

RECTOR'S eNEWS



MICHAELHOUSE

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Rector's Message

This week, Mr Ncamani and I addressed the boys in assembly on the topic of **safeguarding**, emphasising its central place in the life and values of our school.

Our message to the boys was a simple but important one: safeguarding is about ensuring that every member of our community feels **safe, respected, and able to speak up** when something is not right. We spoke about the importance of respectful behaviour, the need to recognise when boundaries are crossed, and the courage required to seek help, either for oneself or for a friend.

As part of this, I explained **grooming** in age-appropriate terms, describing it as a process in which someone builds trust or influence over another person in order to cross boundaries over time.

The boys were encouraged to understand that grooming does not always appear threatening at first and may involve confusion, secrecy, or pressure rather than obvious harm. They were reassured that feelings of discomfort or uncertainty are important signals, and that seeking help is always the right course of action.

Mr Ncamani mentioned that there are various reports showing that, over the past two decades, there has been a significant increase in incidents where pupils harm themselves or others. Sadly, in many cases, these incidents have resulted in the loss of young lives. In many cases, someone noticed warning signs or unusual behaviour in a friend or peer but chose not to report it, or chose to look the other way. We often hear comments such as, *"I felt uneasy,"* or *"I thought something was not right."* Unfortunately, by the time these concerns are spoken about, it is often too late and the cost is very high.

We also reminded the boys that safeguarding is not solely the responsibility of staff. While we take our duty of care extremely seriously, we believe it is vital that boys understand their own role in looking out for one another and in contributing positively to the culture of the school.

Apart from the usual reporting structures we have in place i.e. the boys being able to talk to their housemasters, tutors, teachers, coaches, the school counsellor and the school chaplain, we also have an

anonymous platform called The Guardian App which the boys can download onto their laptops and cell phones. Reports submitted through this platform are treated seriously, confidentially, and are handled by the appropriate staff to ensure support and safety.

We are committed to maintaining clear structures, trusted adults, and transparent processes that support the boys' wellbeing. Just as importantly, we aim to foster an environment in which boys feel confident that they will be listened to and supported.

Safeguarding works best when schools and families are aligned. I encourage you to continue conversations at home about respect, boundaries, and the importance of speaking up. When boys know that the same messages are reinforced both at school and at home, they are far more likely to act with confidence and integrity.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership and trust as we work together to ensure that our school remains a safe and nurturing environment for all our boys.

Every week a different House leads Chapel on a Wednesday. For the Founders House Chapel, the service opened with **Callum Fly** introducing the speakers and praying that the school would begin the year not just with motivation, but with real closeness with God. **Griffon Goldby** read from Jeremiah about seeking God with all your heart, and **Benjamin Sevel** read from Revelations about returning to your first love.

The sermon, entitled *Starting Close*, challenged the boys to reflect on what they are actually starting the year close to - phones, sport, popularity, or God. **Solethu Ngxola** and **Jack Ross-Kent** emphasised that we don't drift into closeness with God, we drift away from it. They spoke honestly about mistakes and how closeness begins with turning back and repenting - not being perfect but choosing God's direction.

The Founders boys closed by reminding the school that closeness to God starts with small daily choices and personal discipline. The message was simple: you don't need a perfect year, you need a close one.

The service ended with **Griffon Erasmus** closing prayer in French, followed by the song Firm Foundation.



Founders' boys (left to right): **Griffon Erasmus**, **Jack Ross-Kent**, **Solethu Ngxola**, **Ben Sevel**, **Griffon Goldby** and **Callum Fly**

Last Wednesday, the B Block boys from East led the Chapel Service, with **William Aylward**, introducing the men of East and saying the opening prayer. **Duncan Roberts** did the first reading from the book of Romans, 8 v1-2. **Esethu Sithole** did the second reading, 1John4v16-17. **Nathan Roberts** gave the sermon: reminding everyone to appreciate God and the salvation that has been given to them. **Nathan Simons** and **Ethan Makamure** did the closing prayer with Ethan doing it in Shona.



