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A MESSAGE FROM KIRSTY ROUX

“

AT ST DUNSTAN'S TO SERVE REMAINS MORE THAN JUST A MOTTO OR WORDS IN OUR SCHOOL HYMN OR SOMETHING SEWN ONTO OUR BLAZERS, IT'S A CULTURE, IT'S A RESPONSIBILITY AND IT'S A PRIVILEGE.

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From Mrs Jenny Hammon's warmth and kindness in my first year at St Dunstan's Pre-School in 1991, located on the humble campus on Woburn Avenue in Benoni Town, fast forward 34 years to this world class, magnificent campus and purpose-driven school that has upheld its values, ethos and traditions for over a century. What an amazing journey it's been for me and what a privilege to have seen much of it unfold.

I asked my daughter, Grace, now in Grade 3, if she was asked to say a speech with the topic "What does St Dunstan's mean to you", what she would say. She began her response like this, "St Dunstan's is a Christian school and my family goes to church and so this is a big part of me. My grandad and my mom went to St Dunstan's and it is very special to me". My heart was so warm hearing these words and I felt so grateful that my daughter could come to a school that instills the kind of values and beliefs that align with our Christian faith and that she can be part of something that has been meaningful to our family for 3 generations.

Grace's sentiment regarding St Dunstan's reflects my own feelings. It's always been more than just a school. It's a place of deep meaning to my granddad, my dad, my uncles and my cousins who too are 'old' Dunstonians.

There are still many familiar faces on campus, from when I was a student over 20 years ago. There is wonderful comfort in the school's familiarity, its long-standing traditions, its stability, its commitment to inspire through service and its consistency, despite the ups and downs that exist in the world around us.

In a country where there is enormous need, St Dunstan's shines a light of hope, with service activities throughout the year, showing support to our community, to the greater Benoni family and beyond. It exposes students of all ages to the meaningful value of giving of one's time, gifts and talents to uplift others.

This year's College 'I Serve' Day was a wonderful example of this and an experience that I felt so fortunate to share with those involved. It was truly special to see the enthusiasm and compassion from the students, staff and helping hands.

There were 23 service activities on the go for the students to sign up for, 4 of which were on campus and 19 off campus. These activities reached out to homes for the aged, children's homes, animal homes, the East Rand Palliative Care thrift shop, Clean Projects and Homestead Helpers for Benoni, knitting blankets, cleaning animal enclosures at the Johannesburg Zoo and feeding approximately 17 880 people with muffins, sandwiches and bags of hope. Wow, it was a hugely impactful day that one wishes there could be many more of.

The addition this year of the College Service Club, which is a bi-weekly service based extra-mural, has meant that more frequent meaningful contributions can be made by the students, deepening their awareness and compassion.

What a privilege to see our school flourish the way it has and to call it our own. Founded in such rich history by men and women with incredible vision and big faith, along with years of investment and sacrifice from many generations before ours, has led to our privilege in experiencing the campus as we see it today, with the excitement of the stunning builds currently in progress.

I believe wholeheartedly that with great privilege comes great responsibility. How wonderful to now have the opportunity, as the family of St Dunstan's, to make a meaningful difference in the world and to continue, in faith, to grow the school and embrace the motto of *I Serve* in our own lives and within the greater community.

For over a century St Dunstan's has risen above many challenges and trying times. It's core in the Anglican Church and the guiding love and rich blessings from our Lord, sets the school apart.

It is clear to me in reading the pages of this edition of The Chronicle that our school has produced not only exceptional men and women, achieving new heights in their respective fields, phenomenal athletes, driven individuals with tremendous potential, but also and most importantly our school has produced incredible humans.

With our school as the backbone of much success and treasured memories, my challenge to anyone reading this is to ask the same question that I asked Grace, "What does St Dunstan's mean to me?"

For here at St Dunstan's to serve remains more than just a motto or words in our school hymn or something sewn onto our blazers, it's a culture, it's a responsibility and it's a privilege.

Kirsty Rowe
Head Girl - 2003
St Dunstan's College Council (Service Representative)



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A special thank you...

