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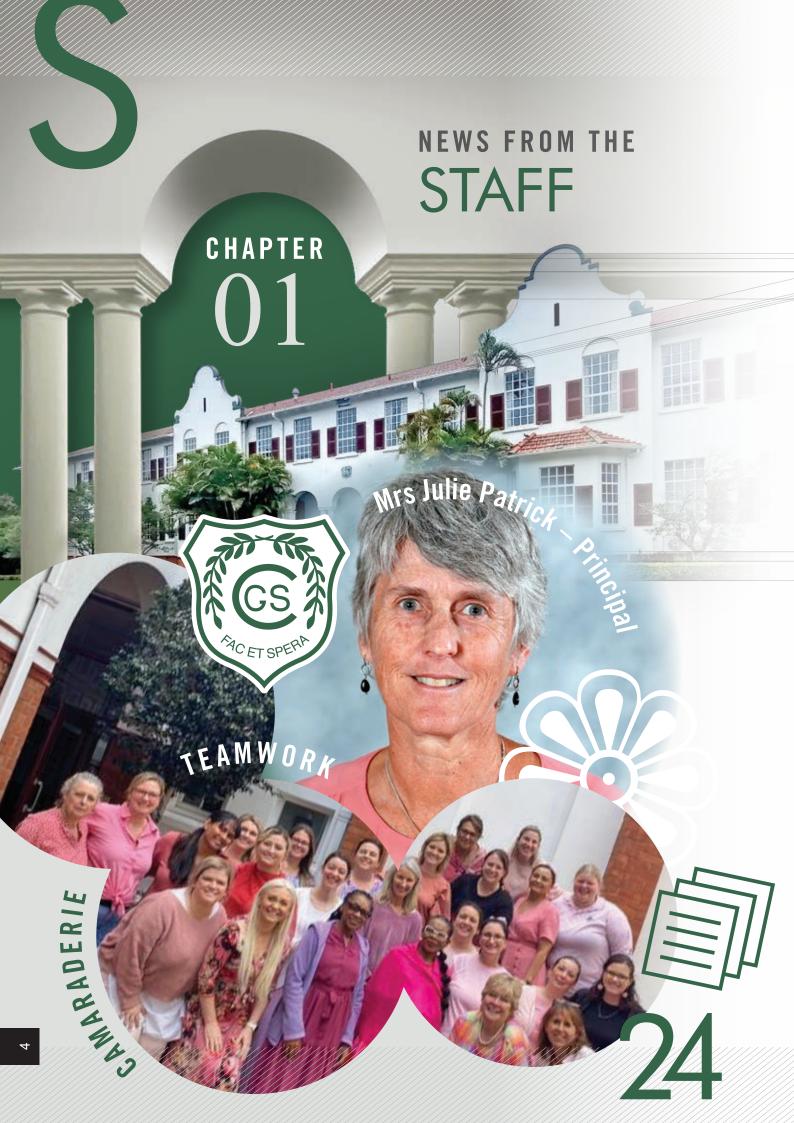
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# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

My dear Clarendon Students, Staff, Parents, Old Girls and Friends of the school:

024 - the year of #Pushina the Puzzle, a very busy and successful year in the history of our school. We created a Sunflower mural outside Room 15 to which every girl in the school contributed. A masterpiece was created, that will remind us of 2024 for the next few years. Sunflowers turn towards the sunlight, and at Clarendon our sisterhood is our sunlight. This mural is a wonderful symbol of our Clarendon sisterhood. and our emphasis on respecting each other as individuals, and celebrating each person's talents and achievements.

2024 has been a year of progress, passion, purpose, and pride in our school and this magazine highlights just how busy we are and the many and varied opportunities on offer at our great school.

Leadership is key to our vison and mission at Clarendon and we believe our girls-only environment allows every learner to become confident and have a voice. This prayer for leaders by Irish Poet, *John O'Donohue*, has been our guide in 2024. We aim always to lead wisely and with our school values close to our hearts

Mrs Julie Patrick PRINCIPAL

May you have the grace and wisdom
To act kindly, learning
To distinguish between what is
Personal and what is not.

May you be hospitable to criticism.

May you never put yourself at the centre of things.

May you act not from arrogance but out of service.

May you work on yourself Building up and refining the ways of your mind.

May you learn to cultivate the art of presence In order to engage with those who meet you.

When someone fails or disappoints you May the graciousness with which you engage Be their stairway to renewal and refinement.

May you treasure the gifts of the mind
Through reading and creative thinking
So that you continue to be a servant of the frontier
Where the new will draw its enrichment from the old,
And you never become a functionary.

May you know the wisdom of deep listening, The healing of wholesome words, The encouragement of the appreciative gaze, The decorum of held dignity, The springtime of the bleak question.

May you have a mind that loves frontiers So that you can evoke the bright fields That lie beyond the view of the regular eye.

> May you have good friends To mirror your blind spots.

May leadership (and your five year journey at Clarendon)
be for you
A true adventure of growth.

# STAFF MESSAGE

wenty Twenty-Four started rather mildly in terms of the proverbial "HR revolving-door", compared to the last five years, which saw the exodus of retirees and a general destabilization of the work place world-wide. Education is still very much a face-to-face dominant sector, and a settling of educator staff is most welcomed.

In January, we welcomed Ms Janique Klingelhoeffer from Selborne College "across the way" and Mrs Farrentina Mopp from Dale College. Both Educators are Old Girls of our school and were part of the Class of 2006. Mrs Mopp's interest in learning support makes her a valuable asset in the Life Orientation Department, anad most especially in her role of managing the Concessions venues. Although she has had to adapt rapidly to our systems, including electronic readers and

the like, she has ably transitioned into this role.

Mrs Klingelhoeffer joins the English Department and has also seamlessly taken over the reigns as Head Coach of the Clarendon Rowing Club. This is no mean task, given that the East London Boating Association's fickle lease agreement at the Buffalo River has placed our Rowing Club's home in a state of uncertainty.

Coupled with the greater demands of teaching English Home Language, Ms Klingelhoeffer has navigated her first year with calm and poise. So much so

that she won the confidence of the SGB and earned a highly sort after...wait for it...

Although Mrs Heather Wetmore retired in 2023, she remained in her teaching post until a suitable candidate could be appointed. At the start of Term 2, Mrs Kirsten Leibach joined our staff as the Head of Consumer Studies. Clarendon is unique in its processes and every new recruit navigates a gauntlet-like first year as they are expected to hit the ground running in the classroom. Entering a school system and taking over classes five weeks before the mid-year exams is a tough task for any Educator, and equally so for the girls in those classes. Adapting to a new teaching style and, as is only human, being resistant to change, creates an awkward space for the Educator as she also attempts to adapt and deal with sudden change. In a seemingly stoic manner, Mrs Leibach rolled up her sleeves and got to work, ensuring that the Consumer Studies crank kept

Outside of the classroom, the impact of our newly appointed Marketing Coordinator in July, Mrs Nicole Sieberhagen, has been a splash of freshness on the face of our community. Clarendon High School for Girls is a busy school with a wide range of offerings. At the core, our school boasts an amazing collection of girls, who demonstrate talents that are second to none, and keeping our community abreast of these delightful young women's antics and achievements, is truly a full-time job. Mrs Sieberhagen joined us from the private sector, scooped up an open-ended portfolio





of duties with the enthusiasm of a Gauteng child arriving at the beach for the first time, and has kept those boilers running hot with in-your-face news, reports, handles, reels and other stuff on digital platforms, like Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn and more. There's a quip that goes, "If its not on Insta, it didn't happen". Well it did, and it is ... and If you're following our pages, then you're probably not as dangerously gullible and naive as that person at the braai who once said, "Did you hear that Clarendon...[insert unintelligent fake news here]." Follow, like, and get the low-down about the best choice a parent could make in schools for their daughter...as it is! We look forward to so much more development in this space.

Further to these arrivals, Clarendon High for Girls was delighted to receive the news of two of our Educators being promoted to state-appointed Heads of Department, after the retirement and resignation of Mrs Heather Wetmore and Ms Anne Smith respectively, in 2023. The two promotions include our newly appointed English Teacher, Ms Janique Klingelhoeffer (ta daa, there it is) and Mrs Hellen Smit. Again, both Educators are Old Girls. Mrs Smit is well known for her roles as the Head of the History Department, the Head of Grade 11 and the Head of the RCL and is therefore no stranger to all things leadership in our prestigious school. Most notably, they both add youth to the existing Senior Management Team and will significantly diversify the bigger SMT brain, as it were. A wellknown Team-based principle is, "If a Leadership Team of 10 always agrees, that team has 9 too many." We look forward to progressive and relevant discussions and decision-making as these two women step up and Take the Lead in our Changing World.

Also on promotions,
Afrikaans FAL and English HL
Subject Heads, Mev Hayley
Lottering and Mr Byron Mountfort,
were both appointed to the
National NSC Examination
Board. We regard these
appointments as a double-win for

Clarendon, as these Educators provide a service to the country's education system and gain valuable insights into the National Language examinations, which can then percolate directly into our language classrooms.

Professional Development includes the practice of one's skills outside of the classroom, both related and unrelated to education itself. Ms Angela Kobus and Miss Joy Sparg of our incredibly talented and passionate Music Department. performed at the Guild Theatre in July in the production, "My Favourite Things: A Vocal Recital", presented by Onaipo Productions, showcasing their extraordinary talent, which is available to the girls of Clarendon High School.

Soft skills like resilience are developed and amplified in the peripheral channels of an educator's life. In developing resilience, there is nothing more apt than running the Two Oceans and Comrades Marathons, completed by Mrs Kirsten Leibach and Mrs Julie Patrick respectively. In fact, Mrs

Patrick has now completed her 12<sup>th</sup> Comrades Marathon, a feat that is extraordinary in its own right, let alone as a by-and-by in amongst the very busy schedule that is being Principal one of the top Girls' Schools in the country.

As demonstrated, the commitment of our teachers extends beyond the borders of the campus and is sometimes also infused within the brewings of our staffroom. It was a delight to have had two staff members tie the proverbial knot, in June this year. Mrs Lynda Still, formerly Mrs Volker, and Mr Jason Still were married, creating much

excitement in their classrooms and the staffroom itself. Added to that, Ms Sibulele Gqibani, in October, became engaged to her husband-to-be, Mr Zukisa Solo, amongst much fanfare. And so, the former Mrs Volker is no longer, but she is Still; and the present Miss Gqibani is to become Solo, but also not. It's complicated! We wish both couples a most wonderful future together.

Speaking of the future, to 2025 and beyond...

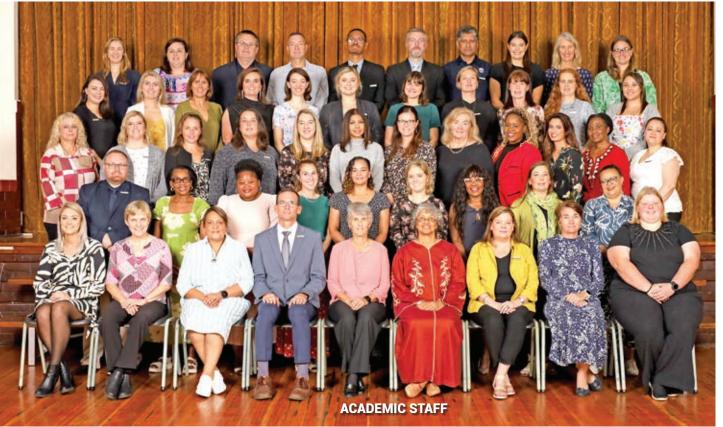
Mr Kelvin Herman DEPUTY PRINCIPAL











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Ms N van Wyk, Mrs M Wiseman

4<sup>TH</sup> ROW: Ms C van Zyl, Mrs R Hobbs, Mrs A Haschick, Ms J Klingelhoeffer, Ms J Sparg, Ms A Daines, Ms B Matthis, Mrs H Smit,

Mrs P Grant, Mrs L Still (Volker), Ms E Cloete

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Ms N September, Ms A Griffin, Ms B Xhala, Mrs F Mopp

2<sup>ND</sup> ROW: Mr T Roberson, Ms A Dunga, Ms S Gqibani, Ms J Theron, Ms G Bhana, Mrs D Blane, Ms Z Mazaleni, Mrs M Schultz,

Mrs J Smouse

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Mrs R Del Fava (SMT), Ms L McCoy (SMT), Mrs L Nel (SMT), Ms C Hempel



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Sport), Mrs M Crossman (Kiosk Manager)

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Mrs L Naidoo (Financial Manager), Mrs B Slabber (Principal's PA)

ABSENT: Mrs A Kieck (Finance Officer)

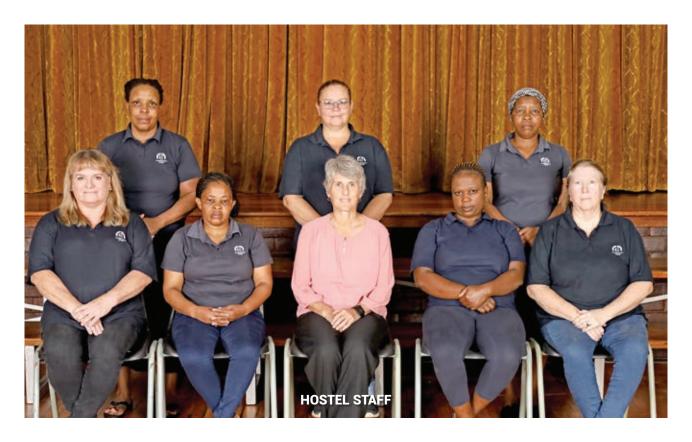


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MIDDLE: Ms A Langa, Mr T Nongwe, Mr E Fanti, Mr S Phakade, Ms N Jako

FRONT: Ms S Gola, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), Mr B Noqayi (Assistant Manager), Mr S Puchert (Estate Manager), Ms E Menziwa

ABSENT: Mr I September



**BACK:** Ms NG Dywili, Mrs J Potgieter, Mrs N Mzini

FRONT: Mrs S Whittal, Ms N Toli, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), Ms N Jwaai, Mrs L Kruger

ABSENT: Mrs NL Nikelo

## STAFF WITH THEIR DAUGHTERS











# STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

PRINCIPAL			
Mrs J Patrick	B.A.(HMS), HDE	Social Sciences	
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL			
Mr K Herman	B.Sc, PGCE, B.Ed (Hons)	Life Sciences, Natural Sciences	
HEADS OF DEPARTMENT			
<ul> <li>Ms J Klingelhoeffer</li> <li>Miss A J Kobus</li> <li>Mrs H V Lottering</li> <li>Mrs L McCoy</li> <li>Mrs L Nel</li> <li>Mrs H Smit</li> </ul>	M.A. (English)		
GRADE TUTORS			
<ul><li>Mrs R Hobbs</li><li>Mrs A Haschick</li></ul>	B.Ed B.A.(Ed.) HMS		
TEACHERS			
<ul> <li>Mrs D Allderman</li> <li>Miss C Bekker</li> <li>Ms G Bhana</li> <li>Ms E-J Cloete</li> <li>Ms A Daines</li> </ul>	HDE (Home Ec) Sec	Tourism (Head), Consumer StudiesMathematics, Natural Sciences, Life Sciences n)EnglishCreative Arts, MusicDramatic Arts (Head), Creative Arts,Life Orientation	
<ul> <li>Mrs D Allderman</li> <li>Miss C Bekker</li> <li>Ms G Bhana</li> <li>Ms E-J Cloete</li> <li>Ms A Daines</li> <li>Ms A Dunga</li> <li>Mr M Fourie</li> <li>Ms S Gqibani</li> <li>Mrs P Grant</li> <li>Ms C Hempel</li> <li>Ms C Hookins</li> <li>Mr A P Koshy</li> <li>Mrs K Leibach</li> <li>Ms B Matthis</li> <li>Ms Z Mazaleni</li> <li>Mrs F Mopp</li> <li>Mr B Mountfort</li> <li>Mr M Orsmond</li> </ul>	HDE (Home Ec) Sec	Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Life Sciences n)EnglishCreative Arts, MusicDramatic Arts (Head), Creative Arts,	

<ul> <li>Ms N Ryder</li> <li>Mrs C Schmidt</li> <li>Mrs M Schultz</li> <li>Ms N September</li> <li>Mrs J Smouse</li> <li>Mr J Still</li> <li>Mrs L Still</li> <li>Mrs L Still</li> <li>Mrs S van Dyk</li> <li>Mrs C van Zyl</li> <li>Mrs K Venter</li> <li>Mrs M Wiseman</li> <li>Ms B Xhala</li> </ul>	B.Comm; Hons. (Journ); PGC B.A. (Hons); PGCE B.A.; PGCE I.S.E.; Int. Ad. Dip. Bus B.Sc; HDE B.Mus (Hons); PGCE B.Comm (Hons); PGCE B.Sc. B.Sc.; PGCE B.Ed; FET B.A.; PGCE B.A. (Hons); PGCE B.A.; HDE	
COMPUTER	CENTRE	
<ul> <li>Ms N September</li> </ul>	I.S.E.; Int. Ad. Dip. Bus	Information TechnologyIT Systems AdministratorIT Technician
SOCIAL WO	ORKER	
Mrs L McCoy	M. Soc. Sci. (Legal Social Wo	rk) Social Worker, Life Orientation
OFFICE STA	FF	
Admissions Secretary Reception and Events C Finance Office	o-ordinator	
Recreation Centre Supe Sports and Cultural Adm Printroom Operator	inistrators	
ESTATE STAF	FF	
Assistant Manager Staff	Mr E Fanti, Ms S Gola, Mr	S Gwama, Ms N Jako, Ms A Langa, Ms E Menziwa, Notiti, Mr S Phakade, Mr I September, Mr B Tanana
HOSTEL STA	AFF	
Staff	Mrs J Potgieter	(Catering) (Jan-Mar), Mrs L Kruger (Housekeeping), vili, Ms N Mzini, Ms L Nikelo, Ms N Toli, Ms N Xanga



## SGB CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

s the Chairperson of the School Governing Body (SGB), it is my privilege to present the End of Year Report for 2024. The role of the SGB in our school is vital, ensuring effective governance, oversight, and strategic direction. Our primary aim is to support the school in achieving its mission and providing a nurturing environment for our students.

In March 2024, a new SGB was elected for a three-year term. Our mandate is to build upon the solid foundation established by previous governing bodies, ensuring continuous improvement and adaptation to the evolving educational landscape.

We are proud to report that the effectiveness of the SGB is measured using the standardized SGB functionality tool, where we achieved an impressive score of 97%. This score reflects our commitment to fulfilling all assigned responsibilities with diligence and transparency.

The SGB convenes formally on a termly basis, while sub-committees meet as needed to address specific areas of focus.

#### **Sub-Committees Established:**

Finance Committee (FinComm)

- Mr Ross Kelly is Chair with the help of Mrs Caryn Boëttger and Financial Manager, Mrs Lerusha Naidoo
- Monthly meetings are held to manage the current budget effectively. We successfully approved the 2025 budget on 18 September 2024.

#### Legal Matters

 We are fortunate to have three attorneys on our SGB: Mr Lwazi Dedeka, Mrs Mary-Anne Jamieson, and Mr Matthew Yazbek. Their expertise is invaluable in handling disciplinary matters, providing legal advice on contracts, and reviewing school policies. Notably, the BELA Act was signed this year and is pending ratification by Parliament. We are closely monitoring all implications for our school.

Infrastructure Management

- Led by the dynamic Mr
  Kreason Naidoo, along with
  Deputy Head, Mr Kelvin
  Herman. There is constant
  work needed in upgrading
  our classrooms, buildings and
  campus.
- We are thrilled to announce that the construction of our new Multi-Purpose Hall is underway, scheduled for completion at the start of the 2025 academic year. This facility has been a longterm vision and will enhance our campus significantly, accommodating large assemblies, prizegiving events, and indoor physical education activities, including Basketball, Netball, and Hockey.

#### Marketing

 Mrs Mariaan Hartwig has excelled in promoting Clarendon, adapting our marketing strategies for the ever-changing landscape. To bolster our efforts, we have hired a full-time Marketing Coordinator, Mrs Nicole Sieberhagen, who is enhancing our daily marketing initiatives.

#### **Human Resources**

 Under the guidance of Mrs Jamieson, the HR Committee is focused on staff recruitment, development, and remuneration. We are committed to ensuring our school is staffed with qualified educators and robust administrative support.

The SGB and School Management Team (SMT) have collaborated to refine our **Strategic Vision Pillars**, which



**Mr Robin Knott** 

guide our initiatives and priorities:

- Academic Excellence and Staff Development
- · Sport and Healthy Lifestyle
- · Cultural and Service
- Community and Institutional Development
- Marketing and Fundraising
- Infrastructure and Development
- Technology and IT
- · Pupil Welfare
- · Human Resources

The three Clarendon Schools' SGB's also meet on a termly basis. All schools are constantly working together to improve our extensive campus. Our facilities are fantastic with the Astro, the only FINA-accredited pool in East London, as well as the start being made on a new Multi-Purpose Hall. The old swimming pool has now been converted into a lovely green space for the students to use in free time.

As we conclude 2024, I would like to express my gratitude to all SGB members, Staff, and the broader school community for their dedication and support. Together, we are creating a thriving environment for our students and preparing them for future success. We look forward to another productive year ahead as we continue to enhance and build upon our achievements.

Mr Robin Knott SGB CHAIRPERSON

## NEW MULTI-PURPOSE HALL





## SGB MEMBERS 2024

#### **PRINCIPAL**

Mrs J A Patrick

#### **PARENTS**

Mrs C Boëttger

Mrs C Booyens, (Secretary)

Mr L Dekeda

Mrs M Hartwig

Mrs M-A Jamieson

Mr R Kelly

Mr R Knott, (Chairperson)

Mr K Naidoo

Mr M Yazbek

#### **EDUCATORS**

Mr K Herman

Mr M Orsmond

Mrs S van Dyk

#### **NON-EDUCATORS**

Mrs S Renton (Co-Opted: Admin Secretary)

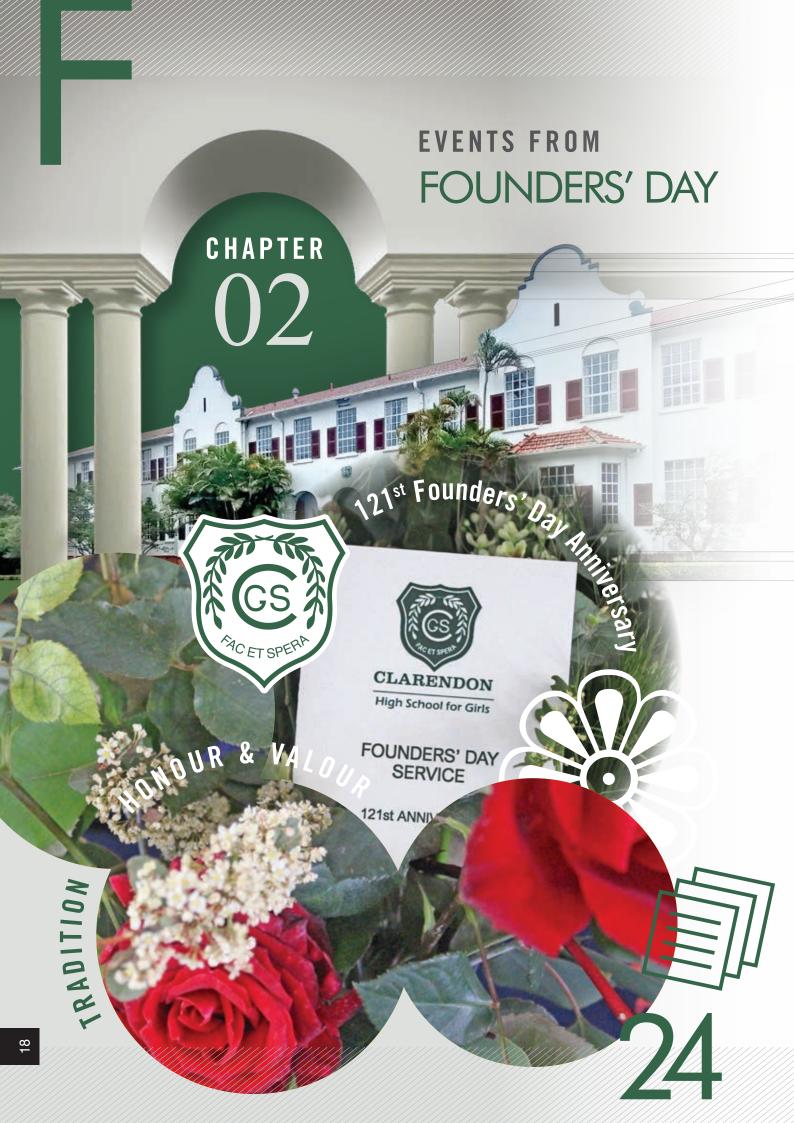
Mrs B Slabber, (Secretary)

#### LEARNERS/RCL

Kaitlyn Hayward

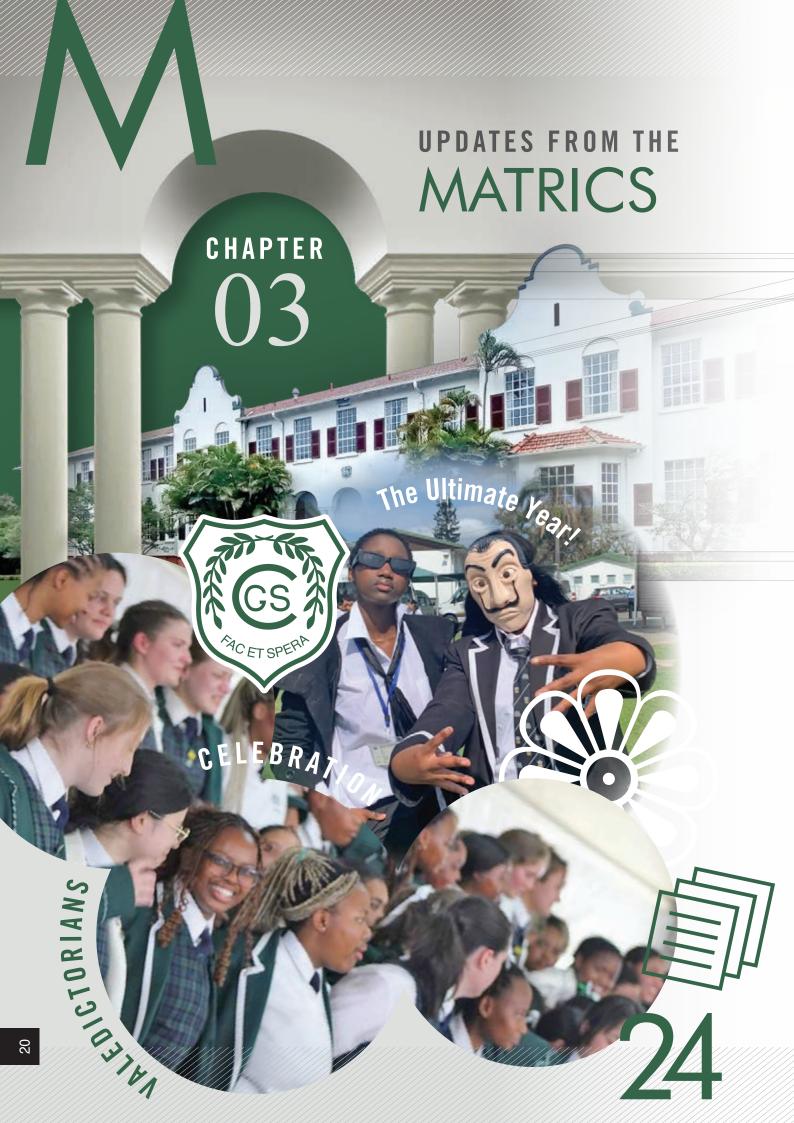
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Lihle Bushet



## FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATION





## GRADE 12s

#### **GRADE TUTOR:**

Ms N van Wyk

#### **ASSISTANT TUTOR:**

12.5 - Mrs L Still (Volker)

#### **CLASS TEACHERS:**

12.1 - Ms A Dunga

12.2 – Mr A Koshv

12.3 – Mr B Mountfort

12.4 - Ms K Venter

ow the year has flown and how proud we are of our Matrics. They have really set the tone as the Seniors in our school.

At the end of the first term, a special assembly was shared with the Grade 4s, where they were presented with their school ties, as a new addition to their uniform. Each tie had a little message pinned to it, welcoming them to the Clarendon Sisterhood.

The highlight of Term 2 was undoubtedly the Matric Dance. Looking like fairy-tale princesses they stepped into the world of 'Once upon a Time' and what an enchanted evening it was!

The Preppie Assembly, Primary School visit, 40 Days and the Valedictory Service were all functions marking the end of school for the Class of 2024.

Despite the flurry of excitement and activities and achievements in so many spheres, the girls have also applied themselves to their studies and reaped the rewards of very good results, as shown in their achievements at the annual Prizegiving in October.

We are proud of them all and look forward to hearing of their success in the future.



# FROM THE HEAD GIRL



"Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much." – Helen Keller

It is a true honour to say that in 2024, we have pieced together an incredible Masterpiece. I am so proud of each student who wholeheartedly embraced this theme. A special 'Big Sister, Little Sister' program, pairing each Grade 8 learner with a Grade 12 mentor. This initiative created a deep and meaningful connection between the two grades, as we grew alongside and supported each other throughout the year. We also welcomed our Grade 4 sisters from the Primary School for a special Tie Ceremony, where each Grade 4 received

ow! What an extraordinary journey 2024 has been! It seems like just yesterday we proudly earned the privilege to ascend the steps and walk through the front doors, beginning our Matric Year. Now, we step out through those very same doors, as empowered, confident, and fearless young women — ready to embrace the challenges ahead and make our mark on the world.

Our success is a testament to Clarendon High School for Girls. Clarendon is not just an institution; it's a sisterhood where lifelong bonds are formed, a legacy that inspires, and a community that consistently strives for excellence in every endeavour, from academics and sports to culture and beyond. The opportunities here are endless, and so are the memories.

This was the driving inspiration behind the Grade 12 RCL members choosing the theme #PushingP — Pushing the Puzzle. Though we may seem like individual, separate pieces, together we form a puzzle that not only reflects the strength of our sisterhood but also highlights the unique talents each learner contributes to the overall magnificent image that is The Clarendon Masterpiece.



mention, however, goes to the Matric Class of 2024, for their unwavering commitment, seizing every opportunity, and creating a sisterhood that is truly one of a kind.

Over the past year, the Matrics have focused on strengthening our sisterhood, not just among ourselves but extending across the entire Clarendon community, including the youngest learners in Grade 00.

Building on the foundation set in 2023, we continued the

their first tie and walked through the passages with a Matric sister, catching a glimpse of the journey ahead.

In keeping with this spirit of sisterhood, the Matric class revived the tradition of returning to the Primary School to say a final goodbye. Walking through the familiar halls and reconnecting with our past was a truly special moment, especially sharing it with the Grade 7s, as it showcased the lasting sisterhood that Clarendon truly embodies.

Of course, we also had to

return to the Prep! Visiting the Preparatory School was a truly heartwarming experience. The familiar scent of the classrooms, coupled with the presence of our youngest sisters, took us back to our joyful Preppie days. Receiving our final merit pencil marked the occasion and felt like placing the last few pieces of the





The Matrics have engaged fully in an overwhelmingly busy year, as we have balanced a wide range of commitments, from Derby Days and extramurals to Cultural activities and our many other commitments. Yet, amidst this whirlwind, we have truly soared, embracing the challenges with enthusiasm and excitement, introducing several firsts along the way! Notably we pulled off a surprise flash mob to 'Dancing Queen' at the Matric Dance, where the entire grade took to the floor, leaving the staff in awe. Additionally, we included the staff in our 40 Days celebrations, engaging in an intense game of 'Tug of War' and

'Musical Chairs', which resulted in the Matrics being crowned champions! We also celebrated our last first day back after the holidays with our inaugural Matric Movie Night, where we enjoyed watching *Grown Ups 2*, belted out karaoke favourites, and created a Hall of Fame in the passage, featuring photos of each Matric girl in Grade 1 and now in Grade 12. These are just a few of the unforgettable moments that truly reflect the vibrant spirit of the Class of 2024.

As I look back on our extraordinary journey, it is essential to acknowledge the guiding lights who have paved the way for our success — our remarkable teachers. Thank you for your unwavering support, dedication, and belief in our potential.

Additionally, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated Ground Staff and Administration Staff. Thank you for your tireless efforts and steadfast commitment to our school. We are immensely grateful for everything you do behind the scenes.

In closing, let us all commit to upholding the values of our 2024 theme in the years to come, ensuring we continue to enhance the beauty and complexity of Clarendon's Masterpiece!

puzzle, signifying how each moment has contributed to the full picture of our journey at Clarendon.

From the days when we were little girls, excited to receive merit pencils, to now, where we stand with multiple Honours recipients and South African representatives, our journey has been nothing short of extraordinary. I am truly humbled to have served as the Head Girl of 2024, leading such a phenomenal group of young women.



### REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL OF LEARNERS

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Mrs L McCoy

#### **TEACHER-LINKS:**

Mrs H Smit, Ms S Gqibani

#### **RCL EXECUTIVE**

Head Girl - Kaitlin Hayward

Deputy Head Girl -Ufez'isiphosoxolo Mbilini

Secretary - Lihle Bushet

he 2024 RCL had a fantastic year under the sound leadership of Kaitlyn Hayward, Ufez'isiphosoxolo Mbilini and Lihle Bushet. Kaitlyn and Lihle attended the 1st Grade 8 Orientation camp at Hobbiton in Hogsback. This allowed the RCL Executive time to get to know the Grade 8 group before school started.

Kaitlyn and the Grade 12 RCL wanted to instil a sense of Clarrie pride and filtered through everything that the RCL did this year and brought the 2024 Matric class and the whole school together. The theme aimed at getting some of the smaller things right, such as uniform, but also extended to greater projects looking after student wellbeing with the Wellness Hour.

The RCL this year proved to be





BACK: R Mosoang, L Ntshele, D Knott, S Harms, I Kaptein, D Muller, H James, L Genu.

3<sup>RD</sup> **ROW:** C Bizana, A Kobese, K Mnyaka, M Mbaye, L Fletcher, S Miza, L Bijal, I Ntshele, H Viviers.

2ND ROW: L Dudumashe, H Hattingh, C Johannes, Z Makati, M Ntupanyana, P Wang, L Ganyile, A Kumar, Z Mquqo.

L Nontshinga, Ms S Gribani (T-L), LI Mbilini (Deputy Head Girl) Mrs. J Patrick (Principal), K Hayward (Head

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(T-L), L Bushet (Secretary) Mrs L McCoy (TIC), Y Mahlati.



a well-knit, dynamic group with lots of ideas and passion for their theme. From pupils with strong sporting backgrounds, to excellence in culture and academics, our team truly had it all and were able to embrace their differences and support the school in their leadership roles.

The RCL drove some smaller projects throughout the year, from making and delivering birthday cards to Clarendon staff, to creating a fun bathroom poster drive to improve bathroom etiquette and placing affirmation posters in meaningful spaces around the school.

In the hopes of building a stronger sisterhood and presence with our Preparatory and Primary School, the Grade 10 RCL team came up with the idea of interviewing some of our Preppie and Primary sisters to find out more about their experiences at Clarendon. These fun videos were a-laugh-

a-minute and a great way to bridge the gap between our three schools, thus #PushingThePuzzle beyond our high school campus. The Grade 11 RCL Team drove the idea of creating a school Mascot, which will hopefully be ready for the 2025 Derby season. This group showed skill, organisation and determination to get this project off the ground and into action. From seeking quotes, to coming up with strategies to solve problems of what it will be and what it will be called. We look forward to the unveiling of this Mascot next year - #PushingThePuzzle to centralise spirit at Clarendon.