East boys (left to right): **William Aylward, Ethan Makamure, Esethu Sithole, Nathan Simons, Nathan Roberts and Duncan Roberts**

ADAM Family Portal

We are excited to announce the launch of the ADAM Family Portal. This will allow parents to access information about their son's progress, view their son's teachers, monitor leaves and access important documents. The portal can be accessed from <http://adam.michaelhouse.org> from any web-browser on any device.

Please click [here](#) to read the guide for registration information and avenues for technical support. Please note that the portal login is based on your ID or Passport number.

If you have not yet updated your details (specifically ID number and email address) you will need to complete this step first as per the email sent to you earlier this term. Parents will first need to register with their ID/Passport number which will send an email with a link to change their password.

The following dates are notable in terms of the roll-out of functionality:

9-13 February - Parents login to family portal for the first time. East and Pascoe parents participate in leave requests testing

23-27 February - Parents in ALL HOUSES submit leave requests via ADAM Family Portal for C, B and A Block. It is a closed weekend for E and D Block

2-6 March - Parents in ALL HOUSES and ALL BLOCKS submit all leave requests via the ADAM Family Portal

9-19 March - B Block parents and pupils use the ADAM Portal to sign-up for Academic Open Day Teacher Meetings

Lastly, your feedback is important to us and should you have any suggestions or queries please do not hesitate to contact servicedesk@michaelhouse.org

Distance Parenting Online Course

Michaelhouse is delighted to offer this ONLINE course designed for parents of boys who are new to the senior school boarding environment. Kicking off on Monday 9 March, the programme has been curated specifically for Michaelhouse and is presented by well-known psychologist, Megan de Beyer, and Mr Tim Jarvis, Michaelhouse School Counsellor. The programme consists of four lunchtime (12h00-13h00), sessions over Zoom. This year we have added an extra session on masculinity and what that looks like in a boys' boarding school.

Topics covered include:

- Understanding what your teen is going through and the impact of boarding school life.
- Male adolescence.
- Discovering best parenting practices.
- Communication skills and how to offer your son emotional support.
- Learning effective problem solving and boundaries to encourage your son's autonomy and independence.
- Q & A- ask Megan & Tim anything! A time to get personal yet remain anonymous if you prefer.

We hope that you will be able to join Tim and Megan online for this invaluable course on the below dates:

Session 1 – Monday 9 March 2026

Session 2 – Thursday 12 March 2026 (Masculinity)

Session 3 – Monday 16 March 2026

Session 4 – Thursday 19 March 2026 (Q & A)

Click [here](#) for more information and to book your spot.

Sports Supplements – Mr James Fleming – Head of Sports Medicine

We understand that our boys are burning off a lot of calories with all their exercise and growing and often ask about taking protein supplements and creatine.

Let me remind you about our supplements policy at Michaelhouse.

We do allow boys to take whey protein with the following reminders:

- 1) This is not as a meal replacement, only as a top up. They must continue to go to the three meals a day provided by the school
- 2) We only allow the Biogen brand, as per the photo below. We stock this in the Trade Inn and it is also available at Dischem
- 3) E Block boys would need email permission from their parents via their Housemasters before purchasing from the Trade Inn

Biogen is 'Informed Sport' tested, ensuring that it is free from banned substances.

Biogen has recently been approved as the official nutrition product of the Springboks emphasizing its quality.

Please note, we do NOT allow boys to take creatine due to potential risk to developing bodies, especially kidneys.



Co-Curricular and Individual Achievements

Debating and Public Speaking

The 2026 debating season has kicked off with a bang, with Round 1 of the Pietermaritzburg League taking place last Thursday at Hilton College. Our debating programme has enjoyed much success over the past few years and attracted so many talented and aspiring speakers that we were able to enter three senior teams into the league this year, which is unprecedented, and they all did us proud last week.

The Senior motion for Round 1 was: “This House, as a socially aware individual, would boycott Taylor Swift”. All three Michaelhouse teams drew Opposition on the day, and so were able to debate as real “Swifties” in support of the global superstar.

Michaelhouse 1, consisting of **Nicholas French** (Chairman of the Debating and Public Speaking Programme), **Rhys Watson** and **Keamo Noge**, went up against St Charles 1 and won their debate convincingly, with **Nicholas French** being awarded Best Speaker at his first debate of the year.

