



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 8 August 2024

"Here's to strong women: may we know them, may we be them, may we raise them."

### Message from the Headmaster

Tomorrow we celebrate the incredible strength, resilience, and grace of women around the world. Each one of you holds a unique and powerful spirit within you, and just like a cup, what you hold inside is what shapes your response to life's challenges.

Imagine you're holding a cup of coffee, and someone accidentally bumps into you, causing it to spill everywhere. Why did you spill the coffee? "Because someone bumped into me," you might say. But that's not entirely accurate. You spilled the coffee because there was coffee in your cup. If there had been tea in the cup, you would have spilled tea. The point is, whatever is inside the cup is what will spill out.

This simple analogy holds a profound truth about life. When life shakes you up—and it will, inevitably—whatever is inside you will come out. It's easy to maintain a facade of composure when everything is going smoothly, but when challenges arise, our true selves are revealed.

As women, you face many bumps and shakes in life. You juggle multiple roles, break barriers, and overcome countless obstacles. What spills out of your cup in these moments is a testament to your inner strength and character. Is it joy, gratitude, peace, and humility? Or is it anger, bitterness, a victim mentality, or a tendency to quit?

Reflect on this for a moment. Life hands each of us a cup, and we have the power to decide what to fill it with. Your reactions to life's bumps and shakes are determined by what you've cultivated inside yourself. You can choose to fill your cups with positivity, resilience, and a mindset that focuses on growth and gratitude, even in the face of adversity.

On this Women's Day, let's celebrate the incredible women who fill their cups with love, strength, and courage. You are the ones who inspire us all with your grace under pressure, your kindness in the face of

challenges, and your unwavering determination to make the world a better place.

Next time you find yourself in a difficult situation, pay attention to what spills out of your cup. It's a revealing indicator of what's inside you. And remember, while you can't always control what happens to you, you can always choose what you hold within you.

Life gives you the cup; you choose what to fill it with. Choose wisely, and continue to shine with the amazing qualities that make you who you are.

Happy Women's Day to all the phenomenal women out there!

Mr. Kevin Watson

## Matric Farewell

### Matric Farewell Dance and Viewing of the School Hall - 9 August 2024

On Friday 9 August the Matric Farewell Dance will be held in the Templeton Hall. The dance starts at 19h00 and ends at 23h00. Please be advised that vehicles must enter the property via the Grant House gate and exit via the School gate from 18h15 on Friday evening. The hall will be open to parents and friends for viewing from 14h00 to 15h00 on Friday afternoon. Please note that parents will not be allowed in the hall on Friday night, but are most welcome to watch the boys from outside as they enter the school in their finery.

## Academics



**MATHS TRIANGULAR  
COMPETITION**

**Date: Wednesday 21 August 2024**  
**Time: 17h00-19h00**  
**Venue: GC Templeton Hall**  
**Entrance: free**  
**Participating schools: GC, VGHS, PJ Olivier**  
**Teams consists of 3 learners per team,**  
**organised in Grades 8-11**  
**PRIZES AVAILABLE!**  
**Tuckshop will be open.**

## Grade 8 and 9 Assessment Programme Term 3

Please find a list of the standardised tests to be written this term below. These test results will comprise part of their SBA result, as will any other assignments that will be administered this term.

DATE	GRADE 8 TEST	DATE	GRADE 9 TEST
16 July 2024 (Day 7)	English Short Story Test	19 July 2024 (Day 9)	English Short Story Test
23 July 2024 (Day 2)	Afrikaans/isiXhosa Creative Writing	23 July 2024 (Day 2)	Afrikaans/isiXhosa Creative Writing
30 July 2024 (Day 7)	EMS Case Study	2 August 2024 (Day 9)	EMS Case Study
6 August 2024 (Day 2)	History Test	6 August 2024 (Day 2)	Geography Test
13 August 2024 (Day 7)	Geography Test	16 August 2024 (Day 9)	History Test
20 August 2024 (Day 2)	NSTest	20 August 2024 (Day 2)	English Literature Test
27 August 2024 (Day 7)	English Literature Test	30 August 2024 (Day 9)	NS Test
3 September 2024 (Day 2)	Afrikaans/isiXhosa Literature Test	3 September 2024 (Day 2)	Afrikaans/isiXhosa Literature Test
10 September 2024 (Day 7)	Mathematics Test	12 September 2024 (Day 9)	Mathematics Test

## Focused Study Sessions Schedule for Term 3

The focused study sessions programme kicks off again this coming week. Please see below for the times of the available sessions.

