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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Chess vs Glenwood
- ◆ Rugby and Hockey vs Glenwood (a)
- ◆ Tennis vs Pinetown
- ◆ Grade 11 Drama Prac Exams
- ◆ Exams Begin for Grade 12

From the Head Master's Desk

Thank you to those of you who have contributed to the cost of publishing an anthology of Geoff Mace's poetry. I have almost covered the costs of publication, and I hope we can go to the presses soon. I am sure it will be a wonderful memoir for those of you who knew him, even if you are not fans of poetry! Keep up the interest and we will make this a book to remember. Speaking of books, Jerry Oddy is working on a history of Rugby at DHS. It is an informal history, mostly anecdotal. Jerry has worked hard to gather information, but if you have any stories that you believe are worth sharing, please contact him. We are hoping to publish by the end of term three, to coincide with our 100 Years of Rugby Dinner. We want to make it a book that all Old Boys will enjoy reading, just as "Where The Baobab Grows" was.

Last weekend saw the school take on Westville in sport. The latter have had a good season, and the rugby in particular we knew would be tough. The weather gods did not help as it rained for most of Saturday afternoon. I was delighted to be able to watch some of the U14G match. This is the first time we have been able to field a G team in a very long time - at least 15 years! The result of the game was immaterial - just to see these youngsters representing their school with pride, and enjoying themselves so much, was a victory in itself. The U15 age group also did exceptionally well, winning 3 out of 4 games with the B team losing narrowly. The A team were great; last year they lost to the same side at U14 level, but this year they turned things around to record a very satisfying win. Well done boys and well done to Mr Bryan Adam who heads up the age group and coaches the A team. Superb! By the time the 1st XV played, everything was well and truly mud

soaked! It did not make for good rugby, and much of the game was error ridden, as both sides struggled in the conditions. Westville emerged victorious, although the scoreline did not reflect the game at all. What really impressed me during the game was the support from our boys. A small number of them braved the rain and cold and, guided by a magical Bongani Mabena as cheerleader, they sang and danced their way through the afternoon. They were fantastic, and I really was proud of the spirit they showed. Well done to all of you and a special word of thanks to Bongani - you are tremendous! What saddened me though was to see a former member of the DHS 1st XV vociferously supporting Westville. His son is at the school, and his allegiance is now elsewhere. I suppose it is something we just have to get used to. I am of the old fashioned mentality I suppose. Dinosaur Wagner!

We only have three weeks to go to the end of term. A lot of work needs to be done for exams, and the boys need to be conscious of the importance of doing well. The second half of the year will be shorter than normal, and a firm foundation is essential for the demands of the end of the year. There is no substitute for hard work!

A reminder to all that the Founders' Day Celebrations this year take place on Saturday 5 June. All boys are required to be at School on that day to watch the Rugby in the afternoon. Old Boys and friends of the School are invited to join us on this auspicious day, and a reminder that the traditional Sundowner Cocktail Party takes place after



The fantastic DHS boys who sang and danced their way through the wet afternoon at the rugby vs Westville - you were an inspiration!



Personalized DHS Bafana Bafana supporter shirts have been made for every pupil and staff member - R50 each



Shirts off to DHS

The DHS 2nd team recently played a friendly game against Umlazi Com Tech. What made the game special, DHS together with Grand Uniforms, who are manufacturers of quality Men at Work uniforms, sponsored rugby shirts for the players. The shirts were presented to the players before the game.

Seen at the handing over of the rugby shirts were:

Chad Collins (2nd team Captain), Dave Magner (DHS Headmaster), Morne Truter (Grand Uniforms), Thobani Ntenga (Umlazi Com Tech Coach), Thomas Mbatha (Umlazi Com Tech Captain).

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From the Head Masters' Desk cont'd

the 1st XV match. We play Kearsney this year, and look forward to a good game and a sweet end to the season. In the morning at around 11 am, we will be having a special ceremony in Founders, to honour and celebrate Mr A J Human for his contribution to DHS. All who would like to attend are welcome to do so to honour the remarkable

Football Fridays

In the interests of supporting South Africa in its historic hosting of the 2010 World Cup, DHS has been supporting the Football Friday initiative. We have decided to take the concept a step further. Old Boy Darryl Scott has made supporter shirts for the whole School. They have the Bafana logo and the flag, as well as the number 10 and DHS on the back, ie, personalised DHS supporter shirts. I am delighted with the concept, and also delighted to report that due to generous

A Teacher's Dream

Teachers are Human too
 Although most of our days are filled with pretending
 That we are not
 We like to share the warmth of a smile
 As it bleeds through the veins
 The rinsing of the heart with tears
 The numbing of hurt in the simple arms of a hug
 But, seldom is there time for these purities
 In the cluttered, dusty, timetabled predictabilities of our lives
 Dreaming allows our souls some room.
 When we find a group who want to give
 Who want to share
 Who listen to the whisperings inside of us
 And treat them as more than prattle
 Then a teacher starts to believe
 To care, to know, to hurt, to feel, to bleed
 To sing

achievements of the longest serving member ever of the DHS staff.

