

# A winning Abbott

Kyle Abbott (KCOB 2005) played his debut test for the Proteas in the third and final Sunfoil test match in the series against Pakistan which started on Friday 22 February.

Kyle was given his opportunity due to injuries to Morné Morkel and Jacques Kallis and like a true Kearsney man he seized the day.

Kyle took 7 for 29 in his 11.4 overs in the first innings, the second-best bowling figures for a South African on debut, after Lance Klusener's

8/64 against India in 1996. Kyle then took 2 for 39 in the second innings, ending the match with figures of 9 for 68 and being named 'Man of the Match'.

Kyle Abbott's first team cricket coach at Kearsney, André van Zyl, knows Kyle to be an upstanding, polite, humble and hard-working young man who was Head of Sheffield House in 2005. "As a schoolboy he was quick, bowling full and straight and I had him in the first team from Grade 9 through to matric", said Mr van Zyl. "He had a great work ethic and many a time he stayed after practice for throw-downs and advice on his play. He accepted whatever came his way, saying that if he was to progress further (in cricket) the time would come, it was out of his hands".

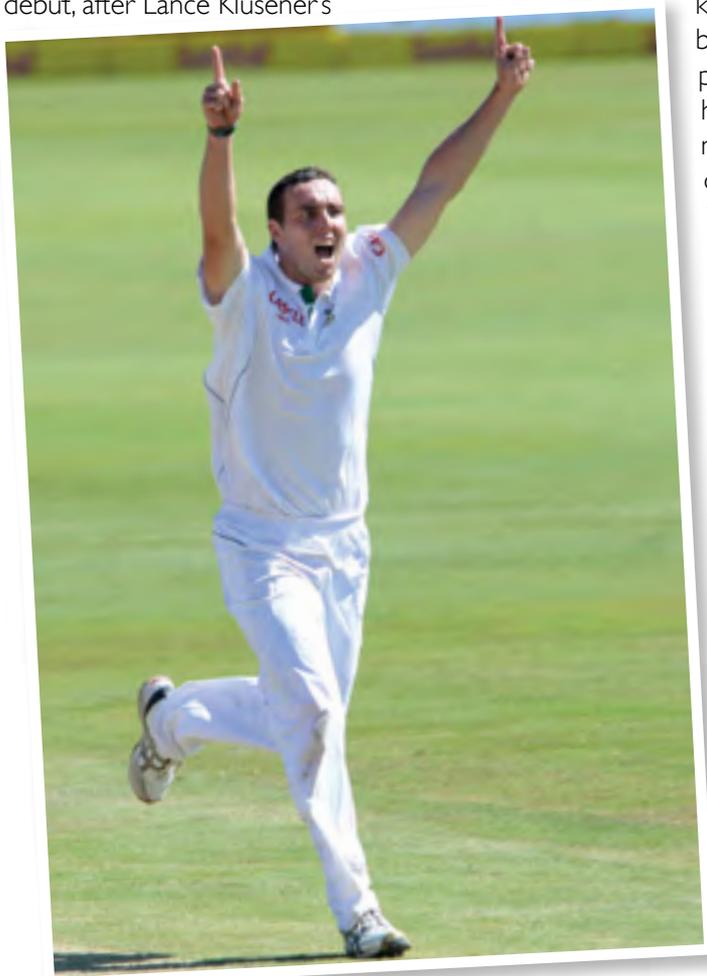
Headmaster, Elwyn van den Aardweg, made special mention of Kyle's

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manner and determination and said he was a perfect example of someone who had worked hard, taken the

good with the bad and never given up.

We congratulate Kyle on his remarkable debut performance.



## INTERESTING SNIPPET

Andrew Hudson (KCOB 1982) the national convenor of selectors for Cricket South Africa placed the call to Kyle 'from one Kearsney boy to another'. Andrew has the second highest test cricket score by a South African on debut with 163 runs against the West Indies in 1991/2.

# Matric Dance

Mrs Tracey van den Aardweg, teacher in charge of the Matric Dance, shares the story of the many hours of hard work by the Grade 11 Matric Dance Committee and the moms and dads, including her own, who volunteered their help.

