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## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Cricket vs KZN Development (h)
- ◆ Test Period for Grades 8 to 11
- ◆ Matric Trial Exams continue
- ◆ Moms Com Meeting
- ◆ Lunch Hour Music Concert
- ◆ Staff Development - iPad Training
- ◆ Cricket vs Westville
- ◆ Public Holiday - Heritage Day
- ◆ Break Up Day!

## #AfriGram - a Story of South African Millennials

From 24 to 26 September, DHS, in association with talented young ladies from surrounding schools, will take to the stage to entertain you.

AfriGram is a musical revue, themed around South African music.

Guided by a fun and teen inspired love story, the show is decorated with big dance numbers, and beautiful voices. With a cast of over 40 students ranging from Grade 8-12, you will be sure to leave inspired by the music of South Africa and the talent that lives strongly in our youth.

The show will take place in the DHS DC Thompson School Hall.

Dates: 24 - 26 September  
Time: 6:30pm for 7pm

Seats for the show are available at Supper Theatre tables for R550 per table/or R60pp and in the Rakings at R50pp.

Tickets can be purchased at the school or through Ms Leigh Meyer on:  
[leigh.meyer@durbanhighschool.co.za](mailto:leigh.meyer@durbanhighschool.co.za)

Sit back and feel proudly South African and proudly DHS with us!



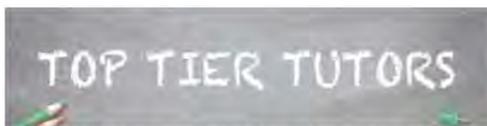


### *Toastmasters Graduates*

*Front Row (L to R): Makile Govender, Mr AD Pinheiro, Mr S Cele (M-i-C : Toastmasters), Dhashyam Govender*

*Middle Row: Muhammed Akoonjee, Mohammed Shaikjee, Amahle Shazi, Fawaaz Mahomed, Ziyaad Joosab*

*Back Row: Sulayman Ismail, Ridwaan Davis, Kendall Edwards, Seluleko Sabela, Connor Mack, Rogan Green*



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## Electives Corner : Toastmasters

My peers and I have had the privilege of being a part of the Toastmasters course since the beginning of this year. To make it clear, we are not culinary connoisseurs in the art of making toasted sandwiches. As amazing as that would sound - that is simply not the case.

Simply put, Toastmasters is a speech course which is designed to help people (in this case us young boys) develop their public speaking ability, by explaining how to create a speech, present a speech effectively and even keeping order in meetings (being a chairman). It develops communication skills that allow its students to become professionals in the working world by equipping them with the knowledge of being a leading orator.

I am testament to that because a few months ago I would have never agreed to go up the DC Thompson Hall stage steps, stand in front of the entire school and speak about anything. Toastmasters has definitely helped me overcome my fears and has helped me realise my potential as a public speaker.

The programme consists of weakly meetings on a Tuesday morning, during the elective period. We would meet with our coach, Mr Attie Swanepoel from the Toastmasters International Group. He would provide us with an agenda at the start of our meeting. The agenda would stipulate our roles for that particular meeting.

Roles include, Chairman, Sargent, secretary, time keeper and many other. One of the key roles is the Grammarian. The grammarian provides the word of the day and every student is

to try and incorporate that word as many times as possible in their presentations. A tally is kept throughout the meeting and whoever uses the word the most in the correct context is given an award.

In order to receive your Toastmasters qualification you must complete a minimum of two prepared speeches, two evaluations and two impromptus. With the prepared speeches - you are allowed to present on any topic of your choice. When presenting your prepared speech you are evaluated by your peers. This is the important part because the aim of the evaluations is to help guide you and encourage you with points that will help improve your presenting ability. Then there are the impromptus, where the topics master is in charge of coming up with topics for the impromptu speakers who will then deliver unprepared speeches.

Toastmasters is an internationally recognised course - recognised in over 186 countries. Not only do you gain a skill that will take you far in life, but you also get a qualification that will furnish your CV/Portfolio.

I encourage more boys to join the course as we are presented with an opportunity to gain an essential skill that will help us succeed in today's demanding world.

