

# Assembly 22 April 2016

## Academic

### International Math Competition

Nivar Rajoo and Thomas Warner have been selected to be part of the Grade 10 team to represent South Africa at the International Mathematics Competition in Thailand in August this year. This is an outstanding achievement and they have been rewarded for their efforts by excelling in two rounds of rigorous International Mathematics Assessments to gain their place.

## Cultural

### Debating/Public Speaking

#### World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships

Bishops had four boys in the national team of 14 who participated in the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships, hosted by Shady Side Academy in Pittsburgh this year. In addition, Bishops took two additional boys along for development/training who competed on a “friendly” basis.

The four official team members were Alex Peile (2nd time), Giuseppe Guerandi (2nd time), Mitchell Christy and Troy Horrell. The development boys were Nikolaos Tapanlis and Nicholas Peile.

The students had 8 days of competition covering four categories: Prepared Speech, Impromptu Speech, Interpretive Reading and Parliamentary Debate over two rounds each, excluding a final and grand final round. At the end, out of 128 competitors, South Africa had 2 students in the top 10, and 7 students in the top 25, with Alexander Peile being the top Bishops competitor at 21st overall. All of the 4 official Bishops contenders placed in the top 45, which is a very strong overall set of results.

**Mitchell Christy** was placed first in the After Dinner Speech category - a very fine performance indeed.

The two development boys held their own as well. Nikolaos Tapanlis ranked 28th overall and Nicholas Peile, the youngest member of the SA group, was the highest-ranked South African in the Impromptu Speech Category ending in joint 10th place with 3 other competitors,

including the overall world champion. A very impressive performance by these two young men, and are looking good for Nationals in Durban in October this year.

## **Sport**

### **Rowing**

This season has been the best season Bishops has ever enjoyed and it is thus fitting to award the highest colours award possible. The crew came first in South Africa at the Buffalo Regatta, won the Selborne Sprints and took second place at SA Champs by 0,23 seconds as an open VIII.

It is with great pleasure that I award the following boys full colours for Rowing:  
Preston Thomas, Jonathan Rossouw, Sven Wellman, Jean Pienaar, Michael Peter, Christopher Mewett, Stephane Pienaar, Christopher Gruber and James Faure.

### **Squash**

No fewer than 17 Bishops players entered the Western Province Open Squash Tournament held at WPCC from 7th – 9th April. Congratulations to Glenn Yates and Greg Medcalf on winning the gold medals in the Under 19 and Under 14 events respectively. Also to Jono Greyling and Adam Morkel on their silver medals.

The results for the Bishops players are as follows:

Under 19: Glenn Yates 1<sup>st</sup>, Ibrahim Kerbelker 10<sup>th</sup>, Mitesh Valodia 18<sup>th</sup> and Roch De Mey 20<sup>th</sup>.

Under 16: Jonathan Greyling 2<sup>nd</sup>, Charlie Yates 4<sup>th</sup>, Brandon Snider 9<sup>th</sup>, Timothy Wright 12<sup>th</sup>, Nicholas Gleeson 18<sup>th</sup>, Kenua Vith 20<sup>th</sup>, Ross Tudhope 26<sup>th</sup>, Gregor Bell 29<sup>th</sup> and Tristan Smith 30<sup>th</sup>.

Under 14: Gregory Medcalf 1<sup>st</sup>, Adam Morkel 2<sup>nd</sup>, Luke Shuttleworth 6<sup>th</sup> and David Boyes 12<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations to all those who took part.

## **General**

### **All Rounders Tie**

Theodore Psillos is to be congratulated on being awarded an All Rounder's Tie.

## **13 Year Tie Awards**

Congratulations to the following boys who are awarded their 13 Year Tie:

Redwald Aspinall, Keagan Baard, Luke Baker, Jonathan Bassett, Jake Beachy Head, Ned Brake, Dylan Burke, Devon Campleman, Matthew Clayton, Byron Cranswick, Leo Davis, Hloni Dornford-May, Cameron Glynn-Dicks, Dylan Goliath, Andrew Gowar, Tristan Hermans, Jason Hofmeyr, Jeremy Hudson, Christopher Hyslop, Boyd Kane, Simon Kilpin, Marcus Knight, Mattheus Kuhn, Robert Lancefield, Timothy Langerman, Rory Macgregor, Christopher Mailer, Raziq Majal, Harry Makin, Christopher Mitchell, James Mitchell, Philip Morkel-Brink, Evan Pandiani, Alexander Peile, Matthew Perrott, Nikolai Piotrowski, Sebastian Prentice, Nicholas Proudfoot, Dylan Rowell, Nicolas Rubin, Julien Schlebusch, Thabo Sebola, Brett Sneddon, Francois Stassen, Benjamin Steyn, Preston Thomas, Daniel Van Der Valk, Alexandros Vavatzanidis, Alexander Williams and Matthew Wray.

## **Mitchell Christy Comedy Show**

Mitchell Christy will be hosting a stand-up comedy show tomorrow night (the 23rd). The show is in aid of the Jenna Lowe Trust, an organization that raises awareness and funds to support Pulmonary Hypertension, Organ Transplantation and Rare Diseases in South Africa.

Not only will Mitchell be performing a stand-up comedy routine, he will also be joined on stage by Matt Clayton, who will be singing.

Tickets are R40 each, and can be bought at the door, or reserved for guaranteed entrance through contacting Mitchell via email or social media.

The show runs from 7pm until 9pm in the Memorial Theatre and it promises to be a spectacular, laughter-filled evening!