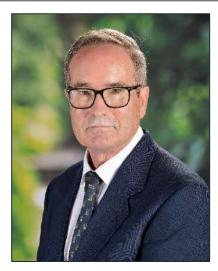




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A MESSAGE FROM MR LACHENICHT

ACCORDING TO WINSTON CHURCHILL, "CONTINUOUS EFFORT — NOT STRENGTH OR INTELLIGENCE — IS THE KEY TO UNLOCKING OUR POTENTIAL".



With the end of term approaching, it is useful for students to take stock of their academic performance this term. Honest evaluation and self-reflection by each student regarding the questions below (in italics) is necessary to provide insight into the report marks and comments that students will receive on 4 April. Parents should facilitate the discussion with respect to these questions with your child.

- Have I attended school regularly, not taking days off unless absolutely necessary and not arriving late or leaving school early?
 - Missing time in class can never be caught up, as the explanations, discussions and interactions that happen in class is where real learning takes place.
- Have I focussed fully in class, contributing positively and working productively?

 Being distracted in class takes away one's ability to concentrate, resulting in key information being missed and thus not having a full understanding of the work being covered.
- Have I sought assistance from teachers by attending academic support?
 The comprehensive academic support programme ensures that students can sort out issues as they arise, rather than attending external extra lessons.
- Have I designed a work schedule to ensure that all assessments have been submitted on time and been done to the best of my ability?
 - Planning and time management are important skills that students must master to cope at school and to transition seamlessly to tertiary study.
- Have I dealt with disappointments as temporary setbacks from which I can learn and grow?
 All students will encounter difficulties at some point in their time at the College, but support structures are in place to ensure that everyone can fulfil their potential.
- Have I, in the first instance, discussed issues with my teachers and Tutor teacher and not relied on my parent(s) to always communicate on my behalf?
 - Students become empowered when they take responsibility for their own studies this takes time and must become a key goal as they move from Grade 8 to Matric.

If students can answer 'yes' to the questions above, then they are on the right track, which will have long-lasting benefits. According to Winston Churchill, "continuous effort – not strength or intelligence – is the key to unlocking our potential". If the answer to some or all of the questions above is 'no', then small improvements made on a daily basis in the questions highlighted as needing attention can ultimately lead to real progress. "Little by little, a little becomes a lot", is a Tanzanian proverb that speaks to this.

Sport and cultural activities provide a necessary balance to academics and the increased participation in these areas bodes well for the future. Water Polo has been revived, and most sports are able to field more teams this year. This past





weekend, the U14 girls netball and hockey teams participated in the Roedean Festival, the 1st boys and girls hockey teams played in the Steyn City tournament (with the boys narrowly losing their semi-final to Hoërskool Monument on a penalty shoot-out) and the U16 girls netball, hockey and squash teams played matches at St Andrew's School for Girls. A very busy weekend indeed!

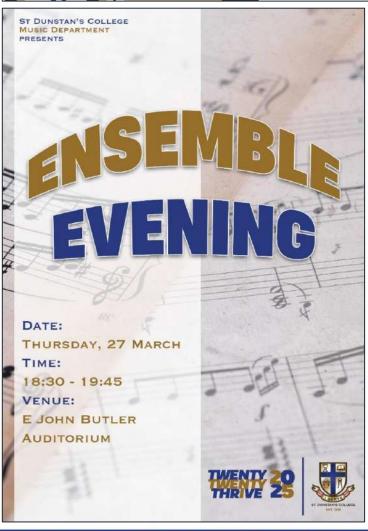
Congratulations to the swimming team for winning the Co-ed section of the Inter-High gala, and finally, a big thanks to all students who have fulfilled the requirement of participating in one sport and one cultural activity per term.

