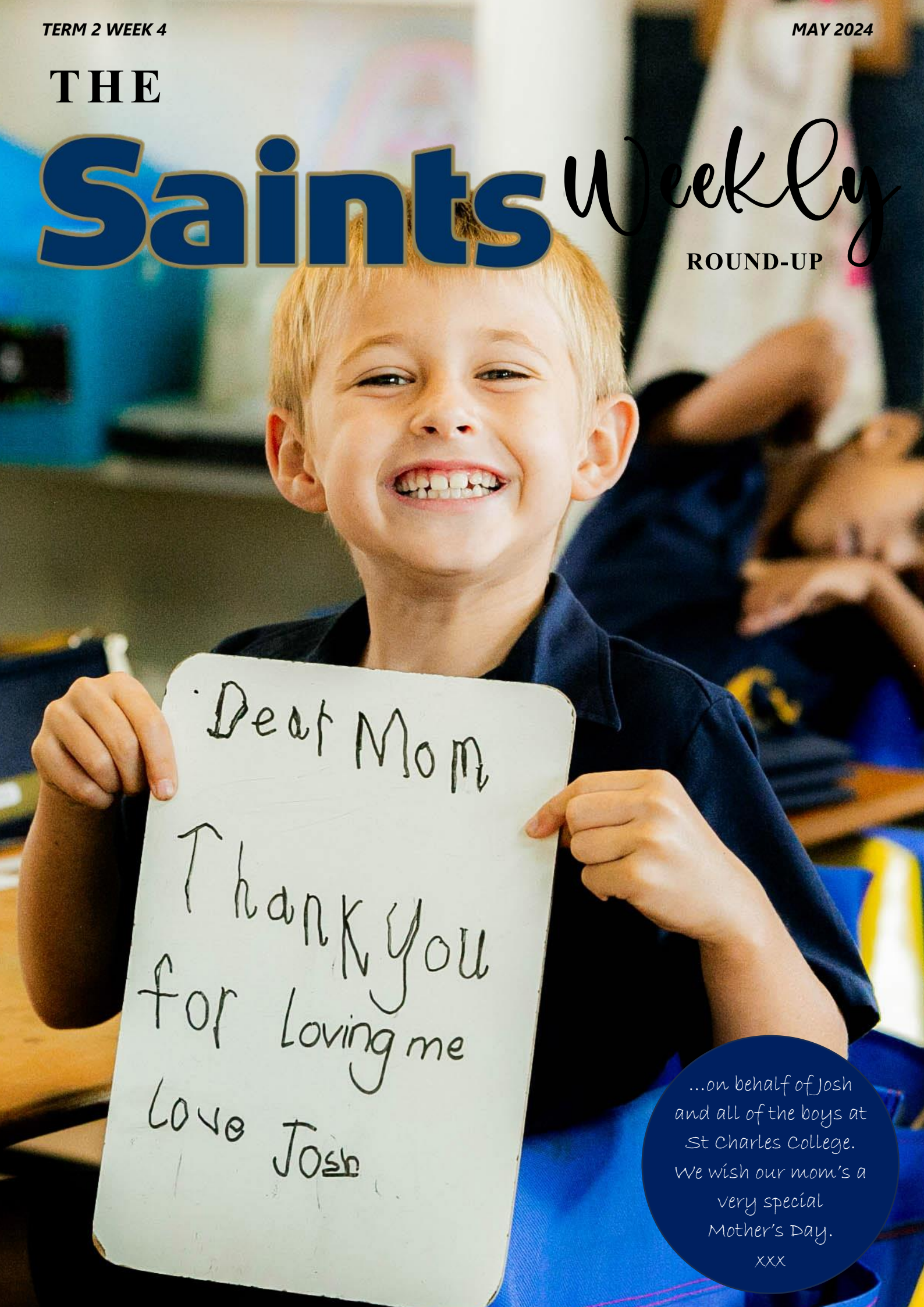


THE Saints Weekly

ROUND-UP



Dear Mom
Thank you
for loving me
Love Josh

...on behalf of Josh
and all of the boys at
St Charles College.
We wish our mom's a
very special
Mother's Day.

