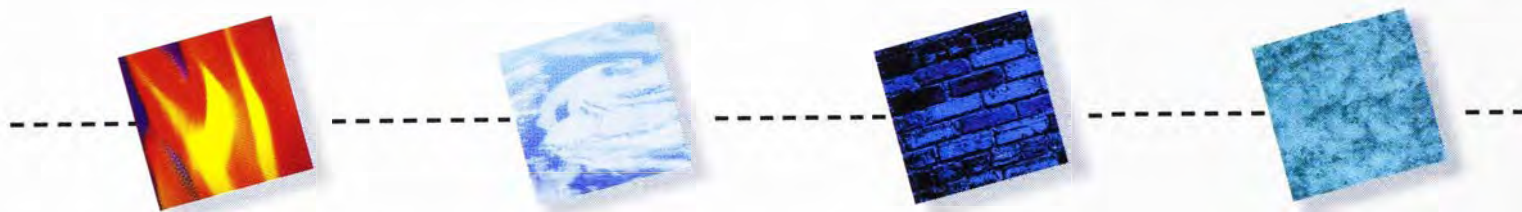




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## WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO BRING TRUTH AND GOODNESS TO OUR WORLD?

*It will take PEOPLE — US.*

*PROPHET-PEOPLE who call us beyond where we are and show us a better way,  
who dare to lay bare the fallacies and misconceptions that blind us.*

*FAITH-PEOPLE who take risks and move mountains because they trust in the  
promises of God.*

*JUSTICE-PEOPLE who cry out against the oppressors of people, the destroyers of the  
Earth, those who would burn and bomb and obliterate.*

*NATURE-PEOPLE who plant trees and feed birds and pick up dirt from the earth.*

*JOY-PEOPLE who lift up and lighten others and bring laughter and courage for the  
long haul.*

*LITTLE-PEOPLE who seek no rank or status, who can see God clearly because their  
lives are not cluttered with possessions, ambition and greed.*

*COMPASSION-PEOPLE who love others unconditionally, who bind up the broken-  
hearted, comfort the downtrodden, and feed and clothe the poor.*

*SOUL-PEOPLE who pray and reflect and see God's image and likeness in others.*

*ARTS-PEOPLE who create beauty and weave stories, who fill the world with colour  
and song and celebration.*

*GENEROUS-PEOPLE who do not cling to what they have but freely and spontaneously  
share it with others.*

*SERVICE-PEOPLE who put themselves last, who use their talents and authority to  
serve others and not for their own aggrandisement.*

*GOODWILL-PEOPLE who have no enemies, who seek to make all people friends and  
respectful of the dignity of every person.*

***A**LMIGHTY GOD AND FATHER,  
Awaken in us an awareness of our calling.*

*Make our school a place*

*where what we read in the Gospels comes alive,*

*where all are genuinely welcome,*

*where all differences are respected,*

*where no one is crushed or humiliated,*

*where each person is valued for what they are,*

*where we use the words of our mouths to build one another up,*

*not to break one another down,*

*where the littlest and the weakest are encouraged and supported,*

*where the gifted and the talented find scope and challenge,*

*where we are in harmony with your Creation,*

*where we are sensitised to the needs of the poor and the downtrodden,*

*where we promote peace and justice for all,*

*where we are transformed by Gospel values,*

*where we are open to the leading of your Spirit,*

*where we grow each day in faith, hope and love,*

*where we love You with all our hearts and minds and souls,*

*and seek to do Your will.*

*Amen.*



*O GREAT SAINT DAVID, still we hear you call us  
Unto a life that knows no fear of death;  
Down through the ages will your words enthral us,  
Strong happy words: "Be joyful, keep the faith".*

*On your sons stretch out your hands in blessing;  
For our dear land your help we implore.  
Lead us to God, with humble hearts confessing  
Jesus, Lord and King for evermore.*

*Christ was the centre rock of all your teaching,  
God's holy will the splendour of its theme,  
His grace informed, his love inflamed your preaching;  
Christ's sway on earth, the substance of your dream.*

*In early childhood, choosing Jesus only,  
Your fervour showed his yoke was light and sweet.  
And thus for you life's journey was not lonely —  
The path made plain by prints of wounded feet.*

St David, the patron saint of our school, was a monk and bishop of the sixth century. He was a native of southern Wales. According to the *Life of St David* (c1090), written by Rhygyvarch, son of Julien, bishop of St David's, David was for ten years a priest in Scripture studies; he then founded ten monasteries, where the monks lived in extreme hardship, imitating the monks of Egypt in their regime of heavy manual labour and study, sustained by a diet of bread and vegetables. David was known as "the Waterman" because he and his monks drank neither wine nor beer but only water. David devoted himself to works of mercy and practised frequent genuflections and total immersion in icy water as his favourite austerities. He was called to the Synod of Brevi where he preached with such effect that he was made an archbishop and his monastery declared the metropolis of the Welsh church. He was consecrated bishop in Jerusalem.

Saint David is usually depicted in episcopal vestments, standing on a mound with a dove at his shoulder (as in the picture above) in memory of his share in the Synod of Brevi. His Feast Day is on the 1st of March.

The choice of St David as our school's patron was a gesture to the incumbent Bishop of Johannesburg at the time when the school opened, whose name was David O'Leary.

The words of the above hymn are by Francis Mostyn (1860-1939). (The original words read, "On Cambria's sons, stretch out your hand ...")

**M**ARY, wellspring of peace, be our guide.  
Model of strength, be our guide.  
Model of gentleness, be our guide.  
Model of patience, be our guide.  
Model of risk, be our guide.  
Model of perseverance, be our guide.



Mother of the liberator,  
pray for us.  
Mother of the homeless,  
pray for us.  
Unwed mother,  
pray for us.  
Mother of a refugee,  
pray for us.  
Mother of a political prisoner,  
pray for us.  
Mother of the condemned,  
pray for us.  
Mother of the dying,  
pray for us.  
Mother of an executed criminal,  
pray for us.

*Woman of contemplation, lead us to your Son.*

*Woman centred in God, lead us to your Son.*

*Inspire us  
to act justly  
and to revere all God has made.*

*Root peace firmly in our hearts  
and in our world.*

*Amen.*



*G*REAT MAN OF GOD  
Champagnat shone with zeal,  
strove through his life his Master to reveal.  
With him for guide,  
may we o'er sin prevail.

For Mary's Son,  
this son of Lyon's soil,  
Gave up the world,  
for youth to pray and toil,  
To lead to God and Satan's power to foil.

Inflamed with love for Mary,  
first resource  
Living in God who gave his life  
its force  
to crib and cross, he ever had recourse.

"Be of one heart", he urged in life and death,  
"be humble, chaste, obey with every breath.  
Labour for Christ, but through his Mother blest!"  
Praise be to Jesus, and to his Mother.

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# Development Plan 2000

The increase in pupil numbers at St David's, coupled with an unprecedented demand for places, has necessitated the expansion of physical facilities on the College campus. The discussions, debates and dreams of so many years are at last becoming reality in the form of "Development Plan 2000".



*The "behind the scenes" team of Development Plan 2000*

The phases of Development Plan 2000 represent an integrated approach to the redevelopment of the St David's campus. New buildings will blend with the existing buildings in architectural style, use of materials and orientation. Judicious landscaping and tree planting, new pedestrian walkways and enlarged parking areas will provide a parklike setting to the school grounds.

At a meeting of the Board of Governors on Tuesday 27 May, the architects Taljaard Carter presented the plans to the Board. The first phase of the development includes six new classrooms, ablution block and change-rooms on the east side of the quadrangle, a high school pavilion overlooking the main rugby field and a new Grade 0 block in the paddock area.



*Brother Jude, Provincial of the Marist Brothers in South Africa, turns the first sod*

The heart of the school buildings - the quadrangle - is the focus of the first phase. The new block on the east side will enclose the quadrangle and formalise this space. All high school classrooms will open out onto the quadrangle, which will be re-grassed and will incorporate benches, paved walkways and a central statue or fountain.

The first phase will be followed by the building of a multi-purpose hall and science laboratories to complete the east side

of the quadrangle. An amphitheatre, which will be an extension of the hall space, will provide a gathering place for important occasions in the school calendar when both junior and senior school pupils and their parents need to be seated.

Other items in the Plan are a Chapel capable of holding 600 people, an improved Media Centre and Design and Technology facilities.

A number of people involved in the development have strong connections with the school, namely Roger Marques from SBDS Quantity Surveyors, Tony Cameron (Old Boy, parent and husband of Mrs Debbi Cameron) who is doing the land surveying, and Dennis Geldenhuys (parent and husband of Mrs Bev Geldenhuys) of Ove Arup, the Consulting Engineers.



*At the sod-turning ceremony on 28 July, Bishop Reginald Orsmond, assisted by Father Brewer, blesses the site where the new classroom block, amphitheatre and hall will be built*

Development Plan 2000 was launched on Monday 28 July with a "Sod Turning" ceremony on the Basketball court. We were delighted that the Bishop of Johannesburg, Bishop Reginald Orsmond, was there to bless the site and that so many of the people involved in the development, including representatives of the Standard Bank who are financing the scheme, as well as parents joined us. The sites for the new classroom block, pavilion and pre-school were cleared the next day, and construction began in the August holidays.

At a presentation on Tuesday 7 October, attended by some 400 parents, the plans were outlined by Mr Bill Carter, senior partner of the Taljaard Carter Design Group. He gave a detailed explanation of the rationale behind the plans and the future development of the College. There was a tangible feeling of goodwill towards the Plan and the school.

When Development Plan 2000 is finally complete, St David's will be on a par with other northern suburbs' schools and will have the infrastructure to go into the new millennium with confidence.



*Mr Terence Wilkinson, Chairman of the Board of Governors, turns the second sod*



*The site is cleared, 1 August 1997*



*3 October 1997*



*27 November 1997*



*The new pre-school, 24 October 1997*



*The new pre-school nearing completion, 27 November 1997*

# ST DAVID'S MARIST COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

## The Headmaster's Report

Address at the Annual Prizegiving  
8 November 1997



*The Headmaster, Mr PA Edey*

Good morning and welcome to the Chairman of the Board, Mr Terence Wilkinson, Mrs Wilkinson, Brother Jude, Brother Joseph, Members of the Board, Staff, Parents and Gentlemen of St David's.

1997 has been a tremendously exciting year for St David's. The start of the Development Plan 2000 is an event of great significance in the history of the school. This is no ad hoc plan but a carefully considered vision for the school to enter the new millennium with confidence, and the infrastructure to cater for the needs of 1100 pupils. The new classroom block, the Grade 0 school, the pavilion and the envisaged multi-purpose hall will have a huge impact on the school. The creativity of the design team will ensure buildings that are in keeping with the handsome original school building built in 1941.

I am fully aware that there have been promises of buildings many times in the past. As recently as 1991 more than R100 000 was raised to build a hall, people bought bricks and then nothing happened. This time it is happening. Behind you rises the new east wing and amphitheatre closing off the quadrangle - hopefully prizegiving this time next year will be held in the new multi-purpose hall which will have a seating capacity of 600-plus. It gives me a great thrill to walk home in the evening and look across at the Grade 0 block which already has its roof trusses on. The

magnificent new pavilion overlooking the main rugby field with its change-rooms and ladies' loos will end the uptight aggro searches on a Saturday morning, and the sour-topped cream cakes in the ZoZo clubhouse, as the temperature inside climbs to 40°C, will be a thing of the past.

I do sometimes admit to having the feeling of being a dictator in a newly-independent third world state - you put up a number of prestige projects such as an international airport or an independence stadium - the country goes bankrupt and there is a military coup. Hopefully this won't happen. Through the efforts of the Bursar, Mr M A Smit, there is a tidy sum of capital invested, the Development Plan 2000 fund-raising appeal has got off to a tremendous start and the astute planning of the Vice Chairman of the Board, Mr Kevin Brewer, makes me confident that the ultimate R16 million cost of the development is attainable.

Next year 110 boys will enter the High School in Grade 8. This is the largest intake in the history of the school and will take the total number of boys in the High School to around 420. I know that for some people who have a long association with the school that this is a cause for grave concern. They are fearful that the school will move away from the values of our founder, Blessed Marcellin Champagnat, and that we will no longer be a Marist school. This is a major challenge for all of us. It is important for us to keep the Old Boys involved and committed in the school and for them to want to send their children here. The resuscitation of the Marist Old Boys club should become a major priority for 1998, for it is the Old Boys who are so often the custodians of the core values of a school and its traditions.

At the start of the year the school bade a sad farewell to the Norton family when Gary Norton, the Deputy Headmaster, took up the position of Headmaster of Oakhill in Knysna. Mr Norton brought so much which was good to the school with his care and affection for the boys. He was also a very loyal second-in-command who could always be relied upon. It was not an easy six months running the school without a deputy but I would like to thank the senior members of the High School Executive, Mr Rod Smith and Miss Lesley Henning, for their support and wise counsel.

The new Deputy Headmaster, Mr Malcolm Williams, took up his office in July from Sandown High School where he was a Deputy Head. Mr Williams is a man of great energy and a superb English teacher. He is also heavily involved in SA Schools Hockey, an area of the school which is not traditionally strong. Mr Williams has an enormous amount to offer and we hope that his association with the school will be a long and happy one.

During the course of the year Mr Gavin Pretorius left us to take up a position with a pharmaceutical company. We thank him for his efforts in Biology, Hockey and particularly Water Polo.

As you know the Religious Education Co-Ordinator, Mr Neil Mitchell, has been appointed to the Headship of St Martin de Porres in Soweto. We wish him well. The Head of Accounting and Business Economics, the highly professional and competent Mrs Kim Wettergreen, will be relocating to the Cape as a result of her husband's retirement. Miss Beynnon and Miss Leenstra have both

sadly decided to leave teaching after three years at St David's. They assure me it is nothing to do with the school, whilst the Director of Computer Studies, the often-whacky but extremely competent Mr Steve Eilertsen, will be departing to study further in the computer world. A more fulsome tribute to the above staff will be written in the Magazine farewell but I would like to thank them here for the contribution they have made to the school.

Announcements will be made shortly about replacements for the above staff when all the positions have been finalised.

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**"It has been an excellent year for the school academically, culturally and on the sportsfield."**

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It has been an excellent year for the school academically, culturally and on the sportsfield. These achievements have been detailed in the weekly newsletter - so probably many of the parents sitting here haven't heard about them as your sons don't pass the newsletter on!

I would like to highlight some of the more exceptional achievements.

Daniel Wright, a Grade 11 pupil, was the overall winner of the Old Mutual Maths Olympiad. He was awarded the Gold Medal, being the top pupil in South Africa; he represented South Africa in the International Maths Olympiad in Argentina, where he won a bronze medal; he was the runner-up in the national Computer Olympiad, a finalist in the Grade 11 Science Olympiad, and, with Robert Morgan, was the winner of the trophy in the Sasol Maths Olympiad for the top high school in Gauteng.

There were also distinguished performances in the English and Afrikaans Olympiads by our candidates. In the English Olympiad Adriano Iorio made the final 200 whilst the 23 candidates in the Afrikaans Olympiad achieved a creditable 65% average. None of this would have been possible without the efforts of a dedicated and enthusiastic team of staff. I thank them on your behalf!

I have felt since my arrival here that the balance between the academic, sporting and cultural sides of the school is not quite there. The appointment of Mr Foulds as Head of the Languages Department and Mrs Cameron as Cultural Co-Ordinator has gone a long way to correcting this imbalance. The Inter-House junior and senior play festivals were of a significantly higher standard whilst ten public-speaking teams entered the High Schools Public-Speaking Competition.

The annual school play, *The Thwarting of Baron Bolligrew*, was an evening of laughter and fun and reflected the enormous amount of hard work put into it by both the cast and the staff.

Mrs Andrew has revived the Chess Club and the Club meets regularly once a week. Inter-Schools matches were played and an Inter-House competition. Thank you to Mr G Pooley, a parent, for all the time he gives up to coach the Chess.

Mrs Carter and the boys once again produced art of an extremely high standard which was displayed at the Annual Art Exhibition, all too briefly I am afraid, as the Exhibition remained up for

only one night and day. The adjudicator was most impressed with the high standard of the work.

During the April holidays twenty-three boys went on a cultural tour of Europe, chaperoned by Mrs Cameron and Mr Eilertsen. The tour took in the cities of Vienna, Amsterdam, Paris and finished off in London. It was very well organised and apparently great fun as well as being educational!

The sport remains remarkably competitive. The cricket team reached the semi-finals of the John Waite Knockout with a fine win over Jeppe whilst ten boys were selected for the Sandton Under 15 side at the Under 15 Norwich Cricket Week. Joseph Lekalakala was chosen for the Gauteng Under 15 side. The swimming team is making excellent progress and water polo continues to grow in popularity. Shaun Falconer, Robbie Tait and Sean Lane were all chosen for provincial sides and Falconer for a SA Schools squad. The Rugby 1st XV won 12 out of 17 matches and Timothy O'Shea was selected to play for a SA Schools' Rugby League side against a touring British team.

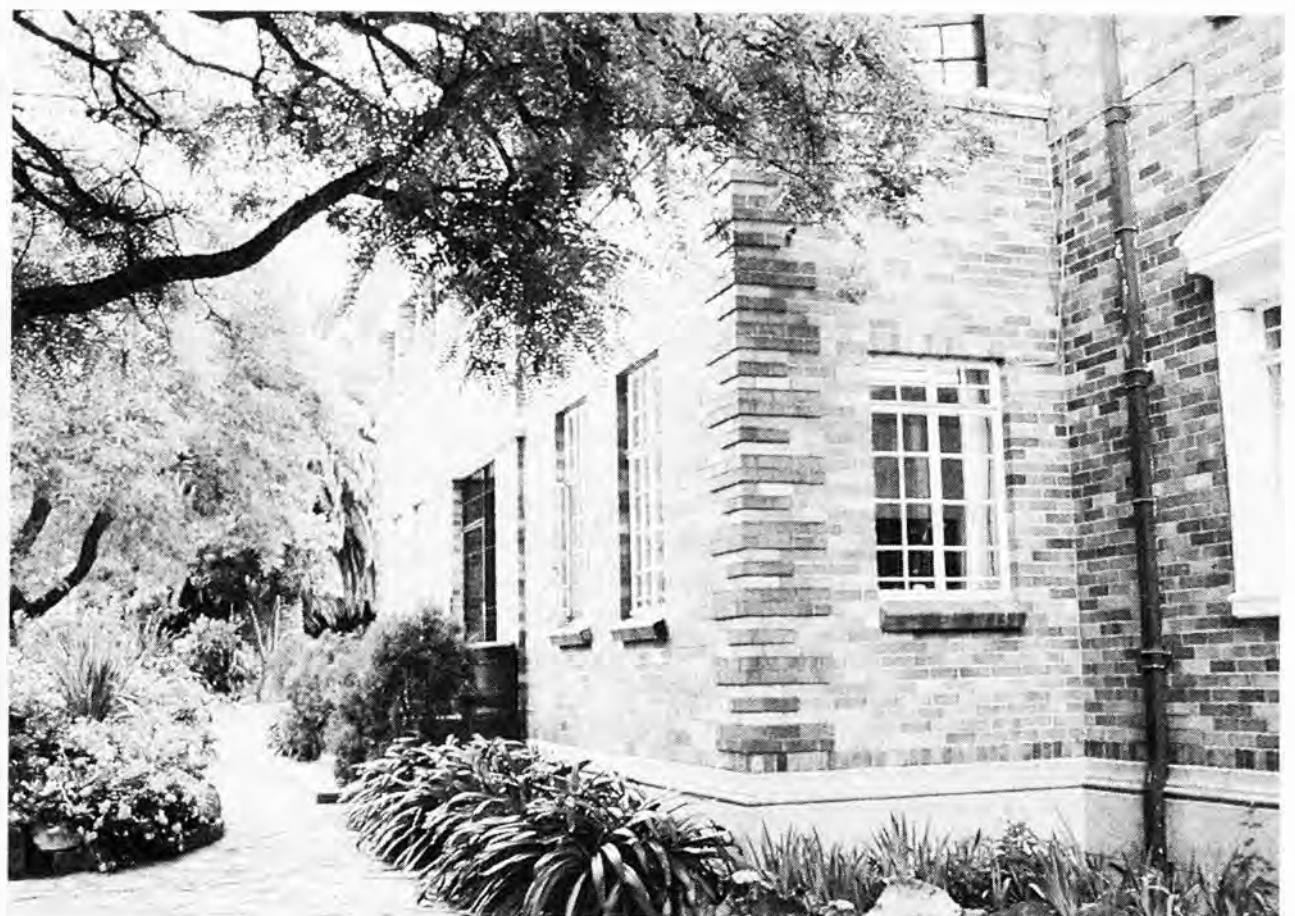
Probably the highlight of the sporting year was the victory of the Athletics team in the B Inter-High held at King Edward VII School. St David's won the meeting in the last event of the day, the Open 4x100m Relay. The hosts were disqualified and St David's won a very exciting meeting by 6 points.

I ask you to join me in congratulating all the boys who participated for their school at whatever level, those who achieved excellence, and to thank the staff who put so many hours into the extra-curricular programme.

I would like to quote from Proverbs 29, verse 18: "Where there is no vision the people perish".

It is easy for an occasion like this to turn into an orgy of self-congratulation and smug complacency. There are an enormous number of challenges facing this school over the next few years and we need to start addressing them.

St David's is full at the moment and the demand for places at the junior levels and in Std 6 remain intense. A senior teacher at a neighbouring school said recently St David's is a popular school at the moment because it maintains the status quo. I'm sure it was a compliment and probably reflects the store we place on values, discipline, uniform and things which might be construed as old-fashioned. I hope it doesn't mean that we are predictable, lack innovation and are predominantly white. It worries me that applicants are still overwhelmingly white. Strategies need to be devised to make our school more reflective of the population of South Africa. I have said this at the previous two prizegivings - we need to develop an action plan now.



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**“There are an enormous number of challenges facing this school over the next few years and we need to start addressing them.”**

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The more I read, the more convinced I am that we must move much more rapidly than we have hitherto done, in bringing information technology into our classrooms. Perhaps we should be spending less on Kookaburra cricket balls and more on technology to keep our pupils up to speed. Should there be computers in every classroom linked to the Internet? There should certainly be a computer on the Headmaster's desk!

Another issue St David's is going to have to face up to is the challenge posed by new Independent Schools opening up around us. Some of these schools are quite clear about what they offer. Some are driven purely by academic results and will, or are, offering alternatives to matric. You can choose from any number of institutions now who offer Cambridge or London A-levels, Scottish Highers or the International Baccalaureate. I am happy that the IEB Matric, which we write, is of an excellent standard but there is a growing clamour from parents for an overseas-based school-leaving or university-entrance exam. Are we not simply educating pupils to take their skills overseas? If we don't offer these exams, will we begin to lose our top academic pupils?

We must also face up to the challenge of schools who are profit-driven; schools who are owned by companies listed on the Stock Exchange - schools who can pay their teachers far higher salaries than we can.

We must also face up to the challenge that many of our pupils will not find jobs upon leaving school. What are we doing to educate our pupils for the world of work? We need to look seriously at our curriculum and to re-orientate our programmes to make them more effective and relevant.

In a world which sometimes appears to have gone mad how do we continue to instil values into our pupils? How do we remain true to the value system of our founder Blessed Marcellin Champagnat?

With the abolition of corporal punishment boys' schools have struggled to come to terms with discipline. We are obliged to develop a Code of Conduct for the school which will be subscribed to by the parents, the staff and most importantly the boys. Work has already begun on the development of such a Code and hopefully it will be implemented in the first term of 1998.

I would like to conclude this section of my speech with a quotation from Mink's book on *Creating Organisational Paradigms for Change*: "The organisation of the future will be based on the principle of adaptability rather than predictability. It will be an open organisation that considers process more important than structure, and values human interaction as being more effective than impersonal chain-of-command hierarchy.

"It will be an intelligent, adaptable, learning organisation that can respond to shifts in a changing social environment. It will require that every individual who works in the organisation can be receptive and willing to learn and to help others to learn. It will require that every individual must accept responsibility for the success of the organisation."

I would like to pay tribute to and thank a number of people who give up their time so selflessly to the school:

To the Brother Provincial, Br Jude Pieterse, for your guidance, sound advice and knowledge of the issues facing South African education. You are unflappable and a source of counsel. Thank you also for organising the trip for Marist Heads to Rome and Champagnat land. It was an unforgettable and formative experience.

To the outgoing Chairman of the Board, Mr Terence Wilkinson, I say thank you for six years of interest, enthusiasm and commitment. I know that it has not always been easy, if ever, to be Chairman of the St David's Board. Your position in industry is an exceptionally demanding one and I thank you for everything that you have done for St David's. You must be delighted to see the buildings going up around the school!

To the Vice Chairman of the Board, Mr Kevin Brewer. Your contribution to the Development Plan has been immense. You have put countless hours and effort into the future planning, consultation with the architects and supervision of the building programme. Thank you.

To Rick Wilson, Head of the Prep and friend and colleague. The Prep School continues to flourish under your leadership and that of your deputies, David Spence and Willy Castle. I greatly value our working relationship and congratulate you on the fine job you are doing.

To my wife, Suzie, who has to endure so much because of the demands of my job. I thank you for your love and support.

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**“How do we remain true to the value system of our founder Blessed Marcellin Champagnat?”**

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Finally, I would like to say thank you to the 1997 Matric Group. The leadership of Adriano Iorio, the Head Prefect, and the Deputy Head Prefect, Ronald Abvjee, has set the tone for a year of conspicuous success but more importantly you have conducted yourselves as true Marist boys. Your efforts in the Co-Workers amongst other things have proved you to be caring people. I would like to dedicate the following poem written by the English First World War poet, Siegfried Sassoon, to his own son, to the 1997 Matric leaving group:

*Go and be glad to be born into the dazzling light of day,  
Knowing that you can be worthy of the challenge with which life will confront you.  
Go and be wise,  
You were born into a world that needs new eyes.  
Go and be strong,  
You are born into a world where love rights wrong,  
Go and be brave,  
Possess your soul which you alone can save.*

Thank you all for your attention and attendance.

I wish you all a happy festive season and a prosperous New Year.

*P A Edey*  
**Headmaster**



**Mr Terence Wilkinson (outgoing Chairman of the Board of Governors), Mrs Wilma Wilkinson, Mrs Susan Edey, Mr Paul Edey (Headmaster). Mr and Mrs Wilkinson were the Guests of Honour at the 1997 Prizegiving. Mr Wilkinson delivered the address and Mrs Wilkinson presented the prizes.**

# High School Staff

## HEADMASTER

Mr PA Edey, BA (Wits), BA (Hons) (SA), HDipEd(PG) (Wits), FDipEd

## DEPUTY HEADMASTER

Mr M Williams, BA (Hons) (Wits), HDipEd(PG) (Wits)

## CHAPLAIN

Fr B Brewer, SJ

## ACADEMIC DIRECTOR

Miss LA Henning, BA (SA), BEd (Wits), TTHD, Henley Postgraduate Diploma in Educational Management

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CO-ORDINATOR

Mr NL Mitchell, BA (Wits), HDipEd(PG) (Wits), BEd (UCT)

## HOUSEMASTERS

*Senior Housemaster and Osmond House:* Mr RT Smith, BA (Wits), MEd (SA), TTHD, FDipEd

*Benedict House:* Mr GD McMillan

*College House:* Mrs E Snyman, HED (JCE)

*The Bishops House:* Mr SC Fry, BA Ed (Wits), BA (Hons) (SA)

## HEADS OF DEPARTMENT

*Commercial Subjects:* Mrs K Wettergreen, BCom (SA), HED (Edgewood)

*Guidance:* Mr RT Smith, BA (Wits), MEd (SA), TTHD, FDipEd

*Humanities:* Mr D Smith, BA (Wits), HDipEd(PG) (Wits)

*Languages:* Mr S Foulds, BA (Hons) (UCT), HDipEd(PG) (UCT)

*Mathematics and Natural Sciences:* Miss LA Henning, BA (SA), BEd (Wits), TTHD, Henley Postgraduate Diploma in Educational Management

## DIRECTOR OF COMPUTER STUDIES

Mr S Eilertsen, TTHD

## TEACHING STAFF

### Accounting

Mrs K Wettergreen, BCom (SA), HED (Edgewood)

Mr G Behr, BPhysEd (Wits)

Mr G Kenyon, HED (JCE)

Mrs L Watson, NCTC

### Additional Mathematics

Ms C Beynnon, BSc (Hons) (Wits), HDipEd(PG) (Wits)

### Afrikaans

*Head of Subject:* Mrs B Marais, BA STD (UWC)

Mrs M Andrew, HED (NKP)

Mr W Craven, HED (JCE)

Mrs M Horwitz, BA (Wits), HDipEd(PG) (Wits)

### Art

*Head of Subject:* Mrs A Carter, BA (Wits), THED

### Biology

*Head of Subject:* Mrs V Mendes, BSc (Hons) (UPE), NTSD (Natal)

Mr P Andrew, BSc (Natal), HDipEd(PG) (Natal)

Mrs D Fullerton, BSc (Hons) (Wits)

### Business Economics

Mr G Behr, BPhysEd (Wits)

Mr G Kenyon, HED (JCE)

Mrs L Watson, NCTC

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Mrs D Cameron, BA (Natal), HDipEd(PG) (Natal)

Mr NL Mitchell, BA (Wits), HDipEd(PG) (Wits), BEd (UCT)

Mr RT Smith, BA (Wits), MEd (SA), TTHD, FDipEd

Mrs T Vroom, BBibEd (RAU), BA (Hons) (RAU)

Mr M Williams, BA (Hons) (Wits), HDipEd(PG) (Wits)

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Mr G McMillan

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Ms J Leenstra, BPrimEd (Wits)

Mr M Williams, BA (Hons) (Wits), HDipEd(PG) (Wits)

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Mr G Kenyon, HED (JCE)

Ms J Leenstra, BPrimEd (Wits)

### Physical Education

Mr GD McMillan

Mr G Kenyon, HED (JCE)

### Religious Education

Mr NL Mitchell, BA (Wits), HDipEd(PG) (Wits), BEd (UCT)

Mr S Fry, BA Ed (Wits), BA (Hons) (SA)

### Science

*Head of Subject:* Mrs K Emery, BSc, HDipEd(PG) (UND)

Mrs V Mendes, BSc (Hons) (UPE), NTSD (Natal)

Mrs E Snyman, HED (JCE)

### Zulu

Mr W Craven, HED (JCE)

## LIBRARIAN

Mrs T Vroom, BBibEd (RAU), BA (Hons) (RAU)

## SECRETARIES

Mrs L van Heerden (Headmaster's Secretary)  
Mrs J Anderson (School Secretary)  
Mrs M Humm (Receptionist)

## BURSAR'S OFFICE

**Bursar:** Mr M Smit, IMTA, IAC  
Mrs G Carvalho  
Mrs A Williams

## NURSING SISTER

Sister M Ryan, SRN, SRM, QN

## SPORTS CO-ORDINATOR

Mr GD McMillan

## CULTURAL CO-ORDINATOR

Mrs D Cameron, BA (Natal), HDipEd(PG) (Natal)

## ESTATE MANAGER

Mr W van der Merwe  
Mr L Phillips (Assistant)

## CATERER

Mrs M von Guilleaume

# Farewell to Mr Gary Norton

Mr Gary Norton joined the staff of St David's in 1989 as a Biology teacher. He served as Housemaster of College House and in 1992 was appointed Deputy Headmaster. He was Acting Headmaster for the third term of 1994. His wife Allison was a Grade One teacher in the Prep School, and their sons Ryan and Shaun were pupils in the Prep. Gary was appointed Headmaster of Oakhill school in Knysna at the end of 1996. Here follows part of Mr Edey's speech at the farewell assembly for Mr Norton on 31 January.

"Mr Norton is a man who does not enjoy the limelight and I know that he certainly does not want a fuss made of him as he sits at assembly here for the last time ... Gary Norton is a man who doesn't often talk about himself and his achievements - and that is not because he has no achievements to talk about ... Gary grew up in the southern suburbs of Johannesburg. He often jokes to me about that and says, 'Ja, I wouldn't understand that because I come from the south!'"

"He is a quiet man of enormous strength and conviction. He loves his Biology lab and prepares his lessons meticulously ..."

"Mr Norton is always prepared to give up his time for you. The Friday afternoon fishing trips to Footloose and Rainbow Trout Farm, the Bonsai Society, the Grade 9 Biology field trips, the Grade 11 camps to Bushtrails. In his spare time he paints, engraves and is an expert maker of knives which are collectors' items. On Sundays he is a church warden. He is a selfless man who epitomises the Marist spirit."



*Gary and Allison Norton*

"Gary, I have greatly valued your loyalty and sound counsel over the past two years. We are all going to miss you. Your promotion to Headmaster of Oakhill is richly deserved and I'm sure that the school will flourish under your quiet, caring leadership. To you, Allison, Ryan and Shaun we say *Goodbye and thank you.*"

## Other Staff moving on ...

**Mr Dudley Trollope**, the College's Director of Music and teacher in the Afrikaans Department, left at the end of the second term. Mr Trollope, commonly referred to as "the Maestro", is a musician of enormous talent and will be taking up a position in an orchestra in Greece during 1998.

**Mr Gavin Pretorius** - Biology teacher, Housemaster of The Bishops' House, Master-in-charge of Hockey and of Water Polo - decided to pursue a career outside of teaching and left St David's at the end of the second term.

At the end of 1997, sadly we said farewell to the following staff:

To **Mrs Val Mendes** and **Mrs Mavis Horwitz** who helped us out in the third term in Biology and Afrikaans respectively, we say thank you.

To **Mr Steve Eilertsen** (Computer Studies), **Ms Caren**

**Beynnon** (Mathematics) and **Ms Julie Leenstra** (Mathematics and English) who have been with us for three years, we say thank you for your contribution and good luck in your new ventures.

To **Mr Neil Mitchell**, the RE Co-ordinator, thank you for your commitment to the Religious Education at St David's, your concern for the boys, and for so often being the social conscience of the school. We say farewell and good luck as you take up the Headship of St Martin de Porres School in Soweto.

To **Mrs Kim Wettergreen** and her husband Barry, we wish you all the best as you start a new life in the Cape. From the Admin staff, we say farewell to **Mrs Audrey Williams** after fifteen years of loyal service to the College. Enjoy your retirement. You deserve it.

# Appointment of New Deputy Headmaster

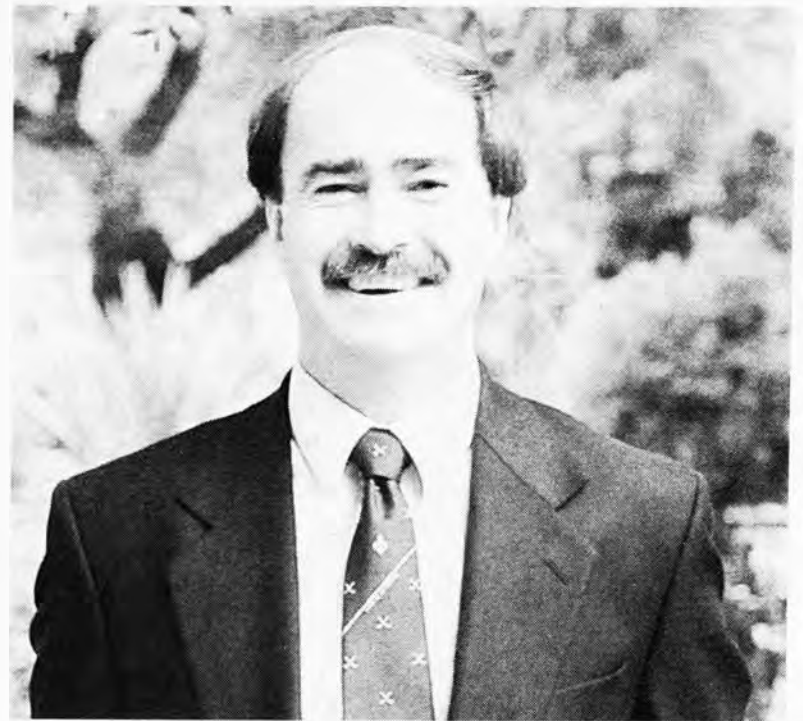
## Mr Malcolm Williams

Mr Malcolm Williams was appointed Deputy Headmaster after the departure of Mr Gary Norton. Mr Williams was educated at King Edward VII School and the University of the Witwatersrand. He holds a BA (Honours) degree in English and a Higher Education Diploma (Postgraduate).

Mr Williams was Head of Department, English, at King Edward VII from 1984 to December 1992. He was also the Senior Housemaster in the senior boys' boarding house. He received a Merit Award from the former Transvaal Education Department for his all-round excellence as a teacher. From January 1993 until coming to St David's he was Deputy Headmaster at Sandown High School.

Mr Williams is an excellent all-round schoolmaster. Extramurally, he is heavily involved in hockey and cricket. He is currently Convenor of Selectors for the SA Under 18 Boys' Hockey team and is a former National Coach of the SA Schools' Hockey side.

Mr Williams is married to Sue who is Acting Head of Department, English, at King Edward VII. They have two children, Jonathan and Sarah-Jane.



*Mr Malcolm Williams*

# The Head Prefect's Address

Given at the Annual Prizegiving, 8 November 1997



*Adriano Iorio, Head Prefect 1997*

In preparing this speech I promised myself that at absolutely no cost would I mention Mr Castle, but the tradition is too long-lasting to break. Mr Castle has undoubtedly earned his reputation as a little tyrant. I must admit, however, that I have never been scared of Mr Castle; maybe because it seems I have always been taller than him.

On behalf of the Matric Class of 1997 I would like to express our sincerest thanks to Mr Edey and all the staff members at Saint David's. It has been your commitment and your dedication that have maintained the exceptionally high quality of education that I know will stand us in good stead for the rest of our lives.

Mr Norton once defined education as "the effective and

efficient adaptation to one's environment". In this light, Saint David's has taught us how to think for ourselves and has given us the confidence to stand up for what we believe in. In addition, Saint David's has given us a moral grounding of Christian values that will ensure that we live our lives in good faith.

I would also like to thank a group of people whose contribution to our lives is immeasurable. We would not be the mature young men that we are today if it were not for their unconditional love and support. A special thank you goes to all the Matric parents.

On our last day of school I reflected on what it means to be a Marist boy and then I reflected on the Matric Class of 1997, many of whom have been together for twelve or thirteen years. I can honestly say that every single Matric shares the values of the Marist Brothers: courage, dignity and humility. In today's world I do not think it is a common occurrence to come across a group of such fine young people. I thank you guys for all your support and friendship.

If there is any one aspect of life that Saint David's has taught me to hold up high, it is the value of friendship. Besides taking a deficit of six thousand hours of work into next year I will also take many friendships that I will treasure for the rest of my life.

To the Prefect body goes my unending thanks. This year saw us take many new, different approaches which turned out well and I thank you for a job well done. I especially thank Ronald for all his support, leadership and friendship.

There are two special ladies that I would like to thank: Mrs Marais and Miss Henning. Your guidance and love have always been a guiding light in our lives.

I would like to explain what being a Marist boy means to me. To do this I would like to relate a little story.

I recently had the good fortune of bumping into a very old Marist Old Boy. He shared many accounts of his school career here at Saint David's and all were very different to what I have

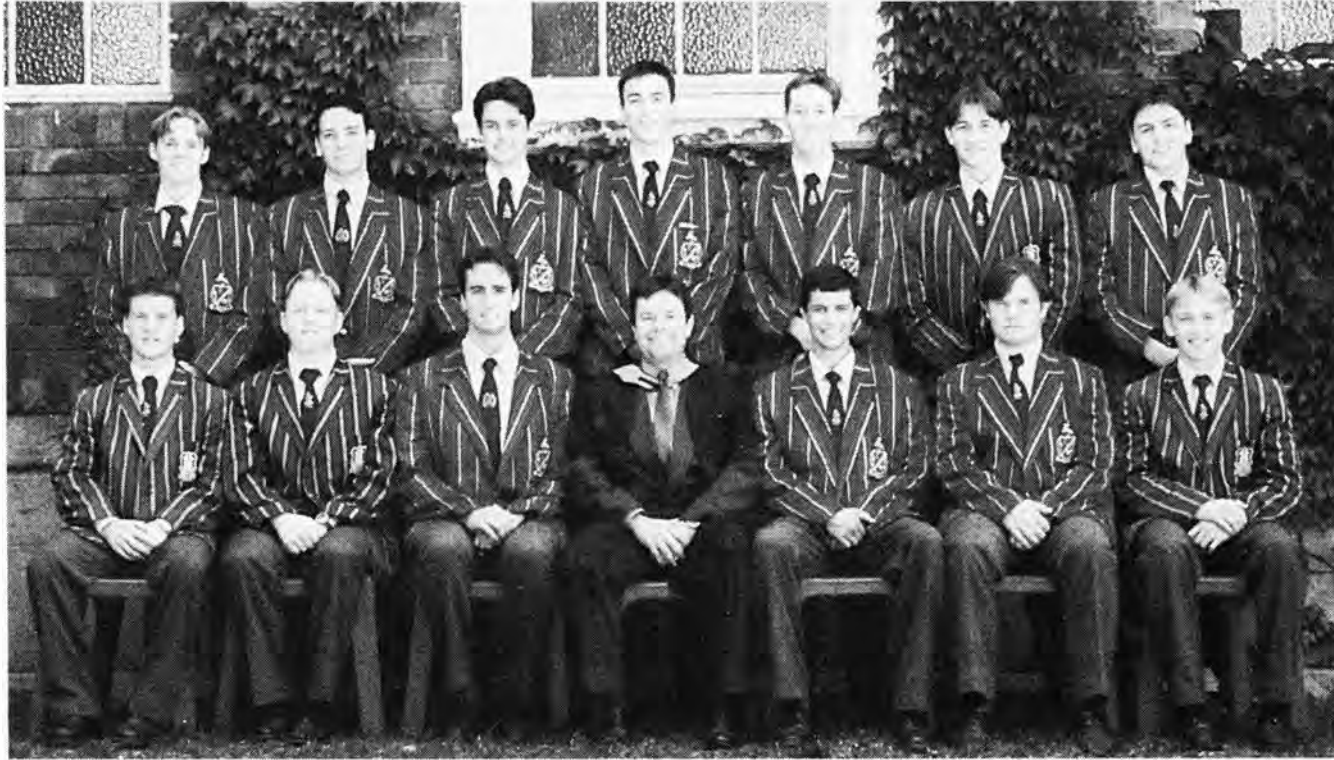


experienced - maybe because he didn't know Mr Willy Castle! All were different except one thing - the inherent values of all Marist boys. He sat me down, a total stranger to him, and explained to me what life is all about. He spoke of how having Faith will make one truly happy. I was moved by his compassion and concern, but not half as moved as when he told me that when he was at the same threshold in his life, a Marist Old Boy sat him down and gave him the same chat. I sincerely hope that one day in the future I too may have the opportunity to do the same. No matter when or where boys have been to a Marist

College they will always have that sense of belonging to the Marist Family.

As the school expands, my advice to you, the Marist boys of Saint David's, is to treasure your friendships, never lose sight of your part in the Marist family and above all wear that navy and yellow striped blazer with pride and dignity. Believe in yourselves, guys, believe in your school!