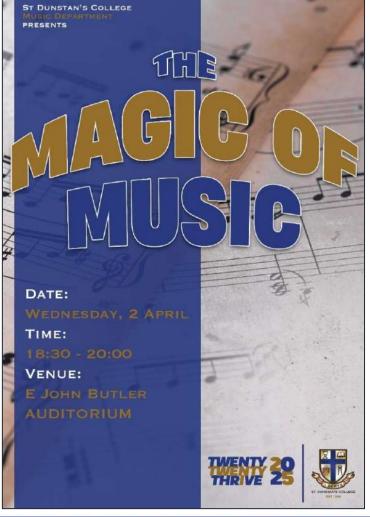
Mr Alan Lachenicht



FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

DATES TO DIARISE...

























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GRADE 11 GEOGRAPHY HOWICK TOUR

















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THURSDAY, 3 APRIL @ 6PM



BENONI COUNTRY CLUB

Light dinner, welcome drinks & supplies included. For more information or to book email sritchie@stdunstans.co.za All payments to be made on the KARRI App.









DATEY SPECIALS

MONDAY SALAD ROLL OR PASTRAMI BAGUETTE

TUESDAY CHICKEN OR BEEF PREGO

GEORGE'S BAKERY PIES - CHICKEN, STEAK OR SPINACH WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY DELUXE BEEF BURGER OR CHICKEN FILLET BURGER

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HOCKEY

1ST Team Girls at Steyn City School Festival

vs Steyn City School: lost 4 - 0

vs St Teresa's: lost 2 – 0

vs Hoërskool Waterkloof: lost 2 – 0

vs Roedean School: lost 5 – 0

vs St Stithians: drew 0 – 0 (lost on penalty shootout)

1st Team Boys at Steyn City School Festival

vs Dainfern College: lost 1 - 0

vs Hoërskool Waterkloof: won 3 – 0

vs Hoërskool Krugersdorp: won 2 - 0

vs Edenvale High School: won 2 - 1

vs Hoërskool Monument: drew 1 – 1 (lost on penalty

shootout)

vs Dainfern College: drew 0 – 0 (won on penalty shootout)

Final Placing: 3rd Place

Jethro Hardy was awarded "Defender of the Tournament"

U14 Girls at the Roedean School Festival

vs St Dominic's: won 1 - 0

vs Midstream College 2nd Team: won 3 – 0

vs Brescia House: lost 3 - 0

vs Hoërskool Garsfontein: won 2 – 1

vs Midstream College 2: won 3 – 0

vs Assumption College: won 3 - 0

vs Midstream College: lost 3 – 0

Final Placing: 4th in the B Section.

U16 Girls at the St Andrew's Festival

vs St Andrew's: lost 9 - 0

vs Hoërskool Eldoraigne: lost 2 – 0

vs St Dominic's: lost 2 – 0

vs Affies: lost 1 - 0

vs Kingsmead College: lost 3 - 0

vs Assumption College: lost 1 - 0

vs Redhill School: lost 1 - 0

vs Reddam House Bedfordview

U16 Boys: won 1 - 0

1st Team Boys: won 1 – 0

vs Northcliff:

U14 Boys: won 2 – 0 (only played 1st half due to weather)

U16 and 1st Team games postponed due to weather.













SOUASH

St Andrew's Festival Results

1st Fixture vs St Mary's: won 2 – 1

2nd Fixture vs Herschel Girls School: won 2 – 1

1st Fixture vs Roedean School: won 3 – 0

2nd Fixture vs Kingsmead College: won 2 – 1

3rd Fixture vs Marist Brothers: lost 2 - 1

Semi-Finals vs St Stithians: lost 2 - 1

Final to determine 3rd and 4th position

vs Egoli Squash: lost 2 – 1

Placed 4th overall for the tournament.

NETBALL

U16 St Andrew's Festival

vs St Andrew's: lost 11 - 5

vs St Mary's: lost 12 – 8

vs Kingsmead College: lost 9 - 7

vs St Peter's College: lost 10 - 6

vs St Anne's: drew 8 - 8

vs Uplands College: drew 9 - 9

vs Brescia House: won 10 - 6

vs Durban Girl's College: lost 20 – 5

vs St Cyprian's School: lost 15 - 6

vs St John's: lost 9 – 8

vs DSG: lost 10 - 6

vs Pretoria Girls: won 11 – 6

The U16s placed 10th out of 24 schools.

