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Upcoming Events

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- ◆ Grade 12 Drama Pracs
- ◆ Grade 8 Selling Week
- ◆ Blood Clinic
- ◆ Grade 12 Parents Evening

From the Head Master's Desk

After a very cold mid-year break we are back in harness. This term is one of the deceptive ones. After the rigours of term 2, with a very busy sporting term followed by Founders and full exams, we always think this term is going to be easier. Not so! This is a very busy term. We start with Cobham next week, and with the Grade 11 Work Experience. Both these events are wonderful opportunities for the boys. They can develop and grow as individuals through full participation and commitment to these activities. I will be in Cobham for some time next week, and I am really looking forward to the experience. It is always a highlight of the year. Mr Rein is unfortunately unable to be there because he will be back in chemotherapy, but we are determined to make sure that the week goes well. Chris Rein has invested too much of his life in the event for us to drop the ball now. It will be a great success, I have no doubt.

We are pleased to welcome two new staff members this term. With Messrs Gray and Rein laid low, we were fortunate to be able to acquire the services of two quality educators for this term who, with a little bit of tweaking and help from other senior staff, have slotted straight in as replacements. Mr Skevington has over twenty years of experience, most of it at Glenwood. He has slotted into our English department, and I know he will be a valuable addition to what we can offer. Mr Cornew has experience in a wide range of activities, both in and outside the classroom, and he is a welcome addition to the Geography and English departments. We wish

both staff a long and happy association with the school.

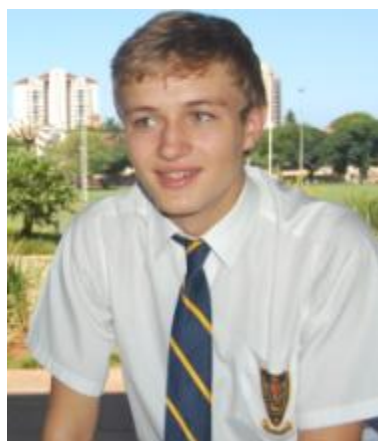
During the holiday I was privileged to attend the Rainbow Young Performers' production of *Suessical the Musical*. The production was spectacular. Directed for the first time by Stephen Stead, the show was a riot of colour and energy. I have seen many performances by school children, and I can honestly say this was the best I have ever attended. I was also so proud to see that DHS had more representatives-five- than any other school. I was extremely proud. A special word of congratulations must also go to our star Drama student, Blessing Xaba. In his fifth year as part of this project, Blessing was outstanding in one of the lead roles. Well done Bless, and thank you for all you have done to entertain us over the last five years!

I have to comment on the latest fiasco involving our very own ANCYL telly tubby. I see that he is building himself a R20 million mansion in Sandton, complete with Der Fuhrer styled underground bunker to ensure his safety when the holocaust comes. How wonderful it is to know how far the Rand stretches these days. To manage all of this on a salary of R20 thousand a month! Outstanding! I need him to be my financial adviser. When will the ANC realise that this man is an embarrassment. He preaches about the ills of Capitalism to the masses and then behaves like the ultimate Capitalist. Unbelievable!

Monday saw representatives from the school and Signature Life Hotels travel to Zwelinjani High



Travers Pellew, Shaheel Maharaj and Reneshan Naidoo attended the SA Schools U19 Badminton Champs
Picture: S&A Marketing



Rising Star

Rorke Kemp got bored in the holidays and entered this talent search on 13 July and made it through to the final round, performing *Landing in London*.

The prizes were sponsored by City View and Rising Star Academy. Besides winning numerous prizes for himself, Rorke won a smartboard, sponsored by Growth Point, for the school.

He will now perform in a gig at the Westville Fair this weekend. Congratulations to our rising star!



Members of the Singing Swing cast get down to business

From the Head Master's Desk cont'd

School outside Kwa Ndengezi for our 67 minutes of activism for Mandela Day. We donated equipment and the Hotel group donated food. It is a school only 40Kilometres from DHS, but it is a lifetime away from us. The area is very poor, and the school is very poorly equipped. It was a humbling experience to be there, and I know we will do more.

