

ASSEMBLY, Friday 19 January 2018

Academic

November 2017 Academic Awards

While we celebrate the matric results each year, let us remember that those results are built on the endeavours of our boys over the course of their schooling. Based on the results at the end of 2017, we would like to recognise the following boys for their consistent pursuit of excellence and consequent academic achievements.

Academic Ties: Jayden Rossouw, Caleb Anderson-De Waal, Mikhail Lovric, Luke Beachy Head, Jock Buchanan, Oliver Werner

Academic Jerseys and Full Colours: Andrew Low, Francesco Guerrini, Finn Geldenhuys

Sport

Swimming

Commonwealth Games 2018

In late December, Michael Houlie qualified for the Commonwealth Games to be held on the Gold Coast, Australia, in early April 2018. In addition, Michael was recently awarded full Junior Springbok colours for Swimming, on the back of his 2017 performance on the international stage. In 2017, he achieved three gold winning performances at the Junior Commonwealth Games and was a multiple finalist at the Fina Junior World Championships in August. This is a fantastic achievement, well done Michael!

Cricket

The 1st XI had five pre-season matches before the start of this term including the traditional Independent Schools' Festival hosted by Hilton College. The results were as follows:

v Kearsney Bishops held out for a well-deserved draw with Jayden Rossouw leading from the front taking 4 wickets and Tom Burton scoring 79.

v Hilton and Michaelhouse we lost by 7 wickets with Gregor Bell scoring 61* and then, despite Jono Bird's 72 we were well beaten by a very strong Clifton College team.

The final game of the holiday saw Bishops beating Churchie from Brisbane, Australia. Stephen Fourie and Seb Allison, each with figures of 3 for 25, bowled the visitors out before Travis Norris (66) and Gregor Bell (44) made easy work of the 160 needed for victory.

Athletics

Congratulations to Matt van Westenbrugge and Ciaran Manca who have been appointed Captains of Athletics for this year.

Golf

Freddie Spencer won the Nomads Inland NOOM (National Order of Merit) tournament at Benoni Country Club recently. He shot rounds of 74,70 and 70 to finish on 2-under and win by two.

Freddie is now ranked 12th in South Africa in the U19 age group and has been selected for the WP Elite Squad.

A fantastic achievement. Well done Freddie.

Climbing

David Naude, captain of Bishops Climbing, will be representing not only South Africa, but the whole of Africa, in Sport Climbing at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games to be held in Buenos Aires, Argentina in October. David will be representing South Africa in Junior Protea Colours at this international event. This is a great honour and achievement. Congratulations!

General

First Aid Leadership

The leadership for First Aid in 2018 has been appointed. The Captain will be Wesley Holtmann and Vice -Captain is Dominic Beaumont.

All Rounder's Tie

Dominic Beaumont achieved his All Rounder's tie at the end of 2017.