact Mr Shawn van Rensburg or Mr Lyle Matthysen to book your spot.
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Durban High School's Blackmore House

Experience Boarding life at DHS for a Weekend!
Grade 7 Boys are invited to stay in our boarding establishment, watch DHS play Rugby vs Kearsney College and participate in arranged activities on
15 - 17 June
Contact Lyle Matthysen or Shawn van Rensburg to book your weekend!
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The Weeks Ahead

Friday 4 May

War Cry for Grade 8-11 : School finishes @ 14h00
Grade 12s leave @ 13h35
Chess vs Glenwood (h)
Staff Development
Hockey vs Crawford LL (a)

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

Sunday 6 May

Lead Climbing Finals @ UKZN : 07h30-14h00

Monday 7 May

Grade 9s to Spirit of Adventure : B, D, R and X : 7-9 May
Squash vs Kearsney & Glenwood (h)

Tuesday 8 May

Mom Coms Meeting : 13h00 tbc
Junior Debating @ Crawford

Wednesday 9 May

Grade 9s to Spirit of Adventure : A, N and U : 9-11 May
Cross Country @ Crawford

Thursday 10 May

Badminton vs WBHS & New Forest @ KZN Badminton Hall

Friday 10 May

Grade 10 Science Club Aqualibrium Competition @ Gateway
FutureLife Presentation to Rugby & Hockey Coaches
D&D Chess Challenge vs WBHS (h)
BE Mother's Day Dinner : 17h30

Saturday 12 May

Rugby & Hockey vs Westville (a)
Tennis vs Northwood 1 (a)
Academic Development Programme (ADP) Tuition 08h00 - 14h30 (Science Block)

Sunday 13 May

Mother's Day
Outdoor Climbing Event tbc

Monday 14 May

Squash vs Crawford LL (Crusaders) and Crawford NC (a)

This Weekend's Fixtures

HOCKEY vs CRAWFORD LL : Friday 6 May

Teams	Time	Venue
1 st XI	17h10	Crawford La Lucia
U16A	16h00	Crawford La Lucia
U16B	14h15	Crawford La Lucia
U14A	15h00	Crawford La Lucia

RUGBY vs CRAWFORD & KZN DEV : Saturday 7 May

DHS	Opponent	Time	Venue	Referee
2 nd XV	Kwandengezi 1 st XV	14h00	Van Heerden	Society
3 rd XV	Crawford LL 1 st XV	13h00	Van Heerden	Mr Pinheiro
4 th XV	Hammersdale 1 st XV	12h00	Van Heerden	Mr Mathie
4 th XV	Inanda vs 1 st XV	09h00	Van Heerden	Mr Genade
U16A	Kwandengezi	11h00	Van Heerden	Society
U16B	Umlazi U16A	10h00	Van Heerden	Mr Diedericks
U15A	Inanda	10h00	Nurse	Society
U15B	Hammersdale U15A	12h00	Nurse	Mr Pillay
U15C	Lindelani U15A	13h00	Nurse	Mr Ndabandaba
U14B	Inanda U14A	11h00	Nurse	Mr Matthysen
U14C	Ohlange U14A	09h00	Nurse	Mr Van Rensburg
U14D	Umzinyathi U14A	10h00	Sandford	Mr Lawson

TENNIS vs PINETOWN : Saturday 7 May

Team	Time	Venue
1 st	08h00	Pinetown



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NEW BENCHES NEEDED!



Our old sports field benches
are looking very sad!
Please help us replace them!
R2500,00 each (including a
thank you plaque)

If you would like to assist, CONTACT us on
lyle.matthysen@durbanhighschool.co.za
082-413 3535

DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL



Est. 1866

DHS GOLF DAY

THURSDAY 31 MAY 2018
@ ROYAL DURBAN GOLF CLUB
TEE OFF TIMES : 10AM - 12PM

R1900 PER 4 BALL
INCLUDES GREEN FEES,
LUNCH VOUCHER &
DINNER WITH ENTERTAINMENT

Contact Candice on
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THE DHS FOUNDATION TRUST OLD BOYS DINNER 2018

**WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL
OLD BOYS DINNER.**

DATE: FRIDAY 1 JUNE 2018

TIME: 18H30 FOR 19H00

VENUE: THE DC THOMPSON HALL, DHS

COST: R300 PER PERSON, CASH BAR AVAILABLE

DRESS: SMART/CASUAL

ENTERTAINMENT: CARVIN H GOLDSTONE

**LIMITED PARKING AVAILABLE IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS.
(ENTRANCE OFF ESSENWOOD ROAD)**

**PLEASE CONTACT CANDICE HERBST FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
AND BOOKING FORMS:**

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