Cassandra (née Hall) Alexander (2017) was the guest speaker at the Opening Ceremony on the Saturday of the Festival.

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Easter Sports Festival

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NETBALL 25
HOCKEY 25

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DUNSTONIANS RETURNING TO THE COLLEGE

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Terri Coulter
(née Greenslade) (2010)
has joined the College staff
as a Mathematics and
Mathematical Literacy
teacher.



Annelize Bingle (2012)
who is studying a Bachelor
of Education – Foundation
phase degree through
UNISA, is doing her
teaching practical at the
Pre-School and Preparatory
School.



Alice Kennon (2019)
coaches U14 netball at the
College.



Lara De Beer (2024),
who is an Intern at the
College, has been selected
as a member of the
Ekurhuleni U19 netball
team.

SPOTTED ON CAMPUS AT THE JP SPORTS FESTIVAL



Roxanne Harley
(née Scholz) (2002)



Danielle Blake
(née Terblanche) (2005)



Michelle van Zyl
(née du Preez) (2006)



Brogan Brits
(née Smith) (2009)



Chané Jones
(née de Villiers) (2009)



Amy Matthews
(2011)



Alessandro Carli
(2017)

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SPOTTED AT THE PREPARATORY GOLF DAY

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Matthew Aitken (2001)



Gareth O'Callaghan (2002) and his dad, Roger, who attended the Preparatory School.



Michael Olivier (2003)



Teryn Terry (née Westerhof) (2006) and Michael Seretis



Sarah Ritchie (née Bouch) (2015)



Tristan Cawood (2017)



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ST DUNSTAN'S DAY MESSAGE BY DR STEVE WHITELAW

“

ST DUNSTAN'S COLLEGE GIVES US AN ASSOCIATION WITH THE NOBLE DEEDS, KINDNESS, SKILL AND SPIRITUAL MATURITY OF OUR PATRON.

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In 2000 I attended my first St Dunstan's Day celebration. In those days the whole school assembled in the Benoni Town Hall for the service. It was led by Bishop David Beetge, who at that time was the Chairperson of Council. David processed through the venue looking resplendent in his clerical robes to take his place on stage. A Grade 10 boy, who shall remain unnamed, turned around to me, pointed to the Bishop and asked, "Is that St Dunstan?"

We are again celebrating our patronal festival and I would like to place on public record that St Dunstan will not be gracing us with his presence. Before becoming a saint in 1029, 141 years after his death, Dunstan was very much a man. He was a skilled silversmith and excelled in many forms of artistic expression. He rose steadily through the ranks of the church, eventually being appointed as Archbishop of Canterbury in 959, a position he held until his death in 988.

For nearly 200 years St Dunstan was the most popular saint in England, largely due to the legend of his having cunningly defeating the Devil. A confirmed Anglican, Charles Dickens, refers to this incident in his famous novel, "A Christmas Carol". In other reports, St Dunstan is differently respected for his charitable works, his solemnity and his prayerful demeanour. So, would our school be a different institution if it was called something else? I believe that it would. Another name might give us a very different positioning; "St Dunstan's College" gives us an association with the noble deeds, kindness, skill and spiritual maturity of our patron. It is a deliberate choice of name made by our founders to align us with the work and character of St Dunstan.

It was interesting to see recently how the new Pope, Cardinal Robert Prevost, chose the papal title of Leo XIV as an indication of his admiration for Pope Leo XIII. Leo XIII was most commonly known for his support of social justice for the working class in the 19th century. Recent comments made by Leo regarding the dangers of technological advances in the modern world would, perhaps, serve as an indication that the new Pope has similar priorities for his pontificate. Those who move through our school are called Dunstonians. This says so much more than describing the institution that they attended. It means that they have hopefully inculcated the goodness that Dunstan showed throughout his life and accept a willingness to try to show the same qualities in order to improve the lives of others.

