

MATRIC FAREWELL 2025

BY CAITLYN MUNRO

The matrics danced the night away at their Matric Farewell on the 27th of March 2025. With breath-taking dresses, elegant shoes, charming suits, and stately cars, the grade 12 learners did not disappoint. The matrics, both couples and singles, left the crowd in awe as they strutted the red carpet at the Royal St. Andrews Hotel in Port Alfred.

Upon entering the venue, the learners were met with beautiful displays and decorations, of which resembled the dance's theme, 'Arabian Nights'. In no time, high heels and blazers were taken off and the dance floor was filled. The night was nothing short of laughter, music, and feasts.



MD 2025, Truly a night to remember
PHOTO: JR Photography



Mr Makoni and the men in black
PHOTO: JR Photography



Mrs. Crawford absolutely rocking the party **PHOTO: JR Photography**



Matric teachers also enjoying the evening **PHOTO: JR Photography**



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21 AUGUST 2025
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HOME DERBY DAY FUN!

BY CAITLYN MUNRO

PAHS is proud to celebrate the netball, hockey, and rugby players who fought fiercely to claim victory against Templeton, Nico Malan, and Kingswood on the 10th of May 2025.

As open rugby coach, Mr Herrington stated, "Today was a day of grit and determination. A day of testing the players' characters." The athletic talent that thrives in PAHS was prominent in every match that our players participated in.

Siyakha Coto (1st team netball player) shared, "Die Leeus rule!" And Elam Smile (1st team rugby player) commented. "our house, our rules, our win."

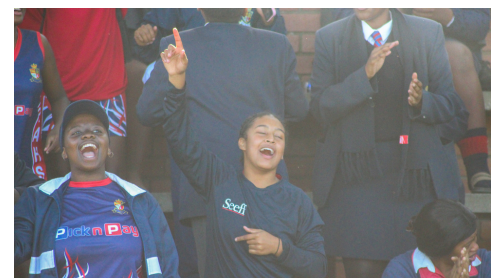
Moreover, we at PAHS are pleased to announce that, in preparation for this derby (and many matches in the future), we were able to resurface our netball courts! An official unveiling of the courts took place on this day. Mrs Roberts (1st team netball coach), Mrs. Pearson (former head of sport at PAHS), and Yvonne Coombs (Owner of Glasfit, who sponsored the 1st team netball's kit) were all present at the unveiling and given the honour to cut the ribbon. Eager learners crowded the courts, chanting the school's war cry to celebrate the occasion.



1st team netball player, Siyakha Coto, defending on our newly surfaced netball courts **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



Elam Smile, flying over the try line **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



Kylie Jattiem and Olothando Mbolekwa helping bring the spirit **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



Mr Murray's kids bringing the match ball for the 1st team rugby match **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



Mrs. Pearson cutting the ribbon to the new courts **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



1st team hockey girls who played against Templeton & Nico Malan **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



U13 rugby boys making a run against Kingswood **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



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SUGAR & SMILES

BY CAITLYN MUNRO

Our grade 7 learners held a bake sale in order to raise funds for their upcoming leadership camp (which is to take place at Addo Elephant Park in September).

The enthusiastic youngsters had a variety of sweet treats to offer, from cupcakes and cookies, to pancakes and koeksisters.

Smiles and sugary goods were all around as parents, staff, and learners came to support the sale. Well done, grade 7s!



Grade 7 learners learning to handle money **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



The beautiful stalls at the bake sale **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**

GEORGE RANDALL AWAY DERBY DAY

17 MAY 2025



Simone Voges playing 1st team centre **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



Netball players playing against GRHS **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



Our Chess students had a chance to show their talent at a derby day vs GRHS **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



1st team hooker, OT Tukulu, making a break **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



U15 rugby player flying over the try line **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



Asange on his way to winning all his games **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**

RADIO WAVES CONCERT

BY SIPHESIHLE ZIBI

The energy and excitement were palpable at the foundation phase concert. Learners took to the stage, delivering heart-warming and vibrant performances that left the audience beaming with pride. Held in the school hall, the event showcased the incredible talent, creativity, and confidence of our youngest learners. The event commenced with a vibrant Hawaiian themed

performance, as learners dressed in colourful attire setting an energetic and joyful tone for the rest of the event. Some performances included songs such as Jailhouse Rock, Selena Gomez's "Calm Down" and Jerusalema just to mention a few.



Take a bow! PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt



Rocking the stage to Queen!
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Amazing team work from the Grade Ones PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt





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CAREERS DAY

BY CAITLYN MUNRO

On the 28th of May 2025, PAHS hosted its annual career day; a chance for learners to explore the possibilities of life after school. The school was graciously joined by the following institutions:

- Stenden South Africa
- Blue Ribbon
- Rhodes University
- BVSA - Accounting and Financial Services
- Nelson Mandela University
- 43 Airschool
- Eduvos
- Charteris and Barnes
- Multi Security Services
- Ndlambe Fire and Emergency Services
- SAPS



Learners engaging with local businesses **PHOTO:** Supplied

What advice would you give to learners pursuing this (or a similar) field?

