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*Queen, on whose starry brow doth rest
The crown of perfect maidenhood,
The God who made thee, from thy breast
Drew, for our sakes, his earthly food.*

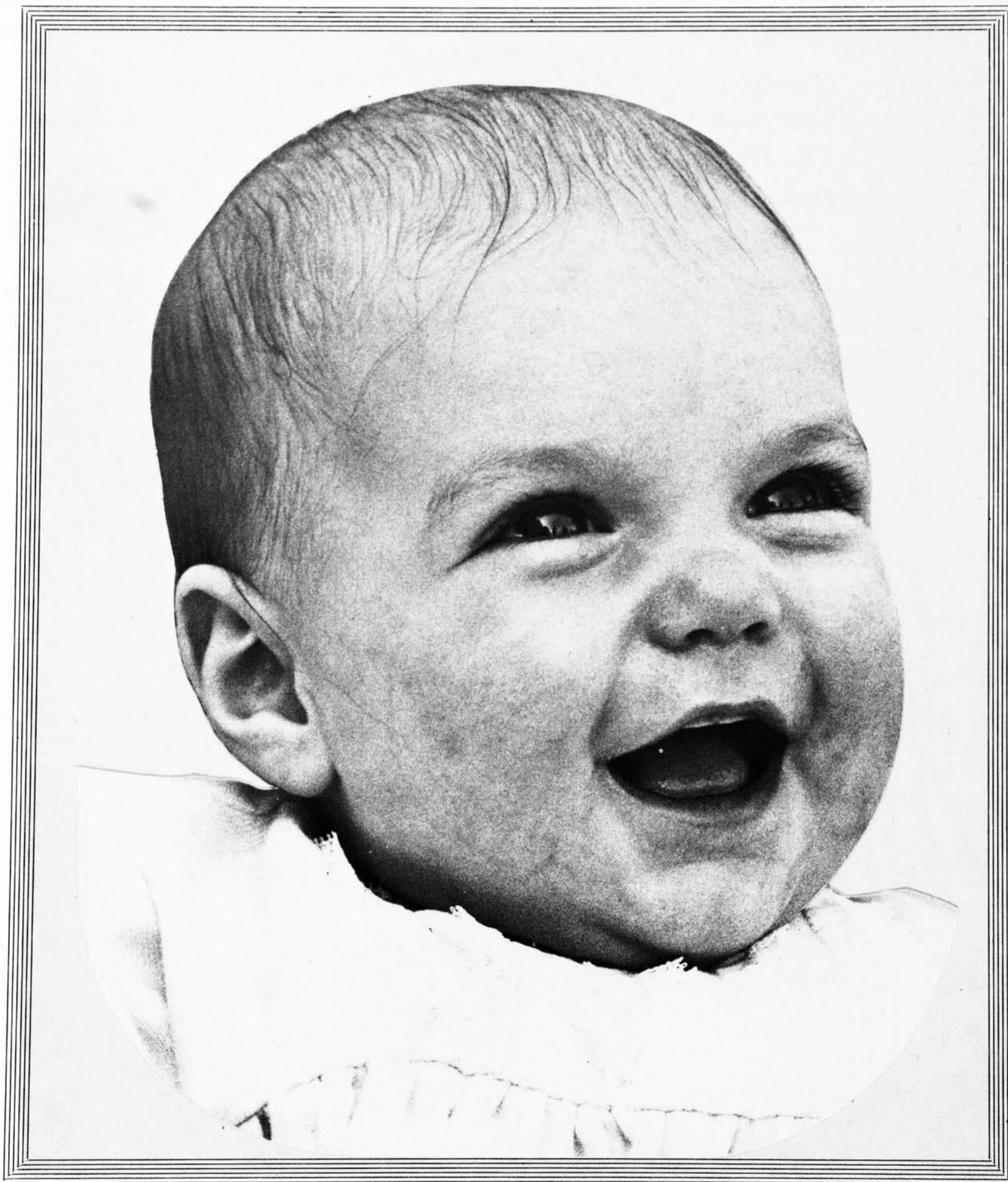
*The grace that sinful Eve denied,
With thy Child-bearing, reappears;
Heaven's lingering door, set open wide,
Welcomes the children of her tears.*

*Gate, for such royal progress meet,
Beacon, whose rays such light can give,
Look, how the ransomed nations greet
The virgin-womb that bade them live!*

*O Jesus, whom the Virgin bore,
Be praise and glory unto thee;
Praise to the Father evermore
And his life-giving Spirit be.*

Venantius Fortunatus 530 – 609
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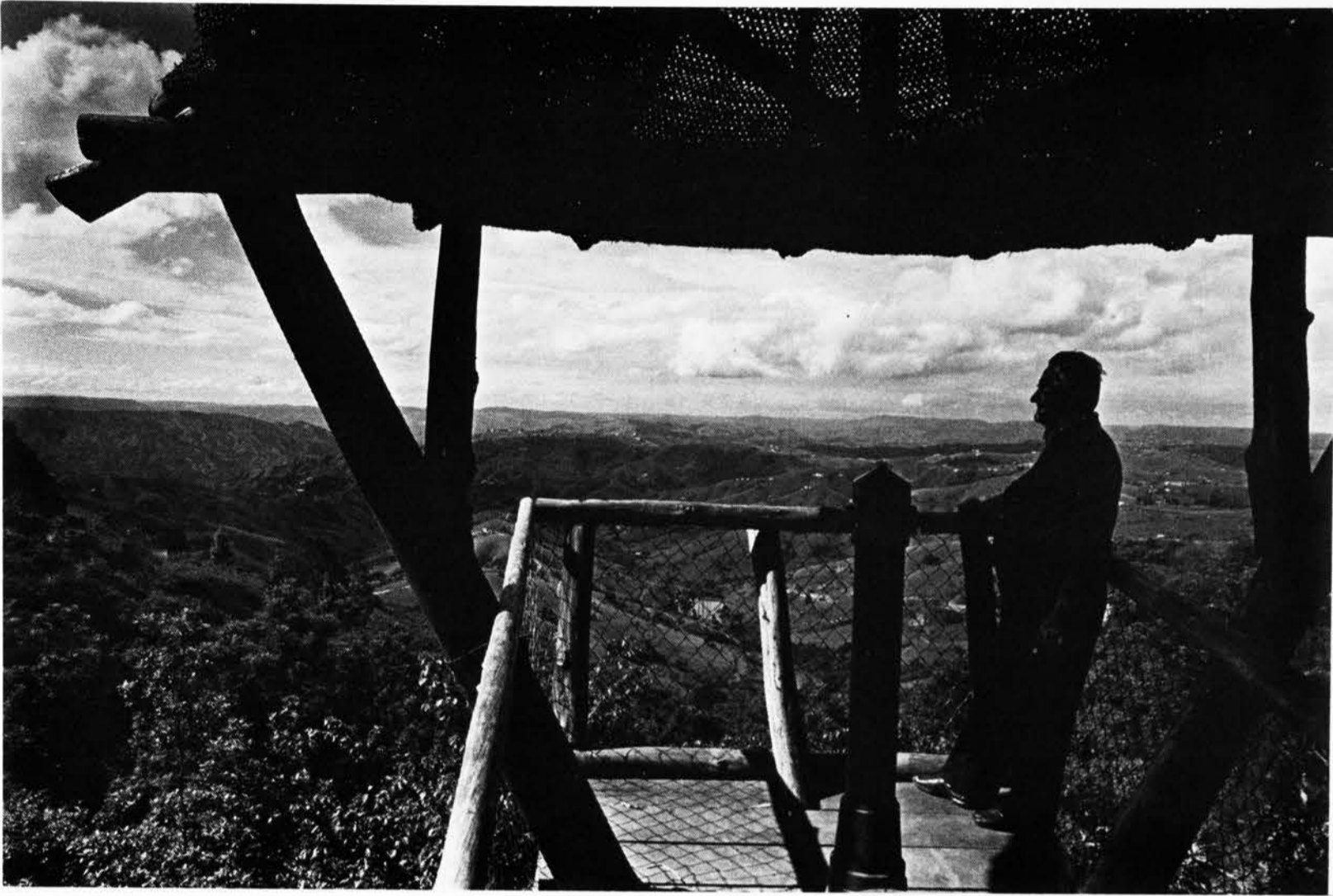


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This Issue is Dedicated
to
Mrs. N. Buckley-Jones



Editorial

In this year of 1978, the St. David's College Review pays special tribute to our beloved matron, Mrs. N. Buckley-Jones, who has contributed magnificently to the spirit of St. David's. She has given twenty two years of dedicated and loving service to the Brothers, the Staff and the Pupils of the College. Her willing, kind and gracious attention to the needs of all at any time of the day has been a source of Christian witness. During each day, Matron assisted in numerous other ways, helping to build St. David's into the fine school that it is. She is known and loved by generations of school boys and by all who have been involved with the school.

It, therefore gives us great pleasure to dedicate the 1978 St. David's College Review to our Matron as a token of our appreciation for her many years of untiring service.

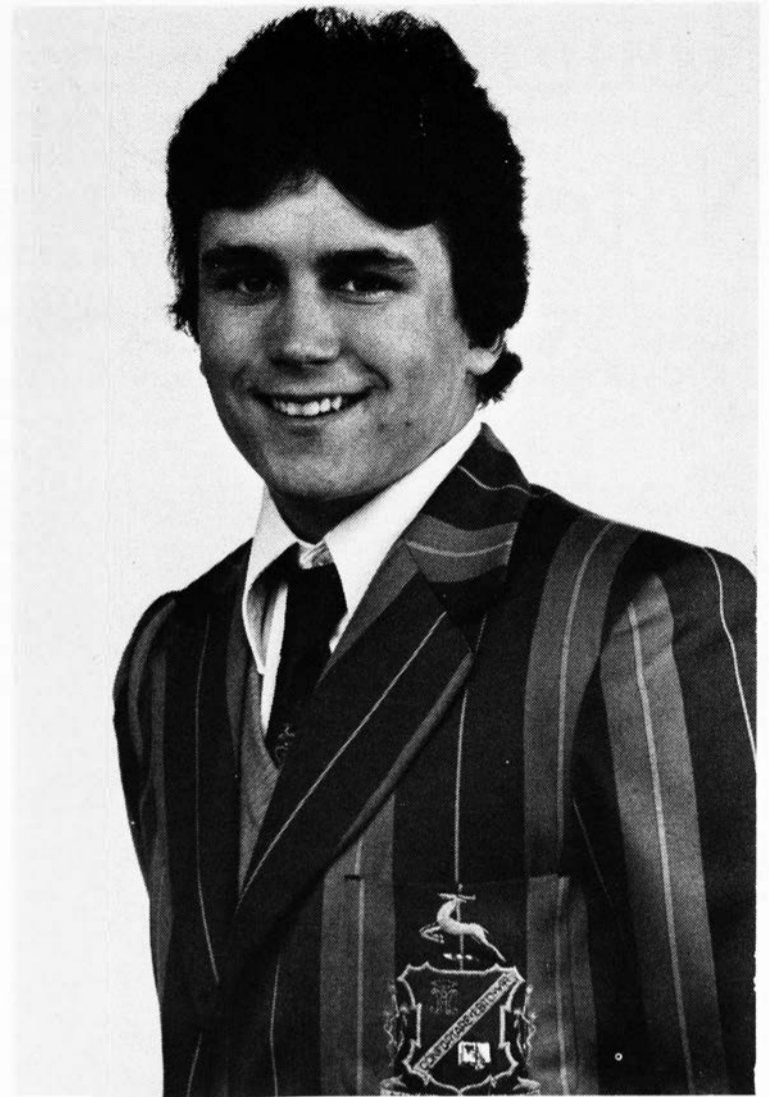
We have once again compiled a record of the happenings, the events and the experiences of a year's activities which help to build the traditions of St. David's. The St. David's College Review contains the facts, figures and reports which reflect the spirit of achievement and participation of those involved in the school. A strong Christian spirit was indeed strongly evident during the middle weeks of June when God took Michael Boic from among us so unexpectedly. The 1978 Review also pays tribute to two popes, Paul VI and John Paul I, and Brother Jordan, a former Provincial Superior of the Marist Brothers and a foundation member of staff at St. David's, who died during the year.

Message from the Head Boy

The highlight of my school career came at the end of 1977 when Brother Timothy appointed me Head Prefect for 1978. My delight and gratitude was tinged with a certain amount of apprehension due to the responsibilities and commitments I would have to carry. In this regard I would like to thank Brother Timothy for all his guidance and help, the staff, the two vice-head prefects, Mike Peel and Paddy Riley, and all the prefects for their extreme loyalty and support. I would also like to thank the matric group as a whole who were a loyal and united group who kept up a good spirit throughout the year.

I approach the end of my matric year with mixed feelings. I can truly say I have tried, and I hope I have lived up to the expectations of all those who have depended on me for my loyalty and support. I hope next year's prefect body and matric group enjoy their matric year as much as we have.

To all future matrics and all scholars of St. David's, I say "Be loyal to your school and fellow scholars!"



ANDREW SLAVEN – HEAD BOY 1978



PREFECT BODY

Back row – (left to right): *Brother Timothy (Headmaster), M. Lebos, A. Parry, M. Gonsalves, R. Zent, D. Smith.*
Front row: *L. Kourie, M. Peel, A. Slaven (Head Prefect), P. Riley, M. Hildyard.*

Religious Notes

We introduce our Religious Notes this year with some thoughts from Brother Othmar on VOCATIONS.

A VOCATION IN LIFE IS A CALL: the initiative is God's, not man's.

"He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy", declared Saint Paul when addressing the Ephesians. It is this understanding of VOCATION which constitutes the essential meaning of a sense of vocation – "Our hearts are restless and they will not rest until they rest in Thee" (St. Augustine). When viewed with this lively sense of God's providence and personal vocation, clarity of purpose and heroic responses to the needs of our times will abound in the Family, Church and State.

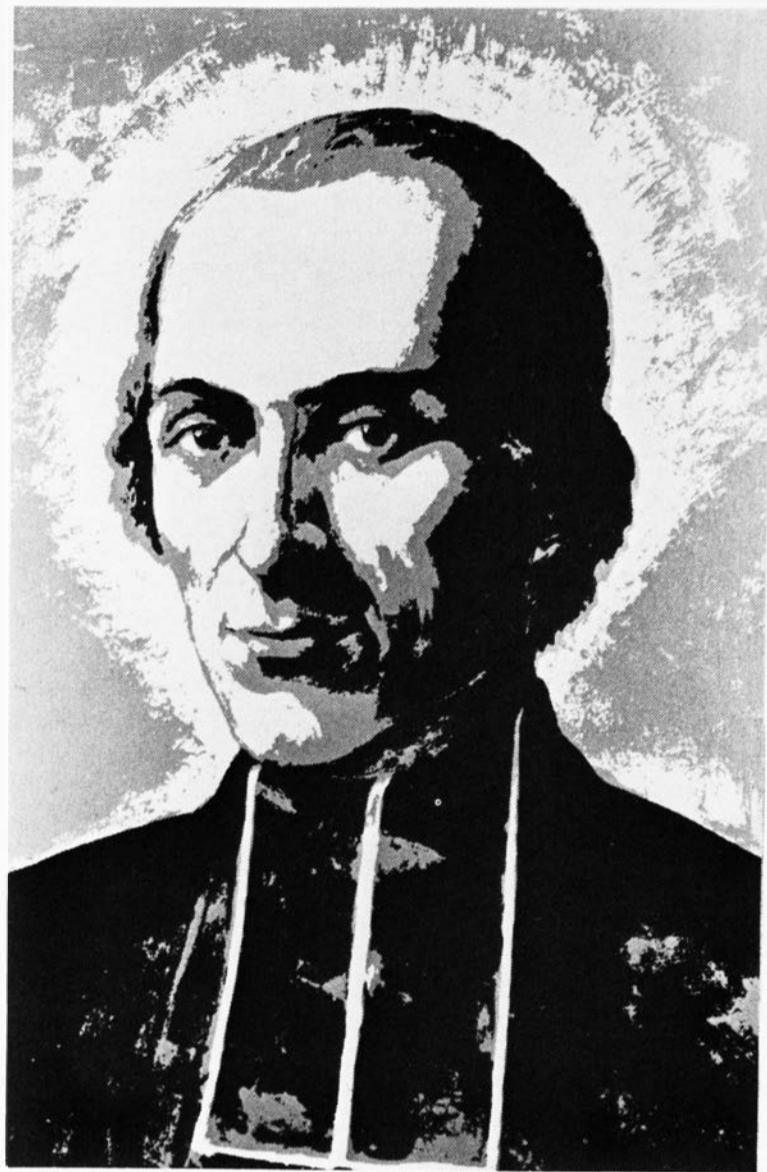
DO YOU SEARCH FOR GOD IN YOUR DAILY LIFE?

Now, I want to say something to you about Our Blessed Lady. After all, you attend a Marist School. Mary is the Model of the Christian Vocation.

But, you say, she was special, and she had special privileges and graces! So she did, and so do we all. Each of us gets the graces we need for our part in God's design, our participation in creation.

Mary was free to reject those graces. She was perfectly free when the Angel Gabriel announced God's plan to her. We too are free.

God decided Mary's part in the creation so obviously, but he decides our part no less really. How do we know what our part is?



Blessed Marcellin Champagnat

ALL VOCATIONS HAVE THREE PHASES:

(i) the announcement of God's plan for us; (ii) our understanding of God's will in our regard; (iii) our response. The three phases constitute one phenomenon, and to maintain a balance it is important not to over-emphasize any one aspect.

It is God who provides and carefully arranges millions of small occurrences throughout our lives which lead us towards our designated goal, if we co-operate. He has given us our TALENTS (which we have to develop), our PERSONALITIES (which we have to make attractive) and our CHARACTER (which we have to strengthen).

Our Lady heard her vocation while she was doing ordinary things, even though the manner of the announcement was extra-ordinary. So too, God gives us an indication of what He wished us to do with our lives within the framework of our ordinary lives and in familiar circumstances.

I ask you to pray often to Our Blessed Lord and to Mary for the necessary help in deciding your call in life. If you decide to become a priest or a brother just think of how many lives will be affected by that decision.

It is with these ideas and thoughts that Brother Othmar visited the College on two occasions this year. His visits involved talks and interviews with boys showing interest in the vocation to the Priesthood and the Religious Life.

Brother Othmar was favourably impressed with the spirit, attitude and response of the boys. During his second visit, a 'VOCATIONS EVENING' was arranged. This included a Vocations Prayer Service, a discussion and an informal get-together for tea. With this renewed interest in a life of dedication to the service of the Church, we look forward to God calling boys from St. David's to serve Him in the priesthood and religious life.

A SCHOOL MISSION is a great spiritual campaign. It provides us with an opportunity to renew our FAITH. Renewal means taking one's faith seriously. Those who



Fathers J. Corrigan, J. McCauley and J. Harding C.Ss.R.

practise their Faith find a mission of great spiritual benefit. Those who do not . . . or who doubt or question their Faith, or who find their Faith growing weak, find Our Lord searching for them during a mission. He loves them. Our Lord said, "The Good Shepherd must go in search of the sheep that go astray." It is so easy in today's world to lose one's Faith. It can be very easily regained or strengthened, if we give God a chance.

Such an opportunity was given to the boys of the Senior School during a school MISSION, conducted in the early part of the second term by Fathers J. McCauley, J. Corrigan and J. Harding, C.Ss.R. The Mission involved talks, discussions, films, prayer services, the sacraments of Penance and Holy Eucharist. The Mission concluded with a joint Holy Mass for the entire Senior School during which an Act of Dedication was made by the Head Prefect. Symbols of the boys' involvement in school life were brought to the altar during the Offertory by the various school leaders. This was a fitting climax to a Mission which made a great impact on the spiritual Life of the school.

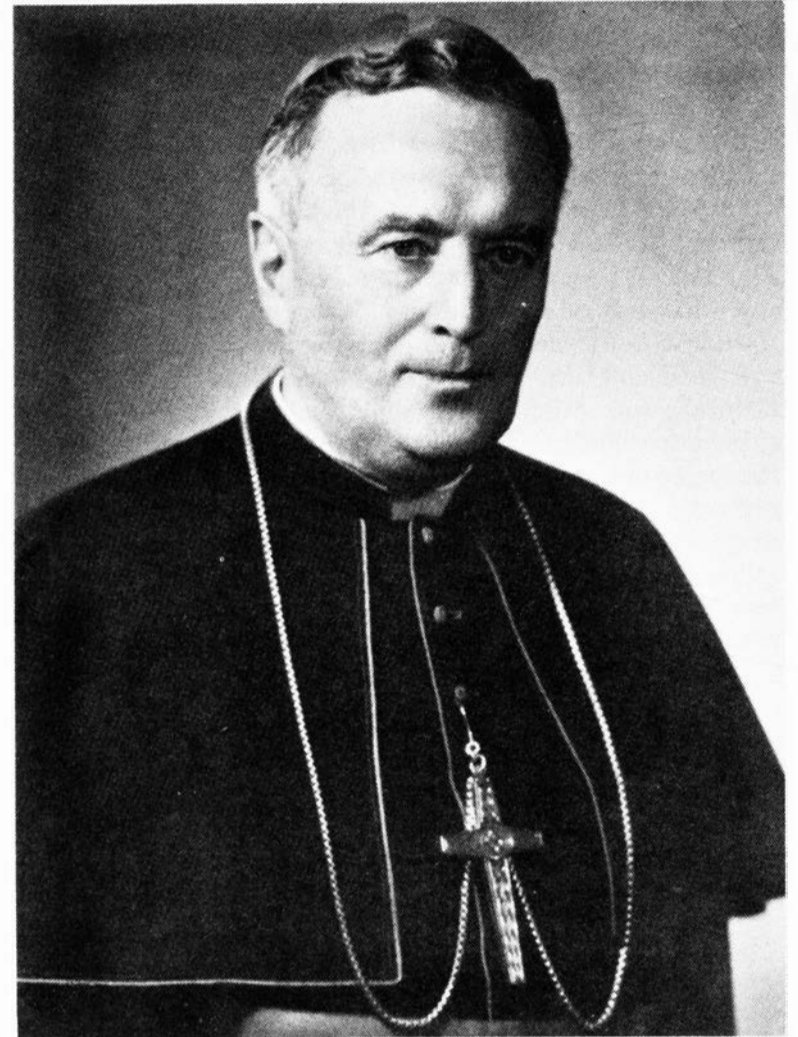
THE MONTH OF MAY was highlighted this year by special **MAY DEVOTIONS** in honour of Our Blessed Lady. A May altar was specially erected in the school hall. The



Father A. Plesters – College Chaplain

beautiful statue of Our Lady of Fatima, which appears as our frontispiece was given pride of place. Each morning the boys and members of staff came together before the statue of Mary 'As Our Ordinary Resource' to pray to and honour Mary in a special way. Month of May devotions are traditional in Marist schools.

On the twenty-ninth of May we held a Candle-Light Procession of Our Lady from the main entrance of the school to the Chapel. During this procession the Lourdes Hymn was sung. This was followed by Holy Mass in honour of the feast of the VISITATION. At the end of Mass the congregation made an Act Of Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary Assumed Into Heaven, with lighted candles and a darkened chapel.



His Grace, Archbishop J. Fitzgerald O.M.I.

We would like to thank our matron, Mrs. Buckley-Jones for looking after the flowers at the May Alter throughout the month. Mr. Erdis made a very suitable platform to carry the Madonna during the May Procession. We thank him. We also thank all those who attended this climax to the month-of May Devotions.

CHAMPAGNAT DAY, Feast of Blessed Marcellin, was celebrated by St. David's with a solemn Holy Mass at the Rosebank Catholic Church, on 6 June. The entire school, parents and friends, joined together in praising and thanking God for the achievements of His servant, Marcellin Champagnat. The Mass was concelebrated by Father Plesters (College Chaplain) and Father Tom Kelly (Parish Priest). Father Kelly preached the homily in which he emphasised SERVICE.

The Champagnat Day collection realised a total of R650.00. This was a very good effort and we thank all our benefactors. This annual collection helps to further the education of the poor, a cause very dear to Blessed Marcellin. This year the proceeds were given to the Schools Mission Feeding Scheme of the diocese of Johannesburg. This scheme provides meals for children who arrive at school without any breakfast and no chance of having any lunch. In this small way our solidarity with the needs of the poor has been expressed.

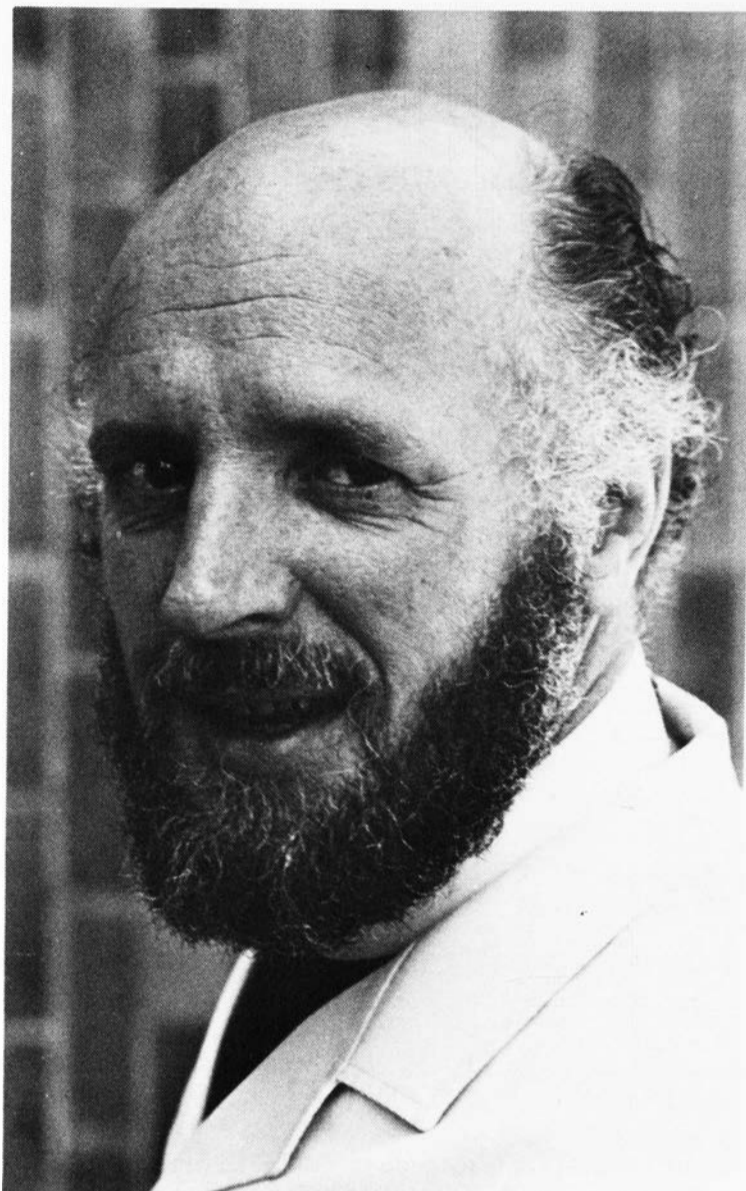
We wish to record our very sincere thanks to Mrs. June Kourie for the beautiful floral decorations at the Champagnat Day Mass. We also thank our concelebrants. We are gratefully appreciative of the use of the parish church for this important Marist occasion. Thank you, Father Kelly. **OUR VISITORS** included Maryse and Steve Barak, Father Peter Stein, Mr. Ash of the Legion Of Mary and Miss Hilary Dods and Mr. Duncan McLea of the Scripture Union In Private Schools. We thank all these good people for giving of their time and for providing the boys with worthwhile food for thought.

In preparation for the Sacred Triduum of Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday, the boys followed the **"WAY OF THE CROSS"** in the college chapel. The Standard Nine and Ten Boys staged a 'Play Reading' of **"CHRIST ON TRIAL"** on Wednesday of Holy Week. This was well attended and provided a fitting preparation for the commemoration of the happenings during the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Christ. Our thanks to Mrs. T. Elliot for preparing the boys for "Christ On Trial".

THE MONTHLY MARIIST FAMILY MASSES continue to bring the wider Marist Family together to worship God. These are very well attended and fulfil both a spiritual and a social need of the Marist Community.

The Parents Teachers Association has redecorated the college Chapel in the Marist colours. This has been very tastefully done and the Chapel is a "showpiece". We express our sincere thanks to the P.T.A. A new organ has also been aquired for the chapel, due to the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. John Moni. The organ was given for their sons, Peter, John and Paul, and in memory of Adrian, tragically killed in a motor accident. We thank Mr. and Mrs. Moni.

WEDNESDAY MORNING MASSES before school have been started to give the boys the opportunity of attending Holy Mass on a voluntary basis. These masses have been well attended. We are confident that the boys will gain tremendous spiritual benefit from this.



Father P. Stein



Duncan Nelsa and Hilary Dods

Paul VI —

John Paul I

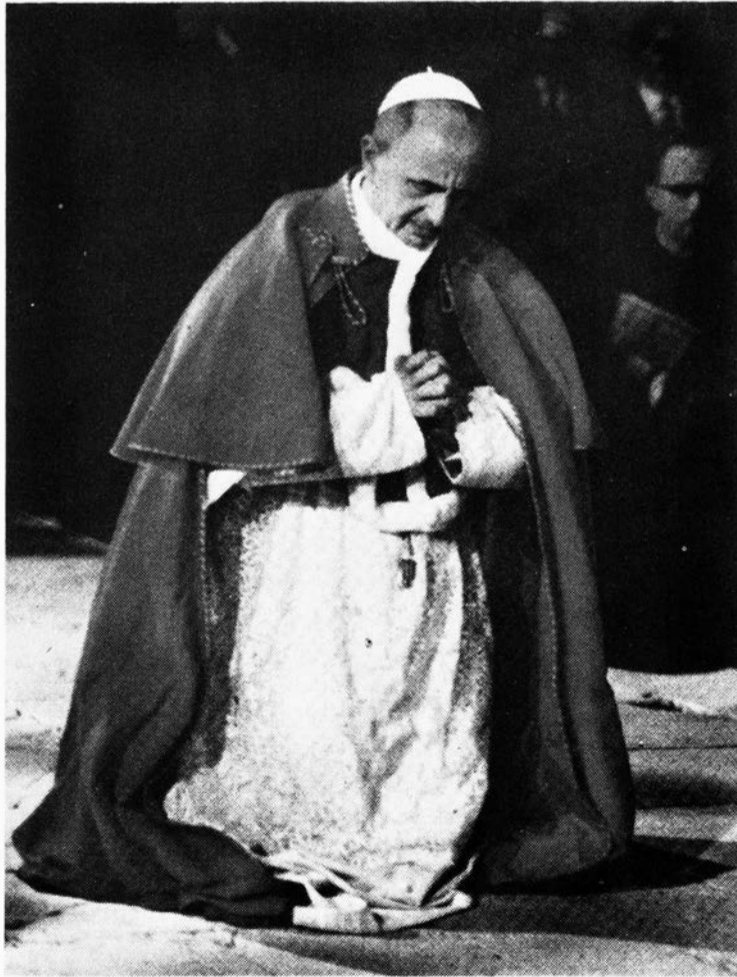
Vicar of Jesus Christ; Supreme Pontiff of the Universal Church; Patriarch of the West; Bishop of Rome and Servant of the Servants of God — these are amongst the many titles that impose unique burdens on the Pope, the anointed spiritual leader of the world's 700 million Roman Catholics, the world's largest body of Christians.

On Sunday 6 August 1978 Giovanni Battista Montini, His Holiness Pope Paul VI, suffered a heart attack after hearing mass in bed at Castel Gandolfo. Soon after, Pope Paul, aged 80, died, laying down the burden.

He had assumed the Papal tiara in 1963 in the midst of the Second Vatican Council. So many words have been written about this man, his viewpoints and his work that people forget Paul, the man.

Throughout his life he pushed his frail body regularly through a schedule that lasted from 6 in the morning till midnight. His warnings hid his deep compassion for individuals. He could not, like Pope John XXIII give mankind an indiscriminate embrace, but he could be surprisingly open in small audiences. His words to a band of rock musicians could apply to many of the youth nowadays — "We are aware of the values you seek" he told them, "spontaneity, sincerity, liberation from certain conventional restrictions, the need to be yourselves and to interpret the demands of your time."

He was the first Pope to leave Europe, travelling more than 70,000 miles visiting every continent, except Antarctica; the first to come to grips with Communism and meet Communist leaders; the first to meet with members of other Christian churches. He said 'yes' to more changes than any other Pope since the 16th century Council of Trent.



Paulus P.P. VI —

Yet when one thinks of the late Pope Paul VI, his encyclical, "Humanae Vitae" springs to mind. Far be it for us to argue or debate the merits of the church's teaching, yet one point must be made. "Humanae Vitae" was not a stubborn, wilful decision, it was rather the work of a Pastor deeply concerned by the erosion of moral values.

Pope Paul VI led the Church through a difficult and revolutionary time. For all his faults or mistakes, for all his triumphs and successes, the late Pope Paul held the Church together through a difficult and stormy time. His last words were to the effect that the death of a Pope is like that of others, "but it can teach men something."

At 9.40 p.m. he died, so peacefully it first appeared he had fallen asleep. A man of compassion and love, a man of deep spirituality and religiousness, a man who carried the weight of the Papacy like Christ's cross, had died.

Despite Paul's premonitions, despite his advanced age, despite the intense speculation on his possible successor, the Church is never ready for a Papal death.

Preparations were already underway for Paul's funeral and the conclave to elect a new Pope when the church bells in Rome began their slow measured death toll.

The Cardinals met, confusion reigned over the colour of the smoke and then Catholics were introduced to their new Pope: Albino Cardinal Luciani, Patriarch of Venice; surprise Pope and smiling leader of 700 million people.

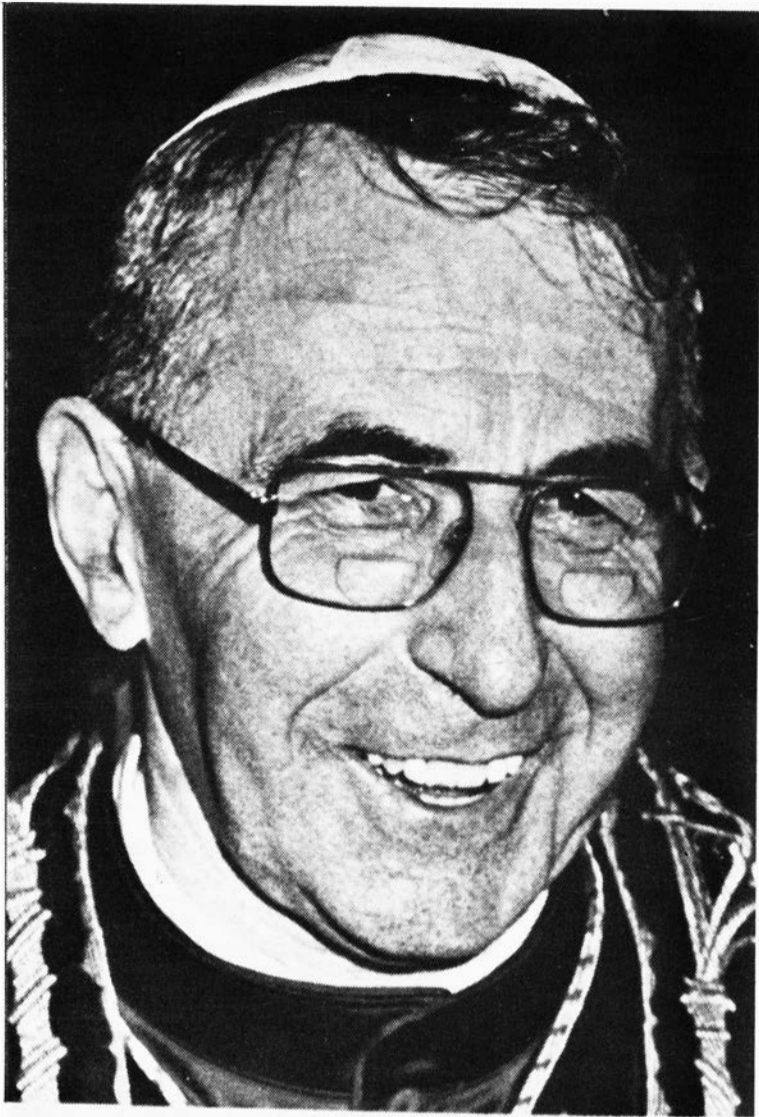
In the space of a few weeks, Pope John-Paul I has gained tremendous popularity and has established a 'raport' with Catholics all over the world. His basic simplicity is an encouragement to Catholics worldwide. This simplicity and humility was shown on the second day of his Pontificate in his address to the crowd at St. Peter's Square: Pope John-Paul used the first person singular 'I' and not the royal (or Papal) 'we'. He was enthroned — not crowned. Unlike his predecessors, the new Pontiff has never been a Vatican diplomat — he has spent most of his life in the horrible and poverty stricken area of North Eastern Italy where he was born on October 17, 1912. But he is precisely the man the Church is looking for, a pastor who shepherds his flock with concern, compassion and a profound sense of the spiritual.

He is the Archbishop who, as Patriarch of Venice rode from one parish church to another — on a bicycle because no car could be found. He declared that the "true treasures of the Church are the poor" and thereupon disposed of church gold and jewels to raise funds to aid the handicapped — then auctioned his official bishop's ring to raise money for charities.

Through sympathising with the straits that many of the world's poor are driven to, he couldn't condone Communism saying: "Marxism is incompatible with Christianity." He is against divorce, abortion and women priests. He advised Pope Paul to accept certain contraceptive methods in the '60's' but as soon as Humanae Vitae was issued, the Patriarch of Venice was amongst the first to insist the doubters assent. Thus he can follow — which is a prerequisite for a leader.

He is no rigid 'sticker' in his approach to new scientific issues. When the first test-tube baby was born and some Catholic theologians condemned the experiment, Luciani said in an interview, "I extend my warmest wishes to the English girl. As for the parents, I have no right to condemn them. Subjectively, if they acted in good faith, and with good intentions they could gain great merit before God." He went on to warn of the dangers that could lie ahead and said that "The individual conscience must always be followed, but the individual must make an effort to have a well formed conscience.

Conscience does not indeed have the duty of creating law, but of informing itself first on what the law of God dictates."



Papa Giovanni Paolo I

He is severe to those in authority and in positions of responsibility who question the teaching of the Church.

Cardinal Carlo Confalonieri said of him, "He is a Bishop who reflects a lot, writes well and speaks well. The Church has chosen well."

Indeed it has, Pope John-Paul I takes the papacy back to St. Peter and his simple and direct approach. This is what the Church needs. We have a leader not a ruler.

Message of Pope Paul VI to the Marist Brothers – 4 April, 1973.

It is a great pleasure for us to welcome the group of Marist Brothers of the Schools, who are present at this audience. We extend to you, beloved sons, our greetings and grace and peace in the Lord. We wish also to assure you of our esteem for you and for the apostolate to which you are dedicated in the Church of Christ. Never forget how much depends on your fidelity to your vocation and on the leadership which you are called upon to fulfil with great responsibility. Remember also that your lives have great meaning, and that you are serving the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a way that is most special.

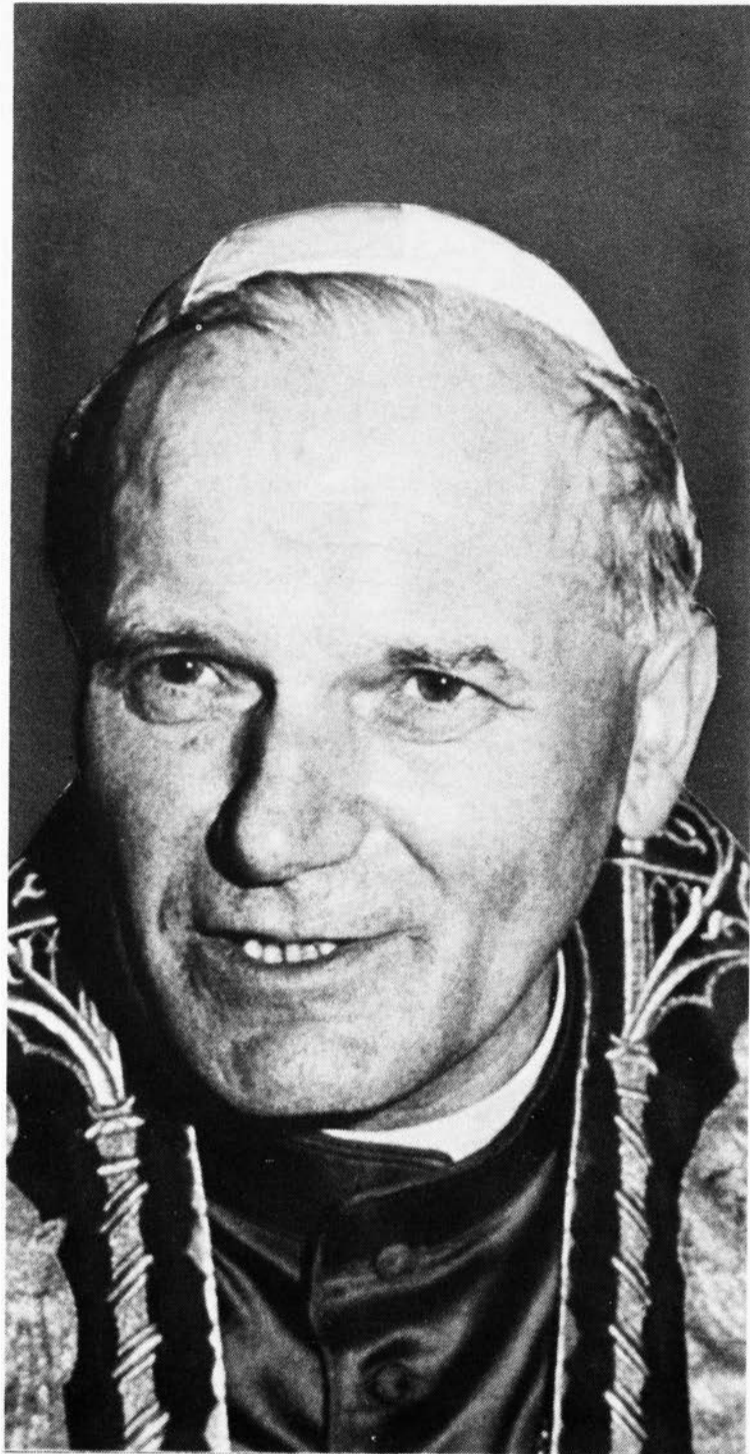
With our Apostolic Blessing.

The Death of Pope John Paul I

The article above on the death of Paul VI and the election of John Paul I had barely been completed and sent to the Printer, than we received the stunning news of the death of Pope John Paul I on the 28 September 1978.

This warm, friendly smiling man made a tremendous impact on the world from the moment he appeared on the balcony overlooking St. Peter's square after his election. God's purpose in this very brief pontificate of John Paul will gradually become clearer with the aid of our Christian faith as time passes. Time will reveal the love and goodness of God as portrayed in Pope John Paul I.

We pay tribute to Pope John Paul as a man of God and we pray that God will bring him to everlasting happiness in union with the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. May he rest in peace. Amen.



The Headmaster, Staff and Pupils of St David's College offer prayers and Congratulations on the election of Pope John Paul II. May God Bless him and guide him in his work and may our Holy Mother watch over him.

Brother Jordan



The Marist Brothers in South Africa suffered a great loss with the sudden death of Brother Jordan on July 24th 1978. He collapsed and died while attending a refresher course for Mathematics teachers at the University of Port Elizabeth;

Except for a short period in hospital some years ago Brother Jordan has always led a very active life. At the time of death he was mathematics master to the Standard 8 and Standard 9 classes at the Marist College in Walmer, where he was also Officer Commanding the school cadet detachment.

Brother Jordan was born in Germany in 1921. He joined the Marist Brothers at an early age and did his initial training at the Marist International Novitiate in Turin, Italy. In 1937, shortly before making his first vows, he came to South Africa.

During his forty years in South Africa Brother Jordan dedicated himself with great enthusiasm to the teaching of youth involving himself in all facets of education. Besides teaching a variety of subjects he was a keen sportsmaster, an efficient cadet officer, and an able administrator. He was Principal in turn at the Marist Colleges in Rondebosch, Observatory, Walmer and Pietermaritzburg. He also served as Provincial Superior for six years.

Like all good teachers, Brother Jordan was a good student. He believed in continually updating his knowledge and teaching methods. In 1955 he was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Education for his thesis on the History of the Marists Brothers in South Africa. In 1958 he was awarded his M.Ed degree.

In the words of Brother Gerard, Principal at Walmer where Brother Jordan was working when he died, "Brother Jordan had many enduring human qualities. He was always thoughtful and considerate towards his fellows. He had a tremendous flair for organisation. He was a dedicated teacher and an exemplary Brother. Above all he was a man of prayer. He will be sorely missed by his many friends and past pupils".

Michael Boic

On the morning of the 10 June, we received the very sad news of the untimely death of Michael Boic. He had been killed in the early hours of the morning while taking his friend, Richard, home. As always, Michael had been serving the needs of a friend.

I had the privilege of informing Mr and Mrs Boic of the death of Michael. I shall always remember the deep Christian faith with which they received the sad news and with which they accepted their deep loss. I was in my religious habit. Mr Boic pointed to my crucifix and said, "Brother, I believe in Him. Michael lives on and we will be re-united with him!" This was indeed a sincere lesson in Christian witness to the acknowledgement of the will of God.

On Monday the 12 June, a memorial service for Michael was held in the College chapel. Mr and Mrs Boic, his family and friends joined the Senoir School boys in praying for the repose of Michael's soul. His funeral Mass was concelebrated by Father A. Plesters and Father J. Perovic O.F.M. in the Rosebank Parish Church on Thursday the 15 June. The Rosebank Convent Choir sang most movingly during the Requiem Mass. We are most grateful to Sister Imelda and the girls for their wonderful contribution to this touching ceremony. A large number of Michael's fellow school mates, his teachers and Old Boys of the College joined Mr and Mrs Boic and the family in the Church to bid farewell to a son, to a brother and to a friend. At 3.30 p.m. Michael was finally laid to rest at West Park cemetery. During these days of sadness a spirit of Christian love, hope and faith was strongly evident in the school. Indeed a fitting tribute to the person we all knew as Mike.

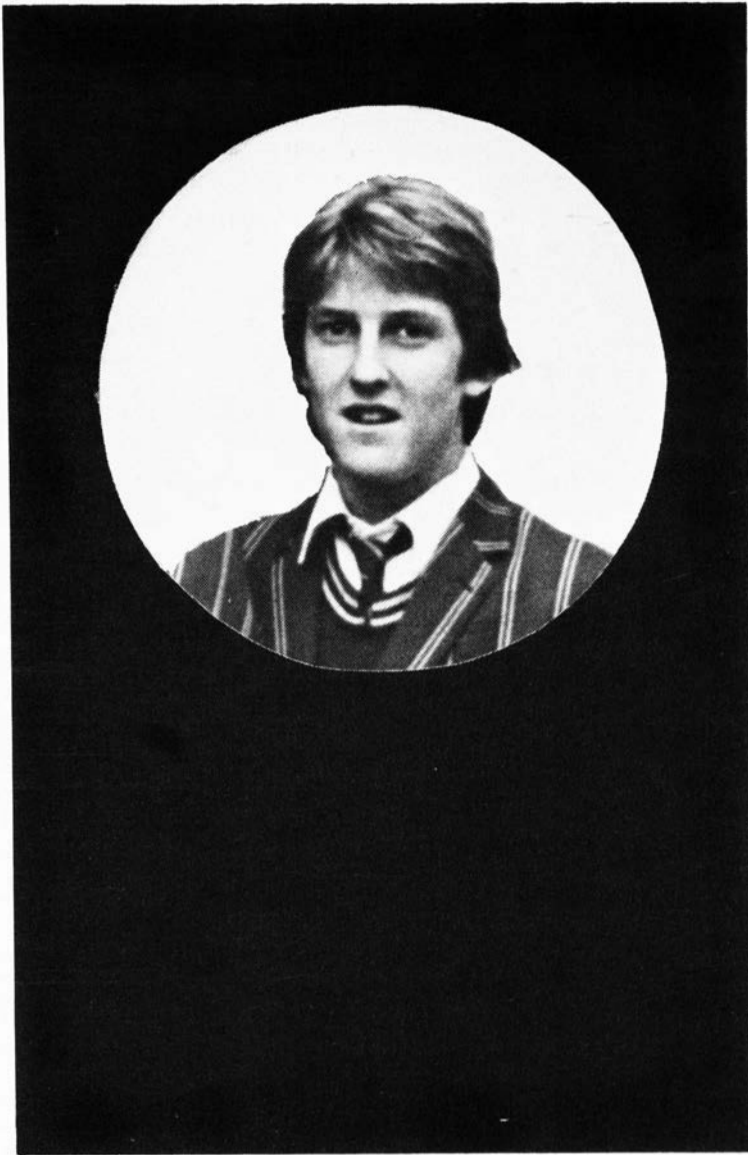
How shall I remember Michael? He was a boy who always struggled with his class work. Despite this, he endeared himself to all his teachers with his top button undone, his tie slightly down and his open, friendly and carefree approach to life. I might add that, as he lay in his coffin in full school uniform waiting for the final inspection, his button was done up and his tie was smartly pushed up. I saw Michael on the Friday afternoon before he died and he was in high spirits after a difficult week. One of his close friends remarked that Michael was happy that night and I firmly believe he was ready to go to God.

Michael undoubtedly made his mark at St. David's on the sports fields. He represented his school with credit in the First XI and the First XV. He was a fine team man who showed great courage. It is fitting that he will be remembered at the College through two trophies – one for the 'Rugby Player of the Year' and the other for the 'Inter-House Cricket Competition'. I sincerely thank those who contributed to these trophies.

I include below tributes to Michael from two of his teachers.

Mike

Since the Standard 8's and I decided to publish a newspaper, we have suffered a tragic loss – Mike was killed. We debated what we should do. But then I remembered



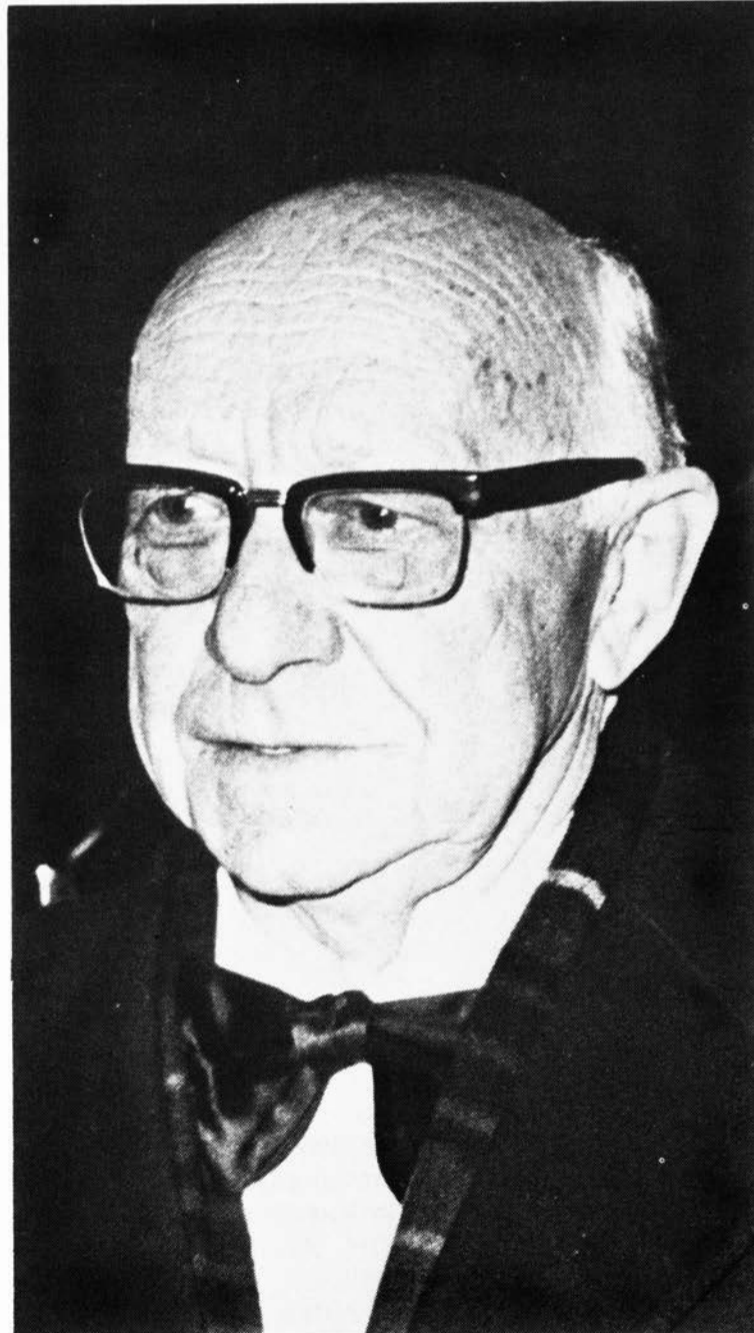
I finish off this tribute to Michael with the recessional hymn which was beautifully sung by the Rosebank Convent Choir at his Requiem Mass.

