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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Football 1st XV to Grey College
- ◆ Launch of Geoff Mace's *Words Within*
- ◆ Grade 8 Selling Week
- ◆ Test Period for Grades 8 to 12
- ◆ Raw Cup vs College
- ◆ Café Concert

From the Head Master's Desk

Last week I attended a Conference of the Orbis Foundation, at the Royal Bafokeng Sports Palace, near Rustenburg. DHS was invited as a member of the Foundation, whose members are characterized by excellence in education. It is highly flattering to be regarded as among the top schools of the country, and we were treated to a series of excellent speakers who challenged us on a number of issues in South African education. We were privileged to see at firsthand what the people of this platinum rich territory are doing to uplift themselves. The vision of the people is awesome. They are clearly a focussed group, and under their inspirational King, they are definitely heading in the right direction, and at a pace which will astound most people. At the forefront of the vision is education. To illustrate the commitment of the people to education, the new premises of their flagship school are about to be opened. The Lebone 2 High School is an Independent school built from scratch into the hills surrounding Phokeng, just outside Rustenburg. It is amazing. It cost R500 million, and we were privileged to take a walk through it. I was blown away. It has been designed to inspire, and I cannot believe any pupil will walk into those buildings and not be inspired.

We are indeed fortunate in all that we have, but we should not sit back and believe we have it all. We should continually strive for excellence in education, and we must also learn to help everyone else in their quest. I cannot wait to get back to Lebone next year to engage with them and see what

they have managed to achieve. I would like us as a school to strive for excellence in all that we do. It is a tough ask, but with the necessary will and leadership, we can do it.

Last weekend I attended the 2010 Matric Dance, which was held at the iconic Moses Mabhida Stadium. As the oldest school in Durban, and I believe the best too, it was fitting for DHS to be the first school to utilise this magnificent venue for their Matric Dance. What a wonderful event it turned out to be. The boys would have certainly enjoyed the evening, and I am sure it will live long in their memories. My special thanks to all involved in the setting up of the evening, but in particular to Mrs Nagiah for her superb organisation.

"Education is a process of living, and not a preparation for future living." John Dewey

Have a good week.
David Wagner
Class of 1973





Matric Dance : The DHS Cotton Club

On Saturday 7 August 2010 DHS became the first school to host their Matric dance at the prestigious Moses Mabhida Stadium.

The stars of DHS sashayed into the VIP lounge with their gorgeous partners on their arms where they were greeted by waitresses offering a much needed welcome soft drink.

Every learner and his partner spared no effort to look their best. Some kept strictly to the theme of silver and black whilst others just splashed out in a variety of vibrant colours. Limousines, taxis, police cars and even a golf cart taxied to a dramatic halt immediately outside the Mixed Zone.

The dance hall was expertly decorated in silver and black with white ostrich feathers in tall silver candelabras, red carnations and amazing personalised napkin holders, which some of the moms helped make. Each learner received an engraved ring and his partner a beautiful handmade pearl bracelet.

The evening was simply awesome. The soft romantic music and the dimmed lights all contributed to a stunning event.

The banquet tables, abundantly laden with mouth watering food and desserts, were to die for. The fairy tale evening sadly ended at 24h00.

Top Learners in Each Grade

Congratulations to the following learners were top in their respective grades in Term 2:

Grade 12:

Jonathan Spanos	90%
Idrees Solwa	90%
Kusasa Sithole	86%
Kailin Naidoo	85%
Adam Waites	85%

Grade 11:

Kashmeel Bisseru	95%
Sulaiman Patel	92%
Thaahir Mathir	90%
Yusuf Mitha	88%
Michael Winson	87%

Grade 10:

Nkqubela Arosi	89%
Matthew Plumstead	88%
Tremayne Naidoo	86%
Ahmad Soni	85%
Shivar Sobrun	85%

Grade 9:

Nicholas Conyngham	91%
Salman Hussain	90%
Nirav Beni	88%
Asad Jeewa	88%
Heldon Kisten	87%
Victor Bantchovski	87%

Grade 8:

David Palframan	94%
Khusheel Vallabh	91%
Shreyan Naidoo	90%
Pablo Rees	89%
Juan Henri	89%
Dayne Odendaal	88%



Scholarship/Bursary Re-applications

Please note that ALL current holders of scholarships and bursaries (including academic) must re-apply in writing for the continuation of their scholarship/bursary by **23 September** at the latest.