xxx



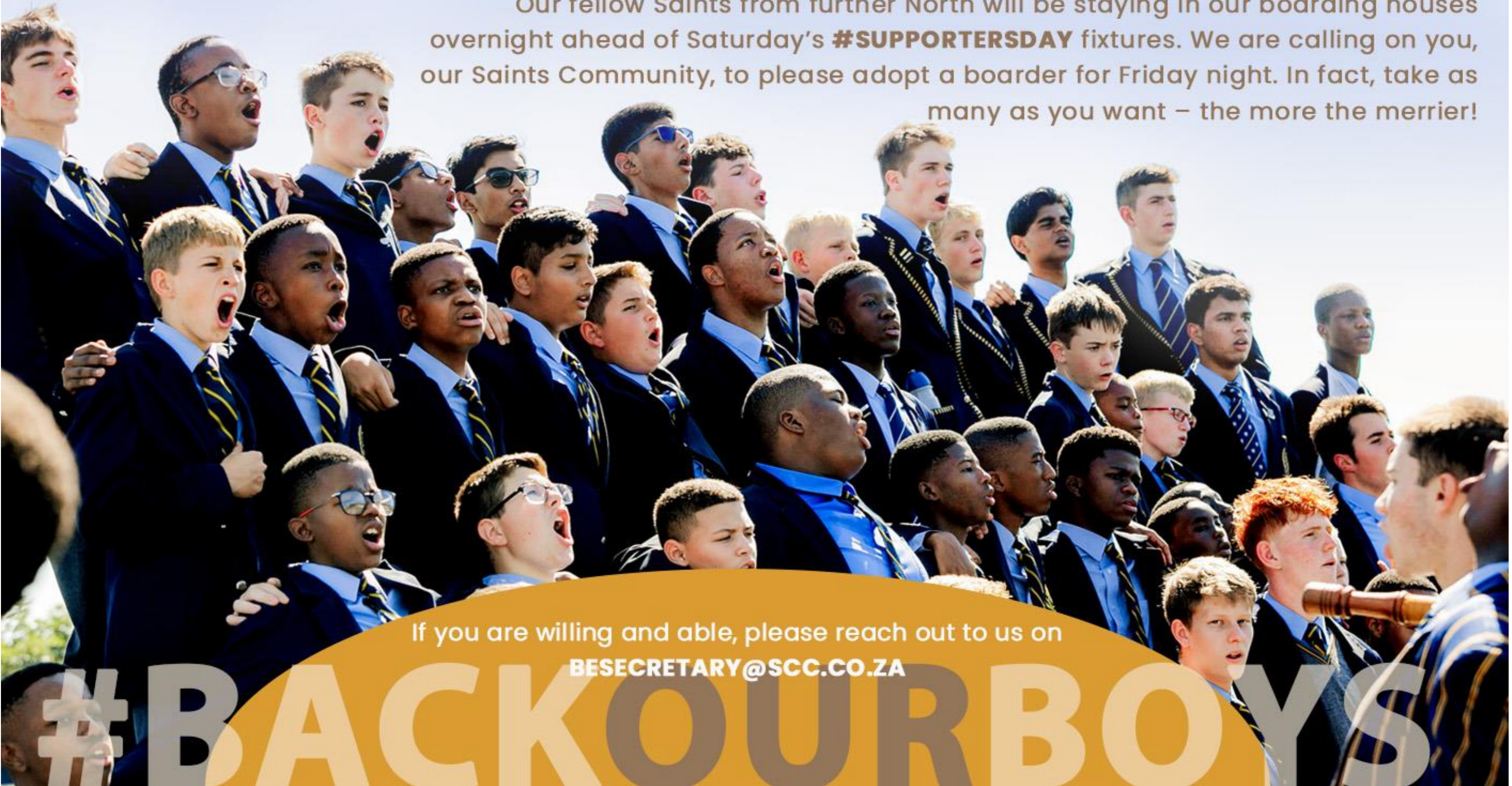
THIS IS #SAINTS ROTHERHOOD!

SUPPORT-A-BOARDER

(... OR TWO... OR THREE...)

