

ST DUNSTAN'S COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF SPORT

EASTER SPORTS FESTIVAL KIT REVEAL ASSEMBLY

Good morning Mr Taylor, Mrs Hardy (*the ESF Chairperson*), players, coaches and parents

Today is about more than just a kit reveal. It's about pride. It's about identity. And, it's about the privilege of representing our school at the Easter Festival.

When you put this kit on for the first time, you are not just wearing fabric stitched together in our colours. You are wearing the legacy of every player who has walked onto the field or court before you. You are wearing the early morning, the extra fitness session, the tough losses, the incredible wins and the friendships that will last long after the final whistle blows.

This year, there is something especially meaningful about this kit. The checked design takes us back. It echoes the original St Dunstan's kit from years gone by – a reminder of where we started, who we are and the traditions that have shaped this school. By bringing back this classic look, we are honouring the players who built the foundation before you. Those who wore these colours with pride, who played on fields far less polished, who gave everything for this badge. Today, you are not just stepping in to something new, you are stepping into history.

To our girls and boys in hockey, rugby, and netball – this Easter Festival is your stage.

In hockey, it's about discipline, structure and trust. Every pass, every press, every tackle only works when you move as one. Play with courage, play with intelligence and, most importantly, play for each other.

In rugby, it's about heart. It's about getting up one more time when you get knocked down. It's about physicality, yes – but, also about character. When you pull this jersey over your shoulders, you carry strength, resilience and brotherhood with you.

In netball, it's about precision, communication and belief; it's about knowing that every movement counts and every decision matters. Trust your preparation. Trust your teammates. Trust yourself.

This kit represents unity. It does not matter whether you are a part of the first team or a development squad, whether you are a senior or junior – when we step into the Easter Festival, we go as one school, one family. The badge on your chest connects you. The name on your back identifies you. But, it is your attitude and effort that will define you. *Remember this: talent will get you noticed, but character will make you respected.*

Over the Festival, you will face strong opposition. You will feel nerves, you will feel pressure. That is a privilege, it means you are competing at a level that matters. **Embrace it! Play hard! Play fair! Play proud!**

Let people say of us: **They competed with courage... They respect the game... They honoured their school!**

When you walk out in this new – yet proudly traditional – kit for the first time... Stand tall! Look around at your teammates! Take it in! You are wearing the past, representing the present and inspiring the future. **This is your moment. Make it count!**

Good luck to all our hockey, rugby and netball players. We are incredibly proud of you already. Let us make this Easter Festival unforgettable.

Julia Symons

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EASTER SPORTS FESTIVAL KIT REVEAL



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SPORTS: RESULTS

RUGBY 7S HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

BASKETBALL

Boys Team

vs Future Nations

1st Team: Lost 37 - 16

U14 and U16 Mixed Team Lost: 29 - 16

SQUASH

Girls Team

U19A vs St Stithians: Drew 6 - 6

U16B vs St Stithians: Won 14 - 0

Boys Team

vs Kempton Park: Won 15 - 1

HOCKEY

Boys Teams

vs Hoërskool Hugenote

U14: Won 5 - 1

U16: Won 2 - 0

1st Team: Won 1 - 0

1st Team Results in the Belgotex Co-Ed Tournament in Cape Town

vs Melkbosstrand High School: Won 2 - 0

(Man of the Match *Owen McGill*)

vs Somerset College B: Won 6 - 0

(Man of the Match *Kgosi Seseane*)

vs Westerford A: Won 2 - 0

(Man of the Match *Sambulo Mahlanyane*)

vs Akademie: Won 3 - 0

Girls Teams

vs Assumption College

U15: Won 7 - 0

1st Team: Won 2 - 1

1st Team Results in the Belgotex Co-Ed Tournament in Cape Town

vs Settlers A: Lost 1 - 0

vs Stellenbosch A: Lost 7 - 0

vs Stellenberg B: Lost 1 - 0

vs Parel Vallei B: Lost 3 - 0

RUGBY

7s ShadowBall League at Dainfern College

U15A

vs Dainfern College: Drew 12 - 12

vs Redhill: Won 17 - 0

vs Amberfield: Won 24 - 0

U17A

vs Alma Mater: Won 7 - 5

vs Panthers: Lost 26 - 17

1st Team

vs Dainfern College: Won 33 - 21

vs Amberfield: Won 20 - 19

vs Panthers: Won 12 - 0



EASTER FESTIVAL NEWS



EASTER SPORTS FESTIVAL

OLD SCHOOL CLASSICS FROM THE 60S TO THE 90S

The RETRO PARTY
with Paul & Paul

SATURDAY 4 APRIL - FROM 6PM

EVERYTHING MATTERS

MANDATED BY
PAM GOLDING PROPERTIES

2026

EASTER FESTIVAL NEWS

THANK YOU TO

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RYNFIELD

FOR SPONSORING THE
1ST TEAM
HOCKEY, NETBALL
AND RUGBY KIT



ACTION NETBALL: GAUTENG EAST CAPPING CEREMONY



GOLF



Girls' HOCKEY VS ASSUMPTION COLLEGE



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NETBALL: D6 TRIALS



NETBALL: U14 SCHOOL TRIALS



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NETBALL - EKURHULENI TRIALS



FAITH ANI
U14



TEAGAN VAN GOOL
U14



SIANNA VAN DER MERWE
U14



JENNA WILLIAMS
U14



NOSIPHO MLUNGWANE
U15



GABRIELLA GONÇALVES
U16



THABI MAKAU
U16



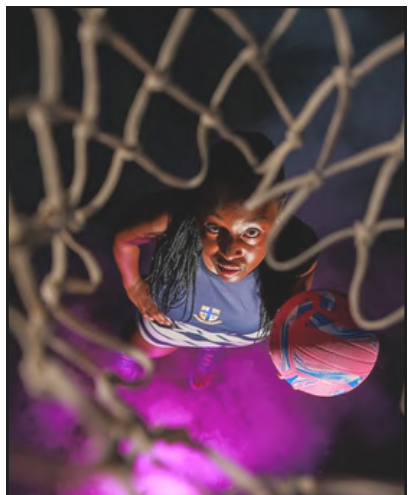
DEBORAH IGHJOJESEW
U17



ABIGAIL VAN GOOL
U17



NONTSI NTSHINGILA
U18



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*Success isn't always about greatness.
It's about consistency.
Consistent hard work leads to success.*
— Dwayne Johnson

