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2026



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ST DUNSTAN'S PREPARATORY NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMASTER'S DESK



Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week, the Junior Preparatory's production of *Alice in Wonderland Jr.* took place. The production was a resounding success, demonstrating the excellence that can be achieved through diligence and teamwork.

The benefits of providing children with the opportunity to perform on stage are well worth the effort, with key benefits including:

- **Boosting Confidence:** Standing on stage and performing in front of an audience helps young children conquer shyness and build healthy self-esteem.
- **Improving Communication:** Memorising lines, singing lyrics, and projecting their voices helps children practise clear speech, articulation, and active listening.
- **Teaching Teamwork:** Working toward a shared goal teaches children how to cooperate, share the spotlight, and support their classmates.
- **Enhancing Motor Skills:** Stage movement, choreography, and handling props help young learners develop physical coordination and body awareness.
- **Encouraging Creativity:** Pretending to be a character lets children use their imagination to explore different emotions, stories, and perspectives.

Alice in Wonderland Jr. has raised the benchmark for future productions in the Preparatory School. This success was only made possible by a strong collaborative effort led by Mr Morobi, our drama specialist extraordinaire; Mrs Van Straaten and Mr Smit on the sound and music front; Mrs Versfeld's creative props and costumes; Mrs Allen and Mrs Barbosa's guidance with make-up; the support from all the Junior Preparatory teachers and parents who have contributed their time and skill; Mrs Human for her assistance with seating arrangements; and finally, Mrs Cresswell for steadying the ship during what can be a stressful time. Thank you!

In true St Dunstan's style, we also hosted the annual PA golf day at Benoni Country Club. This event is a highlight on the calendar for the Parents' Association and broader St Dunstan's community. My thanks to the PA, and in particular Mrs Long, for the outstanding day which was organised under her leadership. In addition, thank you to all those who supported St Dunstan's on the day through their involvement and sponsorship. A special mention to Darren Millington and Benoni Country Club for assisting with hosting our golf day.

This weekend, we host the final round of the 7s Rugby Festival series for Grades 3-7 boys, which will see schools from the greater Johannesburg area taking part on Saturday on the Preparatory School's fields. I would encourage parents and children to join us in supporting our teams on what will be an exciting day of 7s rugby.

Finally, we would like to welcome Mr Sphe Nala, who started as Head of Sport in the Preparatory School this past Monday. We wish Mr Nala much success at St Dunstan's and look forward to the positive contributions he will certainly make.

Next week Friday, school closes at 11:45 for the August break. Prior to that, parent-teacher meetings will take place on Tuesday, with reports being published on Thursday. I wish all staff, children, and families a well-deserved break over the holiday period.

God bless

Matthew Moolman







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CHRISTMAS DISCO IN *July*



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HOCKEY: GRADE 1, 2, 3 MATCH DAY



**HOCKEY @
MICHEALHOUSE**



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SPORTS RESULTS

Hockey

Hockey - Boys U10, U11, 2nd 1st team vs LS

Impala (home)

1st : Won 6 - 0

Men of the match :

Riley Board, Reese Nay

2nd : Lost 3 - 0

Man of the match :

Christian Coates

U11: 4 - 1 Loss

Man of the match:

Liam Lewis

U10 : Lost 2 - 1

Man of the match:

Chehon Burger

Rugby

Rugby 7s Festival Redhill

UP

The Under 9s played 3 matches, winning 1 and losing 2.

Man of the Match:

Harvey Mac Innes, Musa Zondi, Caleb Lombard

U11

The Under 11s had an outstanding day, playing 6 matches and winning 4, while narrowly losing 2.

Man of the Match:

Jackson Fickling, Connor Cloete

U13

The Under 13s produced an excellent performance, playing 6 matches, winning 4, drawing 1 and losing just 1.

Man of the Match:

Troi Barnard, Pranav Naidoo, Nolen Frits

Rugby 7s Festival Curro HeronBridge

UP : Won 1, Lost 1

Man of the match:

Harvey Mac Innes

U11 : Won 4, Lost 2

Man of the match:

Leo Tasker

U13 : Won 4, Lost 2

Men of the Match:

Raigen Wittstock, Khanyisa Solo, Mathew Petzer, Ikey Kalogeropoulos



RUGBY FESTIVALS @ HERONBRIDGE AND REDHILL



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EVERY SANDWICH MATTERS

The Grade 4 and 5 Rectors pupils made 232 sandwiches while Warden pupils prepared 123 total 355 sandwiches in 15 minutes for Project Feed the Children!



