

Assembly 15 October 2015

Welcome

Exchange students

Theo Wilson Hale School in Perth Australia

Nic Verco St Peter's School in Adelaide Australia

Alistair Bates Geelong Grammar School in Geelong Australia

John Kite Wanganui Collegiate School in Wanganui New Zealand

Academic

Accounting Olympiad

The matric accounting class took part in the recent SAIPA National Accounting Olympiad. The Olympiad consists of two rounds with boys who achieve 80% in round one going through to the second round.

This year's class recorded two notable achievements:

Firstly, the school had the highest percentage of boys from round one going through to round two in the Western Cape. Secondly, Jonti Oehley was placed first in the Western Cape in the independent school category.

This is the second time in three years Bishops has had the winner in this category.

Well done to the entire group and in particular to Jonti.

International Science Fair

Congratulations to the following boys for their success at the Eskom Expo International Science Fair held in Johannesburg from 6 - 9 October 2015:

- Angus Thring - Gold medal and nominated for second round of selection for participation in an international science fair in 2016. His project was on Magnets and superconductors.
- Felix Burt and KB Ko - Silver Medal. Their project was on Piezoelectric crystals.
- Michael Wilson-Trollip and Nicholas Peile - Silver medal. Their project was on Window Farms.

Thank you to all staff who supported and encouraged the boys.

SA Teen Film Festival

A number of our Grade 10, Set 1 English pupils entered films in the SA Teen Film Festival which is organized by Springfield Convent. The boys entered in the Grade 10 poetry film category which requires a 5 minute film that uses a published poem as the script. The team of Nicholas Bowden, James Hamilton-Russel and Ross Tucker won the prize for Best Short Film in this category for their animated film based on the poem by Sydney Carter entitled "Run the film backwards". Their film will be screened by the Short & Sweet Film Company at their regular screenings in Cape Town and Amsterdam.

Academic Awards

Vouchers

Congratulations to, Tio Bakre, Thomas Barty, Matt Davies, Liam Foxcroft, Nicholas McAdam, Jordan Meyer, Theodore Psillos, David Straughan, Matt Tate and Thomas Warner who are awarded an academic voucher for achieving three commendation certificates.

Ties

Congratulations to the following boys who have been awarded Academic Ties:
Tomas Badenhorst, Sebastian Hanekom, Julian Knobloch, Kean Pople, Matthew Rudston and Cornel Smit .

Jersey

Congratulations to Laurence Midgley who has been awarded an Academic Jersey.

Cultural

10 Club

Congratulations to the following boys who have been selected for the 10 Club for 2016:
Redwald Aspinall, Luke Baker, Ziyaad Bawa, Ahmed Dhansay, Nicholas Janisch, Akha Manjezi, Alexander Peile, Jonathan Rossouw, Francois Stassen and Daniel Tate.

AV

The AV society would like to re-award a service tie to Kieran Cattell and Stefan Dominicus who have been pivotal in developing a culture of dedication and professionalism within the society.

The AV society would also like to award a service tie to Nicholas Featherstone.

These boys offer an invaluable service to the school. They have put in a tremendous amount of effort and spent long hours to train and develop the AV team. Their diligence and extraordinary sense of dedication is much appreciated.

Music Certificates

Cape Town Eisteddfod

Music pupils received excellent results at the Cape Town Eisteddfod earlier this year. Because there were so many good results, only the Gold diplomas will be handed out. Congratulations to: Angus Thring K.B. Ko - (2 gold diplomas) Michael Wilson-Trollip - 3 gold diplomas)

KAE Afrikaans Eisteddfod

The music pupils did exceptionally well at this year's KAE Afrikaans Eisteddfod. Normally, those who were awarded 'Hoogste Lof' - that is, a mark of 90% and above, receive their certificates during assembly. This year there are too many to hand out - but we would like to acknowledge the following pupils who achieved Hoogste Lof:

Graeme Irvine, Jo Linley, Marcus Knight, Ben Steyn, Miles Boeddinghaus, Rhiyaan Smith, Michael Wilson-Trollip, KwangBen Ko, Muhammed Osman, Jack Belcher, Liam Dicker, Ross Hyne, Cameron Braun, Luca Liebenberg, Jody Williams, Adam Stonestreet, Kit, Bell, Andrew Hodgson, Tyger Thompson and Arthur Fisher.

In addition, a number of pupils have been awarded a medal for exceptional achievement, which will be handed out at a Prizewinners concert on Friday. They are: Julian Dean-Brown, KB Ko, Rhiyaan Smith, Michael Wilson-Trollip, Theodore Psillos, Luca Liebenberg, Jonathan Crowther, Graeme Irvine and Jack Belcher – who has been awarded three medals. Graeme Irvine and Jack Belcher have been invited to perform at the Prizewinners concert on Friday.

