

THE Saints

Weekly

ROUND-UP



ST CHARLES COLLEGE CAN'T WAIT TO MEET YOU AT THE **2023 BERG SHOW**



FRIDAY, 01 SEPTEMBER (11AM - 7PM)
SATURDAY, 02 SEPTEMBER (9AM - 5PM)



VS-AGRIGROUNDS R74,
BERGVILLE ROAD



We are going to be at the 2023 Berg Show on Friday, 01 September and Saturday, 02 September and we would love to meet families interested in St Charles College for their son.

Please share these details with any family and friends who live in the area and would like to learn more about St Charles College.

**To all our families, Old Boys and Friends of the College –
if you are visiting the Berg Show, please pop by our
stand to say hi!**

PREFECT VISIT TO *Scrummies*

There are several elements that set St Charles College apart, and one of our favourites is that we are a through school that caters to boys from three years old until they matriculate in Grade 12.

The advantages of mixed-age playing are well documented. Both older and younger children benefit greatly from these encounters. We are privileged to have a range of older boys who pop in to visit and interact with our Scrummies boys on different occasions. Sometimes we have organised play dates and sometimes the bigger boys just pop in for a quick visit. Our younger boys are always way more willing to try new skills, as they have a chance to copy and learn from their older counterparts. The spin-off for our older "brothers" is that they learn to be patient and caring and come to understand the responsibility that they carry as role models for our smallest fellows.

This week the 2023 Prefects from our Upper School popped in for a final early morning play, hot chocolate and donuts, before they knuckle down to write their final exams. They all had an absolute ball and our Scrummies boys loved playing hosts to their awesome big "brothers". – Mrs Liesl Meter (Head of Pre-Primary)



SAINTS GOLF Tour

With great excitement, our Annual Golf Tour for 2023 kicked off down the South Coast during the mid-term break.

Thanks to some very generous donations we based ourselves in Pennington, we all managed to look like professional golfers, and started off with our first round at San Lameer on the Friday afternoon. Playing a game of *scramble* on the Friday, the competition was fierce between the various 4-balls that tee'd off from the 1st hole.

Day two was a game of *better ball* at Umdoni, Day 3 was a game of *match play* at Southbroom, and the final day was a game of *medal* at Selbourne. All four days saw some fierce play as well as some truly memorable moments of boys and staff enjoying a relaxed social golf weekend after some tough trial examinations. There was some spectacular golf played, as well as some not so remarkable golf.

During the final two days we held our annual SCC Golf Championship to see who our top golfers were. After feeding the coastal forest with a lot of golf balls in the lower ranked, and social, players (including staff), our top three players emerged victorious and clear winners of the championship.

All in all, the four days away was a great bonding experience, with a wide range of students from Grade 8 through to Grade 12, all helping each other to better themselves at the game of golf as well as getting to know each other better through shared experiences, both on the course and off the course during downtime in the evenings. We are already getting requests from staff and boys for next year, with suggestions of courses and playing formats, and how to make 2024 an even more memorable experience. – Mr Dean Knatten (MIC Golf)



CHAMBER CHOIR TOUR TO CAPE TOWN

The St Charles College Chamber Choir excitedly departed for their tour to Cape Town on Thursday, 17 August. Our tour started with driving directly from the Cape Town International Airport to Wynberg for a performance at the Music School, Music HQ. We performed our entire programme of about forty minutes to a sold-out venue. Although the boys were exhausted from travelling, the performance went extremely well. The boys were surprised with a visit from two St Charles College Old Boys from the class of 1999.