Michaelhouse 2, including **Thomas Wayne**, **Otto von Claer** (Senior Debating captain) and **Shail Rajkumar** unfortunately lost out to a strong Maritzburg College 2 side, but will no doubt come back fighting in the next round. Michaelhouse 3 – **Oliver Thompson**, **Tanaka Chinyoka** and **Connor McMurray** (Junior Debating captain) took on one of the strongest teams in the league, Pietermaritzburg Girl’s High 1, and secured an excellent victory. **Oliver Thompson** was named Best Speaker for that debate.

This week we wish our Junior teams, and more especially, our first-time E Block debaters the best of luck as they compete in their first round tomorrow.

In the meantime, training for both beginner debaters and our eager public speakers has begun in earnest at weekly meetings and we look forward to a great year of argumentation and eloquence.



Our winning boys: **Keamo Noge, Oliver Thompson, Connor McMurray, Tanaka Chinyoka, Nicholas French and Rhys Watson**

Basketball

Basketball had a great day of sport with our teams playing 21 games, winning 16 and losing 5:
 1st team won 54-51, 2nd team won 29-22, 3rd team won 27-24, 4th team won 29-16, 5th team won 29-27,
 6th team won 26-14 and 7th team won 24-11

U16A won 56-13, U16B won 44-17, U16C won 27-3, U16D won 35-13 and U16E won 40-9

U15A won lost 24-41, U15B lost 23-24, U15C lost 20-22, U15D lost 14-22 and U15E lost 14-30

U14A won 32-8, U14B won 34-17, U14C won 29-5 and U14D won 29-6



Troy Rautenbach taking a free throw



Max Vries evading a defender on transition



Leruo Sento dribbling and taking on a defender



2nd team after their win against St Charles

Cricket

Michaelhouse cricket enjoyed an exceptional week of fixtures, securing 16 victories from 18 completed matches. The midweek programme saw clean sweeps against Howick and Inland Academy, before Saturday's fixtures against St Charles College produced a dominant display across all age groups.

The U16A side kicked off the week in style with a comfortable 7-wicket victory over the Howick 1st XI. Michaelhouse restricted Howick to 77-9 in 20 overs, with **Adam Cooke** claiming excellent figures of 3/16. The chase was straightforward as Michaelhouse reached 78-3 in just 9 overs.

The U14B side produced a dominant 9-wicket performance against Howick U14A, restricting them to 58-8 before knocking off the runs in just 9.1 overs. **Jake Lane** making 38 runs off 31 balls to guide his team home. The 1st XI recorded an impressive 6-wicket victory over Inland Academy, chasing down 157 with one ball to spare. **Benjamin Heuer** was the star, smashing 60 runs off just 36 balls in a commanding performance.

The U15B side secured a solid 5-wicket victory over Howick U15A, restricting them to 106-9, with **John Brink** claiming 3/22 and **Spencer Cutter** making 33 off 26 balls ensuring a comfortable chase.

Over the weekend our teams played against St Charles with the following results:

The 1st XI secured an 8-wicket victory, with **Rex Wadlaw** anchoring the chase superbly with 76 runs off 94 balls as Michaelhouse reached 123-2 in 30.1 overs, chasing down St Charles score of 120 all out. The 2nd XI claimed a 5-wicket win as **Nathan Simons** took 4/43 to restrict St Charles to 175 all out before **Thomas Smith's** 72 runs anchored the successful chase of 178-5 in just 17.8 overs. The 3rd XI produced a dominant 9-wicket display, chasing down 157 with ease as **Leo Oliva** smashed 37 runs to help the team reach 161/1 in 22 overs. The 4th XI won by 28 runs, with **Callum Kernahan's** 43 runs helping Michaelhouse post 136/8, before **Tristan Fenwick-Wilson** claimed 4/17 to restrict St Charles to 108/9. The 5th XI match was abandoned due to inclement weather.

