



New Beginnings 2013

Sunday 13 January saw the start of an incredible five year adventure for the Class of 2017. Bruce Thompson Haley Housemaster reports.

Although there were some wary goodbyes, the boys knew they were in for an exciting few weeks. Head of Haley, Tom Hudson, then imparted some insight into what was needed to evolve into a true Kearsney gentleman.

The first week went by in a flash and ended with the thrill of not having lessons on Friday due to the boys' orientation day organised by Mr Zungu. This was a perfect end to the week and boys had a chance to laugh and play.

Sadly most of the sporting fixtures on the first weekend were rained out, which left boys with a lot of energy for Saturday night. With 128 boys in the house there was much noise and even more excitement for the Haley hike due to take place the following morning.

At 05h15 on Sunday we awoke to fantastic weather. The Grade 8s headed out from the campus together with their prefects and some staff members to hike through the valley and up onto Alverstone. The route was beautiful and gave the boys a great experience of our country surroundings. We shared the road with all the Kearsney Striders runners which enabled us to follow the marshalls and give some much needed support to the runners on this demanding course. After the 15km hike many sweaty bodies hit the swimming pool before enjoying a late breakfast.

“ They have proven that they have already subscribed to our motto of *Carpe Diem*. ”

This group has settled really quickly. I believe that the Bright Future weekend run by Mr deVilliers and the fantastic group of Haley prefects this year have allowed these boys to find their natural stride.

The weekend in November allows the new Grade 8s to start their year with a spring in their step and with some confidence, being more familiar with the College and the prefects. They have proven that they have already subscribed to our motto of 'Carpe Diem'.



In our traditional welcoming ceremony for the Grade 8s, they were handed their ties by the prefects of the College. They then faced the school and were applauded by the rest of the boys and staff.



Mr de Villiers and Josh Attenborough lead a group of boys on their hike

MATRIC RESULTS 2012

The Class of 2012 did the College proud in the IEB (Independent Examination Board) Examinations.

The boys of the Class of 2012 have achieved probably the finest results the school has achieved to date. We are incredibly proud to have six boys make the IEB's Outstanding Achievement list of South Africa's Top 78 candidates (the top 1% of learners). They are

Ryan Holtes, Walter Jordaan, Craig Kirsten, Mandhir Lutchman, Travis Pears, Nathan Sparks. Daniel Blignaut was on the Commendable list giving Kearsney seven in the top 141 of IEB candidates.

The outstanding 99% University Exemption rate (Bachelor Degree Pass) can be attributed to a co-ordinated approach by all the staff to provide each boy with personal attention, the boys' commitment to work and parents' support.

Right: Joint Dux of School for 2012, Mandhir Lutchman and Ryan Holtes congratulate each other at the College on the morning that the results were released.



SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS

- 99% Bachelor Degree (University Exemption) pass rate
- 6 boys in the top 78 in the country (IEB's Outstanding Achievement list)
- Nearly half of our boys received Mathematics distinctions
- 6 Boys in the top 1% in the country for Mathematics
- 69% received an A or a B in Mathematics, 86% an A, B or C
- More than a third of Science and Accounting candidates achieved distinctions
- 285 Distinctions were achieved by 117 Matriculants (Average of 2.4 each)
- More than a quarter of our Matriculants received four or more distinctions

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Kearsney boys in Grades 8 to 11 also brought credit to themselves with some great academic results. The following awards were based on final marks in 2012.

GRADE 11 HONOURS CUM LAUDE

1. Bunge, Edwin
2. Royston, Gregory
3. Kolev, Daniel
4. Hansen, Samuel
5. Mabaso, Wakithi
6. Clarke, David
7. Hudson, Thomas

GRADE 11 HONOURS

1. van Zyl, Brits
2. Reinhardt, Brett
3. Green, Wesley
4. Pears, Vaughn
5. Tshabalala, Kgomotso
6. Bean, Joshua
7. Attenborough, Joshua

GRADE 11 COLOURS

1. Hayes-Hill, Jarred
2. Steinhagen, Bjorn
3. Bradshaw, Adam
4. Wevell, Michael
5. McGrath, Robert
6. Andrews, Dam
7. Engelbrecht, Joshua
8. Vawda, Zaid