Subject	Grade	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Maths	8			2:00 - 2:45	2:00 - 2:45
	9			2:45 - 3:30	2:45 - 3:30
	10			1:30 - 2:15	1:30 - 2:15
	11	2:45 - 3:30	2:30 - 3:15		
	12	2:00 - 2:45	1:30 - 2:15		
isiXhosa	8	2:30 - 3:30		2:00 - 3:00	
	9	2:30 - 3:30		2:00 - 3:00	
	10	2:30 - 3:30		2:00 - 3:00	
	11	2:30 - 3:30		2:00 - 3:00	
	12	2:30 - 3:30		2:00 - 3:00	
Afrikaans	8		2:00 - 2:45		
	9		2:00 - 2:45		
	10		2:00 - 2:45		
	11		2:00 - 2:45		
	12		2:00 - 2:45		
Physical Science	10	2:30 - 3:15			2:00 - 2:45
	11	2:30 - 3:15			2:00 - 2:45
	12	2:00 - 3:15			1:30 - 2:45
Life Science	10		1:30 - 2:15	1:30 - 2:15	
	11		2:15 - 3:00	2:15 - 3:00	
	12		1:30 - 2:15	1:30 - 2:15	

Content to be covered in the coming week during focussed study sessions:

Subject	Grade	Week 6 (12/8)
Physical Science	10	Vectors and scalars
	11	Ideal gases
	12	Electrochemistry
Life Science	10	History of Life
	11	Population Ecology
	12	Revision



**JUNIOR SCHOOL GARDENING DAY!**

FROM GRADE 00- GRADE 7, EACH CLASS WILL CHOOSE A PART OF THE SCHOOL TO MAKE BEAUTIFUL! WE WOULD LOVE OUR PARENTS TO COME PLANT WITH US AND TO DONATE INDIGENOUS PLANTS AND SEEDS. LET'S GET OUTDOORS THIS SPRING AND ENJOY SOME GARDENING WITH YOUR SON AT OUR COLLEGE!

DATE: THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER  
TIME: 11:30-14:00



## Plant Donations

The GC Junior Gardening Club is looking please for donations of Agapanthus & Coral Aloes - they will be planted in specific places on campus. We would appreciate if anyone has any extras and they can be placed on the grass next to the staff parking lot. Thank you!

For further info contact Mr Swift on 082 496 6193

**Let us brighten up our campus! The GC Junior Gardening Club is looking please for donations of Agapanthus & Coral Aloes - they will be planted in specific places on campus. We would appreciate if anyone has any extras and they can be placed on the grass next to the staff parking lot. Thank you!**

**Below: The Gardening Club in action this week, giving one of GC's flower beds some TLC (before and after pic).**



# Junior School – Best Speakers

On the 8th of August 2024 the Junior English Best speakers was held in the hall. The top 4/5 best speakers from grade 4-7 competed against each other to be crowned the best speaker in their respective grades.

The winners:

Grade 4- Bilaal Motara

Grade 5- Tafara Afonso

Grade 6- Joel Chitske

Grade 7- Jed Van der Merwe

Joel Chitske was also crowned the Speaker of the day and will receive a prize at prize giving for his efforts.

The 4 grade winners will now go up against Victoria Primary later this month.



It's hard to pinpoint GC's biggest fan but it could very well be Mrs Bokbaard!! Everyone knows that Mrs Bokbaard attends almost every event and every game- just to cheer on her "GC sons" (all the boys are her sons!). We decided to ask Mrs Bokbaard why she is so very passionate about Graeme. How special is this... "The roar of the crowd, the crunch of the tackle, the exhilarating thrill of a try – these are the sounds and sights that accompany my sons' rugby matches. While the game itself is a spectacle, it's the personal connection to the players on the field that truly fills my heart with joy. Watching my sons' compete is a profound experience. The reason why I say sons is because I feel dearly for all the boys and have a maternal love for all of them. It's a privilege to witness their growth, both physically and mentally. Each match is a testament to their dedication, discipline, and teamwork. Seeing them overcome challenges, learn from setbacks, and celebrate victories is incredibly inspiring. Their resilience and determination are qualities that I admire deeply, and it's heartwarming to see these traits develop in such a positive environment. Beyond the personal pride, attending their games has become a cherished tradition. Sharing these moments with my friends and family members creates a sense of unity and belonging. The shared excitement, the anticipation, and the collective joy of their successes strengthen our bonds. It's a time to connect on a deeper level, to laugh, cheer, and create lasting memories together. These are all of the aspects that make me such a passionate supporter of the Graeme College rugby games."




