



# South African College High School

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## NEWSLETTER NO. 22

Dear Parents

### HEADMASTER'S INTRODUCTION

In the futuristic world of advancing technology, robots and Artificial Intelligence, we are often asked to justify the relevance of a traditional school such as ours in our rapidly changing world. If you are standing still you are actually moving backwards, and we are aware of the need to innovate and keep abreast of the times as a school. This does not mean we have to deviate or leave behind the core foundation of the values that make SACS what we are and have been proven to have stood the test of time.

I received a wonderful email from an Old Boy, Ross Juul (class of 2017) this week. After a gruelling four month selection process, Ross has been accepted with a scholarship into the highly competitive Finance major at Arizona State University in the USA. This top university was recently ranked number one in the world for Innovation. Ross writes as follows: "The reason for this email is that I wanted to give thanks to my alma mater, SACS. Its strong philosophy in promoting an 'all-round' gentleman has set me apart from my peers. SACS has given me so many opportunities to grow in every aspect of life. From sports and academics to culture and leadership. SACS has helped me achieve things that would have once not been possible. I give my praise to all my teachers for encouraging me to work harder and for providing their support along the way. There will forever be a special place in my heart for SACS along with all the friendships and memories I made during my attendance there. Even though I may now be 12,000 miles away from home I will continue to spread the name and swell the fame of the S.A.C."

Thank you Ross for taking the time to pen this. I am sure your future studies will be a great success. I believe wholeheartedly in the education that our school offers. In assembly this morning, I encouraged us all to be paddlers, not passengers, on this 189 year old ship as we take her forward into the future.

**Please note important message: Both the Junior and High School fixtures take place on campus this weekend, with a total of 35 rugby matches alone being played on Saturday. Congestion on campus is going to be high. We are appealing to parents to please carpool if possible or find other alternative transport. Thank you for your understanding.**

### INTERACT SOCIETY

SACS managed to raise 67 blankets for the Kidz2Kidz blankets initiative. A big thank you to Mr Wilson for his support, as well as the SACS choir. We hope to gather many more for next year's drive. From next week Interact will be collecting sanitary pads. We aim to gather for more than 600 girls, so it is important each and every SACS family helps!



### DEBATING

On Monday 30 July, SACS's junior debating team participated in the octo-finals (round of 16) of the Rotary Cup against Islamia College at Herschel. The motion was: "This House Regrets the 'Protagonists Always Win' Narrative in Children's Books." SACS was Team Proposition and the team was Emmanuel Rassou as first speaker and reply, Ethan Lawrence as second speaker and Gregory van Selm as third speaker. We went into this round on a 4-debate winning streak (against Herzlia by default, Claremont High, German International School Cape Town and Cannon's Creek). Unfortunately, we lost against Islamia and will not participate in the quarter-finals of the Rotary Cup. But there are a lot of positives to take out of this year's debating season and we finish the season at the Western Cape Schools Debating tournament this weekend and next weekend.



# Gala Concert

## SACS HIGH SCHOOL

*Featuring SACS High School: Choir, Brass Ensemble, Clarinet Ensemble, Flute Ensemble, Big Band, Junior Jazz Band, Concert Band, Marimba Band and more!*

7 August 7pm  
Tickets R60



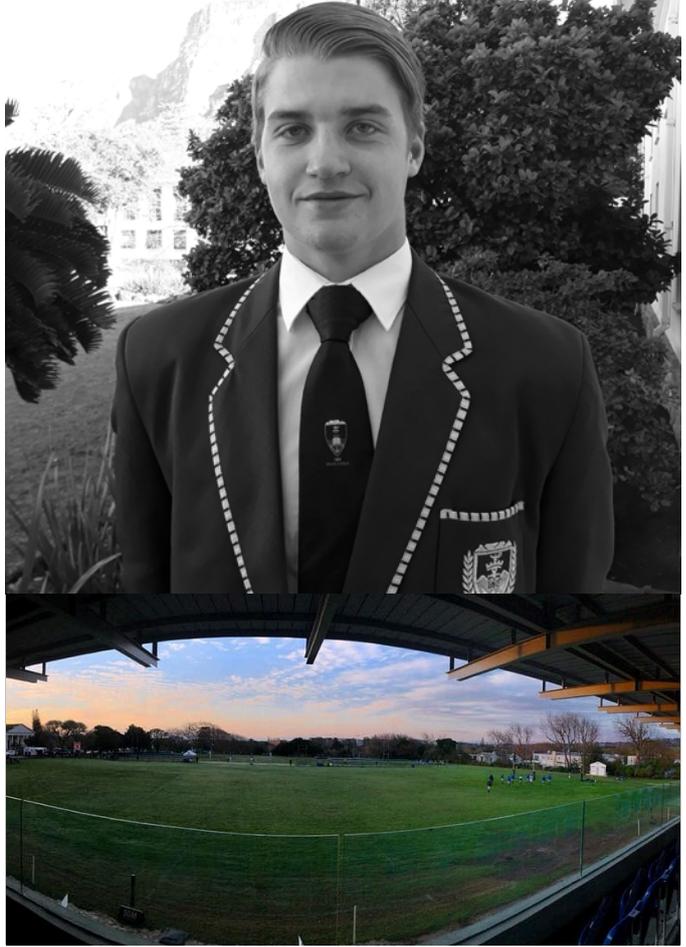

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### THIS WEEKEND

This weekend our rugby and hockey players compete against Bishops. Our First Rugby Team play on Saturday at 12:30pm on Memorial A Field (Home) and our First Hockey Team play on Friday at 6:30pm on the Woodlands Astroturf (Away). I wish all our teams well for the weekend ahead and look forward to watching from the sidelines.

### WATER POLO REPRESENTATIVE

Congratulations to Liam Brown who has been selected to represent South Africa (U18 Water Polo) at the fourth FINA Men's Youth Water Polo Championships in Hungary later this month.



Yours sincerely

**B.J. GRANT**  
HEADMASTER