Du Preez boys on international stage

Jean-Luc played in the match against the Barbarians at Wembley on 05 November and will stay on with the Springbok squad for the Tests against England, Italy and Wales. What a wonderful achievement for this outstanding player who, at age 21, has already achieved so much. We look forward to him earning his first Springbok cap.

In another notable achievement for the family, Jean-Luc’s elder brother, Robert du Preez (Class of 2010) played fly-half for the Barbarians team against the Springboks. We were extremely proud to see Robert, who plays for the Stormers, take the field wearing his Kearsney 1st team socks.

We look forward to Jean-Luc's twin, Daniel, returning to fitness and knocking on that Springbok door.

PROVINCIAL SELECTIONS

Water Polo
Congratulations to the following boys who have been selected to represent KZN at the SA Schools Water Polo tournament to be held in Durban from 07 to 11 December 2016.

U14: Tyson Andrews and Wesley Marshall
U15: Josh Muller
Reserve: Oliver Carmody
U16: Nick Baines
Reserve: Taine Buys
U19B: James Kenny

Basketball
Kearsney awards for 2016 were awarded to Kuhle Bophela for the Most Improved Player and Mvelo Buthelezi, the Most Valuable Player. Both boys have been selected for the KZN U18 team for the DSR summer games in December.

Cricket
Congratulations to the following boys who have been selected to represent KZN Cricket teams:

U15: Jordan Bamber and Chase Kelly
U17: Luke de Vlieg (Captain)
U19: Brad Porteous, Matthew Lees, James Stamatis and Lindo Nkabinde
A TRADITION OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Report by Marketing Director, Mr Robert Carpenter.

Kearsney’s reputation for exceptional academic achievement was enhanced at the 2016 Speech Day and Prize Giving, with almost a third of the Class of 2016 receiving Academic Colours, Honours or Cum Laude.

Eleven boys were awarded Academic Honours Cum Laude (over 86%) to: Nicholas Carroll, Cameron Rencken, Jason Pilbrough, Kyle Howard, Grant Oliver, Panashe Mwamuka, Kelian Massa, Gianluca Pauselli, Taahir Essay, Daniel van Zyl and Keiran Smith.

Academic Honours (aggregate of 80-85%) were awarded to: Craig Barth, Luke Croshaw, Jared Meyer, Cuan Croshier, Brendan Stead, Kwanda Bhengu, Sameer Vawda, David Weaver, Cameron Baker and Stuart Crocker.

Academic Colours (aggregate of 75-79%) were awarded to: Nicholas Hudson, Cameron Tieg, Cameron Pitche, Blake Tyack, Christian Bamber, Warren Driver, Steven King, Joshua Hagemann, Gavin Keeley, Cameron Craze and Kyle Hagemann.

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Nicholas Carroll was presented with the prestigious Dux award, while Cameron Rencken was awarded Præmio Accessit to Dux.

Guest speaker at the Speech Day was Mr Lebogang Montjane, Executive Director of the Independent Schools Association of Southern Africa (ISASA). Mr Montjane stressed the value of an excellent education and expressed his satisfaction at seeing consistently outstanding matric results coming from Kearsney College.

PREFECTS 2017

Congratulations to the Prefects of 2017. We wish you all the best as you serve the College in the coming year.

Head of School: Wandile Linda
Deputy Head of School: James Sutherland

Finneley - Head of House: Robert Lawrence
Deputies: Matthew Blaikie, Kyle Koenig, Nathi Mazwai, James Young

Gillingham - Head of House: Luke de Klerk
Deputies: Reeva Davids, Jeremy Fourie, Thando Skwatsha, Andrew Weyers

Halcy - Head of House: Keiron Caldwell
Deputies: James Kany, Anton Pichl, Jayden Proctor, Rees Steemers, Ntolo Tsukudzuki

Pembroke - Head of House: Cohen Engelken
Deputies: Patrick McGrath, Ross Parsons, Dylan Richardson, Daniel Taylor

Sheffield - Head of House: Grant Sander
Deputies: Brendan Albertse, Kahle Bophela, Daniel Cherry, Emil Loubser,

Farewells

We are sad to be saying farewell to two members of the academic staff who will be leaving us at the end of the year.