Some of the bigger projects that the RCL drove were the RCL Wellness Hour, the Founders' Day Sunflower and RCL 67 Minutes for Women. The Wellness Hour in Term 2 was organised for pupils and staff with the purpose to give everyone a chance to rest







and recharge before the Mid-Year Examinations started. Everyone had the chance to sign up for a chosen activity which ranged from High Low Dancing (a favourite of Ms September), to Yoga under the trees (a favourite of Mrs Del Fava), Outdoor Games, Reading, Board Games, Crochet and many more. The Matrics enjoyed a tea organised by Mrs Renton under the trees at the Tennis Courts. This huge event was very successful and we hope to repeat it again in 2025 and possibly make it longer than 1 hour in length.

The Founders' Day Sunflower was another project to fulfil the theme of #PushingThePuzzle. The main aim of the Sunflower was to build unity within the school. Each person was given a small piece of white card with the outline of a sunflower and asked to decorate it with colour, design, quotes and verses. These small sunflowers were all placed on the wall outside Room 15 to make a larger Sunflower Mural. Thank you to Hannah James, our RCL member who was creative in her strategies to draw the general outline of the Sunflower onto the wall. We look forward to adding onto this Sunflower mural in the coming years and hope that its message of unity lasts many years on the outer walls of the school building.

The 67 Minutes for Women was one of the 2024 RCL's last campaigns which took place in Term 3. It extended its scope by working alongside the Interact Club to ensure the success of this final project. It combined two important days in our















proudly South African calendar - Women's Day and Mandela Day. Pupils were asked to donate toiletry items such as pads, deodorants, tooth brushes and soaps. Our drive sought to continue the bond between Clarendon and Noncedo Combined School. We delivered enough sanitary packs to the Grade 11 and 12 girls at Noncedo, which will hopefully make their end-of-year exams more comfortable.

Ufez'isiphosoxolo Mbilini, our Deputy Head Girl, led with her heart, always endeavouring to be the voice of those who were not heard or could not speak for themselves. Her diplomatic leadership style was memorable, seeking to guide heated conversations in the right direction. Lihle Bushet, as RCL Secretary, will always be remembered for her happy smile and willingness to help out where the need arose.

The school and Mrs Patrick were so proud of Kaitlyn's sound leadership that she was awarded Honours for Leadership of the school, at the beginning of Term 4. Kaitlyn's organisation and attention to detail was constant. The duties of a Head Girl are varied and very time-consuming. Kaitlyn was able to juggle sport, public speaking and academic excellence, while performing and exceeding her role as Head Girl. She went above and beyond to lead the RCL and the school, and showed qualities of maturity and delegation. Kaitlyn's legacy in the RCL, and the school at large, will be an example to many Clarendon Head Girls for years to come.

### **GRADE 12 CLASSES**



T Strydom, J Arnold, I Odendaal, G Morrell. S Notununu **BACK:** 

3RD ROW: J Frachet, A Cengani, L Genu, J Langley, A Smit, T Dakada, S Naidoo

2<sup>ND</sup> ROW:

O Nyombolo, P Wang, L Ndungane, T Nxumalo, N Pietersen, J Goldblum, G van der Westhuizen, L Gcume A Mngese, Mrs N van Wyk (Grade Tutor), R Zuzani, Ms A Dunga (CT), B Daka, Mrs L Still (Assistant Grade Tutor), M Geduld FRONT:

**ABSENT:** K Hayward (Inset)



J Bushell, G Mc Clure, P Gulle, C Terblanche, J Sephton BACK:

3RD ROW:

2<sup>ND</sup> ROW:

A Myataza, D Adkins, W Gqoli, D Knott, Z Maneli, L Tyikana, M van Aardt
P Songo, N K Tantsi, O Vazi, L Tengwa, L Bushet, E Lutge, Z Capkey, L Mhambi, A Base
L Skeyi, Mrs N van Wyk (Grade Tutor), S Long, Mr AP Koshy (Class Teacher), J Simons, Mrs L Stll (Assistant Grade FRONT:

Tutor), B Sizani

### **GRADE 12 CLASSES**



BACK: A Kretzmann, L Matloporo, M Tiltman, I Kaptein, K Labuschagne

3<sup>RD</sup> ROW: D North, S Miza, O Kanzi, K Hatley, J Albertyn, M Trappler, K Mdokwana
2<sup>ND</sup> ROW: S Marimo, Z De Beer, A Ntsebeza, L Matiwane, I Ntshele, S Mpendu, L N

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 FRONT: S Nyangiwe, Mrs N van Wyk (Grade Tutor), Z Mkize, Mr B Mountfort (Class Teacher), K Mbilini, Mrs L Still (Assistant

Grade Tutor), Q Mandibonge



BACK: L Ngamntwini, T Alexander, E Bedser, R Webb, J Koch, A Woodin, E Gyan U Malolo, A De Lange, L Fletcher, M Klopper, G Yazbek, M Mbaye, G Smith U Manina, S Jaji, E Buso, O Kamana, L Goqwana, N Mbutuma, B Ntelezi

FRONT: Z Mona, Mrs N van Wyk (Grade Tutor), N Moletsane, Mrs K Venter (Class Teacher), D Anthony, Mrs L Still (Assistant

Grade Tutor), B Daka

### **GRADE 12 CLASSES**



BACK: U Dodo, J Timothy, T Voke, C Lugo Fernandez, H James

3<sup>rd</sup> ROW: 2<sup>nd</sup> ROW: V Lavisa, A Ncanywa, N Jele, I Weber, S Maqubela, K Bala, I Arosi U Mbilini, K Willis, J Saffy, A Ndabambi, J Ristow, L Bolana, R Naidoo

FRONT: L Mapoma, A Mtshemla, Mrs N van Wyk (Tutor), C Higgs, Mrs L Still (Volker) (Class Teacher & Asst. Tutor), A Hlamvana, B Booi

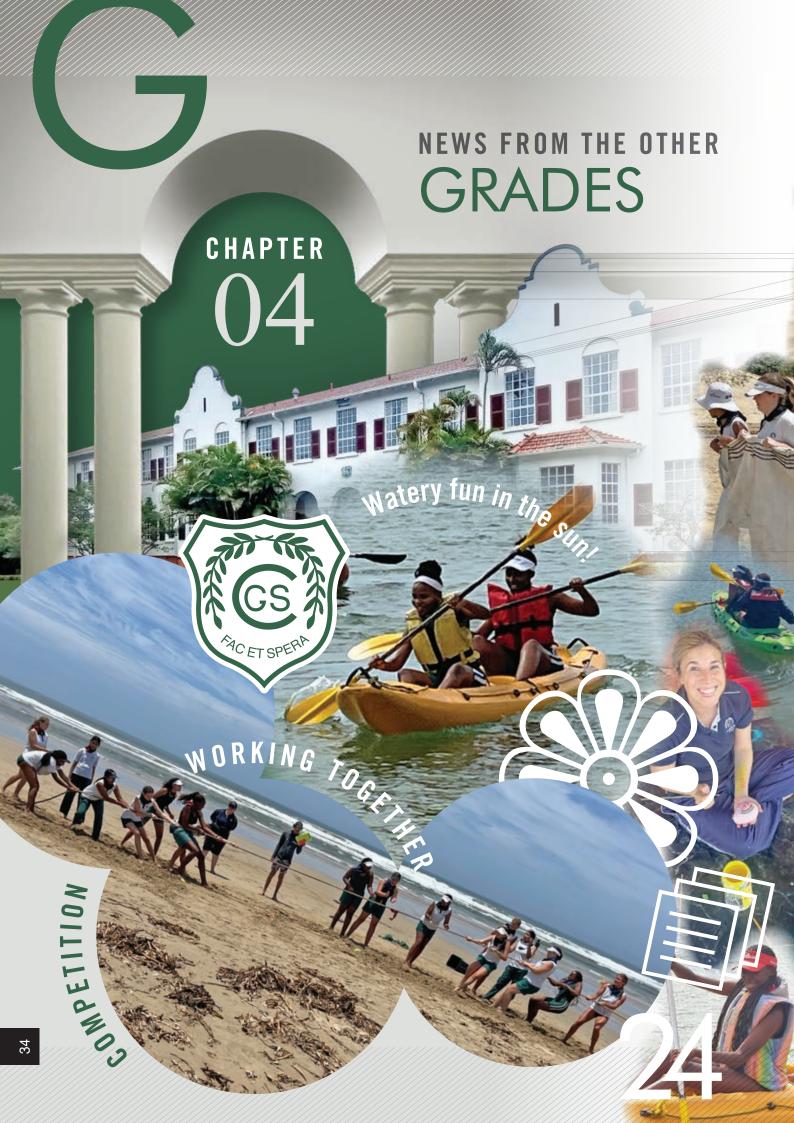
ABSENT: J Murie (Inset)















### GRADE 8

#### **GRADE TUTOR:**

Mrs D Blane

#### **ASSISTANT TUTOR:**

Miss N Ryder

#### **CLASS TEACHERS:**

Gr 8.1 - Miss C Bekker,

Gr 8.2 - Mr M Orsmond,

Gr 8.3 - Mrs M Schultz,

he Grade 8 theme for

Learn, Let's Grow" - a

foundational concept in

this year was "Let's

the life of a young girl starting

a new journey, which can be

Gr 8.4 - Ms G Bhana,

Gr 8.5 - Mrs E Roos

Grade 8s had the privilege of attending the camp at Hobbiton in Hogsback. This was a wonderful experience, where the girls faced challenges and had to learn to work together. Many memories were made that will last a lifetime.

The first two weeks of the Grade 8 year began with Orientation, which focused on helping the Grade 8s learn about our school and what it offers.

Committee Heads, Captains and teachers shared and explained valuable information



participation was encouraged.

The annual Selborne/
Clarendon Interaction was held,
with 300 Clarendon and Selborne
Grade 8s engaging in various
sporting activities, the highlight
being a Clarendon vs Selborne
Soccer match, with 3 balls in
the field of play. The House
Committees ran an eventful
Games Day and our Grade 8s
were introduced to the Grade
12s at the annual 'Big Sister'
Assembly, which is an incredibly
special and unique event.

Mrs McCoy, our school Social Worker, accompanied by a student teacher, Ms Mrubata, helped the Grade 8s by running a reflection session, after

> which a picnic was enjoyed by all, where the girls potted succulent plants and relaxed together. Orientation ended with the annual 'Test' and a wonderful 'meet and greet' Parents' Cocktail evening.

Grade 8 brings about many firsts - the first Founders' Day, Athletics' Day, Derby Days, Prizegiving, and the list goes on. It has been encouraging to see so many learners embracing our Clarendon culture - where we support





and celebrate one another's achievements. The compulsory supporter's card, where pupils are required to attend 6 Clarendon events in the year, is one of the ways in which we strive to teach the importance of involvement outside of the classroom. Well done to everyone who attended more than the required minimum number of events.

In Term 2, before the mid-year examinations, the Gideons delivered pocket Bibles to all those who wished to receive one. The pupils were grateful for this timely gift.

In Term 3, the Sports Department ran an Olympics competition and Olympic games sports session. Congratulations to 8.4 for winning overall. Rachel Brent (8.3) won the "best flag" painting and 8.5 won for showing the best team spirit.

The Matric
Dance Committee
hosted the annual
Clarendon/Selborne
Grade 8 and 9 Dance.
This was in the form
of a carnival fair and
much fun was had by
all!

A quote from our Grade 8 gift for the year, a reflective journal, states that "Everyone's growth looks different." Each child brings a uniqueness, which we should value, acknowledge and appreciate. It has been exciting to see the Grade 8s develop and grow into young women who are now ready to face Grade 9!

The Grade 8
Team wishes them all the best for the rest of their high school journey.

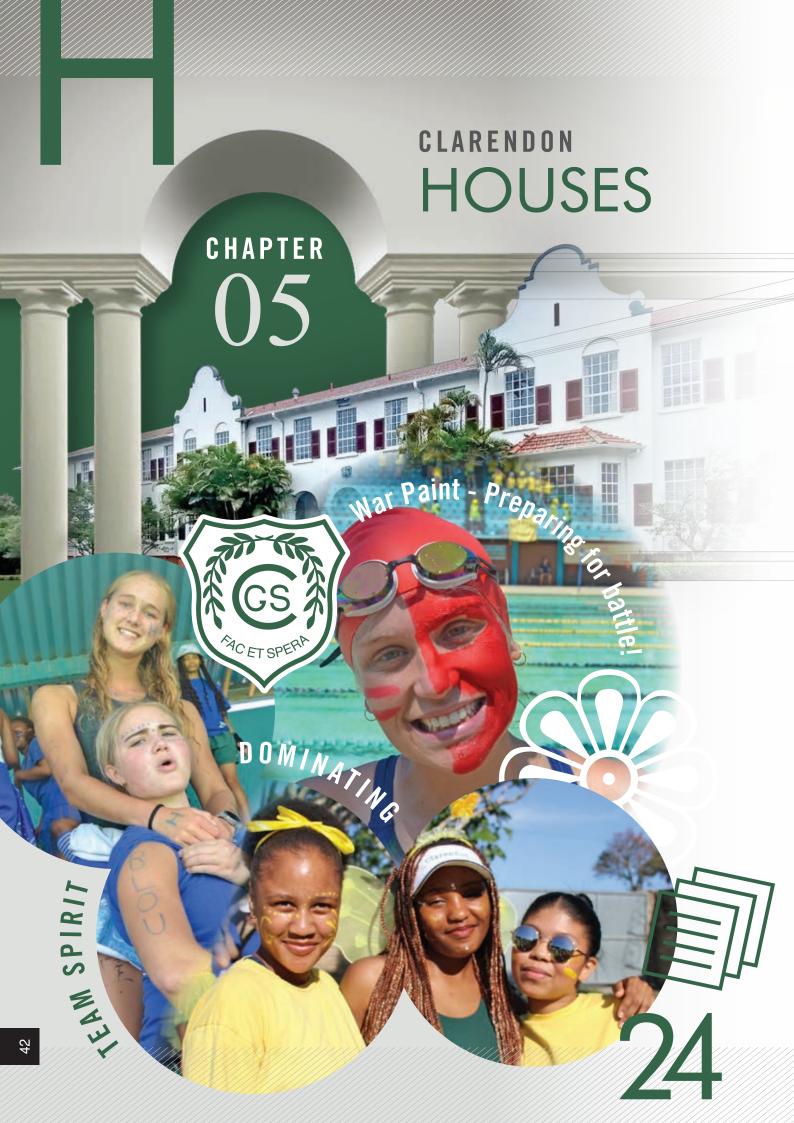




















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## DECEMBER 2024 TRADING HOURS

Mon. 2nd Dec—Tues. 10th Dec:

Normal Trading hours

Wed. 11th Dec:

8am-11 am

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Wed. 08th Jan to Fri. 10th Jan:

9am-3pm

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8am-1pm

Mon. 13th Jan and Tues 14th Jan:

9am-3pm

Wed 15th Jan:

Resume to normal trading hours



## **GITTINS HOUSE**

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Ms C van Zyl

**HEAD**:

Gemma Morrell

**DEPUTY HEAD:** 

Bambanani Daka

SECRETARY:

Bambangazibini Daka

#### **COMMITTEE:**

Kungawo Bala, Lilitha Bolana, Lihle Bushet, Jenna Frachet, Nela Jele

ittins was on a winning streak this year. Our dominance began at the Interhouse Gala, where we won both the Spirit Cup and the Interhouse Gala Cup.

The 2024 Interhouse
Plays was another highlight on
the Committee Calendar. Gittins
performed Allan Monkhouse's
humorous work *Grand Cham's Diamond*. Play Director,
Bambangazibini Daka, did a superb
job. Gittins won Best Interhouse
Play; Best Director; Best Set
Design; and Best Supporting
Actress (Litha Genu), and Best Bit
Part, which was shared by Nela
Jele and Ngcali Mgwebi. Thus
continued Gittins' winning streak.

Another highlight to end the 2024 Committee's year was the 2024 Interhouse Athletics Day. Despite the strong wind on the day, Gittins' spirit remained unshaken. In terms of overall achievements at the annual Prizegiving, Gittins claimed the title of the Winning Academic House for 2024 and came second overall.

We would like to express our gratitude to everyone who helped make this year unforgettable. We are excited for 2025.



### **HUNTER HOUSE**



#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Ms J Theron

#### **HEAD**:

Trinity Alexander

#### **DEPUTY HEAD:**

Lilitha Matiwane

#### **SECRETARY:**

Zintle Mona

#### **COMMITTEE:**

Siphosethu Maqubela, Zotanda Mkize, Sithenkosi Nyangiwe, Bukhosi Sizani and Morgan Tiltmann s we close out the year 2024, the Hunter House Committee reflects on a remarkable journey filled with enthusiasm, teamwork and memorable experiences. This year has been a vibrant celebration of our house spirit and we are proud to share the highlights.

We kicked off the year with an unforgettable Interhouse Gala, where students showcased their talents and creativity under the sun. This event not only fostered camaraderie, but also set a positive tone for the rest of the year.

The Interhouse

Athletics event was another highlight, where our athletes demonstrated exceptional skill and determination. We also participated in a variety of other Interhouse sporting events, including Netball, Soccer, Hockey and Water Polo. Each event brought out the competitive spirit in our students and strengthened the bonds within Hunter

House. The

Interhouse Plays provided a platform for our talented performers to shine, showcasing creativity and hard work. These events not only entertained, but also fostered a sense of pride in our house.

We are thrilled to announce that Hunter House achieved second place in the Academic House points – a testament to our dedication to academic excellence. An even more impressive achievement was securing first place for the Final overall house points and winning the House Shield, thus solidifying our status as a leading house within Clarendon High





School. This accomplishment reflects the collective effort of all our members and the unwavering support of our staff.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our incredible Hunter House Committee, led by Trinity Alexander (Head), Lilitha Matiwane (Deputy), and Zintle Mona (Secretary). Their leadership, enthusiasm and commitment has been instrumental in our success this year. We also extend our gratitude to the other committee members for their hard work and dedication.

Special thanks to Ms
Theron, our Staff Advisor and
Head of Hunter House, for
her guidance and support
throughout the year. Her
efforts have been invaluable
in fostering a positive
environment for our members.

As we reflect on the past year, we celebrate not only our achievements, but also the friendships and memories made along the way. Hunter House continues to embody the spirit of teamwork and excellence at Clarendon High School. We look forward to another exciting year ahead, filled with new challenges and opportunities.





## KETCHEN HOUSE

### TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:

Ms S Gqibani

#### **HEAD:**

Lunathi Nene

#### **DEPUTY HEAD:**

Owami Nyombolo

#### **SECRETARY:**

Thando Nxumalo

#### COMMITTEE:

Liyalatha Gcume, Lisakhanya Ndungane, Ayabonga Ntsebeza, Isabella Odendaal and Lisa Skevi

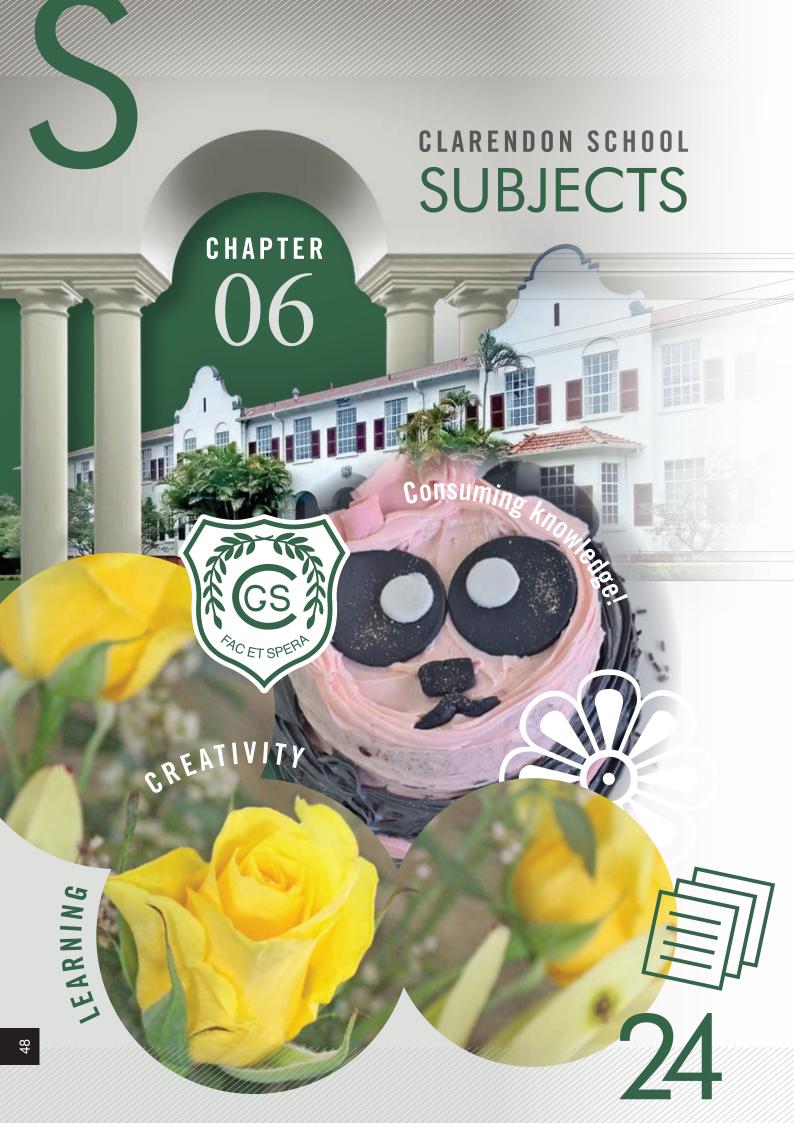
he Ketchen House Committee started the year in excitement and displayed Ketchen pride at the Grade 8 Orientation while welcoming the Ketchen Grade 8s. The Committee adopted the 'Money Heist' theme for their outfits, to inspire Ketchen girls to grab all opportunities offered at Clarendon. The first event of the year was the Interhouse Gala where there was much spirit and some fun competitiveness.

The Ketchen girls took part in the Interhouse Plays. The girls chose the play 'The Ugly Duckling', directed by Liyalatha Gcume. We congratulate Isabella Odendaal who got 'The Most Memorable Actress' Award and Jada-Nicole Simons for sharing the 'Best Actress' Award.

Another highlight of our calendar was the Interhouse Athletics Day, where the Ketchen Committee encouraged mass participation, with great success as there was an improvement this year in the number of girls who took part. The Ketchen girls did their best in all races and walked away with first place. We congratulate the following athletes for making us proud: Aimee Pretorius as the Best U16 Athlete and Ikhona Ntutu as the Best U17 Athlete and Victrix Ludorum.

Ketchen House is proud of our Head Girl, Kaitlyn Hayward, who has been awarded Honours for Leadership. She has inspired and set an example for Ketchen girls who aspire to be leaders in our school.

In terms of overall achievements, Ketchen House placed third in both Academic and Overall House Points. We would like to thank our Committee for their efforts this year and we are looking forward to 2025.



### ACCOUNTING

ACCOUNTING RESULTS		
Α	В	Average
7	3	69,9%

**HEAD**:

Mrs L Higgs

STAFF:

Mr J Still

he Matric Class of 2023, comprising 18 Accounting pupils, produced an amazing set of results in the final examinations (see Accounting Results table).

Well done to the class of 2023!

Last year I quoted the following: "Change is the only constant in life"; and this is still true for the subject, Accounting. Although the rules and procedures don't change in Accounting, the way we examine and test concepts changes constantly. This subject requires continued commitment in the classroom and at home from our students. It is beneficial to do Accounting as a subject at school

as finance forms an integral part of life. More and more past pupils, even those who did not

opt to study Accounting after school, reiterated the benefit of doing Accounting at school. As soon as they want to move into a management position at work, they have to complete an Accounting course and soon realise the benefit of having done this subject at school. My hope is that more young ladies will grasp the opportunity to choose this amazing subject that will definitely benefit them in the future.

Four Grade 11 and eight Grade12 learners entered the *Proverto Accounting Olympiad* and completed round one on 8 May 2024. 8 learners proceeded to the second and Final round on 7 August 2024. Taking part



in Olympiads is extremely beneficial to the learners, as it helps them to revise their work before Term 2 examinations. The questions are multiple choice, but expose the pupils to different types of questions that challenge their understanding of the subject. We encourage all Accounting learners to take up this opportunity for enrichment purposes.

Our girls are regularly invited to attend information evenings at local auditing firms in East London to learn more about the opportunities of following a career in Accounting. Thank you to Mr Still for his continued support in the Accounting Department.

### **AFRIKAANS**

#### **VAKHOOF:**

Mev. H Lottering

#### **PERSONEEL:**

Mnr M Fourie, Mev. E Roos, Mev. C Schmidt, Mej. C van Zyl

024 het vir die Afrikaanse department verskeie hoogtepunte gehad. Die jaar het afgeskop met 'n 100%



Afrikaanse-slaagsyfer wat die Graad 12-klas van 2023 behaal het. Die 2023-matrikulante het 24 A's behaal en hulle goed van hulle taak gekwyt. Hulle deursettingsvermoë en harde werk het goeie vrugte afgewerp.

Die Afrikaanse Departement het in 2024 Clarendon-geskiedenis gemaak! Donkerkamertjie is tydens die ATKV-Tienertoneel Gqeberhastreekfees in Augustus 2024 deur Clarendon leerders opgevoer.
Mené Strydom, Ziyanda Madlolo, Ezihle Ngxola, Asemahle Myataza, Enisa Tambulu, Ayabonga Mpeta, Angalakha Mzileni en Lunathi Dudumashe het 'n silwer toekenning vir die produksie, *Donkerkamertjie* geskryf deur Jo-Aithne Stemmet,

ontvang. Ons sê baie dankie aan die Drama Department vir hulle hulp. 'n Spesiale dank gaan aan Mej. van Zyl wat die rol van regisseur vertolk het. Jou harde werk en lang ure gaan nie ongesien verby nie.

Ten laastens wil ek net my toegewyde kollegas in die Afrikaansdepartement vir nog 'n jaar van harde werk, bedank!

## BUSINESS STUDIES

#### **HEAD**:

Ms Zukiswa Mazaleni





# COMPUTER APPLICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

#### **HEAD**:

Mrs A Haschick

n today's rapidly evolving digital world, it is essential for pupils to take Computer Applications Technology (CAT) as it equips them with vital skills needed for the modern workforce. CAT helps students develop a solid understanding of key software applications, data management, and internet usage, enabling them to thrive in both academic and professional environments.

With Digital Technology now being introduced in Grades 8 and 9, more students are becoming familiar with basic computing concepts early on, leading to a growing interest in pursuing CAT in higher grades. This foundation fosters digital literacy, empowering learners to navigate the technological demands of the future.

Congratulations to the Class of 2023 who did themselves proud, with the Clarendon Matric class of 2023 being the top performing school in the BCM district and Kerry Elliott being placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the BCM district for CAT with 90%.



The following pupils were placed 1st for CAT in 2024:

- Grade 10:
   Anina Manadan
- Grade 11: Layla Khandoo
- Grade 12: Caitlin Higgs

All the best to the Class of 2024 as they await their results.



## CONCESSIONS STAFF

**HEAD**:

Mrs F Mopp

STAFF:

Mrs S van Dyk, Mrs L McCoy

### CONSUMER STUDIES

#### **HEAD**:

Mrs H Wetmore (Jan-March); Mrs K Leibach (April -)

#### STAFF:

Mrs D Allderman

e were sad to bid farewell to Mrs H Wetmore during the second term. as she went on retirement. We thank her for the many years she invested into Consumer Studies, as she headed up the subject and enthusiastically kept abreast of all the new subject developments in order to prepare the Grade 12s as thoroughly as possible for their matric exams. In January, we were proud to receive the results of our Matric group of 2023 and congratulate them, on their very good results. We also thank Mrs W Howarth for all her input over the years which also

We were

contributed to

success.

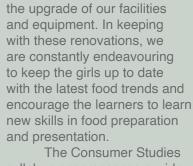
the 2023 Matrics'



thrilled to have been able to change our stoves to more modern and reliable models towards the end of this year. We thank FINCOM and the Governing Body for their continued support

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The Consumer Studies syllabus encompasses a wide variety of topics which are all relevant to today's consumer environment. Learners who do extra extension work will be rewarded in their insight, which will be reflected in their results. We are grateful and excited to see what the future has in store for our subject.





### **CREATIVE ARTS**

#### **HEAD:**

Ms N van Wyk

#### **STAFF:**

Ms C Van Zyl, Ms A Daines, Ms E Cloete Ms H Smit, Ms M Wiseman, Ms A Kobus, Ms J Sparg



#### **HEAD OF DRAMATIC ARTS:**

Ms A Daines

ramatic Arts is not only a comprehensive Grade 10-12 Subject, but the Department is also fully engaged in a number of dramatic activities, events and productions.

#### **INTERHOUSE PLAYS 2024**

- Head of Ketchen: Ms S Gqibani
- Head of Gittins: Ms C Van
- Head of Hunter: Ms J Theron

In the 2nd term, Clarendon High School hosted the annual Interhouse Plays. Directed by matric students, these plays involve students from Grades 10 to 12, bringing the Interhouse competition to the

### DRAMATIC ARTS

stage. House Teachers were presented with script options, from which they selected the best One-Act Play suited to their House Directors' and actresses' styles.

The Interhouse Plays took place on April 18th at 18:00. Ketchen presented "The Ugly Duckling" by A.A. Milne, directed by Liyalatha Gcume. Gittins showcased "The Grand Cham's Diamond" by

Allan Monkhouse, directed by Bambagazibini Daka. Hunter featured "The Whole Truth" by Ray Jenkins, directed by Lilitha Matiwane.

- Gittins Cast: Gemma
   Morrell, Lihle Bushet,
   Bambangazibini Daka,
   Ngcali Mgwebi, Nela Jele,
   Unakho Niobe.
- Ketchen Cast: Isabella Odendaal, Eleni



Anagnostakis, Jada-Nicole Simons, Ayabonga Ntsebeza, Ayabonga Mpeta, Liyalatha Gcume.

 Hunter Cast: Inganathi Pule, Zotando Mkize, Angalakha Mzileni, Zintle Mona, Sithenkosi Nyangiwe, Azanokuhle Msweli, Sinelizwi Miza, Linamandla Gonya, Siqhamo Notununu, Siphosethu Maqubela, Undiphe-Lo Malolo, Bukhosi Sizani, Isivile Ntshele, Trinity Alexander.

Gittins triumphed at the Interhouse Plays, with Bambangazibini Daka winning Best Director and their production earning Best Bit Part, Best Set, and Best Play. Isabella Odendaal from Ketchen stood out as





Most Memorable Actress, while Lihle Bushet (Gittins) and Jada-Nicole Simons (Ketchen) shared the Best Actress trophy. These awards highlight the exceptional talent and teamwork showcased by all participants.

- Best Director: Gittins (Bambagazibini Daka)
- Best Bit Part: The Diamond Men (Ngcali Mgwebi and Nela Jela) from Gittins
- Most Memorable Actress: Isabella Odendaal (Ketchen)
- Best Director:

Bambangazibini Daka (Gittins)

- Best set: Gittins
- Best Supporting actress: Litha Genu
- Best actress: Shared -Lihle Bushet (Gittins) and Jada-Nicole Simons (Ketchen)
- **Best play**: Gittins

#### **ATKV - TIENERTONEEL 2024**

Clarendon High School participated, for the first time, at the National ATKV-Tienertoneelkompetisie.
The Afrikaans Language and Culture Association (Afrikaans: Afrikaanse Taal- en Kultuurvereniging), ATKV, is a society that aims to promote the Afrikaans language and culture.

Eight of our students travelled to Gqeberha on the 7 August and competed on the 8 August at The Little Theatre. The original play, "Donkerkamertjie.", was written for Clarendon High School for Girls, by the renowned playwright and Drama teacher at Selborne College, Jo-Aithne Stemmet. Once we arrived at the theatre, our students were given only fifty minutes to acclimatise to

the new theatre and tech, whilst simultaneously being marked for backstage management and the use of the technical elements.

Clarendon High School for Girls was awarded Certificates in the following categories:

- Stage Management Mené Strydom: Gold.
- Lighting Operator Ziyanda Madlolo: Gold.
- Sound Operator- Ezihle Ngxola: Gold. (Ezihle was also nominated as overall Best Sound Operator at the competition.)
- Acting Bronze: Asemahle Myataza, Enisa Tambulu and Mené Strydom.
- Acting Silver: Ayabonga Mpeta, Angalakha Mzileni and Lunathi Dudumashe
- Ensemble Acting awarded to all cast members: Silver
- Ms Jo-Aithne Stemmet was awarded a Silver for writing "Donkerkamertjie".
- Costume Design: Bronze
- Direction awarded to Ms A Daines and Ms C van Zyl: Silver
- Overall, the Production was

awarded a Silver.

#### **JUNIOR ONE-ACT PLAYS 2025**

- Head of Drama: Ms A Daines
- Drama Teacher: Ms C van Zyl

The Junior One-Act Plays were held on Wednesday 21 August. The theme for this year's plays was, "A Fish Out Of Water", and the Genre had to be Comedy.

The MCs for the night were: Landa Faku and Liyakhanya Cola. The Adjudicator was the esteemed, Jen Bryson Moorcroft, who is a writer, director and theatre-maker in East London with her own theatre company, Jen Bryson Moorcroft Theatre. Some of her other shows from this year include The Boy Who Cried Ninja and Back to the Future.

Five Plays were entered:

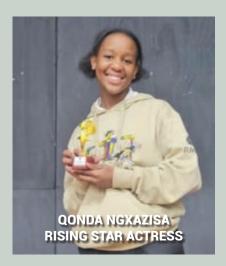
- 'A Different World', written and Directed by Limi Dekeda and Siyasanga Ndhlovu.
- 2. 'Will It work", written and Directed by Morgan Hartwig and Thandolwethu Voyi.
- 3. 'What a day', written by Amanye Sidlayi and Directed by Lisolihle Nyingwa.
- 4. 'A Jump in Time', written by Sbahle Lujabe and Directed by Minentle Pietersen.
- 5. 'The Ceramic Duck', written and Directed by Leila Herman and Lindy van Vuuren.

A variety of Trophies and Awards were handed out to the following actresses:

Best Leading Actress:

- Sbulele Nata in 'The Ceramic Duck'
- Outstanding Supporting Actress: Alyssa De Wet in 'The Ceramic Duck'
- Rising Star Actress: Qonda Ngxazisa in 'What A Day'
- The most Notable Bit Part:
   Enisa Tambulu (Will It Work),
   Zinga Mgwebi (A Jump In Time), and Lathitha Mbizeni
   (Will It Work)
- Original Costume Design: A Different World (Limi Dekeda and Siyasanga Ndhlovu)
- Best Director: Leila Herman and Lindy van Vuuren for 'The Ceramic Duck'
- Most Creative Set Design: A Different World (Limi Dekeda and Siyasanga Ndhlovu)
- Standout Script: A Different World (Limi Dekeda and Siyasanga Ndhlovu)

### **JUNIOR ONE ACT PLAYS**











# INTERHOUSE PLAYS



















### **CLARENDON'S GOT TALENT**

#### **HEAD OF CULTURE:**

Ms A Kobus

#### **TEACHERS:**

Ms C Van Zyl, Ms A Daines

Clarendon's Got Talent' took centre-stage in the Lady Clarendon Hall on Friday, 5 October, at 18:00. Inspired by South Africa's Got Talent, the show featured 20 handpicked performances from auditions held during the last week of Term 3. The audience voted for their favourite acts, adding excitement to the "Crowd Favourite" award.

The judge for the evening, Nasine Van Rensburg Boltt, a renowned performer and vocal coach, selected the top three performances of the night. Since settling in East London, she has made a significant impact on the local arts scene, running ELPAS and is currently a teacher at Hudson Park High School. The evening was led by three Grade 9 MCs: Iminathi Cengani, Ulithemba Njongi, and RCL representative Oyena Ntshoni.