A CV of the learner's sport/cultural activities can be e-mailed to Mrs Skinner at: june.skinner@durbanhighschool.co.za

No late re-applications will be accepted.

Extra-Mural Results

FOOTBALL vs WESTVILLE BOYS

DHS 1 st	0	WBHS	0
DHS 2 nd	2	WBHS	5
DHS 3 rd	2	WBHS	1
DHS 4 th	3	WBHS	3
DHS 5 th	1	WBHS	2
DHS 6 th	2	WBHS	4
DHS 7 th	2	WBHS	0

DHS U16A	6	WBHS	2
DHS U16B	1	WBHS	3
DHS U16C	0	WBHS	0
DHS U16D	0	WBHS	1
DHS U16E	2	WBHS	2

DHS U15A	1	WBHS	1
DHS U15B	2	WBHS	3
DHS U15C	0	WBHS	1
DHS U15D	1	WBHS	1
DHS U15E	0	WBHS	4
DHS U15F	1	WBHS	1

DHS U14A	1	WBHS	1
DHS U14B	1	WBHS	2
DHS U14C	1	WBHS	1
DHS U14D	2	WBHS	0
DHS U14E	5	WBHS	3
DHS U14F	1	WBHS	3
DHS U14G	2	WBHS	5
DHS U14H	1	WBHS	0

Games played:	26
Games won:	6
Games drawn:	9
Games lost:	11

MID-WEEK CUP vs ST HENRY'S

U14A DHS	1	St Henry's	0
U16A DHS	3	St Henry's	0
1 st XI DHS	4	St Henry's	0

BADMINTON

A team of Durban High School pupils won the SA Schools Badminton Championships. The DHS team will represent South Africa in the All Africa Schools Tournament.

Their results were as follows:

Round Robin:

St Georges A	won 6 - 0
Bracken	won 6 - 0
Diamantveld B	won 5 - 1
Volkskool A	won 6 - 0
Heineman A	won 4 - 2
Westville	won 6 - 0

Winners of group with 33 points from maximum of 36 points

¼ final

Jim Fouche B	won 4 - 0
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Semi Final

Diamantveld A	won 4 - 1
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Final

Kehlang	won 4 - 1
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Played 50 sets
Won 45 and lost 5

Congratulations!

- ◆ Victor Banchovski has qualified for the third and final round of the SA Mathematics Olympiad, Junior Division. Victor was selected from the best 100 Round 2 participants **NATIONALLY!** The finals will be held on 8 September - good luck Victor!
- ◆ Travis Pellew, Suhail Sayed, Shaeel Maharaj, Reneshan Naidoo and Blaise Govender (captain) won the SA Schools Badminton Champs. They will represent SA in the All Africa Schools Tournament.
- ◆ Jared van Heerden was named as the Most Promising Young Player of the Tournament when representing KZN U17 at the Benoni Cricket Festival.
- ◆ Kodehan Naidoo has been selected to represent the Ethekwini Region (U14) in the SA Junior Table Tennis Champs in Cape Town in September.
- ◆ Trent Bingham will be sailing in the Western Cape L26 Provincials this weekend and the Lipton Cup, both in Cape Town, next weekend.

The Return of the Raw Cup

The GH Raw Cup was presented to the Natal Football Association by Mr GH Raw in 1889. Clubs (mainly in Durban and Pietermaritzburg initially) and the two high schools, namely DHS and Maritzburg College, competed for this magnificent trophy in the inaugural year, 1889.

The winner of the Cup that first year was Maritzburg. During the next sixty-two years the Cup moved all around Natal as different Clubs won the trophy year by year. Then the competition fell away.

Fifty-four years later the Cup re-emerged from obscurity and

was found on a table at a flea market.

The DHS Archivist, Mr JJ Oddy, persuaded the new owner of the Cup to donate it to DHS so that the two schools could compete for it once again as they had done 119 years ago.

This first encounter took place at DHS in 2008, under lights, and was won by College. In 2009 the cup returned to DHS when they beat College. Next week, on Wednesday 18 August, DHS and College will compete once again for the Raw Cup. It promises to be an entertaining encounter.