BVSA: "You need to love what you do. Make sure you follow what you enjoy and work hard!"

What are you hoping to get out of talking to all these learners today?

Multi Security Services: "We want to promote our company as well as the importance of security. You never know what you're getting called to do, these people are putting their lives at stake. They work hard to help!"

What is the work culture and environment of Rhodes University?

Rhodes: "It is simply great! It is lovely and intimate, and gives way for personal connections. Rhodes takes pride in its teaching and rigour. We value academics as well as additional support."

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What advice would you give to learners interested in culinary careers?

Blue Ribbon: "Practice! You must experiment and go out. You should volunteer at soup kitchens or even just to cook for family and friends. You need to be passionate and dedicated, this industry needs you to be creative and hard working!" **Continued Pg. 6**



Stenden college engaging with students **PHOTO:** Supplied

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CAREERS DAY (CONTINUED)

What 3 points would you use to describe Stenden SA?

Stenden: "Multi-cultural, challenging, and connections and relationships."



Seth Timms finding out more about Eduvos **PHOTO: Supplied**



Learners asking questions at the 43 Air School table **PHOTO: Supplied**

ANDREW RABIE AWAY DERBY

17 APRIL 2025



Laela Cannon dribbling the ball to a 1st team victory **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



Lethu Msongelwa making tackles vs Andrew Rabie **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**



1st team netball player warming up **PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt**

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ONE-ACT PLAYS

BY CAITLYN MUNRO

The PAHS drama club, lead by Mrs. Crawford and Mr. Singh, were proud to present their interhouse one-act plays on the 29th of May 2025.

Orffer House (Gold) entertained the audience with its play, titled 'Undercover Crust'. The play entailed a wild pizza order and a handful of hilarious spies. Congratulations Gold House for winning third place in the competition!



Flying pizzas! **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt



Hobson House (Blue) shared the comedic story of a waitress's first day working at a family owned restaurant, Hobson's. This play- titled, 'WAITER! There's a fly in my soup!'- was enjoyed with much laughter, earning Blue House second place in the competition.

Finally, Harvey House (Red) stole the show with their presentation of their play, titled 'The Enchanted Scoop'. The story includes a group of girls, some magical milkshakes, and a face full of whipped cream. Placing Harvey House first in the competition. Well done, Red House!

(Left) Zenande taking whipped cream to the face **PHOTO:** Ben Gaunt

(Right) The crazy aunt (Olothando) fixing the confused teen's, Marcus (Elijah), hat **PHOTO:** Ben Gaunt



"Back in my day," was a crowd favourite line from Bulelani playing an old man **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt

Thank you to our judges (Mr. Botha, Mr. Hofmeyr, and Mrs. Willemse) and to our supportive audience. Lastly a huge thank you to Tagon de Kock who managed the sound and lighting for the evening.



Eden Ndoro really had the sass for the stage! **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt



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Aiming for the net during a tough match **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt



Kyle Marais breaking through Mzansi's defence **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt



1st team rugby running onto the field at sunset **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt



U13A rugby team on their way to a 49-0 win **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt



PAHS Netball player with excellent defence **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt

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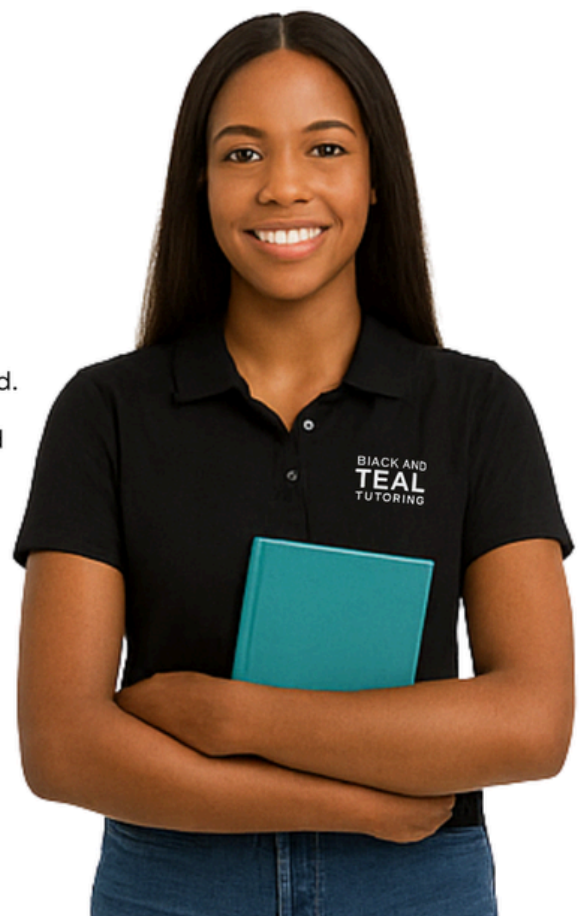
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IP FAMILY PICNIC

