

GRAEME COLLEGE



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Graeme College's Vision Statement

"To strive for excellence by developing all to their full potential."

NEWSLETTER - Friday 3 March 2017

"To understand a man you must know his memories." ~ Anthony Quayle

It is very important to acknowledge special days. During the annual Founders' Weekend next week, it is imperative that we acknowledge the pivotal role the Old Graemians play at Graeme College.

Founders' Day gives us the opportunity to reflect on the history of Graeme College. During the various activities held during the weekend, we reflect on our school history, pay our respects to those who have gone before us and remember people who played a role at the school. As a public school, we belong to the community and would like every Old Boy to feel that they are a valued part of that community.

We would also like the current community to realise that we strive to provide an academic curriculum which develops a broad knowledge base and understanding, which prepares boys for life and allows us to live up to our mission statement "*to develop all to their full potential*". This is enhanced by balancing the academic curriculum with a diverse co-curricular and extra-curricular programme, which further develops skills and ensures personal development by allowing boys to exemplify the school's motto, *Virtute et Opera*.

Graeme College is privileged to be celebrating its 144th birthday this year. What is evident is that this small school has maintained its ethos and has, despite numerous challenges, upgraded its standards. The school remains close to the hearts of all the children who study here and all the staff who teach here. Our duty is to remain steadfast and to ensure that this excellence is maintained, nurtured and grown.

We endeavour to do this so that these boys, too, will one day be proud Old Graemians. You seldom meet an Old Graemian who is not incredibly proud of, and thankful to, his old school. Many old boys have, over recent years, contributed in different forms to their *alma mater* – contributions for which we are eternally grateful.

Having established the importance of Founders' Weekend, it is my wish that the weekend provides a platform for Old Graemians to meet old friends and to enter into the spirit of all that is Graeme College.

Mr Kevin Watson

CULTURAL

HA!MAN

Boys between Grades 00 and 9 enjoyed the Ha!Man show on Thursday – a fun experience exploring creative energy through music.

LEVEL 1 FIRST AID COURSE – Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 March 2017

A Level 1 First Aid Course has been scheduled for Saturday 11, and Sunday 12 March 2017. The cost of this course is R450 per learner. All payments must be made at the Reception Office before **Wednesday 8 March 2017**. This is a certificated course and participants will be given a certificate which then qualifies them to administer First Aid for a period of three years. It is a valuable life skill and its importance cannot be stressed enough. Further queries can be addressed to Miss Kenyon.

PRESIDENTS' AWARD

The Presidents' Award Club will be holding a non-perishable food run in aid of a township in Alexandria. The collection starts on Monday 6 March and will end on Wednesday 29 March. We will be handing the collection over at the end of Term 1. We strongly encourage the Graemian community to assist us in this worthwhile project. For more information, contact Mrs Danika Pearson (d.pearson@graemecollege.co.za).

SCI-FEST (Grade 4 to 7)

All boys in Grades 4 to 7 must come to school in full school uniform on Wednesday 8 March 2017. The boys will be transported to and from the festival during the course of Wednesday morning. The cost is R15.00 and will include the lazer show.

DEBATING FESTIVAL

The Graeme College debating team is competing in the Victoria Girls' Debating Festival on Saturday 4 March. This will be taking place at VGHS from 07h30 till 16h00 and all are welcome to attend.

SPORT

CONGRATULATIONS

Inter-House Swimming Gala

Congratulations to the swimmers who won various trophies at the Inter-House Swimming Gala held last Thursday. The prize-giving Assembly takes place in the school hall at 13h15 on Monday 6 March from 13h15. Only winners of events are receiving prizes. Parents of prize winners are to be seated by 13h00. The results are as follows:

U9	50m Freestyle (Moodie Trophy)	Seb Lottering	50m Breaststroke (Kemp Trophy)	Eli Wood
	50m Backstroke (Riddin Trophy)	Eli Wood	Best All Rounder	Eli Wood
U10	50m Freestyle	Christopher McLean	50m Breaststroke	Christopher McLean
	50m Butterfly (Brendan Gouws Trophy)	Christopher McLean	50m Backstroke (The Richardson Family Trophy)	Christopher McLean
	Best All Rounder	Christopher McLean		
U11	50m Freestyle (Luke Hall Trophy)	Vincent Repinz	50m Breaststroke (Blom Family Trophy)	Bernard Frost
	50m Butterfly (BG Peterson Trophy)	Cameron Doyle	50m Backstroke	Cameron Doyle
	Best All Rounder	Cameron Doyle		
U12	50m Freestyle	Oliver Ripley	50m Breaststroke (Copper Shack Trophy)	Christiano Jasson
	50m Butterfly	Christiano Jasson	50m Backstroke (Shirley Gehle Trophy)	Oliver Ripley
	Best All Rounder	Christiano Jasson / Oliver Ripley		
U14	50m Freestyle	Thyla Botha	50m Breaststroke	Warrick de Beer
	50m Butterfly	Thyla Botha	50m Backstroke (Grahamstown Jewellers Trophy)	Thyla Botha
	100m Freestyle	Thyla Botha	100m Breaststroke	Warrick de Beer
	100m Backstroke	Thyla Botha	200m Individual Medley (van Harmelen Trophy)	Thyla Botha
U16	50m Freestyle (Andrew du Toit Trophy)	Liam Taljaard	50m Breaststroke (Long Trophy)	Andrew McCallum
	50m Butterfly (Kay Trophy)	Joshua Pamphilon	50m Backstroke (Terblanche Trophy)	Joshua Pamphilon
	100m Freestyle	Liam Taljaard	100m Breaststroke	Andrew McCallum
	100m Backstroke (Clymer Cup)	Joshua Pamphilon	200m Individual Medley (van Harmelen Trophy)	Liam Taljaard
Open	50m Freestyle (Mark van Antwerp Trophy)	Jason Lee	50m Breaststroke	Jason Lee
	50m Butterfly (Jack Richardson Trophy)	Gregory Terblanche	50m Backstroke	Gregory Terblanche
	100m Freestyle (Leader & Krummeck Trophy)	Jason Lee	100m Breaststroke	Matthew Stanley
	100m Butterfly (Anton Sudano Trophy)	Joshua Pamphilon	100m Backstroke (T. Birch & Co Trophy)	Gregory Terblanche
	200m Freestyle	Joshua Pamphilon	200m Breaststroke	Andrew McCallum
	200m Individual Medley	Matthew Stanley	400m Freestyle	Joshua Pamphilon
Most Improved Junior Swimmer (Raymond Suttner Trophy)			Seb Lottering	
Most Advanced Senior Swimmer			Joshua Pamphilon	
House Trophy (Mr Elias Cohen Trophy)			WILES	

Squash

Bloemfontein Open Squash Tournament

Well done to Ethan Richardson who participated in the Bloemfontein Squash Tournament last weekend. This tournament reflects, quite closely, the South African rankings and Ethan finished ranked 11. He won three of his five matches and stands a good chance of reaching the South African Top 10 in the U14 age group, with two tournaments still remaining before the final decision.

Athletics

Sarah Baartman Meeting

On Friday 24 February, a number of Graemian athletes competed at the Sarah Baartman Athletics Meeting held in Port Elizabeth. The athletes displayed great resilience in very hot weather conditions and produced some exceptional performances against tough competitors. Three Graemians (Buhlebethu Planga, Eldrico Kivitts and Somila Masakane) broke records – in the triple jump, long jump and high jump. The results are as follows:

- U14: Singqobile Mayalo – 1st in the 400m; 2nd in the 200m Fabio Rischbieter – 2nd in the Javelin
U15: Buhlebethu Planga – **NEW RECORD**: 2nd in the High Jump, 2nd in the 200m (Buhle broke the high jump record, but lost out to his competitor)
Chumani Tshuni – 3rd in the Discus
U17: Eldrico Kivitts – **NEW RECORD**: 6,36m in the Long Jump
Juan-Dré de Klerk – 3rd in the Javelin; 3rd in the Shot Put Liyema Mafani – 3rd in the 100m
U19: Bukhosi Mhlambiso – 1st in the Triple Jump Mijéan Annandale – 2nd in the Discus
Somila Masakane – **NEW RECORD**: Triple Jump. Somila set the U17 record last year and broke it this year.

Eastern Cape Provincial Championships

It is with great pride that we congratulate the following athletes who have been selected to the Sarah Baartman Team which will compete at the E.P. Provincial Championships which will be held in East London on 10 and 11 March 2017:

U14	Singqobile Mayalo	200m and 400m	U15	Buhlebethu Planga	High Jump and 200m
U17	Eldrico Kivitts	Long Jump			
U19	Somila Masakane	Triple Jump	Bukhosi Mhlambiso		Triple Jump

SENIOR CRICKET

Results: vs Hudson Park High - Saturday 25 February

GC 1 st XI	GC 98 all out (R Fritz 25) Hudson won by 7 wickets	GC 2 nd XI	107 all out (D Reilly 3/21) (S Botha 36, R Labuschagne 23 n.o.) Graeme won by 4 wickets
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Fixture: Saturday 4 March vs St Andrew's College

Time	Match	GC Field	Time	Match	SAC Field
09h30	GC 1 st XI vs SAC 1 st XI	Somerset	09h30	GC 2 nd XI vs SAC 2 nd XI	Lower
09h30	GC U15A vs SAC U15A	Marais	09h30	GC 3 rd XI vs. SAC 3 rd XI	St Aidan's
			09h00	GC U15B vs. SAC U15B	Upper (30 overs)
			09h30	GC U14A vs. SAC U14A	Crawhall
			09h00	GC U14B vs. SAC U14B	Baxter (30 overs)

The GC 1st XI and U15A teams will have lunch at the Centre.
The other teams will have lunch at St Andrew's College.

JUNIOR CRICKET

U9 Scoreboard at Junor Field

Graeme College wishes to thank the 2016 U9 cricket parents that funded the new scoreboard on Junor C. It really adds to the atmosphere around the field.