Kearsney saw the day of the dance dawn overcast and rainy after a heat wave during the week. Nevertheless the atmosphere was in no way dampened as the Kearsney boys and their dates arrived in a variety of transport ranging from office chairs and miniature trains to party buses and front-end loaders. The large crowd of spectators sheltered under umbrellas and enjoyed watching the beautifully dressed couples walk down the red carpet into the hall.

The hall was decorated with Broadway posters, feathers and fairy lights, with each table representing a different musical production. The guests ate a delicious meal, had group and individual photographs taken and danced throughout the night. At midnight the boys took leave of their partners and headed back to the boarding houses. The hall was tidied and the tables reset the following morning in anticipation of the Kearsney Ball for parents that evening.

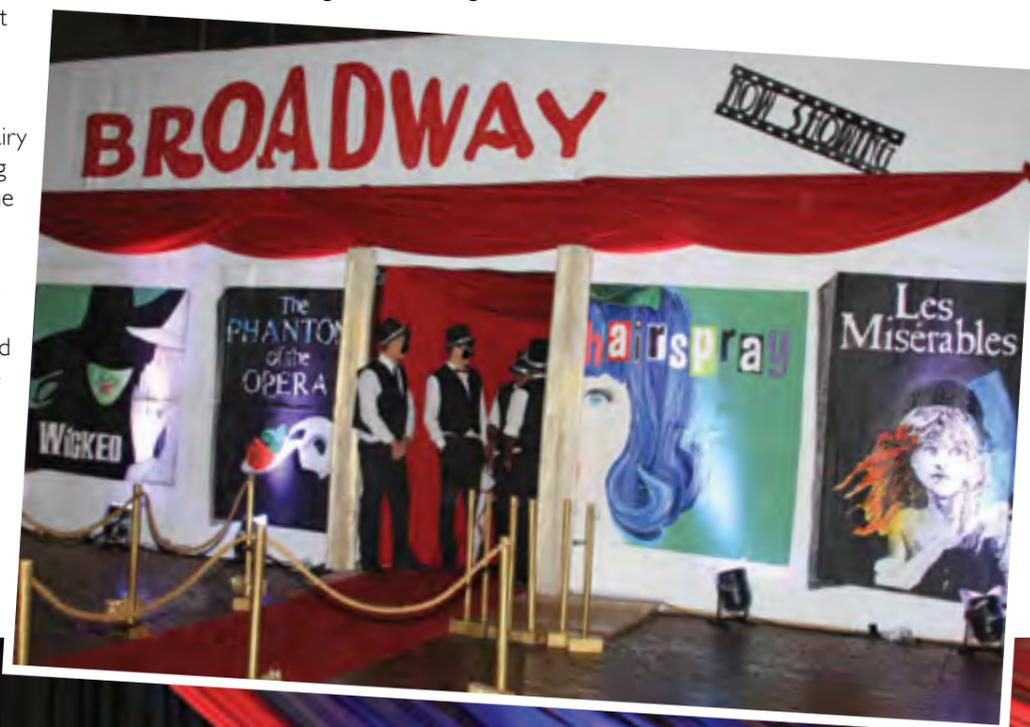
It was most gratifying to know

that the huge effort involved in putting together the dance could be appreciated for two nights.

The Grade 11 Dance Committee is to be commended for working for months on the beautiful artwork that was on display in the hall. The boys did all that was required of them and more and were instrumental to the smooth running of the evening.

Jolene Ostendorf has been of invaluable assistance and support since we started working on the dance last year in October.

Thank you to all those involved in making this a memorable event.