## Community Engagement

Community Engagement at Graeme is at the heart of our school. We take the role to help others seriously. How can you do your bit to help? Please see our projects for term 3.

Term 3:  
Graeme College Community Engagement  
**SCHOOL SHOE  
DRIVE**

Please consider donating your old school shoes for our next community engagement drive.

**ANY SIZE** **IN A GOOD CONDITION**



Please contact Ms White for further information.



**Graeme Community  
Engagement Request**



**Please help us in collecting 2lt  
ice cream containers for the  
Lebone Centre.**

The containers will be decorated and used as stationery containers.  
Please kindly send onto Ms White.

# Community Engagement

## CANSA Relay for Life Event.

The Community Outreach Portfolio boys participated in the first ever CANSA Relay for Life event in Makhanda this last weekend,

The event is to celebrate those who fight, those who survived, and to remember those who succumbed to cancer.

Graeme College was the only school to participate in the relay! The boys conducted themselves in a dignified and respectful manner.

It was very special to see other Graeme boys working at the relay as DJs or selling food and drinks.

Ms White had the absolute honour of being asked to MC the Survivor's function and has since been asked to join the organising committee as the Survivor Chair for future events.

We thank CANSA PE for doing such needed work in our communities.

Sister Heather Ferreira from Rhodes University San organised a brilliantly put together event that will certainly grow in years to come.





**MARIMBA BAND REHEARSALS**

Monday: 14h00 - 14h45 Grade 6 and Grade 7 Group  
Wednesday: 13h30 - 14h15 Grade 4 and Grade 5 Group

**STEELBAND REHEARSALS**

Monday: 14h00 - 14h30 Beginner Steelband  
14h30 - 15h00 Intermediate Steelband  
Tuesday: 13h30 - 14h15 Senior A Steelband  
14h15 - 15h00 Senior B Steelband  
Friday: 14h00 - 15h00 Senior A Steelband

**CHOIR REHEARSALS**

Tuesday: 13h30 - 14h15 Junior Choir  
Wednesday: 13h30 - 14h30 Senior Choir  
Thursday: 13h30 - 14h30 Senior Choir

**Below: All art work must be submitted on Monday 12 August to Ms Janse van Rensburg. Please remember to write your name and surname clearly on the back of your art work.**

**Join us on an Animal Kingdom adventure!**

**ANIMAL KINGDOM**

**GR 1 - 12 LEARNERS ART COMPETITION**

**DRAW, PAINT OR SCULPT YOUR FAVORITE ANIMAL, WHETHER IT IS A PET, WILD ANIMAL, OR AN IMAGINARY CREATURE.**

**ART EXHIBITION WILL RUN FROM THE 19TH - 23RD AUGUST IN THE SCHOOL HALL.**

**AWARDS:**  
AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN TO DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS.  
DOUBLE GOLD, GOLD, SILVER & BRONZE

**IMPORTANT DETAILS:**  
ENTRY FORM: Fetch from Mrs Neising at the music room  
ENTRY FORM DEADLINE: 29th July in the box outside the office  
If you need paper you can fetch from the art room on the 26th July 2024.  
**ARTWORK DEADLINE: 12 August, 2024**  
Hand in artwork to Miss Janse van Rensburg

# THE GC ARTS & CULTURE EISTEDDFOD '24

THE ARTS & CULTURE DEPARTMENT IS EXCITED TO INVITE OUR LEARNERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2024 GRAEME COLLEGE EISTEDDFOD! ENTRY FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION AT THE ART CLASS AND THE MUSIC DEPARTMENTS.

CATEGORIES INCLUDE : MUSIC, ART PREPARED SPEECH, PREPARED READING, POETRY, DANCE & DRAMA. OPEN TO GR 1-12.