The talented performers included a wide range of acts:

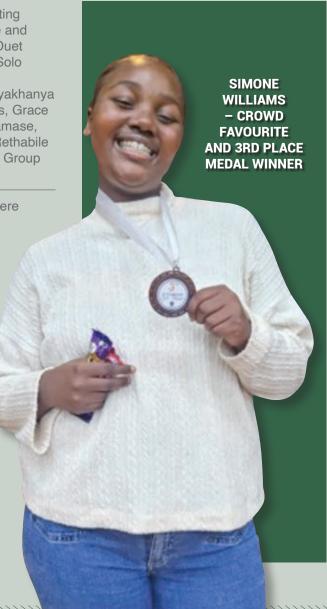
- Hindu Society Nisha Naidoo, Lydia Sunil, Mira Mathews, Kajal Rama, Duvaria Naidoo, Kayuri Naidoo, Rochelle Koshy, Elina Joseph, Alaina George, Rachel Robymon – Traditional Dance
- 2. Asemahle Myataza Solo Singing
- 3. Amy Ndabambi Acting
- 4. Sokonwaba Mlokothi and Ziminathi Stuurman Duet
- 5. Iminathi Tyindyana Solo Dance
- 6. Avuzwa Mdudo Solo Singing
- 7. Nicollete Tumbare Public Speaking
- 8. Enkosi Nduli, Thembelihle

- Madlolo, Nikholwa Duduma Group Dance
- 9. Hannah-Grace Matebe Solo Singing
- Angalakha Mzileni isiXhosa Poem
- 11. Agape Gwanya Solo Dance
- 12. Ngcali Mgwebi Solo Singing (own guitar accompaniment)
- 13. Shahaa Harms Piano Solo
- Tyhila Bobotyana

   (accompanied by Amita
   Kumar piano) Solo
   Singing
- 15. Yolanda Beyaphi Solo Dance
- Hluma Mbiko, Sbulele Nata, Zamanywabe Sikhukula, Solam Vena – Traditional Dance and Singing
- 17. Enisa Tambulu Acting
- 18. Lunathi Dudumashe and Mivuyo Bebelele Duet
- 19. Simoné Williams Solo Singing
- 20. "Aura": Dini Booi, Liyakhanya Cola, Zuza Dyantjies, Grace Gwed, Athanda Ndamase, Senate Sebatane, Rethabile Mosoang – Hip Hop Group Dance

The evening's Awards were a highlight, with Simoné Williams not only winning "Crowd Favourite", but also taking 3rd Place. The 2nd Place Honour went to the Hindu Society for their captivating Traditional Dance, while 1st Place was awarded to "Aura" for their energetic Hip Hop Group Dance. The evening celebrated the immense talent and diversity found in abundance among the learners at Clarendon.











# RADIUM GIRLS PRODUCTION

nspired by the true story of women who worked in radium-dial factories during the early 20th century, Radium Girls took audiences at Clarendon High School for Girls on a powerful journey this March. The production centered on the lives of women who painted watch dials with luminous paint containing radium, unaware of the grave dangers it posed to their health. The play focused particularly on the character of Grace Fryer, a young factory worker who, after suffering severe health issues, sought justice. Radium Girls shed light on broader themes of workers' rights, corporate responsibility, and the oftenoverlooked human cost of industrial progress.

The play not only portrayed a significant historical account but also highlighted the challenges faced by women entering the workforce in the early 20th century. It served as a poignant example of the early days of scientific and technological advancements when the dangers of certain substances were not fully realised. This narrative aligned with Clarendon's values. emphasising the school's commitment to empowering young girls into strong women.

Behind this poignant production stood a team of 26 talented students, supported by a dedicated staff of 11. The cast and crew worked tirelessly, meeting for five to six rehearsals per week, ultimately producing a show they were incredibly proud of. Audiences were able to watch the emotional rollercoaster of Radium Girls from 14-16 March 2024, in the Lady Clarendon Hall, experiencing a story that resonated deeply with the school's mission to educate and inspire.



BACK: A Ndabambi, S Nata, P Mpunga, K Labuschagne, A Kretzmann,

A Mrwetyana, E Tambulu

MIDDLE: A Mngese, S Mlokothi, A Ggomo, L Gowa, S Ndhlovu, A Mpeta,

Z Stuurman, U Nontshinga

FRONT: A Falo, Ms A Daines (TIC), L Dudumashe, Mrs M Wiseman (TIC), A Mdudo,

T Bobotyana



BACK: A Gwanya, Y Mbita, S Lujabe

3<sup>rd</sup> ROW: I Mvandaba, Z Madlolo, M Hartwig, Z Ruga, O Mbata
2<sup>nd</sup> ROW: Y Kamana, K Nogqala, M Qutywa, A Dullabh, A Jacobsohn, Z Mquqo, S

Sebatane

FRONT: Ms C van Zyl (Backstage TIC), E Ngxola, Ms A Daines (Director), C

Terblanche, Ms C Cloete (Tech TIC), A Myataza, Mrs N Van Wyk (Set TIC)

#### PRODUCTION TEAM

Director: Ms A Daines

Assistant Director: Mrs M Wiseman

Stage Manager: Carike Van Zyl

Tech Manager/ Marketing: Ms F. Cloete

Administrative and Sales Team:

Ms B Matthis Ms A Kobus Mrs I. Naidoo Mrs P Grant Ms J Sparg Mrs S Renton Parent Support Team



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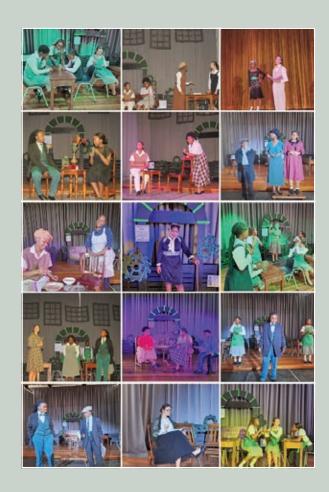
Carla Terblanche Ziyanda Madlolo Alizwa Myataza Zenande Mquqo Indive Myandaba Senate Sebetane

#### SET CREW:

Akhira Dullabh Morgan Hartwig Amy Jacobsohn Yolani Kamana Kumnandi Nogqala

#### BACKSTAGE CREW:

Ezihle Ngxola Ovayo Mbata Yada Mbita Micah Qutywa Zanga Ruga

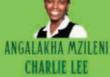


#### CAST: LEADS



AVUZWA MDUDO ARTHUR ROEDER







AKKO FALO TOM KREIDER



TYHILA BOBOTYANA SOB SISTER



RADIUM GIRLS

CAST: SUPPORTING

AYABONGA MPETA DR VON SOCHOKY

AFRICA MNGESE KATHERINE WILEY

RAYMOND BERRY

NICOLLETE TUMBARE UNAKO NONTSHINGA EDWARD MARKLEY

AMY NDABAMBI

NAYE GUMENGE DR JOSEPH KNEF

SBULELE NATA MRS ANNE FRYER ANA KRETZMANN IRENE RUDLOPH

ZIMINATHI STUURMAN DIANE ROEDER

#### CAST: MULTI-CHARACTERS

SOKONWABA MLOKOTHI

KAYLIN LABUSCHAGNE

**LUKHONA GOWA** 

AZANOKHULE MSWELI

PULO MPUNGA

SIYASANGA NDLOVU ANOYOLO GOOMO

ALIKHO MRETYANA

**ENISA TAMBULU** 

### ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

#### **HEAD**:

Mrs L Higgs

#### **STAFF:**

Ms C Hempel, Mr J Still

his subject, taught from Grade 7, comprises three individual subjects namely, Accounting (introduced in Grade 8), Business Studies and Economics. The Grade 8s are taught how to answer the theory questions with understanding, rather than through rote learning. The Accounting section proves to be intimidating yet fun to learn.

This year, Clarendon High School was chosen as one of the pilot schools to implement the Departmental GEC project for Grade 9 learners in Term 3. The EMS classes started their project with 'The Boat-Making Game', as an introduction to the project. Each group was given



'R200' as starting capital. They then had to buy material (paper), make a boat, pay salaries and sell their boats over a period of four weeks, 10 minutes being equivalent to a week. The group leader also had to choose a 'Chance Card' at the end of each week, that could impact the

business, e.g. load shedding, reduced production, workers not arriving at work and theft. Useful lessons were learnt about running a business.

Thank you to Ms Hempel and Mr Still for their support this year.



### **ENGLISH**

#### **HEAD:**

Mr B Mountfort

#### **SUBJECT TEACHERS:**

Ms G Bhana, Ms A Griffin, Ms A Hookins, Ms J Klingelhoeffer, Mr M Orsmond, Ms J Sparg, Mrs K Venter

his year we were privileged to have welcomed Ms J Klingelhoeffer to our department as she brings

with her a wealth of experience, both inside and outside the classroom. Ms Klingelhoeffer has quickly established herself as part of the fabric of the English Department and her vibrancy has endeared her to many of her learners.

The English

Olympiad was once again written

early in March with 13 of our learners participating. The following results were attained: 2 Merit Certificates. 2 Bronze Certificates, 7 Silver Certificates, whilst Emihle Ndzingo and Yonwaba Mahlati both wrote their way to Gold Certificates. Special mention must be made of Yonwaba who attained an overall placing of 14th (from thousands of entrants) and was awarded a monetary prize as well as a scholarship to Rhodes University, should she choose to go there upon completing Matric. Hearty congratulations

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SACEE events

were achieved in the Poetry Competition: Mira Mathews (Gr 9), Ayabonga Mpeta (Gr 10) were all awarded Silver Certificates, whilst Agape Gwanya (Gr 8), Ayabonga Mpeta (Gr 10), Zarha Nathoo-Lopez (Gr 11), Lungelo Mazibuko (Gr 11) and Jada-Nicole Simons (Gr 12) were

SACEE PRIZE-GIVING WINNERS

Well supported throughout

Gold Certificates.

Additionally, our girls made a good show in the SACEE *Read Aloud* competition. The following girls were well placed in their respective grades: Eshal Muhammad, 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Grade 8; Sokonwaba Mlokothi, 1<sup>st</sup> place in Grade 9; Yonwaba Mahlati, 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Grade 11 and Jada-Nicole Simons, 1<sup>st</sup> place in Grade 12.

In Term 3, the Department chose



the year. We commend our

girls for their wholehearted

enthusiasm in participating in

these events. Excellent results

use of Film Study as an enrichment activity as an alternative method to "see" and study literature. The week-long duration of this event was highly anticipated by our girls and there was intense excitement in the race to sign up for one's preferred film! Online links were generated and a specific time period was established for learners to sign up, with the fastest fingers winning the race!

Also in Term 3, the Grade Eights to Elevens once again took part in the annual SACEE Language Challenge. Unfortunately, we did not have any entrants gain places this year, but we wish to acknowledge the following who stood out amongst their peers in each Grade:

Grade 8 – Likamva Ntshele (91%), Sophie Latimer, Alaina George, Rochelle Koshy, Enkosi Nduli (88%).
Grade 9 – Kate Booyens (92%), Gabrielle Assam (91%), Mira Mathews (90%).
Grade 10 – Amahle Reve (94%), Qhayiya Mqeni, Amita Kumar, Lisanele Magwentshu, Zenande Mquqo (91%).
Grade 11 – Danel Muller (96%), Layla Khandoo, Pulo Mpunga (95%).

The Vrij and Karuna
Harry Young Writer's
Competition was held for the second time this year and following on Clarendon's achievements of last year, we celebrate Nicollete Tumbare's writing, and she was placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the competition for her poetry entry. One of Nicollete's entries is reproduced below.

Kaitlyn Hayward and Nicollete Tumbare both require special mention for their exceptional achievements in the international oratory world. Both girls participated in the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Competition in Australia, Canberra. Kaitlyn tied 6th position in the Debating sections and placed 47th overall. Nicollete ranked 2nd in the Interpretive Reading category and placed 26th overall. Zenande Mquqo was also selected for the WIDPSC team but was unable to travel internationally. These outstanding achievements earned all three girls an Honours Award.

The English
Department is a busy one,
yet as always, strives to
provide diverse opportunities
for our girls. We look forward
to Chapter 2025.



#### IT WOULD HAVE BEEN YOU

If it was possible to remember someone forever I would choose you over

and over

and over again

and yet more often than not I find myself grappling to remember your existence it's like you're drifting far into the nearby distance all I have to reminisce is your presence your chuckles slowly fading, your smile slowly dimming, your words slowly becoming one with the

w i n d

and yet if it was possible, I
would
still
choose
you
choose you so I don't have
to stare at the same pictures
because we can't take more
choose you so I don't feel
the melancholy rushing like
adrenaline to my core
choose to replay all the
moments we had together
choose to talk about you

choose to continue to love you today, tomorrow and forever

because we were birds of a

because if it was possible to remember someone forever, I would choose you and in the same breath

I say, if, and only if, it was possible.

Nicollete Tumbare GRADE 10

### **GEOGRAPHY**

#### **HEAD**:

Mr M Fourie

#### **STAFF:**

Mrs M Schultz

Grade 10, 11 and 12 Geography excursions to IDZ and the Weather Office.

r Fourie and Mrs
Schultz took the 26
Grade 10, 11 and
12 Geography girls
to the East London Industrial
Development Zone and the
East London Weather Office
as part of their syllabus and
practical learning earlier this
year.

The IDZ is a very important Government, Economic Organization for our Geography girls to understand as Development, the Economy and Industrial Development Zones make up a big portion of economic Geography for Grades 10, 11 and 12.

The incredible tour took place in Sunnyridge and was made up of about an hour's well-prepared and interesting presentation by the very friendly and accommodating staff at the IDZ. A question and answer session and also a tour of the factories. facilities and state-of-the-art Science Centre and Electrical Training areas etc., was given, explaining the purpose of the IDZ, their goals for the development of the East London area and the progress they have already made.

The learners thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and had their eyes opened to the number of amazing opportunities, ideas and developments that are taking

place right under our noses here in East London, which very few people know about. A huge thank you to the amazing people working at the IDZ for this wonderfully enlightening opportunity.

The excursion also included a trip to the airport Weather Office to give the girls a chance to study and work with the meteorological equipment and teach them about weather monitoring and forecasting etc. Our thanks go to the East London Weather Office for their interesting talk and demonstration on weather monitoring, forecasting and the different weather monitoring equipment and current synoptic weather maps.









### **HISTORY**

#### **HEAD**:

Ms H Smit

#### STAFF:

Ms R Hobbs, Ms M Schultz, Mr M Orsmond

he Matric Class of 2023 achieved excellent results in their final examinations and we are so proud of all of our pupils. We had 3 History girls achieve Cum Laude, 10 A aggregates, 17 B aggregates and 19 C aggregates.

Congratulations our three pupils who achieved Cum Laude History results. Buhlebamasango Mntalo and Hannah Rogers, our top History pupils, who both achieved an overall result of 91% and Keira Greenberg who achieved 90%.

We wish this year's Matric class much success in their final examinations.



### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

#### **HEAD OF IT:**

Mr T Roberson

#### **DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY:**

Ms C Hempel, Mr T Roberson, Ms N September

he IT Department at Clarendon continues to break new ground, marking 2024 as another exceptional year of academic achievement and technological advancement. Across all grades, learners have excelled, producing outstanding work and innovative computer programmes through their Practical Assessment Tasks (PATs).

In the 2023 Matric exams, 5 of the 7 IT students, proudly attained A aggregates. Anoyolo Lose achieed 92%, which ranked her as the top IT learner in Cluster B.

This year, Grade 8 and 9 learners engaged in the "Sweet 16" project as part of their Digital Technology PAT, applying digital solutions to realworld scenarios. In Grade 10, IT students explored the mysteries of "The Universe" for their PAT, showcasing their growing skills in programming. Grade 11

learners delved into "Healthy Living," crafting programmes designed to promote wellness, while the Grade 12 cohort tackled the intricacies of the "Property Market," demonstrating their advanced understanding of database management, object-oriented programming, and structured query language (SQL).

The growing interest in STEM subjects has been particularly evident this year, with a notable increase in the number of learners choosing Information Technology (IT) and Computer Applications Technology (CAT). IT enrolments have tripled compared to previous years, and CAT is expected to expand further, with a sixth class being introduced in 2025. This surge in interest underscores the department's ongoing commitment to developing digital literacy and technical skills among learners.

In Term 4, we introduced several key policies to ensure ethical academic practice in the age of Artificial Intelligence. The IT Department rolled out Turnitin, an advanced plagiarism detection tool, along with an AI Policy, including plagiarism and referencing guidelines. These initiatives mirror those



implemented at universities, ensuring that our students are prepared for ethical AI usage and responsible research practices. By integrating these policies, we aim to foster integrity and originality in all academic work.

This year also marked the continued enhancement of our digital learning environment. New data projectors, computers, and sound bars were installed across various venues to support our technology-rich curriculum. Additionally, we continued use of Microsoft 365 has allowed us to align better with the fast-paced





requirements of the business and academic sectors. This transition ensures that our learners are fully equipped with the skills needed to thrive in the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

Our success extends to the implementation of Digital Technology in Grades 8 and 9, which bridges the gap between Digital Technology, CAT, and IT, setting a new standard in South African education. This initiative has provided our learners with a strong foundation in essential digital skills, preparing them for the challenges of an ever-evolving technological landscape.

With these

advancements, Clarendon remains at the forefront of technology education, setting benchmarks that inspire other educational institutions in South Africa. Our achievements in 2024 reflect our dedication to preparing learners for a future driven by innovation and ethical practices in the digital world.

### ISIXHOSA

#### **HEAD**:

Ms B Xhala

#### **STAFF:**

Ms S Gqibani

he Matric class of 2023 has made this department proud by achieved a 100 % pass rate, and achieving 'A' symbols and many 'B' aggregates. Some of the girls who choose isiXhosa First Additional Language from the Primary School still find it difficult to grasp the language, but as the years go by, they progress amazingly and end up achieving pleasing results. All this is due to the effort and enthusiasm they show in the subject. We commend the 2023 Matrics and hope they are coping well at the various universities where they are studying. We challenge the 2024 Matric class to follow suit and make us proud and produce even better results.

This year our Grade 9 class has been selected to be one of the pilot schools for the GEC Project that the Department of Education has introduced. Our girls took up the challenge and produced projects that are of a high standard.

We have noticed the trend of a lack of reading and writing



skills, which is fundamental to all learning areas. We would like to encourage parents to convince their daughters to read more, listen to the isiXhosa news often, watch isiXhosa movies and speak the language at home with their daughters, to improve their reading, listening, communication and writing skills, and remember to speak their mother-tongue language with pride, because at university they will have to choose an African Language, if they want to do Journalism, Law, Medicine or Pharmacy. The African Language that is spoken by the majority of the Eastern Cape citizens is isiXhosa and they will be expected to do isiXhosa at university. I urge all the isiXhosa speaking parents also to speak their language at social gatherings, to expose their

children to their language and their culture. This will keep our rich language heritage alive for future generations.

Last but not least, we would like to commend our Subject Advisors for their assistance in this Department, as far as teaching is concerned. We think they do more than their call of duty. We wish the 2024 Matric class all the best as they prepare for their last and most important examination at high school level. May God instil in them the will to do their best and remind them to focus on all that they have learnt in preparing for the examinations. This can only lead to welldeserved results.

Khumbulani ukusebenza ngokuzithemba nokuzimisela kuselithuba! Kaloku amangomso asesihogweni.



#### **HEAD**:

Mrs S van Dyk

#### STAFF:

Ms A Daines, Ms S Gqibani, Ms L McCoy, Ms F Mopp, Ms L Ragaval

#### PHYS ED COMPONENT:

Mrs H Muller

### A Year of Innovation, Fun, and Growth

his year has been an exciting one for Clarendon's Life Orientation Department, packed with innovative challenges, stress-relief activities, and creative projects that have engaged learners across all grades. From problem-solving in the pool to high-tech classrooms, the Department has focused on equipping learners with essential life skills while ensuring they have fun along the way.

One of the standout activities for the **Grade 12s** was the "Cross the Distance" challenge, which required them to come up with inventive ways to traverse the 25m length of the swimming pool. The learners

### LIFE ORIENTATION

rose to the occasion with enthusiasm and creativity, using everything from surfboards to inflatable mattresses and even blow-up boats. It was a thrilling exercise that not only encouraged teamwork and problem-solving but also gave learners an enjoyable way to de-stress — a key focus of the LO curriculum at the time.

The Grade 12s were also treated to a series of calming yoga sessions during Term 2, led by the school's very own Yogi,

Mrs Del Fava. These sessions took place in the afternoons during the intense June exam period, providing learners with an opportunity to unwind, regroup, and be reminded of the importance of self-care. The combination of mindfulness, stretching, and relaxation left learners feeling more centred, and ready to face their academic challenges.

But it was not just about physical activities. Clarendon's LO Department has been at the forefront of integrating technology into learning. In their endeavour to move towards a paperless

way of teaching, learners have increasingly been using their devices for taking notes and making presentations. This shift has been working exceptionally well, allowing learners to organize their work more efficiently while staying techsavvy and eco-friendly. The use of technology is preparing the learners for the digital demands of the future, making learning more interactive and accessible.

Meanwhile, the **Grade** 9s embarked on an entirely new challenge this year - the integrated General Education Certificate (GEC) project. Clarendon was included in the pilot phase of this initiative, which aimed at preparing Grade 9 learners for their subject choices at the end of Term 3. The project required learners to delve deep into a chosen career and business idea, and it was integrated across several subjects, including Languages, Creative Arts, History, and Economic and Management Sciences (EMS). This interdisciplinary approach gave the learners valuable insight into real-world careers and business concepts, helping them make informed decisions about their



futures.

The **Grade 11s** also had their share of mindfulness learning. Ahead of their Term 2 exams, they were introduced to mindfulness practices through a guided walk – demonstrating the importance of being present in the moment. This exercise provided a refreshing break from academic pressures, equipping students with the tools to manage stress more effectively.

In a fun twist, the **Grade**10 and 11 learners enjoyed oldfashioned games during their
Physical Education lessons,
where they relived childhood
classics like the potato and
spoon race, three-legged race,
t-shirt swaps, and more. These
games fostered a sense of
camaraderie and competition,
allowing the learners to let loose
and enjoy themselves while
staying active.

Not to be left out, the Grade 8s were also challenged in a unique way. In a flipped classroom activity, they were tasked with becoming the teachers. Working in groups, they had to teach, creatively, various LO topics to their peers, using any method they chose. The results were impressive, with learners presenting poems on gender-based violence (GBV), raps about human rights violations, and skits addressing gender equity and equality. This group of Grade 8s has shown remarkable creativity and confidence, stepping up to the challenge and making their voices heard.

As the Life
Orientation Department
continues to prioritize
mental health, wellbeing,
and innovative learning
approaches, one thing
is clear: Clarendon's
learners are thriving.
The combination of fun,
technology, and practical
life skills has created a
dynamic and engaging
environment where
learners are not only

learning but also growing into well-rounded, thoughtful individuals.

With the Department's ongoing shift towards paperless teaching and the learners adapting quickly to using their devices for classwork, the future looks even brighter. The integration of technology, combined with real-world problem-solving and creative projects, has set Clarendon learners on the path to success, both in school and beyond.









### LIFE SCIENCES



#### HEAD:

Ms J Theron

#### STAFF:

Ms L Ragaval, Mr K Herman, Ms A Dunga, and Ms C Bekker.

s we wrap up another academic year, it's a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the achievements and highlights of the Life Sciences Department. Our dedicated team has worked tirelessly to provide a dynamic and engaging learning environment. The department is supported by a committed group of teachers, who have made significant contributions to the success of our students.

This year, we are proud to report pleasing results across all grades. Our students have demonstrated remarkable growth and enthusiasm for Life Sciences, and their hard work has paid off. The commitment of our teaching staff to keep the curriculum exciting and entertaining has played a vital role in fostering a love for the subject among our students.

As we look ahead to the next academic year, we are excited to build on this year's successes.



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# MATHEMATICAL LITERACY

#### **HEAD**:

Mr J Still

#### **TEACHERS:**

Ms Z Mazaleni, Ms N Ryder and Mrs L Still (Volker)

t the start of 2024, we looked back at the achievements of the Class of 2023 and must congratulate them on some truly wonderful results. We had 52 learners and averaged 71,8% for the year. We achieved 18 A symbols and 15 B symbols. The class also achieved a 100% pass rate. Congratulations to Kate Nel, our top learner, with a mark of 97%.

Mathematical Literacy is an essential skill that extends far beyond the classroom, shaping the way we think, solve problems, make informed decisions, and solve real-life problems. We are proud of all our pupils who have demonstrated their dedication to achieving their potential and acknowledge the pleasing results



they have achieved. Witnessing pupils grow in confidence in their Mathematical ability continues to be an inspiration. I express my gratitude to Ms Mazaleni, Ms Ryder and Mrs Still who have played a pivotal role in nurturing and encouraging our Mathematical Literacy pupils.

In 2024 we decided not to use textbooks for the Grade 12 class and rather concentrate on worksheets and study guides that we have obtained. This is our first

step in moving the matric class to a mostly paperless system with the need for using paper notes being required only for the sections of work where we must measure scale or draw graphs. If this is successful we will start with the Grade 11s and Grade 10s in 2026.

We wish this year's Matrics all the best for their final examinations and their future joy of finding Mathematical Literacy skills useful in their daily lives.

### **MATHEMATICS**

#### **HEAD**:

Mrs P Grant

#### STAFF:

Ms C Bekker, Mrs D Blane, Mrs R Del Fava, Miss B Matthis, Ms N Ryder, Mrs L Still (Volker)

e congratulate our Matric group of 2023 on their fine set of results. We are incredibly proud of their achievements. These successes are a testament to their dedication and to the





consistent hard work of our Mathematics staff. The 73 pupils who wrote the Mathematics examination achieved a pass rate of 98,6% and an average of 64,5%. 13 pupils attained an average above 80% with 5 above 90%. We look forward to the results of the class of 2024 and trust that their hard work will be rewarded.

56 Clarendon pupils wrote the South African Mathematics Olympiad in the First Term. They are all to be congratulated on their fine effort, especially the 20 Seniors and 12 Juniors who progressed through to the Second Round. Unfortunately, no-one made it through to the Final round.

On the 13 and 14 of September, our Annual Grade 11 Mathematics Camp was held, where the Statistics section of their syllabus was taught. Although it was 7,5 hours of intense teaching and learning, the girls worked extremely hard and were exhausted, but enriched, by the experience.

Clarendon High School was invited to participate in the Grade 8 and Grade 9 Maths Mania competition at Stirling High School on the 14th August. There were three rounds of various mathematical activities. with Grade 8s and Grade 9s competing together but in their respective age groups. Some questions were challenging and no calculators were allowed. Our Grade 8 team consisted of Méha Govind, Khanya Zamxaka, Isobel Botha and Sophie Latimer. Our Grade 9 team consisted of Kajal Rama, Rethabile Mosoang, Morgan Hartwig and Linomtha Nondabula. Both teams had lots of fun and worked enthusiastically throughout the evening. We commend both teams on giving their best.

I want to extend my deepest gratitude for the incredible dedication and hard work from our Mathematics staff. Their commitment to our pupils goes beyond teaching them Mathematics. You have nurtured potential, instilled confidence, and played a significant role in shaping their successes. Thank you for being such an inspiring and integral part of their journey.

## **MUSIC**

#### **HEAD**:

Mrs M Wiseman

#### STAFF:

Ms E-J Cloete, Ms AJ Kobus and Ms J Sparg

he Subject Music class of 2024 upheld our reputation for excellence with 3 A aggregates for Music out of a class of 5. These were achieved by Kaylin Hendriks, Khanyisa Mabula and Emma Pope.

Clarendon High offers a wide range of individual, class-based and group-based musical experiences on a weekly basis. Creative Arts Music is offered in Grades 8-9 and Music is offered as a subject in Grade 10-12. Students study cello, clarinet, drum kit, flute, classical guitar, piano, recorder, saxophone, trumpet, violin/viola or voice. Encouragement of enjoyment through a superior work ethic, high standards and broadbased enrichment forms an important part of our departmental ethos.

All girls who study music at Clarendon are encouraged to join one or more of our musical groups. In 2024 we offered: *All Strings Attached* (guitars), Choir, *De Novo Serenata* 





Serenata was honoured to be invited to sing the National Anthem at the 2024 MEC Excellence Awards at the ICC. Later in the term, they were also invited to give a lunchtime concert at the Kei Lily Ladies Club luncheon at the Kei Country Club which was well received. On 25 May, De Novo participated in a Choral Festival at the Feather Market Centre in Ggeberha. where they gave a successful and vibrant performance as part of the Choral Network Foundation's Festival Concert

Chamber Choir (our vocal "first team"), *Déjà Vu*, Chamber Orchestra, Recorder Ensemble, *Saxonets* and Steel Drum Bands, including *Classic Pan* (our instrumental "first team"). These groups foster musical, aural, interpersonal and leadership skills.

The Music Department had a successful and productive first term. We welcomed an extremely large intake of Grade 8s to begin the year, which was very exciting. The first term was largely spent

Pan, Chamber Orchestra and Choir. De Novo Serenata had their annual training camp at Thomas River, where over 9 hours were dedicated to intensive vocal rehearsal.

Our musicians have also had the chance to collaborate with musicians from other schools through workshops and Festivals, which has greatly contributed towards their growth and development. *De Novo Serenata* took part in the





preparing for the East London Port Rex Lions Eisteddfod and music competitions. To facilitate this and encourage team building within our co-curricular groups, we held day camps for *Classic*  Choral Ignite Workshop in Makhanda, where they gained valuable input from four experienced choral conductors and performed alongside several other choirs. In April, *De Novo*  Series. *De Novo* has once again been invited to sing at the annual **Fairlands Christmas Market fundraiser** on 29 November 2024. We look forward to another lovely afternoon of giving back to the community.

On 7 August, our steel drummers travelled to Gqeberha to take part in the **Pannival**, which took place at Nelson Mandela University in memory of Prof. Andrew Tracey. Our steel drummers made us proud and enjoyed the opportunity to play in 2 massed items with steel drummers from several other schools.

### EISTEDDFODS 2024 (see AWARDS section)

2024 has been a successful competition year for our



musicians. Clarendon High hosted the regional round of the national *ATKV Applous Choral Competition* again this year, which was a great success. The choir entered the merit category for the first time, achieving a Gold award. *De Novo Serenata* entered both the Prestige and Open categories, achieving Gold awards for both. *De Novo Serenata* was then selected to take part in the final round of the Applous competition in

De Novo Serenata also travelled to George from 8 to 11 August to participate in the annual *Cantamus National Choral Festival*, where they were placed first in the Chamber Choir category, won the trophy for the best African song and placed second overall.

The third term schedule continued, as twenty of our top musicians travelled to Gqeberha to participate in three High School categories in the SASMT (South African Society

University. The Vocal Trio (Thandolwethu Voyi, Ayabonga Mpeta, and Zamanywabe Sikhukula) and one of the Vocal Duets (Lunathi Dudumashe and Mivuyo Bebelele) excelled and were selected for the finals, which took the form of a public concert. The Vocal Trio were placed second in the Small Ensemble category.

Classic Pan took part in the Virtual section of the **Education Africa International** Steel Drum and Marimba Festival. They won the Virtual High School Section were awarded the Trinidad and Tobago Trophy for Best Steel Band (including all the bands who attended the live Festival) and a cash prize. This is the fourth consecutive year that we have won this award. The Clarendon High Pans, a band consisting of Classic Pan and our 4 music staff members, came second in the Virtual Open Section.

During the year, the Music Department has held a number of successful concerts. This year, we started our *Lunch Time Concert* initiative at the beginning of the year, which aims to develop our musicians' performance skills within a safe and encouraging space. The music staff, joined by Mrs van Wyk, broke the ice by performing at the first Lunch Time Concert.

Our musicians have had numerous opportunities to



the Prestige category which took place in Cape Town on Saturday, 27 July, where they were placed fourth in their category and were placed seventh overall with a result of 87.883%.

of Music Teachers) Music Competition. Our musicians did us proud and gained valuable performance experience, playing on the stage of the beautiful auditorium at Nelson Mandela



all. Our final music event for the vear, *Matrics in Concert*, took place on 9 October and featured our sixteen matric musicians who took to the stage for the last time in their high school career. The concert was a great success and the Matrics were able to reflect on their five-year musical journey. Matric arrangements were featured in the memory video, and performed live by MSCLB, Déjà vu and De Novo Serenata. Classic pan provided some entertaining background music at the start of the event.

Some of our Recorder and String players visited Clarendon

perform in concerts this year. The *Eisteddfod Showcase* Concert, featuring our Medal winners, Ensembles and Gold recitalists, was a successful conclusion to the Eisteddfod season and was enjoyed by all. The Music Department ended the second term with the annual Stirling Derby Concert in the Stirling Auditorium on 6 June. De Novo held a very successful and enjoyable concert ("De Novo in Concert") on 11 July to raise funds for their tour to the Applous finals in Cape Town. The concert also featured several guest artists, including the Clarendon Primary Chamber Choir, the Clarendon High School Choir, a mom's item, as well as a special dance performance featuring Ms September. Our Musical Celebration, which took place on 16 and 17 August, was a highlight of Founder's Week. The concert, which showcased some of the school's best soloists and ensembles, was wellsupported and enjoyed by





ensembles, to enthusiastic applause.

De Novo Serenata once again sold their delicious pancakes in order to raise tour funds, as part of the Clarrie Creates day, and on two occasions at Superspar Gonubie. We thank the Spar for allowing us the use of their facilities, as this is always a fun and successful venture.

The annual **Steel Drum Marathon**, which took place on 13 July, also gave our steel drummers a chance to showcase their hard work.



Students who still intend to record exams this year are highlighted. These will either be included, or held over for 2025, depending when the results arrive:

#### **ABRSM Practical**

- Mira Mathews Piano Grade
   4
- Shahaa Harms Flute Grade
   4 with Merit
- Lisakhanya Ganqa Recorder Grade 8

with Merit

 Leanne Fletcher – Voice Grade 8 with Distinction

#### **Trinity Practical**

- Ngcali Mgwebi Guitar Grade
   4 with Distinction
- Kholo Stoto Guitar Grade 4 with Merit
- Ruby Kaschula Piano Grade
- Ella Tucker Piano Grade 5
- Buhle-Bendalo Mlumbi –
   Drum Kit Grade 6

Our three steel drum bands took turns to create 12 hours of non-stop pan playing, which included hourly countdowns, and an opportunity to try the pans for a R5 donation. The long day culminated in a concert where all three bands performed and celebrated a successful day with energetic applause after the final countdown. An amount of just under R9500 was raised.

