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2ND QUARTER 2009

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF GLENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

FROM THE HEADMASTER'S DESK

The 2nd Quarter of every year is always one of the busiest due to the heavy extramural commitment of a very large number of Glenwood boys. When one considers that Glenwood puts more than 25 rugby teams onto the field on any given Saturday, while also remaining totally committed to hockey, squash, chess, debating, surfing, forum discussions, debating, cross country, tennis, volleyball, football, cycling, canoeing (and many other activities) and also keeping up with a heavy and wide-ranging academic programme, then you realise why our Staff deserve the July break and an opportunity to 'revive their spirits' with a few days of rest with their families! I applaud the Staff who continue to commit themselves fully to the lives of our sons, so that these boys can enjoy the benefits of a unique educational experience. This educational 'experience' to which I refer is very special in today's society and we should try our hardest to maintain what we have here at Glenwood (and at other schools

with a similar ethos to ours).

With the above in mind, all of us can look forward to a massive year in 2010. You cannot go anywhere in Durban without seeing the imposing new stadium dominating the skyline. What an investment in the future and what a vivid reminder of what lies ahead in 2010 for Durban and South Africa. Immediately after the Soccer World Cup, Glenwood High School celebrates its 100 years of providing education to the residents of Durban, and beyond. Exciting stuff!

The School has enjoyed great success this quarter and I really do take immense pride from seeing our boys actively involved in good, healthy 'boyish' things and the more boys we can keep busy, the fewer problems we have in the classroom; that is a fact! We are experts in boys' education and our 'holistic' offering gives our boys a solid grounding on which to build future success and I urge Parents to continue to

support our efforts here at school.

However, I do feel it prudent of me to mention a negative aspect of some South African schools that has been highlighted by the media over the past few weeks and that is the issue of 'bullying'. I have chatted to Staff and boys and have made it quite clear to all concerned that bullying is unacceptable here at Glenwood and we will deal with any incidents in the strongest possible way according to our code of conduct. Quick intervention usually solves the problem.

I wish the entire Glenwood Family a well-earned break and look forward to making more excellent progress in the 3rd Quarter. I also urge boys to use the break to catch-up and consolidate in terms of their chosen field of endeavour and the Matrics must use this break as meaningfully as possible. Good luck to all of the coaches and boys representing our Province and our Country in various tournaments that take place these holidays.

RUGBY

It has been a busy and long term for Glenwood Rugby, and even more so for the 1st XV; St Johns Easter Festival, World Tournament in Japan, Domestic Season and KZN Schools Trials, a very demanding schedule for the boys and all involved. Despite all of this the boys have been successful and accomplished a great deal to be proud of.

We won 2 of our 3 matches at St Johns' losing narrowly to Outeniqua 20-21, finishing third in the Sanix World Youth Tournament (Japan) and then arriving on the Friday to play a game on the Saturday and hold out to a spirited and fired up Kearsney team to win 17-10.

The first team has played the following games, locally and abroad and has six more games to play, excluding Craven Week, Academy Week and Sevens Rugby.



| DATE | TEAM PLAYED | RESULT |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 09-04-2009 | Jeppe | Won 56 - 8 |
| 11-04-2009 | Qutenique | Lost 20 - 21 |
| 13-04-2009 | Helpmekaar | Won 52 - 0 |
| 18-04-2009 | George Campbell | Won 41 - 6 |
| SANIX WORLD TOURNAMENT | | |
| 29-04-2009 | Fakuoka Higashi (Japan) | Won 28 - 15 |
| 30-04-2009 | Tonga High (Tonga) | Won 47 - 9 |
| 01-05-2009 | Tenri High (Nara) | Won 31 - 0 |
| 03-05-2009 | Josho Gauken (Osaka) | Won 29 - 17 |
| 05-05-2009 | DAX High (France) | Lost 10 - 17 |
| 06-05-2009 | De La Sale College (New Zealand) | Won 37 - 10 |
| LOCAL | | |
| 09-05-2009 | Kearsney | Won 17-10 |
| 16-05-2009 | Voortrekker | Won 59 - 0 |
| 22-05-2009 | DHS (FNB Classic Clashes) | Won 31 - 3 |
| 30-05-2009 | Michaelhouse (Old Boys Day) | Won 31 - 20 |
| 07-06-2009 | College | Won 23 - 11 |

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TADA CONFERENCE

Glenwood boys, Gregg Louw, Vishendra Naidoo and Nicholas Glutz accompanied by Mr De Villiers attended the 20th annual TADA conference at the Thekwini College Centre Campus on 08 May 2009.