Dr Steve Whitelaw

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ST DUNSTAN'S DAY PINK BALL CRICKET CHALLENGE DUNSTONIANS VS COLLEGE 1ST TEAM

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CONGRATULATIONS

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Apologies in advance for the quality of the photographs. These would be so much better if people sent us high resolution originals rather than having to rely on Facebook and LinkedIn for these. Please consider sending us originals, as everyone likes to hear good news from classmates.

A special thank you to Fr Joe for sourcing information and photographs for this publication, even though he is in Guernsey.

Congratulations to the following parents on the safe arrival of their precious bundles of joy:

Births

END OF FEBRUARY

Chanel (née van Tonder) (2008) and Olivier Perillat
A second child, a son, Elliot

APRIL

Jessica Ryle (2010) and Aaron Potiszil
A son, Kai

Tarryn (née da Costa) (2009) and Dane Steinhobel
A son, Eliot Dane

Claudia (née de Freitas) (2009) and Brendan van den
Bergh (2010)
A third child, a daughter, Inez

MAY

Grace and Mark Venter (2012)
A son, Oliver Mark

Robyn (née McMaster) (2011) and Divan Prinsloo
Twins - Luca Keegan and Rori Cynthia.
The Prinsloo's already have a son.

Angelique and Jarrod de Lange (2008)
A daughter, Bella

Donya and Padraic Bindon (2009)
A son, Theodore

JUNE

Michelle Couto (2011) and Dean Patricio
A daughter, Alessia Mila

Nadene (née Dicks) (2016) and Michael Jennings (2015)
A daughter, Skyler Sienna

JULY

Nicole (née De Zoeten) (2010) and Juan Blignaut
A daughter, Madison Kelly

Natalie and Raymond Young (2007)
A second child, a son, Rudolf Raymond

Melissa (née Britt) (2008) and Jordan Zillen
A second child, a son, Jude Bernard





We're Engaged

APRIL

Kirstyn Semple (2017) and Mike Van Vuuren

Mikayla van Welie (2013) and Cara Mia

Amy Visser (2018) and Murray Bester

Anje Ramsauer and Michael Crause (2009)

MAY

Kerry Visser and Ryan Sheehan (2010)

Kate Sands (2001) and John Hammond

Amy Holtzkampf and Ryan Jamison (2011)

JUNE

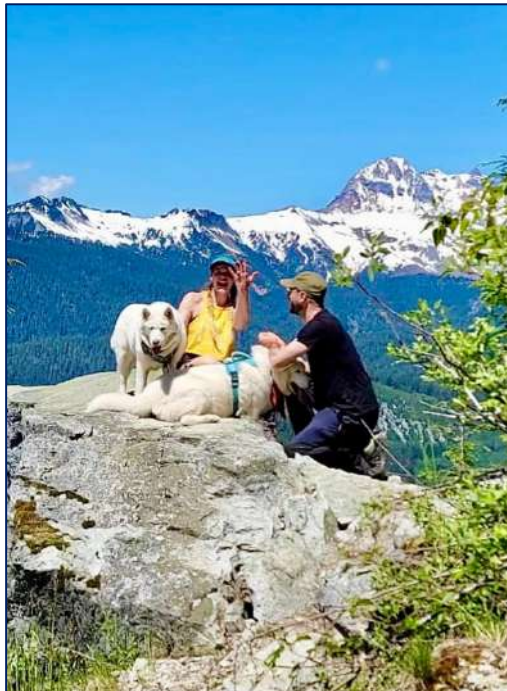
Jamie Van Wyk (2018) and Robert Golab

JULY

Courtney Hill and Matthew Fenton (2007)

Bianca Borrageiro (2013) and Rogan Bell





“ **Anyone can catch your eye, but it takes someone special to catch your heart.** ”



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Just Married

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Larame Van Zyl and Kyle Engelbeen (2009)