The U16A side produced the performance of the day with a crushing 91-run victory as **Daniel de Freitas** scored a magnificent 80 runs off 56 balls with the bat to help Michaelhouse post 262/9, then **Daniel de Freitas** completed a remarkable all-round performance with sensational figures of **6/25** with the ball to bowl out St Charles for 171. The U16B side suffered a 4-wicket defeat despite posting 210/9 and **Connor McMurray's** 3/43, as St Charles successfully chased down the target, reaching 214/6 in 38 overs. The U16C side secured a thrilling 3-wicket victory as **Connor Jordaan** scored a brilliant 59 runs off 44 balls to lead the chase, with Michaelhouse reaching 190/7 in 19.1 overs, chasing down St Charles's 186/9 with just 5 balls to spare.

The U15A side won by 7 wickets as **William Rattray** took 4-16 to bowl out St Charles for 118, before **James Velleman** anchored the chase with 37* runs as Michaelhouse reached 119/3 in 17 overs. The U15B side claimed a tense 2-wicket victory as **Thomas Luscombe** played a match-winning 69 runs off 45 balls in the chase, with Michaelhouse reaching 210/8 in 30.4 overs to chase down St Charles 209/9, while **John Brink** took 4/28 earlier. The U15C side won by 12 runs as **Jack Denbury** (4-28) and **Wandile Zulu** (3-11) led an outstanding bowling display to defend 150/6, restricting St Charles to 138/8.

The U14A side secured a 5-wicket victory as **Robert Walker** claimed remarkable figures of 3/2 to help bowl out St Charles for just 48, before the team reached 51/5 in 17 overs. The U14B side won by 4 wickets as **Ashton Arbuckle** took 3/15 to restrict St Charles to 162/9, before **Jake Lane's** composed 50 runs guided the team to 165/6 in 32.3 overs. The U14C match was abandoned due to weather conditions. The U14D team saved the best for last with a crushing 100-run victory as **Phenyo Motsileng** smashed a sensational 96 runs off 61 balls to help Michaelhouse post 169/4, before **Jock Lindsay** ripped through the St Charles batting order with 4/10, bowling them out for just 69 in 11.1 overs.



1st XI before their match against St Charles



Well done to **Graydon Leslie** on his 50th cap for the 1st XI



The 4th XI team



The 3rd XI team



U14D team



U16C team

Swimming

On Wednesday, 4 February, five of our top swimmers represented Michaelhouse at the Howick Invitational Gala. Traditionally an individual-focused event, it attracts the strongest age-group swimmers competing in solo events.

Our swimmers delivered outstanding performances throughout the day. **Bandile Mahaye** (D Block East) and **Campbell Turner** (E Block West) dominated their events, winning every race they entered. The highlight of the gala was the boys' Ladder 5 × 50m Freestyle Relay, where our team touched the wall first, beating the competition by an impressive three-quarters of a length.

Overall, Michaelhouse swimmers showcased skill, determination, and teamwork, walking away with 1st position.

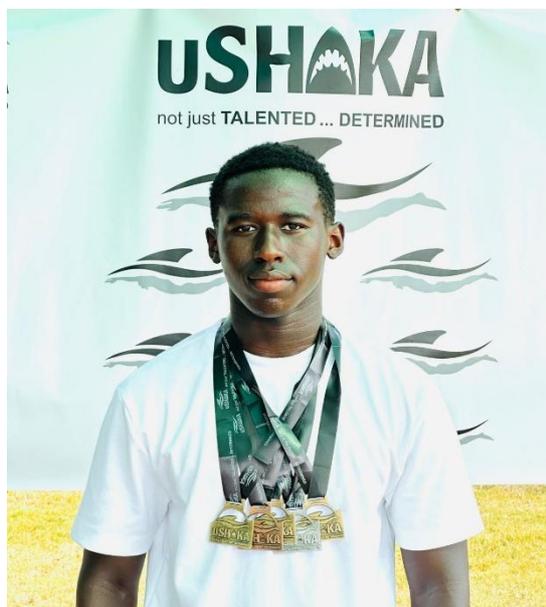
The annual Midmar Mile took place on Sunday 8 February with approximately 50 Michaelhouse boys participating in the swim. Well done to all swimmers and a special mention must go to **Jess Webber** (A Block West) and **Elliot Springate** (A Block Pascoe) who both swam in their 10th Midmar Mile.