It has been a fun and insightful experience. Thank You to Mr Attie Swanepoel, Mr S Cele and DHS Management for the provision of this great elective.

Seluleko Sabela  
Grade 11U



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any titles with this logo in our eLibrary



*Wheeler's ePlatform presentation at DHS*



*Mr Shawn van Rensburg has been selected to coach The Sharks Academy.*

## Wheeler's ePlatform for eBooks

The Durban High School Media Centre played host to a number of local schools this week who attended a presentation by Wheeler's Books on their eBook library lending platform, ePlatform.

DHS adopted the Wheeler's e-Platform, called Platform One, last year, the first School in South Africa to go live with this platform. A number of schools have followed suit.

ePlatform gives our readers (our School Community) access to 1000 new titles from the best authors and publishers on an annual basis, with the titles being selected according to our readership. This list is reviewed monthly and titles which are not popular are pulled and replaced by new titles, ensuring that we have an excellent selection for our readers at all times.

ePlatform empowers Schools and Libraries to build an inspiring digital library. They specialise in local content for the schools they serve and offer the best authors and publishers from across the globe. Its beauty lies in its simplicity, with simple and enjoyable interactions.

The e-library does not require data for the users to read books - only to browse and download their choice. These are very small downloads and take very little data. The platform offers a feature which enables readers to change preferences such as type style and size as well as background and text

colours. It also allows for notes to be made, word definitions to be accessed and also has unique features that assist those with visual reading challenges, like the unique Dyslexia friendly settings. Frequent innovations keep ePlatform ultra-useable.

Loans are for two weeks and then disappear from your device (no late books and no fines!) - the reader can then renew the book if required. Books can be reserved and requested, too.

This platform is App based and user-friendly. Borrowing books is now extremely easy.

Follow these steps and start reading...

- Download the Wheeler's ePlatform app from your app store
- Find your School name from the selection and register
- You will be approved and notified via email (to ensure you are a member of our School community)
- Log in using your username and selected password
- Browse the selection and borrow and read your selected book.

We are very excited to be introducing Audiobooks to the ePlatform Reading App in the very near future. Our boys can continue to read eBooks and now listen to Audiobooks easily and unhindered.

We encourage all our Boys who have not yet downloaded the app to do so, then register and start reading!

## Extra Mural Sport Results

### SOFTBALL

	DHS	Opponent
1 <sup>st</sup> Team	8	Hillcrest 13
U16A	1	Northwood16
U16A	3	Westville 11

### BASKETBALL

	DHS	Opponent
1 <sup>st</sup> Team	62	WBHS 58



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## Shawn to Coach Sharks Academy!

Congratulations to DHS Staff member, Mr Shawn van Rensburg, who has been selected to coach The Sharks Academy.

The Sharks Academy 2018 touring team is an integral part of The Sharks Academy programme. The tour affords players the opportunity to express themselves and determine their level of competitiveness. The players also have the chance to represent one of the leading academies in the world.

The Sharks family are proud to have the involvement and expertise from outside coaches, Shawn van Rensburg from Durban High School and Dusty Noble from Hillcrest High School.

Congratulations to Shawn and Dusty on your appointment as coaches for the annual Sharks Academy tour. The tour will take place from the 18-21 September where they will play against The Lions and VUT.

## The Weeks Ahead

### Friday 14 September

Trials : 09h00 PHSC P1 (3hr)  
14h00 AFRFAL/ZULFAL P2 (2hr)  
Softball vs Glenwood @ Queensmead  
Staff Development : 14h00-15h00 : AJ Human Room

### Saturday 15 September

Cricket vs KZN Development (h)  
Academic Development Programme (ADP) Tuition 08h00 - 14h30 (Science Block)

### Monday 17 September

Test Period : Grade 8-11 AFRFA/ZULFA  
Trials : 09h00 PHSC P2 (3hr)  
14h00 ENGH P1 (2hr)

### Tuesday 18 September

Trials : 09h00 HIST P1 (3h)  
14h00 GRDS P1 (3h)  
Moms' Com Meeting : 13h00 : Bill Payn Boardroom

### Wednesday 19 September

Trials : 09h00 MATH/MLIT P1 (3h)  
14h00 ECON P1 (3h)

