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Refentse Morake, beter bekend as die sanger Refentse, het 'n unieke karakter verleen aan die 2017-Nedbank Grey Musiekfees. Die tema vir vanjaar, Afrika, het geleid tot 'n fees van klank en kleur. Lees meer op bladsy 5.

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## E-future is here and it looks good

Next year will mark the introduction of e-books at Grey. This is still an experimental phase giving learners the option to still buy physical books; however, the introduction of this sought-after concept in the world of teaching, should it be successful, will show great improvements in many areas of teaching.

The generic articles on e-learning will always mention the lower probability of children developing back pain, the interactive platform for teachers and learners to discuss work and the eco-friendly and cost effective nature of having books that aren't made of paper.

While these are all valid points, the problem in the modern age is accessibility and with more and more things becoming digitised to fit to your phone's screen, it was about time school books reached the one thing any given learner will have at all times. The "my dog ate my homework" excuse may no longer work. As books become digitised, certainly homework should too, and with this generation being able to text and drive, text and walk, text and talk and text and procrastinate, the switching between WhatsApp and Moodle on one device must inherently be easier than having to switch between a pad of paper and a phone.

One thing few of the generic articles fail to mention though, is the risk of even less participation in class. With books on a learner's phone, the chance that the learner has to quickly check a Snapchat story while in the middle of reading Shakespeare's greatest, increases.

- RELE TSOAI

# New leaders are focused on inspiring

## A big brother system could help learners buy into their vision



Zander du Plessis, Rocco Steyn and Trevor de Lora, leaders of the school for 2018.

Photo: Eric Diswane

On 19 October 2017 the new school captains were announced: Rocco Steyn as school captain; Trevor de Lora as head boy of hostels and Zander du Plessis, head boy of city.

The school captain has given us a

motto for 2018, *Inspire the Change*. Broken down into its fundamental elements, to inspire is to fill someone with the urge to do something, something creative, and to change is to become different.

When asked about their plans and visions for the year ahead they said, "We would like to make Grey a unit again, to really show the younger grades the values and principles of being a true Grey Gentleman."

To make their visions a reality they have a few plans which will be implemented. This includes a *Big Brother System* in which every matric is allocated younger boys to mentor.

- TRAVIS JANBROERS

## Stigtersnaweek bly samekoms van manne wat diep spore getrap het



Herinneringe aan die manne wat vooraf gegaan het.

Foto: Eric Diswane

Byna 1000 Oud-Greys het die naweek van die 13de Oktober vir die stigtersnaweek teruggekom uit die uithoek van die wêreld om reünie te kom hou. Daar is al dikwels gevra hoekom Grey manne, vyf jaar tot 60 jaar na skool, aanhou terugkeer na hul Alma Mater. Maar soos 'n voormalige skoolhoof gesê het: "As ons daardie antwoord gehad het, sou dit nie dieselfde gewees het nie."

Die Vrydagoggend tydens die saalperiode het voormalige hoof- en onderhoofseuns met die seuns gepraat, lewenslesse gedeel en stories vertel van hul dae op skool. Die 1987-jaargroep het 'n stel munstukke wat in omloop was in 1987 aan die skool gegee ter herinnering aan hul reeds oorlede klasmaats.

Die Past vs. Present wedstryde het gou daarna afgeskop met muurbal, krieket, tennis, hokkie en selfs die 2012 en 2007 jaargroepe wat teen mekaar rugby gespeel het. Die res, oud en jonk, het na die saalperiode aan die straatmyl deelgeneem en toe 'n tradisionele *Donut en Coke* geniet, terwyl die ander Oud-Greys gekuier en ou vriendskapsbande versterk het.

Die Vrydagoggend het die dinee plaasgevind waar mnr Deon Scheepers sy jaarverslag voorgelê het. Mnr Charl Marais (matrik 1962) was die gasspreker. Daarna het almal beweg na die Eufessaal vir die kuieren-onthaal tot laat. Die Saterdag het die Oud-Greys met mekaar en hul families by die skool gekuier om die naweek af te sluit.

Na 'n naweek van min slaap, stories en baie kuier, het die Oud-Greys dit as 'n "oorweldigende-lekkernaweek" beskryf. Volgens hulle was die naweek weer 'n bewys van hoe 'n groot invloed die skool op hulle lewens gehad het - en nog steeds het.

- WIESNER HECHTER

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## Skoolhou was vir haar meer as net haar aanbied

Na 11 jaar by Grey Kollege het me Corné Grobbelaar besluit om 'n heeltydse mamma te wees en te sien hoe daar twee mooi dogters groot raak.

Me Grobbelaar was onder die kinders bekend vir haar rekenkunde vernuuf en vir haar spesiale lewenslesse. Sy het almal wat by haar klas gehad het by die naam geken en het goeie verhoudings gebou met die seuns.

Sy vertel haar beste herinnering is waarskynlik haar eerste trein inter na Paul Roos.

Haar raad aan nuwe jong onderwysers is om altyd grense te behou, en te onthou dat skoolhou oor baie meer as die vak gaan. Sy voel ook

dat jong personeel na die ouer personeel se raad moet luister.

Juf Corné sê dat sy die seuns die meeste sal mis. Sy was veral mal oor die gesprekke in die klas – veral met die senior klasse. Sy sal graag onthou wil word as 'n onderwyser wat vir meer as goeie punte omgegee het; 'n juffrou wat die seuns geken het vir meer as net hul prestasies of posisies.

Me Grobbelaar was betrokke by die VCSV en sy het vanjaar gehelp met die totstandkoming van die G4C inisiatief. Sy was ook vir baie jare in beheer van die Ball-komitee en personeelaangeleenthede.

- NICO DU PLOOY



Juffrou Corné

Foto: Verskaf

## Die skool se *Annus Mirabilis* in oënskou geneem

Grey se eerste rugbyspan het vanjaar met 'n byna foutlose seisoen afgesluit. Die eerstespan is tans tweede op Rugby365 se Skole Top 20-ranglys.

Ander rugbyprestasies sluit in die S.A.-skole spelers Rikus Pretorius, Christopher Schreuder en Ruan Greyling. Grey rugby is op die oomblik eerste op die ranglys in Suid-Afrika. Christopher Schreuder het beïndruk deur nasionale kleure in beide rugby en krieket te ontvang.

In die tweede kwartaal was die fokus gerig op die geloofsaspekte van die Grey-seuns, met saalbesoeke deur Dr Rodney Seale asook Jo Black. Die aanvang van G4C (Grey for Christ) was 'n reuse bydrae tot die geestelike ontwikkeling van die skool.

*Grey for Africa* was 2017 se musiekfees-tema. Die gaskunstenaars, Corlea Botha, Oddo Bam en Refentse, tesame met die kultuurspan, het verzeker dat die Sand du Plessisteater weer stampvol Grey-gemeenskapslede was om die simfonie van sang en musiek te aanskou.

Montpellier –n gesogde Franse Top-14 rugbyklub – het die pers se oë stewig op hulself gerig toe hulle die Badawi Legacy-Beursprogram by Grey tot stand gebring het. Die program beoog om oor 'n sekere aantal jare, finansiële bystand aan sowat 50 leerders te verskaf. Frans as tweede addisionele taal sal ook vanaf 2018 by die skool aangebied word. Die programma sal ook die aanstelling van 'n Frans-onderwyser vir 5 jaar, finansier.

Nog 'n reuse hoogtepunt was toe 400m wêredrekordhouer, Wayde van Niekerk, vroeër die jaar 'n besoek aan sy alma mater afgelê het. Hy het die gesogde 18-karaat goud erepenning van die skool ontvang. Om 2017 op te som: dit was 'n prestasiegevulde jaar vir Grey, wat aansporing gee.

- NICOLAAS WIPPLINGER

## Die unieke Grey-dame gaan verder die wêreld verken

Me Bets Bezuidenhout gaan aftree aan die einde van Februarie 2018, nadat sy 18 jaar by die skool betrokke was. Juffrou Bets is 'n instelling by die skool.

Sy het in 2000 by Grey begin skoolhou en het in daardie tyd Engels en Duits as vakke aangebied. Sy was ook betrokke by hokkie; sy was vanaf 2015 tot 2017 die spanbestuurder van die 0/16A hokkiespan.

Juffrou Bets was by Jim Fouché op skool en het toe by Kovsies gestudeer. Haar eerste pos was by Edenburg Hoërskool en sy het ook later skool gehou by die destydse JBM Hertzog Hoërskool, Bloemspruit Hoërskool, Sentraal Hoërskool en H.T.S Louis Botha Hoërskool. Sy sê van al die skole is haar gunsteling skool beslis Grey Kollege.

By Grey het sy baie herinneringe gebou maar haar gunsteling herinneringe is toe die skool nog met treine na interskole gereis het. Al gaan Juffrou Bets die skool baie mis, sê sy daar is 'n rede hoekom 'n mens op 65 jaar moet aftree. Wat die toekoms inhou is vir haar nog duister, maar sy weet die Vader sal vir haar sorg.

Sy sê sy sal haarself besig hou met al die dinge waarvoor daar nooit tyd was nie en syoorweeg om Engels ekstra klasse te gee. Juffrou Bets sal haar boodskap aan die

# Grey and SMS High School make magic happen in sync

Gentlemen bring a dash of style to the show



The suave boys on stage with the lovely ladies.