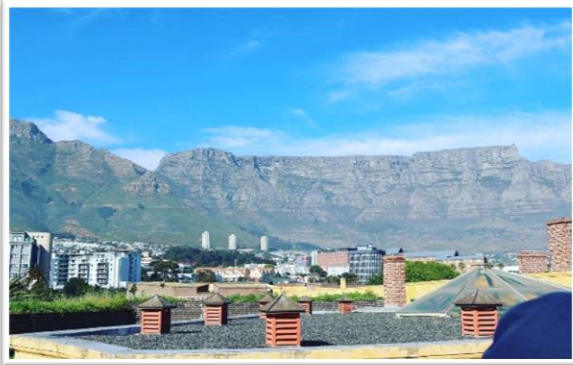
We visited the University of Cape Town's Music Campus on Friday and toured their facilities. The boys were particularly excited about the Music Technology Lab, which features all the latest production and recording software and hardware. We were treated to a tour of the *Kirby Collection*, including more than 600 musical instruments, most of which were used in Southern Africa before 1934. This was followed by a masterclass with Mrs Paulina Malefane, a vocal lecturer, and we had the fantastic opportunity to hear a performance from a post-graduate tenor student. We also performed two songs for them, which were enjoyed and greatly appreciated. After a short visit to the harrowing tourist attraction, The Slave Lodge, we managed to pop in at Sonic Nursery, a sound studio run by Ruan Vos, before heading to the Gardens Presbyterian Church for our evening rehearsal with the Cape Town Camerata.

Saturday was a day of touring, and in the morning, we had the opportunity to go to the District 6 Museum, Castle of Good Hope, and Planetarium before having lunch at the Company's Garden. Feeding the squirrels and birds was a definite highlight for many boys. After a restful afternoon, we got ready for the main event of the tour: the concert with the Cape Town Camerata, conducted by Mr Leon Starker. This was an evening of wonderful music, and the boys performed with excellence and enthusiasm, presenting their entire programme to a delighted audience and receiving a standing ovation. After our performance, the Cape Town Camerata performed a forty-minute programme, showcasing an excellent standard of choir singing. The evening ended with two combined songs, with Ms Kristen Wepener conducting the final item.

On Sunday, we had the opportunity to sing four of our sacred songs at the Groote Kerk during their Sunday morning service. After a tour of the Church's Bell Tower, built in 1704, the rest of the afternoon was spent at the V&A Waterfront and Aquarium.

Believed to be the first-ever music tour for St Charles College, this was a resounding success and is evidence of how much St Charles College music has developed over the last decade. We hope it is the first tour of many more in the years to come. – Mr Pierre Frenzel (Head of Music)





NIGHT OF THE SAINTS

Performances by the choirs, orchestras and bands
of St Charles College and St John's D.S.G.

Featuring Matt Gardiner



8 SEPT • 18:00 - 20:30

SAMUKELE KHUMALO ARENA (SKA) • ST CHARLES COLLEGE



U8 Free • Ages 8-13 R40 • Ages 13-18 R65 • Adults R125

Tickets available through [QUICKET](#)

Hosted by St Charles College, in collaboration with St John's D.S.G., and featuring local artist and talent, Matt Gardiner, this evening is one not to be missed. Including the Choir, Orchestra and Band collaborations – expect to be left in awe of the talent in the two schools. – Mr Pierre Frenzel (Head of Music)

BOOK YOUR TICKETS FOR 'NIGHT OF THE SAINTS' BY CLICKING HERE

SONGWRITING AND PRODUCTION Workshop

On Wednesday evening, Matt Gardiner, who will feature at the highly anticipated *Night of the Saints*, presented a Songwriting and Production Workshop.

Thirteen High School students attended, witnessing first-hand how diverse, endless, and creative Songwriting and Production can be. – Mr Pierre Frenzel (Head of Music)



Team OF THE WEEK

Week 31 delivered excellent sporting fixtures and results across the College.

Earlier this week we took the opportunity to celebrate the successes of the following teams:

- Our first 7s team have enjoyed top form this season so far having played in three finals, in as many tournaments. One of which, saw them finishing as crowned champions.
- Our Prep first 7s team played in their first ever off-campus 7s festival, where they represented the College very well, graciously returning to St Charles College with three out of three victories.
- Our 4th tennis team enjoyed a clean sweep against local opponents, Maritzburg College.
- Our U16A football team turned a result on its head. Losing 0 – 3 earlier in the year to MHS, the boys rallied together and won the return fixture 3 – 2.



Congratulations to all our boys and coaches that are continuously striving for sporting excellence.
– Mr Divan van Wyk (Sports Marketing)

INTER PREP Athletics

On Tuesday, having enjoyed a 10-day break with Outward Bound trips and mid-term, our athletes competed in the Inter Prep Athletics Meeting held at Merchiston. Unsure of whether our boys would be rested and fresh, or tired and lethargic, they surprised us all by producing, arguably, their best performance of the season. By the close, SCC came in a credible 2nd place, and it was a great way to end off an exciting athletics season. We are so proud of each athlete who performed in their chosen discipline.

