



Danville DIGEST

6 November 2015

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

Speech Day is always a highlight on our school calendar as it affords us the opportunity to celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2015. We are very proud of the accomplishments of our girls in all facets of school life. This year we were delighted to welcome back to Danville as guests of honour, sisters Langa and Nandi Mngoma who have chosen different career paths since leaving Danville. Langa is a medical doctor and Nandi a singer, actor and presenter and both speakers inspired the school with their practical, values-based messages. Speech Day also seems to catapult us into year- end activities.

The Matric farewell assembly was a poignant time of memories and nostalgia and the girls are already well into their final examinations. The rest of the school has begun their final examinations as well and we wish each girl every success during this period and our parents strength as they support their daughters during this time.

Kind regards
Cally Maddams

MARKET DAY

We recently held our annual Market Day. All the girls were invited to create a product and sell it and there were some really innovative ideas. There were loads of eats, beauty products as well as plants, note books and clothes. Much fun was had by all and it was deemed a successful day as it was a "sell out".



Highlights

SPEECH DAY 2015

Nandi and Langa Mngoma were an inspiration to all at Speech Day. Returning to Danville as our guest speakers, each inspired the audience with her animated and sound code to live life by. Langa is a recently qualified medical doctor who shared the 10 items of advice she would have wanted to give her teenage self. Nandi, a singer, model and TV presenter and actress, inspired the girls with her SCHOOL acronym. Both of these charming and talented young ladies live by excellent values given to them by their parents and the educational foundation at Danville. What a pleasure to share this time with them!

SPEECH DAY ACCOLADES

SPECIAL PRIZES

**Elaine van Rensburg Memorial Trophy
(Choir Award)**

Sphumelele Mahlobo

Smerdon Trophy for Music

Mekayla Temlett

Trophy for All-Round Contribution to the School

Rio Segal

Helene Richter Media Centre Service Trophy

Natusja Bennett

First Aid Trophy

Rohini Naidu

Hobbs Trophy for Altruistic Service

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Annalien Fouche Trophy

(Most dedicated & outstanding Sports Captain)

Jozi Lyon

**Fiona Clark Super Sports Girl of the Year Trophy
(All-round sports involvement)**

Jessica Lardant

**Leonie McKenzie Memorial Sports Girl of the
Year Trophy (Outstanding achievement in sport)**

Chereé Greyvenstein

**Howard Trophy for Commendable Progress
in an Extra-Curricular Activity:**

Gabriëlla Pikelharing



Prize winners



The Cara Hosken Memorial Trophy

Mekayla Temlett

The Tamsin Millorit Trophy for Fortitude & Strength

Nolwazi Ngcobo

Blake Trophy for School Spirit

Erin Shillaw

Hollander Good Fellowship Award

Mekayla Temlett

Barwick Leadership Trophy

Rianka van Antwerpen



Naseera Ganie, Dr Langa Mngoma, Nandi Mngoma,
Rianka van Antwerpen & Mrs C. Maddams

SPECIAL ACADEMIC PRIZES

Gooch Trophy for Conscientious Endeavour (Senior)

Melissa van Straaten

Goddard Drama Trophy

Khanyisile Nyembe

Stewart History Trophy (Most improved)

Emma Gultig

M L Thompson Trophy for Creative Writing (Senior)

Megan Cairns

Dee Pratt English Trophy

Naseera Ganie

Thelland Trophy for Mathematics (Most improved)

Rohini Naidu & Nicole Patterson

The PricewaterhouseCoopers Shield (Top Gr 12 Maths)

Tarryn Ward

Nieuwoudt Trophy (Top Gr 12 Life Sciences Student)

Aisha Hussain

Grade 12 Consumer Studies Prize

Jade Norman

Special Art Prize

Alex Rasool

P W Story Art Trophy (Most improved practical work)

Brittani Boaden & Natusja Bennett

Spearman Trophy for Accounting (Outstanding effort)

Shivani Moodley

PricewaterhouseCoopers Trophy - Top Accounting Student

Aisha Hussain



DATES TO DIARISE

20 Nov Gr 8 - 11 Exams End

01 Dec Christmas Carol Evening

09 Dec School closes for the year

GRADE 12 SUBJECT PRIZES:

Accounting	Aisha Hussain
Afrikaans	Anya Visser
Business Studies	Charlene Ray
Consumer Studies	Tarryn Ward
Dramatic Arts	Anya Visser
English	Naseera Ganie
Geography	Naseera Ganie
History	Noxolo Khumalo
isiZulu	Bongeka Goba
Life Orientation	Caitlin Donnelly & Naseera Ganie
Life Sciences	Aisha Hussain
Mathematics	Tarryn Ward
Mathematical Literacy	Cailin Macrae
Physical Sciences	Naseera Ganie
Visual Arts	Charlene Ray



ANGELA COLLIN MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR PROXIME ACCESSIT

TARRYN WARD

DUX TROPHY

NASEERA GANIE

ANXIETY IN CHILDREN

A doctor mentioned to one of my colleagues that he is seeing increasing numbers of young children and adolescents with anxiety disorders. Many psychologists have noticed this trend too. It seems that childhood is no longer the wondrous, carefree time it once was.

The stresses parents face; whether it is job uncertainty, concerns about crime, ill health, and financial problems, frequently spill over into the home, and affect the children in the home. Apart from this, adolescents have additional stressors; trying to fit in with their peer group, trying to meet their parent's high expectations regarding their academic or sporting performance, and dealing with the uncertainties of gaining admission to their desired study course or university. Many of our girls, especially those in Grade 11 and matric, are feeling immense pressure at this stage of the year.

Our teens live in a complex and difficult world and they have stresses and pressures that parents may not even be aware of. They may lack the maturity, problem solving skills, and judgment to deal with their problems effectively, and so are easily overwhelmed. "Check-in' with them frequently; find out how things are going, at school and socially. Take their distress seriously; what may not seem to be a serious issue to you, might be very serious to them. It can be difficult to communicate with teens; they are notoriously guarded and secretive when it comes to certain issues, but strive to keep the lines of communication open. Reassure your teen that while you may not always like what they tell you, you will always be there to support and guide them.

Kind regards, Lynda Pretorius



Matric 2015- Final Assembly

Emotions ran high on a bitter-sweet morning as we said good-bye to our Matrics of 2015 on their last official day of high school before their final exams. In the true Danville tradition they rang the bell for the last assembly and accepted the symbolic yellow rose. You were a special group of young ladies and will be missed. Good luck with the exams!