Five Grey boys, namely Eric Diswane; Logan Landman; Neo Humampe, Olwethu Sifumba and Chad Jongbloed were invited to take part in the Saint Michael's school production of High School Musical, directed by Saint Michael's Ms Amanda van Eeden and ably assisted by SMS learners Lalique Titus and Keke Ramakarane.

High School Musical is a teenage production that focuses on the lives of Troy, Chad, Zeke, Ryan, Coach Bolton, Ms Darbus, Sharpay, Kelsi, Taylor, Gabriella and many more. This is a musical drama that displays the main

characters Troy and Gabriella's love for each other; it's basically a modern twist on Shakespeare's classic Romeo and Juliet.

This was brilliantly brought to life by the Saint Michael's girls as well as the Grey boys. The play took place in the Saint Michael's Jubilee Hall and was sold out for most evenings. This production formed bonds of friendship between the Saint Michael's girls and the Grey boys and they had a lot of fun onstage and off. It is safe to say that there was some chemistry among the cast members.

Photo: Supplied

The end of the play wasn't necessarily goodbye as the Grey cast members were invited to be present at the Saint Michael's Chapel. This was a very heart-warming time for the boys, as the girls wrote special goodbye messages which were read out in the Chapel and gifts were given to the boys.

Ms Amanda van Eeden was very complimentary with reference to the boys' behaviour, enthusiasm and talent. She believes that further collaboration of this nature is absolutely on the cards and she looks forward to this.

- CHAD JONGBLOED



Juffrou Bets en juffrou Schatzi.

Foto: Verskaf

Die interessante dame is lief vir lees, gaande oor sport –veral rugby. Die seuns vir wie sy skool gehou het sal getuig oor haar werksetiek – soms baie teen hulle s'n – haar humor, haar omgee en soms net die blote gesels en die invloed van haar lewens-kennis.

Mens kon nooit kanse vat met Juffrou Bets nie want in die tyd wat onderwysers nog toegelaat was om dit te doen, het sy glad nie geskroom om laatkommers met haar lat in die hand by haar deur in te wag nie – en sy het geweet hoe om dit te gebruik.

"Grey was sedert my seun se dood in 1989 en my man se heengaan in 2001 my veilige hawe."

Juf Bets het besluit om by Grey die voetspore van haar om 'n mate van nabheid en troos te voel.

Sy sê die Grey-familie was nog altyd 'n steunpilaar vir haar. Sy het besef dat ons elke dag voluit moet lewe, want sy glo dat "Tomorrow is promised to nobody."

Die leerders was bevoordeel om Juffrou Bets as 'n onderwyser te hê en sal haar baie mis. Haar sin vir humor en omgee vir die seuns sal altyd onthou word.

- VLADIK SEAGREEN

Nous sommes Grey.  
Bienvenue dans notre  
ecole. Parlez-vous  
Français?

For the first time in the history of Grey, French as a subject will be available to College learners from Grade 10. Classes will be taught after hours.

This initiative was driven by Old-Greys who are currently associated with the Montpellier Rugby Club in France. The project is funded by an anonymous donor. Ms L du Toit has been appointed as the first French teacher; she will be paid from the donor funds.

Learners will have the opportunity of travelling to France as exchange students or sportsmen. Final examinations will be prepared by the Independent Examination Board after which learners will be able to read, write and speak this rich language. Learners who are interested in signing up for French as an 8th subject should direct all enquiries to mr Wessels, deputy headmaster.

Application forms should all be accompanied by written consent from parents as class sizes are limited to 20 learners per class. Registrations commence at the beginning of the Grade 10 year.

A sponsorship programme is also in place through the generous funding of the Badawi Legacy Scholarship Programme. This programme is committed to carrying the financial cost of the French teacher's salary for a period of five years, as well as offering 50 aspiring learners a full bursary with no conditions or any other obligations. Montpellier Rugby Club has furthermore agreed to the sharing of coaching techniques and exchange programmes for rugby coaches.

Successful applicants will be assessed according to leadership abilities, academic performance and the sport of rugby.

- JOSHUA LOWE

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Ugly truth could come back to haunt you

Year after year we hear on the news and read in newspapers about the mass exam paper leaks, be it for the matric finals or even something as 'small' as a grade 8 practical paper. Many cry ignorance to the fact of the matter, which is that so many factors are in play that there isn't always one party to blame.

For many pupils in Grey and quite probably many other schools also, the stress of a hectic school schedule, met with equally hectic duties towards a balanced social life are the reasons some turn to leaked papers. But the real question of the day is: Where do they come from? To give a definite answer to this question, one would have to go through hours of surveillance footage to finally get to an answer. So one supposes that isn't the question that should be asked.

But teachers aren't the only ones who are affected as those who write the papers should actually also be taken into account. Pupils who use these papers certainly gain some advantages, but do these outweigh the disadvantages?

So is it really a crime worth committing - even if you don't get caught?

- RELE TSOAI

## NB DATE

**4 DECEMBER 2017:**  
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# Museum se kosbare inhoud verdien nuwe voorkoms

*Die gebou is die bewaarder van geskiedenis*



Vir die nageslag behou in die Museum.

Die Museum wat so stilweg sy plek volstaan langs die Trustkantoor en die koffiewinkel, ontvang baie besoekers.

Hierdie pragstuk reflektereer die skool se trots geskiedenis en die belangrike rol wat dit gespeel het in die vorming van ons land se toekoms. Dit is nie net 'n simbool van die verlede nie maar weerspieël ook die skool se huidige tradisies. Dit is daarom van kardinale belang dat die museum altyd relevant bly. Die kosbare oudhede in hierdie redelike klein spasie is ongelooflik om te besigtig veral as mens stilstaan en besef dat die Grey wat

vandag bestaan die weg gebaan het vir groot name in ons land se geskiedenis – en oorsee- om te skitter.

Daar word beplan om ook 'n afdeling vir kultuur- artefakte te begin om ook daardie belangrike aspek van Grey se geskiedenis uit te beeld en te bewaar.

Bouwerk aan uitbreidings het in September 2016 begin en is aan die begin van 2017 voltooi. Spesiale dank gaan aan die Grey reünie wat die bouwerk befonds het. In 2017 is die installasie van glaskaste wat spesial vir die museum ontwerp is, en die uitverf van die bestaande museum voltooi.

Foto: Eric Diswane

Fase twee, die inligtingspaneel is reeds in wording.

Elke leerder en onderwyser wat nog nie 'n draai in die museum gemaak het nie, is dit aan homself verskuldig om dit te doen. Die moeite wat gedoen word met die uitstalling van ou tjsks, eetgerei, dagboeke, kledingstukke, medaljes en oorlog memorabilia is ongelooflik, as mens net 'n oomblik stilstaan en alles in konteks plaas.

Al die tyd, moeite en navorsing deur die bekware museum personeel verdien respek en waardering.

- DE BRUYN GROENEWALD

Set your mind free and turn to writing at Eunice poetry evening

With so many talented young writers and poets in Bloemfontein, it was about time a platform was created for them to showcase their talents.

On the 1st of September, Eunice hosted its first poetry night. As a first time event of its kind within the school, it was kept a closed event with only the Eunice girls presenting their poems. However, an invitation to a few Grey boys to attend was sent out and two in particular were also invited to perform. Nkolie Hugo on vocals and Rele Tsoai on piano opened the show and did the closing performance.

These two say it was an amazing initiative on Eunice's part, well run and well organised. The organisers say there will be more in the future and as the support grows, soon there will be nights open to all pupils in Bloemfontein to dive into the world of the spoken word.

Some slam poetry etiquette as the hostesses referred to it, was not to clap... but to snap, a concept many were familiar with but few knew had come from nights like these. An educational experience for not only those in the audience, but those on stage as well, the majority agree they would go back to watch another show.

The theme for this particular night was empowerment, with the girls speaking about topics such as rape, oppression and discrimination through the views of young women. While many of the poems demonised the male character, the hope is once the nights are open to other people from other schools, the content can diversify with perhaps some Grey boys defending the character of the male.

With an amazing turnout, an interactive audience, some moving topics, lively hosts and performers and free coffee in a rather cold time, this was certainly a night to remember.

- RELE TSOAI

## The Tuckshop is perhaps not to every taste

The Tuckshop, sacred ground for Grey boys young and old, was finally reopened after what felt like an eternity of renovations.

With some resistance, which was to be expected as it was such an iconic place, the Tuckshop is back to full functionality with its brand new look. A much more modern alternative to the old look, the new Tuckshop is the historical turning point Grey needed, to mark the era of a new generation of Grey Boys.

But with that being said, how long will it take before all see it this way? The majority of Grey Boys are of primary school descent and for this group of Grey Boys, the only Tuckshop they ever knew was the rusty old place. Complete with a table tennis table, a pool table and a foosball table, this was a sanctuary for most of the boys. But with the dawn of the new generation came new generational problems that needed to be addressed, whether or not many would have liked to hear these problems.

For one, with the busier schedule of the modern Grey Boys, keeping up the appearance of having time to play a game of pool or table tennis every now and then has become tougher. It thus makes sense that the new Tuckshop has none of these facilities, mainly because of how they slowly collected dust as time went on.

Secondly, one good thing many Grey Boys must agree to be a benefit in

the new Tuckshop is the increased number of wall sockets. With so much going on in the average Grey Boy's life and so much of this happening on their mobile devices, it only made sense to add the wall sockets.