Reece Carstens (2014) and Wesley Bester

Tanna de Bod (2014) and Bradley Cohoe

JULY

Simoné Bester (2012) and Romario Viljoen

Tammy Roux (2009) and Deryck May

Andrea Meyers (2009) and Drew Denyer

Mikayla van Welie (2013) and Cara Mia





A passage from The Bridge Across Forever

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BY RICHARD BACH

A SOUL MATE IS SOMEONE WHO HAS LOCKS THAT FIT OUR KEYS, AND KEYS TO FIT OUR LOCKS. WHEN WE FEEL SAFE ENOUGH TO OPEN THE LOCKS, OUR TRUEST SELVES STEP OUT AND WE CAN BE COMPLETELY AND HONESTLY WHO WE ARE; WE CAN BE LOVED FOR WHO WE ARE AND NOT FOR WHO WE'RE PRETENDING TO BE. EACH UNVEILS THE BEST PART OF THE OTHER. NO MATTER WHAT ELSE GOES WRONG AROUND US, WITH THAT ONE PERSON WE'RE SAFE IN OUR OWN PARADISE. OUR SOUL MATE IS SOMEONE WHO SHARES OUR DEEPEST LONGINGS, OUR SENSE OF DIRECTION. WHEN WE'RE TWO BALLOONS, AND TOGETHER OUR DIRECTION IS UP, CHANCES ARE WE'VE FOUND THE RIGHT PERSON. OUR SOUL MATE IS THE ONE WHO MAKES LIFE COME TO LIFE.

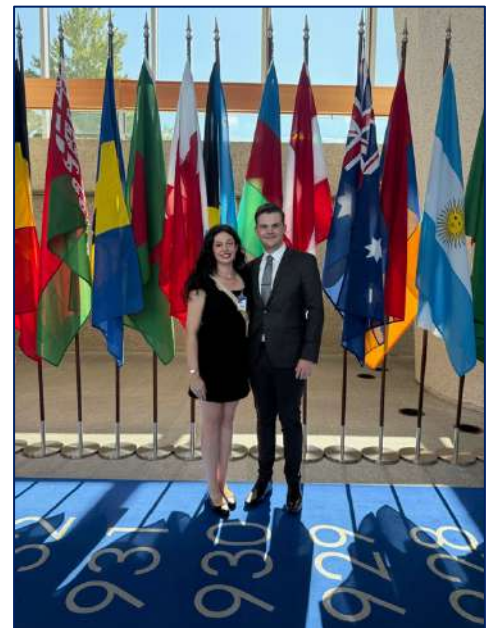
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ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITY

Nathan Smith (2019) and Alexia Cawood (2019) completed their BCom Law degree at the University of Stellenbosch and are currently in the second year of their postgraduate LLB studies.

Through their academic excellence and support of the university's Faculty of Law, they embarked on an extraordinary journey to the International Labour Organisation in Geneva, Switzerland. There, they engaged with global leaders in labour law and transformative legal thinking.

Adding to their incredible journey, Alexia and Nathan were personally invited by Dr David Oppenheimer to attend the 12th Annual Conference hosted by the Berkeley Center on Comparative Equality and Anti-Discrimination Law in Ljubljana, Slovenia.



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ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Kiara Rodriguez Pereira (2019) received Colours for Academic Achievement from the University of Pretoria. She was also acknowledged for qualifying for the Fourth-Year LLB Final Year Deans Merit List.

Kiara is currently a Candidate Attorney at Webber Wentzel.

GRADUATIONS

December

Hannah Glautier (née Keet) (2018): Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery (MBBCh) from the University of the Witwatersrand.

Kate Law (2018): Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery (MBBCh) from the University of the Witwatersrand.

May

Megan Carey (2011): Bachelor of Commerce Honours in Human Resource Management, with distinction, from the University of Pretoria.

Jaime-lee Koekemoer (née Gancho) (2015): Master of Science in Physiotherapy from the University of the Free State.

Keagan Crane (2018): Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery (MBChB), with distinction, from the University of Pretoria.

Nicole Chicken (2018): Master of Science in Medical Immunology from the University of Pretoria.

Franchesca de Moura (2018): Bachelor of Interior Architecture Honours from the University of Pretoria. Franchesca, with an average of 78.73%, received a prize for the highest weighted average of all modules in the programme.

