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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Mid Week Cup ¼ Finals
- ◆ Trials Exams Begin
- ◆ Dale McDermott Golf Day
- ◆ Moms' Breakfast
- ◆ 5-a-Side Football Tournament
- ◆ Football vs St Charles - COMPULSORY

From the Head Master's Desk

Last week was a very difficult one for the school. After a visit on Tuesday from a strike delegation, which resulted in us closing school early, we had a week of no disruption. Attendance was disappointing, but I suppose this is understandable given the concerns of parents. We are doing our best to continue to operate under the constant threat of industrial action. Despite the protestations of union leaders, the reality of the situation is that some of the behaviour of the strikers has been appalling. Whilst I sympathise with the striking unions, I subscribe to the view that we live in a democracy, and should have the right to decide whether as individuals we participate in the strike or not. Unfortunately the state does not seem able - or willing - to resolve the impasse. The damage to pupils who are facing national exams in a few short months is something we should all be wary of. Whilst in schools like DHS we continue to be able to educate, there are some schools in the townships which have been closed for some time already, with no sign of teachers returning. The strikers have even targeted independent schools, and I heard on the weekend that Edgewood was under threat. When will the lunacy end?

In a week where little co-curricular activity was possible,

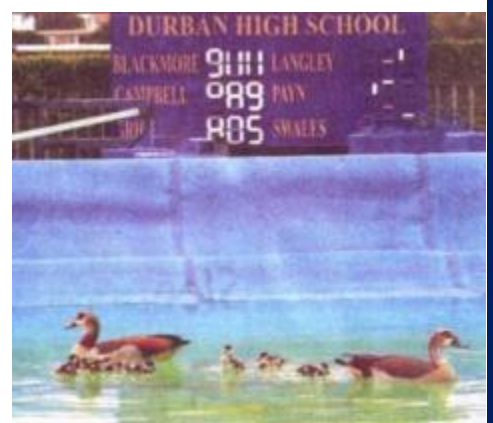
This photo appeared in the Independent on Saturday, taken by Jacques Naude.

our climbers were still able to participate in competition. They were at the Gateway complex, and I was hugely impressed by what I saw on Saturday morning. There were large numbers of boys in action, smartly turned out and doing really well. My thanks to Mr Lewis and Ms Gounden who have done an amazing job in growing the sport, not only at DHS but at local level as well. As a school we have been tremendously successful in this sport and it is a credit to these two staff members that we have done so well. It is great to see the boys participating, and representing the school with pride. Once again I am proud to be associated with these fine young men, and delighted to know that as a school we can promote a variety of activities. Well done everyone.

Regards and let's hope we have a good week.

"Do not be fooled into believing that because a man is rich he is necessarily smart. There is ample proof to the contrary." Julius Rosenwald

Dave Wagner
Class of 1973



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Our resident Mom and Dad Egyptian Geese make their way through the car park and down to the pool to introduce their new babies to the water for the first time.



Liam Mickleburgh was selected for the KZN B Golf Team.



The staff held a Kitchen tea for Ms Gouden and Mr Gray, who are getting married on Saturday.

Everyone Counts

Lara Mellon, mother of Durban High School learner, James, has been instrumental in a worldwide campaign to raise funds for abandoned babies. The following is extracted from the web page www.everyonecounts.co.za:

everyONEcounts is an art initiative that aims to raise awareness and funds for charity.

In an article published in the Sunday Tribune regarding the increase in abandoned babies and the city's facilities to cope with this crisis; a leading city politician was reported to comment that relative to the total population of KwaZulu Natal, even a thousand unwanted babies was not significant and that other pressing issues were at hand.

Motivated and inspired to make a difference in the lives of the over 700 babies abandoned in South Africa each year, Lara Mellon, a Durban artist has initiated the international everyONEcounts campaign. Artists from around the world have been invited to respond with a creative voice, by pledging an original 30x30cm artwork which will each be sold for R1000, regardless of status or standing, and all proceeds will go towards places of safety for abandoned babies.

The response to date has been overwhelming; pledges from artists and sales to buyers from all over the world continue to stream in. Currently there are commitments from over 500 artists in Australia, Canada, Cypress, Denmark, Dubai, Taiwan, New Zealand, the US, UK, Zambia and from all over South Africa.

