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## From the Head Master's Desk

What an irony it was that after the Boks had been blown out of the World Cup by - partly - an incompetent refereeing performance, a South African should perform so well in the Final. I was very proud of Craig Joubert's performance. I thought he was outstanding. Can't wait to catch up with him and hear all the behind the scenes stories. I'm sure it will be entertaining. Well done to the All Blacks. I am very glad for New Zealand.

It was great to see our Cricket sides performing so much better last weekend. All the A teams won, and the 1<sup>st</sup> XI lost narrowly. We only have two weeks of sporting fixtures remaining, and I hope the guys continue to improve. It is encouraging to see the quality of young cricketers coming into the school, and 2012 will be no different. These days you need to get your recruitment right. We have a slightly smaller group coming into Grade 8 next year - about 210 as opposed to 240 this year. It still means the overall numbers for 2012 represent our highest numbers for more than eight years. Encouraging signs.

I continue to remain optimistic about the future of this school. I was up at Spirit of Adventure this week to see how our Grade 9 boys were doing. I was very impressed with the ones I saw. Despite the rainy weather, they were positive and working well. Rudi Clarke, Director of Spirit of Adventure, was full of praise

for the boys and the same refrain was echoed by the young instructors. I am very proud to hear the comments putting our boys a cut above the rest. Well done guys! It reaffirms my view that this school is doing something special for the boys that come here.

It was also great to see Mr Rein up at Shongweni. He has finished his treatment - hopefully forever! He popped up to see how things were going. Great to see you back to full spirits! The good news is that he has received the all clear from his doctor and will be back at work on Monday!

Our Blues Band played a gig at the University of KZN Jazz Club this week. By all accounts it was a blast. I believe, however, that the lead singer on Hoochie Coochie Man was not a patch on the guy who sang in Seabrookes! Do not miss the Final Cafe Concert on 4 November. It should be awesome.

"Perfection is not attainable. But if we chase perfection, we can catch excellence."

Vince Lombardi

Have a great week!  
David Wagner  
Class of 1973



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## Upcoming Events

- ◆ New Parents' Breakfast
- ◆ Cricket/Water Polo/Basketball vs Michaelhouse
- ◆ Football Awards Dinner
- ◆ Café Concert
- ◆ Cricket/Water Polo/Basketball vs Kearsney
- ◆ Exams Begin for Grades 8, 10 & 11
- ◆ Cricket Awards Dinner



*Congratulations to the new Blackmore House Leaders!*

*From left: Aco Stulic (Deputy Head Prefect), Andrew Kellner (Head Prefect) and Gilmore Munro (Deputy Head Prefect)*



*Reneshan Naidoo recently participated in the SA U17 Badminton Champs where he won the Men's Doubles and Men's Mixed Doubles Titles. The KZN A team won the Championships, with Reneshan winning all his games and being ranked No 1 for the Champs.*



*Marketing Manager, Dave Dunn, feeds his babies*

## Congratulations to the New Blackmore House Prefects!

The new Blackmore House Prefects were announced at the Blackmore House Dinner and Awards Evening on Friday 14 October.

The Blackmore House Prefects for 2011/2012 are as follows:

|                       |                |                 |
|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Head Prefect:         | Andrew Kellner |                 |
| Deputy Head Prefects: | Gilmore Munro  | Aco Stulic      |
| Prefects:             | Pule Boikanyo  | Lindani Dlamini |
|                       | Xolani Falakhe | Wesley Kusada   |
|                       | Qhama Menye    | Mcusi Nkabinde  |
|                       | Zuko Nqawe     | Uzoma Nwachukwu |

## Blackmore House Prize-Giving, Matric Valediction and 2012 Office Bearer Announcements

On Friday evening, 14 October 2011, the annual Blackmore House Dinner and Awards Ceremony took place. The objectives of the yearly celebration are to enable DHS to salute the contributions of the boarders, particularly the Matrics, and to acknowledge their achievements. It is the ideal platform to extend our gratitude, appreciation and congratulations on a job well done!