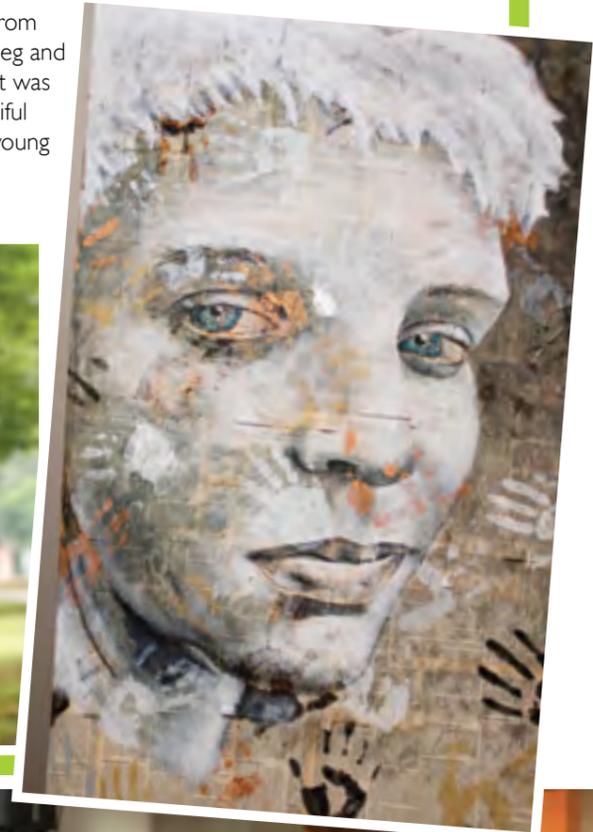


## DANCE! DRAMA! MUSIC! ART! WORDS!

Kearsney was delighted to introduce the Culture@Kearsney initiative earlier this month. Kearsney is providing a platform to showcase the artistic talents in our schools. Ms Andrea Fripp, Director of Clubs and Culture, has more.

The Culture@Kearsney programme was officially launched on Monday 4 March at the opening of the inaugural event of the programme, the Visual Art Exhibition. Staff members and pupils from local high schools, together with media representatives, gathered to

listen to the passionate speech from guest of honour, artist Ana de Vlieg and admire the artwork on display. It was wonderful to see so many beautiful pieces of art from the talented young artists in the public arena.



## Manners Maketh Man

The Etiquette Programme for Grade 8s is explained by Ms Andrea Fripp, Director: Clubs and Culture.

Manners and etiquette are attributes we pride ourselves on at Kearsney. Following their etiquette course as part of their Life Skills programme, the Grade 8s displayed their good manners at the fourth annual Grade 8 formal dinner. The dinner also served to introduce them to the accepted procedures of a formal dinner.

Guest speaker, Mr Dave Goldhawk, spoke on the topic 'Boys are notorious for complaining about boarding school food'. During his speech Mr Goldhawk regaled them with horror stories about the local delicacies that they might eat on overseas travels, such as deep fried tarantulas, birds nest soup and Fugu (Japanese puffer fish).



## Inter-house One-Act Plays

This inter-house event is always very competitive and keenly contested, making for an exciting evening of entertainment. *Ulaetha Singh, HoD Drama, has more.*

The tradition of boys work-shopping, scripting and directing continued and the plays were of a very high standard, raising the bar for future years. Performances received wild applause from the appreciative audience.

The adjudicator, Tanya Conradie, HoD Drama from Thomas More, was duly impressed and acknowledged the hard work that went into producing plays of this standard.

The Sheffield group are to be commended on their awards for Best Original Script, Best Actor (Vaughn Pears) and Best Supporting Actor (Joshua Brown).

The Pembroke boys won the crowd over with their satirical play, *Sparta!* and finished a hairs-breadth ahead of Sheffield. Well done to all the boys on an entertaining evening

## Club Chairmen

Participation in clubs is an important part of our boys' all round development. Congratulations to the following boys who have been chosen for leadership positions in their respective clubs. Not all clubs are listed as some do not elect chairmen and some only start in Term 2.

Chess Club:	Kgomotso Tshabalala
Computer Club:	Alexander Cawood
Enviro Club:	Matthew Fyvie
First Aid Club:	Ben Nield (c), Ashley Smith (vc)
History Club:	Nicholas Leathern
Inner Circle:	Vaughn Pears (c), Stephen Tedder (vc)
Market Wizard:	Matthew Maddock
Mountain Bike Club:	Joshua Brown
Photographic Club:	Matthew Coppin (c), Kyle Phillips (vc)
SCA:	Ross Horton
Speakers' Circle:	Siya Kheswa (c), Robert Polkinghorne (vc)
Surf Club:	Julian Lewis
I2 Club:	Daniel Kolev
Video Editing Club:	Wesley Green
Video Filming Club:	Marco Ferreira



Kearsney had a record number of boys paddling the Dusi Canoe Marathon this year, with the following boys taking part:

- Stuart Patterson K1
- Brendan Cooper K1
- Thomas Oates K1
- Keagan Loader K2
- Tyler Ross Smith K1
- Shaun Keeley K1
- Peter Hudson K1

The paddlers performed extremely well, with Day 1 being raced in extremely hot conditions and

Days 2 and 3 being raced on a full Umgeni river. Many casualties resulted from the high waters, with Keagan and Rory Loader (K2) and Thomas Oates (K1) unfortunately having to pull out due to broken boats.