"To be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others." Nelson Mandela

Happy Birthday, Madiba, from all of us at DHS. Long may you live!

Dave Magner
Class of 1973

High School Badminton Stars

Durban High School Badminton stars, Travers Pellew (U17C team captain), Shaheel Maharaj (KZN A team) and Reneshan Naidoo (KZN A team captain) who were the winners of the KZN Schools A League attended the SA Schools U19 Badminton Championships recently.

Travis, Shaheel and Reneshan participated in the KZN schools Badminton "A" league recently. All 3 boys played well, with Reneshan Naidoo being awarded a trophy for "Player with the Most

Potential". He was ranked third for the week's inter-provincial games as well as third in South Africa and holds the Boys Doubles U19 Champion title as well as a fun award for "Mr Legs". On top of all of that he also made the All Africa Games where he will participate in Mauritius in August of this year. DHS wishes him all the best!

All of the boys anticipate their next big game which will be the SA U17's in Bloemfontein in October, where they will try to defend their winning title.

Singing Swing

The vision of DHS drama teacher and vocal performance coach Kirsten Smith, DHS's latest musical offering, *Singing Swing*, is a tight, high-energy show, featuring a multi-talented cast of six vocalists.

Accompanied by a six-piece band that has been trained by DHS old boys Alex Smillie (currently a music student at UKZN) and Matthew Barnwell (who will be studying music at Berklee in the USA), Smith's emphasis on audience rapport and slick choreography mean that the show is a complete performance package.

With a playlist that includes modern takes on old favourites such as *Come Fly with Me* and

New York, New York as well as numbers such as Michael Bubl e's *Everything*, the show will also guest feature members of staff and promises to be a polished, modern spin on classic swing.

Singing Swing runs at Seabrooke's Theatre from the 18 - 20 August. The starting time is 19h30 and tickets are R40 pp. Booking opens on 1 August.

For more information, telephone: 0312771500 or e-mail:

seabrooke@s@durbanhighschool.co.za





Sean Lubbe (Signature Life Hotels), David Magner (Durban High School), Jessica Nhleko (Signature Life Hotels), Patrick Baker (Sir Juice) with Principal of Zwelinjani High School, Mr PJ Maphumuno, Siyabonga Nhleko (Teacher at Zwelinjani High School) and Head Prefects, Promise Sibisi and Jetro Khumalo.

Picture: S&A Marketing

Renewal of Scholarships & Bursaries

All boys on either a scholarship or bursary are reminded that they need to re-apply for the continuance of their scholarship/bursary.

Boys on either a sport or cultural scholarship/bursary need to submit a CV of their achievements.

Academic scholarship/bursary holders need to submit a letter requesting continuance.

All requests to be handed to Mrs Skinner no later than 30 September. No late applications will be accepted.



The Football Training Clinic with Clive Barker (centre) and DHS Soccer department head coach, Stef Crasso (2nd from left), included female coaches who are involved in coaching at both boys and girls schools and are taking the sport by storm. They are: (Back row) Wendy O'Connor, Nellie Gumede, Chantal Lubbe and Chantal Shipman and (seated) Tasneem Paulus and Laurelle Williams.

Picture: S&A Marketing

Celebrating Madiba Day the Caring Way

"Madiba Day" is a special day where South Africans celebrate Nelson Mandela's birthday by giving 67 minutes of their time to humanity. Head Master of DHS, David Magner, Sean Lubbe (Signature Life Hotels), Jessica Nhleko (Signature Life Hotels), Patrick Baker (Sir Juice) gave their 67 minutes, along with Bokomo Weetbix Cereal, Sir Juices, blackboards and chalk to Zwelinjani High School. Mr PJ Maphumuno (principal), Siyabonga Nhleko (Teacher at Zwelinjani High School) and Head girl and Head boy, Promise Sibisi and Jetro Khumalo were delighted.