Closing date for entries:	29 July
Preliminary Rounds (performing arts):	12-16 August (times tbc)
Art submission deadline:	12 August
Gala Concert:	Date tbc
Venue:	Graeme College School Hall
Eisteddfod Entry Fee:	R 5.00 per category



## 2024 GRAEME COLLEGE EISTEDDFOD (above)

### Performing Arts:

The adjudication round for the performing arts entries will take place on Wednesday 14 August at 13:30 in the Music Centre. Parents are welcome to watch. Each performer will get a letter on Monday with their performance details.

- Categories: Music
- Art (paper available from Ms Janse van Rensburg if required)
- Prepared Speech
- Prepared Reading Poetry
- Dance
- Drama

By entering for the Eisteddfod, boys will also be supporting their houses.

### House points are awarded as follows:

- Entry per category = 20
- Blue certificate = 50
- Bronze certificate = 100
- Silver certificate = 200
- Gold certificate = 400
- Double Gold certificate = 800
- Invitation to perform/exhibit at the Gala Concert = 200





The Graeme College steelband performed at the 2nd Steelpannival concert, hosted by Nelson Mandela University in Gqeberha on Wednesday 7 August. The concert showcased steelbands from across the Eastern Cape and provided the opportunity for those involved to witness, experience and share music together.



Luka Greyling has been working hard in his music lessons and is making wonderful progress. However, there was one thing that he struggled to engage with: performance. It is said that playing music is a lot like kindness: it only becomes real once you share it with others. Nevertheless, playing music with other musicians or for an audience can be daunting and downright scary. For Luka it was a 'no go zone' - until this week. To our delight, he simply announced that he is now ready to share his music. Of course we arranged an opportunity and he did brilliantly! What stood out most to us was how he beamed with pride at the end of his performance - knowing that he'd just crushed an obstacle. We thought that Grit would feel right at home with Luka after he showed so much grit and courage in his music journey this week.

## Debating

A number of Graemians participated in the provincial debating tournament this past weekend. The group consisted of Noah Tebensky, Jesse McConnachie, Roman Prevec, Lesedi Mothibe, Joy Mukenge, Liam Bodill, Jayden Brits, Ali Rizvi, Morgan Prevec, Jedd Youthed, Mike Pretorius and Rory Robertson.

Noah and Jesse's team ranked 6th overall in the tournament, and Noah ranked in the Top 10 speakers of the senior division. Noah was also selected for the Eastern Cape debating team.

In the junior division, Rory was selected to join the Eastern Cape team, and Morgan was selected as a non-traveling reserve. Well done boys!

The boys also filled multiple leadership roles: Noah was captain of his team, Roman captained his team, Jedd was the captain for his team and Rory was prep leader in his team.

Special note should also be made of Lesedi, Joy, Jayden, Liam, and Ali who participated as a shadow team. Their willingness to help and fill in where need be, is appreciated!



# Chess

Graeme College chess team was visited by Andrew Mayake SOE chess team. The learners really enjoyed their afternoon together. Graeme led with 12 games to 6. We are looking forward to playing them again.



# Junior School

It's that time of the year again...serious marble season!



# Grade 5s

On Monday this week the Grade 5 boys had an amazing trip to Amakhala Game Reserve. The boys thoroughly enjoyed the outing and also saw 3 of the big five on the game drive. A big thank you to Amakhala for making this happen. The boys learnt that everything in nature has a role and we must look after it, especially looking after our rhinos!



# Grade 7s

Well done to the Grade 7 economic management science learners who took part in the annual spell-bee competition which was held at the Amazwi South African Museum of Literature yesterday. Pictured are Liyema Madiza, Lòrièn Yazbek and Matthew Lamont.