**Adriano Iorio**  
**Head Prefect 1997**



**School Prefects**

**Back row:** Alasdair Kelly, Jeffrey Ryan, Adam Treki, Timothy O'Shea, Dale Horsten, Rei Farinha, Sean Lane  
**Seated:** Brandon Duffield, John Hilton, Adriano Iorio (Head Prefect), Mr PA Edey, Ronald Abvajee (Deputy Head Prefect), Grant Hutcheon, Daryl Emes



*The School Parliament initiated an exchange between the prefects of St David's and Brescia House. Raina Kutranov, Kate Body and Nicola Harris were looked after for the day by Adriano Iorio*



**Heads of Houses**

Adam Treki (College), Ronald Abvajee (Osmond), Grant Hutcheon (The Bishops), Daryl Emes (Benedict)

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### Honours

**Back row:** Alasdair Kelly, Jeffrey Ryan, Adam Treki, Timothy O'Shea, Dale Horsten, Sean Lane, Daniel Wright

**Seated:** Robert Morgan, Adriano Iorio, Mr PA Edey, Ronald Abvajee, Grant Hutcheon

## Prize Winners

### Grade Eight

**Brother Edwin Cup for Dux of Grade Eight** Richard Armstrong

**Second Prize** Robin Daniels

**Third Prize** John Morkel

**English, Science** Brendan Murray

**Afrikaans** Terence Marais

**Biology, History, Accounting** Richard Armstrong

**Geography** Damien Tucker

**Mathematics, History** Greg Ronaldson

**Mathematics - Most Improved, Art** Robin Daniels

**Zulu** Sibusiso Khumalo

### Grade Nine

**Davis Cup for Dux of Grade Nine** Kyle Wales

**Second Prize** Garth Horsten

**Third Prize** Christopher Hepburn

**English** Garth Horsten

**Afrikaans, Geography** Christopher Hepburn

**Mathematics, Biology, History, Accounting, Zulu** Kyle Wales

**Science** Michael Schafer

**Mathematics - Most Improved** Nicholas Ridley

**Art** Philip Raw



*Daniel Wright, the Dux of Grade 11, receives a trophy from Mrs Wilma Wilkinson*



*Jeffrey Ryan received the prizes for Cultural Involvement and Excellence in Dramatics*

## Grade Ten

**O'Connor Cup for Dux of Grade Ten** James Ashforth

**Second Prize** Paul Edkins

**Third Prize** James Robson

**English, Afrikaans, History, Accounting, Computer Studies**

James Ashforth

**Mathematics, Biology** Paul Edkins

**Mathematics - Standard Grade** Joseph Lekalakala

**Science** James Robson

**Geography** David Randall, Grant Atkinson

**Art** Lawrence Johnson

**Business Economics** Tyrone Warneke

## Grade Eleven

**Brother Urban Cup for the Dux of Grade Eleven** Daniel Wright

**Second Prize** Bruce Thomas

**Third Prize** Zayd Laher

**English, Geography, Accounting, Computer Studies** Bruce Thomas

**The Seed Trophy for Afrikaans, Mathematics, Additional**

**Mathematics, The Buchanan Trophy for Achievement in the**

**Mathematics Olympiad, The Keith Schafer Trophy for Science,**

**Biology, The Eilertsen Trophy for Information Technology**

Daniel Wright

**Mathematics - Standard Grade** Bamuza Sono

**History** Walt Bruns

**Art** Nicholas Ranger

**Business Economics** Zayd Laher

## Grade Twelve

**BR Hunt Trophy for Dux of the School, Phillimore Trophy for**

**English, Trudy Elliott Award for English Literature, Buckley-**

**Jones Trophy for Afrikaans, Ryder Bowl for Mathematical**

**Achievement, Walter Cronje Trophy for Additional**

**Mathematics, Michael Science Trophy for Physical Science,**

**Matric 1991 Trophy for Biology, Dionn Saks Trophy for**

**Geography, Mayat Trophy for Computer Studies** Adriano Iorio

**Mathematical Achievement at the Standard Grade** Michael Muller

**Thomas McFadden Trophy for History** Dale Horsten

**Accounting** Firaz Ahmed

**The Germco Trophy for Art** Adam Treki

**The Tischhauser Trophy for the Art Exhibition** Jarred Dodson

**Matric 1991 Trophy for Business Economics** Lloyd Eliot

**Lynn Stuart Memorial Trophy for Academic Achievement**

Jeffrey Ryan

**Old Boys Trophy for Leadership and Promotion of the Marist Spirit** Rei Farinha

**Osmond Cup for Study, Sport and Leadership** Adam Treki



*Adam Treki received the prize for Study, Sport and Leadership*



*Rei Farinha received the trophy for Leadership and Promotion of the Marist Spirit*

## Annual Trophies

**The RJ Girdwood Shield for Cultural Involvement, Trophy for Excellence in Dramatics** Jeffrey Ryan

**Trophy for Senior Best Speaker** Adriano Iorio

**The Br Edwin Award for Cricketer of the Year** Timothy O'Shea, Dale Horsten

**The Steve Murray Trophy for Most Improved Cricketer** Mario Lacueva

**Reeves Trophy for the Senior Swimmer of the Year** Adam Treki, Alasdair Kelly

**E Harper Trophy for Senior Most Improved Swimmer** Luca Fiasconaro

**Kelly Trophy for Junior Swimmer of the Year** Shaun Falconer

**Clark Atwell Trophy for Water Polo Player of the Year** Sean Lane

**Michael Boic Trophy for Rugby Player of the Year** Timothy O'Shea

**The Brewer/Finlayson Trophy for Most Improved Rugby Player** Deane O'Haughey

**Hockey Player of the Year** Grant Brennon

**Desmond Schatz Trophy for Sportsman of the Year** Timothy O'Shea

## Service Certificates

**Grade 8** Nicholas Quail (First Aid)

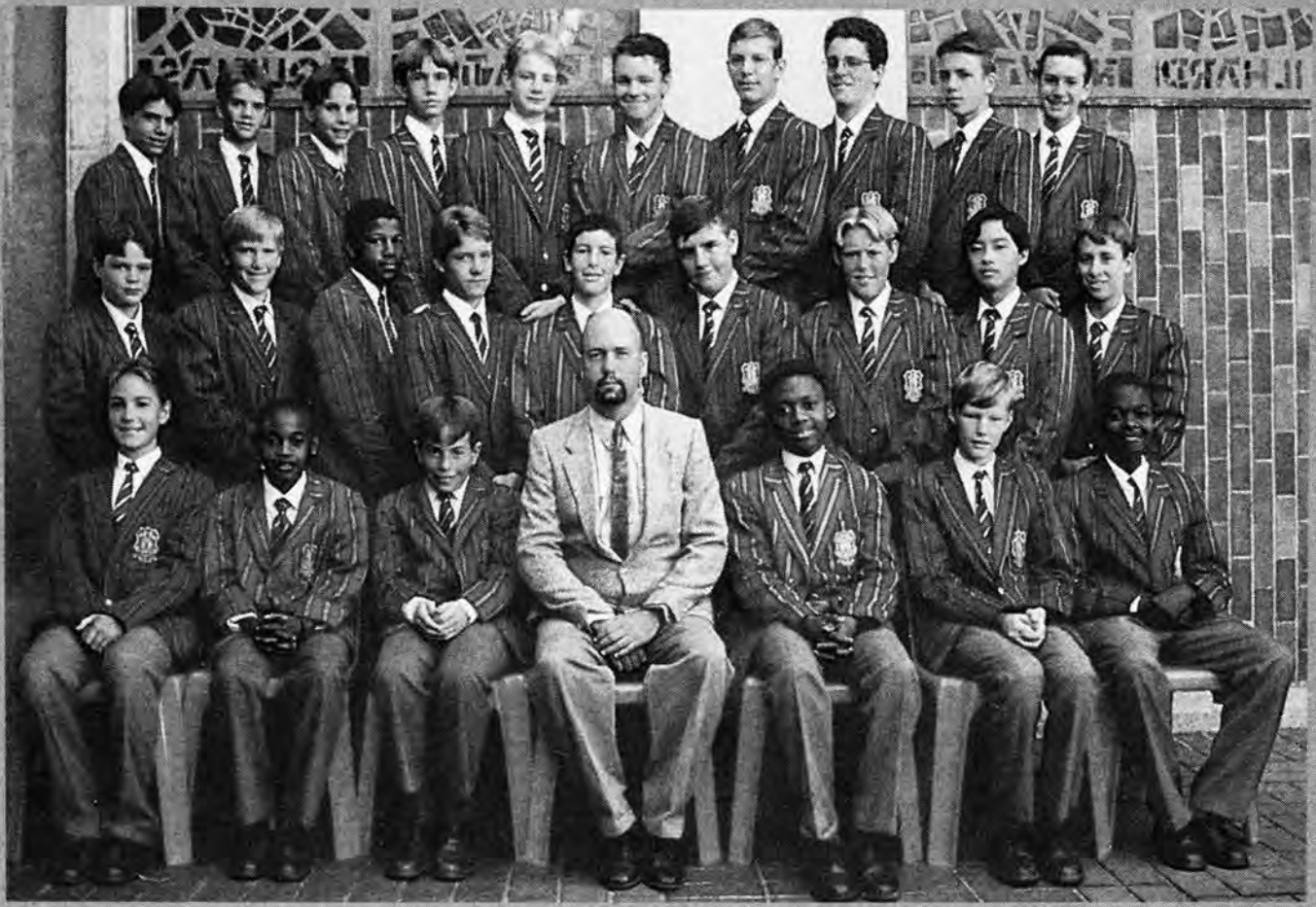
**Grade 9** Michael Paxinos (First Aid)

**Grade 10** Dean Thomas (Music)

**Grade 11** John Middlewick (First Aid), Bruce Thomas (Library)

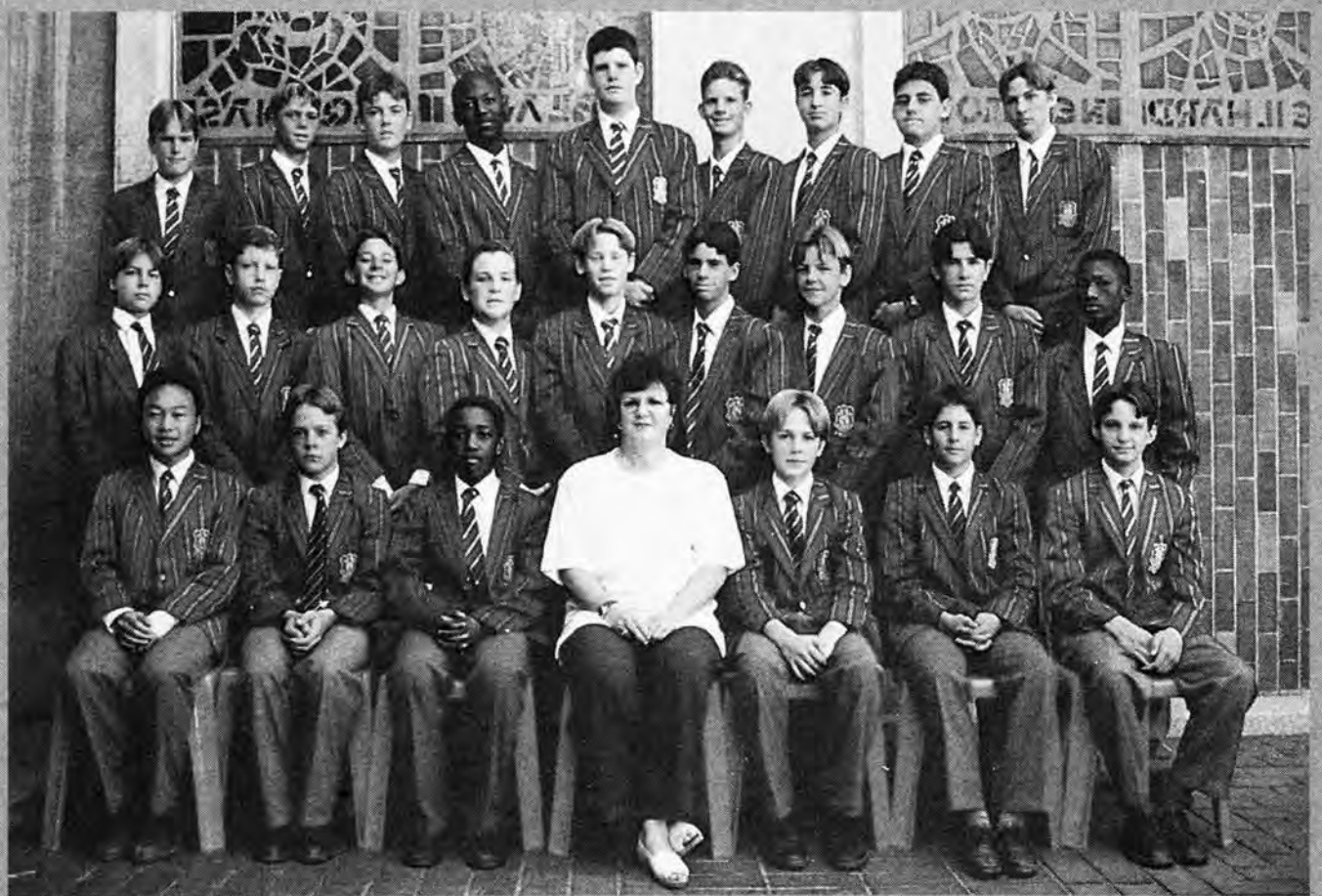
**Champagnat Medals** - awarded to pupils who exemplify the Marist spirit in the Academic, Spiritual, Sporting, Cultural, and Service categories Ronald Abvajee, Rei Farinha, Dale Horsten, Adriano Iorio, Alasdair Kelly, Jeffrey Ryan, Adam Treki

# Grade 8B



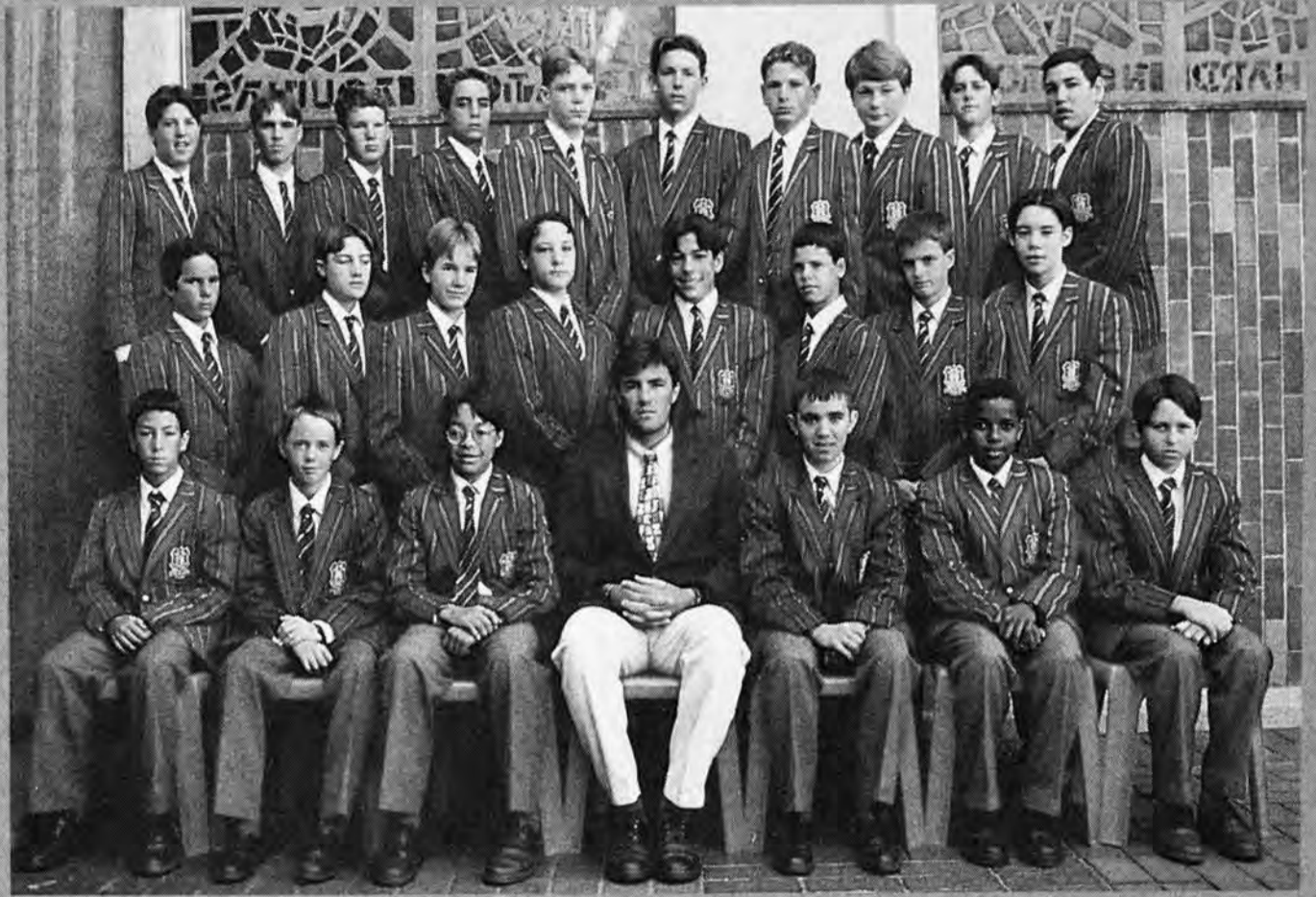
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Seated: Leon Kowalski, Gift Mposula, Mr D Smith, Sibusiso Sitole, Mark Shippen, Thabang Tlaka*

# Grade 8C



*Back row: Garron Dace, Gregory Barrow, Warren Bowen, Tshepiso Vundla, David Williams, Jonathan Joustra, Jared Mitri, Robert Stuart, Shaun Fraser  
Middle row: Grant Smith, Grant Kennedy, Bradley le Roux, Brendan Murray, Michael Rands, Brian Scott, Nicholas Black, Damien Tucker, Xola Nouse  
Seated: Justin Sing, Andrew Brady, Vusi Manganye, Mrs V Mendes, Richard Willis, Mark Schoombie, Alexander Taljaard*

# Grade 80



*Back row: Adrian de Canha, John Venter Cragg, Robin Goldby, Ashton Hayes, James Linington, Michael Bembridge, Michael Reid, Eric Stewart, Johan Krynauw, Justin Nel*  
*Middle row: Mark Tonetti, William Esposito, Matthew Finch, Graeme Swanepoel, Christopher Lomas, Steven Aronson, Richard Armstrong, Graeme Ross-Munro*  
*Seated: Jose de Castro-Maia, Gordon Lindsay, Terence Marais, Mr W Craven, Joseph Butler, Kuhle Nkosi, Levi Oliver*

# Grade 8T



*Back row: Shane Mitchell, Aidan Rundell, Howard Penny, Andreas Koninis, Greg Hunter, Giulio Frigentii, Wesley Gordon, Michael Miller, Damon Wark*  
*Middle row: Christopher Maphuruma, Greg Ronaldson, Zaakir Thokan, Brennan Lewis, Brian Rowlings, Riccardo Pizzi, Stephen Walsh, Jess Harris, Simon Lishman*  
*Seated: Liam Carter, Michael Gibson, Sibusiso Khumalo, Mr N Mitchell, Gilbert Pooley, Mohammed Sola, Sean Smith*

# Grade 9B



*Back row: Guy Robertson, Siegmar Duve, Bradley Jackson, Andrew Tennant, Christopher Hepburn, Richard Wood, Matthew Ramsden, Thomas Garden, Bevan Glanville*

*Middle row: John Haralambous, Christopher Goodwin, Nicholas Nosworthy, Grant Collister, Ross Weedon, Philip Raw, Rory Atkinson, Kevin Sterrenberg, Rhys Davies*

*Seated: Alexander Roberts, Neil Dabbs, Tshepo Monyemore, Mrs T Vroom, Gareth Katz, Adam Sleigh, Matthew O'Donoghue*

# Grade 9C



*Back row: Fabio Valente, Gian-Paolo Pera, Michael Eilertsen, Garth Horsten, Kevin Hutton, Andrew Scott, Warren Emmett*

*Middle row: Christopher Proudfoot, Tebogo Dlukulu, Richard Brady, Nabeel Laher, David Duarte, Clive Mangope, Brendan Mauger*

*Seated: Irvine Lehloo, Siyathokoza Zulu, Richard Mazaham, Ms J Leenstra, Gabriele Maraschin, Neil Powell, Christopher Wood*

# Grade 90



*Back row: Warren Ho, Andrew Cox, Andrew Munro, Gijs Foden, Dean Bauer, Lawrence Atherton, Marc Lomas*

*Middle row: Andrew Wilson, Michael Paxinos, Michael Graham, Amos Sedile, Roger Abvajee, Andrew Parker, Wilf Exton*

*Seated: Gian-Carlo Scognamiglio, Andrew Goodman, Justin Lemm, Mrs K Wettergreen, Jarrid Treges, Tommy Wu, Edward Giuricich*

# Grade 9T



*Back row: Graeme Armstrong, Duncan Scott, Derrick Garofoli, Woo Jang, Evan Dall, Nicholas Ridley, Alexander de Ujfalussy, David Clements*

*Middle row: Warwick Thrupp, Grant Perry, Tristan Wood, Kyle Wales, Geoffrey Naude, Stuart Barke, Duncan Brown, Craig Ckara*

*Seated: Bevan Winderley, Baris Chung, Alan Mills, Mr P Andrew, Clyde Thomas, James Manson, Michael Schafer*

# Grade 10B



*Back row: Musi Skosana, Kevin Haswell, Gregory Browne, Fraser Bush, Kegan Speirs, Grahame Finnemore, Simon Browne*  
*Middle row: Carl Bredenoord, David Radebe, Dean Boyd, Ashley Kanter, Michael Lenz, Iain Busschau, Brendan O'Shea, Jonathan Tonetti, Tristan Masterton*  
*Seated: Grant Atkinson, Tyrone Wameke, Peteni Kuzwayo, Mrs A Carter, Shamit Makan, Joseph Lekalakala, Johnathan Orr*

# Grade 10M



*Back row: Greg Borman, Allan Macfarlane, Mikaël Moine, Andrew Williams, David Randall, Marco Lopes, Michel Marchand*  
*Middle row: Douglas Cochrane, Maxwell Gordon, Dean Thomas, Derek Clover, Michael Gunning, Michel Tyack, Michael Marsay, Marco Cannata*  
*Seated: Andrew Witten, Marco Paschkewitz, Marc Stapelberg, Mrs D Cameron, John Farrell, Grant Brennon, Hoi Cheng*



# Grade 10C



*Back row: Dale Bradbury, Gregory Thomas, Evan Jones, Bryan Hubbard, Lawrence Johnson, David Jackson, Paul Edkins*  
*Middle row: Philip Mostert, Paul Smith, Nicholas Risi, Christopher Shaw, Alfie Chemaly, P.J Steyn, James Robson, Alistair Holmes, Ryan Brunette*  
*Seated: Naasir Thokan, Bryn Leadbeater, Michael Mokwena, Mrs M Andrew, Timothy Dube, Marothi Nawa, Charles Tomsett*

# Grade 11B



*Back row: Seyton Hayes, Daniel Wright, Jonathan Morte, Bruce Thomas, Rui Jorge,*  
*Middle row: Nicolaas Alberts, Michael Murray, Nicholas Ranger, Robert Tait, Martin Harrod, Wayne Collett, Serafim Pinto*  
*Seated: Thomas Chen, Gregory Ross-Munro, Christopher Pottinger, Ms C Beynnon, Zakhele Zulu, Deon Archary, Ryan Hugo*

# Grade 11M



*Back row: Stephen Naude, Walt Bruns, Fako Lenkoe, Bradley Poultney, Murray White  
Middle row: Mongezi Mkhize, John Middlewick, Vaughan van der Merwe, Alastair Moore  
Seated: Barnuza Sono, Jonathan Libera, Allan Horsfield, Mr G Behr, Zayd Laher, Stuart Wilson,  
Robert Rundlell*

# Grade 11C

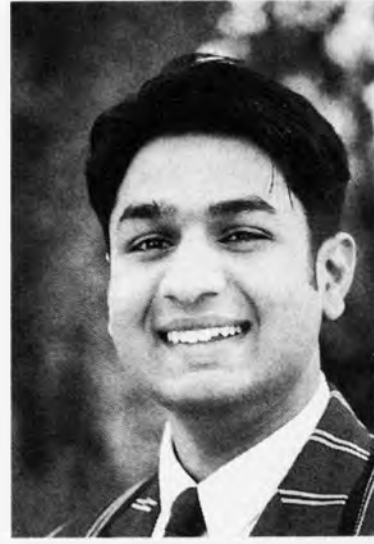


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Middle row: John Ross McKay, Gary Geldenhuys, Clinton Verhoog, Adam Stocks, Vaughn Deyzel,  
Luca Guareschi  
Seated: Levy Matlala, Johnny Farrell, Patrick Dladla, Mr S Foulds, Wayne Greenwood,  
Luke Chandler, Nicholas Royce*

# Twelve Grade Graduate



*Ronald Abvajee*



*Firaz Ahmed*



*Guy Bowler*



*Grant Brown*



*Craig Chandler*



*Keith Clover*



*Brendan Copestake*



*Nicholas Dempster*



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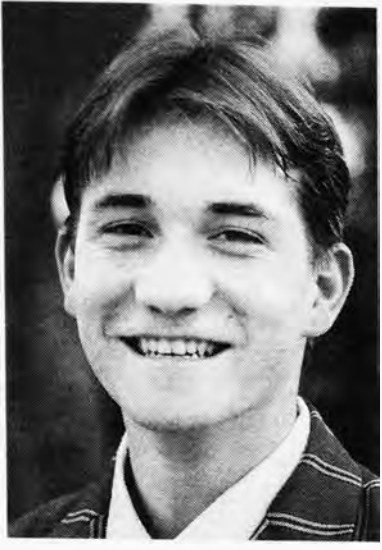
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*Brett Grindlay*



*Richard Harris*



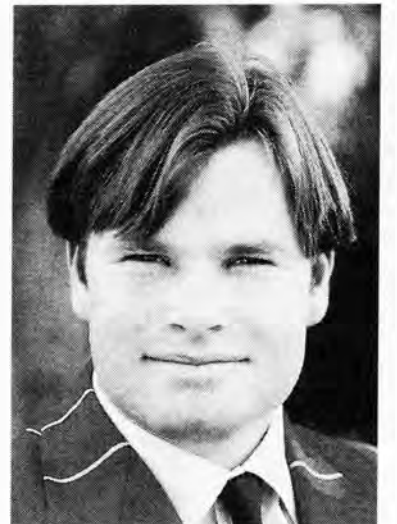
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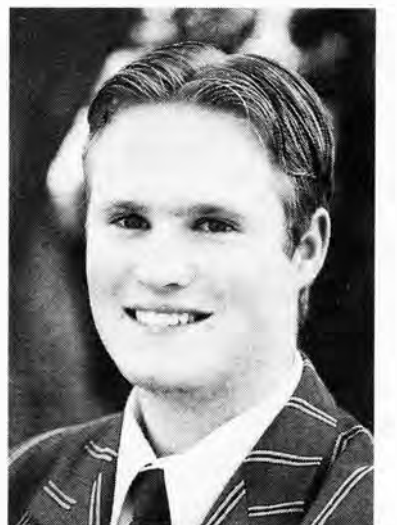
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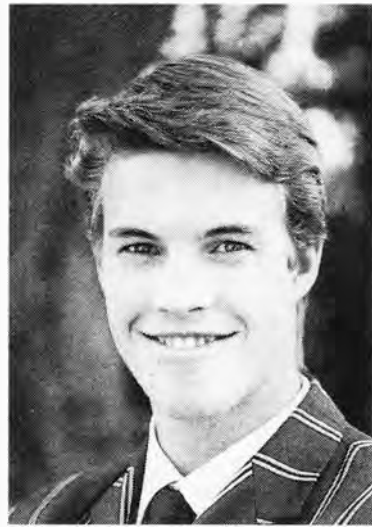
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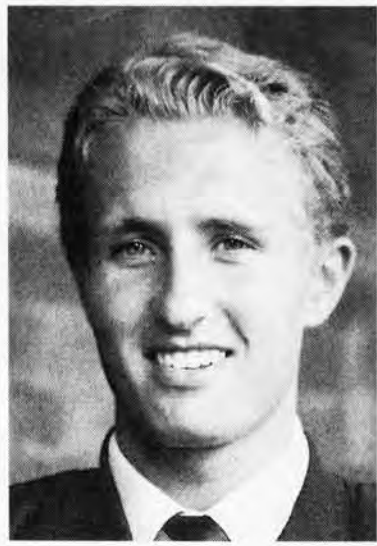
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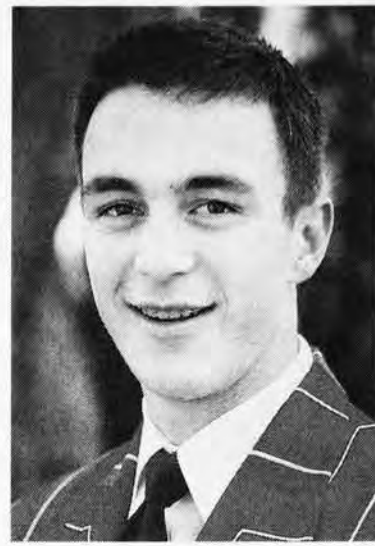
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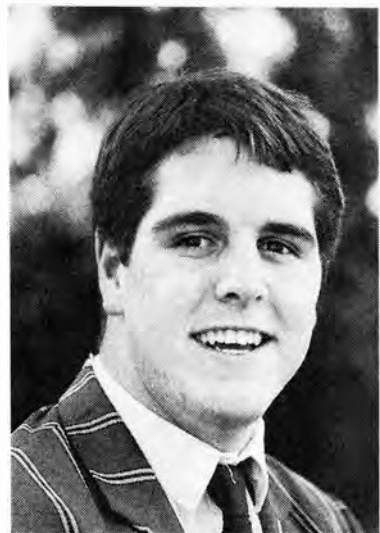
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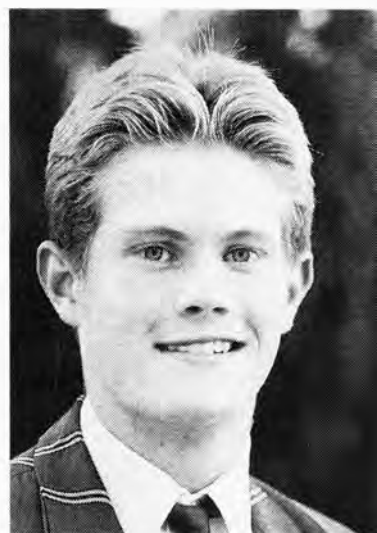
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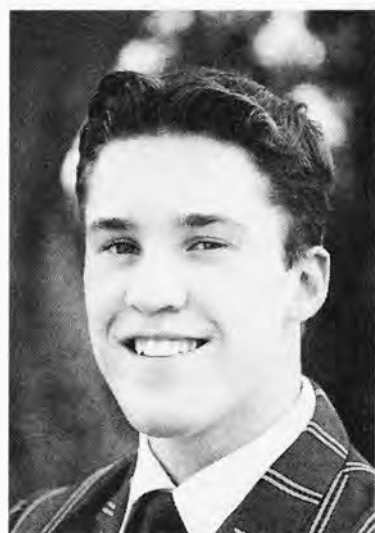
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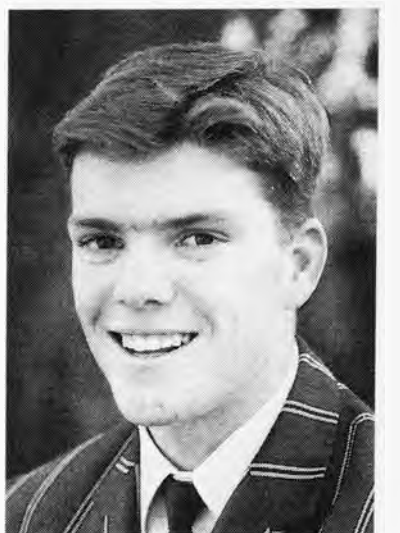
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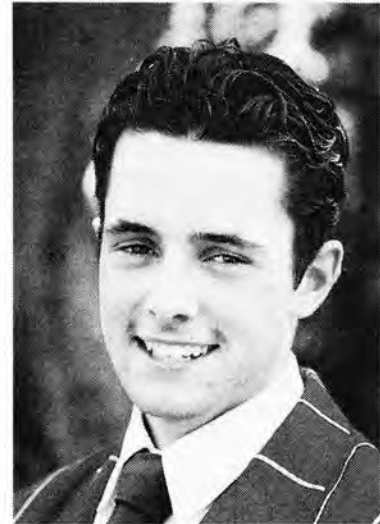
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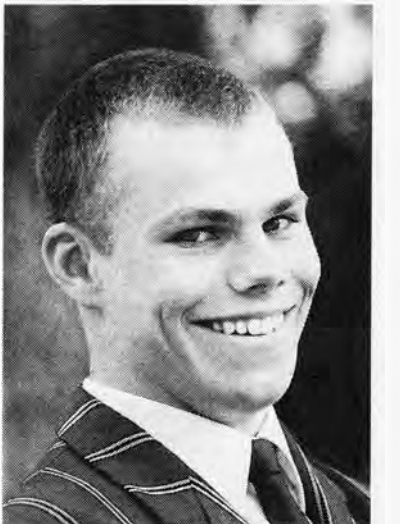
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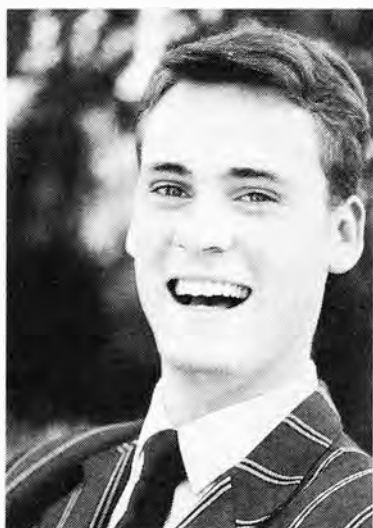
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*Massimo Vassarotti*



*Robin Yarham*



*Shaun Zuccolotto*



**Grade 0 to Grade 12**

**Back row:** *Brendan Copestake, Timothy O'Shea, Alfred Foden, Robert Morgan*

**Seated:** *Jeffrey Ryan, Adriano Iorio, Rei Farinha, Alasdair Kelly*

**Absent:** *Craig Stockden*

## The Matric Dance

Our fund raising started late in 1996 as the dance was to be held early in the new year, a change from previous years. The school also introduced a new policy of a reasonably low budget so as to keep within the Marist ethos.

Various activities were arranged to reach our target, including socials, cake sales and various raffles which were incredibly effective, helping us reach our goal in no time. The end-product was a result of careful bargaining and expenditure of funds. Extra funds raised on a raffle of two tickets to Hong Kong were donated to Hospice to help them continue their good work.

Hours went into the actual preparation of the venue. The hall in the Crowne Plaza Hotel was lavishly decorated with the expertise of various people. The Garden of Eden theme truly came to life. The matrics and their partners were dressed for the occasion, and behaviour was impeccable.

The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all and was a huge success.

Many thanks are extended to the people who supported the raffles, those who donated various accessories and especially the organising committee who made the evening possible.

*Stefano Contardo*

*Chairman of the 1997 Matric Dance Committee*



*The Horsten family won a trip to the Far East in a Matric Dance fundraiser. Here they are enjoying their holiday*

# Independent Examinations Board Senior Certificate Examination Results

Subjects in brackets indicate distinctions

## Passed with matriculation exemption

Ronald Abvajee (Afrikaans HG)  
Firaz Ahmed (Accounting HG)  
Guy Bowler  
Grant Brown  
Craig Chandler  
Keith Clover (Science HG, Geography HG)  
Brendan Copestake  
Nicholas Dempster  
Lloyd Eliot (Business Economics HG)  
Daryl Emes  
Rei Farinha  
Alfred Foden  
Brett Grindlay  
Richard Harris  
John Hilton  
Damon Hopkins  
Dale Horsten  
Grant Hutcheon  
Adriano Iorio (Afrikaans HG, Mathematics HG, Science HG,  
Biology HG, Geography HG, Additional Mathematics HG)  
Alasdair Kelly  
Alistair Lacy  
Christopher Lacy  
Sean Lane (Accounting HG)

Shaun Levick (Science HG)  
Chad Mellis  
Robert Morgan (Mathematics HG, Science HG, Geography HG,  
Accounting HG)  
Michael Muller (Mathematics SG)  
Timothy O'Shea  
Jeffrey Ryan (Mathematics HG, Science HG, Biology HG,  
Accounting HG, Additional Mathematics HG)  
Paul Schoombie  
Craig Stockden (Science HG)  
Brian Teixeira (Science HG)  
Ian Terbrugge  
Adam Treki  
Kyle Tucker  
James Turton (Computer Studies HG)  
Massimo Vassarotti

## Passed with conditional matriculation exemption

Dimitri Tsaperas  
Shaun Zuccolotto

## Passed without matriculation exemption

Jarred Dodson  
Brandon Duffield  
Robin Yarham

**There were no failures**



**Rotary Exchange Students**

*Paul Schoombie, Brandon Duffield, Adriano Iorio, Robert Morgan*

# Olympiads

## Afrikaans

The Afrikaans Department is extremely pleased with the results of the Afrikaans Olympiad written on 14 May. Our 23 candidates scored a 64.9% average with 83% of them scoring more than 60%.

The following deserve special mention:

|                           |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Adriano Iorio (Grade 12)  | 81% |
| Brian Teixeira (Grade 12) | 81% |
| Dale Horsten (Grade 12)   | 75% |
| Kyle Wales (Grade 9)      | 72% |
| Philip Raw (Grade 9)      | 71% |

*B Marais*

## English

Over 4 000 students wrote the Anglo-De Beers English Olympiad this year. Amongst these were 18 of our boys. Adriano Iorio achieved Highest Honours which places him in the top 200 candidates.

Bruce Thomas, Luke Chandler and Paul Edkins achieved Honours. Congratulations to these boys and well done to all the boys who participated.

*D Cameron*

## Computer Olympiad

Five boys took part in the Old Mutual/CSSA Computer Olympiad this year. James Turton achieved 88%, and Daniel Wright 95% in the first round. Daniel was one of fourteen pupils out of the thousands who took part throughout South Africa who reached the final round which was held in Cape Town in September. Daniel achieved second place nationally - congratulations!

*S Eilertsen*



### Computer Olympiad

**Back row:** Robert Morgan, Bruce Thomas, Daniel Wright

**Seated:** Brian Teixeira, Adriano Iorio, James Turton

## Mathematics

What a year 1997 has been for St David's in Maths Olympiads!

First there was the Sasol Mini-Maths Olympiad. All the A-set pupils in Grades 8 to 12 participated in the first round - the top two juniors, Garth Horsten and James Jang, and the top two seniors, Daniel Wright and Robert Morgan, then represented St David's in the second round held at JCE. Daniel won the senior section and as Robert also came in the top ten, St David's won the Senior Schools' Competition.

Then there was the national Old Mutual Maths Olympiad. Twenty-one juniors and twenty-seven seniors were invited to participate in the first round. We were delighted when nineteen juniors and fifteen seniors qualified for the second round. Richard Armstrong, Greg Ronaldson, Rhys Davies, James Jang, Gian-Paolo Pera and Philip Raw finished in the top 20% of all the junior candidates, while Zayd Laher and Adriano Iorio came in the top 20% of the senior group. Daniel Wright and Robert Morgan once again achieved top honours by qualifying for the third and final round. Unlike the previous rounds of multiple-choice questions, this final round was a four-hour examination. Daniel once again triumphed by not only finishing in the top ten

pupils in the country, but by coming first - a wonderful achievement!

On the basis of their second-round results, Daniel and Robert were chosen to represent Southern Gauteng at the Inter-provincial Maths Challenge. They participated on both an individual and team basis, and helped their ten-person squad to achieve second place behind the Western Cape.

The crowning glory came when Daniel Wright was selected to represent South Africa at the International Maths Olympiad held in Argentina in July. There were 461 participants. Daniel was awarded a bronze medal and finished second in the South African team. Daniel, we salute you for all your achievements!

Congratulations must go to Robert Morgan and all the other "winners" in the various Olympiads. Thank you, too, to all those who tried but who were not successful - keep trying! To all the Maths staff, thank you for your support, interest and enthusiasm.

*LA Henning*

*Head of Mathematics*



## Science

Adriano Iorio and Robert Morgan (Grade 12) qualified for the Second Round of the National Science Olympiad, while Bruce Thomas and Daniel Wright (Grade 11) qualified for the final round of the Science Olympiad.

## Mintek Science Quiz

Adriano Iorio, Robert Morgan and Craig Stockden competed in the Annual Mintek Science Quiz. Out of the 38 schools who competed, St David's was placed 5th along with three other schools.

## Young Scientists Expo



*Stephen Naude and Bruce Thomas*



*Daniel Wright, Robert Tait and Wayne Collett*

Several Grade 11 pupils entered their projects in the 1997 Young Scientists Expo held during the August holidays. The boys had to exhibit their projects and be interviewed by one or more judges. Results were:

Robbie Tait, "Energy Sports Drinks": Gold

Michael Murray, "Blood typing": Silver

Daniel Wright, "Taxonomy and Mitochondria DNA": Silver

Wayne Collett and Gareth Simaan, "Dermastidae": Silver

Bruce Thomas and Stephen Naude, "The Reclamation of Mine Dumps": Bronze

Adriano Iorio (Grade 12), "The Correlation between Caffeine Intake and Academic Performance": Silver

Robbie Tait qualified for the National Expo held in Pretoria on 6 and 7 October. He was awarded a bronze medal.

## Royal Society Of South Africa Science Essay Competition

**"Is Science fascinating, useful or important?"**

*This was the question posed to pupils who entered the 1997 Science Essay competition. Out of the 77 entrants nation-wide, Robbie Tait was awarded joint second prize for his essay, entitled "Solar Power - Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow".*

*James West was awarded a Merit Certificate for his essay on "Solar Energy".*

### **Solar Power - Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow**

Solar Power - what an incredible, endless supply of inexpensive energy to power all we need, if only we could find a way to capture and retain this true "power for the people". In a quarter of an hour, enough of the sun's energy is received by the earth to power humankind's activities for a whole year. Inventors such as Auguste Mouchout, a Mathematics Instructor, unlocked the secrets of turning the sun's rays into a mechanical power, more than a century ago, but, like others of his time, saw his dream crumble due to a lack of public support. It is so important that modern engineers and we, the future generation, do not allow ourselves to relive that fate.

The Greeks and Romans were the first to make extensive use of solar heating, through architectural design. The late 18th Century saw scientists experiment with solar furnaces in search of powerful sources of heat for cooking and melting. It was in the latter part of the 19th Century that solar power was first turned into mechanical energy. By the turn of the century, solar power

was being used for a number of different applications. A water pump operated by the steam from a boiler heated by a solar reflector was invented in 1901 by Aubrey Eneas. Frank Shuman was first to come close to making a commercial success of a solar-powered engine. One of the most practical applications of solar energy involves the production of fresh water. A solar still was built for use in the desert, and was also used in the south Pacific for the general benefit of the people. Unfortunately, cheap fossil fuel has caused a constant decline in demand for further research and development of improved solar devices.

The solar power applications of the 20th Century can be divided into three categories: those used to heat water; those used to heat and cool homes and offices, and those used to generate electricity. Water heating is presently the number one use. New applications are constantly being developed, some of which will be of particular interest to people living in remote areas, as well as the third world. Scientists are predicting severe shortages of fresh water by the 21st Century. This is of particular interest within our

## Biology Project Presentations

From all of the above, it can be deduced that solar power should be developed to its full potential in as many countries as possible. This could be made feasible by a joint effort from those scientists with the foresight to enhance present technology, and public support, which has the ability to either make or break the progress of future use of solar energy as an alternative power source to conventional electricity. Solar power is, without doubt, much healthier to the environment when compared to fossil fuels, as it releases no carbon dioxide into the atmosphere. It can end the dirty, polluted air pumped into the air by the traditional methods of power in industrial sites, motor cars and homes. Solar power does not result in the destruction of any natural vegetation, and it also involves much less maintenance, and, with sufficient support, will involve a lot less cost. Solar power has the potential to relieve poverty, pollution, environmental damage and global heating, as well as improving the quality of life of all involved.

A typical photovoltaic unit, or module, consists of 20 to 40 of these two-layered cells. As photons of light energy strike the layer containing the excess of loosely-bound electrons that face the sun, millions of electrons are knocked out of their atomic orbitals and are attracted to the positive charge of the other layer, which has an excess of positive charges, causing electric current to flow. As the current continues to flow, voltage begins to build. Modules of photovoltaic cells are connected to form the panels which are connected to the roofs of houses.

The utilisation of solar energy for water and space heating is now well established, but the conversion of solar energy into electricity is not as well developed. The method of solar energy being converted into electricity is as a result of photovoltaic cells, or layered materials whose electrons are activated by light. The photovoltaic process involves light energy from the sun in the form of photons - small packets, or particles, of energy (discovered by the German physicist Max Planck). It has been proven that, when these photons of light hit certain substances, they could knock electrons out of those substances. The photovoltaic cell takes advantage of this process by exposing masses of electrons to solar photons. It consists of layers of materials, called semi-conductors, which transmit electric current, but not as efficiently as metal conductors. One layer of the cell has an excess of loosely-bound electrons, whilst the other layer contains an excess of positive charges, towards which excess electrons might be attracted.

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Solar panels are easy to obtain, and fit onto the roofs of most houses. They heat and cool water and provide thermal heating and power in the form of electricity. Solar panels produce electricity all year round. They work best when the sun is at its brightest, but also produce electricity on cloudy days, in winter, in the snow and even when it is raining. There are very many different solar systems on the market, but most are a lot more expensive than conventional electricity because of South Africa's relatively new interest in alternative energy sources, and thus most of the systems are imported, resulting in high costs, but solar panels have an average life span of up to thirty years, and involve very little maintenance, if any. In most instances, solar systems, in the long run, pay for themselves over and over again. It is the initial capital that is the major problem, resulting in the popularity of these devices not being at its full potential, both domestically and industrially.

needed by many of her people. The Government could start infiltrating the principles and ideas of practical inventions, like the solar cooker, into the rural community through the school system.

The following boys presented Biology projects on the evening of 11 September: Robbie Tait, Luca Fiasconaro, Wayne Collett, James West, Michael Murray, Paul Edkins, Marc Stapelberg and Laurence Johnson. The projects were of an exceptionally high standard and demonstrated mature biological enquiry, management of data,

projects in order to achieve the same positive effects, so urgently improving the quality of life. South Africa should invest in such Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and Cameroon in Africa, to assist in Honduras, Nicaragua and Costa Rica in America, as well as in as over fires. Such cookers are already in use in Guatemala, cloudy days. Cooking times are about twice as long in solar boxes cooker is that it cannot be used at night, in the rain or on very killing germs in contaminated water. The only drawback of the ability to boil, bake, simmer, braise and saute foods, as well as to face the sun. It has many uses to rural man, by having the sunlight, avoiding the irritation of having to be constantly moved temperatures of up to 180°C, and can even work in partial doubles as an extra solar-collecting panel. The cooker can reach plate inside the box. A flip-top lid, covered in aluminium foil, wooden box with a glass window. Pots rest on a conducting metal way wood and fossil fuels do. The new-age cooker is an insulated atmosphere. It also does not contribute to global warming, the hours, and does not increase the carbon dioxide level in the who rely on firewood to cook their meals. It can be built in a few a promising alternative for the millions of people in the world is the cheap and easy-to-maintain box-type solar oven. This is also solar power, which should start to be introduced into our country.

