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From the Head Master's Desk

Last week the annual Eastern Evening took place. This year's show, Hadippah, was a great success. The quality of dancing, the costuming and the general atmosphere were tremendous. My congratulations to the organisers, Mr Ramjee and Mrs Nagiah, as well as all the participants, for a great evening of entertainment.

Many of you will remember one of the most inspirational teachers this school has ever known, Geoff Mace. He was a hugely influential figure in the lives of many DHS boys. He taught English, coached the 1st XI Cricket side, and produced several stunning plays and musicals. Most importantly he had a profound effect on the boys. At this year's Junior Speech Day, Neil Coppen read one of his poems. Not everyone knows that he was a very capable and published poet. He wrote a great deal, and I am fortunate to have read all he has written. He was a great writer, and it is sad that the total body of his work has not been published. The world needs to share some of the magic which this wonderful young man embodied. He died tragically ten years ago, and to commemorate the life and work of this great man, I want to publish his work this year. I am asking former pupils of Geoff to help us get this project done. It is a dream which I will see come to fruition, and I think it is a fitting way to honour the memory of a great man. I am seeking help financially and with the collection of all his writing. I think I have it all, but he may have written for others. I hope that if this is the case, you would be prepared to share the work with others. If you

can help in other ways, with the editing or printing, I would like to hear from you. He died in August, and I hope we can get it out by then.

Last week a number of our senior boys went down to Prep to support their 1st XV in their Centenary Festival. The boys had a great time, and it was a wonderful to see the close interaction between the boys. It is great to see the number of Prep boys coming to DHS next year, and it appears that the traditionally strong relationship between the schools is getting even stronger. We value our relationship with Prep, and it has always been a key factor in the continuing success of DHS. Let's hope it continues!

When last did we draw the 1st XI Hockey (1-1), and the 1st XV (22-22) on the same day against the same opposition - Hilton? Saturday saw great performances from both sides and fabulous support from the boys watching. Anyone at the game could not but be impressed by the young men. I was very proud of them.

"I've never been poor, only broke. Being poor is a frame of mind. Being broke is only a temporary situation."

Mike Todd

Have a great week.

Regards
Dave Magner
Class of 1973



Blessing, Mrs Nagiah, Mr Ramjee and Shivam Pillay



The DHS boys dance with the beautiful girls.



Michael ... is that you?



Pavishen Paideya



Class of 1960 celebrating their 50th Reunion: J Owen, G Mocke, T Dowdall, P Moller (seated); P Dell, B Edgley, T Abrahams, D Herschell, B Janisch, C Yuill, E Cameron (standing)

Hadippa

Durban High School's Eastern Cultural Society held an explosive, exuberant tribute to Bollywood in their rendition of a mind blowing dance extravaganza - Hadippa on 28 and 29 April.

The DC Thompson Hall, decorated in a sea of white with a splash of blue sparkles formed the setting for a spectacular show.

The supper theatre on the 28th saw the guests being treated to a sumptuous Indian meal catered for by Kashmir restaurant.

After a delightful dinner, the guests sat back to enjoy an evening of a myriad of colourful costumes and energetic Bollywood dances ably introduced by the charming Shivam Pillay and our very own Spud celebrity, Blessing Xaba. Blessing's attempt at dancing to the Song, 'Single Lady' was delightful. Two and half hours of non stop entertainment soon had the crowd tapping their feet and clapping their hands.

Who said Michael Jackson was dead? Darren Govender certainly proved that the legend has indeed left behind a legacy. I am sure many people went home to try the moon walk. A guest appearance by a trio of the Howard College Choir had the audience enthralled. What powerful voices!!

Needless to say, many who had watched Wednesday's show

returned for the next night's show. The hall was packed to capacity and many had to be turned away. The evening kicked off with an explosive rendition of the title track, Hadippa. This was soon followed by a colourful display of various dance styles, ranging from Classical (Bharatanatyam), Katak, Kuchapudi Kalakshetra, contemporary to Bollywood. The cast of 33 dancers (13 boys and 22 girls from our neighbouring girls' schools) with their amazing flexibility and ability to master such complex dance steps left many wishing that they could do the same. The dance moves and the ingenious lighting by Johan Potgieter and crew created an almost movie like setting.

