

Opening of the Centenary Centre North Wing

Boys, staff members and special guests congregated in the quad at our Centenary Centre North Wing to celebrate the official opening of the Wing, which has been in use since the start of 2016.

Our Guest of Honour, Dr Graeme Shuker, unveiled the foundation stone to mark the official opening of the North Wing of the Centenary Centre on 03 June.

The Centenary Centre was developed to create modern classrooms at Kearsney to facilitate 21st Century teaching methodologies. The classrooms are large enough to provide a comfortable environment for formal lessons as well as discussion groups; provide space for individuals to work on their own research or challenges; and give teachers personal space, which is lacking in the older classrooms.

We also needed to cater for our increase in enrolment and the refurbishment of all classrooms in the next five years creating two classrooms from three.

We have an overall vision of creating faculties of related subject departments to encourage collaboration between teachers and, in the future, cross-curricular co-operation.

The North Wing of the Centre, includes a large multi-purpose venue that could accommodate an entire Grade comfortably, for examinations, large group teaching, expos, exhibitions and the like.



Provincial Hockey Selections

Congratulations to all of the Kearsney hockey players who have been selected for the KZN Boys' Hockey teams for 2016.

KZN Coastal U18A: Lyle Jarvel; Cameron Rencken; Grant Oliver; Blake Tyack; Matthew Lees and James Stamatidis

KZN Coastal U18B: Jeremy Foord

KZN Coastal U18 Warriors: Cameron Baker

KZN Coastal U18 Non-travelling reserves: Brad Wood and Kyle Koenig

KZN Coastal U16A: Steven Conway; Liam Maguire; Guy Morgan and Kandrin Naidoo

KZN Coastal U16B: Scott Bentley and Ben Proctor

KZN Coastal U16 Warriors: David Hudson and Cameron Nel

Kwazulu-Natal U14: Brett Anticevich

KZN Coastal U14A: Luyanda Chiliza, Thomas Constable and James Maguire

KZN Coastal U14B: Luke Weare; Nathan Comrie and Joshua Stocks

KZN Coastal U14 Non-travelling reserves: Christopher Kiggen; Dylan Thompson and Robert Dungan

U18 KZN Craven Week

Congratulations to our five 1st XV players who have been selected for the KZN Craven Week team.

Dylan Richardson; Jared Meyer; Luke Croshaw; James Miller; Cameron Ritchie.

Congratulations also go to Taine Polzi and Sibuy Sangweni who are non-travelling reserves for the KZN U16 team and are benefitting from practising with the squad.

Kearsney is proud of our staff members who have been appointed as manager and coaches for various KZN teams:

U18 KZN Craven Week - Manager: Mr Dean Moodley

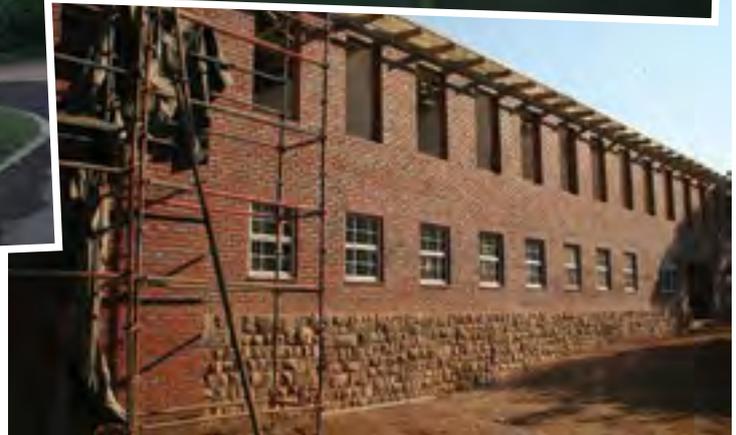
U18 KZN Country Districts Week - Coach: Mr Antonie Prinsloo

U16 KZN Grant Khomo Week - Coach: Mr Sam Mofokeng

Gillingham

The renovations at Gillingham House are proceeding according to schedule and we are very excited about the extensive upgrade, which will create a more modern, spacious and flexible facility for Gillingham boys. We consulted widely in an effort to minimise the disruption and inconvenience and we appreciate your patience and understanding during the building process. The House is expected to be ready for occupation in November 2016.