Brendan Cooper was the pick of the paddlers, finishing in 180th place in the K1s. He also scooped a Top 20 in the U18 category. Stuart Patterson (220th K1), Peter Hudson (286th K1) and Shaun Keeley (359th K1) all successfully completed their first K1 Dusi. Congratulations to these paddlers.

## Careers Expo 2013

*Mrs Kerry-Jane Coleman, School Counsellor and Expo Organiser shares the Expo experience.*

Fifty eight exhibitors set up their stalls on campus on Wednesday 13 February to take part in the Kearsney Careers Expo. Pupils, teachers and parents from Kearsney, St Marys, Thomas More, Hillcrest and Kloof High attended the event. Kearsney also bussed in Grade 12 pupils from KwaNthabeni Comprehensive High School to allow them the opportunity to benefit from the expo.

The expo afforded students the opportunity to seek advice from the professionals on their study and career options. Visitors were able to gather information on courses and technical careers as well as look for work placements both locally and internationally.

The major universities represented were Rhodes, University of Pretoria, UFS, UKZN, Damelin and Varsity College. Universities from Sweden, Australia, America and New Zealand also received a lot of interest from the students. Professionals who exhibited included engineers, doctors, surgeons, designers, accountants, marine biologists, photographers, personal trainers, physiotherapists, financial advisors, chefs and more.

The event was a great success and we look forward to it getting bigger and better in the years to come.

## Rugby Tours in forthcoming holidays

### 1st XV

An extended 24 player squad, two coaches and a physiotherapist will depart for a three match tour of Namibia on 4 April. The first stop will be in Walvis Bay where the boys will take on Walvis Bay Private School on Friday 5 April before enjoying some of the tourist attractions. The squad will then depart for Windhoek and play two matches against Windhoek Gymnasium and Windhoek High School on Monday 8 and Wednesday 10 April respectively. The last part of the tour will be spent at a Game Lodge near Outjo where the emphasis will be on team building and community service. The squad returns on 14 April and the experience will no doubt stand them in good stead for the remainder of the season.

The 1st XV is looking forward to the 6th Kearsney Easter Rugby Festival from 28 March to 1 April. We are playing three very tough opponents in the form of Framesby from the Eastern Cape, Paarl Gymnasium from the Western Cape and the fancied Boland Landbou. The team is determined to play attractive rugby and hoping to produce positive results.

### 2nd Team tour to Hoërskool Monument Rugby Festival

The 2nd XV squad will be touring to Monument in Krugersdorp from 2 to 6 April for Monument's Annual 2nd team rugby festival. Kearsney will play against Garsfontein on 3 April, Hoërskool Florida on 4 April and Hoërskool Monument on 6 April.

### The U16 Skonk Nicholson Rugby Festival

The Kearsney U16A rugby team will participate in the 2013 Skonk Nicholson Rugby Festival (SNRF) which will take place at Maritzburg College on Friday 5 April and Saturday 6 April.

### The U15 Independent Schools' Rugby Festival

The Under 15 rugby squad will be attending the Independent Schools Rugby Festival at Hilton College from Wednesday 3 April to Saturday 6 April. Kearsney's first game will be against St Andrew's from Grahamstown with kick-off scheduled for 15h00 on Wednesday 3 April. The other games will only be decided once the festival is underway.



### Under 14 Rugby Tour 'Up North'

The U14 Rugby team are looking forward to their first tour as high school players when they attend the 30th Annual Parktown Boys' Rugby Festival on 20 and 21 March. They will play five games, starting off with games against KES and Jeppe. Matches for day two will be decided following the results from day one.



