

A TRIBUTE TO MR JACOBS BY FRANCOIS STASSEN

As a rugby coach Mr. Jacobs has a unique ability to coach the sport as an art form. His philosophy of “By the time you have thought about passing the ball, you should have already.....” has been ingrained in all those who have played under him and given them the ability to express themselves on the field. His method of coaching the game has contributed immensely to the special style of running rugby associated with Bishops today. Mr. Jacobs coaches in such a way as to achieve an expansive game as well as to mould gentlemen out of his players in a sport where expressing manners and kindness is not always logical. He has earned solid respect as a coach, from his team, from the School and from the broader rugby community. The fact that a number of those who played under him this year were adamant that they wanted to thank him this morning, pays testimony to this respect and appreciation.