Finningley is scheduled to be upgraded in 2017, ensuring that Kearsney continues to provide world-class facilities.



Science Expo

Last term the Grade 9s were privileged to be the first group to display their Science Expo projects in the new Centenary Centre Long Room, which proved to be an ideal venue to showcase their efforts. *Mrs Sue Murray: HoD Science.*

The projects were conducted during the boys' Science and Biology lessons and demonstrated important critical thinking and investigative skills. Many of the projects were of a very high standard.



- The top projects in each class were:
- 9A: Bryce Crockart; Joshua Barrett; Kyle Beley and David Jackson
 - 9D: Luyanda Chiliza and Oliver Stewart
 - 9G: Ryan Healy and Bradley Taylor
 - 9M: Liam Breytenbach and Dillon Wimbush
 - 9R: Carlo Miller and Neels Volschenk
 - 9W: Brett Holing; Chase Kelly and Alex Moon.

HISTORICAL HIGHS

On Sunday 20 March, twenty-eight intrepid Grade 11 and 12 historians and artists, accompanied by Mr Peacock, Mr Rogers and Mrs Pitcher, embarked on a once-in-a-lifetime tour to Europe. Mr Adam Rogers, HoD: History, reports.

The first stop was Amsterdam where the artists had the opportunity of visiting the Rijk's and van Gogh museums and the historians were able to get an intimate glimpse into Anne Frank's house. An early start the next day saw the group fly into Berlin, Germany. The Cold War was the main focal point of the stop in Berlin, with visits to the Checkpoint Charlie and DDR museums, a viewing of the remnants of the Berlin Wall and an exploration of an underground bunker built to protect some of the inhabitants of Berlin in the event of nuclear fallout. The artists were able to view the Brucke Museum. A daytrip out to Potsdam to visit Wannsee House, where senior bureaucrats of the Nazi Party planned the Holocaust, as well as a visit to the Ceciliehof Palace, where Stalin, Truman and Churchill met to plot out a post-WWII world, ended the visit to Berlin.

From there it was off to Nuremberg, home to not only the Nazi Party rally grounds, but also of the iconic artist Albrecht Dürer. This was followed by a night spent in Munich and a contemplative walk around the harrowing grounds of the Dachau Concentration camp. Following a trip over the Alps and a one night stay in Innsbruck, Austria, the battle-weary group arrived in Venice, Italy for a taste of the Renaissance. Pisa and the obligatory 'selfies' in front of the famous Leaning Tower preceded the truly awe-inspiring city of Florence, home of Michelangelo's David as well as the da Vinci Museum. The final stop was Rome, where the boys had the opportunity of coming face-to-face with ancient history when visiting The Colosseum and exploring around the catacombs. A visit to the Vatican with the imposing St Paul's Cathedral and the breath-taking Sistine Chapel ceiling crowned what was undoubtedly a History and Art tour to remember.



Making their mark in History

The annual KZN Inter-schools History Quiz for Grade 9 and 10 pupils took place at Clifton College earlier this term.

Over forty teams from schools in the greater Durban area took part. Kearsney entered three teams and they acquitted themselves exceptionally well.

The Grade 9 team, consisting of Bryce Crockart, David Jackson, Jack Savage and Andrew Watt, achieved third place in their division.

Two Grade 10 teams were entered and they swept the boards, achieving the second and first places overall.

2nd-placed team: Aidan Bossert, Jonathan Houghting, Daniel Phillips and Ayush Singh.

1st-placed team: Rory Bloy, Michael Lee, Kabelo Makhanya and David Scott.

Well done to all concerned for an outstanding achievement.