Mr Matt Conradie, Academic Head of Information Technology, has been recruited into the private sector. Mr Conradie started at Kearsney in July 2008 and has built good relationships with the boys and staff alike. He coached the U15B and C rugby teams, but was most passionate about Cross Country, which he took to a new level at Kearsney. Mr Conradie has run past the Kearsney gates to great cheers in a number of the Comrades marathons. He played an important role as a duty master in Gillingham House.

Mr Samuleke Mafokeng, teacher of English and coach of the U16A Rugby and U16A Cricket teams, returns to Michaelhouse where he was trained as an intern. Mr Mafokeng joined Kearsney in January 2015. During his time at Kearsney he has served as a duty master in both Sheffield and Gillingham House.

We shall miss both these schoolmasters who have made considerable contributions during their time at Kearsney.

Grade 10 History Tour to Gauteng

Report by Mr Neil Peacock, Tour Organiser: History Department.

In Grade 10 History pupils, accompanied by Mrs van den Aardweg and Mr Peacock, departed early on Sunday 25 September for their much-anticipated tour to Gauteng to visit sites and museums associated with the Grade 10 syllabus. This covers South African History and the origins of Segregation and Apartheid.

On the first day the group stopped at the Sharpeville Memorial, where the infamous Sharpeville Shootings took place on 21 March 1960 and marked a turning point in the history of South Africa. The group then visited Liliesleaf Farm and Exhibition Centre in Rivonia. This is the site of the 1963 capture of prominent members of the High Command of Umkhonto we Sizwe. This outstanding, interactive exhibition site enthralled the boys.

The party visited the world-class Apartheid Museum on the second day. After a brief stop for lunch in Pretoria we visited the imposing citadel of Afrikaner Nationalism, the Voortrekker Monument. The boys were able to gain valuable insight into the story of Afrikaner Nationalism.

On the third and final day of the tour the group visited the Constitutional Hill in central Johannesburg. This houses the infamous Old Fort prison complex, where a number of prominent activists, such as Mahatma Gandhi and Nelson Mandela, were imprisoned. The Constitutional Court, which is rich in symbolism and diversity, is also located here.

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The touring party at the entrance to the Apartheid Museum.

Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela 1918-2013

Hamba kahle, Madiba. We honour your legacy.

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Social Entrepreneurship for a sustainable future

Kearsney has identified the need to build a movement of youth who are conscious, connected and courageous custodians of the future world.

Mr Wayne Marsden, HoD Business Studies, reports.

As such we aim to teach our boys about Social Entrepreneurship.

Social Entrepreneurship has the following objectives:
• to create awareness of careers that are not ‘mainstream’ and add value to society in a meaningful way;
• to promote active citizenship and sustainability-orientated leadership;
• to encourage the youth to start thinking of the social and environmental issues that Social Entrepreneurs are challenged to solve.

With this in mind we ran a SEED (Social and Environmental Entrepreneurship Day) programme with our Grade 10s towards the end of the third term. A number of guest speakers presented talks covering the following topics: future trends; the concept of Social Entrepreneurship and its importance; and businesses that are making a difference.

At the end of the programme the boys were divided into their houses and tasked with designing something using e-waste.

Comments from a few of the boys:

“It opened my mind to various possible career choices, as I can make money and also make a difference to society.”

“I realise that I can make a difference to the environment even though it might only seem to be in a small way.”

“It [the programme] turned out to be a real eye-opener.”

Businessman of the Year Dinner

The annual Businessman of the Year dinner took place on Wednesday 26 October in the Greyhound Pavilion. This event was the culmination of a process that started in the first term and involved all Grade 9 boys. The boys were divided into companies and each company was tasked with producing a unique product of their choice, together with a business plan.

The four best companies were invited to the Businessman of the Year dinner where they made their final presentations before a group of adjudicators. The adjudicators this year were Andrew Kenny, director of the Mr Price Group, and David Ferguson, Regional Sales Manager at Hirt and Carter.