We congratulate our boys on all they achieved, we thank our coaches for their hard work this season, we thank our parents for their support and dedication, and lastly, we thank Merchiston for hosting us and all the schools that competed for a fantastic afternoon. – Mr Gregg Cole-Edwardes (Head of Prep Sport)



PREP HOCKEY

On Wednesday, our prep hockey players enjoyed a fantastic afternoon of hockey.

The boys played extremely well, and the hard work is reaping rewards as many of our boys were clearly enjoying their hockey. We congratulate Laddsworth on winning the U11A and 1st team games, thank them for the enjoyable fixture and wish them well for the remainder of the season. – Mr Gregg Cole-Edwardes (Head of Prep Sport)



MINI HOCKEY

Our Junior Primary boys had a wonderful time out on the Saints Astro, playing mini hockey with their friends from Merchiston.



STAFF VS BOYS Football

On Friday morning, our staff and boys eagerly gathered around to watch our boys take on the staff in a Football match. Congratulations to our staff team who managed a narrow win of 1 – 0!



PREP TENNIS

On Thursday, our tennis boys enjoyed a chilly, but wonderful, afternoon of tennis. Our Opens played against Cordwalles. The 1st team game was extremely tight with Cordwalles squeezing a 22 – 20, win. Our 2^{nds} and 3^{rds} enjoyed convincing wins with a 30 – 12 and 28 – 10 scoreline, respectively. Our one Junior team travelled up to Hilton to play Laddsworth. They equipped themselves well, showed great improvement and competed hard with Laddsworth winning 17 – 11 in the end.



Well done to all our tennis players and coaches for your hard work and improvement, and thank you to Cordwalles and Laddsworth for the fixtures. – Mr Gregg Cole-Edwardes (Head of Prep Sport)

GRADE 7 *Tour*

Our Grade 7 Class of 2023 embarked on their expedition to Zululand on Sunday, 13 August. The first stop at the Mtunzini Lagoon was a chance to stretch legs and find crabs amongst the mangroves before the night game drive in Hluhluwe Imfolozi Game Reserve. The sight of wild dogs on a kill and driving behind a cheetah was a very special treat. The next few days were full of new experiences and challenges. These included pitching tents (many for the first time), an epic 20km beach hike which stretched many of us and revealed the grit and determination we had hoped to build through this adventure.

Enjoying many other surprises and experiences together, even some uncomfortable, helped bind us together and will be stored in our memories forever. – Mr Brett Sliedrecht (Head of Senior Primary)



SENIOR PRIMARY OUTWARD BOUND

GRADE 4 TRIP TO NYALA PANS

Our Grade 4s thoroughly enjoyed their time away at Nyala Pans River Camp last week. They participated in many activities which pushed them out of their comfort zones and provided great opportunities for team building and camaraderie. It was an amazing learning experience for the boys with some of the highlights being the obstacle course involving lots of mud and singing our school song around the campfire.

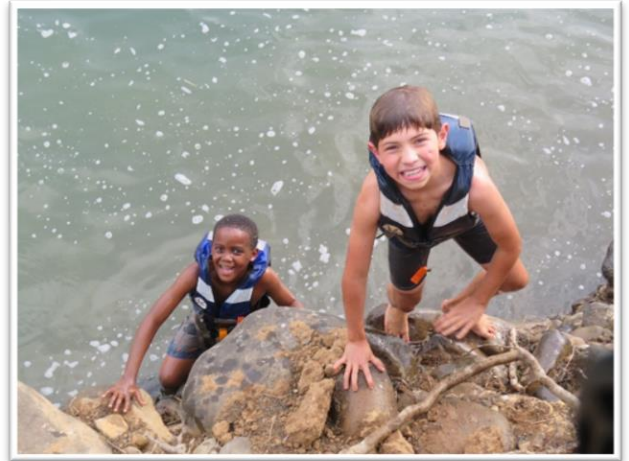
– Mrs Kelli Howells

“Nyala Pans is a nice place for everyone and every animal. I loved the part when the leaders told us we were St Charles brothers.” – Okuhle Majozi