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L-R: David Scott, Daniel Phillips, Kabelo Makhanya, Rory Bloy, Ayush Singh, Michael Lee, Aidan Bossert and Jonathan Houghting

Chinese Treat

On Wednesday 27th April 2016, twenty-seven excited Mandarin pupils and three staff members had a delicious Chinese dinner at the Gong Lok Restaurant in Hillcrest. Ms Jing Wang: Mandarin Teacher reports.

Everybody enjoyed the authentic Chinese food on offer. The last dish to be served was a surprise: sizzling beef (铁板牛肉). The boys were very excited to put their chopsticks to use. Some boys were intrigued to learn the Mandarin name of the dishes. During the dinner the boys tried to chat to each other using the Mandarin that they have learned and they found out more about Chinese cuisine culture. It was a wonderful night of treats and fun.



Business Studies Seminar

Mr Wayne Marsden: HoD Business Studies reports.

At the start of term our Grade 12 Business Studies boys had a wonderful opportunity to examine in some detail the classroom theory-vs-reality of business situations at an all-day seminar held in the Greyhound Pavilion. Mr Andrew Kenny, a Director of Mr Price Group and Kearsney Board member, was the keynote speaker and he shared real-life anecdotes which helped to make the theory come alive.



Drama production celebrating the life of comic legend Spike

Emily Stockil-Smith shares the experience.

Spike Milligan was a genius and, like many comic geniuses, he worked himself into great pools of depression. He gave us hysterical laughter when he himself could barely muster a smile. That is why I chose to celebrate him in our school production.

Spike pioneered a new way of laughing at the world with his brilliant wit, surreal imagination and intimate knowledge of the human psyche. Post World War II, people

around the world needed a good laugh and every Sunday homes all across Great Britain, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Canada and India tuned their radios into *The Goon Show* on the BBC Home Service and once again the British Commonwealth echoed with mirth.

The script I put together was technically demanding and involved a massive cast. In the intensive (and short) rehearsal process

I have come to know the Kearsney boys at their most creative and funny and it was an absolute pleasure harnessing all that boyish, 'Spike-like' energy.

Thank you to my husband, Stephen and son Gray; Ulaetha Singh; my family and the rest of the incredible Kearsney team.

It has been a hoot.



Culture@Kearsney

Ms Andrea Fripp: Director of Clubs and Cultural Activities

The third term has become synonymous with cultural activities at the College and this year will be no exception. From the One-Act Plays, Dance and Music festivals, to the Photographic Competition, the term will be jam-packed with all things cultural. We would love to see you at our various events, where you can witness the amazing creative talents of our boys and of the province's youth. Look out for more information in the weekly email, the Kearsney website and our various social media platforms.

All pupils in high schools are invited to participate, so ensure your daughters, cousins, nieces and nephews are aware of the best inter-schools cultural events in KZN. Participation and fun are what it is all about.

Talented Choristers to entertain in Gauteng

The choir has really worked hard this year preparing for the supper theatres in May and the forthcoming Gauteng tour in June, under the direction of the new choir master, Mr Marshall Lombard, Director of Music. Mr Lombard reports.

During half-term break the choir had an exciting camp, where they perfected their African folklore routine and enjoyed intensive rehearsals ahead of the supper theatres. Although hard work was the order of the day, the boys also enjoyed relaxation time and various recreational activities, such as canoeing, swimming and zip-lining. One of the main activities on the Friday of the camp was with Ad-Venture, under the direction of Mr Bryn Roberts, who conducted a fantastic team-building exercise. The enjoyable activity helped to build team-spirit and gees amongst the choir boys. Later that evening Ad-Venture treated the choir to a game similar to 'Noot vir Noot', where they had to guess names of songs and artists.

The supper theatres on 18 and 19 May were a huge success with wonderful feedback after the performances. The supper theatres consisted of two halves where the both the choir and the orchestra performed. The first half of the show was more serious, with works such as *Dies Irae* (Z. Randall Stroepe), *Homeless* (Ladysmith Black Mambazo arr. Ralph Schmidt)

and *Air on a G-String* played by the orchestra.