But was this trade truly worth it? Depends on who is asked. Many boys have the knee-jerk reaction of instinctive complaint, instant dissatisfaction, complaining against anything new because that is not how things used to be.

Learners complained about everything at the Tuckshop; the atmosphere was too sterile, the food was too expensive, queues which were

ordered now took too long to be served...

On the flip-side there are boys who don't really mind the changes as long as they get their daily dose of grease and sugar. It is a very old truth that one cannot satisfy all of the people all of the time; the Tuckshop has changed so the best option would be to simply accept it. As eventually everything new is accepted.

One thing that didn't change, however, is the energy one feels walking into the Tuckshop. Still the hub of Grey, the Tuckshop remains a sanctuary for Grey boys, young and old.

- RELE TSOAI



The new modern take on the Tuckshop.

Photo: Eric Diswane

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# The African theme ensures a colourful experience for a jam-packed theatre

*Nedbank Music Festival once again lives up to expectations*

2017 was a year full of successes in all aspects of the Grey College activities, but once again, it can be said that the Music Festival was one of the highlights of the calendar year.

The 2017 Grey College Music Festival took place from the 27th until the 29th of August and as always did not disappoint with star-studded performances by some of South Africa's greatest talents. The school had the privilege to play host to award-winning artists Refentse, Corlea Botha and Oddo Bam. As in previous years, the school was lucky enough to obtain the services of an artist like Refentse in the same year that he won numerous awards for his music.

The stars were also accompanied by brilliant performances by some of the Grey College cultural groups, including the Grey Choir, Indomitus vocal ensemble, Gumboots, Marimbas, Boereorkes, Grey Band, Drumline and Ensemble. Many weeks of preparation paid off in a spectacular and high-class show, which was sold out for all three performances.

The theme of this year's Music Festival was 'Africa' and with vibrant performances and colourful effects along with a wild African atmosphere, it is safe to say that the theme for this year's Music Festival truly did fit the bill. The school's unique Gumboot group was in their element, producing a vibrant and energetic performance.

The creative use of lighting, together with the use of pyrotechnics, created a magical ambience, adding greatly to a spectacular show. Mr Hatting Davel, organiser of the Music Festival, says, "We appreciate the fact that we can work with the same professional people annually. They understand what we want to do with the show and add value in an unimaginable way."

He referred to support staff such as Mrs Petro Müller (director of the show), Ms Michelle Hetzel (stage



**The mass choir provided a fitting climax to another spectacular show.**

**Photo: Supplied**

manager), Renier Horn (lighting) and Sean Bezuidenhout (sound). The Grey College technical team also made matters a lot easier in managing the stage.

The cultural department at Grey College once again proved that it is able to combine the diversity of traditional African sounds with the flare and talent of the Grey boys. Mr Davel says, "We find every year that the boys enjoy working with a variety of artists from different walks of life, while adding their own unique touch to the event."

Not only was this year's Music

Festival a great success in the performance aspect, but also in the support aspect. The three shows hosted at the Sand du Plessis theatre were packed to the rafters with all three shows sold out.

The highlight of the Music Festival, however, still remains (and will always be) the mouth-watering performance of 'Grey In Union' by the mass choir, followed by the school song and Vive La Grey.

Over the past few years, the Grey College Music Festival has reached incredible heights and it is not difficult to

see why. If the 2017 edition is anything to go by, the Music Festival is set to be the highlight of the calendar year for many years to come.

As is the case every year, every Music Festival aims to surpass the success of the previous year. On a creative level, the production team comes up with something new and fresh every year.

Organisation for the 2018 Music Festival is already well underway. Particulars of the artists and theme will be announced in due time.

- VALERIO CIRELLI



**Connell Cruise reaps the rewards**

The Nedbank Grey College Music Festival is undoubtedly one of the highlights of the annual programme and 2018 will certainly be no different. We will be joined by one of South Africa's young, rising talents.

Johannesburg-born Connell Cruise has been playing piano since the age of four. He was a participant in SA Idol during season six. Unfazed by his early departure from the competition, Cruise continued to capture the attention of executives from *David Gresham Records* with his demo recording. He impressed with his unique style and fresh approach.

His debut hit *Not Just Friends* took South African radio stations by storm and earned him three SAMA nominations ("Best Adult Contemporary Album," "Male Artist of the Year," and "Record of the Year.")

He has since topped the South African charts with 13 hit radio singles. The release of his highly anticipated song *Into the Wild* introduced him to the global music scene and his popularity has skyrocketed since then.

This ambitious singer-songwriter has a simple goal for the future: to take over the music world. Shortly after his move to the USA scene, he had the following to say regarding the challenges of being a musician during his interview with *litnet.co.za*: "I think the only ceiling is the one you create for yourself. Creativity should always be unbounded."

We look forward to welcoming Connell into the wild: our one of a kind wild. He will definitely add value to the flair of the Nedbank Grey College Music Festival.

- BERLOU MYBURGH

## Voortrekkers se Kongres fokus op groei in ledetal

Die Voortrekkers bied elke vier jaar 'n nasionale kongres aan om, onder andere, nuwe leiers te kies en sekere beleidsbesluite te bekratig. Hierdie jaar is die 23ste Kongres aangebied op die skoolgronde van Grey Kollege gedurende die Julie-vakansie.

Mnr Pieter Wessels, adjunkhoof en hoof van Voortrekkers by die skool, het opgetree as die skakelpersoon van die skool.

Hy sê: "Dit was vir ons 'n voorreg om as gasheer op te tree vir so 'n groot geleenthed. Die kongres is aangebied in die Reüniesaal, terwyl die kongresgangers ook gebruik gemaak het van die drie koshuise en Hamiltonsaal."

Vir sommige van die kleiner groepsvergaderings, waar daar in komitees verdeel is om oor sekere sake te besluit, is daar gebruik gemaak van die nuwe wetenskap-laboratoriums, wat kon dien as auditoriums.

Daar is verder gebruik gemaak van die rekenaar-sentrums om te verseker dat 'n elektroniese stemming kon plaasvind.

**Die Voortrekkers TRAP NUWE SPORE**

Die Voortrekkers het landswyd ongeveer 12 000 lede, waarvan 130 deel vorm van die skool se eie kommando, die Pres MT Steyn-kommando. Wat die kongres ook spesial gemaak het by Grey, is die feit dat die eerste hoofleier van die Voortrekkers, dr NJ van der Merwe, self 'n oud-Grey is. Die kongresgangers het boonop besoek

afgelê op Onze Rust, familieplaas van die Steyn-familie.

Mnr Wessels sê: "Die hoofleier van die Voortrekkers, dr Danie Langner, en die hoofbestuur, was baie in hul noppies met die geriewe en die organisasie van die kongres. Dié geleenthed het sonder twyfel gelei tot die uitbou van goeie gesindheid."

Die skool se eie kommando lever intussen steeds puik prestasies, met James Veitch wat die Presidentsverkenner-toekenning verwerf het

graad 8-span 'n kamp op Doornkloof bygewoon, waar hulle aan drie kentekens gewerk het. Deur die loop van die naweek het die hulle ook kennis gemaak met die geskiedenis van Doornkloof en 'n dagmars gehou, waartydens die hele plaas platgeloop is. Daar is besoek afgelê by die ou fort op die plaas, sowel as die bekende Leg hoy-a-ruines, wat alreeds vir meer as 300 jaar op die plaas bewaar word.

Daar is twee belangrike begraafplase op Doornkloof: die Cilliers-familiebegraafplaas, waar Sarel Cilliers en sy tweede vrou begrawe is, sowel as die leierbegraafplaas, waar dr NJ van der Merwe onder ander te ruste gelê is. Enige besoek aan Doornkloof is altyd die moeite wert. Vir diegene wat nie weet nie, Doornkloof is min of meer halfpad tussen Kroonstad en Lindley.

Daar word uitgesien na 'n blink toekoms vir Voortrekkers by die skool.

- DIRKIE LAAS

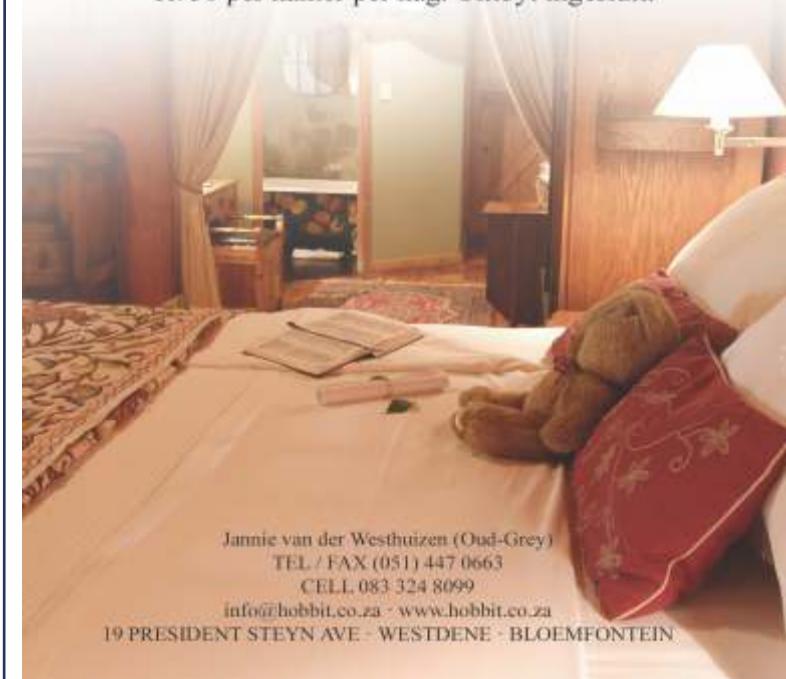
aan die begin van die derde kwartaal. Die toetskamp is weer vanjaar op Doornkloof aangebied. Die toetsing sluit drie afdelings in, naamlik Afrikanderskap, Christenskap en Burgerskap (ook bekend as die ABC).