"Even if you are on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there." Will Rogers

Have a great week and "Woza 2010".

Dave Magner
 Class of 1973

assistance from Canon and the DHS Trusts, we can offer them to the boys at R50 each! An absolute giveaway. The Friday targeted is Friday 28 May, when the whole school, boys and staff, will wear these shirts. We hope to have a helicopter here to take photographs, and all in all it is a way of us showing our unity and support for the historic time we are in. So do not hesitate - make sure your son sends his R50 through as soon as possible, so he can be a part of the big day.

And so, to you who have given me so much
 Have shared moments beyond the cliffs of the sea
 Who listened and cannoned my whisperings in drumbeats
 You have painted my memories With the colour of glory
 And gently brushed them with the tone of friendship
 For this, I thank you.
 And as a teacher, filling his day with pretending
 Restricted by the claws of convention
 I suppose I should NOT say
 What I feel
 But I must
 By building my dream with broken bricks of reality
 You have made me unafraid to say
 That I love you
 The wrong feeling for a teacher, I know
 But then,
 Teachers are human too.

by Geoff Mace

Extra-Mural Results

RUGBY vs WESTVILLE

Very wet and cold conditions welcomed the 1st XV to Westville on Saturday. This was never going to be a pretty affair as conditions were extremely tough for the players. The first half was fairly even but Westville were able to capitalise on an extremely poor kick from School and counter and score a good try. School missed two penalties and Westville kicked a penalty to lead 13 - 0 at the break.

Westville played good structured rugby for the first 15 minutes of the second half and deserved to score a good team try after sustained pressure and possession.

School then played their best rugby for the last 15 minutes of the match but missed two kicks at goal and spent most of this time inside the Westville 22 metre. Westville's defence was excellent and they were able to keep School out until the final whistle.

A good, tough encounter in trying conditions. Westville were worthy of their victory but the score did not give a true reflection of the match.



Six Grade 11 Dramatic Arts learners attended the KZN Drama Festival at the Hexagon Theatre Complex in Pietermaritzburg. It was a jam-packed two days of workshops, lectures and productions.

RUGBY vs WESTVILLE BOYS

	DHS	Westville
1 st XV	0	20
2 nd	8	15
3 rd	7	39
4 th	3	46
U16A	9	22
U16B	3	50
U16C	5	25
U15A	5	3
U15B	3	46
U15C	9	8
U15D	17	14
U14A	0	40
U14B	14	17
U14C	3	28
U14D	5	27
U14E	0	49
U14F	0	53
U14G	5	27

HOCKEY vs WESTVILLE BOYS

	DHS	Westville
1 st XV	0	4
2 nd	0	5
U16A	0	6
U16B	0	3
U14A	0	8
U14B	0	1
U14C	1	5

SQUASH

1st vs Westville 2

Sadly, the 1st team went down to a strong Westville side, but Dylan Smith and Dion Kotze fought valiantly to lose in their final games by mere points. The final score was 12 - 4 to Westville.

2nd vs Thomas More College

The 2nd team fought well, with Joash Pillay showing vast improvement and gritty determination, going down 1 - 3. Donovan de Beer fought for his match, unfortunately not getting the points. The team lost 0 - 4.

Congratulations!

- ◆ Trent Bingham competed in the 4th and final leg of the SA Sailing (KZN) Grand Prix Regatta Series, sailed off-shore Durban on 8/9 May in heavy seas and winds of up to 60km/h. The event was moved into the Bay on 9 May for safety reasons. Competing in the Laser 4.7 Class he finished the series 2nd overall and also 2nd on Laser handicap. Trent will be competing in the Open Laser Provincials held in Richards Bay over the July holidays.
- ◆ Richard Curtis, Nick Williams and Marco Lopes have been selected for the KZN U18 Hockey team and Taariq Booley for the KZN U16 Hockey team.

BADMINTON

DHS A	8	Northwood A	0
DHS B	6	Kingsway A	0
DHS C	0	Kuswag C	8
DHS D	3	Thomas More B	5

CHESS RESULTS

7 May 2010

DHS	4½
Clifton	5½

14 May 2010

DHS	10
Ridge Park	0

SOCCER vs SCOTTBURGH

1st XI won 4 - 1



The 1st XI vs Scottburgh



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Letter to the Head Master from an Old Boy

I really do enjoy your letters in the Herald and the commitment you have to our school.