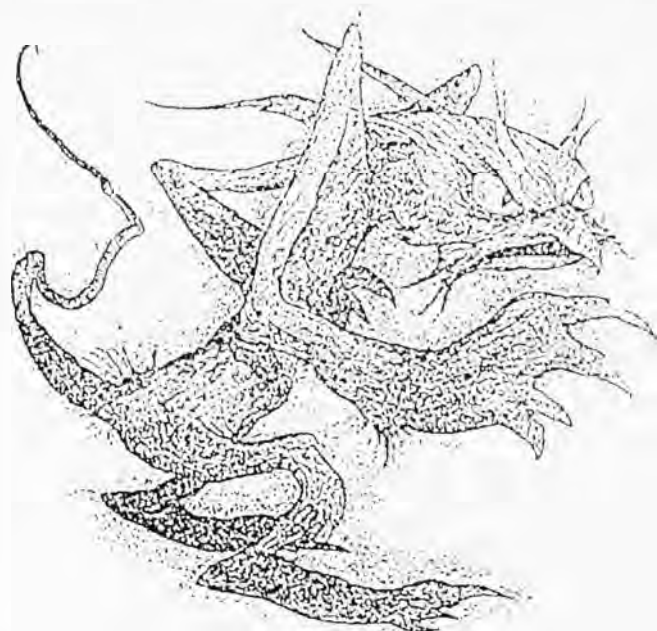
Another simple, practical and very effective application of have been subjected to crime due to lack of lighting safeguards. safety and security, allowing peace of mind to shack dwellers who exposure to the sun. Another major benefit is the enhancement of rechargeable battery, which is fitted to rooftops for maximum system consists of a solar panel with a maintenance-free to supply this facility is relatively simple and cost-effective. The The implementation and maintenance of the equipment required well as to pump water for simple irrigation schemes in rural areas, generate power for water pumps and to purify drinking water as of the present standard of education. It can also be used to accessible for adult evening literacy classes, vital to the upliftment spaza shops, solar lighting will make rural schools more of solar energy. Besides generating electricity for households and squatter camps in the near future as a result of the practical use It is likely that we may well see the lighting of the streets in

ramifications in halting the destruction of our natural resources. seven million squatters. This has further environmental candles and other methods of power supply used by an estimated electricity has and could further replace costly diesel, paraffin, effect within the Bekkersdal area on the West Rand, where solar alternative power source. The start of such a project has taken now attempt to provide the less-privileged shack dweller with an present high level of knowledge and understanding, and must experienced the benefits of electricity at all. We have reached our will have the greatest impact on those who have never experience the rewards of such practical applications. Sun power People who live in squatter communities may be the first to basic needs of the rural community.

provide easy, inexpensive and practical methods of catering to the a concentrated effort on the part of Science and Government to as important as his legal constitutional rights. Now is the time for the common man's needs in terms of heating, water and light are own country and its people in our quest for solar solutions. Surely it is important that we look to the needs and requirements of our ponds, ocean thermal energy and solar cookers are of interest, it Whilst present applications in the form of solar chimneys, and will require purification of both sea and inland waters. answer to the water shortage in many remote parts of the world, own country, South Africa. Solar distillation may be the only

computer skills, syntheses and conclusions. The presentation skills of the participants were good. The audience was treated to novel information on Mitochondrial DNA and Taxonomy, Sports Drinks, Immunohaemotology, Ecological relationships between Termites and Trees, Ant Navigation, Sedentary and Active Fitness, Cycling and Age, and Man's Effect on the Environment.

# The Library



The introduction of the "Library Gremlin" to remind pupils to return their overdue books caused much mirth and speculation: who is this creature, and what does it do?

The Gremlin lurks among the shelves and is only spotted by the more observant library users. It is very shy, and looks more ferocious than it is. With the help of the Gremlin and the Student Library Committee, we have accessioned over 800 new books this year! Thanks to a generous donation by the PTA, we were able to purchase much-needed stock to liven up the collection. The computerization of the library is progressing steadily and we hope to implement the new loan system soon.

The library is a hive of activity, especially in the afternoons, when boys do homework or research, study for tests and exams, play chess, watch videos or simply browse around. Thank you to everyone who participated in making the Media Centre the "centre of the School".

*The Librarians*

# Literary Quiz

Participants: Rhys Davies, Garth Horsten, Philip Raw, Irvine Lehloo, Matthew Ramsden, Michael Eilertsen, Brendan Mauger  
For four months, seven Grade 9 boys prepared for the annual Literary Quiz against St Teresa's. The boys had to read as many of the ten set books as possible. The books included works by JRR Tolkien, Douglas Adams and Richard Bach.

The quiz was held on Tuesday 21 October at St Teresa's. The two teams met and went to Al's Diner for a "build-your-own-burger" dinner. At first everyone was a bit uneasy, but soon we were all laughing and joking together. After an enjoyable dinner, we returned to St Teresa's for the quiz.

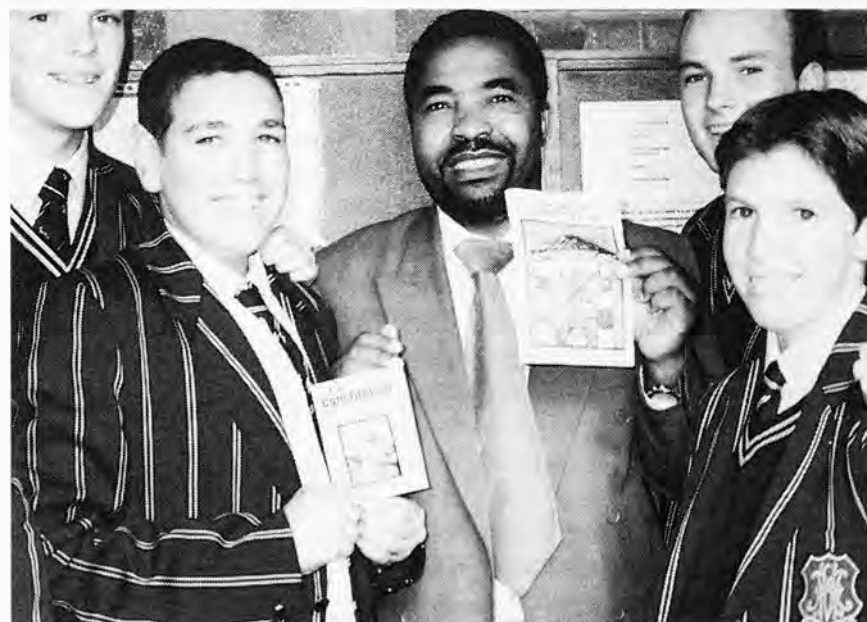
The quiz was turn-based, both between the teams and between the participants of each team. One question was asked of each person per round. Bad luck if you got a question on a book you hadn't read! Most of the questions seemed to be on *Sound of the Gora* (which we hated!).

The evening wore on with many wildly-guessed, yet creative answers, most of which were greeted with laughter from both sides. On the whole, it was a very enjoyable evening for all, and well worth the time and effort.

*Rhys Davies 9B*

# Address by David Dalling, MP, on the Constitution

As part of the Government's mission to popularise the new Constitution, Mr David Dalling, MP, addressed the Grade 10, 11 and 12 pupils, on Thursday 20 March. Mr Dalling gave an explanation of the Constitution and its significance in the light of a history of oppression and apartheid. Time was given for questions, and the boys raised various issues, ranging from what the Government intends doing about crime and violence, to abortion, affirmative action and Defence spending. The boys showed a keen awareness of topical issues.



*Mr Bheki Mkhize MP (centre) answered questions after Mr David Dalling MP addressed the school on the Constitution on 20 March*

# The Art Exhibition

The Annual Art Exhibition was officially opened on 9 October by Mr Nick Ciro, Head of Department: Art, at King David, Linksfield. Mr Ciro was most impressed by the high standard of work on display.

The two judges of the Exhibition were Estelle Wiggin from the Vaal Triangle Technikon and Toby Wright, Head of the Art Department at Holy Rosary Convent.

They commented on the vitality, energy and exuberance of colour of the Grade 8 work. No places were awarded as there were so many works of an excellent standard.

The Grade 9 perspective exercises were all highly commended as this is a remarkably exacting technical exercise. They considered the Bushman art charming, and the house constructions were extremely professionally executed. First place went to Duncan Brown, with Gian-Paolo Pera second and Garth Horsten third.

The Grade 10 flower paintings had a good design quality and wonderful use of colour, and as a group there is great potential and sensitivity of textural development. The overall

winner was Ashley Kanter; second was Lawrence Johnson and third place went to David Jackson.

The Grade 11 group is particularly strong, with exquisite glowing pastel works and very sensitive mark-making in the pencil drawings. The charcoal drawings were bold with painterly qualities and good tonal contrasts. Their sculptures were vital and adventurous. The judges decided to choose the strongest individual works rather than base their choice on an overall impression because of the variety of standard within each pupil's work. The top marks were all still-life drawings. The most excellent individual work was by Philip Kobila, with Stuart Wilson in second place and Nicholas Ranger third.

Jared Dodson was the winner in the Grade 12 group with his outstanding sculpture that the judges called "The Giraffe Man". They were extremely impressed with Adam Treki's bold expressive charcoal drawings and with Brett Grindlay's technically-excellent pencil drawing. Adam and Brett tied in second place



*Art students painted a colourful mural outside the art room*

## Essay by Philip Raw (Grade 9) on Pop Art

Abstract Art is an art that doesn't represent much. Shape, styles and ideas are twisted, unreal and unlike anything we know. An artist may try to convey a message through his work but it would be hard to understand the unnatural images. People found it hard to relate to or understand abstract art. It was different, irregular and with hard-found meaning. Few people could therefore appreciate abstract art for what it was. Artists would sculpt, paint, draw, weird meaningless shapes and images. It was therefore left to the viewer's interpretation of its meaning. If the artist gave his work a title that could in some way show meaning you would then have to look at the art work and try to see how the meaning fitted in.

It was maybe because of the difficulties associated with abstract art that "pop art" originated. The term "pop art" was first used and coined by a British art critic, Lawrence Alloway, in 1954. "Pop" art is like "pop" music in that the word pop is derived from the word "popular". People can relate to and understand pop art for it touches and deals with things that influence their daily lives. It all started in London and then went to New York. Pop art is not an artform where an artist will be praised for his marvellous painting and sculpting techniques. Often an everyday person could probably replicate many of the pop art works. Works of art pointed more towards an idea, a message, for example Andy Warhol's oil on canvas "Campbell's Soup Can Opener". Campbell's soup is very common and well-known in America, and is mass-produced in thousands. Everybody had seen and could relate to a Campbell's soup can. Warhol tried to show how impersonal mass

production led to a loss of uniqueness in both commodities and people. An everyday object was taken as a work of art. This was like an anti-art, a mocking of or insult to art. Many of the pop art art works were everyday objects made to look special, for example green Coke bottles, Campbell's soup, Marilyn Monroe, toilets, etc. Marilyn Monroe was a superstar at the time, a sex goddess to many. People adored her for her body and knew her movie character but few people knew her as a person (what she was really like). One particular, largely unpublished photo of Marilyn was turned into an artwork by Andy Warhol. He took the photo and made replicas of it with a silk-screen technique. He did not compose or take the photo, therefore it was a ready-made object. In his final artwork Marilyn was portrayed a few times in separate squares on the same artwork. The same picture was used over and over again (mass production) except each time with different colour schemes. Only in one square were the colours realistic. Yet it was still unreal. Colours had definite boundaries, no shades or blending into each other. Colours were flat and plain. No brush marks were visible. The pictures looked similar to a paint-by-numbers picture. Andy Warhol also had an artwork where he painted seven rows of green Coca Cola bottles (Coke bottles were green at the time). They were stacked in a similar manner to that as on a supermarket shelf (except there were no shelves) The strange thing was that some bottles were full and others half-empty. There was no focal point. The picture seemed never-ending just like Monet's water lilies. Artworks were often life-size or larger.

One particular artist made plaster of Paris moulds of people. They were life-size images. The images were white and without expression. They were like ghosts, people returned from the dead, they were pale (no feeling or emotion). It was all very impersonal much like the painting "Great American Nude". It showed a woman's body on a leopard-patterned couch, her head cut off by the canvas but her lips still visible. It showed just how people (especially men) thought of some women. They were only bodies to be used and that was all. There was no person inside.

Oldenburg once made an artwork of a toilet. It was like an insult to art, a mocking of art. It was not hard and sagged with the stuffing that was used. It was not real and could not be used. The drooping of the materials under the influence of gravity could represent depression, sadness, loss of hope. When somebody is tired or depressed he or she will drag the feet along, hang their arms and bow their heads, almost as if gravity is pulling extra hard on them on that day.

George Segal made a display called "Diner". It had real objects like urns and chairs in it. It was only lit by a neon light. The only unreal objects were the people, a waitress filling an urn and a man sitting on a stool. There were plaster of Paris real people. The whole display was life-size and very realistic but the people were

unreal, emotionless, almost not there. This shows just how we overlook people, don't care or realise they are there. Sure, they are there but we don't notice them. This type of theme seems very common in pop art.

To me, the works of art Marilyn Monroe, Diner, American Girl in the Nude, Smoker, 17, are all so impersonal. It makes you think a little more about people, everyday things and who or what are they really. We can see how impersonal mankind really is; a society of mass production, all the same. We are forced to think about mass objects, often used, never thought about.

It was Robert Indiana who made artworks from words, for example "Eat", "Love", "Die". They were simple words, pictures with only two or three everyday colours. No prize for the great production it is or the brilliant technique used as that of earlier artists. You are forced to think about that word, for example "die", in the colours black, red yellow. It is painted on a stop sign. What does it mean - stop and die, die and stop, stop or die?

This is pop art's challenge to us: to see ourselves and others for who and what we are; to see mankind; to look at humans and examine opinions from an outsider's point of view. Like an alien visiting us from another planet.

*Philip Raw 9B*



*Fantasy animals created by Grade 8's*

## Job Shadowing

*Many parents helped us yet again by hosting pupils as part of our Job Shadowing Programme. Their support is greatly appreciated.*

### **Job Shadowing at Malcolm Lyons & Munro**

During the August holidays I was given the privilege of attending a new firm which specialises in handling personal injury claims. My days spent there were very informative, exciting and enjoyable. My thanks must go to Mr Ross-Munro and the attorneys at his firm who were always willing to give advice and allowed me to work with them and experience the ups and downs of life as an attorney. I learnt many valuable lessons and my days spent there only encouraged me more to study law at university. A special thanks must go to Miss Henning who arranged my visit to Malcolm Lyons & Munro and who works so tirelessly to make the Job Shadowing programme a success.

*Walt Bruns 11M*

### **Job Shadowing at Advertising and Marketing Agencies**

During the August holidays I was lucky enough to participate in the Job Shadowing Programme. I visited Young and Rubicam (an advertising agency), then Ball and Coalter (a marketing agency). This was truly a learning experience for me and has given me direction and a sense of knowing what to aim and strive for.

One of the things I learnt was that marketing is definitely not for me! Advertising was a very different experience. Here I felt at

home and enjoyed a friendly working environment. I now look at advertising in a different light and admire all the hard work and especially the creativity that is involved when promoting a product.

I made quite a few contacts that may benefit me when looking for a job later in life. I was even invited to play soccer for the agency the next day. One important fact that I learnt is that advertising can certainly be a lot of hard work but it can be very rewarding seeing your final product in the marketplace.

*Vaughan van der Merwe 11M*

### **Job Shadowing at Rawlins, Wales and Partners**

During the August holidays, Lloyd and I went job shadowing to an electrical engineering firm called Rawlins, Wales and Partners

The day started with a general overview of the company. Later on that morning we went "snagging". This entails making sure that the contractors meet the specifications handed to them by the company. We then got a chance to observe the engineers at work on the computers. Both Lloyd and I got an excellent overview of what electrical engineering is all about.

*Lloyd Eliot 12B and Craig Chandler 12M*

# Cultural Tour Of Europe



*Outside Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris*



*Ascending the Eiffel Tower in Paris*

"Au revoir."

"Bye Mum, 'bye Dad." My final words to the financiers of my trip!

Off we were to Europe, twenty-five of us - twenty-three students and two teachers, on the St David's European Cultural Tour.

The first destination was Vienna. Vienna is the most culturally rich city I've ever seen. We visited centuries-old palaces, museums, libraries, opera houses and universities. That these buildings are still in such immaculate condition, left me bewildered. Not only were we infatuated by these age-old buildings, but also by the fact that 57% of Vienna's population is female! Vienna offered us two unforgettable experiences - having snowball fights and building snowmen.

Amsterdam: spending only two days in Amsterdam, we could not see as much of the city as we had hoped, but I'm sure that spending forty-eight hours in a place that makes Hillbrow look like a nursery school, was enough for all.

Paris: city of romance, the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, L'Arc

de Triomphe, Euro Disney, the Mona Lisa ... we've been there, done that and bought the T-shirt!

London has more internationally-renowned sights and the boys recalled more about the history of these sights. Also, the people spoke in a language we could understand. We went to Stratford-upon-Avon and visited William Shakespeare's birthplace and home. The musical that we went to watch, Miss Saigon, touched the boys' emotional side and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Madame Tussaud's was popular in everybody's book, after all, that will be the closest we'll ever get to Nelson Mandela!

The tour was a worthwhile, unforgettable and enjoyable experience. I'm sure that all twenty-five of us came back with a lot more cultural knowledge than when we left St David's.

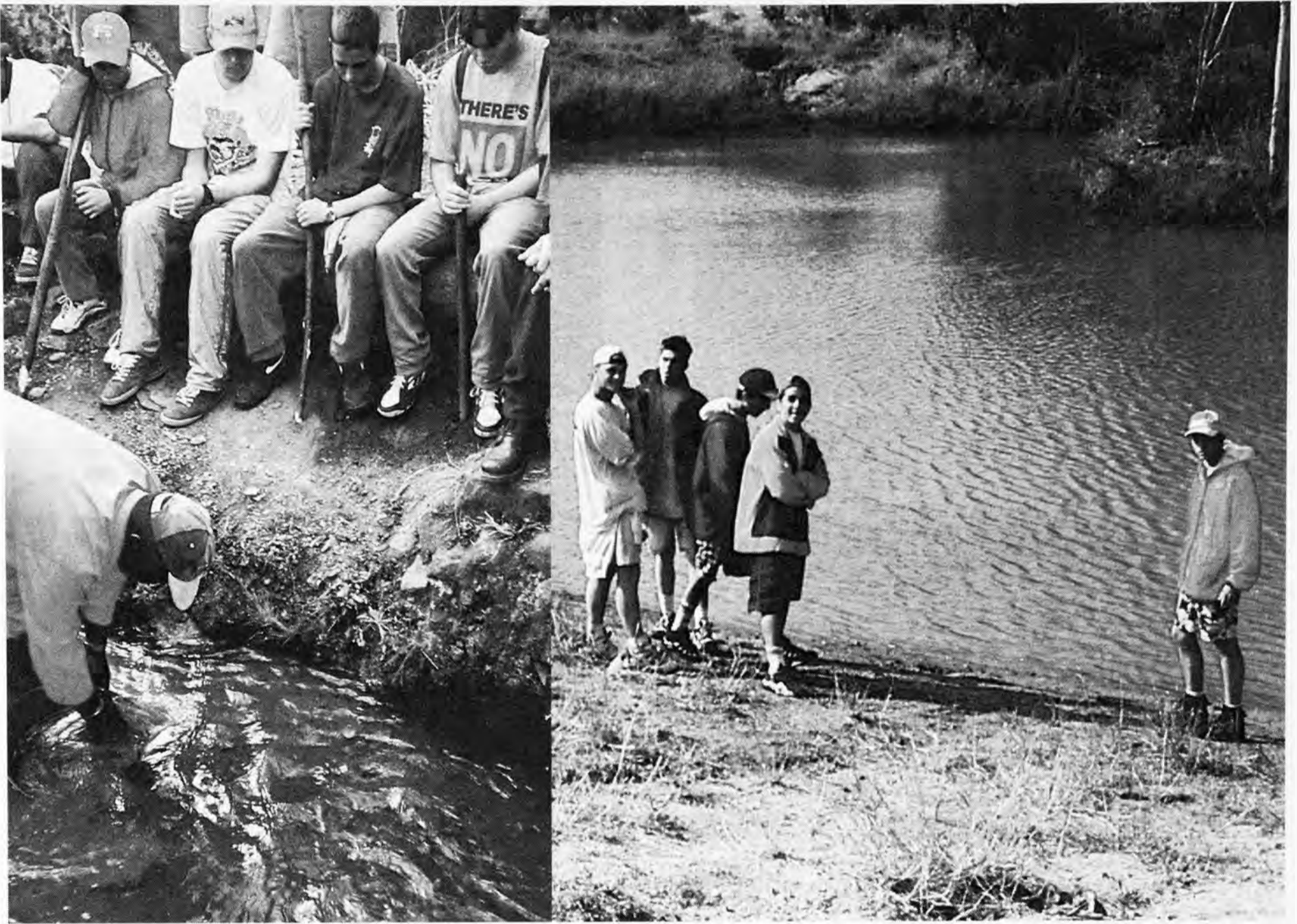
To Mrs Cameron and Mr Eilertsen, thank you for your understanding during the tour and for your being there. I hope that this is the first in a long line of these tours.

*Ronald Abvajee 12M*



*At the Museumsplatz, Vienna*

# Grade Ten Trip to Mpumalanga



# Grade Ten Tour of Soweto



*On 3 December the Grade Tens went on a tour of Soweto. Here they wander about the Mandela squatter camp, where the locals, especially the children, were very welcoming*



*At the Hector Peterson Memorial in Orlando West, which marks the spot where he was gunned down on 16 June 1976. In the background is the Holy Cross Church, of which Desmond Tutu was once the pastor*

# CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

## Parliament



### Parliament

**Back row:** Terence Marais, Philip Kobila, Jeffrey Ryan, Adam Treki, Dale Horsten, Keith Clover, Walt Bruns, Sean Lane, Musi Skosana, Murray White, Stefano Contardo, Irvine Lehloo

**Middle row:** Kuhle Nkosi, Brendan Murray, Wilf Exton, Wayne Greenwood, Lloyd Eliot, Michael Ellertsen, Iain Busschau, Douglas Cochran, Andrew Parker, John Hilton, Alex Roberts, James Ashforth, Andrew Levy

**Seated:** Brandon Duffield, Alasdair Kelly, Timothy O'Shea, Adriano Iorio, Mr R Smith, Ronald Abvajee, Grant Hutcheon, Rei Farinha, Daryl Emes

Parliament is one of those institutions special to St David's. It provides a forum for pupils "to make constructive suggestions to the Headmaster and staff in relation to matters affecting the running of the school and matters relating to the service that the school might render to society at large." Each House supplies two representatives per standard, but other pupils are welcome to attend as observers. The Head Prefect fills the role of Prime Minister. Parliament attempts to meet every second Thursday.

At the first meeting of 1997, the Headmaster explained that St David's is a conservative Catholic school. He added that this does not mean that Parliament should be a toothless dog. Representatives, rather, are encouraged to use their power to bring problems at the school to the attention of the Head. Many of our traditions and rules nonetheless conflict from time to time with wishes of representatives. This is a tightrope that must be walked. Negotiation, give-and-take and a willingness to hear one another out will allow the "common man" to have his say.

At the second meeting of 1997, the Head Prefect announced the following as his Cabinet:

Minister of Education: Jeffrey Ryan

Minister of Cultural Activities: Timothy O'Shea

Minister of Sport: Alasdair Kelly

Minister of Justice: Dale Horsten

Minister of Public Relations: Ronald Abvajee

Minister of the Environment: Grant Hutcheon

Minister without Portfolio: Sean Lane

Minister of Social Services: Rei Farinha.

Some of the issues that were raised in the first half of the year were prices at the tuckshop, blazer hooks at the swimming pool change room, a drinking tap at the new cricket nets, house plays practice times, clashes between sporting and cultural extramurals, a prefect-exchange with neighbouring schools, compulsory rugby fixtures, drills and detentions. Some of these issues culminated in positive action and the members knew that they had been heard. Issues that were discussed in the second half of the year included litter, phone cards, Co-Workers and maintaining the Catholicity of St David's, student identity cards, the testing programme, Grade 12 participation in sport as the year draws to an end, the venue for the matric examinations.

As Speaker for 1997, I have enjoyed this opportunity of interacting with the pupil representatives and have been impressed by the level of the debate. However, one shortcoming that was evident this year was that much of the debate and many of the suggestions failed to translate themselves into action.

Next year Mr Fry takes over as Speaker and I trust that he and the new Parliament will address this issue.

*RT Smith*





*SMILE Guide  
Maxwell Gordon  
takes a group through  
their weekly programme*



# SMILE

The SMILE programme continues to thrive at St David's. Approximately 96 Grade 5 pupils from a number of primary schools in Alexandra passed through the very capable hands of our Grade 10 and 11 boys.

Our complement of Smile Guides grew to an astounding 31. This is a voluntary service which the boys offer and one which provides enormous benefit to pupils who are engaging English as a second or third language. The weekly programme is based on oral communication skills. Each module focuses on a theme. Our boys re-inforce the new vocabulary that the pupils learn through fun activities, rhymes and games.

One of this year's highlights was our participation in a TV programme for Kagiso Educational TV. This episode highlighted the excellent work being done by the SMILE Organisation and the contribution that St David's makes in this outreach endeavour.

Caring and commitment do make a difference - our SMILE guides prove this each week. Their spirit of generosity is laudable, their enthusiasm and caring much appreciated.

Thanks are also due to the members of staff who make it possible for the programme to continue during our August vacation.

*DC*



### SMILE Guides

**Back row:** Allan MacFarlane, Robert Tait, Musi Skosana, Grahame Finnemore, Mario Lacueva, Bruce Thomas, Daniel Wright, Sadik Moorad, Rui Jorge

**Middle row:** Maxwell Gordon, Nicolaas Alberts, Michael Marsay, Wayne Greenwood, Michael Gunning, Wayne Collett, Paul Edkins, Adam Stocks, Vaughan van der Merwe, Dean Boyd, Derek Clover, Marco Cannata, Dean Thomas

**Seated:** Marc Stapelberg, Carl Bredenoord, Dean Archary, Mrs D Cameron, Ricardo Traver-de Sousa, Andrew Witten, James Ashforth

## The Dramatic Society

### The Inter-House Plays Festival

The 1997 Inter-House Play Festivals definitely belonged to The Bishops who swept the boards, winning eight of the twelve awards. What was even more remarkable was that both The Bishops Senior and Junior plays were produced by Jeffrey Ryan.

#### Junior Festival

Jeffrey Ryan's flair for comedy was highlighted in his original "workshopping" of a play for the Juniors, *Dress Rehearsal*.

This play captured the imagination and delight of the audience and struck a note for independent thought, creativity, and calculated risk-taking. Outstanding performances were given by Liam Carter as the urbane and sometimes zany Eddie Malone and Ricardo Pizzi, as an irascible, demanding man in the audience.

Another original work was written by John Hilton and Jonathan Nel of Osmond. This was the sequel to the Frikkie and Snow van Staden saga *Lonely Potch Dayz* and was filled with comic portrayals of note, especially from the ubiquitous seven "manne". Their stylised rituals gave cause for much hilarity.

College's *Quiet Street* presented us with another comedy of errors. There was a strong, sound cast base in this play with a good performance by Michael Eilertsen and an impressive mammarial display by Irvine Lehloo!

*Love is a Many Splendoured Thing* was the only love theme of the evening and provided an opportunity for Tabang Tlaka to give a beautifully restrained performance as Dawn, a girl in love with Mickey. Philip Raw provided a perfect foil by being suitably insensitive and "macho".

The evening highlighted the talents of all the boys, writers, producers and actors alike and provided a wealth of entertainment of which they can be justifiably proud.

The awards were as follows:

**Best Producer** Jeffrey Ryan - The Bishops

**Best Costume** Osmond

**Best Set** Osmond

**Best Supporting Actor** Riccardo Pizzi - The Bishops

**Best Actor** Liam Carter - The Bishops

**Best Play** The Bishops

#### Senior Festival

The variety of plays performed was diverse and all were entertaining. The consistency of the standard of productions was gratifying to see and this enhanced the enjoyment of both the actors and the audience.

Osmond's production of *Sly, the Fly and the Evil Guy* provided the cast with an opportunity for stylised ensemble work. The tableaux worked well and lent pace to this production. Some sustained performances came from Daryn Moore and Rei Farinha as the local "hicks".

*Fawlty Towers - the Hotel Inspector* was produced by Jeffrey Ryan and Stefano Contardo. Jeffrey Ryan's Basil Fawlty was irrepressible and hilariously cranky. He was well supported by Musi Skosana as the long-suffering Cybil Fawlty.

*Tira Tells Everything There is to Know About Herself* was produced by Adam Treki of College and provided the audience with a woman's perspective of men. Michael Murray gave a well-sustained performance in the challenging role of Tira.

Daryl Emes's production of *Over the Top* was an adaptation of the Black Adder series. Very fine performances were given by Daryl Emes as the gung-ho Oxford tiddly-winker, Lt George Colthurst-St Barleigh, and Ross McKay as Captain Edmund Black Adder. This production boasted a fine set and costumes.

Awards were as follows:

**Best Producer** Jeffrey Ryan, Stefano Contardo - The Bishops

**Best Costume** The Bishops

**Best Set** Benedict

**Best Supporting Actor** Daryl Emes - Benedict

**Best Actor** Jeffrey Ryan - The Bishops

**Best Play** The Bishops

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## Variety Concert

On Wednesday 28 May, a new event on the St David's cultural calendar took place, the Variety Concert. Before a packed and very enthusiastic audience a veritable smorgasbord of St David's talent was on display, from both boys and staff. There

were saxophonists, jugglers, hypnotists, singers and musicians. Mrs Cameron and Mr Foulds compered the evening, and Mr Trollope provided musical accompaniment for those who needed it.

## School Play: *The Thwarting of Baron Bolligrew*

A long time ago, in the days when dragons were common, there lived a duke ... and, perhaps more importantly, a bad, bad baron with a LOUD, LOUD voice!

Pantomime comedy is a highly demanding style of performance, requiring from actors a great deal of concentration and imagination. Characterisation is whimsical and exaggerated, and coming to grips with it can take a surprising amount of time. In addition to these challenges, Robert Bolt's script is a long one (two hours' on-stage time) requiring an unusually large cast. Midway through rehearsals I was frequently overheard muttering about having myself committed for taking on such an ambitious project!

The boys, however, responded to the challenge magnificently. As the long rehearsal period progressed they could be seen growing into their roles - and also coming to appreciate the often quirky humour of the play. A large cast means grey hairs in rehearsal for the producer, but a fine attitude of co-operation made directorial tantrums remarkably infrequent (although my gaggle of Grade 8 peasants came close to painful death on more than one occasion!).

All three performances were characterised by a palpable

energy and enjoyment on the part of the cast, to which the audiences responded with enthusiasm: it is rare to be able to say of a successful play that the actors had at least as much fun as the customers! The only pity was that full houses were not achieved on all three nights. Hopefully the word will continue to spread among the College family that dramatic performances at St David's are occasions not to be missed.

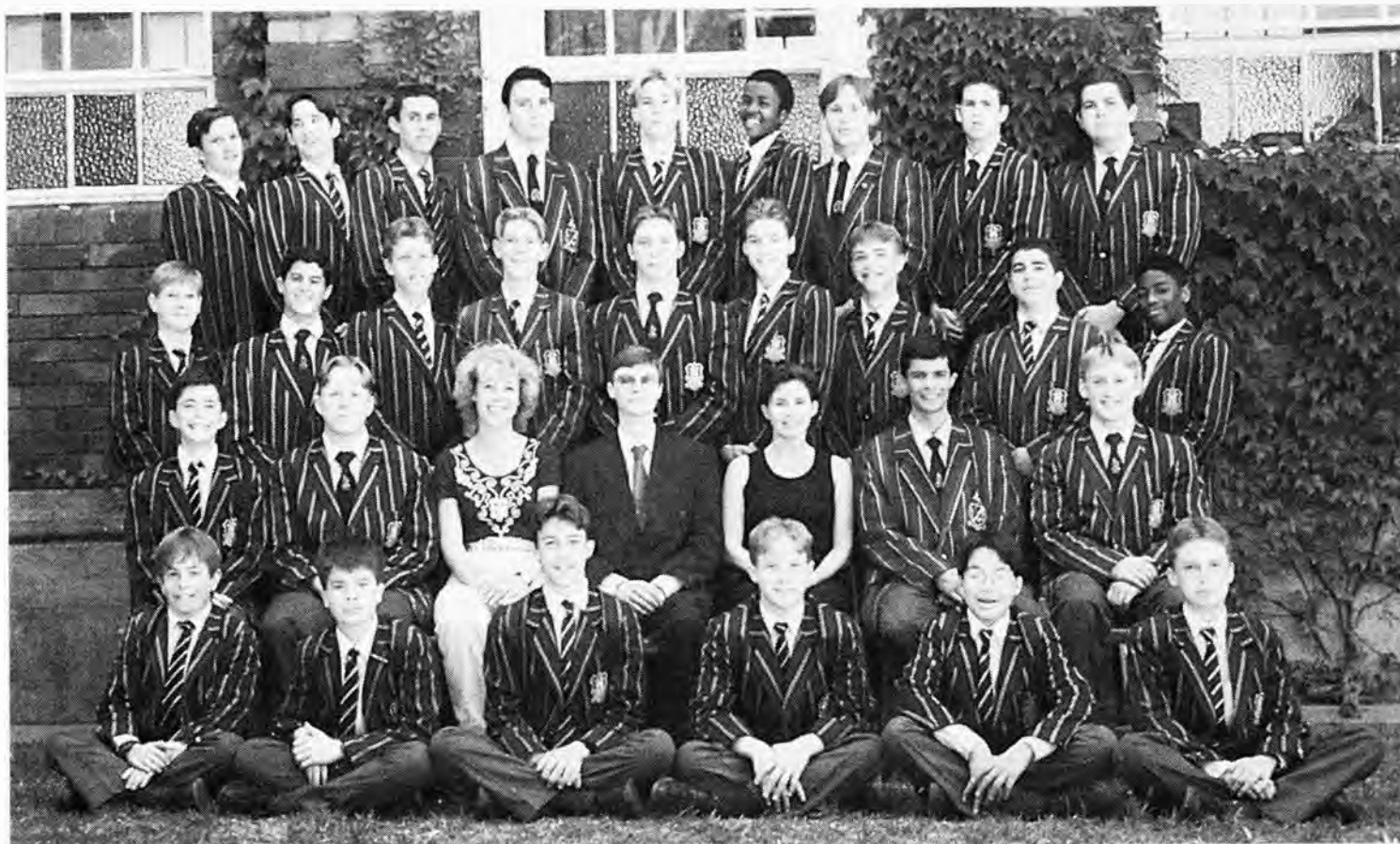
I extend very sincere thanks to the highly efficient backstage crew and to all the cast members, parents and others who assisted with the mammoth task of costume and set construction, not least to Mr John Voorendyk for his design of the amazing self-reconstructing church! Special thanks are owed to Mrs Cameron and Mrs Vroom, who put countless hours into making *Bolligrew* the success it was.

*S Foulds*

### Dramatic Society Awards

**Cultural Ties for Drama** Wayne Collett, John Ross McKay, Michael Murray, Gary Geldenhuys

**Scrolls for Drama** Daryl Emes, Jeffrey Ryan, John Hilton, Adam Stocks



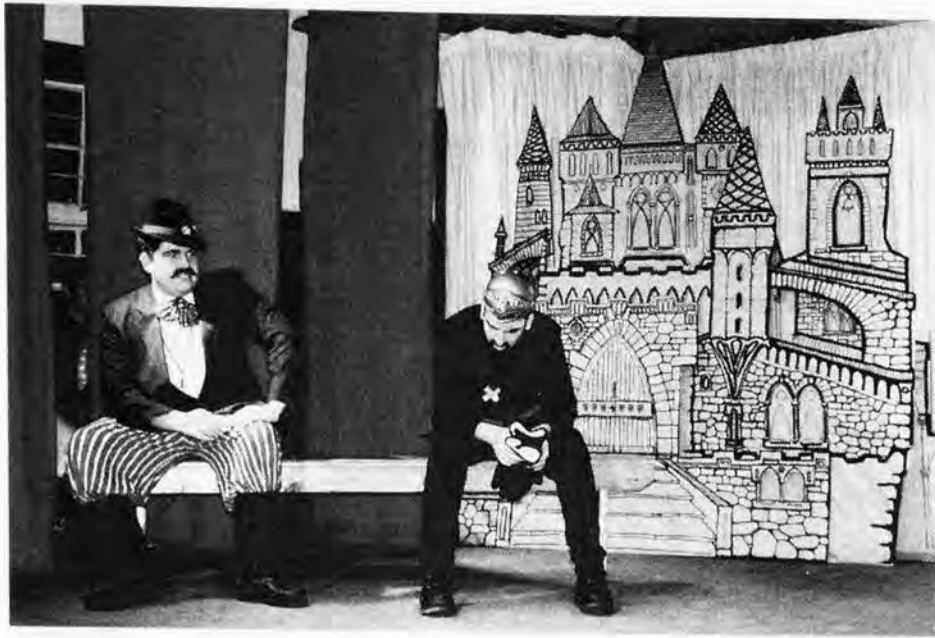
### School Play

**Back row:** Wayne Collett, John Ross MacKay, Ashley Kanter, Jeffrey Ryan, Seyton Hayes, Musi Skosana, Robert Morgan, Gary Geldenhuys, Adam Stocks

**Middle row:** Neil Powell, Ricardo Traver-de Sousa, Philip Raw, Nicholas Royce, Michael Murray, Michael Eilertsen, Rhys Davies, Andrew Witten, Irvine Lehloo

**Seated:** Marco Vidulich, John Hilton, Mrs T Vroom, Mr S Foulds, Mrs D Cameron, Ronald Abvajee, Daryl Emes

**In front:** Andrew Levy, Gilbert Pooley, Riccardo Pizzi, Liam Carter, Terence Marais, Simon Lishman



*Adam Stocks as Baron Bolligrew and Jeffrey Ryan as Blackheart*



*Daryl Emes as Oblong, and Ronald Abvajee as Dr Moloch*



*The cast and backstage crew with Mr Foulds (Producer), Mrs Vroom (Stage Manager) and Mrs Cameron (Front of House)*



*Liam Carter, Terence Marais, Riccardo Pizzi, Andrew Levy and Gilbert Pooley as the peasants; John Hilton as the Lord Mayor*



*The thwarting of Bolligrew*

# Public Speaking

More than 600 teams from all over Gauteng participated in the High Schools' Public Speaking Festival this year. St David's entered ten teams across all standards, a number of them showing impressive effort and talent. The good showing of our juniors, especially, augurs well for their future as public speakers at St David's.

There is no such thing as a calm season of public speaking! The breaktimes sacrificed and miles travelled to far-flung venues will never fully be appreciated except by those directly involved. It is a measure of the enormous educational value of the exercise that complaints are seldom, if ever, heard. I extend my heartfelt thanks to Mrs Cameron, Mr Mitchell, Mr R Smith and Mrs Vroom for all their time and effort spent in coaching the teams.

The following teams competed:

## Grade 12 Prepared Team

Ronald Abvajee, Daryl Emes, John Hilton, Timothy O'Shea (awarded a B symbol)

## Grade 12 Impromptu Team

Rei Farinha, Adriano Iorio, Robert Morgan, Jeffrey Ryan (awarded an A symbol)

## Grade 11 Prepared Team

Gary Geldenhuys, Adam Stocks, Robert Tait, Ricardo Traver-de Sousa (awarded a B symbol)

## Grade 11 Impromptu Team

Ross McKay, Michael Murray, Bradley Poultney, Kelly Putter (awarded a C+ symbol)

## Grade 10 Prepared Teams

Paul Edkins, Alistair Holmes, Ashley Kanter, Musi Skosana (awarded an A symbol)

Derek Clover, Marco Lopez, Dean Thomas, Andrew Witten (awarded a B symbol)

## Grade 9 Teams

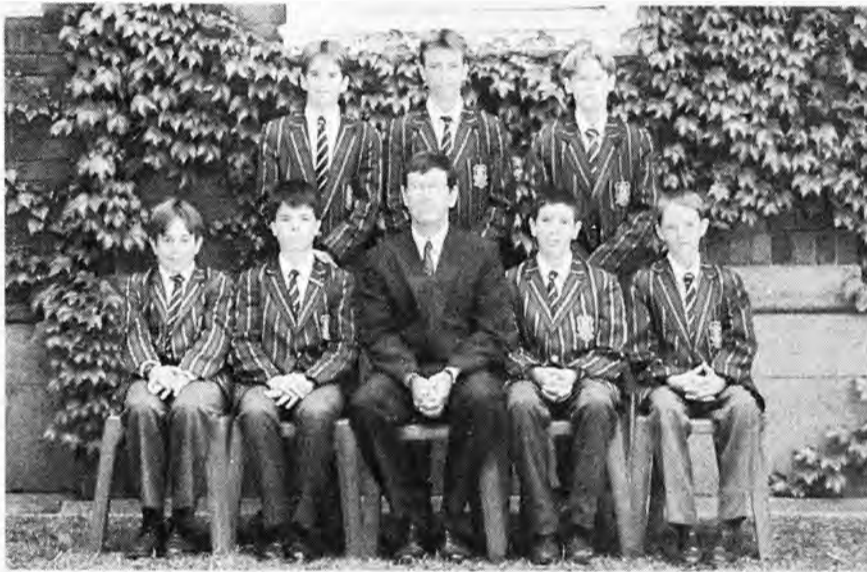
Rhys Davies, Michael Eilertsen, Philip Raw, Bevan Winderley (awarded a C+ symbol)

David Duarte, Garth Horsten, Tshepo Monyemore, Christopher Proudfoot (awarded a C symbol)

## Grade 8 Teams

Andrew Levy, Gordon Lindsay, Gilbert Pooley, Pierre Wilkinson (awarded a B symbol)

Robin Daniels, Hugo Gill, Justin Nel, Michael Rands (awarded a B symbol)



## Grade 8 Public Speaking

**Back row:** Robin Daniels, Pierre Wilkinson, Michael Rands

**Seated:** Andrew Levy, Gilbert Pooley, Mr R Smith, Hugo Gill, Gordon Lindsay



## Grade 10 Public Speaking

**Back row:** Dean Thomas, Ashley Kanter, Musi Skosana, Paul Edkins

**Seated:** Andrew Witten, Mrs T Vroom, Derek Clover, Mr N Mitchell, Marco Lopes



## Grade 11 Public Speaking

**Back row:** Adam Stocks, Robert Tait, Gary Geldenhuys

**Seated:** Michael Murray, Mr S Foulds, Ricardo Traver-de Sousa, Mrs D Cameron, Ross MacKay



## Grade 12 Public Speaking

**Back row:** Ronald Abvajee, Timothy O'Shea, Adriano Iorio, Robert Morgan

**Seated:** Rei Farinha, Jeffrey Ryan, Mr S Foulds, Mrs D Cameron, John Hilton, Daryl Emes

# The Debating Society

St David's once again competed in two leagues this year: the friendly King Edward VII League, in both the senior and junior sections, and the competitive SA Council for English Education League. An attempt was made to give as many boys as possible a chance to speak from the podium, both to raise the profile of debating at St David's and to extend the very real educational benefits of debating throughout the school.

The overwhelming majority of those boys who took part showed pleasing commitment and ability. Our showing in the KES League was most pleasing, with both the seniors and the juniors winning most of their debates. Nevertheless, much more discipline and serious application is required before our teams can achieve an equivalent record in the highly competitive environment of the SACEE League.

Debating is about many things, not least the pleasure of measuring one's wit and eloquence against one's peers. But it is also about long hours of preparation and commitment, about honing one's intellectual grasp of issues in close co-operation with a team, and these are lessons some of our senior boys are still in the process of learning.

In these complex and changing times, effective spoken communication skills have never been of more importance as stepping stones to success in adult life. Both staff and boys continue to take great pleasure in working together to develop such skills.

## Senior debaters who spoke in a debate

Ronald Abvajee, Daryl Emes, Rei Farinha, John Hilton, Adriano Iorio, Ashley Kanter, Zayd Laher, Robert Morgan, Bradley Poultney, Jeffrey Ryan, Adam Stocks, Adam Treki, Vaughan van der Merwe

## Senior debates:

vs Hyde Park (SACEE League) - lost  
vs King David Victory Park (SACEE League) - lost  
vs Northcliff (SACEE League) - lost  
vs St Andrew's (Bloemfontein) (friendly) - won  
vs St Teresa's (KES League) - won  
vs Sacred Heart (KES League) - lost

## Junior debates

vs St Teresa's (KES League) - won  
vs Sandringham (KES League) - won  
vs Sacred Heart - won

I would like to thank Mr Mitchell for his help in running senior debating, and Mrs Vroom for taking on the junior section of the Society.

*S Foulds*



## Junior Debating

**Back row:** Rhys Davies, Riccardo Pizzi, Michael Eilertsen, Philip Raw

**Seated:** Irvine Lehloo, Tsepho Monyemore, Mrs T Vroom, Brendan Murray, Michael Gibson



## Senior Debating

**Back row:** Jeffrey Ryan, Adam Treki, Adriano Iorio, Rei Farinha, Robert Morgan

**Seated:** Vaughan van der Merwe, Ashley Kanter, Adam Stocks, Mr S Foulds, Ronald Abvajee, John Hilton, Daryl Emes

## Oratory Awards

The awards structure for this area of activity has undergone a change, to bring it more into line with other areas of the school's extramural life. In order to qualify, boys must now participate regularly in both public speaking and debating, showing marked ability in at least one of the two areas.

The following awards were made at the end of the 1997 season:

**Cultural tie for Oratory** Rei Farinha, John Hilton

**Scroll for Oratory** Ronald Abvajee, Adriano Iorio, Robert Morgan, Jeffrey Ryan

# Chess

During 1996, chess was played on a Friday afternoon as part of the cultural activities programme. This year, however, St David's joined the Southern Gauteng Chess Society and participated against teams from other schools.

Mr Gil Pooley offered to coach the players and it was soon apparent that they were rapidly improving on their skills. Mrs Bonny Pooley saw to it that the players and the teachers were treated to scrumptious eats, for which everyone was very grateful.

With the guidance of Mr Pooley, the players improved with every game they played and we managed to win against schools like St Andrew's College (Bloemfontein), Bryanston and Parktown.

House matches were played during the third term and College House emerged as the winners, followed by Osmond, Benedict and The Bishops.

We are looking forward to an even better season in 1998.

*M Andrew*



## Chess

**Back row:** Marco Vidulich, Wilf Exton, Kyle Wales, Carl Bredenoord, Wesley Gordon, Adriano Iorio, Michael Eilertsen, Maxwell Gordon, Philip Raw, Michael Paxinos, Rhys Davies

**Seated:** Gregory Ross-Munro, Brendan Murray, Mrs M Andrew, Mr G Pooley, Irvine Lehloo, Gilbert Pooley

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# LITERARY SECTION

And by the sunset, death glided slowly across the desert. There was no sound nor movement; it was in fact too peaceful. Not even the sand sang its wistful tune. The earth was quiet as the message of death was delivered.

*Gilbert Pooley 8T*

They labour through the cold and snow. Through a white desert they travel on. When people in the warm houses see, they quiver and hope they are not the ones chosen.

*Howard Penny 8T*



We have been walking in this hot cruel desert for days. We stumble down a dune, we lust for water we never find. We climb up a mountain of sand and peer over the scorched earth, looking towards a distant civilization. We bring the message of doom.

*Brennan Lewis 8T*

Death travels at night looking for another victim. He looks for the old or very sick. Then once he has found his prey he sends his messengers to convey his message of death. He opens the tunnel and slowly with the force of the rays from the light, another human loses his life.