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## REDAKSIONELE KOMMENTAAR STABILIS



### Inspire the change you want

Waaraan word 'n goeie jaar gemeet en wat is die vereistes om beskou te word as 'n "Grey't" jaar?

Baie mense meet dit aan 'n onoorwonne rugbyseisoen of die krieket en ander sportsoorte se uitslae, die akademiese uitslae van die matrieks of hoe goed die jaarlikse Musiekfees was. Ander mense is van mening dat uitslae nie die enigste en definitief nie die deurslaggewende rol moet speel nie.

Die een ding wat egter by Grey vir 162 jaar konstant gebly het, is die feit dat seuns van verskillende tale, gelowe of kulturele beginnels jaar na jaar vooruit streef in die beste belang van slegs een instansie, naamlik Grey Kollege.

Sodoen wat die samelewings verander het, het Grey nog altyd die vermoë gehad om saam met dit te verander, maar steeds seker te maak dat die waardes en tradisies van die skool behoue bly en dat dit selfs sterker word met verloop van tyd.

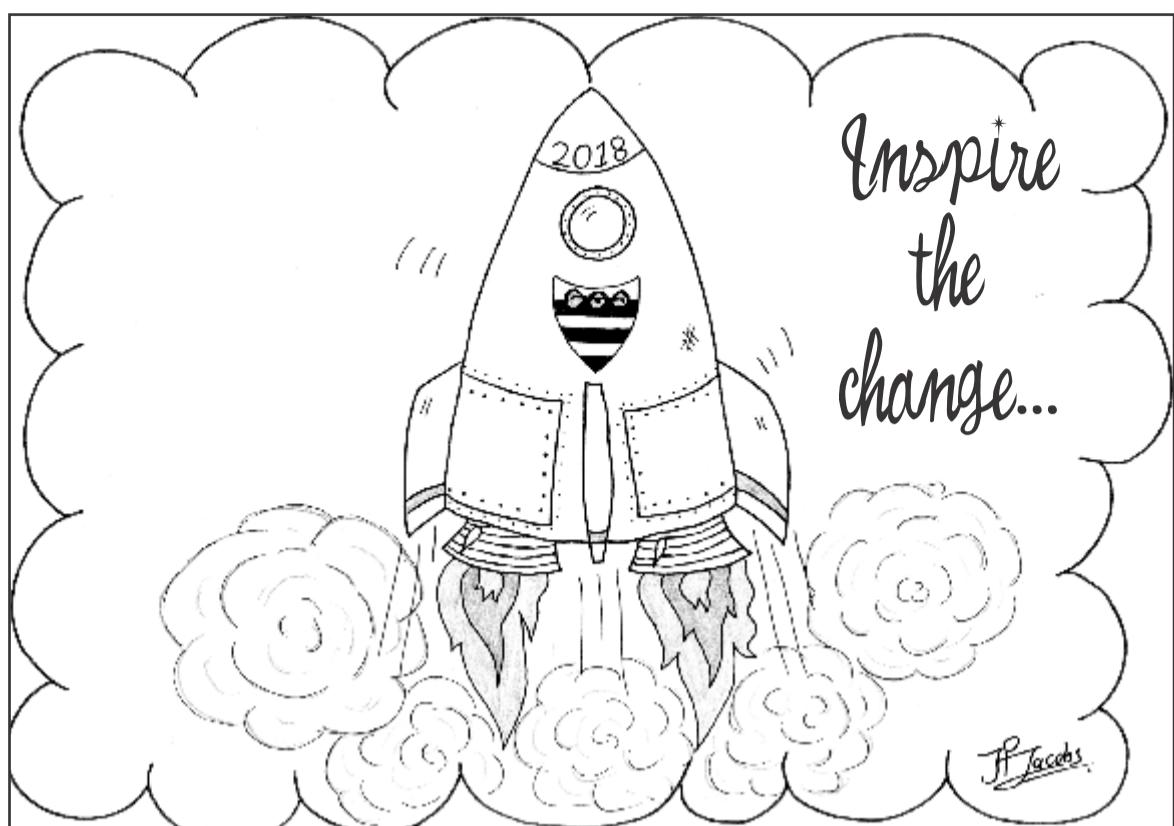
Dit is tog sekerlik die maatstaf waaraan 'n goeie jaar gemeet moet word. Daarom het die klas van 2018 dit goedgedink om hul leuse vir die jaar, "Inspire the Change" te maak.

Verandering vind daagliks om ons plaas; dit is nie noodwendig altyd iets wat almal aanmoedig nie, maar dit is noodsaklik vir ons om hierdie verandering te omhels en die beste daarvan te maak.

'n Bekende aanhaling wat nogal gereeld gebruik word lui soos volg: "Wees die verandering wat jy in die wêreld wil sien." Albert Einstein het ook gesê: "The only thing necessary for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing." Daarom is dit nodig om die verandering te inspireer en self die verandering te wees wat jy in die wêreld wil sien.

Grey is 'n sportskool, kulturskool en 'n akademiese skool van formaat, maar die belangrikste van alles: Grey is 'n leerskool. 'n Leerskool wat ons voorberei vir die lewe daar buiten en die wêreld se geleenthede aan ons bied.

Grey College is 1200 boys in the four corners of the best school in the history of man, this is an institution of 162 years of excellence and many more to come, this is one school, our school, Grey College. You are the master of your fate, you are the captain of your soul; so let's go out and inspire the "Greyt-ness" we want to see in the year of 2018.



### Oud-Grey besef die waarde van interskole

#### Geagte redakteur

Dit is werklik jammer dat die Bloemfontein-skoleliga so agteruit

boer. Ek verstaan dat verskeie Bloemfonteinse skole (sal maar nie name noem nie) nie meer teen Grey wil kompeteer op 'n jaarlikse basis nie.

Dit raak natuurlik veral die laer spanne soos die C-, D- en E-spanne.

Dit beteken dat hierdie spanne nie meer die geleentheid gebied word om elke naweek 'n wedstryd te speel nie. Ek verstaan verder dat die meeste van hierdie spanne so te sê slegs die bestaande interskool-wedstryde speel.

Dit beteken in effek dat sommige spanne nie eens vier of vyf wedstryde per jaar speel nie. Dit het natuurlik 'n nadelige effek op die ontwikkeling van baie puik spelers se vaardighede en blootstelling aan kompetisie.

Dit bring my by my punt: die

waarde van die interskole-naweke raak nou nog meer belangrik as ooit voorheen. Grey is nie in die gelukkige situasie (soos die Pretoria-skole en die skole in die Wes-Kaap) dat puik kompetisie net om die draai wag nie.

Interskole opponente soos Affies en Paul Roos bly steeds die beste toets vir bykans al Grey se sportsoorte, en ek glo hulle voel presies dieselfde. Ons moet nie toelaat dat ons hierdie standaard van interskole verloor nie.

- Grey-ondersteuner "4 life"

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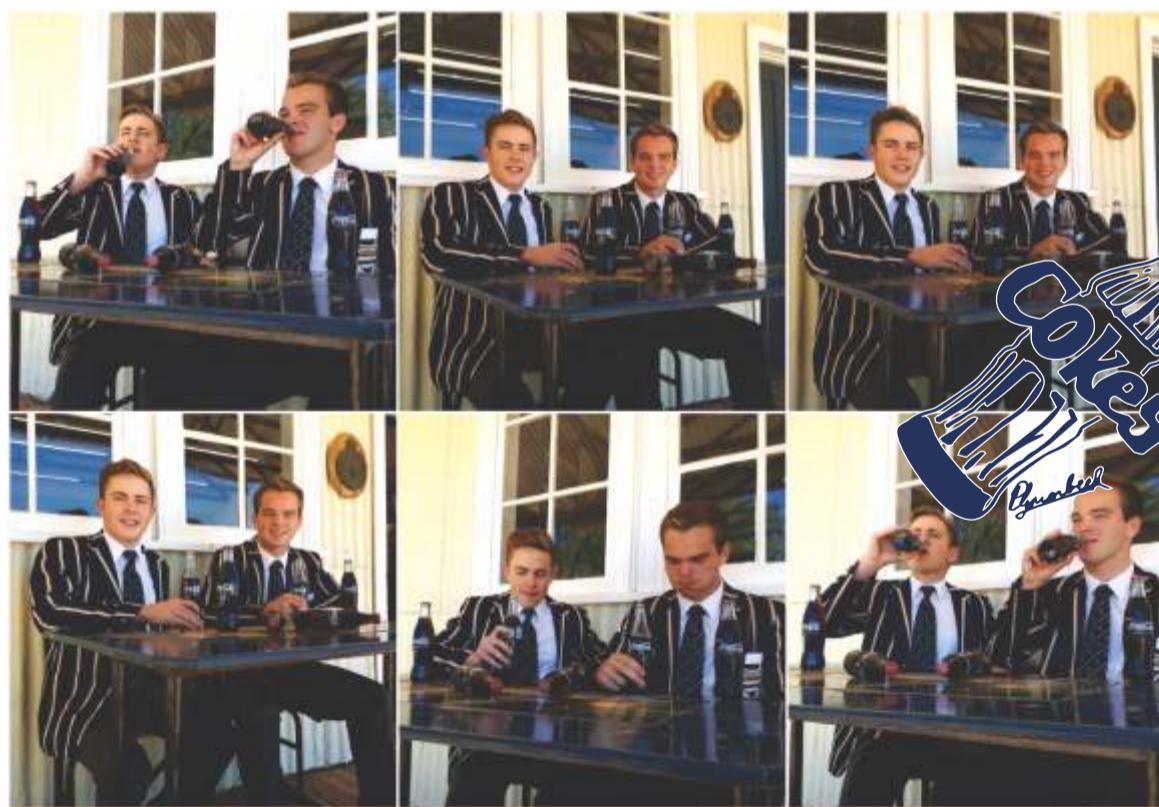
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## Rocco Steyn is Grey se 'Chef de famille'