Now Into Paradise, May His Angels Lead You.

Now into Paradise may his angels lead you,
And martyrs at your coming bid you welcome,
And to the Holy City bring you safely,
Jerusalem.

Be there a choir of angels to receive you,
And may you find with him who once was needy,
The poor man Laz'rus of the Gospel story,
Eternal rest.

May Michael's soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.



President N. Diederichs

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Gary Perlman

Towards the end of August, within hours of each other, two of Africa's foremost Presidents passed away. Both were men of strong character and belief and they both actively fought for the creation of a national identity for their respective countries.

Dr Nicholaas Diederichs, State President of the Republic of South Africa will be remembered by most of the younger South Africans as a friendly, dedicated and hard

laughing, nappy-go-lucky, tear-away Mike and I could almost hear him say, "Oh Miss! Let them publish, give the school a laugh, and let the Standard 8's off homework for the rest of the week." I don't know about the homework, Mike, but God bless you for the laughs you gave all of us who taught you and may your soul rest in peace.

Mrs. G. Elliot (Michael's class teacher and English teacher)

Requiem

he was walking to class
worried
preoccupied
Smile I said
it might never happen

he turned
looked back
and smiled
a sorrow-filled apologetic smile
but one of comradeship
understanding
with a trace of thanks
for noticing

perhaps whatever it was
the trouble which filled his thoughts
perhaps his fears were allayed
during the course of the day
THE day
the last day
if not, we can smile
a sorrow-filled apologetic smile
and whisper don't worry Mike
it won't ever happen

Mr P. Habberton (Michael's First XI coach)

working man who tried to promote goodwill amongst all South Africans.

To many older South Africans he will be remembered as a tough and hardline supporter of the Afrikaaner cause and in later years as a tireless campaigner for the cause of gold.

Dr Diederichs was born in the Free State town of Ladybrand in 1903. He was educated at the Boshoff High School and The Grey University College in Bloemfontein. After receiving his MA degree, he went to study at the universities of Cologne, Berlin, Munich and at Leydon where he received the degree of D. Litt et Phil cum laude.

He began his academic career in 1928 as lecturer in political science and philosophy at the University College of the Orange Free State. In 1938 he was appointed Professor. He made his political debut in 1948 by winning the Randfontein seat for the National Party. He served as Minister of Economic Affairs from 1958 to 1967. Between '61 and '64 he was also Minister of Mines. From '67 - '75 he served as Minister of Finance. In '74 he was also elected Leader of the House of Assembly.

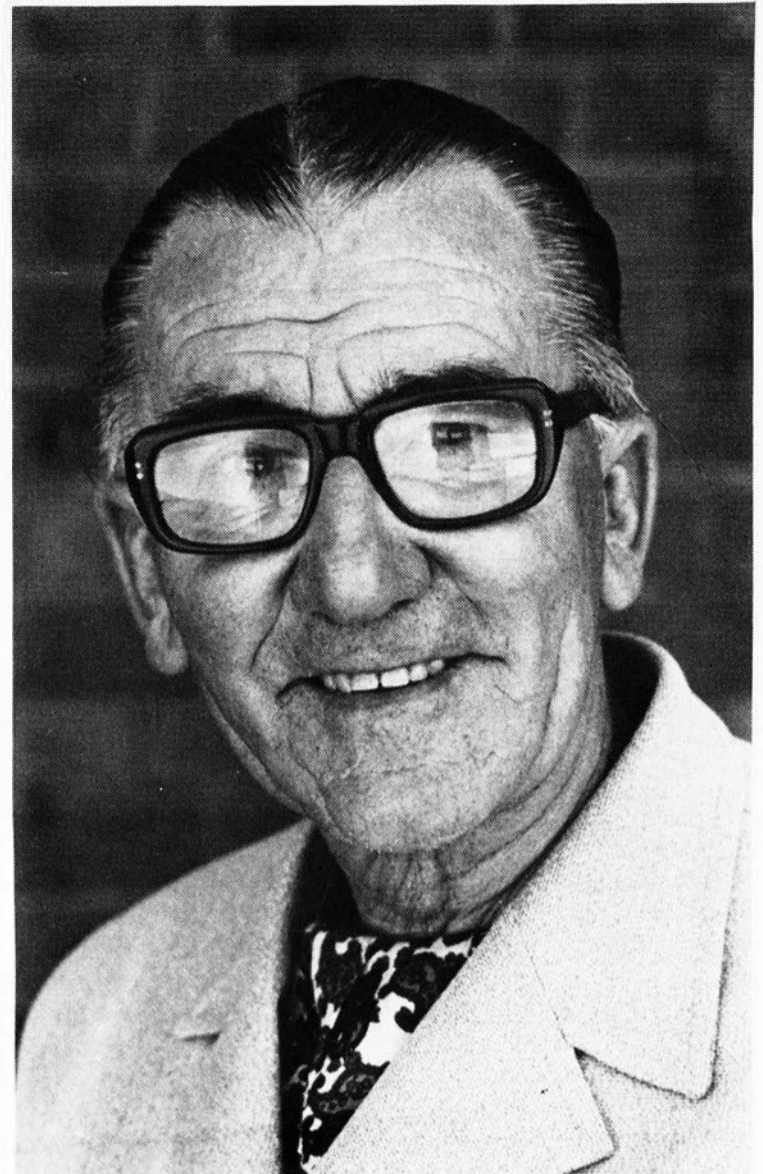
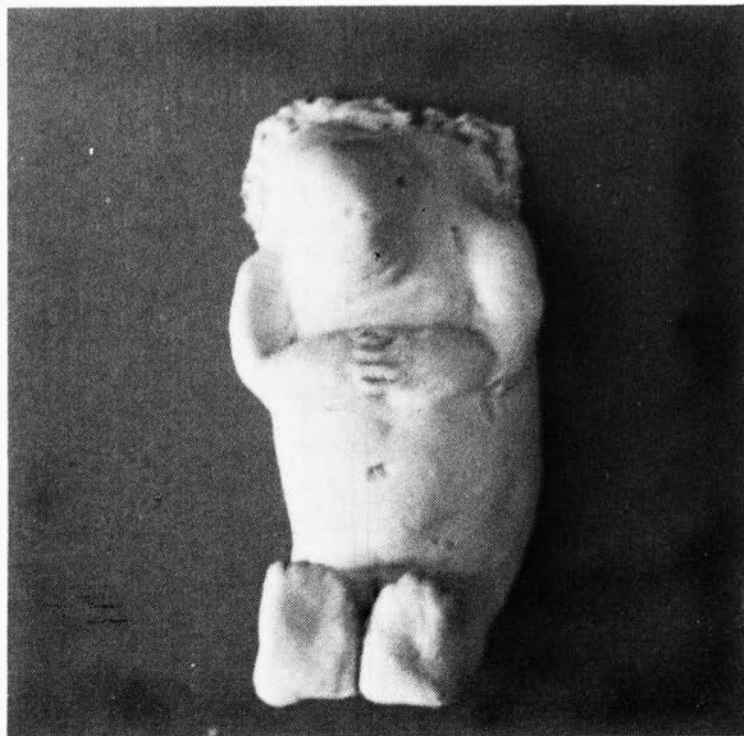
As a young man he became one of the leading exponents of the Afrikaaner Nationalism that brought Dr. D.F. Malan to power in 1948. As Director of the Redingsdaadbond - a position he assumed in '40, he became the chief architect in the rise of the Afrikaaners in an English controlled urban industrialising economy.

Dr. Diederichs believed that South Africa's economy was among the soundest in the world. He did not hesitate to take unpopular steps - such as sales taxation and savings levies, if he regarded them necessary. During this time he continued, unabated by criticism from the outside world, to prove that gold is the supreme world currency. It is ironical that as his life neared an end, the gold price smashed the 200 dollar an ounce mark thus realising his strong confidence in gold.

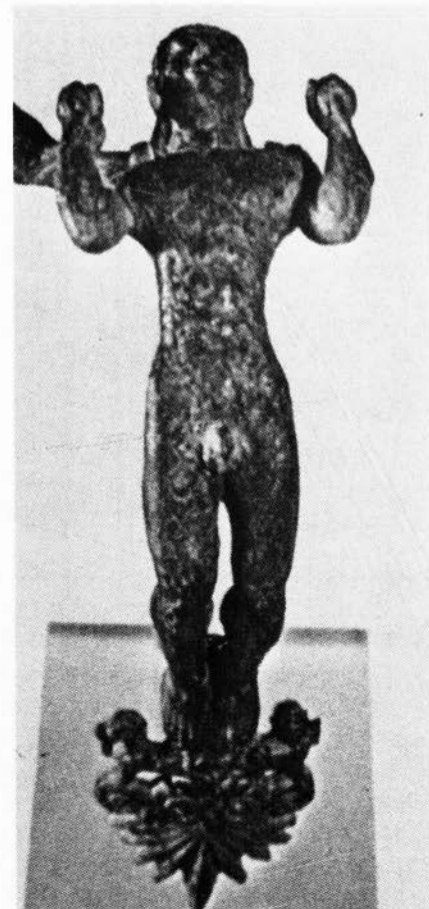
His economic brilliance brought him recognition from all over the world. In 1973 he was awarded the Order of The Knight of the Great Cross by the Italian Government. In 1974, he was awarded the Order of Merit by Paraguay, and a gold medal by the City Council of Paris. He also received the Freedom of the Cities of Paris and New Orleans. In 1975 he received South Africa's highest award, the Decoration for Meritorious Service.

Dr. Diederichs, or Mr Gold as he was popularly known, will be mourned by all South Africans.

He was brilliant and hardworking, but above all, he was a truly great and dedicated President.



Dr. Jack and his team have been visiting the non-Catholic students in Standards 9 and 10 regularly on a Thursday during the R.I. period. We thank them sincerely for helping to stimulate R.I. at St. David's.



Matriculation Results 1977

	English	Afrikaans	Latin	Mathematics	Phys. Science	Biology	History	Geography	French	Italian	Result
Aldous, A.	P*	1*		P*	1*	P*	P*				S*
Anderson, C. R.	1*	1*		P*	P*	P*		1*			S*
Aust, R. D.	P*	P*			P	P		P*			S
Berti, V.	P*			P	P*	P*		P*		1	S*
Boic, J. C.	P*	P*			P	P	P				S
Branscombe, T. J.	1*	P*		P*	P*	P*		1*			S*
Breckell, K. J.	D*			D*	D*	1*	1*				S*
Denham, P.	1*	P*		P*	P*	P	P*				S*
Erleigh, N. R.	P*	P*		P	P	P	P*				S
Favretto, P. M.	P*			P*	P*	P		P*		D	S*
Foy, S. C.	D*	1*	P*	1*	1*		1*				S*
Freeman, G. J.	P*	P*		P	P*	P*	P*				S*
Harding, N. N.	P*	P*		P	P*	P*	P				S*
Hartog, L. I.	P*	P*		P*	P*	P		P*			S*
Heatlie, G. R.	P*	1*		P*	P*	P*	P*				S*
Holford, R. D.	P	P		P	P*	P					S
John, R. P.	1*	1*		P*	1*	P*	P*				S*
Jordan, A. R.	P*			P*	1*		P*	1*	P		S*
Kourie, J. M.	1*	P		P	1*	P	1*				S*
Lewis, R. H.	P*	P*		P*	1*	P*	P*				S*
Marneweck, P. J.	P*	P*		P	P	P		P			S
Meier, P. R. W.	P*	1*		P*	P*	P*		1*			S*
Minucci, S. F. A.	1*	1*		1*	1*	1*	1*				S*
Moni, P. A. V.	P*	P*		P	P*	P		P			S
Morrison, J. D.	P*	P*		P*	P*	P*		P*			S*
Nicholson, D. G. M.	P*	P*		P	P*	P*		P*			S*
Nicol, M. J.	1*	D*	D*	D*	D*		1*				S*
Paterson, M. R. E.	1*	D*	1*	D*	1*			1*			S*
Ralphs, P. D.	P*	P*		P	P*	P		P			S
Reeves, A. E. P.	1*	1*	P*	1*	1*		1*				S*
Richardson, C. A.	1*	P*	P*	P*	1*		1*				S*
Robertson, G. W.	1*	1*	P*	P*	1*		P*				S*
Rowlinson, A. G.	P*	P*		P*	P*	P*		P*			S*
Seebregts, A. J.	D*	D*		D*	D*	1*		D*			S*
Senatore, R.	P*	P*		P*	P*	P*	P*				S*
Sloane, C. B.	1*	D*	1*	D*	D*		1*				S*
Spinazze, R. G.	P*	1*	P*	P*	P*		P*				S*
Stuart-Cox, M. E.	1*	P*		P*	P*	P*		P*			S*
Taffinder, P. A.	1*	1*	1*	P*	P*		P*				S*
Tangney, P. D.	P*	P*		P*	P*	P		P*			S*
van Doorene, R. L.	P*	P*		P*	P*	P	P*				S*
Verga, J. A.	1*	1*	1*	1*	1*		1*				S*

Key: D* – Distinction H.G.; D – Distinction S.G.; 1* – First Class Pass H.G.; 1 – First S.G.; P* – Pass H.G.; P – Pass S.G.; S* – Senior Certificate with exemption; S – Senior Certificate.

Prize Giving

Class Prizes

Standard VI

1. M. Urban
2. J. Toohey
3. D. van 't Hof

Standard VII

1. G. Daras
2. E. Maraschin
3. G. Slaven

Standard VIII

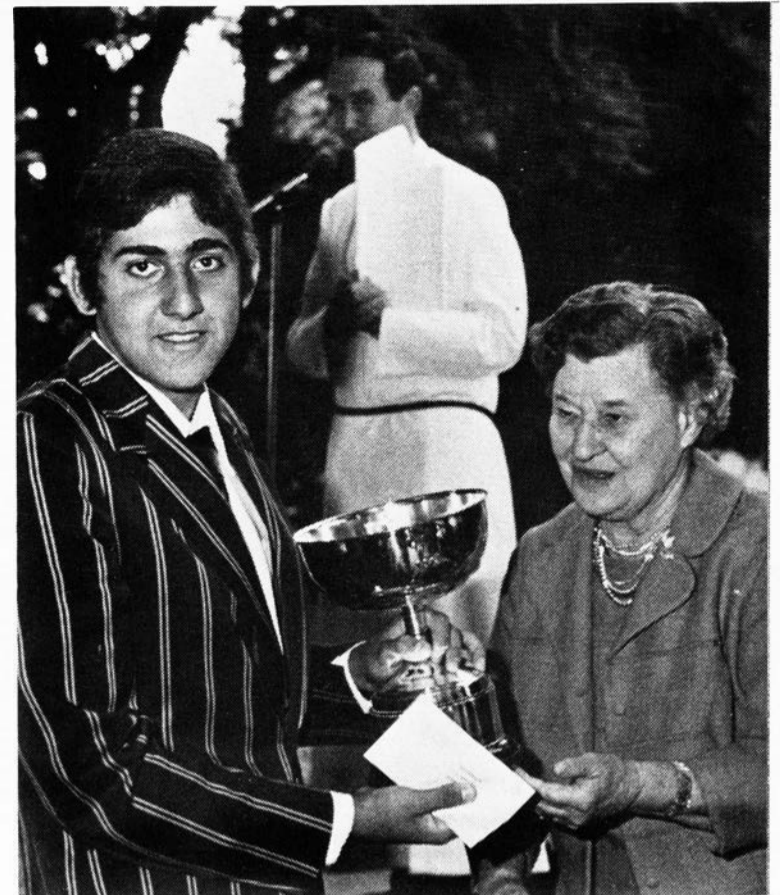
1. J. Slaven and J. Du Mughn
3. R. Lachermeier

Standard IX

1. M. Lebos
2. A. Slaven
3. M. Hoinkes

Brother Pius Medals

Standard VI	English	J. Toohey	
	Afrikaans	D. van 't Hof	
	French	C. Luyckx	
	Mathematics	J. Hellawell	
	Physical Science	D. Speakman	
	Biology	J. Toohey	
	History	J. Toohey	
	Geography	M. Urban	
	Standard VII	English	G. Daras
Afrikaans		G. Daras	
French		M. Zampieri	
Mathematics		E. Maraschin	
Physical Science		S. Meader	
Biology		E. Maraschin	
History		G. Slaven	
Geography		E. Maraschin	
Standard VIII	English	R. Lachermeier	
	Afrikaans	R. Lachermeier	
	French	R. Crabtree	
	Mathematics	J. Du Mughn	
	Physical Science	J. Slaven	
	Biology	J. Slaven and J. Du Mughn	
	History	No award	
	Geography	J. Slaven and K. Morris	
	Standard IX	English	M. Gonsalves
		Afrikaans	M. Hoinkes
French		M. Hoinkes	
Mathematics		M. Lebos	
Physical Science		M. Lebos	
Biology		M. Lebos	
History		M. Lebos	
Geography		M. Roschker	



Good Progress Prizes

Standard VI	W. Alcock
Standard VII	G. Cathrall
Standard VIII	M. Ritchie
Standard IX	A. Parry

Studies Scrolls

C. Burn	P. Riley
A. Cannon	A. Slaven
A. Durrant	D. Smith
M. Giraud	R. Smith
B. Gordon	D. Ward
M. Lebos	R. Zent
A. Parry	

Osmond Cup for Leadership

A. Reeves

B. R. Hunt Scholarship Trophy

A. Seebregts

Lynn Stuart Memorial Trophy

A. Seebregts

Michael Science Trophy

A. Seebregts

Phillimore English Trophy

S. Foy

The Schatz Sportsman of the Year Trophy

A. Reeves

Sandton Mayoral Trophy

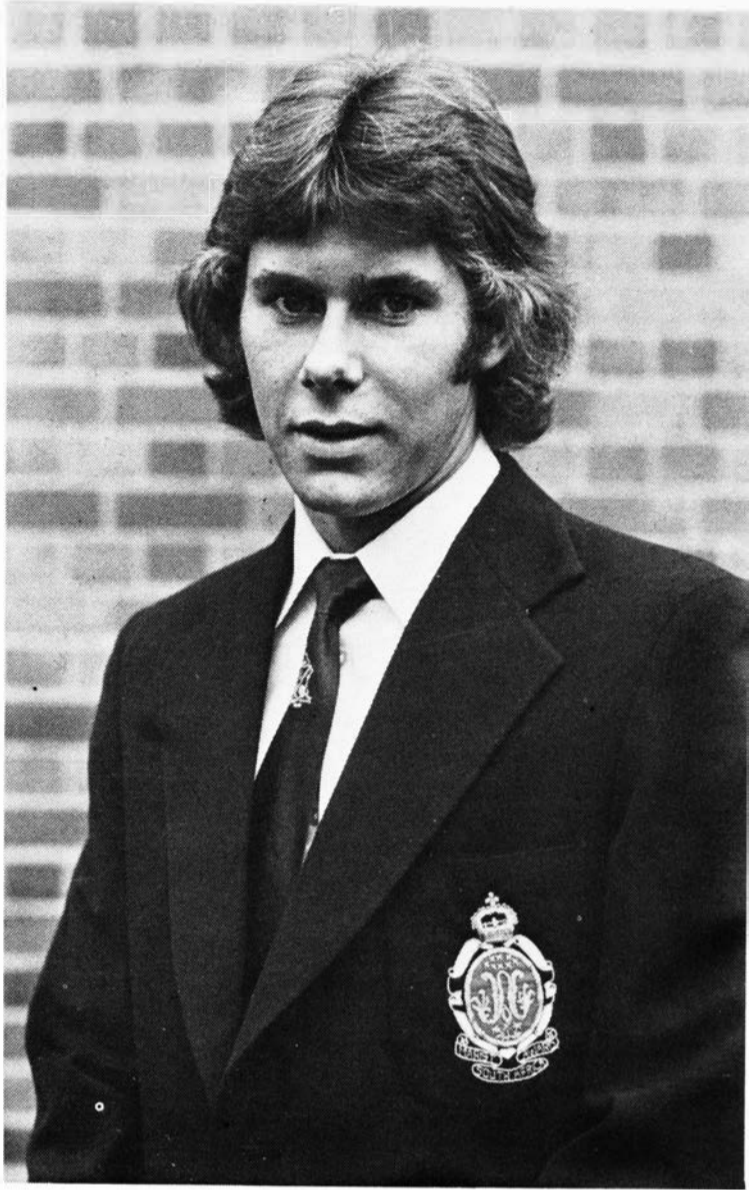
P. Riley

Cricketer of the Year Award

P. Marneweck

Horse Riding

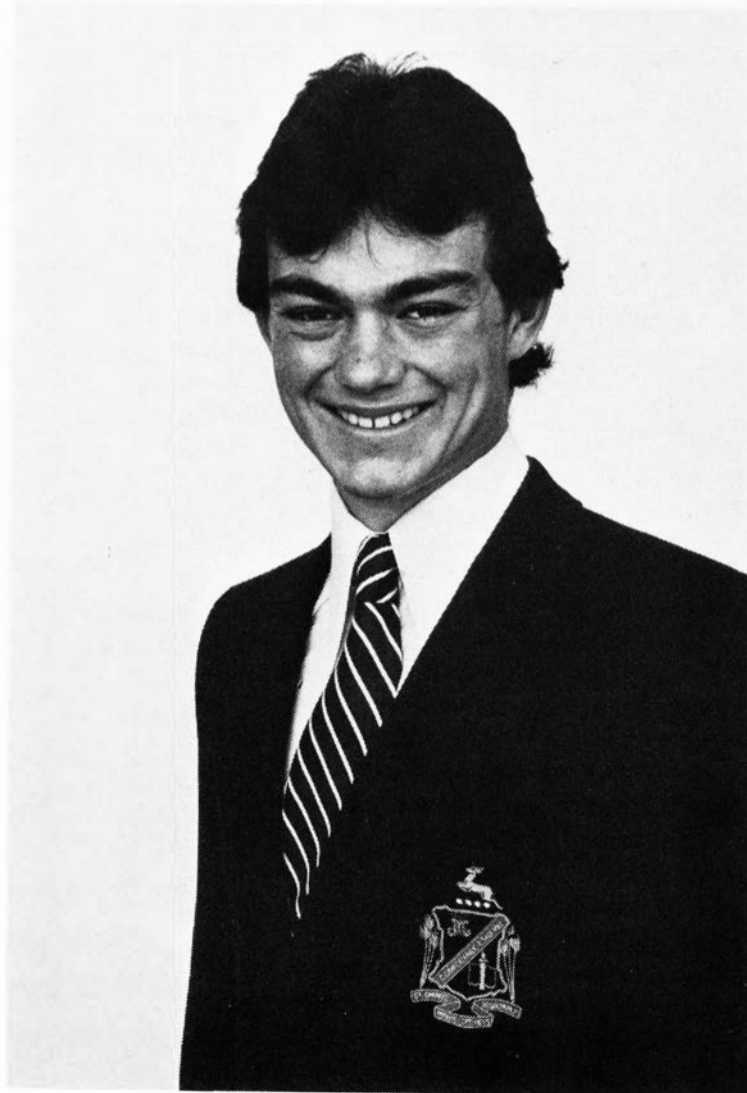
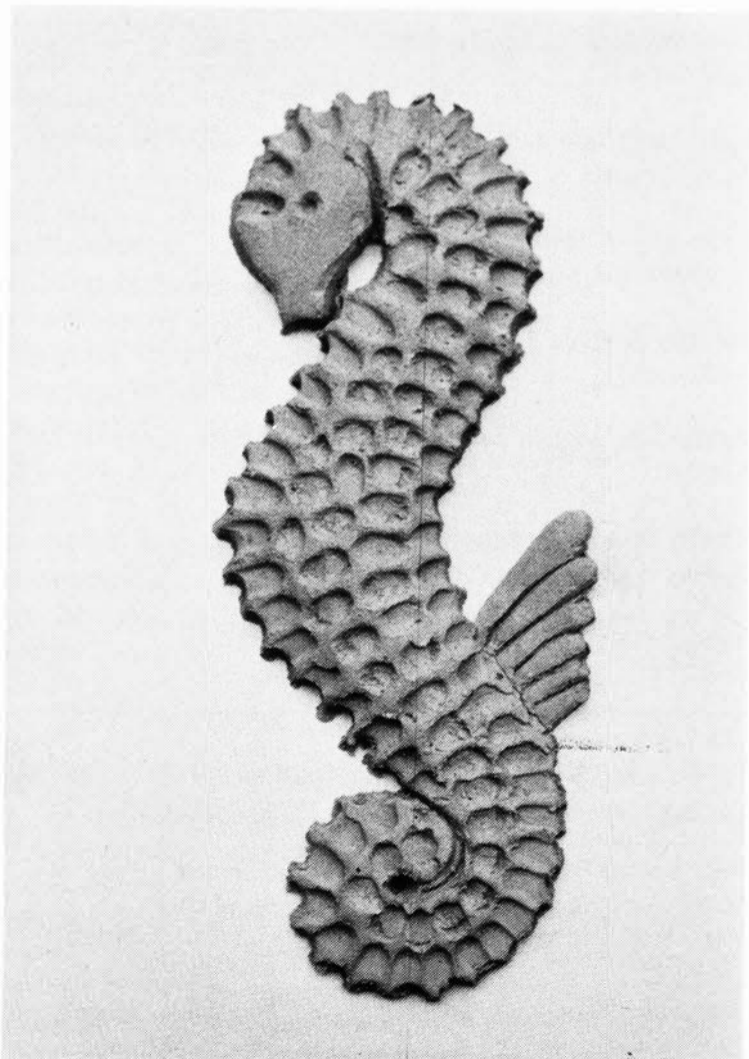
Best Senior Rider	C. Burn
Most Improved Senior Rider	W. Marlow
Hickstead Riding Team	C. Burn (Captain)
	A. Asbury
	R. Grant
	W. Marlow



ALAN REEVES – the 1977 Head Prefect – was presented with the South African Marist Award by Brother Provincial at the Annual Prize Giving.

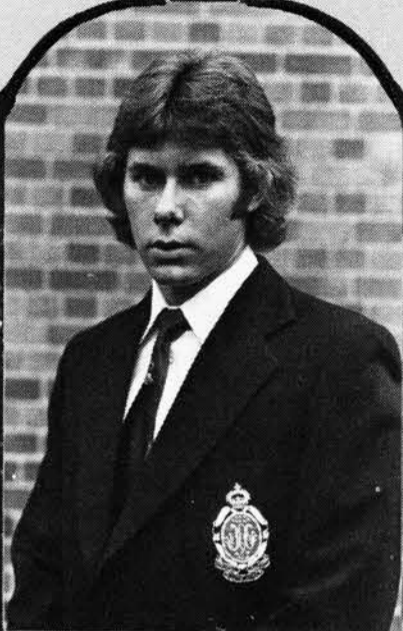


ROBERT CRABTREE – who qualified to attend the National Science week in Pretoria.



BRIAN WALTER – was presented with the Old Boys' Blazer at the Annual Matriculation Dance by Andrew Slaven on behalf of the Matrics. This was prior to his return to the U.S.A. for his graduation.

1978 ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING



AWARDS

Honours Blazers and Scrolls

Honours Blazers & Merit Scrolls

Andrew Slaven Head Prefect
Michael Peel Vice-Head Prefect
Patrick Riley Vice-Head Prefect
Marc Gonsalves
Mark Hildyard
Lawrence Kourie
Martin Lebos
Andrew Parry
Donald Smith
Roy Zent

Prefect Scrolls

Andrew Slaven Head Prefect
Michael Peel Vice-Head Prefect
Patrick Riley Vice-Head Prefect
Marc Gonsalves
Mark Hildyard
Lawrence Kourie
Martin Lebos
Andrew Parry
Donald Smith
Roy Zent

Studies Scrolls

Charles Burn
Andrew Cannon
Adrian Durrant
Mark Giraud
Bruce Gordon
Martin Lebos
Andrew Parry

Patrick Riley
Andrew Slaven
Donald Smith
Ronald Smith
David Ward
Roy Zent

Debating Scrolls

Marc Gonsalves
Roy Zent

Athletics

Patrick Riley Captain
Mark Hildyard Vice-Captain
Andrew Driver
Richard Saccani

Cricket

Michael Peel Captain
Roy Zent Vice-Captain

Rugby

Michael Peel Captain
Mark Hildyard

Swimming

Lawrence Kourie Captain
David Kalk

Water Polo

Lawrence Kourie Captain
Andrew Slaven

Public Speaking

Debating

Will we win the Kolbe Cup? This is the question in all our minds at the moment.

This year our Kolbe Debating team has been very successful. We got a bye from St. John Bosco. We beat de la Salle when the topic was 'Individual Creativity is of greater value than Group Achievement'. We then met Highlands North and the topic was 'The End of The World is Nigh'. Once again we were victorious. This victory ensured us a place in the semi-finals.

We met Holy Rosary Convent, Edenvale, in the semi-finals and we proposed the motion 'This House wishes that the Plymouth Rock had fallen upon the Pilgrim Fathers'. The adjudicators were Mr Duggan and Mr Pirie and they awarded us the debate.

We will meet St. John's College in the final on 22 October opposing the motion 'There is nothing good or bad but thinking makes it so'. Needless to say, we are determined to win and a great deal of work has been put into the topic.

We have an excellent team, Marc Gonsalves is our first speaker, Roy Zent, our very competent second speaker, and Martin Lobos our first rate summer-up. This is the first time that St. David's team has reached the finals. We have now reached the semi-finals twice. We expect a strong floor support and sincerely hope to win.



DEBATING

M. Gonsalves, Mrs. G. Elliot, M. Lebos, R. Zent.

Although we reached the finals this year, unfortunately we did not win the Kolbe Cup. St John's beat us on the motion: There is Nothing Good or Evil but Thinking Makes It So.

Our team performed very well. Marc Gonsalves delivered a brilliant speech. He was applauded twice during the speech which is very unusual in these debates. He was very well supported by Roy, and Martin delivered a very concise and amusing summing up. Our floor, however, did not give us the necessary support and we lost the debate.

We would like to thank Gary Mazaham for all the help he has given us throughout the year.

High Schools Public Speaking Festival

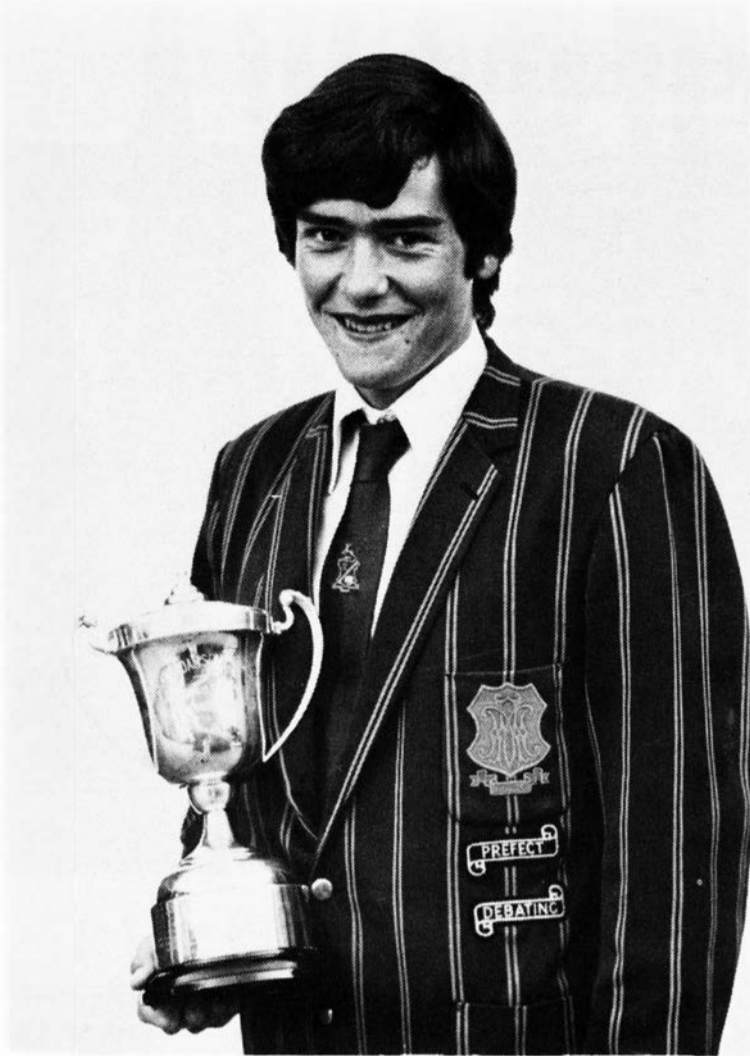
This year we won! Marc Gonsalves carried off the John Adams Trophy for the Best Individual Speaker. The Citizen described Marc as 'a self-assured youngster with a silver tongue.'

Sixty one schools - 2,200 entrants participated in this year's festival. We entered one team in the Shell Trophy Competition. They did very well and were awarded a B+ at St. John's. We entered two speakers for the Best Individual Speakers, Roy Zent and Marc Gonsalves. Roy spoke very well and got into the last six on the Friday 31 March, when we were hosts to 12 schools. It was unfortunate that Roy's impromptu pulled him down. Marc was one of 4 finalists who spoke at Shell House on Monday 3 April. The atmosphere was electric as we waited for the results. Carole Charlewood presented Marc with the trophy and we were a very proud St. David's College.

High Schools' Public Speaking Festival Winning Speech Marc Gonsalves The Great Divider

I am going to speak to you on a subject that has relevance for every family in tonight's audience. Ladies and gentlemen, I am going to speak to you on the "generation gap". I believe this gap to be a difference in outlook rather than a mere difference in age. But either way, there have been thousands of discussions, books and debates on this subject - possibly because it is an almost world-wide problem affecting families both anywhere and everywhere and also because it is not just another symptom of the 20th century.

In fact, there is nothing new about the "generation gap". Almost 2000 years ago, Pliny the Elder was petulently complaining that, "Young men nowadays begin life as sages and think they know everything there is



Marc Gonsalves

to know! There is no-one they revere or wish to imitate as they regard themselves as their own best examples." Even Socrates, the great philosopher, had this to say about the youth in his day: "Children today love luxury too much – they have no respect. They no longer stand up when their parents or teachers enter the room. What kind of monsters will they become when they grow up?!"

However in the more stable, traditional societies of the past, the trauma of the adolescent was minimized by the relatively fixed cultural patterns that governed education, courtship, marriage, warfare and the conventional roles assigned to both men and women.

In modern times, far-reaching social, economic and technological advances have, besides bringing great benefits to mankind, also speeded up the disruption of the "patterns" that mould and direct the various stages of our lives. And it is known that in times of rapid change the lack of communication between old and young is naturally increased. Ladies and gentlemen when has there been as much rapid change as in the 20th century. The "generation gap" is a normal difference in outlook that has resulted in a total break-down in communication between the different age groups – and thus a "rift", a "gap", a "divider" between old and young.

This particular part of the problem is considerably lessened and in some cases totally absent in some of the untouched tribal societies that exist in certain parts of Africa, Asia and South America. In these communities the authority of the elders is unquestioned. Their customs and manners embrace all members of their society as they have done for centuries. Thus a sense of personal integrity and of belonging to an environment is conceived and maintained.

The adolescent is, by definition, in transit from the protected world of childhood to the responsibilities of adulthood. It is necessary and natural for the adolescent to question and "gauge" the society he will be entering. But in our modern permissive world, the "generation gap" has become a catchword, a simple "way-out" for parents

who have not brought up their children correctly and for children and adolescents who use it, and abuse it, as an excuse for their behaviour. There IS a difference between the outlook of a teen-ager and that of a parent. Is this reason enough for no communication? No! It is, in fact, the very reason why they should communicate for their mutual benefit. Communication is vital it can furnish the solution to the problem and it can also be the cause of the problem.

Unfortunately the "rebellion of youth" has been seized on by people who have the ability to mislead others and who wish to overthrow both the bad and the good of our present society. These militant and subversive elements have succeeded in manipulating the aimlessness of youth to further their own radical ideas.

For example: Jerry Rubin, an American hippie leader, was invited on to the David Frost Show in 1970 to explain what modern youth really wanted. "Modern youth," Rubin replied, "stands for the disruption of a society demented by money and destroyed by corruption. We want to make love in the streets, ban the bomb, kill the Corporations, put all the judges in jail and make war against pigs! In our 'new society', " he went on, "we would stuff the likes of you and put you in a peoples' museum as a reminder of the corrupted culture of bygone years!" Needless to say the programme was quickly stopped – if that was what Rubin did for an introduction, the BBC couldn't risk letting him do an encore!

Youth is a time when the adolescent must look at himself, his parents and the world he will one day be a part of, and then establish his own outlook on the life he will oneday lead. Though this outlook may differ from that of his elders, it is essential that they still communicate. Because it is only through the communication of ideas, and the support given to each other by each other that this generation gap, this communication gap, the "Great Divider" will be crossed.

Senior Best Speakers

The Senior Best Speakers Competition was held on Friday 23 June. Nine speakers entered and the topics ranged from 'Our friends in Space' to 'The Battle of Agincourt'. Martin Samson amused us with 'From Ritual Dance to Disco Swing' giving us demonstrations of the various dances, and although not John Travolta, he performed very well.

The impromptu speeches proved very amusing. This year the adjudicators gave the competitors one word to start their speeches and one word to finish, e.g. hair – tablets: food – pens. Rob Spanjaard was voted the best impromptu speaker. We hope to see more of Rob in debating.

Gary Mazaham and Peter Wybberg were the adjudicators and Andrew Slaven took the chair. Brian McCarthy was commended and awarded fourth place. Jeremy du Mughn was awarded 3rd place. His speech was entitled 'Good English? Good Gracious!'. Roy Zent was awarded 2nd place with his speech 'What's it all about?' Our winner was Marc Gonsalves speaking on 'London's Arab-slick'. We will miss Marc and Roy next year as they have been stalwart supporters of our Best Speakers and Debating since Standard 6.

Our thanks to the adjudicators and particularly to Gary Mazaham for his worthwhile criticisms. Our thanks to Brother Bernard who illustrated the programme for us and our thanks to Mrs Holm and Mrs Sacani for providing tea for guests and competitors.

THE POWER OF OIL

Marc Gonsalves – Winner of the Senior Best Speakers Competition.

When the first Saudi Arabian oil field was struck in 1938, who could have dreamt of the tremendous economic and political power that this 'liquid gold' would give to its masters? The full impact of the power of oil only hit the world in 1973. We are still recovering!!

Oil is now a precious commodity! As one pacifist said in a speech: "By all means encourage peace and harmony – but don't pour oil on troubled waters – it's too damned expensive!

Since 1973, the Arab sheiks have gone on one long spending spree. They have left their sun-baked deserts and dusty palaces and they have streamed into European cities, particularly London, on a wave of oil soaked wealth. Their impact on London has been nothing short of incredible. Half the ladies shopping in Harrods seem to be wearing veils! At London gambling tables the clinkety-clack of Arab worry beads is now as loud as the rattle of dice! The Bedouin robe is now as common as the British bowler and broly! It is the most successful Arab invasion of Europe since the days of Suleiman the Magnificent!

But who's complaining? Arab petro-dollars are keeping the British economy afloat and no-one seemed to care when the Scottish highlander objected to his neighbour – a wealthy oil prince, shooting grouse with a machine gun at 5 o'clock in the morning!

The wealth of the Arabs is most felt in London department stores, outside of which Arab-owned Daimlers and Rolls Royces line up like camel caravans – waiting to carry off the booty!

The power of the Arabs is so felt 'on the street'. During a Whitehall visit Sheik Yamani, the Saudi Oil Minister, was detained until 6 o'clock on government business. But after a VIP phone call, Harrods was specially re-opened for the Sheik and his family. They spent over \$70,000 in under an hour, on what the sheik himself described as a 'trifling little shopping list.'

London's first gambling clubs are filled by Arab Ministers gambling away their national treasures. But even so Arab governments still have difficulty in spending their money. What more can they possibly buy??? Saudi Arabia, the world's biggest oil producer will earn approximately R14 million from oil this year. With this money, vast improvement programmes are being undertaken. But even if these schemes succeed, the shops of Kuwait and Riyadh will never satisfy the Arab Billionaires!

London seems to fit the bill and the sheiks seem to like London and England so much that recently they've taken to another sort of gambling – speculating in British property. They have bought – hotels, former palaces, apartment buildings, office blocks, Scottish shooting estates, and even vast stretches of moorland! Among the more spectacular 'Buyers of Britain' is Mohamud-Mahdi-Al-Tejir, the multi-billionaire United Emirate Ambassador to the Court of St James! After purchasing a Hyde Park town house, a suburban hideaway in Kensington, an office block in Mayfair, an estate in Westmoreland and a country house in Hampshire, he paid \$3,000,000 for an 18th century castle in Scotland. When asked why he bought it he replied, "I had to have somewhere appropriate to hang my old masters"!!

And so the Arabs go along their way spreading – instead of joy and happiness, petro-dollars which to them is the next best thing! "The nice thing about the Arabs," said a hotel manager, "is that they always pay"!

Who cares if Sheik Zaiv-Ben-Sultan, the ruler of Abu Dhabi, breaks down walls in the hotel suite just so that his 1.5km of model train track can be laid down in comfort?

Who cares if the children of Sheik Abdullah-Al-Kemire use their toy carpentry sets on the Queen Anne furniture in their rooms? Who cares indeed? The Arabs don't and provided someone pays, the hotel managers don't either. Such is the power of money and Arab oil!

The best story though, has to be that of the oil sheik who, when his English shopping spree was over, was taken to the Airport in his Rolls Royce, by a hired chauffeur. "What shall I do with the Rolls Royce, your Highness?" the driver asked. "The car? Oh you can keep it," replied the sheik as he disappeared into his private jet.

Even though the wealth of the Arabs seems endless the oil bubble will one day burst. But ladies and gentlemen, until then the policies of the oil producing countries, and the way in which the Arabs invest and spend their wealth, will touch the lives of all of us.

What's it all about

Roy Zent – Runner up in the Senior Best Speakers Competition.

What is it all about? A fundamental question of philosophy. I stand before you today, a disturbed adolescent, disturbed in the true sense of the word. I have been doing something unusual lately – I have been asking questions of myself and of others! The answers have not been forthcoming. Who am I? What are they? Will we make it out together? What does the future hold for me and mine? I am at a cross road of life!

I could choose to follow those who seek sensual pleasure at any price. Or I could make a long term investment and follow a more difficult path to what some tell me is the proper way to a meaningful and hence a happier existence. Does one follow the advice of a hippy friend who told me: If you work you die – if you don't work you die – so why work? Or does one try to find a respectable place in conventional society?

With these questions in mind how does one plan one's future? Does fulfillment mean experience of life as portrayed by Hemmingway and Somerset Maugham or does one follow the narrow dedicated path of the totally absorbed achiever – be it a politician, scientist, businessman or tradesman? Or does one fulfil oneself in the pipedream or induced hallucinations of the drug addict? These are but a few of the options one faces!

I hope to have the strength and ability to make the longterm investment. In the past I obtained the greatest satisfaction in the games and subjects in which I excelled and I feel that in the future the same will apply. Therefore it is of the utmost importance to choose wisely, not to lose heart and persevere to the end – then hopefully everything will come right!

I am here reminded of the story I once heard about a tourist in New York asking a person in Central Park the way to Carnegie Hall. He replied: "Practise man! Practise!" Yes hard work in certainly one of the main ingredients for success.

If youth lacks optimism – all is lost. If we do not have hope for the future, many escape on the mailine of the present. One finds prophets of doom knocking at one's door saying that the Armageddon is around the corner and there is no hope left. There is nothing new about this! People have been in desperate situations before. Let us consider the story of the Jewish people. In biblical times the Assyrians came down like the wolf on the fold. The destruction of the Temple was a devastating blow and it was in this period that one finds many books known as the Apocrapher which predicted the end of the world. It should be clearly understood that these were written in a period of persecution and oppression. The purpose of the writings was to hold a people together through fear and hope. They terrified people into conforming by the threat of destruction and gave them

hope by the messianic redemption. This theme has been followed and has to a large extent been the cause of the survival of the Jewish people through further oppression during the Crusades, the Inquisition and reaching its height with the genocide of Hitler's Germany.

But always the basic hope and faith gave life a purpose and meaning.

I intend to include this heritage into my philosophy.

I hope for a bright future and believe that it will include a place for me.

I pray that I will choose the correct path and that I may be able to emulate the workmen in the poem by D. H. Lawrence who were laughing their labour living their work like a game.

Junior Best Speakers

This year we decided to combine Standards 7 and 8 for the Junior Best Speakers and combine Standard 6 with Standard 5 at a later date.

Standards 7 and 8 had their competition on 29 September.

Enthusiasm ran high among our junior contestants and it was encouraging to see new faces taking part. Once again the speeches covered a wide range of topics and the boys showed that they had wide and varied interests.

The adjudicators, Gary Mazaham and Advocate Peter Alter, had a hard task ahead of them when the prepared speeches were finished. The topic for impromptu speeches was 'My favourite ' and I think it was those speeches that finally decided the winner.

The adjudicators finally awarded Gary van Riet first place and Geoffrey Slaven and Trevor Christie-Taylor joint second place.

Our thanks to the two adjudicators for their helpful criticisms and support.

AMANDA LEAR

Gary Van Riet – Winner of the Junior Best Speakers Competition

Disco is the cult of today. Most of the disco talent comes from Germany. One of these talents is Amanda Lear.

She was born in Hong Kong although she is German. She lived in Switzerland for most of her early life. When she left school she became a model and in 1970 she realised that she was completely wasting her time as a model and that if she had a good voice she should use it.

Her first contact with the music world was when Brian Farry asked Amanda to pose as cover girl for a Roxy Music L.P. cover. She was paid only £25 for this. She was also helped and was influenced by David Bowie.

Not only is she an attractive female but her main feature is her voice. Her voice is deep and husky. When she went to singing lessons in the early stages of her career, her teacher made her sing in a high voice, but when she went to cut her first disc, the producer made her sing as low as possible as this would mean that she would be the first white lady with a husky voice.

Then in 1977 she recorded her first L.P. 'I am a photograph'. Although it 'went gold' it was not a very good album.

The cut which I am now going to play is called 'Blue Tango'. As you can hear this track is very different to the music accepted by today's youth.

One of the aims of Amanda Lear's producer was to build up a new Marlene Dietrichs, as Amanda also has a deep husky voice like Marlene. If Marlene wanted to sing today, she would have to sing disco to earn a living.

Amanda's second album, 'Sweet Revenge', 'went gold' very quickly. The track which I am now going to play

from this album is 'Follow Me'. It is about the devil trying to persuade a lady to sell him her soul. The devil promises that she can have anything she wants if she will sell him her soul.

Amanda's fans range from between 15 to 18 years of age and she is also approved of by some of the older generation.

Mantle Maketh Man

Trevor Christie-Taylor – Joint Runner Up in the Junior Best Speakers Competition.

Mantle maketh man is a concept which has remained with us throughout the ages. Whilst the fig leaf served a very practical purpose, clothing has played an important role in society. For example, swimming costumes were not in existence until 1855. Before that time men and women disported themselves naked in the surf – though on separate beaches. Then a Dr. J Henry Bennett returned from a holiday in Biarritz aglow with enthusiasm for a French innovation. 'Both ladies and gentlemen wear what is called a bathing costume,' he wrote to *Lancet*.

"With the ladies it consists of woolen drawers, a black blouse descending below the knees and fastened by a leather girdle. The gentlemen wear a kind of striped sailor's costume." The answer had been found and swimming was to remain relatively respectable until the advent of the bikini – so devastating in its effect on the fashion scene that it was named after an atomic explosion on Bikini Atoll in the Pacific.

The headgear too, has had its brushes with authority. In 1797 when James Hetherington gave the top hat its first public airing in London an immense crowd collected around its embarrassed inventor. So intense was the crush that several women fainted, dogs barked, children screamed and the son of a cordwainer had his arm broken. Hetherington was arrested on the public highway wearing upon his head a tall structure of shining lustre, calculated to disturb timid people.

Many fashions, of course, are the result of slow evolution through the centuries. The tie, for example was simply a drawstring at the neck of the shirt, while the shirt itself was underwear and not supposed to be seen at all. Many dress innovations evolve from practical adaptation of an earlier age. Trouser turn-ups evolved out of the habit of turning up one's trousers to avoid contact with the mud of Victorian streets. Because a gentleman was never at particular pains to look after his clothes – he had servants to do it for him – the habit was considered rather vulgar and men of fashion took cabs. Only after the First World War, when the Prince of Wales was seen with trouser bottoms turned up, were gentlemen finally persuaded to follow suit.

As the 20th century progresses, so the number of dress taboos decreases. The dictators of fashion are no longer royalty, but pop stars and actors. Clothing will continue to interest coming generations but no one can deny the chequered pedigree of fashion.

TODAY IS THE TOMORROW YOU WORRIED ABOUT YESTERDAY

Geoffrey Slaven – Joint Runner up in the Junior Best Speakers Competition.

As Leonardo da Vinci would say, "In rivers, the water that you touch is the last of that which passes and the first of that which comes". So with present time.

What I mean by that is once you've loved the present it will slip by you before you can grab it. Why, I can remember the good old days, when charity was a virtue, not a tax deduction, or when people rested on Sundays not Mondays.

You can never be sure of the future, that is one's only variable in life. That reminds me of what happened last week when a friend and I were out playing on a hilly, mushroom covered golf course. We wasted much time in

walking from one white spot to another finding our balls only by a process of elimination. Exasperated, my partner withdrew from his bag a bright yellow ball. We teed off and after I hit we walked off the tee and on to the crest of a hill from where we hoped to where see our golf balls would lie. This time there was no fungus in sight, just hundreds of bright yellow dandelions. Yes: One can never be sure of the future.

The past has given us many treasures. Without the past nobody would have invented the fork. Can you imagine where modern day society would be without the fork? Look at it this way: Would Ben Franklin ever have discovered electricity had it not been for the basic conductor – kite string? Would James Watt ever have developed the steam engine had it not been for a kettle of boiling water on the stove? Would Thomas Edison ever have enlightened the world with his invention had it not been for glass? Would Marconi ever have invented the radio had he not been clever?

In any case, I think it is clear that without the past nobody would be here today. Life is lived in the present. Each day gives you a good game and then it becomes a statistic, only to be forgotten, unless you get that particular feeling of *dèjà vue*, which is the feeling you

have been some place before, which is the feeling you've been some place before, which in the feeling . . . etc.

Anybody today who says life is a bowl of cherries, is bananas, for today, life is not easy. Years ago problems such as the energy crisis were non-existent. Actually when you think about it, that isn't really much of a problem at all. The sea is an endless supply of energy, all we need to do is recover all the oil we have spilt into it.

Then there is also the mystery of time, the fourth dimension. If I tell you that today two assistants at the Pretoria laboratory for chromosome research mixed the genes of Jack the Ripper and a donkey – and produced Idi Amin, you may wonder that if they decided to embark on this project in a week's time, would they have done the same thing, chosen the same mixture, or achieved the same result?

Then there are the secrets of the future. Who knows what lurks behind the backstop dividing the present from time to come? Richard Nixon or John Vorster II? Mohammed Ali does not retire from the ring undefeated after fighting his last bout with a gag over his mouth? Then again in the future lies the moment every sporting fan awaits with baited breath – the retirement of Kim Shippey.

Mini Drama Evening

This year we decided that, for various reasons, a full scale production was impossible and we compromised with an evening of short One Act plays. Standard 7 had the audience helpless with laughter with their performance of 'Bring out your dead.' Standard 8A struck terror with 'Is Horror Your Neighbour?' Standard 8 took us on a trip to 'A Villa On Venus' to the accompaniment of the theme tune from Star Wars.

These three plays were produced in the Boarders Dining Hall and a very big thanks must go to Mr Slaven and Mr. Genovese for putting up a stage for us at very short notice. After tea the audience then proceeded to the Auditorium where Standards 9 and 10 performed "Christ on Trial" – a thought provoking adaptation of the novel. Several parents remarked afterwards that it was the best 50c's worth they had enjoyed for a long time.



BUSINESS GAME

Back row – (left to right): R. Zent, P. Riley, Mr. K. Lipschitz, A. Slaven, A. Parry.
Front row: D. Smith, B. Gordon, M. Lebos, D. Ward, L. Kourie.