*Wesley Gordon 8T*

*The pieces on this page were written in the Art class in response to Dan Rakgoathe's Death Messengers (1970)*

Oh yes, I know there's a light at the end - but when bad creatures emerge from that light, I'm not entirely sure I want to be there. I can barely look them in the eye but their power seems to hypnotise me. I do not want to go with them, yet despite my pleas, I know my fate; and as they move closer and closer, I feel a certain coldness. My soul is trying to break free from my body and as it does, I feel the life being sucked out of me. I breathe my last breath and heave a heavy sigh. Their bodies engulf me. My destiny is now.

*Chris Lomas 8O*

They trudge through endless stretches of inhospitable rugged terrain. They carry a burden that will drive joy from our hearts like a hungry wolf does to sheep. The impact will be like one of a nuclear warhead, shattering our lives and separating us. Their faces, contorted yet emotionless - they know what they have to do.

*Robin Daniels 8B*



He sits; he murmurs; he does not flinch. He cannot move, and all of a sudden, as if a demon has arisen inside him, he lets out a scream of agony because of the sheer torment he has suffered, Weak, frail, the darkness seems to want to snap his pale fragile body: all because of a single incident when he dared to shoot another man in war and was taken captive. He was thrown into a cell on his son's birthday and he remembers the Japanese man who with one turn of the key ruined his life. That was the last time he saw the light.

*Christopher Lomas 80*

The eternal empty darkness is all that I see, never knowing anything else except for the black emptiness. "Who am I? What am I?" - those thoughts plague my heart with frustration. "Is there anyone else but me?" Only another empty echo follows my cry. "Why am I here, why?" Another crying echo vibrates along the dusty, sand-filled walls. I sit, for I have all the time in the world. When will this end? Is there any way I can end it? Boredom is worse than pain, I think over and over. Suddenly a sound unlike the familiar echo breaks through the sandy black wall. A burning, blinding horrible light lifts me from this hell. Am I saved?

*Graeme Swanepoel 80*



*These four pieces were written in the Art class in response to Edvard Munch's The Scream (1893)*

It was a cold, windy Sunday morning, but the sun did its best to warm the frost-stricken grass down below. The bridge to the bay was getting busier by the minute and by mid-afternoon many boats had taken advantage of the strong gusts of wind. On the bridge a young man noticed a loose screw on the railing and then just walked away. When he got back to the beginning of the bridge, he noticed an old man about to lean on the railing. He ran, shouting to him, but it was too late. The railing had broken and the sun hid back behind the clouds.

*Adrian de Canha 80*

The night was dark until the heavy black clouds passed over the sky. As they passed by, the full moon came out and lit up the fields of the nearby farms. The mountains glittered in the moonlight. It was going to happen again tonight. I walked past the alley and somehow something made me go there. It was dark over there with all the litter smell and garbage bags and bins in the way. An itching came over my body; I had to sit down otherwise people would see me. My mouth ached and my body itched as the hair began to grow and my teeth began to pull. I could not take it any more. Why was this happening to me? I had no control except for my mouth, so there was only one thing to do: scream. The scream became a howl.

*Sean Muller 8C*

## Colour Poems

Written in the Art class as an exercise in appreciating colour

### Richest Plain

Olive red the prunis tree  
Invading the golden ocean of grass  
Bordering this brassy sea.  
Envy green shoots poke through harsh burnt grass  
shedding black tears of dust.  
Rosy pink, snow-white lilies trust  
As they sail on that mirror pool  
Transparent blue waters, reflecting tool  
The pale yellow-orange sunset rippled glow  
with red purple streaks that seem to flow  
The golden plain takes change as it undergoes  
As it turns red with fire when the sun is low.

*Dylan Buttrick 8B*

### The Dolphin

In silent flight  
in the evening light  
The dolphin salutes the sun.  
The last rays of the day  
slowly fade away  
leaving the sea to night.  
The sky is still bright  
Near the glow of the sun  
Orange and yellow and red,  
But above and below  
turns to purple and mauve  
And the dolphin flies dark in between.

*Michael Rands 8C*

## Alien

Green, blue or black granite  
These strange beings come not from our planet  
They appear to be in character mellow  
But in fact they may just be yellow

What are they afraid of?

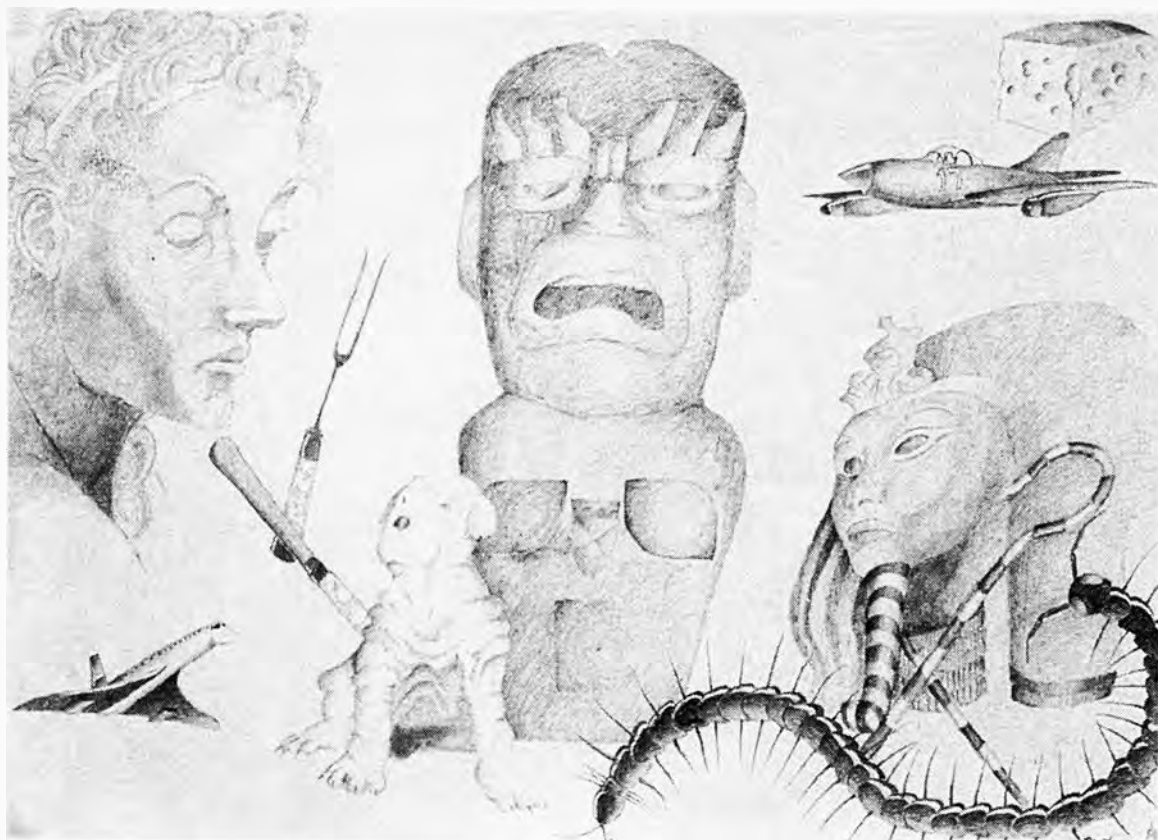
Army green they will come  
'Til all you hear is the grey military gun

What are we afraid of?

Abducting one here and there  
We know they wouldn't harm a hair  
These little beings in their silver ships  
Explore the universe from tip to tip

Welcome them with no hesitation  
For they are part of the  
cosmic rainbow nation

*Tyson Teubner 8T*



## The Knight

He rides through the scarlet evening sun,  
His golden hair floating in the cold blue wind,  
His clean shimmering armour strapped to him,  
protecting him.

His long silver sword tapping the horse  
urging him on into the harsh grey mountains  
The horse's beaten black hooves sink into  
the cool brown mud

The violet strips of the horse's  
forlorn suit glisten in the sun

The sun disappears,  
The knight is gone,  
and will not come again.

*Howard Penny 8T*

## Fireworks

Whiz, whoop, crackle, fizz  
Spectators all in a tizz.  
Glittering silver, gleaming gold  
flashes of light that are so bold.  
Colours of red and orange spark  
and all the while the poor dogs bark.  
Green, blue, purple sparkles  
trickle to earth like coloured marbles.  
Rockets shoot high  
into the blackened night sky.  
Orange rain flares silver and red  
then fall upon the roof of the shed.  
Although the noise is intimidating  
the display of colours is fascinating.

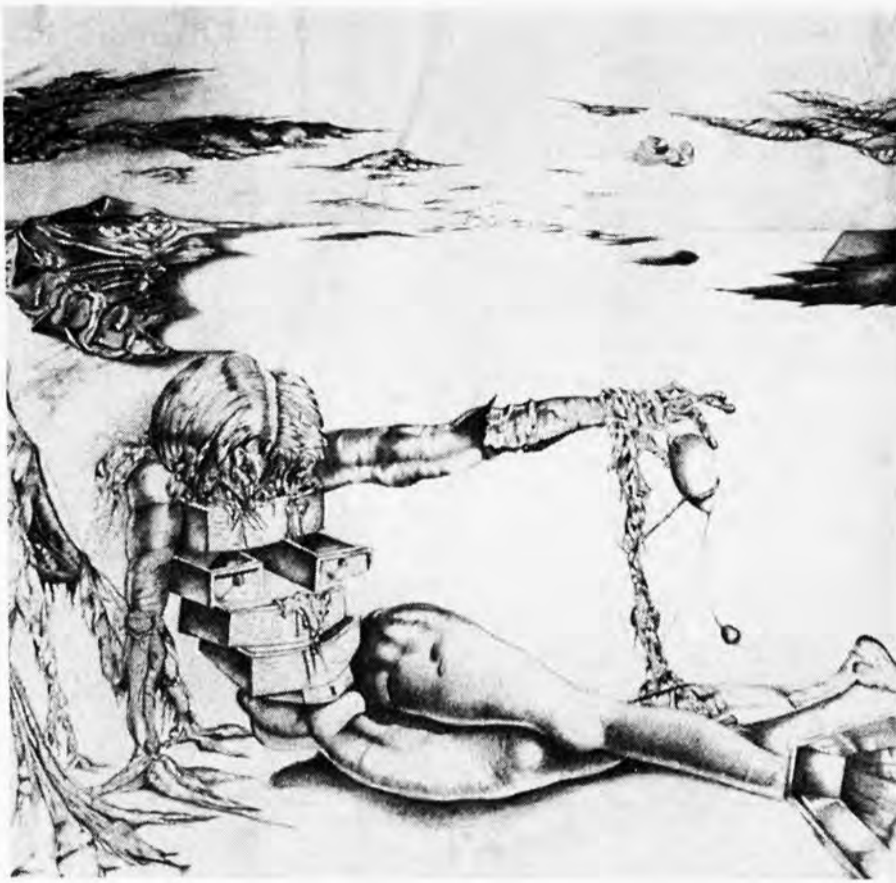
*Steven Aronson 8O*

## Graffiti Colours

Wall scrawl generates emotions, which disturb, distress and inspire.  
Colour interprets all feelings like tension, calmness, warmth and passion.  
Black searches out with the aggression of six caged monkeys,  
Grey confines corruption in an attempt to disturb and distract,  
Yellow invades the sane,  
White creates washes of supremacy,  
Red proposes anger, hate evoking envy,  
Navy is a weary depression and an annoying sense of failure,  
Green got lost in the quest for dominance,  
Blue expresses doubt.  
Orange lazy and lame with a lack of shame,  
Purple trapped with no soul.

*Jess Harris 8T*





## Eddie Aikau

He jumped up from his towel, surfboard in hand  
 And sprinted across the glistening white sand  
 Into aquamarine water he dived with a shout  
 His bronze body gleamed as he paddled out  
 The ragged rust-brown rocks threatened below,  
 The surface of the water shone with a glow  
 He caught the gleam of a shoal of fish  
 Like a handful of diamonds scattered in a dish.

Then he saw it draw near  
 The swell was big and ever so clear,  
 Turned around and paddled so fast  
 This was the wave - first or last  
 He sprang to his feet on his flame-red board  
 Crashing behind him, the white foam roared  
 He turned at the bottom and cut back  
 to the far-off water wall, he didn't dare stop.  
 As he sped along the shimmering wall  
 The wave peeled over and began to fall  
 It enclosed him in a tube of green  
 The most wonderful place he'd ever been.

He shot out the barrel and shouted with glee,  
 pulled out of the wave and back out to sea.

*Andrew Brady 8C*

## Black

Black, the colour of everlasting rest  
 As the raven flies see it on her breast  
 Up above speckled with dust  
 Black, shadows with no movement  
 Colour and life had long ago left  
 Leaving empty and unwilling figures behind  
 Black, an eternity of emptiness  
 Looms within a darkened space  
 All alone with no companion  
 Black, solid, strong and full  
 A wall of darkness  
 blocking the entrance of peace  
 Black, the symbol of despair  
 Leaving this world in need of care  
 All battered and left to die  
 Black, an evil and mysterious colour  
 Representative of death  
 Desperately in need of life and colour

*Damien Tucker 8C*



## The Path from Hunger

Sleathily he crept across the crystal yellow plain  
 Silver droplets hung from his golden mane.  
 He travelled far through the blackened swamps.  
 The purple-hued mountains he had crossed.  
 Tired and weary his fire-red mane seemed to blend with the coming dawn.  
 A sudden noise and he was taut  
 His coal-red eyes came alive  
 Black and white streaked before him  
 The great black sea of migrating herds had arrived.  
 Golden green converged as he stalked through the veld  
 Camouflaged to many, unseen by most  
 The morning light took on a pink haze and surrounded his body  
 As he leapt at the zebra amazed.  
 Black, white and yellow all become one.  
 The deed was done.  
 Red mingled with the earth.

*Shaun Fraser 8C*

## The Hot Air Balloon Ride

Up, up we went into the cool blue sky  
 Leaving an array of greens from the land below  
 The balloon floated upwards with the whisper of a sigh  
 And left Earth's troubles behind.

Up, up we went watching the tall, proud trees fade  
 the yellows of the corn fields blended  
 And in the west, the red, fiery sunset made  
 Us look forward to the night and beyond.

Up, up we went, wind in our faces  
 Our balloon was now a huge blaze of colour  
 like the ground below now one of God's mazes  
 From here we are spectators of Nature's kaleidoscope.

*Greg Hunter 8T*

## The Christmas Tree

Bright, shimmering, sparkling light  
I caught it briefly in my sight  
I looked again and saw with joy  
these presents lying on the floor  
was it a toy  
a doll  
or a baby boy?

Looking up at the tree in the mall,  
it wasn't big, it was quite small  
the green, the red, the twinkling light  
make me want to sit there all night  
it brought back memories of days gone by  
when I believed Father Christmas could fly  
the red baubles were like the sucker we left  
and I wondered when he ever had a rest.

There's nothing as colourful as Christmas time  
with presents all brightly wrapped with twine  
greetings and cards and wishes from afar  
should make us grateful for what we are.

*Greg Barrow 8C*



## Tree

As the decrepit giant stands  
Bowed by the weight of passing ages  
He thinks back to when he was young and vibrant,  
Stretching his fresh lime shoots towards the spring-light;  
Casting his olive shadows on weary beasts.  
Hiding from summer's ochre rays  
Shrugging off his rusting autumn suit in a shower of gold-vermilion;  
To stretch starkly grey, barkly grey against the bleached winter sky.  
Now, still within his gnarly hide, the amber life-sap brews.  
And although age concurs, he is content.

*Graeme Ross-Munro 8O*

## The Ocean

The flaxen sun retired, casting a last glimmering glance  
over the undulating waves.

A subtly blended aura of iridescent indigo and crimson  
melts gently into the fading blue.

Gilded ripples crown the royal sea,  
On the violet horizon, fine yet infinite, two boats hover,  
silhouettes secured for the night.

The water's edge spreads itself, translucent through my  
out-stretched feet.

Rising, my darkening shadow is enveloped by the cloak  
of the night.

*Graeme Swanepoel 6O*

## Aquamuse

Descending into the depths of black-light  
I wonder what to expect tonight.  
With an electronic flash and ultra-violet ray  
polyps appear, cup coral no more dull  
Colours explode: amber, cyan, so gay,  
pulsating purple, magic magenta,  
see the silver capenta!  
Illuminated marine muse  
in a myriad of hues,  
physics and biology fluorescent  
flash wild orange, iridescent  
From this furnace of fiery red and blue  
I do not wish to surface, do you?

*John Venter Cragg 8O*

## My Cultural Tour of Australia

On the second of August 1997, traditional leader and author Credo Mutwa, his songoma Nobela, my sister Jacqui, my mom and I embarked on a memorable journey we will never forget. We went on a cultural holiday to Australia. I still remember that excited, frightened and unknowing feeling that embraced my body as we sat on the plane. We were too vibrant to sleep.

Australia is a massive continent; it rivals the USA, even though its population is barely 17 million. It is the most eroded, denuded and driest of all continents, with the bulk of the country arid and flat.

We flew to Sydney via Perth, where I got my first glimpse of this beautiful continent. We stayed in Perth for about one hour as the plane was refueled and cleaned.

The first thing I wanted to do was buy an Australian chocolate, and to look at all the products which Australia makes. I was quite amazed to see that there was no major difference, except for one bizarre thing. Some of the chocolates that we have in South Africa are sold in Oz but under different brand names. For example, Lunch Bar (which is made by Cadburys) is sold in Australia but under a different name. It is called a Picnic Bar. This really confused me.

The jetlag began to set in during our four-hour flight to Sydney, where we had to catch another plane to our primary destination, Melbourne. Melbourne is Oz's second-largest city, with a population of around three million. In Melbourne we stayed in Sonya Shultz's house. Sonya is the lady who planned and financed Credo's tour. The first thing I noticed was the nature life. At home I have a caged pet bare-eyed cockatoo, almost like the one in the NBS advert. Here we saw flocks of indigenous birds, just like her, flying in the sky. I was amazed.

On the first night in Melbourne, I watched Oz TV. There are thirty-eight channels to choose from. I had to discipline myself to stop watching all night.

After our four days in Melbourne we flew to Brisbane. Brisbane is the largest city in the state of Queensland. There are over one million residents. The atmosphere is slow, even though there are high-rise buildings and many trade centres. The weather was really warm, just what we wanted after chilly Melbourne.

Credo was given a welcome by an Aboriginal elder, who is well-known for a book she wrote on her people, called *Conned*. Everyone was so friendly and open-minded. Wow, what a nice place!

That day we drove for five hours to Hervey Bay where we stayed for a week in a luxury resort. Hervey Bay is a collection of coastal suburbs. It is a rather boring and relaxed tourist spot, except for the whale and dolphin-watching.

Credo was invited to the Seventh Annual Whale and Dolphin Conference which was hosted by many aboriginals. Aboriginals are the indigenous people of Australia. Their existence goes back thousands and thousands of years. In the mid-1800's Aboriginals were driven away from their homelands and now the few that are left live in the upper Queensland state.

On the first day of the conference there was a welcoming ceremony, where, as part of a purification ceremony, we walked through the smoke of burning Eucalyptus leaves, while Aboriginals danced and played digiridoos.

Personally I found the conference to be quite boring. In total, I spent about one hour attending talks. The most exciting part of our week at Hervey Bay was the trip on the whale-watching boat. Humpback whales are among the most exciting of marine creatures to encounter. They make their presence known by breaching - making spectacular leaps out of the water. Hervey Bay was an experience that I will never forget.

Our next route was a personal trip. My sister and I went by luxury coach to visit our cousins who live in Sydney. The moment you arrive in Sydney the spectacular Harbour Bridge and Opera House are visible. The sophisticated, cosmopolitan population and exuberant nightlife are the main reasons that Sydney is a world-class city, with beauty that only Rio perhaps can rival.

When we arrived in Sydney, my aunt was there to meet us. Her home is in the suburbs just outside the city. After unpacking, we set off to be normal tourists and to look around the city. We went to the Queen Victoria market where I first realized, because of our exchange rate, how expensive Australia actually is. For example, a R2.50 chocolate bar costs about R5.00 in Australia - about double our price!

The one thing that made me proud to be a South African was to discover a "Sweets from Heaven" shop in the market. They sold a small "Tex" chocolate for about R10.00! And at the bottom was printed: Imported from South Africa.

My cousin Carl, who is fifteen years old, goes to a Marist Brothers school in Sydney. I went to his school and saw that it is nearly the same as ours, except for the uniform. This was very interesting.

The other thing in Sydney that interested me on that Saturday night, was when South Africa played rugby against Oz. South Africa won. The following morning, approximately every eighth person was wearing a South African rugby jersey. So we could actually spot all the South Africans.

After a wonderful time in Sydney, my sister and I went back to Melbourne, where my stepfather Cliff and my mother had been working with Credo in the Holiday Inn, selling all his products. That last week in Melbourne, my stepfather and I toured the whole city by foot. We walked to all the museums, such as the Ned Kelly exhibition. Ned Kelly was a famous murderer in Australia. At the exhibition you could see the original iron chest-plate that he wore.

There's one thing that I have to comment on about South Africa, and that is our wonderful shopping centres. We went to nearly every one in Melbourne. But none of them was as interesting or exciting as any of ours.

After shopping, schlepping and touring around Melbourne, it was time to go home. I can't believe it right now, but I was actually happy to be leaving at the time. But as I think back now, I wish I was still there. But life must go on. As we flew home I had flashbacks of the faces, moments and memories that filled my heart. I shall never forget my wonderful time in Australia.

*Graeme Swanepoel 60*





### Ode to my bed

Since those simpler days  
 When my memory was hazy,  
 I've known only you  
 When I felt bored or lazy.  
 When I came back from playing  
 Or a long day at school,  
 I'd come home to you  
 No hassles, no rules.  
 As the years went by  
 You showed no signs of age,  
 Except for a few markings  
 Which were carved from mad rage.  
 You show no emotions  
 No anger nor hate,  
 You don't even get worried  
 When I come back home late.  
 But more importantly  
 When my parents get mad,  
 You are there to comfort me  
 When I'm lonely and sad.  
 In all the years that I've known you  
 You never gave in,  
 You always stayed strong  
 Through thick and through thin.  
 You never let me down  
 Didn't treat me like scum,  
 Didn't mock me, ridicule me  
 Or make me feel dumb.  
 And though I know that  
 I won't be with you till the end  
 I'll think of you not only as my bed  
 but my friend.

*Tebogo Dlukulu 9C*

### A Walk Through Chaos

The blazing sun burns my weak skin. There is no ozone layer left. There are no plants or even a simple flower for me to smell. The playgrounds are lacking youthful laughter, the sounds of the morning birds, the joys of friendship. In all this there is another thing that is missing, the litter.

To my sorrow I realize that the debris-free streets are not there because of the nature-loving people, but rather because they have nothing to throw away. There is simply no waste left to discard. Far away I see a sealed dome, behind a wall. I look at a world of luxury and joy. This is merely an aspect of my imagination.

The people around are not loving, kind or caring. They do not follow a law. There is simply no law. The buildings are half ruins. The people have no food except for the remains of one another. They are half rotting and can hardly move. Everyone does what they want, when they want, how they want. The children are starving. The plagues are flourishing.

I am alone in belief. I do not worship the gods of blood or money and do not seek immortality. I am lucky not to be a deformity. I carry on walking. I hear a scream. I notice a young girl being eaten alive by plague rats. My heart stops. I hold my breath. When finally I gasp at whatever oxygen is left in the air, a metal bullet hits me in my left leg. I will now bleed to death.

*Brendan Mauger 9C*

### Handing on

The chipped paint shone dully in the dwindling light. I crouched over my tiny bicycle, recalling when I first rode it. I remember my first puncture and the times I crashed on it. I wheeled my tiny bike around the corner and surrendered it to my little brother.

*Kevin Gow 8B*





## From a distance

Five thirty. Same place, same time. I quickly unpack, so as to look like I'm doing my work. What draws me to this same spot each day, is her. She's almost like a magnet. I sit and watch from a distance while her father beats her and her mother. They are helpless against him.

Why? Why? I ask myself. What makes a man lift a hand to a woman and child?

It is Wednesday; they moved in on Sunday. I've watched three days of her life and my heart is aching. I want to cry out to her; instead I sit and watch, helplessly. I watch them eat, I watch them gaze at the television, but mostly I watch her, as she sits like me at her window. Does she see me? What is she thinking when she looks from a distance?

We are the same age, but worlds apart. I live in happiness, she in darkness. I see love, while she sees hate.

I see her like a bird, trapped in a cage. I have to open that cage and set her free.

How? How can I do that? My parents are away and my gran would tell me to mind my own business. People don't want to get involved in other people's problems. Every day I see her. She is in pain and I feel so helpless.

When people close their doors at night, nobody knows what happens behind them. Why was I let inside of this home? There must be a reason. I can feel her pain. When I look across at that longing face, tears begin to tingle in my eyes.

In need of help, I phone the emergency number next to the phone and they tell me that they'll attend to the problem.

Five thirty, one week later. From a distance I see it, a smile, a beautiful smile. She is happy. No more beatings.

*Revel Ravenhill 9C*

## The whistle

"Hard boys! Play hard!" These words echoed over and over in my mind. I burst onto the field. We formed left. As I looked up I made contact with the enemy. I tried to hide my fear. The whistle blew. A scowl appeared on my face; I was playing rugby.

*Chris Lomas 80*

## They jeered

It is a few weeks after school has opened. Some classmates and I are having a conversation. I am making mistakes in English. It has always been a problem for me. As usual I make a mistake. Everyone laughs and jeers. I find myself with tears in my eyes and I walk away nervously, crying.

*Sibusiso Khumalo 8T*

## Locked on

My ESP says I am being followed. My pulse quickens as I see my attacker. I bolt in the opposite direction. He raises his arm and throws it. It curves in the air towards me. The strike burns on my ribs. I pick up the ball and pursue my victim ... stingers!

*Robin Daniels 8B*

## Here, But Not There

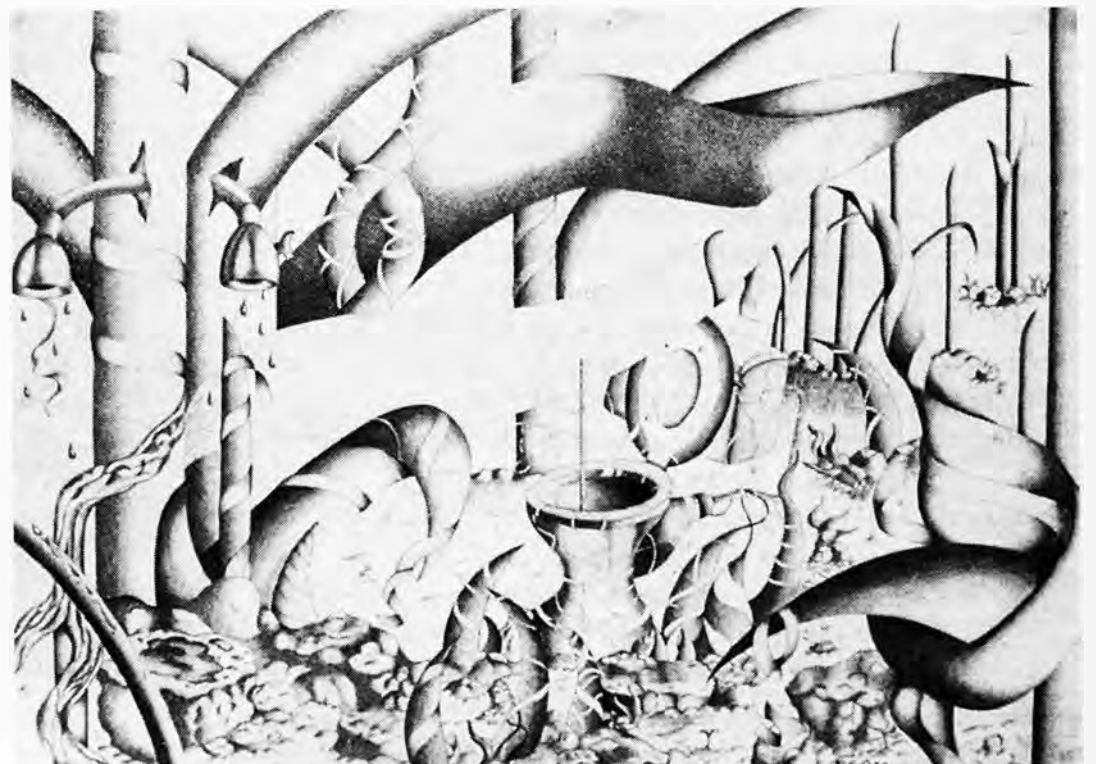
As here we laugh,  
There they cry.  
When here we strive,  
There they die.  
While here we feast,  
They eat not.  
Why do we complain,  
For those we've forgot.  
Our lives have been hard,  
But theirs have been tough.  
Let us now give to them,  
For we've got enough.

*Richard Brady 9C*

## Ouch

We were sitting in English supposedly paying attention to Mr Smith's lesson. As usual I wasn't. I had dismantled my sharpener and was playing with the blade. Mr Smith slapped the chalk to the board and I jumped. The blade sank into my skin. I yelped quietly, and immediately started paying attention.

*Gordon Lindsay 80*



## Darkness Possesses Thee

The cold blows through me  
The moon haunts the dark clouded sky  
The owls call to the night  
The grass begins to creep beneath me  
The trees lean over me  
The creepers grow upon me  
I feel possessed, afraid  
Very afraid.

*Brendan Mauger 9C*

## Towtrucks

They wait  
They stalk  
They prowl  
If they could, they would growl  
Waiting to pounce on their vulnerable prey  
Who involved themselves in this unfortunate fray  
As metal twists and groans  
And the air is rent with their moans  
The hunters  
Unfeeling for their prey, with thoughts only for their gain  
Pounce  
The scavengers of the road are happy now  
With their load  
*Thomas Garden 9B*



## The Sea

As I lay on the beach, the sand trickling through my toes, the sound of the waves caught my attention. I peeked at the massive waves crashing down onto each other. I stood up and a breeze went quietly past my skin tickling, touching, as if it had passed through my whole body. I once again looked at the waves and felt challenged by them. I walked closer to confront Mother Nature face to face. My knees, in water as I waded closer to the upcoming waves. I felt inferior to this massive conjunction coming at a rapid rate towards me. I dived in the water under the wave and as I surfaced I saw the most terrifying object one can ever see whilst swimming in the blue sea. A fin glided past me and I could feel my insides begin to collapse. I swam to the beach as fast as I could and as I touched the shore I ran to my towel and grasped it as hard as I could. I turned once more to face the Sea and apologised to Mother Nature for challenging her.

*Fabio Valente 9C*

## Disguised as love

The pursuit of love is like looking for a corner in a round room,  
like looking for stars on an overcast night,  
still, vainly we look for these things  
This love, this corner, these stars.

Yet even against the impossible  
Love is found, like corners and stars  
But only if we are willing to wait and change  
For this love, this corner, these stars.

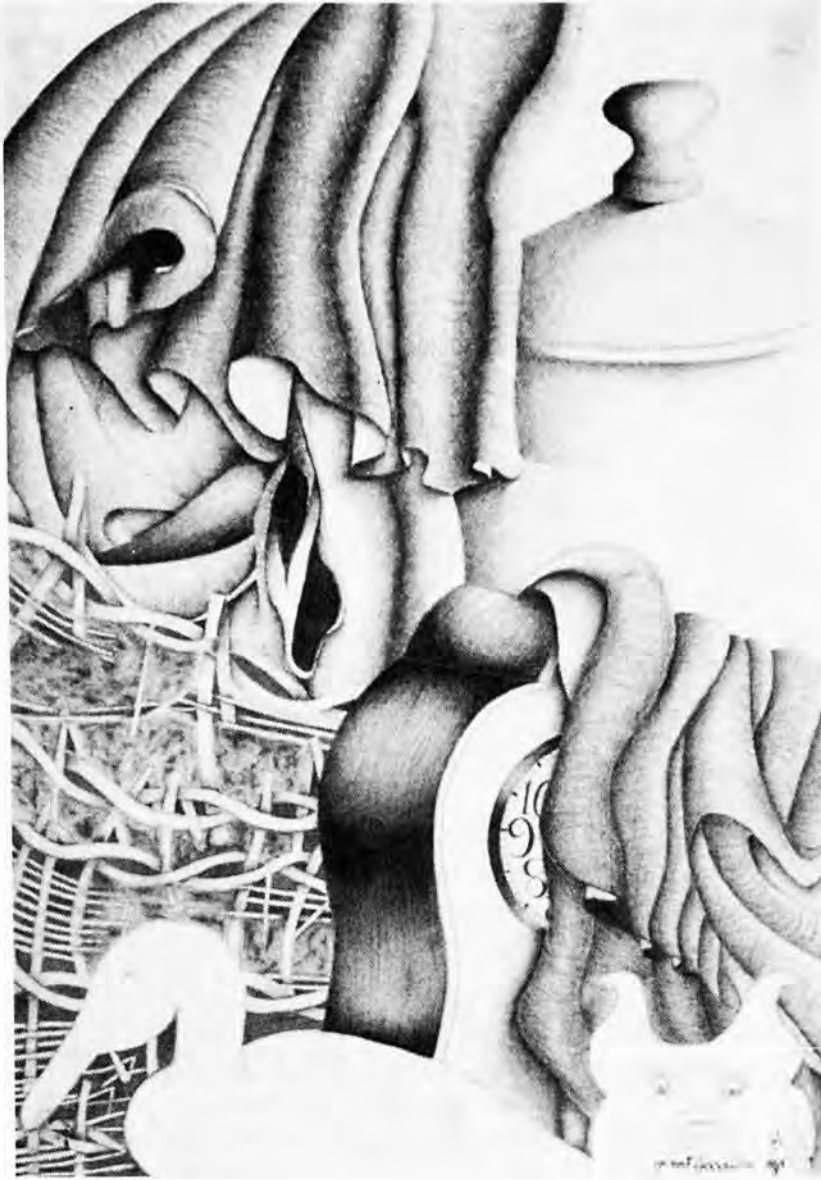
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But just as we think love has pounced  
Uncaring takes off its treacherous mask  
Reveals our stupidity at trying to find  
This love, this corner, these stars.

*Rhys Davies 9B*







## Storm

In moments the storm will be upon us. Its low rumble signals its presence and the valley is silenced.

All traces of life seem to mysteriously vanish and the carpet of grey cloud rolls itself out upon the jagged mountain peaks.

Suddenly, streaks of white lightning stain the sky and intricate webs of illumination are formed beneath the veil of darkness. A sea of yellowy-green ripples lines the valley and the rising wind becomes ever more violent as the voice of the storm begins to shout. The once low rumble of thunder is smothered by a more awesome, more superior potency and the lightning once again cracks the pane of darkness in its usual haphazard way. Teardrops of rain begin to scatter themselves, as if controlled by an ethereal being, over and across sections of powdery land, creating an eruption of dust and steam. The stale smell of moist soil is quickly dispelled and swiftly replaced by the cool, crisp new air brought by the refreshing rain.

As I look up into the sky, I see thousands of golden beams piercing the woolly clouds, yielding millions of tiny but valuable crystals and the end of a swift summer storm.

*Christopher Hepburn 9B*

## Twilight

Thabo sat on the curb. Twilight approached. It would be another night without love. He lifted his glue bottle to his mouth. But the bottle was violently ripped away by a firm hand. Thabo only realized this gesture was one of love when he lay in the welcome shelter bed.

*Richard Armstrong 80*

## The Cage

Imagine you have just opened your eyes. The wonder of nature surrounds you - green trees, blue skies and the sun's rays leaving pools of gold on the grass ... and bars, cold, shining steel - keeping you away, holding you captive from it all.

A prisoner ... yes, perhaps. But these same cold and unfriendly bars that protect endangered or injured wildlife could be compared to the protective cage parents wrap around their children as they grow, develop and mature.

We must not judge the protectiveness of our parents. Children are not in a "cage" holding them back, not letting them go. Rather we must think of the "cage" as a loving warmth we are given, a cocoon wrapped snugly around us, with the bars there to protect us from harm and evil. Sure we have parameters and guidelines: without them we would get into all types of trouble. We must not regard these rules as a cage, but rather as a way that our parents show us they care for us, their children.

Then think of our pets. A dog is called "a man's best friend", But in a dog's mind, is man really his best friend? Some dogs are chained up all day, and when his "master" comes home, the loyal friend gets beaten and kicked by his "best friend" because his master has had a bad day. I find this a good example of a caged animal. Even though some are loved, there is still a certain cage surrounding these animals. They also have boundaries and are given certain rules that if they do not obey, they will more than likely be punished.

The people of Africa are "caged". They are no longer able to develop or farm the lands surrounding them. They must starve because they cannot grow food or keep cattle. The life-giving land that these people so desperately need, has been raped by the planting of landmines during times of civil war - mines that cause death and disable and maim thousands of people and animals every day. They call this freedom?

There are cages that protect, cages that nurture, cages that humiliate, cages that destroy. As we travel through our lives, we will come across many of these "cages". But the one we will always come back to and rely on, the "cage" we cannot do without, is that cage of love and caring made for us by our parents.

*Thomas Garden 9B*



## The Punishment

Slowly I make my way down the long dimly-lit corridor, my footsteps' echo making me aware that I am alone. Like a criminal, I sit outside "The Office" awaiting my penalty. The taste of chicken sandwich still lingers on my lips, reminding me of the unbearable crime I have just committed. As I sit in the uncomfortable leather chair I can feel the moist arms of the chair from previous offenders. It seems like decades, as I listen to my breathing becoming heavier. Suddenly I snap out of my trance and the echo of the previous offender's punishment fades out. The door creaks open and one of my comrades walks out rubbing his injured area. From inside a booming voice calls out, "Boy!"

As I enter, the smell of new carpets and old oak furniture brings me to life. Everywhere I look I see trophies and historic memorabilia. I feel unsteady on the thick, lime carpet, as I listen to the headmaster's almighty voice. The ticking of a large grandfather clock in the corner of the room threatens to take hold of my concentration. It glistens as a beam of light enters the room through the bars. I am told of how criminal my deed is and accept the punishment: a brutal beating with a yellow cane twice on my rear end as I am to bend over the chair before me.

I am told to clutch the arms of the chair. The distinctive smell of wood polish is evident as I study the fine cracks in the leather seat. Silence; then suddenly I feel excruciating pain and my fingernails dig deep into the wood. I do not dare move. I hold my breath, not allowing so much as a squeak to escape from my teeth as I wait for the second sensation. Again, and my nails sink deeper into the wood. I steadily lift myself up, holding my pain in, and thank my punisher.

As I leave the room and make my way back a tear runs down my cheek and I taste its salty moisture, but wipe it away quickly and attempt to laugh.

*Vaughan van der Merwe 11M*



*Vaughan van der Merwe*

## They Say

War makes us men. They say.

Fight for the good of your country. They say.

It's the right thing to do. They say.

Watch men who once were strong be torn apart, and die in pain, drowning in their own misery. They didn't say.

Watch others shredded to almost nothing. They didn't say.

When I kill for the first time I destroy myself. They didn't say.

See the suffering, hear the rattling of machine gun fire, the whiz of mortar, the blood-curling screams, and live with it.

They didn't say.

What for? I say.

*Anonymous*

## Satan's Desire

Hideous iron killing machines from Hell;

like cannoned-bulldozers,

Destroying all that lies in their Path.

Once a tranquil landscape,

Now a dull, dead desert.

Shells fly out in all directions,

Whistling the death of innocent victims.

The battlefield is a fiery, bloody plain of Hell.

Why do these mad men fight each other?

Are we not all Godly Creations?

Families wait hopefully back home,

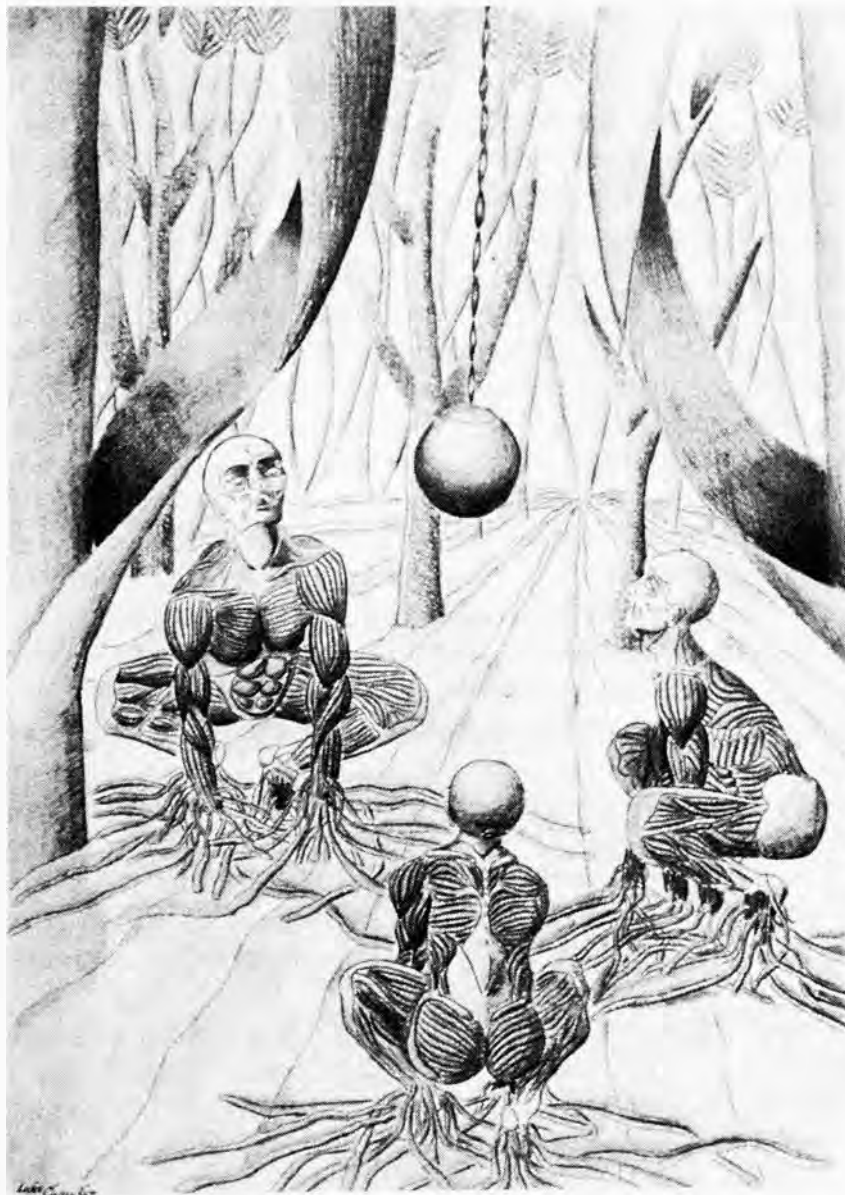
As if waiting for the reincarnation of the deceased.

Even their lives will be shattered by the war.

Once they were happy, united families,

Now they are broken links in chains.

*James Ashforth 10M*



## Feelings while standing on a starting block

"Under 16 Butterfly!" yelled a matric. I got up, put on my cap and walked to the starting blocks. Mr Kenyon shouted "Ready!". I was expecting the gun to come earlier so I leant forward, but there was no air-shattering bang, so it was a foul start. I got out of the water and back on the block. Second time lucky, perfect start and we were off.

The feeling of standing on those blocks is very strange. I get a feeling of pride and yet also of fear. My stomach is knotted with fear. My nerves are tight like guitar strings and my mind is worrying about tumble turns, timing, not foul starting. All these thoughts shoot through my brain like bullets through the sky. I enjoy the feeling of freedom as I dive into the cool water where it is silent and peaceful. I take my first breath and once again hear the screaming, the clapping, the chanting; then silence once more.

*Laurence Johnson 10C*

## The Raving

*after Edgar Allan Poe*

Once upon an anxious midnight, while I queued up meek, yet weary,  
Behind many an older and more abiding citizen of the law,  
There I waited, nearly wailing, and suddenly there rose up arms all flailing,  
Those of people gently raving, raving for a common cause,  
"Whoa!", I muttered, "so many people raving, right here at the venue door!"  
A sudden rush then nothing more.

Yea, I distinctly remember it was in the black December,  
And each lonesome dying glow-stick, like a message to the floor did fall,  
Eagerly they called to me, come on in and rave more boldly,  
For beneath the smoke-swept dusty venue, I was but a crusty on the menu,  
Nameless there and everywhere.

And the silken sad uncertain rustling of each raver,  
Thrilled me, filled me with fantastic energies never felt before,  
So that now still to the beating of the drums, I stood repeating,  
'Tis one DJ and ten thousand ravers, dancing within these chamber walls,  
And time was quick forgotten, yet one thing never forgotten by those within the rattling doors.  
A decent rave does good for all!

*John Hilton 12M*

## It is not the Ape or the Tiger in Man that I fear, but the Donkey

Arguments are never fun, especially when you know you are going to lose your patience or your temper first and give up completely before very long. Such was my argument with Damien Durant.

It occurred in the library at school several years ago. I was attempting to explain my point of view to him while he was insistent that his was the correct perception. The argument arose from his asking for help with a maths problem and my trying to explain it to him. Firstly he couldn't understand, for all my explanations, the multiplication of fractions and secondly, he didn't believe that my method worked. Thus my foolish pride and his slow, stubborn nature caused a long and complex argument. The stalemate that emerged, my sulking and his failing the subject, left us both with frayed tempers and our blood boiling. Arguing with a stubborn person can be a mightily trying experience.

Stubborn people are, in my opinion, the bane of the world. Due to the nature of these people, stubborn people usually manage to be slow in mind and stupid, lacking knowledge or seeming to have a learning defect, making them extremely good at arguing but terrible at logical reasoning. People like this have been compared to donkeys. This comparison calls to mind the donkey from Winnie the Pooh, Eeyore. Eeyore typifies the donkey image, being slow, stupid and stubborn. It is these three attributes that make these people so dangerous. It is not physical danger that springs to mind, but the mental danger that merely talking with people of this nature can put one in. I have not known anyone actually to lose their minds talking with people of this nature, but many have come close to it.