This conference was aimed at making students aware of the dangers of drug abuse in our world and how students can make a difference.

TADA or rather, Teenagers Against Drug Abuse, was established in 1986 and has now teamed up with SANCA to inform people around the country about drugs and its dangers. TADA has also teamed up with many schools and have set up TADA groups within these schools.

The theme of the conference was AIM HIGHER. Durban Youth Councillor, Lungile Mukhanya (Durban Girls' High) was one of the speakers who made an interesting statement, saying that whatever you throw at life, life will throw back at you. This testimony was backed up by a man who had been using drugs from a very young age. After he had been through SANCA and after he found his spiritual wellbeing in God he became a changed man and wished that he had been told about TADA and SANCA much earlier in his life.

The conference wasn't just serious business, schools attending the conference performed items for the audience that captured in some ways the dangers and the effect of drugs. Although these items were really humorous at times they were also very informative and well put together.

The highlight of the conference was being able to listen to the KZN Youth Orchestra, containing two Glenwood pupils, namely Ahmed Seedat and Jason Strydom, play for the crowds.

Gregg Louw (Gr 11A)

ACCOUNTING OLYMPIAD RESULTS

The Accounting Olympiad is open to all Schools throughout South Africa. This year, Glenwood entered 11 candidates in the competition. We are very pleased to announce that Mahesh Iyavoo and Renolan Padayachee have both succeeded in the First Round of the Competition. This is a very good achievement when one considers that only 605 out of the approximately 11 000 learners who participated, advanced to the second round. The results of this next round will be available in August.

ARTWORK DISPLAY

GRADES 10, 11 & 12

Some of the Term 2 artwork of our Grade 10, 11 and 12 art classes were on display on the mezzanine level of the School's library. After complaining bitterly about how stressed they were at how much work was involved and how they never realised how demanding their subject was, the boys have come up with some interesting work and have shown what talent is yet to be unleashed during the second half of the year.

The Grade 12 learners are working hard towards their final matric exhibition at the end of the third term. This display of art will be assessed as their practical year mark.

Over the last few months the boys have been exposed to various demonstrations, techniques in art, use of variety of art materials and have been encouraged to apply and extend their own input and creativity in their work.

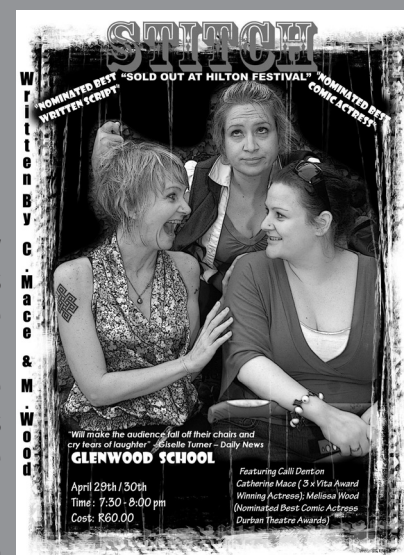
Mrs J. Criticos - Glenwood Librarian



THEATRE AGAINST POVERTY

The second annual Theatre Against Poverty evening took place at the Mike Turrell Pavilion on Wednesday 29 of April 2009. The show this year, "Stitch", was a humorous look at three women hiking in the Drakensburg. Despite a good advertising campaign the show played to a very small but appreciative audience. We hope that the T.A.P charity evenings will grow in popularity each year and will continue to strive to bring quality entertainment to Glenwood.

Mrs C. Mace - Subject Head Drama





CHOIR FESTIVAL

The Glenwood Choir arrived at Pinetown MacDonalds and found their place quickly among the mass of fifteen schools participating in the event. The marquee had been professionally rigged in terms of sound and lighting and looked to be a big success with parents gathering from as early as 5 o'clock for the evening's entertainment. The primary and senior primary schools charmed the audience and opened the playing field for the seniors who, by 9 o'clock had all performed; where after prizes were bestowed upon the judges' choices. First timers, Glenwood, scooped the 'Most Innovative Choir' and the top award of a R5000 bursary for a student of music.