BY SIPHESIHLE ZIBI

We extend our sincere gratitude to all the esteemed families who attended the intermediate phase Family Day. Your presence and active participation greatly contributed to the success and warmth of the occasion. The event provided a wonderful

opportunity for parents and learners to connect, relax, and enjoy quality time together in a fun, nurturing environment. The laughter of children, the smiles of families gathered under the sun, and the spirit of togetherness created a truly memorable day. From shared meals on picnic



Intermediate phase families enjoying the picnic **PHOTO:** Supplied

blankets to astounding performances. We look forward to many more moments of connection and celebration in the future.

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LEARNER SPOTLIGHT

Sanga Makalane

Selected for the Girls Eastern Province Rugby squad.

Lwandle Wakashe

Selected for the U13 Craven Week rugby team.

Bulelani Mkele

Selected for the Eastern Province debating squad to compete at Clarendon Girls High School in August.

Lianie Senekal

Placed top 3 in the U18 Girls Chess Championship in Graaff-Reinet and will represent Sarah Baartman district at Eastern Province Trials in July.

Nathan Marais

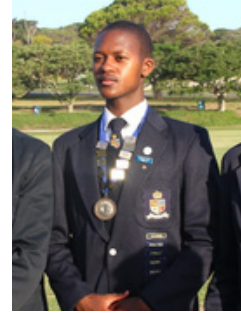
Selected to represent PAHS at the next round of the Albany Sarah Baartman District Rugby Trials.



Sanga Makalane



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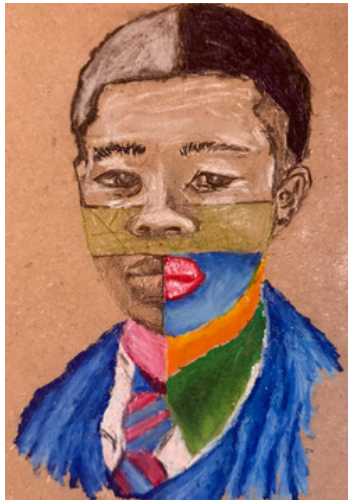


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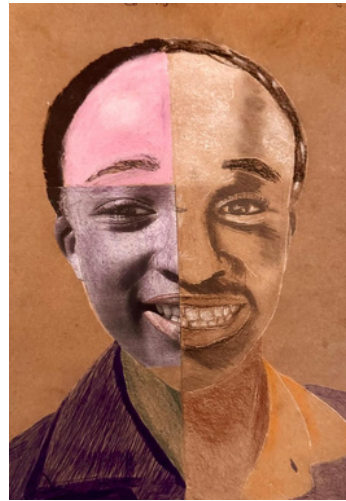
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Mixed-media self-portrait
By Khasa Benyana



Mixed-media self-portrait
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CHILL CHALLENGE

BY CAITLYN MUNRO

The PAHS fields were bursting with fun on the 26th of June 2025, as the first 'PAHS Chill Challenge' fundraiser took place. The day entailed an icy-civvies dress code and a number of chilly activities, including penguin races, pillow fights, and a chance to dunk a prefect or teacher in the much loved dunk tank! Headboy, Othandwayo Tukulu (who braved the dunk tank) had the following to say about his experience; "To be honest, it was fun! I thought it was going to be horrible. Well... it was horrible, but it was still fun."

When asked about her favourite part of the day, Paisley Hogan (grade 3.1) said, "Definitely watching Sine (a prefect) get dunked!"



Sine Mabece getting dunked
PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt

Ikke Akande (grade 8.3) commented, "The music choices are good. I think the hot chocolate tastes amazing!"