SWIMMING PRESTIGE GALA AT ST SWITHUN'S



RILEY HAUPT
1st 50m Butterfly
1st 50m Freestyle



KADE HODGKINSON
3rd 50m Backstroke



DANIEL BULHAKOV
2nd 50m Breaststroke



AVA CONSTANTINIDES
1st 50m Breaststroke



DAMON HEIDE
3rd 50m Butterfly



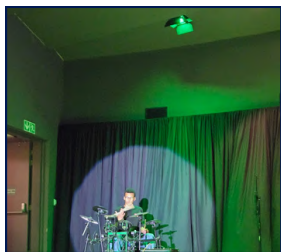
DANIEL MIDDLEWICK
2nd 50m Breaststroke



CHLOE OLIVIER
1st 200m Individual Medley
2nd 50m Backstroke
3rd 50m Breaststroke

Good luck to all the swimmers participating in the upcoming Level and SANJ Championships!

SDC HAS TALENT



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PUBLIC SPEAKING NEWS

The Grade 12 Public Speaking Teams participated in a Guild Competition held at CBC, with Team 1 being the only team awarded an A'.
The Grade 11 Teams participated in the High School Public Speaking Festival and were awarded an A.



HOT OFF THE PRESS

Ronin Yeo, in Grade 11, participated in the Individual Public Speaking Competition at Jeppe High School for Girls and was awarded an A'.



GRADE 9 SCIENCE: DNA STRANDS



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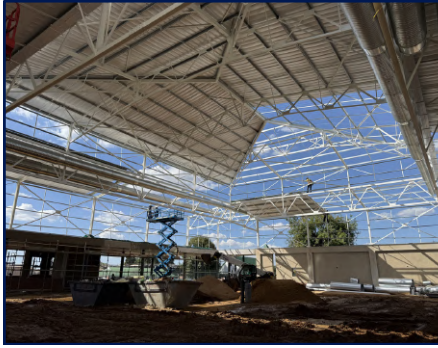
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SANDWICH PROJECT: RECTORS AND DEANS



BUILDING UPDATE: MEMORIAL HALL



DATES TO DIARISE



**EASTER
SPORTS
FESTIVAL**

2026



**RUGBY
HOCKEY
NETBALL**

**EVERYTHING
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2 - 6 APRIL

THURSDAY, 2 APRIL | SATURDAY, 4 APRIL | MONDAY, 6 APRIL



EASTER SPORTS FESTIVAL



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES 2026

T W E N T Y T W E N T Y S I X

Opening Function: 1 April 2026 Fixtures: 2 April 2026 | 4 April 2026 | 6 April 2026

GOLD SPONSOR - R60 000 OR THE VALUE THEREOF

- Branding on a selected high-traffic area - food court, recovery zone, or student chill zone
- Branding on select Festival communications
- 50% grandstand branding
- 2 on-field or courtside banners
- Branding on Festival schedules/fixtures
- 4 VIP passes.
- A stand at the Festival
- Pre-Festival social media exposure relevant to sponsorship
- Pre-Festival communication to visiting schools
- Branding on selected goodie bag items
- Festival App Listing

MEDIC SPONSOR - R50 000 OR THE VALUE THEREOF

- Branding on a selected high-traffic area - medical areas and recovery zone
- Branding on select Festival communications
- 50% grandstand branding
- 2 on-field or courtside banners per arena
- Branding on Festival schedules/fixtures
- 4 VIP passes.
- A stand at the Festival
- Pre-Festival social media exposure relevant to sponsorship
- Pre-Festival communication to visiting schools
- Branding on selected goodie bag items
- Festival App listing

UMPIRE/REF SPONSOR- R50 000 OR THE VALUE THEREOF

- Branded clothing for each umpire/referee to be worn while working at the Festival
- Branding on select Festival communications
- 50% grandstand branding
- 2 on-field or courtside banners per arena
- Branding on Festival schedules/fixtures
- 4 VIP passes.
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SILVER SPONSOR - R30 000 OR THE VALUE THEREOF

- Branding on perimeter fencing
- 1 banner per chosen sports arena
- Inclusion in online sponsor thank-you posts
- Branding on Festival app sponsor section
- 2 VIP passes
- A stand at the Festival
- Pre-Festival social media exposure relevant to sponsorship
- Festival App listing

BRONZE SPONSOR - R15 000

- Branding on one festival banner location
- Logo featured on website sponsor page
- Social media thank-you post
- Pre-festival social media exposure relevant to sponsorship
- Festival App Listing

SUPPORTER SPONSOR - R5 000-R 10 000

- Logo included on group "Friends of the Festival" banner
- Social media appreciation post
- Pre-Festival social media exposure relevant to sponsorship
- Festival App listing

COMBINATION SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

Should you want to take advantage of the exciting sponsorship opportunities at the St Dunstan's Easter Sports Festival, the Easter Sports Festival sponsorship team is available to discuss your specific branding and marketing requirements.

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