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DEAR WBHS OLD BOYS Life has certainly returned to normal at WBHS and the term has proved to be a busy fulfilling one in all areas of life at Westville Boys' High School. We celebrated exceptional matric results, we have had a successful term of summer sport, our cultural programme is thriving, and the WBHS campus has had a number of long overdue updgrades. We are looking forward to a full rugby and hockey season which will include our Old Boys Reunions, a highlight on our calendar.

Please see some highlights since our last newsletter below.

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#MATRIC2021 PRIZE GIVING



It was a privilege and honour to have old boys and Survivor SA contestants, Kiran Naidoo and Tyson Zulu return to their alma mater for Matric Prize Giving at the end of 2021.

While Kiran was our esteemed guest of honour, to have Kiran present without Tyson was not plausible. In the words of Kiran it was poetic that he and Tyson went out one after the other in Survivor SA, that one could not exist in the game without the other.

For those who watched Survivor, there was a strong and fierce alliance that our two Westville old boys formed, and with that an unbreakable bond and a shared understanding of the brotherhood that comes from both being Griffins.

## UPGRADES & RENOVATIONS TO WBHS FACILITIES

value to the WBHS campus.

In 2021, numerous upgrades added immeasurable

These included upgraded cricket nets, an outdoor

multi-sport court which included stands for an extended Grade 10 break area. Huberta House had a complete overhaul as the Grade 8 Boarding House, the Matric break area was revamped into an incredible space, an outdoor area for the Art Centre and a dedicated branded change room at the Astro.



2022 has already started on a positive note with the current project which has seen the ground floor Grade 9 classrooms completely transformed after approval by the WBHS Educational Trust.

The upgrade will make a huge difference to the bottom area of the school where our Grade 9s are taught for a year - a positive learning environment will significantly add to the teaching and learning experience for both boys and teachers. These classrooms have really transformed the look of the School.

Grade 11 area and walkway between Dunbar and Wandsbeck Roads, the completion of the Commons Gym for juniors. Other projects include a Cricket Academy, which will then allow for the Multi-Purpose Centre to have a much needed facelift, and the staff room kitchen. The Strategic Development Committee, under chairman Guy Coombe, has worked

Current projects include the upgrade of the kitchen and ladies toilets on Bowdens, an overhaul of the

closely with the WBHS SGB, Foundation, Old Boys and the Trust to upgrade all areas needing attention in the School.











Deputy Headmaster Guy Coombe paid tribute to the Class of 2001 whose 20 Year Reunion Gift was to

completely revamp the Matric Break Area. "How blessed we are that that 20 years after leaving school, a group of matriculants gifted the current

Grade 12s with a revamped area. More important than the donations received for this project, were the fresh ideas and perspectives that helped create a new heart for our School". Key members of this initiative included the driving force behind it all, Richard Hayes and Mbuso Mkhize. Joining them as representatives of donors to this area

were Riaz Paruk, Gareth Hayes, Jonathan Bailey and

Chris Sweidan.

Thank you to all the 2001 old boys who made this happen – we are so aware that one of our differences to other schools is the incredible loyalty and passion of our old boys.

APPOINTMENTS AT WBHS



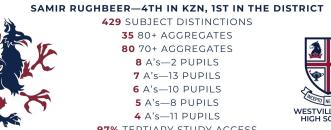






MATRIC RESULTS @ WBHS FOR 2021

## WELL DONE MATRIC CLASS OF 2021



97% TERTIARY STUDY ACCESS

THE GRIFFIN ACADEMY

As a School WBHS is continually looking for ways to grow and extend what we have on offer to the WBHS Community. The





#### Administered through Westville Old Boys' Association, The Griffin Academy will offer personalised coaching, training, tuition, and courses to WBHS learners, potential WBHS learners, other secondary school-goers, and Westville community members.

15-18 April

29/30 April

23-Apr

7-May

14-May

21-May

28-May

4-Jun

11-Jun

The purpose of the Griffin Academy will be to help young people to become the best that they can in their chosen activity through the provision of top-quality PAID FOR coaching, training, tuition, and courses using existing WBHS and community facilities.

**RUGBY FIXTURES 2022** 12-Mar Kearsney College **Away** 19-Mar Clifton Home 9-Apr Northwood Home 14-Apr DHS Midweek Home

Away

Away

**Away** 

Home

Away

Away

Kearsney Festival

Jeppe

St Charles

Glenwood

Northwood

Hilton College





# **REUNIONS 2022 THURSDAY 2 JUNE**

## SAVE THE DATE

**GOLF DAY 2022** 

**FRIDAY 13TH MAY** Venue: Durban Country Club Tee Times: From 11am Cost R2400 per 4ball Includes: Dinner and Prizegivng



#### **SATURDAY 4 JUNE** Tour of the School, Foundation Lunch and Sport vs Michaelhouse

Memorial Service **FRIDAY 3 JUNE** Old boys assembly and dinner



Westville Boys' High School Trust **Westville Boys' High School Foundation** Westville Boys' High School Westville Old Boys' Association

**THE GRIFFIN LEGACY** represents the four different organs participating in fundraising efforts for WBHS:

Please contact Pam Hayward phayward@wbhs.co.za for more details on how you can be involved.

MAINTAINING WBHS'S COMPETITIVE POSITION: SUSTAINABILITY: This category looks to build a This entails technological developments, recruitment sustainable business model to meet the demands of of exceptional teaching talents, skills development, the future. Specific projects and focus areas include and facilities that would give students and teachers







an advantage. Examples include facilities upgrades and developments, training and skills development for contemporary teaching methods, and the introduction of new subjects. **SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES:** This fund allows us to give worthy students the opportunities they deserve, supporting the building of diversity and







future leaders.



future.



WHERE POTENTIAL MEETS PURPOSE