ON FRIDAY 24 MAY, WE WELCOME ST STITHIANS BOYS' COLLEGE TO OUR BEAUTIFUL CAMPUS

Our fellow Saints from further North will be staying in our boarding houses overnight ahead of Saturday's **#SUPPORTERSDAY** fixtures. We are calling on you, our Saints Community, to please adopt a boarder for Friday night. In fact, take as many as you want – the more the merrier!



If you are willing and able, please reach out to us on
BESECRETARY@SCC.CO.ZA

#BACKOURBOYS

Winter Sport News

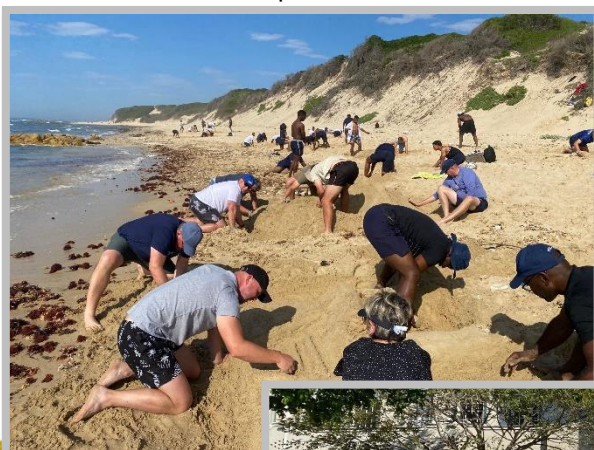
1st XV Rugby on Tour (Gqeberha)

The 1st XV rugby team travelled to PE and took part in the Grey High Rugby Festival. The conditions for running rugby were perfect and the hosts must be commended for a very well-run festival and for providing a wonderful platform for teams to showcase their talents.

The 1st XV kicked off day 1 of the festival against Ithembelihle, a team for whom we struggled to gather any intel, all that we could gather on them was that they enjoyed playing running rugby and that they had great fighting spirit. In previous years they have pushed top-tier teams, and they have threats across the park, we knew that this was going to be a tough challenge and we had to give them the respect that they deserve. In terms of selection, we had to think outside the square as many of our regular players were unavailable for the first match, this gave us a golden opportunity to introduce some fresh up-and-coming players. The game kicked off, and the Saints were straight into their work, we dominated the collision areas and put together some wonderful passages of play early on, which was impressive considering the personnel changes that were made. It wasn't all one-way traffic, the opposition put us under great pressure at set piece time and often scrambled well when they were breached. There were some stand-out performances by Okuhle Peti, Salmaan Mohammed, Matthew Fick and big Raphael Ajibade which contributed to our 52-10 win on the day.

Day 2 kicked off with an early start against a tough Hudson Park team who were eager to rectify the 24-24 draw that they experienced on day one after leading most of the match 19-5. We knew they were going to be a very tough team, as they had some big hard running players who liked to throw the ball around, a good set piece and a solid defensive system. Going into the match we planned to attack their scrum and line-out, run them off their feet and kick in behind them in a bid to disrupt their tight defensive system. The boys were incredible in the opening minutes as they took the sting out of their attack by double hitting their big carriers and knocking the opposition backwards, we dominated the collision area and the breakdown as we managed to counter-ruck them on many occasions which was part of the plan. The boys played an incredible brand of rugby, and we won the battle on both sides of the ball. Hudson Park came out with some renewed energy after a stern talking-to at the break, however, the boys were prepared for what was coming and managed to hold them off, eventually running out 26-5 winners.

Overall, it was a successful tour coming home with 2 wins from 2 games, credit must go to all involved in the planning of this tour and for making it memorable. We are thankful to our parents for the support and our hosts for putting on a wonderful festival, and we hope to be back in PE in 2025. – Mr Craig Dwyer (Head Coach)



1st XI Hockey vs Maritzburg College (Under Lights)



The 1st team hockey match vs Maritzburg College took place on Friday night, under lights, and in front of a packed crowd. The game did disappoint. College managed to score straight out the blocks but from then on, the game was open and even with both sides creating chances. SCC had a string of short corners in the 2nd chukka but unfortunately couldn't convert to equalise. Shortly after, College was able to get into the circle and a bobbling push somehow managed to make its way over people's sticks and through people's legs, and finally into the corner of the goal to make it 2-0.