### Nuwe skoolkaptein streef na 'n hegte familie



Rocco Steyn geniet 6 Cokes op die Tuckshop se stoep saam met Kolbé Kolver.

#### Hoekom het jy besluit om Grey toe te kom?

Ons het vanaf Australië na Bloemfontein toe verhuis en Grey was die voorhandiggende keuse. My pa was in Hoëskool Sentraal en hy het altyd daarvan gedroom om 'n 'Grey-Boy' te wees wat bygedra het tot die besluit, maar die passie en gees van die Grey-seuns het die besluit selfs makliker gemaak.

#### Wat is jou visie en doel vir 2018?

Dit is om te help skep aan 'n Grey Kollege waar elkeen se bydrae, maak nie saak hoe groot of hoe klein, saak maak. Om 'n gees van ware Grey-broederskap tussen elke seun en onderwyser te kweek, wat geen gelyke het in die wêreld het nie.

#### Wat is jou grootse uitdagings en probleemareas vir 2018?

Om elke enkele Grey-seun te kry om 'n liefde en trots vir hulle mede-Grey-leerders asook vir Grey Kollege te

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kweek, te handhaaf en uit te bou. Om almal sover te kry om saam te werk as een skool en as een familie.

Laastens om nie slegs 'n verandering te skep nie, maar om 'n positiewe verandering te bewerkstellig wat sal voortgaan om die skool na die volgende vlak te neem.

#### Beskryf die gevoel om jou naam te hoor as skoolkaptein vir 2018?

Dit was so onwerklik, ek het nie woorde gehad nie. Ek knyp myself nog gereeld

net om seker te maak dat ek nie net besig is om te droom nie. Ek voel so geëerd dat my mede-leerders, die onderwysers en God, my die geleentheid gegee het.

#### Eerstewoord wat in jou kop opkom as jy hoor:

Grey: Familié;

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Krag vir volgende jaar: Om almal te wys wat Grey kan bereik.



### Gunsteling:

Kos? Pasta

Flik? The Blindside

Eetplek? New York

Leier?

Sonny-Bill Williams

Aanhaling? "Pressure is a privilege"

Tydverdryf? Familie, rugby en vriende.

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True leaders do not need a title to lead

There has been considerable controversy regarding the fairness of the prefect election system. Many people feel that the true leaders aren't chosen, but rather the more "popular" pupils. For example, there have been cases where prefects and even school captains' ties have been taken away due to inappropriate behaviour.

In a grade of +/- 250 learners, where there can only be 32 prefects, it is impossible to keep everyone happy. Many great leaders are not elected. However, this should not deter anyone; bear in mind that when you are a born leader, you do not need a title to lead. Being a prefect simply gives you a title but being a leader is a choice.

Pupils tend to forget that not being elected as a prefect does not grant you a pass to behave as you wish. If you weren't elected you should behave in the same manner that you would have if you had been elected as a prefect. Because that is what truly defines a leader.

The Grey community should also keep in mind that there is no such thing as the "perfect leader." Everyone makes mistakes from time to time. Being a prefect or school captain isn't all fun and games as people tend to think. This is quickly realised annually by the school's new leaders. Their work has been cut out for them and they have big shoes to fill. The only thing we can do is help them and support them in tackling their gigantic task.

In the end the only thing that allows a matric group to have a Grey's year, is their capacity to work together. That is why people should not dwell on the occurrences of the past. The Class of 2018 needs each and every Grey boy to buy into the system and to cooperate in order to give the school one of its best years yet.

- ROCCO STEYN

# Oud-Greys herken mekaar wêreldwyd

*Unieke manier om kamerade te groet is amper 100 jaar oud*

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Besonderse handdruk is deel van die Grey-tradisie.

Foto: Eric Diswane

Die Grey-shake is Grey-seuns, Oud-Greys en onderwysers se unieke manier van groet, wat al meer as 'n 100 jaar deel van die Grey tradisie is. Volgens Japie Steyl, skoolkaptein in 1927, word die Grey-shake vanaf 1924 in praktyk gebruik.

Daar is baie beweringe oor waar die Grey-shake vandaan kom maar die mees algemene legende is dat dit die embleem van 'n Franse swaard was wat blybaar in Bloemfontein aangebring is deur 'n soldaat, wat tydens die Eerste Wê�eldoorlog in Frankryk diens gedoen

het. Dit is onbekend oor wie besluit het dat dit by Grey as algemene manier van groet gebruik moet word.

Nuwelinge moet eers verdien om op dié wyse jou mede Grey-leerders met die Grey-shake te groet. Na twee weke se oriëntering, word die graad 8's as Grey-leerders formeel ingewy tydens 'n saalperiode waarna hul vir die eerste keer dasse en baadjies mag dra. By hierdie geleentheid word hul ook vir die eerste keer met die Grey-shake gegroet as formele verwelkoming tot Grey Kollege. Die feit dat jy eers daarvoor

moet werk en moet deel word van die Grey-gemeenskap om op hierdie wyse te groet, maak dit net nog meer spesiaal. Volgens De Wet Marais in Graad 11 is die Grey-shake iets besonders. Hy sê ook dat dit 'n hoendervleis ervaring is om 'n ou oom wat jy nog nooit ontmoet het nie, 'n Grey-shake te gee en dan met so 'n eenvoudige tradisie, klaar soos familie te voel. Volgens 'n groep Graad 8-leerders help die Grey-shake 'n mens ook om deel te word en deel te voel van Grey. Dit was ook vir hulle 'n ongelooflike gevoel toe hulle hul Grey vriende vir die eerste keer aan die begin van die jaar met 'n waardige Grey-shake kon groet.

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- HENKO DELPORT

## E-boeke bring verligting vir moeë rûe

Leerders kan van volgende jaar af die keuse uitoefen tussen digitale handboeke en gedrukte handboeke.

Hedendaagse skoolsakke, gelaai met handboeke, lêers en skryfboeke plaas ongesonde druk op 'n leerder se rug. Met e-boeke sal die gewig van leerders se tasse uiteraard geweldig verminder en sodende, 'n gesonder ruggraat verseker. Jou handboeke sal altyd by jou wees, dus hoof leerders hul nooit te bekommer oor handboeke wat by die huis vergeet is nie.

Mnr Paul Potgieter is egter van mening dat e-boeke nog nie gevorderd genoeg is om op skoolvlak praktiese uitvoerbaar te wees nie. Om spesifieke, lukrake inligting op jou e-boek te vind, is 'n veel groter taak as op 'n normale handboek. Leerders se skermtyd sal ook

vriende vir die eerste keer aan die begin van die jaar met 'n waardige Grey-shake kon groet.

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- HENKO DELPORT

## Die huisie op die sirkel staan sedert 1930



Die SD Maree-gebou was vir baie jare die huis van alleenlopende mansonderwysers.

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Die SD Maree-gebou se hoeksteen is gelê op 27 Augustus 1930. Die gebou was gebruik as die finansiekantoor van die skool. Mnr SD Maree is as kassier, ofte wê爾 die hoof van finansies, aangestel van 1921 tot 1944. Hy het ook op die Skoolkommissie van beide Grey Kollege en Eunice gedien in die tydperk en was koshuisvader van Murray-Huis.

Hy was geag en gerespekteer, 'n praktiese man met 'n goeie sin vir

humor. Hy het goeie besluitnemingsvermoë gehad, wat altyd goeie resultate opgelewer het.

Volgens mev Estie Rossouw, Grey se museumkurator, was hy 'n groot gees in die geskiedenis van die skool, en veral by Murray-Huis, waar hy bekend gestaan het as "Faas" Maree. Daar is 'n groot aantal rekeningkundige rekords, soos kasboeke, in die Grey-museum, wat behoue gebly het vanuit

sy tyd as kassier van die skool.

Volgens mnr Johan Volsteedt is die SD Maree-gebou alreeds in die tachtiger jare as verblyf vir inwonende onderwysers gebruik. Mnr Naresh Mahabeer bly sedert 2005 in die SD Maree-gebou.

Die tuin is vir baie jare in stand gehou deur die matriarg van die bekende Klopfer-familie, tannie Skat.