The second half of the performance saw Alex Gibb together with the orchestra, performing a brilliant cover of *The Writing's on the Wall* by Sam Smith. The second half also consisted of the African and pop programmes of the choir which ended with a moving arrangement of *If You're Out There* by John Legend, with the choir surrounding the audience.

The tour is the next exciting event for the choir. The choir will be singing with St. Peter's College, Lebone College and at Nelson Mandela Square, among other performances. Whilst on tour the boys will get a chance to visit the Aerial Cable Way in Hartbeespoort, interact with elephants and cheetahs, and experience a fantastic game drive through Pilanesberg Game Reserve. Other activities of the tour include Sun City, Gold Reef



City and watching a performance of *Joseph and his Technicolor Dream Coat* at Monte Casino.

Look out for the Choir Supper Theatre dates next term and make sure that you don't miss their stunning performance.

Save the date



ART	Art Exhibition	03 to 14 March
DRAMA	One-Act Plays	18 to 21 July
DANCE	Dance@Kearsney	01 to 04 August
WORDS	Words@Kearsney	23 to 24 August
ART	Photo Exhibition	19 to 26 Sept
MUSIC	Choir Festival	20 and 21 Sept

Music@Kearsney Studio Concert

The first Music@Kearsney studio concert of 2016 was a great success, with all the subject music classes and Grade 8 and 9 elective pupils performing their well-rehearsed pieces. Mr Marshall Lombard Director of Music reports.

The talent which was displayed was astounding, demonstrating that Kearsney really is a place where future musicians are nurtured. One piece that really stood out was the Grade 12s and seniors' *Nearer my God to Thee* with Campbell Alborough the soloist. The piece was extraordinarily moving, with perfect harmonies and interpretation of the arrangement. Through this piece, the musicality and artistic maturity of the seniors was fully apparent.

The second term's Music@Kearsney again consisted of a number of solo items together with the Grade 8 and 9 music elective class performance. The elective class showed off their new song with vigour and sass, whilst some sang or played an instrument. Among the instruments played during the performance were piano, saxophone, cello, guitars, cow bell and djembe drums. Once again the talent displayed at this evening was truly amazing. Our studio concerts are always uplifting events which are well worth attending.



U18 Coca-Cola Youth Week comes to Kearsney

Over the forthcoming July holiday Kearsney will play host to what is possibly the world's biggest-ever schools rugby tournament - the combined 2016 U18 Coca-Cola Craven and Academy Week. Ms Sue Miles: Publicist.

It will be the first time the two events have been held simultaneously in the same venue.

The forty-four provincial teams from across the country – an estimated 1 200 players and support staff will descend on Kearsney, together with family, friends and supporters keen to watch South Africa's top young rugby talent in action.

These thousands of supporters, as well as SuperSport's live broadcasts, are a wonderful opportunity for the College to showcase our beautiful campus and

world-class facilities. It also offers a boost to the local economy, with accommodation, hospitality venues, coffee shops and restaurants sure to benefit from the influx of supporters.

Kearsney is proud to have five players representing KwaZulu-Natal: Dylan Richardson, Jared Meyer, Luke Croshaw, James Miller and Cameron Ritchie. Kearsney teacher Dean Moodley is Manager of the KZN U18 team.

The U18 Coca-Cola Craven and Academy Week will run from Monday 11 to Saturday



16 July. Craven Week games will be played on the Stott and Academy Week fixtures on the AH Smith Oval. SuperSport will broadcast all weekday games as well as Saturday's final live.

With South Africa's future Boks on display, this promises to be an unforgettable week. #whereheroesaremade

Zdravo 'Hello' Croatia

Mr Stafford Green, MiC: Water Polo reports.

The College's top water polo players and young emerging players will spend 10 days in the upcoming holidays in Croatia, home of the current Olympic champions and a country highly respected by water polo enthusiasts for their professionalism in the sport.

Twenty-seven boys, together with coaches Mr Taff Green, Mr Chris Reardon and Mr Scott Mantle, will depart on 24 June for

Zagreb in Croatia. From there they will travel to Omis, a town of unspoilt beaches, offering a glimpse of the untouched parts of Croatia, and on to the richly historical Split, Makarska and Dugi Rat.