Territory and chances fell more to the SCC boys in the 3rd quarter. College had another opportunity that came from a breakaway and led to a stroke, which was expertly handled by Thando Zama who flung himself to the bottom right corner to pull off an incredible save! It wasn't until halfway through the 4th chukka, that the boys in Blue & Gold managed to get a goal back. Cian Fortmann had an amazing run starting inside his half, twisting and turning into the College circle where he pulled back and found Lancelot Luthuli who hit the ball into the back of the goals to make it 2-1 with about 8 minutes to play.

It made for a nervous and exciting ending to the match. The Saints pushed hard for the equaliser and had a chance when there was an overlap with 30 seconds remaining, but a mis-stop saw the ball go over the back line for a College hit out and the end of a riveting game. – Mr Matthew Coombes (Head Coach)



Team of the week

The Team of the Week award was fiercely contested yet again, with several college teams showcasing stellar performances.



The U16D hockey team delivered an outstanding game against Maritzburg College, but it was the U14A rugby team that emerged victorious after a monumental match against St. Andrew's Grahamstown, a formidable rugby school.

Congratulations to the U14A rugby team for their well-deserved win! – Mr Divan van Wyk (Sports Marketing)

News from Prep Sport

Prep Rugby vs Scottsville and Lynford

Last weekend we welcomed Scottsville and Lynford onto our campus. In many of the matches, the boys played barefoot which was a different experience for them but one in which they adapted well and enjoyed it. The U9s enjoyed a very successful morning winning all three (3) games, the U10s are adapting well to contested scrums and line outs and the U11s continue to play attractive Rugby.

The 1st XV match was a very close and exciting game which the SCC boys managed to win, 17-15. We congratulate Scottsville on their improvement in Rugby and thank Lynford for the fixtures which are always enjoyable and closely contested.

– Mr Gregg Cole-Edwardes
(Head of Prep Sport)



Prep Rugby vs Howick



We hosted Howick for mid-week fixtures this year on Tuesday and Wednesday. The Open age group saw a very close game in the 3rds with our boys narrowly losing 20-17, our 2nd XV continued to play good running Rugby and are clearly enjoying the season whilst our 1st XV enjoyed a commanding 45-7 victory.

On Wednesday it was the Juniors turn to play and the honours were even results-wise in the U9 and U10 age groups which made for an exciting afternoon. The U10B team enjoying a 10-10 draw. Our U11A and Bs were clinical and continued their good form. Congratulations to all our boys on a fantastic week of Rugby.

Thank you to the parents for all your support and dedication and thank you to Howick for travelling and enjoying two great afternoons with us on the Rugby fields.

– Mr Gregg Cole-Edwardes (HoPS)

Cross Country at Cordwalles

On Friday our Cross-Country team travelled to Cordwalles to compete in the weekly inter-school race.

William Ferrer, our U8 runner started off the afternoon extremely well and set the tone for the rest of our runners. With 7 runners earning a top 10 position and Geoffrey Pedley and Troy Harrison earning 1st and 2nd place in the U12 age group, our boys ran very well.

We thank all our coaches and parents for their support and thank Cordwalles for hosting us.
Mr Gregg Cole-Edwardes (HoPS)



Football vs Ridge and Pelham



Our Football players love their sport, and this is evident every week. Ridge and Pelham provided excellent opposition and tested our boys in many ways. We congratulate our 1st team for their 1-0 victory with the goal being scored with a shot from the halfway line by Sandi Ngubane. The defence stood firm to hold on for a close victory and remain unbeaten this season.

Next week, on Monday, our Football boys will be back on the fields taking on Laddsworth.

– Mr Gregg Cole-Edwardes (HoPS)

Senior Primary – Museum Visit (Grade 4)

On Friday the 3rd of May, our Grade 4 boys visited the Msunduzi Museum to explore the history of the Voortrekkers, as they have been learning about the Voortrekkers in History this term.

We visited the Historic Church of the Vow and the House of Andries Pretorius, and it was wonderful for them to be immersed in the life of the Voortrekkers!