Dale McDermott Golf Day

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DATE:	2 Sept 2010
VENUE:	ROYAL DURBAN GOLF CLUB
COMPETITION:	4 Ball Alliance with 2 scores to count
ENTRANCE FEE:	R300 per person

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The Weeks Ahead

Thursday 12 August
Football Tour to Grey College
(12 to 15 August)
Grade 12 Drama Pracs Finals Ext

Friday 13 August
Softball
Launch of *Words Within*; an
Anthology of the Poetry of
Geoffrey Mace : 18h00

Saturday 14 August
Football Fee Weekend

Monday 16 August
Grade 8 Selling Week : 16 to 19
August
Golf vs Glenwood at Bluff CC

Tuesday 17 August
Test Period for all Grades

Wednesday 18 August
Raw Cup vs College

Friday 20 August
Football vs College
Softball

Saturday 21 August
Football vs Kearsney
U14/15/16A Tournament
Inter-Schools Climbing Comp : Rock

Monday 23 August
Golf vs Westville

Tuesday 24 August
Blackmore House Retreat : 23 to 24
August
Football vs Glenwood

Wednesday 25 August
Football vs Glenwood

Thursday 26 August
Football vs Glenwood
Café Concert



Lexden Leadership Course

Shaun de Ricquebourg, Jireh Mabamba-Kabeya, Lungelo Khoza and Maxwell Amisi attended the Lexden Leadership Course during the holidays. They reported as follows:

"14 - 18 June was a week of wonderful experiences, thoroughly enjoyed by all four of us. We made awesome new friends and have memories that we will treasure forever.

The Lexden team stretched our individual capacity and prepared us for the future by exposing us to pressures quite similar to real life situations. They set benchmarks for us through our daily experiences and valuable lessons were learnt.

We would like to thank the founder, John Adair. We really enjoyed ourselves! Thank you to all for making the experience possible."

Life Talk

"Life Talk - it may save the lives of your loved ones ..."

Izabella Little-Gates, the internationally accredited author of "Life Talk for Girls", "Life Talk for Boys" and "Life Talk for Parents", the School Counsellors and Life Orientation Educators will be talking at a special presentation.

With this in mind, Maritzburg College has kindly offered the use of their Alan Paton hall to host a further talk to parents and teens by Izabella, details as follows:

Date: Wednesday 25 August
Time: 16h00 for 16h30
Venue: Alan Paton Hall, Maritzburg College, Pietermaritzburg
Entry : **Entry free of charge/Fee paid by school**

Come and hear how you can effectively meet the challenges facing you as parents in these days of peer pressure, bullying, changing hormones, alcohol, drugs and sexual experimentation, to name but a few...

DPHS Centenary Golf Day

20 August 2010

Mount Edgecombe Country Club
Course 1 and Course 2

All Old Boys, Friends of Prep and Past Parents please consider joining us for the DPHS Centenary Golf Day. This will be a great opportunity to reconnect with Prep and Friends.

Enquiries: trust@dphs.co.za /
031-3122154 (Liz Elliott)



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Dale McDermott Golf Day

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P O Box 50001
Musgrave 4062

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DATE: 2 September 2010
VENUE: ROYAL DURBAN GOLF CLUB
COMPETITION: 4 Ball Alliance with 2 scores to count
ENTRANCE FEE: R300 per person
Includes: *Golf Shirt * Prizes * Light Dinner
RSVP: barry.coskey@durbanhighschool.co.za

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:
18 Tees and 18 Greens R750 each
Banners at Registration, Putting Green, Prize Giving R750 each

Player's Name	Company	Contact No.	Sponsorship Option

Contact Person as 4 ball representative:

Name: _____
Contact Number: _____
E-Mail Address: _____

Payment can be made by cheque/electronic transfer or credit card. All cheques are to be made in favour of Durban High School. A copy of the deposit slip is to be faxed to Barry Coskey on 0866 548 703 ensuring that the reference is clearly marked.

DHS BANKING DETAILS: Acc Name: Durban High School Branch: FNB Musgrave Rd
Branch Code: 22 11 76 Acc No: 50901294674 Reference: 9175/270 - NAME

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You are invited to a free demo and talk on stress/trauma with TRE by Dr. Melanie Salmon, MB BCH (Rand)

DATE Thursday 12 August 2010
TIME 7pm - 9pm (arrive 6.30)
VENUE Durban High School Hall, 255 St. Thomas Rd, Musgrave, Durban
BRING For the exercise, please bring a yoga mat and wear loose clothing.



Melanie has been using TRE with her patients and clients for over 18 months. She reports her results as "phenomenal", and this is why she is bringing TRE to South Africa.

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