Jayden Pretorius (2018): Bachelor of Science Honours in Actuarial Science from the University of Pretoria.

Jami Beadon (2019): Biokinetics Honours, with distinction, from the University of Pretoria.

Demi Jones (2019): Bachelor of Accounting in Financial Accounting from UNISA.

Keagan-Lee Smith (2019): Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase from Stadio Higher Education.

Ashlee Andrew (2020): Bachelor of Commerce in Law from the University of Pretoria.

Corbin Greenslade (2020): Bachelor of Science in Engineering and Management, Cum Laude, from Bethal University, USA.

Daniellè Peché (2020): Bachelor of Arts Honours, with distinction, from the University of the Witwatersrand.

Ofentse Phala (2020): Bachelor of Consumer Science in Clothing Retail Management from the University of Pretoria.

Bradley Andrew (2021): Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting Science from the University of Pretoria.

Jordan Barclay (2021): Bachelor of Science in Human Physiology, Genetics and Psychology from the University of Pretoria.

Chloe Cresswell (2021): Bachelor of Science in Actuarial Science from the University of Pretoria.

Raphaëla De Ascenção (2021): Bachelor of Arts in Interior Design, with distinction, from IIE Vega College. Not only was Raphaëla awarded membership to the Golden Key Honours Society, but was awarded the 'Pencil Award' for the top performing student in the faculty.

Marco Gouveia (2021): Bachelor of Accounting Science from the University of Pretoria

Maximillian Hornby (2021): Bachelor of Commerce in Business Management from the University of Pretoria.

Duncan McIlraith (2021): Bachelor of Commerce from The Independent Institute of Education.

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Franchesca de Moura (2018)



Raphaëla De Ascenção (2021)



Megan Carey (2011)



**Jaime-lee Koekemoer (née Gancho)
(2015)**



Hannah Glautier (née Keef) (2018)



Nicole Chicken (2018)



Keagan Crane (2018)



Jami Beadon (2019)



Demi Jones (2019)



Keagan-Lee Smith (2019)



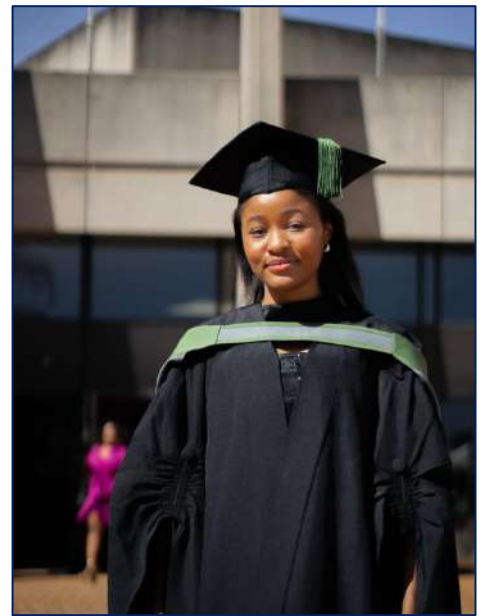
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Jayden Pretorius (2018) and
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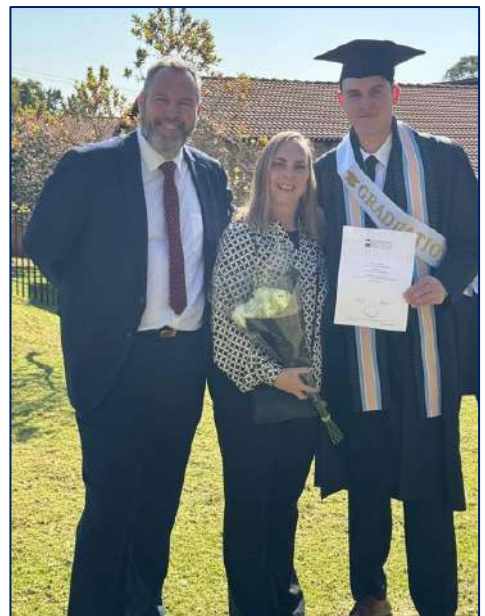
Jordan Barclay (2021)