Mr J. Stengel - MIC Choir

VOLLEYBALL



The Glenwood U19 volleyball team got off to a shaky start and this resulted in them losing in the pre-season final to Westville. However, in the league GHS competed against four other high schools, Kingsway, New Forest, Queensburgh and Westville and remained undefeated. The U19 volleyball team won the Westville Boys Inter-School Volleyball League which was held at Westville Boys' High; an excellent achievement.

Mr K. Chinniah - M.I.C Volleyball

SAILING



On Saturday, 23 May 2009, Point Yacht Club hosted the Bar Anniversary Mug, a pursuit race in which the slowest boats start first followed by the faster boats. The intention of the race is have all entrants finish at the same time (if the handicapper gets his calculations correct). The trophy, first presented in 1953, is awarded to the first sailor to cross the finishing line. This year the trophy was convincingly won by Glenwood High School and Point Yacht Club youth sailor Carl Zimmerman sailing his Laser. He trounced a big fleet of seasoned sailors leaving them dead in his wake.

Mr R Pet - MIC Sailing

OLD BOY AWARDED SCHOLARSHIP



Daniel De Kadt has just been awarded a major scholarship for study in England. His academic history thus far follows:

"I graduated in 2007 with a BA Cum Laude in Linguistics & Economics from UKZN, followed by a BA (Hons) Summa Cum Laude in Linguistics in 2008. I achieved an 84.6% average across all undergraduate courses, and an 87% average

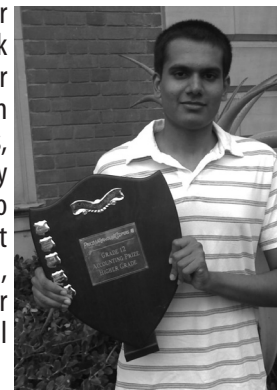
across all honours courses. I am presently working at the University of KwaZulu-Natal as a junior lecturer in Linguistics before continuing my studies.

I was one of two students awarded the Cecil Renaud Overseas Scholarship for 2009; the award is worth 21 000 pounds per annum and, in my case, lasts two years. Using this funding I will be studying for an MSc in Political Science and Political Economy at the London School of Economics. The LSE, an exclusively social science focused university, is rated as the 3rd best university of its kind in the world, behind only Harvard and UCLA-Berkeley. On completion of the masters programme I intend to continue studying for a PhD preferably in the UK but potentially in the USA before returning to South Africa."

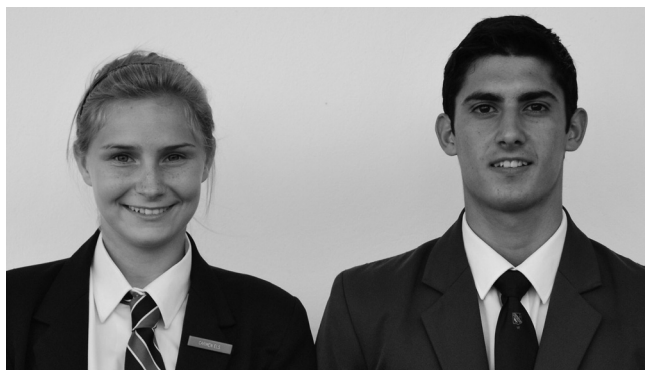


ACCOUNTING AWARD

Six years ago, Price Waterhouse and Coopers donated an award for the pupil who obtains the highest mark in Accounting in the KwaZulu-Natal Final Examination. The pupil who obtains the highest mark is awarded a shield together with a book voucher for their achievement. In 2008 three pupils, namely Radley Hyder, Ndumiso Mncube and Amrit Purshotam, obtained 96% for their Final Examination.



BALLROOM DANCING



Daniel Marques and his dancing partner, Carmen Els (Gr 10, DGHS) were recently rewarded for their hard work on the dance floor. They attained 1st place in both the Ballroom (Waltz and Quickstep) and the Latin (Cha Cha and Jive) sections of the U21 Youth Beginners Category at the Freedom Cup event.





MATRIC DANCE

The anxiously awaited Matric Dance was the highlight of the 1st Term for many of our Grade 12 Young Men. When I look at so many of our current Matrics and think back to their first year in Grade 8 when we had eager little bodies being waiters at the "then" Matric Dance, following through to their commitment on the Grade 11 Dance Committee, it is almost hard to believe that they will be leaving these "Green Walls" soon.