I fear the donkey in man more than the ape or the tiger, for many reasons. The ape for example has several attributes. He is strong, yet unseeing, ugly yet unprincipled, without remorse and mad. Yet in all these characteristics there are weaknesses. Strength, if directed toward you, can be side-stepped or parried, in which case it serves no purpose at all. Lack of foresight matters not, for if he cannot see far enough down the road, he cannot plan strategy or prepare. Ugliness acts directly against the aggressor as it loses him any support he may have had. Lack of principles does give slight advantage, as gentlemanly battle cannot be fought without co-operation from both sides, but it does turn opinion and support against him as an ungentlemanly person is not admired by many. Lack of remorse and madness merely cause him to make mistakes. Thus is the ape not one to be feared.

The tiger is to be feared more than the ape, but less than the donkey, due to its strength, cunning and ability to disguise itself. These attributes also have weaknesses, much in the manner that the ape's did. Strength has been explained. Cunning aids in strategic planning but can often be defeated by simple logic, for the best-laid plans often have holes in them. Ability to disguise self allows for the sneak attack. The problem with the sneak attack is that there are always too many safeguards, people or objects to warn the prey of the tiger's approach. The ability to think rationally can be dangerous but, as demonstrated, can be overcome. But the senseless, thoughtless approach of the donkey sets his type apart from all others.

The ape is overthrown, the tiger defeated, but still the donkey reigns supreme as the one type of person that I fear contact with due to his stubborn, stupid approach which has no means by which it can be defeated, save to think like the donkey thinks, which for most men is impossible. Thus, as said by Archbishop Templeton: "It is not the ape or the tiger in man that I fear, it is the donkey." So simple, yet so dangerous. So unbelievable, yet so true.

*Robert Morgan 12M*

## Rage against the Weak

My school bag hits the wall and crashes to the floor with a thud. It bursts open, revealing all the cursed homework that I have to do. I rip my uniform from my sweat-clad body and send it to eternal hell at the bottom of the washing basket. "Damn you!" I think. I feel the rhythmic pumping of my heart accelerating away. My body urges and kicks. The pain from behind my eyes surfaces; I punch the wall. My fist hurts.

I seek comfort in my breezy soft bed. The tears run down my cheeks and onto the pillow. The wet patch grows as self-pity overbears any other emotions that are being churned about in a turmoil of grievances. My head is aching and my eyes burning. Each cycle of thoughts renders my subconscious worse off. I have no control. The rage inside does not subside. Like that of a person in a drunken stupor, my body defends itself; I fall asleep.

I am not allowed to recover but must succumb to Mother's shrill screeching that pierces my spine. I tell myself to relax. I try to settle down and listen but it is too much! I try harder and harder but I feel it breaking away. She never stops. She never leaves me alone. No, enough! I grab the gun and run out of the house.

The door slams; it awakens the dead of centuries past. This upwelling of years of anger is ungovernable. Where does it stem from? It is subconscious. Why am I angry? It is irrational. Who am I angry with? It cannot be focused. The pains of adolescence are unbearable. I load the rifle.

I need somebody to blame. It's everybody's fault. The school, the friends, the parents; it's all their fault. Leave me alone. Please, leave me alone. I isolate myself from the rest of the world. Someone must pay. I take aim.

The dove coos softly as it delicately walks across the blades of grass. Beasts bear no souls and therefore are eternally happy. They live well, but only once. To the elements that they are created from they return. The dove is innocent and the day lovely. This beauty is enviable. I am jealous that I am not able to see the world through the eyes of a dove. The rage inside me is released; I fire.

It is not a clean shot. The bird flaps and flutters. It squirms in bloody circles. It does not die. It fights its death as furiously as my mind refuses to be one with my body. Die you wretched creature. Be gone with you. The second senseless bullet tears through its head.

Before the bird suffers the fate I have imposed upon it, it looks up for the last time. I see it hurting. Relieved of my anger, I take a deep breath. The polar air freezes my lungs. I am clam. I feel surprisingly ... satisfied.

A second dove appears. It wants to die too! It moves closer to its dead companion. It knows that the ultimate price has been paid, yet just stands there. Just as the first bird, the second looks up. It stands tall, the anger contained. It asks me to shoot it. I raise the rifle. The dove stands brave, unmoved. The crucifix is over its head. Ready to die? Defenceless, innocent and unflinching, the dove stands. In cold blood, I kill it.

The dove staggers around and collapses. It knows it has won and I acknowledge its victory. "Damn you!" I think to myself. How can a mere bird of no intellect or being have more control than me?

All that anger and pain is gone, replaced by guilt. The guilt of being a coward makes me ashamed of myself. I do not shed tears, but I cry inside. The realization of what I have just done overburdens my soul. I cry for the two doves, I cry for myself. Do I ever deserve to be forgiven? I retain not an ounce of self-respect. All I am is a bully, channelling my anger onto someone else weaker than me. I am a coward.

*Adriano Iorio 12M*

## Question

With total trust in master he gallops swiftly along the front.  
Ears pricked, legs floating, energy flowing.  
Splendid.

The wailing, whining shell whizzes up and spirals down -  
The stress is released.  
Danger.

The horse squeals, tries to flee, but can't, looks for help, but finds none.  
His master deserts him.  
Disgraceful.

Frantically in all his agony he attempts once more to run,  
but his once strong, slender legs buckle under his sweaty mass of muscle.  
Misery.

His eyes snow white, he begins to convulse, squirms and squeals yet louder.  
He gave his life to his master, what he gets in return is a slow, painful, disturbed death.  
Inexpressible.

Are the men that fight in war not like the eager horse,  
and the leaders that send them there our "gallant" riders?

*Derek Clover 10M*

## Johannesburg: Disaster for a city

Take one brawl, one rally  
Assisted by streets of violence  
And let the streets hold back the youth a little  
Only churning feelings  
Only dividing the races  
With a simple movement of a gun  
Through the victim's face  
And then set townships up  
So dark they seem to pollute the blue skies  
In a dirty and poverty-stricken heap  
So dark that we seem to neglect our land  
How revolting they are, stiff, crime-invested  
Enclosed in itself, yet so vulnerable  
These small tin shacks, that are hidden in the deep.  
Here I say the mind is convicted, is jailed;  
Anchored by the burden of fear, we will  
Triumphantly surrender to disastrous reality  
It is simple then to be a victim  
To have a mind that is petrified  
To accept such segregation in our thoughts  
And between the hills and trees, lies a harsh reality.  
*Damon Hopkins 12M*

## Silence Speaks Louder Than Words

We are the chess pieces of the war-mongers.  
Sacrificed in a meaningless move.  
We have seen the plastic screen of death's face.  
The pitiful eyes that stare at us from behind an execution window.  
A soldier slumps against the wall of mud.  
It draws him in, enfolding him in its arms.  
We see a late-comer struggling in wire like an animal.  
Bullets spew up mud, drawing closer, he tears free  
Only to run into shrapnel from a shell.  
Gaaas, Gaaas.  
Hands fumble, feet stumble.  
I trip and fall into the blood-soaked sludge.  
I rise into a smog.  
I am in a strange world of green, a suspended moment in time.  
A quick breath,  
And the yellow fingers of gas reach down my throat.  
Tightening, squeezing, clenching.  
I breathe out, the gas pulls my lungs with it.  
Sucking in the gas with each breath, the burning warm haze.  
I stumble, my cardiovascular system slumps.  
The shadows make their way to me and I see the ugly masks of death,  
The ones my fellow soldiers wear.  
They are the spectators, I am the show.  
Just like the latecomer, whom I watched.  
They can't help me -  
I am alone.  
*Marc Stapelberg 10M*

## A Diary entry of Iago on his deathbed

Oh diary!  
Why do you not have the power to rescue me  
from these dire straits into which I have sunk?  
Of course why should you want to do so  
for it is I that manufactured my own end.  
I that allowed my infernal ambition and jealousy  
to lead me into this foulest of plots.  
And now there is no turning back.  
Everything seemed like such a good idea at the time,  
all loose ends neatly tied up, all blame  
neatly allocated to various innocents.  
Of course I show no remorse to the Moor and his fools.  
That would be beneath me.  
Indeed the overweening contempt that I hold for him  
is stronger still than the regret that comes with death.  
For now as I slowly pass from this world  
I see the fires that await me below.  
The very sight of that terrible place is enough  
to make the most hardened sinner repent and beg for mercy.  
Would that I was never cursed with my cold intolerance  
but now it is too late - and I have an eternity  
to think about where I went wrong.  
*James Turton 12M*

## Composed upon the Eastern Bypass

*after "Composed upon Westminster Bridge" by William Wordsworth*

Gauteng has not anything to show more bare:  
Sensible would he be of soul who could pass by  
A fright so touching in its leprosy:  
This City now doth, like an old blanket, wear  
the beauty of pollution: smudged, glare  
Shacks, showers, chromes, cinemas and toilets lie  
open unto the thieves and to the sky;  
All dull and littering in the ozone-less air.  
Never did sun more woefully weep over  
In his last freedom, sky-rise, complex or tar;  
Ne'er saw I, never smelt, a foul so deep!  
The sewerage oozeth at his own sweet will;  
Dear God! The very houses seem to speak;  
of all that mighty corruption, never still!  
*James Turton 12M*



## Assembly

Friday again, lined up the same way at the same time, waiting to be allowed into the hall for assembly. Standing in the hot sun listening to prefects bark orders at us to keep quiet. Standing in neat lines wearing thick blazers, boiling away.

Inside the hall the babble of voices becomes louder and more confusing. Chirps and jokes fly, everyone jostles everyone else. It's chaos until a teacher pops his head through the door and with a deafening roar silences the hall. A minute of silence passes until a prefect shouts, "All stand!" We all stand, as if to attention. A solemn line of teachers enters the hall. As the teachers walk by, numerous hands rise in the shape of pistols and magic bullets fly through the air as if to make the teachers drop one by one. But the bullets never find their targets and assembly won't end any earlier than usual.

The Headmaster mounts the podium and greets the school. The school murmurs back a measly greeting. The command for a hymn to be sung is given and there is a shuffling as hundreds of hands reach into pockets and pull out hymn books. The piano bursts into life, accompanied by the sound of throats being cleared. The school launches itself into the mission of singing but after the opening line falls flat. Only several brave voices sing loudly with meaning while the rest of the school drones on.

We are asked to sit. With pleasure and relief I sit down and am soon listening to the drudgery of the past week's sports results. I try not to fall asleep in the heat of the hall. When will it end? I want to go to break.

"I will not take any more of this!" booms the Headmaster. The loud voice quickly straightens your back and makes your ears suddenly more functional. The part I like best has arrived. The time when people are told off and angry threats are made. It's always funny to learn what some fools in the school are doing for fun: cutting loudspeaker wires or bringing pellet guns to school and other useless things. Shame. Anyway despite my inside self rolling with laughter, I sit up straight with a solemn face.

When will it end? This time it's gone on far too long. Half our break has already gone. It's so unfair. We want to get this out of the way as soon as possible. After all there's a whole weekend waiting ahead to be enjoyed.

Finally the Headmaster and teachers leave the hall. Yes, it's nearly over. No, there's still the prefects' talk. How long will this one be, you wonder.

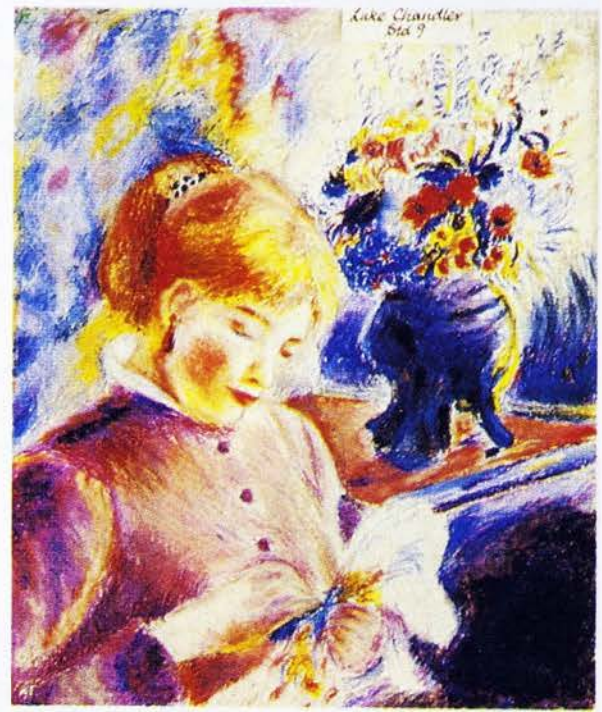
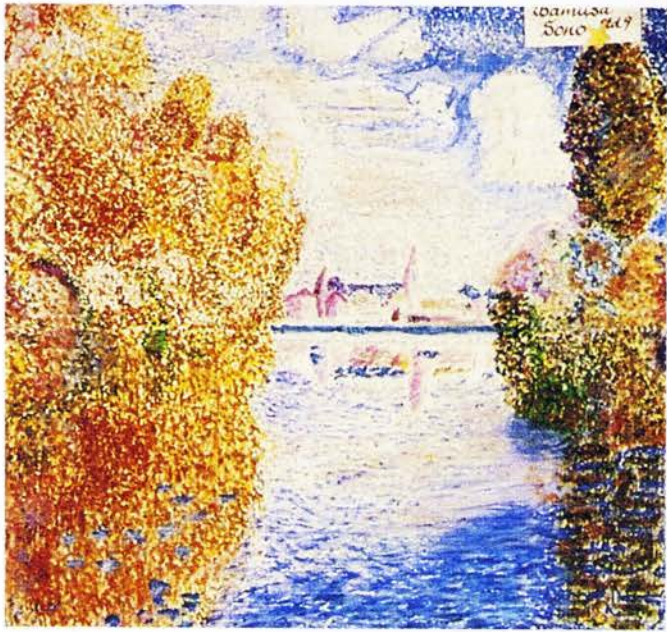
Fifteen minutes later with the standard nines leaving the hall you are buzzing with enthusiasm. Break awaits! Your soul shouts to be released. The command is given. There's a mad rush as barbarous standard eights crowd the door. Break is at hand! You walk outside ready to enjoy your well-earned reward. Time to relax. Time to ... the bell just rang! Break's ended!

*James Robson 10C*



*Headmaster's delight*



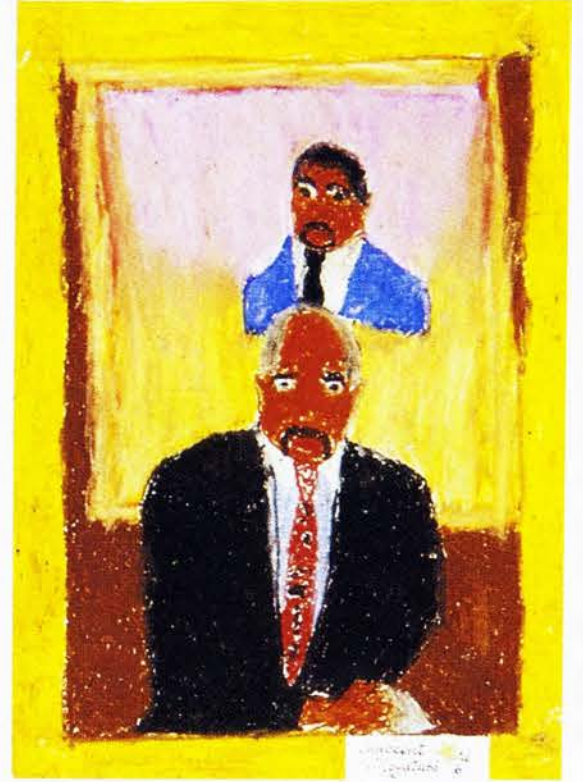




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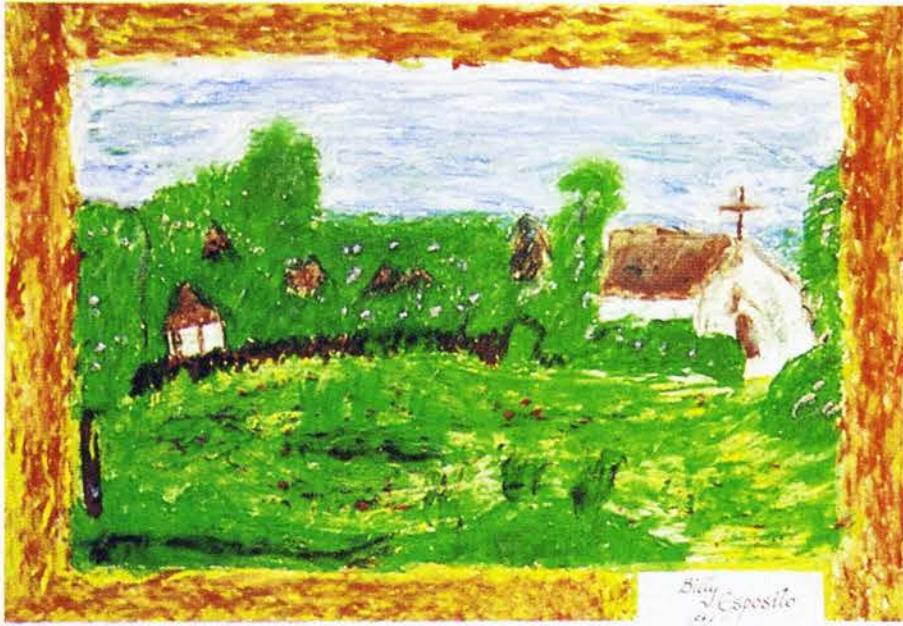
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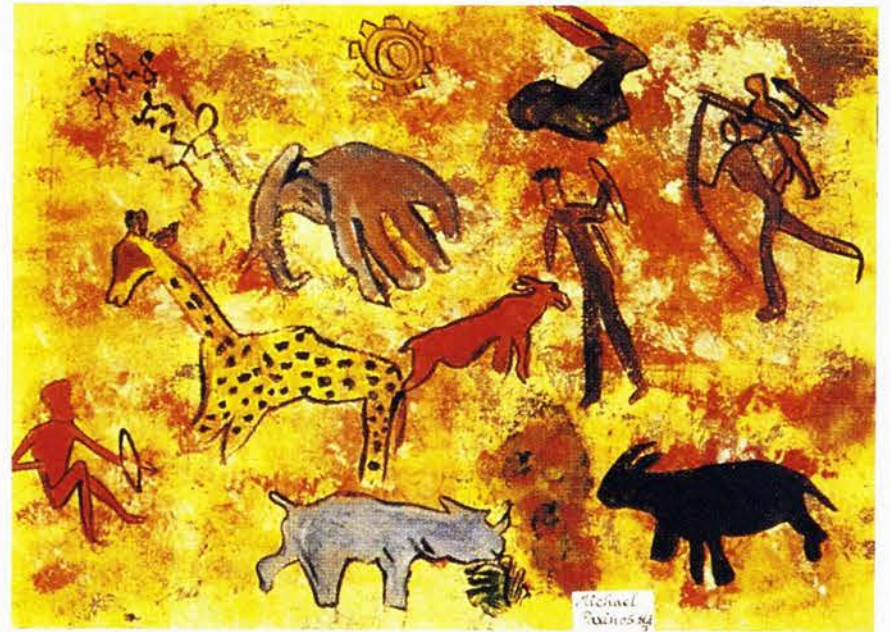
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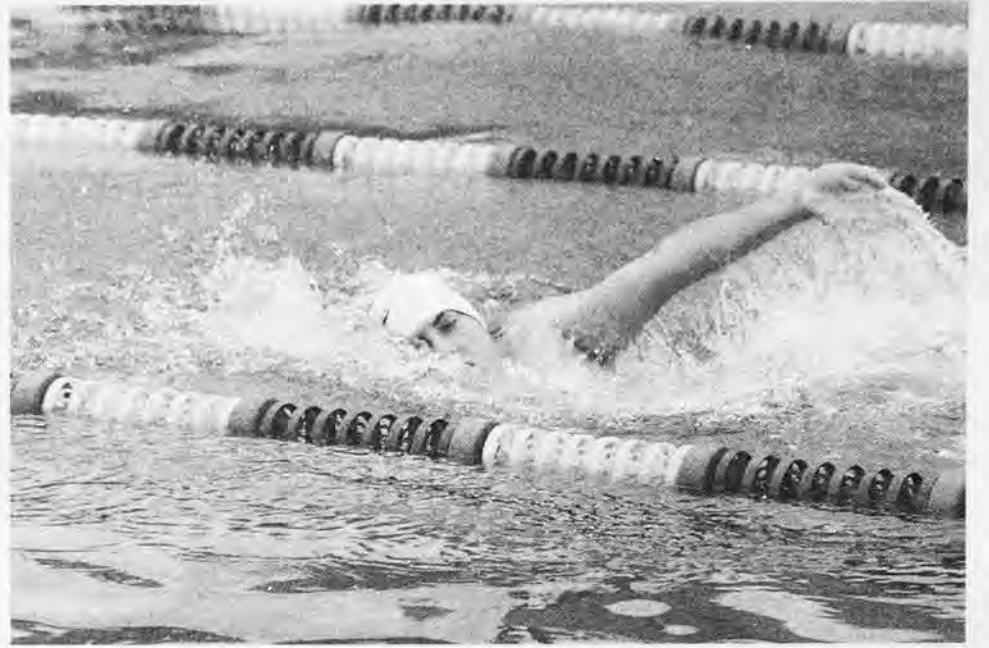


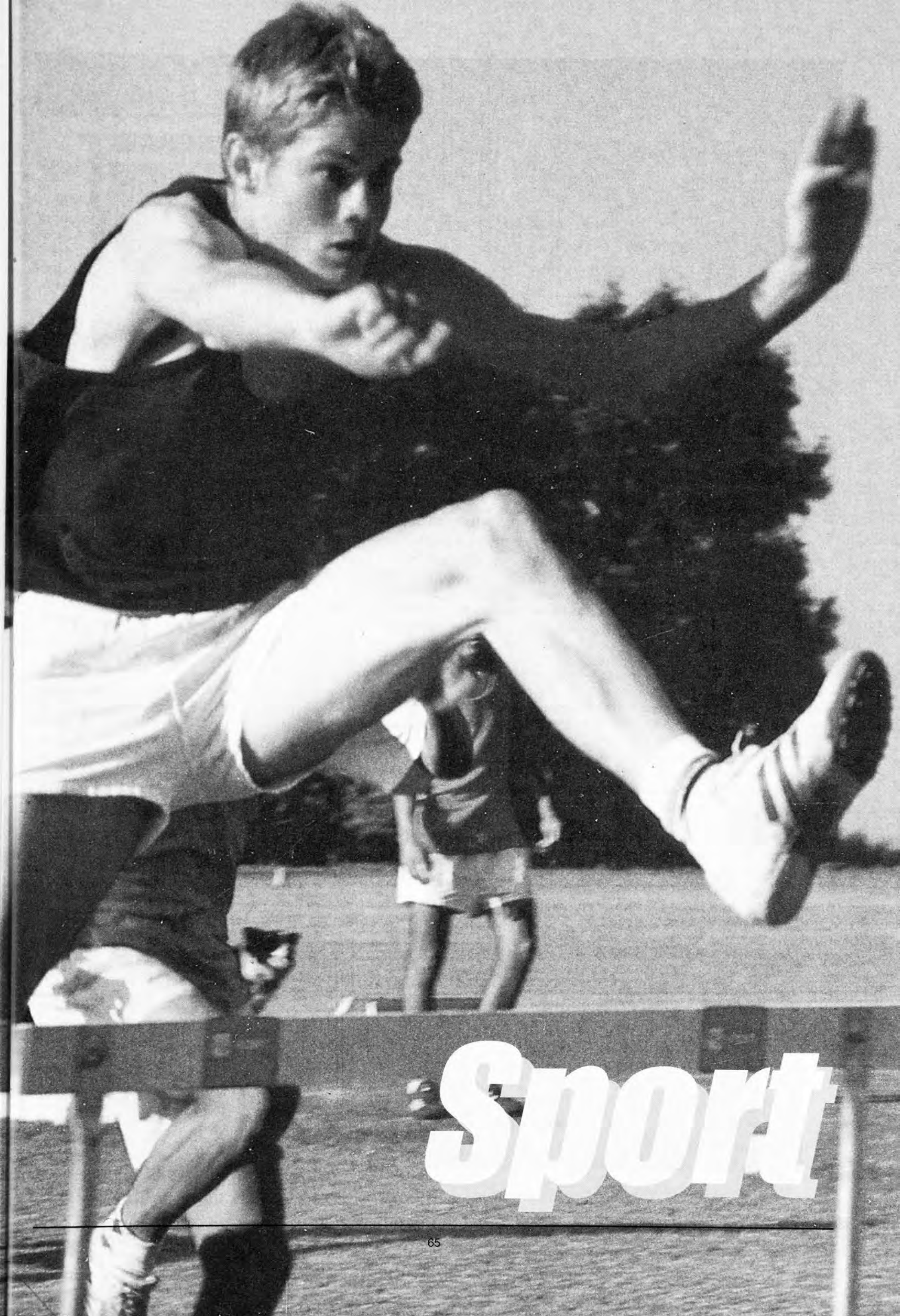
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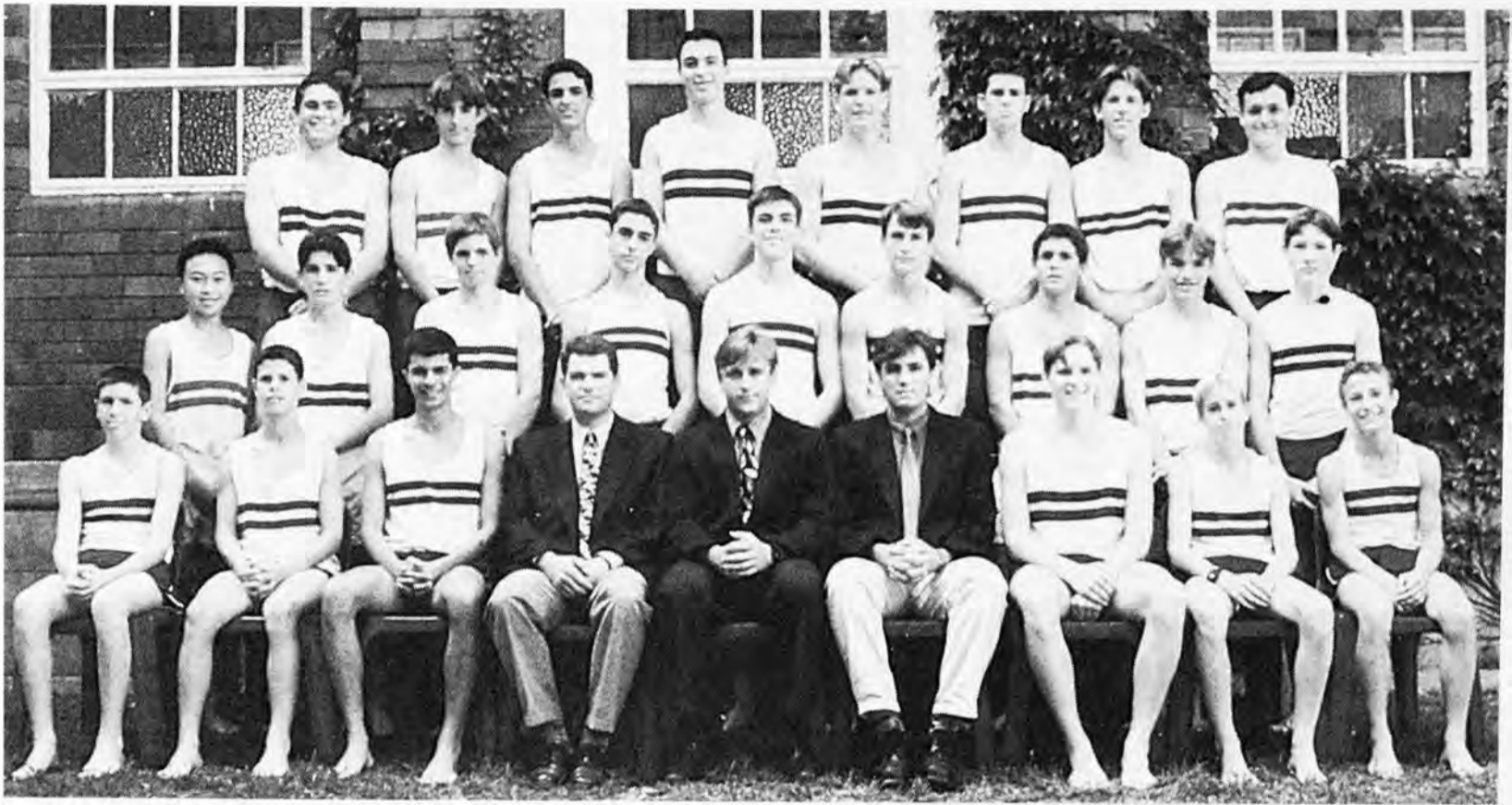






# Sport

# Athletics



## Athletics Team

**Back row:** Jonathan Tonetti, Jared Mitri, Andrew Tennant, Timothy O'Shea, Robert Tait, Gary Geldenhuys, Michael Bembridge, Bevan Glanville

**Middle row:** Justin Sing, Damien Tucker, Douglas Cochran, Giulio Frigenti, Brendan O'Shea, Fabio Valente, Jess Harris, Rhys Davies, Tyson Teubner

**Seated:** Hugo Gill, Steven Aronson, Ronald Abvajee, Mr G Kenyon, Mr G Behr, Mr W Craven, Alasdair Kelly, Alan Mills, Bevan Winderley

The 1997 Athletics season was an exceptionally short, but enjoyable, one. The whole season comprised of three weeks and therefore the athletes never really managed to achieve full fitness. Even though at times the lack of fitness and practice was noticeable, the boys displayed a lot of guts and determination. The determined efforts by the athletes was shown at the B Inter-High, where St David's came from behind to win the meeting. This is an accomplishment that has not been achieved since 1990.

The performances by the athletes this season were outstanding and this is evident in the fact that 261 standards were achieved and 29 records broken. Certain individuals excelled. James Turton broke the Under 17 Shot Put record and

now holds the records for this event from Under 14 to Under 17. Bevan Winderley, an Under 15 boy, won the Inter-House Road Run and the Open 3000m; at his age this is an excellent achievement.

Ronald Abvajee led the athletics team and he was ably supported by Alasdair Kelly. Their leadership and running of the team was exemplary.

A special word of thanks to all the athletes who contributed towards making it an enjoyable and successful season. My sincere thanks to Father Brewer, who always puts a great deal of time and effort into the season. Thanks also to all the coaches and officials for their invaluable contributions.

*G Behr*



# Results

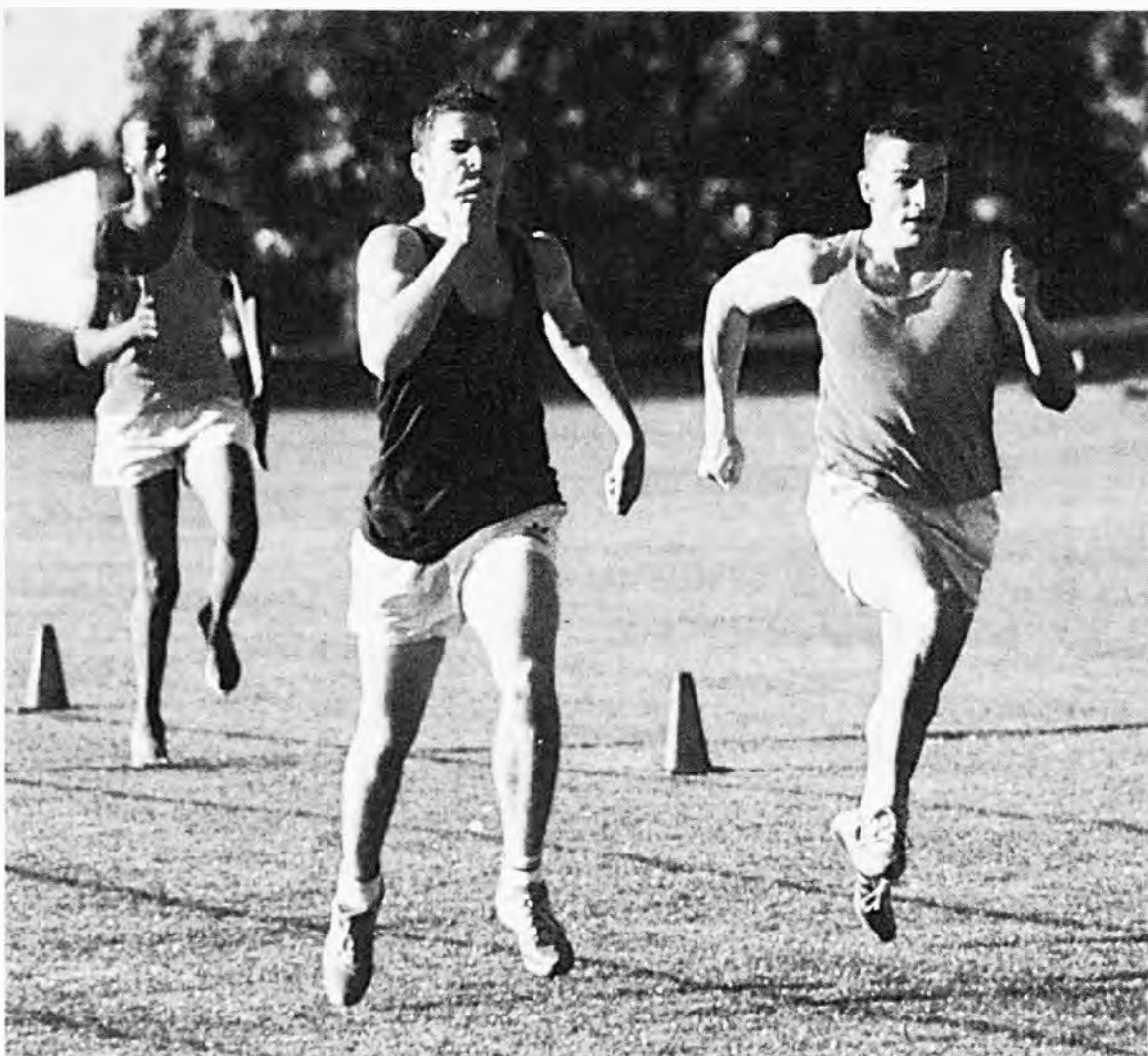
## Triangular, Wednesday 17 September St David's, St Stithians A and Parktown A

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|-----------------|--------------|-----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Parktown     | 274 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | St Stithians | 272 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | St David's   | 112 |

## Catholic Inter-Schools' Meeting, Herman Immelman Stadium, Germiston, Friday 19 September

St David's returned to this important day on the Catholic Schools' calendar after an absence of some 10 years. The atmosphere in the stadium was that of a carnival with claxtons blaring, banners flying, cheerleaders, pom-poms, balloons and endless war cries. We were made to feel most welcome and the hospitality was superb. Although St David's came 5th overall, we did much better than the results suggest. Our Prep school and Grade 12's did not participate and therefore we missed out on points in five age groups.

|                 |               |     |
|-----------------|---------------|-----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | St Benedict's | 474 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | De la Salle   | 467 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | NPCS          | 402 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Sacred Heart  | 344 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | St David's    | 316 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Holy Family   | 237 |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> | CBC           | 133 |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> | Boys' Town    | 104 |



## B Inter-High at King Edward VII School, Saturday 20 September

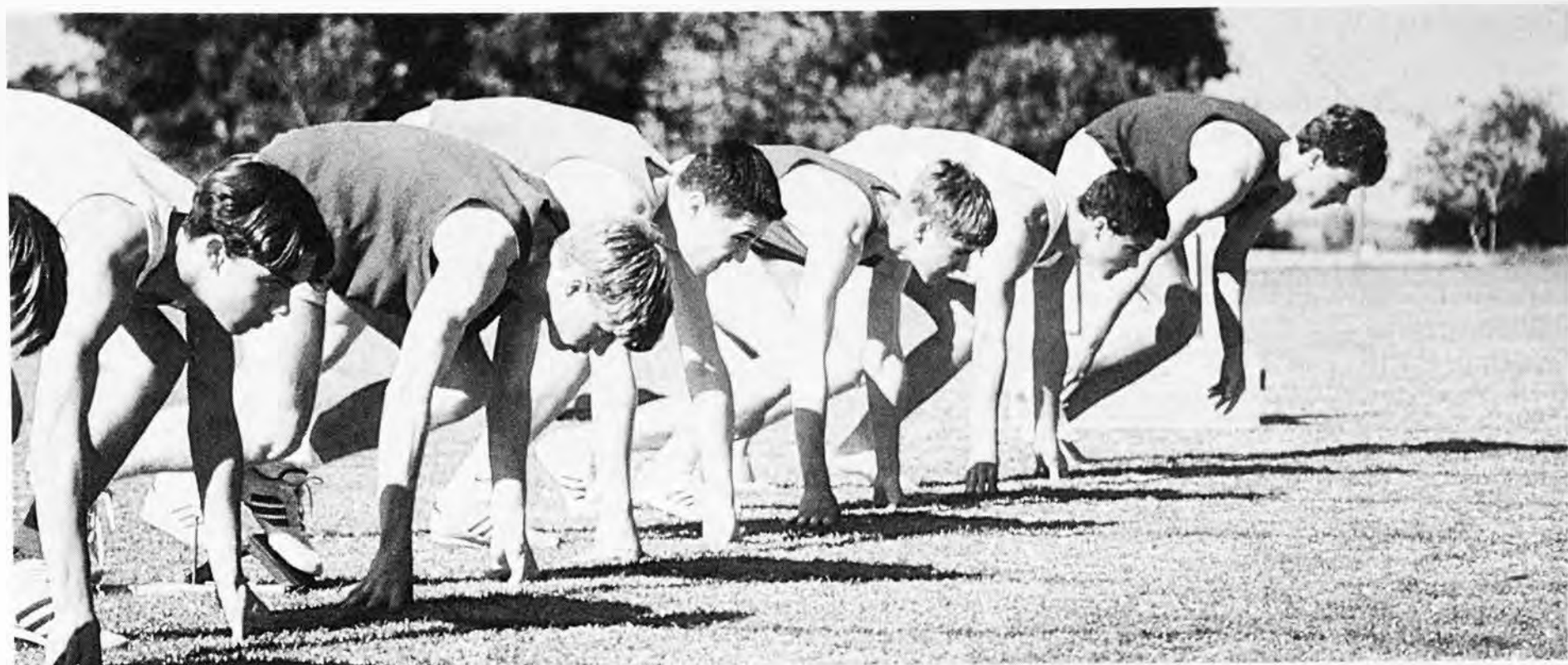
This was a tremendously exciting meeting. Going into the final Relay Event, scores were King Edward's B 332, St David's 331. The crowd went silent for the last event, the Open 4 x 100m Relay. King Edward's stormed home only to be disqualified and we won a thrilling contest by 5 points.

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|-----------------|-------------------|-----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | St David's        | 338 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | King Edward VII B | 332 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Pretoria Boys B   | 277 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | St Alban's        | 274 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | St Stithians B    | 238 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Parktown Boys' B  | 217 |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> | St John's B       | 215 |

## Private Schools' Quadrangular, Wednesday 1 October

|                 |              |      |
|-----------------|--------------|------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | St John's    | 341  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | St Stithians | 323½ |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | St Alban's   | 219½ |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | St David's   | 161  |





## ST DAVID'S INTER-HOUSE ATHLETICS

### Tabloid Sports, 4 & 5 September

|                 |             |    |
|-----------------|-------------|----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Benedict    | 25 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Tie: Osmond | 23 |
|                 | The Bishops | 23 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | College     | 21 |

### Inter-House Road Race, Thursday 25 September

|                 |             |    |
|-----------------|-------------|----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Benedict    | 30 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | The Bishops | 26 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Osmond      | 25 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | College     | 24 |

### Individual results

|                 |                       |           |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Bevan Winderley       | 23m 36.7s |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Iain Busschau         |           |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Bamuza Sono           |           |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Vaughan van der Merwe |           |

### Inter-House Athletics, Monday 29 September

|                 |             |     |
|-----------------|-------------|-----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | College     | 286 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | The Bishops | 223 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Benedict    | 210 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Osmond      | 192 |

### Overall Age Group Winners

|          |            |
|----------|------------|
| Under 14 | N Laher    |
| Under 15 | M Marsay   |
| Under 16 | I Busschau |
| Under 17 | P Owens    |
| Open     | C Stockden |



### Standards achieved during the season

#### Under 14

Nabeel Laher 200m (1), 400m (5), 800m (2), 1500m (1)  
 Giulio Frigenti 100m (2), 200m (2), 400m (1), 1500m (1)  
 Steven Aronson 100m (2), 200m (3), 400m (1), 800m (1)  
 Jared Mitri Long Jump (2), Triple Jump (2)  
 Damien Tucker Javelin (4)  
 Michael Bembridge Long Jump (3)  
 Ashton Hayes High Jump (2)  
 Robin Goldby Javelin (2)  
 Revel Ravenhill Javelin (2)  
 Brian Rowlings Discus (1)  
 Aidan Rundell 1500m (1)  
 Christopher Maphuruma 1500m (1)  
 Gregory Barrow Hurdles (1)



### Under 15

Shaun Falconer Shot Put (6), Discus (5), Javelin (4)  
Rhys Davies 100m (5), 200m (4), Triple Jump (4)  
Michael Marsay 400m (4), 800m (4), 1500m (1)  
Bevan Winderley 800m (2), 1500m (5), Road Run (1)  
Grant Brennon High Jump (5), Long Jump (1)  
Fabio Valente 100m (4), 200m (2)  
Michael Eilertsen 100m (1), Long Jump (3)  
Andrew Munro Javelin (3), Long Jump (1)  
Evan Dall 1500m (4)  
Bevan Glanville Shot Put (3)  
Alfie Chemaly Shot Put (3)  
Warren Emmett Long Jump (3)  
Andrew Tennant Javelin (2), Discus (1)  
Richard Wood Discus (2)  
Thomas Garden Discus (2)  
Tshepiso Vundla Shot Put (1)  
Lawrence Atherton Javelin (1)

### Under 16

Iain Busschau 400m (1), 800m (4), 1500m (5)  
David Randall Long Jump (4), Discus (3), Triple Jump (2)  
Jonathan Morte Discus (4), Javelin (3), Shot Put (2)  
Jonathan Tonetti Shot Put (6)  
Robert Tait High Jump (3), Triple Jump (2)  
Brendan O'Shea Hurdles (4), Long Jump (1)  
Deon Archary Long Jump (2), High Jump (1)  
Peteni Kuzwayo 400m (2)  
Shamit Makan 1500 (2)  
Nicholas Royce High Jump (2)  
Ricardo Traver-de Sousa Long Jump (1)  
Mambila Mageza Long Jump (1)  
Gregory Browne Shot Put (1)  
Tristan Masterton 100m (1)



### Under 17

Paul Owens 100m (3), 200m (2), 400m (3), Hurdles (2), Javelin (1),  
Discus (1), 300m Hurdles (1)  
Vaughan van der Merwe 800m (4), 1500m (4)  
Luca Fiasconaro 100m (1), 200m (2), 400m (3), Discus (1)  
James Turton Shot Put (4), Discus (2)  
Stefano Contardo Shot Put (3), Discus (2)  
Ryan Hugo Discus (3), Shot Put (1)  
Gary Geldenhuys High Jump (4)  
Brian Teixeira Long Jump (1)

### Open

Craig Stockden Long Jump (2), High Jump (5)  
Timothy O'Shea Hurdles (3), 300m Hurdles (2), Long Jump (1)  
Rei Farinha Shot Put (5)  
Massimo Vassarotti High Jump (2), Javelin (1)  
Grant Brown Shot Put (1)  
Keith Clover 1500m (1)  
Ronald Abvajee 300m Hurdles (1)

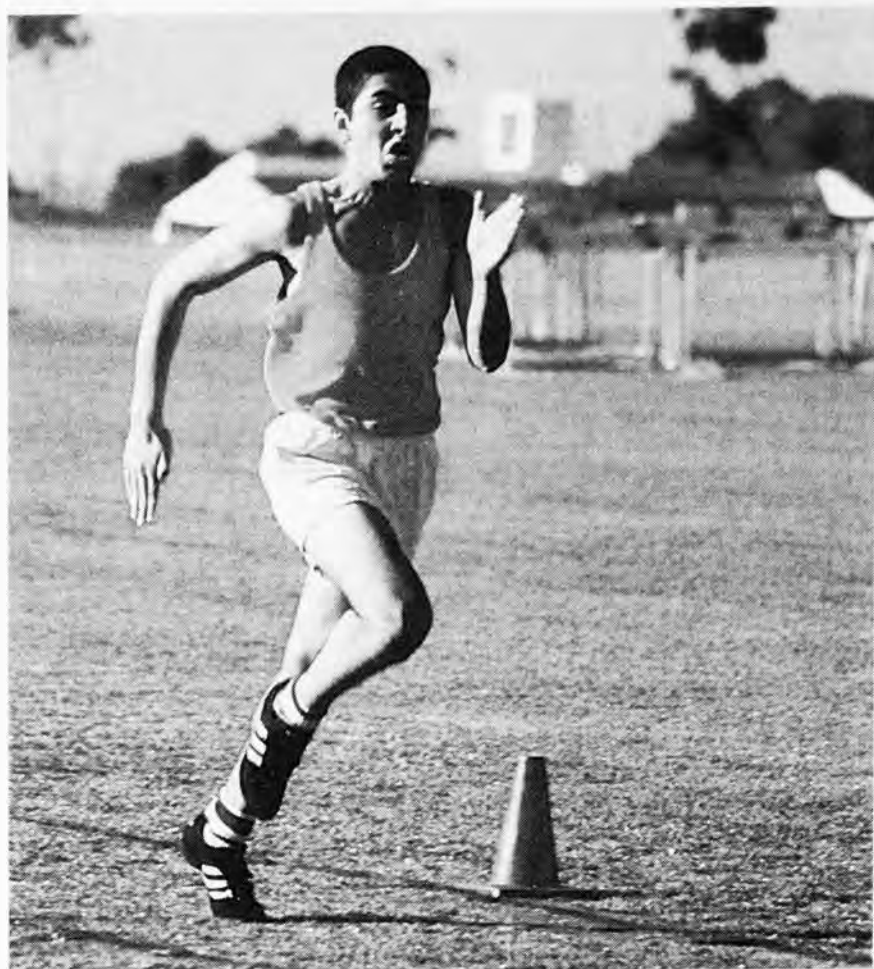
## Records achieved during the season

### Under 15

400m Michael Marsay 55.88s  
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800m Michael Marsay 2:09.54s  
800m Michael Marsay 2:09.03s  
Discus Shaun Falconer 39.89m  
High Jump Grant Brennon 1.67m  
High Jump Grant Brennon 1.69m  
High Jump Grant Brennon 1.70m  
Triple Jump Rhys Davies 11.73m (equals record)

### Under 16

800m Iain Busschau 2:10.2s  
800m Iain Busschau 2:08.16s  
800m Iain Busschau 2:06.45s  
1500m Iain Busschau 4:36.2s (equals record)  
1500m Iain Busschau 4:28.04s  
Discus Jonathan Morte 32.95m  
Discus Jonathan Morte 33.15m  
Javelin Jonathan Morte 50.20m  
Triple Jump David Randall 12.20m

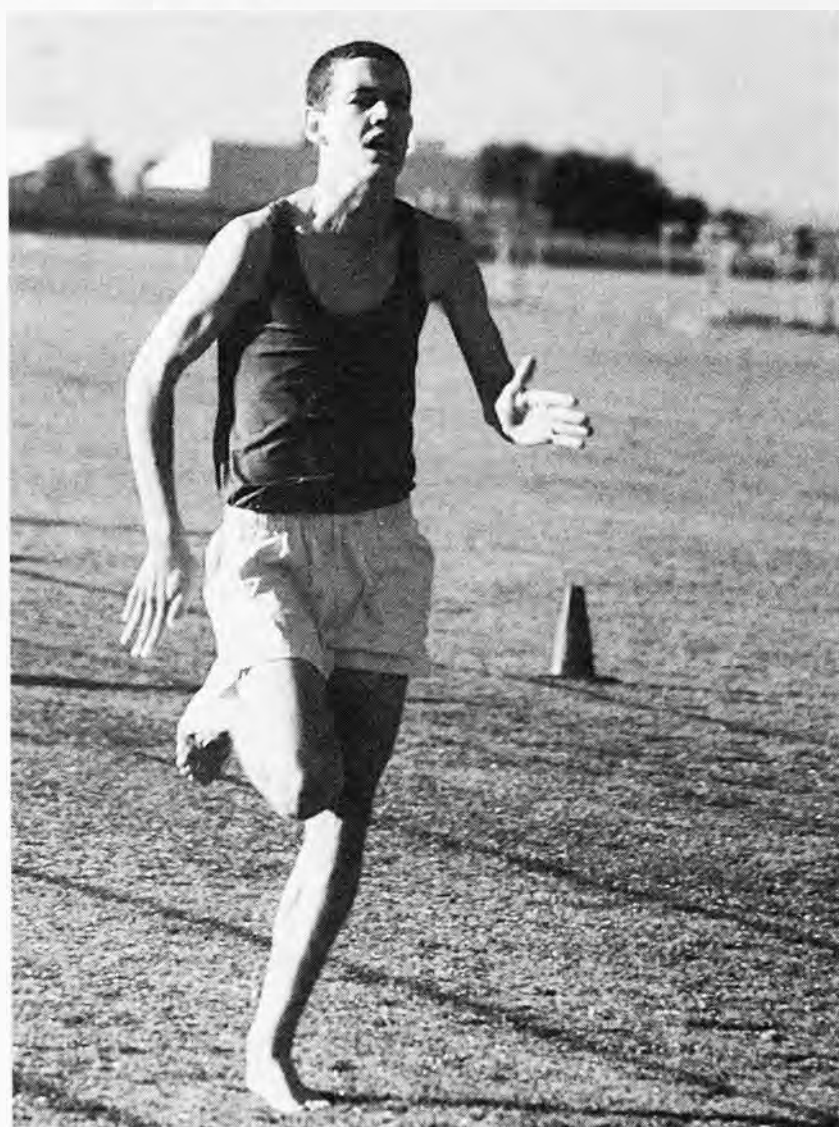


### Under 17

100m Paul Owens 11.17s  
400m Paul Owens 53.53s  
400m Luca Fiasconaro 52.84s  
1500m Vaughan van der Merwe 4:42.00s  
1500m Vaughan van der Merwe 4:34.82s  
Discus Ryan Hugo 35.34m  
Discus James Turton 37.42m  
Javelin Paul Owens 45.68m  
Shot Put James Turton 12.94m  
Shot Put James Turton 14.56m

### Open

High Jump Craig Stockden 1.80m (equals record)



## Colours for Athletics

### Half Colours

Timothy O'Shea  
Rei Farinha  
Wayne Collett  
Luca Fiasconaro  
Vaughan van der Merwe

### Full Colours

Paul Owens  
Craig Stockden  
James Turton

# Basketball

During the 1996/'97 season Basketball was still a growing sport at St David's. We found ourselves with a very young and inexperienced junior team and a rather small but committed senior team. We lost most of our matches in the first term, playing schools for whom basketball is a major sport. In the third term, however, with a new coach, we had something of a winning streak.