The winning group was a company trading as ‘JKH Moulding’ with members Joshua Barrett, Kade Mindry, Kyle Beley, Hayden de Kock and Justin Goldie. The coveted Businessman of the Year award was presented to Regan Shen.

Talking in Circles

The year’s training of the Speakers’ Circle culminated in the final dinner which was held in the Greyhound Pavilion on Wednesday 02 November. Members of the society, their parents and members of staff were in attendance. Phoka Mchunu capably and confidently chaired the dinner in which the high standard of speeches centred around the theme of ‘lessons.’

At the end of a most memorable evening the following best speaking roles were announced:

Best Object Speech: Jayden Hutchinson and Jordan Bamber
Best Prepared Reading: Joshua Barrett
Best Impromptu Speech: David McCleave
Best Icebreaker: Oliver Carmody
Best Prepared Speech: Jethro Strydom
Best Evaluation: Jordan Baker
Most Improved Speaker: Caleb Morse
Lamplough Trophy for Excellence in Public Speaking: Jethro Strydom

GIFT OF THE GAB

The theme of the evening was ‘Within these Walls are Brothers Bound’ and all speakers acquitted themselves well.

In a tough competition Finningley emerged as the winning House, with Sheffield in 2nd place and Pembroke and Gillingham in 3rd and 4th places respectively.

The following boys were judged to be the best speakers in the various categories:

Best Toast: Jethro Strydom (Sheffield)
Best Object Speech Pair: Cameron Craze And Sizwe Sigasa (Finningley)
Best Icebreaker: Jared Meyer (Pembroke)
Best Impromptu Speech: NkosiNkosi Mazwai (Finningley)
Best Prepared Speech: Nicholas Carroll (Pembroke)
Best Evaluation: Bradley D’Eramo (Sheffield)
Best Impromptu Impromptu: Bryce Crockart (Sheffield) and Scott Couzens (Gillingham)
Dramatic Arts Showcases

The Dramatic Arts Showcase is an opportunity for our talented pupils to share their performance work done during the year with parents, peers and teachers. Ms Uloethea Singh, HoD Dramatic Arts, reports.

The Grade 10 and 11 Dramatic Arts pupils entertained the audience with a selection of items from the Greek Theatre module and the Shakespeare module respectively.

The Grade 9s were thrilled to share their British comedy scenes, own choice items and the new addition - their two-minute movies in the third term.

This was followed by the Grade 12s performing in their final showcase at the College. They presented their IEB practical examination programme and wowed the audience.

The year ended with the Grade 8s taking on their first Dramatic Arts showcase, where they performed the roles of characters from their Animated Movie module. Their scenes were well received and kept the appreciative audience in stitches.

Music to my ears

A number of boys received honours this year for their exceptional achievements. Mr Marshall Lombard, Director of Music, reports.

Congratulations to Parashe Mvumuka, Koketso Sebokia (both achieved a distinction for their practical Royal Schools Grade 8 exam), David Latham, Emil Loubser, Simeon Ganas and Alex Gibb for their outstanding results in the Royal Schools practical examinations, and their commitment and contribution towards the music department.

During the fourth term the choir has been preparing for the always special and enjoyable Carol services which will be held on 11 and 13 November.

The boys and staff are also very excited for the 2017 Singapore Tour and are working hard to prepare for the event.

The Inter-house music in the third term showed yet again what awesome talent we have at Kearsney. Well done to all the participants and the overall winner, Gillingham. Special mention should be made of Emil Loubser (Sheffield) whose individual performance of a piece he composed for piano blew the audience away.
Sportsman of the Year

Luke Croshaw had the honour of being named Sportsman of the Year 2016 at our Presentation Assembly.

His sporting achievements were as follows:-
Kearsney 1st team water polo (Captain) and KZN U19B (2015)
Kearsney 1st team soccer (Captain)
Kearsney 1st XV rugby and KZN U18A Craven week team

Superb basketball season

This season has been a breakthrough one for Kearsney with the all teams performing beyond expectations. Mr Myles Delport, MiC Basketball, reports.