The guests of honour included Blackmore legends; Mr Jeremy Oddy, Mr Tony Human and Mr Patrick Collyer, who was also our guest speaker for the evening. DHS heavyweights included Mr and Mrs Wagner, as well as Mrs Vermaak and Mr Barry Coskey plus, of course, the Blackmore personnel.

Mr Collyer regaled the audience with his well articulated memories of Blackmore House in the 70s and what it was like to be a housemaster in those times.

Shaun de Ricquebourg (Head Prefect of Blackmore House) and Mr Wagner also addressed Blackmore valediction attendees, both for the last time.

Tribute was paid to the memory of Mr Gray for his contribution to Blackmore, as a tremendous number of Matrics represented DHS as School prefects.

One of the highlights of the evening was the staff award to Mr Charles Moodley for his exceptional contribution to Blackmore House.

In addition, it was great to see Shaun accept the Cockhouse Inter-House trophy which Blackmore has now won 3 years on the trot.

I thank all staff for their contributions to this great evening, especially Mr Moodley, the Blackmore dinner co-coordinator, and I wish all Matrics well in their future endeavors. All the best, Gentlemen.

*Major Awards of the Evening:*  
The Lockyear Good Fellowship Award:

Edward Mongwambe  
Bowley Dedication Award:

Sechaba Mofokeng  
Sportsman of the Year:  
Edward Mongwambe

Dux:  
Yashay Narainsamy





## Prefect Camp

Every year, shortly after the prefects have been announced, the new prefect body attend a weekend away.

We left school shortly after 07h30 on Sunday 16 October to make the uphill trek into the hills of the Southern Berg. The facilities at Khotso Adventure Farm are perfect for our needs ie, lots of big mountains to watch the boys climb up. Aside from hiking - and there was plenty of that - the weekend was spent riding horses, problem-solving and engaging in team-building exercises. A particular highlight was the Survivor-inspired adventure race which has become a permanent fixture.

When not on horseback or up a mountainside, the boys attended seminars and workshops presented by Mrs Vermaak, Mr Rein, Mr Smyth and Mr Lewis in preparation for 2012. These covered various aspects of leadership as well as covering scenarios unique to DHS.

It is tradition that on the second night the boys put on a variety

concert for the staff in the log-cabin. The concert was very entertaining and a lot of fun and included a surprise performance by Mr Thabani Sibiyi which was very well received and appreciated by all.

The final day saw the annual hike up Bamboo Mountain which is probably the most strenuous physical activity many of the boys had ever experienced. But, as with previous years, the boys came through with flying colours. They handled themselves well on the hike and showed determination in overcoming the arduous challenge purely for their own self-satisfaction and sense of achievement.

The weekend was a success and instilled one with the confidence that the prefect body for 2012 is a unified group of motivated individuals, ably led by Damian, Nkqubela and Andrew, who are determined to speak with one decisive voice.

We look forward to another impressive year of leadership at DHS!



*Prefect Camp!*

*Horse riding, potjie competition, cutting hair, making fires and putting on a show - they did it all!*

## Extra-Mural Results

### CRICKET vs NORTHWOOD

|                    |           |       |                             |           |             |                               |
|--------------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> XI | Northwood | 210   | DHS                         | 191       | (Grewar 63) | DHS lost by 19 runs           |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI | DHS       | 125/6 | (Pellew 30)                 | Northwood | 55          | (Panday 4/0, Jean-Louis 3/12) |
|                    |           |       |                             |           |             | DHS won by 70 runs            |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI | Northwood | 40    | DHS                         | 41/1      |             | DHS won by 9 wickets          |
| U16A               | DHS       | 199   | (Mkhanya 70)                | Northwood | 85          | DHS won by 114 runs           |
| U16B               | Northwood | 95    | (Vine 3/16)                 | DHS       | 99/9        | (Ahmed 32)                    |
|                    |           |       |                             |           |             | DHS won by 1 wicket           |
| U16C               | Northwood | 130/7 | DHS                         | 81        |             | DHS lost by 49 runs           |
| U15A               | DHS       | 143   | (Killian 3/21)              | Northwood | 84          | DHS won by 59 runs            |
| U15B               | Northwood | 119   | (Godil 3/14)                | DHS       | 124/3       | (Msomi 65, van Heerden 36)    |
|                    |           |       |                             |           |             | DHS won by 7 wickets          |
| U15C               | Northwood | 113   | DHS                         | 30        |             | DHS lost by 83 runs           |
| U15D               | Northwood | 116   | DHS                         | 116       |             | Result: Tie                   |
| U14A               | Northwood | 152   | (Koekemoer 3/42, Amod 3/21) | DHS       | 158/3       | (Coskey 65, Bryan 45*)        |
|                    |           |       |                             |           |             | DHS won by 7 wickets          |