Both junior and senior teams played with great determination and commitment. Basketball is not considered a major sport at St David's, and the loss of the basketball court to "Development Plan 2000" did not help things, but despite this I believe the sport will continue to grow.

*Craig Chandler, Captain*



## Junior Basketball Team

**Back row:** *Mr Yves Dekom (coach), David Duarte, Warren Emmett, Philip Brandenburg*

**In front:** *Christopher Maphuruma, Justin Sing, Clive Mangope*



## Senior Basketball Team

**Back row:** *Mr Yves Dekom (coach), Simpiwe Matshikwe, Mikaël Moine, Mambila Mageza, Fako Lenkoe, Deane O'Haughey*

**In front:** *Marothi Nawa, Thomas Chen, Luke Chandler*

**Absent:** *Craig Chandler, Kyle Tucker*

## Results

**vs Deutsche Schule, 28 January**

Juniors 7-36

Seniors 28-43

**vs NEST Phuting, 4 February**

Juniors 8-89

Seniors 23-145

**vs Linden Hoërskool, 11 February**

Juniors 11-23

Seniors 32-41

**vs Woodmead, 25 February**

Juniors 4-102

Seniors 26-139

**vs Jules Verne, 4 March**

Juniors 8-23

Seniors 20-92

**vs Greenside, 18 February**

Juniors 15-53

Seniors 23-83

**vs St Andrew's Bloemfontein, 17 May**

Juniors 5-16

Seniors 36-44

**vs Michael Mount Waldorf School,  
23 October**

Seniors 50-34

**vs King David Victory Park, 30 October**

Juniors 34-26

Seniors 56-23

**vs St Sithians, 5 November**

Juniors 25-20

Seniors 27-11

**vs Chinese Kuo-Ting, 6 November**

Juniors 14-26

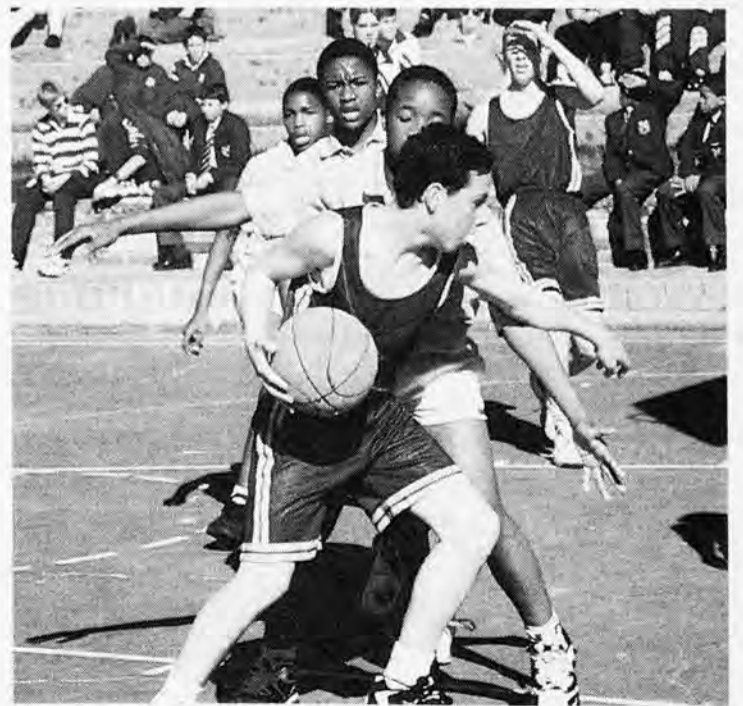
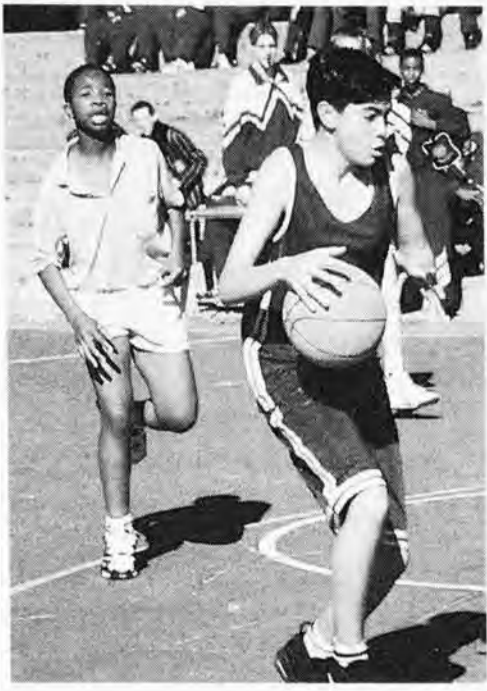
Seniors 43-50

**vs French School, 13 November**

Juniors 12-35

Seniors 23-73





# Canoeing



## Canoeing Team

**Back row:** Shaun Zuccolotto, Alfred Foden, Shaun Levick, Christopher Lacy, Wayne Collett, Alexander Roberts

**Seated:** Bradley Jackson, Ricardo Traver-de Sousa, Mr W van der Merwe, Nicolaas Alberts, Neil Powell

Canoeing has now become a recognised sport at St David's. The following events took place this year:

**Saturday 22 February: Vaal Dam to Pump House Race, 25 kms.** Shaun Levick, Wayne Collett, Shaun Zuccolotto and Mr van der Merwe, participated in the race. For Shaun Zuccolotto and Wayne Collett, it was their first River Race. Shaun Levick came first and Wayne Collett second in the Juniors.

**Friday 28 February: K2 Night Race at Wemmer Pan, 15 kms.** Shaun Levick, Alfred Foden, Wayne Collett, Shaun Zuccolotto, Christopher Lacy, Ricardo Traver-de-Sousa and Craig Chandler participated. This was the first race for the latter four boys, and they thoroughly enjoyed it. Shaun Levick and his partner, Rhett de la Harpe of Greenside High came first in the Juniors.

**Sunday 2 March: Four Hours Endurance Race at Emmarentia Dam.** Shaun Levick, Alfred Foden, Wayne Collett and Shaun Zuccolotto entered this race. There was a great spirit and tremendous enjoyment. Shaun Levick's team came first in the Juniors.

**Sunday 16 March: Iron Man Relay Competition, 21 kms.** Alfred Foden and Shaun Levick took part.

**Saturday 19 April: Gauteng Canoe Sprint Championships, Roodeplaat.** Shaun Levick and Alfred Foden were selected for the Gauteng Team. At the Gauteng Canoe Union's Annual Dinner Dance and Prize Giving on 25 April, Shaun Levick was awarded a trophy for the Best Novice of the year.

**2-4 May: SA Schools' Canoe Sprint Championships, Nagel Dam, Natal.** Shaun Levick, Alfred Foden, Shaun Zuccolotto and Christopher Lacy all participated in this event. Shaun and Alfred had been paddling for one year and the latter two boys only started paddling at the beginning of 1997. The competition was tremendous, against boys from all over the country, the best of whom have been paddling for four to six years. All our boys did their best and enjoyed the experience, despite the hard work!

**23-25 May: SA Canoe Sprint Championships, Nagel Dam, Natal.** Alfred Foden and Shaun Levick were selected to participate. The competition was vast. Shaun Levick was one of sixteen selected for the SA Training Squad for further trials from which a team of three would be chosen for the World Championships in Finland in October. Shaun could not participate in these trials due to his impending Prelim Examinations.

**31 May: Gauteng Marathon Championships, 26 kms.** Shaun was the third Junior and was selected for the SA Marathon Championships in Cape Town, but was unfortunately unable to participate.

Shaun Levick took part in a further 11 flat water marathons of 21-25 kms, in all of which he finished in the top three (Juniors). On 5 September, he also took part in the Breede Marathon (80 kms) in the Cape, and the Kahlua Fish River Marathon (87 kms) on 26 and 27 September.

Alfred Foden was awarded half colours for being selected to represent Gauteng in the SA Schools and SA Sprint Championships and Shaun Levick was awarded full colours for his selection in the same Championships as well as his selection in the SA Marathon Team and his vast commitment (training on average six days a week), dedication and placing in the first three in all marathons.

*W van der Merwe*

On behalf of the boys who have participated in canoeing, I would like to thank Mr van der Merwe for all his help and support to us, and for taking us to the various venues, but, most of all, for his encouragement. I personally would like to thank Mr van der Merwe for introducing me to this marvellous sport, which I now have a total passion for and will most certainly pursue.

*Shaun Levick*



*Shaun Levick*



## First XI Cricket Team

**Back row:** *Dominic Biezanek, James West, Kegan Speirs, Walt Bruns, Johnathan Morte, Iain Busschau, Ryan Brunette*  
**Seated:** *Dale Horsten, Grant Hutcheon, Mr G McMillan, Timothy O'Shea, Brendan Murray (scorer)*

## First XI

The 1996/'97 season got off to a very good start. Tim O'Shea, in his debut as captain, scored 102 in the drawn match against Hilton College. This was followed up with convincing wins against St Alban's and The Glen. Our first loss came against CBC Boksburg in a closely-contested game. We ended 1996 with three more victories, against Rand Park, Bryanston and King David.

The new year brought together a new first team which was a young and inexperienced side with only three Grade 12's and the rest of the team from Grades 10 and 11. However, these boys were keen and dedicated cricketers and they adopted a good attitude towards learning the game at First Team level. What better way to learn about the game at a top level than to begin the year with matches against King Edward VII and Pretoria Boys who must rate amongst the top schoolboy teams in the country. While we were well-beaten by KES, the experience was valuable and the new players were shown just what the fielding requirements are at this level. This is something you cannot effectively experience at nets. A few days later we came up against Pretoria Boys who batted first and scored an enormous total of 322 runs in their 50 overs. Again our fielding left a lot to be desired and there were fears that we would be bowled out very cheaply against such a strong side but the senior batsmen showed great resolve and batted very responsibly and this rubbed off on the younger players who helped to bat out the full 50 overs in front of a crowd of over 100 boarders who arrived after tea to watch the rest of the game. We ended on a credible 152 for 8 at the end of play.

These first two games were very worthwhile and extremely

important in terms of experiencing the game at top level, and it showed in the manner in which the team played the rest of the games. The side's maturity and competitiveness improved dramatically which helped us achieve a very good win over Jeppe that saw us into the semi-finals of the John Waite Knockout Competition for the first time in a long while.

We were again well-beaten by KES in the semi-finals but three days later (our third game that week) we dished out the same medicine to Sandown in our convincing win over them. As with many of our wins we proved better at chasing a target than setting one. Fielding was at our best yet and tight bowling, including Walt Bruns' best of 4 for 21 in 10 overs, saw Sandown restricted to a moderate total. With little pressure, Tim O'Shea and Charles Tomsett produced fine batting performances at well over a run a ball to wrap up the game. This game was a fine example of good, competitive cricket played in the right spirit.

Despite the number of young players in the team (who gained valuable experience for the future), the season was still a successful one with 11 wins, 3 draws and 6 losses, in the 20 games played.

Jonathan "Not-out" Morte, as he became known with 7 not-outs in his 16 knocks, performed well throughout the season with both bat and ball. Iain Busschau, who listened to advice and did not try to bowl too fast, produced an excellent spell of bowling where in six consecutive matches he took 23 of his total of 29 wickets for the season. Tim O'Shea was happy to be amongst the runs again with a century and six fifties.

**Tim O'Shea**  
*Captain*

### Colours Awards

**Full Colours** T O'Shea  
D Horsten  
J Morte  
**Half Colours** G Hutcheon  
I Busschau

### Area Side Selection

Timothy O'Shea, Dale Horsten, Grant Hutcheon, Iain Busschau, Dominic Biezanek and Stephen Naude were selected for the Sandton Area Side to play in the Beckwith Cricket Week in December 1997.  
Jonathan Morte and Ryan Brunette were selected for the North West team to play in Singapore and Australia.

# Results

## vs King Edward VII, Wednesday 22 January

St David's 74/10  
KES 75/3  
St David's lost by 7 wickets

## vs Pretoria Boys, Saturday 25 January

Pretoria 322/4  
St David's 150/8 (O'Shea 53, Horsten 24 n.o.)  
St David's lost by 172 runs

## vs Rand Park, Wednesday 29 January

**(John Waite Competition)**  
Rand Park 157 all out (I Busschau 5/17, W Bruns 3/22)  
St David's 157/3 (Brunette 25, Biezaneck 30, Hutcheon 44 n.o., Morte 47 n.o.)  
St David's won by 7 wickets

## vs Greenside, Saturday 8 February

Greenside 105 all out (Horsten 3/30, Busschau 3/35)  
St David's 107/5 (Morte 32 n.o.)  
St David's won by 5 wickets.

## vs Wanderers Nomads, Sunday 9 February

St David's 177 (Tomsett 53 n.o.)  
Nomads 178 (Busschau 4/38, Horsten 3/24)  
St David's lost

## vs Jeppe, - Monday 17 February

Jeppe 163 all out (Busschau 3/20, O'Shea 2/17, West 2/13)  
St David's 166/5 (O'Shea 70, Brunette 29, Morte 29 n.o.)  
St David's won by 5 wickets

## vs King Edward VII, 20 February

### **(John Waite Competition semi-final)**

St David's 91 all out (Morte 21)  
KES 91/1  
St David's lost by 9 wickets

## vs Sandown, Saturday 22 February

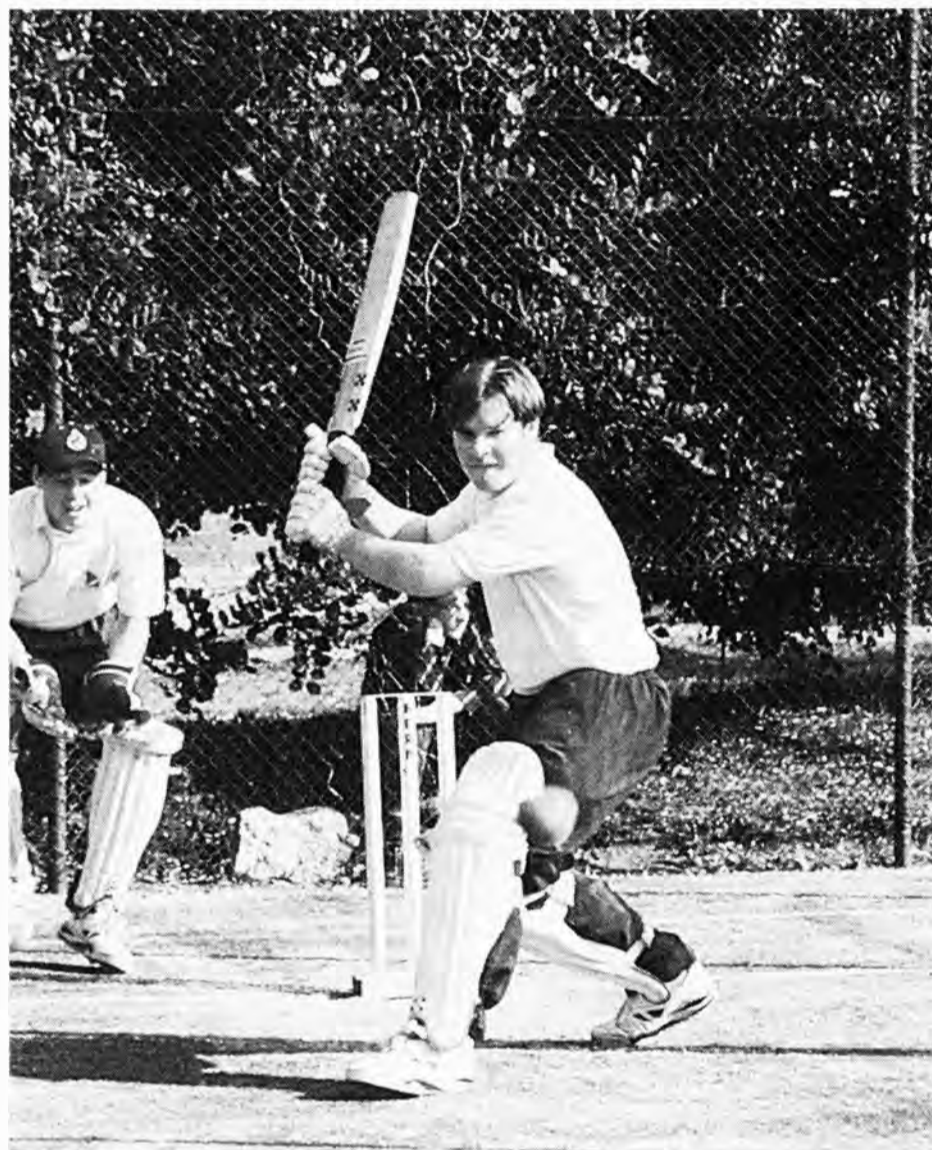
Sandown 109 all out (Bruns 4/21, West 2/17)  
St David's 110/3 (O'Shea 55 n.o., Tomsett 43)  
St David's won by 7 wickets

## vs St Henry's (Durban), Saturday, 20 September

St Henry's 156/6 decl.  
St David's 132/7 (Brunette 29)  
Match drawn

## vs Northcliff, Saturday 11 October

Northcliff 175 all out  
St David's 55 all out  
St David's lost by 120 runs



## BATTING FIGURES

|                          | Innings | Not Out | Runs | Highest | Average | 100's | 50's |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|------|---------|---------|-------|------|
| <b>Tim O'Shea</b>        | 15      | 3       | 592  | 102     | 49.3    | 1     | 6    |
| <b>Jonathan Morte</b>    | 16      | 7       | 305  | 47 no   | 33.9    |       |      |
| <b>Grant Hutcheon</b>    | 17      | 1       | 246  | 45      | 15.4    |       |      |
| <b>Dale Horsten</b>      | 14      | 2       | 167  | 53      | 13.9    | 1     |      |
| <b>Charles Tomsett</b>   | 11      | 1       | 113  | 43      | 11.3    |       |      |
| <b>Ryan Brunette</b>     | 11      | 0       | 107  | 29      | 9.7     |       |      |
| <b>Iain Busschau</b>     | 11      | 3       | 74   | 17 no   | 9.3     |       |      |
| <b>Ryan Orr</b>          | 9       | 3       | 57   | 22 no   | 9.5     |       |      |
| <b>Dominic Biezaneck</b> | 8       | 0       | 48   | 30      | 6.0     |       |      |
| <b>Walt Bruns</b>        | 6       | 2       | 40   | 26      | 10.0    |       |      |
| <b>Jeffrey Ryan</b>      | 2       | 0       | 33   | 22      | 16.5    |       |      |
| <b>Kevin Haswell</b>     | 4       | 2       | 29   | 12 no   | 14.5    |       |      |
| <b>James West</b>        | 4       | 0       | 12   | 5       | 3.0     |       |      |

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|                | Innings | Overs | Mdns | Runs | Wkts | Runs/Wkt | Runs/Over | Wkts/Match |
|----------------|---------|-------|------|------|------|----------|-----------|------------|
| Iain Busschau  | 13      | 80    | 13   | 248  | 29   | 8.6      | 3.1       | 2.23       |
| Dale Horsten   | 20      | 146   | 15   | 525  | 24   | 21.9     | 3.6       | 1.20       |
| Jonathan Morte | 18      | 112   | 9    | 470  | 24   | 19.6     | 4.2       | 1.33       |
| Walt Bruns     | 10      | 69    | 10   | 189  | 17   | 11.1     | 2.7       | 1.70       |
| Tim O'Shea     | 8       | 50    | 4    | 157  | 9    | 17.4     | 3.1       | 1.13       |
| Kevin Haswell  | 5       | 24    | 2    | 92   | 6    | 15.3     | 3.8       | 1.20       |
| Mario Lacueva  | 9       | 41    | 8    | 144  | 5    | 28.8     | 3.5       | 0.56       |
| Grant Hutcheon | 8       | 34    | 4    | 180  | 2    | 90.0     | 5.3       | 0.25       |
| James West     | 5       | 17    | 1    | 72   | 2    | 36.0     | 4.2       | 0.40       |
| Ryan Brunette  | 5       | 15    | 2    | 38   | 1    | 38.0     | 2.5       | 0.20       |
| Kegan Speirs   | 2       | 10    | 2    | 35   | 1    | 35.0     | 3.5       | 0.50       |
| Jeffrey Ryan   | 5       | 17    | 1    | 97   | 1    | 97.0     | 5.7       | 0.20       |

## BATTING - 1996/'97 SEASON

|            | Hilton | St Albans | The Glen | Roosevelt | CBC Boksburg | Rand Park | Bryanston | King David | King Edward | Pretoria Boys | Rand Park | North-cliff | Hyde Park | Green-side | Nomads | Jeppe | King Edward | San-down | Hyde Park | Develop-ment | TOTAL |
|------------|--------|-----------|----------|-----------|--------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|------------|--------|-------|-------------|----------|-----------|--------------|-------|
| RESULT     | D      | W         | W        | D         | L            | W         | W         | W          | L           | L             | W         | L           | W         | W          | L      | W     | L           | W        | D         | W            |       |
| O'Shea     | 102    | 57no      | 34no     | 13        | 13           | 33        | 41        |            | 3           | 53            | 2         | 56          |           |            |        | 70    | 7           | 55no     |           | 53           | 592   |
| Morte      |        |           |          | 40no      | 29           | 1         | 15        | 11no       | 1           | 15            | 47no      | 9           | 47no      | 32no       | 1      | 29no  | 21          | 4        |           | 3            | 305   |
| Hutcheon   | 14     |           |          | 4         | 4            | 45        | 17        | 10         | 8           | 14            | 44no      | 28          | 2         | 12         | 19     | 11    | 0           | 2        |           | 12           | 246   |
| Horsten    | 6no    |           |          | 3         | 53           | 10        | 10        | 16         | 13          | 22no          |           | 4           | 13        | 1          | 0      |       | 9           |          |           | 7            | 167   |
| Tomsett    | 8no    |           |          | 7         | 4            |           |           | 2          |             |               |           |             | 17        | 2          | 13     | 0     | 13          | 43       |           | 4            | 113   |
| Brunette   |        |           |          |           |              |           |           |            | 12          | 2             | 25        | 2           | 0         | 22         | 13     | 29    | 0           | 1        |           | 1            | 107   |
| I Busschau |        |           |          | 3no       | 21           | 31        | 57        |            |             |               |           |             |           |            |        |       |             |          |           |              | 74    |
| Orr        |        |           |          |           | 9no          | 4         | 0         |            | 8           | 5             |           | 2           |           |            | 22no   |       | 2           |          |           | 5no          | 57    |
| Blezanek   |        |           |          |           |              |           |           |            | 0           | 7             | 30        | 5           | 2         | 0          | 4      | 0     |             |          |           |              | 48    |
| Bruns      |        |           |          |           |              |           |           |            | 0           | 3             |           | 0           |           |            | 26     |       | 9           |          |           | 2            | 40    |
| Ryan       |        |           |          |           |              |           | 22        |            |             |               |           |             |           |            |        |       |             |          |           | 11           | 33    |
| Haswell    |        |           |          |           | 10           | 5no       | 12no      |            | 2           |               |           |             |           |            |        |       |             |          |           |              | 29    |
| West       |        |           |          |           |              |           |           |            |             |               |           | 5           |           |            | 4      |       | 1           |          |           | 2            | 12    |
| Lacueva    |        |           |          |           |              |           | 2         |            |             |               |           |             |           |            |        |       |             |          |           |              | 2     |
| O'Haughey  | 23     | 5         | 0        | 76        |              |           | 2         |            |             |               |           |             |           |            |        |       |             |          |           |              | 106   |
| Anderson   | 17     | 58no      | 41no     | 8         | 0            | 10        | 10        | 30         |             |               |           |             |           |            |        |       |             |          |           |              | 174   |
| D Busschau |        |           |          | 3no       | 21           | 31        | 57        |            |             |               |           |             |           |            |        |       |             |          |           |              | 112   |

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|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Horsten Innings    | 1/51<br>12 | 1/25<br>7  | 2/26<br>8  | 0/15<br>6 | 0/26<br>4    | 0/26<br>4  | 2/20<br>8  | 2/24<br>6  | 0/12<br>5   | 1/60<br>10    | 0/21<br>3 | 2/29<br>11  | 1/17<br>6 | 3/30<br>12 | 3/24<br>9 | 1/36<br>7 | 0/13<br>5   | 1/20<br>6  | 2/24<br>10 | 2/26<br>7    | 24/525<br>146 |              |
| O'Shea Innings     |            | 2/8<br>6   |            |           | 3/21<br>8    | 0/10<br>3  |            |            |             | 0/29<br>7     | 1/30<br>7 | 1/32<br>10  |           |            |           | 2/17<br>7 | 0/10<br>2   |            |            |              | 9/157<br>50   |              |
| J Morte Innings    |            | 2/28<br>5  | 1/11<br>3  | 1/39<br>6 | 3/23<br>6    | 0/15<br>5  |            | 0/22<br>6  | 2/14<br>7   | 1/59<br>9     | 1/34<br>6 | 3/22<br>6   | 1/19<br>6 | 1/17<br>8  | 0/32<br>8 | 1/44<br>6 | 1/22<br>5   | 1/14<br>4  | 3/27<br>10 | 2/28<br>6    | 24/470<br>112 |              |
| Lacueva Innings    | 0/26<br>5  | 1/0<br>1   | 0/8<br>8   | 0/12<br>3 |              | 1/26<br>6  | 0/1<br>3   | 1/15<br>3  | 1/22<br>7   | 1/34<br>5     |           |             |           |            |           |           |             |            |            |              | 5/144<br>41   |              |
| I Busschau Innings |            |            |            |           | 0/16<br>2    |            |            | 2/11<br>2  |             | 0/21<br>3     | 5/17<br>7 | 4/13<br>7   | 4/16<br>7 | 3/35<br>10 | 4/38<br>9 | 3/20<br>7 | 0/21<br>4   | 0/10<br>6  | 1/23<br>9  | 3/7<br>7     | 29/248<br>80  |              |
| Haswell Innings    |            |            |            |           | 0/13<br>4    | 0/11<br>4  | 4/7<br>5   | 1/25<br>5  |             | 1/26<br>6     |           |             |           |            |           |           |             |            |            |              | 6/92<br>24    |              |
| Hutcheon Innings   |            |            |            |           |              |            |            |            | 0/18<br>4   | 0/61<br>10    | 0/30<br>4 | 0/18<br>5   | 1/17<br>6 | 1/2<br>1   | 0/23<br>2 | 0/11<br>2 |             |            |            |              | 2/180<br>34   |              |
| Bruns Innings      |            |            |            |           |              |            |            |            |             |               | 3/25<br>7 | 0/24<br>5   | 3/25<br>7 | 1/10<br>7  | 0/19<br>9 | 1/18<br>4 | 0/7<br>2    | 4/21<br>10 | 2/17<br>10 | 3/23<br>8    | 17/189<br>69  |              |
| West Innings       |            |            |            |           |              |            |            |            |             |               |           |             |           |            | 0/23<br>6 | 0/13<br>3 |             | 2/17<br>4  | 0/13<br>2  | 0/6<br>2     | 2/72<br>17    |              |
| Brunette Innings   |            |            |            |           |              |            |            |            |             |               |           |             |           | 1/0<br>0   | 0/7<br>2  |           | 0/18<br>3   | 0/4<br>6   | 0/9<br>3   |              | 1/38<br>15    |              |
| Speirs Innings     |            |            |            |           |              |            |            |            |             |               |           |             |           |            |           |           |             | 1/16<br>4  | 0/19<br>6  |              | 1/35<br>10    |              |
| Ryan Innings       | 0/26<br>3  |            |            |           |              | 0/22<br>3  | 0/16<br>5  | 1/15<br>2  |             |               |           |             |           |            |           |           |             |            |            | 0/18<br>4    | 1/97<br>17    |              |
| D Busschau Innings | 1/50<br>10 | 2/21<br>10 | 1/5<br>5   | 2/27<br>6 | 0/36<br>11   |            | 3/25<br>10 |            |             |               |           |             |           |            |           |           |             |            |            |              | 9/164<br>48   |              |
| C Morte Innings    | 6<br>13    | 1/37<br>11 | 1/7<br>8   | 2/21<br>4 |              |            |            |            |             |               |           |             |           |            |           |           |             |            |            |              | 5/91<br>36    |              |
| Anderson Innings   | 1-47<br>10 | 0/11<br>7  | 4/22<br>10 | 1/6<br>2  | 2/32<br>9    | 4/28<br>10 | 0/18<br>5  | 1/17<br>6  |             |               |           |             |           |            |           |           |             |            |            |              |               | 13/181<br>59 |

## Second XI

The Second XI's season was one of continuous progress and improvement. From a very slow start (defeat against St Alban's at home) the team picked up momentum and recorded some notable victories.

During the 1996/'97 season our Second XI were introduced to the John Waite Competition. Because of it being our first time we were seeded quite low and were matched against Parktown Boys in the second round. This encounter was a good training experience for our boys. They were beaten on the day mainly because of an inferior mental attitude. Exposure to this quality of competition has been valuable.

The team shook off their "also-rans" attitude as it became obvious that playing for the team was an honour and a stepping-stone to even higher honours. A number of notable performances were rewarded with promotion to the First XI.

The team was well-balanced with both solid batting and bowling. Weaknesses may have been inexperience in bowling changes, field placings and lapses of concentration in the field at times.

A good season: well done to all who participated.

*SC Fry*

The season has been a long and tough one for the players. The team gelled very well. There were lots of notable performances by individuals and the team as a whole. Stephen Naude will do well in the forthcoming season. He had an impressive batting average of 32.

Thank you to my vice captain, Paul Schoombie, for all his help during the season.

*Ian Terbrugge, Captain*



**Second XI Cricket Team**

**Back row:** Gary Geldenhuys, Kevin Haswell, Mario Lacueva, Murray White, Stephen Naude

**Seated:** Jeffrey Ryan, Brandon Duffield, Mr S Fry, Ian Terbrugge, Clinton Verhoog

## Results

**vs Rand Park, Wednesday 22 January  
(John Waite Competition)**

Rand Park 146/7 (Ryan 4/17, Naude 2/7)

St David's 150/8 (Terbrugge 29, Naude 25, Ryan 24)

St David's won by 2 wickets

**vs Pretoria Boys, Saturday 25 January**

St David's 117/10 (Tomsett 46)

Pretoria Boys 122/6 (Tomsett 3/31)

St David's lost by 4 wickets

**vs Sandown, Saturday 22 February**

St David's 199/2 (Ryan 65, Naude 92 n.o., White 24 n.o.)

Sandown 112/8 (Ryan 4/17, Duffield 2/20)

St David's won by 87 runs

**vs Northcliff, Saturday 11 October**

Northcliff 210/2

St David's 35 all out (Hubbard 35)

St David's lost by 170 runs

## Under 16A

The Under 16 cricket season is always a difficult time, for both the individual players and the team as a whole. The reason for this is that, at this time, the better cricketers in the age group begin to make the first team. Although this presents a problem for the Under 16A team, it affords some of the players in the B team the opportunity to show their skills.

The Under 16 age group is without doubt very talented; testimony to this is that six players have cemented their places in the first team.

Without their regular stars, the team nevertheless acquitted themselves very adequately during the season, although their results may not suggest this. They played six games, won two and lost four. There were a number of excellent individual performances. Philip Mostert came from the B team and performed admirably with both bat and ball. Paul Edkins, also up from the B, established himself as a regular opening bat for the A team. With the bat Bryn Leadbeater and Dominic Biezaneck made valuable contributions and with the ball Kegan Speirs, James West and David Randall bowled exceptionally well.

I would like to thank all the players for a most enjoyable season.

*G Behr*

## Results

**vs King Edward VII, Wednesday 22 January**

KES 98/10 (Speirs 2/3, West 2/15, Mostert 2/8)

St David's 78/9 (Leadbeater 20)

St David's lost by 20 runs

**vs Sandringham, Wednesday 19 February**

St David's 136/9 (Bradbury 32, Masterton 18)

Sandringham 119/9

St David's won by 17 runs

**vs Sandown, Saturday 22 February**

St David's 184 all out (Hubbard 37, Biezaneck 51, Leadbeater 21, Davis 20)

Sandown 138 all out (Mostert 4/37, O'Shea 3/25)

St David's won by 46 runs

**vs Hyde Park, Wednesday 26 February**

St David's 133/5 (Edkins 44, Shaw 27, Biezaneck 22, Leadbeater 14)

Hyde Park 113/10 (O'Shea 2/7, Davis 2/22, Biezaneck 2/26)

St David's won by 20 runs

## Under 15

The Under 15A cricket side had a season of fluctuating form and fortune, from the highlights of the St Andrews Week to the disappointment of several losses which could have been wins.

The team performed better in the full-day games, and a draw with Roosevelt and losses to Hyde Park could perhaps have been corrected in a full-day game.

The team was well led by Alfie Chemaly, whose captaincy developed noticeably this year. The bowling attack was led by Bevan Glanville, Andrew Munro and Joseph Lekalakala. Joseph has developed into a bowler of some pace and his selection for the Gauteng squad is testimony to this. The batting was sometimes a little brittle, but several fine innings were played by Richard Wood, Kevin Sterrenberg, Grant Brennon, Joseph Lekalakala, Garth Horsten and Alfie Chemaly. The team's spinner

was Chris Wood who was very effective when on form. Richard Wood's batting and spin bowling were sorely missed in the third term when he played for the First XI. Other bowlers who made telling contributions to the bowling attack were Grant Brennon, Kevin Sterrenberg, Chris Hepburn and Garth Horsten. Thomas Garden's increased mobility behind the wicket meant that his keeping improved throughout the year.

Neil Dabbs, Lawrence Atherton, Bevan Winderley and Tristan Wood all played in the Under 15A team in the third term. They acquitted themselves well and Neil and Lawrence are players to keep an eye on in the future.

The team was a very able one which underperformed a little. It will be interesting to follow their fortunes in 1998.

*P Andrew*

## Results

### vs King Edward VII, Wednesday 22 January

KES 139/4  
St David's 67/7  
St David's lost by 73 runs

### vs Pretoria Boys, Saturday 25 January

St David's lost by 120 runs  
(Lekalakala 20, Chemaly 25, Horsten 38 n.o.)

### vs Northcliff Wednesday 29 January

St David's won by 102 runs  
(Lekalakala 23, Sterrenberg 25, Chemaly 39, Horsten 25;  
Lekalakala 4/15, Wood 4/18)

### vs Greenside, Saturday 8 February

Greenside 104 all out (Glanville 5/27, Wood 3/10)  
St David's 105/9 (Wood 22)  
St David's won by 1 wicket

### vs Sandringham, Wednesday 19 February

Rain stopped play

### vs Hyde Park, Wednesday 26 February

Hyde Park 176 all out (Lekalakala 3/30)  
St David's 117 all out (Chemaly 41)  
St David's lost by 49 runs

### vs Development XI

St David's lost by 1 wicket (Sterrenberg 32, Horsten 57;  
Munro 3/50)

### vs Northcliff, Saturday 11 October

Northcliff 93 all out (Glanville 4/19)  
St David's 94/5 (Horsten 31 n.o., Garden 25)  
St David's won by 5 wickets

### vs Hyde Park

St David's lost by 48 runs (Chemaly 21; Sterrenberg 4/17)

### vs Roosevelt, Wednesday 22 October

Match drawn (Brennon 80, Wood 20; Lekalakala 3/48)

### vs Bryanston, Saturday 25 October

St David's won by 7 wickets (Sterrenberg 40, Lekalakala 57  
n.o., Wood 23 n.o.; Wood 4/44)

### vs St Alban's

St David's won by 86 runs  
(Sterrenberg 26, Horsten 32, Chemaly 24; Sterrenberg  
3/16, Brennon 5/3)

Played 13  
Won 8  
Lost 5  
Drew 1

## The Shell-St Andrew's Under 15 Cricket Festival

On Thursday 20 February, the St David's Under 15 Colt cricket side left for Bloemfontein to play in the Shell-St Andrew's Under 15 Cricket Festival. We were accompanied by Mr Craven (Manager) and Mr Andrew (Coach).

As if the thought of the competition at the tournament was not enough, we also had to contend with a burst tyre and a dove that came off second best when it played "chicken" with the combi and was hit for a six over mid-on by Mr Craven. However, eventually we arrived safely in Bloemfontein and prepared ourselves for three days of exciting cricket.

The boys did St David's proud as they won all three of their

games which were against St Andrew's, Kingswood and St Alban's. We had some good batting, bowling and fielding performances.

At the end of the tournament, a player from Hilton won the best batting performance award, Michael Miller of St David's won the best bowling performance award and the award for team spirit and sportsmanship went to ... St David's!

All in all, we had a great time and gained a lot of experience through the guidance of Mr Craven and Mr Andrew. They, and the Supporters' Club of parents, deserve many thanks.

*Garth Horsten*

## Results of Festival matches

### vs St Andrew's

St David's 217/6 (R Wood 53, Miller 33,  
Horsten 35, Lekalakala 32 n.o.)  
St Andrew's 125/10 (Glanville 4/25,  
Miller 3/19)  
St David's won by 92 runs

### vs Kingswood

Kingswood 107/10 (Miller 4/24,  
Lekalakala 3/19)  
St David's 108/2 (Miller 51 n.o., Chemaly  
22 n.o., Sterrenberg 18)  
St David's won by 8 wickets

### vs St Alban's

St David's 163/7 (R Wood 41, Horsten  
43 n.o., Garden 21 n.o.)  
St Alban's 146/7 (Glanville 2/25,  
Lekalakala 2/21, Miller 2/14)  
St David's won by 17 runs

# Norwich Under 15 Cricket Week

Joseph Lekalakala, Bevan Glanville, Andrew Munro, Kevin Sterrenberg, Grant Brennon, Richard Wood, Christopher Wood, Garth Horsten, Daniele Carnicelli and Michael Miller were chosen to play in the Sandton Area side in the Gauteng Norwich

Under 15 Cricket Week. Michael Miller captained the side. Joseph Lekalakala was selected for the Gauteng Norwich Life Under 15 side to play in the PG Bison Week, which takes place in December.

## Results of Norwich Week matches

### Sandton vs St John's

Sandton 169/7 (Horsten 19, Lekalakala 16, Sterrenberg 16)  
St John's 170/2  
St John's won by 8 wickets

### Sandton vs Development 4

Development 120/10 (Glanville 3/19, Brennon 3/19)  
Sandton 120/2 (Sterrenberg 24, R Wood 26 n.o., Miller 15 n.o.)  
Sandton won by 8 wickets

### Sandton vs Jeppe

Jeppe 268/4  
Sandton 220/3 (Miller 102 n.o., R Wood 52)  
Sandton lost by 48 runs

### Sandton vs North

North 220/5 (Lekalakala 1/29, R Wood 1/30, Sterrenberg 1/16)  
Sandton 195/9 (R Wood 69, Miller 25, C Wood 21 n.o.)  
Sandton lost by 25 runs

## Under 14A

The team had a super season in terms of results and the quality of cricket played. Nine matches were played of which three were lost. To succeed in this truly wonderful game one needs to apply oneself wholeheartedly, consistently bouncing back from disappointments. Each failure is merely a stepping-stone to success. Such a failure was when we were bowled out for 28 against Northcliff in a 35-over match, a bitter pill to swallow. The team bounced back when we beat Northcliff by two wickets later in the year.

There is a wealth of talent in this age group and the enthusiasm of the boys is contagious. Michael Miller led the side with maturity and vision beyond his fourteen years. He

also captained the Under 15 Sandton area side in the Norwich Life Week.

Some of the memorable performances of the season were Michael Bembridge's haul of 6/23 against Development, Michael Miller's 5.25 against Greenside and his Under 17 against King Edwards, which nearly won the match for us, and Daniele Carnicelli's 46 against Northcliff.

The players are to be commended on a fine season and thanks go to the parents for their support and to Mr van der Merwe and his ground staff.

*W Craven*

## Results

### vs King Edward VII, Wednesday 22 January

St David's 82/7 (Miller 33)  
KES 84/9 (Miller 4/17, Teubner 2/16, Bowen 2/17)  
KES won by 1 wicket

### vs Pretoria Boys, Saturday 25 January

St David's 87/10 (Miller 32)  
Pretoria Boys 89/6 (Bembridge 1/10, Mazaham 1/7)  
Pretoria Boys won by 4 wickets

### vs Northcliff, Wednesday 29 January

Northcliff 91/6 (Teubner 2/11)  
St David's 28/10  
Northcliff won by 63 runs

### vs Greenside, Saturday 8 February

St David's 199/10 (Bowen 38, Miller 33, Giuricich 25, Teubner 20)  
Greenside 86/10 (Miller 5/25, Bembridge 2/14)  
St David's won by 113 runs

### vs Sandringham, Wednesday 19 February

Sandringham 71/10 (Miller 5/18, Bembridge 3/14)  
St David's 74/5 (Miller 35 n.o.)  
St David's won by 5 wickets

### vs Sandown, Saturday 22 February

Sandown 40/10 (Bowen 2/9, Teubner 2/15, Ronaldson 2/3, Mazaham 2/13)  
St David's 40/0 (Mazaham 24 n.o., Carnicelli 15 n.o.)  
St David's won by 10 wickets

### vs Hyde Park, Wednesday 26 February

St David's 106/10 (Carnicelli 36, Olver 20)  
Hyde Park 58/10 (Miller 3/12, Olver 2/10)  
St David's won by 48 runs

### vs Development

St David's 147/10 (Olver 25, Tucker 20, Ronaldson 19, Miller 18)  
Development 119/10 (Bembridge 6/23, Miller 4/33)  
St David's won by 28 runs

### vs Northcliff, Saturday 11 October

Northcliff 175/10 (Bowen 3/29, Miller 2/32, Teubner 2/25)  
St David's 180/8 (Carnicelli 46, de Castro Maia 24, Miller 21, Olver 19, Teubner 30 n.o.)  
St David's won by 2 wickets

## Under 14C

The season was disappointing. We had a good team coming from many different primary schools and we met many new people. Unfortunately we didn't win a match but each match was close and we put up a good performance in each. Our bowling was quite good and Steven Walsh and Kuhle Nkosi shared most of the

wickets that were taken. Greg Hunter and Jared Mitri were the top run scorers. We must thank Mr McMillan, Mr Craven and Mr Vundla for coaching and transport.