#### **EXTERNAL EXAMS**

Some of our musicians have excelled in Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music and Trinity College London Practical and Theoretical examinations this year:

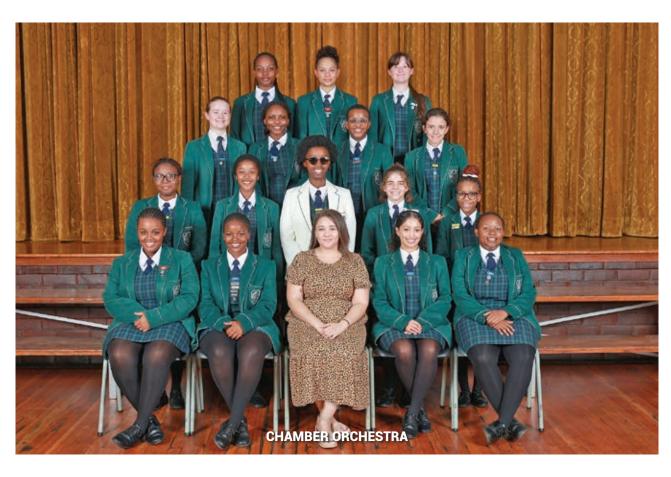






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S Gxesi, A Nyondo, S Dungu C Terblanche, Ms A Kobus (TIC), L Ganqa (Leader) BACK: FRONT:



G Gwed, S Harms, C Tucker

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FRONT: U Dodo, S Jaji, Miss E Cloete (TIC), R Peña-Soutuyo, L Mhambi



BACK: A Myataza, Z Nathoo-Lopez, M Qutywa, P Mpunga, E Page, O Marotya, Z Vice, S Ngqandu, Z Nokhangela Z Ngqavu, S Madikiza, L Mazibuko, S Nata, A Reve, G Mangena, T Mongoato, R Zuzani, A Nyondo 3<sup>RD</sup> ROW: H Matebe, A Mdudo, A Ndabambi, I Arosi, K Mnyaka, S Rensburg, O Mbude, M Bebelele, Z Madokwe

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Z Stuurman

FRONT: L Dudumashe, B Bobo, C Qobongoshe, Ms A Kobus (TIC), L Fletcher (Leader), Ms J Sparg (TIC), S Kolo, U Njongi,

Z Sikhukula



**BACK:** K Mynaka, L Mwanza, R Kaschula, S Harms, S Mathew, B Mlumbi **FRONT:** C Terblanche, M Geduld (Leader), Ms A Kobus (TIC), L Ganqa, A Kumar



BACK: 3RD ROW:

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BACK:

Z Ruga, L Lottering L Ganqa, Miss E Cloete (TIC), I Arosi FRONT:



L Mwanza, S Harms, L Ganqa, R Kaschula, G Gwed, Y Silwana, K Mnyaka A George, B Mlumbi, M Mathews, S Mathew, A Kumar, A Manadan, S Gxesi, C Salaze C Terblanche, Ms A Kobus (TIC) M Geduld, Ms J Sparg (TIC), A Reve BACK: MIDDLE:

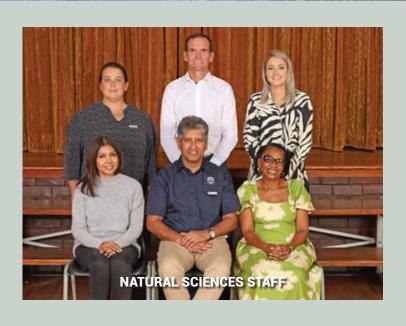
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BACK: C Tucker, G Gwed

S Jaji, Miss E Cloete (TIC), U Dodo FRONT:





# NATURAL SCIENCES

#### **HEAD:**

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# PHYSICAL SCIENCES

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he Physical Sciences
Department has continued
our successful Grade 12
Extra Sciences lessons
from the second week in Term
1, to ensure that the syllabus is
completed.

We entered pupils in the Aqualibrium Competition in Term 2, hosted by the Amathole branch of the South African Institution of Civil Engineers (SAICE), which was held at Vincent Park. The Competition aims to give learners a hands-on experience of what Civil Engineering and

water-related careers entail.
Clarendon entered a Grade
10 team of Unako Nontshinga,
Iviwe Mlahlawa, and Bazolele
Ndamane in the Competition.
The team ended in 4th position.
They learned much about
water distribution and had lots
of fun. Some Grade 11 pupils
attended an Engineering talk
from Stellenbosch University.
Unfortunately, it was in the middle
of the June examinations, as
more pupils would have liked to
attend.

We had a Grade 11 team participating in the *Multimole Science Championship* in the third term, which was a gruelling 3-hour online competition. The competition consisted of a part that required them to work in pairs and an individual part. The team consisted of Anuschka de Jager, Savannah Bus, Emihle Ndzingo and Haylee van Huyssteen. The competition aimed to help pupils prepare for their final examination.

We wish our Grade 12 Physical Sciences pupils all the best for their final examinations.



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#### **GEOGRAPHY:**

Mr M Fourie, Ms M Schultz



#### **HEAD:**

Mrs D Allderman

very sincere congratulations is extended to the Matric class of 2023 who acquitted themselves very well in their final exams. 19 girls wrote, with 5 girls achieving distinctions. The whole class' performance made them the second top performing school in the BCM district for Tourism.

Tourism is an everchanging service industry which places huge focus on staying relevant in relation to world events while still being sustainable as a source of income to many in our country, as well as the rest of the world. This requires responsible action from all sectors of the industry.



This year, the Olympics which was held in France, held specific interest for the Grade 12 students as we studied the effect that global events have on Tourism.

The Grade 11s and 12s completed their PAT exams in the third term, which were 8 hours in length and took place over two

# **TOURISM**

days. The girls really acquitted themselves well and a large number of students achieved marks in the 80 – 90% range. These tasks require students to do various activities using the information provided in Case Studies and Scenarios and then use the information and data provided in a mediated Resource booklet to plan and resolve Tourism-related issues. The girls have also completed a number of activities throughout the year, as well as Common Tests which are set by the Department of Education.

As we draw to the close of the year, we wish the learners well for their final assessments.



# **VISUAL ARTS**



Mwanza (Grade11) recently, when her artwork was also chosen for the 2024 edition of 'English Alive' – a special consecutive year's selection.

Jiyana Timothy was selected as one of 25 finalists in the National Junior Portrait Award Competition. Her portrait was exhibited at the Rust-en-Vrede Art Gallery in Cape Town.

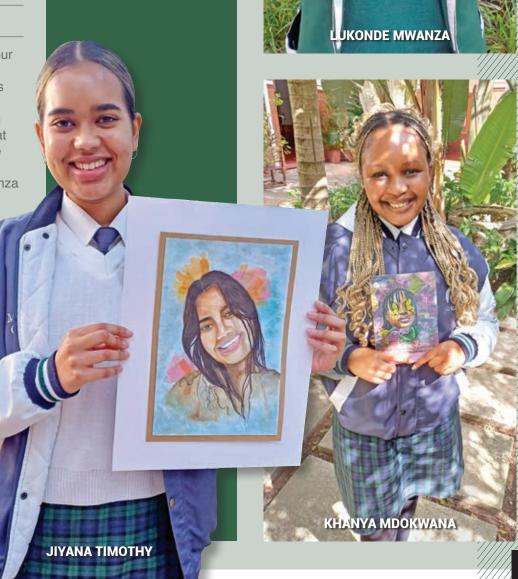
Colours for Visual Art was awarded to Lukonde Mwanza and Jiyana Timothy, and an Honours Award to Khanya Mdokwana.

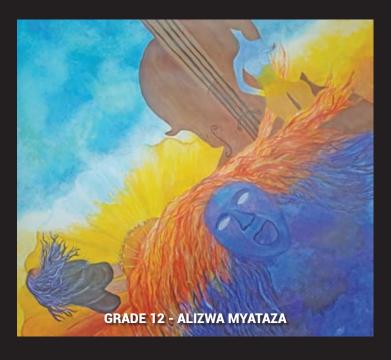
'Art is a joy of the heart. An awakening.' Maggie Laubser

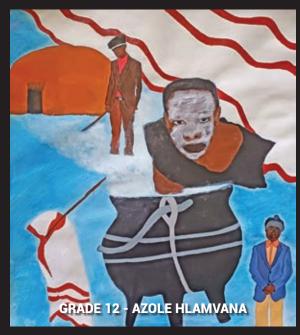
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Ms N van Wyk e are proud of our students who received awards at the East London Eisteddfod and High Schools' Art exhibition held at the Belgravia Art Centre. We also congratulate Anuschka de Jager and Lukonde Mwanza whose work was selected for the Umtiza Arts Festival Exhibition at the Ann Bryant Art Gallery. Khanya Mdokwana's

Mdokwana's (Grade 12) artwork was chosen as the cover for the 2023 National Schools' Poetry Anthology, 'English Alive', which was a great honour. We were proud of Lukonde













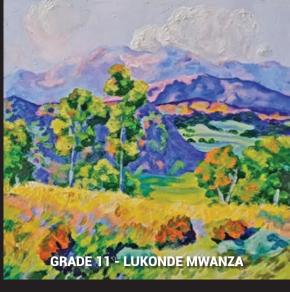








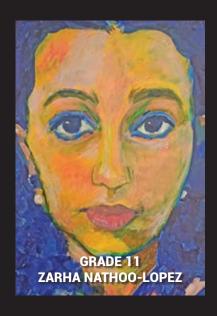


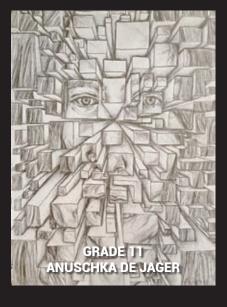




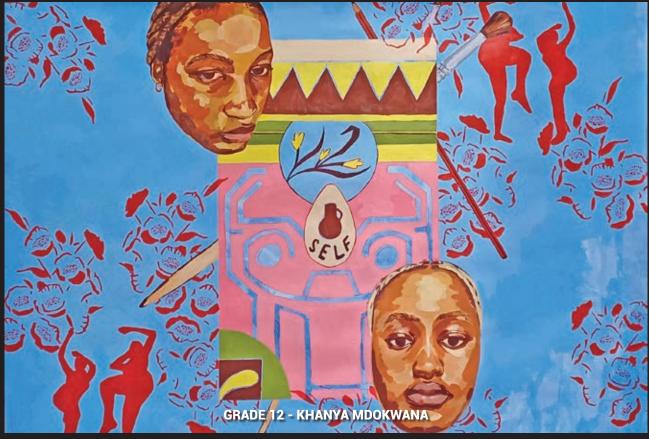






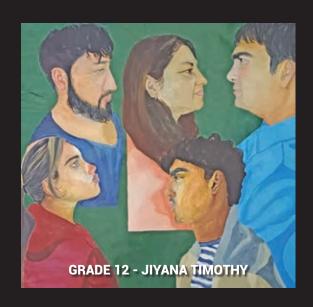








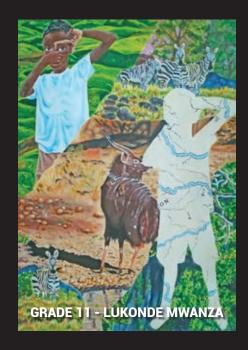


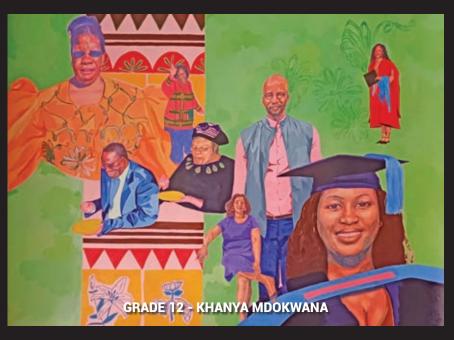


















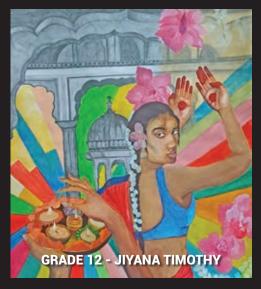




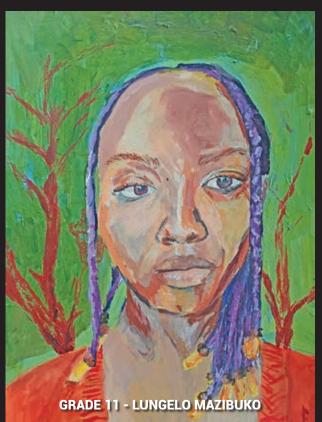
















## CREATIVE WRITING



#### **CHOICES**

Love and joy blossom this time around, as I embark on this new trial.

The air feels fresher, the grass looks greener, and the sun shines brighter than I've ever seen.

But there's still that bit of darkness pulling me away from the light, to something darker, to complete agony.

Did I want this?
Do I deserve this?

But asking these questions made me realize, the decisions I made, the choices I took.

Now I find myself in a state of complete wonder, reflecting on all the things I've done.

I face regret every day, all the 'should've', 'could've' wandering in my head,

But for what? All these things just isolated and broke me to pieces.

Agape Gwanya Grade 8



#### I HAVE A CHOICE

Constantly whispering in my ear Giving me "advice" that I never needed

Molding me into whatever you saw fit

Now, I stand here, a clueless adult Dismayed at all the options I have at my disposal

Unaware of how different my life would have been

Had I been given a choice

I would have chosen to enjoy my youth

Had you never taken away my choice

Forcing me to be consumed by my academics

I would have chosen to express myself through my clothes Had you not taken away my choice

Compelling me into a monotone, passionless appearance

I would have chosen to be outspoken Had you not taken away my choice Suppressing my character turning me into a person with no

You thought that you were preparing me for the harsh world But you were the harsh world You took away my choices Made me a duplicate of all your mistakes and shortcomings

I am now expected to have my own voice and think in a way that suits me My future is now my choice Your voice is no longer behind my whispers Your ideas are no longer behind

my thoughts
I have a choice.
My life is finally my own.

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Canzi Bizana - Grade 10

### IF I PLAYED MY CARDS RIGHT

If I played my cards right, I wouldn't be so stressed Life is such a risky gamble And my choices aren't the best If I played my cards right, I would've come first place But it's hard to see what I could be In such an unclear space

If I played my cards right, I would never be so blue With riches and fame, money to my I would have much more to do If I played my cards right, I wouldn't be the same Choice after choice, day after day With no regret or shame But if I played my cards right, I would not be here



Life is all about choices my friend The future is never clear

Eva Kelly - Grade 8

# CREATIVE WRITING



#### **BREAKING FREE**

Frigid limbs folded around her shivering and painted body, As she stood there, vulnerable and feeling so sorry.

Tears dry onto her porcelain like face,

As she wonders if she'll ever escape this dark place.

Scattered with faded purple and blue.

She thinks of the choices she could've made anew, And her mind running into an endless maze,

As she ruminates on the choices that led to this phase.

She knows she has a decision to make.

To break free from the cycle of abuse and take a new stake. Angered by him who seethed her name

She knows she can't keep living life in shame.

No more whimpering aloud, She resolves to be strong and proud,

Slumbering into the depths of her dreams,

She hopes to wake up to a new reality that gleams.

Her words solely to be remembered,

As she breaks free from the chains that had her rendered. As her body stills and showered with his marks,

She knows she needs to make a fresh and fruitful start.

To sleep is what she had gotten, As she decides to choose a life that is not forgotten.

Freedom is all she wanted, And now she knows she's not haunted. Pain, is all she had,

But now she chooses to let go of what made her sad.

Love, is all she had yearned for, And now she knows it's not worth fighting for anymore.

Life has other plans, she realizes, And she knows it's time to move on with no compromises.

The silver ring imprisoning her finger, trapped her mind,
Thinking love was her path, she now leaves it all behind.
The cage she trapped herself in from his despicable lure,
She now knows it's time to break free and find a new cure.
Forgive her as she pursues her fate,

Forgive her, as she finally leaves behind her old state.

Forgive her, as she chooses to live a life that's true, Forgive her, as she takes her first step anew.

Ayabonga Mpeta Grade 10

#### THE CHOICE OF THE AFRICAN

To be what is expected or be what is true, not the modern version, the white-washed image created by society of hushed tyranny and past regrets.

The version that fits their box of life, an objection to our spiritual selves and drums of feet, their instructions of "how to be", impersonation of negritude but rather

the true lullaby of the rolling savannah hills, the clicks of tongues over the veld against savannah suns.

The long history of my people, the vernacular that spoke for days.

the origins of the jewels, the diamonds amongst the dirt and rocks they stole.

The superior, the "decider", who chose to ignore the pleas of the people, the true people, the right people, the only people.

For I cannot tell their tales, cannot silence their noise,



their voices but rather, I choose to be the new, to be the real, to be the African.

Jada-Nicole Simons Grade 12

# CREATIVE WRITING



#### THE CHOICES WE MAKE

Raised upon fear They vow to do better Yet the cracks in their teachings Slowly become bigger Minds remain closed to new Truths and ideas Tears and resentment will Forever be familiar An inheritance of hurt Easily rejected But a wall of memories Will always prevent it Forgive and forget Becomes their new slogan Is that a part of the inheritance too? Or will the cycle finally be broken

Zarha Nathoo-Lopez Grade 11



#### **CHOICES**

The first Light I saw when I came into this world
Was without intention
My permission?
Unnecessary...
My voice?
Also, unnecessary....
Only the screams of my unwelcome cries were of importance.

The tears kept falling. Involuntarily... Those tears were a sign of my health And those cries? A reminder that I have been welcomed into this world. But was it a welcome? I came into this world without a thought Mind empty... I never needed thoughts all I needed to do was to exist Now? My thought are overflowing Pouring. Mv cries? Silenced. My screams? Trapped. In a body that may seem bigger And yet so repressed But that is okay I choose this life I never asked to be born...

But I am here.

My mind is no longer empty.

It is filled with thoughts of tomorrow.

And yet?
I welcome them.
Am I scared? Yes
But....
My cries are no longer needed.

Before, I did not have a voice I was silenced by my fears The unknown...

Now? I'm still scared The only difference? I no longer fear my voice

My choice? Is to use it.

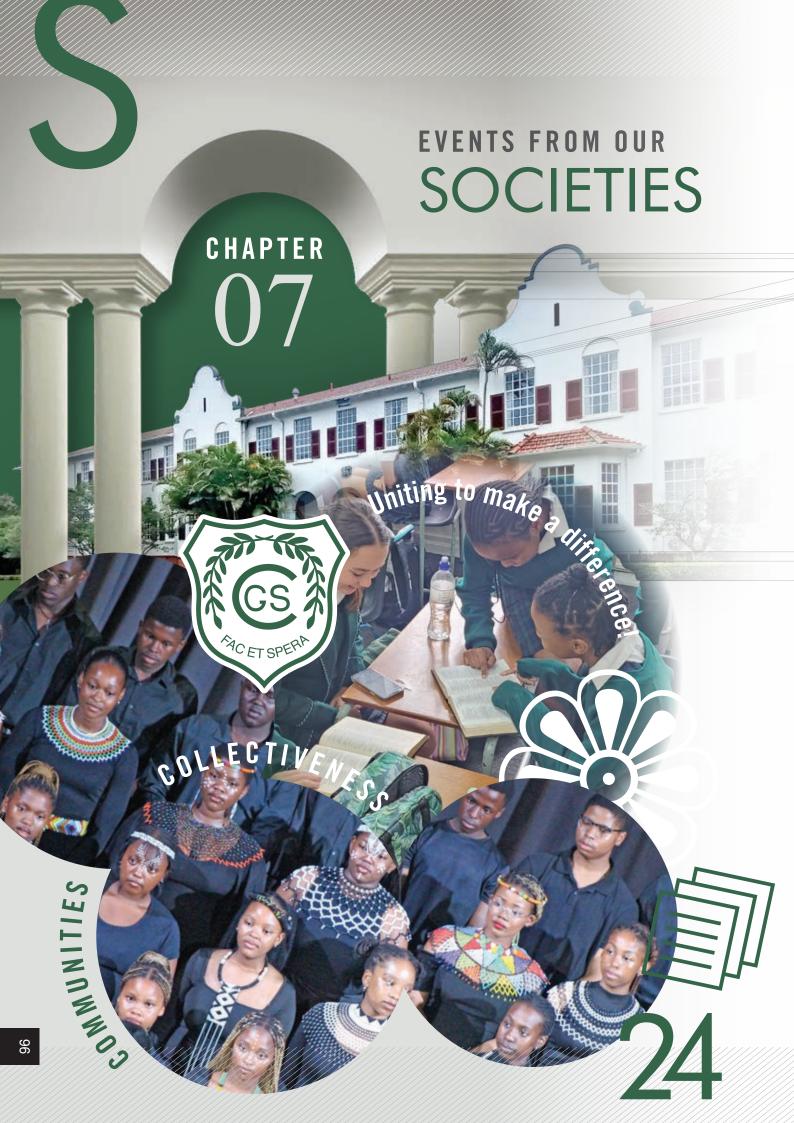
Lungelo Mazibuko Grade 11



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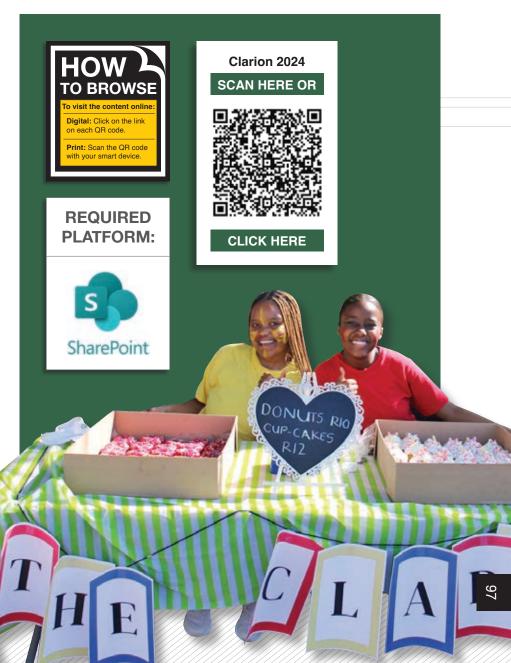
In 2024, <u>The Clarion</u> published three issues and covered a number of school events and highlights such as *Radium Girls*; The Interact Club and their initiatives; *De Nova Serenata*; the Clarrie Creates Day, etc. There was also a focus on various topics such as Earth Hour, and a focus on National Women's Day. This year also saw the introduction of book and film reviews.

We thank the outgoing Committee and members for their work, insights and contributions in 2024, despite a demanding academic and extra-mural programme. We also look forward to the addition of a number of new members, new insights as well as new ideas in 2025.

Clarion. For the students, by the students.



**BACK:** A Kumar, M Mbaye, S Silwana, E Ngxola, P Hogana, Z Mquqo Z Mtshemla, Ms J Patrick (Principal), R Zuzani, Ms G Bhana (TIC),



# **CULTURAL SOCIETY**

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#### **COMMITTEE:**

Nosimphiwe Dumengane, Khazimla Dunjwa, Nela Jele, Uyasithanda Manina, Aqhama Nyondo, Jiyana Timothy,

t the beginning of this year, we hosted our annual Cultural Society Evening, which was filled with celebration of different cultures, joyous singing, and cultural dances. It was a success and a life-time experience for the girls. We also had the pleasure of having the Hindu society showcase their culture on this day. All the neighbouring schools around East London were invited to come and join us. It was extremely well attended and we raised much-needed funds for the charities our society supports. The planning of this evening enabled the Committee to display their leadership skills and develop them. It also created unity amongst our school community.

The money raised is for the purchase of packs of toiletries as Christmas gifts for the *D.J. Sobey Old Age* 

Home in Fynbos, and to give the Global Mercy Mission for underprivileged children in Stoney Drift, Christmas packs that include school essentials too. This will not only put a smile on their faces but will relieve the burden on their parents.

In Term 4,the Society hosted a luncheon to thank all the Grade 12 Cultural Society members for their contribution to the society in their 5 years of high school. We thanked them for their dancing, singing, service and giving up their time for the Cultural Society evenings. On this day we were blessed by the presence of one of our old girls Ms Bantu Bungane, who came to speak to the Matrics, giving them words of wisdom, and encouraging them about the importance of giving their lives to God and choosing friends wisely, if they wish to fulfil their dreams.

We would like to thank all the girls who have given up their time to practise preparing for the success of the Cultural



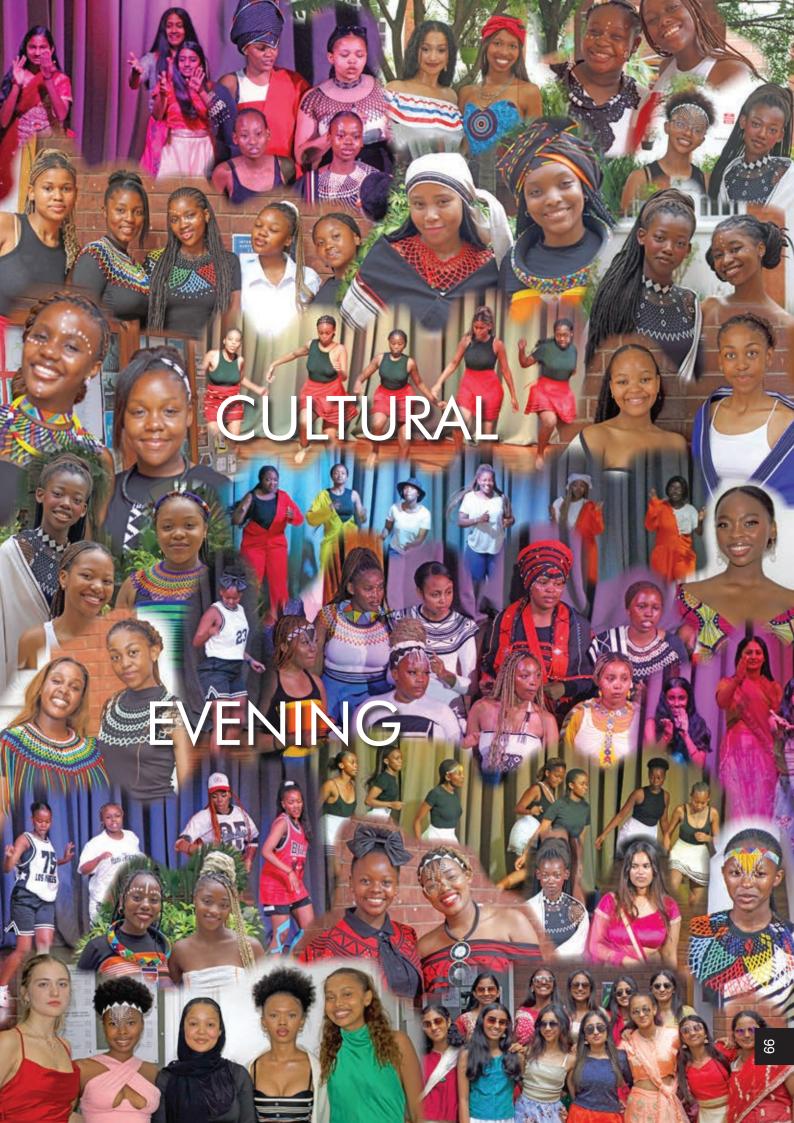
Society events. We would also like to extend our gratitude to the teachers who have ensured that the evening is a success. A special mention goes to Mrs Renton for willingly taking up the responsibility of assisting the society whenever there is a need. To every student and parent who attended – your support is greatly appreciated.

To the Matrics – we wish them all the best as they prepare for their final examinations. We say to you Matrics, "Ayikho inkomo yobuthongo". Ithi ke loo nto sebenzani ngokuzinikela ukuze iminqweno yenu iphumelele. Siyanithanda!



BACK: FRONT:

K Dunjwa, A Nyondo, J Timothy, N Jele, U Manina, N Dumengane L Bolana (Secretary), Ms S Gqibani (T-L), L Kata (Chairperson), Mrs J Patrick (Principal), A Falo (Deputy Chairperson)



## **DEBATING**

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Miss G Bhana

#### **TEACHER-LINK:**

Mrs F Mopp

#### COACH:

Mr U Mdingi

#### **CHAIRPERSON:**

Maimouna Mbaye

#### **DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON:**

Elizabeth Gyan

#### SECRETARY:

Amyoli Ndabambi

he 2024 Debating season has seen the return of our debating coach, Uhleli Mdingi, who coached our teams to great success during the 2023 season. 2024 has proven to be a fruitful year for the society.

Nicollete Tumbare represented the Eastern Cape at the National Debating tournament in December 2023 and was ranked 6th in the country. She was also awarded 2nd for Best Reply Speaker, after numerous rounds of trials. In 2024, she was then selected to represent the SA National Debating Development Squad as part of one of five National **Debating Development** teams, namely, SA Springbok. She had the opportunity to represent South Africa against national teams from other countries in various tournaments held online. We are

extremely proud of this

achievement.



BACK: Z Mquqo, E Gyan, Y Mahlati

MIDDLE: A Mzileni, A Kobese, A Ndabambi, N Tumbare

FRONT: U Mdingi (Coach), Ms J Patrick (Principal), M Mbaye, Ms F Mopp (T-L),

Ms G Bhana (TIC)











BACK: Z Ngqavu, Z Vice, E Tucker, U Skosana, K Rama

MIDDLE: K Patterton, A Mokwele, S Ndhlovu, Z Makati, Q Tshandu, K Mtintsilana,

E Veleekizhakethil

FRONT: U Mdingi (Coach), Ms J Patrick (Principal), M Hartwig, Ms F Mopp (T-L),

Ms G Bhana (TIC)

In March, we invited Clarendon Primary School's Grade 6 and 7 Debaters for a session with our club and coach. This afforded them the opportunity to view a high-quality debate by our Junior and Senior debaters.

In the Border League, both our Senior and Junior teams did exceptionally well, placing 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> respectively. They subsequently qualified to participate in the Eastern Cape Provincial trials, which was held in Grahamstown on the 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> August 2024. The Clarendon Junior and Senior Teams were extremely competitive at the Eastern Cape Schools Debating Championship and achieved wonderful results. Our Junior Team broke into the Main



Division of the tournament and came out victorious as the Eastern Cape Champions! While our Senior team did not break, Amahle Kobese and Yonwaba Mahlati were selected for the Senior selection debate. The following speakers made their respective Top 10 rankings during the tournament:

#### Junior:

- 10th Qhayiya Tshandu
- · 4th Morgan Hartwig
- · 2nd Ukhonaye Skosana

#### Senior:

7th Zenande Mquqo

Congratulations to the following debaters, who have been selected for the Eastern Cape Team, to participate in the National Debating Championships in Grahamstown at the end of this year:

#### Junior:

 Ukhonaye Skosana and Morgan Hartwig. Qhayiya Tshandu was selected as a Reserve.

#### Senior:

- Nicollete Tumbare and Zenande Mquqo.
- Yonwaba Mahlati was selected as a Reserve and after training, she was upgraded to the Eastern Cape team.

We would also like to congratulate Elizabeth Gyan, Amyoli Ndabambi, Layla Khandoo and Ingcali Matiso for achieving Gold, as well as Zenande Mquqo for achieving Silver in the Adjudication Test.

A team of debaters also attended the Alexander Road Festival held in Port Elizabeth on the 21st and 22nd March. which had both a Debating and a Public Speaking component. The team won five out of seven debates, achieved five best speaker awards and had two Public Speaking finalists, Nicollete Tumbare and Zenande Mquqo, who placed 3rd in the Public Speaking component of the Festival. Best Speaker awards for Debating went to: Yonwaba Mahlati (on two

occasions), Nicollete Tumbare, Zenande Mquqo and Morgan Hartwig.

The National All Girls' Festival was yet another highlight for the society. A team of five learners, namely, Maimouna Mbaye, Yonwaba Mahlati, Nicollete Tumbare, Zenande Mquqo and Morgan Hartwig, had the privilege of representing Clarendon at the Festival hosted by Potchefstroom Girls' High this year. The team placed 2nd overall, with Nicollete Tumbare receiving a speaker ranking of 3rd, Zenande Mquqo 5th and Yonwaba Mahlati ranking 8th. They can be proud of this wonderful achievement.

We are also proud to be hosting the Eastern Cape Debating Championships in 2025. Congratulations to the debaters for an extremely successful year – they are to be commended for their hard work, effort and the time they sacrificed in preparing fully for their debates and attending online sessions during their holidays.



**BACK:** K Rama; R Neerunjan; KY Naidoo; J Timothy; K Naidoo;

R Koshy; R Robymon

MIDDLE: M Govind; L Sunil; Y Moodley; A Kumar; M Mathews;

D Naidoo; A Manadan; T Singh; S Neermul

FRONT: E Veleekizhakethil; P Naidoo; Mrs L Naidoo (TIC);

P Naidoo (Head); Mrs J Patrick (Principal); S Naidoo

(Head); A George

## HINDU SOCIETY

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Mrs L Naidoo

#### **HEADS:**

Pavithrra Naidoo and Sivina Naidoo

larendon High School's Hindu Society had an incredible first year back by promoting our rich and vibrant cultural heritage. The society expresses spirituality and joy through

various forms of dance, celebrating festivals and by continuously learning about cultural practices.

The girls performed a contemporary dance at the *Cultural Society Show*, where they embraced cultural diversity. A traditional dance item was also entered at *Clarendon's Got Talent*, where the Hindu Society won second place. We take pride in educating others about our diverse culture and plan on hosting fundraising initiatives in the near future.

# LET'S CREATE

#### **TEACHERS-IN-CHARGE:**

Miss A Kobus and Mrs R Del Fava

#### **MENTORS:**

Miss A Daines (Drama), Mrs R del Fava (Crochet) and Mrs N van Wyk (Art)

#### **COMMITTEE:**

Lungelo Mazibuko, Ogiyonke Mbude, Lukonde Mwanza and Inganathi Pule

he Let's Create! Club provided a relaxed space for bonding over shared creative pursuits.

The Art Room buzzes every afternoon, except Friday, with artists working on their various projects. We share the space with the Beauty and the Beast Set Crew, so there is a hive of

activity. The Art Room remains a happy and creative space where students explore various media and themes.

The Crochet section, which this year included some Knitting and Embroidery, saw the creation of many beautiful items of clothing, accessories and cute ornaments. This weekly gathering also created strong social connections.

Members of the Drama and Film club learnt about advertisement and video-making, which gave rise to creative projects.

The three groups worked towards *Clarrie Creates*, which was held on Saturday 13 July.

This annual creative event once again included other Cultural activities, namely Public Speaking, Debating, a 12-hour Steel Drum Marathon and entrepreneur stalls. The R2per-song Karaoke remained a firm favourite, while Clarrie staff and students also sold handcrafted items such as jewellery, candles, funky fashion items and food. Many of the stall holders sold out, while some of the Karaoke performers received standing ovations. Drama students were able to show their year's collection of Videos, ranging from Adverts to Stop Motion Videos.

Keep dreaming and creating!



## PUBLIC SPEAKING

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Ms C van Zyl

**HEAD:** 

Zenande Mquqo

**DEPUTY HEAD:** 

Jada-Nicole Simons

**SECRETARY:** 

Sreya Mathew

#### **COMMITTEE:**

Okuhle Vazi, Zotando Mkize

hen reflecting on 2024, the word "perseverance" would be an accurate term to describe the past year. Throughout the year, our public speakers were given several chances to showcase their talents. They were able to convince audiences in this way while simultaneously providing supporters with a chance to take a break from their daily routines and think about how to make the world a better place.

We are very proud of



BACK: O Vazi, S Mathew (Secretary), J-N Simons (Deputy Head)
FRONT: Mrs J Patrick (Principal), Z Mquqo (Head), Ms C van Zyl (TIC)

ABSENT: Z Mkize

Kaitlyn Hayward, Nicollete Tumbare, and Zenande Mquqo who were chosen to represent South Africa in the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking Championships (WIDPSC) 2023/2024, hosted in April 2024 by Canberra Girls' Grammar School in Canberra, Australia. Kaitlyn and Nicollete traveled to Canberra and did extremely well at their first WIDPSC competition. Kaitlyn ranked in tied 6th position in the Debating section and overall tied 47th position in the world for her Public Speaking ability. Nicollete ranked 2nd in the Interpretive Reading section and overall 26th global position at this prestigious event.

Another highlight on the Public Speaking calendar was the National All Girls' Festival

2024, hosted by
Potchefstroom Girls'
High in Potchefstroom.
Sreya Mathew (Grade
11) and Lunathi
Dudumashe (Grade
9) had the honour of
representing Clarendon
at this esteemed event.
Lunathi obtained the
3rd position in the
Junior Public Speaking
section of the festival.