Results: vs Clarendon Park - Saturday 25 February

GC U13A	111 all out (C Pieterse 32, S Dambuza 22)	CP U11A	135 all out (A Jack 4/11)
CP U13A	95 all out (C Pieterse 4/14, S Nongubo 3/27)	GC U11A	66 all out
Graeme won by 16 runs.		Graeme lost by 71 runs	
CP U13B	119 all out	CP U11B	114
GC U13B	48 all out	GC U11B	58 all out
Graeme lost by 71 runs		Graeme lost by 56 runs	
		CP U9A	63 runs (E Strydom 2/4)
		GC U9A	64/9 (C Appollis 10 n.o.)
		Graeme won by 1 wicket	

Results: Wednesday 1 March

GC U13C vs. KC U13C	won by 3 runs	GC U11C vs PAHS U11C	lost by 9 runs	GC 13D vs PAHS U13D (PA lost)
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Fixture: Saturday 4 March vs Lorraine Primary

Time	Match	Field	Time	Match	Field
09h00	GC U13A vs Lorraine	Junor	09h00	GC U13B vs. Lorraine	Port Elizabeth
09h00	GC U11A vs Lorraine	Junor	09h00	GC U11B vs. Lorraine	Port Elizabeth
09h00	GC U9A vs Lorraine	Junor			

Buses leave Grant House at 06h15. All players need to be at the respective fields by 08h30. Private Transport: B Vogel, D Sias

Fixture: Wednesday 8 March vs. Kingswood College

Time	Match	Field	Time	Match	Field
14h15	GC U13A vs Kingswood College	Junor	14h15	GC U13B vs Kingswood College	Dold
14h15	GC U11A vs Kingswood College	Junor	14h15	GC U13C vs Kingswood College	Dold
14h15	GC U9A vs. Kingswood College	Junor	14h15	GC U11B vs Kingswood College	Redfern

TENNIS

Results: Inter-District match (Albany vs Midlands) – Tuesday 28 February 2017

	Age-Group	Albany	Midlands		Age-Group	Albany	Midlands
Juniors	U10	1	8	Seniors	U16	5	22
	U12	12	15		Open	17	10
	Final Result	15	12		Final Result	50	67

Well done to the Graemian members of the Albany team who won their match against Midlands!

JUNIOR TENNIS

Results: Thiarl Tennis Academy Tournament

Last weekend two Graeme College teams participated in the above tournament. The U10 team (Andrew Muir, Christopher McLean, Rhys Wiblin and Christopher Zimmerman) finished second. The U12 team (Ethan Beyleveld, Steven du Preez, Murray Tyson and Brett Vogel) won the tournament. Well done to both teams!

Fixtures: vs St Andrews Prep – Friday 3 March 2017

14h00	GC U11A vs SAP	GC Courts
14h00	GC U11B vs SAP	Prep Courts

Fixtures: vs St Andrews Prep – Tuesday 7 March 2017

15h00	GC U13A vs SAP	GC Courts
15h00	GC U13B vs SAP	Fairlawn Courts (SAP)

Practices: Thursday 9 March 2017

There will be normal tennis practices, including professional coaching.

EVENTS

GRADE 6 & 7 SOCIAL – Friday 3 March 2017

The first Grade 6 & 7 Social for the 2017 academic year will be held tonight at Graeme College's Templeton Hall from 18h00 to 21h00. Parents are requested to enter the premises via the front school gate and exit via the Grant House gate.

FOUNDERS' WEEKEND – 9 to 12 March 2017

The Graeme College Founders' Weekend will be held from Friday 10 March to Sunday 12 March, with the Old Graemian Golf Day scheduled on Thursday 9 March.

JUNIOR SCHOOL FATHERS' & SONS' CAMP – 17 & 18 March 2017

Please ensure that the payment and form is returned to the Reception Office before Tuesday 14 March. The cost of the camp is R70 per person, which includes a boerewors roll and coffee/hot chocolate for supper. Please note that this is only open to GRAEMIAN fathers/guardians with learners between Gr 00 and Gr 7. No learner may attend the camp without adult supervision.

GRAEME COLLEGE / PAM GOLDING PROPERTIES RUGBY DAY – Saturday 25 March 2017

The annual Graeme College / Pam Golding Properties Rugby Day will be held on Saturday 25 March. Set the day aside to come and watch amazing schoolboy rugby.

GENERAL

CHILDREN-HELPING-CHILDREN PROJECT

Please help the Junior School in their quest to assist Child Welfare by donating all your unwanted clothing of all sizes. Please deliver your donations to Mrs Riddin by Tuesday 14 March 2017. Your support is very much appreciated.

SECOND-HAND CLOTHING SHOP

The Second-hand Clothing Shop is asking for donations of the following clothing items – GC Shorts, Blazers and sports' equipment. If anyone wishes to donate items of school uniform which are still in good condition, please contact Mary Siebritz (046-622 7227).

The Second-hand Clothing Shop is open on the following days and times (excluding Public and School Holidays):

Monday: 13h00 – 13h30

Wednesday: 13h00 – 14h00

All enquiries with regards to the Shop will be dealt with by Mrs Siebritz (046-622 7227).

Yours sincerely

K WATSON
HEADMASTER