*Greg Hunter*  
*Captain*



# Cross Country

St David's received a warm welcome into the Gauteng Northern District's League, which had already had three meetings with the government schools competing during our holidays.

The meeting on Monday 12 May was held at Ruimsig, a perfect venue with the course clearly marked and far away from any traffic. Michael Marsay ran exceptionally well, achieving third place in the junior boys. Michael Eilertsen, Richard Armstrong and Grant Brennon ran in the junior team giving St David's a sixth place out of more than ten schools. Rui Jorge represented the seniors and completed the course with ease.

The next meeting was held at St Stithians. The senior boys started first; the junior boys followed after a short interval. Bevan Winderley was soon in the lead of the junior boys and in amongst the seniors. Running out on his own, he missed the sign for the junior turn. So instead of easily winning the race, Bevan continued on the senior course and even with the extra distance, achieved a credible place. Richard Armstrong also ran well. The last meeting was again held at Ruimsig, where we knew the course.

*K Wettergreen*

# Hockey

Hockey is becoming a prominent part of our school with nearly 80 boys in the Hockey Club this year. This came as a bit of a shock to me, as I have been used to the very much smaller numbers in the past. This influx of boys produced a remarkable season of high-quality hockey. Both teams showed vast improvement in both tactics and ball skills which proved handy when on the battlefields.

The season began with a bit of a pre-season warm-up, in the form of a match against a touring side from Birmingham, England. The match was played on Astro-Turf, a surface unfamiliar to many of us, and they proved tricky to handle, scoring 9 goals to our 0.

The Under 15 side lost only two matches this season, an achievement of which they can be proud. Unfortunately the First XI did not enjoy such a good season, with the best result a draw.

This is not to go without saying that the boys remained dignified and proud even in loss and for this they must be commended.

I look forward to the days when the current Under 15 side play at first team level; these will be matches well worth supporting, and I can safely say that St David's will be a force to be reckoned with in years to come.

The season was excellent and I would like to thank all the coaches for their devotion, enthusiasm and encouragement throughout the season. We would be nowhere without you.

It remains to wish the club well in its fixtures next year. A new Master-in-Charge of hockey is bound to have some interesting results.

*John Hilton*  
*Captain*

## Colours Awards

**Half Colours** John Hilton, Lloyd Eliot, Grant Brennon

## Provincial Representation

Michael Marsay and Grant Brennon attended Southern Gauteng Under 16 trials. Grant was selected to play in the C team and enjoyed an excellent season, scoring 9 goals in 7 matches for his team.



## First XI Hockey Team

**Back row:** Grant Brennon, Michael Marsay, Keith Clover, Johnny Farrell

**Middle row:** Alistair Lacy, Firaz Ahmed, Martin Harrod, Grant Goodwin

**Seated:** Lloyd Eliot, Richard Harris, Ms J Leenstra, Michael Murray, John Hilton



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## Under 15

The 1997 hockey season is one that I will probably never forget. It is one of the best seasons that the Under 15 side has ever had. We would never have been able to accomplish this without the coaching of Mike Haswell. He was always there for us, even if he was late, when we needed it most. He is a truly incredible man. And more thanks goes to Mrs Andrews for her wonderful management of the side and also for her umpiring.

At the end of the season, the team ended up having won 6 out of 8 games, an incredible feat considering the number of boys who play hockey at the school. A special thanks must also go to the boys, for, without their participation, the side would never have been able to achieve such a record.

The most exciting game was against St Andrews from Bloemfontein. The game started out equally until St David's scored the opening goal. Then St Andrews came back to equalise. This cat-and-mouse game went on until the scores were tied at 3-all. I can remember asking the umpire how much time was left and he said one minute. And as it would happen, St Andrew's scored in the last minute to win the game 4-3.

I commend the players for their wonderful performance and I hope they can keep it up next season.

**Kevin Sterrenberg**  
*Under 15 Captain*



### Under 15 Hockey Team

**Back row:** *Grahame Finnemore, Gregory Thomas, Andrew Williams, Dean Bauer, Lawrence Johnson*

**Middle row:** *Neil Powell, Justin Lemm, Derek Clover, Greg Borman, Paul Edkins, Robin Daniels, Hoi Cheng, Gilbert Pooley*

**Seated:** *Clyde Thomas, Greg Ronaldson, Mr M Haswell, Daniele Carnicelli, Kevin Sterrenberg*

### HOCKEY RESULTS

|                          | First Team | Under 15 |
|--------------------------|------------|----------|
| Ferndale                 | lost 0-5   | won 2-1  |
| St Andrew's Bloemfontein | lost 0-1   | lost 3-4 |
| Sacred Heart             | lost 0-2   | won 3-2  |
| Fourways                 | drew 1-1   | lost 0-2 |
| Greenside                | lost 0-2   | won 2-0  |
| Bryanston                | lost 0-2   | won 3-0  |
| Hyde Park                | lost 0-3   | won 2-1  |
| King David Linksfield    |            |          |
| St Benedict's            | lost 3-2   | won 1-0  |

# Rugby



## First XV

### First XV Matches

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| Played         | 17  |
| Won            | 12  |
| Lost           | 5   |
| Points for     | 376 |
| Points against | 202 |



### Saheti Sevens Festival 5 March

On Saturday 5th March, St David's sent a team to play in the Saheti Sevens Festival in which 18 local schools participated. The conditions were far from ideal with waterlogged fields, mud baths and thunderstorms. The rain made it a totally new and exciting game with teams trying hard to keep possession and not to drop the ball.

The team consisted of boys from the Open age group and both forward and backline players were used effectively to attain the great results. St David's played good running and attacking rugby and the defence was even better with only 7 points being scored against us.

In the first match of the day, St David's played Roosevelt and won 19-7. In the second game, St David's beat Dawnview 30-0. Just before lunch, in the middle of a rain storm, St David's beat Edenglen 28-0. St David's continued to play well, beating De la Salle 19-0 and Highlands North 29-0. The highlight of the day was playing Queens when St David's ran in 8 tries to win 46-0.

Great spirit and enthusiasm was shown by the players. A good day for all with St David's and Helpmekaar being the only undefeated sides.

### vs Hyde Park      Saturday 10 May      Home

An enthralling game of running rugby. Our forwards dominated on the whole giving the backs a clean ball to run. Massimo Vassarotti, in his First Team debut, played exceptionally well, scoring two tries. Grant Brown crashed over in the corner outrunning the Hyde Park wing and Grant Hutcheon ran round their back line with extraordinary pace. The other points came in the form of a try by Sean Lane and off the boot of Tim O'Shea with four conversions and two penalties.

**Won 39-6**



### First Rugby Team

**Back row:** Ronald Abvajee, Adam Treki, Massimo Vassaroti, Luca Fiasconaro, Stefano Contardo, Paul Mkhonza  
**Middle row:** Brian Teixeira, Deane O'Haughey, Grant Brown, Ian Terbrugge, Paul Schoombie, Daryl Emes, Adriano Iorio  
**Seated:** Kai Masterton, Sean Lane, Mr S Fry, Mr G McMillan, Grant Hutcheon, Timothy O'Shea

**vs St Andrew's, Bloemfontein Saturday 17 May Home**  
 St Andrew's, Bloemfontein, toured to St David's for a day of sport, debating and chess. The highlight of the long day was the impressive win by the St David's 1st XV rugby team.

A very motivated St David's side ran in an early try with Hutcheon out-sprinting the opposition. O'Shea put St David's further into the lead with two penalties and St Andrew's managed to score a try to keep in the game. A superb piece of running by Hutcheon gave him a second try and St David's led 18-7 at half time. St Andrew's came back with determination, scoring two quick tries to take them into the lead. With little time left, Vassarotti made an inside pass for O'Shea to score and convert the try. O'Shea kicked over a penalty to give St

David's victory.  
**Won 26-19**

**vs Greenside Wednesday 21 May Away**

Kai Masterton scored early in the game to give St David's a 7-3 lead. Grant Hutcheon, using his pace and strength, scored in the corner to put St David's further in the lead. In the second half, St David's put on the pressure and left Greenside out. The forwards gave the backline great ball who then used it well with Tim O'Shea and Grant Hutcheon scoring tries. The other points came off the boot of Tim O'Shea and from Paul Schoombie's try.

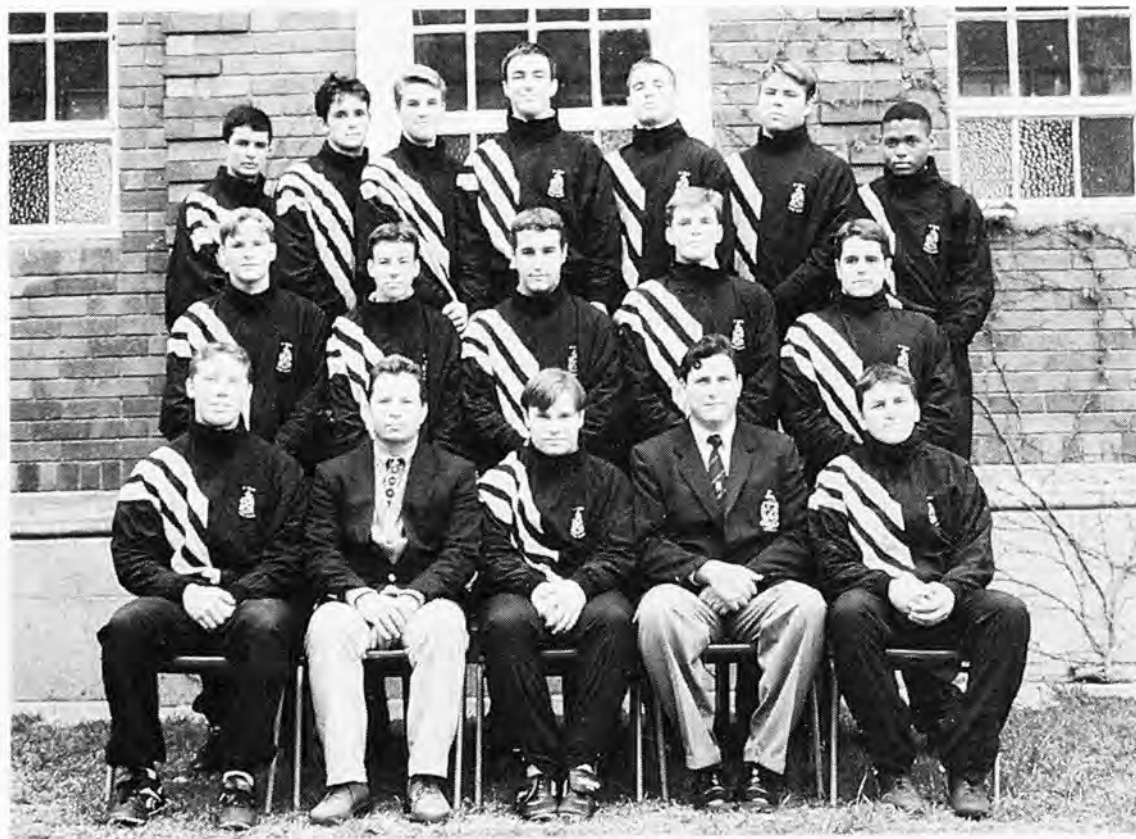
**Won 34-6**



**vs Fourways Saturday 24 May Home**  
 A low-scoring game. Ronald Abvajee used his agility to open the score for St David's. Fourways kicked over two penalties. St David's used their possession well and played inspiring rugby both in attack and defence. Daryl Emes, in his 1st XV debut, scored a try to give St David's the victory.  
**Won 15-6**

**vs St Stithians Saturday 21 June Home**  
 Our team played with great determination and the game was a "ding-dong" affair. We failed to take our chances and eventually speed and talent triumphed over guts and commitment.  
**Lost 3-19**

**vs St John's Wednesday 9 July Away**  
 In the open age group's last match, the 1st XV showed great determination against much larger opposition. It was a depressing day for the Grade Twelves as it was the last time they played in the black and gold but everyone on the team gave their best. Grant Hutcheon opened the scoring early on and Tim O'Shea converted to give St David's a 7-0 lead. St John's closed the gap and Tim O'Shea added two penalties. The half-time score was St John's 14, St David's 13. The second half belonged to the St John's forwards pack, who were big, fast and used the crash ball to good effect. St David's were impressive on the attack and even better on defence. The St David's forwards were outplayed in the loose phase but the backline played exceptionally well. The final score was no indication of St David's commitment.  
**Lost 13-33**



#### **Touring Side to KwaZulu-Natal**

**Back row:** Ronald Abvajee, Adam Treki, Chad Mellis, Timothy O'Shea, Luca Fiasconaro, Stefano Contardo, Paul Mkhonza

**Middle row:** Alasdair Kelly, Deane O'Haughey, Grant Brown, Ian Terbrugge, Paul Schoombie

**Seated:** Kai Masterton, Mr S Fry, Grant Hutcheon, Mr G McMillan, Sean Lane

#### **Tour to KwaZulu-Natal**

The team left on 27 April for our brother school in Durban, St Henry's. Our hosts greeted us warmly, but friendships were temporarily put aside when we all stepped on to the field. In conditions far from perfect, St David's won 13-8 in a match that set the tone for the rest of the tour.

After a short stop at the beach, it was on to Port Shepstone. The accommodation was comfortable and the food enjoyable. We played a thrilling match against Port Shepstone in temperatures of  $\pm 28^{\circ}\text{C}$ . St David's won convincingly 31-0. After an overnight stay at Midmar Dam, we moved on to the KwaZulu-Natal Midlands to play Treverton. This was the last match of the tour and the team was exhausted from travelling and playing, thus they did not play to their full potential. Well done to Treverton on a 14-3 victory.

## Colours and Awards

**Half Colours** Stefano Contardo, Luca Fiasconaro, Paul Mkhonza, Deane O'Haughey, Paul Schoombie, Adam Treki

**Full Colours** Ronald Abvajee, Grant Brown, Grant Hutcheon, Sean Lane, Kai Masterton, Timothy O'Shea

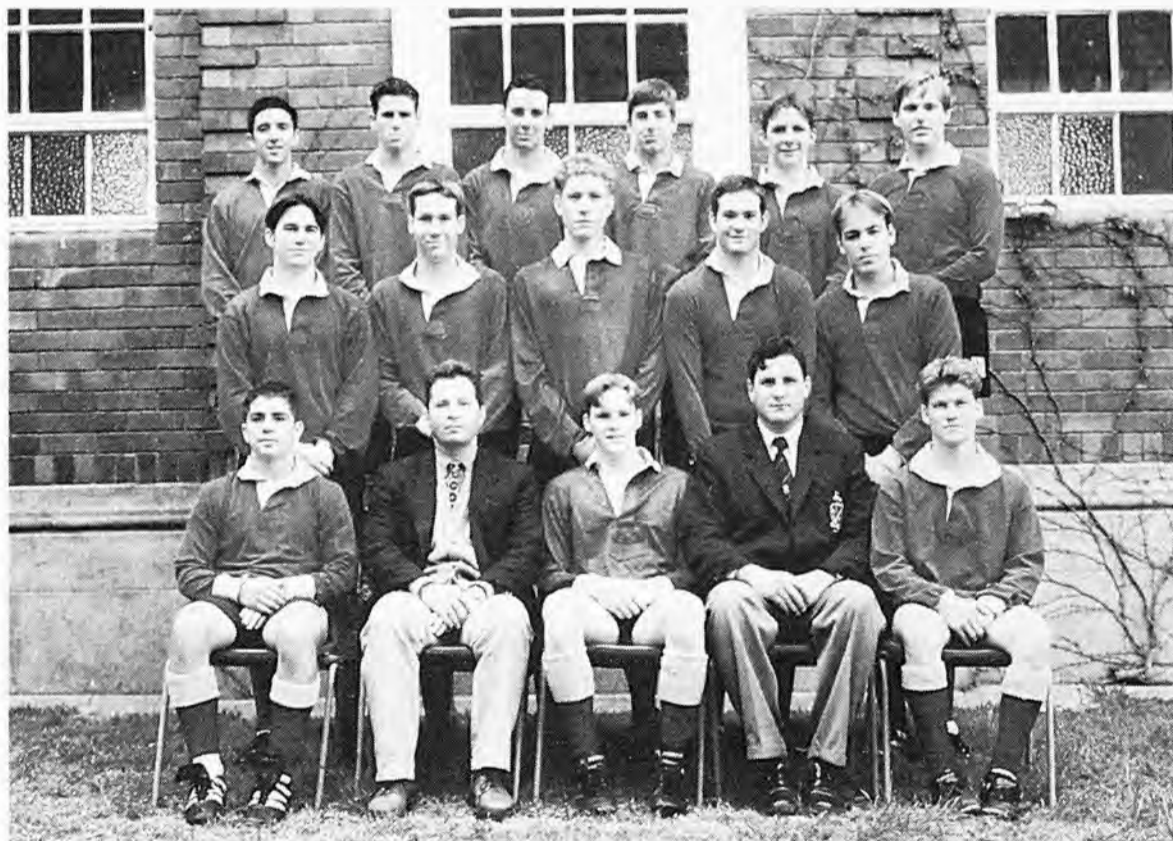
**Honours** Timothy O'Shea was awarded Specific Honours for Rugby following his achievements with the boot for the First XV during the season. He contributed 156 out of the 376 points scored.

## National Selection

Timothy O'Shea was selected to represent the South African School side against the English Yorkshire Touring side at a rugby league match held in Pretoria on 29 August 1997.



## Second XV



### Second Rugby Team

**Back row:** Vaughan van der Merwe, Gary Geldenhuys, Jeffrey Ryan, Stephen Naude, Michael Murray, Robert Morgan

**Middle row:** Brendan Copestake, Dale Horsten, Mario Lacueva, Bruce Thomas, Murray White

**Seated:** Andrew Witten, Mr S Fry, Alasdair Kelly, Mr G McMillan, Brandon Duffield

The Second XV suffered the usual fate of Second XV's. Just as they settled into a regular combination with a set pattern of play, disruptions occurred with injuries to both the First and Second Teams. At their best and strongest the team played attractive rugby with both backs and forwards handling the ball well. At worst they were a disjointed and dispirited side. Fortunately the former performances were more prevalent.

Alasdair Kelly was an excellent motivator and captain. He

led by example with enthusiastic and intelligent play. There were also a number of players who will be pushing strongly for First XV positions next year.

I would like to compliment the players on their ability to motivate themselves. Often left to their own devices as extra attention was paid to the First XV, the Second XV showed the initiative and determination to organise themselves.

*S Fry*

## Under 16

Both Under 16 teams had an enjoyable season and played open running rugby whenever possible. This resulted in the teams scoring many tries and winning most of their games. In fact the A team was unbeaten until the last three fixtures of the season when they came up against very strong St John's and St Stithians teams.

The age group has plenty of talent and many players will be the backbone of the First XV in the next few seasons. With training and commitment this group has the potential to be one of the best open age groups in the school's history.

I thank my fellow coaches, Andrew Harris and Warren Mande, for all their time and effort.

*D Smith*



### Under 16A Rugby

**Back row:** Robbie Tait, James West, Walt Bruns, Jonathan Morte, Kegan Speirs

**Middle row:** Brendan O'Shea, Jonathan Tonetti, David Randall, Chris Shaw, Dominic Biezanek, Seyton Hayes

**Seated:** Ricardo Traver-de Sousa, Ryan Brunette, Mr D Smith, Philip Mostert, Allan Horsfield.



### Under 16B Rugby

**Back row:** Michael Gunning, Iain Busschau, Kevin Haswell, Bryan Hubbard, Dale Bradbury

**Middle row:** Colin Thomas, Marco Paschkewitz, Alistair Moore, Michael Lenz, Luke Chandler, Dougie Cochrane

**Seated:** Johnathan Orr, Bryn Leadbeater, Mr D Smith, Jonathan Tonetti, Allan Horsfield



## Under 15

The highly-motivated players in this age group ensured an excellent rugby season for everyone involved. From the first practice of the season, the boys were committed and prepared to go the extra mile to ensure success.

The age group consisted of a large number of players and that ensured that there was sufficient depth not to allow players to automatically expect a place in either the A or B teams. This did much to ensure that the competitive edge remained throughout the season.

Both the A and B teams had particularly excellent seasons, with both losing only two matches each. The drive and determination of their forwards, with their excellent rucking and mauling, ensured that the backlines were able to play attractive, running rugby. The defensive play and their commitment to tackling was remarkable and ensured that the try tally against us was kept to a minimum. Here special mention must be made of Alfie Chemaly, Shaun Falconer, Tshepiso Vundla and Christopher Wood, whose defence in particular was outstanding. It was not long before their example spread throughout the age group.

Without a C and D team very few A and B sides could exist. The guts and determination of these players made the selection of the A and B teams a difficult task. The improvement of the players in these lower teams was impressive and it was pleasing to see how they would dig deep within themselves to become more successful rugby players.

The coaching staff of this age group consisted of Messrs G Kenyon, P Andrew, S Giuricich and J Tilley. I would like to thank them for their invaluable contributions during the season.

To the players, there is a lot of ability amongst you and I feel confident to say that you have the potential to become an extremely successful team in the seasons that lie ahead.

To all the parents who supported the teams, the coaches offer our sincere thanks and appreciation.

*G Behr*



### Under 15A Rugby

**Back row:** Bevan Glanville, Shaun Falconer, Garth Horsten, Chris Hepburn, Andrew Tennant, Tshepiso Vundla, Evan Dall

**Middle row:** David Radebe, Fabio Valente, PJ Steyn, Robert Stuart, Paul Smith, Tristan Wood

**Seated:** Bevan Winderley, Gareth Katz, Mr G Behr, Christopher Wood, Rhys Davies

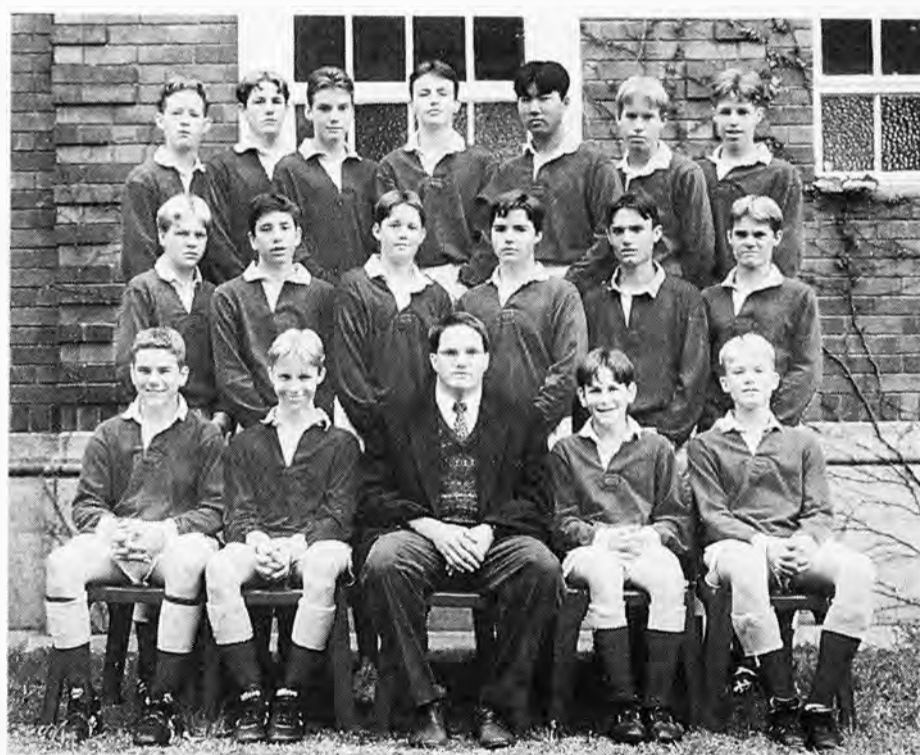


### Under 15B Rugby

**Back row:** Paul Smith, PJ Steyn, Richard Wood, Fabio Valente, Brendan Mauger

**Middle row:** Craig Cikara, Roger Abvajee, Lawrence Atherton, Rory Atkinson, John Haralambous

**Seated:** Neil Dabbs, Siegmur Duve, Mr G Kenyon, Andrew Munro, JJ Harris



### Under 15C Rugby

**Back row:** Guy Robertson, Duncan Scott, Michael Eilertsen, Alex de Ujfalussy, James Jang, Grant Collister, Philip Raw

**Middle row:** Graeme Armstrong, Jeffrey Naude, Michael Graham, Andrew Parker, David Clements, Chris Goodwin

**Seated:** Allan Shine, Richard Brady, Mr P Andrew, Neil Dabbs, Chris Proudfoot

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## Under 14

### Masters-in-Charge: R Smith, W Craven

The Grade Eight year presents immense hurdles for boys, both physical and emotional, as they contemplate the new challenges that rugby brings. Their fears are not unfounded, for their experience of rugby is largely confined to tales of horror and mothers' trepidation. Fortunately they soon discover that the new challenges are ones they can master. Most of them take immense pleasure in discovering their physical natures (not surprising, bearing in mind that little boys are physical creatures!). And those who have regarded themselves as timid are equally surprised to discover that they can survive in the jungle. New skills are learned, new friendships are formed and new confidences are born.

This year was no different. The boys were a most enthusiastic and committed group. They were also, for the coaches, one of the most well-behaved, co-operative and sporting groups we have encountered.

A full fixture list was prepared for this age-group, with even the D and E teams having 9 matches, while the A team had 15. It was necessary, from time to time, to swap boys during games to ensure that all received an opportunity to play. With over 100 players involved, this remained one of the biggest problems of the coaches.

A perusal of the results table shows that the A team won 7 of its 15 fixtures, with the B, C, D and E teams also having a roughly even share of the spoils. The A team seldom managed to achieve the running style of rugby that St David's strives to inculcate. In fact, after the first few big losses of the season, the coaches had to abandon this style and concentrate on keeping the ball within the forwards for most of the game. This pattern certainly worked better. Nabeel Laher and Michael Miller were exceptionally strong in the tight-loose and should do extremely well in the years to come. Otherwise, there were no stars. The B team, however, often contrived to run the ball and to play St David's rugby.

With so many boys involved, a large coaching staff was necessary. Mr Hugh Moffat deserves a special word of thanks.

For the third year in a row he turned out week after week at practices and matches, giving of his time and knowledge. With Neil Jacobs and old boys Batana Vundla, Chris Morte and Anthony Bayne adding their efforts, there was never a shortage of quality time available to the players.

*R Smith*



### Under 14A Rugby

**Back row:** *Shaun Fraser, Giulio Frigenti, Jared Mitri, Matthew Ramsden, Pierre Wilkinson*

**Middle row:** *Richard Mazaham, Damien Tucker, Michael Rands, Steven Aronson, Levi Olver, Clive Mangope*

**Seated:** *Michael Miller, Michael Rowley, Mr W Craven, Eddie Giuricich, Michael Bembridge*



### Under 14B Rugby

**Back row:** *Tyson Teubner, Gavin O'Mahony, David Williams, Greg Barrow, Brian Scott*

**Middle row:** *David Dias, Alex Taljaard, Brendan Murray, Shane Mitchell, Riccardo Pizzi, James Manson*

**Seated:** *Xola Nouse, Michael Reid, Mr W Craven, Mark Schoombie, Liam Carter*



### Under 14C Rugby

**Back row:** *Ryan Cochrane, Sean Osterloh, Philip Brandenburg, Damon Wark, Greg Hunter*

**Middle row:** *Alex Taljaard, David Dias, James Manson, Andreas Koninis, Justin Nel, Dylan Buttrick, Michael Gibson*

**Seated:** *Neal Redshaw, Brian Rowlings, Mr W Craven, Hugo Gill, Jose de Castro Maia*



### Under 14D & E Rugby

**Back row:** Graeme Ross-Munro, Ryuri Naydo, Garron Dace, Warren Bowen, John Morkel, Adrian de Canha, Ashton Hayes

**Middle row:** Terence Marais, Grant Smith, John Cain, Nicholas Black, Stephen Walsh, Hiu-Ming Cheng, Vusi Manganye, Marco Vidulich

**Seated:** Richard Armstrong, Gordon Lindsay, Mr W Craven, Justin Sing, Richard Willis

**In front:** Andrew Levy, Andrew Brady

## Grade Twelves vs Staff Rugby Match, Wednesday 16 July

After losing the hockey and soccer matches to the staff, the Grade Twelves had something to prove in the touch rugby.

Mr Behr opened the scoring by professionally executing a superb side-step. However, the Grade Twelves soon put their game strategy into practice and their attacking and skilled play left the staff befuddled.

Halfway through the second half, the Grade Twelves were 4-1 ahead. They then agreed to allow the staff to score once

more (just to boost their morale!).

To end off a great match, Sean Lane ran from the halfway line, made the staff look as if they were lodged in cement, and showed that he should have been wearing the No. 14 jersey throughout the season. The match was played in good spirit. Well done to all, especially the commentator.

**Tries scored:**

Staff: Jonah Behr, Barry B Fry.

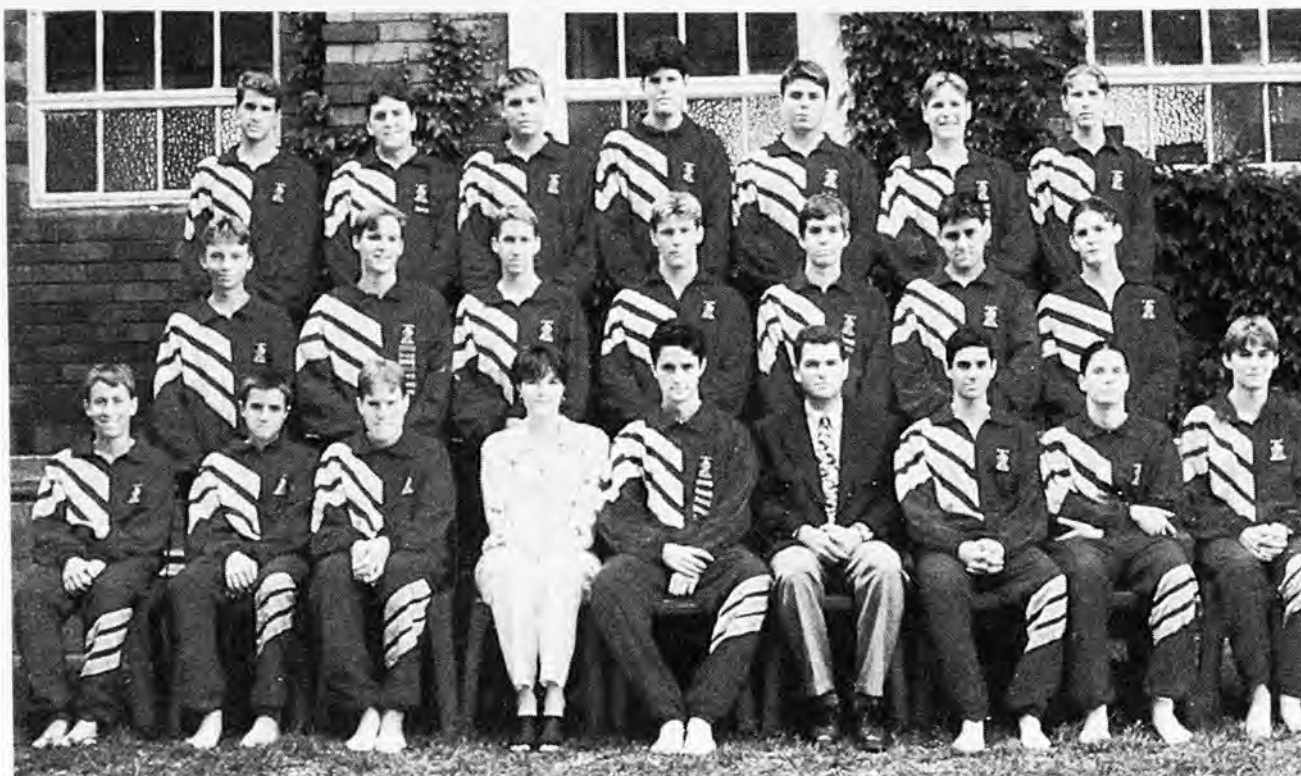
Grade Twelves: Vassarotti (2), Teixeira, Schoombie, Lane.

### \*RUGBY RESULTS

|      |                   | 1st   | 2nd   | 3rd  | 16A   | 16B           | 15A   | 15B           | 15C           | 15D           | 14A          | 14B          | 14C            | 14D            | 14E          |
|------|-------------------|-------|-------|------|-------|---------------|-------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| 2/4  | King David Links  |       |       |      |       |               |       |               |               |               |              |              |                |                |              |
| 5/4  | CBC Boksburg      | 29-13 | 44-3  |      | 19-10 | 50-0          | 37-19 | 70-0          |               |               | 18-10        | 25-0         | 7-10           |                |              |
| 10/5 | Hyde Park         | 39-6  | 17-15 |      | 8-5   |               | 20-5  | 50-0          |               |               | 12-10        | 19-10        |                |                |              |
| 10/5 | King Edward VII   |       |       |      |       | KES E<br>25-5 |       |               | KES E<br>7-12 | KES F<br>0-48 |              |              | KES E<br>25-12 | KES F<br>12-12 |              |
| 14/4 | Highlands North   |       |       |      |       |               |       |               |               |               |              |              |                |                |              |
| 15/5 | St Andrew's Bloem | 28-19 | 20-15 |      | 27-0  |               | 15-7  | 5-20          |               |               | 0-40         | 5-20         | 0-27           |                |              |
| 21/5 | Greenside         | 34-3  | 14-45 |      | 31-0  | 27-7          | 19-5  | 40-8          |               |               | 0-35         | 12-14        |                |                |              |
| 24/5 | Fourways          | 15-7  | 20-6  |      | 29-5  | 19-3          | 12-0  | 12-10         |               |               | 10-10        | 7-30         | 5-14           |                |              |
| 31/5 | Bryanston         | 3-6   | 15-17 | 55-0 | 25-15 | 10-0          | 17-7  | 17-10         | 32-12         |               | 0-0          | 0-5          | 15-7           |                |              |
| 4/6  | De la Salle       |       |       |      |       |               |       |               |               |               |              |              |                |                |              |
| 7/6  | Sandown           |       |       |      |       |               |       |               |               |               |              |              |                |                |              |
| 7/6  | Parktown          |       |       |      |       |               |       |               |               |               |              |              |                |                |              |
| 11/6 | Roosevelt         |       |       |      |       |               |       |               |               |               |              |              |                |                |              |
| 18/6 | St John's         |       |       |      |       |               |       |               | 15-7          |               |              |              |                |                |              |
| 21/6 | St Stithians      | 3-19  | 12-37 | 7-48 | 7-34  | vs C<br>14-28 | 0-19  | vs C<br>14-12 | vs D<br>13-10 | vs E<br>7-5   | vs B<br>7-24 | vs C<br>0-17 | vs D<br>7-39   | vs E<br>0-12   | vs F<br>0-22 |
| 25/6 | St Alban's        |       |       |      |       |               |       |               |               |               |              |              |                |                |              |
| 9/7  | St John's         | 13-33 | 0-56  |      | 0-53  | 20-27         | 5-10  | 7-12          | 0-43          | 3-20          | 0-27         | 0-17         | 0-38           | 7-5            |              |
| 12/7 | Helpmekaar        |       |       |      |       |               |       |               |               |               |              |              |                |                |              |

\* Those the Editor was able to obtain

# Swimming



## Swimming - A Team

**Back row:** Lawrence Johnson, Sean Lane, Gregory Browne, David Williams, Stefano Contardo, Robert Tait, Evan Jones

**Middle row:** Damon Wark, Alasdair Kelly, John Middlewick, Shaun Falconer, Matthew Ramsden, Robert Stuart, Michel Tyack

**Seated:** Neal Redshaw, Richard Armstrong, Garron Dace, Mrs K Emery, Adam Treki, Mr G Kenyon, Marco Cannata, Allan Horsfield, Dean Thomas

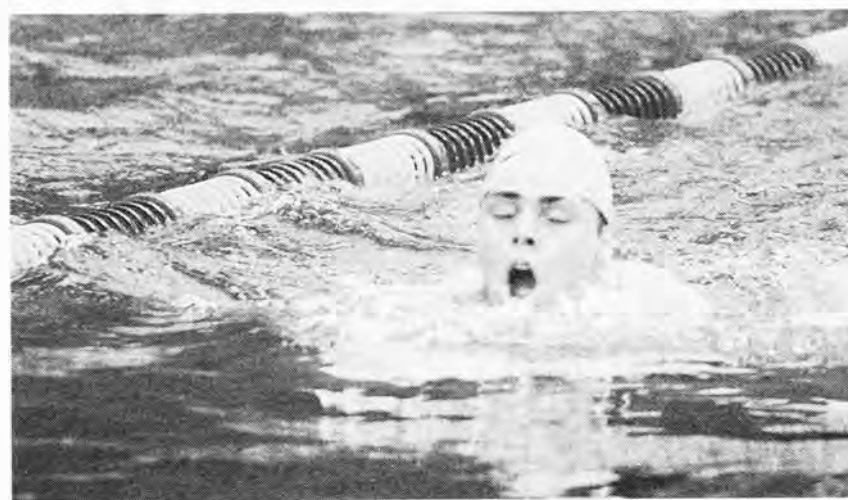
The swimming season started off slowly, with many training sessions in the mornings, afternoons and even during our end-of-year examinations. All the training was not in vain, and, in retrospect, our teams have advanced boldly and promisingly.

The annual Midmar Mile saw a huge change, in that we hired a bus to take us down to Natal. The trip was pleasantly comfortable and everyone agreed that the bigger bus was well worth the extra cost. When we arrived, we swam the Inter-Catholic Gala at our brother school, St Henry's. Unfortunately, we did not win the gala. The rest of the weekend was most enjoyable and a great spirit loomed between the boys and our teachers. The mile was swum in beautiful, sunny weather with everyone giving of their best.

The co-ed gala was also a highlight of our season. The water polo boys had returned from Port Shepstone an hour or two before the gala and were feeling unmotivated to swim, until we saw all the girls, that is! St David's swam the gala with Jeppe Girls and even though we did not do so fantastically, we enjoyed ourselves and that was the important point.

The rest of the galas saw us slowly, but substantially closing the gap between ourselves and Parktown Boys. This has been the most impressive improvement of our team. Inter-High

saw the introduction of our team mascot. It is a brown gorilla which the matrices of 1997 have named "Benson". Inter-High showed how involved and caring our swimming coaches really are, with a card given to us wishing us good luck in our final swim for the season. Inter-High was a tough swim and the results showed it.

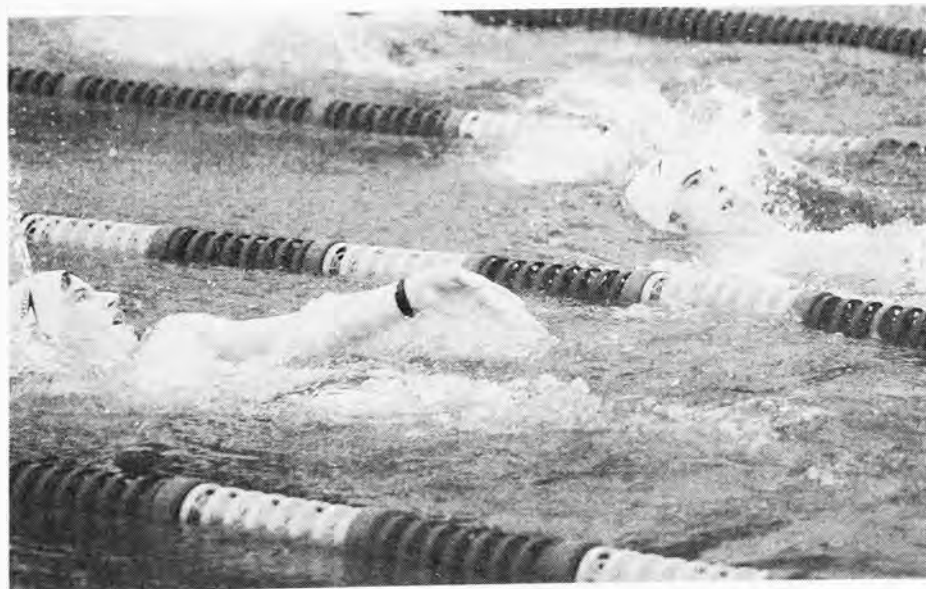


After Inter-High, a braai was held at Alasdair Kelly's house, where the boys enjoyed a game of cricket and a good, well-deserved meal. Many thanks to the Kellys for hosting this event.

This year has seen many changes to the Marist swimming team. These changes have definitely been good and healthy ones. The swimming coaches have placed a lot of hard work, love and commitment into our teams. The attitude towards swimming has also begun to change. The boys have seen that our school does have the talent to compete against the huge boys' schools, that have made us look rather "pathetic" in the past. The team spirit has grown.

I would like to thank all the people involved in swimming, for their hard work. Special mention goes to the coaches and the swimmers. Hopefully the only way the team will go is up, and remain there for many years to come.

*Adam Treki*  
Captain





### Swimming - B Team

**Back row:** Michael Murray, Ashley Kanter, Grahame Finnemore, Andrew Williams, Adriano Iorio, Allan MacFarlane, James Robson, PJ Steyn

**Middle row:** Grant Collister, Paul Smith, Nicholas Risi, Evan Dall, James Jang, Brendan Mauger, Andrew Witten, Brian Scott

**Seated:** Craig Cikara, Michael Gibson, Baris Chung, Ms J Leenstra, Ryan Cochrane, John Cain, Robin Daniels

## Results of Galas

### 22 January

|                 |                |     |
|-----------------|----------------|-----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Parktown A     | 347 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | St John's A    | 330 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | St David's A   | 317 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Jeppe A        | 226 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | St Stithians B | 222 |

### 24 January

|                 |              |      |
|-----------------|--------------|------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | St John's A  | 254  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Jeppe A      | 178½ |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | St David's A | 149½ |

|                 |              |     |
|-----------------|--------------|-----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | St John's B  | 273 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Jeppe B      | 174 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | St David's B | 123 |

### 29 January

|                 |                |     |
|-----------------|----------------|-----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | St Stithians A | 353 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | KES A          | 331 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | St David's A   | 182 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Jeppe A        | 116 |

|                 |                 |     |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | St John's B     | 252 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Parktown Boys B | 227 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | St David's B    | 127 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Jeppe B         | 69  |

### 5 February

|                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | St David's A      |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | St Stithians B    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | St John's B.      |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | King Edward VII B |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | St David's B      |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Parktown B        |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Jeppe B           |

### 17 February

The annual Co-ed Gala was won by the St Stithians/Kingsmead pairing.