God Bless our Noble Endeavours (R. Dee)

"Hydro" Reg. Plumbers and Domestic Engineers

College Diary 1978

FIRST TERM

JANUARY

- 18th** Wednesday: A new scholastic year begins. Mr. A. d'Almeida, Miss A. Ferreira and Mr. T. McFadden join the Secondary School Staff. Mr. T. Kotze and Mr. T. O'Mahony join the Primary School Staff. Andrew Slaven – Head Monitor, Michael Peel and Patrick Riley – Vice-Head Monitors, Marc Gonsalves, Lawrence Kourie and Martin Lebos – Monitors, were appointed in October-November 1977.
- 19th** Thursday: Cricket, swimming, water polo and tennis practices begin.
- 20th** Friday: Michael Peel is appointed Cricket Captain, Lawrence Kourie as Swimming and Water Polo Captain and David Ward as Tennis Captain.
- 24th** Tuesday: Mark Hildyard, Andrew Parry, Donald Smith and Roy Zent are appointed monitors.
- 27th** Friday: Father Plesters, the College Chaplain, celebrates Holy Mass for the Primary School to ask God's blessings on the scholastic year. The following House Captains are appointed: Andrew Slaven (Osmond House), Patrick Riley (College House), Lawrence Kourie (Benedict House) and Donald Smith (Bishops House).
- 30th** Monday: Father Plesters, the College Chaplain, celebrates Holy Mass for the Standards Six, Seven and Eight pupils to ask God's Blessings on the scholastic year.
- 31st** Tuesday: Father Plesters, the College Chaplain, celebrates Holy Mass for the Standards Nine and Ten pupils to ask God's blessings on the scholastic year.

FEBRUARY

- 5th** Sunday: The Marist Family Mass is celebrated in the College Chapel.
- 8th** Wednesday: Ash Wednesday. The blessing and distribution of the ashes takes place in the College Chapel.
- 12th** Sunday: The Primary Inter-House Swimming Gala takes place.
- 18th** Saturday: Senior Inter-House Swimming Gala. Andrew Slaven is appointed Head Prefect. Michael Peel and Patrick Riley are appointed Vice-Head Prefects. Marc Gonsalves, Mark Hildyard, Lawrence Kourie, Martin Lebos, Andrew Parry, Donald Smith and Roy Zent are appointed prefects. A Merit Scroll is awarded to Andrew Slaven. Swimming Scrolls are presented to Lawrence Kourie and David Kalk.

MARCH

- 1st** Wednesday: St David's Day.
- 4th** Sunday: Annual Prize Giving. The South African Marist Award is presented to Alan Reeves, Head Prefect – 1977, by Brother Provincial. Andrew Slaven, Head Prefect – 1978, is presented with his Honours Blazer. Merit Scrolls are presented to Michael Peel, Patrick Riley, Martin Lebos, Donald Smith and Roy Zent. A Cricket Scroll is presented to Roy Zent.

- 11th** Saturday: The Primary Inter-House Athletics Meeting takes place.
- 12th** Sunday: The Marist Family Mass is celebrated in the College Chapel.
- 18th** Saturday: The Senior Inter-House Athletics Meeting takes place. Honours Blazers are presented to Michael Peel, Patrick Riley, Martin Lebos, Donald Smith and Roy Zent. A Merit Scroll is presented to Lawrence Kourie. An Athletics Scroll is presented to Mark Hildyard.
- 20th** Monday: Rugby practices begin.
- 21st** Tuesday: National Extra-curricular Science Examination. Robert Crabtree is invited to participate in the National Science Week in Pretoria during July.
- 22nd** Wednesday: Mini Drama Evening. "Christ on Trial" and Standards Seven's and Eight's plays.
- 23rd** Thursday: Holy Thursday. Classes close for the Easter Week End.
- 24th** Friday: Good Friday.
- 26th** Sunday: Easter Sunday.
- 28th** Tuesday: Classes resume after the Easter Week End.
- 29th** Wednesday: Lawrence Kourie is presented with his Honours Blazer.
- 31st** Friday: Rugby Jerseys are presented to the First XV. Michael Peel is appointed captain of the First XV for 1978. The Preliminary Round of the High Schools' Public Speaking Festival takes place in the Brother Urban Auditorium.

APRIL

- 2nd** Sunday: The Marist Family Mass is celebrated in the College Chapel.
- 3rd** Monday: A Debating Scroll is presented to Marc Gonsalves. Marc Gonsalves wins the John Adams Trophy in the High Schools' Public Speaking Festival of the South African Guild of Speech and Drama Teachers.
- 6th** Thursday: Classes close at the end of the First Term.
- 13th** Thursday: Brother Timothy, Mr Lipschitz and the prefects leave for Hibberdene on a leadership course.
- 18th** Tuesday: The Prefect expedition arrives home safely from Hibberdene.

SECOND TERM

APRIL

- 25th** Tuesday: Classes resume at the beginning of the Second Term.

MAY

- 1st** Monday: May devotions to Our Lady begin.
- 3rd** Wednesday: Mr I. Kirkpatrick and Mr J. Walters of the T.R.F.U. visit the College to speak to the rugby coaches and players. Classes close for the Ascension Week End.
- 4th** Thursday: Ascension Thursday. The Marist Family Mass is celebrated in the College Chapel.

- 8th** Monday: The School Mission, preached by Father J. McCauley C.Ss.R., Father J. Corrigan C.Ss.R. and Father J. Hardy C.Ss.R., begins.
- 12th** Friday: The School Mission ends with a group Holy Mass in the College Chapel.
- 14th** Sunday: Pentecost Sunday.
- 15th** Monday: A Merit Scroll is presented to Marc Gonsalves.
- 19th** Friday: Marc Gonsalves is presented with his Honours Blazer.
- 22nd** Monday: Mr R. Best, from Rhodes University, visits the College to address the Matrics on life at university.
- 29th** Monday: Mr Ash visits the College to address the boys on the Legion of Mary.
The May Procession in honour of Our Lady takes place through the College grounds. The procession is followed by Holy Mass in the College Chapel.
- 30th** Tuesday: The May devotions in honour of Our Lady end.
- 31st** Wednesday: Republic Day.

JUNE

- 3rd** Saturday: Annual Rugby Match vs Marist Observatory.
- 4th** Sunday: St. David's Old Boys' Re-union. The Marist Family Mass is celebrated in the College Chapel.
- 6th** Tuesday: Champagnat Day. Father A. Plesters, the College Chaplain, and Father T. Kelly O.M.I., our Parish Priest, concelebrate Holy Mass in the Rosebank Parish Church in honour of Blessed Marcellin Champagnat, Founder of the Marist Brothers, for the whole school and a large number of parents. The Champagnat collection for the education of the poor realises R650,00.
- 7th** Wednesday: A Merit Scroll is presented to Mark Hildyard.
- 10th** Saturday: Michael Boic is tragically killed in an accident.
- 12th** Monday: A memorial service for Michael Boic is held in the College Chapel.
Brother Othmar begins his visit to the College.
- 15th** Thursday: Michael Boic is buried at West Park cemetery. A solemn requiem Mass for Michael is concelebrated by Father A. Plesters and Father A. Perovic in the Rosebank Parish Church. May Michael rest in peace.
- 16th** Friday: Mark Hildyard is presented with his Honours Blazer.
- 20th** Tuesday: Brother Othmar's visit to the College ends.
- 21st** Wednesday: Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Michael Boic is celebrated by Father Plesters in the College Chapel.
- 23rd** Friday: The Senior Best Speakers Competition takes place in the Brother Urban Auditorium.

JULY

- 2nd** Sunday: The First Anniversary Marist Family Mass is celebrated by Father Plesters in a newly decorated College Chapel.

- 10th** Monday: Robert Crabtree attends the National Science Week in Pretoria.
- 12th** Wednesday: The Mid-Year Examinations begin.
- 21st** Friday: The Mid-Year Examinations end.
- 22nd** Saturday: Inter-House Rugby competition takes place.
- 24th** Monday: Rev. Brother Jordan, a former Provincial Superior of the Marist Brothers in South Africa and a foundation member of staff of St. David's College, dies in Port Elizabeth.
- 26th** Wednesday: Classes close at the end of the Second Term. The Annual Matriculation Dance. Rugby Scrolls are presented to Michael Peel and Mark Hildyard. A Debating Scroll is presented to Roy Zent. A Studies Scroll is presented to Andrew Parry. A Merit Scroll is presented to Andrew Parry. The Morgan Inter-House Rugby Trophy is presented to Patrick Riley, House Captain of the winning College House. The Michael Boic Memorial Trophy for the Rugby Player of the Year is presented, for the first time, to Michael Peel.

AUGUST

- 6th** Sunday: Pope Paul VI dies.

THIRD TERM

AUGUST

- 22nd** Tuesday: Classes resume at the beginning of the Third Term.
- 25th** Friday: Andrew Parry is presented with his Honours Blazer.
- 26th** Saturday: Pope John Paul I is elected.

SEPTEMBER

- 3rd** Sunday: The inauguration Mass of Pope John Paul I. The Marist Mass is celebrated in the College Chapel.
- 4th** Monday: Settlers Day
- 5th** Tuesday: Requiem Mass is celebrated for the repose of the soul of Pope Paul VI in the College Chapel by Father Plesters for the Senior School.
- 6th** Wednesday: Requiem Mass is celebrated for the repose of the soul of Pope Paul VI in the College Chapel by Father Plesters for the Primary School.
- 11th** Monday: Athletics Scrolls are presented to Patrick Riley and Andrew Driver.
- 17th** Monday: An Athletics Scroll is presented to Richard Saccani.
- 24th** Sunday: The Annual Tennis Championships. The Semi-Final of the Kolbe Debating Competition.
- 25th** Monday: Brother Othmar begins his second visit to the school for 1978.
- 28th** Thursday: A Vocation Prayer Evening is held in the Brother Urban Auditorium. Pope John Paul I dies.
- 29th** Friday: The Junior Best Speaker Competition takes place in the Brother Urban Auditorium. Brother Othmar ends his visit to the College.
- 30th** Saturday: The First XI plays the St. Henry's touring team.

OCTOBER

- 1st** Sunday: Fathers' cricket day and Mothers' tennis day.
- 3rd** Tuesday: Requiem Mass is celebrated for the repose of the soul of Brother Jordan in the College Chapel by Father Plesters.
- 6th** Friday: Classes close for Mid-Term break.
- 10th** Tuesday: Kruger Day. The Inauguration of Mr B.J. Vorster as the fourth State President of South Africa.

- 16th** Monday: Classes resume after the Mid-Term break. Andrew Slaven is presented with his Water Polo Scroll. Pope John Paul II is elected.
- 22nd** Sunday: The Final of the Kolbe Debating Competition. The Inauguration Mass of Pope John Paul II.

NOVEMBER

- 2nd** Thursday: "Treasure Island" – The Primary School Play is staged in the Rosebank convent hall.
- 3rd** Friday: "Treasure Island" – The Primary School Play is staged in the Rosebank convent hall. The Matrics start their final Senior Certificate Examinations.
- 5th** Sunday: The Grade Two boys make their First Holy Communion in the Rosebank Parish Church.

- 12th** Sunday: The Marist Mass is celebrated in the College Chapel.
- 15th** Wednesday: The Primary School Carol Service takes place in the College Hall.
- 26th** Sunday: "The Business of Good Government" is put on by the Standard 8 and 9 boys in conjunction with the Rosebank convent choir in the Rosebank Parish Church.
- 27th** Monday: The Final Promotion examinations for Grade 1 to Standard 9 begin.

DECEMBER

- 1st** Friday: The Final Promotion examinations end. Classes close for the Christmas vacation.

Matriculation Classes

Black, Christopher David (Blackie): Age 17 years 8 months; 5 years at St. David's; Height 1,88m; Weight 75kg; Activities First XV Rugby, 'B' Swimming Team; Ambition B.Sc (Agriculture).

Burn, Charles Nicholas (Charlo): Age 17 years 4 months; 5 years at St. David's; Height 1,73m; Weight 57kg; Activities Second XV Rugby, Captain of the Horse Riding Team; Scrolls Studies; Ambition B. Comm. C.I.A.

Cannon, Andrew Philip (Shotgun): Age 17 years; 2 years at St. David's; Height 1,78m; Weight 54kg; Scrolls Studies; Ambition Mercantile Shipping.

Christie-Taylor, Gregory Michael (Bobick): Age 17 years 8 months; 5 years at St. David's; Height 1,80m; Weight 59kg; Activities First Tennis Team; Ambition B.A. LL.B.

Fuller, Conrad Arthur (Konrod): Age 18 years 8 months; 3 years at St. David's; Height 1,75m; Weight 66kg; Activities Third XV Rugby; Ambition Electrical Engineering.

Fuller, Timothy Rodric (Alfa): Age 17 years 4 months; 3 ½ years at St. David's; Height 1,75m; Weight 67kg; Ambition Officer – Royal Marines.

Giraud, Marc Alain: Age 17 years 10 months; 10 years at St. David's; Height 1,75m; Weight 68kg; Activities First XV Rugby, Vice-Captain of Second XI Cricket, Vice-Captain of Bishops House, Athletics Team; Scrolls Studies; Ambition Pilot.

Gleeson, Derrick John (Grease): Age 17 years 5 months; 9 years at St. David's; Height 1,80m; Weight 60kg; Activities First XI Cricket; First Tennis Team; Captain of the Golf Club; Ambition Stock Broker.

Gonsalves, Marc Bernard Clement: Age 17 years 1 month; 5 years at St. David's; Height 1,83m; Weight 74kg; Activities Vice-Captain of the 'A' Swimming Team, 'A' Water Polo Team, Second XV Rugby, Captain of the Debating Team; Scrolls Prefect, Merit, Debating – Honours Blazer; Ambition Marist Brother.

Gordon, Bruce Christopher (Brufo): Age 17 years 2 months; 5 years at St. David's; Height 1,75m; Weight 70kg; Activities Captain of the 'A' Chess Team, First XI Cricket, Second XV Rugby, Business Game; Scrolls Studies; Ambition B.Comm. C.A. M.B.A.

Haas, Matthieu Friedrich (Haas Das): Age 18 years 7 months; 6 years at St. David's; Height 1,75m; Weight 60kg; Activities Second XV Rugby, 'B' Swimming Team, 'B' Chess Team; Ambition Pharmacy.

Hawkins, Craig Patrick (Hawk): Age 17 years 11 months; 12 years at St. David's; Height 1,88m; Weight 73kg; Activities Second XI Cricket, Second Tennis Team, Golf Club; Ambition Insurance Agent.

Hildyard, Mark Buller (Chinese): Age 17 years 7 months; 12 years at St. David's; Height 1,70m; Weight 64kg; Activities First XV Rugby, First XI Cricket, Vice-Captain of Athletics, Golf Club; Scrolls Prefect, Merit, Athletics, Rugby – Honours Blazer; Ambition Physical Education.

John, Marcel Gerard (Mossies; Kaiser): Age 17 years 5 months; 12 years at St. David's; Height 1,75m; Weight 59kg; Activities Second XI Cricket, Second XV Rugby, Athletics Team; Ambition Pharmacy.

Kennedy, Patrick John (Spike): Age 17 years 11 months; 12 years at St. David's; Height 1,75m; Weight 62kg; Activities Third XV Rugby; Ambition Agricultural pilot.

Kourie, Lawrence Paul (Lolly): Age 17 years 9 months; 12 years at St. David's; Height 1,75m; Weight 66kg; Activities Captain of the 'A' Swimming Team, Captain of the 'A' Water Polo Team, First XV Rugby, Captain of Benedict House, Business Game (Managing Director), Golf Club; Scrolls Prefect, Merit, Swimming, Water Polo – Honours Blazer; Ambition Pharmacy.

Lebos, Martin Richard (Abdul): Age 17 years 2 months; 10 years at St. David's; Height 1,78m; Weight 75kg; Activities First XV Rugby, 'A' Swimming Team, 'A' Water Polo Team, Business Game (Chairman), Debating Team, Golf Club; Scrolls Prefect, Merit, Studies, – House Blazer; Ambition Medicine.

Mackenzie, Russel Scott (Mac): Age 17 years 7 months; 5 years at St. David's; Height 1,80m; Weight 58kg; Activities First Tennis Team, Third XV Rugby; Ambition Commercial Pilot (ATP) and B.Sc.

Moller, Christopher Andrew Edward (Shmutz): Age 18 years 4 months; 6 ½ years at St. David's; Height 1,75m; Weight 62kg; Activities Third XV Rugby; 'B' Swimming Team; Ambition Millionaire.

Parry, Andrew Martyn (Junior): Age 17 years 9 months; 9 years at St. David's; Height 1,83m; Weight 67kg; Activities Captain of the Second XV Rugby, Athletics Team, Business Game; Scrolls Prefect, Merit, Studies - Honours Blazer; Ambition Priest.

Peel, Michael John Stephen (Shorty): Age 16 years 11 months; 12 years at St. David's; Height 1,69m; Weight 62kg; Activities Captain of the First XV Rugby, Captain of the First XI Cricket, Vice-Captain of College House, Athletics Team, Golf Club; Scrolls Vice-Head Prefect, Merit, Cricket, Rugby – Honours Blazer; Ambition B.Sc. – Game Ranger.

Raymond, Philip Neville (Puppy): Age 17 years 2 months; 12 years at St. David's; Height 1,73m; Weight



STANDARD 10 'L' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *N. Walton, D. Smith, C. Vetter, B. Volkwyn, M. Gonsalves, T. Fuller.*
 Middle row: *C. Burn, M. Giraud, M. Lebos, G. Christie-Taylor, A. Parry, R. Zent, O. Setton, M. Hildyard, R. Smith, Mr. K. Lipschitz.*
 Front row: *A. Cannon, M. Peel, D. Ward, A. Slaven, P. Raymond, P. Riley, B. Gordon.*



STANDARD 10 'N' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *D. Volkwyn, C. Hawkins, C. Black.*
 Middle row: *M. Haas, B. Sterzik, R. Mackenzie, M. Stevenson, D. Gleeson, C. Moller, Mr. G. Nefdt.*
 Front row: *P. Kennedy, M. John, L. Kourie, A. Risi, C. Fuller.*

67kg; *Activities* 'B' Swimming Team, 'B' Water Polo Team; *Ambition* B.Sc. (Agriculture).

Riley, Patrick Bernard (Irish): *Age* 17 years 10 months; 8 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,83m; *Weight*; 80kg; *Activities* Captain of the Athletics Team, Vice-Captain of the First XV Rugby, Captain of College House, Captain of the 'B' Swimming Team, Captain of the 'B' Water Polo Team, Business Game; *Scrolls* Vice-Head Prefect, Merit, Studies Athletics – Honours Blazer; *Ambition* B. Comm. C.A.

Risi, Adrian Julius (Ade's): *Age* 18 years 9 months; 9 years at St. David's *Height* 1,73m; *Weight* 66kg; *Activities* Second XV Rugby, Vice-Captain of Osmond House; *Ambition* Millionaire.

Setton, Oliver Charles (Olive-Cousin 'O'): *Age* 17 years 10 months; 3 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,80m; *Weight* 64kg; *Activities* Captain of the Second XI Cricket, Second XV Rugby. 'B' Chess Team, Athletics Team, Golf Club; *Ambition* Textile Engineer.

Slaven, Andrew Edward (George): *Age* 18 years 4 months 9 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,83m; *Weight* 80kg; *Activities* First XV Rugby, 'A' Swimming Team, 'A' Water Polo Team, 'A' Chess Team, Business Game, Captain of Osmond House, Athletics Team; *Scrolls* Head Prefect, Merit, Studies, Water Polo, – Honours Blazer; *Ambition* Medicine.

Smith, Donald Andrew (Duck): *Age* 18 years 2 months; 9 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,75m; *Weight* 66kg, *Activities* First XV Rugby, First XI Cricket, Captain of Bishops House; *Scrolls* Prefect, Merit, Studies – Honours Blazer; *Ambition* Electrical Engineer.

Smith Ronald Scott: *Age* 18 years; 3 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,75m; *Weight* 59kg; *Activities* Captain of the Basketball Team, Athletics Team, Second XV Rugby, 'A' Chess Team; *Scrolls* Studies; *Ambition* Lawyer.

Sterzik, Horst Bernhard (Max Plank): *Age* 18 years 11 months; 10 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,82m; *Weight* 81kg; *Activities* 'A' Swimming Team, 'A' Water Polo Team, First XV Rugby, Athletics Team; *Ambition* Civil Engineering.

Stevenson, Mark David (Nightshadow) *Age* 17 years 6 months; 5 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,83m; *Weight* 70kg; *Ambition* Mechanical Engineering.

Vetter, Carl Walter (Yogi): *Age* 17 years 10 months; 7½ years at St. David's; *Height* 1,85m; *Weight* 70kg; *Activities* 'B' Swimming Team, Third XV Rugby; *Ambition* Electrical Engineer.

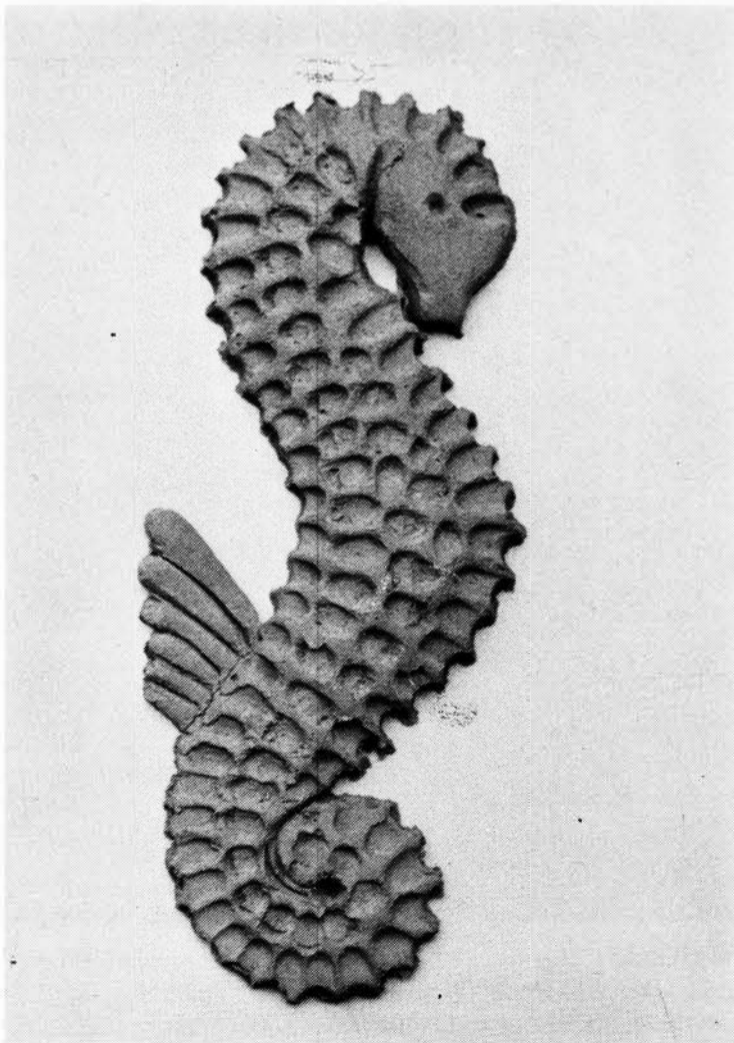
Volkwyn, Bruce Craig (Volks): *Age* 17 years 4 months; 12 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,84m; *Weight* 68kg; *Activities* 'B' Swimming Team, Third XV Rugby; *Ambition* Electrical Engineer.

Volkwyn, David Shaun (Volkie's): *Age* 18 years 7 months; 11 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,86m; *Weight* 73kg; *Activities* Captain of the Third XV Rugby, 'B' Swimming Team, 'B' Water Polo Team; *Ambition* Marine Biology.

Walton, Nicholas Dein (Wolly): *Age* 17 years 3 months; 6 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,73m; *Weight* 66kg; *Activities* First XV Rugby, Second XI Cricket; *Ambition* Electrical Engineer.

Ward, David Mercer (Goldmine): *Age* 17 years 5 months; 5 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,71m; *Weight* 58kg; *Activities* Captain of the First Tennis Team, Business Game, Golf Club, Third XV Rugby, Second XI Cricket; *Scrolls* Studies; *Ambition* Farmer.

Zent, Roy (Bushy): *Age* 17 years 9 months; 12 years at St. David's; *Height* 1,80m; *Weight* 75kg; *Activities* Vice-Captain of the First XI Cricket, Second XV Rugby, Debating Team, Business Game; *Scrolls* Prefect, Merit, Studies, Cricket, Debating – Honours Blazer; *Ambition* Medicine.



A Poem – that only a matric in his last term is expected to understand – or even appreciate.

THE FEELING OF YESTERDAY

A Matric.

I stood still in the Quad.,
Just thinking of the year gone by.
I could almost hear voices
And laughter
And friendship
Like spirits whistling through the air.
I stopped where we had lined up, year after year,
I'd never see it again filled with people
I knew so well.
I thought of our class,
Our jokes,
Our fun,
Our serious moments of studied learning,
Our squabbles, our hates, our loves,
The feeling of yesterday filled me like an echo.
I wished I could go back in time;
And this time we'd stop the clock,
Hold back that wall of water that is time.
But even as I stood
In the silent school,
The voices and the laughter
Faded away.
The memories remained
Like footprints on a beach –
Easy to rewalk and to relive again.
Except where a passing wave
Had softly washed the imprint away

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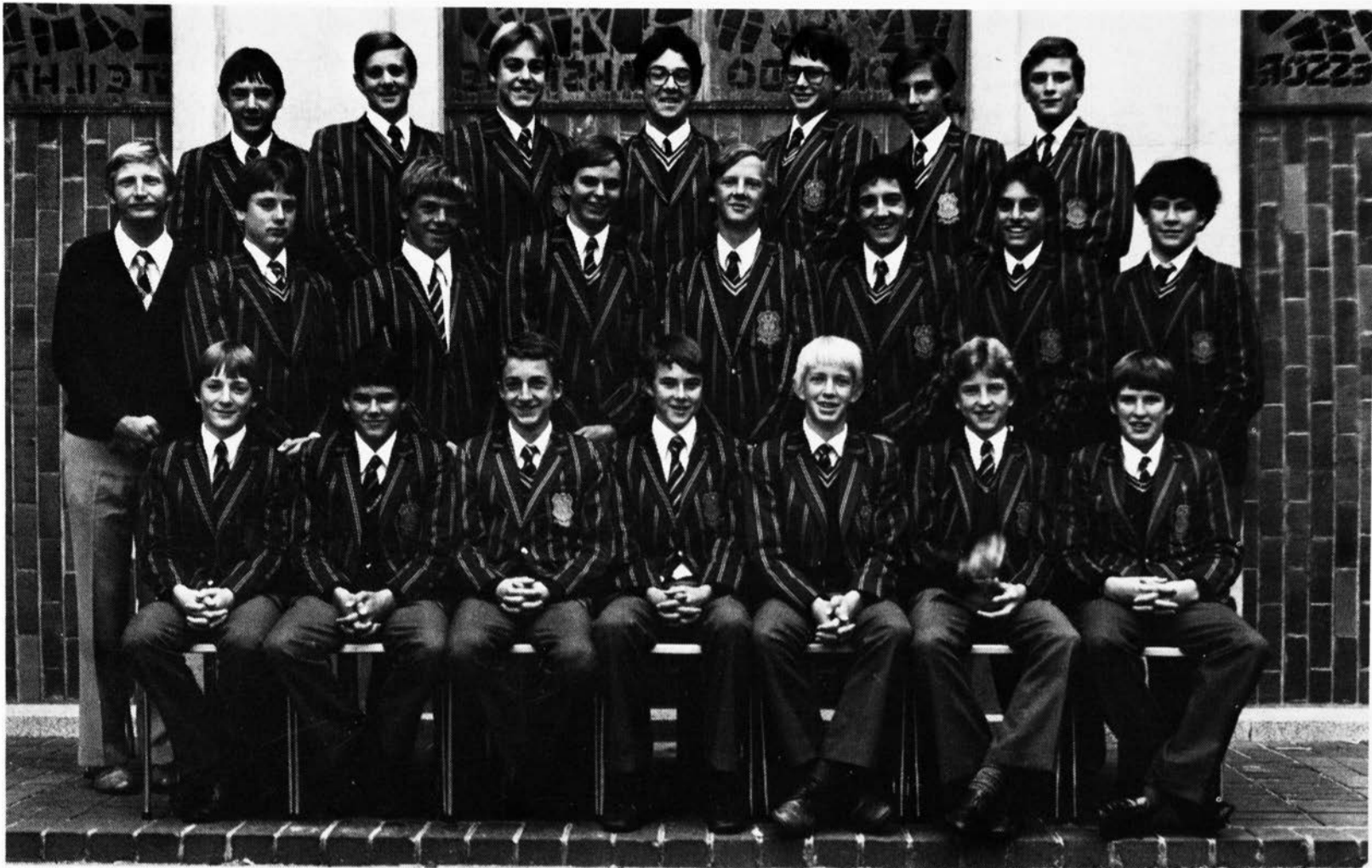
STANDARD 9 'L' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *R. Crabtree, G. Beuthin, M. McGinley, M. Forssman, P. Wahl.*
 Middle row: *R. Spanjaard, M. Samson, A. Driver, D. Kalk, R. van Deldin, R. Genovese, J. Slaven, D. Beuthin, L. de Gouveia,*
Mr. G. Nefdt.
 Front row: *M. Ritchie, B. McCarthy, J. Du Mughn, F. Grant, C. Embleton-smith, P. Zana, R. Lachermeier.*



STANDARD 9 'E' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *R. Dee, C. Pandelias, A. Prudence, R. Grant, J. Joseph, G. Lazarus.*
 Middle row: *R. Hutt, E. Schoemaker, R. Saccani, J. Lossau, M. Parr, G. Pond, M. Boic (R.I.P.).*
 Front row: *A. Walsh, A. Pettit, A. Barone, M. Ninow, A. Marsden, B. Tsounis, M. Hartog.*



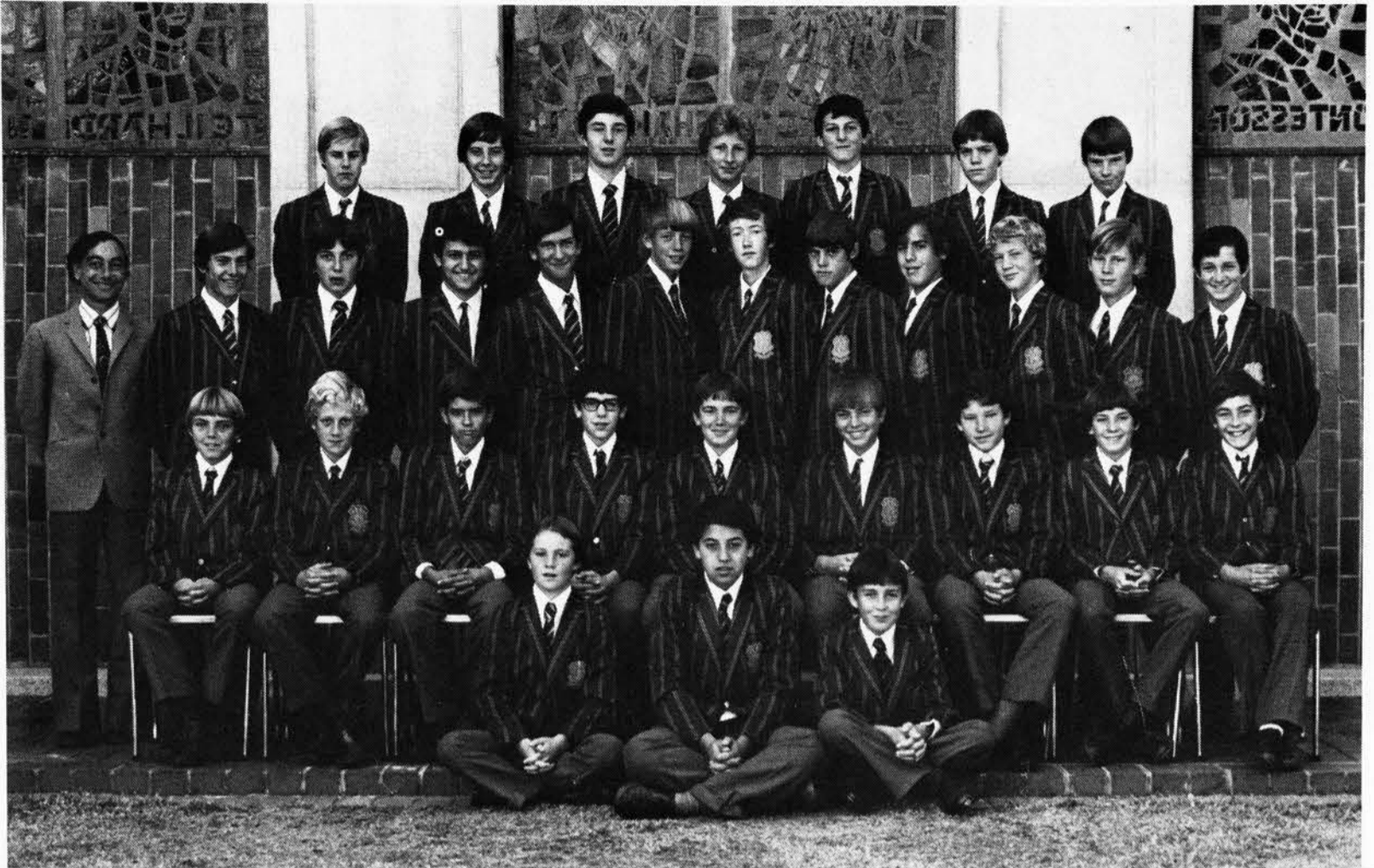
STANDARD 8 'W' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *T. Stevenson, E. Maraschin, R. Hartmann, G. Daras, C. Rapp, G. Perlman, B. Forssman.*
 Middle row: *Mr. A. Wittwer, J. van Crombrugge, B. Muller, A. Wotherspoon, C. Stott, A. de Chaud, M. Zampieri, T. Christie-Taylor.*
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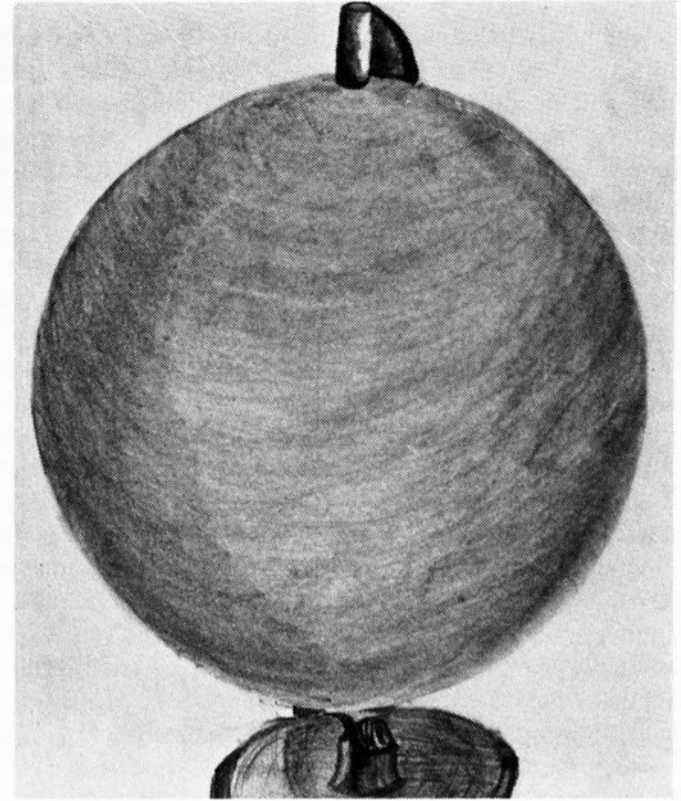
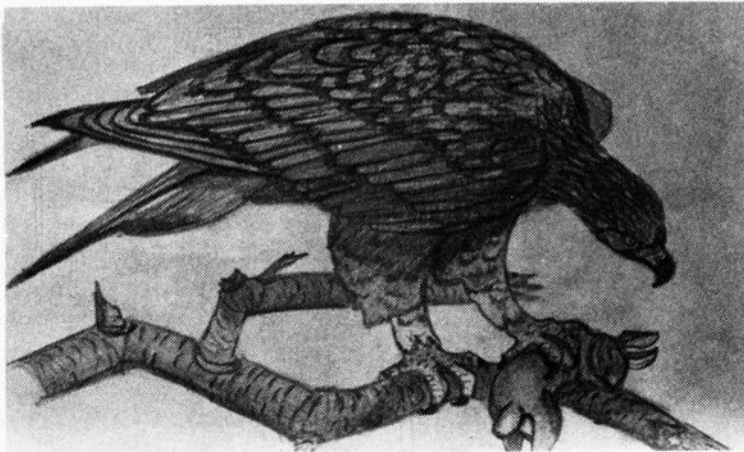
LONDON IN 1850

Grant Reuss Standard 6

I had not been to London for quite some time, so when I did finally return I was extremely surprised at what I saw. London was now under the reign of Queen Victoria, who had come into power in 1837, which, as I was later to realise, heralded Britain's most successful era, especially in industry. London was thriving on the wealth of the mines to the north, particularly the coal mines, with small tunnels in the ground where women and children toiled for ten hours a day in the dark and coal dust. Steam power had just emerged and with it came the trains. Faraday had discovered electricity; new buildings had also sprung up, such as the new Houses of Parliament which covered eight acres and cost the fantastic amount of £7,000,000. Britain had also become a commercial and trading centre of the world, leading the world in engineering by building the first iron-hulled ship, the 'Great Britain'.

Indeed London had changed. People had flocked into the city from the rural areas searching for employment. Thus the streets were crowded more than ever with more markets springing up. There were flower-sellers, muffin-men, pie-men, cats' meat men, and even boys selling hedgehogs to eat the black beetles in the basements. The streets resounded to the rattle of handsome landaus and broughams, the cries of the salesman, and the songs of the caged goldfinches and linnets with their sweet, country voices, sounding obscure in the hustle of the city. The gin-palaces and ubiquitous music halls provided entertainment for the poor, bordering the crowded streets and occasionally emitting muffled sounds of music and cheerful voices, which became lost to the bustle of business.

Something else that I noticed which was completely new was the emergence of a middle class. These people are not quite accepted as respectable by the nobility but do very well financially, being professional people such as merchants and small landowners, while maintaining a firm barrier between shopkeeping and farming. Their homes are normally four-storeyed with a portico over the door, aping the grandeur of the betters they envy. These houses are comfy and homely enough, with solid furniture of oak or mahogany denoting value for money, and padded easy chairs with lace edged antimacassars. The fashionably dark wallpaper is often ordained with photos or framed prints. A cast-iron stove is situated in the kitchen where the cook produces elaborate dishes every night and often there is a drawing room with a piano and sometimes a harp, where the wives of these industrious creators of the new London can engage themselves in quiet recreational activity.



LIVE

B. Staempfli Standard 6.

Yeah! The sun is out!
Don't just sit there, move about!
The water's cool,
The grass is green
If you don't move, I think I'll scream!
Put on your costume,
Take off your shoes,
Get moving or you'll always lose!

BEING A BIRD

S. Ghersi Standard 6.

It must be nice to be a bird,
To be able to fly
With the wind on your wings,
Without a care in the world;
To loop and swoop
And glide down low.

A Dog's Story

Alan Wotherspoon Standard 8.

For many years I have had the pleasure of working with dogs. During this time I have heard several 'dog stories' and to anyone who likes mystery stories, I could tell them several that would make their hair stand on end.

One evening Tom Brown, a great friend of mine, arrived home. He was a script writer, and wrote for the 'Bugle' magazine. He was a nice fellow, dark haired, handsome with a tiny defect – he wore glasses. This didn't bother him and he got on well with the girls. He married, settled lived happily with no children.

The following morning Janet, his wife, awoke and was surprised to see a Great Dane lying in the bed in Tom's pyjamas. She pushed the Great Dane out of the bed and nearly died when the dog answered in Tom's voice.

"Why did you do that, honey?"

Her mouth fell open and she gaped at the Great Dane.

"What's the matter? Is something wrong, dear, you look terribly pale."

She told him in no uncertain terms that he had turned into a dog.

"What?"

It was his turn for his mouth to fall open as he looked at himself in the mirror. Reckoning that the change could be for good he immediately started making plans. Firstly, he decided to continue writing. He would dictate scripts while his wife could copy them down. Secondly he would have to sell the house and move into the country. Thirdly, he stated that his wife, if she felt the need could leave him. She refused.

He continued with his scripts while his wife prepared to sell the house and find a new one in the country.

During the day Tom thought about his change into a dog and how it could have happened. Suddenly he remembered! Just before he went to sleep he remembered saying he had worked like a dog and that he felt dog tired.

When they finally rented a house, as they didn't manage to buy one, they moved in and continued their life. Near the house a dark and black wood stood barring anyone's entrance.

Tom one day planned to explore the wood so he and his wife set out. It was dark in the wood and suddenly he felt strange. He wondered . . .

A few years later when two boys entered the wood they were met by two ferocious dogs who bared their teeth and growled. "Scram, kids!"

The boys ran home but didn't tell anyone as they didn't want to seem 'nuts'. They thought they remembered that Mrs Brown had a Great Dane like that one, and she and her dog had disappeared one day several years ago.



'n Vliegtuigongeluk Howard van der Merwe Standard 6

Alles het begin toe ek en my vriend, Pieter, besluit het om 'n vakansie in Durban deur te bring.

Ons het om vyfuur die middag in 'n Boeing 727 van Jan Smuts-lughawe vertrek. Die eerste halfuur het mooi en rustig verloop, maar daarna het al die moeilikheid begin.

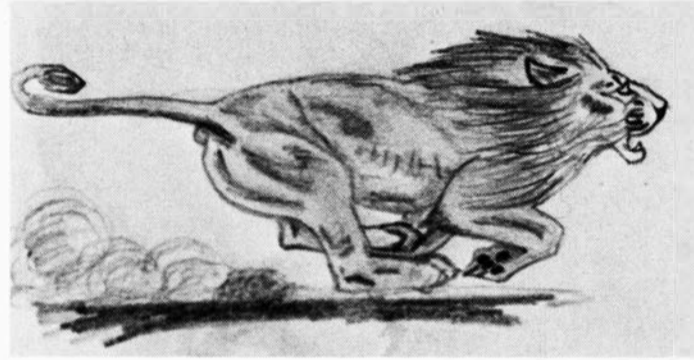
Ons was oor die Vrystaatse vlaktes toe die linkermotor skielik aan die brand geslaan het. Daar was groot paniek aan boord. Die lugwardinne het verseker dat almal hulle gordels vasgemaak het, toe het die vliegtuig vinnig begin

duik en die snelheid het vinnig vermeerder. Danksy die moderne lugremme kon die loods gou weer die vliegtuig onder beheer kry. Die loods het Bloemfontein-lughawe per radio gevra om daar te land. Hulle het die aanloopbaan ontruim. Omdat die vliegtuig min krag gehad het, het die loods laag ingekom.

Ons het met 'n stamp geland. Brandweerwaens het soos blits na die vliegtuig gekom en die enjin met skuim geblus. Al die passasiers is gou ontruim en na veiligheid geneem. Ons is toe vir die nag in die beste hotel in Bloemfontein opgeneem aangesien 'n ander vliegtuig van Jan Smuts gebring moes word.

Die volgende oggend het ons met die ander vliegtuig na Durban vertrek.

Toe ons by Durban-lughawe aangekom het en 'n huurmotor na ons hotel geneem het, het Piet vir my gesê: „Volgende keer gaan ek per motor.”



Wat ek sal doen as ek 'n apteek het Franco Siani, Standard 6

1. Die apteek moet elke dag silwerskoon gehou word.
2. Die rakke, vertoonkaste en toonbanke moet afgestof word.
3. 'n Spierwit jas moet deur my gehou word.
4. Alle medisynesoorte moet altyd in voorraad gehou word.
5. Ek moet versigtig wees as die voorskrifte opgemaak word.
6. Die voorskrifte moet so spoedig moontlik uitgestuur word.
7. As 'n mengsel gif bevat, moet die woord 'giftig' op die etiket geskryf word.
8. My boek moet baie noukeurig gehou word.
9. Alle medisyne moet so gou moontlik uitgestuur word.
10. Die klante moet beleef behandel word.

Kleinsus Leer Klavier Speel Grant Reuss, Standard 6

Alle wêreld! Ek dink ek moet buite in die tuin gaan woon. Die geraas is ondraaglik. Wat het ek gedoen om so 'n foltering te verdien? Ja, Kleinsus leer klavierspeel. Ek kan nie dink waarom ek die idee gekry het om voor te stel dat Kleinsus miskien kan leer klavier speel nie. Miskien dink jy ek kla oor niks nie, maar as die klavier presies om vieruur elke dag begin om te ratel en te piep soos 'n honderd muise, sal jy anders dink. Ek het lankal voorgestel dat ek syfers op die klavier moet plak sodat Kleinsus die regte noot kan druk.

Ek hoop sy leer goe hoe om beter te speel!

'n Besoek aan die Tandarts Corrado Anniciello, Standard 6

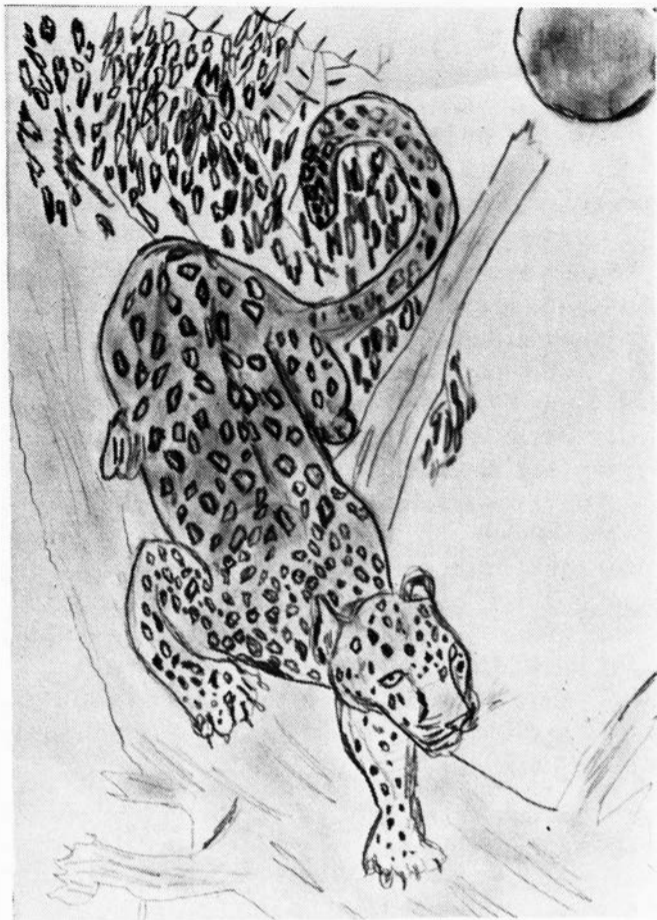
Dis nag. Ek hoor 'n geklop en dink eers dis van buite af. Dan besef ek dis eintlik hier in my mond. Na nog 'n halfuur kan ek dit nie meer uithou nie. Ek staan op en drink 'n pynstiller. Nou 'n paar uur van genadige slaap.

Die volgende oggend beveel Moeder my om tandarts toe te gaan. Ek argumenteer met haar dat dit nie nodig is nie. Sy besef dat ek baie bang is. Die afspraak is vir tienuur. Hoe gaan ek die tyd omkry?

Na wat 'n ewigheid gevoel het, kom ons by die tandarts aan. Ek wens die tandarts kan my dadelik neem,

maar dit blyk dat daar nog een pasiënt voor my is. Nou is die pyn weer terug. Eindelik is dit my beurt om in te gaan.

In 'n waas sien ek hoe die dokter nader kom met die inspuitingsnaald en snaaks genoeg gee ek nie om nie. Nadat hy die tand getrek het, stompel ek by die deur uit na 'n wagtende moeder. Nou is ek weer vry van pyn.



Wyn en Wynbereiding in die Rynland Neil Zent, Standard 6

In die Rynland maak hulle goeie ligte wyne. Hierdie wyne is wêreldberoemd en hulle is baie goed.

Die wynbereiding begin wanneer die ryp druive geoes word. Wanneer die druive geoes word, sit die druiveplukkers die druive in groot vate op die rand van die wingerd. Die vate word dan per vragmotor na die parselders geneem. Die druive gaan deur 'n meul en hieruit kry hulle 'n moes. Hulle sit dit dan in 'n hidroliese of elektriese pars. Dit skei die moes van die sap af. Hierdie sap word mos genoem. Die mos moet dan in reusevate in die giskelder getap word. Die mos moet nou gis.

Gedurende die gistingsproses word die wyn in ander vate oorgetap om van afsaksel ontslae te raak. Wanneer die gistingsproses klaar is, word die wyn gebottel. Wynproewers moet die wyn op die proef stel om die geringste foutjie te bespeur.

Ek proe baie van my vader se wyne en ek dink die beste wyne is die Rynlandwyne van Wes-Duitsland.

“The founding fathers in their wisdom decided that children were an unnatural strain on their parents. So they provided jails called schools, equipped with tortures called education. School is where you go between when your parents can't take you and industry can't take you.”
A response!

Roy Zent Standard 10

Long ago, somewhere in the present day Europe, lived a small but happy society. The elders went about their daily chores happily. The men were always eager to plunder the nearby villages, while the women stayed at home tending the flocks and homes. The children of the society helped their mothers and fathers until they became of age and started their own families.

On the sixth day of the moon year, Edu Cation gave birth to her first son, School. He was not a normal child and he gave his mother many grey hairs. School continuously wanted to know more about the world in which he lived. He wanted to know why an animal died when it had a rock dropped on its head. He wanted to know how to make things and record daily happenings.

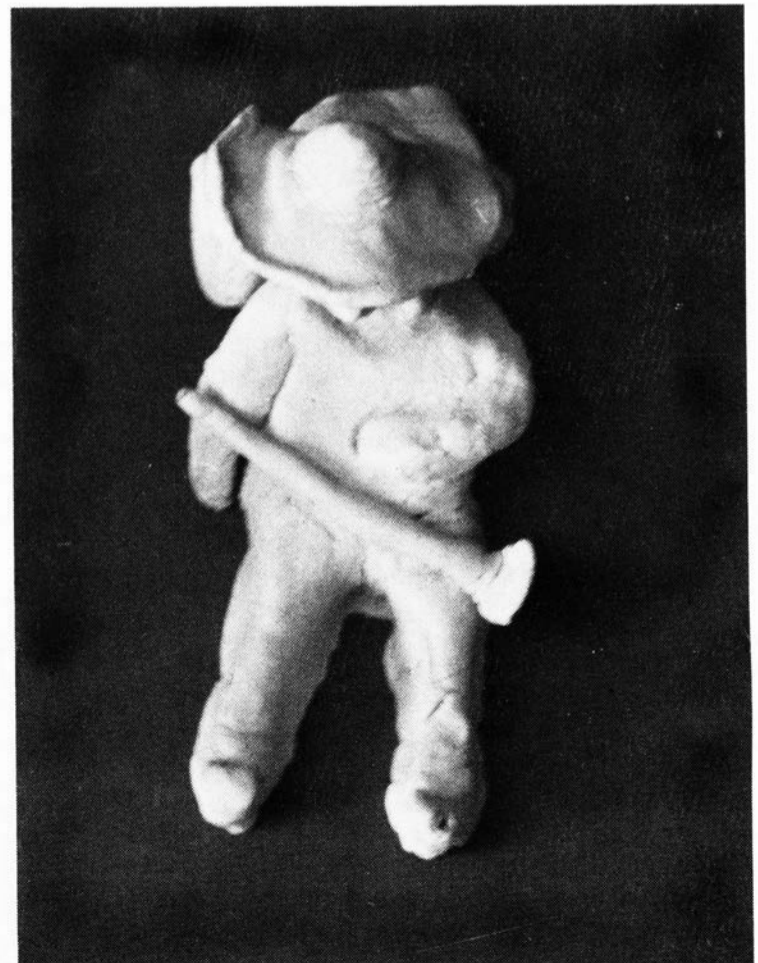
Although it was difficult for School, he entered into marriage and he managed three children. He entered the fighting corps of the village and was extremely courageous. However, one day while attacking the village across the valley, he was struck by a rock. He fell to the ground with a hole in his head and he had to be carried back to the village.