We would like to hand out certificates to the following who achieved outstanding results: Luca Liebenberg - 95%, Theodore Psillos - 95%, Lee Cooper - 95%, Jonathan Crowther - 95%, Jack Belcher - 96% and Angus Thring - 98%.

Royal Schools Certificates

The following matric pupils played their Royal Schools practical exams last term and passed with distinction. Certificates go to: Jonathan Crowther – grade 7 Singing, Graeme Irvine – grade 8 Singing, Shannon Thebus – grade 8 French Horn - Shannon's mark of 95% was so high that he has been invited to perform at a High Achievers concert later in the year.

Colours

The following boys need to be congratulated on receiving Colours for Music:

Half Colours: Marcus Knight

Full Colours: Joseph Linley, Jonathan Crowther, Nicholas Janish and Christopher Hyslop.

Public Speaking

During the first four days of the holidays, six boys from the Public Speaking Society, Alex Peile, Mitchell Christy, Troy Horrell, Giuseppe Guerandi, Nikolaos Tapanlis and Nicholas Peile participated in the National Individual Debating and Public Speaking Competition held at Parklands College. Of a field of over 80 competitors, Bishops had FOUR boys in the Top 12 who make up the National Team to represent South Africa at the World Championships in Pittsburgh in 2016. They are: Mitchell Christy (5th), Alex Peile (6th), Troy Horrell (10th) and Giuseppe Guerandi (11th).

In addition to this, Alex Peile placed 2nd overall in Persuasive and Impromptu Speech, Mitchell Christy 2nd in Interpretive Reading and Nicholas Peile was crowned National Champion for Interpretive Reading. All in all, a very successful tournament for the Bishops team who, on the whole, were the best placed of all the other schools represented. Well done on a superb performance.

Sport

Cricket

During the school holidays the u/15A cricket side attended the Grey High School Cricket Festival where we would played matches against Pearson, Grey College, Maritzburg College and Woodridge.

The boys had a very successful tour winning 3 of their 4 games. The highlight of the tour was beating Maritzburg College in a closely contested game with Jono Bird scoring 111 runs.

A personal highlight was the following compliment from the owners of the guesthouse where we stayed: “Your boys are very well mannered and an absolute pleasure to accommodate”.

SA Junior Fly Fishing

The SA Junior Fly Fishing Nationals were held at Rhodes in the Eastern Cape and Bishops was well represented. The Western Province team comprising Luke Baker, Murray Gordon, Anton Volkel and Nikolai Piotrowski was placed first overall and individual results were as follows:

Luke Baker (1st), Alessandro Lupini (5th), Murray Gordon (6th), Warwick Reid (10th), Nikolai Piotrowski (12th) and Anton Volkel (13th).

Warwick Reid is the current SA Junior distance casting champion and received the Willem Pretorius Trophy for fly fishing excellence.

Luke Baker won the individual gold medal, team gold and the award for catching the most fish.

Colours

Alessandro Lupini, Luke Baker, Nikolai Piotrowski and Warrick Reid represented South Africa at the World Youth Fly Fishing Championships in Vale, Colorado, USA. They competed against 9 other countries. They had to compete in five different sectors which included lakes as well as rivers. The team finished 4th in the competition. The individual world youth ranking of the boys is: Warrick (10th), Luke (17th), Alessandro (19th) and Nikolai (24th).

Distinction ties

Distinction ties are awarded to all four boys. For Luke Baker and Warrick Reid these are rewards. Alessandro Lupini and Nikolai Piotrowski are awarded their distinction ties for the first time for this outstanding achievement.

Go Karting

Jonathan Aberdein

Congratulations to Jonathan Aberdein who won the South African Karting Championship, held at Zwartkops during September. It was a remarkable achievement in which he got pole position and won all four races in the final event. He scored 403 total points for the season

out of a maximum of 405. He won by a margin of 53 points to the second place competitor. Jonathan now has his aim set on the world championships.

Julian van der Watt

Julian van der Watt has represented South Africa 5 times at various World Championships that were held in Italy (three times), the USA and Bahrein. To qualify he had to obtain a first or second place in the South African Championships or win the African Championship. He won the African Champs, the South African Champs and was placed second a few times. Julian also won the Nations Cup in Italy which was a brilliant achievement. Julian also won the Western Cape Championships numerous times and was awarded achievements like Rookie of the year, Best Driver and the Schumacher Cup. For these outstanding achievements he is awarded a distinction tie.