Zwelinjani High School is a poor High School located in KwaNdengezi and was in dire need of teaching equipment and materials. Despite not having the means to learn with adequate equipment like other schools, they see education as the way to success and to becoming someone who people will respect and look up to.

The day was filled with many smiles and gratitude from the 700 students and teachers at Zwelinjani High School for the valuable donation from Durban High School for a number of

blackboards and chalk given to them to aid in the teaching of students as well as the Weetbix and Juices from the various sponsors such as Signature Life, Bokomo and Sir Juice recently and sang songs to show their appreciation. When Principal Dave Magner was asked how he felt, he mentioned that he was so humbled by the experience and really respected this deserving school.

The principal of Zwelinjani High School, Mr PJ Maphumuno was happy to receive the generous donations and commented by saying: "I am so happy. We are a very poor and needy school, but our objective is to persevere and to help mould future professionals. Last year, we received an 84% Matric pass rate and we have implemented Winter classes in order for us to help achieve our 100% we are aiming for- so that we may be counted amongst the top schools in KwaZulu Natal. We are aiming to succeed in the areas we have failed and will make the most of the resources we have and the blackboards we have now been given. I really appreciate it on behalf of the students here at Zwelinjani."

Lady Coaches

Clive Barker (AmaZulu FC) was making a difference once again by hosting a Football Training Clinic for coaches together with the Durban High School Football department during the holidays.

This workshop is in its 11th year of commencement and sees school Football coaches from all over Durban joining in to gain valuable skills from Barker to take back to their school Football teams. The workshop initially started eleven years ago, with 3-4 men but has increased tremendously with the highest number being this

year with over 50 men and women participating over the three days.

Barker commented on the workshop saying: "it is fabulous to see the high number of people taking part and to see the coaches so enthusiastic about the workshop." Each day turned out a success and Barker added a fun twist to the equation by handing over a prize to the four-a-side team that won the mini tournament each day - a large pumpkin trophy!



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Scout's Honour

Rolf von der Meden, a Grade ten learner from Durban High School, was selected to attend the 22nd World Scout Jamboree which will take place from 27 July to 7 August 2011 in Kristianstad, Sweden with around 38,000 Scouts aged between 14 and 17 years old expected to attend from around the world.

It is a great learning opportunity for budding Scout enthusiasts and Rolf is excited to be a part of it.



Picture: S&A Marketing

The Weeks Ahead

Friday 22 July

Softball vs Glenwood
Topsy Turvy at Seabrooke's

Saturday 23 July

Football vs Northwood

Sunday 24 July

Grade 10s leave for Cobham :
Return on 30 July

Monday 25 July

Grade 11 Work Experience : 25 to
29 July
U18 Indoor Hockey vs Westville 2

Tuesday 26 July

Test Day

Thursday 28 July

Grade 12 Drama Internal Finals
U14 Indoor Hockey vs Kingsway

Friday 29 July

June Exam Reports Out
Softball vs Westville

Saturday 30 July

Matric Dance at Moses Mabhida

Football vs St Charles

Grade 10s Return from Cobham

Sunday 31 July

Inter Schools Climbing Comp 1

Monday 1 August

Grade 8 Selling Week : 1-4 Aug
Blood Clinic
Grade 12 Parents Evening : 17h30
U18 Indoor Hockey vs Westville 1

Tuesday 2 August

Governing Body Parents Meeting
with Gr 8 & 9 Parents : 17h30
U16 Indoor Hockey vs Northwood 2