|      |           |       |                |           |       |                          |                      |
|------|-----------|-------|----------------|-----------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| U14B | Northwood | 126   | (Horsley 5/12) | DHS       | 129/4 | (Govender 40)            | DHS won by 6 wickets |
| U14C | Northwood | 142/9 | (Manikom 4/18) | DHS       | 131/7 | (Welfare 31, Everitt 38) | DHS lost by 11 runs  |
| U14D | DHS       | 160/6 | (Moodley 40)   | Northwood | 149/9 |                          | DHS won by 10 runs   |
| U14E | Northwood | 53    |                | DHS       | 54/6  |                          | DHS won by 4 wickets |
| U14F | DHS       | 156   |                | Northwood | 94    |                          | DHS won by 62 runs   |

### CRICKET 20/20 vs ST HENRY'S MARIST BROTHERS

|                    |            |      |               |     |      |                |                      |
|--------------------|------------|------|---------------|-----|------|----------------|----------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> XI | St Henry's | 84/8 | (Ndlovu 3/17) | DHS | 88/1 | (Trenoweth 43) | DHS won by 9 wickets |
|--------------------|------------|------|---------------|-----|------|----------------|----------------------|

### WATER POLO vs GLENWOOD HIGH

|                 |     |   |          |    |
|-----------------|-----|---|----------|----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | DHS | 4 | Glenwood | 8  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | DHS | 5 | Glenwood | 1  |
| U15A            | DHS | 0 | Glenwood | 11 |
| U14B            | DHS | 8 | Glenwood | 3  |

### WATER POLO : U14A to GREY BLOEM TOURNAMENT

|     |   |              |    |
|-----|---|--------------|----|
| DHS | 0 | Reddam       | 19 |
| DHS | 3 | Grey (Bloem) | 8  |
| DHS | 3 | Jeppe        | 6  |
| DHS | 8 | St Andrews   | 3  |
| DHS | 8 | Affies       | 1  |
| DHS | 3 | Rondebosch   | 8  |

DHS finished in 15<sup>th</sup> place

### WATER POLO vs GREY COLLEGE, BLOEMFONTEIN (friendly)

|                 |     |    |      |   |
|-----------------|-----|----|------|---|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | DHS | 10 | Grey | 6 |
|-----------------|-----|----|------|---|

## Congratulations!

- ◆ David Palframan, Kaylen Premchand and Troy Steyn have been selected for the U15 Durban Pro Series Indoor Hockey Squad. They will be going to Cape Town to compete in the Pro Series Indoor Nationals in December.
- ◆ Trent Bingham won the second leg of the KZN Grand Prix Series Sailing Championships held at Island Sailing Club, sailed in strong winds this past weekend, and holds a substantial lead in the series.  
Results:  
1. DHS  
2. Northwood  
3. Richards Bay



### BASKETBALL vs ST BENEDICTS (Gauteng)

|                 |     |     |      |    |
|-----------------|-----|-----|------|----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | DHS | 114 | St B | 54 |
| U16A            | DHS | 53  | St B | 23 |
| U15A            | DHS | 15  | St B | 21 |
| U14A            | DHS | 33  | St B | 44 |
| U14B            | DHS | 33  | St B | 14 |