There were several Derby Days where Clarendon continued to demonstrate that we remain a formidable



force. The results were as follows:

- 1st Queenstown
   Girls' High:
   Senior Zenande
   Mquqo (1st place),
   Sreya Mathew (3rd
   place)
- Junior Sbulele Nata (1st place), Linomtha Nondabula (2nd place)
- Eunice Girls' High: Senior – Jada-Nicole Simons (3rd place), Iminathi Ntame (4th place)
- Junior Sbulele Nata (1st place), Linomtha Nondabula (2nd place)
- Kingsridge High School: Senior – Zotando Mkize (1st place),
- Junior Eshal Muhammad (2nd place)
- DSG: Senior –
   Okuhle Vazi (2nd
   place), Angalakha
   Mzileni (4th place)
- Junior Elina Veleekizhakethil (1st place), Amanye Sidlayi (4th place)
- 2nd Queenstown Girls' High: Senior – Jada-Nicole Simons (1st), Sreya Mathew (3rd place)
- Junior Elina Veleekizhakethil (1st place), Amanye Sidlayi (3rd place)
- Collegiate: Senior

   Jada-Nicole
   Simons (2nd place)
- Junior Sbulele Nata (1st place)

The Public Speaking season ended with



A Kobese, K Hayward, A Nkula, N Tumbare, M Mbaye

MIDDLE: O Njobe, A Manadan, L Magwentshu, O Vazi (Committee Member), A Kumar, T Nzuzo FRONT: S Mathew (Secretary), Mrs J Patrick, Z Mquqo (Head), Ms C van Zyl (TIC), J Simons

(Deputy Head)

BACK:

ABSENT: Z Mkize (Committee member)



BACK: S Nata, M Hartwig, U Skosana

**3rd ROW:** S Ndhlovu, A Sidlayi, Q Fikizolo, M Mathews

2nd ROW:
 L Dudumashe, S Dingiswayo, A Ndamase, K Mtintsilana, L Nondabula
 FRONT:
 FRONT:
 E Veleekizhakethil, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), E Muhammad, Ms C van Zyl (TIC),

K Patterton







Lunathi Dudumashe, Amanye Kobese. Zenande Mquqo, and Nicollete Tumbare representing Clarendon at the National **Individual Debating** and Public Speaking Championships (NIDPSC) 2024 hosted by Merrifield College. Schools from across the country participated in this prestigious by-invitation-only championship. Nicollete was not just the runner-up in the Debating Section but also placed 2nd overall at the Championships. Zenande obtained an overall 6th position. Amahle achieved the 15th overall position. Lunathi unfortunately did not place under the Top 20 speakers.

Amahle, Zenande, and Nicollete have been chosen as part of the South African Delegation traveling to Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia) in 2025 to represent South Africa in the World Competition. (WIDPSC). We thank Mrs Hellen Smit and Miss Carike van Zyl for accompanying the participants to the NIDPSC Championship.

We would like to congratulate and commend our dedicated public speakers on their hard work. We are grateful for every opportunity that we were granted to participate in various derbies and competitions. Thank you to everyone who supported us during the year. We are looking forward to competing again in 2025.

## **SCA**

#### TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:

Mrs D Blane

#### **HEAD**:

Maya Klopper

he School Christian Association (SCA) provides a spiritual home for many here at Clarendon. It is a place where like-minded peers meet who want to learn more about

Jesus and grow in their faith.

The theme for 2024 was "Community in Christ" and the goal was to ensure that all attending SCA, feel that they belong to a community and know that they are loved by God. We meet every Monday at first break, and Friday at second break. Our sessions alternate between Bible study, Prayer meetings, Praise and Worship sessions, as well as hosting guest speakers. An extra worship slot was added on a Wednesday and has created an additional opportunity for those who wish to join and praise the Lord in song. A prayer box is available to all at school and the leadership takes the requests



**BACK:** A Hlamvana, Z De Beer, A Pretorius, S Jordan, I Arosi **FRONT:** S Marimo, Mrs J Patrick, M Klopper (Head), Mrs D Blane (TIC), A Maganise

and commits them to the Lord. We thank all the leaders who have led and prepared for the sessions, especially our head, Maya Klopper, for all she has done for SCA this year.

We began the year with a SCA Picnic on the 11 March – a combined event between Selborne and Clarendon. This event was filled with games, worship, and a time of fellowship. Worship and Connect Events were held over the year, hosted by various schools, namely, Selborne, Hudson Park, Stirling and Ooskus Gimnasium. The pupils love to attend these events as it gives all learners an opportunity to connect with other

believers, learn from one another and grow in their faith.

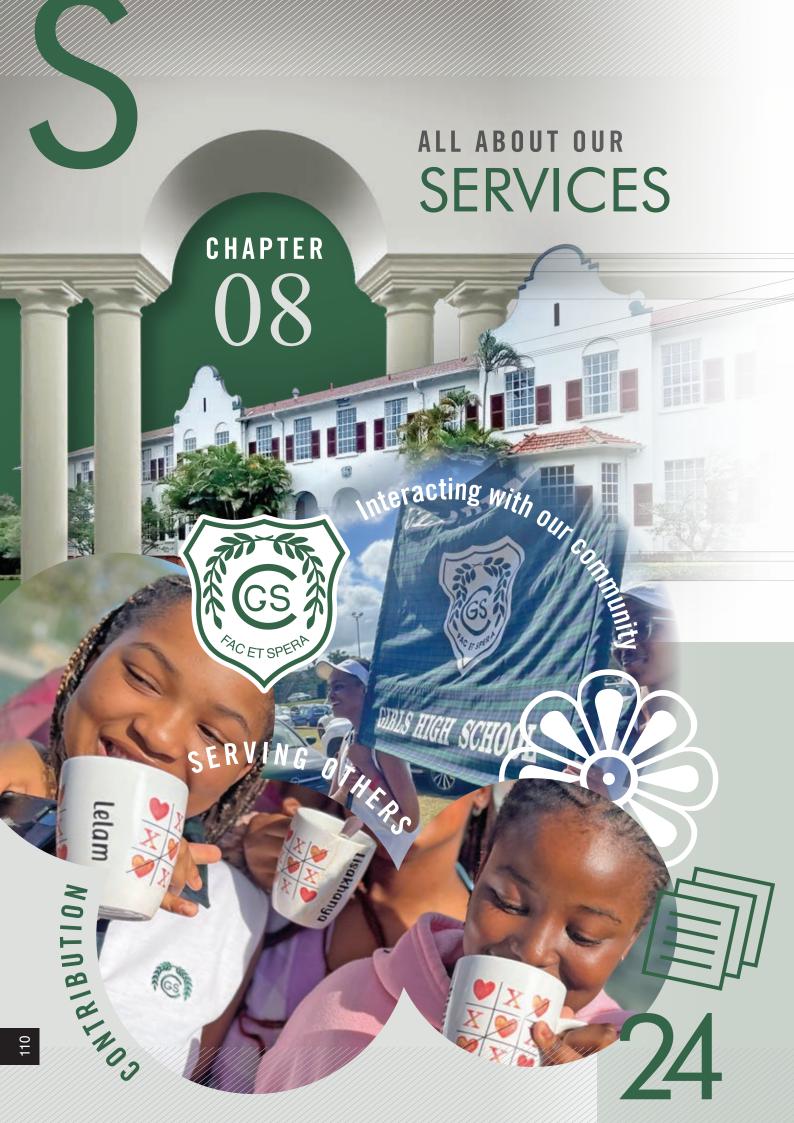
The RCL hosted a wellness hour where girls could choose to attend different activities on campus. Those who chose to attend the SCA session enjoyed decorating biscuits and spending time together discussing their identity in Christ. Maya Klopper led the discussion with Hannah James leading the session in worship.

One of the highlights of this year was a visit to the Logos Hope Ship. SCA members thoroughly enjoyed the experience and learnt more about the largest floating bookshop. They also took the opportunity to buy some great Christian books.

At the end of every year, we visit the Grade 7s at Clarendon Primary and explain to them what SCA is all about. We thank our Grade 12 leaders for their commitment to SCA and wish them all the best in their future. A verse especially for our Grade 12s comes from Psalm 46 v 10: "Be still and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth!"







# BOOKROOM



BACK: MIDDLE: FRONT: Lunathi Nene, Thato Mongoato, Savannah Bus, Indive Mvandaba, Brodi Veaudry Onako Nontshinga, Bambanani Daka, Canzi Bizana, Bazolele Ndamane, Mbali Xobololo, Likhaya Mapoma, Zintle Mona

Emihle Ndzingo, Ms J Patrick (Principal), Ufez'isiphosoxolo Mbilini (Head), Ms J Smouse (TIC), Anuschka de Jager

# ENVIRO CLUB

## **TEACHERS-IN-CHARGE:**

Miss C Bekker, Miss G Bhana

**HEAD**:

Hlumo Naweniso

**DEPUTY:** 

Anelisiwe Langa

**SECRETARY:** 

Sanelisiwe Charlie



he Enviro Club has had a fun and exciting year as we participated in various activities. We started the year off with a beach clean-up at the Nahoon Beach, where plenty of litter was picked up and

disposed of.

The club also launched the Students Rebuild 2024 Extraordinary Earth Project, in which its members encouraged the school to create pieces of art out of recycled materials to





generate donations to organizations addressing climate change. For each art piece submitted, the Bezos Foundation donated \$5 to organizations tackling environmental issues in response to the worldwide climate crises. The project ran until June 2024. Unfortunately, the project was not well supported as only three art pieces were submitted which generated \$15.00. We hope to encourage better support in the future.

The club celebrated Mothers' Day by hosting our annual fundraiser where various items were sold. These items included beautifully-crafted biscuit jars made from recycled glass; coffee jars that were decoupaged by our club members;

anthurium, spekboom and guavadilla plants; Mother's Day cards; biscuits and marshmallow pops. The fundraiser was a success and 80% of the funds raised was used to purchase dog and cat food, which was later donated to the SPCA. This was another exciting outing enjoyed by our members in Term 3.

In addition to this, the club conducted a clean-up around the school grounds and their second beach cleanup which the members thoroughly enjoyed after a busy term. The Club continues to encourage the recycling of paper, using our paper bins, and to collect bottle tops and bread tags for donation to Corenect Physiotherapy for wheelchairs.



BACK: B Mtshukuma, A Sambu, A Reve

MIDDLE: B Ncita, S Moyikwa, R Zuzani, L Gowa, T Ntswahlana

FRONT: S Iqbal, Ms G Bhana (TIC), A Langa, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), H Nqweniso, Ms C Bekker (TIC), S Charlie





# INTERACT

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Ms B Matthis

# **PRESIDENT**:

Claren Lugo Fernandez

## **DEPUTY:**

Latita Badiyana

## **SECRETARY:**

Jessica Bushell

#### **COMMITTEE:**

Savannah Bus, Igrra Hassan, Sange Magwentshu, Siphosethu Maqubela, Emihle Ndzingo, Owami Nyombolo,

his year the Clarendon Interact Club made a meaningful impact through a series of initiatives aimed at serving both the school and broader

communities.

One of our proudest accomplishments was reviving the "Love Lunches" initiative, where learners donate lunch items to support the Helping Those in Need soup kitchen. Every Thursday, our members gathered to prepare over 50 sandwiches, which were distributed weekly to those less fortunate.

We also took part in several national fundraisers, including Casual Day for the National Institute for the Deaf, Flip Flop Day for CHOC, and the St Bernard's Hospice Coin Drive. Our efforts raised over R4,500 for Casual Day alone, and we were invited to speak on LinkFM about our longstanding support for St. Bernard's Hospice.

In addition to fundraisers, our members participated in the

> where we walked from 2 PM to 10 PM in support of cancer survivors and caretakers. and in remembrance of those who lost their lives to cancer. We also participated in a Beach Walk fundraiser for Mandela Day, where our club donated dozens of baby

> > products to



the cause.

Within school, we ran several impactful projects, such as the Easter Egg drive and Toy Run, where we donated Easter Eggs to children's homes and old age homes, and filled a bakkie with donated toys and stationery. Our Pop-Up Bake Sale raised over R2,500 for a local child's medical bills. Clarendon High School learners participated in all of these fundraisers generously and enthusiastically.

In the spirit of service, we continued our weekly visits to *Breath of Life*, a home for abandoned babies, as well as to *Lynette Elliott Home*, for the frail and elderly. Our club spent Worker's Day painting cots and a shed at *Breath of Life*. These consistent efforts reflect the heart of Interact: *Building relationships through Service*.

As we look ahead, we are proud of the difference we've made this year and excited to continue serving our community.







Back: O Nyombolo, S Maqubela, I Hassan, S Bus, S Magwentshu, E Ndzingo Front: J Bushell, Mrs J Patrick, C Lugo Fernandez, Ms B Matthis, L Badiyana

# KIOSK MONITRESSES



# LAB MONITORS



**BACK:** L Mazibuko, K Bala, I Kaptein, H Van Huyssteen, G Green

3<sup>RD</sup> ROW: B Veaudry, I Pule, L Vellem, O Mbude, S Jaji. R Zuzani, D Naidoo, S Madikiza, U Qinela, O Gushu.

FRONT: J Goldblum, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), Z Maneli, Mr Roberson (TIC), G Mkpuluma.

# LIBRARY

# **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Ms R Hobbs

# **CHAIRPERSON:**

Jody Langley

#### **VICE-CHAIRPERSON:**

Mandibonge Qangule

#### **SECRETARY:**

Linamandla Gonya

he library team has consisted of the following members for 2024: Jody Langley, Mandibonge Qangule, Pei-Shan Wang, Liyalatha Gcume, Linamandla Gonya, Qayiya Ngcobondwana, Anelisiwe Langa, Busisa Mtshukuma, Boitumelo Saba, Chuma Magobongo, Zanobuntu Ndawo, Sienna Nel, Aqhama Nyondo, Haylee van Huyssteen, Yonwaba Mahlati, Yonela Dayimani, Inganathi Pule, Ngcali Mgwebi, Inam Sihola, Qhayiya Mgeni, Yakhanathi Silwana, Emihle Ndzingo, and Ayabonga Mpeta.

Our Library Monitors have been essential to the smooth operation of the Library. Their dedication and hard work are crucial, and we could not keep everything running without their invaluable time and contributions.

This year, our Library has been bustling with new arrivals! We have added around 100 new books covering a range of themes and genres, with a special emphasis



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on South African and African authors, both in Fiction day!

and Non-Fiction We themed or changing celebrate genres. Trincluded I Women's Internation and general a

richer and more diverse every day!

We have also introduced themed displays in the Library, changing each month to celebrate different events and genres. Themes highlighted have included Black History Month, Women's Day and Month (both International and South African), and genres like Thriller and Fantasy.

In celebration of 
'World Read Aloud Day' on 7 February, eight of our dedicated Library Monitresses visited the Carel du Toit Centre. They spent time reading and engaging with the Centre's pupils, making it an enriching experience for everyone involved.

Our Grade 12 learners walked across to Clarendon Primary for a





special *Read Aloud* session on 11 March. It was heartwarming to see our Grade 12s reading to and sharing stories with the Grade 4s, strengthening our bond with the Primary girls and building on our 'sisterhood' in such a meaningful way.

On 24 April, World Book Day brought out the best in our students, who embraced the challenge of dressing up with enthusiasm and creativity! It was wonderful to see the Clarendon School campus come alive with such vibrant and imaginative characters. A heartfelt thank you to all the learners and staff who took part and helped raise significant funds for our Library. This

allows us to enhance our Library with new books and supplies to maintain our existing ones.

National Book
Week was in the first
week of September
and World Literacy
Day was on 8th
September. Learners
across all grades were
encouraged to pick up
a book and READ!

We are looking forward to an exciting and jam-packed year in 2025.

"Libraries store the energy that fuels the imagination. They open up windows to the world and inspire us to explore and achieve, and contribute to improving our quality of life."

- Sidney Sheldon (1917-2007. American writer and producer)



# MATRIC DANCE COMMITTEE



**BACK:** A Mahamba, C Magobongo, L Badiyana, C Knott, S Nel, P Kunene, J Schaefer, A Exford MIDDLE: O Sidumo, G Mangena, H Viviers, C Kretzmann, E Booyens, O Marotya, S Jordan, K Mnyaka

FRONT: A Nocanda, Miss A Hookins (TIC), A Kobese (VC), Ms J Patrick (Principal), M Joubert (C), Mrs E Roos, K Campbell (Sec)



# PET PALS

# **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Ms M Schultz

**HEAD**:

Janae Albertyn

**DEPUTY HEAD:** 

Jade Sephton

**SECRETARY:** 

Amy Keys

larendon High School's
Pet Pals Committee
girls have been working
hard this year to raise
money and collect pet supplies
and pet food to donate, in order
to help our furry friends at Pet
Pals in E.L. The Club had a "Your
Cutest Pet" Competition, where
we received stunning pictures of
Clarendon learners' pets.

Pet Pals hosted two very



successful movie nights, where we watched *Cruella* and *101 Dalmatians*, collected donations and ran a movie tuck-shop to raise funds; these nights were enjoyed by our Pet Pals' girls, their families and even some friends from our brothers at Selborne.



BACK: J Sephton (VC), A Keys (S)

FRONT: Mrs J Patrick (Principal), J Albertyn (C), Mrs M Schultz (TIC)





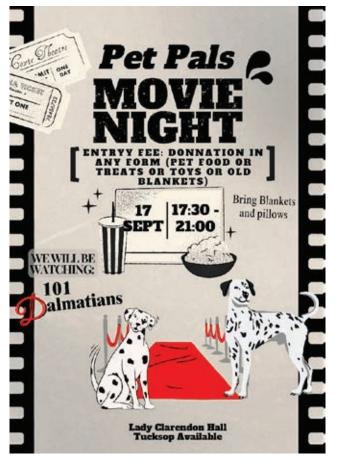
The girls manned a Pet Pals' stall at the Clarendon High School Let's Create Craft Market where they sold pet toys and helped others create pet toys to raise funds, as well as a very successful, "Guess how many dog and cat biscuits in the jar?" competition. Special thank you to Julia Ristow and her lovely mom for their help and time in showing us how to make these amazing chew toys from recycled t-shirts.

The girls were very proud to hand over the supplies and R2000 monetary donation to Pet Pals in September 2024 and enjoyed another trip to visit and give attention and care to the dogs and cats at Pet Pals. Pet Pals' girls were also very lucky to enjoy a special talk on rabies awareness from a special old girl, and now vet, Gabriella Naidoo, and we are grateful to her for sharing her passion and knowledge with our girls.

Pet Pals Committee are looking forward to an even more successful year of fund raising for and assisting Pet Pals next year, and are looking for ways to collaborate with the Committee of their little sisters at the Primary School, to make 2025 even more successful.







# SANBS

## **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Mrs D Blane

## **HEAD:**

Laylah Bijal

## **DEPUTY:**

Lihle Ndzwaiba

#### SECRETARY:

Amyoli Nocanda

ccording to South
African National
Blood Service, fewer
than 1% of South
Africans are active blood
donors. It is for this very
reason that we partner with
SANBS to help create an
awareness, from an early age,
of the need for blood and the
option of becoming a donor.

The Peer Promoters take pride in providing an opportunity for learners to donate at school. Our Peer Promoters attended the annual training workshop at Hudson High School in preparation for hosting blood drives. This year we hosted three Blood Drives where we collected at least 20 units per drive. At our final Blood Drive, which took place on 15 October, 36 units of blood was collected in three hours. What an achievement!

We thank the Clarendon learners and staff who continue to donate blood selflessly. We also encourage those who could not donate to try again next year. We congratulate the first-time donors, especially the Grade 10s, who were so brave, and served their greater community in this way for their first time.



**BACK:** A Step, S Nel, A De Jager

MIDDLE: M Jean-Pierre, O Mbali, M Dove, A Kobese

FRONT: A Falo, A Nocanda (Sec.), Mrs D Blane (TIC), L Bijal (Head), L Ndzwaiba (Dep.)





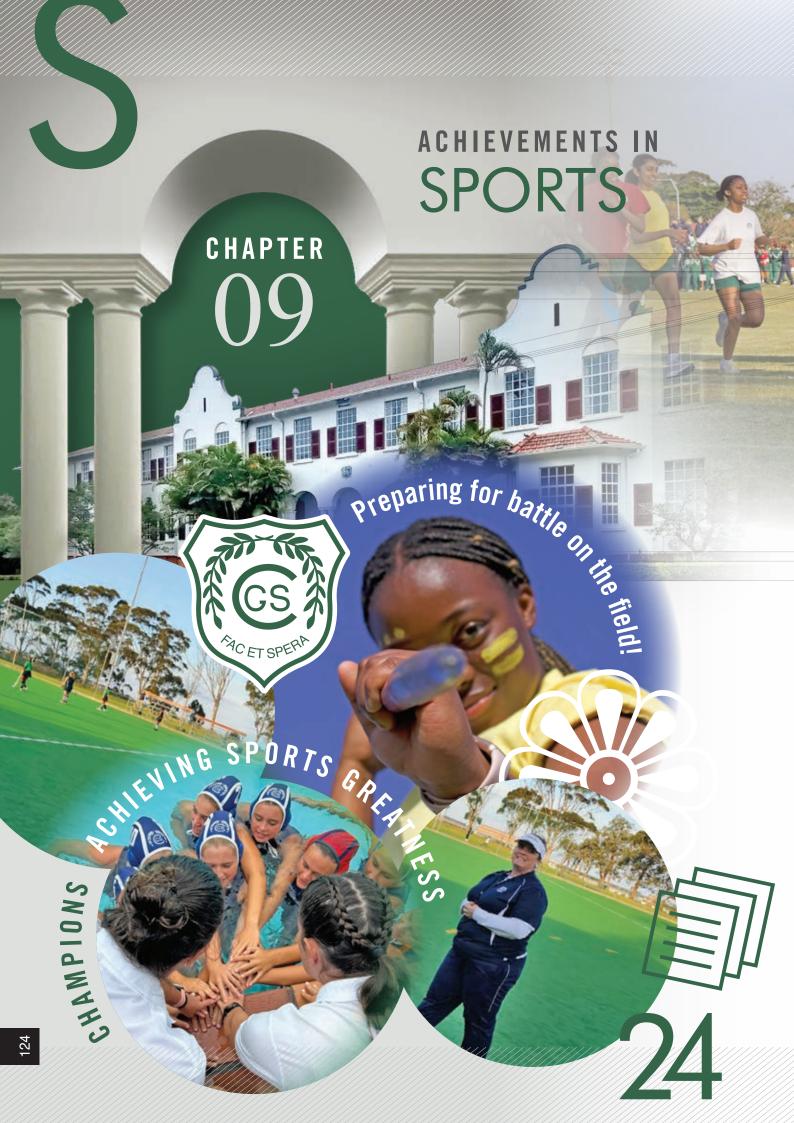




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MIDDLE:

L Kata, N Pietersen, L Ndzwaiba, L Fletcher, A Sinuka, L Ngamntwini, L Ndungane L Lottering, A Myataza, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), Z Madlolo, Mr P King (TIC), A Falo, L Gonya FRONT:





# **HEADS OF SPORT**



Ms H Muller, Mrs L Nel (Head of Sport), Mrs K Voke

# SA & BORDER REPRESENTATIVES



BACK:

K van Biljon (Squash), K Campbell (Water Polo), A Henn (Rowing) Z Mquqo (Public Speaking), N Tumbare (Public Speaking), K Hayward (Public Speaking), M Dove (Chess), L Schenk MIDDLE:

FRONT: C Knott (Squash), Mrs J Patrick (Principal), T Voke (Water Polo), Mrs L Nel (Head of Sport), S Earl (Squash)



BACK: H Hattingh, M van Aardt, H James, J Schaefer, C Magobongo, I Ntutu, J Koch, K Potter, K van Biljon, G Mc Clure,

E Booyens, D Knott, S Marimo

3<sup>RD</sup> ROW: Y Mahlati, M Klopper, L Schwedhelm, H Jacoby, M Loots, E Bedser, J Botha, Q Carr, C Kretzmann, K Campbell C Willard, K Booyens, K Botha, M Hartwig, H Viviers, C Lutge, A Woodin, I Gates, J, Frachet, U Skosana, H Mc Clure,

K Njokweni, E Hattingh

1ST ROW: Q Thandu, A Kobese, K Dart, C Johannes, A Budd, E Obaray, O Yazbek, S Dzengwa, I Tom, I Botha, M Phillips,

S Bremeshe, N Tumbare

FRONT: L Schenk, C Lugo Fernandez, Ms A Kobus (Head of Culture), T Voke, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), C Knott, Mrs L Nel (Head

of Sport), S Earl, Z Mquqo





BACK: FRONT:

R Brent, E Hattingh, C Johannes, L Schenk, H Hattingh, I Makhoba Ms C Bekker (TL), Ms Z Mazaleni (TIC), S Marimo, H James, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), Ms S Swart (Coach)

his year's East London East Zonal Sub-District Competition was held at Cambridge High School on 3 February, where 24 of our athletes participated in various events. Five athletes were chosen to be part of the East London Schools' Athletics Team out of which three athletes - Hannah James, Shauna Marimo and Leila Schenk - were selected to represent the BCM schools at the East Cape Athletics Championships in Komani from 7-9 March.

Shauna Marimo was then selected to be part of the team to represent Eastern Cape Schools in the South African Schools' Athletics National Championships in Paarl from 24 -26 March.





# **BIATHLE**

## **HEAD**:

Mrs K Leibach

eila Schenk was selected to be a part of the SA ■Modern Pentathlon Association's National Team to participate at the UIPM 2024 Biathle/ Triathle & Para Laser Run World Championships in Port Said, Egypt between 10 - 13 October 2024. She came 8th out of 27, and was in the Top 3 South African girls (she was the 2nd SA Girl) and won Silver in the team medals.

# **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Mrs H Lottering

## **CAPTAIN:**

Pei-Shan Wang

## **VICE-CAPTAIN:**

Elizabeth Gyan

## SECRETARY:

Megan Dove

his year Chess at Clarendon has been truly remarkable. We kicked off the season by playing against Pearson in an exciting Derby match, paired with our brother school, Selborne. Despite the tough competition, we secured an impressive victory, winning 7.5 points to 2.5. It quickly became clear that our players are incredibly talented.

Throughout the year, our team participated in many key events, including the National All Girls' Schools Sport and Cultural Festival. Pei-Shan Wang played Board 1, Megan Dove took Board 2, Amita Kumar held Board 3, and Alaina George played Board 4.

Their exceptional skills led to a triumphant 1<sup>st</sup> place finish overall. This is our team's second consecutive win at the National All Girls' Schools

# **CHESS**

Sport and Cultural Festival.
Alaina George and
Megan Dove delivered
outstanding performances
in the South African Closed
Tournament. Both players
showcased exceptional skill
throughout the competition and
Megan placed 5<sup>th</sup> overall.

A special highlight this year was Megan Dove receiving her Honours blazer, after representing South Africa at the African Youth Chess Championship, where she placed 13th out of 36 players. Megan also excelled in the examination she wrote to become a Tournament Supervisor and was officially awarded her certificate as TS.

As the year draws to a close, we reflect on the many joyful moments shared as a team, with a strong sense of sisterhood shining through. We say goodbye to our matriculants, Pei-Shan, Elizabeth and Mandibonge, thanking them for their service to Chess and wishing them well for their matric examinations and future endeavours.

We eagerly look forward to welcoming our new Grade 7 players and continuing to grow and improve next year.







BACK: FRONT:

M Qangule, A Kumar, A George E Gyan, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), P Wang, Mrs H Lottering (T-L), M Dove







BACK: J Gates, C Schultz, E Obaray, H Hattingh,

FRONT: E Hattingh, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), L Schenk, Ms K Leibach (T-L), J Lloyd

# CROSS COUNTRY

## **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Mrs K Leibach

#### **CAPTAIN:**

Leila Schenk

024 has been an incredible year for our athletes. Clarendon hosted a Derby Day against Eunice on the 26<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at the school. The Cross Country girls were very competitive and the results were as follows: 1st Leila Schenk, 3<sup>rd</sup> Hannah Hattingh, 4<sup>th</sup> Emily Hattingh, 5<sup>th</sup> Jessica Lloyd.

The learners took part in a race at Glen Hill Private School on 3 May 2024. It was a challenging course, where Leila Schenk took 1st place and Sophie Hartwanger 4th place.

Our athletes then participated in an event at Beaconhurst School on 10 May 2024. The girls did very well with the following results: U14 – 1st Hannah Hattingh, 3rd Emily Hattingh, 10th Pearl Matengambiri; U16 – 1st Leila Schenk, and U17 1st Jessica Lloyd. On the 17 May 2024, Leila Schenk took part in a Cross Country event at Ooskus Gimnasium, obtaining an excellent result of 1st place in U16.

Leila Schenk and Emma Obaray took part in the Border Cross Country Championships. The first League race took place in Berlin on 25 May 2024 with 1st place for Leila Schenk in U16 4km and 5th place for Emma Obaray in U14 4km.

The second League race was in Queenstown on 20 July 2024, where Leila Schenk ran into 1st place in U16 4km; the third League race was in Alice on 27 July 2024, where Leila Schenk again took first place in the U16 4km.

Leila was selected to race in Gauteng on 7 September 2024 at the ASA National Championships. She performed well amid very strong competition.

We look forward to putting our best foot forward in 2025.













# **HOCKEY**

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Mr J Still

# **CAPTAIN:**

Demi Knott

#### **VICE-CAPTAIN:**

Jenna Frachet

## SECRETARY:

Julianna Saffy

t the end of Term 1, we saw the 1st Team play in the **Greg Beling Festival** hosted by Tallies Agencies, which took place at seven venues in East London. Our 1st Team played a number of Top 10 ranked schools. They played very well and showed grit and determination against some very strong opponents. Congratulations to Alison Woodin, Claren Lugo Fernandez and Jenna Frachet on being awarded their 50th cap for the match against Woodridge.

Their results were: Played 5, Drew 1, Lost 4 The U16A Hockey Team were



BACK: C Lugo Fernandez, C Knott, M Joubert

MIDDLE: H Viviers, A Quinn, H James, J Schaefer, M van Aardt, A Woodin,

J Frachet

FRONT: G Mc Clure (V/C), Mr J Still (Head of Hockey), Mrs J Patrick

(Principal), D Knott (C), Mrs A Haschick (T-L), Mr L Sedras (Coach),

M Phillips

also invited to play as the invitational team in the Greg Beling Festival – thus playing against first teams from schools from all over the country. This was a great opportunity for the team to start their season and they did incredibly well, showing positivity, resilience and playing great hockey. Their results were as follows: Played 3, Won 2, Lost 1

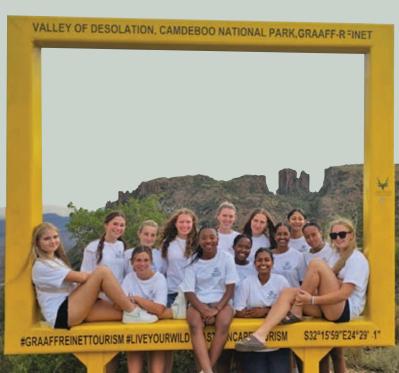
At the start of the April school holidays a number of teams took part in various

festivals.

The U14A team participated in the **Rob Taylor Hockey Festival** and played wonderful hockey. They enjoyed themselves and proved that they are a team with great talent and determination. Their results were as follows: Played 4, Won 2, Drew 1, Lost 1

The 2nd Hockey Team attended the Union High Rugby & Hockey Festival in Graaff-Reinet. The Hockey section, this year, was run as

a tournament, with mostly 1st teams attending. The temperature was generally in the mid-thirties - up to 39°C - while our girls played! The



HOCKEY 2<sup>ND</sup> TEAM AT THE VALLEY OF DESOLATION IN GRAAFF-REINET



BACK: M Cockroft, S Earl, S Grotjohn

MIDDLE: T Klaasen, G Do Rego, C Kretzmann, E Booyens, T Pillay, S Maqubela,

K Willis

FRONT: S Marimo, D Muller (V-C), Mr J Still (TIC & Coach), B Daka (C),

Mrs L Still (Manager), A Nocanda, K Chapman

team ended in 12th position out of 17. The results were as follows: Played 5, Won 1, Drew 2, Lost 2

The U16A Team travelled to Johannesburg for the U16 St Andrew's Hockey and Netball Festival. This was the first time Clarendon attended

this festival and the team was exposed to a range of different schools from around Gauteng. The teams played hard and showed outstanding grit and sportsmanship throughout the festival. Clarendon placed 7th overall. Their results were: Played 7, Won 4, Drew 1, Lost 2



At the start of **Term 2**, the 1st Team travelled to the **St Mary's Hockey Festival** in Gauteng, playing a total of twelve games in five days. The team played good hockey achieving 4 wins, 6 losses and 2 draws. Clarendon was placed 22nd out of 32 teams. Congratulations to Julianna Saffy and Cara Knott who were awarded their 50th cap during the festival, and to Demi Knott on a fantastic 100th in the 1st Team.

While the 1st Team was in Johannesburg, the rest of the Clarendon hockey teams travelled to Gqeberha to play against **Pearson** in the wind and the rain. These were very tough matches and our early season fitness levels affected several teams' results. Clarendon's results were as follows: Played 8, Won 1, Drew 1, Lost 6

Our next fixture was a Derby Day against **QGHS** at home. It was a good fixture for Clarendon: winning 6 and drawing 1 match. Our U16C Team then played mid-week against the **Port Rex** Team and won 2-0. That same weekend all of our teams had a bye. We arranged some internal matches and had an awesome Saturday morning of playing some very competitive hockey against ourselves. Clarendon won 4 and lost 4.

The following day our
1st Team and U16A Team
played in the **Spar Festival**. It
was a wonderful day hosted at
Clarendon with many supporters
enjoying the hockey. The
Clarendon 1st Team won the
East London section of the SPAR
Challenge this year. They won
their 3 pool matches and then
drew to Hudson Park in the finals.
After a very tense and exciting
penalty shootout, the Clarendon
1st Team emerged victorious 2-1.

The U16A Team also did very well in the Spar Festival. This is a 1st Team tournament and the U16 A team placed 5th overall. Their results were as follows: Played 4, Won 2, lost 2.

This year, **Eunice** travelled







down to East London and we had a very competitive weekend. It is always a joy to host Eunice and interact with their players and staff. The matches were played with great enthusiasm, determination and skill. The results were as follows: Played 9, Won 3, Drew 2, Lost 4.

Clarendon then travelled to **Potchefstroom** to participate in the 22nd **National All Girls' Schools' Festival** held from

the 1–5 of May. Our 1st Team achieved good results and enjoyed the wonderful weekend. They came 9th behind some of the best teams in the country. Congratulations to Alison Woodin, Cara Knott and Jenna Frachet on being selected for the Travel and Sport Tournament Team at the National All Girls' Festival. The results were as follows: Played 6, Won 3, Drew 2, Lost 1.



BACK: Q Carr, K Lee, K Botha

MIDDLE: M Phillips, A Viviers, H Mc Clure, H Webber, O Yazbek, M Van Tonder,

T Prince

FRONT: K Dart, S Dzengwa (V/C), Mr J Still (TIC), L Schwedhelm (C),

Mr B Mountfort (Coach), K Booyens, E Saffy

Clarendon next played

Ooskus Gimnasium (previously
Grens) in two matches, with
both the 1st Team and 2nd Team
winning by more than 10 goals
each. We then played Lilyfontein
and the 1st Team won 8-1,
with our 3rd Team beating their
2nd Team 3-1. The next set of
matches was against Kingsridge
High School in Qonce. The
U14As and U16As both won 12-0
and the 1st Team won 5-0.

These matches were good preparation for the matches against Cambridge. Cambridge, as usual, were tremendous hosts and, despite the weather starting off poorly, we ended up with many great results. Cambridge was very determined and competitive, and we had to play at our best to get the results we wanted. The results were as follows: Played 10, Won 9, Drew 1. The matches against DSG were washed out. The last Derby for the term was against Stirling. The results were: Played 9, Won 4, Drew 3, Lost 2.

Amathole (Border)
Schools' Hockey Association
held trials during the 2nd term,
and we are proud to announce
that Clarendon players are
once again well-represented at
Provincial level.



