

TERM 2 WEEK 8

JUNE 2024

# THE Saints Weekly

ROUND-UP



# ALL THE BEST FOR THE Comrades Marathon

The Comrades Marathon is a special time in our province and in our city. This morning's Preparatory Assembly, titled 'Endurance' allowed for the opportunity to not only focus on this year's staff running the ultra-marathon but also to bring home the many wonderful endurance activities which take place on our very doorstep.

The Midmar Mile, Duzi Canoe Marathon and the World Champs Downhill Mountain Biking are but a few of the remarkable endurance activities happening within a 30km radius of the city.

This morning's assembly took the form of two interview panels where our first round included homegrown talent - Grade 12 endurance athletes, Greg Palframan (canoeing), Liam Searle (swimming) and Omar Wilson (cycling), all shared their passion for their respective sport and their words of wisdom with our boys.

The latter part of the assembly was spent getting to know our SCC staff who are bravely lining up to attempt and (hopefully) complete this year's Comrades Marathon. A loud and interactive Chapel was a testament to a highly enjoyable and informative assembly.

We wish all our Staff, Parents, Saints Boys (assisting on the day) and Friends of the College the absolute best as they endure on Sunday!

It has been months and months of training, many early mornings and lost sleep, hours upon hours of mindless running kilometre after kilometre, and much family time sacrificed. We will all be thinking of you all on your journey and wish you every success on the day. Make us proud!

– Mr Dean Riley (Marketing Manager)



# WEEKEND SPORT *Wrap Up*

## 1<sup>ST</sup> XI HOCKEY VS GLENWOOD

The St Charles College 1<sup>st</sup> hockey team travelled to three schools Astro in Durban to take on the Green Machine. It was an exciting game from the onset with Glenwood trying to put the SCC boys under pressure from the start of the game. With the home team pressing high, it allowed for some space behind and some neat passing from the team in *Blue & Gold* which led to a tap-in goal from close range to go 1 – 0 up.



Shortly after, Glenwood had a breakaway, and some skilful individual play got the attacker past two defenders and slipped the ball under the keeper to make it 1 – 1. SCC continued to play well with Glenwood trying to press hard. Their work paid off which led to short corners that they were able to convert, taking the Green Machine into the lead, 3 – 1.

Finally, the Saints managed to convert, and their hard work eventually paid off with 2 field goals in quick succession, taking the score to 3 – 3. Both teams pushed hard towards the end, with Glenwood again managing to catch the SCC players on the counter which led to two more goals, while the boys from Maritzburg were only able to score one, when this enthralling encounter came to a close. Nine goals made for an exciting game for all spectators, and it was a game that had everything.

Thanks to Glenwood for their hosting and hospitality, and what was a great day of hockey all around.  
– Mr Matthew Coombes (Head Coach)



## 1<sup>ST</sup> XV RUGBY VS GLENWOOD

The Saints 1<sup>st</sup> XV travelled down to Durban this past weekend and took on Glenwood High School on Dixon's field. There was much hype going into this clash, with the Saints on a four-match win streak, and Glenwood coming off the back of two close loses to Northwood and Kearsney. In spite of this, the home team were still massive favourites to win as they were playing at home, showing some great growth as a team and importantly, history would show that St Charles College haven't managed to beat them since 1966.

The match kicked off, and both teams were straight into their work. The Saints dominated the early exchanges, and managed to score two quick tries, both conversion attempts were missed, and the score read 10 – 0 within the first 15 minutes. Credit must go to Glenwood for not panicking, and for utilising the wind to keep the visitors pinned back in their half. The home teams ball retention and accuracy at the breakdown was a key factor in them clawing their way back, and they managed to put some wonderful passages together and scored two well worked tries. Playing into the wind, St Charles College knew they had to remain within striking distance going into the second half. The boys in *Blue & Gold* managed to repel Glenwood’s impressive attack and go into the break 14 – 10 down.