Wednesday 3 August

Jes Foord Talk
Grade 12 Drama Parents Evening

Thursday 4 August

Grade 12 Drama Prac Finals

Friday 5 August

Women's Day Walk
Test Day
Inter House Athletics

The Weekend's Fixtures

FOOTBALL vs NORTHWOOD (h) : Saturday 23 July 2011

TEAM	TIME	VENUE	COACH	REFEREE
1 st XI	13:15	Northwood	van Niekerk	Northwood
2 nd XI	12:00	Northwood	Sibiya	Northwood
3 rd XI	10:00	Northwood	Norton	Northwood
4 th XI	09:00	Northwood	Zungu	Northwood
5 th XI	08:00	Northwood	Goodwin	Northwood
U16A	11:00	Northwood	Perks	Northwood
U16B	11:00	Northwood	Thavaryn	Northwood
U16C	10:00	Northwood	Gcilitshana	Northwood
U16D	09:00	Northwood	September	Northwood
U16E	08:00	Northwood	McDowall	Northwood
U15A	12:00	Northwood	Henri	Northwood
U15B	11:00	Northwood	Coskey	Northwood
U15C	10:00	Northwood	Barnes	Northwood
U15D	09:00	Northwood	Goldstone	Northwood
U15E	08:00	Northwood	Shezi	Northwood

FOOTBALL vs NORTHWOOD (a) : Saturday 23 July 2011

TEAM	TIME	VENUE	COACH	REFEREE
U14A	10:00	van Heerden	Crasso	Maree
U14B	09:00	van Heerden	Paulsen	Zondo
U14C	08:00	van Heerden	Zondo	Paulsen
U14D	10:00	Nourse	Tifflin	Ngcobo
U14E	09:00	Nourse	Ngcobo	Mbambo
U14F	08:00	Nourse	Mbambo	Mirza

DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS



SINGING SWING

18 - 20 AUGUST
19h30
R40pp

SEABROOKE'S THEATRE

BOOKINGS ON
031 277 1500

SEABROOKE'S
The Club Seabrooke Theatre at DHS

DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL
DALE McDERMOTT GOLF DAY

P O Box 50001
Musgrave 4052

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: 15 September 2011
VENUE: ROYAL DURBAN GOLF CLUB
COMPETITION: 4 Ball Alliance with 2 scores to count
ENTRANCE FEE: R350 per person

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

18 Tees and 18 Greens R1000 each
Registration, Pasting Green, Prize Giving R1000 each
Golf Shirt * Prizes * Dinner
RSVP: barry.coskey@durbanhighschool.co.za

Player's Name	Company	Contact Phone number	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 26 Acc.No: 50901294674 Reference: 9175/270 - NAME

Credit Card (Visa or Master Cards only): Cardholder's Name:
Credit Card Number: Expiry date: Amount:

DURBAN HIGH SCHOOL
Gift of the Givers

SPRING FESTIVAL

DATE: 30 SEPTEMBER - 02 OCTOBER 2011

WIN 2 tickets to India with accomodation

STALLS | SHOWS | SOCCER

DHS SPRING FESTIVAL 2011

The Spring Festival is planned for the 30 September 2011, 01 and 02 October 2011. During the Festival there will be a number of activities planned for each day. A variety of food stalls, catering for every individual will be available throughout the day. Also featuring:

- A Rock Concert
- Eastern Extravaganza
- Fashion shows
- Master & Miss Spring Festival
- Zulu Cultural Show
- Children's rides & entertainment and lots more

The committee is organising an inter class soccer tournament. As a highlight we are negotiating with Amazulu to play an exhibition soccer match against our First Team.

Entrance fees are set at R10 per person. Learners are encouraged to buy a DHS 3 DAY PASS at a minimal cost of R20. Learners who sell the highest number of tickets in EACH GRADE will be eligible to win a BLACKBERRY CELLPHONE. (Terms and conditions apply).


WE NEED YOUR HELP!

As this is a mammoth undertaking for DHS we NEED your help. Please contact Bharat Ramjee or any members of our committee for ANY details regarding STALLS, SPONSORSHIP, SHOWS or any information. Any form of assistance will be HIGHLY APPRECIATED.

REMEMBER THIS IS A DHS INITIATIVE!

SPRING FESTIVAL COMMITTEE:

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