# Grade 9s

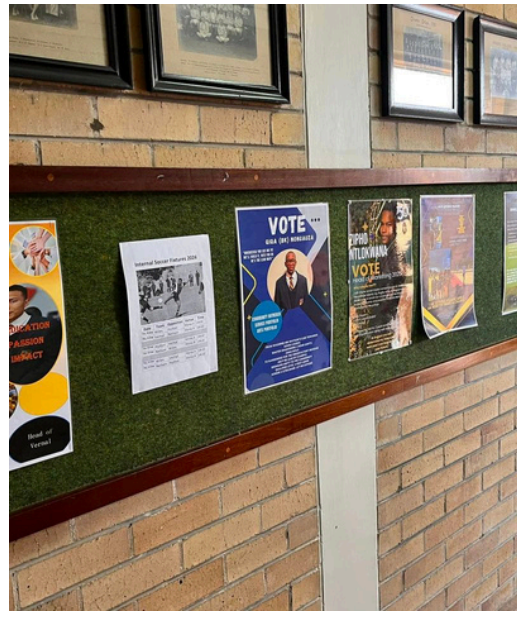
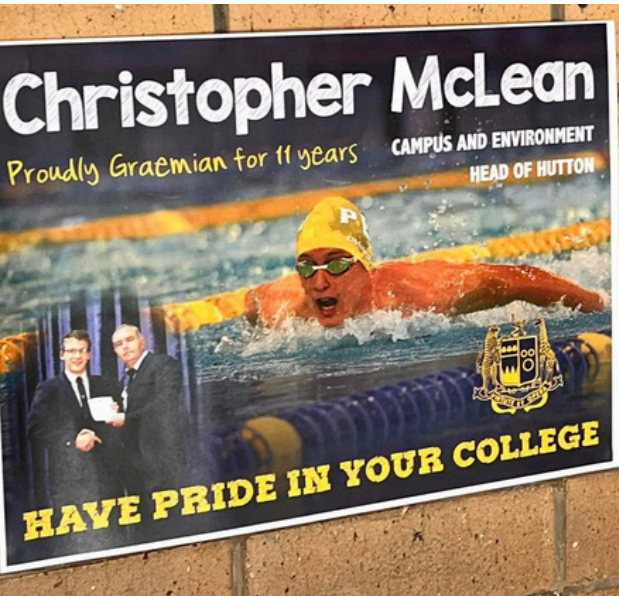
## Grade 9 Natural Science

Term 3 sees the Grade 9s investigating forces, as well as being introduced to Newton's Laws of motion. We investigated how pulling and pushing forces operate.



# Grade 11s

Exciting time of the year... the Grade 11s apply for leadership positions and promote their application to the school. "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more... you are a leader."



# Grade 10s

The grade 10 life science classes had the chance to investigate the internal structure of the mammalian heart in class today. They were able to dissect bovine and warthog hearts to see this vital organ up close and personal. The real specimens looked very different to the neat, clean pictures in the textbook! A huge thank you to the Gush and Van Eysen families for providing the boys with this invaluable learning experience.





# Grade 12s

This term the Grade 12s concentrate on the Topic of Evolution. We have been working on understanding Darwin's Theory of Natural Selection. The Grade 12s did a simulation practical linked to the famous Peppered Moth population in the UK. This moth species has been studied continuously by biologists since the 1850s. It shows evolution in terms of the moths colouration, which is directed by changes in the background colour of the environment. The simulation practical used white paper and newspaper "moths".





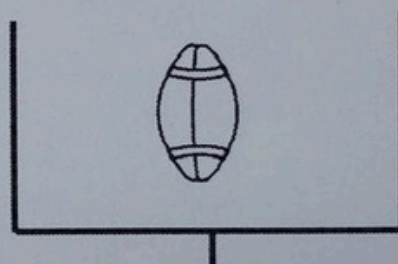
In our Junior Assembly this morning, Mrs de Lacy spoke about boys making the most of all the opportunities they are given at Graeme College. It sounds as if our Graemian of the Week, Azola Jadezweni, has realised this and something has sparked in his heart and mind. Azola is nominated for showing huge improvement this term; in work, behaviour and attitude towards school, peers and teachers. Well done Azola, keep it up, we are very proud of you!

## Grade 7s

Solving brain teasers boosts brain power, keeps your memory strong and entertains everyone to no end! That's exactly what the Grade 7AS boys did in their library class this week and loved every moment of it.



1. The football goal post shows a ball going through the uprights. Move exactly two parts of the goal post so the ball is no longer between the uprights but there is still a goal post.