- BERNDT SCHREUDER

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## Big Brother kameras dra by tot sekuriteit van die skool

Diefstal by skole is 'n algemene probleem, tot so 'n mate dat die meeste skole gebruik maak geslotebaan kamerastelsels en Grey is geen uitsondering nie. Kameras is veral van waarde vir onderwysers in klaskamers, waar nie slegs diefstal maar ook ongeoorloofde gedrag op kamera vasgevang kan word.

Indien die stelsels korrek gebruik word is dit baie nuttig. Die probleem is dat teen die tyd wat 'n onderwyser of 'n leerder van wangedrag in die klas aangekla word, is die opnames wat die aangeklaarde persoon kon verdedig dikwels reeds uitgegee. Die opnames word meestal nie langer as 2 weke nie gestoor nie, afhangend van die stelsel by die spesifieke skool. Volgens mnr Hennie Nel, hoof van sekuriteit by Grey Kollege,

Die vraag wat ook gevra moet word is wie toegang tot die beeldmateriaal het, aangesien dit nie vir vermaaklikheid daar geplaas is nie. Die SAOU onderwysersunie stel dus voor dat elke skool self moet besluit wie die kameras monitor. Mnr Nel sê voorts dat

Leerders van onderwysers moet aan die sekuriteitsdienste by Grey rapporteer wanneer 'n voorval van onderzoek benodig plaasgevind het.

Die beeldmateriaal kan dus opgespoor word voordat dit uitgegee word. SAOU stel verder voor dat almal ingelig moet word van hul reg om insidente te rapporteer, alhoewel daar natuurlik die risiko is dat die leerders vir onnodige gevalle waar items net misplaas is, vir die sekuriteitsbeambte kan vra om te soek vir die 'verlore' item. 'n Mens sou wou hoop dat leerders se gedrag sou verbeter as hulle weet dat die kameras hulle dophou, maar dit is debatteerbaar.

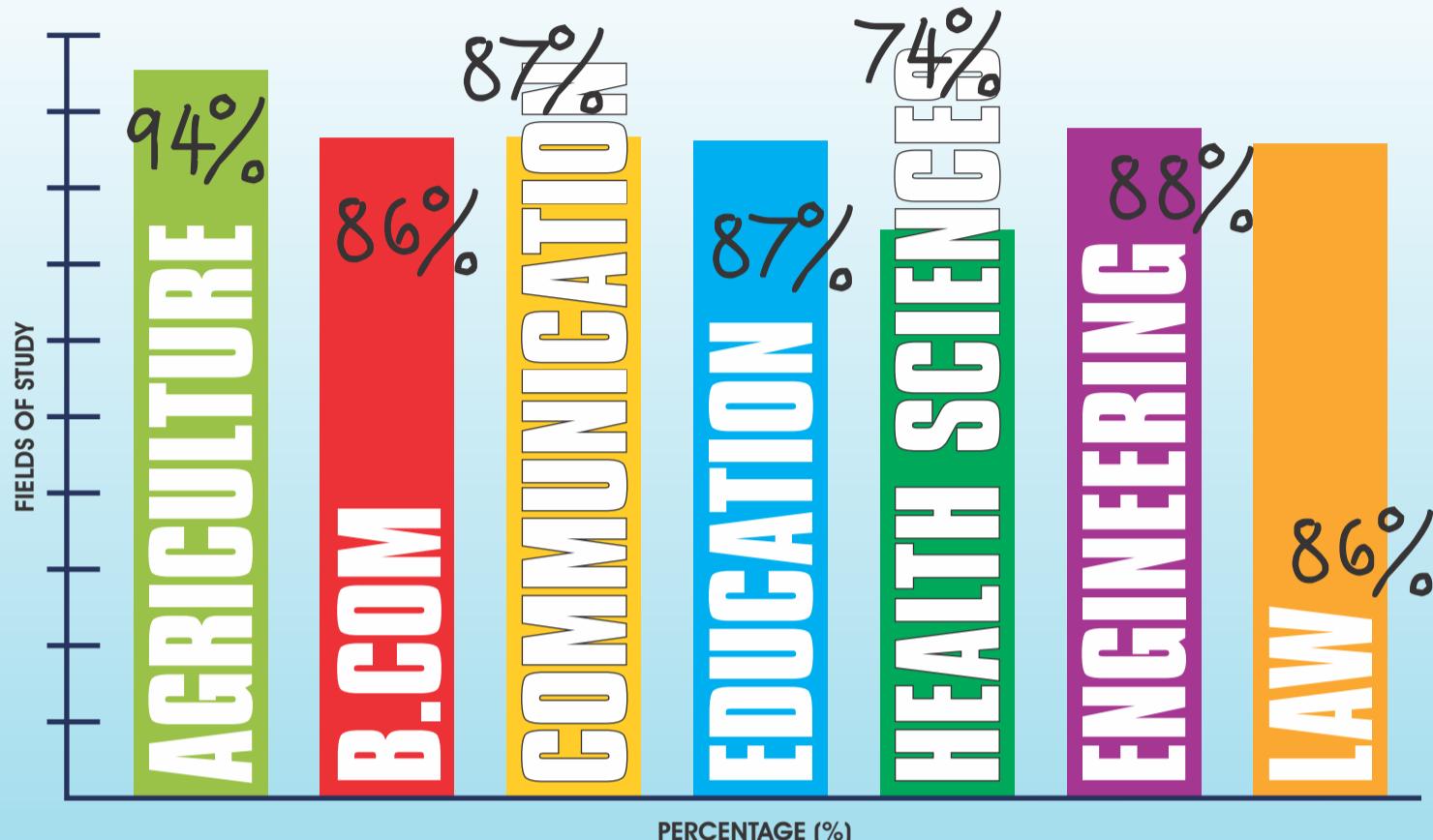
Kameras in klaskamers maak nie inbreuk enigeen se reg tot privaatheid nie aangesien die klaskamer net 'n werkplek is. Om dieselfde rede is daar dus nie kameras in badkamers nie.

- TONI CATA

# Conventional careers are most popular

## In uncertain economic times matrics choose 'safe' careers

### Most popular fields of study in South Africa



Grafika: Dapper de Wet

At last the time has arrived – freedom. Time to leave your school days behind and get on with the future. As easy as this may be for some, for others it is stressful and daunting. Matrics must decide what they want to do after school and many matrics are not yet ready to decide. These decisions have a big impact on anyone's life, which is why learners start planning their future even before they get to matric. Most learners will decide to head over to the university of their choice and study whatever they want to, which will qualify them for whatever job they wish

to pursue. However, this is not the case for everyone.

Many of the Afrikaans learners have stated that they would prefer to start working on their parents' farm and hopefully one day take over, which could bring help in strengthening the country's economy. Many other learners will consider sport; they will want to make a career out of their chosen sport by competing at a professional level to earn an income and hopefully become well-known.

There are many ways to make your mark on the world after

completing your school career. The people that make a huge mark on the world have been engaging in several critical steps for a long time and this has cleared the pathway for their visions. It takes some time to develop your vision for your life and shape how you want it to turn out.

The sad fact is that the future usually arrives too soon and any preparation that a learner makes in order to become successful, may often be too late. Old learners who are seeking success should now that success doesn't just come and find you.

You have to go out and get it.

The trend seems to be for most matrics to choose the safe and popular fields of study, such as Law, Medicine, Education or Engineering. In South Africa's uncertain economic and political climate it is too risky to become an entrepreneur or to choose a career that has very little job guarantee.

"Find a job you love, and you will never work a day in your life", they say. Unfortunately, paying the bills and putting food on the table is much more important.

- JUAN MILNE

## Swier en glans blink onder die sterre

10 Oktober. Grey matriekafskeid. 'n Geleentheid van swier, glans en ontwerpersuitrustings - wat ongeveer R400 000 gekos het. Om so 'n glansgeleentheid te kon aanbied moes die Graad 11 ouerkomitee vir 4 jaar verskeie fondsinsamelingsprojekte aanpak. Elke matrikleerling moes ook nog R350 vir 'n kaartjie betaal. Vir sommige van die luukse huurmotors waarmee die matrieks gearriveer het, het hulle tot R7000 opgedok. Ontwerpersklere deur bekende modeontwerpers en klere van bekende modehuise was aan die orde van die dag wat en prys het gewissel van R4000 tot R25000. Professionele fotografie die perfekte venue vir die foto's vooraf is ook gehu - teen 'n prys.

Elke leerder droog sekerlik oor sy matriekafskeid, maar is dit regverdig om buitensporige onkostes aan te gaan net vir 'n paar uur? Groepsdruk veroorsaak dat matrieks net die duurste en beste van alles vir die geleentheid wil aanskaf en ouers gee toe. In die huidige ekonomiese omstandighede waar almal finansiell sukkel om kop bo water te hou, word geld rondgegooi sonder om twee keer te dink. Buitensporige onkostes is ook deur metgeselle aangegaan, al is dit nie eens hul eie matriekafskeid nie.

Duur klere en motors kan nie

noodwendig 'n genotvolle en onvergetlike matriekafskeid waarborg nie. Dis verstaanbaar dat meer geld spandeer gaan word aan die matriekafskeid as aan 'n bal, maar dit moet steeds binne perke geskied. Hou in gedagte dat groot finansiële onkostes aangegaan sal moet word vir verdere studies; 'n belegging in elke matrikulant se toekoms.