“I loved the food, especially the potjie but my favourite activity was the canoeing. The reason it was my favourite is that I like being in open fresh water.” – Ruan Fourie

“The activities I loved was the river jump and the obstacle course. The river jump made me overcome my fears because I used to be afraid of heights.” – Anga Yende

“The part I enjoyed about Nyala Pans was the bucket tip. I never knew how weird it would be to be blindfolded. It was so much fun!” – Ryan Hawkins



GRADE 6 TRIP TO CAMP ELOLAM

It was a group of extremely excited, energetic Grade 6 boys who hopped onto a bus for their much-anticipated Outward Bound trip to Camp Elolam last week.

Over the course of our trip, our boys had the opportunity to experience activities that placed many outside their comfort zones. With the encouragement and support of their instructors and group members many of the “I can't do this” statements became, “I can” actions, which was great to witness.

Our boys enjoyed the opportunity to learn certain 'bush craft' skills such as, how to properly make a fire and how to shoot a bow and arrow safely. After three days of running, hiking, singing, swimming, laughter and games, it was an exhausted, but enriched, group of young men that returned to school... on a much quieter bus.

– Mr Warren Martin



JUNIOR PRIMARY *Assembly*

This morning our Junior Primary boys had two special guests join them at assembly – Alani Ferrerira and her working dog Gatsby. Alani is a South African Para Swimmer and has participated in two Paralympics. She has two Africa records for 100m breaststroke and butterfly, and recently at the World Championships she achieved a bronze medal for her 100 m breaststroke.



Alani is the epitome of the fighting human spirit, and she shared her amazing story of determination and courage in achieving her goals. We know she inspired us all to continue doing "hard things".

– Mrs Debbie Sorour



GRADE 3 FARM *Projects*

The Grade 3 boys were asked to do an exciting project this term.

With the theme being farming, the boys were placed in groups and using their knowledge and recycled items, they had to be innovative to design and build farms. They reused items like cardboard and plastic bottles to make barns, machinery and animals.

This project has not only taught the boys about farming but about caring for the earth. They learned teamwork skills by sharing ideas and helping each other. The boys have had so much fun with this project as they enjoyed working with their friends and putting their creativity and imaginations to task. You will be able to view these farms at the JP Art Exhibition on the 20th of September. – Mrs Gail du Toit



JUNIOR PRIMARY ART





**WORLD OF SPORTS
NIGHT RELAY**
&
THE SAINTS STRONGER TOGETHER FAMILY FUN RUN

DRESS TO IMPRESS
REGISTER NOW

Contact spnightrelay@scc.co.za

JOIN US DRESSED AS YOUR FAVOURITE SPORTS STAR OR IN YOUR FAVOURITE TEAM'S COLOURS. PRIZE FOR THE BEST DRESSED TEAM / FAMILY AND FOR THE WINNERS OF THE VARIOUS RELAY CATEGORIES !

1 SEPTEMBER 2023
VENUE: ST CHARLES COLLEGE
NIGHT RELAY FEE: R280 / TEAM OF 4
FAMILY FUN RUN FEE- R30 PP



MomsWhoCare

Philippians 4:13

*I can do all things through
Christ who strengthens me.*

MWC is a Christian group
who meet weekly to pray for
our staff, boys & their families.

Please join us in person,
privately or on a WhatsApp call
every Wednesday at 7:30

Sonja Palframan on
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ST CHARLES COLLEGE OLD BOYS'



GOLF DAY

>> Maritzburg Golf Club <<

8 OCTOBER 2023

Enter a four ball	R1600
Sponsor a hole or tee-box	R500
Sponsor the practice green	R2000
Hole in One Competition on the 8 th hole	R50