The excellent choreography by Pavishen Paideya and Yasheen Bhagwande (DHS old boy) ensured that the audience was left spellbound. Our very own novice stand up comedienne, Shaelin Nagiah had the crowd screaming with laughter. This was followed shortly by the sultry voice of Sheldon Sharma accompanied by the nightingale from Durban Girls High, Karishma Rajdev.

DHS is certainly not short of talent!

A huge thank you to all those families and friends of DHS who have helped ensure the success of the show.

Registration for ID Documents

The Department of Home Affairs will be at DHS on Wednesday 19 May to register boys for ID documents.

In order to register the boys must be 15 years or older on 19 May. They need to bring their birth certificate or a certified copy of it - they cannot be registered without it.

They also need to bring 2 passport sized photos or the Department will take colour photos for R25,00 on the day.

If time permits a few passports may be done.

Thank you to Mr Human who voluntarily assists the boys every year with this.

Sport Results

RUGBY vs HILTON COLLEGE

If one believed everything you read in the newspaper, then School should not even have arrived at Hilton on Saturday as they had been written off completely. Once again the beauty of sport was revealed and especially at school boy level where current form is a guide but often is irrelevant.

The first half was fairly evenly contested with both sides having opportunities to score and School had the wind at their backs. School led 13 - 12 at the break this mainly due to a very good individual run by Payi which saw him score under the posts. School extended their lead to 19-12 with about 10 minutes to go. School were on attack, turned the ball over and Hilton launched a sustained attack to score a good team try under the posts and lead 19-22.

School were stung into action and launch another attack that ended in Cope kicking a penalty from in front of the posts to level the scores. School dominated the last 5 minutes of play and had two penalties to claim the match, unfortunately both shaved the upright. The best performance of the season thus far.

Payi - try and one penalty
Cope - one conversion, three penalties

RUGBY vs HILTON COLLEGE

	DHS	Hilton
1 st XV	22	22
2 nd XV	0	17
3 rd XV	10	55
4 th XV vs 6 th	0	53
U16A	3	32
U16B	0	49
U16C vs U16D	17	21
U15A	5	17
U15B	3	53
U15C	0	40
U14A	33	10
U14B	13	17
U14C	10	10
U14F vs U14D	24	19

HOCKEY vs HILTON COLLEGE

	DHS	Hilton
1 st XI	1	1
2 nd XI	0	4
U16A	1	4
U16B	0	5
U14A	0	8
U14B	1	4
U14C	4	0

CHESS ACHIEVEMENTS

At the KZN Open Chess Tournament held on 25 April 2010, our boys played extremely well and were declared the best KZN School Team. They were presented with a trophy and won R600 in prize money.

Inter-School match results:

16 April	DHS 5½	Marist Brothers 4½
23 April	DHS 4½	Northwood 5½
30 April	DHS 9	G Campbell 1

Congratulations!

- ◆ Blessing Xaba, Daniel Basckin and Trent Webster have been cast in **HAIRSPRAY** to be staged at the Elizabeth Sneddon Theatre in July. We look forward to your performances in this delightful musical.
- ◆ Sakhile Humbane is a member of the KZN Youth Wind Band, a group of talented musicians who have represented both the Province and SA during international tours and concerts.

SQUASH vs KEARSNEY

1st Team - the first team went down to Kearsney 4 - 0 with Dylan Smith playing the game of the day. He took a well deserved game off a much stronger opponent and proved that with determination and drive you can achieve great things. The rest of the team fought valiantly and played good squash.

3rd Team - the 3rd Team drew a fixture they could have won. The team is young and with experience will improve. Kyle Smith played the game of the day, beating his opponent 3 - 1. The final score was 2 all in matches.

Rock Circus

Thank you, thank you thank you!

Our grateful thanks go to all those families and friends of DHS who supported the Matric Dance fund raiser at the Barnyard on the 21 April. It was a huge success and we're sure all who attended had a fantastic time.



*David vs Goliath
Hey Jireh, who had the
last laugh?*



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Vacant Position Matron Wanted

Blackmore House requires a Matron. The candidate must be a registered nurse, with hospital ward experience. A knowledge of OTC and schedule drugs is essential. Working knowledge of MS Word and Excel would be useful.

