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ST DUNSTAN'S PREPARATORY NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER'S DESK



Dear Parents and Guardians,

A warm welcome to the Trinity Term 2026. The term has, as is to be expected, had a busy start. The Senior Preparatory took part in pre-season training in the final week of the holidays; this will stand them in good stead as they begin the Netball and Football leagues. The rugby boys have also been hard at work preparing for the annual Penryn Tour and have already enjoyed an exciting weekend of 7s rugby at the Pridwin 7s tournament.

Camps are an invaluable part of the holistic programme which St Dunstan's Preparatory provides. The Senior Preparatory children enjoyed the opportunity of attending camp in the first week of term. On camps children improve social skills and foster a love and appreciation for the outdoors while having a much-needed break from the screens which dominate our day. Additionally, they develop self-confidence, perseverance and independence, all crucial skills which contribute to their success in school and life.

Last Sunday we celebrated the Grade 4s' First Holy Eucharist at the St Dunstan's Cathedral. Forty children took part, accompanied by parents, grandparents and extended family. Thank you to Fr Jerome and the Grade 4 teachers for this memorable day.

The Junior Preparatory launched its reading room this week. This initiative will see each Grade 1 to 3 child given individual, focused reading time. Uniquely, children pick their own readers from a range of books matching their reading level. The excitement today, as children proudly selected their own books and read to volunteers, was palpable. Fostering a love for reading is a key focus area which will bear long-term benefits for all our children. My thanks to Mrs Taylor, Mrs Cresswell, the Junior Preparatory teachers and the dedicated volunteers who have made this initiative a reality.

Next week we celebrate St Dunstan's Day, commemorating Saint Dunstan, our school's patron saint. Saint Dunstan, in many respects, epitomises what we as a school strive for in holistic education. A remarkably multi-talented figure, his diverse abilities spanned the arts and sciences; he was a gifted musician and skilled harpist who composed numerous hymns, leading to the legend that his harp would play miraculous melodies while hanging on his wall. Beyond music, he was an expert craftsman, silversmith and painter who famously balanced his spiritual life with hours spent at his forge in Glastonbury Abbey. Later in life, Saint Dunstan transitioned into the role of a dedicated educator at the cathedral school in Canterbury, where he was remembered for his teaching methods and his rare commitment to protecting his students from the harsh disciplinary measures common in his era.

As we collectively get back into the swing of the busy St Dunstan's schedule, I would encourage all children to avoid the temptation of procrastination by embracing their weekly responsibilities in the classroom, on the sports field and on the cultural front. In doing this, we continue the legacy of Saint Dunstan as we strive for excellence.

God bless

Matthew Moolman

CHESS TOURNAMENT



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY NETBALL CLINIC



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NEW STAFF



DEWALD PRETORIUS
ESTATE MANAGER



FIONA PRINS
ADAM ADMINISTRATOR



KESHNI NAIDOO
DEBTORS CLERK



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GOLF DAY 2026

BOOKING FORM AND CALL FOR SPONSORSHIPS

Dear Parents,

The St Dunstan's College Preparatory School Events' Association Golf Day will take place on Tuesday, 30th July 2026 at Barnet Country Club.

The event is an important part of our Learning for Life for the school. Schools to make the day a success, need for support in way of the donation of clubs, sponsorships, or donations for the purchase of clubs.

Please note: the format for the competition is a half-ball 18-hole, so we require two identical pairs.

As a contributor to our Golf Day, your company's name will be acknowledged by appearing on the Sponsor's List, which is placed on each table of the participating. Your own abundance of professional involvement.

Your support and participation will be much appreciated.

Looking forward to a great day of golf!
The Preparatory School PA

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SISTER ACT

17th - 20th JUNE | E JOHN BUTLER AUDITORIUM | 18H00 FOR 18H30

ST DUNSTAN'S COLLEGE BRINKEN SOUTH AFRICA OF ARRANGEMENT WITH
GOLD CITY ARTS COLLEGE PRESENTS "SISTER ACT"

MUSIC BY ALAN MENKEN | LYRICS BY GLENN SLATER
BOOK BY CHERI STEINKELLNER AND BILL STEINKELLNER
ADDITIONAL BOOK MATERIAL | DOUGLAS CARTER BEANE

BASED ON THE TOUCHSTONE PICTURES ACTION PICTURE "SISTER ACT" | WRITTEN BY JOSEPH HOWARD



ST DUNSTAN'S DAY SERVICE

WHEN: TUESDAY, 19TH MAY
TIME: 10:00 FOR 10:30
VENUE: BEETGE QUAD

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GRADE 4 CAMP



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GRADE 7 CAMP



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SPORTS RESULTS

Rugby

Pridwin 7s Rugby Festival

The boys played exceptionally well and showed tremendous character throughout the festival, finishing second in the Shield. The Player of the Festival award was shared between Savio Chicken and Ben Van Zyl for their outstanding performances. Special mention also went to Pranav Naidoo and Khumo Monyamane, who both played in their first matches and made a significant impact. Khumo also scored his first try - a wonderful achievement.