The following players represented Amathole Teams at their various IPT's:

- Border U18A: Demi Knott, Jenna Frachet, Claren Lugo Fernandez, Alison Woodin, Georgia Mc Clure and Cara Knott
- Non-travelling Reserve: Jessica Schaefer
- Border U18B: Hannah Viviers, Jessica Schaefer, Mia van Aardt

- Non-Travelling Reserves: Hannah James and Julianna Saffy
- <u>U16A</u>: Kate Booyens, Quinn Carr, Soyama Dzengwa and Megan Phillips
- <u>U16B</u>: Kiara Dart, Holly Mc Clure, Lara Schwedhelm and Olivia Yazbek
- Non-Travelling Reserve:
  Amber Viviers
- <u>U14A:</u> Caitlin Willard, Chadlyn Johannes, Emma Obaray, Emily Hattingh, Hannah Hattingh, Ilitha Tom and Anushka Budd

**Term 3** started with a derby against **Hudson Park**. The Hudson Park 1<sup>st</sup> Team had an outstanding day and pulled off a tight well-deserved win against Clarendon. Our other teams played out of their socks and we managed to win all of our other matches. The results were as follows: Played 8, Won 7, Lost 1.

We then played against **Cambridge** for the second time this year. In some mid-week matches that took place at Clarendon and at Cambridge we once again showed that we are still a dominant force in our province. The results were as follows: Played 7, Won 6, Lost 1.

We also travelled up to



BACK: J Carr, K van Biljon, I Botha

MIDDLE: T Motaung, A Budd, E Obaray, C Adonis, I Tom, S Putye, R Brent C Willard, Mr J Still (Head of Hockey) H Hattingh, Ms G Jasson (Coach),

C Johannes, Mrs C Scmidt (T-L), E Hattingh

Queenstown to play Girls'
High for a return fixture in
the season. The weather was
bright and sunny but the wind
and temperature were rather
freezing. The sunshine inspired
our players and we had another
dominant display. Our teams
played with pace and skill and the
results were as follows: Played 7,
Won 6, Drew 1

This fixture marked a little golden spell during the season. In three fixtures against opponents (Hudson, Cambridge and GHS) in our own province during Term 3, the Clarendon Teams did extremely well. We scored 100 goals and only had 8 goals scored against us. What

2024. Please refer to the Winter Sports Awards

Woodridge 1st Team came to East London for a quick visit and had a very hard-fought match against our 1st Team. The final result was a 0-0 draw with both teams playing some very good hockey. Our last home fixture was against Merrifield who could only field teams for our top 3 teams. We did very well and won all 3 matches.

On the last weekend of term, we travelled to Gqeberha to compete against Collegiate. After a long bus ride, we showed that we were up for a fight and saw much improved results from the last time we visited Gqeberha the country. Well done to both of these teams – we are very proud of your achievements.

On our Founders' weekend our 1st Team Matric players took on the staff and some mothers at a Mini-5s Hockey event. A lot of fun was had as the Matrics beat everyone.

Well done to all our players who have given up so many hours this year. From the players everyone notices, all the way down to the teams that are often not noticed. like the U16D team. A lot of hard work and effort was put into the year by all players at all levels. Clarendon is proud of your effort, dedication, and commitment during the year. Well done to all the teams. Our amazing 4th Team only got to play 3 matches this season and proudly remained undefeated with three solid draws. Clarendon won 82% of their matches against teams from the Border area scoring 10 goals for every 1 goal scored against us. We still need to improve our results against teams outside the Border area have already started training for 2025.

Thank you to our coaches who continue to go the extra mile and make sure that every player is ready for her matches. The effort and time you put into the lives of the players is immense and I know the players are very grateful.

Thank you to the Sports Office for all the support during the year in organising everything. Thank you to all the background people who came early and stayed late to set-up everything, to clean toilets, to work in the tuck-shop, to do first aid, serve tea, to run the tech table and lots of other jobs that are not often noticed. Without all these people working long hours we would not be able to have the amazing atmosphere at our home matches that we do enjoy. Thank you to all the coaches for the long hours they put in – thinking, planning, and coaching.

A great season finished; we can't wait for next year!



an amazing 2-week period. Congratulations to Khloe Hurn who had the privilege of scoring the 100<sup>th</sup> goal.

The 1st Team also travelled to Gqeberha to compete in the regional finals of the SPAR Tournament. They played some very competitive hockey and had a wonderful weekend, congratulations to Jessica Schaefer and Hannah Viviers on being awarded their 50th cap for the 1st Team during the tournament.

Term 3 also marks the Winter Sports Awards Assembly. We were very proud to present the players with awards for their achievements in Hockey during

earlier in the year losing games by only a goal after very keenly contested matches. Our results were as follows: Played 10, Won 1. Drew 2, Lost 7.

We were privileged that our U14A and U16A Teams were invited to the National Rising Challengers tournaments held in Bloemfontein and Makhanda respectively. Both teams had some very tough matches against top competitors from around the country. The U16A Team came 7th in their tournament and the U14A did very well to finish 3rd at their tournament. The U16A Team ended the year ranked 19th in the country and the U14A Team ended their year ranked 6th in



# **NETBALL**

# **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Mrs K Voke

# CAPTAIN:

Abongile Mahamba

## **VICE-CAPTAIN:**

Ikhona Ntutu

## SECRETARY:

Alison Exford

his year has certainly been very exciting. It was a fantastic season and we are very proud of each and every one of our players. Our results were as follows:

#### **Festivals and Tours:**

## **Grens Netball Festival:**

- 1st Team: Played 5, won 2, lost 3
- U/16 A: Played 7, won 3, lost 3, drew 1
- U/15 A: Played 7, won 4, lost
- U/14 A: Played 6, won 2, lost

## National All Girls' Festival:

Our 1st Netball Team participated at the National All Girls' Festival that was hosted by Potchefstroom GHS. Their results were as follows:

vs Paarl: 18 – 28 (lost)

· vs Pretoria High School: 29 - 23 (won)

• vs Eunice: 13 - 31

 vs Collegiate: 25 – 36 (lost)

· vs Danville (9th to 16th playoff): 29 -32 (lost)



BACK: L Genu, I Kaptein, C Magobongo

MIDDLE: B Ntelezi, O Marotya, A Exford, A Sokujika, S Bremeshe FRONT:

Ms Z Mazaleni (T-L), S Mahamba (C), Mrs J Patrick (Principal), I Ntutu

(VC), Mrs K Voke (TIC)



- vs Pietermaritzburg (12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> playoff): 23 – 17 (won)
- vs Jeppe: 28 16 (won)

This placed our 1<sup>st</sup> team 13<sup>th</sup> out of 19 schools. Alison Exford was named the Best Shooter of the Festival.

Our winter Derby Days were competitive and enjoyable. The results were as follows:

- Pearson: Won: 4: Lost: 10
- Queenstown GHS (Away):
   Won: 4; Lost: 3; Drew: 1
- Queenstown GHS (Home):
   Won: 4; Lost: 4; Drew: 1
- Kingsridge GHS: Won: 7; Lost: 1
- Eunice High School: Won: 5; Lost: 5;
- Ooskus Gimnasium: Won: 5; Lost: 3: Drew: 1
- Merrifield College: Won: 2; Lost: 1
- Lilyfontein High School: Won:
   2
- DSG: Won: 5; Lost: 6
- Cambridge High School: Won: 11; Drew: 2
- Port Rex High School: Won: 3; Lost: 1
- Stirling High School: Won: 3; Lost: 10

Congratulations to the following



**BACK:** G Mkpuluma, A Sokujika, S Mahamba, O Marotya (VC), C Mduduma FRONT: P Kunene, Ms Z Mazaleni (T-L), I Kaptein (C), Mrs K Voke (TIC),

A Nocanda

players on their selection for the Eastern Cape Netball Teams, who played in the July school holidays:

- U/17: Chuma Magobongo
- U/18: Simanye Bremeshe

In the third term, our teams played in their final two Derby Days against Hudson Park and Collegiate and reflected how hard



BACK: I Mvandaba, J Botha, A Mnyatheli

MIDDLE: A Msweli, S Nxonyeka, S Madikiza, E Mdlulwa, S Nombewu FRONT: Mrs S van Dyk (TIC), A Tokwe, Mr R Klein (Coach), T Spelman,

Mrs K Voke (Head of Netball)







BACK: S Selonyane, M Gale, L Mbuku

MIDDLE: O Gude, R Mosoang, A Mrwetyana, A Tofi, A Dzuda

FRONT: Ms S Gqibani (T-L), D Booi, Ms N Luvuno (Coach), L Nyingwa,

Mrs K Voke (TIC)

they had trained. Throughout the season, our teams have shown what makes true Clarendon spirit. Their games were tough, but the teams pushed themselves hard and performed at their best. Hudson Park High School: Won: 5; Lost: 4; Drew: 2

Our final Derby Day was against Collegiate. For the Matrics, this meant taking the court for their final school Netball match. Emotions ran high and all the teams acquitted themselves

well to the task at hand, with scores reflecting the hard training during the season.

Collegiate GHS: Won: 4; Lost: 8; Drew: 1

To end the season, the girls dressed up and enjoyed themselves during our Interhouse games. Well done to Ketchen House on winning overall! We would like to express our extreme thanks and gratitude to all Teacher-Links and Coaches for a most enjoyable season.





BACK: Z Van Niekerk, L Mbizeni, E Nduli, L Maqubela

FRONT: U Gcilishe, Ms H Muller (Coach), A Mabongo, Mrs K Voke (T-L), K Ngesi



# RIDING

## **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE**

Mrs M Schultz

**CAPTAIN:** 

Jade Sephton

# **VICE-CAPTAIN:**

Evelyn Schultz

he Riding Society has had a very successful year with riders participating in various Border Equestrian Club and riding school shows, as well as in the East London Agricultural Show. We have also expanded our riding activities to include a weekly riders' fitness class, aimed specifically at equestrian fitness and flexibility.

We also selected a new charity organization to support - Chintsa Horses at The New Hampshire Rescue & Rehabilitation Centre. The girls did both fund-raising for and service at the Centre, with their many beautiful rescue horses.

Our riders have shone this year in various BEC



shows. Ella Tucker in Gr 8 has set the bar particularly high with her outstanding and talented performance across a range of disciplines in riding, but particularly her amazing performance in Dressage, where she was placed 5th in the country and first in the Province in her Graded dressage tests. Ella also received a Border Equestrian Club award for being placed third (along with her beautiful pony - Navarre New Orleans) for pony and novice dressage in the Eastern Cape for the 2023 season.

Riding Society also

enjoyed a fun beach outride and clinic, and participated in a group outride event, which was an unforgettable experience.

Our most exciting event this year however, was without doubt, the return of the East London Inter-schools Riding Competition, kindly organized and hosted by Lilyfontein, in collaboration with BEC, in which our whole team of riders participated. Our girls and horses looked incredible and performed beautifully, and achieved the following placings in the competition (against Lilyfontein, Navarre Home School and Merrifield):

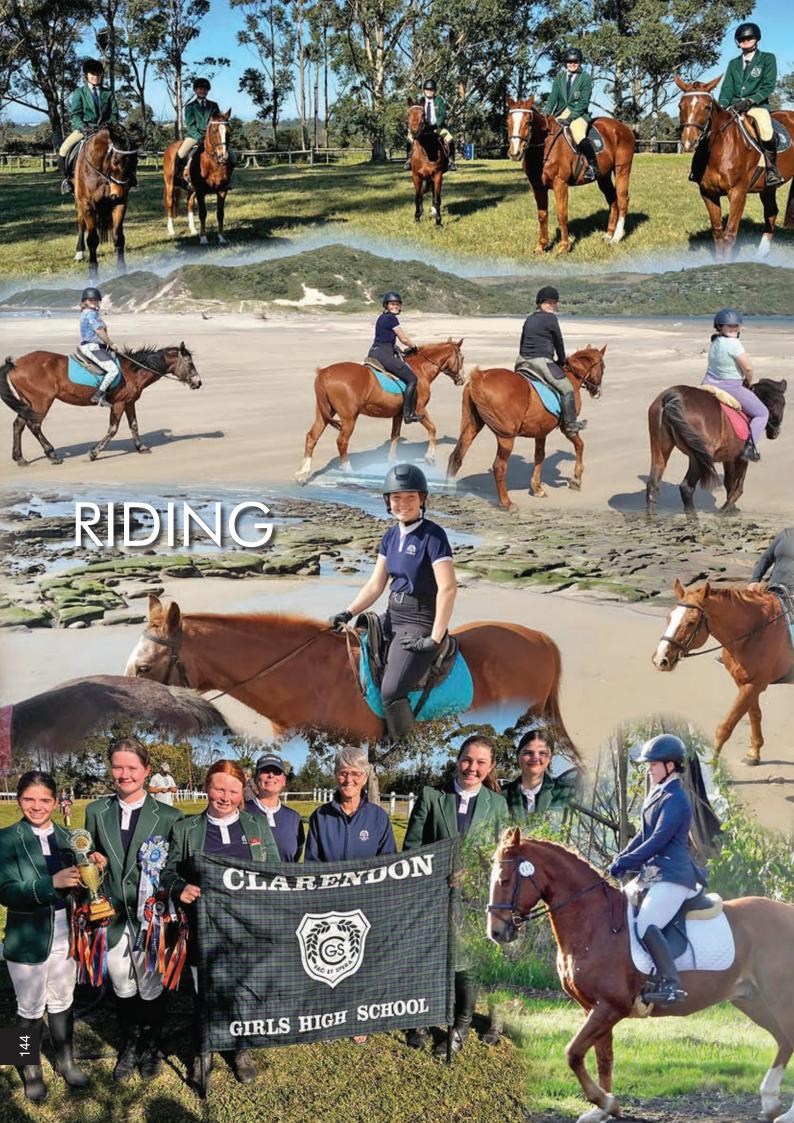
Clarendon placed First in Individual Dressage with Ella Tucker in First place. Rachel Brent and Ella Tucker also placed First as a Team for Dressage. Jade Sephton and Anna Schonknecht were placed Third for Handy Hunter. Clarendon was placed Second for Show Jumping overall and Third for Handy Hunter overall.

Congratulations to Riding Captain, Jade Sephton, and Evelyn Schultz, Ella Tucker, Rachel Brent and Anna Schonknecht for their wonderful riding and team work.

We are also very excited to announce that Clarendon will host the 2025 Riding Interschools Competition, and we eagerly await that.



BACK: FRONT E Schultz (VC), E Tucker, C Rennie, R Brent Ms J Patrick (Principal), J Sephton (C), Ms M Schultz (TIC)





BACK: L Genu, S Maqubela

FRONT: D Sihiya, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), J Sephton, Mr Godfrey (Coach),

B Veaudry

## **ROWING**

team raced well and came fifth after a thrilling final.

The girls took a brief break for the December holidays, then started the year strong with an intense January rowing camp. It consisted of a lot of ergs and water training in preparation for the upcoming season. This helped prepare the U14s for their first ever regatta, the Grey U14 Novice Regatta hosted by Grey High School in Gqeberha. The girls competed against boys' crews; despite this two crews came home with medals. The U14s were able to experience

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Mr M Fourie

#### **TEACHER LINKS:**

Ms S Gqibani, Mr A Koshy, Mr M Orsmond

#### **COACHES:**

Ms J Klingelhoeffer, Mr B Godfrey, Mrs K Godfrey, Mr R Booyens

#### **CAPTAIN:**

Jade Sephton

#### **VICE-CAPTAIN:**

Litha Genu

#### **SECRETARY:**

Jessica van den Bosch

he Clarendon rowers hit the ground running by kick starting the season with the annual SA Schools' Boatrace late in 2023, where all the top First Team rowers from schools around the country took part in a nail-biting race down the Kowie River in Port Alfred. The





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their first regatta and learn the rules of the sport before the Eastern Cape Rowing Championships (ECRA).

The ECRA Regatta, held on the Buffalo River here in East London, marked the first regatta of the season for the whole club. The Clarendon crews competed against clubs from all over the Eastern Cape. The girls did well, bringing home gold medals

which prepared them well for the Buffalo Regatta and Selborne Sprints Regatta held the following weekend. In the week leading up to the regatta, the girls had the privilege of hosting German exchange rowers who travelled to South Africa to compete in the annual Buffalo Regatta. The girls had a blast interacting with the German rowers, making memories and sharing stories.

At the Buffalo Regatta and Selborne Sprints Regatta, the girls gained much experience as they competed against crews from across South Africa. This gave them an idea of the level of competition and what to expect for SA Schools' Championships coming up at the beginning of March.

The month leading up to SA Schools' Championships was filled with technical and speed training to prepare the girls for the intense weekend to come. Thirty-five of our girls travelled to Pretoria to compete. The girls rowed well with our U15 Octuple bringing home Gold for the second year in a row, and the U16A Four winning Silver. The girls did well, ending the season on a high and making unforgettable memories along the way.

Preparations are well underway for the 2024/2025 rowing season.



BACK: H Willis, S Puchert, Z Pokwana

MIDDLE: P Tewu, G Gibbons, S Jordan, U Nomanyana

FRONT: A Mahlangabeza, A Theodosi, Mr Godfrey (Coach), M Willis, A Maganise



BACK: P Coleman, A Henn, M Mangisa, J van Reeken, S Hartwanger, C Rennie,

J Moss

MIDDLE: T Rantjie, G Assam, A Hartwanger, S Madliki, T Voyi, D Smith, L Foslara FRONT: K Ningi, T Kappa, Mr R Booyens (Coach), L Songxaba, R Pathan















BACK: MIDDLE: FRONT:

L Ntshele, C Page, M Maqubela, K Sutherland S Mahlangabeza, C Appollis, E Kelly, Q Ngxazisa, A Siyongwana P Matengambiri, T Nyangiwe, Ms J Klingelhoeffer (Coach), A Rungqu, L Maleki







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**BACK:** L Songxaba, P Coleman, S Jordan, M Maqubela, Z Pokwana, S Puchert, J van Reeken, S Hartwanger, C Page,

C Rennie, M Mangisa, M Willis, A Mahlangabeza

**3<sup>RD</sup> ROW:** K Ningi, L Foslara, Q Ngxazisa, A Henn, P Tewu, G Gibbons, K Sutherland, E Kelly, H Willis, L Ntshele, C Appollis,

A Theodosi, A Rungqu

2<sup>ND</sup> ROW: T Rantjie, D Sihiya, P Matengambiri, B Veaudry, G Assam, A Hartwanger, S Madliki, S Mahlangabeza, D Smith,

L Maleki, A Siyongwana, J Moss, T Nyangiwe

FRONT: A Maganise, Mr R Booyens (Coach), S Maqubela, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), J Sephton, Mr Godfrey (Coach), L Genu,

Ms J Klingelhoeffer (Coach), T Kappa





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SA ROWING

## SOCCER

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Ms J Theron, Miss C Hempel (Teacher-Link)

#### **COACHES:**

Levelle Van Der Byl, Wilson Isibor

#### **CAPTAIN:**

Kezia Njokweni

#### **VICE-CAPTAIN:**

Inga Makhoba

#### **SECRETARY:**

Isabelle Gates

n March of Term 1, our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Teams embarked on enriching tours to Port Elizabeth, which were pivotal for their development.

1st Team: From March 20 22, the 1st team participated

in the Victoria Park Soccer Tournament. The players gained invaluable experience competing against strong teams and enjoyed their time together, strengthening their bonds both on and off the field.

2<sup>nd</sup> Team: The 2<sup>nd</sup> team also



BACK: A Kondlo, A Pretorius, I Gates, C Lutge, F Uchendu MIDDLE: K Moodley, L Telana, S Williams, C Matthis, K Nogg

MIDDLE: K Moodley, L Telana, S Williams, C Matthis, K Nogqala, K Jamieson L Mlandu, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), K Njokweni, Ms J Theron (T-L), I Makhoba

had an impactful experience, touring from March 15 - 17 for the Alexander Road Sports Festival. They, too, gained significant experience and showcased their talents in a supportive environment.

During Term 2 and Term 3, our soccer teams competed in the Women's Football League held at the Hamilton Club this year. Highlights included a commendable victory against Hudson Park with a score of 2-0; and an exhilarating and closely contested match against East London High School, where we triumphed with a score of 5-3. These matches not only demonstrated our teams' competitive spirit but also provided opportunities for growth and teamwork.

We are proud to congratulate the following players who were selected for the U19A Border Soccer team this year, playing in a tournament in KZN, and were awarded Colours for their outstanding achievement:

- Isabelle Gates
- Catherine Lutge
- Kezia Njokweni

Additionally, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Kezia Njokweni for her exemplary



BACK: M Jean-Pierre, A Jack, X Lackay

MIDDLE: A George, E Tyelo, I Nojaholo, S Sithole, S Zomelele

FRONT: E Muhammad, A Siguba, Ms J Theron (T-L), A Cramford, A De Wet

leadership as Captain of the 1<sup>st</sup> team. Her dedication and commitment have inspired her teammates and contributed greatly to the team's success.

As we move into the summer training season, we are eager to build on this year's achievements and prepare for the upcoming challenges. We are committed to fostering our players' skills and enhancing team dynamics.

We extend our sincere





gratitude to our coaches, Levelle van der Byl and Wilson Isibor, for their hard work and dedication throughout the season. Their guidance has been invaluable. We also thank Miss Hempel (2<sup>nd</sup> Team Teacher-Link) and Ms Theron (Head of Soccer and 1st Team Teacher-Link) for their unwavering support and efforts to ensure a successful season. Thank you to all players, supporters, and staff for your contributions to our Soccer program this year. We look forward to an exciting and fruitful season ahead.



## **SQUASH**

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Mrs L Higgs

COACH:

Mr G Shean

SOCIAL:

Mrs L Higgs and Miss N Ryder

**CAPTAIN:** 

Cara Knott

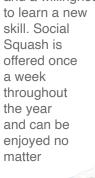
**VICE CAPTAIN:** 

Georgia Mc Clure

**SECRETARY:** 

Caroline Kretzmann

t Social Squash,
we encourage more
learners to participate
and learn about the
amazing game of Squash. All that
is needed is a positive mindset
and a willingness





BACK: K van Biljon, S Earl, K Potter, K Botha

FRONT: Mr G Shean (Coach), C Knott (C), Mrs J Patrick (Principal), G Mc Clure

(VC), Mrs L Higgs (TIC)

what the weather is outside. The girls learn to serve and return, drive, and boast. They improve on these fundamentals with every practice. They are also taught how to umpire and score at a Squash match. Great fun is had by all.

#### **TEAM SQUASH**

On Friday, 2 February 2024, our Top 6 Squash players left for Mkhandla to participate in the annual **Dave Hodgson**Festival hosted by DSG.

Nine schools from around the country participated.

We played 2 matches on Friday. The second match only finished at 23:00. The girls were up early on Saturday as they had another three matches to

play. Sadly, Friday's 35 degrees Celsius heat persevered into their last match on Sunday at 07:30. As this is a festival, no winner is announced. However, we are proud to announce that we were once again, the only unbeaten team at the end of the festival! Schools taking part were: St Stithians, Eunice, St Mary's Waverley, DSG, Kingswood, Herschel.

#### **BORDER TRIALS**

The girls participated in three rounds of trials. Final rankings for the year:

The Squash Club held their first ever **Squash-a-Thon** on Saturday 24 February 2024 to raise funds for a new seating area at the Squash courts. The aim was to keep the ball going

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	BORDER TRIALS RESULTS			
	U19	U16	U14	
	Cara Knott - 1st	Kate van Biljon – 1st	Isobel Botha - 1st	
	Sasha Earl – 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kristen Potter – 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Méha Govind – 4 <sup>th</sup>	
	Georgia Mc Clure – 4th	Keira Botha – 3 <sup>rd</sup>		
	Sarah Fourie – 8 <sup>th</sup>	Holly Mc Clure - 4th		
	Gillian Green – 9 <sup>th</sup>	Cameron Kruger – 10 <sup>th</sup>		
		Alex Gaylard – 11 <sup>th</sup>		
۲		Brooklyn-Rose Swart – 13th		
١		(Kate is still U14)		



hosted a camp/tournament in

St Francis on the doubles court

from the 23 - 25 February 2024.

Border Junior Squash identified

for 10 hours. Some members of staff also got involved by playing celebrity matches. We thank Mr Herman, Mr Mountfort, Ms Hempel and Ms Griffin for their enthusiasm and participation.

All squash players sold raffle tickets and the winners enjoyed some super prizes. We thank the amazing parents of our Squash girls, Allmans Agency and Picnic Candy for their generous donation of prizes for the raffles.

Both players are still U17 Holly McClure – 30<sup>th</sup> (Kate is still U14)

Squash SA is working to attend this training camp. All towards being included into the Commonwealth Games going forward and started training Junior Doubles players. They

Holly McClure – 30<sup>th</sup> (Kate is still U14)

to attend this training camp. All three girls are from Clarendon High School. We congratulate Kate van Biljon, Cara Knott and Sasha Earl on their selection for

this training camp.
The Technifibre Bloemfontein
Junior Open Squash

**Tournament** took place from 3-5 March 2024. The Bloemfontein Open is one of three national selection tournaments for junior players in South Africa, and one of the five largest junior events in the world. Seven of our girls participated in this even and their results are as listed in the table provided.

We congratulate the following girls who were selected to represent Border at the relevant IPTs which took place from 15 -19 June 2024

Five of our players were selected and invited to enter the SA Schools Closed Squash Tournament held at St John's Barrow Squash Centre in Johannesburg from 12-14 April. This is the second selection tournament for SA Schools Squash. Their final results are as



BACK: C Kruger, A Gaylard, H Mc Clure, I Botha

FRONT: M Govind, Mr G Shean (Coach), B Swart, Mrs L Higgs (TIC), Z Webber

# GIRLS SELECTED TO REPRESENT

BURDER AT THE RELEVANT IPTS			
U19 A	U16 A	U14 A	
Cara Knott Sasha Earl	Kate van Biljon Kristen Potter Keira Botha Holly McClure	Isobel Botha	

SA SCHOOLS	TOURNAMENT		
U19	U16	U14	
Cara Knott – 5 <sup>th</sup> Sasha Earl – 8 <sup>th</sup>	Kate van Biljon – 5 <sup>th</sup> Keira Botha – 19 <sup>th</sup>	Isobel Botha – 5 <sup>th</sup>	



Cara Knott (Grade 11) was selected as part of the South African Women's Junior Team that participated in the WSF World Junior Championships, held in Houston, Texas, USA from the 12th to 23rd July 2024. This achievement has earned Cara Knott her Honours Award for Squash.

Each province sends their best schools' team to represent their province at the SA Top Schools' Tournament, hosted by Epworth High (KZN) from

8-11 August 2024. Our top six players, namely Cara Knott, Sasha Earl, Kate van Biljon, Georgia Mc Clure, Kristen Potter and Keira Botha, represented Border at the this tournament.

Results: On Friday we won 6-0 vs St Mary's and won 5-0 vs Westerford; then on Saturday, we won 6-0 vs St Anne's. This placed us first in our pool and we proceeded to the cross pool play-off to determine the top four rankings. We played against a very strong Epworth team, but through pure grit and determination Clarendon won

per the table provided.

Four of our squash players, Sasha Earl, Kate Van Biljon, Kristen Potter and Keira Botha were unbeaten, not dropping a set overall, and won Gold at the National All Girls' Festival hosted by The High School for Girls' Potchefstroom in Potchefstroom this year. Matches were played against the following schools: Danville Park, Collegiate, Eunice, The High School for Girls' Potchefstroom, HMS La Rochelle, Paarl Girls' High, Pretoria High School for Girls and Rustenburg Girls' High.

Five of our players participated in the Border Ladies **Closed Tournament** in May this year. Their results are as follows: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sasha Earl 4th Kate van Biljon 10th Kristen Potter

19th Isobel Botha

SA SCHOOLS' SQUASH RANKINGS		
U19	U16	U14
Sasha Earl - 5 <sup>th</sup>	Kate van Biljon - 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Isobel Botha - Top 10

4-2. This fantastic win placed us in the running for 1st or 2<sup>nd</sup>

On Sunday the team headed into the finals with a strong mental attitude and played with true Clarendon spirit against Midstream (last year's winners) and won 4-2. We were the only unbeaten girls' team in the tournament and were crowned as the Top Girls' School Team in South Africa (for the second time in three years). Clarendon is extremely proud of the girls, not just for winning, but also for their sportsmanship both on and off the court. We thank the coach, Mr Shean and Mrs Higgs for looking after the airls.

As per the **SA Schools' Selection Criteria**, the Top Six U16 Girls and





Boys, as well as the Top Six U19 Girls and Boys, have been invited to represent SA Schools' Squash on a tour to Malaysia and Singapore later this year. We congratulate Kate van Biljon who has been included in the SA U16 Top Six. We are extremely proud of her, as she currently plays above her age group (U14). She is also the only Border player to be selected for this age group. We also congratulate Sasha Earl who has been included in the U19 Top Six.

The top players in each province, per age group, qualified to participate in the **Growthpoint SA Junior Championships at** 

#### Cape Town V&A Waterfront.

Results were as follows:
After four days of intense competition in the U15 division,
Kate van Biljon used her powerful drives to the back of the court to win the final match and was crowned the U15 champion.
In the U19 division, Cara Knott was placed 5th.

The table provided lists the players that fulfilled the selection criteria for SA Schools' Squash along with their respective rankings.

INTER-HOUSE SQUASH: 1st : Hunter; 2nd: Gittins & 3rd: Ketchen

2024 DERBY DAY RESULTS		
TEAM	RESULTS	
Pearson	Won 5-0 (15-0)	
Stirling	Won 6-0 (18-1)	
DSG	Won 6-0 (18-0)	
Hudson Park (Boys)	Lost 2-4 (8-13)	
QGHS	Won 5-1 (16-5)	
Collegiate	Won 7-1 (22-3)	



## **SWIMMING**

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Mrs K Voke

**CAPTAIN:** 

Tori Voke

**VICE-CAPTAIN:** 

Josi Arnold

#### **SECRETARY:**

Chuma Magobongo

o start the year, Clarendon 1st Swimming team took part in the National All Girls' Aquatics Festival held in Durban and hosted by Durban Girls' College. The team



was placed 6th overall and won the following medals:

Gold: Open 6 x 50m
 Freestyle Relay, Junior 4 x
 50m Butterfly Relay, U15 4 x
 50m Medley Relay, U15 4 x

- 50m Freestyle Relay
- Silver: Jodi Boëttger 200m IM, U14 4 x 50m Breaststroke Relay,
- Bronze: Open 6 x 50m
   Butterfly Relay, U16 4 x 50m
   Backstroke Relay, U17 4 x



BACK: Q Carr, S Kruger, J Schaefer, H Jacoby, E Palmer

3<sup>rd</sup> ROW: J Boëttger, K Campbell, M Loots, E Booyens, A Woodin, K Gouws, J Saffy 2<sup>nd</sup> ROW: E Obaray, K Hurn, M Phillips, O Yazbek, K Hayward, H Viviers, A Munro

FRONT: H Hattngh, C Magobongo (S), Mrs J Patrick (Principal), T Voke (C), Mrs K Voke (TIC and Coach), J Arnold (V/C),

E Hattingh



 50m Freestyle Relay
 Congratulations to Tori Voke for coming 2nd in the Senior Dash-for-Cash and Kayla Gous who won the Junior Dash-for-Cash.

The Interhouse Gala was held at the Joan Harrison Pool in the first term. Fun was had by all. Well done to Hunter on winning the overall Gala, as well as to Kayla Gous who won the Junior Victrix Ludorum. Tori Voke won both

the Senior Victrix Ludorum and The Gehring Cup for the Best Swimmer at the Gala.

Our 1st
Team took part
in the third
Hudson Park
High School
Sprint Gala.
In the 4 x 50m
Medley Relay, our
A team placed 1st
and the B team placed

3rd. We entered two teams in the Mixed 6 x 50m Freestyle Relay with Selborne College. The



second Sprint Gala in October in which our 1st Team took part. In the 4 x 50m Medley Relay, our A team placed 1st and the B team placed 3rd. We entered two teams in the Mixed 6 x 50m Freestyle Relay with Selborne College. The A team won the relay and our B team came 3rd. We congratulate Tori Voke on winning the 50m Dash-for-Cash event.

Congratulations to all our club swimmers who qualified and swam at the various National Level Galas this season.

# LEARN TO SWIM















BACK: S Jordan, O Gous, T Prince, G Do Rego

FRONT: D Grotjohn (Coach), M Van Aardt (VC), Ms J Patrick (Principal), P Gulle

(C), Ms M Schultz (T-L)

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Mrs M Schultz

#### COACH:

Mr Dunstan Grotjohn

#### **CAPTAIN:**

Paige Gulle

#### **VICE-CAPTAIN:**

Mia van Aardt

#### SECRETARY:

Georgina Do Rego

ur Top 12 Tennis girls this year, according to our current ladder, are: Paige Gulle (Captain), Samantha Jordan, Georgina Do Rego, Olivia Gous, Tannah Prince, Holly Webber, Amy O'Hagan, Amy Gulle, Elizabeth Cairns, Mia van Aardt, Eva van der Zee and Senate Sebatane.

Tennis started with a "slam" very early this year when our tennis girls began training for the Merrifield tournament with a Tennis Clinic run by our Coach,



Dunstan Grotjohn, even before the academic school year began.

The Tennis team participated in **league matches** against Stirling, Merrifield, De Vos Malan, Lilyfontein and Grens on Wednesday afternoons; we also participated in a Mixed Doubles League with our Selborne counterparts. These were excellent match practices which put our 1st, 2nd and 3rd Team Tennis girls in good standing to participate in four tennis tournaments.

Our Tennis team participated in the **Merrifield** 





Tournament on 26 - 27 January, finishing in sixth and seventh place respectively. Next, we played in the **Tjaart** Vorster Tennistoernooi in Cradock from 21 - 25 February. achieving sixth place; and then our own **Selborne-Clarendon Mixed Doubles Tournament,** organised with Mr Justin Sparg, and held at our beautiful tennis courts at Clarendon and Selborne on 1st and 2nd March. The girls played excellent tennis throughout this tournament and achieved third place.

Even more impressive than their excellent tennis however, were the compliments received from opposing teams and parents on our Clarendon teams' excellent conduct and sportsmanship shown on and off the court. Further congratulations go to Olivia Gous and Amy O'Hagan for making the Eastern Cape Southern InterPro Synergy Cup Tennis Team.

Derby Day matches were played against Eunice, DSG and Pearson during Term 2 and Collegiate Girls in Term 3, with many match points won by Clarendon.

In Term 3 the Tennis team travelled to Bloemfontein to participate in the **Sentraal Tournament**, from 22 - 24 August. The girls beat Sentraal on the first day but lost to Cradock, and to Voortrekker. Clarendon was placed fourth in the Girls' Section of the tournament overall. The girls even learned to play a new American racket sport called 'pickle ball'.

The most enjoyable and memorable experience this year for our Tennis team, was definitely our participation in the National Girls' Schools' Festival which took place in Potchefstroom from the 1-5May. Paige Gulle, Samantha Jordan, Georgina Do Rego and Olivia Gous represented Clarendon High School in the tournament. It was an invaluable experience for our Tennis team, who enjoyed their time playing against many incredible schools and enjoying exciting firsts like playing Tennis on a clay court, and spending time together at fun events like the 'Snow Flake Market'.











## WATER POLO

TEAM	COACH	TEACHER LINKS
U14	Mr D Carter	Mrs C Schmidt
U15	Mr D Carter	Ms L Ragaval
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mr S Hatley	Mrs A Haschick
<b>1</b> st	Ms H Muller	Mrs K Voke

#### **TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:**

Ms H Muller

#### **CAPTAIN:**

Julianna Saffy

#### **VICE-CAPTAIN:**

Tori Voke

#### SECRETARY:

Maya Klopper

he year started very early for the Water Polo Club. The players enjoyed a camp from 4-16 January, before school started. This was a fun-filled two weeks where players reviewed basics and caught up on their fitness. This year Clarendon boasted 5 Water Polo teams with all 5 teams going on tour in a short 6-week period.

Clarendon Water Polo has had a great 2023/2024 season. The girls have brought honour to the school, and we are very proud of every single girl who played Water Polo for any team this season. They have performed on all levels with the girls making provincial and national

teams this season. This year the Water Polo Club had great depth with enough players for nearly 7 teams.