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WELCOME MR SPHESIHLE NALA



A warm welcome to Mr Sphehile Nala, who has joined St Dunstan's College as the Head of Preparatory Sport. We look forward to the wealth of experience, passion and energy he will bring to this important role as he inspires and develops our young sportsmen and sportswomen, both on and off the field. We wish him every success as he becomes part of the St Dunstan's family.



**APPLICATIONS FOR
GRADE 1 - 2028
ARE OPEN!**

PREFERENCE IS GIVEN TO CHILDREN WHO ATTEND THE PRE-SCHOOL.
DO NOT LEAVE SIBLING ENROLMENT TOO LATE AS SPACES CANNOT BE GUARANTEED

**PLEASE NOTE: GRADE 1 FOR 2027
IS CURRENTLY WAITLISTED**

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ORCHESTRA PERFORMANCE MANDELA CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL



DANCING NEWS



Tayla Tucker, Rachel Williams and Adianna Bhana participated in the SADTA Classique Championships

Tayla: 1st - U16 Premier Championship 2027 World Qualifier, 1st - 12/13 Premier Championship Slowdance, 1st - 12/13 Premier Championship Freestyle and 1st - U16 Freestyle Couples. **Rachel:** 1st - U12 Championship World Qualifier, 2nd - U10 Premier Freestyle and 2nd - U10 Premier Slowdance. **Adianna:** 1st - U10/11 Championship Freestyle, 2nd - U10/11 Championship Freestyle and 3rd - U13 Championship World Qualifier.

Rachel Williams and Reagan Bellingham participated in the Planet Youth Performing Dance Competition

Rachel: Pre Novice Acro - High Gold, Special Award for Acro Solo, Section Winner 8-10 Acrobatic Solo, Lyrical Solo - Gold, 2nd in 8-10 Lyrical Section, Special Award in Lyrical, Musical Theatre - High Gold and Special Award

Reagan: Tap - Gold, Musical Theatre - High Gold and Special Award, Acro Duo - High Gold and Special Award, Winner for Duo's Petit Section, Lyrical 8-10 - High Gold and Section Winner, Acro Solo 8-10 - High Gold and 2nd Place

"Excellence, is not about being the best, it's doing your best!"

EVERY
SMILE, DAY, DREAM, HOPE, HELLO, WISH, CHILD,
TEACHER, STUDENT, PARENT, PERSON, BOOK, TEST,
LESSON, MARK, CLASS, **VOTE**, ANSWER, GOAL, GAME,
EFFORT, SHOT, WIN, PLAYER, PRAYER, VERSE,
DEDICATION, LITTLE THING
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Best of Ekurhuleni
SCHOOL CHIEFS AWARDS 2024



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**WE WOULD APPRECIATE
YOUR VOTE
AGAIN!**

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BADMINTON NEWS



Yi Chai was selected to represent the Eastern Gauteng Badminton Association (EGBA) at the SA U9/11/13 Open and Inter-Provincial Championship

GRADE 3 AFRIKAANS ELKE KLEUR MAAK SAAK



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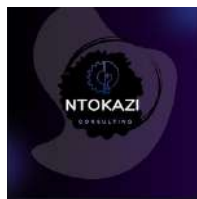
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!





DATES TO DIARISE ...

Tuesday, 4 August

JP & SP Parents' Afternoon

Wednesday, 5 August

Inter-House Fields Events

Friday, 7 August

School closes at 11:45

Don't forget

SIBLINGS...

Apply now for 2028 as certain grades are already waitlisted and placement for siblings cannot be guaranteed!



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

Happy Birthday to the following staff and pupils who celebrate their birthdays on 18th June 2026 to 11st August 2026.

Mpolokeng Mlombile, Levi Potgieter, Sibusiso Sibeko, Nolan Fritz, Rebecca Manning
Emilia Gomes, Joshua Van Zyl, Blue Nhleko,
Gabriel Middlewick

PLEASE NOTE: NO RIGHT TURN



Out of courtesy to other drivers, and to ease congestion, please **TURN LEFT ONLY** when exiting the Preparatory and College parking lots between the following times:
07:15 - 07:45
and at the end of the school day.