Bandile Mahaye took part in the uShaka long course swimming champs held in Richards Bay from 31 January to 1 February 2026. He achieved the following results in the 13-14 age group category:
1st place – 50m Butterfly, 50m Freestyle, 100m Butterfly and 200m Individual Medley
4th place – 200m Breaststroke

Relays

Mixed 13 & Over 200M Freestyle –3rd place

Mixed 13 & Over 200M Medley - 2nd place



Congratulations, Bandile!

Canoeing

The final seeding race before the Dusi Canoe Marathon, took place last Sunday on the Day-1 section of the Dusi course. Covering a gruelling 28km from Bishopstowe to Duzi Bridge, the event included the notorious Devil's Cauldron portage—which lived up to its formidable reputation amid temperatures in the upper 30s. Fortunately, the river ran at a near-perfect medium level, boosted by a release from Henley Dam and good rainfall in the catchment on Saturday night.

The Michaelhouse canoeists all did well, finishing in the top end of the field.

13th overall **Duncan Roberts** and Mr Stuart Roberts

32nd overall and 5th in the U23 category **Robert Short** and **Ivan Nel**

41st overall **Jamie Grantham** and Mr Paul Snyman

47th overall and 6th in the U18 category **Sam Hoy** and Kearsney Partner



Jamie Grantham and Mr Paul Snyman



Robert Short and **Ivan Nel**

Water Polo

Our teams played against St Charles at Michaelhouse this past weekend, we played 14 games, won 11 and lost only 3.

1st team vs St Charles 1st team won 16-1, 2nd team vs St Charles 1st team won 5-4 and vs St Charles 2nd team won 14-3, 3rd team vs St Charles 2nd team won 16-4 and vs St Charles 3rd team won 7-4, 4th team vs St Charles 3rd team won 15-3, 6th team vs Michaelhouse 5th team won 5-4 and 8th team vs Michaelhouse 7th team lost 7-8

U15B vs St Charles U15A won 5-2 and U15C vs St Charles U15A lost 3-9

U14A won 12-4, U14B won 8-3



Oliver Guy eyes an opening in the St Charles College defence



Adam Collins on debut, threatens the St Charles goals



Kayden Elliott patient on the attack



James Hugo under defensive pressure from his St Charles opponent



Detlen Havemann with a precision pass, to advance the Michaelhouse attack



Isaac Mvulana looking threatening on the attack



Ben Hingeston delivers another excellent pass in the U15B match



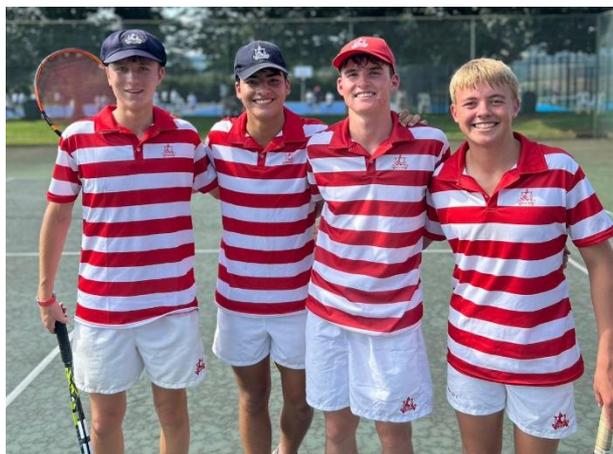
Jack Ralfe composed with ball in hand

Tennis

Last week Tuesday, the Michaelhouse Junior tennis team played against St Charles and were unbeaten in all their matches, recording a fantastic 8-0 victory.

To end last week, our top 12 tennis players travelled to Kershaw Park for a triangular fixture against Clifton College and St Charles College. The day began with singles against Clifton, where the boys delivered an excellent performance to win 8-3 overall.

The team then faced St Charles in the doubles. Although play was interrupted by thunder, the majority of matches had already been completed, and Michaelhouse held a commanding overall lead of 8-1.