The boys concerned know who they are and I thank you for making my job so much easier. I do believe that life is about building memory banks and I sincerely know that many of the boys involved and their dedicated Mothers have many happy deposits. Once again, without exception, much hard work and preparation went into changing our school hall into a "Fairy Tale" venue. In true style, our Glenwood gentlemen experienced a magnificent venue. A

very special thank you to all involved. Our theme this year was "Chinese", from the invitations to the table settings, the theme was carried out from the walkway, into the foyer and then the School Hall.

Our draping was in bold theme colours, red, black and white with the ceiling draped and covered with thousands of fairy lights. The venue was truly a sight to behold.

In true Glenwood style, the Matrics were charming and very proud of their beautiful partners as they enjoyed every moment of "Their Evening". It is a privilege to be able to hold such a traditional function in our School Hall.

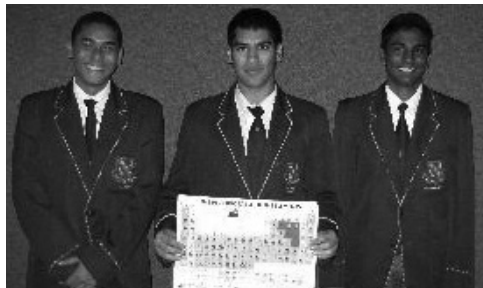
From the Matric Dance Committee of 2009: "We hope that we have made a special deposit in your memory banks".

MINTEK

On Thursday 14th May 2009 Glenwood entered a Grade 12 team, consisting of Rayand Ramlal, Mahesh Iyavoo and Kavish Bisseru, into the annual Regional Mintek Quiz. Our team was placed 3rd in the First Round of the competition, scoring an average of 66%. The five highest scoring teams (out of approximately 60 participating schools from all around KZN) then went through to a second, oral round of the competition. We were placed 4th in this round. Kavish Bisseru was placed 3rd and Rayand Ramlal 4th in the individual section of the competition. Kavish will be representing KZN at

the National Finals to be held on the 23-24 July this year.

Ms M. Potgieter



Rayand Ramlal; Kavish Bisseru; Mahesh Iyavoo

TAE KWON-DO CHAMPIONSHIP

Glenwood boy, Ben van der Merwe was recently part of South African team that participated in the first African Open Tae Kwon-do Championship. Eight countries participated in the event; South Africa, India, England, Madagascar, Ethiopia, Lesotho and Mozambique. Overall, the event was a great success. The next open African championship will also be held in South Africa in 2011. After a very close contest, Ben was awarded a silver medal in sparring.

It was a big weekend for Ben as he was also presented with his first degree certificate and certification (SA-1-225), as being one of only 240 persons who have a first degree black belt in South Africa in the art of Tae Kwon-do.

Mr T. Mitchell - MIC Karate



SURF SKI

Glenwood High School is one of the 3 schools to get involved in the Varsity College Surf ski school as part of an outreach to grow the sport on various different levels. Teacher, Mr N. Evens and the boys went down on Friday afternoons, using lots of energy and having a lot of fun. Mr N. Evans - MIC Canoeing

RUGBY CONT.



We are extremely proud of all the boys and the amount of effort and training they put in to be so successful. Congratulations to all the boys who have been selected to represent KZN.

Craven Week KZN U18

Shane vd Schyff
John Roy Jenkinson
Ruan Grobler
Senzo Mtshali
Ricky Schnetler
Brendon Groenewald
Francois Kleinhans
Fred Zeilinga
Mzwandile Mbuyazi

KZN U18 Academy A

Aalwyn Janse van Vuuren
Ettiene Beneke
Dries Els
Andile Mtshali
Hannes Visagie

KZN U18 Academy B

Meyrick Walker
Tana Gqili
Mondli Ntshingila

KZN U16 Grant Khomo Squad

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| D. Burr-Dixon | B. Bursey |
| F. Horn | B. Mcneill |
| M. Molefe | N. Oelofse |
| B. Potgieter | J. Taylor |
| M. Worrall-Claire | N. Khumalo |
| D. Moolman | L. Ntlangulela |
| J. Shezi | T. Streicher |
| S. Tom | |

Old Boys Shaun Malton (U19) and Kyle Cooper (U21) have been selected to represent South Africa in their respective age groups. Kyle is currently in Japan, playing in the U21 World Cup and Shaun Malton will represent South Africa in Japan at the end of the year.

Big games await the boys in the third term – Monument, Affies, Grey College and Maritzburg College.

Mr S. Erasmus - 1st Team Rugby Coach
Director of Sports Academy