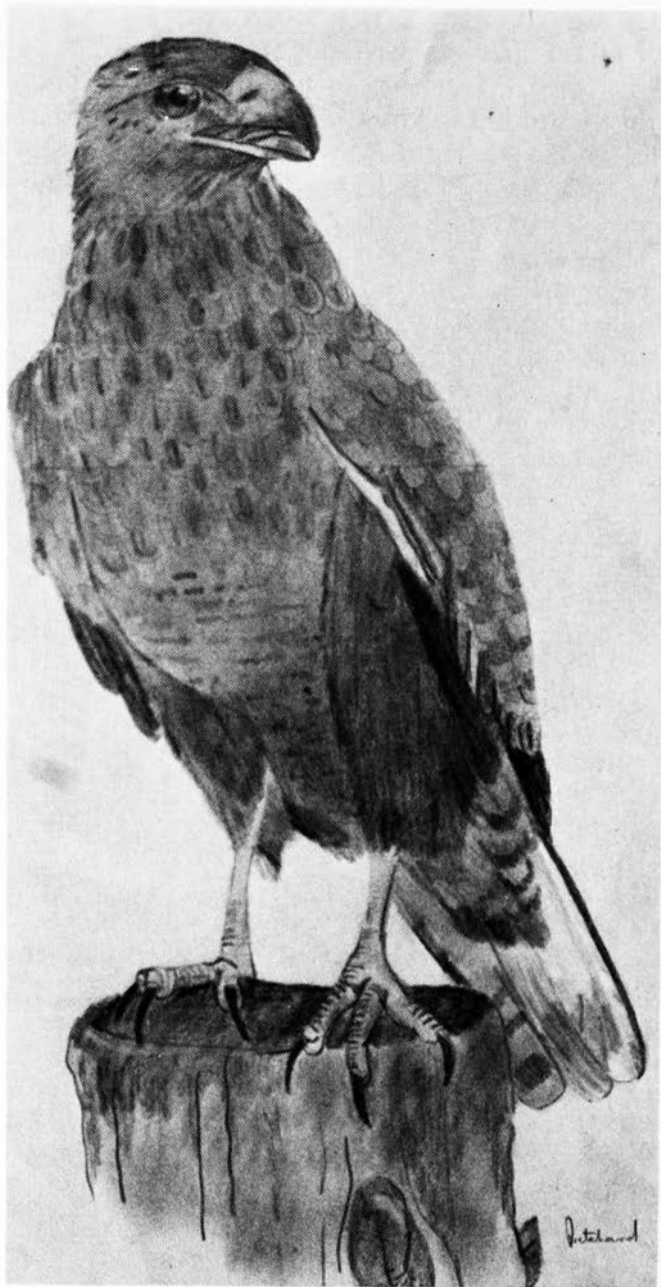
School was never the same. He retired from public life and decided to devote his time to the other youth of the village. He told people that if their children were giving them trouble then they need just send them to School. In the beginning he had only three children. He taught them about the birds and the bees. He taught them about rock crafts and he showed them that rocks are more effective when dropped from higher up. He introduced rock sculptures to the children and tried to show them the meaning of beauty.

His faithful children publicized School's achievements and soon he had a large number of children attending every day. In fact, the young from the other villages were forced to attend School by their parents. His classes became so popular that he needed help from his mother, Edu Cation. His ideas spread like wildfire and all the surrounding villages began to practise his ideas.

Many centuries later, the king of Germany decided to honour School and his mother. He felt that as Edu Cation had been the rock on which School had built up his principles, the system of learning in Germany would be called Education and would be taught at Schools. It became a universally known term.

Although man has progressed in the fields of science and technology, the system of learning has not got passed School. Before, children used to learn that a rock makes the bigger hole when dropped from higher up. However, we are taught today in the same style, at School, that it makes the bigger hole as $\text{Force} = \text{Mass} \times \text{Acceleration}$.





MAGMA

Grant Sayer, Standard 7

On 22 September 1976 MAGMA unexpectedly awoke. The eruption took everybody by surprise. A little boy named Panos happened to be nearby at the time, and he wrote an eye-witness account of the eruption.

The first sign of trouble was the appearance of an unusually large cloud above Magma. It rose to a considerable height before spreading out at the top, like the "mushroom" cloud of a nuclear explosion. In colour it was sometimes white and sometimes dirty and mottled, depending on whether it had carried earth or ash. The monstrous cloud spread out so far that it covered the hamlet from horizon to horizon. People were standing in the streets, watching it in fear, when they heard approaching them a sound like the beginning of a hailstorm. Hot ash and granules of pumice stone were raining down upon them. Panic struck, with some running towards the sea and others running into their houses, in the hopes that the strange phenomenon would soon end.

But the hail of lava and ash continued. The courtyards and streets began to be choked by it. A roof started to collapse under the increasing weight. Added to this were severe earthquake shocks. Flames and fires were blazing, lava escaped through fissures in the cone and was blown into the air, incandescent gases rose to a height of eight miles.

Those still in the village now realized how serious their danger was. Many opened the doors with a struggle and fled through the streets. Most of those who fled met their death upon the roads outside. Those who remained in the hamlet, likewise perished from the poisonous, volcanic vapours.

When Magma at last became calm again after two days and nights, the sun returned in its brilliance to uncover a bay covered with molten lava.

MAUNA LOA

Jonathan Toohey, Standard 7

Rocks, huge as houses and glowing dull red, were flung out, while shrouded in vast wreathes of ash. A roar was emitted from the very depths of the mountain where sulphurous pools of mud sent up geysers of fire. Great bubbles formed and burst on the boiling white lake of liquid stone. Slowly, enormous globules of lava dribbled over the edge to form fiery rivers which swept down, devouring everything in their way. The goddess Pele of Mauna Loa was angry.

The day begun like any other in the sunny, basking town of Keaau, snuggling close to the base of Mauna Loa. But later uneasy glances looked at the grumbling volcano which was giving off dense clouds of ash which rose and darkened the skies. The thick, choking ash fell on the town, while the lava was greedily devouring the outskirts.

People ran screaming through the streets, clutching vainly at their few treasured possessions. Looting abounded while the police ran to-and-fro, blowing whistles and shouting unheeded orders. Animals as well as people became burning torches when the evil fingers of lava overtook them. Ash blinded the eyes, clogged the nasal passages, choked the throat and burned the flesh.

Days later, survivors began to return to start all over again. They pitched their tents on the ash which shrouded their once proud city.

LE SOIR, AU BORD DE LA MER

Clive Embleton-Smith, Standard 9

Rien n'est si beau que la fin d'un jour d'été au bord de la mer. Le soleil, qui brûlait à midi, est maintenant un grand cercle rouge, et les vagues qui étaient si grandes ont disparues. La mer paraît un miroir et au dessus de la surface s'envolent quelques oiseaux qui cherchent leur nids.

Personne ne se voit qu'un pêcheur solitaire ou, peut-être, deux amants qui se promènent lentement sur le sable. La brise fraîche de la nuit commence à arriver sur la terre et on entend les murmures des arbres et des herbes. Un hibou appelle très loin et des mouettes poussent encore des cris avant de s'endormir sur les rochers.

Le soleil disparaît finalement et la reine de la nuit vient allumer la surface des eaux.



LES PYRÉNÉES

Robert Crabtree, Standard 9

Le voyage à Paris en vaut la peine. On peut aller au chateau, où naquit Henry IV. Ses sujets L'aimèrent beaucoup par ce qu'il avait rendu la paix à leur pays ravagé par les guerres civiles. Mais il y a quelque chose de plus merveilleux que le berceau où dormait le futur roi de France; c'est le panorama qu'on garde, on s'arrête sur la terrasse qui domine la rivière. On a devant soi la chaîne des Pyrénées et ses pics en dent de scie; jusqu'à l'horizon, elle dresse sa muraille bleue qui sépare la France de l'Espagne.

Hoekom moet ons veiligheidsgordels dra?

Haydon Marchant, Standard 6

„Hoekom moet ons veiligheidsgordels dra?” is die vraag wat die mense oor die wêreld vra. Hulle sê goed soos: „Ek is nie bang nie!” Hulle dink dat hulle gewone mense is as hulle nie gordels dra nie, en hulle sê: „Dit hou my vas en ek sal dit nie verdra nie.” Die soort mense is, soos ander mense, bang vir die donker of hoogtes. Ander sê: „Ek is te lui.”

Sommige motors het 'n fluitjie wat blaas as die gordel nie vas is nie. Soms help dit nie eers nie omdat die mense dink dat hulle goeie bestuurders is en die gordels dus nie nodig het nie. Bestuurders van Grand Prix-motors dra gordels en hulle is goeie bestuurders.

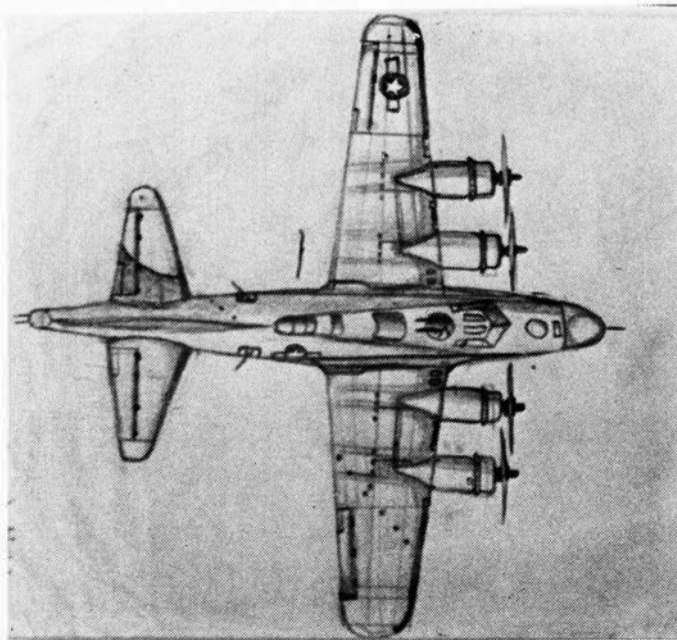
'n Paar mense sê dat hulle nie gordels dra vir kort ritte nie. Dit kom daarop neer dat as jy winkel toe gaan en nie jou gordel dra nie, is jy een van die EK IS TE LUI mense. As daar 'n brand is, kan 'n mens maklik uitklim as jou gordel vas is want dit neem 7 tot 10 minute voordat die brand die kompartement binnedring waarin 'n mens sit. „Ek kan nie die gordel gou genoeg na 'n ongeluk losmaak nie,” is lawwigheid, want dit kan maklik losgemaak word as 'n mens net weet hoe . . . of dit kan gesny word.

Dit is alles goed wat mense sê wat nie hulle gordels vasmaak nie. Elkeen het egter 'n antwoord nie altyd geldig nie. In elke situasie waar iemand in 'n ongeluk betrokke was en hulle gordels was vasgemaak sê hulle dat dit hulle gehelp het.

Visvang

Paul Marneweck, Standard 6

Partykeer te vroeg
Partykeer te laat
Partykeer te vuil
Partykeer te helder
Partykeer geen water
Partykeer 'n vloed
Daar's altyd iets verkeerd
wanneer my visvangdag aanbreek.



SPRING

Eric Chiappa Standard 6.

Against the stark and arid land
The new green shoots cover the sand
The birds arrive from Europe's cold
To see the season about which they have been told.

Spring is coming! Spring is coming!
The bees again will start their humming.
New little lambs in the fields will play
And new-born calves will munch on the hay.
The little foals on the stable floor
Are longing to walk through the stable door.
Warmer and warmer the days will grow
And the life-giving streams will start to flow.

IN BLACK AND WHITE

Patrick Riley Standard 10.

He walked into the shop before me
But the assistant asked me what I wanted.

I stood aside for him
Until he had bought his goods
And gone out again.

After I had been served,
I went out.
He was there too
And stole my wallet out of my hand.

Before I knew what was happening
He had gone.
But in another street,
With blood on his forehead,
appeared from the crowd,
and with boiling blood
I barged past him, and
knocked him over.

Yet he ran after me
and catching me up,
called out 'Baas!'

I looked round
and he
with dripping blood
pressed my wallet into my hands.

Before I knew what had happened
He was gone



PILGRIMS REST
Patrick Riley Standard 10

He came.
With donkeys, spades and hope
of gold in these hills.

He struggled his tunnel deep
into the baked earth,
And wheelbarrowed the soil
out.

He sweated and cursed,
bandaging his blistered hands
And prayed for gold in these hills.

One day he struck the pick
And chipped away the yellow.
He'd found gold in these hills.

He died with half a smile
When the tunnel took him,
Smashing him against the gold.

Only a cross haunted by gechoes
sticks out solemnly from the grass
Reminding us of gold in these hills.

WHO ARE WE?
Patrick Riley Standard 10

If we were to
strip away our
laughter and games

As a layer of
skin is
peeled off a fruit
I wonder just how
real we'd be
Or are these jokes
reality

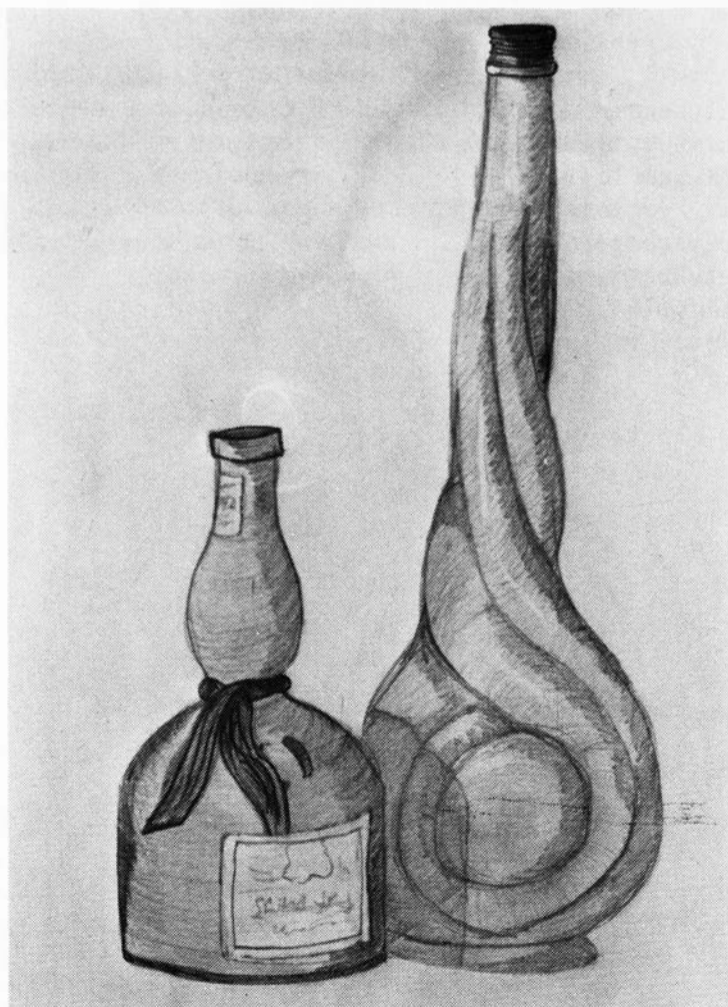
BOEKE
Roy Zent Standard 10

Hy lê in die kas. Sy vel is vuil en sy rug is stukkend. Hy is 'n edelman wat lank gelede verswak en vergaan het. Sy skepper was 'n monnik in 'n Klooster wat dae lank gewerk het om hom tot stand te bring. Sy lewe was lank en vol en hy is deur baie persone bestudeer, maar nou is hy teleurgesteld om die hele dag ydel in 'n Londense museum te slaap.

Saam met hom is baie van sy broers wat ook deur die monnike geskryf is. Hulle is gelukkig dat hulle nie meer gebruik word nie, omdat Guttenburg, 'n Duitser, die drukpers ontdek het. Dit is waarskynlik die heilsaamste ontdekking van die sewentiende eeu.

Nadat die drukpers ontdek was, het die landbewoners geletterd geword en dit was maklik vir die meeste van die mense om te leer hoe te lees en te skryf. Boeke word by die duisende gedruk en hulle kan by alle plekke gekoop word. Hulle is, anders as hulle voorgangers, goedkoop en kan maklik deur almal gekoop word.

Wanneer ek na my skepper kyk, dink ek aan die paar beskermhare, edelmannes, van lank gelede wat die enigste mense in die land was wat kon lees. Ek dink aan die skrywer, Chaucer, wat sy hele lewe deur gedigte geskryf het, en ook al die monnike wat in hulle lewe boeke geskryf het voordat die drukpers ontdek was.



“So they kept us close, till nigh on noon
And they rang the bell”

Patrick Riley Standard 10

You wake to the sound of a gentle silence and you look across the room to the curtained window. Outside the sky is soft, blue. Light and trees do not move at the stone wall of the garden.

Moving to the window you observe the rising of the sun through the knotted branches of the oak tree and the gentle wind sings to the dust of a thousand years. Alone in your country home you watch a sunrise in your moment of peace

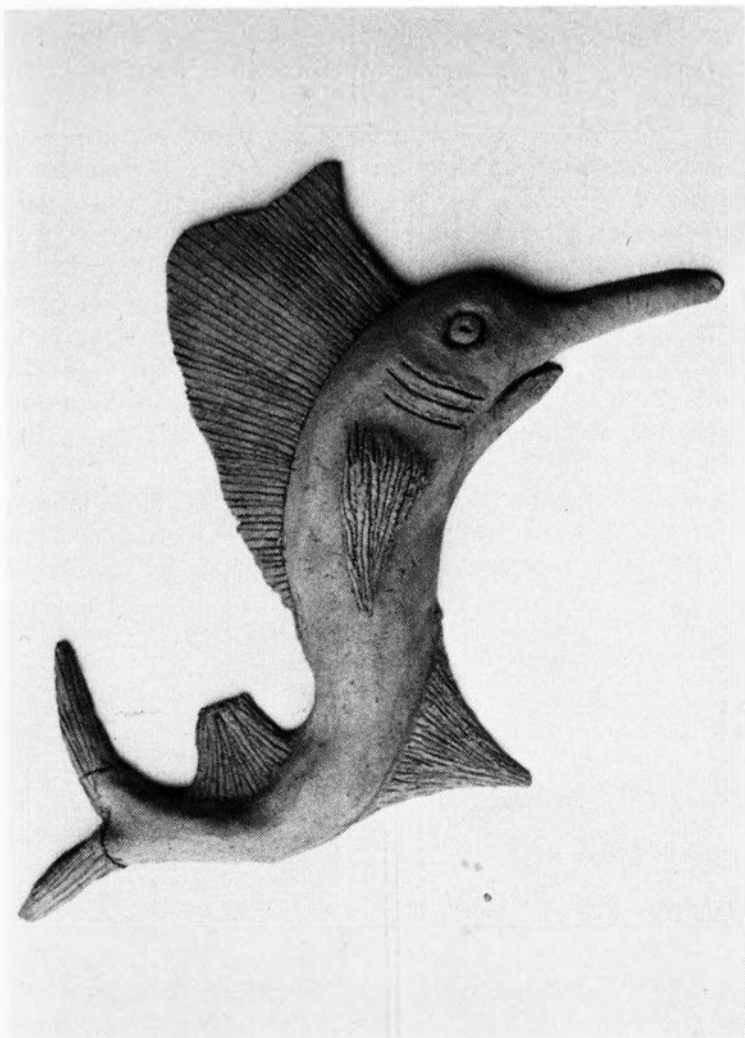
Yet a thousand miles away you are cold and shivering as your eyes become accustomed to the light penetrating your darkness. You sigh as you turn over and leave the bed once occupied by the notorious. You move to the window with its broken panes and bars and stare out at the rows of black buildings of eternal sadness.

Day by day each darkness is penetrated by a golden light across seas and valleys, from town to country. Each man awakes to the silent morning and rubs his eyes to escape unspoken dreams. You will drive and go out into the morning. Stand at a bus stop. You will count the hours – hear footsteps – your laughter will ring into downtown city streets

So they kept us close till nigh on noon
And they rang the bell
And the wardens with their jingling keys
Opened each listening cell
And down the iron stairs we tramped
Each from our separate hell

Day by day by month by year and what have you achieved in this well, called life? You have visited the filing cabinets and chatted with a tea-cup, you have read the newspapers and forgotten the words

Day by day the world will turn and its hour of turmoil will be an eternity for the dust of the past will become the dust of the future and the night of darkness will yield to the light.



AFTER A STORM

Conrad Vlaskamp, Standard 8

The thunderbolts of lightning and the torrential rain beating against my window kept me awake most of the night; but finally I managed to fall asleep in the small hours of the morning.

When I awoke, there was an ominous silence which I could not explain. I gazed out of my window to view the aftermath of what must have been an extremely harsh storm. Having got dressed I walked down to the beach to investigate the happenings of the night.

As far as the eye could see in both directions the beach was a mass of everything the sea had been able to throw up. Large pieces of driftwood were intermingled with seaweed and kelp, pebbles, seashells and cuttlefish. The sea had virtually gouged out furrows in the sand, forming cliff-like structures. For hundreds of metres the absolute calmness of the landscape struck me after the deafening noise of the previous night. Here and there one could spot the odd seagull circling ahead, obviously thankful for the peace and quiet; even the little sand-crabs seemed relieved that the turmoil was over. I spotted an occasional fish which had not had the strength to fight its way back to the sea – and finally surrendered.

A steamer on the horizon added to the calmness of the scene and smoke from its stack was spiralling lazily into the quiet blue. Closer inshore a yacht was almost becalmed without a movement or ripple in its canvas sail. The morning sun was beginning to make its presence felt. I found a clean stretch of sand and lay down, hands behind my head, enjoying the soothing, rolling effect of the waves, as I dozed. Even the cry of the seagull faded as I floated dreamily away . . .

DESOLATION

Mark Drysdale, Standard 8

The wind had eventually died down to a cool breeze, making the waves roll in in quiet succession. I sat on the damp sand and stared vacantly at the dirty water. Seaweed and driftwood bobbed in and out of the water like an inquisitive mongoose. .

I stood up and strolled through the damp, serene sand towards the rocks further along. Even there, there was only a quiet swell and not the usual banging and crashing of the white surf whose spray would chill the skin. I happened to notice a crab, quite unique in its kind, half-sitting, with pincers protruding in readiness to defend his beautiful, lazy existence.

I suddenly thought how strange and extraordinary it would be if humans had these big, bulky, vicious-looking appendages in place of arms. It came to me that it wouldn't be all that bad . . . not if, like the crab, these were the only weapons we possessed. Then there would be no guns and such terrible violence. I noticed the hard, strong, colourful back of the crab – how cleverly this little marvel of nature had been created. Did God, who created the crab, create man?

“Le Pilote”

B. McCarthy, Standard 9

Jean Mermoz était ‘un des pilotes courageux d’avant-guerre. Il a créé la ligne commerciale Afrique-Amérique du Sud. Il a été le premier à réussir les vols de nuit en Amérique du Sud. et puis a fondé les traversées postales aériennes de la Cordillère des Andes. A bord de son avion, la Croix-du-Sud, et devait disparaître dans l’océan en 1936.

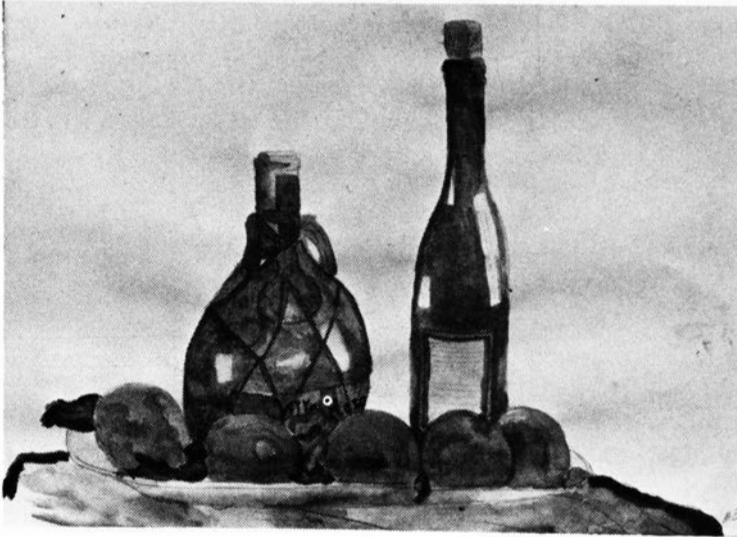
Un jour Mermoz et son mécanicien Collenot durent atterrir dans la neige sur une montagne dans les Andes. Il faisait 25 degrés au-dessous de zéro. Ils essayèrent plusieurs fois de décoller, mais en vain. S’ils restaient là-haut ils mourraient vite de faim et de froid. Il faut réparer les tubes du radiateur, qui avaient éclaté.

Ils passèrent toute la journée à essayer de boucher les trous avec des bandes de toile de coton. Mais ils ne se découragèrent pas, et en fin les trous du radiateur furent bouchés, et ils purent décoller.

Deux minutes plus tard le moteur s’arrêta. L’eau avait recommencé à couler du radiateur. Mais Mermoz et Collenot en riaient tous les deux. Ils savaient bien qu’ils pourraient maintenant atterrir.

Tous regards à Copiapo, au Chili, se levèrent. “Quel est donc cet avion qui descend, hélices arrêtées décrivant des cercles si parfaits? Il faut être un fameux pilote pour avoir coupé son moteur aussi loin et aussi haut!”

L’histoire se répandit dans toute la ville. Et finalement on voulut en être sûr. Pourquoi une expédition ne monterait-elle pas là-haut? On connaîtrait la vérité, si les deux Français n’avaient pas menti, on retrouverait bien leurs traces et les objets qu’ils prétendaient avoir laissés.



THE GANGSTERS

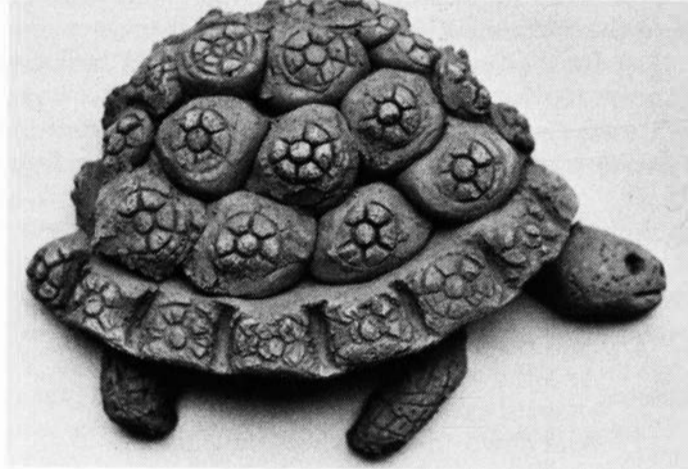
Eric Chiappa, Standard 6

To look at Philip and Rosemary you would have thought them to be fairly ordinary children. But you would have been wrong. At the young age of ten Philip and Rosemary had killed their father, when he was punishing them for rowdy behaviour. Philip had threatened him while he was spanking his twin sister Rosemary. The father merely smirked and carried on; at this moment Philip pressed the trigger of the .44 Magnum and blew his father’s brains out. Then they both stood there laughing. This was a definitive piece of evidence in the court case that the children were mentally unstable.

The mother was advised to have them sent to a corrective college at the expense of the State of Texas, where they lived. Throughout their schooling at the penitentiary it was impossible to keep them under control. Philip made a crossbow out of pinewood and quills out of hardwood. This, all in his free time with tools stolen from the college workshop. He also “removed” ten little bottles of hydrochloric acid from the science laboratory. The college had extensive fields and also kennels, where hounds, used for foxhunting, were kept. One morning the headmaster

went down through the lush, green field to see the hounds. All ten of them had been killed by quills moistened with the acid. The twins were severely punished, but this did not seem to alter their killer instinct.

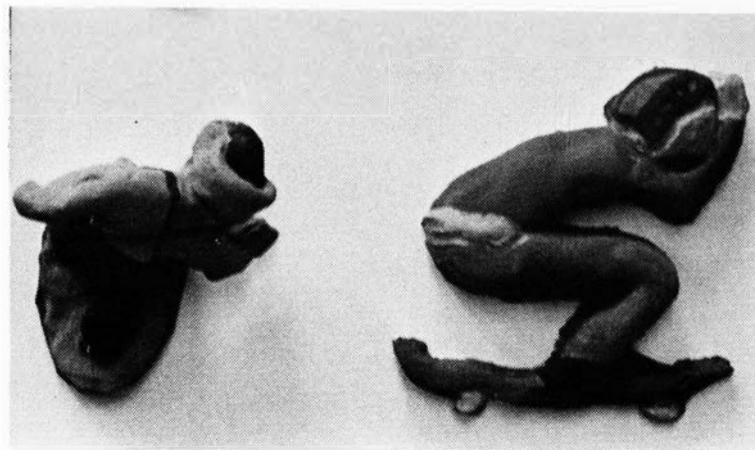
At the age of twenty one, the twins escaped from the college by strangling the guard with a piece of barbed wire. The headmaster contacted the police and advised them of the occurrence. An extensive search proved useless and the police gave up. Meanwhile, Philip and Rosemary were living in the slums of New York, in and out of jobs, barely making a living. The twins now decided petty robberies were not their intended line. They stole a Buick 1936 model and changed the numberplate. Philip was planning “the biggest robbery of all time executed by two people”. They bought two machine-guns on New York Harbour’s fruitful black market, together with 5,000 rounds of ammunition. All was ready.



The Buick’s engine roared into life, emitting a tower of smoke from the chromed exhaust. They pulled up in front of the bank and in a flash Philip was inside looking for alarm devices. Rosemary took the car to the back of the bank. Her never-ending legs and her mini-skirt attracted the guard’s attention for the split-second that was necessary for Philip to come up behind him and cut his throat. The warm, red blood seeped through the spaces between Philip’s fingers, causing the hair on his hand to become matted with blood. At this a smile of pleasure, exposing his snow-white teeth, appeared on his lips as the dying man’s gurgling, spluttering moans echoed through the steel passage.

Rosemary then went into the front of the bank, simultaneously drawing the machine-gun from under her coat. The cashier, an aged man in his mid-fifties, instinctively went for the alarm. For his trouble his body was blown against the already red, bloodstained wall. She turned towards the manager who had come out from behind his chair, demanding the vault number from him. Reluctantly, he gave it to them, and in a whisk the vault door was flung open and hundred dollar notes were poured into the awaiting briefcase, which seemed to gulp them down blissfully.

Before leaving, Rosemary turned around and sprayed the whole bank with bullets; drops of blood splattered the walls as innocent men and women were “sacrificed”.



This seemed to please her intensely and she wrote with bullets from the gun in big capital letters on the wall – R & P!

The couple made for their car and in the distance they could hear the chilling noise of sirens from the police cars echoing down the street. Philip depressed the accelerator and the Buick roared away. The chase was on, but the modern and sophisticated police cars were to win the day. Through the streets and alleys they sped, the murderous couple seemingly enjoying themselves like young children at a fun fair. Finally, the police car of Captain De Willager caught up to them and ordered them to pull over. Philip disobeyed the order, and the police captain's .38 Special spat out a message of instant death to the two assassins.

Die Sirkus Besoek Ons Dorpie

Gary Wallace, Standard 6

Dit was 'n heerlike Saterdagmôre. Die sirkus kom vandag na ons dorpie. Stadig het al die groot vragmotors en trokke begin aankom. Sondagoggend omtrent tienuur was die groot sirkustent al opgeslaan.

Ek en my vriend het gehoor dat die artieste en die diere Maandagoggend begin oefen. Ons het besluit om stokkies te draai en nie skool toe te gaan nie. Daardie oggend het ons voorgegee dat ons skool toe gaan, maar het al die tyd sirkus toe gegaan. Toe ons by die sirkus aangekom het, was die artieste al besig om te oefen. 'n Paar uur later het iemand ons gevra hoekom ons nie by die skool was nie. Ons het natuurlik gesê dat ons op vakansie was. Die man het ons egter nie geglo nie en het die skool gebel. Die volgende dag het ons strafwerk gekry. Ons het ook pak gekry. Toe het ons besluit om so iets nooit weer te aanvang nie.



THE CHAOS

Dearest creature in Creation,
 Studying English pronunciation,
 I will teach you in my verse,
 Sounds like corpse, corps, horse and worse.
 It will keep you, Susy, busy,
 Make your head with heat grow dizzy;
 Tear in eye your dress you'll tear.
 So shall I! Oh, hear my prayer.
 Pray, console your loving poet,
 Make my coat look new, dear, sew it?
 Just compare heart, beard and heard,
 Dies and diet, lord and word,
 Sword and sward, retain and Britain,
 (Mind the latter, how it's written!)
 Made has not the sound of bade,
 Say – said, pay – paid, laid, but plaid.
 Now I surely will not plague you
 With such words as vague and argue,
 But be careful how you speak,
 Say break, steak, but bleak and streak,
 Previous, precious; fuchsia, via;
 Pipe, snipe, recipe and choir,
 Cloven, oven; how and low;
 Script, receipt; shoe, poem, toe,
 Hear me say, devoid of trickery:
 Daughter, laughter and Terpsichore,
 Typhoid, measles, topsails, aisles,
 Exiles, smiles, reviles;
 Wholly, holly, signal, signing;
 Thames, examining, combining;
 Scholar, vicar and cigar,
 Solar, mica, war and far.
 From "desire": desirable – admirable from "admire";
 Lumber, plumber; bier and brier;
 Chatham, brougham; renown but known,
 Knowledge; done, but gone and tone,
 One, anemone; Balmoral;
 Kitchen, lichen; laundry, laurel;

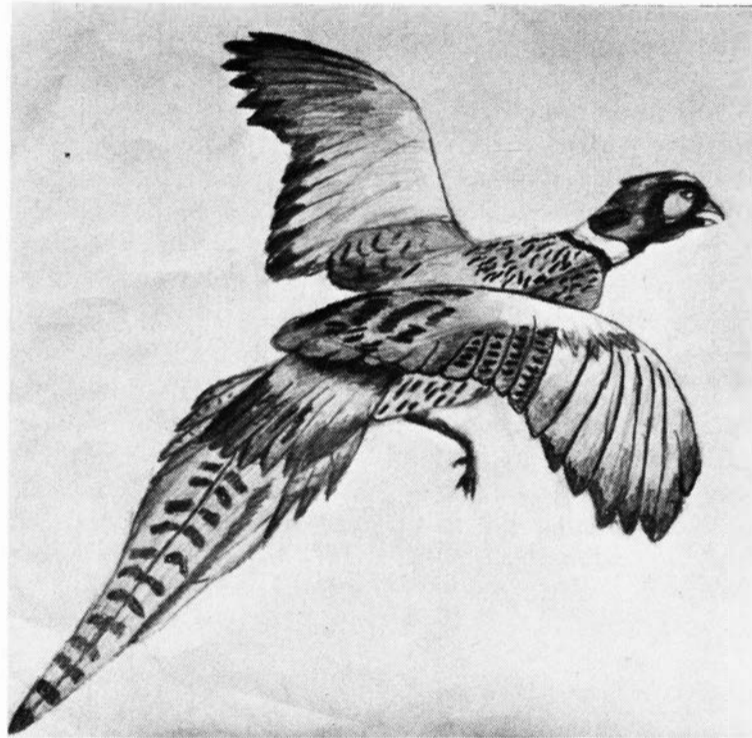




Gertrude, German; wind and mind;
 Scene, Melpomene, mankind;
 Tortoise, turquoise, chamois-leather,
 Reading, Reading, heathen, heather.
 This phonetic labyrinth
 Gives moss, gross, brook, brooch, ninth, plinth.
 Billet does not end like ballet;
 Bouquet, wallet, mallet, chalet;
 Blood and flood are not like food,
 Nor is mould like should and would.
 Banquet is not nearly parquet,
 Which is said to rime with "darky"
 Vicious, viscount; load and broad;
 Toward, to forward, to reward,
 And your pronunciation's O.K.
 When you say correctly croquet;
 Rounded, wounded; grieve and sieve;
 Friend and fiend; alive and live;
 Liberty, library, heave and heaven;
 Rachel, ache, moustache; eleven.
 We say hallowed, but allowed;
 People, leopard; towed, but vowed.
 Mark the difference, moreover,
 Between mover, plover, Dover,
 Leeches, breeches; wise precise;
 Chalice but police and lice.
 Camel; constable, unstable;
 Principle, disciple, label;
 Petal, penal and canal;
 Wait, surmise, plait, promise; pal.
 Suit, suite, run, circuit, conduit,
 Rime with "shirk'it" and "beyond it".
 But it is not hard to tell,
 Why it's pall, mall, but Pall Mall.
 Muscle, muscular; goal, iron;
 Timber, climber; bullion, lion,
 Worm and storm; chaise, chaos, chair;
 Senator, spectator, mayor.



Ivy, privvy; famous, clamour
 And enamour rime with "hammer".
 Pussy, hussy and possess.
 Desert, but dessert, address.
 Golf, wolf; countenance; lieutenants,
 Hoist, in lieu of flags, left pennants.
 River, rival; tomb, bomb and comb.
 Doll and roll and some and home.
 Stranger does not rime with anger,
 Neither does devour with clangour.
 Soul, but foul and gaunt, but aunt;
 Font, front, won't, want, grand and grant,
 Shoes, goes, does *). Now first say: finger,
 And then: singer, ginger, linger.
 Real, zeal; mauve, gauze and guage;
 Marriage, foliage, mirage, age.
 Query does not rime with very,
 Nor does fury sound like bury.
 Dost, lost, post and doth, cloth, loth;
 Job, Job, blossom, bosom, cath.
 Though the difference seems little,
 We say actual, but victual,
 Seat, sweat, chaste, caste; Leigh, eight, height;
 Put, nut; granite, but unite.



Reefer does not rime with "deaffer",
 Feoffer does, and zephyr, heifer,
 Dull, bull; Geoffrey, George; ate, late;
 Hint, pint; senate, but sedate.
 Scenic, Arabic, pacific;
 Science, conscience, scientific;
 tour, but our, and succour, four;
 Gas, alas and Arkansas!
 Sea, idea, guinea, area,
 Psalm, Maria, but malaria;
 Youth, South, Southern; cleanse and clean;
 Doctrine, turpentine, marine.
 Compare alien with Italian,
 Dandelion with battalion,
 Sally with ally; yea, ye,
 Eye, I, ay, aye, whey, key, quay!
 Say aver, but ever, fever,
 Neither, leisure, skein, receiver.
 Never guess - it is not safe;
 We say calves, valves, half, but Ralf!
 Heron, granary, canary;
 Crevice, and device, and eyrie;
 Face, but preface, but efface,
 Phlegm, phlegmatic; ass, glass, bass;
 Large, but target, gin, give, verging;
 Ought, out, joust and scour, but scouring;

Ear, but earn; and wear and tear
 Do not rime with "here", but "ere".
 Seven is right, but so is even;
 Hyphen, roughen, nephew, Stephen;
 Monkey, donkey; clerk and jerk;
 Asp, grasp, wasp; and cork and work,
 Pronunciation – think of psyche!
 Is a paling, stout and spikey;
 Won't it make you lose your wits,
 Writing "groats" and saying groats?
 It's a dark abyss or tunnel,
 Strewn with stones, like rowlock, gunwale,
 Islington and Isle of Wight
 Housewife, verdict and indict!
 Don't you think so, reader, rather,
 Saying lather, bather, father?
 Finally: which rimes with "enough",
 Though, through, plough, cough, hough or trough?
 Hiccough has the sound of "cup"
 My advice is – give it up!

*) No, you are wrong. This is the plural of "doe"!

CHARIVARIUS



CHESS



'A' CHESS TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *C. Faraday, G. Slaven, B. Gordon, Mr. J. Lobo, T. Christie-Taylor, B. Urban, P. Olejnik.*
Front row: *R. Crabtree, R. van Deldin, A. Slaven (captain), M. Urban, R. Smith.*



'B' CHESS TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *O. Setton, M. Haas, J. Lossau, C. Black, C. Pandelias, A. van Deldin.*
Front row: *Mr. J. Lobo, R. Atkinson, R. Saccani (captain), A. Walsh, S. Turner.*
In front: *K. Magill.*

For the second year running, the chess club has enjoyed most successful results, thanks to the dedication of the players involved. Two teams were once again entered in the Transvaal Schools Knock-out Competition and in the Transvaal Schools' General League.

Knock-out Competition

Two teams were entered. The 'A' Team reached the quarter finals before being knocked out by King David High School in a very exciting match. After three hours, three of the five boards were still undecided and in the ensuing adjudication, we found ourselves losing by the odd game (4 drawn and 1 lost). M. Urban (Std 7), playing number one board, achieved a draw against a far more experienced opponent, a just reward for his application and knowledge of the game.

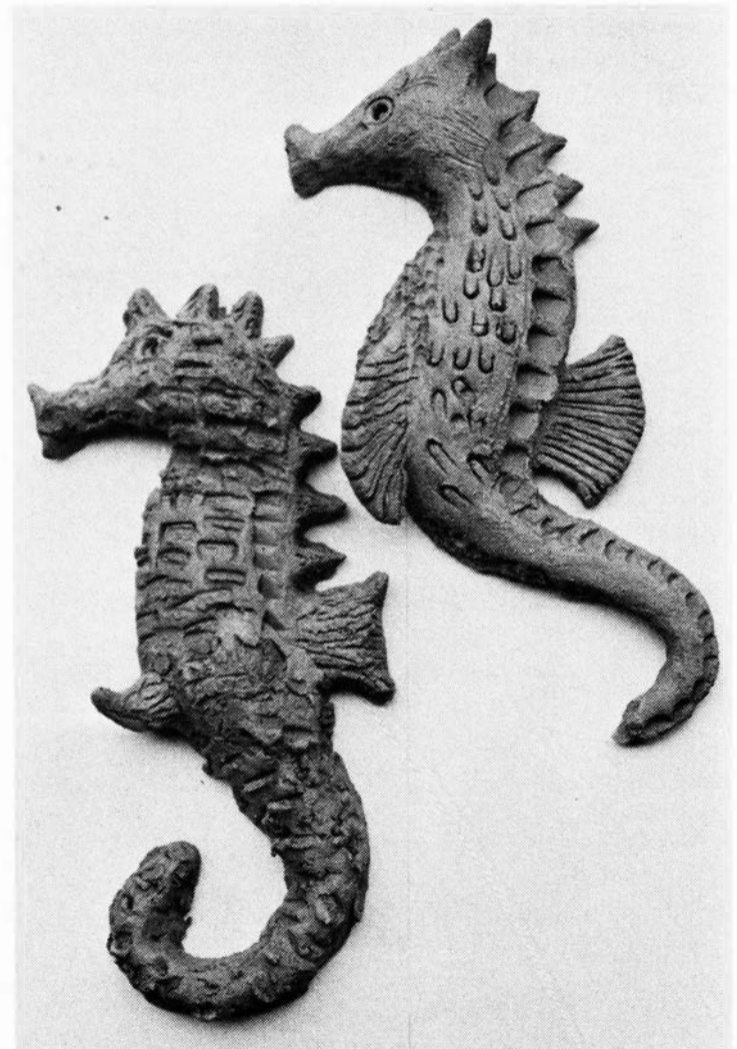
The General League

The 'A' Team once again won all the matches in its section. Unfortunately, due to lack of time, the organisers decided that the knockout league finals should be played in January 1979. The loss of several top Matric players may affect the team but such is the depth at college that we are nevertheless confident of winning the play-offs to gain the sought after promotion to the higher league.

M. Urban, in spite of his youth, was once again the outstanding player, ably supported by R. Smith, R. van Delden and R. Crabtree. The "babies" of the team, P. Olejnik, C. Faraday and B. Urban also gave an excellent account of themselves, showing great potential and a remarkable ability for the game. With more experience they will be great assets to the team.

The 'B' Team boys enjoyed playing their matches and always provided the 'A' team with good support, whenever they were asked to do so.

A most satisfactory year and we can look forward to more enjoyable seasons of good chess at St. David's.



CRICKET

1st XI

vs. K.E.S. (J.W.K.O.)

St. David's: 31

Zent 18

K.E.S.: 33 for 2

Result: St. David's lost by 8 wickets.

It was unfortunate for this young and inexperienced side that we drew K.E.S. in the first round of the competition and, as it happened, the first match of the season. Although we were soundly beaten, the steady bowling of our openers Adrian Durrant and Andrew Driver augered well for the future.

vs. C.B.C. Pretoria

C.B.C.: 160

Durrant 16-49-6

Driver 20-26-1

Zent 16-48-3

St. David's: 164 for 5

Driver 54

Gleeson 75*

Result: St. David's won by 5 wickets.



A very exciting and hard-fought match, with C.B.C. amassing a large total despite the good bowling of Andrew Driver, who was desperately unlucky, and Adrian Durrant and Roy Zent. Mike Peel and Mike Boic wasted no time in attacking the C.B.C. bowling, but their respective innings were unfortunately brief. However, Andrew Driver and Derek Gleeson carried on the good work by batting magnificently and we surpassed the required total in the last over. The most positive aspect of this game was that the team realised its potential and the players were able to carry on from here with a new-found belief in their own ability.

vs. Marist Linmeyer

St. David's: 119 for 8

Driver 37

De Gouveia 24

Linmeyer: 109 for 6

Driver 9-33-1

Zent 6-28-3

Alcock 7-22-2

Result: Match Drawn.

Once again Andrew Driver showed his ability with the bat and he was well supported by Leon de Gouveia. It was good to see that although the top four batsmen failed to come off we were still able to achieve a reasonable total. Four wickets were lost in the last over as the batsmen attempted to hit out. The bowling was disappointing, except for an encouraging debut by Brent Alcock.

vs. Northview

St. David's: 148 for 6

Peel 102*

Northview: 91 for 5

Durrant 8-24-4

Result: Match Drawn.

Undoubtedly the feature of this match was the unbeaten century of Michael Peel. It was a chanceless knock on a damp wicket, and we hope it will be the first of many more 'tons' for this determined batsman. Although Adrian



Michael Peel – Transvaal Schools 'B' Team 1977.



Peter Marneweck – Transvaal Schools 'B' Team 1977.

Durrant once again bowled well, on the whole our bowling lacked the penetration necessary to dismiss a side in the time available in a Wednesday afternoon game.

vs. Northcliff

St. David's: 99 for 4

Peel 49

Zent 29

Northcliff: 45 for 4

Driver 16-11-2

Durrant 11-27-1

Zent 3-2-1

Result: Match Drawn.

This match saw another responsible innings from captain Mike Peel, and he was well supported by his vice-captain Roy Zent. The bowling was exceptionally tight, particularly that of Andrew Driver, but again it lacked the necessary penetration.

vs. Roosevelt

Roosevelt: 90

Alcock 6-25-1

Durrant 8-9-2

Poole 14-28-4

Zent 11-20-3

St. David's: 91 for 1

Peel 56*

Zent 25*

Result: St. David's won by 9 wickets.

The team finally achieved the victory that had eluded them in the previous two games, and this was all the more notable in that they were without two leading players,

Andrew Driver and Dereck Gleeson. Craig Poole had a very successful bowling debut for the first side, taking four wickets, and Adrian Durrant and Roy Zent also bowled well. Roy carried on the good work by scoring 25 not out, and Mike Peel once again rose to the occasion with an undefeated 56.

vs. Maritzburg College

Maritzburg: 202 for 4

Poole 16-48-2

Alcock 15-33-1

St. David's: 81

de Gouveia 20

Alcock 22

Result: Match Drawn.

Without Gleeson and Driver, it was essential that Peel and Zent do well, but unfortunately this was not to be. Nevertheless, the younger and more inexperienced lads did well against a very good bowling side in trying to hold out for the entire afternoon, and it took Maritzburg three hours to dismiss them. Particular mention must be made of a very courageous knock by Leon de Gouveia.

To summarise the team's performances in the first term, then, I think it would be fair to say that this side did far more than was expected of them and they deserve congratulations. However, it is very important that they now build on this and continue their hard work. On the occasion that the team did relax, against Sandown, the bowling was mercilessly thrashed, and it was perhaps fortunate that the rain stopped play although a very determined 'backs-to-the-wall' innings was developing. My good wishes go with them into the third term, and my thanks for a very enjoyable and rewarding start to the season.



Paul Ralphs – Transvaal Schools 'B' Team 1977.



1st XI CRICKET TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *Mr. P. Habberton, D. Smith, A. Prudence, R. Zent, A. Driver, D. Gleeson, M. Hildyard;*
Inset: M. Boic (R.I.P.)
 Front row: *L. de Gouveia, B. Alcock, M. Peel (captain), B. Gordon, C. Poole.*
 In front: *N. Sloane.*



2nd XI CRICKET TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *Mr. G. Nefdt, G. Pond, M. Giraud, M. John, R. Hutt, N. Sloane, C. Pandelias, N. Walton.*
 Front row: *J. Slaven, G. McLaughlin, O. Setton, P. Wahl, A. Marsden.*

Second XI

The season started off on a dismal note when KES had our team back in the pavilion for only eight runs on the score board. The fact that it was nigh impossible to do worse did encourage the batsmen to improve on their performance. In our second match against CBC we did a little better and were able to score 36 runs which CBC obtained without any difficulty after losing two wickets. The third match of the season was against our fellow Marist School, Linmeyer. We approached this match with regained confidence in the fact that we had a slightly stronger team than usual. Linmeyer batted first and were soon in trouble when their opening batsman was out with the first ball of the match. They eventually scored 44 runs all out, which we passed after losing three wickets. After this fine win our players were full of enthusiasm and confidence for our next match against Northview. We batted first and scored a total of 76 for 8. Northview was soon in trouble and it was clearly evident that they had an uphill battle to keep the ball out of their wickets. They were eventually nine wickets down for a mere 44 runs and we gained a moral victory although the bowlers could not dismiss the last two batsmen. Our ride on the crest of the wave was, however, short-lived as in the very next match against Roosevelt we were at the receiving end. They scored a fine total of 190 for 5 and had us all out for a mere 46 runs. In the next match against St. Stithians we faced our stiffest opposition of the season, but much to their surprise, we gave the best performance of the season to force a draw. They batted first and amassed a total of 149 for 4 wickets. We then batted and at the end of play we were 90 runs for a loss of 7 wickets. A commendable draw. In the final match of the season we

batted gamely for a total of 99 runs. Sandown passed this score after losing only two wickets.

A final thank you to Oliver Setton for captaining the team, sometimes in the face of tremendous odds, and to all the players who made the matches enjoyable.

Under 15 XI

The team displayed a positive attitude to the game this season, which resulted in some exciting matches. Of the four matches played, we had one victory, one match tied, and two defeats.

Craig Poole captained the side, and through his skill and example instilled confidence into his team members.

Highlights of the season were:

1. Craig Poole being awarded his Cricket Scroll, and his 54 not out against Northcliff.
2. Brent Alcock's 5 wickets for 14 runs against Northcliffe, and Gavin McLaughlin's 3 wickets for 6 runs in the same match.

Batting Averages

Player	Number of innings	Total runs	Average per match
C. Poole	3	105	35
N. Sloane	4	53	13,3
G. McLaughlin	4	43	10,8
B. Alcock	4	21	5,3

Bowling Figures

Player	Wickets taken	Average wickets/match	Average wickets/over
B. Alcock	9	2,3	0,3
G. McLaughlin	4	1,0	0,3
C. Poole	3	0,8	0,1



U/15 XI CRICKET TEAM

Back row – (left to right): G. McLaughlin, B. Alcock, D. Clark, M. Rugani, G. Daras, Mr. A. Wittwer.
 Front row: N. Sloane, G. Konidaris, A. Perlman, N. Withey, C. Poole.
 In front: T. Stevenson.



U/14 XI CRICKET TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *G. Konidaris, P. Pritchard, R. Beuthin, A. Wotherspoon, C. Luyckx, F. Siani, Mr. T. McFadden.*
 Front row: *S. Turner, W. Alcock, M. Jordan, M. de Decker, P. Parry.*

Under 14 XI

Results:
K.E.S. 132 for 6 declared.
 A. Wotherspoon 3 for 29
St. David's: 23
 Lost by 109 runs.
St. David's: 78
C.B.C. Pretoria: 25 for 2
 Match Drawn.
Marist Linmeyer: 48 all out
St. David's: 49 for 1
 Beuthin 23 n.o.
 St. David's won by 9 wickets.
Northview: 93
 Beuthin 4 for 30
St. David's: 62 for 2
 Jordan 22 n.o.
 Beuthin 24
 Match drawn.
St. David's: 28
Northview: 29 for 3
 Lost by 7 wickets.
Roosevelt: 26
 Beuthin 8 for 5
St. David's: 27 for 2
 Won by 8 wickets.
St. Stithians: 68 all out
 Alcock 5 for 20

St. David's: 43
 Lost by 25 runs.
Sandown: 65
 Alcock 6 for 18
St. David's: 68 for 3
 Jordan 28 n.o.
 Won by 7 wickets.