### BASKETBALL vs NORTHWOOD

|                 |     |     |        |    |
|-----------------|-----|-----|--------|----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | DHS | 112 | N'wood | 49 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | DHS | 72  | N'wood | 13 |
| U15A            | DHS | 34  | N'wood | 3  |
| U15B            | DHS | 17  | N'wood | 9  |
| U14A            | DHS | 33  | N'wood | 24 |
| U14B            | DHS | 23  | N'wood | 13 |
| U14C            | DHS | 16  | N'wood | 16 |





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## The Weeks Ahead

### Friday 28 November

New Parents' Breakfast : AJ  
Human Room : 07h15

### Saturday 29 October

Cricket and Basketball vs  
Michaelhouse (a)  
Water Polo vs Michaelhouse (h)  
KZNA B League Athletics: Kings  
Park : 09h00

### Tuesday 1 November

Water Polo vs Thomas More (a)  
Football Awards Evening : 19h00 :  
AJ Human Room

### Wednesday 2 November

Basketball vs Kingsway (a)

### Friday 4 November

Café Concert : AJ Human Room :  
19h00  
Water Polo vs Hilton (h)

### Saturday 5 November

Cricket and Water Polo vs  
Kearsney (a)  
Basketball vs Kearsney (h)  
KZNA C League Athletics: Kings  
Park : 09h00

### Wednesday 9 November

Grades 8, 10 & 11 Exams Begin

### Friday 11 November

Armistice Day : Remembrance  
Ceremony : 11h00

### Thursday 17 November

Grade 9 Exams Begin

### Friday 18 November

Cricket Awards Dinner :  
AJ Human Room :  
18h30 for 19h00



## The Weekend's Fixtures

### CRICKET vs MICHAELHOUSE (A) : Saturday 27 October 2011

| TEAM               | TIME  | VENUE         | FORMAT   | COACH       |
|--------------------|-------|---------------|----------|-------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> XI | 09h30 | RG Oval (a)   | 50 Overs | Norton      |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI | 09h30 | Thoebald (h)  | 50 Overs | Coskey      |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI | 09h30 | Meadows (a)   | 30 Overs | Crasso      |
| U16A               | 09h30 | DHSOB (h)     | 50 Overs | Adam        |
| U16B               | 13h30 | Meadows (a)   | 30 Overs | Perks       |
| U15A               | 09h30 | Hannahs (a)   | 50 Overs | Gcilitshana |
| U15B               | 09h30 | Vlei (a)      | 50 Overs | Levin       |
| U15C               | 09h30 | Tarpeys (a)   | 30 Overs | Matthyssen  |
| U15D               | 13h30 | Willows (a)   | 30 Overs | Mabena      |
| U14A               | 09h30 | Punchbowl (a) | 50 Overs | Donaldson   |
| U14B               | 13h30 | Tarpeys (a)   | 30 Overs | Maungwa     |
| U14C               | 09h30 | Topfield (h)  | 30 Overs | Hlongwa     |
| U14D               | 13h30 | Topfield (h)  | 30 Overs | Mfusi       |
| U14E               | 09h30 | Willows (a)   | 30 Overs | Sibiya      |

### WATER POLO vs MICHAELHOUSE (H) : Saturday 27 October 2011

| TEAM            | TIME  | FORMAT   | TEAM            | TIME  | FORMAT   |
|-----------------|-------|----------|-----------------|-------|----------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | 11h45 | 4 x 8min | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 11h00 | 4 x 5min |
| U15A            | 10h15 | 4 x 5min | U14A            | 09h30 | 4 x 5min |

### BASKETBALL vs MICHAELHOUSE (A) : Saturday 27 October 2011

| TEAM            | TIME  | COURT | TEAM            | TIME  | COURT         |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-----------------|-------|---------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | 10h40 | 1     | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 09h30 | 2             |
| U16A            | 10h40 | 2     | U16B            | 10h40 | 3             |
| U15A            | 09h30 | 1     | U15B            | 10h40 | Outside court |
| U14A            | 09h30 | 3     | U14B            | 10h40 | Outside court |