– Miss K Lowe and Miss N Mthembu (Grade 4 Interns)



Grade 1 Art with Carrie



Junior Primary Outdoor Play



Grade 3 Momisms

1. My mom always says, "Would you like some tea or coffee with your toast?" – **Aaari**
2. "If you don't go to sleep early, you'll wake up tired!" – **Ayaan**
3. My mom says, "Christiaan, you can play on your PS5 when you are done with your homework!" – **Christiaan**
4. "Hi my angel, have some of my muffins." – **Lahluma**
5. My mom says, "Come on, you can do it my son. I believe in you." – **Lizalise**
6. "Uyapapa, Letho!" – **Lethokuhle**
7. "Your drawing is nice. Did you do your homework?" – **Raees**
8. "Have a good night's sleep, love you." – **Matthew**
9. "Go and brush your teeth and give me a hug, I love you." – **Liwa**
10. My mom says, "Be yourself and be strong and brave." – **Njabulo**
11. My mum always says, "I love you so much." – **Shrihan**
12. My mom says, "Come let's play tennis outside." – **Zaryan**
13. My mom says, "Come let's do our homework Diego." – **Diego**
14. My mom always says, "Don't be like your sister!" – **Isaiah**
15. "I love you, my Joshy." – **Joshua**
16. "You can do this Nickson!" – **Nickson**
17. My mom says, "Jump out of bed I'm going to be late for work!" – **Levi**
18. My mom says, "Unblock his phone now Amrish please can you do that?" – **Jihan**

Happy Mother's Day!

JP Morning with MCM

In today's fast-paced world, meaningful connections between parents and children are more vital than ever. Quality time spent together lays the foundation for strong resilient relationships built on trust, understanding and mutual respect. Like planting seedlings and doing Pilates with our moms this morning, we are sowing the seeds of connection, fostering strong bonds between mothers and sons. We believe this contributes to the development of confident, empathetic boys who value the importance of family and community.

As we embrace the power of slowing down and spending time together, we pave the way for a future grounded in love, understanding and harmony. – Mrs Lauren Riley (Head of the Junior Primary)



New Toys in **SCRUMMIES**

Wooden Trucks

A simple toy can create the most wonderful opportunities for complex play. The kind of toy that immediately captures a child's attention and gets them moving, talking, imagining and problem-solving.

Our brand-new set of beautifully handcrafted wooden vehicles have done just that. Playing with cars and trucks and trains comes naturally to our boys, but when the vehicles are almost as big as you, pretending to be the driver is a whole new experience.



The Scrummies lads have fully embraced this playtime adventure...VROOOOOOOOM!
– Ms. Candice Berridge (Grade 00 Teacher)

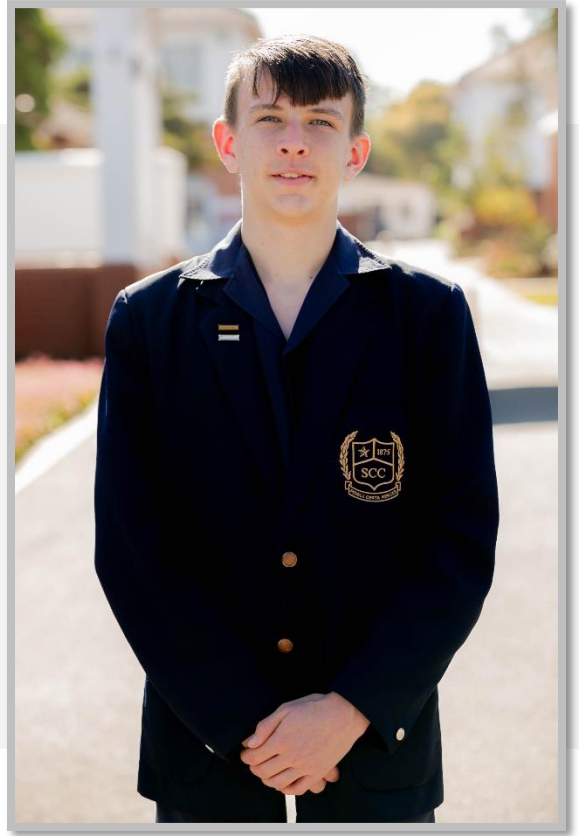
Maths Olympiad Excellence

India International Mathematics Competition 2024

We would like to congratulate James Isaac, Grade 9, on being selected for one of four official South African teams to represent the country at the India International Mathematics Competition (InIMC) in July 2024 in Lucknow.