## 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 Hoërskool Outeniqua
- 13h15 Paul Roos Gimnasium vs Selborne College
- 14h30 Paarl Gimnasium vs Glenwood High School
- 15h45 Kearsney College vs Boland Landbou



## Squash Tour to Bloemfontein

The 1st Squash side travelled to Bloemfontein recently to compete in the annual FNB St Andrew's Squash Festival. This year the festival drew 23 of the top South African boys' schools squash teams.

Despite disappointing results, with 3 losses, 1 draw and 1 win, all of the fixtures were very close with several exciting five-setters. Kearsney has a young team that is showing great potential.



## A successful first season

The basketball season started with a pre-season basketball camp attended by 35 players and six coaches. Mr Myles Delpport, MiC Basketball, reports.



SA Men's assistant coach, Craig Gilchrist, ran the camp sessions, which focused on the fundamental skills of basketball. The camp enabled us to get about three weeks' worth of training into the three days of the camp.

The first team had a good season, with only the Maritzburg College game being decided by more than ten points. The team also participated in the St John's Basketball Festival in Johannesburg and were placed 7th out of 32 schools from all over South Africa and neighbouring countries. This is their best placing at this prestigious schools' tournament.

The U16A team rounded off an excellent season by finishing second in the Michaelhouse U16 tournament, with their only losses being to Maritzburg College by one point.

Kearsney basketball teams in all age groups have become a tough fixture for any opposition.

Our boys were well prepared and gave a good account of themselves throughout the season. The College was able to field 13 teams each week and the coaching staff were committed and enthusiastic.

The season was most encouraging for the growth of the sport at Kearsney.

## NATIONAL coaching honours for Kearsney's tennis coach

Kearsney's resident tennis coach, Jared Temlett was appointed by Tennis South Africa as the U14 and U16 boys National Coach for the CAT/ITF African Junior Championship - Southern African Zonal event which was held in Windhoek Namibia last month. The South African team won 9 out of a possible 12 titles claiming the boys U14 and boys U16 singles and doubles titles.

Jared has been selected to travel with the South African team to the CAT/ITF African Junior Championships Main Event in Nairobi, Kenya in March where the South Africans will be looking to carry on their fine form on the clay court surface in Kenya.

### PROVINCIAL SELECTIONS

We are proud to announce the selection of the following boys to the KZN Tennis teams:

- Dale Sandy U19A
- Brad Porteous U15A
- Mihir Singh U15B

## CRICKET ROUND UP

The first term was characterised by wet weather conditions and unfortunately quite a few matches were unable to take place. Neil Peacock, MiC: Cricket, has the report on the first term of 2013.

The 'A' teams found it tough going this term and a couple of results did not go our way. There were nevertheless some good victories achieved along the way, including an excellent win by the 1st XI over a fancied St Charles side. The T20 competition saw the team go down in the semi-final stage to DHS. The team developed and matured at the St Alban's Festival and two good wins ended the season on a high.

The U15A team had an excellent win over a highly-rated Westville side, dominating all facets of the match. Joss Morgan hit a superb 140 runs in this match and Cameron Ritchie did the damage with the ball. A most satisfying end to the season. The 14A side had a wobbly start to the year, but have started to play some good cricket and are learning the ropes of tough, competitive schoolboy cricket very quickly.

The coaches deserve a big thank you for their efforts this season and the parental support that the boys received is much appreciated.

### St Alban's Independent Schools Cricket Festival

The Kearsney 1st XI returned from a successful cricket tour to Pretoria where they won two of their three fixtures convincingly, with a loss to a strong Affies side. The 1st team is a young side ably led by a core of experienced players and they are rapidly maturing into a very competent force.

#### RESULTS

- vs Affies - lost by 8 wickets in a two day game.
- vs St Benedicts - won by 113 runs in a 50 over game.
- vs Kingswood - won by 75 runs in a 50 over game.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Ryan Wallace 89 not out vs Affies
- Jordan Gregory 5 for 79 vs Affies
- Ross Koekemoer 5 for 40 vs St Benedicts
- Tyler Smith 74 vs St Benedicts



## SWIMMING

The season opened with a gala hosted by Glenwood where it was evident that there was going to be stiff competition from the other schools throughout the season.

The A-team did very well to finish second to the strong Westville team and managed to beat the hosts by 1 point. This was followed by the annual Co-Ed Gala held at Alex Pools, where Kearsney was paired with St Anne's and was leading the field when lightning brought an early end to the gala.