The trip will comprise valuable coaching and training sessions with professional Croatian coaches, as well as competitive matches against local teams. A highlight for many of the touring team is the prospect of playing

water polo in the sea off Dubrovnik, where the famous Wild League is held in the Old Harbour each summer.

The tour party's 'chill' time will include a solid adrenalin rush with river rafting, sea kayaking through marine caves and subterranean springs, river canyoning and a zip-line tour - a 2100m-long zip-line 150m above tree tops, gorges and canyons. Shooting goals should be relatively stress-free after that!



A Feast of Rugby Festivals for all age groups

During the Easter holidays all the age group A teams as well as the 1st and 2nd teams participated in various highly competitive festivals around the country.

We believe that this calibre of opposition prepares us well for the season ahead and exposes our players to different styles of rugby and patterns of play. A brief summary from each of the coaches follows.

1st XV

The 1st XV participated in the Kearsney Easter Rugby Festival which provided outstanding schoolboy rugby. On the first day Kearsney played Hoërskool Noord Kaap from Kimberley and avenged the loss suffered the previous year when they met at the PUKKE festival. Kearsney played attractive rugby and scored eight tries, six of which were converted, and a penalty.

SACS awaited on the second match day and provided a wonderful spectacle for the large crowd with both teams playing an attractive brand of rugby. Many spectators viewed this clash as the most exciting and attractive match of the festival. The scores were pretty even throughout but Kearsney ultimately ended up victors with a 39 – 36 score.

In the final match of the festival Kearsney faced the strong HTS Middelburg and were very motivated to remain unbeaten at the 2016 festival. Unfortunately the opponents proved too quick and physical and most of their points came from opportunistic tries. Middelburg ran out 24 – 10 victors.

Much experience was gained and Kearsney established a very attractive pattern which

boded well for the remainder of the season.

2nd XV

The 2nd XV rugby team took part in the Hoërskool Monument Rugby Festival in Krugersdorp. It was always going to be a tough ask for the team due to the gruelling fixture list, playing at altitude and missing eight crucial players who were on 1st XV duty at our own Easter Rugby Festival.

On the first day the team came up against a full strength Hoërskool Monument team and lost 38-14 in an immensely physical encounter.

The team ran out against a highly-rated Jeppe Boy's High School team the next day. Our team played superbly well but were pipped at the post when the opposition scored a try in final moments of the game to clinch a dramatic 17-20 victory.

After a much-needed rest day, the team came up against Kempton Park and managed to salvage some pride with a hard-fought 12-10 victory.

U16A

Kearsney's U16A rugby team participated in the Jeppe High School Rugby Festival.

The first game on 19 March was against Helpmekaar where the team earned a well-deserved 22-13 victory. On 21 March the team played a very

powerful Jeppe side. After going down 0-23 early in the game, the boys rallied back and defended well but lost 3-26.

The team played Linden on 22 March and went 12-0 ahead early on but surrendered this lead in the second half and trailed 12-19 with four minutes to play. Fly-half, Jacques Odendaal then kicked a penalty and scored a magnificent individual try for the 22-19 win.

U15A

The Under 15A team had some tough fixtures in the Affies' Francois Swart U15 Rugby Festival in Pretoria. Despite a good first half in the first game against Waterkloof, where Kearsney led 23-10 at half-time, the boys could not close the game out in the second half and lost 23-32. Kearsney then took on a very strong Hoërskool Monument side who quickly racked up 26 points within the first 15 minutes of the game. The Kearsney boys dug deep to hold Monument out until 2 minutes from full-time, where they scored another two quick tries. Final score 0-38. Desperate to finish on a high, Kearsney took on Eldoraigue in their final game and played some very clinical rugby, running out 35-11 victors.

The boys learned some valuable rugby lessons from the tour, helping them to gain some experience and acquitted themselves well, both on and off the field.

U14A

The squad of twenty U14A rugby players took part in the Monument Rugby Festival. The festival is probably one of the toughest that the boys would have been exposed to in their short rugby careers.