GRADE 11 TOP 5

1. Royston, Gregory
2. Bunge, Edwin
3. Kolev, Daniel
4. Hansen, Samuel
5. Mabaso, Wakithi

GRADE 10 COLOURS

1. Lillelund, Neil
2. Crockart, Ivan
3. Loader, Keagan
4. Grinyer, Cameron
5. Harvey, Alexander
6. de Beer, Jeremy
7. Lundall, Myles
8. Campbell, Daniel

GRADE 10 TOP 6

1. Lillelund, Neil
2. Crockart, Ivan
3. Loader, Keagan
4. Harvey, Alexander
5. Tedder, Stephen
6. de Beer, Jeremy

GRADE 9 TOP 5

1. Hughes, Brandon
2. Cairns, Ross
3. Lee, Cameron
4. Hansen, James
5. Hewitson, Lyle

GRADE 8 TOP 5

1. Rencken, Cameron
2. Essay, Taahir
3. Pilbrough, Jason
4. Meyer, Donovan
5. Smith, Keiran

LEADERS TO SERVE THE COLLEGE IN 2013



Head of School, Josh Attenborough, and Deputy Head of School, Tyler Smith, will serve Kearsney in 2013.



Our Grade 8 boys have all been assigned a Grade 11 mentor from their own House. The aim of our mentorship programme is for the Grade 11 boy to help his Grade 8 settle into the Kearsney routine and way of life as quickly as possible and to give advice where necessary. The boys meet on an informal basis every day during tutorial.

On Friday 28 January, Grade 8 parents had the opportunity to meet and chat to their son's senior mentor and get some feedback on how their sons are doing. The parents really enjoyed meeting the senior boys who will be looking after their sons and the initiative was highly praised by the parents.

The much anticipated Cocktail Party hosted by our Parents' Society followed the meeting. Grade 8 parents heard all about the activities in which their boys have been involved at the College to date. Staff and prefects shared anecdotes and showed photos and video footage of the boys' experiences.

Welcome new staff members

Kearsney is excited to welcome dynamic new staff members to the College.

Mrs Sonia Cairns has been appointed Head of the Afrikaans Department, a position she previously held at Treverton College. Sonia is an active lady who loves to play tennis and watch sport – especially her beloved Blue Bulls team. She is married to Alan and has two sons and a daughter. Sonia describes Kearsney as a 'blessed' place.

Ms Rox-anne Ungerer joined our Maths Department from Durban Girls High School where she was also very involved in extra-mural activities and sport. Rox-anne is one of the Maths Support teaching staff and is keen to be involved further with sports. She says of Kearsney that she has been most impressed with the rich traditions and passion that the boys have for the College. She adds that the staff have 'been amazing'.

Mrs Jackie Schreiber is a new part-time Maths teacher at the College. She joins us from Waterfall College. When Jackie is not working or supporting her husband, Shane, in his cycling all over the country, she loves to spend time at home. Jackie also has an adult son, Calvin, who is currently studying Law.

James Brown is no stranger to Kearsney having matriculated from the College in 2008. He has an Honours degree in script writing from UCT and will be teaching Grade 8 Dramatic Arts whilst studying towards his PGCE (Secondary). James is also coaching swimming, water polo and rugby as well as taking charge of the Film Society. He will serve out his internship in the English department.

Michael van Bardeleben is a Thomas More College Old Boy who graduated from Rhodes University with an Honours degree in Drama. He is studying towards his PGCE (Secondary) through UNISA. He is assisting with the sound and lighting requirements of the College as well as coaching cricket and hockey.

Jabin Lyons is a Westville Boys' High Old Boy and holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. He will serve out his internship in the Business Studies and Physical Education departments whilst studying towards his PGCE (Intermediate).



L – R: Mr Michael van Bardeleben, Mrs Jackie Schreiber, Mr James Brown, Mrs Sonia Cairns and Mr Jabin Lyons. Inset: Ms Rox-anne Ungerer.