The Independent Schools Gala and the Alan Burt Gala are two of the most competitive galas in which the boys compete. Our swimmers gave of their best but could not match their competitors and ended 3rd and 5th respectively in the two galas. Four of Kearsney's top performers were unavailable for the Top 8 Gala and the team ended in a disappointing 6th place. The boys came back with a vengeance in true Kearsney style to come a very credible 3rd behind Westville

and Glenwood in the last and most exciting gala of the season, the D and D Gala at Kings Park. Special mention must be made of the talented U14 age group who won the butterfly relay race at this gala and achieved a 2nd place in three other races, as well as the open age group who finished 2nd in all five of their races.

Other special achievements for the year include Brandon Murray's 9th place in the main event of the Midmar Mile and his 1st place in the U18 category at the 10km Open Water event the following day.

### Distance swimming record broken Troy Prinsloo (KCOB 2004)

On 17 February, Troy broke the 7km Robben Island Swim record by more than 10 minutes with a time 1h 23min and 48 sec.

Troy finished 2nd in the 2013 main event of the Midmar Mile and 1st in the 25km Open Water event the following day.



## 2014 TERM DATES

Term	Start of term	Close of Term	Half term (starts 12 noon)
1	Tues 14 January	Wed 28 Mar (09h00)	Thur 20 Feb to Mon 24 Feb (incl)
2	Wed 23 April	Fri 27 June (09h00)	Thur 22 May to Mon 26 May (incl)
3	Tues 22 July	Fri 3 Oct (12h30)	Thur 21 Aug to Mon 25 Aug (incl)
4	Tues 14 Oct	Fri 28 Nov (09h00)	Thur 30 Oct to Mon 3 Nov (incl)



## ACT OF GOODWILL

Kearsney has an extensive community service programme which affords each boy the opportunity to serve and contribute to his community in a variety of ways. The values instilled and the lessons learned by this service to others are hugely beneficial to the boys' development and we are proud of the commitment and passion which they bring to this crucial aspect of their education.

The theme for our Community Service Week this term was: 'The act of goodwill'. Boys were involved in the following projects:

- Hillcrest AIDS Centre
- Hillcrest Police Station
- Hillcrest Hospital
- Empilweni Primary School
- Focus on iThemba
- Golden Hours
- Makaphuthu Orphanage
- Orphans were given new full school uniforms
- KwaBazothini High School were donated 15 computers
- Sibusisiwe Community Centre was donated clothes
- Beach Clean-up at Durban beachfront
- CROW (Centre for Rehabilitation of Wildlife)



*As part of our Community Service Week for Term 1, Kearsney boys contributed financially to buying new full school uniforms, including shoes, for 20 orphans from Makaphuthu Orphanage. Brad Porteous is pictured here with a young girl at the handover.*

Thank you to everyone who already has a MySchool card and who has been swiping it whilst doing your family and business shopping. We have had a wonderful response to this initiative. Our MySchool supporters raised just on R65 000 for Kearsney in 2012.

We encourage all new, current and past parents and our Old Boys to apply for a MySchool card and use it as much as possible at any partner store. Regular feedback on the progress of this initiative will be made available online.

The funds raised are used to promote outreach activities by Kearsney boys and for the upgrade of Kearsney IT environment.

Visit [www.myschool.co.za](http://www.myschool.co.za) or contact us on [foundation@kearsney.com](mailto:foundation@kearsney.com).

Many thanks for your continued support of Kearsney College.

## FOUNDERS WEEKEND 14-15 June 2013

The 2013 Founders Weekend booking form is available on the web. We encourage all Old boys to attend. Visit [www.kearsney.com](http://www.kearsney.com) | Old Boys | Founders Weekend for an online booking form. Enquiries can be directed to [oldboys@kearsney.com](mailto:oldboys@kearsney.com)



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## THOUGHT FOR THE MOMENT

*"For God, who said, 'let light shine out of darkness,' made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ." 2 Corinthians 4:6*

May the experiences of this Holy Week and the resurrection of our Lord on Easter morning bring us all a renewed hope in the world in which we live. Let the empty tomb be a reminder that we follow a Christ who conquered the greatest enemy, death.

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