U14 Roedean School Festival

St Dunstan's College U14 placed 15th out of 23 schools.

The following girls have qualified for the first round of Gauteng trials:

U14: Nosipho Mlungwane

U15: Gabriella Gonçalves and Thabi Makau

U16: Deborah Ighojesewe and Baitumetse Taje

U18: Omphile Shata







HOCKEY: BOYS 1 ST TEAM STEYN CITY SCHOOL FESTIVAL WENT 39















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HOCKEY: GIRLS UI6 ST ANDREW'S FESTIVAL







NETBALL U16 ST ANDREW'S FESTIVAL



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SOUASH U16 TANDREW'S FESTIVAL







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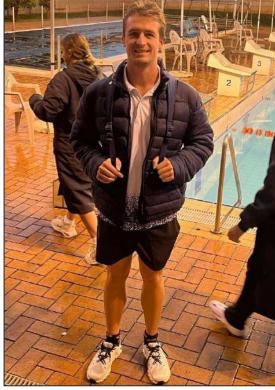
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GIRLS HOCKEY US REDDAM HOUSE















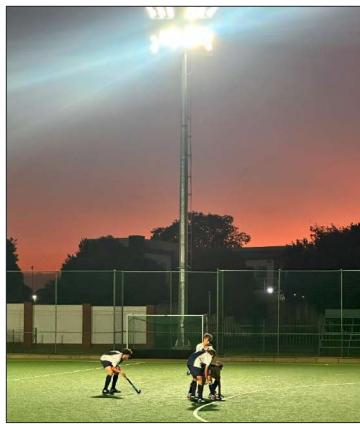




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BOYS HOCKEY VS REDDAM HOUSE





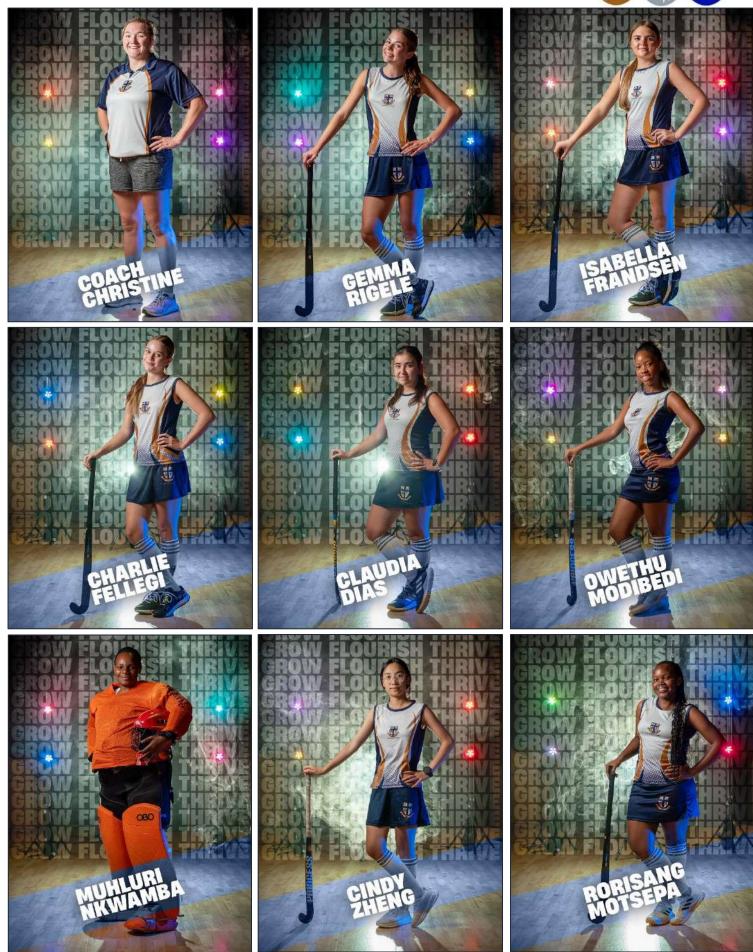




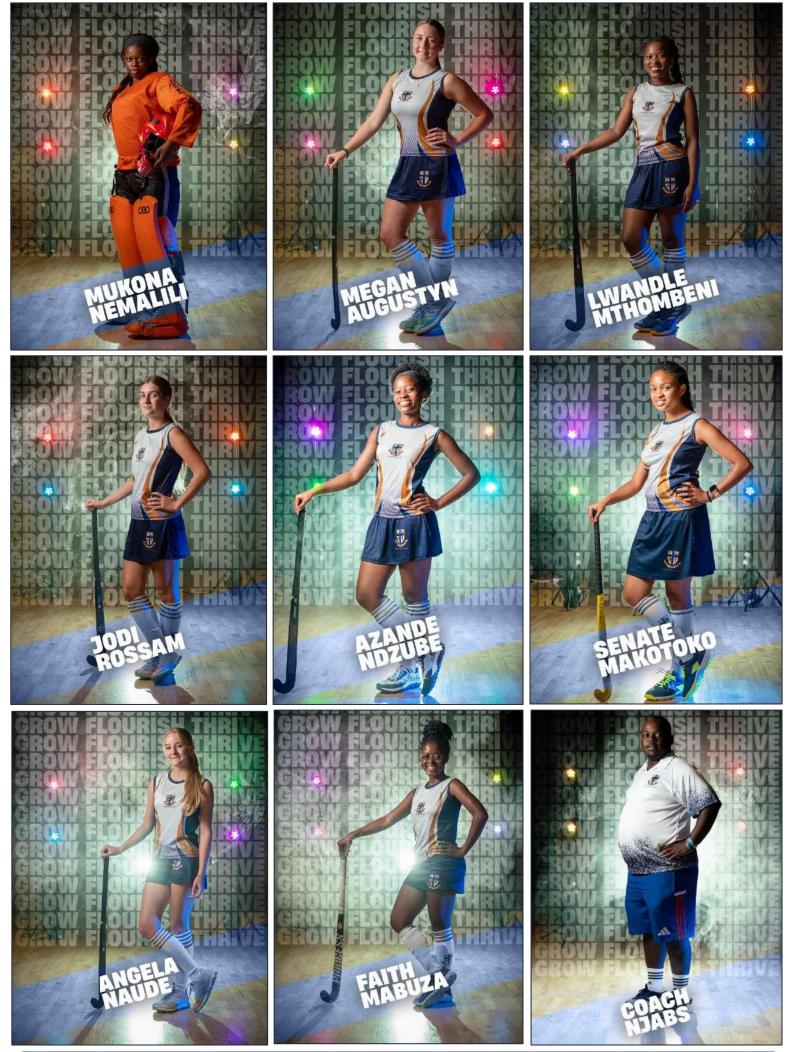
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EASTER SPORTS FESTIVAL HOCKEY GIRLS TEAM