Indoor Hockey Nationals

Congratulations to the following hockey players who have been selected to represent the Western Cape at the Indoor Hockey Nationals to be held in Durban in December: U18A: Justin Nel; Ross Nelson; Lloyd Gardener; Wesley Gardener; Peter Brink U18B: Drew Turpin; Josh Smith; Nicholas Rubin; Sam Jeffery; Chris Hyslop U16A: Christian Rohrer; Malachy Barbour U16B: Idrees Abdulla; Bulelani Ngqukuvana; Daniel Nelson U16C: Liam Dicker; John Van Niekerk U14A: Chris Clark; Adam Stonestreet U14B: Kieran Seggie; U14C: Matthew Tate; Joshua Elliott;

Rock Climbing

David Naude and Liam Foxcroft were both awarded Protea Colours for Rock Climbing and represented South Africa at the Youth World Climbing Championship in Italy last term. Both climbers performed very well against mostly professional international opponents. David was ranked 45th in the world in the U15 age category. In the National Climbing Championship that took place from 2-4 October, David won the Gold medal in the National Lead Climbing Category. Congratulations!

Sailing

Congratulations to Zander Brooks who won the Optimist Eastern Cape Provincial Sailing regatta these past holidays. These regattas are important in terms of selections for Sailing for South Africa in the Optimist World Championships for next year. As a result of his excellent showing in these regattas last year, he was selected to sail for South Africa in August at the Optimist World Championships held in Poland. As he represented his country at the highest level in this class of boat, he is awarded a distinction tie.

Tennis

We want to congratulate James and Chris Mitchell who have been selected as the tennis captains for 2015/2016.

Water Polo

There have been a number of Water Polo achievements recently.

The 14A team came 2nd at the Rondebosch Tournament, losing narrowly in extra time.

The 15A team also came second at the Wynberg Tournament, just losing to Rondebosch. Congratulations to Tom Ross Lee, Michael Houlie and Rob Young for being selected for the tournament team.

The 16A team lost in the semi-finals of the DHS tournament and finished 3rd overall. Well done to Aidan Neill who was awarded "Defender of the Tournament" and Mike Houlie who was selected for the tournament team.

The 19A team lost in the quarters at both the Clifton and the SACS tournaments. Well done to Liam Neill who was selected for the SACS tournament team.

Western Province

The following boys have been selected for Western Province Schools 2015:

Ryan Sneddon, Sam Elliot and Oli Stewart were selected for the 14A team and Matt Smith, Aiden Murphy, Kieraan Meyer and Mikey Coles for the 14B team. Tom Ross Lee, Michael Houlie, Rob Young, Matthew Klingenberg and Theodore Psillos were selected for the 15A team and Bingo Ivanisevic, David Nivison and Alex Jankovich for the 15B team.

Brandon Burke, James Morritt-Smith and Aidan Neill were selected for the 16A team and Cayden Marquis and George Spencer for the 16B team. David Bruchhausen, Mike Alberts, Keanan Alexander, Brett Sneddon and Cameron Glynn-Dicks for the 19A team and Tom Baldwin, Alex Williams and Jordan Nel for the 19B team.

Liam Neill has just been selected for the u18 South African team that will play in a tri-nations series in December in Cape Town.

Colours

Half colour: Cameron Glynn-Dicks and Tom Baldwin and a re-award for half colours is awarded to Brett Sneddon.

Colours Re-Awards: Liam Neill, Keanan Alexander, David Bruchhausen, Michael Alberts.

General

President's Award

We congratulate Luke Burton, Luc Janssens, Leonardo Potgieter and Alexander Steyn on achieving Gold level for the President's Award, a fantastic achievement.

All Rounders Tie

Marcus Knight and Gregory Schoeman are to be congratulated on being awarded All Rounder's ties.

Leadership 2016

Congratulations to the following boys who have been appointed to leadership positions in 2016:

Head Boy : Francois Stassen
Deputy Day Boys : Joseph Linley
Deputy Boarders : Brandon van der Westhuizen

House	Head	Deputy
Founders	Brandon van der Westhuizen	Christian Stehlik
School	Jean Pienaar	Sebastian Prentice
White	Tyla Scarles	Jonathan Rossouw
Gray	Marcus Knight	Daniel Tate
Ogilvie	Matthew Perrott	Christopher Hyslop
Kidd	Joseph Linley	Jason Hofmeyr
Birt	Max Newbury	Dylan Burke
Mallett	Brett Sneddon	Theuns Kuhn