The goal is to achieve 1000 artworks so that R1 million can be raised for the care and protection of these abandoned lives.

The exhibition, which opens on 25 November, will be held at The Quays in Durban, which forms

part of the new Point Waterfront development and will run for three weeks.

All artworks can also be viewed and purchased online, through the everyONEcounts website. Visit www.everyonecounts.co.za for all details and a comprehensive artist's brief. Pledge a work, spread the word or buy an artwork and make sure that each life will know that they count.

The primary goal of the initial campaign is to showcase the humanitarian voice of artists across the globe and all monies will be used for the care and protection of abandoned lives.

everyONEcounts has been inundated with requests from school children to participate in this initiative, hence the birth of everyONEcounts@school. everyONEcounts@school allows art educators and their learners to contribute to the everyONEcounts campaign by making artwork to raise funds for Shepherds Keep, a home for abandoned babies in Durban. More information can be found on the Projects page on the website.

Lara has donated a portion of the sales of her artwork to Shepherd's Keep since 1999. The babies who Shepherds Keep rescues are mostly newborns who have been "discarded" down latrines and pits, forsaken in deserted fields and increasingly and shockingly ... left in black bags on highways.

Art educators and their learners can contribute to the campaign by making artwork to raise funding for the campaign and importantly by creating awareness at school level.

Please note that some of the works of art will be exhibited at the DHS Moms' Com Breakfast on Friday 3 September in the AJ Human Room (Founders) from 07h15.

Extra-Mural Results

FOOTBALL vs MARITZBURG COLLEGE (Raw Cup)

Congratulations to the 1st XI who reclaimed the Raw Cup in an exciting game against College on Tuesday evening under floodlights.

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| 1 st XI | won | 3 - 1 |
| 2 nd XI | lost | 1 - 2 |
| 3 rd XI | drew | 3 - 3 |
| U16A | won | 2 - 1 |
| U16B | won | 2 - 1 |
| U16C | drew | 1 - 1 |
| U14E | won | 6 - 1 |
| U14F | won | 12 - 0 |

FOOTBALL vs EMBURY COLLEGE

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| 1 st XI | won | 14 - 0 |
| U15A | won | 13 - 0 |

GOLF vs WESTVILLE

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| Westville A | 4 |
| DHS A | 0 |

GAUTENG OPEN U17 BADMINTON CHAMPS

Mixed Doubles: Reneshan Naidoo and partner lost in the Finals in 3 close sets, 3rd set being 21-19

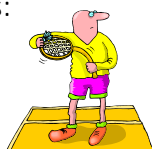
Singles: Reneshan lost in 3 very close sets in the semis

Doubles: Reneshan and Partner lost in Finals in 3 sets, 3rd sets 21-19

Reneshan's coach was extremely happy with his performance considering he was competing with the current U17 players. He still has U17 next year.

His ranking at the moment going in SA (after all 3 Opens) is as follows:

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| Mixed Doubles: | No.2 |
| Singles: | No.3 |
| Doubles: | No.2 |



Facebook, Mixit, Internet, Drugs

Parents need to know how to proactively protect their children from these problems.

In order to assist parents, we have invited Dr John Buswell, founder and CEO of Rapewise to address parents on the above topics. Dr Buswell is a forensic psychologist with vast experience in high profile cases reported in the media. He has trained over 35 000 educators, doctors, trauma sisters, psychologists, and members of the SAPS, nationally.

Date: Monday 13 September
Venue: DHS Founders Room
Time: 18h15 for 18h30
Cost: R20.00 per person (payable at the door)
RSVP: 031-277 1500

Rapewise is the preferred supplier of the Gauteng Provincial Government and training provider to the Department of Education, Health and Social Services.

We encourage all parents to attend.

Dale McDermott Golf Day

The annual Dale McDermott Golf Day is an event which is held in memory of Dale McDermott, a dedicated teacher at Durban High School and Springbok technical adviser. The proceeds of this Golf day are used towards rugby bursaries for deserving, disadvantaged pupils.

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

CONTACT :

barry.coskey@durbanhighschool.co.za

Congratulations!