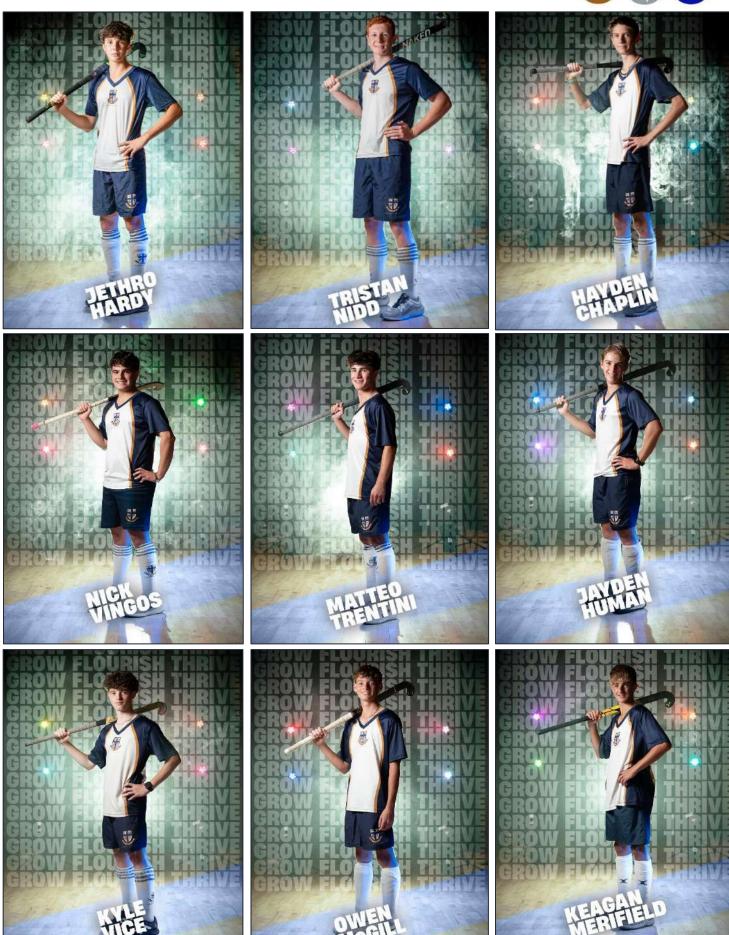
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EASTER SPORTS FESTIVAL HOCKEY BOYS TEAM





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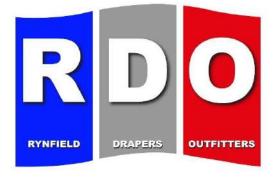
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Whether it be a R500 donation or a GOLD, SILVER, BRONZE, NAVY or WHITE sponsorship to showcase your brand, the sponsorship team would love to hear from you.

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St Dunstan's College is a leading independent, co-educational school in Ekurhuleni where every student is encouraged to form their own identity and grow in stature. Our students strive for excellence in all aspects of their schooling, including academic, cultural and sporting excellence. Sporting excellence is about adding balance to our academic and cultural programmes. It is about learning life-lessons, building lifelong relationships and friendships, participating in a wide range of activities, entering games well prepared with a positive, competitive spirit and winning, or losing, with grace.

THE EASTER SPORTS FESTIVAL

First launched in 2014, the St Dunstan's Easter Sports Festival is the first multi-sport event of its kind on the East Rand. Schools from across South Africa and Zimbabwe compete in hockey, netball and rugby. The Festival embraces the diversity of communities and encourages students from different backgrounds to compete and socialise in a competitive, sporting environment.

GOLD: R50 000 - R75 000 (DONATION OR GOODS EQUIVALENT TO THE VALUE)

- · Stand at chosen sport code area (to be negotiated)
- · Branding opportunity at chosen sport code area
- Social media sponsor thank you on Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, LinkedIn
- Signage
- · Branding on the Festival app
- · Newspaper coverage of the Festival
- · Communication to participating schools
- VIP function attendance
- · Opening Ceremony branding
- · Mention at the VIP Opening Function

SILVER - R25 000 - R50 000 (DONATION OR GOODS EQUIVALENT TO THE VALUE)

- Stand at chosen sport code area (to be negotiated)
- Branding opportunity at chosen sport code area
- Mention at the VIP Opening function
- · VIP function attendance
- · Business listing on the Festival app
- Social media sponsor thank you on Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, LinkedIn

BRONZE - R10 000 - R25 000 (DONATION OR GOODS EQUIVALENT TO THE VALUE)

- · Mention at the VIP Opening function
- · A stand at the Festival
- · VIP function attendance
- · Business listing on the Festival app
- · Social media sponsor thank you on Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, LinkedIn

NAVY - R5000 - R10 000 (DONATION OR GOODS EQUIVALENT TO THE VALUE)

- · A stand at the Festival
- · VIP function attendance
- · Business listing on the Festival app
- · Social media sponsor thank you on Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, LinkedIn

- · Business listing on the Festival app

WHITE - R2500 - R5000 (DONATION OR GOODS EQUIVALENT TO THE VALUE)

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