Start date: 1 July 2010

Fax 2 page CV to 031-277 1552
or email:

head@durbanhighschool.co.za

Mothers' Day Gift Suggestion

Why don't you give your Mom/Wife a night off and buy her a ticket for the DHS Moms' Com Ladies Evening?

The venue is DHS on Wednesday 12 May, the theme is Moulin Rouge and tickets are R140,00pp, which includes a 2 course buffet meal.

Contact Audrey Claassen for tickets: 072-579 8868 or audsclaassen@telkomsa.net

The Week Ahead

Wednesday 5 May

Magical Mystery Tour : Brian Green
Benefit Concert
Soccer vs Maritzburg College
Cross Country at Crawford LL
Gr 10 Parents' Evening : 17h30

Thursday 6 May

Magical Mystery Tour 3-7 May
Squash A, B, C & D

Friday 7 May

KZN Squash Trials : 7 - 9 May
Chess vs Clifton (a)

Saturday 8 May

Rugby vs Michaelhouse (h)
COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE
Hockey vs Michaelhouse (h/a)

Tennis vs Crawford NC : Westridge
Park
Training for UN Debating
Tournament : Maritzburg College

Monday 10 May

Squash 1st, 2nd & 3rd (h/a)

Tuesday 11 May

Wednesday 12 May

DHS Moms' Com Ladies Night in
Founders : 19h00
Soccer vs Scottburgh



Rugby Fixtures vs Michaelhouse

Rugby vs Michaelhouse (h) : Saturday 8 May

Team	Time	Field	Coach	Ref
1 st	15:20	Van Heerden	Gericke/Norton	Union
2 nd	14:10	Van Heerden	Norton/Sibiya	Union
3 rd	12:00	Van Heerden	Donaldson	D Comins
4 th vs 5 th	14:10	Nourse	Bennett/Negus	B Curtis
16A	13:00	Van Heerden	M Adam/Trytsman	Union
16B	09:00	Van Heerden	Wessels	M Adam
16C vs 16D	13:00	Nourse	Perks	B Adam
15A	11:00	Van Heerden	B Adam/Brown	C Bamber
15B	10:00	Nourse	Mndaweni	C Bennett
15C vs 15D	12:00	Nourse	Lawrenson	T Sibiya
15D vs 15E	10:00	Top Field	Bartrum	N Sithole
14A	10:00	Van Heerden	Rooyakkers/Thomes	A Norton
14B	09:00	Nourse	Curtis	S Perks
14C/D vs 14C	11:00	Nourse	Levin	T Negus
14E vs 14D	09:00	Top Field	Gwala/Shabalala	M Lawrenson

Hockey Fixtures vs Michaelhouse

Hockey vs Michaelhouse (h/a) : Saturday 8 May

Hockey Fixtures vs Michaelhouse : at Riverside Astro

1 st XI	10h15	2 nd XI	09h00
U16A	11h15	U 16B	12h15

Hockey Fixtures vs Michaelhouse : at Michaelhouse

U14A	11h00	U14B	10h00
U14C	09h00	U14C	08h55

Bus leaves DHS at 06h45

DHS High Performance Centre

Durban High School together with Ashleigh Hall and Associates, brings you the DHS High Performance / Sports Medicine Centre. The Sports Medicine Centre has been created as an integral part of the DHS High Performance Programme, whilst also providing the Musgrave area and DHS community as a whole with a modern, cutting edge Medical facility.

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- Dr Craig Springate (current Sharks GP and DHS Old Boy); as well as
- Daniel Garnett (current Sharks U20 Physiotherapist and Old Boy).

The centre is OPEN to the public, and has a separate entrance on Essenwood Road

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- Post-Operative Rehabilitation

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DHS Moms' Com Ladies Night

Moulin Rouge

Theme: Moulin Rouge

MC: Damon Beard & The International Men's Team

Venue: DHS Founders, St Thomas' Rd Musgrave

Date: Wednesday, 12 May 2010

Time: 19H00

Tickets: Includes a two course buffet meal

R140pp

Tickets or information Please contact:
Audrey on 0725798868 or Email audsclaassen@telkomsa.net



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