Those students who were in the top 10 of their grades, in the third round of the Maths Olympiad in 2023 and participated in the Stellenbosch Maths Olympiad camp in December, were invited to take part in the selection process for the South African teams.

We are thrilled that James has been successful through all these processes. – Mrs Charlotte Pillay
(Head of Mathematics Faculty)



Senior Debating



Accolades

Three outstanding young men, Elihle Hloba, Kaden Govindasamy, and Zenande Mazibuko, have earned their places in the selection process for the Provincial Debating tournament. This remarkable opportunity not only offers a platform to gain invaluable experience but also, the chance to proudly represent Pietermaritzburg and St Charles College on a provincial stage this July.

The Provincial Debating tournament represents more than just a competition; it is a platform for personal growth, collaboration, and the exchange of ideas. As Elihle, Kaden, Zenande, and their fellow participants embark on this journey, they carry with them the hopes and aspirations of their school, families, and communities.

To Elihle, Kaden, Zenande, and all participants in the selection process, Pietermaritzburg stands proud of your accomplishments. May you approach this opportunity with confidence, humility, and a commitment to excellence, knowing that you represent the best of our city and our schools. Good luck, and may your voices resonate far and wide on the provincial stage! – Mrs Saiuri Naidoo (Head of Debating)

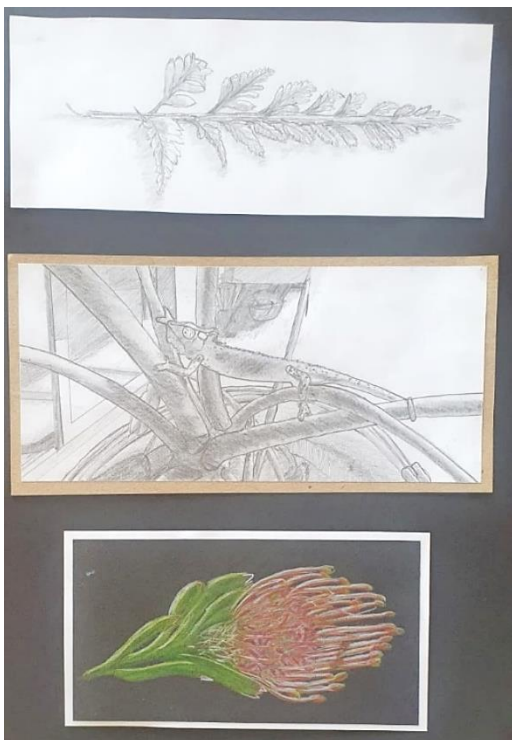
Art and Design



Featured in this week's magazine are just a few of the lovely artworks that went on display at the entrance to the Collaboration Concert hosted by SCC. The focus in grade 9 for much of the term has been on Colour, colour harmonies and the properties of colour. The students have learned to work in a variety of coloured media. Daniel Morkel's vibrant pastel study of an Autumn leaf is Pictured on the right. Pictured on the left is James Ware's lively still life with strawberries, in which he explores the red-green complementary pair.



Below are 2 other works shown in the foyer. Three sensitive, small-scale studies from grade 10 student Tom Borgen's IGCSE Own Theme Portfolio are represented here. Tom focuses on nature and the beauty of plants and animals found in the midlands as demonstrated by his drawings of the chameleon, protea flowers and delicate fern leaf. Contrasting these tiny works is a large-scale still life titled "In the Studio" created in pastel and chalk, by Grade 11 AS student, Jared Baker.



SCC GHS COLLABORATIVE CONCERT



Featuring the choirs, string ensembles and orchestras of St Charles College and Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School

10 MAY

18:00 – 19:30

SCC CHAPEL

Tickets are R30 at the door



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Mother's Who Care

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
Cell: 0823469161



Philippians 4:13

I can do all things through
Christ who gives me strength.



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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	20 April (Saturday)
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 Night (6pm)	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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