

ASSEMBLY, Friday 7 December 2018

Academic

Academic Vouchers

Thomas Mason, Matthew Newton and Suhayl Khalfey are congratulated on receiving three commendations for academic endeavor and are awarded academic vouchers. Well done.

Cultural

Music Colours

The following boys need to be congratulated on achieving Colours for Music:

Half Colours:

Paul David
Dominic Beaumont

Full Colours:

Peter Worthington-Smith
Nathan Scott
Luca Liebenberg

Public Speaking

In October this year, Euan Musselwhite, Rohan Naidoo, Robert Dugmore, Paul Malherbe, Will Makin, Khelan Dheda and Daniel Holgate (who joined us from the Czech Republic with his dad), competed in the International Independent Schools Public Speaking Competition at St. Clement's School in Toronto where we once again achieved spectacular results and set new records. Out of 125 competitors from 60 of the top independent schools in the USA and Canada, as well as from 11 countries around the world, such as Scotland, England, South Korea, Bermuda, to name a few, Bishops ranked an amazing 3rd overall, losing narrowly to the top two Canadian schools! In addition, Bishops had a clean sweep in the Interpretive Reading category, with Paul Malherbe 1st, Rohan Naidoo 2nd and Daniel Holgate 3rd. We also had Rohan Naidoo 1st for Persuasive Speech and Euan Musselwhite 1st for Impromptu Speech, and finally, Bishops won the Best International School trophy for the third year running. Well done to all the boys on a superb joint effort!

As a result of Daniel's participation, his full speech on Acknowledging the Disabled will be published in the magazine of the Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital Foundation

as motivation for children with disabilities to live a normal and fruitful life. All in all, a very successful competition indeed.

Sport

Bishops Own Rugby Referee

At an awards function to acknowledge the achievements of schoolboy referees in the Southern region of the Western Cape held on 28 November, Wesley Holtmann was awarded a Certificate of Excellence by the Referees Association. Wesley has been a stalwart, not only at Bishops with his refereeing, but also in the Southern region of the Western Cape in general. He has refereed at a number of high school fixtures and tournaments where he has been highly rated as one of the best schoolboy referees in the school boy game at the moment. Well done Wesley - we congratulate you.

Karate

Shariq Davids represented the South African Protea Team at the 9th Commonwealth Championship which was held in Durban from 27 November to 2 December 2018. He proudly obtained 3rd position and won a Bronze Medal in the Kumite Division in age 14/15 u57kg category. Well done Shariq!

SA Junior Futsal

Jake Greenberg has been selected for the Maccabi South Africa u16 Junior Futsal team that will take part in the upcoming 15th European Maccabi Games in Budapest, Hungary from the 29th July – 7th August 2019. Congratulations!

General

#notatmyschool

Three boys in the Grade 9 Big Ideas class, Tom Bester, Max Romijn and Chris Forbes have launched a campaign against sexism: #notatmyschool which aims to raise awareness around sexism and gender issues at schools. They are selling 'Not At My School' badges for R5 each. They raised over R1500 from the sale of their badges in just one week, which they will be donating to WAR (Woman against Rape).

They have spoken out on Good Hope FM about their project and had media coverage in *'The Tatler'* as well as approaches from special interest groups like *'Future Females'* and the *'UN Women's March'*, held in Cape Town last Friday. What was particularly gratifying were the approaches they received from other schools as they became aware of the campaign via their Instagram posts.

Their campaign was particularly relevant as it coincided with 16 Days of Activism to end violence against women, which meant that the broader audience beyond Bishops were very receptive to their message.

Follow them on Instagram and message them to buy badges. Grade 11 leaders have lent their support to this campaign.