## School backpacks

# SCHOOL BACKPACKS

Easy to clean  
Waterproof material

Nametags:  
R30 for two

Small GC yellow trimming school bag with embroidery - R385

Large GC school bag with embroidery - R420

Delivery before school starts Jan'25

Easy to carry and stylish with our school logo

Order & payments by the 15 November '24



Please send cash in a sealed envelope for Ms Pretorius' attention (grade 00 teacher) clearly stating your child's name, surname and grade. The name you provide will be the name used on the name tags.

## Campus news

A very big thank you to Johan van Staden for always assisting Graeme College with the putting up and the taking down of our rugby poles. It is truly appreciated.





Left: Don't forget to enter the Belmont's Junior Championship for September. For more information contact Mr Sean Killian on 076 140 4204.

# JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPS 2024

**SUNDAY 15 SEPT | 09:00**

**DIVISIONS & FORMAT**  
**GIRLS & BOYS**

Grade 1 - 4 (9 holes ISP)  
Grade 5 - 7 (18 holes ISP)  
Grade 8 - 12 (Medal, 2 over par rule)

**R100/ PERSON**

to enter contact the club  
**082 924 4797**

**MUST BE A MEMBER OF THE BELMONT WITH AN OFFICIAL HANDICAP**

**Right: Steak & Cake Evening After the Dassie Dash!**  
Join us on August 23rd for a fantastic evening following the Dassie Dash!

The Graeme College first-team cricket will be cooking and selling delicious steak rolls to raise funds for the Cape Schools Cricket Festival

Plus, the Rotary Club of Grahamstown Sunset is celebrating its 25th anniversary and everyone gets a slice of cake!

Don't miss out on the fun as we gear up for the marathon. See you there!



## STEAK AND CAKE EVENING

**Graeme College 1st XI Fundraiser for the Cape Schools Cricket Festival**

**Friday 23 August 2024 from 5.30pm onwards**  
**Graemian Centre**

Bring along the family and enjoy **steak rolls and a piece of cake** to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Rotary Club of Grahamstown Sunset

Set up night for the **GBS Mountain Drive Half Marathon**

### GBS Mutual Bank Mountain Drive Half Marathon

**24 August 2024**

Hosted by the Rotary Club of Grahamstown Sunset and Albany Runners

Half Marathon starts at Graeme College 07h00

10km race starts at 07h30  
4km race starts at 08h00

Also - the Dassie Dash on Friday 23 August 16h00 - a relay for teams of 4 - 2.4km x 4



Join us for  
**The Grade 3  
 Bake Sale**

Cakes      Cookies  
 Lamingtons      Brownies  
 Cupcakes      Popcorn

and so much more!

4 September 2024  
 The Quad  
 10:10-10:40

See you there!

## Family Fun Fair

Our first stall at the Family Fun Fair has been confirmed!

**THE PRESCHOOL TRAIN STATION**  
**AT THE FAMILY FUN FAIR**

4 October 2024      12-6pm

TRAIN RIDES - R15  
 GAMES (HULA HOOP, PIN THE TAIL, FRISBEE TOSS, HOOK A DUCK) - R5  
 TATTOO BOOTH - R5  
 BOEREWORS ROLLS - R20  
 HAMBURGERS - R30  
 SURPRISE SWEET PACKETS - R5-R10



Graeme College

# Family Fun Fair '24

4 October 2024

Please save the date for the Graeme College Family Fun Fair this year. The magic ingredient is FUN for the whole family at our annual event. It is an opportunity for families to gather to enjoy time together. Food, drinks, games and activities - an action packed afternoon and evening is on the cards this October.

## Parent thank you

Thank you to Mrs Avis who always helps in making our venues look so stunning! She is also helping us with decor at the Sports Dinner later in the month. **THANK YOU!**



# Soccer

**A well organised inter-house soccer tournament was held on Thursday afternoon. More details to follow.**



# Tennis

**Senior Tennis:**

**School Championships Results:**

**Winners: Murray Tyson & Kits McConnachie**

**Runners-up: Ryan Stobbs & Jesse McConnachie**

**This year the doubles championship was particularly notable for Murray Tyson who won the doubles final for the 4th consecutive year. Well done, Murray!**

**Fixture vs Rhodes University**

**After a long hiatus a fixture against the Rhodents has made its return.**

**Scores: Singles 24-24 (games) GC won 4-3 (in matches). Doubles: 2-2 (matches) GC lost 32-18 (in games)**



# Squash

**Future squash stars in the making!**

**GCJ3 and GCJ4 faced off tonight in league squash with all 5 matches being played in great spirit and camaraderie between the boys. Well done!**