As a coach, I was not happy with the overall result for the season. This is a side with a great depth of potential, yet often lacking in the fundamentals of batting discipline. All too often our top order batsmen gave us an excellent start only to have the middle order squander the advantage through a philosophy which amounted to nothing more than 'six or sticks'.

Apart from these negative aspects it was a pleasure to coach a group of boys who were so enthusiastic and whose fielding often was nothing short of spectacular. Although the whole side played well in the field, special mention should be made of Michael Jordan for his consistent discipline and dedication as an opening bat and captain; Ross Beuthin for his fiery bowling (8 wickets for 5 runs against Roosevelt); Wayne Alcock for his reliability with the ball at all times (5 for 20) against St. Stithians and (6 for 18 against Sandown); and Alan Wotherspoon, who despite run-up problems, could always be relied upon to make the vital break-through when the fielders were beginning to flag.

Under 13 XI

The U/13 Team suffered a great number of defeats but they remained enthusiastic throughout the season. Unfortunately very few of the boys are natural games players and consequently were unable to make runs against the stronger teams. Paul Marneweck tried very hard and was successful with both bat and ball. With more support from some of the more able boys, Paul and the team

would have been able to achieve a few wins. Glen Poole showed promise as a bowler and took quite a number of wickets. Eric Chiappa on a few occasions made runs and looked a reasonable prospect for the future. Some of the others tried hard but were unable to contribute much to the score.

Those who played for the team were: J. Rudston, G. Reuss, E. Chiappa, P. Marneweck, J. Holm, M. Moore, G. Poole, G. Meligonis, J. Alexander, S. Francis, R. Walsh and C. Faraday.

P. Marneweck was awarded his under 13 cricket scroll.



U/13 XI CRICKET TEAM

Back row – (left to right): J. Alexander, C. Faraday, G. Poole, G. Reuss, P. Marneweck, Mr. J. Vahey.
Front row: E. Chiappa, J. Holm, R. Walsh, G. Meligonis, J. Rudston.



SWIMMING



'A' SWIMMING TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *G. Beuthin, N. Ward, A. Barone, D. Joubert, G. Perlman, R. Bertie, R. Rebel.*
 Middle row: *B. Muller, A. de Chaud, D. Wurr, R. Saccani, J. Lossau, D. Kalk, B. Sterzik, G. Beuthin, G. Lazarus, M. Nicholas.*
 Front row: *A. Slaven, P. Nicholas, L. Kourie (captain), Mr. K. Lipschitz, M. Gonsalves, J. Kourie, M. Lebos.*
 In front: *S. Sudweeks, J. McCarthy.*

Captain: Lawrence Kourie
Vice-Captain: Marc Gonsalves

The college showed a major improvement in both its swimming performances and team spirit during this season. Much of the credit for this is due to the leadership of Lawrence Kourie, the captain. He worked closely with the team to develop fitness and enthusiasm and on both counts achieved tremendous success. He was most ably assisted by Marc Gonsalves whose efforts were well rewarded by successes in the water.

In the open age group, our congratulations must go to Lawrence Kourie and David Kalk on earning their swimming scrolls. Age group scrolls were awarded to the following:-

U/13 Age Group: Peter Nicholas
 Gary Beuthin
 Theo van den Handel

U/14 Age Group: Rudy Rebel
 Jeffrey Kourie
 George Wurr

U/15 Age Group: Michael Nicholas
 Gary Perlman
 Brian Muller
 Dionne Joubert

U/16 Age Group: Guy Beuthin

All the above boys either broke records, or gained two standards during this season's galas.

Triangular Gala vs Highlands North and Pretoria Boys

This gala was rained out. Unfortunately we were unable to find an alternative date.

Quadrangular Gala vs Jeppe, St. Martin's & Parktown

This gala was held at home on the 1st February. It proved to be one of the most exciting galas of the year. The standard of swimming was excellent and 14 standards were achieved. One noteworthy performance was by Peter Nicholas who broke the 50 metres Freestyle record of the school in a time of 30,3". This bettered the old record by 1,4".

St. David's took first place in 16 out of 33 events and did especially well in the relays, winning 6 out of 10. The final points position was:-

Parktown	270
St. David's	265
Jeppe	154
St. Martin's	146

Triangular Gala vs Athlone & K.E.S.

This gala was held at Athlone on the 8th February. It was the case of the small school facing the giants. By comparison to recent years, our team showed some major improvement. The longer 33 1/3 yard pool tended to act against us even though standards were achieved. Theo van den Handel swam excellently to establish a new record

for the 66 2/3 yard Breaststroke in a time of 53,5". Guy Beuthin, Peter Nicholas and Theo van den Handel won their events. Notably the 80 point difference between Athlone and ourselves was almost halved. The final points position was:-

K.E.S.	215
Athlone	146
St. David's	101

'A' Team Relay Gala – 10 Schools

This gala (a major event) was hosted by St. David's on the 15th February. This was a most exciting gala with all schools showing excellent team spirit and very good form. The U/14 and U/13 events were all 4x25 metres while the older ages swam 4x50 metres. This was a gala where depth of talent counted heavily. The final points were:-

K.E.S.	109
St. Stithian's	95,5
Pretoria	74
Athlone	70
Parktown	57,5
St. David's	46
St. John's	44
Jeppe	14
St. Martin's	14
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36th Annual Inter-House Swimming Gala

The gala was held on the Monday due to poor weather. This year we introduced the idea of awarding a point to each competitor who entered a precontested event and completed the course with correct style. As a result of this the points system was 5-4-3 for the first three places. Records broken or equalled were still worth an extra 3 points.

1. 400m Open Freestyle	–	E. Mandy Trophy	L. Kourie (B)
2. 200m Open Freestyle	–	E. Mandy Trophy	L. Kourie (B)
3. 200m Open Breaststroke	–	E. Mandy Trophy	L. Kourie (B)
4. 4x50m I.M.	–	R. Bishoff Trophy	L. Kourie (B)
5. 100m Open Freestyle	–	Gohdes Trophy	L. Kourie (B)
6. 100m Open Breaststroke	–	Hope-Jones Trophy	L. Kourie (B)
7. 100m Open Backstroke	–	The Hutton Trophy	D. Kalk (O)
8. 100m Open Butterfly	–	E. Mandy Trophy	L. Kourie (B)
9. 200m U/16 Freestyle	–	E. Mandy Trophy	G. Beuthin (B)
10. 200m U/16 Breaststroke	–	E. Mandy Trophy	G. Beuthin (B)
11. 50m U/16 Butterfly	–	E. Mandy Trophy	G. Beuthin (B)
12. 100m U/16 Breaststroke	–	Adrian Moni Trophy	A. Barone (B)
13. 100m U/16 Backstroke	–	Paul Moni Trophy	M. Gonsalves (O)
14. 200m U/15 Freestyle	–	E. Mandy Trophy	D. Joubert (O)
15. 100m U/15 Freestyle	–	Brother Anthony Trophy	D. Joubert (O)
16. 200m U/15 Breaststroke	–	R. Sheffield Trophy	G. Perlman (C)
17. 100m U/14 Freestyle	–	Brother Raymond Trophy	J. Kourie (B)
18. 50m U/14 Butterfly	–	J. Moni Trophy	J. Kourie (B)
19. 50m U/14 Breaststroke	–		S. Sudweeks (B)
20. 50m U/13 Breaststroke	–	J. Moni Trophy	T. vd Handel (T)
21. 50m U/13 Freestyle	–	Brother Aquinas Trophy	P. Nicholas (B)
22. U/13 Age Group	–	R. Shulman Trophy	(1) P. Nicholas (B)
			(2) T. vd Handel (T)
			(3) G. Beuthin (B)
23. U/14 Age Group	–	R. Shulman Trophy	(1) J. Kourie (B)
			(2) R. Rebel (B)
			(3) J. Robertson (O)
24. U/15 Age Group	–	A. Stott Trophy	(1) G. Perlman (C)
			(2) D. Joubert (O)
			(3) M. Nicholas (B)
25. U/16 Age Group	–	W. Ballard Trophy	(1) G. Beuthin (B)
			(2) M. Gonsalves (O)
			(3) G. Lazarus (T)
26. Open Age Group	–	Friedlander Trophy	(1) L. Kourie (B)
			(2) A. Slaven (O)
			(3) D. Kalk (O)
27. Water Polo	–	Beaumont Trophy	Osmond House.
28. Inter-House Swimming	–	J.S. Leigh Trophy	Benedict House

This new system created fantastic pre-gala enthusiasm as seen by the entry of over 70 boys of all ages in the 16x25m freestyle event.

The points position after the precontested events and the Inter-House water polo was:-

Benedict House	262
Osmond House	189
Bishops House	143
College House	112

Despite the postponement of the main Gala and the big points difference, the excellent spirit continued on the evening of the Gala. The only disappointment was the poor attendance by parents. The decorations and costuming prepared by the houses was of the highest standard and future years will have to work hard to better this performance. The final result was:-

Benedict House	449
Osmond House	309
Bishops House	244
College House	199

20 Standards were attained during this gala and the following records were either equalled or broken:-

Guy Beuthin	200m F/style	2'23,9"	U/16
Lawrence Kourie	100m Bu/fly	1'10,1"	Open
Peter Nicholas	50m F/style	30,9"	U/13
Theo vd Handel	50m Br/stroke	40,5"	U/13
Gary Perlman	50m Ba/stroke	34,9"	U/15
David Kalk	100m Ba/stroke	1'04,8"	Open
U/14 F/style Relay	Benedict	58,8"	U/14

Presentation of trophies was by Mr Vito Rugani on behalf of the Old Boys Association. Mrs Janie Lazarus presented two new trophies donated by Mr and Mrs Cecil Lazarus in the names of Br Anthony and Br Aquinas.

A Team 1st String Gala vs 9 Schools at St. Stithian's

This is a gala which usually displays a lack of team spirit in all schools due to the fact that it is an event which caters for the star swimmer in each age group only. There was a general feeling that this event should not be encouraged in future.

Having shown our strenghts in team events, this gala did not allow us to give a good account of ourselves. The results were:-

K.E.S.	193
St. Stithian's	162
Pretoria	131
Athlone	102
Parktown	99
St John's	88
St. David's	75
Jeppe	27
Highlands	26

Quadrangular Gala vs St. Stithian's, St. John's, & St. Alban's

This gala was hosted at home as the 1st March was St. David's day and this coincided with the 'All Saints' Gala.

The Gala was a most exciting one with our swimmers bettering 10 standards in 23 events. L. Kourie and G. Beuthin won their events while the U/13 and U/15 teams won their relays.

The final points were:-

St. Stithian's	243 points
St. John's	199 points
St. David's	168 points
St. Alban's	71 points

In Conclusion

This was a generally improved season due to the hard work of both the Captain, Lawrence Kourie, and the Vice-Captain Mark Gonsalves. The enthusiasm of the team made this a most rewarding season for the school. My thanks to all for providing a most enjoyable season's coaching.



'B' SWIMMING TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *T. Claeys, W. Staempfli, A. Pettit, M. Samson, J. Asbury, C. Stott, D. Else, A. Walsh, G. Muller.*

Middle row: *Mr. K. Lipschitz, C. Moller, M. Duff, M. Forssman, D. Beuthin, D. Volkwyn, C. Black, J. Joseph, A. van Deldin, M. Haas.*

Front row: *P. Zana, P. Schultz, S. Arp, P. Riley (captain), D. de Gouveia, H. Marchant, G. Sayer.*

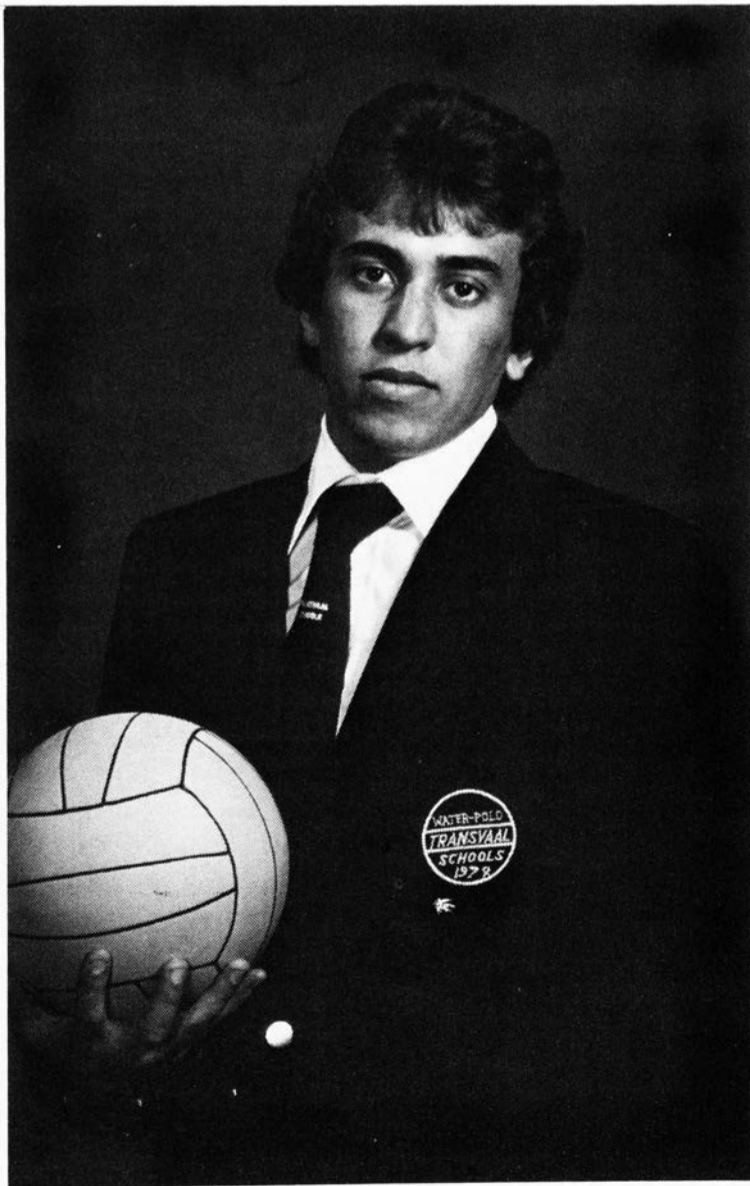
WATER POLO

The third term of 1977 was a highly successful season under the captaincy of Paul Moni. The team worked well together and only lost to the more agile Athlone team. Schools which were beaten were Jan de Klerk, St. John's and St. Stithian's.

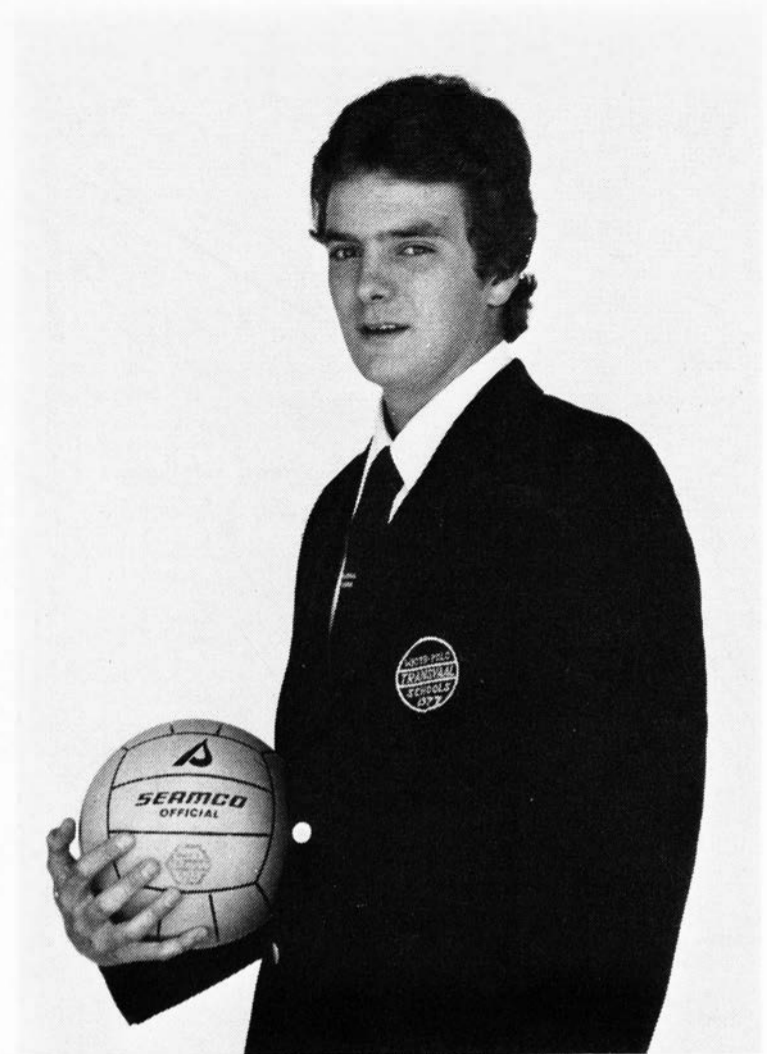
Paul Moni was invited to participate in the winter practices in preparation for the Transvaal Schools trials. He was awarded his colours at the trials on the 25th October and went on to the provincial games in December. At these games, Transvaal 'A' were placed second to Rhodesia while Transvaal 'B' were placed fourth. Our congratulations to Paul Moni on this fine achievement.

1st Term 1978

Lawrence Kourie was made captain at the beginning of the year and did an excellent job of trying to weld together a new team. Unfortunately the new 'A' team tended



LAWRENCE KOURIE – *Transvaal Schools Water Polo Team 1978.*



PAUL MONI – *Transvaal Schools Water Polo Team 1977.*

to lack cohesion and the key players were overtaxed in most games. Water-polo relies on seven fit players in the water at all times and on a high level of cooperation between these players. Somehow this was not fully achieved.

The 'A' team beat St. Stithian's and St. Martin's but went down to the stronger Athlone and Jan de Klerk teams. The 'B' team had more success in a bigger league losing only to Athlone and Parktown, with draws against K.E.S. and St. Stithian's. Highlands, Jeppe and Jan de Klerk were all soundly beaten.

1978/1979 Season.

During the coming season, the league system has been changed in order to involve more of the 'juniors' in the game. Fixtures for two senior teams and up to three junior teams have been arranged on an inter-schools basis in the same way that rugby fixtures are planned. This means that matches will be played at home or at the opposition school rather than Old Eds or Marist Observatory.

St. David's will also host the Trials for the Transvaal team on the 21st October 1978.

Inter-house Water-polo.

As in previous years, the inter-house matches were held during the daytime breaks. This year it was again run on a round robin basis and was closely contested.

Most of the pupils attended these matches after their rush to the tuck shop and their cheering lent a lot of excitement to the games.

The final result of these matches was:—

- 1st College House.
- 2nd Osmond House.
- 3rd Benedict and Bishops House.

Water-polo has created a lot of enthusiasm at the school and over 50 boys now participate in this sport. We look forward to a big improvement in the results in the next few years.



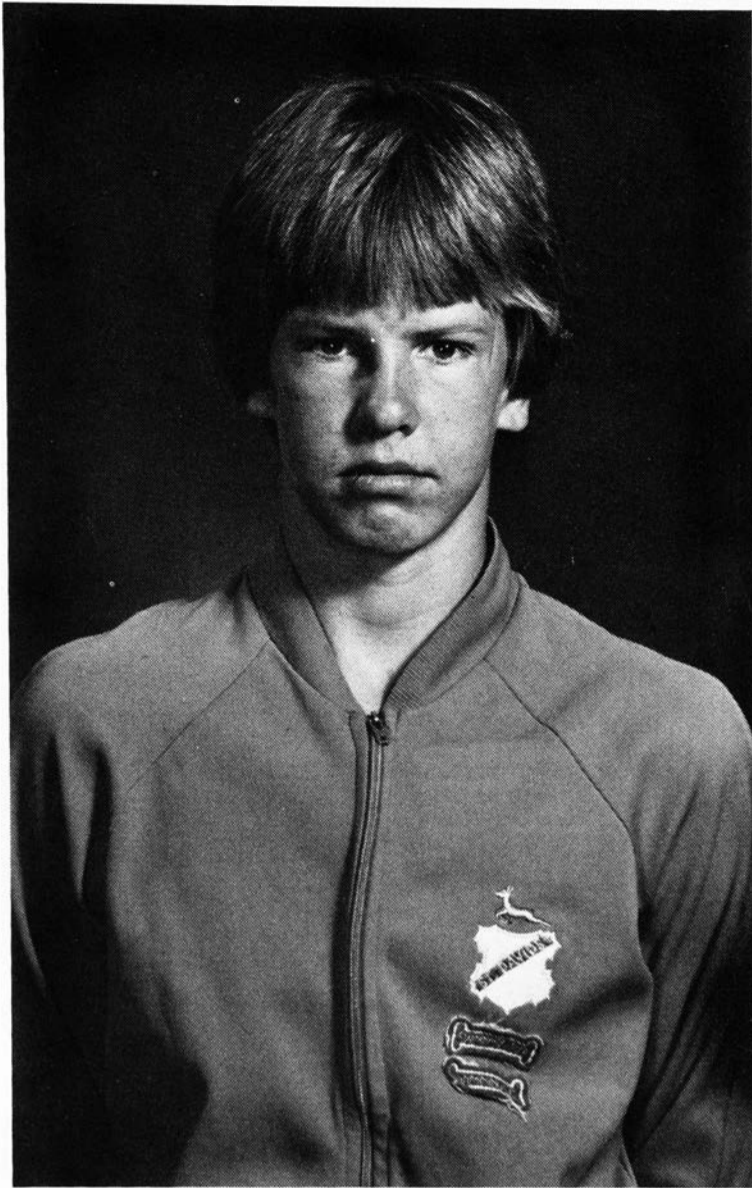
'A' WATER POLO

Back row – (left to right): *R. Grant, B. Sterzik, D. Kalk, R. Saccani, B. Muller, D. Joubert.*
 Front row: *M. Gonsalves, L. Kourie (captain), Mr. K. Lipschitz, M. Lebos, A. Slaven.*
 In front: *M. Nicholas.*

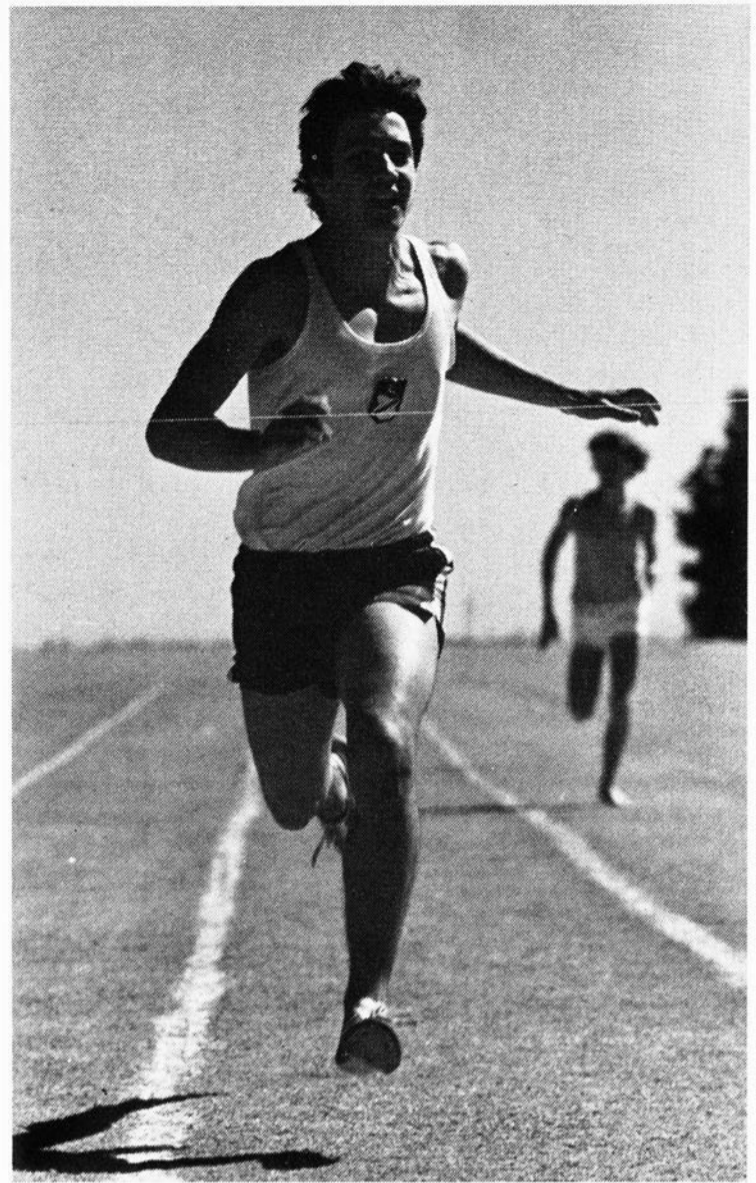


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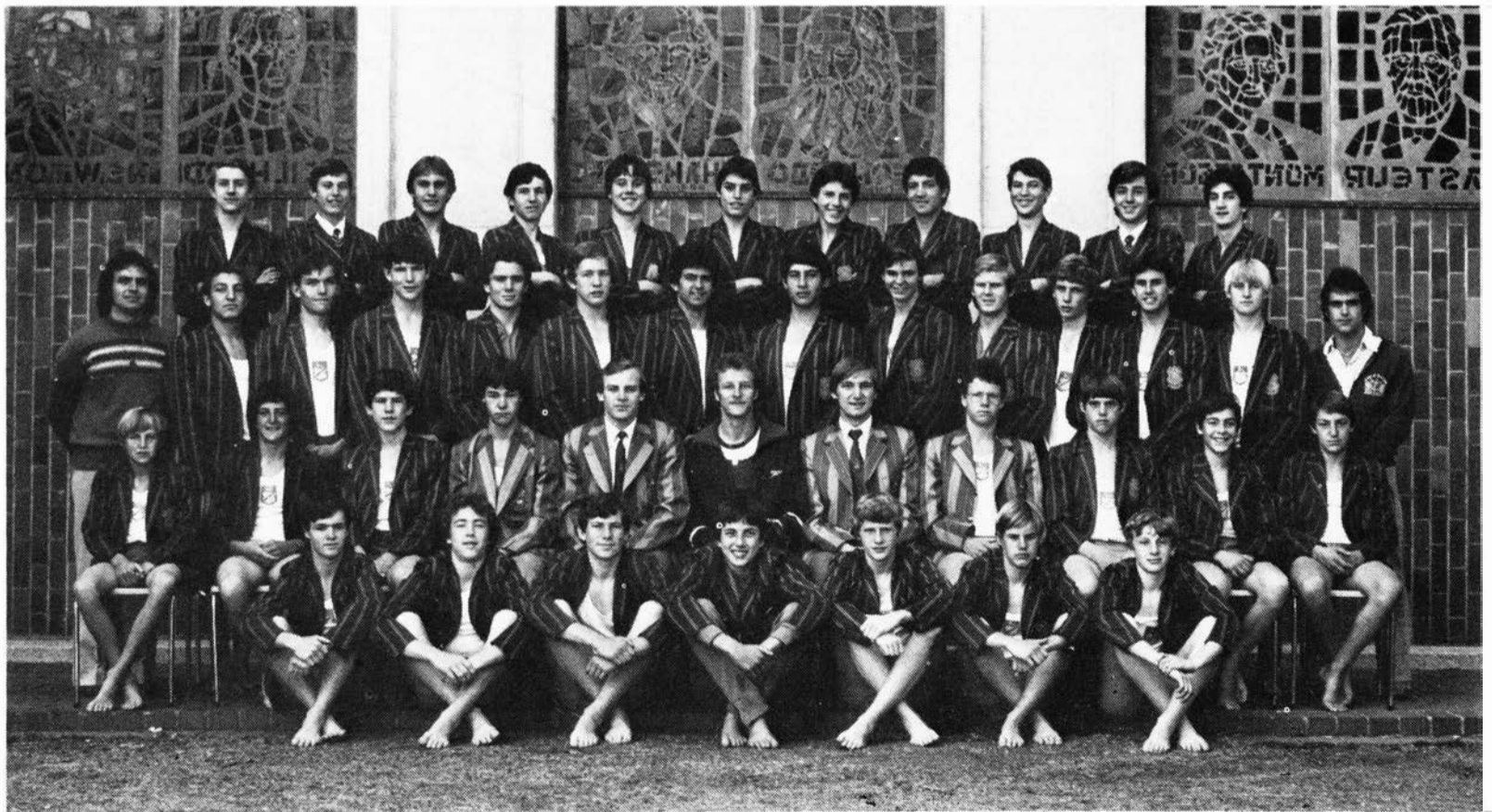
Back row – (left to right): *Mr. K. Lipschitz, G. Beuthin, M. Forssman, D. Kalk, D. Beuthin, G. Lazarus.*
 Front row: *N. Ward, A. de Chaud, P. Riley (captain), D. de Gouveia, A. Pettit.*



DIONNE JOUBERT – Transvaal Schools 'C' Water Polo Team 1978.



ALFONS DE CHAUD



ATHLETICS TEAM

Back row – (left to right): R. Crabtree, C. Luyckx, R. Grant, M. Nicholas, I. Cronje, M. Zampieri, O. Setton, A de Chaud, A. Perlman, R. Beuthin, M. John.
 Middle row: Mr. K. Lipschitz, E. Anniciello, C. Vlaskamp, M. Rugani, J. Slaven, A. Driver, D. Beuthin, R. Saccani, A. Wotherspoon, B. Sterzik, B. Alcock, L. de Gouveia, M. Giraud, Mr. T. D'Almeida.
 Front row: J. Rudston, G. Poole, G. Reuss, M. Hildyard, P. Riley (captain), Mr. P. Habberton, A. Parry, M. Peel, M. Jordan, B. McDonald, C. Anniciello.
 In front: G. Cathrall, G. Beuthin, M. Duff, G. Wurr, R. Smith, G. Sayer, P. Clare.

ATHLETICS

Captain: Patrick Riley
Vice Captain: Mark Hildyard

36th Annual Inter-House Athletics Meeting

A new points system was introduced this year in which each competitor who successfully completed his event gained a house point, and the first, second and third places earned five, four and three points respectively. The result of this innovation was very encouraging in that the boys responded enthusiastically and participation was high.

Despite the lack of time for preparation for the pre-contested events, five standards were achieved in the high jump: Mark Hildyard and Richard Saccani in the Open age group, Robert van Delden and Leon de Gouveia at U/16 and Michael Jordan at U/14. Andrew Driver achieved his standard for the U/16 Long Jump. Performance in the throwing events was disappointing, although Andrew Prudence achieved a standard in the U/16 Javelin. The most exciting of the pre-contested events was most definitely the U/14 1500 metres which produced a tremendous finish with the first three athletes achieving standards. They were: Alan Wotherspoon, Michael Jordan and Charles Luyckx.

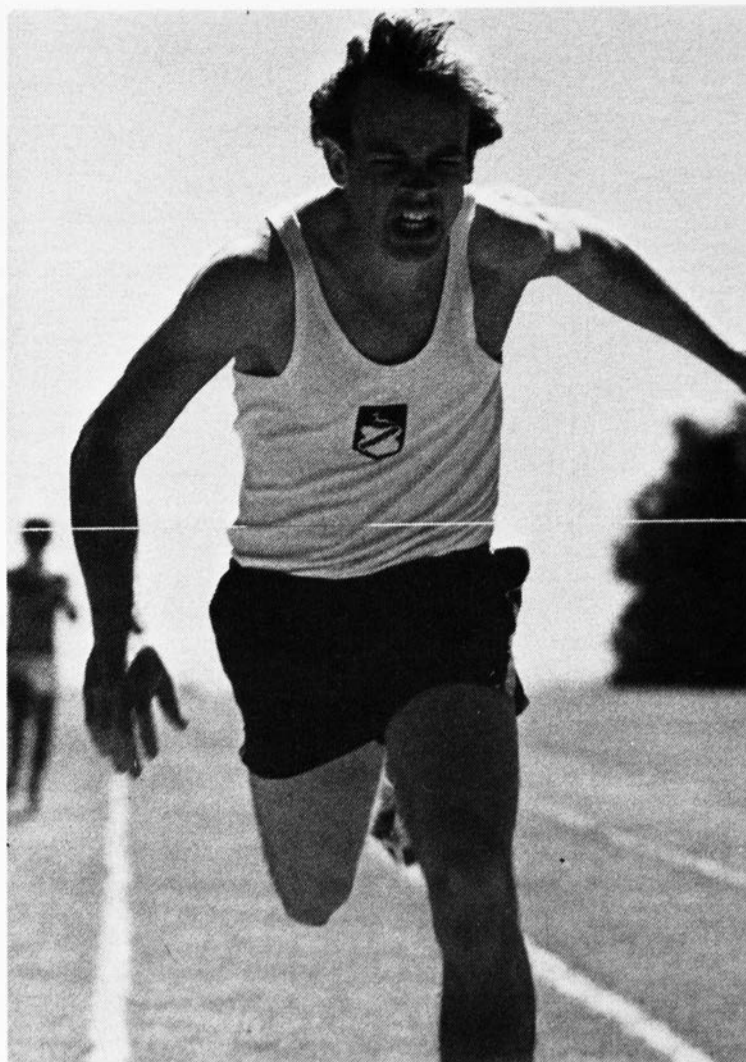
The Road Race was won by Bishops House with Nick Walton of College winning the individual prize.

By the end of the pre-contested events College House led with 535 points, closely followed by Benedict with 527 points, and then Osmond with 414 points and Bishops with 387 points.

The times in the track events were adversely affected by a terrific downpour the day before, and with part of the track was still under water on the Saturday morning. Congratulations and thanks must be extended to Barney Erdis and his grounds Staff for managing to salvage what looked like a disaster area.



MARK HILDYARD



PATRICK RILEY

Nevertheless, the spirit of competition was excellent and some fine times were achieved, including a record-breaking run by Allan Wotherspoon in the U/14 200 metres of 24.6 secs. Standards achieved were:

100 metres	G. Poole (U/13), P. Clare (U/13), C. Luyckx (U/14), P. Riley (Open), M. Hildyard (Open), S. de Marco (Open);
200 metres	C. Luyckx (U/14), P. Riley (Open), S. de Marco (Open);
Hurdles:	G. Poole (U/13), A. de Chaud (U/15), L. de Gouveia (U/16), M. Hildyard (Open);
400 metres	G. Beuthin (U/13), A. Wotherspoon (U/14).

Richard Saccani achieved a standard in the 1500 metres Open.

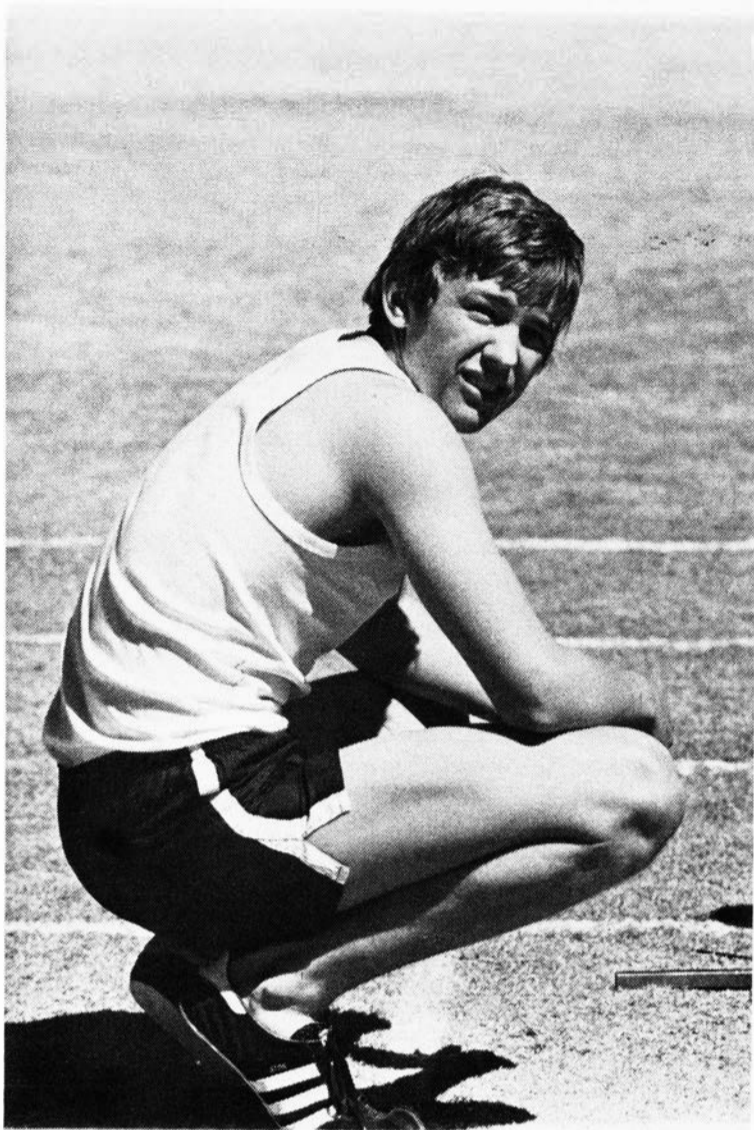
The final Points Position was as follows:

First:	College House	778 points
Second:	Benedict House	761 points
Third:	Bishops House	616 points
Fourth:	Osmond House	539 points

This was a very brief but most successful season. St. David's remained unbeaten in all the meetings and showed tremendous spirit and determination throughout. The masters and schoolboys co-operated to get maximum training and fitness in the shortest available time. Special thanks must go to Mr Tony d'Almeida and Mr Peter Habberton for their efforts in this regard. The captain and his vice captain worked very hard in their own events and in the help they gave to the younger members of the team.

St. David's vs Jepps Boys 78/09/06

The first meeting proved to be very exciting with the points very close all the way. Despite the brief training period, 16 standards were achieved in all the age groups.



ANDREW DRIVER

Of particular note were the three new school records set up on the track.

A. Wotherspoon	U/14 200 metres	24,4"
G. Poole	U/13 100 metres	12,6"
A de Chaud	U/15 100 metres Hurdles	14,5"

The final result included 18 first places out of 32 events with the following points position:—

St. David's	95 points
Jeppé	89 points

St. David's vs Athlone and St. John's 78/09/16

This was probably the most exciting meeting of all. The programme included all the field and track events totalling 50 events in all. The athletes excelled themselves in many events and took a total of 24 standards and two school records in the program. Records were set up by:—

G. Poole	U/13 200 metres	25,9"
G. Reuss	U/13 400 metres	59,8"

St. David's achieved first places in half of the 50 events and did very well in the team races against much larger schools. The final points position was:—

St. David's	1st with 213 points
Athlone	2nd with 199 ½ points
St. John's	3rd with 143 ½ points

It is important to note that this was the first time that St. David's had beaten St. John's on the track.

St. David's vs Sandown High 78/09/09

This meeting was engineered by the pupils themselves, to satisfy some rivalry between them. A full program of events left St. David's runaway winners by 53 points and a very jubilant team.

Age groups helped each other by pushing competitors to better times on the track. The work done by Paddy Riley and Andrew Driver in the sprints had the crowd cheering and jumping in excitement. Notably our performances in the distances especially the 1500 metres

showed some improvement, led by Ronald Smith in the Open age group.

The final points were:

St. David's	175 points
Sandown	122 points

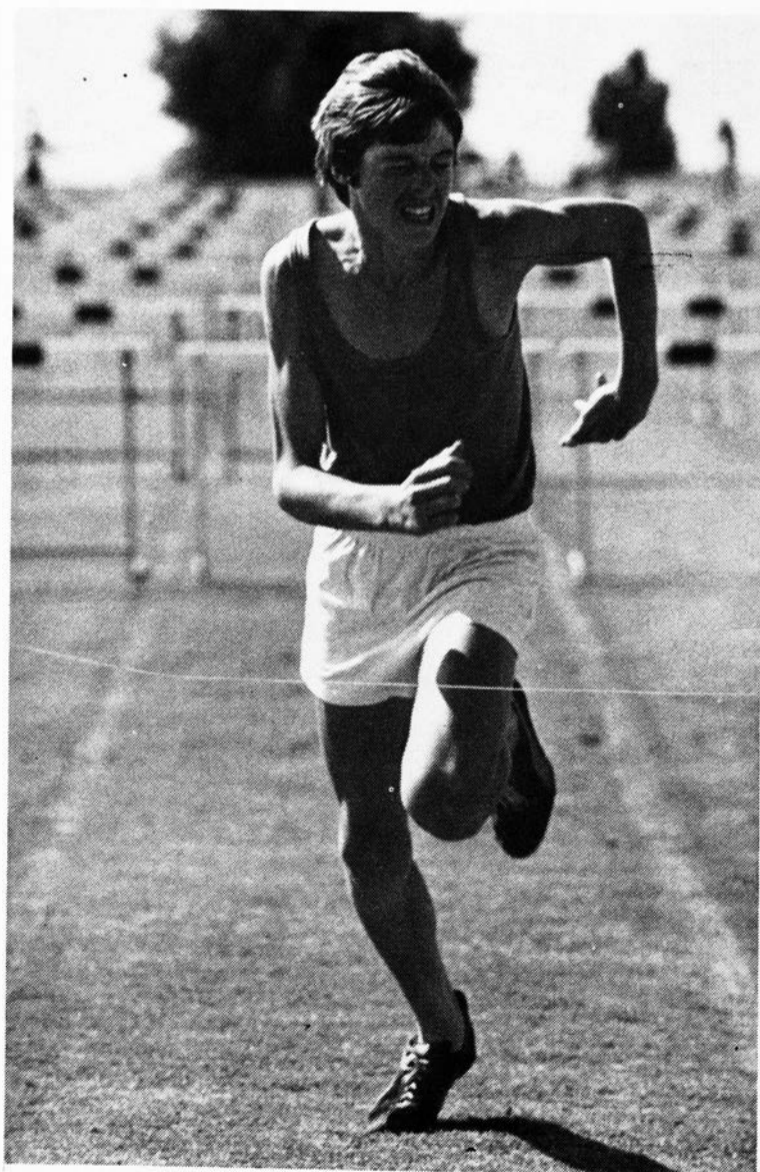
Awards

During the course of the season scrolls were awarded in all age groups.

Open:	R. Saccani
	P. Riley (Captain)
	A. Driver
	Mark Hildyard
U/15	M. Nicholas
	A de Chaud
U/14	M. Jordan
	A. Wotherspoon
	C. Luyckx
U/13	G. Poole
	G. Reuss
	G. Beuthin

All in all this was a most enjoyable season. Naturally it is always more fun to win than to lose. However the victories were certainly a morale booster and created a lot of spirit at all levels.

K. Lipschitz.



MICHAEL JORDAN

RUGBY

First XV

vs Parktown (Lost 3-21)

A young, inexperienced First XV took the field against Parktown. A pattern which seems to be developing in St David's rugby. The team spirit, however, was exceptionally good.

Early on in this match, a skilful handling and passing movement was only just stopped by a desperate Parktown defence just short of their try line. As the game progressed, the bigger and more experienced Parktown side took control and began to put the points on the score board.

Mark Hildyard had several effective probing runs which, with stronger finishing, could have resulted in points. Michael Boic put in a good display at full back which gave the rest of the players a great deal of confidence. Despite injury, Michael courageously remained unperturbed by the pressure put onto him. Michael Peel, as captain and in the scrum-half position, had a polished game. He was always thinking and scheming his way out of tight positions. Patrick Riley led the pack well and was himself fairly prominent in open play.

Despite the score, this was an encouraging start to the season.

vs C.B.C. Pretoria (Won 10-0)

The First XV played with great gusto and determination which brought a result pleasing to all their supporters. The war cry on the field after the match was a great sight.

The forwards were truly magnificent against a bigger and heavier pack. From the first scrum, our forwards took control. We made the loose ball our own with great ease. Here the loose forwards, Patrick Riley, Lawrence Kourie and Andrew Slaven, did sterling work. In the tight, Nic Walton took at least four tightheads. He was very well supported by the tight forwards, John Slaven, Adrian Risi, Chris Black and Luccio Genovese. Although outjumped in the line outs, the forwards made up for this with good harassing and spoiling tactics.

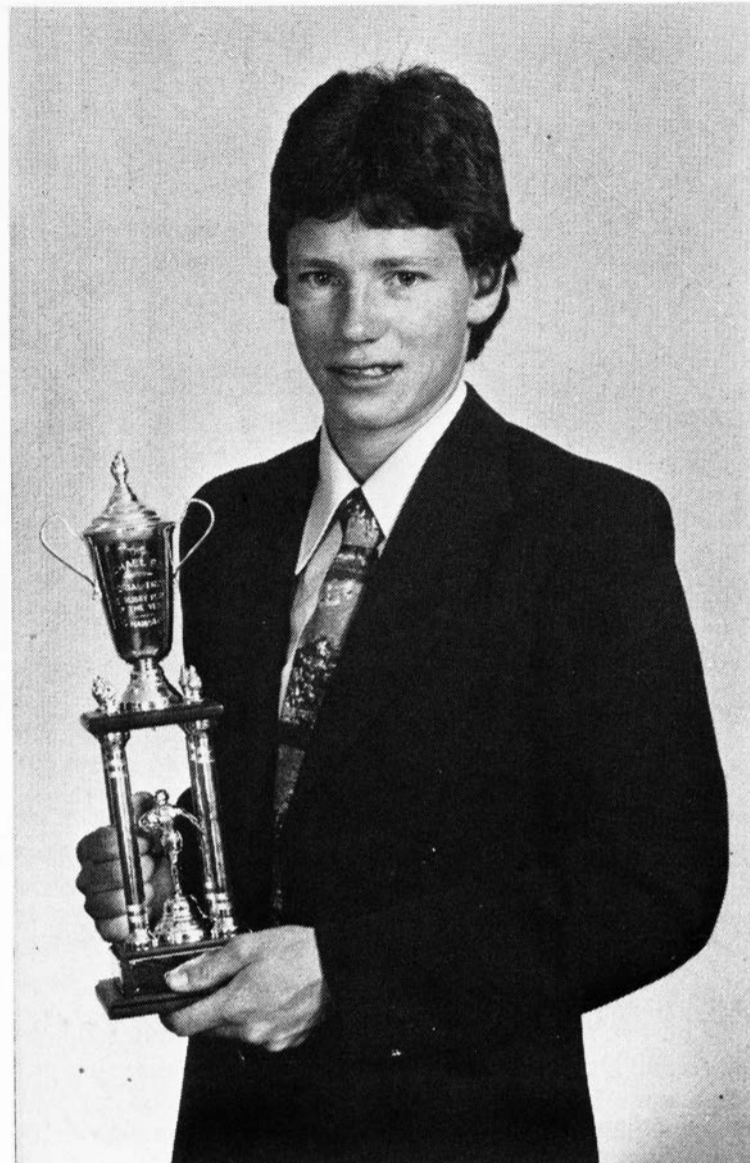
The three quarters achieved something which few First XV's have in recent years. The wings Andrew Prudence and Richard Hutt, received a tremendous amount of good ball. They made good use of these opportunities and Andrew was duly rewarded with a splendid try after a scintillating break by Mark Hildyard. Our second try came as a result of brilliant anticipation by Andrew Driver. C.B.C. took a long throw in at a line out on the half way line. Andrew was up like a flash. He gathered the ball, broke a few tackles and then sent Mark Hildyard away to score under the posts. Michael Peel was a little 'Napoleon' marshalling his forces from the base of the scrum. Leon de Gouveia at fly-half and Michael Boic at full back both played well and gave the side a great deal of confidence.

This was an encouraging and heartwarming performance by the First XV.

vs C.B.C. Boksburg (Lost 0-18)

Just as the hopes and expectations of the First XV were fulfilled against C.B.C. Pretoria, so they were dashed against the rocks in the second half of this match.

During the first half of the match St. David's was very much in the game, although physically it was proving a hard game. The half time score was 6-0 in favour of C.B.C. They had put over two penalties. The Team was easily equal to the situation at the start of the second half. An



MICHAEL PEEL – *Captain of the First XV and winner of the Michael Boic Trophy for the Rugby Player of the Year.*

incident early on in the second half unsettled our players and they lost their sense of direction and purpose. C.B.C. took advantage of this and ran in two tries both of which were converted.

vs Roosevelt (Lost 4-22)

After the disappointment against C.B.C. Boksburg, it was pleasing to see the First XV play with great spirit and determination again. Roosevelt were made to work for every point that they scored. But for some basic errors on our part, we could have put some more points on the board.

Mark Hildyard scored a good opportunist try half way through the second half. This seemed to breath fire into the play of the team. The forwards started to drive and the backs handled with greater ease and skill. After fumbling around and being generally hesitant, St. David's came back very strongly and pinned Roosevelt in their half. During this period several scoring opportunities were narrowly missed.

So a rather disjointed team had come right in this match.

vs K.E.S. Second XV (Lost 3-28)

In the most unconvincing display of the season, the First XV went down to the Second XV of K.E.S. From the heights that were reached against C.B.C. Pretoria, the



1st XV RUGBY TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *L. Kourie, M. Hildyard, N. Walton.*
 Middle row: *M. Giraud, R. Hutt, M. Lebos, J. Slaven, C. Black, D. Smith, B. Sterzik, Brother Bernard.*
 Front row: *A. Slaven, B. Walter, M. Peel (captain), A. Driver, P. Riley (vice-captain).*
 Insets: (left): *L. Genovese.* (right): *M. Boic (R.I.P.).*

Team slumped completely. The players, however, did not give up trying, and for this they must be commended.

vs Marist Observatory (Lost 9-19)

The First XV put up a spirited performance on this occasion. During the first half, this match was very evenly balanced. Both sides had each scored a good try with equally good conversions. As everyone settled down for the second half, the upper hand had still to be gained.

Observatory's full back was the deciding factor, as a player in this position so often is. He kept joining the back line and St. David's failed to counter this. So they employed several tactics through their powerful back line and thus won the day.

vs Highlands North Second XV (Lost 6-13)

After a two week break due to the untimely and tragic death of Michael Boic, a rather unsettled First XV took the field. Several changes had to be made to replace Michael and also Richard Hutt who had been injured in the same accident. Nevertheless, the players acquitted themselves well with Brian Walter adding much needed penetration.

After pressing hard, St. David's allowed Highlands to wrest the initiative from them. Highlands had 13 points on the score board before our players woke up to the fact that they could also score points. Vital penalty kicks were missed and the ball was dropped inches from the opponents try line.

In the second half, Mark Hildyard scored an absolute gem of a try which resulted from a superlative team effort in second phase play. So many more such tries could have been scored with greater dedication, discipline and application of basic skills.

vs Athlone (Lost 14-38)

In this match, we saw one of the best displays by the pack this season. It was also the best scoring performance by the team. Three very good tries were scored, two of which came from hard uncompromising play within the pack. Congratulations to the forwards.

As in the other matches too many scoring opportunities

were lost. Penalties were needlessly missed and slack defence allowed Athlone in to score two tries. On attack the three quarters lacked combination and there was too much unnecessary kicking. On the one occasion that the ball moved along the backline, the players looked quite impressive. Throughout this match, the spirit of the team was outstanding.

vs St Joseph's, Rondebosch (Won 9-7)

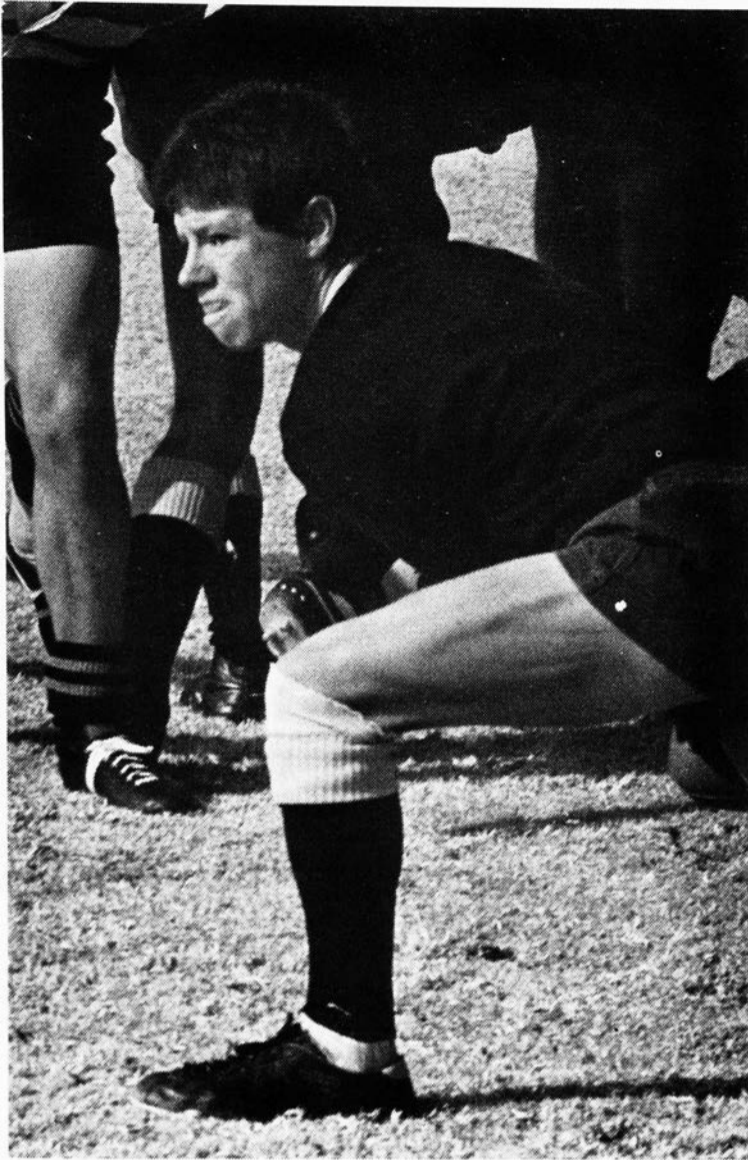
Congratulations to the First XV on their victory. Their points resulted from skillfully executed movements which involved a concerted and determined team effort. Mark Hildyard scored a good try, which was converted by Andrew Driver, and he put over an excellent drop kick to clinch the match.