**Nathan Marshall, Raif Jinnah,
Matt Bennett and Noah Holl**



**Cian Hoskings, Thomas Perkins,
Benjamin Heuer and Henry Love**



Christopher Vauqulin and Kobé Ng

Rounders

Last Friday, West House had the pleasure of hosting St Anne's for a fun and friendly rounders social. The event provided an excellent opportunity for students from both schools to interact in a relaxed environment.

The social was spearheaded by Senior Prefect **Max Oliva** and Second Prefect **Rendani Nonge**, who ensured that the afternoon ran smoothly and that everyone had a great time. Students participated enthusiastically in games on the Astro and in the indoor centre, while the social aspect helped strengthen connections between the two schools.

Overall, the rounders social was a resounding success and set a positive tone for future interactions between Michaelhouse and St Anne's.



Fun scenes from the rounders games with St Anne's

Team of the Week: Mr Ryan Ravenscroft: Head of Sport

Well done to all our boys at Michaelhouse for a wonderful sporting weekend. The energy around the campus was phenomenal and I urge us to keep respecting our hosting as a school. It will always be here at Michaelhouse that we put our best foot forward in this regard. We now travel away for most of our fixtures and my challenge to the school is, can we travel and play at other schools away from home.

In saying this, the Team of the Week could be any team again. A dominating performance by the basketball U16 team saw them collectively score the highest points difference. While there may be an expectation to win at water polo, I was pleased to see how we went about our business. Cricket saw some great wins across the board with the 1st XI, U16A and U14D team winning by the biggest margins. This weeks Team of the Week accolade goes to the U14D cricket team for winning by more than 100 runs. Well done boys, a tremendous win.

Click [here](#) to see the upcoming sport fixtures versus Kearsney.

Michaelhouse Entrepreneurship, Leadership, and Networking Society (M.E.N.)

This week, the M.E.N. Society hosted a virtual workshop in the MLT with Mr Hans Otterling, a Founding Partner of Norrsken22 and a veteran of the global venture capital industry.



Hans Otterling

MBA from Stockholm School of Economics and Univ. of Massachusetts, a Fulbright Scholar

Serial entrepreneur, founding, scaling, and exiting three market-leading tech companies

Partner of Northzone since 2006, top-ranked venture capital fund with \$3B under management
Northzone's track record includes 2 Decacorns, Spotify and Klarna, and 14 Unicorns

Founder of Norrsken22 Africa Tech Growth Fund, investing in African tech companies



Klarna

Zettle
by PayPal



Spring Health

Mr Otterling, whose track record includes early investments in global “decacorns” such as Spotify and Klarna, shared his conviction that *“the next big thing”* is African venture capital. He explained how Norrsken22, a \$205 million Tech Growth Fund, is strategically positioned to catalyse change across the continent by backing disruptive technology companies.

His presentation highlighted three “megatrends” currently reshaping Africa: a young and aspirational population, with 60% under the age of 25; the rapid rollout of digital infrastructure and smartphone adoption; and accelerating urbanisation, which is shifting economic activity from agriculture towards services.

Beyond the macroeconomic picture, Mr Otterling provided the boys with valuable insights into the entrepreneurial mindset. Drawing on the *Mind of a Millionaire* study, he challenged conventional wisdom by noting that there is no single set of personality traits that predicts success. Instead, he left the audience with a powerful takeaway for their own future ventures: *“Ideas are not critical to entrepreneurial success. Excellent execution usually is.”*

The session offered a compelling vision of a continent on the rise, focusing on high-impact sectors such as Fintech, Medtech, and Edtech. Mr Otterling’s message was clear: Africa is not simply a destination for aid, but a sophisticated market for commercial investment - capable of delivering both strong financial returns and meaningful social impact through increased financial inclusion and job creation. The boys walked away not only with a deeper understanding of the venture capital landscape, but also with the inspiring realisation that, as former UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon noted, *“the next century belongs to Africa.”*

A sincere thank you to **Otto von Claer**, **Thomas Wayne**, and **Ethan Chiimba** for organising a session that brought global expertise directly to the Michaelhouse boys.

Michaelhouse has cherished a very longstanding relationship with Sunfield Home in Howick and it is always a highlight for our boys and the residents when we schedule time to enjoy activities together. In the blazing heat last Wednesday, twenty volunteers from Ralfe, Pascoe and Tatham thoroughly enjoyed playing a variety of board games with the residents during the afternoon.