### Thursday 20 September

Trials : 09h00 HIST P2 (3h)  
14h00 BSTD (3h)  
Grade 11 Isizulu Best Speaker Comp @ Danville Girls'  
Lunchtime Music Concert in Chris Seabrooke Music Centre - Godswill Mbonambi : 13h41

### Friday 21 September

LEADERSHIP ASSEMBLY - PREFECTS & RCL TO BE ANNOUNCED  
Trials : 09h00 MATH/MLIT P2 (3h)  
14h00 GRDS P2 (3h)  
Tree Tops Sports Day on DHS Fields

Softball vs Westville/Glenwood @ Queensmead  
Staff Development : iPad Training : 14h00-16h00 : AJ Human Room  
U14 Water Polo Tour to Rondebosch : 21-23 September

### Saturday 22 September

Cricket vs Westville (h)  
U14 Water Polo Tour to Rondebosch : 21-23 September  
Academic Development Programme (ADP) Tuition 08h00 - 14h30 (Science Block)

### Monday 24 September

PUBLIC HOLIDAY : HERITAGE DAY  
International Studies Exchange Programme with Minnetonka High : 24 Sept to 9 Oct

### Tuesday 25 September

Prefect Planning Session

### Thursday 27 September

Water Polo : 1<sup>st</sup> Team to Clifton Tournament : 27-30 September  
Water Polo : U15s to Sterrenberg Shield Tournament @ Selborne College : 27-30 September

### Friday 28 September

BREAK UP DAY!  
1<sup>st</sup> XI Cricket to Michaelmas Tournament @ Maritzburg College : 28-30 September

### Thursday 4 October

DHS U16 WATER POLO TOURNAMENT : 4 - 8 October @ DHS

### Tuesday 9 October

School Opens for the 4<sup>th</sup> Term

## This Weekend's Sport Fixtures

### SOFTBALL @ QUEENSMEAD : Friday 14 September

Team	Time	Opponent
1 <sup>st</sup> Team	16h45	Westville 1 <sup>st</sup>
1 <sup>st</sup> Team	19h45	Glenwood 1 <sup>st</sup>

### CRICKET vs KZN DEVELOPMENT : Saturday 15 September

	Time	Venue	Format
1 <sup>st</sup> XI	09h00	Theobald Oval	50 Overs
U15A	09h00	Collegians	50 Overs
U14A	09h00	Newlands East	50 Overs



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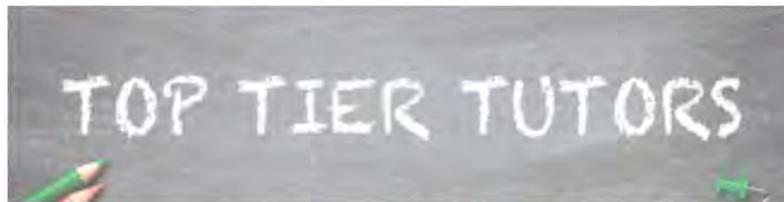


Raked Seating Tickets : R50pp  
Supper Theatre Tickets : R550 per table  
or R60pp

(contact [leigh.meyer@durbankhighschool.co.za](mailto:leigh.meyer@durbankhighschool.co.za))

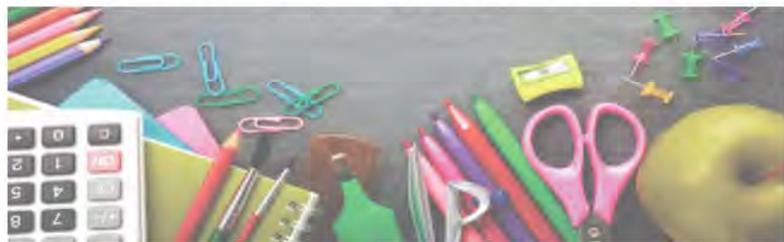


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Appreciate fine wine from the Boland Region!

26 October | 6pm for 6.30pm  
DC Thompson Hall @ DHS  
Tickets R200 pp/R2000 per table of 10  
includes a 3 course meal and entertainment by  
**The Gee Jays**  
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