# Rugby

**The mighty u9A team is the team of the week for their great run of form and ending the 3rd term unbeaten. Their willingness to work hard on and off the field, while still having as much fun as possible, speaks volumes. Well done to the u9A team for a great season.**





# Hockey

## Junior Hockey results versus Port Alfred:

U13A 2-2 U11PA

U11A 1-3 u11A PA

U11B 2-2 u11B PA

## Senior hockey versus Muir

GC u15A vs Muir U16A won 3-0

GC 1sts vs Muir 1sts won 4-0 (pictured below)



# Rugby results

We had an incredibly jam packed weekend of rugby against Muir and it is always one of our favourite fixtures in the diary. Here are the results from last weekend.

### SATURDAY, 3 AUGUST 2024 MARAIS B FIELD-RESULTS

U/13D	27 - 17	U/13D
U/13C	5 - 0	U/13C
U/11C	0 - 0	U/11C
U/14B	0 - 51	U/14B
U/15B	0 - 34	U/15B

### SATURDAY, 3 AUGUST 2024 MARAIS A FIELD-RESULTS

U/11B	5 - 15	U/11B
U/13B	19 - 3	U/13B
U/11A	19 - 17	U/11A
U/13A	50 - 8	U/13A
U/16B	5 - 19	U/16B

### SATURDAY, 3 AUGUST 2024 SOMERSET FIELD-RESULTS

U/14A	5 - 43	U/14A
U/15A	5 - 33	U/15A
U/16A	15 - 42	U/16A
THIRD XV	22 - 29	THIRD XV
SECOND XV	24 - 20	SECOND XV
FIRST XV	19 - 38	FIRST XV

# Rugby

Scenes from the U15A team in action this last weekend against Muir.



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# Rugby

Heart warming moments as the 2nd team hand over a tribute to Mr van der Meulen! It was incredibly special for him to receive a framed rugby shirt from his team.



# Rugby 7s

## Interhouse Rugby 7s

And the final results are in...based on the total number of tries scored:

1st Wiles (69 tries)

2nd Neilson (49 tries)

3rd Hutton (45 tries)

4th Vernal (40 tries)

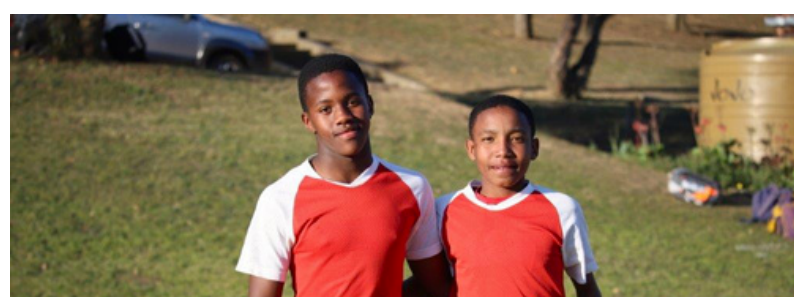
Age-group winners:

U13 Neilson (20 tries)

U14 Wiles (26 tries)

U15 Wiles (15 tries)

Open Wiles (21 tries)



Each week Ms De Jong will add a brainteaser to the newsletter, with solutions the following week. Your child is welcome to complete and send into her, or just complete at home for fun!

## SUDOKU

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Last week's solution:

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We are delighted to announce that Graeme College has purchased a full membership of the VIVE TEEN WELLNESS application, which will enable ALL our learners to have full access to the app. It is something that we have thoroughly investigated, and feel that this is a massive step in the right direction for the wellbeing of our all learners. We are excited that every learner will have safe space to learn more about mental wellness, and reach out for help if needed, in a number of ways.

VIVE TEEN WELLNESS is an Artificial Intelligence enabled digital platform and smartphone application that was built in South Africa. The first version was launched earlier in 2023, with several schools presently using the full suite of functionality. The schools and learners that have been using the platform in recent months have provided us with very valuable feedback that assisted us in planning the next phase of the roll-out.

During 2022 VIVE TEENS has been selected as a winner in the UpLink - World Economic Forum (WEF) Youth Mental Health Challenge where it has competed with over 120 other mental health companies from across the globe.