Sommige ouers en leerders is wel van mening dat geld wat spandeer word aan studies 'n belegging vir 'n leeftyd is

en die genot van matriekafskeid, duur maar 'n paar uur. 'n Glansryke matriekafskeid is altyd goed - mits onkostes binne perke gehou word.

'n Paar onderwysers is van mening dat die geld om 'n matriekafskeid aan te bied veel beter aangewend kan word.

Alhoewel, buiten jou troudag, is 'n matriekafskeid die een ander aand in 'n jongmens se lewe waar hy of sy soos 'n prins of 'n prinses kan voel.

- DAPPER DE WET



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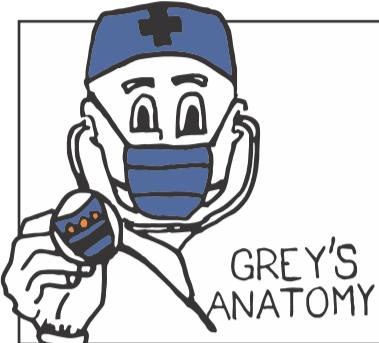
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# A Grey boy does not need rules - he relies on self-discipline not force

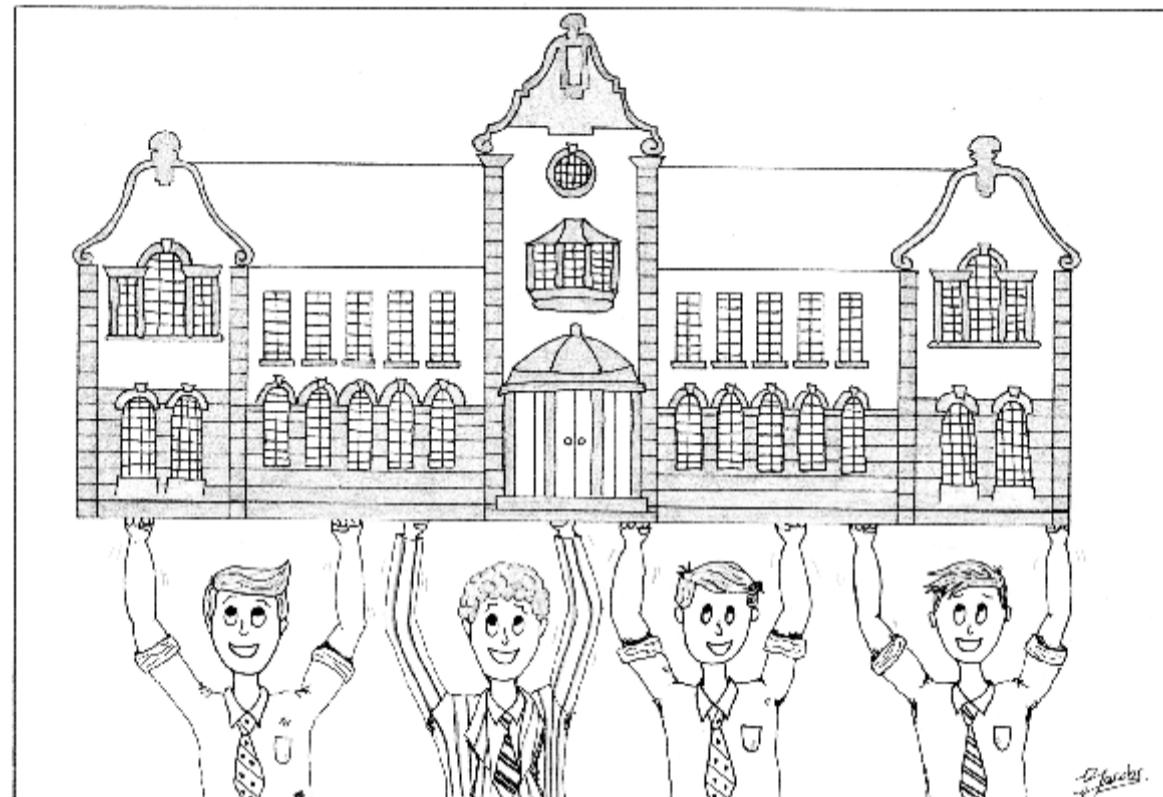
*The 'Grey'tness' of the school is determined by all leaners*



It is that time of year again. The new prefects have been elected and the matrics of 2017 have walked underneath the Old Bell as a symbol of their first reunion as Old Greys. The class of 2017 has left a firm foundation to be built on and the name of Grey College now lies in the hands of the class of 2018. Right?

Wrong. The name of Grey College lies in the hands of every student in 2018. It is our collective duty as a Grey in union to do our best for the school, whatever the occasion may demand of us. After the hall period on valedictory day, many grade 11s may have felt disappointed in not being granted the opportunity to serve the school as a leader. In truth, taking nothing away from those who have become prefects, great leaders do not need ties to demand respect, but instead earn respect by taking action against wrongdoing. Therefore, the class of 2018 should not feel discouraged to lead as one as not only are there able leaders elected as prefects but also great matrics that can lead by example.

Respect among students is invaluable in the Grey family. It is respect that drives us to do our best in any task, not for ourselves but for our



brothers next to us. This respect seems to have grown lacklustre of late and is critical to focus on in 2018. This includes respecting all sport, cultural and academic activities and not just rugby, as is the custom.

The school is more reliant on rules than it needs to be. If every student simply behaves according to the Grey principles then there would be no need for rules. The saying goes: 'A Grey boy does not need rules'. If the prefects can successfully endorse this in 2018 students would not keep their appearance neat because they are forced to, but because they have the self-respect to do so. Discipline in class

would not need to be enforced by stern, shouting teachers but would happen automatically out of respect for fellow classmates and the teachers. It is also all the learners' duty to instil this way of life into the grade 8s of next year.

Loose cannons and troublemakers can be found in every class. This year however the new prefects have already taken measures to identify and straighten out these individuals. The effectiveness of these measures will however be largely dependent on the disciplinary methods that the prefects will be allowed to use. Rocco Steyn, Zander du Plessis, Trevor de Lora, school captains of 2018, vowed

that the prefects will do whatever is necessary to sort out troublemakers. If prefects are allowed to put their authority into practice, within bounds, they can form a crucial bridge between the teachers and learners.

The school captains and matric class of 2018 are without a doubt the perfect example of the ideal Grey gentlemen.

For 2018 to reach its full potential all learners and staff members need to buy into the matrics' vision for the year, which is to inspire the change, and thereby do their part in realizing the dream of inter-GREY-tion for Grey College.

## The force awakens Star Wars fanatics

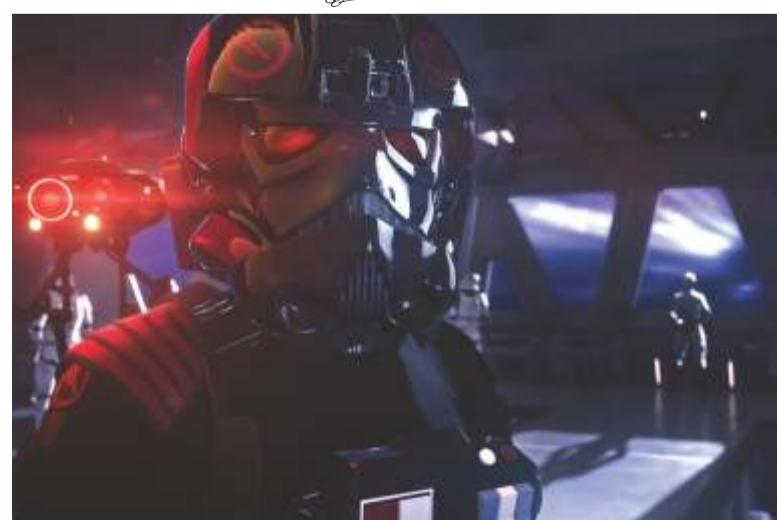
All you Star Wars fans, you are going to love this game. Star Wars Battlefront 2 is an upcoming game based on the Star Wars film franchise by George Lucas.



This game was developed by EA Dice, Criterion Games and Motive Studios. The release date of this game is on the 17th of November 2017.

There are also single and multiplayer modes in this game. It is available on Xbox One, PlayStation 4 and Microsoft Windows. It features a single-player story mode based on The Force Awakens and The Last Jedi movies, and takes place between Return of the Jedi and The Force Awakens. It gives a different perspective on what happened in the time between these two movies.

The characters include Iden Versio, Luke Skywalker, Darth Maul,



Chewbacca, Darth Vader and Yoda. The game's single protagonist Iden Versio, leader of the Inferno Squad, participates in multiple events in the 30 years leading up to The Force Awakens.

This is an amazing game on so many levels. Not only does it take the lives of the main characters, like Luke Skywalker and Darth Vader, but it also involves other characters that we've never heard of and we see their part of the story. The dialogue is well-acted, although it is really strange for die-hard fans to see Luke Skywalker and Han Solo without hearing the voices of the original actors, Mark Hamill and Harrison Ford.

To buy this game online will cost you an estimated R900. Unfortunately, these are not the only costs involved. The costs surrounding the Star Wars Battlefront 2's DLC controversy continues and EA Dice has been forced to make big changes to in-game prices. Fans were outraged when they discovered the true cost of unlocking hero characters such as Darth Vader and players will need to spend in-game credits to unlock new characters. Originally, the characters were meant to cost 60 000 in-game credits, which would have taken an estimated 40 hours of playtime to earn.