The message at half-time was to simply use the wind, dominate the collision areas and play deep in Glenwood territory. The goal in the week was to be clinical in the opposition 22, and exit with points on every visit. Going into the second half, SCC wanted to be the team to score first, and they achieved that goal with another well worked try. The conversion attempt was successful, and the visiting team were up 17 – 14. It was said at half-time, that the team that got themselves into the most mini battles on either side of the ball would come away from this game victorious. The Saints were tremendous on defence, and at disrupting the opposition breakdown – the connection, communication and line speed were all on point and this pressure translated into points when Rashied Isaacs picked up Glenwood scraps to go over for a wonderful try. The last 10 minutes of the game was back and forward, with Glenwood throwing everything at the away team, the final score ending 32 – 19 to Saints.

We would like to thank Glenwood for hosting us, and for playing their part in yet another classic clash. We would like to wish them all the very best for the remainder of the season, and we look forward to hosting them in 2025. – Mr Craig Dwyer (Head Coach)

### Try Scorers:

Okuhle Peti  
Mathew Ludick  
Stefan Veldsman  
Sam Odell  
Rashied Isaacs



Senior Sport photos courtesy of Alex Pascal.

# TEAM OF THE WEEK

Consistency and discipline are the bedrock on which success is built. Similarly to our motto here at St Charles College, 'to the faithful one a certain reward', consistency and discipline are proven ingredients to sustained success.



The result, such as the one achieved by our first team against Glenwood High School this past Saturday, is a mere byproduct of the work being done during the week when no one is looking. It is no accident that this group of senior rugby boys are achieving great success.

We are right behind our *Team of the Week* as they go up against Hilton College for their last school fixture of the season. Congratulations to our First XV! – Mr Divan van Wyk (Sports Marketing)

## PREP SPORT News

### CROSS COUNTRY AT SCC

On Friday we welcomed over a 1000 people to our campus for the weekly Inter Schools Cross Country run. With beautiful weather, a flat course on our amazing campus and lots of hard work having gone into the event, the afternoon was always going to be exciting.

Our boys clearly enjoyed the home ground advantage, which gave them lots of confidence. The U8s started off the day and it was great to see 15 SCC boys running and competing. We congratulate the following boys for placing so well:

Liam Vermaak – 2<sup>nd</sup> in U10  
Thomas Ferrer – 2<sup>nd</sup> in U11  
Geoffrey Pedley – 1<sup>st</sup> in U12  
Troy Harrison – 2<sup>nd</sup> in U12



Congratulations and thank you to our Open age-group runners for assisting with the warm-ups and then running so well, earning four places in the Top 10 for the U13 race. We would also like to thank our Senior School Cross Country team for joining in and running as "hares" for each race. Not only were they friendly and interactive, but they were also very impressed to see that our prep runners average under 5mins per km!

We would also like to thank our Super Saints Staff from catering and grounds to the teaching staff for their hard work. Thank you to Mr Stuart Ferrer for his invaluable advice to our running boys and to Mrs Kelli Howells for organising such a successful afternoon. Lastly, to all the schools that came onto campus to enjoy a fantastic afternoon of running, we thank you for your friendship and camaraderie.  
- Mr Gregg Cole-Edwardes (Head of Prep Sport)

## CROSS COUNTRY 50K CLUB

This week we awarded 12 boys with their 50km certificates. Adding to the excitement, our coaches sourced blue and white laces with a SCC 50km tag.

Our runners were extremely happy and now, with the added motivation, they are all laced up and ready to give it their all for their final race of the season on Friday. - Mr Gregg Cole-Edwardes (Head of Prep Sport)



## FOOTBALL VS SCOTTSVILLE

This week we played our final football fixtures of the season against our neighbours, Scottsville. On Tuesday, with the Junior teams there were some very close and exciting games. Special mention to our U10B team who won 4 – 1 to end off the season strong. Our U11As remain unbeaten and our U11B and U11C teams enjoyed hard-fought games which both ended in a draw.

On Wednesday our Open teams had the home ground advantage which the 2<sup>nd</sup> team used to full effect claiming a 3 – 1 win. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> teams also battled it out with both games ending in a draw, and our 1<sup>st</sup> team's winning streak came to an end, but they remain unbeaten after a goal less draw. It was a great season which our boys thoroughly enjoyed, and we thank all our coaches and parents for their support. – Mr Gregg Cole-Edwardes (Head of Prep Sport)



# MINI RUGBY

Tackling the Mini Rugby season like champions!