The platform is expected to launch internationally early in 2024, and as part of that process we are awarding South African schools the opportunity to gain from a locally built application and support the mental wellness of our children.

The Graeme College subscription starts from 1 September 2023, but we would like our learners to download the application in the meantime, and familiarise themselves with it by referring to the various videos and guides.

Here is a link to the video to understand what Vive is all about: <https://fb.watch/mcK3MzNNrn/>

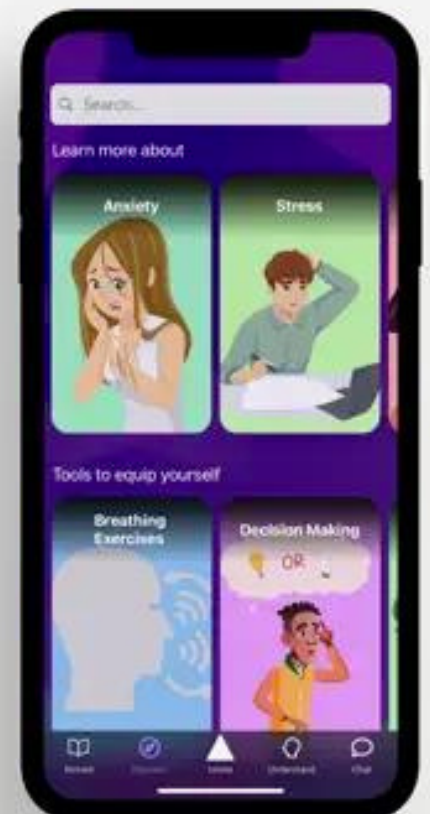


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# Plaques for Indoor Sports Centre

Our commemorative plaques allow you to celebrate and appreciate the memories of your loved ones, honour someone special or distinguish your family.

Our granite plaques are enduring and timeless. They are a fitting tribute on our beautiful new Indoor Sports Centre and a valuable contribution to our school.

**ADD YOUR NAME INTO THE HISTORY OF THE GRAEME COLLEGE CAMPUS FOREVER:**

We are selling plaques to add to the new indoor centre... where you can add your name or family name into the history of the building. The idea is to sell 150 plaques only.

Email your request to [marketing@graemecollege.co.za](mailto:marketing@graemecollege.co.za) - we will send you more information re payment etc.

The plaques will be R5000 each and will be 270mm x 130mm. They are Rustenburg Granite - black/grey.

Lettering is 15mm in height. All funds raised will go into the extra building costs as well as equipping the facility with sports and gym equipment.

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*#GC150Plaques*

Would you like to honour someone special/loved ones or your family through our commemorative plaques? Our plaques at the new Indoor Sports Centre will be the mainstay for putting the finishing touch on a beautiful and historical great buildings at our school, thereby adding your name to the history of Graeme forever. Our commemorative plaques are a dignified and formal means of honouring someone truly special/or your family.



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# Library

## Library times

The library will be open at first break only, every day. If you would like your son to study in the library in the afternoons, you need to write a letter to the school to get permission. Thank you for your cooperation.

## 2nd Hand Clothing Shop

The Second Hand Clothing Shop is now open longer.

Time: 08:00-13:00, Monday to Friday.

Please report to Reception for enquiries or contact Jerri via e-mail ([info@graemecollege.co.za](mailto:info@graemecollege.co.za)).

## Google Calendar

Please click on the link below to be directed to the school Google Calendar. The link helps you subscribe to the school calendar which you can add to your phone, tablet or computer. Just click on the 'plus sign' at the bottom right hand corner of the calendar.

Click here for a link: <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/r?cid=public.calendar@graemecollege.co.za>

## Stay connected

Do you follow Graeme College on the following platforms?

Instagram:

@graemecollege

@graemeboys

Awsum App

<https://www.awsum.co.za/download-the-awsum-app-for-schools>

Facebook:

Graeme College

If you aren't on the GC Community WhatsApp group - you can join by following the QR Code below or communicate with your Class Register Teacher or Mentor Teacher.



One of our youngest GC supporters, Mr Schneiganzs's son, was pictured gaining some tips for his future rugby career. He also took the time in his busy schedule to help clean up GC campus!