Netball

Netball vs Laerskool Northmead (Away)

UI3A: lost 16 - 9

Player of the match: Oatile Morolo

UI3B: lost 19 - 3

Player of the match: Batsile Ngobeni

Netball vs Laerskool Jan Van Riebeeck (Away)

UI3A: lost 19 - 9

Player of the match: Amaru Mawoko

UI3B: lost 18 - 8

Player of the match: Batsile Ngobeni

Netball vs Laerskool Edleen (Away)

UI1: lost 12 - 6

Player of the match: Peyton Pretorius

UI1B: lost 16 - 5

Player of the match: Shayley Illman

UI3A: lost 20 - 7

Players of the match: Giselle Merfield and Batsiana Ngobeni

Football

Football vs Ashbury (Home)

U9: won 3 - 1

Player of the match: Jayden Pretorius

UI0: won 1 - 0

Player of the match: Hunter Tucker

UI1: lost 6 - 0

Player of the match: Tshwanelo Taunyane

UI2: drew 1 - 1

Player of the match: Ikey Karagopolous

Football vs Tom Newby U9A-UI3A (Home)

U9: drew 0 - 0

Player of the match: Vuthari Mabuza

UI0: lost 4 - 2

Player of the match: Tshwanelo Taunyane

UI1: lost 10 - 0

UI2: lost 2 - 0

Player of the match: Harvey May

UI3: lost 1 - 0

Player of the match: Alessandro Pignanelli



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PRIDWIN 7s FESTIVAL



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NETBALL AT EDLEEN PRIMARY



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JP READING ROOM INITIATIVE



BUILDING UPDATE



RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Hockey

Congratulations to **Tshwanelo** and **Callum**! Their team, the Blue Cranes, won the U11 boys section!



Dancing

Tayla Tucker competed in the Ultimate Summer Championships in Bloemfontein with results as follows:

1st 12/13 Premier Championship Slowdance, 1st 12/13 Premier Championship Freestyle and 2nd U16 2027 World Championships Qualifier.

Rachel Williams competed in the SADFC SA Dance Festival Championship with results as follows:

Gold medal - 1st place and section winner for Acrobatic Dance, Silver medal - 2nd place for Lyrical Dance. Gold medal - Freestyle Dance and Gold medal - Musical Theatre.

Rachel Williams competed in the SADTA Freestyle Dance Diva Festival over the weekend with results as follows:

2nd place for girls 8/9 Freestyle Premier Champ Section and 2nd place for girls 8/9 Slowdance Premier Champ Section.



Golf

Joshua Mc Donald played in yet another SA Kids Golf Tournament at Reading Golf Course. He played extremely well in the wet conditions and finished 2nd for the day in his age-group.

Cricket

LPL CRICKET TOURNAMENT (which is part of the National Premier League)

Blake Cronk was a member of the U12 Mzanzi Hawks team that finished 2nd at the event. He took 3 wickets in the final match!



Karate

Conor Clifford received Gauteng Colours for Karate and has been invited to compete at the South African National Karate Championships.

Gymnastics

Pelo Mojabelo was honoured by the Ekurhuleni District Gymnastics Association (EDGA) for being the highest scoring classes gymnast in the district for the 2025 competition season.



Karting

Conor Clifford competed at Formula K and received an overall first place.



DATES TO DIARISE...

Monday, 18 May	Winter Warmth Week
Tuesday, 19 May	St Dunstan's Day – School closes at 12:00
Wednesday, 20 May	Grade 2 and 3 pupils leave for camp
Thursday, 21 May	Rugby 1st Team Tour to Penryn Netball and Rugby U13 and U12 Tour to Penryn
Friday, 29 May	Slipper Day
Saturday, 30 May	St Martin's Winter Sports Festival
Thursday, 11 June	JP and SP Hooked on Books
Monday, 15 June	Bishops Day – School Holiday (NO AFTERCARE)
Tuesday, 16 June	Youth Day
Friday, 19 June	Headmaster's Polar Bear Challenge

PLEASE NOTE:



SECOND HAND SHOP

Our second hand shop is located at **51 Baines Street**, and is open on Wednesdays and Fridays from 13:00 to 14:30.



Please remember that St Dunstan's College has implemented a cashless system since the beginning of the year. If you would like your child to make purchases from the Tuck Shop please provide them with either a Karri card or a bank card. Thank you for your support and understanding.



ST DUNSTAN'S COLLEGE IS CASHLESS

(Bank cards accepted)

BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday to the following staff and pupils who celebrate their birthdays from 1st May to 15th May 2026.

Mrs Agostinho

Colt Brown, Abongwe Mshеле, Thato Ndhlalane, Capri Piper, Nkazimulo Mlangeni, Ofentse Mthanti, Palak Nene, Lily Raath, Bailey Rademeyer, Kenzi, van Wyk, Amy Whittington, Tshiamo Ramatsetse, Connor Tuniz, Luca De Freitas, Anaïs Seobi, Harvey Mac Innes, Busa Mathabela, Hlumlo Ndzube, Jaden Murerwa and Hannah Whitehead.