RESULTS:

vs Florida High: Kearsney won by 27 - 24.
vs Hoërskool Monument: Kearsney lost 10 – 48. The half-time score was 10 – 12, which can only be attributed to superb defence by the entire team.

vs Dr EG Jansen (another Gauteng powerhouse): Kearsney lost 6 – 31. Our boys, even though depleted through injury, played with heart and passion and must be commended for their never-say-die attitude.

Even though we found the tournament very tough, the lessons learnt from playing against such strong opposition stood the boys and the team in good stead for the remainder of the season.



Carpe Diem





KEARSNEY COLLEGE



Kearsney Hockey achieves impressive results at festivals

Mr Wayne Marsden: MiC Hockey.

Our 1st XI team departed for the Founders Festival, hosted this year by Paul Roos. Of their six games, they won four, lost one and drew one.

The 2nd team participated in the Crawford La Lucia Festival and were the Festival winners once again, having finished the weekend as the only unbeaten team.

The U16A hockey team travelled to Johannesburg to participate in the first Founders U16 Festival at Parktown Boys. Their superb results included three wins, as well as winning the hockey 5s tournament that was run as part of the Festival.

Closer to home, the Kearsney U14A Hockey team were unbeaten after recording four wins and two draws at the Ken Florens Festival held at Northwood.

Squash competing strongly

Kearsney's squash players have been very competitive in the Durban inter-schools league this term. We have six teams playing across four leagues in Monday afternoon matches. The College's 1st team is undefeated in this league at the time of writing. Our juniors have enjoyed the opportunity to get out and play against strong opposition in the greater Durban area.

A highlight of the term was the annual Old Boys' fixture played on the evening of Thursday 02 June. The Old Boys turned out a very strong twelve-man side that emerged victorious against a competitive boys' team.

PROVINCIAL SELECTIONS

Our top players have been competing in the KZN selection tournaments over the first half of the year and the following boys have been selected to play for KZN in the Squash Inter-Provincial tournaments in the July holidays:

U19B: Graham Hudson (below right), Matt du Toit (top right) and David Comrie (below left).

U16B: Reid Stuart (below centre).



KCOB, Mr Garth van Rensburg (1976) and Matt du Toit



21st annual top schools' Tennis Festival at Kearsney

Ms Sue Miles: Publicist

Over half-term Kearsney hosted eight of South Africa's top tennis schools for a spectacular display of talent in what is now the longest-running school tennis tournament in South Africa.

Whilst Paul Roos from Stellenbosch again dominated the event, they only just edged out Grey College from Bloemfontein by a narrow 5-4 margin in the final. The competitive team from Affies placed third, ahead of Pretoria Boys' High.

Kearsney lost to Grey College 8-1 and Affies 8-1, while beating Stellenbosch High School 6-3 in the round robin stages, before beating Clifton College 6-3 in the play-offs. Kearsney went down to Selborne in the tussle for 5th/6th position.

We thank our new headline sponsor, Seeff Properties for their support. Old Boy sponsors Tim Johnson and Brett Botsis, from Seeff Umhlanga and Dolphin Coast, were delighted with the high standard of tennis and sportsmanship evident throughout the weekend. "It is a privilege for Seeff Properties to be involved with the 2016 National Kearsney Tennis Festival. As a leading national real estate brand with a growing KZN presence, we are proud to play our part in bringing some of the top tennis schools in the country together for this special event".

We are grateful to Sportsmans Warehouse, Wilson and Alpine Motors who also provided support to the festival.



Back L-R: Cuan Crocker, Brad Porteous, Mr Tyrone Le Reserveé, Mihir Singh, Patch McGrath.
Front L-R: Scott Bentley, Kyle Koenig, Lee Brown, Gavin Shelly, Kade Mindry.