I unfortunately could not attend my 25 year reunion on the 23 April at school due to other commitments, however it saddens me to hear, via the Herald, that a lot of Old Boys are sending their sons to other schools.

My belief is in order to make a great school, it is not the headmaster's responsibility but that of the boys. So to those that throw excuses around that "It's too far", "Have you heard what is happening at DHS", "The school is not what it used to be" etc, etc, should get it straight from the horse's mouth and ask the boys that are there at the moment. Send your sons to your old school and change it from within. I did and my son is very happy there.

*Regards
A DHS Old Boy*

The Week Ahead

Wednesday 19 May

ID Applications : Boys 15 and older
Soccer vs Kingsway - Cancelled
Cross Country at Geloft
KZN Grade 11 Drama Festival
BDO General Knowledge Quiz
Regional Finals at Clifton : 18h00

Thursday 20 May

Grade 11 LO Exam : periods 2 & 4
Badminton B & C (a)

Friday 21 May

Chess vs Glenwood (h)

Saturday 22 May

Rugby/Hockey vs Northwood (a)
Tennis B vs Pinetown A (a)

Sunday 23 May

KZN Golf Trials at Victoria CC

Monday 24 May

Squash 1st & 2nd
Gr 11 Drama Prac Exam : 24/25 May
Gr 12 Mid Year Exams Begin

Wednesday 26 May

Soccer vs Alex
Cross Country at Fatima

Berea Police Forum

Dr Mike Sutcliffe will be attending the Berea Community Police Forum meeting at Durban High School on Thursday 20 May at 17h30.

Dr Sutcliffe be presenting to the Berea CPF a presentation on Durban for the next 30 years in terms of

development, litter, policing, infrastructure, etc.

The Forum would like to urge all interested parties to attend the presentation as it is believed to be very interesting and positive.

Rugby Fixtures vs Northwood

Rugby vs Northwood (a) : Saturday 22 May

Team	Time	Field	Coach	Ref
1 st	15h30	Reece-Edwards 3	Gericke/Norton	KZNRU
2 nd	14h10	Reece-Edwards 3	Norton/Sibiya	KZNRU
3 rd	12h00	Reece-Edwards 3	Donaldson	Bulose
4 th	10h00	Reece-Edwards 2	Bennett/Negus	Knox
U16A	13h00	Reece-Edwards 3	M Adams	KZNRU
U16B	12h00	Reece-Edwards 2	Wessels	Sweet
U16C	08h00	Reece-Edwards 2	Perks	Dawson
U15A	11h00	Reece-Edwards 3	B Adam/Brown	KZNRU
U15B	09h00	Reece-Edwards 2	Mndaweni	Krause
U15C	11h00	Reece-Edwards 2	Lawrenson	Bingham
U15D	12h00	Lower Campus	Bartrum	Paul
U14A	11h00	Lower Campus	Rooyakkers/Thomes	Gow
U14B	10h00	Lower Campus	Curtis	Ntso
U14C	09h00	Lower Campus	Levin	Sherrif
U14D	08h00	Lower Campus	Gwala	Scruby

Hockey Fixtures vs Northwood

Hockey vs Northwood (a) : Saturday 22 May

Team	Time	Team	Time	Venue
1 st	12h00	2 nd	11h00	Northwood
16A	10h00	16B	14h00	Northwood
14A	13h00	14B	08h00	Northwood
14C	09h00			Northwood

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The team includes practitioners such as:

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

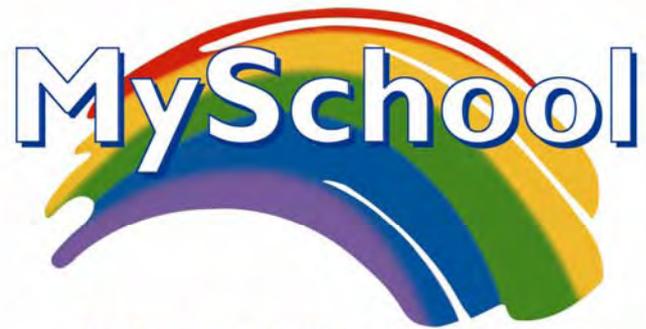
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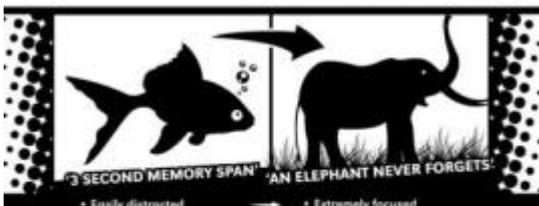


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