Mr Ashley Dixon has joined Kearsney as the Sports Administrator. He was previously a sports coach at Michaelhouse. In addition to his administrative duties, Ashley will also coach water polo, rugby and soccer and be teaching a Sports Science elective.

We look forward to the contribution that these new staff members will make to the school.

In Remembrance

Mr Alain Ndeko, our IT and Sound Technician, sadly passed away on Saturday 2 February after being ill since the end of 2012. Alain joined the College in 2009 having come to South Africa as a refugee from the DRC. He was an extremely capable, helpful and kind gentleman who made a great contribution in his own quiet way. He will be missed.

The prefects of 2013 were inducted at a special assembly on Monday 21 January. Head of School: Josh Attenborough, Deputy Head of School: Tyler Smith. Finningley: Head of House Zander Rossouw, Deputies Nicholas Craze, Nkosendalo Dumalisile, Ryan van der Waal, Adam Bradshaw. Gillingham: Head of House Thuthu Ndlovu, Deputies Blair Cremer, Aiken Dercksen, Mark Taylor, Mitchill Wernich. Haley: Head of House Thomas Hudson, Deputies Joshua Bean, Chris Lines, Brits van Zyl, Bradley Walker. Pembroke: Head of House Ryan Meyer, Deputies Greg Keal, Robert McGrath, Ryan Wallace, Wakithi Mabaso. Sheffield: Head of House Vaughn Pears, Deputies Joshua Brown, Rhys Driver, Bevan Jackson, Bjorn Steinhagen.



DANCE! DRAMA! MUSIC! ART! WORDS!

Culture@Kearsney is the latest Kearsney innovation designed to encourage the celebration of arts and culture amongst the KZN youth and to identify the hidden talents in our up-and-coming generation. Mrs Andrea Fripp brings you details.

Kicking off with an exciting exhibition of visual art and the opening launch on 4 March, Culture@Kearsney looks poised to set the arts world alight in 2013!

The art programme will be followed up with an inter-schools one-act play festival, a celebration of dance and a choir festival for both primary schools and high schools

Kearsney College will host all of the events and sponsorship to assist us in making this initiative a success would be greatly appreciated.

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as well as an evening of slam poetry to test the skills of youthful linguists at various intervals throughout the year.

Incorporated into year's programme will be the highly anticipated annual Battle of the Bands competition, as well as a photographic competition sponsored by the Matthew Willman Visual Art Foundation.

A variety of creative artworks from schools all over Durban will be on display from 4 to 14 March in the Greyhound Pavilion. There is no entry fee.

We hope to see you all there. You never know, you may spot the next Picasso!

- Event 1: Art Exhibition (4-15 March 2013)
- Event 2: Photographic Competition
- Event 3: One-Act Play Festival (10-14 June 2013)
- Event 4: Battle of the Bands (1 June 2013)
- Event 5: Primary School Choral Festival (10 September 2013)
- Event 6: High School Choral Festival (12 September 2013)
- Event 7: Slam Poetry (2 October 2012)
- Event 8: Dance & Movement (31 July – 2 August 2013)

The JSC get involved in the eKCo-Kearsney initiative

Globally there is an environmental 'overshoot' in that the human ecological footprint is equal to 1,4 planets instead of 1. In order to contribute to making a difference, we have set up the eKCo-Kearsney committee. Mr Rod de Villiers, Head of Middle School reports.

I am delighted that the JSC (Junior Council) will be involved. We have decided to use the One Planet Living framework as our guideline to operate more sustainably in future and we plan to launch a few of our initiatives in 2013.

The JSC will begin by playing a role in the recycling of our paper and the installation of colour-coded drums around the school for other forms of waste. We have also started an Enviro Club which will focus on

litter around the school, alien plant elimination and the planting of suitable indigenous trees and shrubs to replace alien plants.

“ The plan is for the concept of environmental sustainability to become part of our inter-house competition. ”

Mr Kevin Smith is currently having all the trees around the classroom block area labelled. Mr Andrew Bretherton, our Estates Manager, has always been fully aware of 'green' issues

and as a result has sunk a bore-hole, installed heat pumps in all the hostels and many houses,

and replaced most of the light bulbs with energy-savers. He is looking into the installation of meters in each of the senior houses so that both water and electricity consumptions can be measured and compared. The plan is for the concept of environmental sustainability to become part of our inter-house competition. This will also include minimising food wastage in the dining rooms.