I give this game a rating of 9 out of 10. This is going to be one of the best games 2017.

## Hemsworth is MARVELlous in THOR: Ragnarok

Genre: Action  
Rating: 9.5/10  
Director: Taika Waititi

For all you Marvel fans, this is the movie to watch. Chris Hemsworth stars in Taika Waititi's Thor: Ragnarok. He is accompanied by Tom Hiddleston as Loki, Cate Blanchett as Hela, Idris Elba as Heimdall and Tessa Thompson as Valkyrie. This movie is based on Marvel's comic book Thor by Stan Lee, Larry Lieber and Jack Kirby.

This movie was distributed by Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures. It was released on the 3rd of November 2017. The movie's budget was 180 million dollars and earned an impressive 509.4 million dollars at the box office, making it one of the most successful movies of the year.

Thor is imprisoned by the fire demon Surtur but soon defeats him and returns to Asgard to find his stepbrother, Loki, on his Odin's throne. Loki is forced to join Thor for the search of their father.

They find Odin in Norway, dying. Odin warns Thor that if he dies, his firstborn child, Hela, will escape from her prison to bring destruction to Asgard. Hela was the leader of Asgard's armies.

Hela appears and destroys Thor's hammer, Mjolnir. Thor and Loki try to make it across the Bifrost Bridge but Hela pursues them and forces them out into space. Thor crash-lands on Sakaar and competes in the Grandmaster's Contest of Champions to seek allies to save Asgard from Hela.

I found this to be inspiring because Thor comes out the moral winner.

- NATHI MOSALA

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## Fond memories made on tour to Belgium and the Netherlands

The highly anticipated hockey tour of the Netherlands and Belgium has come and gone. The Grey boys had a splendid time and learnt a few valuable life lessons.

The tour lasted 11 days - from the 28th of September to the 9th of October. When asked to comment on the favourite place or city visited by the touring squad, Trevor de Lora, first team hockey player, said, "Definitely Utrecht. We stayed at Stay OK, which was right in the heart of the city. We were able to have the full Netherlands experience - traveling with bicycles, buses, trams and taxis."

One of their fondest memories of the tour was when they fell asleep at the airport in Abu-Dhabi and nearly missed their boarding time, which was ten past nine. Mr Marcel Cronjé, one of the teachers accompanying the tour, was laughing while he was taking photos of the sleeping squad members at twenty past nine. Everyone had to move quickly after that to catch the plane.

Trevor says, "The tour was certainly worth every cent. We learnt many valuable life lessons and got to experience life from a different perspective. We also got to interact with people from different cultures and backgrounds. All while playing the sport we love, hockey."

According to Trevor, most boys regarded the Döner kebab, which cost €3,00, as probably the best meal of the tour. The majority of the squad members regarded it as a delicious, affordable and tasty meal. It quickly became their go-to meal.

Trevor regarded the tour as a special occasion, saying, "I think learning from the players overseas and experiencing their brand of hockey exposed us to many things that we were unfamiliar with."

- JACQUES LOTRIET

# Prestasies by Grey-toernooi bevestig tennis se gehalte

## Vier spelers word aangewys as beste in posisie



**Philip Henning is aangewys as die beste nommer 1-gekeurde speler.**

Die Grey Tennistoernooi, nou amptelik een van die belangrikste skole-tennistotoornooie in die land, is van 19 tot 22 Oktober aangebied.

Grey het hierdie toernooi gewen. Philip Henning is aangewys as die beste nommer een-gekeurde-speler, Joubert Klopper as die beste nommer tweespeler, Matthew Nel die beste nommer vyf-speler en Milan Theron as die beste

nommer ses-speler.

Grey is tans die beste tennisskool in Suid-Afrika. Mnr Naresh Manabeer is sedert 2005 die hoof van Tennis by Grey. Mnr Manabeer sê: "Grey Kollege is bekend vir spanwerk en sonder dit kan Grey nie die hoogtes bereik wat ons tans geniet nie."

Gustav Fichardt is die afrigter van die eerstespan. Sy harde werk, onder-

**Foto: Verskaf**

vinding en toewyding lewer ook 'n groot bydrae tot die sukses van die span.

Die spelers verkieks om vir hul skool deel te neem tydens belangrike toernooie, in plaas daarvan om deel te neem aan internasionale toernooie wat daarmee oorvleuel. Dit verseker dat die skool in staat is om te presteer en die beste tennisskool in die land kan bly.

- GUSTAV PIETERSE

## Good preparation leads to improved performances

This year an amazing soccer tournament took place during the October holidays.

The under 19 Nedbank Cup



Kananelo Jama in action for the first team.

Photo: Eduard Büchner

soccer tournament was hosted again by Grey College. Many of the top schools took part in this soccer tournament, representing the whole country,

including Jeppe, Benoni High, Parktown High and of course our very own Grey College.

This year the Nedbank under 19 team proved to be very young, with the incorporation of players from the under 15 side, allowing them to get some good experience for their own leagues.

Although the team was so young this year, the team seems to have shown great improvement since last year, improving their ranking by a whopping 3 places bringing them from the 18th position all the way up to the 15th position, which is an outstanding jump.

The team was coached by Mr Nicholas Koupis, who had prepared the Grey boys very well for the tournament. They might have had intense training and long hours spent on practice, but in the end, it all paid off with excellent results.

Their opponents were obviously very well trained as well, as the Grey College team had to endure and put in a lot of effort as well as Grey guts to finish in the position they managed to achieve.

Even though they did not manage to bring the trophy home, they still managed to make Grey College very proud. With continued hard work and proper preparation, the team will experience further improvement. They can look forward to a bright future.

- DANIEL EDWARDS



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Grey College

18-21 January  
Port Rex Water polo Tournament  
East London

19-20 January  
Cricket: St Stithians  
Bloemfontein

22 January  
Athletics: Grey Championship  
Bloemfontein

24 January  
Swimming: Grey Gala  
Gustav Fichardt Pool

25-27 January  
Water polo: Grey /18 ITEC  
Bloemfontein

26-27 January  
Athletics: Zone 1 Meet  
Bloemfontein

26-27 January  
Golf: Grey Championship  
Bloemfontein

26-27 January  
Cricket: King Edward VII  
Bloemfontein

28 January  
Cricket: St Johns College  
Bloemfontein

2-3 February  
Athletics: Affies Meet  
Pretoria

2-3 February  
Swimming: Affies Gala  
Pretoria

2-3 February  
Cricket: Grey High (PE)

8-10 February  
Swimming: Westville Gala  
Durban

8-10 February  
Squash: St Andrews Tournament  
Bloemfontein

11 February  
Swimming: Midmar Mile  
Howick



pool

Top-spelers  
besoek RuslandFranco Kriel  
en Mundus  
Grové het  
aan 'n  
toernooi in  
Moskou  
deelgeneem.

Bladsy 10

tennis

Die eerste tennisspan slaag weer daarin  
om Grey-toernooi te wen. Bladsy 11

rugby

2017 lewer drie  
SA Skole-spelersRikus Pretorius, Christopher Schreuder  
en Ruhan Greyling word ingesluit in die  
SA Skole-rugbyspan wat in drie toetse  
speel.

Bladsy 10

soccer

Tournament proves that hard work will  
deliver results.

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rugby

# PIENAAR KLIM DIE LEER VAN SUkses

**Konstante  
werk word  
tóg beloon**



Pienaar van Niekerk se unieke prestasie behels dat hy nege uit die tien o/18-spanne verteenwoordig het.

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Pienaar van Niekerk is 'n briljante rugbyspeler, wat die eerstespan van Grey verskeie kere deur die jaar verteenwoordig het. Pienaar is een van min spelers wat in elke span by Grey gespeel het (o/18), met die uitsondering van die sesdespan.

Volgens mnr Wessel du Plessis is hy nie bewus van enige ander speler wat al vanaf die tiendespan opgeskuif het om later vir die eerstespan te speel nie.

Mnr Du Plessis is wel bewus van Cobus Reinach, wat sewendespan gespeel het en later opgetrek is na die eerstespan.

Pienaar sê: "Dit was my droom vandat ek in graad 7 was om vir die skool se eerstespan te speel in my matrykjaar. Alhoewel ek nie fisies groot gebou was nie, het ek aanhou werk aan my spel sowel as my fiksheid op die Tommix-veld."

Pienaar glo dat 'n mens se ouers 'n

baie groot rol in jou lewe speel. "My pa het my van kleins af ondersteun, maar nie saak vir watter span ek uitdraf nie. Hy het my gereeld herinner dat ek myself moet voorberei vir wanneer die geleentheid opduik," sê Pienaar.

Beide Pienaar en mnr Du Plessis sê dat spelers moet bly glo in hulle drome en hard moet werk aan basiese vaardighede en kondisionering; en dat die belangrikste

van alles is om in jouself te glo.

Pienaar beskryf die gevoel wat hy ervaar het toe hy die voorreg gehad het om die eerste keer die eerstespan-trui aan te trek as 'onbeskryflik'.

Mnr. Du Plessis sê: "Solank daar rugbyspelers is wat in Grey wil wees en te alle tye die skool se belangte eerste stel, is daar 'n blink rugbytoekoms wat wag."

- PIETER SMITH

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