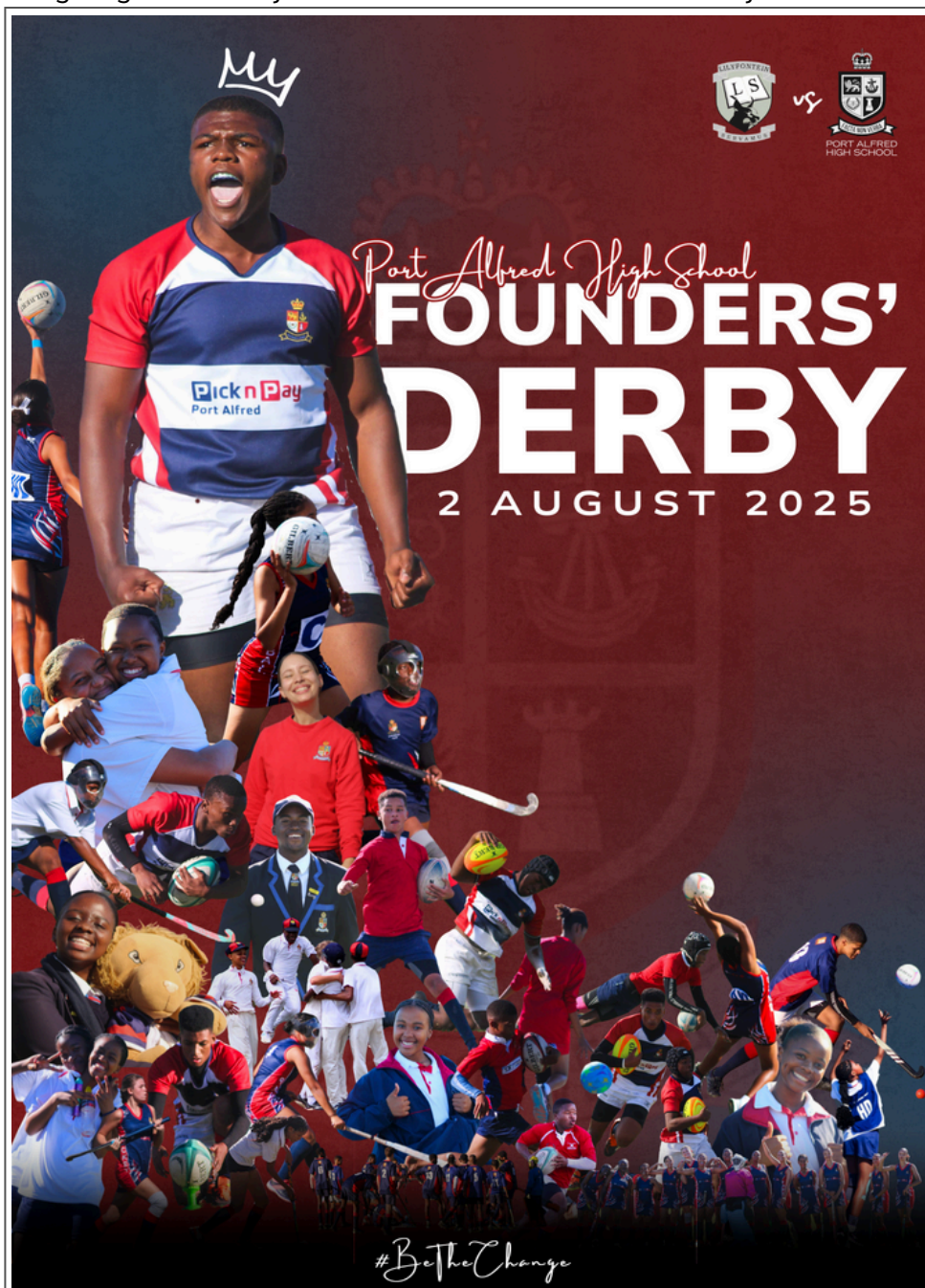


Mr. Dlepu and Mrs. Adcock pillow fighting
PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt

Thank you to all those who participated and supported - your enthusiasm did not go unnoticed! A big thank you also goes to Mr. Herrington and Benjamin Van Der Walt for facilitating the event's music and sound.



Ms. Dlomo rocking the best dance moves
PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt



PAHS CHESS TOURNAMENT

Port Alfred High School was proud to host our very first CHESSA rated Chess tournament which took place on the 21st of June 2025. The tournament hosted 20 diverse schools from all around the province. With over 120 participants, the tournament was a huge success. A big thank you to Sarah Baartman District Chess Union as well as Jeremiah Sowelo form Sowelo Maths and Chess Academy for arbitrating the tournament's formalities.



Lwazi Kupiso & Christiaan Naude in battle **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt



The chess pieces moving on the board **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt



A friendly game **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt

A note from the Headmaster:

Congratulations to the Media Team on a wonderful first edition. The second looks fantastic too and we look forward to many more.

Feedback submission:

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Founder's Day

Join us for our 142nd birthday on the 1st of August. Our yearly founders' assembly and reunion of past pupils will take place so don't miss it!



Founder's Day assembly 2024
PHOTO: Elijah Gaunt

Founder's Derby Day

Our biggest derby of the year vs Lilyfontein and other schools on the 2nd of August. The spirit is unmatched and the sport matches are close. Come for the vibe and gees!



Founder's Derby Day 2024 vs De Fos Malan **PHOTO:** Elijah Gaunt

Interact Variety Show

Our 3rd annual talent and fashion show will be taking place in late August. Come enjoy amazing acts and support your favourite pupils!



Interact variety show 2024
PHOTO: Reinhardt le Roux