Through our Life Orientation programme, we will create greater awareness on environmental awareness in the boys.



A festival of top class rugby

The Kearsney Easter Rugby Festival has grown from strength to strength and the quality of participating schools this year is testimony to the fact it has become the country's premier schools rugby event, reports Sue Miles, PR and Publicist.

The line-up of participating teams includes nine schools which were in the top 20 of the popular, informal Rugby 365 rankings during the 2012 season. Participating teams are Grey College from Bloemfontein; Paarl Gymnasium and newcomer Boland Landbou from Paarl, Paul Roos from Stellenbosch and Outeniqua High from George; Framesby High from Port Elizabeth, Nico Malan from Humansdorp and East London's Selborne College; EG Jansen from Boksburg; with Glenwood, Westville and Kearsney College from KZN.

Some of South Africa's best Under 19 talent will be participating this year, which bodes well for highly entertaining and exciting rugby over the three play days. Many gifted players have been discovered by talent scouts at the previous five festivals and now play for SA Sevens and Sharks teams.

Headmaster, Mr Elwyn van den Aardweg, said he was delighted to welcome Standard Bank as the festival's headline sponsor. It would partner with Kearsney in a multi-year deal and their commitment bears testament to the prestige of the Festival. Standard Bank's involvement adds tremendous value to the Festival and, together with the continued support of Illovo Sugar and the Sharks Academy, will ensure that the Kearsney Easter Rugby Festival continues to grow from strength to strength in the years ahead, consolidating the position of this Easter rugby festival as the premier schoolboy rugby festival in the country.

At the launch on 5 February, Hans Scriba, head of the Sharks Academy, told guests that the Festival played an important role in exposing the quality of available young talent. "We are delighted with the quality of talented players who have joined our Academy after school, having come through the festival at Kearsney. Many of these players are already achieving wonderful results at the Sharks," he said.



Scriba said that talent scouts from The Sharks and Sharks Academy would be on the lookout during the three play days, scheduled over the Easter weekend for Thursday 28 March, Saturday 30 and Monday 1 April. The Academy will offer three full bursaries to selected players for 2014.

PROGRAMME

Day 1 Thursday 28 March

- 08h30 KZN U13 Provincial Development Team vs Westville Senior Primary
- 09h30 Kearsney College vs Hoërskool Framesby
- 10h45 Selborne College vs Nico Malan High School
- 12h00 Glenwood High School vs Paul Roos Gimnasium
- 13h15 Grey College vs Boland Landbou
- 14h30 Hoërskool Outeniqua vs Dr E G Jansen
- 15h45 Paarl Gimnasium vs Westville Boys High School

Day 2 Saturday 30 March

- 08h30 KZN U13 Provincial Development Team vs Highbury Preparatory
- 09h30 Nico Malan High School vs Boland Landbou
- 10h45 Hoërskool Outeniqua vs Westville Boys High School
- 12h00 Kearsney College vs Paarl Gimnasium
- 13h15 Glenwood High School vs Selborne College
- 14h30 Dr E G Jansen vs Paul Roos Gimnasium
- 15h45 Grey College vs Hoërskool Framesby

Day 3 Monday 01 April

- 08h30 KZN U13 Provincial Development Team vs Glenwood Preparatory
- 09h30 Dr E G Jansen vs Nico Malan High School
- 10h45 Hoërskool Framesby vs Westville Boys High School
- 12h00 Grey College vs Hoerskool Outeniqua
- 13h15 Paul Roos Gimnasium vs Selborne College
- 14h30 Paarl Gimnasium vs Glenwood High School
- 15h45 Kearsney College vs Boland Landbou



Above: Kearsney Old Boys, Jono Deighton (2012); Josh Devine (2012); Nico Breedt (1998); Sandile Khumalo (2012) and Glen Hagemann (1982). Left: Kearsney's Taff Green, Festival Organiser speaking at the launch on 5 February.