This is largely due to a coaching restructuring and a refocusing on the Kearsney game plan. We were also fortunate to have acquired the services of Mr Khayani Nzama to assist with coaching and he made an immediate difference with the juniors.

Three boys were selected to participate in the final round of the U15 KZN trials - Luyiso Mabude, Aj Morakinyo and Jed Hayman. Five boys are through to the final round of the U17 KZN trials - Thomas Westermeyer, Kuhle Bophela, Amahlie Dlamini, Rabasotho Lenkoe and Levi Donjeany. Myelo Buthelezi and Kuhle Bophela have been selected to participate in the KZN U18 basketball team taking part in the DSR summer games in December.

A very successful Independent Schools Stayers’ Tournament was held at Kearsney during the September holidays. This was won by Kearsney for the first time and places the College at the top of the independent basketball-playing schools. An excellent achievement!

Kuhle Bophela in action for the first team

Action on the oval

During the Michaelmas holidays all our A teams took part in various cricket festivals around the country and acquitted themselves well against strong opposition. Mr Neil Peacock, MiC Cricket, reports.

The 15A side were the pick of the bunch and returned from the Grey High Festival undefeated with 3 wins and 1 draw. The 1st team enjoyed good wins against Hudson Park and Jeppe Boys, but were unsuccessful against St Stithians and St John’s.

Although the summer rains have been welcome, they have interrupted the cricket schedule, resulting in a few Saturday fixtures having to be called off this term. Matches against Maritzburg College and Clifton College were able to proceed with some good results through the age groups.

Good victories were recorded against local schools, Hillcrest High and Kloof High in the first round of national T20 matches. The second round will see the College take on Kingsway and Clifton College.

New scoreboard

The new electronic cricket scoreboard, which was inaugurated at the Old Cricks match, now has a weather vane as a welcome addition.

Independent Schools’ Cricket Festival at Kearsney

Kearsney will host the annual pre-season Independent Schools’ Cricket Festival from 11 January to 13 January 2017. Schools from KZN, Gauteng, Western Cape and Zimbabwe will be participating. This promises to be an exciting few days of good cricket played in a festival atmosphere.

Provincial Selections

We were delighted to have seven boys selected for various provincial teams. Congratulations are extended to the following players:

U19 KZN Coastal: Matthew Lees, James Stamatis, Lindo Nikabinde and Brad Porteous
U17 KZN Coastal: Luke de Vlieg (Captain)
U15 KZN Coastal: Jordan Bamber and Chase Kelly

Lindo Nikabinde in action for the 1st XI
Old Cricks vs 1st XI

The 1st XI took on the KCOB Old Cricks side captained by Benji Hector (1997) in a T20 match on Friday 16 September 2016. It was special for the boys to play against Kyle Abbott (2005) and some other great Kearsney cricketers of days gone by. The boys took the victory.

Water Polo

More boys played water polo than in previous years, and together with an enthusiastic and highly qualified coaching staff, we enjoyed an eventful season. We started the year with pre-season training which stood us in good stead. Although the pool was dominated by swimming in the first term, the boys still remained committed and used their pool-time wisely. There was a transformation in the younger age group teams from individuals to solid, united teams.

Fencing KZN Provincial Championships

Congratulations to Aaron Smith (Grade 8) who participated in both the U20 Men’s Epee and Senior Men’s Epee events in October. He won the Silver medal in the Senior Men’s Epee and the Bronze Medal in the Junior Epee event.