The season started with the 1st Clarendon Team playing in the Buffalo City

Water Polo Tournament held in East London. The 1st team won all of their matches against Stirling, Pearson, Hudson Park, Clarendon 2<sup>nd</sup> and Merrifield. They then went to win the semi-finals against Stirling and ultimately the finals against



BACK: J Schaefer, J Koch, M Loots

MIDDLE: J Saffy, A Woodin, H Jacoby, Q Carr, M Phillips FRONT:

Mrs K Voke (T-L), T Voke, Mrs J Patrick (Principal), M Klopper,

Ms H Muller (Coach)

Pearson to win.

The 1st team then went to Kingswood to participate in the **Brian Baker Tournament** in Makhanda. They won four and lost four matches. This placed Clarendon 4th overall in the tournament. We were extremely proud of the fight the girls showed against the Top 20 schools in the country.

Our 1st team then participated in the National Girls' Schools' Aquatics Water Polo Tournament hosted by Durban Girls' College. We are extremely proud of our Water Polo players who swam in the swimming relays first, and then competed in the water polo section straight afterwards. The results were: played 6 matches; won 5; lost 1. This placed our team 3rd at this year's Aquatics Water Polo tournament.

The next tournament was in Johannesburg at the St Peter's Old Petrian's Tournament, which has schools from all over South Africa. The results were: played 8 matches; won 5; lost 3 narrowly, and



BACK: E Booyens, S Benn, J Botha

MIDDLE: S Mayoli, E Cairns, J Frachet, A Step, O Yazbek, J Ristow, M van Tonder FRONT: Mrs A Haschick (T-L), K Hatley (C), Mr S Hatley (Coach), E Bedser (V/C),

Ms H Muller (Head of Water Polo)

came 11<sup>th</sup> overall, after some challenging matches.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Team played in the Buffalo City Water Polo Tournament, and travelled to Knysna for the U19 Oakhill Festival. Over the Oakhill Festival weekend, the team not only played fantastic Water Polo, but also went on a boat cruise, and enjoyed swimming in the lagoon. The team ended



the weekend with 5 wins and 2 losses. The results were as follows for the 2<sup>nd</sup> team in the various tournaments:

**Buffalo City Tournament:** played 5 matches; won 1; lost 3; drew 1.

**2**<sup>nd</sup> **Team Oakhill Chukka Festival:** played 7 matches; won 5; lost 2.

The **Junior A Team** played in the **Summer Festival** hosted at our very own Harrison Aquatic Centre. They then travelled to Johannesburg to participate in the **Shaun Fuchs Tournament** hosted by Crawford Lonehill. The team was placed 9th, and we are very proud of the competitive Water Polo they played over the weekend. They benefited from having the opportunity to learn and to grow as players. The results for the various tournaments are as follows:

**Summer Festival:** played 4 matches; won 3; lost 1.

**Shaun Fuchs:** played 8 matches; won 6; lost 2. This placed us 9th overall, out of 24 teams.

The **U14 team** then



BACK: I Botha, N Nobangule, S Kruger, K-Y Naidoo

MIDDLE: H Hattingh, L Ganyile, G Fismer, K Hurn S Giyose, Z van Niekerk, E

Hattingh

FRONT: Mrs C Schmidt (T-L), J Carr, Mr D Carter (Coach), K van Biljon, Ms H

Muller (Head of Water Polo)

participated in the annual **U14 Jason Murray Tournament**held by Selborne College. Their
results were remarkable, even
though we had a number of
our U14s away at the National
Aquatic Festival in Durban:
played 8 matches; won 5; lost 3.

Well done to the U14A team on being placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall at the Jason Murray Water Polo Tournament.

Congratulations to
the following girls who have
made **South African Water Polo teams:** Tori Voke and
Kiyara Campbell made the
South African U18 team that
participated in the World
Aquatics Championships that
were held in Chengdu China
from 15-22 September. We are
extremely proud of these young
ladies and very excited to see
what their future holds in the
sport of Water Polo.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Water Polo teams this season. We are very proud of all that they achieved; their passion and commitment was truly evident. The players, coaches and teacher-links have appreciated much support from parents, friends, and family too. Lastly, a huge thank you to the coaches and teacher-links for all their hard work and dedication. It has most definitely been a year to remember. We are going to miss all our Matrics, as they made up a very big portion of our Senior teams and will be missed tremendously.







BACK:

S Kruger, N Nobangule, K van Biljon H Hattingh, E Saffy, J Carr, E Palmer, J Boëttger, K Hurn, E Hattingh Mrs C Schmidt (T-L), K Booyens, Mr D Carter (Coach), K Gous, Ms H Muller (Head of Water Polo) MIDDLE: FRONT:



BACK: J Ketterer, E Britz, A Webber, M Gale,

MIDDLE:

S Giyose, K Naidoo, K Mc Gill, A Viviers, J Fismer L Ganyile, Mr D Carter (Coach), A Gulle, Ms H Muller (Head of Water Polo), FRONT:

Z Van Niekerk







## PRINCIPAL'S PRIZEGIVING ADDRESS

ood evening Mr Lugodlo - our Circuit Manager; Mr Knott, our Governing Body Chairman; Mrs Woodbridge, our Guest Speaker; Honoured Guests, Parents, Supporters of our school, Clarendon girls, and special guests, the Mighty Matric Class of 2024.

"One child, one teacher, one pen, and one book, can change the world." — Malala Yousafzai. This quote emphasizes the





changing world. Clarendon 2024 is a place of excellence, opportunity and impact.

We believe Clarendon's values-driven environment is another powerful example of our school's impact. Our values of Integrity, Respect, Hard work, Responsibility, Resilience, Accountability and Empathy, which drive all we do, enable our girls to problem-solve, handle conflict and make good decisions while at school and after exiting.

We have nine strategic Vision Pillars guiding us to continued excellence in 2030. These pillars are headed by Staff and SGB members and focused work is continuous. We are excited to be working with our Prep and Primary schools on our strategic roadmap.

In 1954, Principal, Ms Hill, who had served in the military during WW11 said: "it is in the quiet periods of carrying out our day to day routine, that we



consolidate our strength to fit us for great events, when they come." 2024 has been by no means quiet. We have carried out our day to day routines well, and aimed to consolidate our strength gained during Covid and our transformation journey, which is continuous.

2024 – the year of **#Pushing the Puzzle**, with the emphasis on respecting each other as individuals, and celebrating that each person has an important part to play, in creating the Clarendon puzzle, a master-piece of success and sisterhood.

Our Staff is our strength and is to be thanked and congratulated on a job well done. I wish to thank my Deputy Principal, Mr Herman, and Senior Management Team consisting of Mrs Lottering, Mrs Nel, Ms gives of her best. Our staff-led group called the TIDE Committee will ensure a school culture, where all staff and learners feel a sense of belonging and respected. This culture strengthens our school and prepares it well for great events like our 125 celebrations in 2028.

Another strength this year has been a Matric group, ably led by dynamic Head girl, Kaitlyn Hayward and her trusted Deputy, Ufez'isiphosoxolo Mbilini. They have been united and full of positivity which has set the example for all the Grades. We wish them well as they prepare for their final examinations and leave Clarendon. May the abundance of talent with which they have been blessed, be used in the interests of their fellow human beings and a better world.

The first event of the





Kobus, Mrs Del Fava, Mrs McCoy and newly-appointed team members, Mrs Smit and Ms Klingelhoeffer, for their support and dedication to our vision of excellence. All Staff work incredibly hard to ensure each girl reaches her potential and year, on the weekend before school commenced, was our inaugural Grade 8 Weekend to Hobbiton-on-Hogsback where we challenged the girls to reach outside their comfort zones.

Leadership remains an important focus area for

our school. All grades experienced some leadership and teambuilding events in 2024, and we thank our Grade Tutors, Mesdames Blane, Hobbs, Haschick, Smit and Van Wyk for the opportunities they provide for each grade, of fun, unity and development of leadership skills.

We celebrated the outstanding NSC Matric results achieved by the 2023 Matrics. Despite not obtaining 100%, we can still be proud with 100% pass rate for 29 years in a 31-year-period. Clarendon received the award for the Top School in Cluster B in the Eastern Cape, for the 2023 NSC Grade 12 results, and Mikayla Muller, our Dux, was also placed first in Cluster B.

The Class had a 95% Bachelor Pass rate. Two girls obtained an aggregate of over 90%; 17 obtained A Aggregates and 39 B Aggregates. The class had 241 Subject distinctions, with an overall 69% grade average.

Top achieving Staff at the



Athletics: Sheridan Swart; Rowing: Bill Godfrey (up to June); Soccer: Levelle van der Byl

Captain of **Athletics**,
Hannah James, and her team
mates had a successful season,
with Hannah, Shauna Marimo
and Leila Schenk participating
in the Eastern Cape Athletics
Champs; Shauna and Leila
represented Border at the ASA
Youth Athletics Championships,
and Shauna was selected as
a member of the EC team to
participate at SA Nationals,
where she was placed 9th in the
U19 100m and 10th in the 200
metres.

Our largest sporting code in terms of participation is **Hockey.** Our 1st Team, captained by Demi Knott, had a tough season, falling short of a Top 20 national ranking. The team played in the Greg Beling and

BCM District Awards Prizegiving were Mrs Haschick (CAT), Mr Roberson (IT), Mrs Smit and Mrs Hobbs (History), and Mrs Wetmore (Consumer Studies).

English remains a critical subject and is key to success in all subjects. We congratulate Yonwaba Mahlati, who was placed 14th out of thousands of entries in the National English Olympiad. Nine of our thirteen entrants in this Olympiad scored 70% or above. We had 8 entries in the SACEE Poetry Competition, with 4 Gold awards. and 4 entries in the SACEE 'Read out loud' competition, with Jada-Nicole Simons placing 1st in Grade 12 in the District. Nicollete Tumbare's poem, was placed 2nd in the Harry's Printers' Young Writers' Competition.

This report will also attempt to highlight the talents and achievements of our teams outside the classroom in Sport, Culture and Service initiatives. We thank our girls who represent their school in these teams – they do so with dedication, loyalty and such pride, putting their school first.

Individually, we have 9 SA Reps and 55 Provincial Reps in Sport. In this Olympic year, we were very proud of two Clarendon Old Girls, sisters Lee-Anne and Marcelle Keet, who represented SA in Paris and we hope that Clarendon will have an Olympian again soon!

Derby Days in winter always showcase school team spirit and school spirit. Our sports teams participate in many festivals, such as the Winter National All Girls' Sports and Cultural Festival, this year hosted by Potchefstroom Girls' High. We thank Mrs Nel, our Head of Sport, and Mrs Voke, our Sports and Cultural Administrator, and all our coaches and teacher-links for providing the opportunity to nurture and showcase this talent. Special thanks go to our 1st Team sports' coaches: Chess: Ashley Vermaak; Tennis: Dunstan Grotjohn; Squash: Gregg Shean; Hockey: Luaan Sedras; Netball: Muriel Langfield;



St Mary's Festivals, competing against the top teams in SA, ending 22nd at St Marys. They ended 9<sup>th</sup> at the National All Girls' Festival. A highlight was the team's regional win of the Spar Challenge, defeating Hudson and Stirling.

The U16 Hockey team played in the St Andrew's and Greg Beling Festivals with two wins against 1st Teams in the latter, and a 5th place in the Spar 1st team challenge. They ended their season qualifying for the Rising Champions Challenger's Cup, placing 7th overall, and earning them a Top 20 ranking in the country.

Our U14 team competed in the Rob Taylor Festival at the beginning of the season

Rowing highlight was Alara Henn, representing the SA Coastal Rowing team, at the World Coastal Champs.

Chess captain, Pei-Shan Wang, and her team delivered excellence. They won Gold at the National All Girls' Festival and won all their Derby Day fixtures. The individual highlight was Megan Dove representing SA at the African Youth Chess Championships

Our 1<sup>st</sup> **Netball** team, captained by Abongile Mahamba, and playing Captain, Ikhona Ntutu, started their season at the Grens Sports' Festival, along with all age group teams. The 1<sup>st</sup> Team highlight was being placed 13<sup>th</sup> at National All Girls', with Alison Exford named Best Shooter. The U16 team took part in the St Andrew's Festival and finished 8<sup>th</sup> in their pool.

Our **Riding** Society, led by Jade Sephton, enjoyed a return to competing at the Interschools Horse Show, where the team placed second for Show Jumping, and third for Handy Hunter. Ella Tucker, who has had a successful showing season, was placed first in Individual
Dressage and placed first as a
Clarendon team in Dressage with
Rachel Brent.

Our 1st Squash Team, captained by Cara Knott, had an outstanding season. They held a first Squash-a-thon as a fundraiser for new seating. They were unbeaten at the Dave Hodgson DSG Festival, with wins against St Stithians, Eunice, St Mary's Waverley, Herschel, DSG and Kingswood. National Top Ten rankings were achieved by Isobel Botha Top 10 U14, U16 ranking of 3<sup>rd</sup> for Kate van Biljon, and 5th place for Sasha Earl in U19. This resulted in Kate and Sasha being selected for the SA Schools U16 and U19 teams to travel to Singapore and Malaysia in December this year.

Clarendon was represented at the Growthpoint SA National Squash Tournament in Cape Town, where Cara Knott placed 5<sup>th</sup> in U19 and Kate van Biljon won the U15 national title, despite still being U14. The squash highlights just kept coming when the team won the National All Girls' Festival. The individual highlight was Cara Knott's selection for the SA Junior Women's team, to



and ended their season at the National Rising Challenger's Tournament, where they lost only to the winners, coming 3rd, which placed them in the Top 20 ranking. A highlight for our 2nd team was the Union High 1st Team Festival; where they ended in 12th position, out of seventeen 1st Teams.

Our National **Rowing**Quad Boat-race team ended in 7<sup>th</sup> position in December 2023.
Thirty-five rowers, captained by Jade Sephton, went to SA National Champs with highlights as follows:

U16 A Quad placed 4th in a final; U15 Octuple got a Gold medal and the U16 Coxed four won Silver medals. An individual



participate in the World Junior Champs in Houston, Texas USA – a wonderful experience. The team highlight was the win at the National Top Schools' Tournament, with the team winning the title for the sixth time, and the second time in three years, meaning we are the best school in South Africa at Squash.

**Soccer** captain, Kezia Njokweni, kept her team motivated despite a difficult season. Our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> team



played in a tournament each in Gqeberha, and league matches every Friday. Three girls were selected for Border Soccer teams.

**Swimming** captain, Tori Voke, and her team enjoyed a good result at the All Girls' Aquatics Festival, placing sixth overall, with Kayla Gous winning the Junior 'Dash for Cash' race at this national event. Tori, Kayla and Emily Palmer were selected for the Eastern Cape team to compete at Senior Nationals which formed part of Olympic selection. Kayla came 11th in the Open 200M Individual Medley. Emily, Kayla, Emma Obaray and Jodie Boëttger participated in the SA Junior Nationals and recently



in the SA Short Course gala.

Water Polo, captained by Julianna Saffy, had a very successful season. The 1st Team, captained by Maya Klopper, placed first at the Buffalo City Water Polo Tournament, and 4th at the Brian Baker Tournament. The team got Bronze medals at the National Aquatic Festival and placed eleventh at the Old Petrians, ending the season ranked 6th in the country, the top public girls-only school. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and U15B teams enjoyed the Oakhill Chukka festival and U14s came fourth at the Jason Murray Festival. Our U15A team were placed ninth at Sean Fuchs, out of 24 teams.

An individual highlight was the selection of Kiyara Campbell and Tori Voke to the SA U18 Water Polo team which participated in the World Aquatic Champs in China. We are proud of our state-of-the-art, FINA-accredited, Harrison Aquatic Centre, and are very pleased with the progress shown by our Learn-to-swim Noncedo Primary School Grade 4s.

Tennis captain and championship winner, Paige Gulle and her team, had a busy year. The 1st Team came third in our Selborne/Clarendon Mixed Doubles Festival, were placed sixth out of 25 teams at the Tjaart Vorster Tournament, sixth at National All Girls' Festival and

seventh at the recent Sentraal Tournament.

Leila Schenk, our **Cross- Country** captain, always led by participating in many local league events and will represent SA U17 at the Modern Pentathlon World Champs in Egypt.

We thank our Head of Culture, Ms Kobus and all staff involved, for providing wonderful opportunities in the Cultural space.

Clarendon's reputation of being a force to be reckoned with at **Debating and Public** Speaking competitions continues, with our Junior team winning the EC Debating Championships and four girls making the Eastern Cape Debating team. We thank our 1st team coach, Mr Uhleli Mdingi. We will host this championship in August 2025. The season started for our debaters, led by Maimouna Mbaye, with two teams attending the Alexander Road Debating and Public Speaking Competition, winning 5 out of 7 debates, 4 Best Speaker awards, and Zenande Mquqo placing 3rd in the Public Speaking Competition. We were placed second at National All Girls' in Debating and won many of our Derby Day debates.

Public Speaking Head, Zenande Mquqo and her group of talented orators had a good season. Lunathi Dudumashe came third in the Junior Section at the National All Girls' Festival.

The highlight was the

National Individual Debating and Pubic Speaking competition, held recently where Amahle Kobese, Zenande Mquqo and Nicollete Tumbare have been chosen for the SA delegation to compete in the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking competition in Malaysia in 2025. Earlier in 2024, Nicollete and Kaitlyn Hayward had represented Team SA at the World Individual Debating and Public Speaking competition in Australia, with Kaitlyn being placed tie sixth in Debating and Nicollete being placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Interpretative Reading event.

Two **Drama** highlights in 2024, were the production of 'Radium Girls" and our ATKV production 'Donkerkamertjie' the cast of 8 achieved a Silver certificate in the latter. We had 47 entrants in the ELFEST Drama Eisteddfod across three languages obtaining 13 Triple Golds, 32 Double Golds and 25 Golds. In the Buffalo City Creative Arts Eisteddfod, 13 girls received medals, with two girls being awarded 100% - Asemahle Myataza for Original Verse and Nicollete Tumbare for Public

Speaking.

Our **Music** Department has had a great year. At the Port Rex Lions Music Eisteddfod, we had 93 entries – 7 Special Mentions, 38 Gold Awards and 6 Medals for the following:

- Best High School Vocal Ensemble
- Most Outstanding Senior Vocalist
- Best High School Contemporary Ensemble
- Most Promising String Player
- Most Promising Woodwind Player and Best Senior Instrumental Ensemble.

Our Chamber choir now leading in, will entertain us. *De Novo Serenata*, so well led by Sinelizwi Miza and with 11 Matrics, had an impressive year. They competed in the Finals of the ATKV Applous competition in Cape Town, being placed fourth in this national competition in the High School Prestige category with a score of 87.8% and a Gold award, and then went on to first place and best African song in the George Cantamus Choral festival. They scored 97% at the Western

Cape Virtual Eisteddfod and were selected to be part of the Choral Ignite Series and Choral Festival in the Feathermarket Hall in Gqeberha. They will now perform 'Unwritten' by Natasha Bedingfield. Our Choir, led by Leanne Fletcher, won a Gold





Award at the regional ATKV Applous competition, which we hosted.

The Steel Drum band led by Mégan Geduld, held a second successful 12hour drum marathon. Our senior Steel Drum band. Classic Pan, won the online High School category in the Educational Africa International Marimba and Steel Pan Festival, and received the Trinidad and Tobago Trophy for the best Steel Pan Performance. This is the fourth consecutive vear that Clarendon has won this award. We value the opportunities offered by our other Musical groups and their leaders:

· All Strings Attached -

Kholo Stoto

- Chamber Orchestra Sisitha Jaji and
- Recorder Ensemble -Lisakhanya Ganqa

Our 'Lets Create' groups, led by Lukonde Mwanza, Lungelo Our **Service Clubs** have been active. We thank our Kiosk Monitors, headed by Paige Flanegan; our Tech crew led by Ziyanda Madlolo; Bookroom Head Ufez'isiphosoxolo Mbilini and monitors; Peer Tutor Head Isivile Ntshele and Tutors; Relay, delivered Friday love lunches, helped serve monthly at a soup kitchen in Pefferville, painted cots and a shed at 'Breath of Life', had Easter egg, coin and toy drives, to mention some of their activites. Their club motto of engagement, rather than just giving, was evident in 2024.

Our Student Christian
Association, led by Maya
Klopper and her Committee, was
active and one highlight was
visiting the Logos Hope Ship.

The **Library** continues to be a welcoming space. Head Librarian, Jody Langley and her Committee, have had a happy year celebrating 'World Read Aloud' day with children from the Carel du Toit Centre and dressup day for World Book Day.

We congratulate Elizabeth Gyan who obtained the Bronze standard of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award.

I would like to thank Mr Knott, SGB Chairman, and all SGB members and in particular members of Fincom, led by Mr Kelly, for all the hard work which allows our school to continue to be a school of excellence, opportunity and impact. Our



Mazibuko, Ogiyonke Mbude and Inganathi Pule held a successful "Clarrie Creates" entrepreneurial day in July.

Our Visual Art Department enjoyed much success in 2024. Jiyana Timothy's work was selected as one of top 25 artists in the country for the Junior Portrait Award competition. Khanya Mdokwana had her art work selected for the cover of the 2023 edition of the national 'English Alive'. Anuschka de Jager and Lukonde Mwanza had Art work on display at the Umtiza Art Festival, We had 20 entries in the EL Art Eisteddfod with Nela Jele getting 2 Golds, Bambangazibini Daka and Jiyana Timothy Double Golds. Another 18 girls exhibited art works at the High School's exhibition with 9 double Gold awards.

Cultural Society led by Lwam Kata; Hindu Society led by Sivina and Pavithrra Naidoo; Enviro Club headed by Hlumo Ngweniso; SANBS headed by Laylah Bijal; Petpals Club led by Janae Albertyn; the Clarion Editor, Rethabile Zuzani; Magazine Photography Club Head, Mandibonge Qangule and Matric Dance head Michaela Joubert, and all members of these clubs for the valuable work done and for adding to our wonderful Clarendon puzzle.

Claren Lugo
Fernandez was our Interact
President and the club held
regular weekly afternoon
visits to 'Breath of Life' and
an Old Age home. They
participated in the Cancer



Estate Manager, Mr Puchert, Assistant Manager, Mr Noqayi and Staff; my Personal Assistant, Mrs Slabber; our front office staff, Mrs Renton and Mrs Newcombe: our Financial Manager. Mrs Naidoo and her team of Mrs Kieck and Mr Movakhe: Mrs Cox in our Print room. Mr King in our IT Office; Mrs Whittal and her Hostel Staff, are all important cogs in this wheel of excellence, as they ensure an environment which is conducive to learning and teaching, and we thank them for their efforts.

"As women, we bring unique perspectives and talents that drive innovation and progress in every industry. It's our responsibility to inspire the next generation of leaders to pursue their goals." These are not my words – they are the words of





Old Girl and Founders' Day Guest of Honour, Ms Paula Fenwick (née Perez) from the Class of 1984, who inspired us at our 121st Founders' Day. This special day always reminds us that People are the Heart of Clarendon - we are a school with a heart, focusing on building relationships. Our Old Girls and our OG Guild are very visible at Founders' Day. This strong old girls' community is a strength and sets us apart as a school. We thank Mrs Harrison, Ms Kleber and the OGG for all they do to keep us connected, and how their varied achievements inspire our current girls. Mrs Woodbridge is such an inspiration tonight.

Another strength I am grateful for, is that we stand together as a family of schools. I thank Mr Bisschoff and Mr Dewar, Principals of Selborne Primary and College respectively, and Mr Albasini and Mrs Wrede,

our Clarendon sister schools' Principals for their support. The latter two, in particular, have played key roles, as we seek to consolidate our Clarendon brand and campus with a united vision.

Our school is also blessed with a parent body who supports our school and their daughters. Thank you to all parents, and especially Grade 12 parents, who have supported many events over the last 5 years.

We thank our Events'
Co-ordinator, Mrs Renton, and
Supporters Group mom, Mrs
Alfonso and all parents who
supported them for their hard
work at all our events in 2024,
especially at Derby Days, on
Founders' Day and this evening.

In conclusion, it is our responsibility to inspire the next generation of leaders to pursue their goals, and in doing so ensure they go out and make a positive difference in the world. I thank you all for you continued support of our great school.

# 2024 PRIZE WINNERS' LIST

GS ACET SPERE

Held on Tuesday 8 October 2024

#### WELCOME

Governing Body Chairman Mr R Knott

#### **ANNUAL REPORT**

Mrs J Patrick (Principal)

#### INTRODUCTION OF GUEST OF HONOUR

Mrs N van Wyk (Grade 12 Tutor)



#### **ADDRESS**

Ms Taryn Woodbridge (CFO and Executive Director – Finance and Controlling – of Mercedes Benz South Africa Ltd). We were privileged to have Clarendon Old Girl (Class of 1996), Taryn Woodbridge, as our Guest of Honour for the evening. Taryn has recently been appointed the first-ever woman Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Executive Director: Finance and Controlling of Mercedes-Benz South Africa (MBSA). Thank you for your inspiring message!

#### **PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**

Ms Taryn Woodbridge Assisted by Mr K Herman (Deputy Principal), Mrs H Lottering and Mrs N van Wyk

#### **VOTE OF THANKS**

Kaitlyn Hayward (Head Girl) and Ufez'isiphosoxolo Mbilini (Deputy Head Girl)

#### **GRADE 8:**

•	THE McKAY COURTESY AWARD: A picture presented to a Grade 8 pupil – her selection is based on the votes of all the Grade 8s
•	Geography Prize
	Onika Gwavu
•	Mathematics PrizeKhanya Zamxaka 10th in Grade 8Naye Dlulisa
•	English (Home Language) Prize & 9th in Grade 8Keira Patterton
•	8th in Grade 8Rochelle Koshy
	Digital Technology Prize & 7th in Grade 8 Akho Macozoma
•	Afrikaans (First Additional Language) Prize, History Prize & 6th in Grade 8
•	Chadlyn Johannes 5th in Grade 8
•	4th in Grade 8Méha Govind
•	Economic and Management Sciences Prize, Life Orientation Prize & 3rd in Grade 8
•	Iyana Mquqo 2nd in Grade 8 Ella Tucker
•	Creative Arts Prize, Natural Sciences Prize & 1st

#### **GRADE 9:**

•	Principal's Award for Excellence in Dramatic ArtsLunathi Dudumashe
•	Geography PrizeAkhira Dullabh
•	isiXhosa (First Additional Language) Prize
	Kumnandi Nogqala
•	10th in Grade 9 Amy Gulle
•	9th in Grade 9 Brooklyn-Rose Swart
•	History Prize & 8th in Grade 9
	Linomtha Nondabula
•	Honours Award for Swimming & 7th in Grade 9
	Kayla Gous
	6th in Grade 9Mira Mathews
	Economic and Management Sciences Prize &
	5th in Grade 9Rethabile Mosoang
	4th in Grade 9Morgan Hartwig
	Mathematics Prize * 3rd in Grade 9
	Kajal Rama
	Creative Arts Prize, Digital Technology Prize,
	Natural Sciences Prize & 2nd in Grade 9
	Amber Viviers
•	English (Home Language) Prize, Afrikaans (First
	Additional Language) Prize, Life Orientation
	Prize & 1st in Grade 9Kate Booyens







#### **GRADE 10:**

- Beethoven Cup for the highest mark obtained in an external Music Exam (Grades 4-8)
  - ..... Ngcali Mgwebi
- Business Studies Prize
   Yakhanathi Silwana
- Consumer Studies Prize
   ......Cameron Kruger
- Dramatic Arts Prize.. Nosimphiwe Dumengane
- Principal's Award for Excellence in Dramatic Arts ..... Angalakha Mzileni
- Principal's Award for Excellence in Dramatic Arts
   Jaclyn Prior née Pratt Award for Dramatic Arts
   Ayabonga Mpeta
- Geography Prize
   ......Siyavuya Tshatshu
- Mathematical Literacy Prize
   .......... Kiyana MacDonald
- Re-award of Honours for Biathle & Visual Arts Prize
   Leila Schenk
- Honours Award for Debating and Public Speaking & History Prize ...... Nicollete Tumbare
- Computer Applications
   Technology Prize & 10th in
   Grade 10
  - ..... Anina Manadan 9th in Grade 10
- .....Keira Botha
- 8th in Grade 10 .....Kristen Potter
- 7th in Grade 10 ......Mené Strydom
- Afrikaans (First Additional Language) Prize & 6th in Grade 10 ......... Quinn Carr
- 5th in Grade 10 .....Amita Kumar
- Honours Award for
  Debating and Public
  Speaking, English (Home
  Language) Prize, Life
  Orientation Prize & 4th in
  Grade 10
- Zenande Mquqo
- Accounting Prize & 3rd in Grade 10 ..... Holley Jacoby
- Music Prize & 2nd in Grade
   10 ......Sarah Jordan
- Information Technology
   Prize, Life Sciences
   Prize, Mathematics Prize,

Physical Sciences Prize, isiXhosa (First Additional Language) Prize & 1st in Grade 10

..... Canzi Bizana

#### **GRADE 11:**

- Honours Award for Water Polo ....... Kiyara Campbell
- Honours Award for Chess
   Megan Dove
- Principal's Award for Service to the School .....Ziyanda Madlolo ......Ezihle Ngxola
- Business Studies Prize ......Ruvarashe George
- Dramatic Arts Prize
   ......Oyintanda Marotya
- isiXhosa (First Additional Language) Prize
   .....Kholo Stoto
- Honours Award for Squash, Sons of England Award for Progress in Sport: (Gr 10-12) ......Sasha Earl
- Honours Award for Music & Music Prize
- ........... Lisakhanya Ganqa Visual Arts Prize & 10th in
- Grade 11 .....Anuschka de Jager
- Mathematical Literacy Prize, Tourism Prize & 9th in Grade 11
   ...... Rhayn Patterton
- Geography Prize & 8th in Grade 11
  Savannah Bus
- Honours Award for Academic Achievement & 7th in Grade 11 ......Yonwaba Mahlati
- Computer Applications
   Technology Prize & 6th in
   Grade 11
- Layla Khandoo
   Honours Award for Squash, Honours Award for Academic Achievement & 5th in Grade 11
   Cara Knott
- Honours Award for Academic Achievement & 4th in Grade 11
   Jessica Schaefer
- Honours Award for Academic Achievement, Consumer Studies Prize, Information Technology

- Prize & 3rd in Grade 11 .....Jessica Lloyd
- Honours Award for Academic Achievement, Accounting Prize, Life Sciences Prize, Mathematics Prize, Physical Sciences Prize & 2nd in Grade 11
  - ..... Emma Booyens Honours Award for
- Honours Award for Academic Achievement, English (Home Language) Prize, Afrikaans (First Additional Language) Prize, PL Koen Prize (Grade 11) for enthusiasm/passion for Afrikaans, History Prize, Life Orientation Prize & 1st in Grade 11

..... Danel Muller

#### **GRADE 12:**

- Old Girls' Guild Award for Head of Hunter House .....Trinity Alexander
- Business Studies Prize (Shared) ....Jessica Bushell
- Principal's Award for Loyal Service at All Levels
   Lihle Bushet
- P The Phyllis May Hare-Bowers Memorial Prize for Service to Sport (Shared) & Honours Award for Service to the School
  - ......Bambanani Daka ...... Bambangazibini Daka
- Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of Work

Otaliaala oi violit
Iyasazi Arosi
Emma Bedser
Lilitha Bolana
Zayrah-Jay Capkey
Thina Dakada
Elizabeth Gyan
Jody Langley
Emily Lutge
Sange Magwentshu
Uyasithanda Manina
Shauna Marimo
Libone Mhamb
Zotando Mkize
Siliziwe Mpendu
Sighamo Notununu
Ayabonga Ntsebeza
Sithenkosi Nyangiwe
Isabella Odendaa

......Rosario Peña-Soutuyo

- ...... Mandibonge Qangule
  ..... Lisa Skeyi
  ..... Giselle Smith
  ..... Kendra Willis
- Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of Work & Business Studies Prize (Shared) ...... Unakho Dodo
- Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of Work & LYDIA LABUSCHAGNE AWARD for Courage and Perseverance (any grade) .....Liyalatha Gcume
- Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of Work & Cycad Award for All-Round Achievement.... Litha Genu
- Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of Work & Principal's Award for Deputy Head of Connaught House......Sisitha Jaji
- Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of Work & ET Holder Trophy for Application in the Study of Music
- Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of Work & Cycad Award for All-Round Achievement

..... Oyintanda Kamana

- .....Maya Klopper
- Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of Work & Most Improved in Senior English: this award acknowledges hard work and dedication ......Lilitha Matiwane
- Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of Work & Prize for best work in isiXhosa Oral Work ...... Zintle Mona
- Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of Work & Old







	Girls' Guild Award for Head of Gittins House	•	Academic Excellence Award, Re-award of
			Honours for Academic Achievement & Principal's
•	Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of		Award for Excellence in Physical Sciences
	Work & Old Girls' Guild Award for Head of Ketchen House Lunathi Nene		Academic Excellence Award, Tourism Prize &
	Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of	·	Cycad Award for All-Round Achievement
	Work & Principal's Award for Service to the School		Siphosethu Maqubela
		•	Academic Excellence Award, Life Orientation Prize
•	Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard		& Honours Award for Academic Achievement
	of Work & The Kathy Jagoe Award for the Most		Mia van Aardt
	Promising ArtistJiyana Timothy	•	Academic Excellence Award, Re-award of
•	Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of		Honours for Academic Achievement, The Alex
	Work & Honours Award for Water Polo		Chew Award for Sportsmanship, presented by
	Tori Voke		Miss Chew and her sister (Grade 12), Principal's
•	Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of		Award for Loyal and Faithful Service at all Levels,
	Work, Honours Award for Music & Wiloko Trophy		Principal's Award for Excellence in Accounting &
	for the Most Outstanding Musician		Cycad Award for All-Round Achievement
	Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard of		Academic Excellence Award, Honours Award
·	Work, Dramatic Arts Prize & The Selborne College	·	for Academic Achievement, Principal's Award
	Centenary Trophy and Book Token: for Dramatic		for Excellence in Sport – Hockey and Squash,
	and Musical Achievement (Grades 10-12)		Principal's Award for Excellence in Accounting,
	Akanaka Ndabambi		Principal's Award for Excellence in History & 10th
•	Special Award for Maintaining a High Standard		in Grade 12Georgia Mc Clure
	of Work, Ashanti Kakaza Memorial Prize for	٠	Academic Excellence Award, Re-award of
	distinction in English Olympiad, SACEE Language		Honours for Academic Achievement, Cycad Award
	Challenge and work published in English Alive &		for All-Round Achievement & 9th in Grade 12
	Principal's Award for Excellence in History		Claren Lugo Fernandez
	Jada-Nicole Simons Academic Excellence Award Janae Albertyn	•	Academic Excellence Award, Honours Award for Academic Achievement & 8th in Grade 12
	Jenna Frachet		Academic Achievement & other Grade 12
	Wanda Gqoli	•	Academic Excellence Award, Re-award of
	Kaylin Labuschagne		Honours for Academic Achievement, Principal's
	Zizukile Maneli		Award for Excellence in Sport – Hockey and Water
	Zizo Mtshemla		Polo, Principal's Award for Excellence in History &
	lsivile Ntshele		7th in Grade 12
	Julia Ristow	•	Academic Excellence Award, Honours Award
	Retaabile Zuzani Academic Excellence Award & Honours Award for		for Music, Re-award of Honours for Academic Achievement, Chubb Cup for Music, Kali Trophy
·	Academic Achievement Denique Anthony		for Participation and Courtesy in Music, Principal's
•	Academic Excellence Award & Information		Award for Excellence in Mathematics & 6th in
	Technology Prize		Grade 12Leanne Fletcher
•	Academic Excellence Award, Dana Ispas	•	Academic Excellence Award, Re-award of
	Memorial Prize for Mathematical Literacy		Honours for Academic Achievement, The
	Kelly Hatley		Accounting Cup, Principal's Award for Excellence
•	Academic Excellence Award, The D.F. Brown Cup		in Sport – Chess, Principal's Award for Excellence
	for Computer Applications Technology		in Mathematics, Principal's Award for Excellence
	Caitlin Higgs		in Physical Sciences, Cycad Award for All-Round
	Academic Excellence Award & Honours Award for Academic AchievementInathi Kaptein		Achievement & 5th in Grade 12 Pei-Shan Wang
•	Academic Excellence Award & Top Debater		Academic Excellence Award, Honours Award for
	(Grade 12) Maimouna Mbaye		Visual Art, Re-award of Honours for Academic
•	Academic Excellence Award & Babalwa Xhala		Achievement, Jacqueline Parkin Award for
	Trophy for isiXhosaUfez'isiphosoxolo Mbilini		English Oral Work, The Wilms Cup for Visual Art,
•	Academic Excellence Award & Consumer Studies		Principal's Award for the painting chosen for the
	Prize Julia Murie		School Art Collection & 4th in Grade 12
•	Academic Excellence Award, Principal's Award for		Khanya Mdokwana
	the Head of Connaught House	•	Academic Excellence Award, Re-award of
	Owami Nyombolo		Honours for Academic Achievement, Cycad Award

for All-Round Achievement, Principal's Award for

Excellence in Accounting, Principal's Award for

Academic Excellence Award & The Hattingh Cup

for Geography ...... Phulu Songo

- Excellence in Mathematics,
  Principal's Award for
  Excellence in Physical
  Sciences & The Prestige
  Award presented by Miss P
  Rose for 3rd in Grade 12
  ......Demi Knott
- Academic Excellence Award, Honours Award for Debating and Public Speaking, Honours Award for Leadership, Re-award of Honours for Academic Achievement, Judith Stuart-Watson Cup for English Public Speaking, Principal's Award for Excellence in History, Principal's Award for Excellence in Life Sciences, Principal's Award for Excellence in Mathematics, Principal's Award for Excellence in Physical Sciences & The Prestige Award presented by Miss P Rose for 2nd in Grade 12 ..... Kaitlyn Hayward
- Academic Excellence Award, Re-award of Honours for Academic Achievement, Hansie Visser Prize for Afrikaans Oral, The Elizabeth Winkelman Cup & Martha Harty Book Token for Afrikaans, The Elizabeth Batley Cup and Annand Book Token for English, Carol Felton Trophy for English Essay, The Carol Hart Trophy for English Literature, Rachel van Wyk Memorial Prize for the best all-round work in both English and Afrikaans, The Humanities Prize for English and History, presented by the 2001 Matric Class in memory of Leletu Lumkwana, The Old Mutual Cup and Ruth-Mary McJannet Book token for History, The Martha Harty Cup for Physical Sciences. The Gush Cup for Life Sciences, The Lesley Shearer Cup & Lownds Book Token for Mathematics, 1st in Grade 12 & The DUX AWARD: the Lionel Murray Cup – the highest academic award in the school .....Rachel Webb