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Great Cricketing talent

Kearsney's cricketers are excelling once again. Following a fantastic week at the Coca-Cola Khaya Majola U19 Cricket Week in December, Craig Kirsten (2012 Grade 12) was re-awarded his SA School Colours.

Craig Kirsten, Tristan Tedder (2012 Grade 10) and Mark Airey (2011) all represented the KZN Dolphins U19 Cubs team which played in Stellenbosch in January against five other franchise teams in SA Cubs Week. After the Cubs week, a SA U19 team was chosen. Our congratulation go to Craig Kirsten for his selection to this team.

KZN Indoor Hockey U18

The KZN Coastal Boys Hockey selectors have named their 2013 Indoor Hockey team. We congratulate Dylan Middleton (pictured right) and Nqobile Ntuli on their selection. The team will play in a one day indoor hockey festival on 24 February and we wish the boys all the best.



GOLF

Greg Royston (pictured above) has continued to display his amazing golf talent on the courses of KZN. He came second in the Northern Natal Open to the reigning champion and second in East Griqualand Open to the KZN Men's Captain of 2012. All bodes well for our golf team to emulate the form of 2012 when they won the Durban & Districts A golf league for the third time in four years.



Sports Coaches 2013

From left to right: Ashley Dixon (Water polo, Rugby), Grant Scott (Cricket, Rugby), Rob Scott (Cricket, Rugby), Kelvin Adams (Water polo, Rugby), Jarred Chiochetti (Cricket, Rugby), Matt Laskey (Cricket, Rugby), Nhlanhla Dlamini (Basketball), Jake Adams (Water polo, Rugby)

Staff show their support



for Bafana Bafana

On Wednesday 23 January, the Kearsney Maintenance staff were treated to an evening watching Bafana Bafana in their AFCON pool match against Angola at the iconic Moses Mabhida Stadium, Tracey van den Aardweg reports.

This experience was provided in recognition of and in appreciation for the sterling efforts made by them during the December holiday period to complete campus projects before the commencement of the 2013 academic year.

En route to the stadium, the traffic built up and the number of yellow shirts and vuvuzelas grew in tandem with the festive atmosphere in the bus. We made our way through crowds of eager supporters to our seats on the upper level which gave us a superb view of the magnificent stadium and field. The Angolans were clearly visible as they stood together, in red and white, swaying to the beat of drums. They were but a small speck of contrasting colour in the sea of yellow Bafana supporters.

The game started after the singing of the national anthems with shouts of support and the buzz of the vuvuzelas. The two goals scored by Bafana Bafana clearly delighted the crowd who reacted with smiles, the waving of flags and some dancing between the rows of seats.

A very happy and energised group made their way back to the bus after the game, heading up to home at the top of the cloudy Bothas Hill.

View a clip of the Kearsney staff at the match visit our facebook page for a link. Kearsney College

Parents' Society

The Kearsney Parents Society (KPS) had its first meeting of the year in the first week of February. Chairman Mark Conway is pleased to report that Kearsney is fortunate to have a dynamic team on board this year.

We have allocated the main portfolios and as soon as these are finalised I will communicate these to you as well as our key objectives for the year.

We are delighted to have had a tremendous response to the Kearsney Ball is to be held on 2 March. It is to be held in Henderson Hall the day after the Matric dance. As a result our

team will be able to stage a special event whilst containing the costs. As a consequence ticket prices have been contained at R600 a couple.

Being mindful of the financial burden on Matric parents the KPS will make a substantial financial contribution to the costs of the Matric dance and subsidise the tickets.

In addition to the normal ball facilities we are planning a wine & whiskey tasting lounge as well as an open air cafe area. Let's hope the weather is kind to us so we can have lots of fun.

This is a fantastic opportunity to network with the school community, and I look forward to seeing you there.



Congratulations to the Kearsney Family for raising over R 5,000 for our school in the first month this year. Well done and keep on SWIPING those cards.

The MySchool fundraising programme is a community support programme which raises funds for schools, charities and environmental organisations. More than R2.2 million is raised per month and paid out to schools, charities, animal welfare and environmental organisations.