- ◆ Liam Mickleburgh has been selected for the KZN B Golf Team.
- ◆ Reneshan Naidoo is currently the No.1 U17 KZN Player, has been selected as Captain of the "A" team to play in the South African Championships to be held in Cape Town from 28 September to 3 October 2010.
- ◆ 1st XI, U16A, U15A and U14A Football teams have all qualified for the ¼ finals of the Mid Week Cup.



Moms' Breakfast Calling All Moms!

The DHS Moms' Com will be holding a breakfast on Friday 3 September for all current DHS Moms and Moms whose sons are joining DHS next year.

All Moms are therefore invited to join the Mom's Com for a healthy DHS breakfast:

WHEN: 3 September 2010
TIME: 07h15
WHERE: AJ Human Room (Founders)

At 08h00 a display of the new electronic e-beam technology being used to teach in 15 classrooms will be presented.

An exhibit of some of the works of art gathered by Everyone Counts will be on display.

Please RSVP to Audrey Claassen on 072-579 8868.



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School Communicator

All parents should be aware that the School Communicator was introduced at the end of last year.

The Communicator is a very useful tool used to communicate with parents. Those who do use it find it invaluable. It has been especially useful during this uncertain time.

Parents who have not downloaded the Communicator are urged to do so, particularly if the strike continues indefinitely. A presentation on the Communicator will be given at the Moms' Breakfast on 3 September.

Further information on the Communicator, together with the download, is available on the following link:
<http://www.school-communicator.com/download.php>

Alternatively, a CD with the software is available from Ms Drew.

The Weeks Ahead

Thursday 26 August
KZN Football Trials
Café Concert - CANCELLED

Friday 27 August
CAT Prac Trials Exam : 09h00
Chess D&D High School Challenge at Glenwood : 15h30
Mid Week Cup 1st XI ¼ Final vs Port Shepstone (a)

Saturday 28 August
Football vs Glenwood (h) & (a)

Sunday 29 August
5-a-Side Football Festival at DHS - POSTPONED TO 5 SEPTEMBER

Monday 30 August
Golf vs Northwood
Mid Week Cup U16 ¼ Finals vs Michaelhouse (h)
Mid Week Cup U15 ¼ Finals vs College (a)
Mid Week Cup U14 ¼ Finals vs Carter High (a)

Tuesday 31 August
LO Trial Exam in Hall : 08h30
RCL Voting

Football Fixtures

1st XI Mid Week Cup ¼ Finals vs Port Shepstone (a) : Friday 27 August

Football vs Glenwood (h) and (a) : Friday 27 August

U15A at 15h00 on Van Heerdens U15B at 14h00 on Van Heerdens
U15C at 15h00 on Nourse U15D at 14h00 on Nourse

The U14A, B, C and D teams will play at Glenwood, times and fields to be confirmed.

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.

Wednesday 1 September
Trials begin for Grade 12s

Thursday 2 September
Visual Art External Moderation
Dale McDermott Golf Day

Friday 3 September
Moms' Breakfast : 07h15
Football vs College : U15A B, C (a)
Softball

Saturday 4 September
Football vs St Charles :
COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE
Inter Schools Climbing Finals : UKZN

Sunday 5 September
Menlo Park Athletics Trials in Howick
5-1-Side Football Festival at DHS

Monday 6 September
Golf vs Clifton

Monday 13 September
Facebook, Mixit, Inter, Drugs Talk for Parents : 18h30



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.

Any Moms' who would like to display their home industry items ie, Jewellery etc, at the Moms' breakfast on 3 September please contact:

Audrey Claassen on 072-579 8868 or via email

audsclaassen@telkomsa.net



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Dale McDermott Golf Day

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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 |
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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 26 Acc No: 50901294674 Reference: 9175/270 - NAME

Credit Card (Visa or Master Cards only): Cardholder's Name: _____

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiry date: _____ Amount: _____

An invitation

to Parents and Teachers
to a talk by Dr John Buswell,
a forensic psychologist & founder and CEO of
Rapewise



on
**FACEBOOK, MXIT
INTERNET,
DRUGS, ETC**



Learn how best to deal with the above issues

Date: Monday, 13 September 2010

Time: (6:15pm for 6:30pm)

6:30 pm – 7:30pm

Cost: R20.00 per person (payable at the door)

Venue: Durban High School, Founders Room

255 St Thomas Road, Musgrave

RSVP: 031-277 1500

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