4 ball alliance 2 scores to count • Prizes and/or cash donations



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UPDATED TERM DATES



ST CHARLES COLLEGE

S O U T H A F R I C A

TERM DATES 2023

TERM 1	
Administration, Managers, Housemasters and Support Staff Return	11 January (Wednesday)
Teaching and Boarding Staff Return (Staff Development)	12 January (Thursday)
Senior School Boarders Return (Grade 8 - Grade 12)	17 January (Tuesday)
Senior School Lessons Commence (Grade 8 - Grade 12)	18 January (Wednesday)
Prep School Boarders Return (Grade 4 - Grade 7)	17 January (Tuesday)
Prep School Lessons Commence (Grade 000 - Grade 7)	18 January (Wednesday)
Mid-Term Exeat (Friday and Monday No School)	17 February - 20 February
Human Rights Day (21 March)	21 March (Tuesday) School Day
End of Term	24 March (Friday)
TERM 2	
Easter Weekend 07 April - 10 April (Friday - Monday)	
Staff and Boarders Return	17 April (Monday)
Lessons Commence	18 April (Tuesday)
Freedom Day (27 April)	27 April (Thursday) School Day
Workers' Day (01 May)	01 May (Monday) School Day
OLD BOYS' REUNION WEEKEND	05 May - 06 May
Mid-Term Exeat (Friday and Monday No School)	19 May - 22 May
Youth Day (16 June)	16 June (Friday) School Day
End of Term	23 June (Friday)
TERM 3	
Staff and Boarders Return	17 July (Monday)
Lessons Commence	18 July (Tuesday)
Founders Day (26 July)	26 July (Wednesday)
Women's Day (09 August)	09 August (Wednesday) School Day
Mid-Term Exeat (Friday and Monday No School)	18 August - 21 August
Senior School Speech Day	21 September (Thursday)
End of Term	21 September (Thursday)
TERM 4	
Staff and Boarders Return	02 October (Monday)
Lessons Commence	03 October (Tuesday)
Grade 12 Final Assembly	02 November (Thursday)
Mid-Term Exeat (Friday and Monday No School)	03 November - 06 November
End of Term (Pre-Primary and Junior Primary)	29 November (Wednesday)
End of Term (Senior Primary and Senior School)	30 November (Thursday)
Grade 6 Open Weekend	01 - 02 December (Friday and Saturday)
Teaching Staff Leave	06 December (Wednesday)
Management Team Conclude	12 December (Tuesday)



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S O U T H A F R I C A

TERM DATES 2024

TERM 1	
Administration, Managers, Housemasters and Support Staff Return	10 January (Wednesday)
Teaching and Boarding Staff Return (Staff Development)	11 January (Thursday)
Senior School Boarders Return (Grade 8 - Grade 12)	16 January (Tuesday)
Senior School Lessons Commence (Grade 8 - Grade 12)	17 January (Wednesday)
Prep School Boarders Return (Grade 4 - Grade 7)	16 January (Tuesday)
Prep School Lessons Commence (Grade 000 - Grade 7)	17 January (Wednesday)
Mid-Term Exeat (Friday and Monday No School)	16 February - 19 February
End of Term and Human Rights Day (21 March)	21 March (Thursday) School Day
TERM 2	
Easter Weekend 29 March - 01 April (Friday - Monday)	
Staff and Boarders Return	15 April (Monday)
Lessons Commence	16 April (Tuesday)
Freedom Day (27 April)	27 April (Saturday)
Workers' Day (01 May)	01 May (Wednesday) School Day
OLD BOYS' REUNION WEEKEND	TBC
Mid-Term Exeat (Friday and Monday No School)	17 May - 20 May
Youth Day (16 June Sunday)	17 June (Monday) School Day
End of Term	21 June (Friday)
TERM 3	
Staff and Boarders Return	15 July (Monday)
Lessons Commence	16 July (Tuesday)
FOUNDERS DAY (26 July)	26 July (Friday)
Women's Day (09 August)	09 August (Friday) School Day
Mid-Term Exeat (Friday and Monday No School)	16 August - 19 August
Senior School Speech Day	19 September (Thursday)
End of Term	19 September (Thursday)
TERM 4	
Staff and Boarders Return	30 September (Monday)
Lessons Commence	01 October (Tuesday)
GRADE 12 FINAL ASSEMBLY	31 October (Thursday)
Mid-Term Exeat (Friday and Monday No School)	01 November - 04 November
End of Term (Pre-Primary and Junior Primary)	28 November (Thursday)
End of Term (Senior Primary and Senior School)	29 November (Friday)
Grade 6 Open Weekend	29 - 30 November (Friday and Saturday)
Teaching Staff Leave	05 December (Thursday)
Management and Support Staff Conclude	13 December (Friday)

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