



Dear Oakhill School Family

Last term concluded with a very memorable and heart warming evening as we celebrated the 2026 Matric Valediction. The elegant and enjoyable occasion held at the Premier Hotel was a fitting acknowledgement of a wonderful group of matrics who have left an indelible mark on our school and who have developed deep connections with each other, our staff and the broader community. Tributes to each matric shared by staff spoke to a remarkable connection and special relationship which has been established over many years and is something which is distinctly Oakhillian in nature.



During the holiday a number of our teams took part in water polo festivals as they pitted themselves against quality opposition from around the country. The U13 Boys competed in The SACS tournament in Cape Town and produced many fine performances against highly regarded opposition. The U15 Boys and Girls Water Polo teams represented Oakhill at the Stayers' Tournament at Woodridge. Both teams acquitted themselves admirably and produced some great performances. The

boys team had the distinction of boasting the top goals scorer of the tournament which is a great achievement and credit to the team and the individual concerned.

As we start the final term of the year we wish all our students everything of the best as they complete their final phase of this academic year. I would encourage all students to seek to finish strong and to be determined to give a good account of themselves in all that they do. There is much to still do and gain from the little time that remains and there are great opportunities to still be taken.

Following a busy two days back at school and some good natured final week antics, the Matrics bid farewell to Oakhill and left our campus for the last time as they now prepare for their final examinations. We all join together in wishing them everything of the best as they undertake this final stage of their schooling and trust that they will enjoy much success and continue to make us proud as a school.

Oakhill has once again hosted the annual Trinity Music Exams this week with thirty of our students performing for an adjudicator all the way from Scotland. Our students deserve much credit for the time and effort they have put into preparing for these exams and we trust that they will be rewarded for their commitment to and passion for music. Sincere thanks go to all the music teachers for their tireless efforts in preparing our students for such moments and for helping our musicians to reach these impressively high levels of performance.

I would like to express our sincere appreciation to Eugene Vermaak of KIG and the Knysna Municipality for the temporary roadworks undertaken in Agnar





Street recently. While there remains more work to be done before this street is restored to an acceptable state, we are grateful for the improvements that have been made. We continue to engage as proactively as possible with the municipality regarding Hospital Hill and surrounding roads and will update our community when we have more details in this regard.

The impressive looking newly renovated and upgraded Prep Boys Bathroom and Boys Change Room are now operational and have been very well received by the boys. The facility is world class and very much in keeping with the high standard set by the refurbished College bathrooms. We now look forward to upgrading the Prep Girls Bathroom next year.

I trust that this short term ahead will be a positive and productive time for our Oakhill community and wish you well with the final stretch as we head towards the end of the year.

Oakhill and the Supporters Club are excited to roll out some fresh Oakhill summer gear! There are a few summer-ready essentials for parents and supporters to help kick off our new collection. Stay cool and show off your school spirit with our new Oakhill Supporters Cap or Oakhill Oaks Supporters Cap. Also available are Oakhill Flasks for hot or cold beverages, and the final remaining stock of our premium, custom

designed Oakhill Mungo Towels have also been added to this collection. Stock is limited, so grab yours on Karri and start Summer in style!

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

*James*