The success of the programme depends on the number of times you SWIPE your card. If you are not already a Kearsney MySchool supporter, simply visit www.myschool.co.za, complete the form on-line, select Kearsney College as your chosen beneficiary and your card will be delivered to you.

Don't delay, get your card today!

An invitation to make a difference
Is your business seeking CSI points for your B-BBEE scorecard? Kearsney has a range of projects and initiatives that comply and embrace the spirit of empowerment and social investment.

Seeking tax deductible giving?
Kearsney is a registered Public Benefit Organisation (PBO 80-11-13-2570) and Non-Profit Organisation (024-882-NPO). Gifts to Kearsney may be deducted from your taxable income in terms of Section 18A of the Income Tax Act.

For more information contact the Headmaster or Joy Mills-Hackmann, Foundation Director joy@kearsney.com.

OLD BOYS MAKE THEIR MARK

Kyle Abbott (2005) took 12 wickets for the Dolphins and returned career-best figures of 8-45 as the Cape Cobras were bowled out for 167 in their second innings, handing victory to the Dolphins by 15 runs in the Sunfoil Series Match in Newlands. "Abbott bowled with controlled and accurate aggression, ending with match figures of 12-96." Sunday Tribune 20 Jan 2013.

SA's first gold for Myles Brown (Pembroke 2010) who "was the star of the show for Team SA on the final day of the BHP Billiton Aquatic Super Series at a sun-drenched Challenge Stadium in Perth, Australia."

Following the Dust - A Collection of Safari Tales by Craig Doria (Pembroke 1980) Craig has been keeping journals and taking photographs as a guide, professional hunter and conservationist in Africa for over twenty years. The result of these years in the field is an unusual collection of stories and a reminder to fill our place on this earth with responsibility and humility. Publication Date: 22 Oct 2012.

OLD BOY – DRIVEN RUGBY FUND

The Old Boy-driven Rugby Fund awarded its first 30% bursary in 2013, helping Kearsney secure a top sportsman! Rugby champion Doug Carmody (1993) invites the Kearsney community to support the campaign to ensure Kearsney rugby remains competitive. You can join this circle for as little as R100 per month. Simply complete the easy online pledge form and specify 'Rugby One Fund'.

www.kearsney.com > Kearsney Foundation > Pledge Now. Gifts are TAX DEDUCTABLE.

Kearsney is committed to remaining the benchmark of balanced education and the Foundation would welcome your contributions to support other initiatives.

Enquiries: contact Joy on foundation@kearsney.com or 031 765 9600



Taking it in their Stride

The Kearsney campus was a buzz of activity on Sunday 20 January when the 12th annual Kearsney Striders Marathon took place. On this beautiful morning, over 1,200 athletes participated in the event consisting of a gruelling 21km and 16km run and a 10km walk. The Kearsney Striders running club was most grateful for the help offered for the race, including marshalling and seconding.

Left: Bili Ntuli and Donald-Dwayne de Cramer were two of the many Kearsney boys who marshalled at the Striders Marathon.



Class of 2012 welcomed as newest Old Boys

KCOB President, Lawrence Polkinghorne (1990) welcomed new Old Boys on 10 January 2013 at a Cocktail Party in the Greyhound Pavilion.

There were messages from many who were travelling and preparing for the adventure of university and the workplace and could not attend. Congratulations to the Class of 2012 on your remarkable achievements.

Founders Weekend 14-15 June 2013

Do you know any Kearsney Old Boys?

Please mention that the 2012 Founders Weekend booking form is on the web and encourage them to attend on 14-15 June.

Visit www.kearsney.com | Old Boys | Founders Weekend for an online booking form. Enquiries can be directed to Oldboys@kearsney.com

THOUGHT FOR THE MOMENT

In the busyness of the start of the year, we have been forced to pause by the passing of Mr Alain Ndeko. We as the Kearsney community grieve along with the Ndeko family at the loss of such a humble and industrious man who gave his all for the College. It is at these times that we are reminded of Christ's promises in John 14: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms... And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am."

So we believe and trust that one day we shall be united with our loved ones in the presence of God, to honour and worship Him. For now, we pray for all those who grieve and mourn that they may remember always, these promises.

Chaplain: Rev Sifiso Khuswayo



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