Foundation News

Incredible support from the Mzi and Khosi Khumalo Family Foundation

We were delighted to have Dr Khosi Khumalo (past parent and Kearsney Board of Governors, 2005 to 2011) and her son Siyabonga Khumalo (Finningley 2005) back on campus in April. The generous funding provided by the Family Foundation supports the schooling of ten talented Kearsney boys in 2016. At the inaugural meeting the Headmaster, Mr Elwyn van den Aardweg, thanked the Khumalo Family for the past and on-going support and encouraged each recipient to seize the opportunity and aspire to be significant in all that they do. After the meeting, the Headmaster and the Foundation Director, Mrs Joy Mills-Hackmann, showed Khosi and Siya some of the recent developments on campus.



New Life Vice-President Award bestowed upon Michael Hall

Michael Hall (Gillingham 1953) has been awarded the Life Vice-President Award in recognition of his incredibly generous giving to Kearsney and for his work as the Campaign Chairman for the USA-KCOB Centenary Fund. This fund has raised R1,1-million of a R7-million target for the funding of five 25% bursaries in perpetuity. Mr Hall also edits the KCOB - USA TIMES, a quarterly newsletter which keeps Old Boys in the USA connected. At the 2016 KCOB AGM, KCOB President Lawrence Polkinghorne announced the Life Vice-President Award, which Mr Hall had accepted prior to the AGM.

At his 60th reunion in 2013, Mr Hall was awarded the Sir Liege Hulett Award at the Founders Assembly for his significant and regular benefaction.



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FOUNDERS WEEKEND 2016

More than a thousand Old Boys returned to the College on the weekend of 03/04 June to celebrate reunions and reconnect with classmates and past and current staff members.

KCOB President, Lawrence Polkinghorne, thanked the College: "What a wonderful weekend. Thank you to the Headmaster, the Kearsney staff and every Kearsney boy for the superb welcome which made it incredibly special for the many Old Boys who attended the Founders Weekend. It was such a privilege to celebrate 95 years of Kearsney legacy and success. The dinner on Friday was a huge success. We have been inundated with positive feedback from all generations of Old boys! A real highlight was listening to the boys sing Shosholozza and the passion with which the young Old Boys responded in song. It was a moment I'll remember forever."



Above: Celebrating his 60th reunion was Digby Benporath (1956), seen here with his grandson, Matthew Benporath (Grade 8) and son Jeff Benporath (1986).

Below: Second generation: The Mazwai family: Lungjile Mazwai (Finningley 1984) and his son Nkosinathi (Grade 11) and Themba Mazwai (Finningley 1988) with his son Baso (Grade 10).



Honorary Life Membership was presented to Mr Bongzi Ndaba (HoD isiZulu) for his 20 years of service to Kearsney College. He was thanked for his dedication to Kearsney and special mention was made of his role in establishing and driving soccer at Kearsney, together with Mr Wayne Amos.



Above: Fourth generation student, Matthew Hind (Grade 8) with his father Mike Hind (Pembroke 1992) and grandfather David Hind (1966) who celebrated his 50th reunion this year.

Proud Of Our Old Boys

Highest mark in Cambridge University's MBA Programme

Congratulations to Justin Reed (KCOB 2003) who achieved the highest overall mark in Cambridge University's Judge Business School MBA Programme in a class of 145 students from over 40 different countries around the world.

After obtaining his Business Science degree with honours in Finance and Accounting at the University of Cape Town, Justin joined Investec Bank's CA Programme and qualified as a Chartered Accountant after passing his Board exams. Justin has been employed by Investec Bank ever since and in 2014 was accepted into Cambridge University's Judge Business School MBA Programme.

Myles to Swim at Rio Olympics

Congratulations to Myles Brown (KCOB 2010), who will represent South Africa in August at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro.



Above: Miles Brown at Kearsney inter-house gala 2010.



Left: Jean-Luc du Preez playing for Kearsney 1st XV in 2013.

Below: James Hall, Kearsney 2014.



Old Boys shine on the rugby field

James Hall, pictured right, (KCOB 2014), who plays for the EP Kings, will have the honour of wearing the green and gold for the Junior Boks at the World Rugby Under-20 Championship in England in June. We will follow with interest and wish him all the best

Jean-Luc du Preez (pictured above) and Daniel du Preez (2013) represented the Cell C Sharks Super Rugby squad and have gained a lot of fans through their powerful play and obvious talent. Congratulations to Jean-Luc du Preez who has been included in the South Africa "A" squad to face the England Saxons in June.