Marco Gouveia (2021)



Maximillian Hornby (2021)



Duncan McIlrath (2021)

RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS

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Toyota Gazoo Racing

Ivan Humphreys (2016) was part of the Engineering team that designed the latest Toyota that took part in the Le Mans Endurance Race

ATLAS Detector

Cameron Garvey (2015) was one of the researchers in the ATLAS experiment. ATLAS is the largest general-purpose particle detector experiment at the Large Hadron Collider, a particle accelerator at CERN in Switzerland

Engineering Doctorate

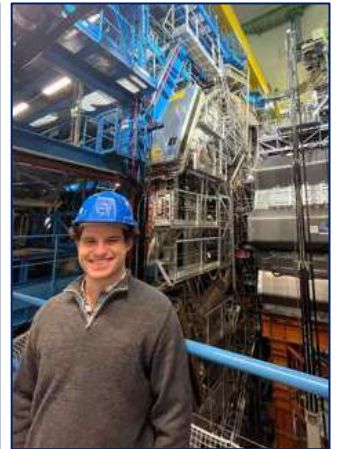
Jeandre de Bruyn (2015) received an Engineering Doctorate in Data Science from the Eindhoven University of Technology earlier this year.

In 2023 he designed a computer vision tool for fault detection and accurate placement of silicone modules in CERN CMS HGCAL detector assembly.

Associate Lecturer

Tsobotsi Koloti (2013) has been appointed as a full-time lecturer of Religion, Ethics, and Sexuality at the Desmond Tutu Centre for Religion and Social Justice, University of the Western Cape. Further to this, he is the recipient of the prestigious Mellon Talent Stewardship Grant which allows him to research for a period of three years in the areas of Race, Politics, and African Religion.

Recently Tsobotsi was the Keynote speaker at the College of Transfiguration's 2025 Graduation Ceremony in Grahamstown.



Career Advancement

Adrienne Craucamp (née Kelly) (2010) been appointed as the **Chief Innovation Operations Officer (CIOO)** at **Fedgroup**, a South African-based financial services provider known for its innovative approach to investment and insurance solutions.

In this executive role, she will be responsible for aligning innovation strategy with operational execution across the organisation. Her focus will be on driving digital transformation, enhancing process efficiency, and fostering a culture of innovation to ensure sustainable growth and long-term value for our clients and stakeholders.

She is excited to take on this new challenge and continue building on the foundation that began at St Dunstan's College, where she developed the curiosity and resilience that still guides her today.



SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

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Golf

Casandra Alexander (née Hall) (2017) was this year's Sunshine Tour Ladies 'Order of Merit' winner.

Further to this, in June, Casandra claimed her first Ladies European Tour title by winning the Tipsport Czech Ladies Open by two strokes.



Indoor Netball

Tayla Jenkinson (2023) represented the Eastern Gauteng Mixed Indoor U23 team at the recent IPTs.

Isuzu Ironman 70.3 Durban

Calvin Andrew (2015) completed this event which comprises of a 1.9 km swim, 90 km cycle and 21.1 km run for the first time.



Comrades Marathon Class of 2003

Kirsty Roux, Claire van der Merwe (née Kelty) and Jackie Christians (née Mantle), best friends since Grade 8, participated in this year's event.

Congratulations to Laura Kent (née Beamish) (2008) and Shuan Cross (2007) on crossing the finishing line in exceptional times!



Participants

Netball

Jamie Van Wyk (2018) represented the Gauteng Jaguars in the recent Telkom Netball League. She received four 'Player of the Match' Awards during this tournament. Further to this, she was awarded the 'Defender of the Tournament.'



Rowing

Merwe Engelbrecht (2020) and Jordan Craig (2021) represented South Africa at the Rhine-Ruhr 2025 FISU World University Games.

Jordan and his doubles partner finished 2nd in the B-final and Merwe, together with his crew, finished 3rd in the Mens' Four B-final.