St David's/Jeppe Girls came 8th out of the 9 teams

### 26 February

#### A Inter-High

|                 |                    |     |
|-----------------|--------------------|-----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | King Edward VII    | 352 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Pretoria Boys'     | 338 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | St Stithians       | 326 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | St John's          | 231 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Parktown Boys'     | 215 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | St David's         | 183 |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> | Jeppe              | 173 |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> | Potchefstroom Boys | 158 |

#### B Inter-High

|                 |               |     |
|-----------------|---------------|-----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | KES           | 217 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | St Stithians  | 212 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Parktown Boys | 146 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | St John's     | 137 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | St David's    | 105 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Jeppe         | 62  |

#### Inter-House Gala

|                 |             |            |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Osmond      | 442 points |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | The Bishops | 420 points |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | College     | 309 points |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Benedict    | 194 points |

## Age Group Scrolls

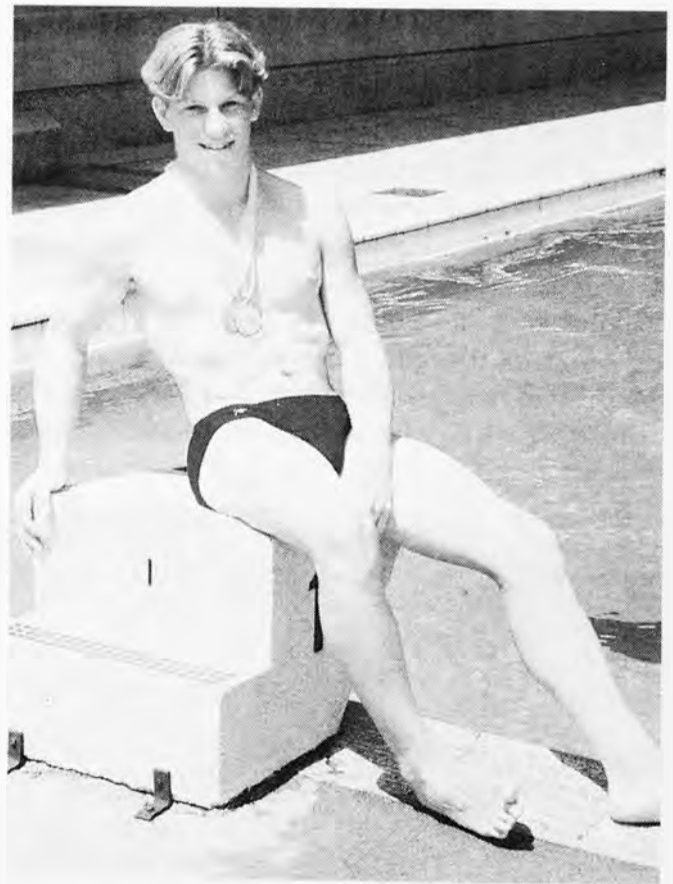
Under 14 Matthew Ramsden

Under 15 Grant Nel, Shaun Falconer

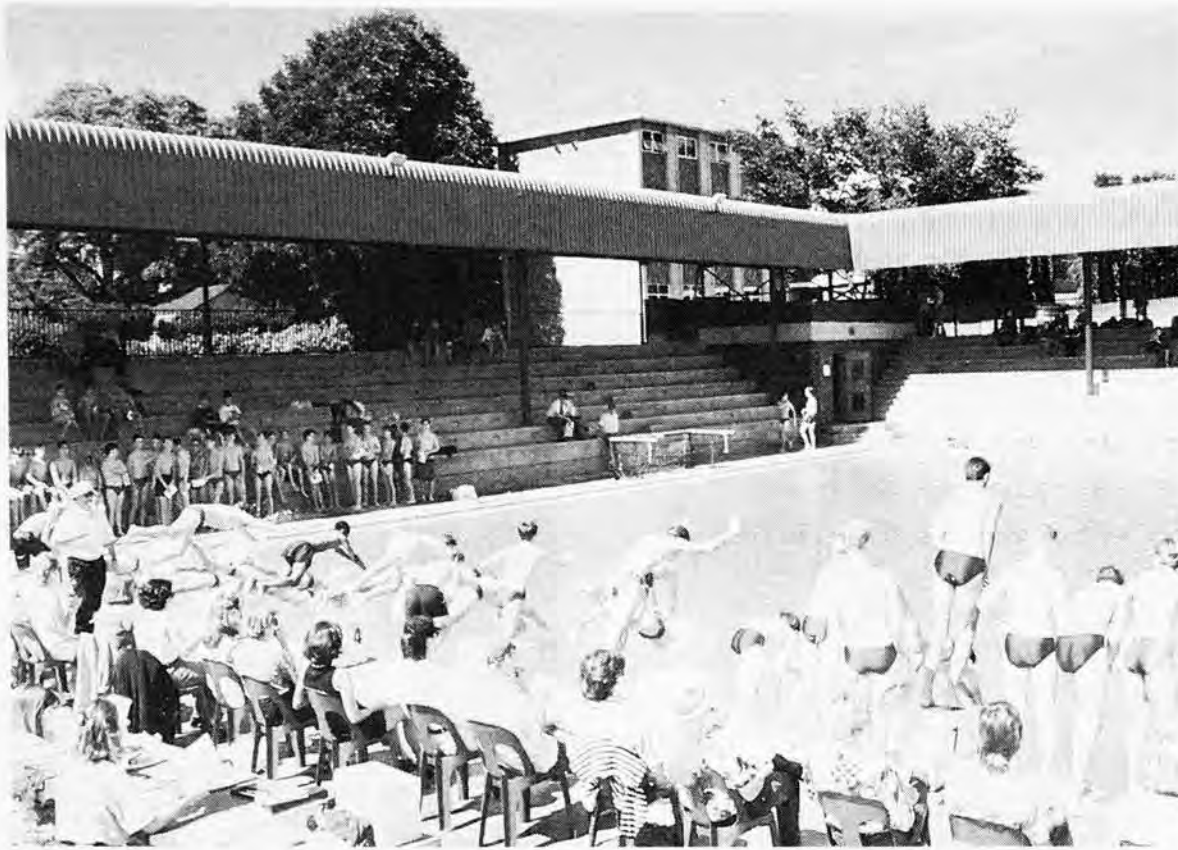
## Colours Awards

Half Colours Robert Tait, Alasdair Kelly, Adrian Nel

Full Colours Sean Lane, Adam Treki



**Shaun Falconer,**  
an accomplished provincial swimmer,  
was selected for  
a national schools swimming and  
a national under 14 water polo squad



*The annual swim-along, held to raise funds for the school*



*The group who toured to Natal for the Midmar Mile and the Inter-Catholic Schools Gala*



*At the Inter-Catholic Schools Gala at St Henry's*

# Tennis

This year has been a very active year for tennis at St David's and at the same time an enjoyable and very successful year. The A team under the captaincy of Brandon Duffield played 9 matches and won 8. The B team played 10 and won 8. The C team won 7 out of 8 and the D team 5 out of 8.

The most noticeable characteristic of St David's tennis is the age of many of the players. The vast majority of players are in Grades 8, 9 and 10 and this bodes well for the future of tennis at the College.

Next year the tennis club is expanding and a further two teams will be playing league.

Thanks to all the boys who played and to Mrs B Marais, Mrs M Andrew, Mrs A Carter and Mr N Mitchell for their assistance during the year.

*D Smith*



## A Tennis Team

**Back row:** *Garth Horsten, Dale Horsten, Iain Busschau, Richard Mazaham*

**Seated:** *Alexander de Ujfalussy, Brandon Duffield, Mr D Smith, Warwick Thrupp*



## B Tennis Team

**Back row:** *Colin Thomas, Michael Eilertsen, Clinton Verhoog, Ryan Brunette*

**Seated:** *Eddie Giuricich, Mr D Smith, Bradley le Roux*

## Colours awards

Dale Horsten and Brandon Duffield were awarded full colours

## Tennis Championship Results

**Open singles:** Dale Horsten beat Brandon Duffield 7/6, 7/5

**Open doubles:** Dale Horsten and Brandon Duffield beat Iain Busschau and Grant Hutcheon 6/1, 6/2

**Under 16 singles:** Alex de Ujfalussy beat Garth Horsten 6/3, 6/7, 6/4

**Under 14 singles:** Garth Horsten and Richard Mazaham beat Alex de Ujfalussy and Michael Eilertsen 6/3, 6/7, 6/3

# Water Polo

The 1997 First Team got off to a slow start but in the end emerged with eleven good wins to three losses. With two boys from younger age groups in the side, St David's played with determination to overcome much larger schools. The side had secure defence and was strong upfront.

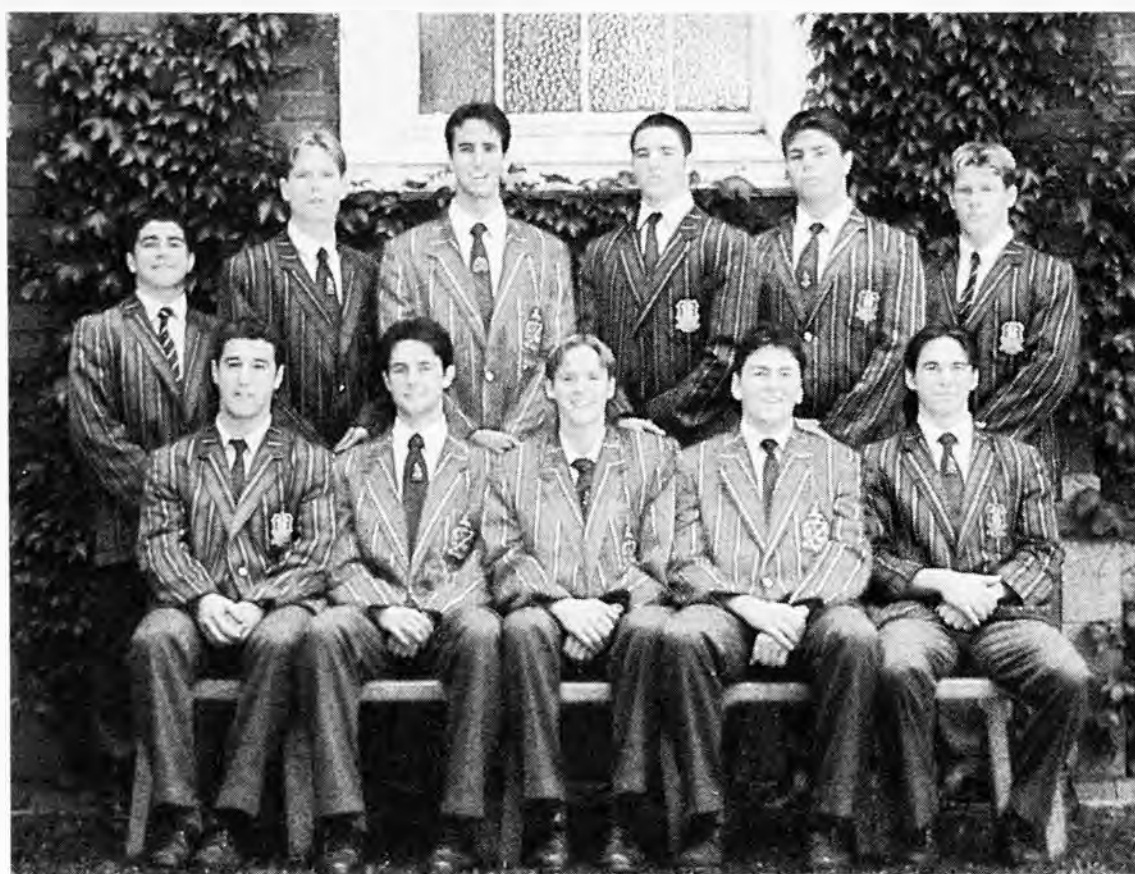
The highlight of the season was our third win at the Annual Gauteng and Coastal Schools Tournament at Port Shepstone High School. St David's had beaten the Gauteng sides earlier in the year and convincingly beat all the KwaZulu-Natal schools. All in all 38 goals were scored in four matches.

The players put in many long and hard hours at swimming

and water polo practices to achieve a fast and efficient style of play. The season was made possible by Mr Pretorius, and we thank him for his efforts.

The junior sides are learning the tricks of water polo and show potential. The teams, although struggling due to lack of players, still showed courage throughout the season. Hopefully the numbers will improve and produce a side with a great reputation. The student coaches must also be thanked for giving up their time to coach and act as referees.

*Alasdair Kelly*  
**Captain**



**First Water Polo Team**

**Back row:** Andrew Witten, Robert Tait, Adriano Iorio, Luca Fiasconaro, Stefano Contardo, Shaun Falconer  
**Seated:** Grant Brown, Adam Treki, Alasdair Kelly, Sean Lane, Brendan Copestake

## First Team Results

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| vs Benoni            | lost 6-7 |
| vs St John's         | lost 8-3 |
| vs Rand Park         | won 11-3 |
| vs Jeppe             | won 11-3 |
| vs KES 2nds          | won 7-5  |
| vs St Stithians 2nds | won 7-4  |
| vs Highlands North   | won 7-6  |
| vs Fourways          | won 14-1 |

## Port Shepstone Tournament

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| vs Kloof          | won 6-0  |
| vs Kingsway       | won 12-0 |
| vs Scottburgh     | won 11-3 |
| vs Port Shepstone | won 9-1  |

## Age Group Scrolls

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| <b>Under 14</b> | Shaun Falconer<br>Grant Nel<br>Matthew Ramsden |
| <b>Under 16</b> | Robert Tait                                    |

## Colours

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <b>Half Colours</b> | Grant Brown<br>Brendan Copestake                        |
| <b>Full Colours</b> | Sean Lane<br>Adam Treki<br>Alasdair Kelly<br>Adrian Nel |

## Provincial and National Selection

Shaun Falconer - National Under 14 squad (December 1996)  
Sean Lane - Gauteng Schools Invitation Team

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# RELIGIOUS REVIEW

## First Holy Communion



### First Holy Communion

**Back row:** Wade Whittaker, Alessandro Higginson, Graham Freeman, Adam Weldon-Ming, Michael Macindoe, Bryce Don, Daniel Berti, Christopher Forssman, Christopher Barton, Ryan Abrey, Marc Colia, Domenico de Lorenzo, Steven Taverner, Dane Solomon, Dean Shillaw

**Middle row:** Mrs G Anderson, Robert Ramsay, Robin Garden, Tyler Ray, Duncan Reid, Stephen Libera, Sean Nieman, Connor Mace, Marco Picone, Jordan Graham, Wesley Tam, Karl Reith, Ivan Giuricich, Warwick Gird, Eric Bauer, Fr B Brewer

**Seated:** Wade Steinbach, Kevin Came, Danilo Biccari, Richard Harte, Matthew Wallace, David Schilperoort, Filipe Gonsalves, Joseph Gates, Stephen Adam, Paul Nieuwoudt, Kevin Harding

**Absent:** Justin Ferriere, Mark Goosen

Forty-two boys made their First Holy Communion in the College Chapel on Sunday 26 October.

The Mass was celebrated by Father B Brewer. The choir, consisting of fellow Grade 3 pupils and led by Mrs M Middlewick, sang beautifully and thus played a most important part in this special day.

There were few dry eyes when the boys processed into the crowded chapel carrying their candles, while Mrs B Kalk sang *Suffer Little Children*. As is the Marist tradition, the boys proceeded to the Hall after Mass, where they were treated to a special breakfast tea, prepared by Mrs Mary von Guilleaume,

Matron Ryan and some of the Grade 3 mothers. After the breakfast tea, Father Brewer presented each of the boys with a certificate and in turn they each gave their mother a rose and a hug in appreciation.

I would like to thank the parents for supporting their sons during their preparation for the Holy Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

My thanks to all the staff and parents who assisted in making this occasion such a memorable and special day for our First Holy Communicants.

*Mrs GDE Anderson*

## Confirmation

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation took place in conditions that were less than ideal. The boys were expected to come during the long break on Mondays for classes, and attendance was, in many cases, erratic. As the day grew closer, one or two dropped out, having made up their minds that they did not want to be confirmed, or did not feel ready to take the step of

becoming adult members of a Church which they had too many misgivings about. But amongst a core group there was solid commitment and a feeling of expectancy.

A retreat was organised for the group. Some of the people who would be leading the retreat came to tell the boys what it would be all about. One of them had a guitar and sang a song about Jesus

Grade 11 boys confirmed at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Rosebank on Friday 26 September

Nicolaas Alberts  
 Luke Chandler  
 Wayne Collett  
 Stefano Contardo  
 Johnny Farrell  
 Luca Fiasconaro  
 Gary Geldenhuys  
 Seyton Hayes  
 Rui Jorge  
 Philip Kobilá  
 Jonathan Libera  
 John Ross McKay  
 John Middlewick  
 Daryn Moore  
 Jonathan Morte  
 Stephen Naude  
 Serafim Pinto  
 Marothi Ramokgopa  
 Nicholas Ranger  
 Robert Rundell  
 Gareth Simaan  
 Robert Tait  
 Ricardo Traver-de Sousa  
 Vaughan van der Merwe  
 Clinton Verhoog  
 James West  
 (Daniel Wright was unable to attend the Confirmation ceremony and will be confirmed in his parish.)



Grade 11 Confirmation Retreat

cleansing your soul. A beautiful girl, an ordinary Catholic teenager about the same age as the boys, told them about the difference God had made in her life. Some of the responses of the boys afterwards: "Ja, uh, different!", "A bit weird!", "Do we have to go?", "Is this going to be, like, all happy-clappy and stuff?", "Um, I think I've got something very important on that weekend".

But almost all of them came, and they were not sorry. The retreat was held at the Bosco Diocesan Youth Centre and took the form of a "Life in the Spirit Seminar". Life in the Spirit Seminars, associated with the Charismatic Renewal in the Catholic Church, have helped countless thousands of people all over the world to find a deeper life with God and to experience the power of his Holy Spirit in their lives, as did the disciples at the first Pentecost. A group of young people from the Family of God charismatic prayer group (this year celebrating its twenty-fifth year of existence) at the Victory Park Catholic Church led the retreat. They were not ashamed or embarrassed to talk and sing about their love for Jesus and what he has done in their lives. Initially our boys were awkward, but nevertheless open.

As the retreat unfolded through short talks, testimonies, group discussions, and prayer and praise sessions where we *meant - really meant* - what we were praying and singing and not just perfunctorily mouthing words, the boys began to realise that God is *real*, that he loves them and wants to give them his gifts. The years of religious upbringing, being taught to say your prayers, catechism classes, Catholic school, collections for the poor, Mass, RE

lessons ... suddenly it all began to make sense; the point of it all suddenly became clear, wonderfully clear!

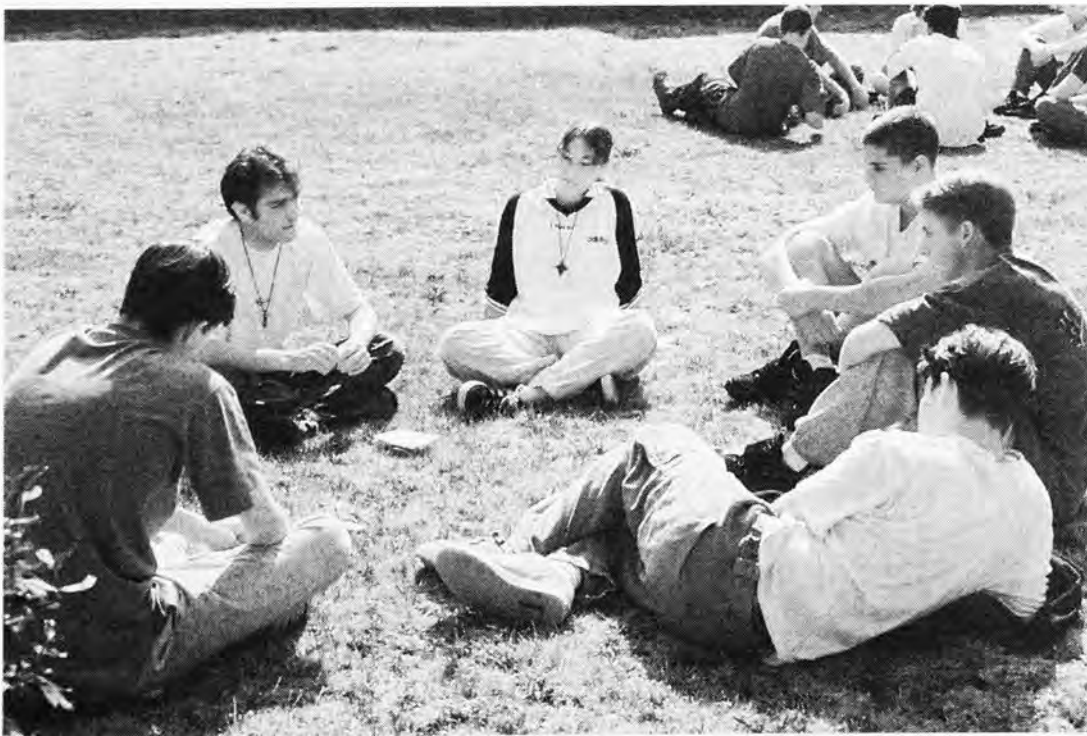
Amongst themselves, the boys were talking about what was happening to them, about discovering the reality of God and putting your faith in him. It was amazing to walk into the dormitory and find a group of boys discussing, not rugby or girls, but prayer! Even though Princess Diana's funeral was on TV, not one of them wanted to watch it!

On the Saturday evening of the retreat Father Alan Peter led a Reconciliation Service. He was in the confessional hearing the boys' confessions from 7.30 to 11.30. There was a quiet and peaceful atmosphere in the candle-lit church as everybody knelt in silent prayer and penance. The presence of God was very real and the working of his Spirit very evident.

On Sunday morning the boys were prayed with to be baptised in the Holy Spirit - the same experience that the first Christians had on the first Pentecost. There was no hysteria and no histrionics, just a quiet and intensely prayerful surrendering to God. Afterwards there was a lot of hugging and a lot of tears - tears of pure happiness and gratefulness and joy. Just as at the first Pentecost, when the apostles were thought to be drunk, we were overwhelmed by the greatness and goodness of God.

Many people - most of whom have no connection with St David's - were praying for the retreat, and God was certainly magnanimous in answering their prayers.

Once back at school, many of the boys were keen to continue meeting to pray together and to encourage one another. It was especially pleasing when some boys, who were not part of the confirmation group, joined in these meetings. A remarkable spiritual maturity was developing in



Discussion groups

some of the boys and, whereas before most of them would never have given a thought to reading the Bible, many began, for the first time in their lives, reading it eagerly. A few have been going to meetings of the Family of God community at Victory Park, and were invited to help as co-leaders at a Life in the Spirit seminar which was held for young people in October, also at the Bosco Centre.

The ceremony at which the boys received the Sacrament of Confirmation, together with the confirmation groups from St Teresa's Convent and the Rosebank parish, was long but joyous. It was most gratifying, and testimony to their commitment, that the retreat leaders were there to share in the joy and in the celebration afterwards. Many teachers from St David's were also present at the service.

On the retreat, the leaders had cautioned that, just like when one falls in love and the initial infatuation wears off, the world and all its seductive glamour is still out there beckoning. Only those who have really understood and who allow their hearts and minds to be transformed by the Spirit according to the values taught by Jesus in the Gospels, and who want to live lives of selfless service working to spread the kingdom of God, will have any hope of enduring. Jesus' parable of the sower comes to mind: *Some seed fell on rocky ground where it found little soil and sprang up straightaway, because there was no depth of earth; and when the sun came up it was scorched and, not having any roots, it withered away. Some seed fell into thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it produced no crop. And some seed fell into rich soil and, growing tall and strong, produced crop; and yielded thirty, sixty, even a hundredfold.*

I would like to encourage the newly-confirmed in their spiritual growth and commitment. God has blessed you with a gift immeasurably more precious than any amount of gold or silver, a gift worth giving up everything in order to have. It is nothing less than the gift of Himself. Take good care of it.

NM

(PS: Thank you to that wise and thoughtful person who suggested the Life in the Spirit Seminar in the first place.)

*The Grade 11 Confirmation Group went on a retreat at the Bosco Youth Centre in Daleside. At first we were all expecting a normal boring retreat, but when we started singing, or, should I say, they started singing, we thought, oh great, it's going to be all happy-clappy this weekend, but when we got used to it and relaxed, we noticed an amazing peace and love shining from the leaders. We were not forced into anything and were not expected to do anything unless we wanted to, but at the end of the evening we were jumping, dancing and singing songs of praise we had never heard before. It felt great and we were all having a great time.*

*The next day, Saturday, we all went to see the leaders individually, to just talk. We just let go of all the stress and problems we had in our lives. That evening we had a reconciliation service where half of us were in tears. On Sunday morning we were prayed over by the leaders and our friends. It was the most beautiful experience I have ever had in my whole life. I finally realised that God was my friend and that he loves me. I realised how much I need him and want him in my life.*

*I look at life in a different way now and have God as my Number One priority. It's great; I'll never look back.*

Gareth Simaan 11B

*At first, most of us were extremely sceptical but soon new friendships began to form and at the end of the Retreat a definite bond of love was felt by all. It was amazing to see boys who felt they had no problems at all, open up to total strangers and become in touch with God and the Holy Spirit, through songs of praise and worship. We experienced the charismatic aspect of the Catholic church, which we never knew existed before.*

Robbie Tait 11B



*On the 26th of September, 26 boys received the Sacrament of Confirmation at a ceremony at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Rosebank. This marked our coming of age in the church as adult members.*

*When we arrived at Rosebank, we all felt excited at the thought that we would be receiving the Holy Spirit. The ceremony was relaxed with wonderful singing and everything went off without a hitch, thanks to Mr Busschau's loud and clear instructions at the rehearsal prior to the event.*

*After the confirmation the atmosphere was one of exuberance and celebration. Special thanks to Mr Mitchell, who gave up much of his time to tutor and encourage us, making this very important milestone possible, and also to Father Brewer for his spiritual support throughout the year.*

Ricardo Traver-de Sousa 11M

# Lent and Holy Week



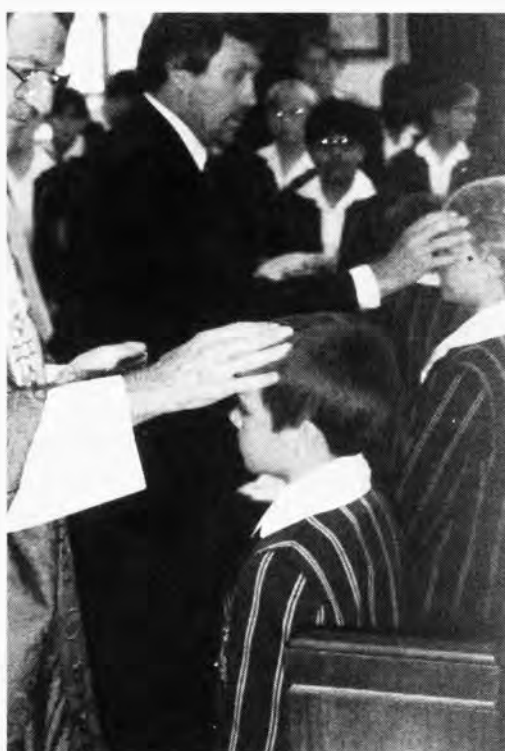
*Stations of the Cross (one per day) are held every morning of Lent before school in the Chapel. Those who attend reflect on the meaning of Jesus' passion and death in our own lives, and go into the day with something important to think about*



*Shrove Tuesday was celebrated by the Grade Fives to remind us of traditions from way back on the day before Ash Wednesday. Robert van Houten and Charles Pringle demonstrate their pancake-making skills*



*Grade Eight pupils proclaim the Kingdom of God to passing motorists on Rivonia Road*



*"Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return": Father Brewer and Mr Castle mark the foreheads of the faithful on Ash Wednesday*



*"Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end, Alpha and Omega ..."  
Father Brewer blesses the Easter candle at the Service of Light at the Easter Vigil*



*A group of Grade Fives enacted a scene depicting Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on the first Palm Sunday. The legend of the cross on the donkey's back was related to an interested assembly of pupils*

# Retreats



*Sister Glynis of the Schoenstatt Sisters conducted retreats in the Prep School. Here she helps the boys of Grade 5H how to understand and to pray the Rosary*



*Salesian Father François leads the boys in a song at the Grade Eight retreat. On the wall is a picture of Saint John Bosco, who is to Salesians what Marcellin Champagnat is to Marists*



*Grade Ten group discussion with Randall, one of the volunteer youth workers at Bosco*



*There's also time for fun and recreation on retreats*

*The boys in each grade in Grade Eight, Nine and Ten spent a day on retreat at the Bosco Diocesan Youth Centre. The retreats were conducted by the Bosco retreat team, led by the Salesian Fathers*

It was nice just to have one day for our spiritual selves. The people running the retreat were very good people and the place was also a nice place to be. I have learned not to be a self-centred person and not to see other people as objects.

*David Radebe 10B*

I thought the retreat was fun and enjoyable. The people were friendly and helpful. From the retreat I learned a lot about God and how God sees everyone. The meditation was so relaxing and the food was very tasty.

*Joseph Lekalakala 10B*

I felt that if you were into all of the stuff that we did then it was pretty good, but in my opinion it was a waste of time. The people were very nice. They had a lot to give.

*Chris Shaw 10C*

Holding hands sitting in a circle was corny.

*David Jackson 10C*

I enjoyed the way of praying they introduced to us. I have tried it and it makes praying easy.

*JJ Harris 8T*

I enjoyed the retreat. The best part about it was the meditational prayer. I also enjoyed the reconciliation service Father François gave us and the burning of our sins as it made me feel like I had a fresh start. All of the guides were good.

*Giulio Frigenti 8T*

I enjoyed the movie because of the boy's maturity and how he spoke in a grown-up way. I was surprised how he took his disease as a gift from God rather than thinking he is retarded and not the same as the other children.

*James Manson 9T*

The boy in the video is a role model to all. He was brave and did not blame Jesus for his disablement. It was good how we could speak freely with the volunteers. It was nice how we could call them by their first names and see them as equals. The meditation got me in touch with Jesus. The part that I did not like was that the tuckshop was open for a limited time and was not reopened.

*Alan Mills 9T*

# Grade 12 Retreat



*The Grade 12 retreat was held at Sizanani Village, a mission in Bronkhorstspuit run by the Comboni Missionaries and the St Vincent de Paul Society. Mr Terry Connell, a Marist Old Boy of Walmer in Port Elizabeth who is in charge of part of the mission, was delighted to host Marist boys. He enthusiastically and nostalgically listened to the presentation given to the boys by Australian Brother Alexis and Brother Martin on the Marist Brothers world-wide*

The Christian community within the school we visited in Botleng had a spirit that I long to see at St David's.

The presentation by Brother Alexis was informative. I finally learnt the story behind the founding of the Marist Brothers. I recognized the way Marcellin Champagnat wanted Marist schools to be run. This created an awareness of how my own school is run.

Although not understanding the language used in the Mass, I still felt part of the service. The wonderful design of the church impressed me, and so did the statue of Christ. Although there was a small congregation, I still felt the strong spirit of love for Christ in that church.

The Star Power game was amusing. People in power wanted to remain there and wouldn't give others a chance to get to the top. People in the lower groups begged, borrowed and stole to get to the top. I was surprised at the arrogance of many in the discussion after the game. These people didn't want to take time to realize that they have to help others. They were afraid of facing reality, and remain caged up in small, isolated worlds.

The retarded and disabled children who are looked after at the mission was one aspect that bothered me. I spent time with them on both days.

*Ronald Abvajee 12M*

The church was the most beautiful I have ever been in. The trip to the school was the most worthwhile part of the retreat, especially the idea of sharing lunch with the other pupils. I think that this interaction is valuable not only for the St David's boys but also for the benefit of the pupils from Phaphamani.

*Adriano Iorio 12M*

This church is amazing. The statue at the front stood out and the singing and mixing of languages made the Mass emotional and you felt God was there.

Confession with Father Johan helped me. I spoke to him by myself and he helped me. This was very good.

Seeing the disabled children was a shock to the system.

*Paul Schoombie 12M*

The Mass was like some other Masses I have been to in Zimbabwe but the chapel was nicer.

*Keith Clover 12M*

We live in a very secluded environment so the visit to the Botleng settlement was an eye-opener for many to see the conditions that the majority of South Africans live in.

The speech by Brother Alexis and Brother Martin should've been given to us when we joined the school because it is heartwarming and I realize now the enormity of the Marist family.

When we attended Mass in the church it was a privilege to be in the company of fellow Christians who celebrated Mass so differently.

It bothered me that so many boys got pleasure out of kicking and punching a boy whose birthday it was.

A retreat is a very worthwhile event as it gives one the opportunity to reflect on one's life and what your relationship with God and the poor is.

*Dale Horsten 12B*



*In pouring rain, women from the Catholic community in Botleng, an informal settlement outside Delmas, welcomed us and showed us around. On the right is the church-cum-school which the community is building with their own hands, with bricks made by themselves*



*The visit to Phaphamani High School in Botleng. After sharing lunch, the St David's and Phaphamani matrics got into some serious discussion about life in the new South Africa*

The letter from my parents was great. It made my retreat. I found it quite emotional. It made me really feel cared for and loved.

*Chad Mellis 12B*

I didn't agree with the talk from the reverend on the bus during the visit to Botleng. He made it seem as if violence was a good thing. He shouldn't be a reverend then if he thinks that. They act like savages, can't solve their problems like people, so they use violence and burn and destroy others' property, yet we were supposed to see their way in it and agree with it.

In the discussion about the visit afterwards, the pupils had no say in it. If we thought something was bad, and the woman didn't, it was always her decision on what was good and what was bad.

*Anonymous*



*Ronald made lots of friends. They exchanged addresses and still correspond*



*Getting a taste of life in Botleng. Most homes have electricity and many have well-tended gardens*

The visit to the Buddhist Centre was not what I expected. I expected to find a whole lot of little men, with shaved heads, praying and going about their daily toil.

Confession with Father Johan was good and long-overdue for me.

*Adam Treki 12B*



*Rei and friends*



**Father Johan Strydom, parish priest of Christ the King in Queenswood, Pretoria, and chaplain to Mount Edmund Christian Brothers College, explains the theology behind the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Church of the Resurrection at Sizanani. He then heard the boys' confessions. We participated in the regular evening Mass of the Sizanani community, with the St David's boys singing a hymn at the end. Many boys commented that this was the most beautiful church they had ever been in**

The Mass was different to our Mass. It was enjoyable even though I'm not Catholic.

The food was the best I've had on a school trip.

In the *Star Power* game I was mildly satisfied that I gave up my place and helped the others a bit. I was concerned about everyone else's approach.

Make it compulsory to visit the disabled and retarded kids.

**Alistair Lacy 12B**

The Mass was incredible, the church was magnificent and I experienced a whole new way of glorifying the Lord.

**Brandon Duffield 12B**

I heard the retarded children all through the night, which made me feel sorry for them.

The church was absolutely beautiful.

I enjoyed the retreat because I felt like my own person.

**Massimo Vassarotti 12B**

The Mass allowed me to witness another culture's manner of rejoicing.

It was astonishing to find out during Brother Alexis' talk about the miracles that led to the development of the Marist family.

It was very distressing to witness young children physically and mentally handicapped.

**Damon Hopkins 12M**

The visit to Botleg was worthwhile but I have seen it all before and didn't need the same stuff drummed into my head.

The game forced us to have foresight and to think, but the discussion after the game has been over-debated with this group and was an utter waste of time. I hate communists and their way of thinking, which was being impressed on us, so I left.

**John Hilton 12M**

I saw during the discussion after the *Star Power* game that some people do not understand anything outside of "Sandton" and they give rocks for other people.

**Brendan Copestake 12B**



**At the Buddhist Centre in Bronkhorstspuit**

It was interesting to see how greed is so powerful even in a game.

There should have been a little more time for reflection by yourself.

**Jeffrey Ryan 12B**



# The Marist Co-Workers



Marist schools must  
*"awaken people's  
 consciences to the  
 problems that affect  
 society"*  
 and must  
*"involve our pupils in  
 charitable works that bring  
 them into contact with  
 situations of poverty"*

(Constitution of the Marist  
 Brothers, paragraph 87.2)



## Marist Co-Workers

**Back row:** John Middlewick, John Ross MacKay, Murray White, Luca Fiasconaro, Bruce Thomas, Musi Skosana, Sadik Moorad, Daniel Wright, Garth Horsten

**Middle row:** Kuhle Nkosi, Dean Thomas, Andrew Parker, Wayne Greenwood, Vaughan van der Merwe, Adam Stocks, Stephen Naude, Jonathan Libera, Gareth Simaan, Derek Clover, Irvine Lehloo, Terence Marais

**Seated:** Grant Brennon, Wilf Exton, Mr N Mitchell, Jeffrey Ryan, Mrs D Cameron, Deon Archary, Marco Paschkewitz

Co-Workers entails not only the making and giving of money to the needy, but also the active involvement of the Co-Workers in helping others. This year especially, I as chairman and Rei Farinha as vice chairman, thought that the active involvement of Co-Workers was more important than raising money. To this extent, the year has been successful, and we also raised more than five times as much money this year than last year.

Because of the early Matric Dance this year, the Co-Workers were given the chance to raise money by selling roses on Valentine's Day. This was a hectic time as we had only two weeks to get things organised, but it came off and a lot of money was made.



*Valentine's Day. Red roses, balloons and heart-shaped chocolates were showered on many lucky St David's lads by their adoring female fans. The Co-Workers sold roses to raise funds*

During this time we also made a trip to Cotlands, a home for abandoned children. The trip was enjoyed by all, as the affection of the children was evident.

The first of the events of the youth section of JOCASCO (Johannesburg Catholic Schools Council) was held which we attended. This is a relatively new organization and has the same ideals as we do but on a greater scale, with the backing of a funding committee. The event was a fun day at Sacred Heart College, beginning with the celebration of Mass. It was enjoyable for those who attended.

On Youth Day, 16 June, students from JOCASCO Youth created a park in Soweto. Many friendships were made and the day was a success. The spirit of unity was something to behold.

The planned trips to the soup kitchen run by the Central Methodist Mission were scrapped because of the general feeling that we were not really useful to the people running the soup kitchen.

A home established by the sisters of the Missionaries of Charity, the order founded by Mother Teresa, was visited in the hope that we could assist in the upkeep of the home. The home is for the destitute and a hospice for AIDS sufferers, but was not as in need of upkeep as it had been when we visited it last year, as students from Sacred Heart had come and helped out, so we decided to focus our efforts elsewhere. However, we will continue to support the home with donations of food and other consumables.

A contact put us in touch with a day-care centre for retarded and disabled children on the outskirts of Alexandra, which is part of the Alexandra Disability Movement. We have started fixing up the centre and have spent time playing with the children. This is a project which should continue into next year.



*Playing with the children at the Cotlands sanctuary for abandoned babies and children. These children are starved for male company and often grow up afraid of men, so the time spent with them is especially worthwhile*



The Co-Workers participated in the World Vision "Hunger for Life", which is a thirty-hour fast for which the participating individuals get sponsorship. Because of the amount of money we raised last year World Vision presented us with a computer. The issue of whether or not we should donate the computer was debated, but in the end it was decided that more benefit would come from a raffle, as sadly more people are likely to give money for their own benefit than out of generosity. We got other prizes such as a tennis racquet belonging to Oprah Winfrey and computer software donated. The raffle will be continued into 1998 so that more funds can be raised.

On behalf of the boys I would like to thank Mr Mitchell for his generous, caring help this year, and Mrs Joseph-Neuhoff, who was our link to the Prep school. Also I would like to thank both Robert Morgan, who had to bank the one and two cent pieces given at the Co-Workers' collections at Mass and house line-ups, and Firaz Ahmed, who was secretary.

To next year's Co-Workers: "May my life be only a radiance of You so that, through Your hands, the poor may receive their daily bread, love, peace and understanding."

*Jeffrey Ryan  
Chairman*



*The Johannesburg Catholic Schools Council (JOCASCO) Youth fun day at Sacred Heart College*



*On June 16, Youth Day, the youth section of JOCASCO organised the creation of a park in Diepkloof, Soweto. Students from Catholic high schools planted trees and shrubs, picked up litter, and painted murals. There was a fantastic spirit, with many of the local residents joining in. An elderly man recalled the events of June 16 1976, which he had lived through. He said it was a day when the youth rose up in anger against injustice, and were responded to with violence. He commented on how different was the spirit amongst the youth on this day*



*Father Brian Williams celebrated Mass with the community in the newly-created park. Here he blesses the park with holy water, assisted by Irvine Lehloo. The container for the water was a cooler box supplied by Mrs Cameron!*



*Jeffrey Ryan reads the first reading of the June 16 Mass. The table for the altar and the microphone were spontaneously supplied by local residents, with electricity run by extension cords from their homes*

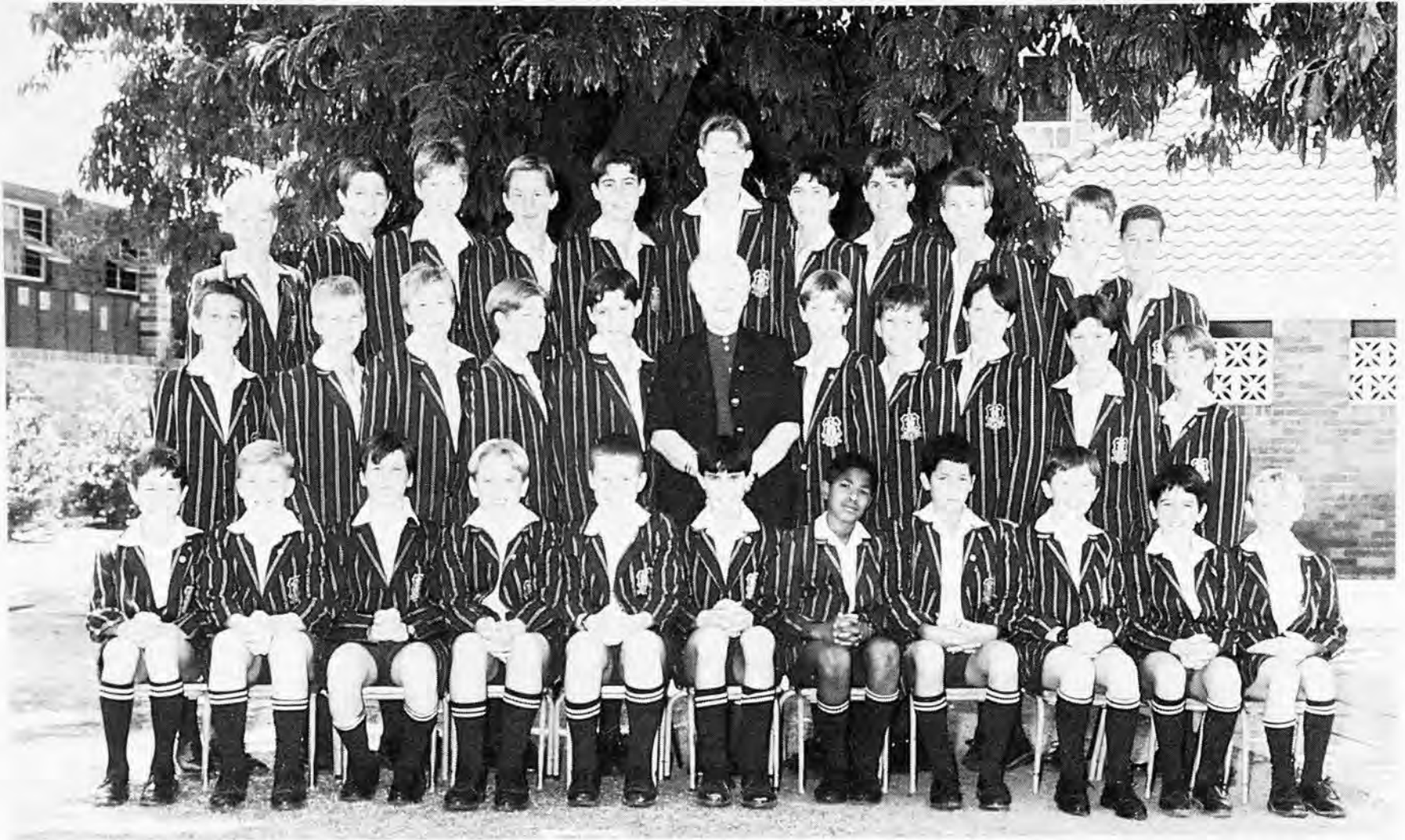


*George Carter, Xoliswa Phenya and Coral Francis of World Vision presented a computer to St David's for being the school which raised the most money in Gauteng in the Hunger-for-Life 40-hour fast. We were not aware that there were any prizes involved, and were very surprised when this presentation was made. The Co-Workers participated in the fast again this year*



*Painting the interior of a day-care centre for disabled and retarded children in Alexandra. Art students later painted murals on the walls. Involvement in this centre will hopefully become a long-term project of the Co-Workers*

# Prep Co-Workers



## Prep Co-Workers

**Back row:** *Matthew Chalmers, Michael Misiewicz, James Reeves, Michael Kaeflein, David Alves, John Brown, Nicholas Marques, Gareth Malakou, Nicolas Tsaperas, Justin Davidson, Ricardo Brocco*

**Middle row:** *Nicholas Howse, Michael Thomas, Curtis Geils, Rhett Finch, Jamie Whitson, Mrs S Bowles, Timothy Johnson, Matthew Cameron, Brett Reisdorf, James Oberholzer, Ross Wainwright*

**Seated:** *Gianluca Tucci, Nicholas Ansell, Luca Senatore, Brent Jachs, Robert Horsfield, Dylan Rodrigues, Kevin Sibiya, Adriano Lupini, Brendan Roane, Anthony Khoury, Glynn Allen*

The young members of this group have embarked on several worthwhile projects throughout the year. At Easter, we collected together a wonderful selection of toiletries for "Mom", put them all in a basket wrapped with ribbon, and raffled it to raise funds for the charities supported by the school. Did a "mom" win it? No! Mr Mitchell in the High School won it, with the last ticket bought - despite all the tickets being well-shuffled before the draw.

During the winter, many moms, grans and aunts got out those knitting needles and set about knitting hundreds of blanket squares and woolly vests for the underprivileged. Your

continued support is greatly appreciated.

Many of the concepts and acts of charity practised by the Marist Co-Workers are based on the guidelines set down by the greatest of all Co-Workers, Mother Teresa. It was with great sadness that we read of her death in September. She was an inspiration to us all, especially those of us who are blessed with so much that is materialistic. Her simple and uncomplicated life, dedicated only to the "poorest of the poor" was ever a shining light calling to us to remember the words of the Lord, "Love one another as I have loved you".

*S Bowles*

# Altar Servers

## Junior Prep

They look like angels - but who are they really?

They are the Grade 3 Altar Servers. Seventeen Grade 3 boys joined the altar servers group this year and after many hours of practice their big day arrived. Two boys, along with the senior prep boys, served each Friday at our school Masses.

The boys take their job seriously and serve with great reverence. Along with their preparation for First Holy Communion, the altar servers become both literally and figuratively closer to God.

*M Middlewick*



### Junior Prep Altar Servers

**Back row:** *Domenico de Lorenzo, Daniel Berti, Ryan Abrey, David Schilperoort*

**Middle row:** *Mrs M Middlewick, Ivan Giuricich, Nicholas Berti, Tyler Ray, Warwick Gird, Fr B Brewer*

**Seated:** *Paul Nieuwoudt, Stephen Adam, Joseph Gates, Marco Picone, Eric Bauer, Danilo Biccari, Kevin Came*

## Senior Prep

Life is made easy for the teacher in charge of the Senior Prep Altar Servers, because as they enter Grade 4 they have been well-prepared by Mrs Middlewick as juniors, and for this I thank her.

We did encounter a few problems this year as several changes were made to the chapel in order to accommodate the extra classes. The alterations took away much of the space needed to have six servers to help Father Brewer and so many of our enthusiastic band have been disappointed that they have not been able to serve on a more regular basis. We are now only able to have two juniors and two seniors at the altar at Mass on Friday.

The dedication and enthusiasm of the boys never ceases to amaze me. They take their duties very seriously and should they

be involved in a sporting event on a Friday always remember to come and excuse themselves from the practice.

There is no doubt that our pupils hold the privilege of being chosen as an altar server in high regard. They are committed, thoughtful and always reverent.

My thanks to you all. You will often be in my thoughts. I shall miss our Friday meetings and, more especially, our Friday Mass.

*Open my mouth to praise you*

*In word and song*

*Open my ears to hear your word*

*Open my hands to do your work well.*

*S Bowles*



### Senior Prep Altar Servers

**Back row:** *Michael Misiewicz, Fabiano Cellini, Alan Stapelberg, Alexi Papadopoulos, Michael Kaeflein, Patrick Smith, Ricardo Brocco, Michele Maraschin, Lloyd Naidu*

**Middle row:** *Mrs S Bowles, Adam Smith, Robert Smith, Walter Giuricich, Nicholas Howse, James Oberholzer, Matthew Cameron, Danilo Giacobazzi, Andrew Castle, Ryan Shillaw, Nicholas Ansell, Fr B Brewer*

**Seated:** *Adriano Mendes, Mark Middlewick, Gianluca Tucci, Ross McKay, Luca Senatore, Brendan Roane, John Criticos, Kevin Fane-Hervey, Dominic Hodge*