Our indigenous and fruit tree planting initiative continues and during the week McCormick boys planted trees at Lion's River Primary and boys from Ralfe planted trees at Sibonokuhle Primary School in Rosetta.

On Friday afternoon boys from East were tasked with sanding and painting the wooden animals in the playground of Sikhulile, an Early Childhood Development Centre in Nottingham Road. The boys did an excellent job and should be very proud of their handiwork.

West House continues to support the weekly sports practices at Nottingham Primary School.



Ralfe boys planting trees at Sibonokuhle Primary School



Boys from various Houses, playing board games at Sunfield Home



McCormick boys planting trees at Lion's River Primary



West boys helping with sport at Nottingham Road Primary School



East boys prepping and painting wooden animals at the Sikhulile playground (left) and the end result (right)

Half Term Leave and Departure Arrangements – Ms Karin Moffat

Please note that the school's annual Prize Giving Ceremony takes place on the afternoon of Wednesday 18 February 2025 at 16h30. There is also Inter-House Cross-Country, a compulsory school event which will finish before the Prize Giving.

Boys in A-D Block will be able to leave for the Half Term weekend with their parents after Prize Giving, which is scheduled to end at 17h30.

All buses to airports, Durban and Pietermaritzburg, the Johannesburg bus, Bloemfontein bus and Pavilion bus will depart Michaelhouse on Thursday 19 February at 07h30. It is important that parents ensure they book any flights in a manner respectful of the half term and term dates, as no early leave will be granted.

E Block

It is important to note that the E Block boys do not attend the Prize Giving Ceremony, as it is for A-D Block boys. The E Block may leave, with their parents, at 16h00 once the Inter-House Cross-Country is completed. Should you have any queries about this please contact your Housemaster for clarification.

Transport Bookings – 1st Quarter Half Term

Please use the Transport Portal to book all your sons transport requirements. Kindly note that bookings for the 1st Quarter Half Term will close on **Monday 16 February**.

For any transport queries please contact **Mrs Nirvana Naicker**, the School's Transport Co-ordinator on nivnai@michaelhouse.org

Please click [here](#) for the half term bus information.

Upcoming Events



St John's D.S.G.
Choir Concert

You're warmly invited to join us at the St. John's D.S.G. Choir Concert.

Thursday, 19 March
St. John's D.S.G. Theatre

Concert 1: 17h30 - 18h30
St. John's D.S.G. Singing Society,
St. Charles College, GHS, Howick Choristers

Concert 2: 19h30 - 20h30
Maritzburg College, The Wykeham Collegiate, Michaelhouse,
St. John's D.S.G. Senior Choir

Tea will be served between each concert. Please RSVP to Marina Solomon on msolomon@stjohnsdsg.com by Friday, 15 March.

Old Boys' News

It was a remarkable weekend on the rugby field for our Old Boys, with several recent leavers continuing to make their mark at the highest level.

Luke Davidson (Founders 2024) earned his debut for the **England U20** side on Saturday night – a tremendous achievement and a proud moment for Luke, his family, and the entire Michaelhouse community. Luke's progression is a testament to his work ethic and quiet determination, and we look forward to watching many more of his performances on the international stage.



We also congratulate **Campbell Ridl** (Founders 2023), who continues to thrive for the **Exeter Chiefs**. Campbell produced a superb display this last weekend, scoring a hat-trick. He recently headlined the Sports pages of *The Times*, which hailed him as a "huge talent". We are all firmly behind Campbell as his career continues to rise. If anyone would like to read the article, please click [here](#).



Lerotholi Seeiso (Mackenzie 2025) has been appointed **Chancellor of the Lerotholi Polytechnic Institution** – an extraordinary achievement, made even more remarkable by the fact that he is the youngest Chancellor of any educational institution in the world. We especially loved seeing him wear his OM tie for the occasion, a fitting reflection of his continued connection to Michaelhouse. We are incredibly proud of “Lero” and know that he will make a huge impact in his role as Chancellor.



With my best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Win de Wet', written over a white rectangular background.

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