# DADS AND LADS *Football*

Last Friday, our Grade 0 boys enjoyed an exciting and heartwarming event as families teamed up with the boys for a few friendly and fun football matches.

The event was aimed at building bonds between families, their young sons, and a love for being active. The Grade 0 boys, fuelled by the excitement of playing alongside their families, showcased impressive skills and determination. - Mr Joel Barron



# Chamber PERFORMANCE AT GHS

Last Friday evening, the St Charles College Chamber Choir was invited as a special guest to perform at the Pietermaritzburg Girls' High School's (GHS) Matric Music Concert. Hosted in the GHS Library, it was an evening of excellent musicianship from the GHS musicians as well as the SCC Chamber Choir who performed their programme at the end of first half. They sang three songs: "Connected" by Brian Tate and "Gebed" by Koos du Plessis, which were sung with excellent control and stunning harmonies. Their final song, "Mbube" by Solomon Linda, got the audience onto their feet, and the performance was appreciated with enraptured applause. – Mr Pierre Frenzel (Head of Music)



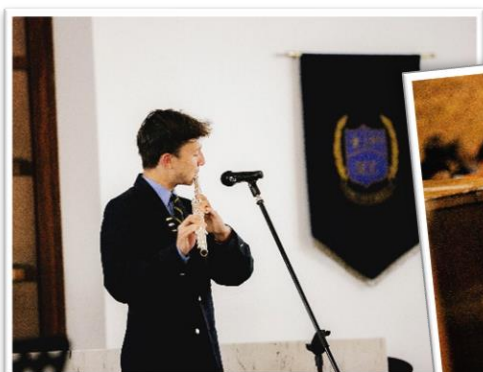
## MUSIC Recitals

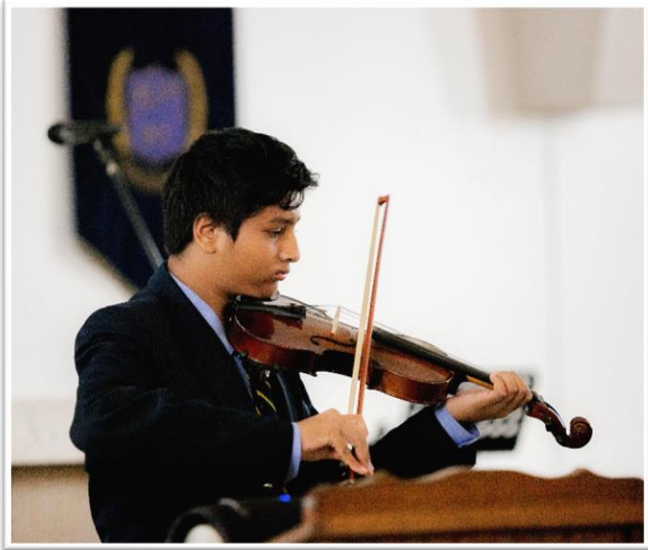
On Wednesday and Thursday evening this week the Middle School and Upper School concerts were held in the beautiful St Charles College Chapel. It was a performance opportunity for any student who takes music lessons.

At the Middle School recital on Wednesday, the performers showed incredible potential with some exceptional performances.

To be commended were the four boys who had debut performances. There was a wonderful variety of instruments, and a high standard was upheld.

On Thursday evening the audience was treated to an evening of exceptional performances. Our Upper School boys, many of whom are performing at Grade 8 level, set the evening alight with a diverse programme, bringing a range of different musical styles and instruments. Audience members left the evening in awe of the musical talent at St Charles College, and the high standard that the boys set for themselves. Well done to all performers and their music teachers. – Mr Pierre Frenzel (Head of Music)





## GRADE 4 *Art*

Our Grade 4 boys were fortunate to participate in art sessions led by Senior School art teacher, Dr Spencer.

They modelled clay to create owls while following detailed instructions. They greatly enjoyed the hands-on experience of working with clay and appreciated the chance to spend time in the Senior School art room.