The forwards played extremely well, particularly in the set pieces. Nic Walton had a great game in which he took several hooks against the head. He was well supported by the rest of the forwards. Both John Slaven and Luccio Genovese were very effective in the line outs. The three quarters thus had plenty of good possession which they used well on occasions. This was, however, once again a game of missed opportunities. At least two if not three more tries could have been scored had there been better support and stronger combination. Barry Sterzik had a good run on the wing but was brought down just short of the try line but he had no support. Mark Hildyard made a beautiful break and he had only the full back to beat. Andrew Driver was well up in support this time but there was no combination.

St. David's success in this match was undoubtedly a fine team effort.

vs St. Stithian's (Won 9-8)

In this match, the First XV got home to the narrowest of victories in the final second of the game. As Andrew Driver put the ball between the posts to give St. David's a one point lead, the referee blew the final whistle. For once St. David's made good use of the scoring opportunities and they played with great determination. The team spirit



was outstanding and the support from the side line was impressive. The acclaim by the supporters after the match was indeed a very heart warming sight.

The game itself was no great spectacle. We scored from two penalty kicks by Andrew Driver and a drop goal by Mark Hildyard. For once it was our opponents who missed several scoring opportunities.

The victory was indeed pleasant and the 1978 season ended on a high note.

Second XV

In retrospect, a very enjoyable and spirited season with lots of enthusiasm, marred only by injuries of one kind or another which dogged us from the very outset of the season. By the time we came to play our final match, versus St. Stithians, ten of the fifteen members of the team were players from the 3rd's and 4th's teams.

Scores can give an indication of the success or failure of a team, but like all statistics, they can be very one-sided or can be manipulated to read whatever one chooses to read into them. Certainly the scores notched up against the 2nd XV in no way reflect the kind of good, hard rugby that we tried to play. The finest compliment that can be paid to the 2nd XV is to remark on their very fine spirit which did not flag, not even after our final defeat. It was a pleasure to be associated with the pupils of Standards 9 and 10, who made up the open age group.

Results:

vs. Parktown: An over-zealous TV fan and 1st XV prop-forward damaged his foot on the eve of the Parktown match. This necessitated some last minute emergency measures . . . including the promotion of A. Risi, 2nd XV captain, to 1st team prop. The 2nd XV was thus

considerably weakened, both in the loss of its captain and front-row prop. We therefore found ourselves at sixes and sevens from the outset. Confusion about various rules, what with a plethora of changes and amendments which kept flooding the postbox, did not help either. And finally, we ran up against a side that was playing its fourth match of the season. With all these good excuses, we might be forgiven for having a score of 6-51 against us.

Final Score: 6-51

vs. CBC Pretoria: What a well-drilled team went onto the field at Mnt. St. Edmund. We played "downhill" the first half. The backs combined beautifully with the forwards. Guy Beuthin made two fantastic runs of over 45 metres, the second of which just had to be a try. Very careless kicking by the fly-half resulted in scrum-backs from kick-offs. The score was 9-4 in our favour well into the second half, when an injury to an opposition player led to something quite unprecedented – a substitute was ordered on by the referee, who helped to make the score 12-13.

Final Score: 12-13

vs. CBC Boksburg: The forwards played very well, but the backline threw all possession away. The handling was shocking. The fly-half received the ball standing (lying too shallow – despite constant warnings); the centres could not hold or pass. B. Sterzik played a good game at wing. R. Saccani (number 8) joined the line to try and mop up – which he did extremely well.

Final Score: 7-10

vs. Roosevelt: Forwards and backs all played very well. But poor tackling allowed the opposition to run through. Otherwise, in the set pieces, we won more than our fair share of the ball. M. Haas had his first game for 2nd's, as did R. Grant, G. Pond and R. Dee. The opposition was a very big, well-drilled side, and up to all sorts of tricks . . . but we did well to contain them by keeping the game very tight.

Final Score: 6-18

vs. K.E.S. There is not much that can be said about this match. We were completely outplayed in every department of the game.

Final Score: 6-54

vs. Observatory: A. Pettit played his first game at centre. His inexperience here caused him to change direction and run into trouble every time the ball came his way. Thus good ball was wasted time and again. The forwards played extremely well, as usual, but they became extremely despondent when they saw all their good work come to nothing.

Final Score: 0-6

vs. Jeppe: This match was cancelled, as was the 1st XV match, due to the tragic death of Michael Boic in the early hours of the morning of the day we were due to play.

vs. Highlands: The team played very well under the circumstances. What with injuries and an influenza epidemic, the team was decimated and we had to make use of two U/15 players: G. Daras (prop) and I. Cronje (flank).

Final Score: 0-32

vs. Athlone: Within two minutes of kick-off, three players had bloody noses, two with fractures which precluded their playing for the rest of the season. The opposition succeeded in demoralising us.

Final Score: 0-54

vs. St. Stithians: The 2nd XV team, now including ten 3rd and 4th team players, faced a very well-drilled and experienced opposition. We had no answer to the huge and very fast backs, who scored time and time again.

Final Score: 0-38



2nd XV RUGBY TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *A. Risi, B. Gordon, G. Beuthin, M. John, C. Burn, A. Pettit.*
 Middle row: *A. Marsden, M. Haas, R. Grant, L. de Gouveia, M. Parr, M. Forssman, G. Pond, O. Setton, R. Smith, Brother Bernard.*
 Front row: *R. Zent, D. Kalk, A. Parry (captain), R. Saccani, M. Gonsalves (vice-captain).*

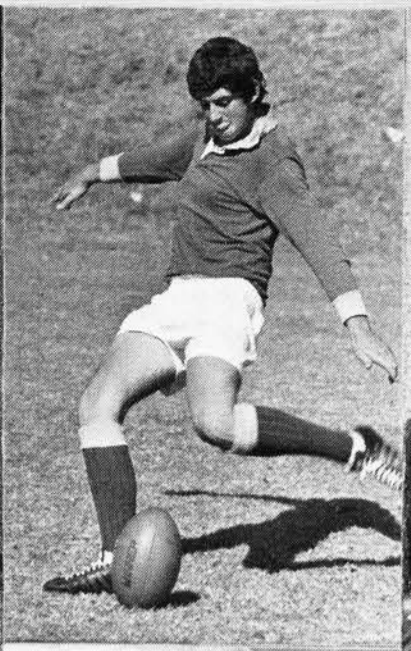
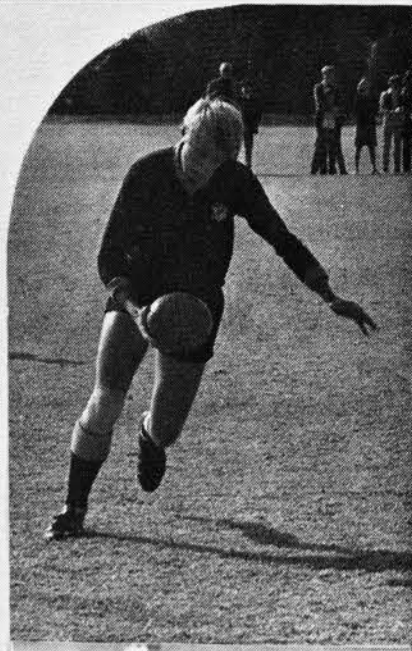


3rd XV RUGBY TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *C. Fuller, G. Lazarus, M. Ninow.*
 Middle row: *A. Barone, P. Kennedy, C. Moller, C. Pandelias, C. Vlaskamp, P. Wahl, M. Drysdale, Mr. T. McFadden.*
 Front row: *P. Moller, R. van Deldin, D. Volkwyn (captain), R. Hartman, D. Ward.*

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Third XV

The Third XV had a poor season overall, yet there are certain players who have shown good promise for next year. In most cases we were heavily outweighed at forward, but our front row gave a good account of themselves in nearly all games. The backs, behind a losing pack, were often restricted to a defensive role and in some instances the tackling was very good.

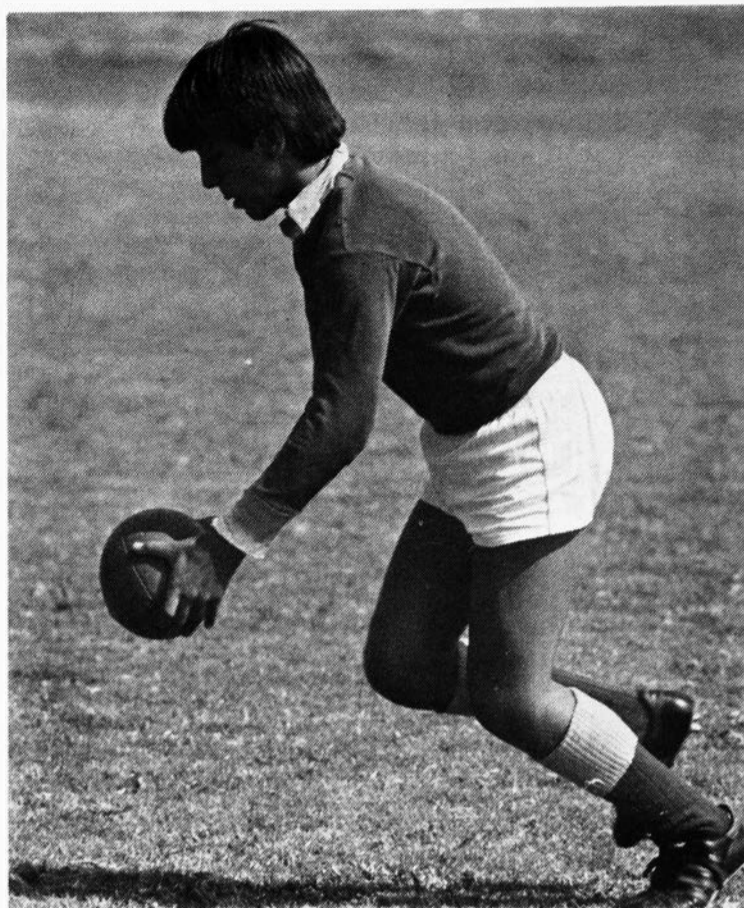
When considering what looks like a gloomy record it should be remembered that we had an unusually high number of injuries among the First and Second Fifteens and we were never able to field the same Third XV on any two consecutive occasions.

Under 15A XV



The Under 15A team did not have a very successful season in regard to the overall results of which two thirds of the games were lost. The overall results, although showing a general picture of the teams lack of success fails to show the specific instances of brilliance and determination which the team displayed throughout the season.

The most unsatisfactory aspect of the teams play was the lack of combination, both within the forwards and three-quarters. Individualism within the team led to the downfall of the team's play and discipline. Injury and fluctuating attendances at practices also undermined the team's potential.



However throughout the season, keenness at practice and a tolerance of the coaches' great demands in fitness and skill have won from both Mr. d'Almeida and myself high esteem for the team.

G. Daras captained the side very efficiently and was a source of inspiration to the team by his confident approach and courage on the field.

The combination among the three-quarters was unsatisfactory although as individuals M. Nicholas and G. Cathrall on the wing and B. Alcock at full-back played consistently well and were always trustworthy. The three-quarters main problem was the lack of penetration at centre and suspect defence at times as a result of not coming up together on defence. The backs as a whole were not as capable as the forwards who at times showed drive and skill which was of a very high standard, but alas at other times lacked motivation. As a result the ideal of 15 man rugby could not be adequately achieved.

The hardest and most persistently good players among the forwards were M. Rugani at eighth man and J. Maroun at flank who with untiring efforts harnessed the opposition to a point of frustration at times in an effort to gain possession.

In conclusion, thank-you to the Under 15A and B teams, both of whom gave of their best throughout the season. I look forward to a successful 1979 Open Rugby season. Finally thank you to Mr. d'Almeida for his untiring efforts as coach of the Under 15B team and for helping with the A team.

J.J. Williamson.

Under 15B XV

The season was generally unsuccessful with regard to matches won and points gained. The players worked and practised like trojans and did not deserve the trouncings they received. The teething problems which manifested themselves in the beginning of the season were largely ironed out by mid season.

The training schedule concentrated primarily on fitness and stamina with the main emphasis placed on "vasbyt". The second part of practice revolved around specialisation, with a view to correcting and improving individual skill.



U/15 'A' RUGBY TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *D. Clark, J. Asbury, M. Rugani, A. Alcock, M. Zampieri.*
 Middle row: *M. Nicholas, B. Muller, I. Cronje, C. Poole, A. de Chaud, S. Arp.*
 Front row: *G. Cathrall, F. Roinos, G. Daras (captain), D. de Gouveia, J. Maroun.*
 In front: *G. Konidaris.*



U/15 'B' RUGBY TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *J. Du Mughn, E. Sheldon, C. Stott, A. Wolhuter, M. Duff.*
 Middle row: *G. Sayer, N. Sloane, G. McLaughlin, J. Joseph, R. Hartmann, K. Oertel.*
 Front row: *N. Withey, A. Perlman, Mr. T. D'almeida, C. Rapp (captain), G. Alnutt.*
 In front: *F. Rebel.*



Under 14B XV

The team was Captained by James Hellowell, who, through his enthusiasm, and example, injected a good spirit into the team.

The team displayed good skill throughout the season, but their greatest quality was their sustained team spirit, even though the score was unfavourable.

The overall performance of the team showed a big improvement, over the previous season, as shown in the table below.

Season	Points Scored/ Match	Points scored against us/ Match	% of Matches won
U/13	6,7	19	30,7
U/14	14,0	16,9	40,0

Under 13A & B XV's



To this end the 'Welsh Grid System' of coaching was tried as were conventional methods of group participation. Ball handling was emphasised with the latest methods of 'ball passing' as advised by Ian Kirkpatrick on one of his many coaching clinics at the school.

Films of International Games were also shown in the hope that these would put across many aspects of the 'whole' rugby match as opposed to the 'part' or 'sectional' training which trainees receive during practice.

With the rugby re-learning many of the players have undergone this year, one hopes that the next season makes for a more high powered play.

A.G. d'Almeida.

Under 14A XV

If we assess this team in terms of results, we realise that it was a most disappointing season. We could not muster a win, although when compared to last year, we did halve the scores obtained against us. The best outing that we had was no doubt against CBC Boksburg, a game that we won 'technically' but that will go down in the record books as a draw.

Our biggest drawback was the size of our forwards. We always found ourselves on the retreat and as a result the backline, a talented group of boys, was always back-peddalling. Although we did not manage a win, we all enjoyed the game and I am sure that the players have learnt enough in order to build a successful team.

The 1978 U/13 rugby season proved to be a satisfactory and enjoyable one. Although outstanding results were not achieved a certain amount of groundwork was covered which will hopefully benefit the boys' rugby in the future.

The first game against Parktown made us realise that more cohesion in the forwards was required in order to gain any valuable possession of the ball.

As the season progressed this facet of the game improved tremendously and we found that we were getting



U/14 'A' RUGBY TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *F. Siani, T. Retzlaff, A. Wotherspoon, G. Wurr, M. Goldberg.*
 Middle row: *W. Alcock, J. Glaeser, C. Luyckx, P. Roinos, D. Else, P. Parry, Mr. G. Nefdt.*
 Front row: *C. Annicello, P. Pritchard, M. Jordan (captain), R. Beuthin, J. Fairley.*



U/14 'B' RUGBY TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *B. McDonald, R. Bertie, S. Sudweeks.*
 Middle row: *Mr. A. Wittwer, W. Reuter, R. Rebel, M. Urban, J. Robertson, A. van Deldin, P. Schulz, J. Kourie.*
 Front row: *T. Woodward, S. Turner, J. Hellowell (captain), C. Busse, W. Greenstone.*

much more of the ball than we had at first expected. This was particularly the case in the "B" side as we found that our forwards were always much smaller than the opposition pack, but by working together we were able to gain a good deal of the tight and loose ball.

There were times when our backline played brilliantly, as they were good handlers of the ball and fast runners, but much of the time they did not use their speed and often only ran at three quarter pace.

PARKTOWN

In this game we found that in both the "A" and "B" teams we were not able to get enough possession of the ball, or, if we got the ball, our forwards would try to run single handed through their scrum. This was the first facet of the game that was worked on – to get the ball, turn and bind, then feed the ball back to each other in the loose scrum.

C.B.C. Pretoria

This was the best game the "A" team played the whole season, as both the scrum and the line combined beautifully, with the forwards driving in hard and the backs running and passing at full speed. The best try was scored by left wing Glen Poole, when the centres let the ball out very quickly and Poole jinked around outside his opposite wing and ran thirty metres along the touch-line to beat the fullback and dive over in the corner.

Another very good try was scored by 8th man Theo van den Handel, who broke from a loose scrum ten metres from our tryline and out-stripped the opposition down the touch-line to eventually score under the posts.

C.B.C. Boksburg

In this game our "B" team played well and a good try by right wing Bill Staempfli after Chiappa had made an overlap for him, helped us to draw 10-10.

Our "A" team on the other hand just could not get going and unlike the week before did not combine well. This was a game that we definitely should have won.

ROOSEVELT

In this game both our "A" and "B" teams were very evenly matched and both games were very exciting.

Our tries came from Glen Poole who, this time playing on the right wing, beat his opposition on the outside and ran all the way round to score under the posts.

The other try came from Theo van den Handel who, playing at No. 8, picked up the ball from a tight scrum and forced his way over for a very good try.

K.E.S.

This game was a disaster for both the "A" and the "B" teams. We went onto the field already beaten as we showed by the weak tackling and the very poor running and handling of the ball.

It was evident that much more guts was needed by all our players after this game, and that it could be done as our results showed against teams that had beaten K.E.S. in the games to follow.

OBSERVATORY

Our "B" team had an excellent game and both the forwards and the backs ran hard with rewarding results.

Our "A" team had a bad game and much bad handling of the ball lost us the game. This was another game that we definitely should have won.

Jeppe

This was the most exciting game of the season for the "A" team, as we were up 10 nil at half time. Eventually one minute before the final whistle the score was 13-12 to Inanda.

Jeppe were putting on the pressure and we gained the ball from the scrum right in front of our posts. George Meligonis tried to fly kick the ball but with little success. Immediately Tim Claeys broke from the scrum in front of George and went for the ball. As a result he was blown up for off-sides. This gave Jeppe a penalty in front of



our posts. Luckily the tension was too great for the Jeppe kicker and he missed the penalty.

The final whistle blew immediately after the penalty was taken and Inanda won the game by a very narrow margin.

HIGHLANDS NORTH

Before the game we had heard that Highlands North had beaten K.E.S. 38-0 and we knew that we had been thoroughly beaten by K.E.S., so we were not feeling all that confident of winning this game. However, unlike the K.E.S. game we put up a very courageous fight and our teams played better than they had ever played before. Our tackling was superb and we held them for most of the game.

ATHLONE

Our "B" team played a tremendous game to draw 0-0, as Athlone was an unbeaten team at that stage. It was incredible to see how we were on the attack for most part of the game although our forwards were literally half the size of the Athlone pack.

Our "A" team played a good game, but Athlone had some very lucky breaks and bounces of the ball, and each one resulted in a try for them.

ST. STITHIAN'S

Both the "A" and "B" teams had very enjoyable games and both teams played very well. The "B" team won their game and the "A" team lost. The St. Stithian's forwards in the "A" team were better than ours and they had some very good passing movements amongst the forwards which rewarded them with two tries.

	RESULTS			
	U/13A			
Parktown	lost	0-26	lost	0-16
C.B.C. Pretoria	won	25- 0	lost	7-20
C.B.C. Boksburg	lost	6-12	drew	10-10
Roosevelt	drew	10-10	lost	0- 9
K.E.S.	lost	0-42	lost	0-42
Observatory	lost	4- 6	won	14- 3
Jeppe	won	13-12	won	14- 0
Highlands	lost	0-26	lost	0-12
Athlone	lost	3-22	drew	0- 0
St. Stithian's	lost	0-12	won	4- 0



U/13 A XV RUGBY TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *G. Meligonis, A. Setton, G. Graham, N. Zent, E. Oertel.*
 Middle row: *Mr. T. O'Mahony, B. Urban, G. Poole, H. v.d. Merwe, J. Pritchard, P. Nicholas, P. Marneweck, Mr. J. Vahey.*
 Front row: *T. Claeys, M. Reeves, M. Bellamy, E. Chiappa, G. Reuss.*



U/13 B XV RUGBY TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *J. Rudston, C. Faraday, S. Burn.*
 Middle row: *Mr. T. O'Mahony, N. Zent, E. Duff, J. Holm, J. Pritchard, R. Story, J. McCarthy, Mr. J. Vahey.*
 Front row: *G. Muller, R. Walsh, W. Staempfli, B. Spanjaard, D. Smith.*
 In front: *E. Oertel.*

Rugby Results 1978

Opponents	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	U/15A	U/15B	U/14A	U/14B	U/13A	U/13B	U/13C
Parktown	3-21	6-51	0-26	0-66	6-14	0-6	0-48	0-40	0-26	0-16	4-4
CBC Pretoria	10-0	12-13	4-22	12-10	10-4	12-4	6-26	18-6	25-0	7-20	
CBC Boksburg	0-18	7-10	4-16	0-48	20-6	0-20	10-10	14-6	6-12	10-10	
Roosevelt	4-22	6-18		3-56	6-7	0-36	0-4	68-3	10-10	0-9	
K.E.S.	3-28	6-54		0-74	0-28	6-56	0-22	0-22	0-42	0-42	0-10
Observatory	9-19	0-6	6-6		11-10	10-0	10-16	12-0	4-6	14-3	
Jeppe			3-86		10-16	0-10	0-12	4-26	13-12	14-0	4-0
Highlands	6-13	0-32	0-38		6-20	6-36	0-52	6-26	0-26	0-12	4-12
Athlone	16-34	0-54	0-103		4-28	6-22	0-28	10-10	3-22	0-0	12-10
Rondebosch	9-7										
St. Stithian's	9-8	0-38	0-58		6-26	0-30	6-32	6-14	0-13	4-0	4-4
Played	10	9	8	5	10	10	10	10	10	10	6
Won	3	0	0	0	3	2	0	4	2	3	2
Drawn	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	2
Lost	7	9	7	5	7	8	9	5	7	5	2
Points For	69	37	17	15	69	40	32	138	61	49	28
Points Against	170	274	355	254	159	220	250	153	169	112	40

TENNIS

During the first Term the 1st Tennis Team played with a certain amount of success to finish about half-way down their league.

However, in the Third Term, they have shown considerable improvement and are at present top of the log with only one match to go.

The general standard throughout the school appears to have risen considerably and more and more boys are taking part in this sport. As a result the 2nd Team has been holding its own in its league while the 3rd Team is still unbeaten and should have an excellent chance of clinching their section.

The regular members of the 1st Team are:

D. Ward (captain)
D. Gleeson
R. Mackenzie
G. Christie-Taylor
G. Perlman
J. van Crombrugge

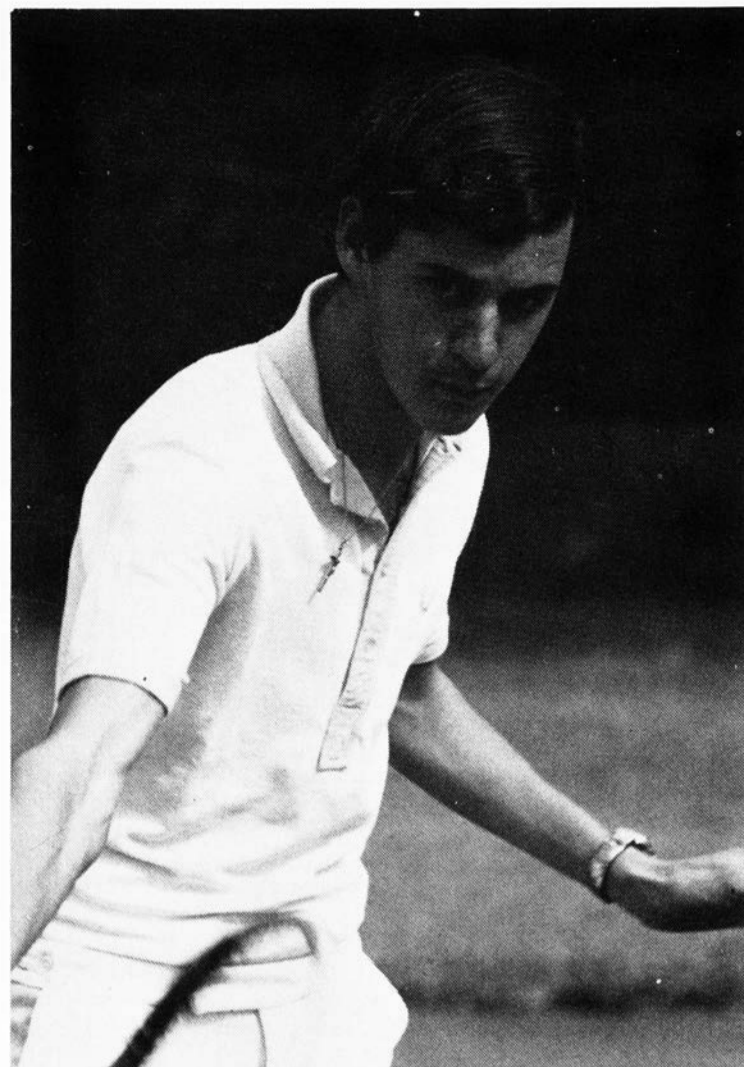
Tennis Championships

Open Singles: Winner: D. Gleeson
Runner-up: G. Christie-Taylor

Open Doubles: Winners: D. Gleeson & D. Ward.
Runners-up: M. Lebos & L. Kourie

U/16 Singles: Winner: G. Perlman.
Runner-up: J. van Crombrugge

U/16 Doubles: Winners: J. van Crombrugge & G. McLaughlin.
Runners-up: G. Perlman & N. Sloane.



U/14 Singles: Winner: M. Goldberg
Runner-up: C. Luyckx

U/14 Doubles: Winners: P. van Crombrugge & H. Bailey
Runners-up: M. de Decker & J. Kourie

Horse Riding

1978 has been an uneventful year for St. David's Riding Club. Once again we received an invitation from the Venerable Canon Peter Booth, to send teams to England to compete at the 'Fifteenth Annual Showjumping Championships' held at Hickstead. Following discussions with Klaus and the Riding Committee, we decided not to send teams this year because, although we do have a lot of talent among the boys and girls, most of them lack experience, and, apart from the overseas trip being educational, particularly for those children who have never been overseas, it has become very expensive. Klaus is confident that two good teams will be ready for 1979.

St. David's Horse Show which had been scheduled for 25th, 26th and 27th August, had to be cancelled. We are hoping to have it in November or early next year, as we are endeavouring to get Television coverage and a sponsor for the whole show. If we are successful this could be our best Show to date.

At St. David's Prize giving in March the following boys received trophies:

Charles Burn – Best Senior Rider
Wayne Marlow – Most Improved Rider
Duncan Senior – Best Junior Rider

Edward Duff – Most Improved Rider
Jason Marlow – Best Mini Rider
Rory Jenkins – Most Improved Mini Rider
Our overseas team also received trophies:
Charles Burn (Captain)
Andrew Asbury
Robert Grant
Wayne Marlow

At Rosebank Convent Prize Giving the following girls received trophies:

Patricia Marlow – Best Senior Rider
Ondreya Locke – Most Improved Senior Rider
Jackie Ironside – Best Junior Rider
Michelle MacInnes – Best Mini Rider

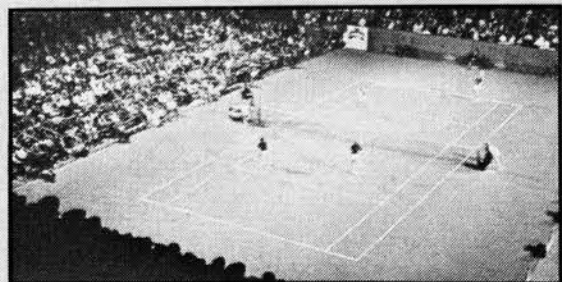
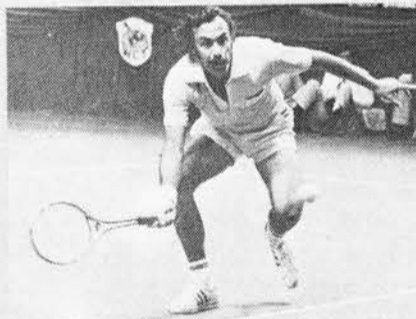
Our congratulations to all these boys and girls.

My sincere appreciation once again to my committee for their loyalty and support during 1978.

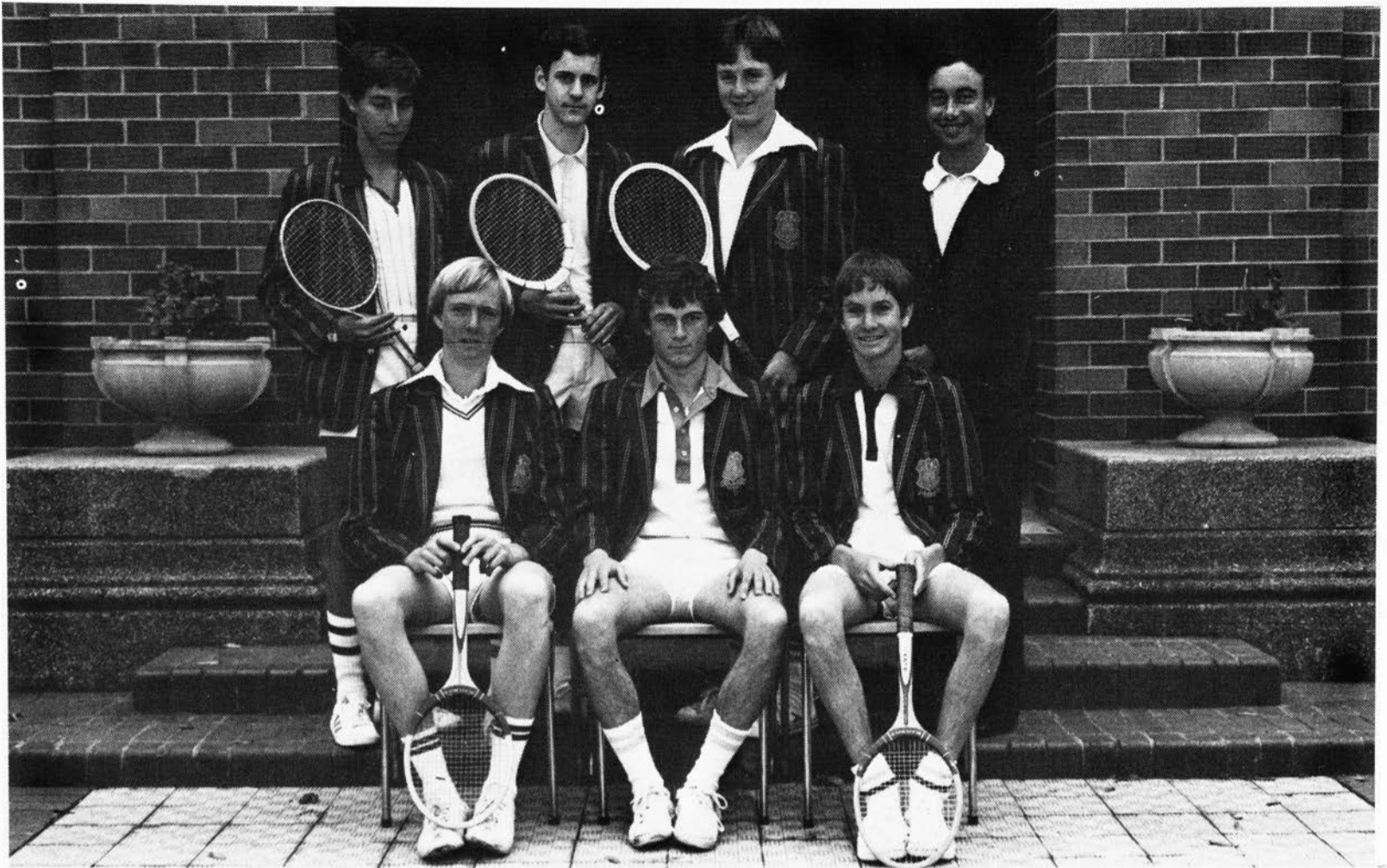
On behalf of all the riders and my committee our sincere thanks to Klaus, Hazel and all at Riverbend.

My warm thanks also to Reverend Brother Timothy for his wise council and continued interest in the club.
God Bless.

Margaret Marlow



T E N N I S



'A' TENNIS TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *G. Perlman, G. Christie-Taylor, J. van Crombrugge, Mr J. Vahey.*
 Front row: *D. Gleeson, D. Ward (Captain), R. Mackenzie.*



'B' TENNIS TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *N. Withey, G. McLaughlin, P. van Crombrugge, Mr J. Vahey.*
 Front row: *N. Sloane, R. Mackenzie, R. van Delden.*

With compliments **Mr & Mrs C.J. West**
 With compliments **Mr. R.G.C. Henderson**

BASKETBALL



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Back row – (left to right): *B. Staempfli, R. Crabtree, R. van Delden, R. Spanjaard, W. Bishoff.*
 Front row: *Mr J. Lobo, P. Parry, R. Smith (Captain), D. van 't Hof, M. Ritchie.*
 In front: *R. Walsh, J. Downs, A. Walsh.*

For the first time this year, basketball was officially played at the college. It turned out to be a remarkable success, as more than 70 boys participated in both inter-house and external matches.

Inter-House Competition.

The Inter-house tournament, played during breaks, attracted large numbers of spectators and the matches were all enthusiastically contested by very evenly matched teams, always noisily supported by their respective houses.

In the final playoff, Osmond narrowly defeated Benedict in a very exciting game that had to go into extra time.

External Matches

In spite of difficulties in training, which made it impossible to assemble the whole squad at any practice session, St. David's two youthful teams held their own against more experienced and older opposition. The "A" team, in particular, played above expectations, winning most of their matches.

Special mention must be made of their captain, R. Smith, for his high standard of play and the constant motivation and advice he gave his younger team mates. He was strongly supported by K. Luber, who played some storming games, if somewhat inconsistent.

R. van Delden, P. Parry, M. Jordan, R. Crabtree and R. Spanjaard also showed great potential and remarkable ability for a game so new to them. The "B" team did not have much success but the boys enjoyed playing and gained valuable experience for future competitions.

RESULTS:

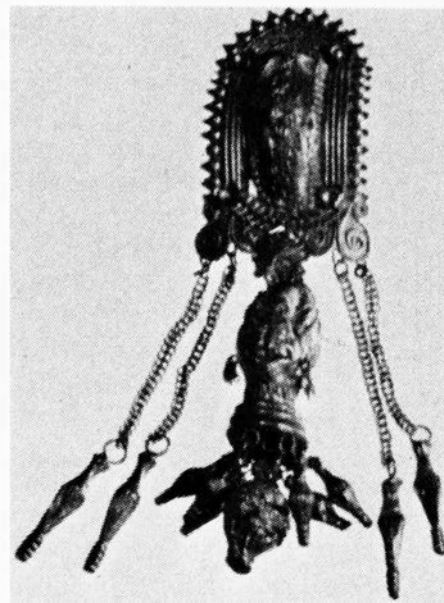
JUNIOR "A" TEAM

1st term

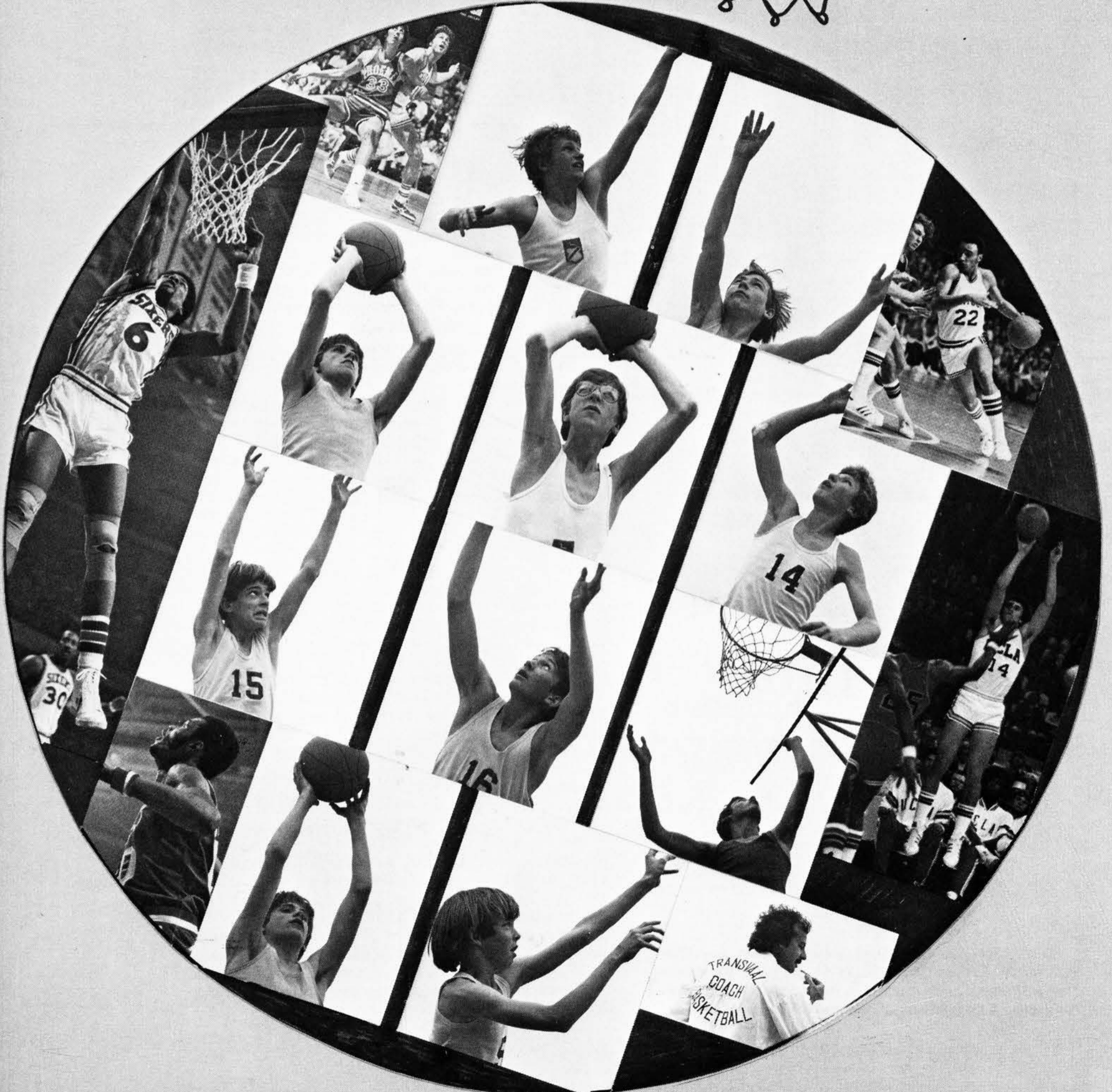
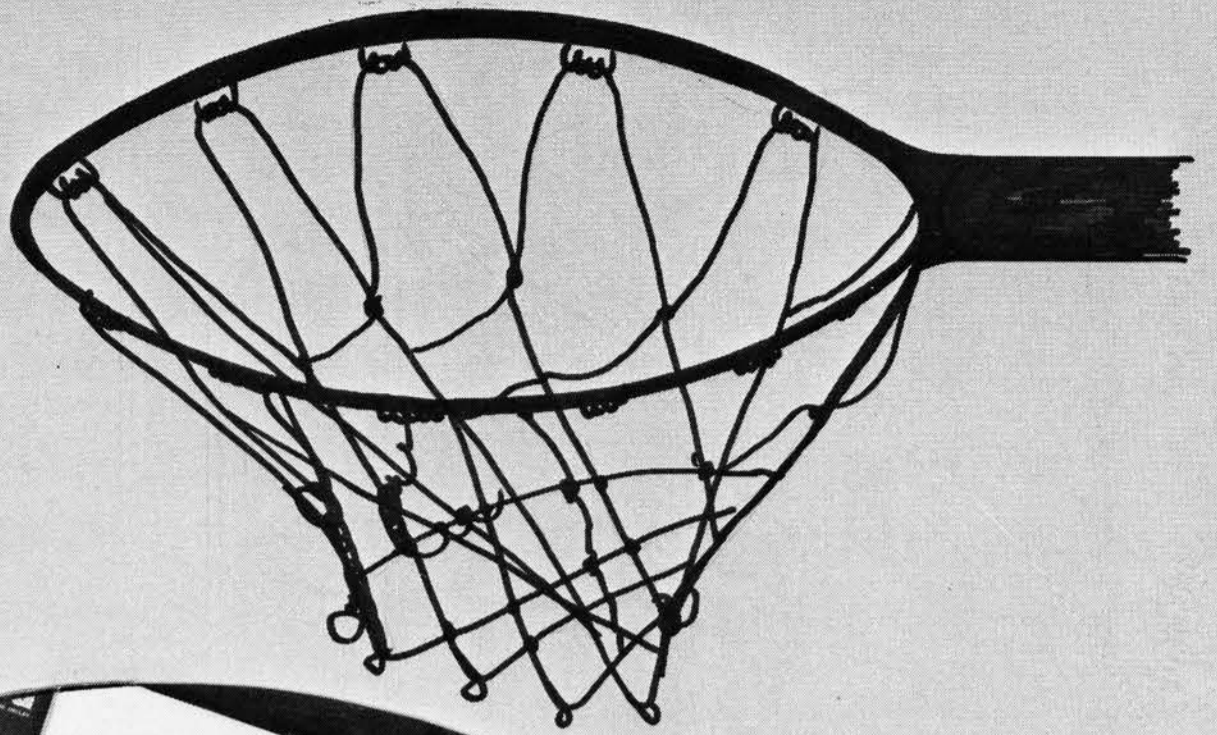
vs Forest High (Junior)	won 44-16
vs Hill High (Junior)	won 43-25
vs Sir John Adamson (Junior)	lost 35-38
vs Athlone (Junior)	won 32-18

3rd term

vs Athlone (Junior)	won 51-31
vs Mondeor (Senior)	lost 29-46
vs Hill High (Junior)	won 40-29
vs St John Bosco (Senior)	won 27-22
vs Queens High (Senior)	lost 28-42



BASKETBALL





Moto-Cross

During the year the school motorcross team has taken part in the Syringa Super Series which takes place over four meetings. Each meeting is sponsored by a different company. The sponsors of the meetings were as follows:

Round 1 was sponsored by Honda/Castrol
 Round 2 was sponsored by Kawasaki
 Round 3 was sponsored by Kolbenschmidt pistons
 Round 4 was sponsored by Suzuki/Shell

Other meetings also take place throughout the year. The very competitive riders travel all over S.A. to part-take in national events.

In motorcross racing the riders are split up into different classes, judging by their age and the motorcycle capacity. The classes are split up as follows:

80cc class – for juniors under the age of 12.

100cc class – for juniors between the ages of 12 and 15.

125cc junior class – for juniors between the ages of 15 and 18. This class is divided into an A and B league.

125cc senior class – for seniors over 17.

250cc class – for seniors.

Enduro class – for all enduro bikes with engine capacity of 250cc and over.

And sometimes there is also a – Ladies class – for any ladies wishing to compete. They are allowed to ride any size bike.

The school team.

The riders are: Fred and Robbie Grant, Gary and Dolan Beuthin and Bobby Forssman. Rick Dee also rode for the school before he left for the States. Our riders have not done too well in the Star inter-Schools challenge since they lack the experience of the other riders but they do achieve good results in their own individual races. Gary and Dolan Beuthin are the best riders in the team, Fred and Robbie Grant and Bobby Forssman are all of the same standard.

Gary Beuthin, who rides in the 100cc class, came second in the super series missing 1st place by one point. F. & G. Grant and B. Forssman were all placed in the first 15 in the overall results of the Super Series.

In order to achieve good results in Motorcross you need to have a good bike and most important you have to be physically fit.

Bikes have to be thoroughly cleaned after each race day and checked for loose nuts, bolts etc. In this way you ensure that no mechanical problems will occur because of your negligence. The bikes are transported on a trailer or on the back of a van to the race meetings. They run on methanol (methyl alcohol) which gives the bike more power than petrol. Most riders have their own tool sets and spares that they bring with them to the tracks.

Riders wear very protective clothing which reduces bodily harm a great deal if they happen to crash. The protective equipment consists of:

a helmet and goggles, shoulder pads, a kidney belt (which holds your intestines together), gloves, a padded jersey, leather pants and knee high boots.

The track is of any length between 1 and 5 km long. The track comprises sharp bends, berms, jumps, water holes, straights and very rough and bumpy ground. The tracks are situated away from built up areas where there are no people who complain about the noise. The tracks where most races are held in the Tvl. are Syringa Spa and Sparwater.

There are also a few tracks that are open all week for practice.

All riders are members of clubs which are responsible for sending you your entry forms, membership notices, etc. The entry fee for a race is about R4 and on top of that you have to buy a third party token for each race. On the whole Motorcross is a fairly expensive sport.

From the spectators point of view it provides much excitement and thrills and is in no way boring to watch. It is one of the world's fastest growing spectator sports, so if you have the time one day why not go and watch. You're bound to enjoy it.



GOLF CLUB

Back row – (left to right): *M. Drysdale, A. Driver, O. Setton, G. McLaughlin.*
Middle row: *L. Kourie, R. Mackenzie, M. Hildyard, C. Hawkins, C. Black, A. Slaven, M. Lebos.*
Front row: *L. de Gouveia, M. Peel, D. Gleeson (Captain), D. Smith, D. Ward.*
In front: *A. Mackenzie.*



Mrs Mackinnon
acting matron
during July,
August and
September

JUNIOR SCHOOL



ST. JOSEPH'S GUILD

Back row – (left to right): *P. Rebel, D. Wood, F. Genovese, M. Volkwyn, M. Attieh, A. Forssman, D. Symes.*
Middle row: *B. Walsh, A. Maraschin, G. Graham, C. Brindle, C. Soffiatti, D. Crowley, E. Duff, Mrs. F. Knezovich.*
Front row: *K. Ford, R. Hickey, K. Schoemaker, M. Reeves, M. Robertson, P. Wharton-Hood, P. Woodward.*
In front: *J. Paterson, G. Walsh, J. Wagner.*

St Joseph's Guild

Year after year the pupils of the Standard 5 class are automatically enrolled in the Guild of St Joseph. The aim of this Guild is to encourage an affection for, and a loyalty towards Christ's foster-father, and through him a love for Our Blessed Lady.

Every year, in co-operation with the teachers and pupils of the Primary School, the members of the Guild strive to help the under-privileged.

The chief beneficiary is the Saint Theresa's Guild for the Blind. A considerable sum of money is collected each year, and food-stuffs and clothing accumulated to be sent to the Siloe Mission in Pietersburg.

Throughout the year, the Junior and Primary School contribute towards many charities. Easter stamps are sold, and Easter Eggs are collected for distribution among the under-privileged.

Collections for Child Welfare, and Our Children's Day as well as contributions towards the Rand Aid Society for Aged People were very generously supported.

Appeals for Toys for the Hope Home, and Chewing Gum for the Rhodesian Armed Forces were also well supported.

A word of thanks must be extended to the parents of the pupils who have enabled the Junior and Primary Section of St. David's in the charitable efforts throughout the year.



PREFECT BODY

Back row – (left to right): *A. Maraschin, C. Soffiatti, K. Grotz, S. Retzlaff.*
 Front row: *F. Genovese, S. West, Mr. G. Manolios, M. Reeves, P. Wharton-Hood.*
 In front: *D. Senior.*



FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *G. Martin, B. Harcus, M. Allen, R. Bugnato, G. Lubber, E. Ralph, S. Waldman.*
 Middle row: *D. Cecchi, F. Taddei, K. Lubber, P. Kneubühler, G. Genovese, A. Bouilliart, D. Wing, M. Walsh, F. Morettino, T. Tonetti.*
 Front row: *C. Schneider, G. Ford, J. Hickey, G. Dykes, A. Simola, G. Black, R. Murabito, C. Kent, L. Mossa.*
 In front: *J. Harman, B. Harcus, A. de Gouveia, F. Lyons, G. de Smidt, J. Diessel, D. Medley, V. Harman.*

Prize Giving

Catholic Doctrine

Grade I	Renzo Bugnatto
Grade II	Jean-Philippe Farinha
Standard I	Richard Toohey
Standard II	Jason Goodall
Standard III	Matthew Slaven
Standard IV	Kevin Ford
Standard V	Graham Muller

Scripture

Grade I	Brandon Harcus
Grade II	Christopher Williams
Standard I	Jeremy Fitt
Standard II	James Shanahan
Standard III	Stuart Jack
Standard IV	Kevin Grotz
Standard IV	Ashley Senior

Class Prizes

Grade I (J)	– 1. Anthony Bouillart 2. Andrew Toohey 3. Brandon Balsdon
Grade I (S)	– 1. Niron Stabinsky 2. Glen Ford 3. Grant Dykes
Grade II (H)	– 1. Sean O'Connor 2. Douglas Stevenson 3. Brett Bester
Grade II (W)	– 1. Kieran Clifford 2. Billy Forssman 3. Adrian Bergstrom
Standard I	1. Sean Kirkpatrick 2. John Broderick 3. David Hefer
Standard II	1. Craig Quarmby 2. Walter Cronje 3. David Milburn-Pyle
Standard III	1. Matthew Slaven 2. Mark Henderson 3. Gregory McLeroth
Standard IV	1. Peter Wharton-Hood 2. John Hrusa 3. Stephen West
Standard V	1. E. Chiappa 2. G. Meligonis 3. S. Francis

Good Progress Prizes

Grade I (J)	Mark Kempster
Grade I (S)	George Luber
Grade II (H)	Alex Lever
Grade II (W)	Roger Aguirre
Standard I	Andre Nel
Standard II	Anton Gollub
Standard III	Anton De Paiva
Standard IV	Sven Retzlaff
Standard V	Enrique Patuel



Sandton Mayoral Trophy
Glen Poole

Costa John Memorial Trophy
Eric Chiappa

The Dux Trophy for Standard Five
Theo van den Handel

The Medley Junior Good Fellowship Trophy
Billy Forssman

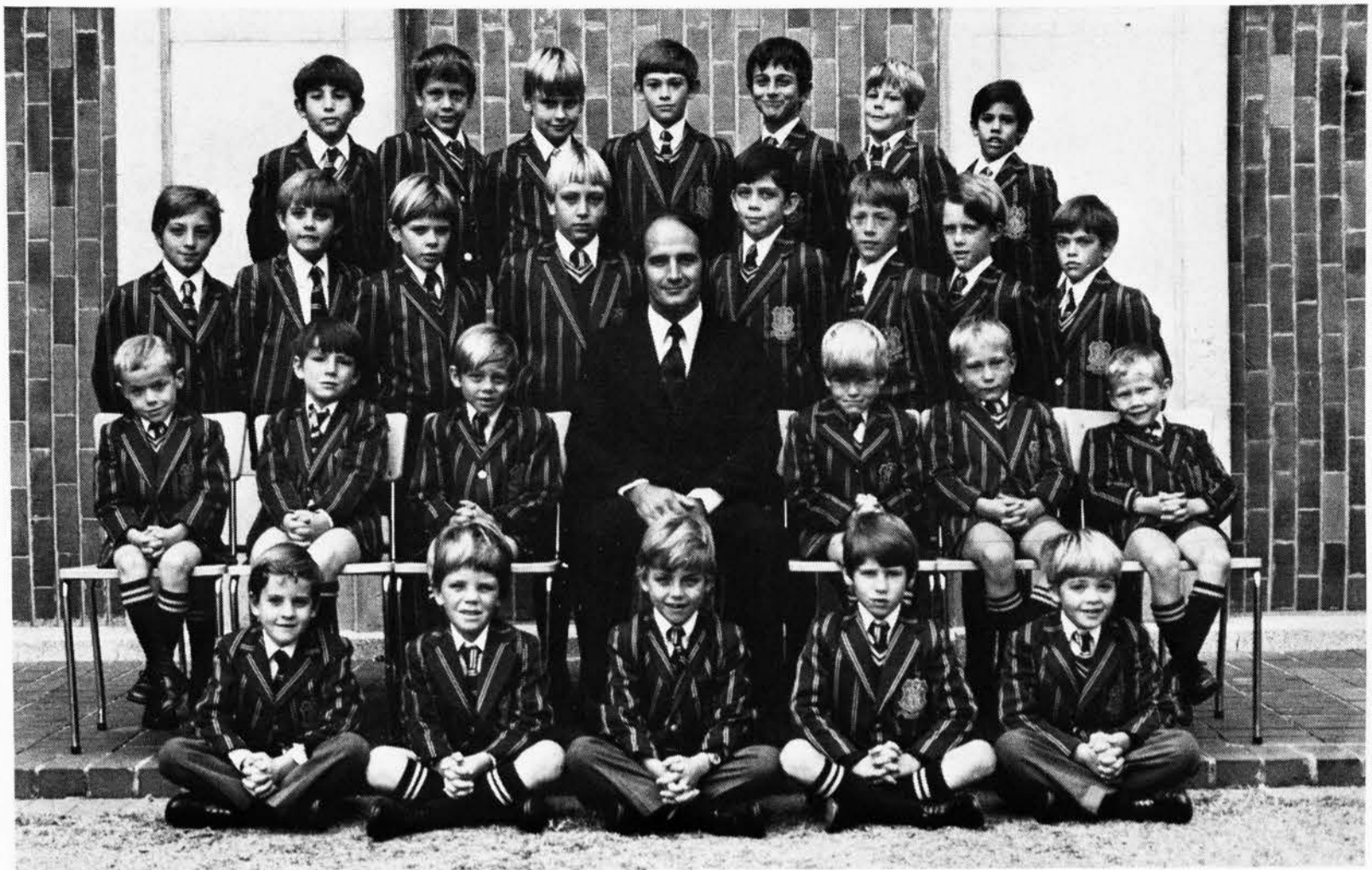
Treasure Island

The Junior School produced the play "TREASURE ISLAND". The boys involved included Standards 4 and 5, all of whom worked hard and were very enthusiastic about the production.