Chloe Cresswell (2021) represented South Africa at the World Rowing U23 Championships which took place from 23 - 27 July in Poznan, Poland.

She finished 2nd in the Light Weight Women's Singles.



Rugby

Chris Smit (2016) is a rugby referee for the Bulls Rugby Union.

DANCING NEWS

Dance Star World Masters

Kaylin Robinson (née Barber) (2010) received second place for her tap solo as well as her tap trio at the Dance Star World Masters Competition held in Croatia.



STALWARTS TURN 60

Congratulations to Cindy Crause, William Matthewson and Alan Lachenicht on reaching this special milestone.



An Old Celtic Blessing



MAY YOUR LIFE BE LONG, MAY YOUR HEART BE TRUE. MAY YOUR PATH BE CLEAR AND YOUR SKIES BE BLUE. MAY YOUR SOUL BE HAPPY AND YOUR SPIRIT BE LIGHT. MAY YOU KNOW DEEP JOY, MAY YOUR DREAMS TAKE FLIGHT.



A FEATURE FROM LINKEDIN BE TRUE TO YOUR SPOON

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Written by [Christopher Rafael \(2006\)](#) - May 28, 2025

A spoon taught me more about identity than any title ever did.

Yeah, I know. It sounds like the setup to one of those “I got struck by lightning twice – and what it taught me about B2B marketing” posts. But, this isn't that. This one legitimately involves **a spoon – and an identity crisis.**

It hung from the ceiling above my Grade 11 English teacher's desk. Just a spoon, turning slowly in the air. Mr Scallan said it was a reminder. Anyone who took his class knew it was never about grammar.

- **It was meditation.**
- **Meaning in the mundane.**
- **Cinematography as philosophy.**
- **Words as a tool to communicate art.**

Mr Scallan wasn't just teaching English. He taught us how to think... Or maybe, more poignantly, how to be. He was, as we millennials say, **deep.**

I went to say goodbye on the day he packed up that classroom. He was moving on to his next chapter in life. I don't remember much of the details of the conversation, but I do remember when he reached up, took down the spoon, handed it to me, and said: “Be true to your spoon.” I've been unpacking that line ever since.

Maybe you've been handed something like that too. Not an object, but a lesson, disguised as a phrase or a question. Something that still resonates long after the moment has passed. For me, that spoon became a mirror. Over time, its meaning kept shifting. New insights arrived when I was ready to receive them.

What did this spoon teach me about my identity?

- It gathers.
- It holds.
- It lifts.
- It doesn't cut.
- It doesn't divide.
- It doesn't need to be sharp or gilded.
- It is consistent.
- It is useful.
- It is adaptable.

You don't need elaborate features to add value. You just need to carry what matters.

Here's the real reason this metaphor has stuck with me all these years:

Throughout my life I've played many roles. But I've always been a spoon... just different kinds:

- **Wooden spoon** – as a coach, stirring confidence in others
- **Measuring spoon** – as a tutor, helping students find the right ratio of structure and intuition for success
- **Mixing spoon** – as a teacher, blending minds, ideas, and organised chaos into something meaningful
- **Serving spoon** – as a boss, stepping back so others can step forward

- **Medicine spoon** – as a scientist, balancing complexity with clarity and precision

That unwitting spoon wasn't some classroom gimmick. It defined the framework for how I live.

Staying true to your spoon means:

- Not reshaping yourself to fit what the world expects.
- Not sharpening yourself for the sake of being noticed.
- Not performing just to steal attention.
- Remaining consistent – especially under pressure.

It means showing up with humility and purpose. The spoon is a metaphor for function without ego. For endurance over hype. For being quietly essential in a world obsessed with being seen.

Most people move through life unaware of the gravity their marks can leave behind. A kind word. A strange object. A single sentence that echoes for years. That is what I try to remember. On the days that I'm tired, uncertain, or feel invisible. I remind myself that someone might carry part of what I said long after I've forgotten I said it.

Here's the truth:

Not all spoons shine. Some are bent. Some are plastic. Some sit in the back of the drawer until the moment they're needed. But that doesn't mean you should waste your time trying to be a knife. Or a fork.