- Mrs Kelli Howells



## SCALES, SPIKES AND CLAWS IN *Scrummies*

Scales, spikes and claws held our Scrummies boys captive earlier this week!

The Scrummies boys received a special visit from André and his reptiles. The boys learned some fun facts about hibernation and what it means to be a cold-blooded reptile. They were lucky enough to meet and hold a few friendly creatures. The big banana snake was a HUGE favourite!

The boys were definitely educated and fascinated!  
Thank you to André and the Educate and Fascinate Team!

- Mrs Alyssa Brown



**CLICK HERE TO WATCH  
THE LATEST REEL ON OUR  
SCRUMMIES SOCIALS!**

**NIGHT OF THE SAINTS**  
*Performances by choirs, bands and orchestras*  
**Fri, 14 June**  
**18:00 - 20:00**  
**Samukele Khumalo Arena**  
 U9 Free • Primary School R40 • High School & Pensioners R65 • Adults R125  
 Tickets available through QUICKET

**THIS IS THE EVENT WE HAVE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR!**

Hosted by St Charles College, in collaboration with St John's D.S.G., featuring the Choirs, Orchestras, and Bands from both schools, expect to be left in awe of the talent in the two schools.

To purchase your tickets, please click on the following Quicket link

[Book tickets for Night of the Saints \(quicket.co.za\)](https://quicket.co.za)

# AHOY MATEYS



**Scrummies Winter Holiday Club**  
*a week filled with adventures*

**Week one: 24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> June**  
**Week two: 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> July**

**Ages 3-9**  
**Older and younger by arrangement.**

**Half day: R120**  
**Full day: R160**

**Please contact Liesl Meter on 071 185 3849**



## MOTHER'S WHO CARE



Proverbs 16:9  
 In their hearts  
 humans  
 plan their  
 course, but the  
 Lord establishes  
 their steps.

**2024**

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 CONTACT SONJA PALFRAMAN CELL: 0823469161

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# ST CHARLES COLLEGE

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)
<b>Senior School Lessons Commence</b> (Grade 8 - Grade 12)	<b>17 January (Wednesday)</b>
Prep School Boarders Return (Grade 4 - Grade 7)	16 January (Tuesday)
<b>Prep School Lessons Commence</b> (Grade 000 - Grade 7)	<b>17 January (Wednesday)</b>
Mid-Term Exeat (Friday and Monday No School)	16 February - 19 February
<b>End of Term</b> and Human Rights Day (21 March)	<b>21 March (Thursday) School Day</b>
TERM 2	
<b>Easter Weekend 29 March - 01 April (Friday - Monday)</b>	
Staff and Boarders Return	15 April (Monday)
<b>Lessons Commence</b>	<b>16 April (Tuesday)</b>
Freedom Day (27 April)	27 April (Saturday)
Workers' Day (01 May)	01 May (Wednesday) School Day
<b>OLD BOYS' REUNION WEEKEND</b>	<b>20 April (Saturday)</b>
Mid-Term Exeat (Friday and Monday No School)	17 May - 20 May
Youth Day (16 June Sunday)	17 June (Monday) School Day
<b>End of Term</b>	<b>21 June (Friday)</b>
TERM 3	
Staff and Boarders Return	15 July (Monday)
<b>Lessons Commence</b>	<b>16 July (Tuesday)</b>
<b>FOUNDERS DAY (26 July)</b>	<b>26 July (Friday)</b>
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)
<b>End of Term</b>	<b>19 September (Thursday)</b>
TERM 4	
Staff and Boarders Return	30 September (Monday)
<b>Lessons Commence</b>	<b>01 October (Tuesday)</b>
<b>GRADE 12 FINAL ASSEMBLY</b>	<b>31 October (Thursday)</b>
Mid-Term Exeat (Friday and Monday No School)	01 November - 04 November
<b>End of Term (Pre-Primary and Junior Primary)</b>	<b>28 November (Thursday)</b>
<b>End of Term (Senior Primary and Senior School)</b>	<b>29 November (Friday)</b>
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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