Jim (played by John Hrusa) embarks upon a journey to Treasure Island aboard the Hispaniola. He is accompanying Dr Livesey (Matthew Slaven) and Squire Trelawney (Gregory McLeroth) in search of some treasure. Halfway there they discover that half their trusted crew are pirates who attempt to mutiny and seize the map in order to find the treasure.

After a battle on the island all the villains are killed, the heroes are free and they have Long John Silver (Stephen West) at their mercy. He promises to become good and all ends happily.

Thanks to all the people who helped make the production possible.



SONS OF ST. DAVID'S OLD BOYS

Back row – (left to right): *L. Mauger, A. Bergstrom, P. Swanson, C. Woodward, M. Gherzi, N. Desilla, J. P. Farinha.*
 Middle row: *S. Martinengo, G. Walsh, P. Funston, R. Hartmann, G. Tonetti, M. Ceprnich, M. Funston, P. Woodward.*
 Front row: *W. von Guillaume, I. Rugani, T. Tonetti, Mr. G. Manolios, T. Fiore, P. Vidas, C. Schneider.*
 In front: *B. Balsdon, D. Hesketh-Mare, G. Muller, J. Swanson, S. Woodward.*

Inter-House Quiz

T.V. personality John Pank was this year's quizmaster in our Second Annual Inter House quiz.

Once again the Quiz proved to be a most successful and popular event.

The Bishops	Benedict	Osmond	College
K. Grotz	J. Hrusa	S. West	M. Reeves
P. Whar-Hood	A. Hefer	F. Genovese	R. Perlman
J. Burgess	D. Wood	J. Clegg	M. Shanahan
E. Oertel	M. Attieh	D. Senior	A. Forssman

John Pank was a most genial quizmaster and the Quiz was conducted in an efficient and sparkling manner.

The winners of the P.T.A. Inter House Trophy were Benedict while last year's winners, The Bishops came third.

RESULTS

Benedict	55 points
Osmond	45 points
The Bishops	41 points
College	39 points

ADOPT-A-SHIP

D. Vermaak

During the second term of the year, Standard 5K 'adopted' the American freighter, SS Mormactide. This means that the boys entered into a correspondence with the crew of their adopted ship. Five pupils wrote the first batch of letters, which reached our ship in Santos, Brazil. We waited anxiously for a reply and to our delight a large envelope eventually arrived for the class, containing menus, a colour photograph of the Mormactide, and a long, very informative letter from Captain Chambers. The questions of each boy were answered individually, and Mark Attieh received a personal letter from the Chief Engineer in which a full description and explanation of the ship's engines was given. We are now answering our letters, which will be sent this time, to Durban, where our vessel will soon be in port.

This adopt-a-ship correspondence is an exciting and interesting way of teaching letter-writing, geography as well as general knowledge. It has also invoked an interest in seamanship and standard 6 has a number of potential seamen already.

The SS Mormactide is one of Fourteen liners belonging to the Moore McCormack Lines, which has its head office in New York. Our ship is in the trade route from the United States east coast parts, to South Africa, East Africa as well as Brazil. The vessel carries twelve passengers as well as a variety of cargoes. The boys of Standard 5K wish the Captain and Crew of SS Mormactide happy and safe sailing and we will follow the voyages of this vessel with interest and affection.



STANDARD 5 'K' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *K. Ford, F. Genovese, A. Forssman, S. West, K. Schoemaker, R. Perlman, J. Hrusa.*
 Middle row: *Mrs. F. Knezovich, M. Attieh, A. Hefer, K. Grotz, N. Shanahan, S. Ratzlaff, A. Maraschin, D. Webb.*
 Front row: *N. Bol, D. Wood, T. Rossiter, M. Reeves, P. Wharton-hood, R. Hickey, J. Wagner.*



STANDARD 5 'T' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *J. Blomstrom, A. Setton, P. Donald, K. Nyirenda, M. Volkwyn, P. Rebel, A. Bam.*
 Middle row: *J. Paterson, E. Duff, C. Brindle, D. Cowley, C. Soffiatti, G. Graham, J. Burgess, J. Williams.*
 Front row: *P. Woodward, E. Oertel, J. Clegg, Mr. T. Kotze, C. Robertson, C. Donovan, G. Walsh.*



STANDARD 4 'W' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *R. Walsh, M. Ceprnich, I. Maddison, M. Slaven, G. McLeroth, G. Wooley, K. Wallace.*
 Middle row: *K. Atkinson, A. de Paiva, I. Aguirre, D. Morris, A. Schoonbee, S. Logie, L. Goldberg, N. de Sousa Costa.*
 Front row: *R. Carr, S. Jack, P. Gardiner, C. Davis, J. de Knoop, M. Henderson, J. Marlow.*
 In front: *C. Woodward, P. Harrison, R. Powell, K. Ritchie, J. Graham, R. Gordon.*



STANDARD 3 'J' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *M. Karakashian, W. Neil, J. Livshitz, S. Murabito.*
 Middle row: *G. Millard, J. Shanahan, W. Cronje, Miss H. Joseph, J. Mullins, J. Goodall, G. de Decker.*
 Front row: *B. Dykes, R. Scott, P. Funston, D. Milburn-Pyle, S. Martinengo, K. Moran, A. Gollub.*



STANDARD 3 'M' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *M. Wurr, N. Robertson, M. Smith, S. Speakman.*
 Middle row: *M. Segal, W. Dredge, Mr. T. O'Mahony, J. Shearer, R. Hartmann, M. Hugo.*
 Front row: *M. Rynkiewicz, C. Caister, A. McInnes, S. Kirkpatrick, R. Wooley.*



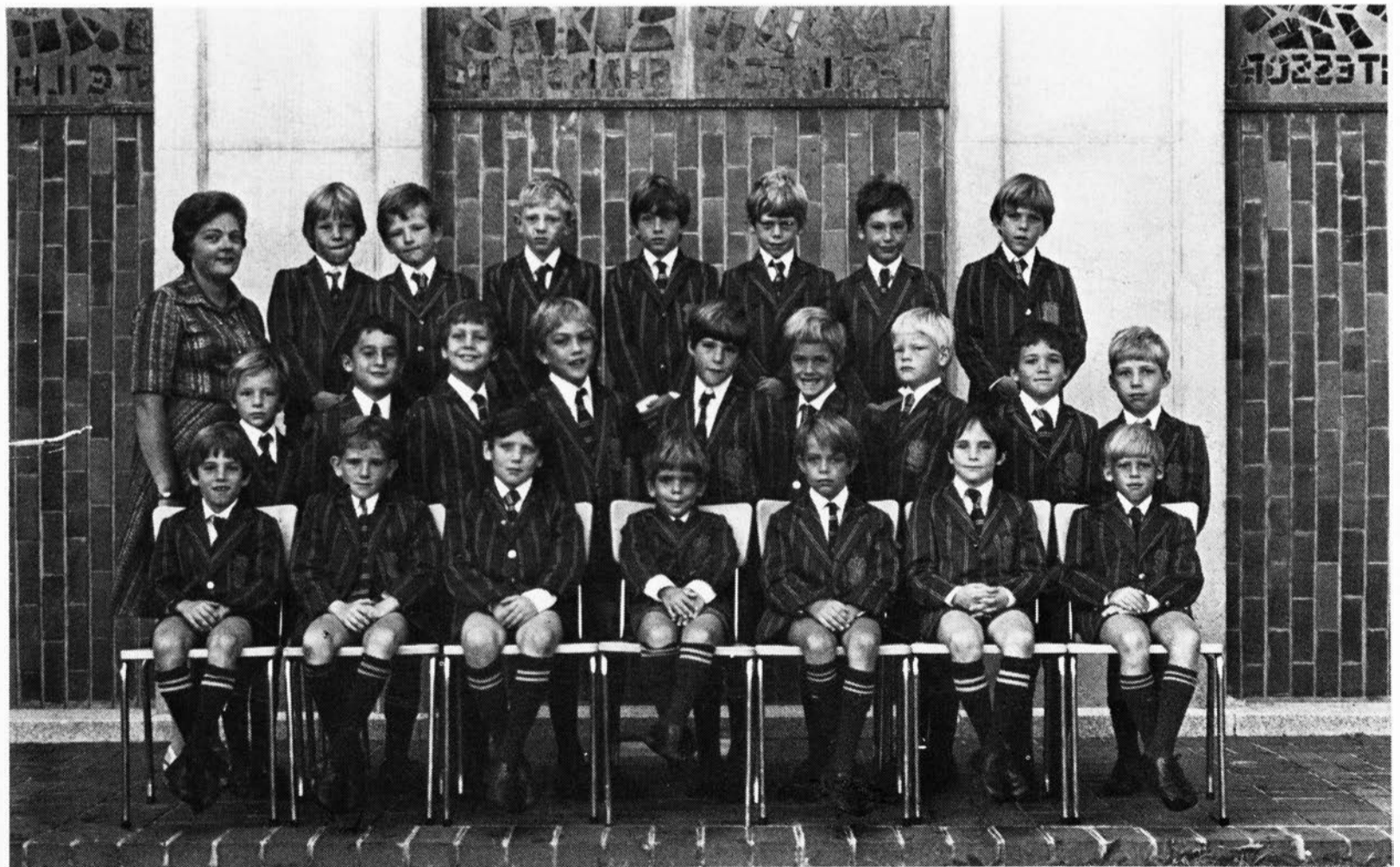
STANDARD 2 'N' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *R. Jenkins, R. Toohey, D. Neil, A. Simola, G. Field, A. Weissensee, A. Nel.*
 Middle row: *M. Gherzi, P. Swanson, S. Mahony, J. Fitt, C. Mitchelmore, G. Lamb, M. Funston, R. Alcock*
 Front Row: *G. Ritchie, G. di Gerardo, M. Ford, Mrs. D. Napier, G. van Riet, M. Murray, P. Ceprnich.*
 In front: *Z. Nyirenda.*



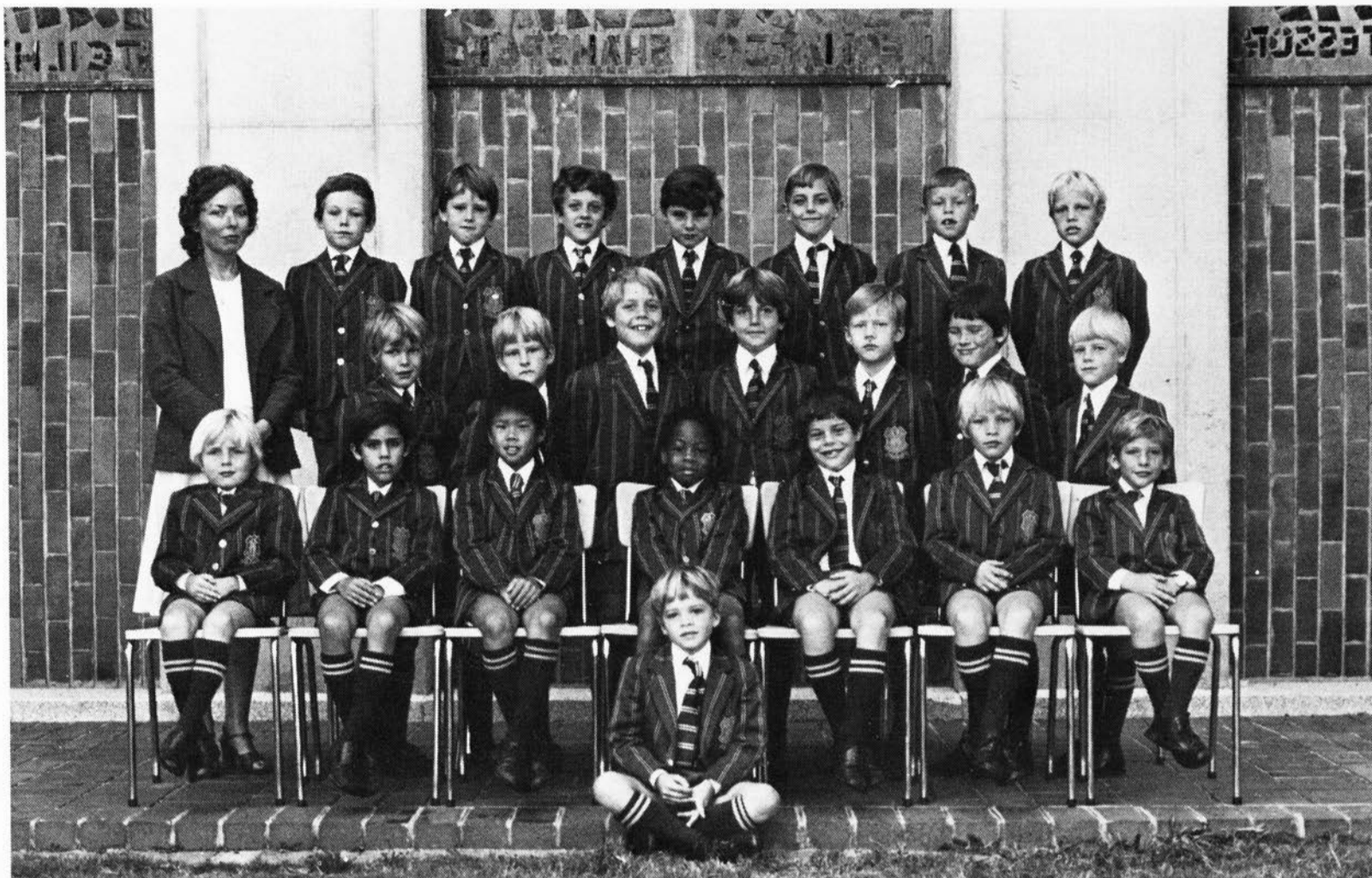
STANDARD 2 'A' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *J. Lamouche, J. P. Renaud, D. Hefer, J. McAlpine, A. van Baalen, B. Buchanan, A. Schulz.*
 Middle row: *R. Thornton, P. Varchmin, G. Tonetti, E. Fuchs, H. Raubenheimer, T. Browne.*
 Front row: *S. Clegg, A. Taylor, K. Ford, Mrs. G. Awbrey, N. Desilla, R. Ralph, D. McDonald.*



STANDARD 1 'A' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *Mrs. G. Anderson, A. Prium, C. Williams, S. Page, W. Forssman, A. Harris, D. Saks, S. Mikula.*
 Middle row: *D. Stevenson, G. Freguglia, A. Bergstrom, S. O'Connor, B. de Decker, R. Aguirre, W. McAlpine, M. Baikoff, S. Thomson.*
 Front row: *K. Haywood, B. Kirkpatrick, L. McKeever, C. Martin, A. Seebregts, A. Diamond, D. Jordaan.*



STANDARD 1 'F' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *Mrs. J. Flemmer, R. Keating, L. van Rooyan, S. Donovan, M. von Holdt, G. Muller, A. Ferreira, N. de Knoop.*

Middle row: *G. Haizet, J. O'Riordan, J. v.d. Handel, J. Carr, P. Marek, M. Demaine, M. Parsons.*

Front row: *E. Brennan, J. P. Farinha, D. Loo, R. Segars, M. Luyckx, J. Andreka, A. Lever.*

In front: *S. Woodward.*



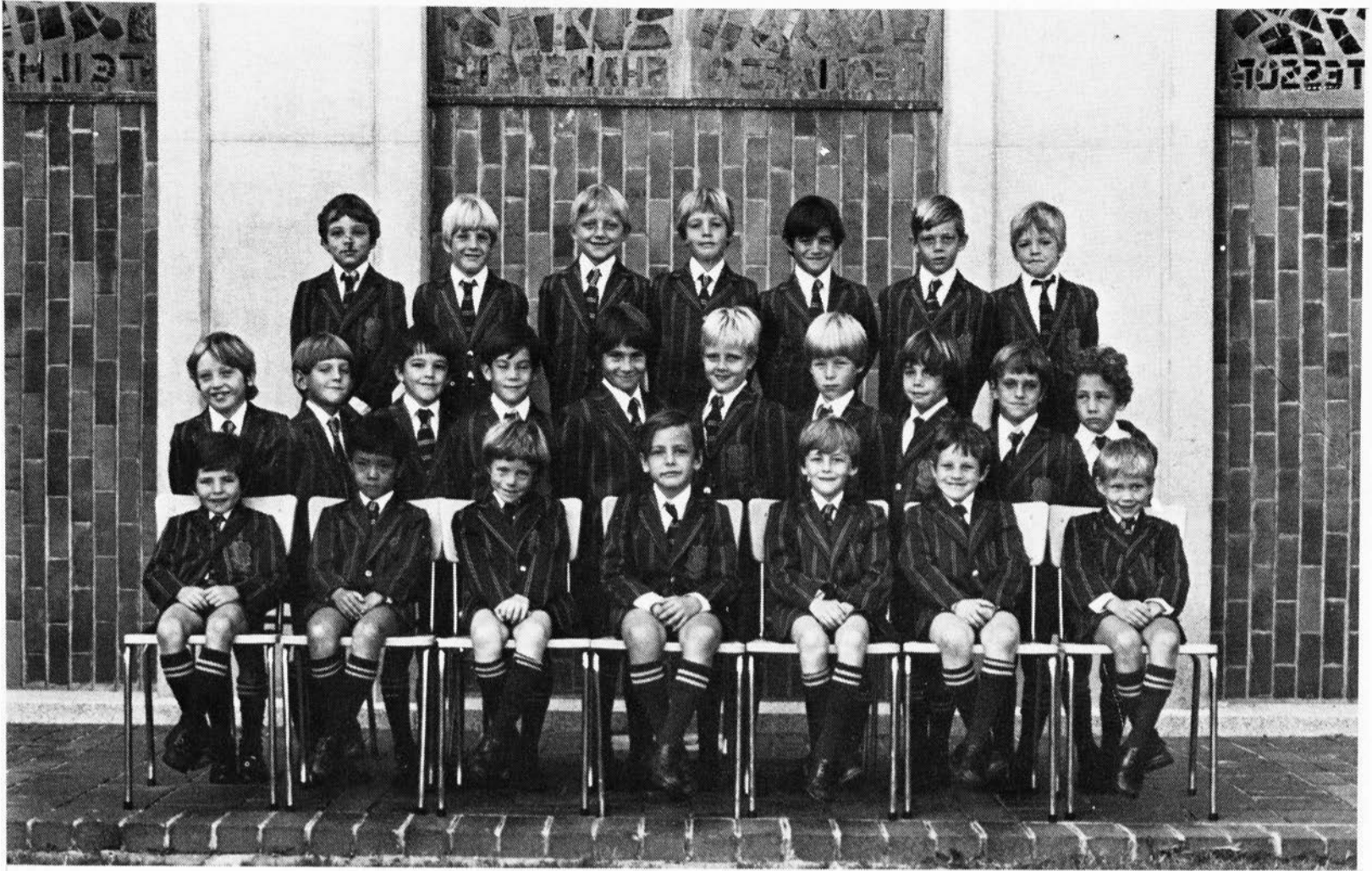
GRADE 2 'W' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *G. Martin, C. Renaud, F. Taddei, A. de Gouveia, N. Warren, R. Steltman, R. Grant.*

Middle Row: *Mrs. R. Walton, N. Stabinsky, M. Allen, B. Donald, P. Kneubühler, R. Bugnatto, D. Wing, E. Ralph, D. Medley, G. Luber.*

Front row: *B. Boshoff, R. Murabito, S. Oostenbrink, F. Morettino, J. Harman, B. Marcus, L. Mossa.*

In front: *B. Balsdon.*



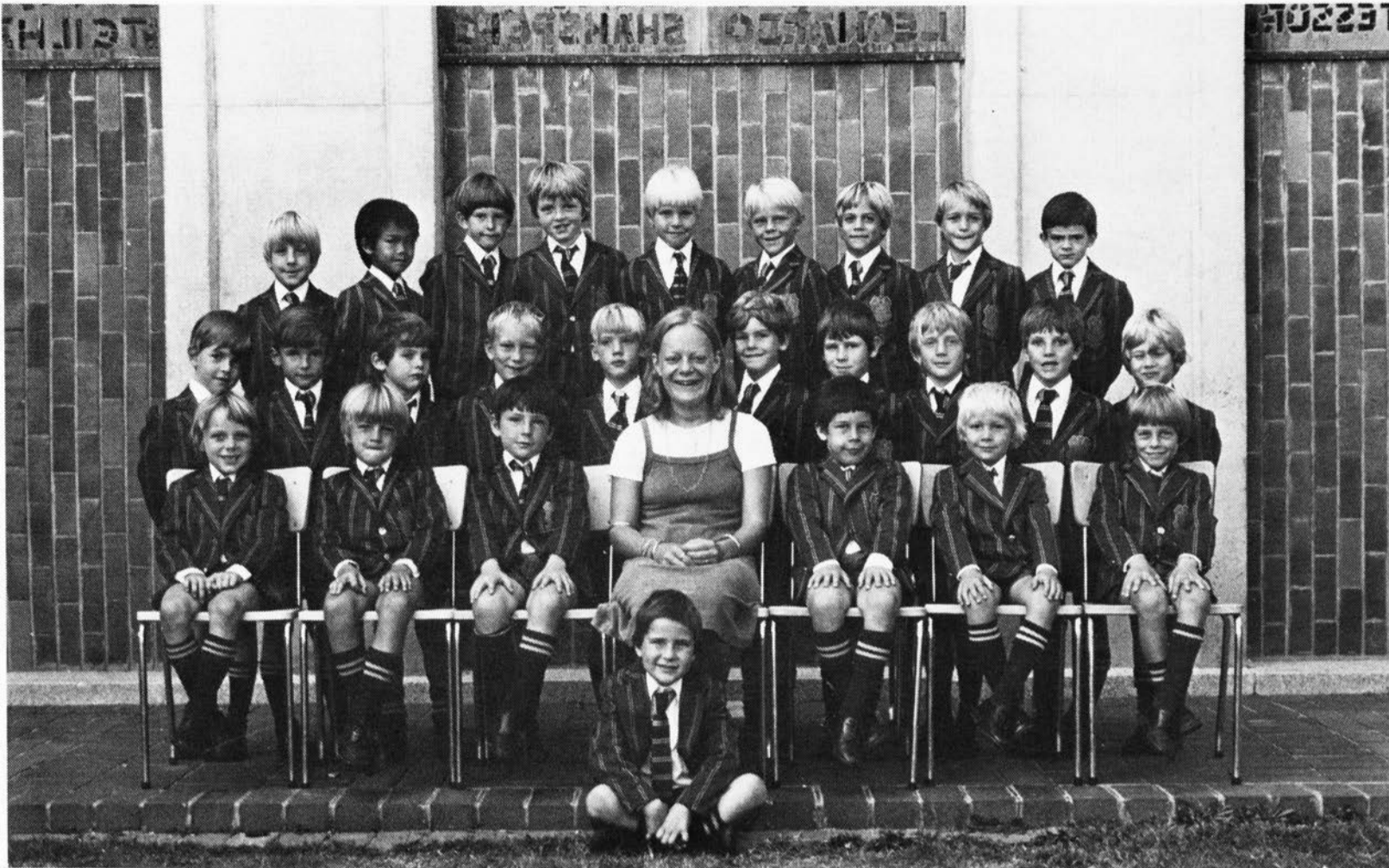
GRADE 2 'H' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *M. Kempster, G. Black, J. Diessel, R. Ross, V. Harmann, T. Tonetti, G. Dykes.*
 Middle row: *F. Lyons, G. de Smidt, A. Toohey, G. Genovese, R. Retzlaff, M. Walsh, K. Luber, D. Cecchi.*
 Front row: *R. Williams, G. Ford, C. Kent, S. Waldman, J. Harrison, J. Hickey, C. Schneider.*



GRADE 1 'S' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *C. Main, T. Keel, S. Fletcher, R. Rupf, E. Renaud, A. Gordon, C. Higginson, Y. Konnaris, J. Middleton.*
 Middle row: *C. Ashby, D. Farley, R. Moy, P. Nardin, P. Griffiths, M. Helletsgruber, P. Mikula, G. Willis.*
 Front row: *C. Blignaut, B. Ross, M. Jenkins, Mrs. W. Schaafsma, A. Parsons, M. Stevenson, A. Freguglia.*



GRADE 1 'A' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *M. Mottalini, Q. Loo, J. Brickhill, I. Holmes, J. van Niekerk, W. de Waard, S. O'Regan, S. Collinson, M. Benikos.*
 Middle row: *M. Ten HoornBoer, G. von Holdt, R. Carlton, P. Vidas, W. Vincent-Lambert, S. Casey, J. Swanson, B. Borkett, A. Baikoff, C. Cecchi.*
 Front row: *J. Swinburn, D. Biatrix, I. Rugani, Mrs. C. Ansell, R. Wettke, T. Goss, C. Lilley.*
 In front: *R. Nunes.*



PRE-PRIMARY 'M' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *A. Eworthy, F. Tommasi, P. Harris, P. Gonçalves, B. O'Brien.*
 Middle row: *M. Cecchi, K. de Ridder, J. Kiekebosc, R. Foden, D. Stewart, A. Schmemann.*
 Front row: *M. Alborough, D. O'Regan, Mrs. M. Middlewick, J. Purchase, R. Lever.*
 In front: *P. Böer.*



PRE-PRIMARY 'H' CLASS

Back row – (left to right): *J. Forssman, P. Kirby, J. Syme-Grant, G. Evans, N. Andela, A. Rowland, A. Stabinsky.*
 Middle row: *A. Bocchini, N. Porzig, O. Hesketh-Mare, T. Fiore, J. Body, X. Klerkx.*
 Front row: *N. Coles, T. von Guillaume, Mrs. C. Hughes, R. O’Riordan, A. McInnes.*



Literary and Art Contributions



MY HOME John Williams Standard 5

My home is out at sea
Where everything is free
Where ships like tiny specks
Roam the oceans wide.
The sea is most mysterious
Dancing to and fro.
But at times she's quite unbelievable
Often laying proud ships low.
But my home at the sea,
Wind whipping through my hair,
And on a ship I'll always be
Breathing the sea air.

THE CRAB Peter Wharton-Hood Standard 5

The crab spends most of his days on the sand or in the water
It's hard protective shell protecting it's flimsy body
He leads an almost carefree life
Hunting, Sleeping, Resting.

His grossly over-developed pincer
Is hardly used unless
In pursuit of an attractive female
Or for warding off younger crabs.

His enemies are few and friends plentiful
He often has some duels with others of his kind
He does not like fighting, but sometimes when necessary
He thinks back to the good old days
Hunting and Sleeping and Resting.

FROM CROSSROADS READER Seán O'Connor Standard 1A

There was once a small boy named Edward
Who hated at night to go bedward,
Till his father did land
With the flat of the hand
On the opposite end from his headward.

There was a young man from Crewe
Who found a dead mouse in his stew.
Said the waiter, "Don't shout
And wave it about,
Or the others will all want one too!"

There was a young lady of Riga,
Who smiled as she rode on a tiger.
They came back from the ride
With the lady inside
And the smile on the face of the tiger!

There was once an old witch of Kent
Whose broomstick was terribly bent.
When she went for a ride
It veered to one side
And carried her round and round Kent.



LIMERICK

Gary Busse Standard 5

There was a lad from St David's School,
Who always acted and played it cool.
Mr Kotze cried out
With an extraordinary shout,
"Ag man, stop playing the fool!"

There was a young fellow called Tanner
Who behaved in a curious manner,
He washed both his knees,
With water and cheese
And buttoned his coat with a spanner.

THE FIND

Jonathan Clegg Standard 5

I picked up a shell, a spotted one
It was half-covered in the sand.
I wiped it clean and took it home
It felt gritty against my hand.

My father examined it, and then
He put it against my ear,
And I could hear coming from the shell
A 'sea-like' sound so clear.



Our History Tour

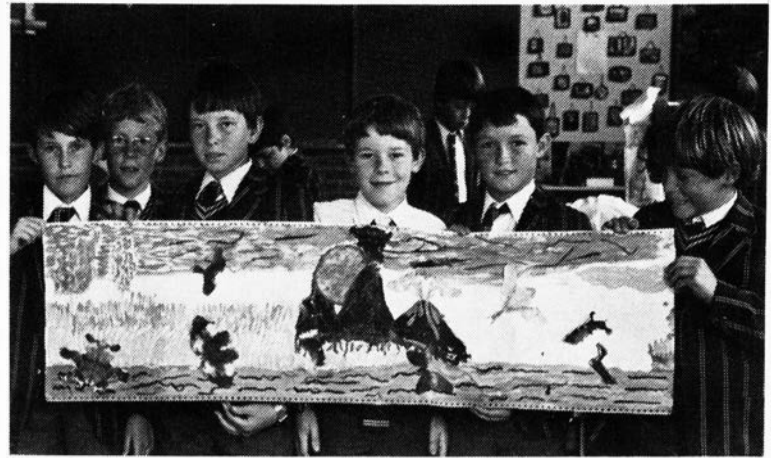
André Bam, Gavin Walsh Standard 5

Monday 20 February 1978

We travelled via Heidelberg. We stopped at Standerton and had lunch. At about 4 o'clock we travelled past Amajuba, and O'Neil's Cottage, where the peace treaty of the Boer War was signed in 1881. We stopped at Fort Mistake for supper and accommodation.

Tuesday 21 February

Had breakfast and left early for Isandhlwana. On the evening of 20 January 1879, the British pitched camp on



the Eastern and Southern slopes. The British force was made up of 900 men of the 24th regiment South Wales Borderers and 500 African soldiers. In the early afternoon, on 22 January a force of 24 000 Zulu impis who had been hiding in the neighbouring hills attacked the unsuspecting camp. There were no wounded, but 800 European and 471 African soldiers were killed. The rest fled to Rorke's Drift. We had our packed lunch at Rorke's Drift, where the British held off the Zulu at the Mission Station, where 11 VC's were won. Then back to Fort Mistake for supper and accommodation.

Wednesday 22 February

We had early breakfast and toured via Dundee in Natal. Stopped at Dingaan's Kraal and Piet Retief's grave for lunch. We travelled on further until we reached Kwanzimela Centre, where we had supper and slept over.

Thursday 23 February

After breakfast we travelled to a model Zulu village at Moweni Estates Mkwadini. Afterwards we rode back to Kwanzimela Centre where we had lunch and supper and slept over.

Friday 24 February

Straight after breakfast, we left for home. Halfway we stopped for lunch at Blood River where the boers defeated the Zulu impis. Then we were on our way again. On our way everybody could not sit still and after an enjoyable journey we were met at the school by our parents.

We would like to thank Mr Manolios, Mr O'Mahony and Mrs Basserab for a most enjoyable tour.

AN EXCURSION AT THE SEASIDE

Sven Retzlaff Standard 5

It was a lovely, windless, hot day, and the sun was shining in a cloudless sky. Mother had prepared everything the previous day and she had packed the basket with delicacies. We scrambled into the car and we were soon on our way.

Eventually the sea came into sight. No matter how often one goes to the sea, the sight of the vast blue ocean rolling on to the golden sand, and rushing up to nip at one's toes is always exciting.

We took off our clothes and left them in a long line, then we raced towards the beckoning sea. The cold bracing water on my skin sent goose pimples down my spine, but soon that feeling was replaced by a delightful coolness too beautiful for words. The rest of the day seemed to fly past and the time to leave, came all too soon.

THE HIJACKED JUMBO

Mark Shanahan, Standard 5

Three years ago my family and I decided to go to London by Jumbo Jet. My brother and I were sitting behind my parents and sister and next to me was an empty seat. However, at Nairobi a Russian looking gentleman with a fur hat occupied the seat next to me. My brother and I tried to talk to him but he would not answer and seemed very suspicious. During dinner an Arab walked up the aisle and pretended to fall as he did



so muttered something to the suspicious looking man. The Russian got up from his seat and I decided to follow him, but to my horror he suddenly grabbed me and thrust a gun in my back and yelled, "This is a hijack, sit still everybody or I will kill this boy" I was terrified! Then we heard the captain's voice telling us that the plane had been hijacked by the P.L.O. At gunpoint he was being ordered to fly to a place in the Middle East. Everybody was pale and terrified especially my parents. As we approached our hijack destination, "Mig" fighter planes screamed around us and escorted us down.

On the ground I was allowed to return to my parents and we were all told that the plane would be blown up in twelve hours if the Israeli government did not release nine members of their organisation. Somehow, we managed to get through the ten hours until it was dark. Some of the men had thought up ways to get out of this mess, but there was nothing anybody could do but wait. Suddenly the world seemed to erupt and I thought the plane had been blown up. My father threw us to the ground as there was machine gunfire everywhere. Then all was quiet and we were told to get out of the plane quickly. We were led to a big troop transport plane and flown to Tel Aviv. We had been rescued by an Israeli Commando division.

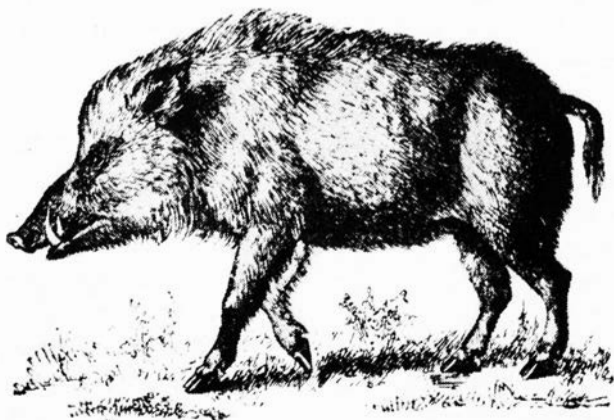
The next day we were flown safely to London and found that our story had made the headlines of all the newspapers. I hope nothing like this ever happens to me again.

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A BEE

David Webb, Standard 5

I felt rather drowsy, but I said to myself, 'Let's start work'. I got up and spread my wings and much to my surprise I saw I had a little surplus pollen in my pollen sacks. I ate a little of it, but decided I wasn't that hungry so I just left it and went to call Berry, my fellow bee partner. When I found him he was looking for a lost sack of pollen so I gave him some of mine and went down stairs to start work. The other workers were scurrying around. Berry and I were too young to be bothered with bee politics so we flew off.

It was a beautiful morning and the dandelion in the middle of the lawn looked very inviting, so I left Berry



on a rose bush, and went to collect the pollen. After that we went flying from plant to plant collecting pollen. Twice we had to stop, as Berry pricked his foot on a rose thorn, but as the morning went on we had collected enough pollen we decided it was time to go back to the hive for lunch.

After our 'noon nap' Berry and I went to collect more pollen. On the flower I decided I was thirsty, because at lunch, which was petal stew followed by pollen tart, I had given him a glass of nectar juice to Brian, a fat bee who sat next to me. I took a sip of the nectar on the plant and at the same time went on collecting more scrumptious pollen.

Berry had collected nearly as much as me inside a tulip and his legs were coated in yellow. After robbing six more flowers we went back to the hive for a mug of 'instant pollen', which was very nice, as it said on the box, 'just add hot nectar'. It was made by some firm called Cadberbee.

It was getting chilly so I put on my jersey to keep me warm. As Berry and I flew out of the hive for the third time that day we noticed the darkness of the night covering the houses and gardens like a huge grey tablecloth. Berry landed on a red-hot poker plant and started to collect pollen so I flew off to do the same. When we were about six flower-beds from the hive I looked at my foot watch, "ten to seven". I called Berry and we started for home. I was looking forward to a nice warm bed and a good sleep because I knew tomorrow we would be making honey in the 'cells'.



MY NEWS

Sean Fletcher Grade 1

I can fly my kite.
I go to the park on a windy day.

THE PET SHOP

Craig Main Grade 1

Kathy and Mark see the parrot and the fish.

THE PET SHOP

Alessandro Freguglia Grade 1

Kathy and Mark see the rabbit.
Kathy looks at cats.

A PARTY

Pier-Luigi Nardin Grade 1

Kathy and Mark lay the table. I see plates and jugs.
Kathy has a cake.

IN TOWN

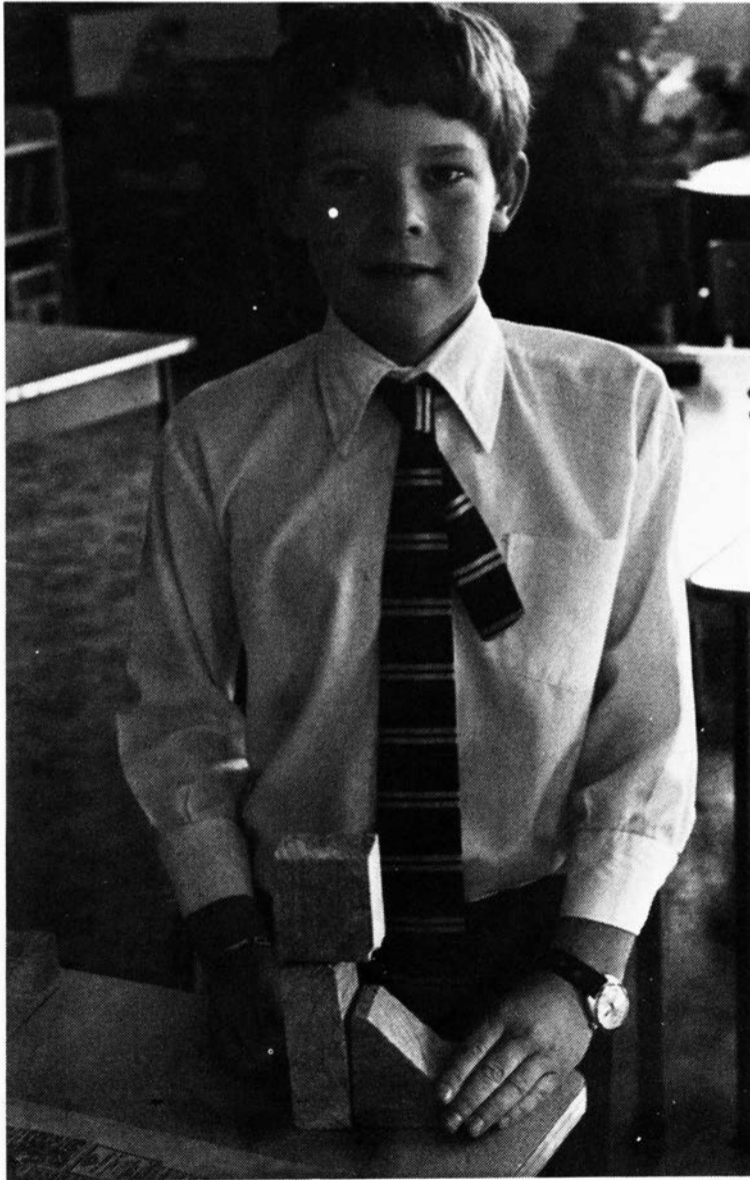
Myles Jenkins Grade 1

A postvan is in the street.
There is a postman in the street.

IN TOWN

Craig Ashby Grade 1

There are big buildings in the town.
Kathy and Mark post the letters.
I see a green car.



A BED FOR THE NIGHT

Jason Goodall, Standard 3

Near a village stood an old castle. It was very quiet in the castle. No one went to the castle. One day a new family moved into the village. They had two children. The children went up into the castle. Near the front there was a sign. Printed on the sign was Meusern.

A few hours before the children arrived a tramp had come to the castle. He first walked around the Meusern. Then he walked up the stairs. At the top of the stairs he saw a bed. There were sheets and blankets with a pillow. The tramp climbed into the bed and fell asleep. The two children went upstairs and found the tramp asleep. He didn't look very restless. They went home and told their parents. Their parents got a doctor. When the tramp got well he went back to his best friends the trees, rivers and mountains.



SPIDER WEB

Jon Hrusa Standard 5

Glistening and sparkling
Beautiful, but death for some
Silver then Golden

DESTINY

The spider sitting in the morning sun,
His web is sparkling with morning dew.
Not knowing that it's last has just begun,
The fly, unwary, starts his day anew.

A LIMERICK

There was an old spider from Getti
Whose home was all sticky and netty.
When asked how he made it,
He said, "I essayed it
From some rather ancient spaghetti".

A TERRIBLE, HORRIBLE, NO-GOOD, VERY BAD DAY

Mark Hugo, Standard 3

When I got up one day I knew it would be a terrible, horrible, no-good, very bad day. The first thing that happened was that I slipped on a skateboard. I then put my shoes on the wrong feet and went down to breakfast. I ate my porridge with a knife and fork and later, I brushed my teeth with handcream. In the evening, we had stew for supper and I hate stew so I went to bed without food. I discovered that my mother had not made my bed and I had to wear my old pyjamas. I was glad it was the end of that terrible, horrible, no-good, very bad day.

THE FOG

Karel Schoemaker, Standard 5

The fog is wet like tears on someone's face.
The mourners at a funeral are like fog.



BROWN
Stephen West Standard 5

Brown is the colour of the dry bushveld,
Brown is the colour of the bushbuck's pelt.
Brown is the colour of the mud by the river,
Brown is the colour of the bushmen's quiver.

Brown is the colour of the native's skin,
Brown is the colour of his next of kin.
Brown is the colour of the muddy tennis ball,
That the brown boy kicks against the wall.

BAIT

The scorpion crouches in his hiding place.
A spider, engrossed in the chase
Of a fly, as he goes by.
The scorpion pounces, and stings,
The spider dies, but the trap springs!
A man runs up and crushes them quickly,
He didn't even know they were there, did he?

THE LITTLE CRAB
Myles Lazarus, Standard 5

There was a little crab
He lived in a box
He swam in a puddle
He climbed on the rocks.

He snapped at a mosquito,
He snapped at a flea,
He snapped at a minnow
And he snapped at me.

He caught the mosquito,
He caught the flea,
He caught the minnow
But he didn't catch me.

THE FOG

Peter Wharton-Hood, Standard 5

The fog comes very slowly with its arms outspread towards the village. It passes the dark, gloomy houses with their rose bushes, and leaves a layer of moisture on the petals. The fog covers everything, engulfing all things in a dark, grey curtain. It is looking for something which it has left out. Slowly, the fog moves out of town towards the fields, hunting blindly. The fog's groping hands leave nothing untouched.

THE FOG

Brian Walsh, Standard 5

The fog creeps up dark and grey and thick. It spreads out covering dark houses, while people sleep silently. From the harbour it creeps up the streets like a ghost or a white blanket. The fog wafts its way into every nook and cranny. Then it slowly floats out into the dark fields.

A MISCELLANY ON MOTHER

Grade 2

A MOTHER IS A LADY WHO GOES TO A PARTY
A MOTHER LOOKS AFTER YOU
A MOTHER IS A HUMAN.

She has a soft skin
She is funny when she is cross.
She is my daddy's secretary and she takes me to school
and she fetches me from school and she makes my dinner
and she is tall and she has blondest brown colour hair.

My mom works in the kitchen. She likes ice-cream.
She also can wash clothes.

My mum has black hair and she gives me lots of
sweets. She smacks me with her hand. My mother is
kind, she buys me anything. She laughs a lot. When I
am naughty she shouts at me.



She has red hair and she is very sweet and kisses me every night.

My mother has blacky brown hair and a round nose and her purse was stolen with R400 in it. When I am naughty she just talks to me about it.

My mother never wears a dress. When she comes back from the hairdresser she has bushy hair. When I am naughty she smacks me and I am not allowed to watch TV. She makes my lunch, she helps me play games and she laughs when I tell her jokes. She likes wearing her old torn clothes: she makes her hair curly and I get very cross. My mother does smoke. She hates to clean the stove. She just sits in the chair and just sits in the chair and day dreams.

She can get cross. She grows flowers in big flower beds and plays games and takes rubbish. She likes working in the restaurant and she is kind and she likes sleeping. Every night my mother shuts the curtains.

She looks after me
She helps me to read
She likes red.



CRIMINALS Roland Hartman, Standard 3

They seek the dark,
They scare us all.
How can they do it?
What makes them fall?

Some day they get caught
and go to jail
What have they achieved?
Nothing at all!

YELLOW Karel Schoemaker, Standard 5

Yellow is the gold of my mother's heart,
Yellow is the light of our Lord that shall never part.
Yellow is the sun that shines so bright,
Yellow are the stars that burn by night.
Yellow is the bright undying love
That hovers like a pure white dove.
Say a prayer before you go to bed,
As our Lord Jesus always said.

THE TERRIBLE HORRIBLE VERY BAD DAY Alex Simola, Standard 3

One morning I woke up late so I ran into the bathroom, I could not find my toothbrush so I ran down the stairs and slipped. Then when I went in the car it took me ten minutes to warm up.

When I got to school I was late and left my cap in the car so the Headmaster screamed at me and I got a hiding. When I got home I fell into bed and slept.

SOCCER Derek McDonald, Standard 2

Soccer is a very nice sport, it keeps you fit and healthy. I am in the Under 9 team, our coach is Mr Lobo, he is a nice person. We nearly won our league, because when we played our knock-out, we won our first match 3-1, but we lost our second match 0-1.

I play left wing, there are 11 people that play, plus two reserves and one substitute.

Mr Manolios comes to watch us and see how we play. All our mothers and fathers come to see us too.

There are other boys who come to soccer practice but do not get into the team. You have to be quite good to get into the team.

MY FATHER'S SCHOOL DAYS Mark Funston, Standard 2

My father was a very clever student. When he was in Grade One, after two weeks he was put into Grade Two and he stayed there for the rest of the year.

He played lots of sports such as athletics, soccer, rugby, high jump, long jump and tennis. But most of all he liked being an athlete. One of his other favourite sports was throwing a javelin.

When he was in Standard Seven he had twenty two cups. When he was in Standard Eight he and his friend were going for the cane on their hands, so they went to the kitchen and stole an onion and rubbed it on their hands.

When the headmaster hit their hands they swelled up. When they got back to class they had to go to Matron. Matron took them to the headmaster and said, "Aren't you ashamed of yourself?"

The headmaster was so ashamed of himself that he didn't hit anybody for three months.





ON THE BEACH

Gregory Lamb Standard 2

We walked along the beach hand in hand
 Laughing and playing on the soft warm sand
 The waves came into touch our feet
 "Ow that's cold", said my friend Pete.

David Bietrix Grade 1

I went running with my bruver around the block. I woor
 my shoots and my bruver wor his shet.

Ian Holmes Grade 1

I went to the erport to sae by-by to my daddy. Beecos
 hee is going on hollidae.

Gregory von Holdt Grade 1

I went fishing and I coot a fish and wee had it for supper.

Warren Vincent-Lambert Grade 1

Daddy in the workshop
 Daddy is making a chair to sit on wen he maks a table.
 Daddy yooses a nayl to nok in.

Spencer Casey Grade 1

On Wensdae I plad omis and then I fal doon from mi tree.

Myles ten Hoorn Boer Grade 1

Today I am going to Johns. We are going to play blocs
 and we are ausor going to play bisicils.

MY PET RABBIT

Alexander van Baalen Standard 2

I have a pet rabbit her name is Lilly she likes to run
 around. But one day we found her eating all my mother's
 very best flowers I said to her, "You bad rabbit why do
 you eat flowers why not carrots". Then the next day
 when I came from school I found her eating all our
 carrots.

I said again, "That is all right you will get nice and
 strong" But at night my mother said, "That rabbit has
 eaten all my carrots". So next morning early I went to
 see her and I found seven little rabbits but I did not know
 she had a husband so now we have a family of rabbits.

HORSE RIDING

Rory Jenkins Standard 2

I have a little brown and white pony, she's my friend and
 never lonely.

I put on her saddle then she's ready.

We canter about until I say "steady".

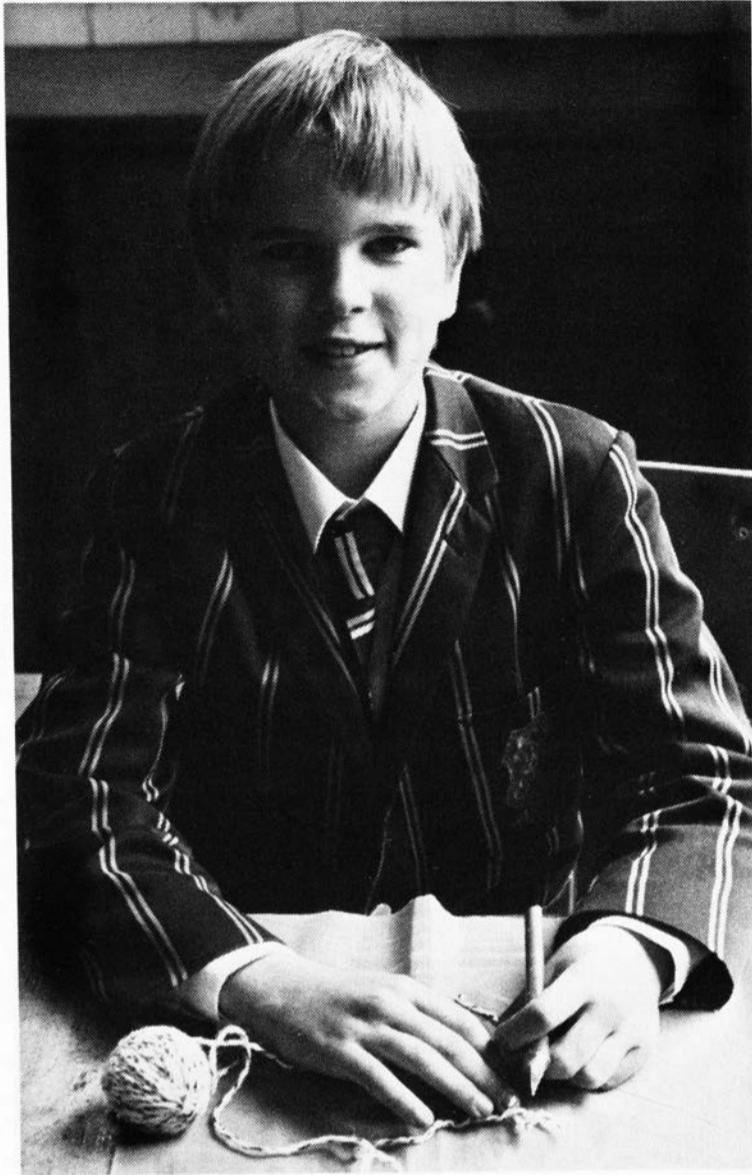
We jump and play and are gay until it's time for going
 away,
 she to hay and bran and stable, me to eat at the dining
 table.