Three Kearsney Old Boys are playing in the Cell C Sharks VX Currie Cup squad this season - Tristan Tedder (2014), Ayrton Schramm (2013) and Sandile Kubeka (2012).

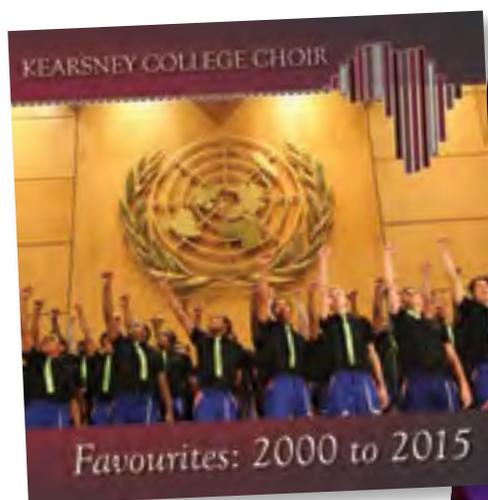


A Strong Legacy

Kearsney lads, dads and granddads gathered for a photograph on Founders Weekend. It is always special to welcome families comprising many generations of Kearsney boys.

Kearsney Supporters' clothing and memorabilia

Visit our **Kit and Clothing Shop** on campus to find a lovely range of Kearsney supporters' clothing, picnic rugs, blankets and various memorabilia available for sale. *The latest Kearsney Choir CD and DVDs are also now for sale.*



Comrades 2016

Comrades Day is a big day for Kearsney and very much part of our annual calendar. The College and the Comrades Marathon were established in 1921. This year the Comrades was a "down run" and once again the Kearsney boys were out on the road to support the runners. The majority of our boarders, neatly dressed in their Number 1s, supported the runners from the College entrance. A few boys were stationed near the Total garage to hand helium-filled maroon balloons to Kearsney-associated runners to carry as they ran past the College gates. These runners were given an extra loud cheer by the boys.

We were very proud to see the many Kearsney Striders athletes making their way past Kearsney and in particular the efforts of Kearsney staff members Mr Steve Main and Mr Matthew Conradie.

Parents' Society

The Parents' Society have met once a month and have been hard at work planning functions and social gatherings for 2016. Mr Alan Wykerd: Chairman: Parents' Society, reports.

One of our exciting projects this year is the provision of funds for the relocation of the school bell and bell tower.

One of our future projects is to fund the equipment required for live-streaming to take place at certain Kearsney events. This will enable parents, family and friends to view special events taking place at the College via the internet as they happen.

Through the 250 Club we continue to fundraise for bursaries and are pleased that this year the 250 Club membership has grown in numbers, which in turn boosts the funds.

The first 250 Club social event for the year will be a Mango Groove concert at Makaranga Lodge in Kloof on 26 June. The Johnny Clegg concert at Makaranga was an extremely popular event last year and we hope that this concert will once again be a wonderful occasion for all who attend.



THOUGHT FOR THE MOMENT

Psalms 46:10 says "Be still and know that I am God". In fast paced times where terms such as "tight schedule", "rushed", "deadlines", "short turnaround" are common, the term "be still..." In Psalm 46 sounds out of place. In a world of increasing mountains of e-mails, meetings and opportunities competing for our attention, without a moment to reflect, it is crucial to "be still and know that He is God".

Often when I have to make important work decisions, a crucial part of the process is for me to make time to be still and know that He is God. When I was first approached by the Methodist Church to take up a position at Kearsney, my response was: "Thank you for considering me to do such an important work in the ministry of the church and life of the school. Can you please give me two days to pray about this and see if this is something that God wants me to do".

Failure to be still and know that He is God can result in us being very industrious, but not knowing why... and that can end up in chasing after the wind - a sense of loss of meaning.

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