SA Bass Fishing

Chase Kelly (Grade 9) has been selected for the Proteas Bass Fishing team for the third year running. He will captain the team at an international event in Zimbabwe in December. Bruce Cook (Grade 9) was also selected for the Proteas this year following a successful inter-provincial Bass Angling Tournament in April.
Kyle Abbott helps SA to Aus series win

Kyle Abbott (2005) was called up to join the Proteas on their tour Down Under following the injury to Dale Steyn in the first Test. In the first innings of the second Test in Hobart, Kyle bowled superbly and picked up 3 for 41 to help bowl Australia out for just 85. In Australia's second innings, Kyle removed both openers to leave Australia on 121 for 2 at the close of Day 3, out for just 85. In Australia's second innings, Kyle removed both bowled superbly and picked up 3 for 41 to help bowl Australia

Breaking Records

Congratulations to Myles Brown (2010) for his continued fine form at the FINA Swimming World Cup in Doha on 08 and 09 October. Myles Brown broke fellow KCOB Troy Prinloo's (2004) 12-year standing Championship Record winning the 400m freestyle, clocking 3:54.80 to Troy's 2004 time of 3:57.30.

Troy Prinloo

Help us grow the Kearsney Legacy

Kearsney Halfway Bursaries make a difference

We are delighted to announce that two new 100% Kearsney Halfway Bursaries have been installed and awarded, commencing in 2017. The excitement of these young boys when they learnt their dream to attend Kearsney had come true was truly heart-warming. Thank you Halfway Toyota for making this possible.

Making a difference in education

Kearsney run a Mathematics and Science Programme with KwaNtabeni Comprehensive High School which is funded by Durban Ethekwini Educational Trust. Earlier this year we shared how Kearsney boys spent time at KwaNtabeni cleaning and clearing an unused workshop to prepare the site for builders to create two classrooms – one for Mathematics and one for Science. Our partners, Durban Ethekwini Educational Trust and Hillcrest Rotary Club, generously agreed to fund the renovations. We are pleased to announce that by 2017 the new classrooms will be in use.

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**ADMISSION FOR GRADE 8 IN 2018**

Kearsney continues to enjoy incredible demand for our world-class education. Applications for Grade 8 in 2018 close on 09 December 2016.

**INFORMATION EVENINGS 2017**

Booking is essential on: marketing@kearsney.com

- **Wednesday 01 February** Johannesburg Information Evening
- **Monday 06 February** Highway Area and Pietermaritzburg/Midlands families
- **Thursday 09 February** Greater Durban and South Coast families
- **Monday 13 February** Durban North, Dolphin Coast and Zululand families
- **Saturday 11 and Sunday 12 March 2017** Open Weekend for all Grade 8 applicants for 2018.

**NEW IN 2017**

Zululand bus for boarders. See www.kearsney.com

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**Class of 2016 continue the tradition**

In his final speech of the year, Luke Croshaw, 2016 Headboy, said “Although we came from different places around the world, as soon as we put on the Kearsney blazer and tie we became one, united by a Latin phrase etched into our hearts, Carpe Diem. To give a boy the chance we have all been so fortunate to have had, the Class of 2016 has started a Class Bursary Fund. This is a chance to bring boys from different backgrounds together and we are proud to provide this opportunity.”

They follow the example set by the Class of 2015 and thank all who contribute to this worthy cause.

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**Kearsney thanked the Class of 2016 for their exemplary leadership and their contribution to the College at our Leavers’ Chapel Service. The Class of 2016 has made the College proud and we wish them well.**

The handover from the 2016 to the 2017 prefects was symbolised, as is tradition, by the lowering and raising of the Kearsney flag along with a few words from the respective Headboys.

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**THOUGHT FOR THE MOMENT**

When the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in Matthew 1:20 – 21 he said to him “She (Mary) will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins”.

What is in a name? People say – a lot. The mention of the name of Nelson Mandela, for instance, brings to mind thoughts of hoping against all hope that good will overcome bad. The name of Barak Obama brings to mind thoughts of achieving the impossible. What both these and other great names in history have is that the source of their exceptional talents comes from the one who bears the name Jesus, because He is the giver of all life.

The angel of the Lord states that the name of Jesus holds powers. Matthew 1:22 says His name can save people from their sins. The Son that God gave to the world can save us from sin which has the power to bring about our downfall in any area of life. We only need to call upon His name to be saved from our sins.

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, let us call upon His name to save us from wrong.

Rev James Headbush: Chaplain

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**Parents’ Society Function**

**SAVE THE DATE**

Saturday 04 March 2017

Formal Dinner-Dance using the Matric Dance decor.

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