ON THE FARM

Garth Ritchie Standard 2

On the farm where I was born
Animals call at break of dawn
Farmhands, run to milk the cows
And in the distance, the sound of plough
Chicks and ducks love the corn
On the farm where I was born



AT THE CIRCUS

James Shanahan Standard 3

When the juggler juggled every ball was caught,
Then when the trapeze artist walked across the rope it
was very taut

Then the lions roar;
with a sudden shudder of the floor.

Here is the naughty clown,
He makes the people frown.

The circus is a nice place,
Where everybody keeps at his own pace.

The ringmaster waves his whip, with might
While the sawdust flies about.

The horses prance
And the clowns dance.

RAIN

Andre Nel Standard 2

The falling rain, the hard white hail icy cold, wet.
Lightning flashing in the darkness of the night
Water on the roof – running – dripping

ELEPHANTS

David Hefer Standard 2

Elephants are big, fat and clumsy
Long trunks
Large ears
They trample crops
Vegeterians
Elephants have small eyes
Nearly extinct.

Have you ever heard of elephant eggs?

THE CIRCUS

Gary de Decker Standard 3

Come along to the circus
come right in
Where you can hear the sound of music
in the ring.

You can hear the lions roar
You can hear the Elephants galore
You can see the acrobats swing
You can see the clowns laughing.

The horses stand on their knees
even better than the trapeze
We have problems with the tent
We have never got the money to pay the rent

So come along with your fee
and bring your family

THE STORM

Grant van Riet Standard 2

The storm water flowing heavily
The storm lies still at last
With water flooding everywhere.

A STORM

James McAlpine Standard 2

A hail storm is vicious
it is strong
it is powerful
sometimes a drizzel
and sometimes one little drop on your window pane

THE SCARECROW

Keith Haywood Standard 1

I am a lonely scarecrow on top of a hill and when it rains
or snows I can't go inside to keep warm like the other
people. I wear ragged clothes and they flap and it scares
the birds away. None of the animals come near me. I cry
because one of my feet is already buried in my grave.





ELEPHANTS

Brent Buchanan Standard 2

Elephants are big and clumsy, always knocking down trees. That sway in the breeze and spread their leaves all over the ground.

Elephants are very big and lean against each other when they go to sleep

Their ears are big and their trunks are long

Wouldn't it be funny if they could sing songs.

SOCCER

Paul Ceprnich Standard 2

A few weeks ago the under 10 and 11 went to Durban. Under 10 was unsuccessful in every match. The first one was at night about six o'clock and the score was 1-0 against us. The second one was 4-1 against us and the third was 5-0 against us but we still learnt a lot.

1 - 0	Virginia
4 - 1	Glenwood
5 - 0	Mandene

We shared a room Ritchie and I slept together. We had lots of fun in Durban. We went to the aquarium and got free tickets to the Dolfinarium. We only went to the beach once. When we went to the funfair we made gangs. Ritchie and I had fun on the motor bikes. It was a lovely tour.

STRANDED ON AN ISLAND

Douglas Stevenson Standard 1

If I were stranded on an island I would like a friend to be with me. I would want him to be with me because I would be lonely and if I were attacked we can fight it because there are two of us. The five things I would choose except food are a gun, a fishing boat, a house, a fishing rod and a horse. A gun for protecting my friend and I from wild animals. A fishing boat to fish from and a fishing rod to catch fish at the shore. Then a horse to plough crops.



BEING YOUNG

Adrian Bergstrom Standard 1

I would like to be coming out of my mothers tummy because I don't want to be a Grandpa and I don't want to die and be eaten by worms. I don't want to have to fuss about my children fighting and I wouldn't have to do any work at all. I would just have to play and lie in my cot and suck my dummy.

ON THE FARM

Sean O'Connor Standard 1

Early in the morning
On the dairy farm,
The cows are always yawning
When going to the barn.
I hear the rooster crowing
Early in the day,
I like to get going
And get up and play.

TRAVEL

William Forssman Standard 1

I like to travel by aeroplane because you can watch movies and you have a nice view and in the night you can see lots and lots of lights. When you go above the clouds they look like buildings or castles. I do not want to travel by bus because it is so stuffy and you can not do anything all you do is sit and look at the traffic. You can't play any games or do things in a bus.



THE ELEPHANT

Anthony Diamond Standard 1

The elephant squirted the man because he was in his way. The man was a hunter. He was going to shoot him. Instead the elephant squirted the hunter and the hunter was scared. The water was cold and his clothes were wet. When the man got home he dried his clothes.

WINTER

Michael von Holdt Standard 1

I like winter because I can fly my kite. I like winter because you can play soccer and at night it is nice and warm in bed. The countryside is pretty and the leaves are falling off the trees. I like winter because it does not rain. I enjoy putting on warm clothes and having acorn fights. The days are warm and I like listening to the wind.

A VISIT TO THE AIRPORT

Brandon Marcus Grade 2

I found the cockpit most interesting. In the cockpit there was a microphone to talk to the passengers in the aeroplane. There was oxygen in the cockpit.

A VISIT TO THE AIRPORT

Kurt Siegfried Grade 2

I liked the cockpit where there was a funny ball which told the pilot when he was turning. The little ball only works when the plane is on automatic pilot and when the pilots just sit around drinking tea and eat biscuits. Sometimes they read the newspaper.

THE FOUR SEASONS

Andrew Toohey Grade 2

I like the Summer story best. The Summer story was about a mother sheep and a baby sheep. The mother sheep was shoing the baby to sleep all the things that he shoud noe and the baby sheep desided he wantid to lern himself and he got lost. In the end he was fownd.

THE HORSE

Kevin Luber Grade 2

My aunt has a horse. His name is Saracca. I rode him and it was fun. Sometimes I feed him and I groom him. My cousin helps me ride. He sleeps in his stable.

OUR CAR

Mark Walsh Grade 2

My dads car is a Dutsun. My mom has a Volkswagen. We go to school in my moms car. I like my dads car best. My moms car is foling apart.



THE FROG

Anthony Bouilliard Grade 2

The animals all ate honey. They did not have enough. So they decided that they will be no honey for one year. The frog couldn't wate. He stole a honey comb. He thought the stick insect saw him. His eyes popped out in fright.

TOUGHY, THE TUGBOAT

Anthony Bouilliard Grade 2,

I am a busy little tugboat. I rescued a tanker. I am a Toughy. I am the captain of the tugboats. I like ships when they talk to me.

TOM, THE TUGBOAT

Glen Ford Grade 2

I am a big tugboat. I rescued an oil tanker. I am always busy. My captain's name is Peter. I work at the harbour.

THE HORSE

Roland Retzlaff Grade 2

My horse is black. I give my horse carrots to eat. I groom my horse evree day. Wen it is good I give it a lump of sugar. It sleeps in a stable.

THE HORSE

Paul Jackson Grade 2

On Sunday my friend gose five miles on horse back. When they get back he takse the saddel off. Then he grooms the horse. And then he gives the horse an appel.



THE SCORPION
Duncan Senior Standard 5

The scorpion hides away,
Only during the day.
At night he fights and bites,
But really only at nights.

Females are the strongest,
And actually last the longest.
They eat up all the males,
But leave the legs and tails.

Mummy lays her eggs,
And out come little legs
Of scorpions who've just hatched.
They are her first batch.

Their sight is very poor
They can't even see a door.
Close up they can see quite well.
But only close up, I can prove it as well.

MY PET AVERSION
David Wood Standard 5

Spider, spider on the wall
You are the ugliest of us all
With your fangs and your web
Anything caught is surely dead.

Through the garden through the veld
You march until you nearly pop
Like in the army you never stop
Until of course you nearly pop.

Oh how I wish you were dead,
Then I would with a piece of lead
Squash all spider's with one big throw
Until there would be no more to know.

POPE JOHN PAUL
Brian Walsh Standard 5

All were sitting solemnly completing their votes.
The crowds were standing outside silently waiting for
the smoke to come curling out of the chimney.
After the final vote a puff of white smoke wound its way
up into the cloudy sky.
The Pope was elected!
He must have been shocked to know it was he who was
to appear before the people.
He must have been hot and flustered when he stepped
out on to the balcony in the fresh breeze, which had
sprung up.
He was probably also lost for words when he saw the crowds.

GREEN
Anthony Webb Standard 5

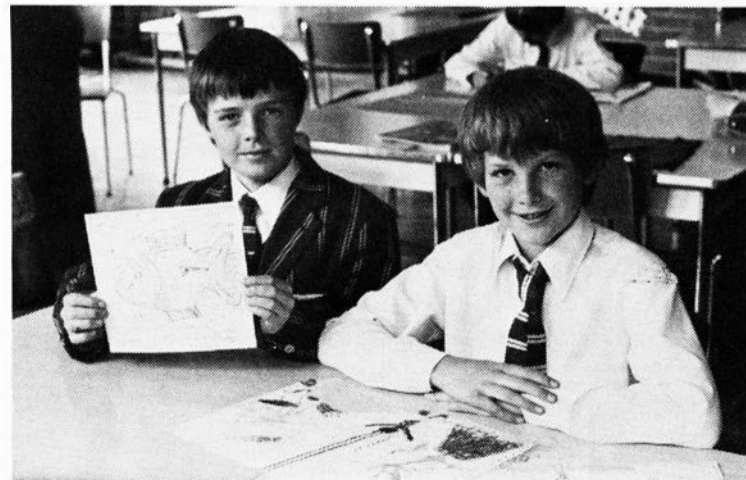
Green is the grass, the leaves on the trees,
Green are the waves that ride the seas,
Green are the apples when wiped to shine,
Green are the needles that sit on the pine.
Green is the paper off which I read prayers,
Green is the fruit like apples and pears.
Green are the frogs that don't like to be seen,
There's no doubt about it, my colour's green.

BLACK
Duncan Senior Standard 5

Black is the colour of my father's hair
Black is the colour of his rocking chair.
Black is the colour of the dark outside
Black are the stripes on a tiger's hide.

Black is the coal in the coal-bunker.
Black is the colour of my old jumper.
Black is the colour of the evil spirit.
Black is the ink on the books where you spill it.

Black is the soil where the seedlings grow
And that is all the black I know.





COMMONWEALTH XI

Back row – (left to right): *K. Ford, A. Schoonbee, M. Reeves, Mr. T. O'Mahony, C. Brindle, A. Hefer, M. Slaven.*
 Middle row: *G. Wooley, P. Wharton-Hood, A. Setton, D. Symes, R. Perlman.*
 Front row: *G. Walsh, P. Gardner, R. Carr.*



TERHORST XI

Back row – (left to right): *S. Martinengo, J. Shanahan, Mr. T. O'Mahony, J. Goodall, A. Weissensee.*
 Middle row: *B. Dykes, J. Livshitz, G. Millard, G. de Decker, G. Ritchie.*
 Front row: *R. Alcock, W. Cronje, M. Gheri.*

Commonwealth XI

Although the summary of the Commonwealth results shows more losses than victories the margin by which they lost many of the games was very narrow, sometimes by one wicket or one run.

The team was held together mainly by Peter Wharton-Hood and Alain Setton who scored the majority of runs, and Aidan Schoonbee who showed great determination to keep his wicket. At the beginning of the season, bowling was our weakness but this improved greatly in the second part of the season, as the bowling figures of Peter Wharton-Hood, Rhys Carr, Mark Reeves and Craig Brindle indicate.

The highlights of the season were the hat-trick bowled by Peter Wharton-Hood against Bramton, and the 52 not out by Alain Setton against Sandown.

Congratulations to Peter Wharton-Hood on being chosen for the Transvaal A & B squad and we wish him luck at the Treadwell Week at the end of the year.

Overall Results:

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Played 16 games.
Won 6
Drew 1
Lost 9

A summary of the best performances follows:

Bramton – Wharton-Hood 41 not out and he took five wickets for six runs.
Sandown – Setton 52 not out
Schoonbee 29 not out
Redhill – Whitty 27 not out
St. Dunstan's – Setton 18
Bryanston – Setton 19
Rivonia – Wharton-Hood 20
Bryneven – Wharton-Hood 32
Bramton – Wharton-Hood bowled a hat-trick
Bryneven – Setton 30
Wharton-Hood 37

Ter Horst XI

The keen interest and fiery determination of this team have been the key to their success. Their outstanding results were achieved by a concentrated effort of the whole team.

The great strength of our batting lies in the expertise of Jeffrey Livshitz, Gary De Decker, Walter Cronje and Gary Millard. The other boys scarcely had a chance to show their worth as most games ended with us losing only one or two wickets. Special mention must be made of Gary Millard who scored 102 not out against Bryneven and Jeffrey Livshitz who scored 91 not out against Rivonia.

The boys have displayed a consistently good season of bowling and fielding and it was these factors that contributed to our winning the league convincingly.

Overall Results
Played 18 games
Won 16
Drew 2
Lost 0

Summary of the best performances:

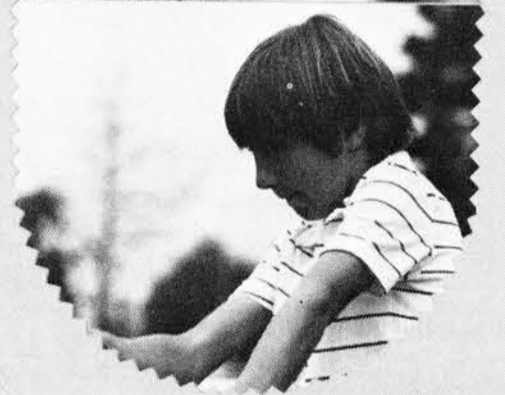
Rivonia: Goodall 5 wickets for 7 runs
Montrose: De Decker 8 wickets for 7 runs
Bryandale: Livshitz 6 wickets for 3 runs
Bramton: Cronje 48 not out
De Decker 5 wickets for 4 runs
Sandown: De Decker 68 not out
Cronje 39 not out
Livshitz 6 wickets for 31 runs
Bryneven: Millard 102 not out
Bryanston: Livshitz 77
Millard 66
Rivonia: Livshitz 91 not out
Redhill: Livshitz 52 not out
De Decker 50 not out

If this Terhorst team continues to play with such fine spirit, one feels sure that more St. David's boys will achieve Transvaal Primary School Colours in the years to come.

Tennis



This year our team consisting of Roy Perlman, Nicholas Bol, Jeffrey Livshitz, Gary De Decker, Sven Retzlaff and Sasha Martinengo played nine matches in all and won six. The boys played well in all their matches but against schools like King David Victory Park, Saxonwold and Sandown they couldn't match their opponents.



T E N N I S



TENNIS TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *S. Martinengo, Mr. T. Kotzr, S. Retzlaff, Mrs. G. Anderson, J. Livshitz.*
 Front row: *G. de Decker, R. Perlman, N. Bol.*

1978 Championship Results

Singles:

U/10 S. Martinengo beat B. de Decker.
 U/11 J. Livshitz beat B. Dykes.
 U/12 and Open R. Perlman beat N. Bol.

Doubles:

U/10 S. Martinengo and B. de Decker beat R. Scott and M. Ghersi.
 U/11 J. Livshitz and J. Goodall beat G. de Decker and B. Dykes.
 U/12 and Open R. Perlman and N. Bol beat S. Retzlaff and J. Blomstrom.

For the first time this year the Junior School ran a Mothers and sons Round Robin which coincided with the Fathers vs. Boys cricket. We received a good response and 23 couples played. The results were:

First: Mrs Retzlaff and Sven.
 Second: Miss Livshitz and Jeffrey.
 Third: Mrs Martinengo and Sasha.
 Fourth: Mrs Gardiner and Paul.

During the Third Term this year we have enjoyed the services of Mrs Roodt who has been coaching from Grade Two up to Standard Five and we look forward to the already good standard of tennis being further improved.

The tennis team and I would like to thank Mrs F. de Decker and Mrs Erdis for the refreshments which they supplied for our home matches.

Mrs G. Anderson.





U/12 XV RUGBY TEAM

Back row – (left to right): Mr. G. Manolios (inset), D. Wood, F. Genovese, P. Rebel, J. Graham.
 Middle row: M. Slaven, L. Goldberg, A. Maraschin, A. Schoonbee, A. Hefer, J. Blomstrom, A. Forssman.
 Front row: A. Bam, D. Symes, K. Grotz, P. Wharton-Hood (captain), S. West, R. Hickey, M. Lazarus.
 In front: M. Cernich.

U/12 Rugby

The Under 13C Rugby Team of 1978 proved to be a very useful side capable of holding its own against teams containing boys older and bigger than our 'mini' side.

From the very first game the boys showed their potential and if it were not for an inability to ruck effectively, they would have won this game against Parktown which, however, ended in a 4-4 draw.

In the second game against Sandown which we won by 14 points to nil, the standard had improved immensely and St. David's were clearly the better side. The only fault was a tendency towards loose play.

Against K.E.S. the team's true potential was relished. Although this game was lost 10-0, the final result was always in doubt but the bounce of the ball was against us. In this match the boys played as a team and the forwards played good, tight rugby. In a way, the K.E.S. myth was slightly dented in this game as big scores are usually registered against St. David's in matches against K.E.S. This result was very heartening.

The game against Jeppe was a bit of an anti-climax after the good play against K.E.S. Myles Lazarus scored an excellent try by barging his way over and St. David's won the match 4-0.

Unorganised play and a lack of cohesion cost us the game against Highlands which St. David's lost 4-12. This was a match best forgotten.

After a brilliant back line movement a try was scored by Aidan Schoonbee and St. David's managed to scrape a very hard-fought win against Bryanston by 6 points to 4.

We were rather lucky to win the game against Athlone by 12 points to 10 because of the alarming decline in play in the second half. However, the backs did redeem themselves after some shocking errors and managed to win the game for us.

The result of the match against St. Stithians was a repeat of last year's. This was an excellent match, marked by the team's managing to pull off a surprise try from a penalty which had cost many hours of practice.

Both sides pressed throughout the final few minutes and although St. David's appeared to be gaining the upper hand, we did not manage to score again and the match ended in a 4-4 draw.

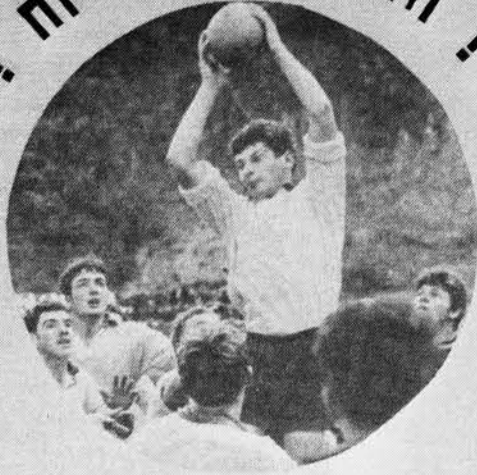
vs Parktown	drew	4- 4
vs Sandown	won	14- 0
vs KES	lost	0-10
vs Jeppe	won	4- 0
vs Highlands	lost	4-12
vs Bryanston	won	6- 4
vs Athlone	won	12-10
vs St. Stithians	drew	4- 4

A good team spirit prevailed throughout the season and rugby of a fairly high standard was played. It was most encouraging to see a number of parents turning up to watch these games.

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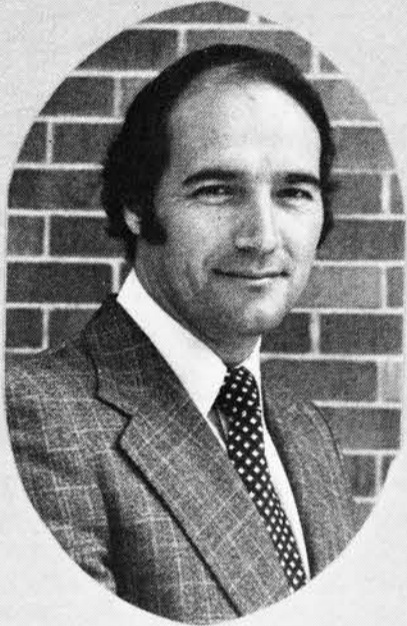
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SOCCER

On the whole there has been a tremendous improvement in our soccer this year and if this improvement continues, I am sure that we will be challenging strongly those teams that won the league, and next year we are hoping to make a clean sweep with all our teams winning both the Wednesday league and the Catholic league.

Under 7

This team played in the Catholic League and although they were the youngest team to represent St. David's, they certainly showed the older boys how the game should be played. This team won their league scoring 30 goals, with only 2 goals scored against them.

In the "Knock Out Cup" however, the team slipped up and they were beaten in the semi finals by a team that they had beaten quite comfortably in the league.

Under 8

This is a very talented little side, who were most unlucky not to win the league. The back four, with Nicky De Knoop and Michael Luyckx controlling things, were excellent. The midfield worked hard at all times and helped the forward line to keep the pressure on the opposition. Andrew Harris at centre-forward showed tremendous potential. I am sure this side will go from strength to strength and I would like to congratulate all the players for their efforts and their exceptional maturity on the field of play.

Played 12, Won 8, Drew 2, Lost 2.

Under 9

After a somewhat shaky start to the season, the team settled down to play some very exciting football, thanks to the enthusiasm and dedication of the boys involved. Of the various competitions entered, the boys were runners-up in their section of the league (losing it on goal-average) and reached the quarter-final of the "Knock Out Cup". Such was the improvement of the team that we are all looking forward to a very enjoyable and successful 1979 season.



B. de Decker, A. Weissensee, J. O'Riorden and L. Mauger were perhaps the most prominent players in the team. Other regular members were S. O'Conner, G. Lamb, D. Loo, L. McKiver, A. Ferreira, J.P. Farinha, P. Swanson, A. Nel, D. McDonald and C. Mithelmore.

Under 10

The Under 10 team had a very successful season, finishing third out of the nine teams that played in the Wednesday league. Out of the eight games played we won 4, drew 3 and lost one.

In the Catholic league which is played on Saturday mornings the Under 10 team did not do as well as we had hoped. Out of the eight games played we won 2, drew 3 and lost 3.

The climax of the season came when the Under 10 played in the semi-finals of the "Knock Out Cup" which was played at St. David's. This was a very tight and exciting game and the score was settled only in the second five minutes of extra time. De La Salle scored from a corner to make us one nil down at the final whistle.

Under 11

The Under 11's maintained a fine spirit throughout the season, and even when things did not go too well results-wise, the enthusiasm they had for the game and their determination to learn was rewarded by a marked improvement in their game. Gary Millard was excellent in goal, Jason Goddall displayed responsibility in the back four while Gary De Decker was always a threat to the opposition up front. This was a most enjoyable season and the team proved at all times to be not only a pleasure to coach, but also a pleasure to be with.

Thank you, the Under 11's

Played 17, Won 7, Drew 1, Lost 9.



S O C C E R !



U/11 SOCCER TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *W. Cronje, G. de Decker, J. Goodall, Mr. P. Habberton, S. Logi, W. Dredge, S. Jack.*
 Front row: *B. Dykes, R. Gordon, R. Carr, G. McLeroth, A. McInnes, G. Woodward.*
 In front: *G. Millard.*



U/10 SOCCER TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *R. Ralph, S. Martinengo, K. Schaafsma, Mr. W. Castle, S. Mahoney, R. Scott, K. Moran.*
 Front row: *M. Rynkiewicz, M. Ghersi, G. Ritchie, R. Wooley, G. van Riet, P. Ceprnich.*
 In front: *A. Gollub, Z. Nyirenda.*

Mr Peter Stringer.

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U/9 SOCCER TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *S. O'Connor, C. Mitchelmore, G. Lamb, Mr. J. Lobo, A. Weissensee, B. de Decker, L. Mauger.*
 Front row: *J. P. Farinha, J. O'Riordan, A. Ferreira, D. Loo, L. McKeever.*
 In front: *D. McDonald, P. Swanson, A. Nel.*



U/8 SOCCER TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *R. Grant, N. de Knoop (captain), G. Genovese, Mr. P. Habberton, J. Carr, A. Harris, G. Dykes.*
 Front row: *D. Jordaan, B. Kirkpatrick, C. Luyckz, A. de Gouveia, A. Diamond, R. Murabito.*
 In front: *K. Haywood.*



U/7 SOCCER TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *E. Ralph, A. Bouilliant, Mr. W. Castle, M. Allen, D. Cecchi.*
 Front row: *Q. Snaith, C. Cecchi, S. Waldman (captain), B. Harcus, W. de Waard.*
 In front: *G. Black, R. Moy, P. Vidas.*

ATHLETICS

Since the inception of the Lower Primary Athletics two years ago Osmond has won both times though with stronger opposition this year.

The maxi efforts of two of the Minis broke long-standing records – that of the 50m U/7 of 8 years standing, by Ryan Segars and that of the 50m U/8 of 10 years standing, by Bruce Kirkpatrick.

Trophy winners were:

U/5 Age Group BARTOS CUP – Fabrizio Tommasi
 U/6 Age Group KEMPSTER CUP – William de Waard
 U/7 Age Group TONETTI CUP – Ryan Segars
 U/8 Age Group BARENBURG CUP – Bruce Kirkpatrick

The Senior Primary Inter-House athletics was held on Saturday 11 March. For once the weather was kind and the day was perfect for athletics.

The boys were very enthusiastic and although no records were broken some good times were recorded.

Benedict House was the clear winner this year, followed by Osmond, the Bishops and College.

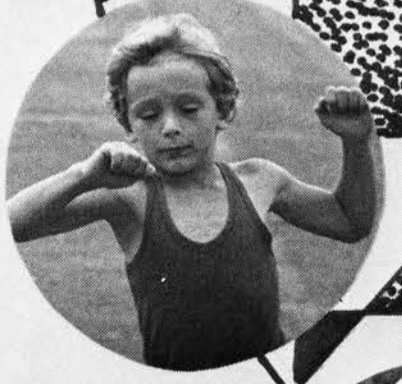
We would like to thank all the parents who so generously donated new trophies. There are now twenty trophies for which to compete and we hope that this will encourage the boys to train harder and show a greater interest in Athletics.

The winners of the Age Group Trophies were:

Under 9 – Aiden Weissensee
 Under 10 – Garth Ritchie
 Under 11 – Gary de Decker
 Under 12 – Michael Ceprnich
 Open – Gary Graham and Christopher Davis

A special thanks to all the members of staff for all their hard work and encouragement to the boys.







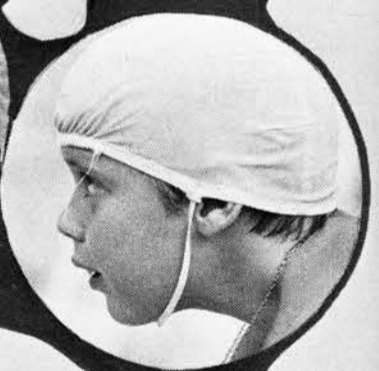
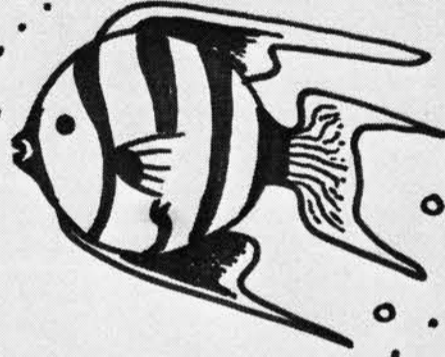
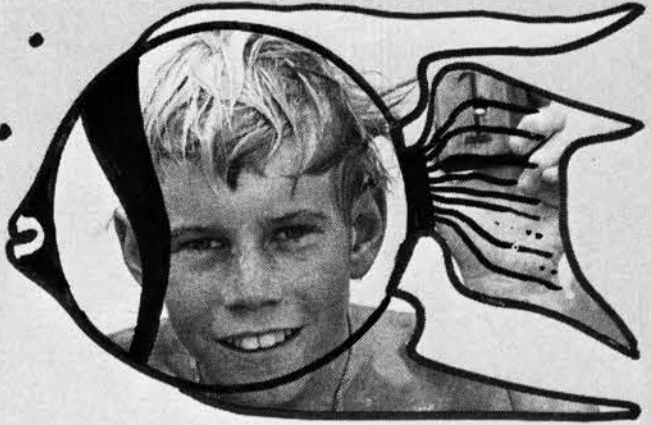
"A" SWIMMING TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *S. Martinengo, T. Browne, D. Senior, K. Wallace, J. Goodall, G. Field.*
 Middle row: *G. McLeroth, R. Hickey, R. Perlman, M. Reeves, J. Blomstrom, D. Wood, J. McAlpine.*
 Front row: *G. Ritchie, P. Swanson, Mr. W. Castle, A. Weissensee, R. Ralph.*
 In front: *G. Millard.*



"B" SWIMMING TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *J. Graham, S. Jack, M. Lazarus, J. Carr, D. Neil.*
 Middle row: *A. Taylor, G. Lame, G. Wooley, R. Hartmann, N. de Sousa Costa, S. Retzlaff, M. Wurr, K. Moran.*
 Front row: *S. Clegg, D. Crowley, Mr. W. Castle, P. Rebel, M. Gherzi.*
 In front: *M. von Holdt, G. Graham, B. Forssman.*





"A" CHESS TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *K. Nyirenda, Mrs. D. Vermaak, E. Oertel.*
 Front row: *S. Jack, R. Gordon, P. Woodward, K. Ford, C. Woodward.*
 In front: *S. Woodward.*



"B" CHESS TEAM

Back row – (left to right): *A. Schulz, D. Milburn-Pyle, Mrs. G. Awbrey, J. Shanahan, K. Ford.*
 Front row: *G. Walsh, M. Slaven, A. Schoonbee, K. Atkinson, J. Mullins.*

CHESS

D. Vermaak

Both our chess teams have done extremely well this year. The "A" team reached the finals without losing a single match, to emerge with King David's as joint winners of the Cup. The "B" team had only one defeat in the entire season, and in the final match, also against King David, they were unlucky to lose by two points. We are very fortunate to have Mrs Pearson as our coach, her patient and expert tuition has raised the standard of chess in the primary school to a very high level.

Our boys have entered many outside competitions. In the Encyclopaedia Britannica Chess Tournament Keith Ford and Sean Woodward came third in the Junior Science.

Paul and Craig Woodward are representing the School in the "Best Boy" competition organised by the Johannesburg Primary Schools Chess Association.



P.T.A.

The 1978 P.T.A. Committee, which was elected at the Annual General Meeting in February, 1978 comprises of four Senior Officials from the School and ten members from the Parent Body plus a representative of the Old Boys, as listed below:-

- School Members** : Brother Timothy, Mr. G. Manolios,
Brother Bernard, Mr. K. Lipschitz.
- P.T.A. Chairman** : B. M. Gonsalves.
- Vice-Chairman & Treasurer** : P. Milburn-Pyle.
- Secretary** : Mrs. L. Luyckx.
- P.T.A. Members** : M. Alcock, M. Cronje, Mrs. F. de Decker, W. Kalk, C. Lazarus, Mrs. J. Lazarus, M. Millard and V. Rugani.

The Committee began 1978 with funds totalling just over R8 440, which had been collected from various P.T.A. activities including proceeds from the Tuck Shop, book sales and fund-raising. Bearing in mind that these funds are intended to be used for the added benefit of the College and the pupils, it was decided to allocate our expenditure over a wide variety of practical projects. In brief, sporting equipment was repaired or purchased, lockers were installed, the College buildings and grounds have been improved and developed, Chess classes were financed and the School Chapel was repainted and refurnished with new Curtains and Carpeting.

On the Sporting front, specialised Rugby Coaches were obtained from the Transvaal Rugby Union for our School Teams, thanks to very generous subsidies provided by B.P. Coal S.A. (Pty) Ltd. The P.T.A. has also been active in arranging additional Coaches for Cricket, Swimming and Tennis at the School.

The budgeting and control of the Committee's expenditure has been very efficiently supervised by our vice-Chairman and Treasurer, Mr. Peter Milburn-Pyle who had the unenviable task of keeping us out of the red. In this Peter succeeded admirably and his conscientious as well as meticulous control of our expenditure was of tremendous benefit to the Committee.

All the other members of the P.T.A. have played their part in the planning and implementing of the Committee's actions. Mrs. Loraine Luyckx, ably assisted on occasions by Mrs. Daphane Brindell, not only fulfilled the duties of Secretary but also participated to the full in every major P.T.A. activity throughout the year.

The Chairlady of our Catering Committee, Mrs. Janie Lazarus, and all of her Lady Members are to be congratulated for their extremely hard work which ensured a very high standard of Catering at all School Functions. Mrs. Freddie de Decker has been fully involved in all aspects of the Committee's work with particular emphasis on Entertainment, including special outings for School Mothers, a most enjoyable day at the races for Parents and the very successful Mothers versus Boys Tennis tournament in early October.

Mr. Cecil Lazarus supervised the completion of various projects aimed at enhancing the School's buildings and grounds whilst Mr. Willie Kalk has co-ordinated the Committee's plans for improving the School's Sporting facilities and equipment. The three "Mikes" on the Committee – Messrs Mike Alcock, Mike Cronje and Mike Millard – have all done sterling work in their respective fields of Fund raising, Public Relations and Educational matters. Many thanks to Vito Rugani for maintaining the School's very necessary link with Marist Old Boys.

Our sincere appreciation is due to the four School Officials – Brother Timothy, Brother Bernard, Mr. George Manolios and Mr. Ken Lipschitz – for their dedicated involvement with the School in general and the P.T.A.'s activities in particular.

In a small select School such as St. David's regular contact between Parents and Teachers is extremely important and it was one of the P.T.A.'s prime objectives to foster and encourage such meetings. Towards this aim of improving communications at all levels within the School, Class meetings for Parents and Teachers were again organised early in the year. These meetings provided an ideal forum for Teachers, Parents and P.T.A. Members to meet and discuss matters relating to our Sons' educational environment. Our thanks are due to all the Parents and Teachers who attended the Class Meeting as it was through their participation that the meetings proved so successful.

Another of the P.T.A.'s, more difficult functions is the raising of funds. This year the Committee has limited its fund-raising to one major effort – a competition in which the main prizes will be two Motor Cars. To stimulate interest and to publicise this Competition, an extremely enjoyable "Spanish Evening" was organised at the School for Parents and friends. We would like to express our gratitude to Mr. A. Fuchs of Iberia Airlines for his Company's support for our Spanish Evening, including the provision of a team of Spanish Dancers who entertained us. A word of thanks also to all the Ladies who worked so hard to make the evening the success it was. Our Car competition finishes in December and the proceeds raised will provide much needed funds to replenish the P.T.A.'s treasury for future projects.

I would personally like to thank every member of the P.T.A. Committee for their committed and enthusiastic support throughout the year and assure them that their efforts were greatly appreciated.

We wish every success to the 1979 P.T.A. Committee and trust that they will receive the same excellent support from Parents and Teachers that was given to us this year.

Sunday, October 1st, saw the annual cricket day at the school with four matches between the boys and the fathers. The day is a regular event in the calendar and

looked forward to, certainly by the fathers whose intentions are to show their youngsters "a thing or two".

Well, on Sunday the boys and the fathers had equal success with the boys winning the 1st XI and Under 13 matches and the fathers saving face by winning against the 2nd XI and Under 14's. In fact, the fathers team, that has now over the years become known as the "Drinkingman's Team", in their match against the Under 14's, claimed that their win proved some sort of moral, especially when compared to the loss sustained by the younger, supposedly fitter "fathers" team that lost to the 1st XI.

At the end of the day, a number of performance prizes were presented to each of the boys teams. Winners were:-

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| P.T.A. gift vouchers | |
| 1st XI – Bowling | – Andrew Driver |
| Batting | – Craig Poole |
| 2nd XI – Bowling | – John Slaven |
| Batting | – Anthony Perlman |
| Under 14 | |
| Fieldingside prize | – Michael Jordan |
| Batting | – Charles Luyckx |
| Under 13 | |
| Bowling | – Paul Marneweck |
| Batting | – Jeremy Rudston |
| American Society – most promising wicket-keeper prize | |
| | – Michael Peel (1st XI) |

We all certainly look forward to the same day next year – that is, if all the fathers' strained muscles, injured fingers and sore feet recover in time.



CATERING COMMITTEE

Back row – (Left to right): Mesdames: *L. Jackson, H. Faraday, W. Urban, S. Andrade, V. Keel.*
 Front row: *P. O'Connor, R. Rebel, V. Main, D. Saccani, C. Swanson, V. Holm, E. Christie-Taylor.*



TUCK SHOP LADIES

Back row – (left to right): Mesdames: *J. Seebregts, H. Böer, Y. Glaeser, J. Asbury, M. Bailey, J. Baikoff, D. Basham, V. Carlton, M. de Decker, S. Andrade, F. de Decker, J. Haywood, I. O’Riordan.*
 Front row: *E. Karakashian, W. Hefer, C. McDonald, B. Marsden, D. Saccani, N. Greenstone, P. Dykes, A. Evans, M. Wooley, T. van ’t Hof, C. Millard.*



SWOP SHOP LADIES

Back row – (left to right): Mesdames: *E. Jack, V. Ashby, S. Clegg, P. Hellowell, A. Walsh, H. Faraday, M. Parsons*
 Front row: *A. Willis, V. Retzlaff, M. Harrison, D. Webb, M. de Decker, P. Balsdon, H. Donovan.*

Ladies Catering

Hospitality is synonymous with the name of St. David's College and this year proved to be no exception. During the summer months the ladies catered for galas, cricket, tennis and waterpolo matches, not to mention prize-giving and athletic meetings.

The winter activities included catering for rugby and soccer matches, as well as debates and the junior school quiz.

In the final term catering was also provided for the sons and fathers cricket day and the round robin sons and mothers tennis tournament.

To all these willing and able ladies concerned, my heartfelt thanks.

Throughout the past year I was ably assisted by the Vice Chairlady, Val Volkwyn, the Junior Chairlady, Clare Swanson and Doreen Saccani, the Committee Secretary, without whose help my task would have been impossible.

With her winning smile, quiet ways and wise counsel, Mary Erdis, was a pillar of strength throughout the year. From all the ladies, thank you Mary.

To Brother Timothy, Mr. Manolios, the senior and junior teaching staff, Mrs. Gilroy, Mrs. Heap and Matron, my sincere gratitude for your guidance, assistance and patience with all my pestering.

In conclusion I would earnestly appeal to all mothers to come forward during 1979 and assist the incoming Committee to serve our visitors and parents, but mostly our sons.

Janie Lazarus
Chairlady

Tuck Shop

The Tuck Shop has had a busy and successful year, and we hope we have been of service to the boys and the parents.

St David's Marist Old Boys Association

The prime purpose of the Association is to promote a spirit of true brotherhood amongst all past Marist students, not just former class mates, but also amongst the older members and the latest school-leavers. In order to achieve this objective several social functions are held throughout the year, the highlight being the Annual Dinner Dance which this year took place at the Bryanston Country Club in September. Another traditional function is a Gaming Evening which serves as the only real fund-raising of the year.

Extra money raised by this last mentioned event is used to bolster the resources of the Old Boys' Busary Fund which is controlled and administered by a Board of Trustees appointed by the Association. This Fund exists primarily in order to assist Old Boys who request aid in meeting the tuition fees of the College. All registered members of the Association are entitled to receive subsidies for this purpose if the funds permit. Interested Old Boys may contact the Trustees through the Association.

The present Committee consists of Rob Fiore, Gavin Nefdt, Alec Quail, Terry Ray, Vito Rugani, Darko Vidas,

I would like to take this opportunity of reminding parents that the Tuck Shop does not only sell sweets and cold-drinks, but that a variety of nutritious foods and beverages are available at low prices and I would ask you to encourage your boys, at home, to make fuller use of this facility. Sincere thanks to the hard-working ladies who have given up so much of their time to work so hard in the Tuck Shop. Special thanks to the Convenors Mesdames Marlow, Ferreira, Heffer, Brindle, Andela, Slaven and Karakashian, without whose friendly and efficient organization and help my task would have been impossible.

On behalf of all the ladies who work in the Tuck Shop I would like to thank Mrs. Moni for her generous donation of a freezer, which has indeed made our task much easier.

To the incoming Tuck Shop Chairlady I wish a happy and successful year indeed in 1979.

Norma Greenstone.

Swop Shop

Margaret Harrison.

There are fourteen mothers on the SWOP SHOP committee and we have enjoyed a busy and profitable year. After discussion, we decided to spend some of our earnings on a colindictor or answering machine, which is now installed in Brother Timothy's office.

All the good quality goods brought in to SWOP SHOP sell easily; for instance in 1977 a total of 69 blazers were sold, while to date this year we have sold 72 blazers. We do appeal to more mothers to contribute items of St. David's uniform to us (Hours: Mondays and Friday's - 1.15 - 2.45 p.m.) SWOP SHOP needs sports equipment urgently, especially tennis raquets, soccer and rugby boots and jerseys, and track suits (i.e. royal blue with St. David's badge).

Mrs. Dorothy Webb resigns in January after three years as Secretary and Treasurer. The smooth running of SWOP SHOP can largely be attributed to her excellent organization. In 1979, Mrs. Maureen de Decker takes over Dorothy's post, while Mrs. Vanessa Retzlaff will become chairlady. We wish them every success.

Mike von Guilleaume and Doug Wickins, many of whom have served on previous committees in earlier years. During the current year the Committee has endeavoured to emphasize the spiritual side of the Association by encouraging attendance at the monthly Marist Family Masses held at the College.

In the same vein a Retreat was arranged at the school in the form of a Day of Dialogue and Prayer which was attended by fathers, teachers and Old Boys. In order to promote the ideal of the Marist Family, i.e. the Brothers students, teachers, parents and Old Boys, the Association endorses as much interaction between these groups as possible. With a view to building a strong bond between present and future Old Boys activities have been arranged in which students, Old Boys and teachers participate. A hiking and camping weekend in the Magaliesburg was organised on this basis and a radio ham club is in the process of formation by interested Old Boys for the benefit of the pupils.

1978 saw the Association's fourteenth birthday. Formed initially to provide past pupils of Inanda with

Association has several members who did their schooling at St. Charles', St. Henry's, Observatory or St. Joseph's. The only qualifications for membership are previous attendance at a Marist school and payment of the R5.00 life membership fee. Those interested in joining the Association may make application through Brother Timothy.

their own association as distinct from the combined schools' Association which was generally identified with the now defunct Old Maristonian Club, the St. David's Old Boys' Association quickly adopted a constitution which provided for membership of former students of all Marist schools throughout the world. Thus today the

OBITUARY

The Headmaster, Staff and Pupils offer their sympathy to the Family and Friends of those who have died since the publication of the 1977 St David's College Review.

- Mr D. de Gouveia Father of Leon, Don, Alan and Roy, pupils of the College.
- Mr. P. Moni Grandfather of Peter, John and Paul, old boys of the College.
- Mr J.D. Busschau Father of Mrs Middlewick, a teacher at the College.
- Mr J. M. Nefdt Father of Mr Nefdt, a teacher at the College
- Rev. Father P. MacInernie O.M.I.
The Provincial Superior of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate
- Rev Father D. Dalton O.M.I.
Former Provincial Superior of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate
A Christian Brother
- Rev Brother Powers
Miss Honeywill
- Mr A. Anderson Father of Mrs Allan, a teacher at the College
- Mr C. O'Shea Brother of Brother Brendan
- Mrs. S. Bensimon Mother of Ivan, an old boy of the College
- Mr. D. Tilley A former parent of the College
- Mrs. B. Furman An aunt of Mr K. Lipschitz, a teacher at the College.
- Mrs. R. Sandler An aunt of Mr. K. Lipschitz, a teacher at the College.
- Michael Boic A pupil at the College.
- Mr. K. Rumpelt Father of Thomas and Martin, old boys of the College.
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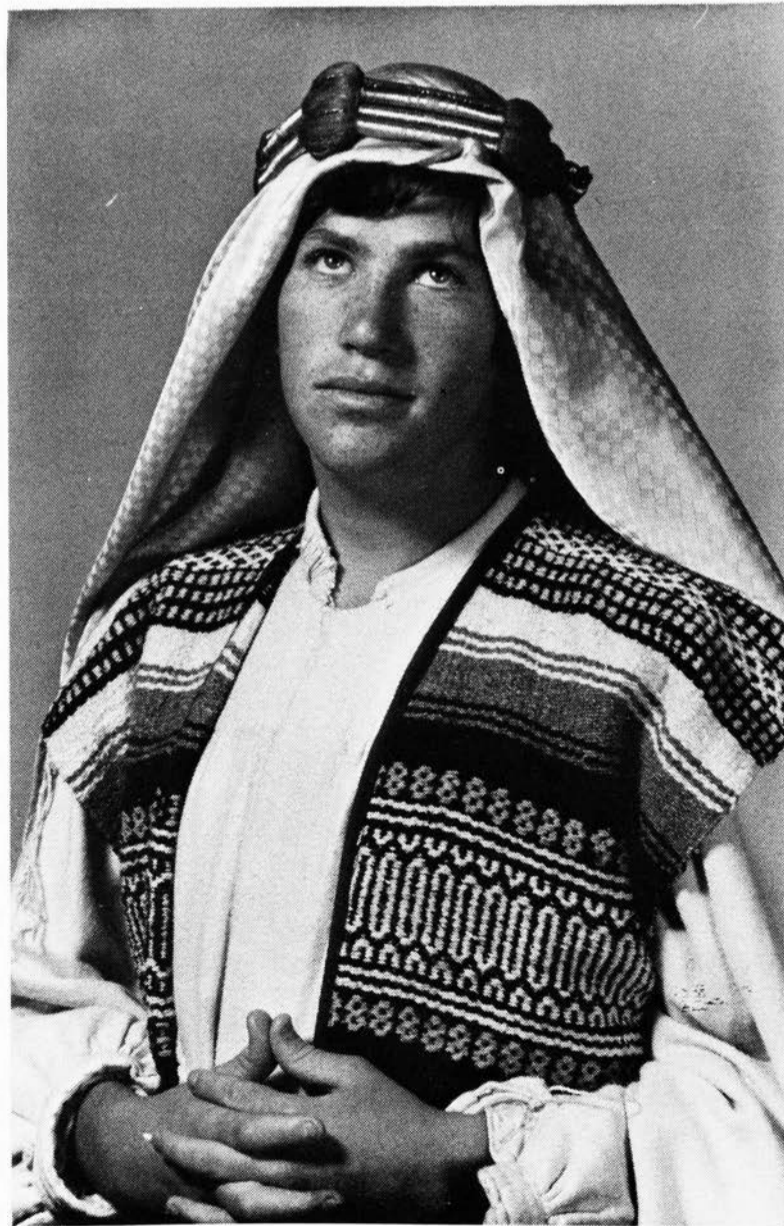
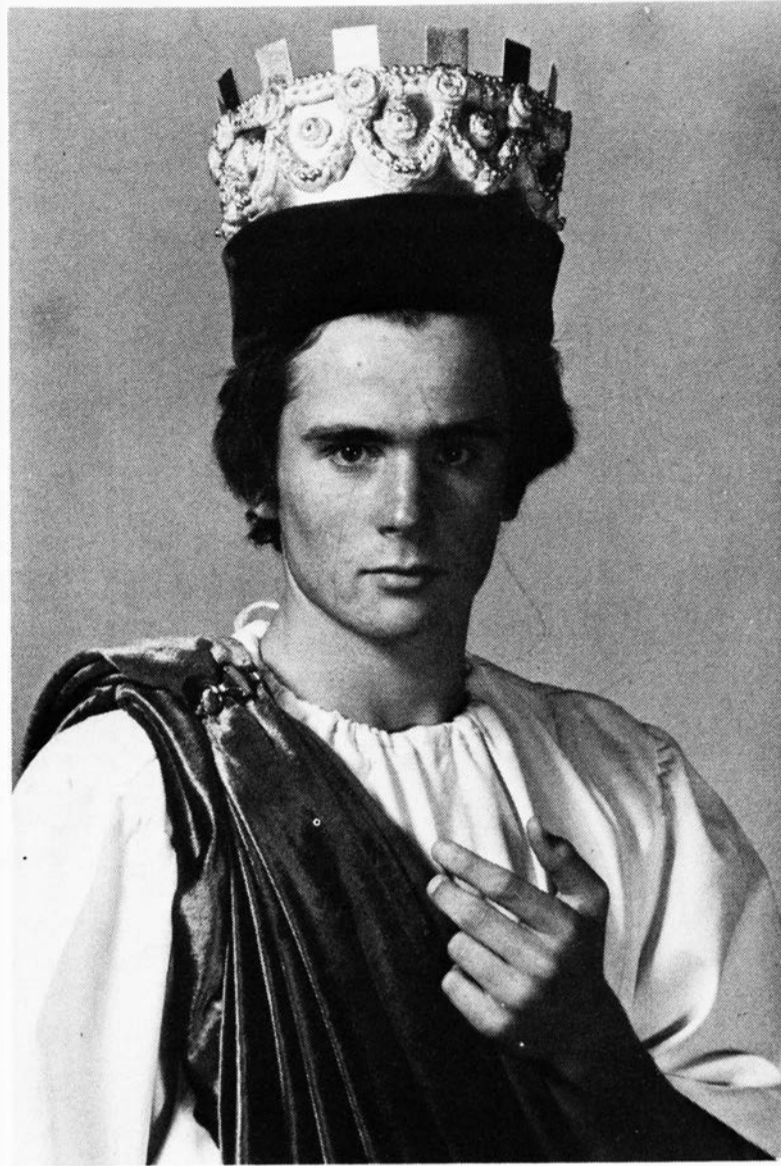
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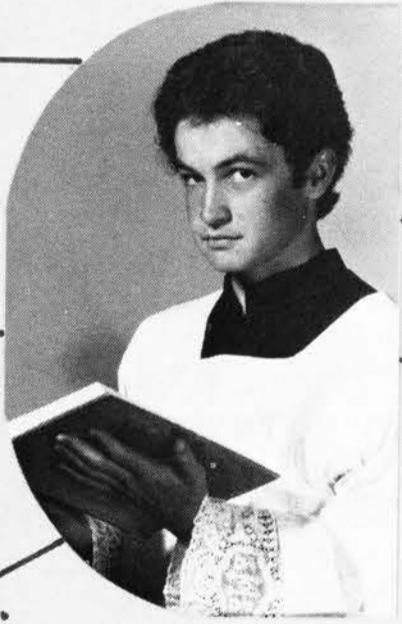
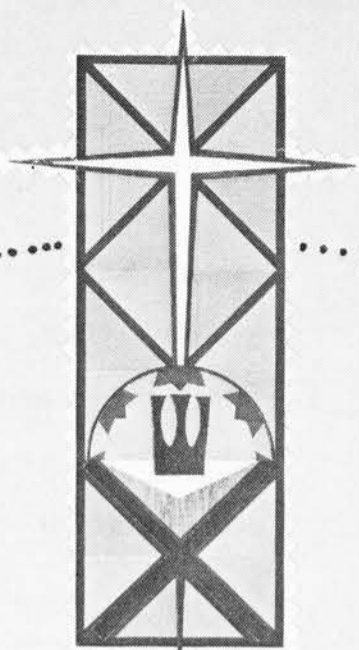
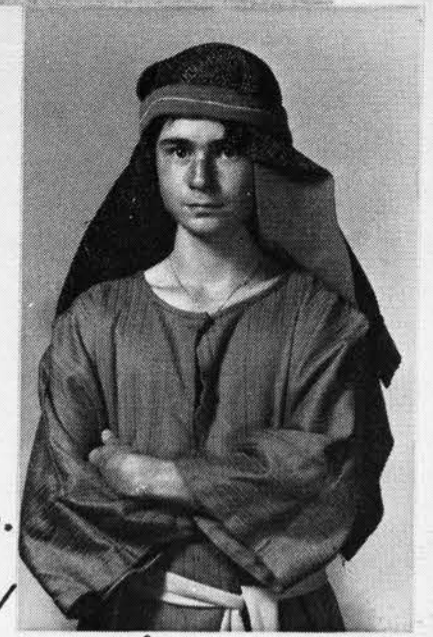
We decided this year to celebrate the Birth of Christ with the nativity play: The Business of Good Government. Since the play improves with music and singing we approached Rosebank Convent who were very enthusiastic about the whole idea. Sr. Imelda and Sr. Mercedes were very co-operative.

This modern nativity play was written by John Arden for Brent Knoll Church, Somerset and we are grateful to Father Kelly who allowed us to perform the play in the beautiful Rosebank Parish Church.

The language of the play is very poetic and we retained all the beautiful tableaux associated with Christmas. The Rosebank Convent Choir sang superbly and we were privileged and proud to put on this production.

We hope that we will be able to continue to celebrate Christmas in a similar manner, allowing Marist boys and St. Theresa's girls to participate together on this holy occasion.





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