#### **SPECIAL AWARDS**

## PRESTIGE AWARDS FOR SA SELECTION AND/OR REPRESENTATION

#### **CULTURE**

- Kaitlyn Hayward –
   Debating & Public Speaking
- Zenande Mquqo –
   Debating & Public Speaking
- Nicollete Tumbare –
   Debating & Public Speaking

#### **SPORT**

•	Leila SchenkBiathle
•	Megan DoveChess
•	Alara Henn Coastal Rowing
•	Kate van BiljonSquash
•	Sasha EarlSquash
•	Cara KnottSquash

- Kiyara CampbellWater Polo
- Tori Voke...... Water Polo

## B Teams, Non-travelling reserves and Top Rankings

- Shauna Marimo .... AthleticsIsobel Botha ......Squash
- Kayla Gous...... Swimming
- The DONALD CUP for the House that has achieved the best academically in 2024... Third: Ketchen

.....Second: Hunter .....First: GITTINS

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...... Second: Gittins
..... First: HUNTER

- The GREG BELING AWARD for a Sportswoman who has shown exceptional talent and has at all times demonstrated a sense o fair play, service, courtesy and dignity.......... DEMI KNOTT
- The PAT ROSE TROPHY for the single most outstanding Sporting Achievement of the year

......CARA KNOTT

 The RANDALL CULTURAL TROPHY for the single most outstanding Cultural Achievement of the year,







- presented by sisters: Caroline, Penny and Alison Randall
- .....NICOLLETE TUMBARE
- The CHELSY HENDRY Award for the Best Allround Grade 12 Sportswoman
  - .....ALISON WOODIN
- THE JUDGE AWARD Grade 12, SPORTS-WOMAN OF THE YEAR ......TORI VOKE
- The Odette Schutte GOLDEN CYCAD Trophy and Certificate for the maintenance of a high standard in work, sport, leadership and general "all-round" contribution .....LITHA GENU
- The OLD GIRLS' GUILD JUBILEE AWARD for Higher Education: for a girl who maintains a first-class average throughout the year and who has loyally and enthusiastically supported the activities of the school
  - .....MANDIBONGE QANGULE
- The KAREN CHAPMAN AWARD presented by Mr and Mrs Chapman and Nicholas, for friendship and loyal support of others ......GEMMA MORRELL
- The FURMAN TROPHY presented by Mrs Roslyn

- The ISMAY DUFFY AWARD for loyal and faithful service at all levels ......BAMBANANI DAKA .....BAMBANGAZIBINI DAKA
- The ELAINE STRONG AWARD presented by Miss Chew for graciousness and being mindful of the needs of others, and the Elaine Strong book token presented by Mr and Mrs Strong and Aliso ......INATHI KAPTEIN
- The MARY LAURIE AWARD presented by Mrs Gersowsky and Mrs Radloff, in recognition of Miss Laurie's splendid leadership during her years at Clarendon. Awarded to a girl in Grade 12 who has always shown a sense of fair play, is courteous and gracious towards all people, has strong moral values and always does the best of which she is capable, thus reflecting the high ideals of young Clarendon womanhood ......LEANNE FLETCHER
- The OLD GIRLS' GUILD AWARD for the Head Girl of the School AND The SLESING HONOUR AWARD Presented to a girl in Grade 12 for Good Fellowship, Dignity, Courtesy, Leadership and Loyalty: the highest award in the school

...... KAITLYN HAYWARD

## **CULTURAL AWARDS**

#### **DEBATING**

#### Half Colours:

- Zizezakho Makati
- Kajal Rama
- · Qhaviya Tshandu

#### Colours:

- Yonwaba Mahlati
- Zenande Mgugo
- Morgan Hartwig
- Ukhonaye Skosana

#### Re-award - Colours

Maimouna Mbaye

### Colours and re-award of Colours:

Nicollete Tumbare

#### **DRAMA**

#### Colours:

· Akanaka Ndabambi

#### **MUSIC**

#### Half Colours:

- Shahaa Harms
- Ngcali Mgwebi
- Kholo Stoto
- Ella Tucker

#### **Colours:**

· Lisakhanya Ganga

#### Honours:

- Leanne Fletcher
- Mégan Geduld
- Lisakhanya Ganga











#### **CHAMBER CHOIR**

#### Half Colours:

- Tyhila Bobotyana
- Avuzwa Mdudo
- Ngcali Mgwebi

#### Colours:

- Tyhila Bobotyana
- Lihle Bushet
- Thina Dakada
- Unakho Dodo
- Caitlin Higgs
- Undiphe-Lo Malolo
- Avuzwa Mdudo
- Ngcali Mgwebi
- Sinelizwi Miza
- Akanaka Ndabambi
- Lisakhanya Ndungane
- Esona Ntengento
- Mandibonge Qangule

#### **CHOIR**

#### **Half Colours:**

- Iyasazi Arosi
- Lwam Kata
- Suthukazi Kolo
- Anina Manadan
- Gugulethu Mangena
- Lethabo Matloporo
- Ogiyonke Mbude
- Kaenye Mnyaka
- Ayabonga Mpeta
- Esona Ntengento
- Aqhama Nyondo
- · Chungwa Qobongoshe
- Mbali Xobololo
- Kholo Stoto

#### Colours:

- Leanne Fletcher
- Oyintanda Kamana
- Avuzwa Mdudo
- Pulo Mpunga

#### **ENSEMBLE**

#### **Half Colours:**

- Dimpo Sihiya
- Kholo Stoto

#### **PUBLIC SPEAKING**

#### Half Colours:

Lunathi Dudumashe

#### Honours:

- Kaitlyn Hayward
- Zenande Mquqo
- Nicollete Tumbare

#### **VISUAL ART**

#### Half Colours:

- Bambangazibini Daka
- Anuschka de Jager
- Lungelo Mazibuko
- Lukonde Mwanza

#### Colours:

Lukonde Mwanza

#### Honours:

Khanya Mdokwana









# BUFFALO CITY CREATIVE ARTS EISTEDDFOD PRIZE WINNERS

A number of Clarendon High School students were invited, as performance winners to the Art and Drama Prize Winners' concert. Asemahle Myataza (Gr10) was invited to perform her Trophy-winning Original Monologue.

#### THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS RECEIVED MEDALS:

Amyoli Ndabambi (Trophy)	GR12	96%	SIGHT READING
Tyhila Boboytana (Medal)	GR 10	96%	ORIGINAL VERSE
Angalakha Mzileni (Medal)	GR 10	98%	ORIGINAL VERSE
Likamva Ntshele (Medal)	GR 8	95%	MONOLOGUE
Sbulele Nata (Medal)	GR 9	97%	MONOLOGUE
Sokonwaba Mlokothi (Medal)	GR 9	96%	MONOLOGUE
Amber Pearce (Medal)	GR 11	96%	MONOLOGUE
Asemahle Myataza (Trophy)	GR 10	100%	ORIGINAL VERSE
Zinga Mgwebi (Medal)	GR 8	95%	POETRY
Aimee Pretorius (Medal)	GR 10	95%	POETRY
Amber Pearce (Medal)	GR 11	96%	POETRY
Nicollete Tumbare (Trophy)	GR 10	100%	PUBLIC SPEAKING
Iyana Mquqo	GR 8	95%	IZIBONGO ZOMTHONYAMA

## ELFEST DRAMA EISTEDDFOD

#### **HEAD OF DRAMA:**

Ms A Daines

#### **AFRIKAANS DRAMA LINK:**

Ms C Van Zyl

#### **ISIXHOSA DRAMA LINK:**

Ms S Gqibani and Ms B Xhala

e are thrilled to share the outstanding achievements of our talented students at this year's ELFEST Drama Eisteddfod! With a total of 47 dedicated entrants, our learners have truly excelled across all three language categories. Total Entries – 130 Entries

#### **ENGLISH RESULTS:**

- 12 Triple Gold
- 25 Double Golds
- 23 Gold
- 40 Silver
- 15 Bronze

#### **AFRIKAANS RESULTS:**

- 1 Double Gold
- 1 Gold
- 3 Silver

#### **ISIXHOSA RESULTS:**

- 1 Triple Gold
- · 6 Double Gold
- 1 Gold
- 1 Bronze

#### **OVERALL RESULTS**

13 Triple Golds, 32 Double Golds, 25 Golds, 43 Silvers, 16 Bronze

#### **GRADE 8:**

Thembelihle Madlolo, Amyoli Rungqu, Pearl Matengambiri, Tsholofelo Lefophana, Agape Gwanya, Nikholwa Duma, Omphile Mtembu, Emma Obaray, Lonwabo Madyibi, Kiera-Yenn Naidoo, Atlegang Mokwele, Enkosi Ngele, Elina Veleekizhakethil, Hannah Hattingh, Qonda Ngxazisa, Zinathi Ngqavu, Lathitha Mbizeni, Iyana Mquqo, Likamva Ntshele, Zinga Mgwebi

#### **GRADE 9:**

Mira Mathews, Anoyolo Gqomo, Enisa Tambulu, Ziminathi Stuurman, Alikho Mrwetyana, Lunathi Dudumashe, Amanye Sidlayi, Sokonwaba Mlokothi, Sbulele Nata

#### **GRADE 10:**

Grade 10 Drama Class, Samantha Benn, Anina Manadan, Aimee-Beth Pretorius, Asemahle Myataza, Tyhila Bobotyana, Angalakha Mzileni, Nicollete Tumbare

#### **GRADE 11:**

Inganathi Pule, Onakho Njobe, Oyintanda Marotya, Amber Pearce, Omphile Ntwasa

#### **GRADE 12:**

Lisekho Tengwa, Africa Mngese, Liyalatha Gcume, Ovayo Kanzi, Amyoli Ndabambi

## MUSIC EISTEDDFODS

ur musicians once again did us proud in the annual East London Port Rex Eisteddfod. We achieved 7 special mentions, 38 Gold, 30 Silver and 17 Bronze awards, as well as 6 medals - a wonderful set of results:

#### **MEDALS**

- Nan Griffin Memorial Medal for Best Senior
- Vocal Ensemble Déjà Vu (Leanne Fletcher, Mégan Geduld, Caitlin Higgs & Sinelizwi Miza)
- Cantabile Medal for Most Outstanding Senior Vocalist – Zenande Mquqo
- Best High School Contemporary Ensemble

- MSCL (Mégan Geduld, Lisakhanya Ganqa, Shahaa Harms & Carla Terblanche)
- Franz Moeller Medal for Most Promising String Player – Ngcali Mgwebi (guitar)
- Metalbox (foodcan) medal for Most Promising Woodwind Player – Lisakhanya Ganqa (recorder)
- Oxford Music Centre medal for Best Senior Instrumental Ensemble – Guitar Trio (Ngcali Mgwebi, Zenande Mquqo & Amahle Reve)

#### **VOCAL SECTION**

• Gold: (10) Nikholwa Duma (solo), Sbulele Nata (solo), Mivuyo Bebelele (solo), Hannah-Grace

Matebe (solo), Zamanywabe Sikhukula (recital), Zenande Mquqo (recital & medal), Tyhila Bobotyana (recital), Mégan Geduld (recital), Déjà Vu [Leanne Fletcher, Mégan Geduld, Caitlin Higgs & Sinelizwi Miza] & medal (ensemble), Ayabonga Mpeta, Abongile Mahamba & Lihle Ndzwaiba (ensemble),

- Silver: (16) Uviwe Gcilishe (solo), Qonda Ngxazisa (solo), Siliziwe Giyose (solo), Thandolwethu Voyi (solo), Lunathi Dudumashe (solo), Ngcali Mgwebi (solo), Avuzwa Mdudo (recital), Ayabonga Mpeta (recital), Zarha Nathoo-Lopez (recital), Sihle Mahamba (recital), Sinelizwi Miza (recital), Leanne Fletcher (recital), Hannah-Grace Matebe, Thandolwethu Voyi & Zamanywabe Sikhukula (ensemble), Avuzwa Mdudo, Tyhila Bobotyana & Zenande Mquqo (ensemble), Unakho Dodo & Thina Dakada (ensemble), Zarha Nathoo-Lopez & Mandibonge Qangule (ensemble),
- Bronze: (8) Sesethu Putye (solo), Unamandla Njongi (solo), Sokonwaba Mlokothi (solo), Omphile Ntwasa (recital), Caitlin Higgs (recital), Akanaka Ndabambi (recital), Mandibonge Qangule (recital), Akanaka Ndabambi, Gugulethu Mangena & Omphile Ntwasa (ensemble),

#### **CHORAL SECTION**

• Gold: (2) Chamber Choir (recital), Choir (recital)

#### **CONTEMPORARY SECTION**

- Special mention: (1) MSCL [Mégan Geduld, Lisakhanya Ganqa, Shahaa Harms & Carla Terblanche & medal]
- Gold: (1) Keira-Yenn Naidoo (drumkit solo)

#### **PIANO SECTION**

- Gold: (7) Yakhanathi Silwana (Gr 2 examination), Mira Mathews (solo), Shahaa Harms (solo), Emma Booyens (solo), Sarah Jordan & Amita Kumar (ensemble), Kate Booyens & Emma Booyens (ensemble), Mégan Geduld, Leanne Fletcher & Pei-Shan Wang (trio.
- Silver: (7) Ella Tucker (solo), Sarah Jordan (solo), Amita Kumar (recital), Christina Salaze (recital), Mégan Geduld (recital), Oyintanda Kamana (recital), Oyintanda Kamana & Sreya Mathew (ensemble)],
- **Bronze:** (4) Ruby Kaschula (solo), Vanessa Cavaleiro (solo), Kiana Moodley (solo), Kate

Booyens (recital)

#### **INSTRUMENTAL SECTION**

- Special Mention: (5) Shannae Rensburg (clarinet exam Gr 1), Lisakhanya Ganqa (recorder recital & medal), Shahaa Harms (flute recital), Lisakhanya Ganqa, Aqhama Nyondo & Carla Terblanche (recorder trio), Ngcali Mgwebi, Zenande Mquqo & Amahle Reve & medal (guitar trio)
- Gold: (18) Christina Salaze (trumpet Gr 1 exam), Ziminathi Stuurman (clarinet exam Gr 1), Chloe Tucker (trombone Gr 1 exam), Sophie Hartwanger (guitar Gr 2 exam), Jocelyn Cromhout (Guitar Gr 2 exam), Jada-Nicole Simons (violin grade 3 exam), Unaye Mjekula (violin grade 3 exam), Rosario Pena-Soutuyo (violin grade 4 exam), Grace Gwed (Violin solo), Kumnandi Noggala (guitar solo), Chloe Tucker (cello solo), Ngcali Mgwebi (guitar recital & medal), Lisakhanya Ganqa (saxophone recital), Simanye Dungu (recorder recital), Sisipho Gxesi (recorder recital), Dimpo Sihiya & Kholo Stoto (guitar duet), Ella Tucker & Chloe Tucker (cello and piano duet), All Strings Attached - Ngcali Mgwebi, Zenande Mgugo, Amahle Reve, Dimpo Sihiya & Kholo Stoto (recital).
- Silver: (6) Sisitha Jaji (violin solo), Zenande Mquqo (guitar recital), Amahle Reve (guitar recital), Dimpo Sihiya (guitar recital), Kholo Stoto (guitar recital), [Saxonets [Iyasazi Arosi, Lisakhanya Ganqa, Linathi Lottering & Zanga Ruga] (1 item)
- Bronze: (4) Liyanda Mbuku (violin grade 2 exam), Simamkele Myataza (violin grade 3 exam), Gabriella Alfonso (violin grade 4 exam), String Quartet [Unakho Dodo, Grace Gwed, Sisitha Jaji & Chloe Tucker] (1 item)

#### **BANDS/ORCHESTRAS SECTION**

- Special Mention: (1) Intermediate Steel Drum Band (1 item)
- Silver: (1) Classic Pan (recital)
- Bronze: (1) Chamber Orchestra (recital)

Our medalists performed at the Eisteddfod Showcase where the medals were presented.

De Novo Serenata also entered the **Western Cape Virtual Eisteddfod**, where they achieved a score of 97% along with very positive feedback.

## SUMMER SPORTS AWARDS

#### **ATHLETICS**

#### Colours

- Leila Schenk
- Shauna Marimo

#### **BIATHLE**

#### **Re-Award Honours**

 Leila Schenk – Re-award Honours

#### **ROWING**

#### **First Team Award**

- Jade Sephton
- · Siphosethu Maqubela
- Litha Genu



#### Grace Gibbons

 Colours and the Best Senior Rower Sarah Jordan

#### **SWIMMING**

#### **Half Colours**

- Abigail Munro
- Quinn Carr

#### **Re-Award Half Colours**

- Jodi Boëttger
- Jocelyn Cromhout
- Megan Phillips
- Holley Jacoby
- Kiyara Campbell
- Chuma Magobongo

Josi Arnold

#### Colours

- Kayla Gous
- Emily Palmer

#### **Re-Award Colours**

· Tori Voke

#### Honours

Kayla Gous

#### **WATER POLO**

#### **Half Colours**

- Megan Phillips
- Holley Jacoby



#### Panashe Tewu

Dimpo Sihiya

#### Colours

- Stacey Puchert
- · Jessica van den Bosch
- Amyoli Maganise
- Most Improved U15 rower and Best Junior Rower Alara Henn
- Colours and the Most Improved U16 Rower



- · Jenna Botha
- · Elizabeth Cairns
- Eva Saffy

#### **Re-Award Half Colours**

- Emma Booyens
- Chuma Magobongo
- Kiyara Campbell
- First Team Award and Half
   Colours......Quinn Carr
- Most Promising Junior
   Player......Kayla Gous
- First Team Re-award,
   Colours and the Most
   Promising Senior Player
   (shared) ......Meka Loots
- First Team Re-award,
   Colours and the Most
   Promising Senior Player
   (shared) ......Jessica Schaefer
- First Team Award, Colours and the Most Improved Player......Alison Woodin
- First Team Re-award,
   Colours and the Best Senior
   Defender......Julianna Saffy
- First Team Award, Colours and the Best Senior
   Attacker ...........Jasmine Koch



First Team Re-Award,
Colours and the Allderman
Cup for Leadership and
Sportsmanship

.....Maya Klopper

 First Team Re-Award, Re-Award Colours and Most Outstanding Water Polo Player..... Tori Voke

#### Honours

- Kiyara Campbell
- Tori Voke

## WINTER SPORTS AWARDS

#### **CHESS**

#### 1st Team Award

- Alaina George
- Amita Kumar
- Mandibonge Qangule
- Pei-Shan Wang

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Team Award and the Best Senior Chess Player Honours

Megan Dove

#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

### Most Outstanding Cross Country Athlete

Leila Schenk

#### **HOCKEY**

#### **Half Colours**

· Kate Booyens

- Soyama Dzengwa
- Lara Schwedhelm

#### 1st Team Award

- Hannah James
- Michaela Joubert

#### 1st Team Re-Award

Julianna Saffy

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Team Award and Half Colours

- Quinn Carr
- Megan Phillips



### 1st Team Award and Re-Award Half Colours

- Jessica Schaefer
- Hannah Viviers

#### 1st Team Re-award and Colours

- Claren Lugo Fernandez
- · Georgia Mc Clure
- Alison Woodin

### **Most Improved Junior Hockey Player**

· Hannah Hattingh

### **Most Promising Junior Hockey Player**

· Holly Mc Clure

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Team Re-Award and Re-Award Colours

Jenna Frachet

1<sup>st</sup> Team Re-award, Colours and the Pope Trophy for Service, Leadership and Outstanding Contribution to Hockey

Demi Knott

#### **RIDING**

## Certificate for dedication and commitment to Horse Riding

Ella Tucker

#### **NETBALL**

#### 1st Team Award

- Aneliswa Sokujika
- Brodi Ntelezi
- Litha Genu



## Most Promising Junior Netball Player

· Avile Mabongo

### Most Versatile Netball Player (Trophy)

Peo-Yethu Kunene

#### **Service to Netball (Certificate)**

- Bambangazibini Daka
- · Bambanani Daka

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Team Re-award, Colours and The Most Valuable Netball Player (Shared)

Simanye Bremeshe

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Team Re-award, Colours and Service and Dedication to Netball (Trophy)

Chuma Magobongo

#### 1st Team Re-award, Re-award Colours, The Most Valuable Netball Player (Shared) and The Most Outstanding Netball Player (Trophy)

Ikhona Ntutu

#### SOCCER

#### **Most Promising Junior**

· Cassidy Matthis

#### **Most Improved Player**

Isabelle Gates



#### 1<sup>st</sup> Team Award, Half Colours and Most Improved Senior Hockey Player

Mia van Aardt

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Team Re-award, Colours and the Most Outstanding Hockey Player

Cara Knott

- Inathi Kaptein
- Oyintanda Marotya

#### 1st Team Re-Award

Abongile Mahamba

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Team Award and the Most Promising Netball Player (Trophy)

Alison Exford

#### **Service to Soccer**

· Inga Makoba

### **Most Valuable Players, Colours** awarded

- Isabelle Gates
- Catherine Lutge
- · Kezia Njokweni

#### **TENNIS**

#### **Half Colours**

Amy O'Hagan

#### 1st Team Award

- Holly Webber
- Tannah Prince

#### 1st Team Re-Award and Re-Award Half Colours

- · Georgina Do Rego
- 1<sup>st</sup> Team Re-Award, Half Colours and The Most Promising Tennis Player
- Olivia Gous

### 1<sup>st</sup> Team Re-Award and Doubles Champion

Samantha Jordan

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Team Re-award, Doubles and Singles Champion and Most Outstanding Tennis Player

· Paige Gulle

#### **SQUASH**

#### **Half Colours**

- · Holly Mc Clure
- 1st Team and Half Colours
- · Keira Botha
- · Kristen Potter

#### 1st Team Award

- · Georgia Mc Clure
- 1<sup>st</sup> Team Award, Half Colours, Colours and the Most Improved Squash Player
- Kate van Biljon
- 1st Team Re-award, Re-award Colours, Honours and the Most Improved Senior Squash Player
- Sasha Earl

1st Team Re-award, Re-Award Colours, Honours, The Donovan Trophy for Commitment to Squash and The Tanielle Wilson Trophy for the Most Outstanding Squash Player of the Year:

Cara Knott













**ANA KRETZMANN** ACADEMICS



**BAMBANANI DAKA** 

SERVICE



**BAMBANGAZIBINI DAKA** 

SERVICE



**CARA KNOTT** ACADEMICS & SQUASH



**CLAREN LUGO FERNANDEZ** 

**RE-AWARD ACADEMICS** 



**DANEL MULLER** 

**ACADEMICS** 



**DEMI KNOTT RE-AWARD ACADEMICS** 



**DENIQUE ANTHONY** 

**ACADEMICS** 



**EMMA BOOYENS** 

ACADEMIC



**GEORGIA MC CLURE ACADEMICS** 



**HANNAH JAMES** RE-AWARD ACADEMICS



**INATHI KAPTEIN ACADEMICS** 



**JESSICA LLOYD** ACADEMICS



**JESSICA SCHAEFER ACADEMICS** 



**JOSI ARNOLD ACADEMICS** 



**JULIANNA SAFFY** 

**RE-AWARD ACADEMICS** 



**KAITLYN HAYWARD** 

RE-AWARD ACADEMICS, LEADERSHIP, DEBATING & PUBLIC SPEAKING



**KAYLA GOUS** 

SWIMMING



KHANYA MDOKWANA
RE-AWARD ACADEMICS, VISUAL ART



WATER POLO



**LEANNE FLETCHER**RE-AWARD ACADEMICS, MUSIC



LEILA SCHENK
RE-AWARD BIATHLE



LISAKHANYA GANQA MUSIC

MEGAN DOVE
CHESS



**MÉGAN GEDULD** 

MUSIC



**MIA VAN AARDT** 

ACADEMICS



NICOLLETE TUMBARE
PUBLIC SPEAKING



PEI-SHAN WANG
RE-AWARD ACADEMICS



RACHEL WEBB
RE-AWARD ACADEMICS



SASHA EARL SQUASH



TORI VOKE
WATER POLO



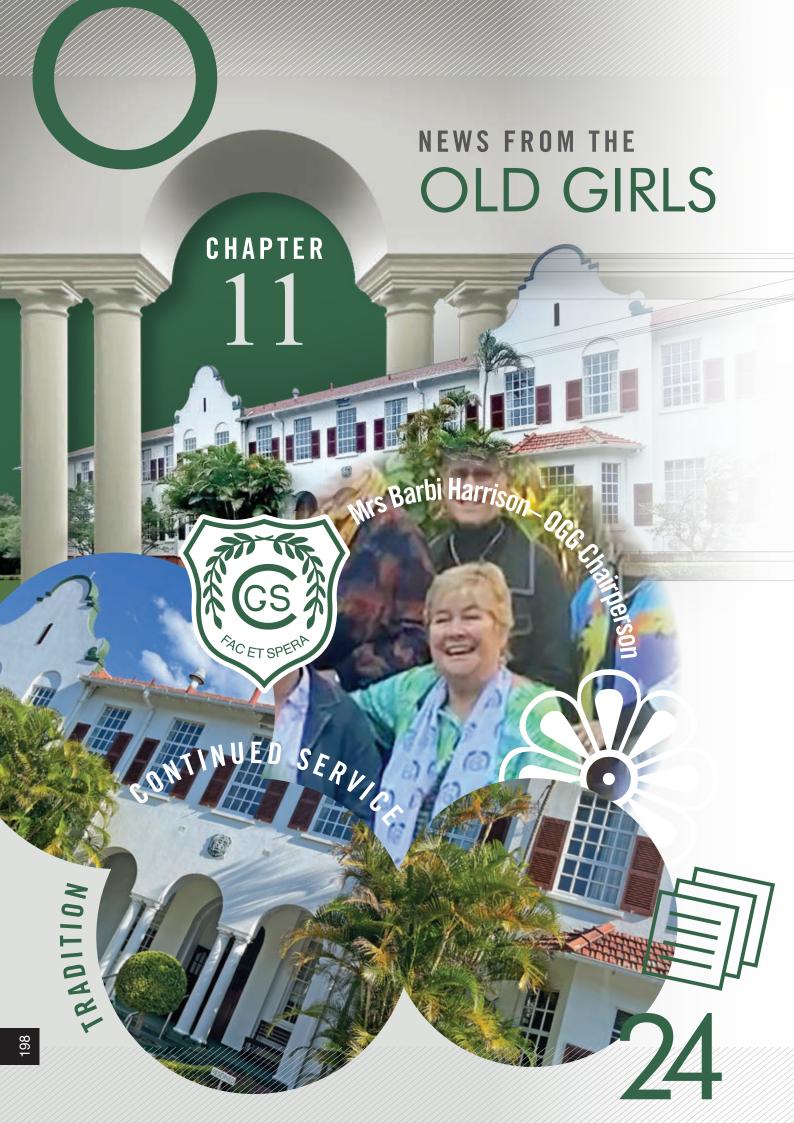
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ACADEMICS



DEBATING & PUBLIC SPEAKING







## EAST LONDON GIRLS' HIGH AND CLARENDON SCHOOLS' OLD GIRLS' GUILD

#### CHAIRPERSON:

Barbi Harrison (née Hookins)

#### VICE-CHAIR:

Cassandra-Leigh Kleber

#### SECRETARY:

Melanie Slabbert (née Bohling)

#### TREASURERS:

Penny Bellad-Ellis, Joy Scholl (née Mumby),

#### PREP SCHOOL REP:

Mandy Buys (née Schultz)

#### PRIMARY SCHOOL REP:

Julie Birch

#### **HIGH SCHOOL REP:**

Sibulele Gqibani

#### **ADDITIONAL MEMBERS:**

Myra Birch (née Bode), Issy Cocks (née McClenaghan), Judy Dargie (née Brill), Sandra Johnston, Bukiwe Mpange, Shirley van den Berg (née Flemmer)

ur 2023 Matric Class excelled again, with Mikayla Muller, our Dux, leading the way with 8 As and being placed First in the Provincial Cluster B – well done!! Overall, Clarendon's NSC results led our school to receive the Best Performing

School Award in Cluster B (6 Districts) at the Provincial NSC Awards Ceremony. Our schools' academic focus is certainly on track – as at the BCM District Awards Ceremony, Clarendon Primary School received an award for being a Primary School of Excellence in BCM; Clarendon High School received the award for being a Top Achieving High School and Top performing Educator Awards went to: Mrs A Haschick - CAT: Mrs H Wetmore - Consumer Studies: Mrs H Smit and Mrs R Hobbs - History, and Mr T Roberson - Information



numbers attending - and in the

end, we joined forces with the

'more senior' Old Girls at their

The meal was delicious, and the

festive atmosphere was just as enjoyable. My sincere thanks to

Cassie Kleber, who took over

I was in the USA with my little grandsons: also to Gem Pascoe

(Meyer), Joy Scholl (Mumby),

Myra Birch (Bode) for all the

arrangements and décor for

Issy Cocks (McClenaghan) and

all the Chairperson duties, while

luncheon at Old Bovs' Club.

being able to share the 121st Founders' Day in person again. A big thank you to all who planned and attended our memorable gathering.

The Founders' Day service was special as always, held again in a marquee on the hostel lawn, to accommodate everyone. We hope to be in our own Multipurpose Hall next year, as the sod-turning ceremony was in October 2024, with Mr Owen Nel (Past Principal) and Mr Robin Knott (SGB Chairman) doing the honours. An Old Girl from the 40-year reunion group from 1984, Paula Fenwick (Perez), now living in Melbourne, Australia, was the interesting speaker at Founders' Day, basing her talk on 'Resilience', a subject which is the focus of her highly successful book "BOUNCE BACK FAST - 5 steps to Resilience" - a #1 Amazon Bestseller in 6 categories.





We continue to support the schools where we can, and were happy to send Founders' Day gifts to all three schools. The Grade 7 Award, for a girl coming to the High School, went to Kate van Biljon (daughter of Old Girl, Kirsty Bessenger). Kate has played top squash this year, being selected for the SA U16 Squash Team to tour Malaysia in December; Shahaa Harms has been selected as the ongoing recipient of the Betty Chew Award from Grade 9 - 12, and has excelled in Sport, English and Music; the Jubilee Award for a 2024 Matric studying further, went to Mandibonge Qangule, who is studying next year.

In May, I attended the special 62nd 'Birthday' of the Prep School, with the young learners dressed up for a lovely party. Then a week later, the Primary School celebrated its 87th Founders' Day, and how special it was to be addressed by

Past Principal, Mrs Pam King. Congratulations to both of our 'younger sister' schools.

The Committee held a lovely Old Girls' Assembly in October, well-attended by moms

and daughters, to welcome the Matrics to the Guild. Dr Sheree Goldswain (Turnbull) (1997) really engaged so well with the girls, highlighting her decisions made in her life, and spoke candidly and with such sincerity, relating how important her school friends and her family have been in her life, that we hope many of the Matrics wanted to follow her advice, and be a part of the wider Clarendon family. Each Matric was given a personalised small pot plant of spekboom, grown from plants used at the Old Girls' Luncheon, gathered and re-planted by Cassie Kleber, our enthusiastic Vice-Chairperson. So there was a connection from Old Girls to Matrics and into their future - each girl had a little message in her pot plant too thank you, Cassie!

Our Old Girls are still flying our flag high:

Once again, Bianca Wood, was selected for the SA Women's Hockey Squad to take part in the Olympics. Unfortunately, she wasn't in the final team.



We were so proud of the selection of two Old Girls to play in the SA Masters Hockey age-group teams – Cailyn McClure (Schmidt) (2000) and Pippa van Coller (Beaumont) – with Pippa's 35-year age-group team winning the GOLD!!! Well done!!

A number of schoolgirls have been selected for National teams again this year, and they are especially congratulated, and wished well as they travel overseas to compete.

Two Old Girls have been appointed as HODs at the High School – congrats to Mrs Hellen Smit (Raffan – 2003) and Janique Klingelhoefer (Herman – 2006). It is great to see our leadership SMT having Old Girls on board. Condolences are sent to the families of the following Old Girls:

- Edith Blackbeard (Judge) Head Girl 1943
- Sue Properjohn (Moll) Head Girl 1943
- Yvonne Strydom (Whitfield) 1948
- Margaret Wood (Keen) 1948
- Marjorie Jakobi (Gower) 1948
- · Connie Hillstead (Stead) 1948
- Marion Flanegan (Rochussen)
   1963
- Heather Frame 1963
- · Joan Tandy 1963
- Geraldine Snow 1972
- Alison Mccallum 1978
- Lynette Elliott (Whittaker)
   1987
- Gaye Collis (Featherstone)
   1988
- Clarissa Masola 1990
- · Candice Chemaly 1992

.... and any others unknown to us

You can easily keep up to date with our schools now on social media - all three schools and the Clarendon Old Girls' Alumni group – have very active Facebook and Instagram pages – with many activities to make us proud Clarriebags!! If you haven't yet, join the Alumni Group now!!

This will be my last magazine contribution as the Chairperson of the OGG, as I am stepping down at the AGM in February 2025. I always love making all the Old Girl connections, and thank my very supportive Committee for managing all our functions. It's been a great few years, and I wish the 'younger' Old Girls much fulfilment too, as they take over the reins.

With warm wishes.

Barbi Harrison (née Hookins) 1972









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