- You're a spoon.
- You're built to gather.
- To carry.
- To hold.
- To mix what resists being stirred.
- To scoop all the way from the bottom.
- And to reach into corners no one else can.

You don't have to pretend to be something you're not. You just have to **be resolute in your intended purpose**. Dutifully useful.

The old spoons, the scratched ones, the reliable ones, the spoons that sit just right in your hand... Those are the ones we reach for again and again. Maybe your value isn't in being new and shiny – it's in always being there. Time doesn't reduce your usefulness. It reveals it.

Be true to your spoon.

Thank you, Mr Scallan for handing me more than a spoon. Thank you for inadvertently posing a question I'm still learning how to answer.

Do you have a "spoon"?

That small thing that shaped you:

- What was it?
- Who gave it to you?
- What did it teach you?

And will you know when to pass it on...?

Perhaps, you too, will resonate with this thought-provoking piece. Whether it be something that has shaped you or whether it be fond times in Mr Scallan's English class!

Chris and his wife, Candice (née Ryan) (2005) currently reside in Portugal and send their regards to the classes of 2005 and 2006.

Christopher Rafael
Class of 2006

FAREWELL TO CRAIG AND VANESSA MCILRATH

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Wishing Craig McIlrath everything of the best in his new position as Executive Head of St Paul's College, Windhoek.



THE NEW PREPARATORY HEADMASTER MATTHEW MOOLMAN

Mr Matthew Moolman has been appointed as the new Head of the Preparatory School. He brings with him 20 years of experience in education and a proven record of leadership in the pre-primary and primary school phase. He is currently serving as Principal of the Preparatory School at CBC Boksburg. Mr Moolman holds a BCom Degree and a PGCE, and he began his teaching career at Benoni High School, where he taught Business Economics and Mathematics. He also taught Business Studies at St Dunstan's College for six years. During this time, he was involved in strength and conditioning coaching for the rowers and rugby players. His vision for St Dunstan's Preparatory is to collaborate with staff to enhance our standing as the leading primary school in Benoni, across all aspects of our holistic offering. His experience at College level brings valuable insight into the holistic development of a student and their progression through our College and we look forward to his contribution to who we are.

The Preparatory School is looking forward to welcoming him on the 1st of September!



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CLASSES OF
2005 & 2015
REUNION

DATE: Saturday, 11th October
TIME: 18:00
DRESS: Smart Casual
VENUE: The Jardine Pavilion (Entrance Cnr Baines and Davey Streets)
RSVP: Please complete the Google Form by scanning the QR Code
CASH BAR AVAILABLE
Please let me know if you can assist by setting up a WhatsApp group for your year to share communication about the event!

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Remember that we really enjoy hearing about your experiences and your careers. PLEASE send me this information – the next edition of The Chronicle will be published at **the beginning of DECEMBER.**

If you happen to meet with any Dunstonians whilst on your travels, please take a picture and send it to me. Also include details about when, where, who, etc.

Please follow the school's LinkedIn, Instagram, Facebook and TikTok pages, as well as the Dunstonian Association Facebook. There is also a Facebook group for your Matric year.

INSTAGRAM:

@stdunstansbenoni

LINKEDIN: Currently 1 217 followers

DUNSTONIAN FACEBOOK PAGE:

<https://www.facebook.com/Dunstonian/>

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@stdunstanscollegebenoni

Should you ever visit Benoni, I would love to show you all of the facility upgrades on our beautiful campus.

Kind regards,

Mandy Lachenicht

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Mission Statement



FORGING CHARACTER THROUGH A HOLISTIC, CO-EDUCATIONAL AND PERSONALISED LEARNING EXPERIENCE GROUNDED IN OUR ANGLICAN TRADITION; INSPIRING ALL TO FLOURISH AND FULFIL THEIR POTENTIAL AS THEY SERVE SOCIETY WITH INTEGRITY.



PLEASE NOTE: Some photographs are missing – either because we could not source one or due to poor quality/resolution!

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