## **NEWS IN BRIEF**

## Jeppe High School for Girls

## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

We started off 2020 with our usual exuberance and had a very full term. Then with the advent of Covid 19, schools were closed on 17 March and the country went into full lockdown on 26 March. No newsletters have been written from March until September. This newsletter was prepared before the school closed. We hope you enjoy looking back on the highlights of a very busy first term.

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## BEAUTY ABOUNDS AT 92ND FLOWER SHOW

As the proud Jeppe tradition of flower show continued for its 92<sup>nd</sup> year, the same spirit of jubilation and ecstasy could be felt in the air. With girls scattered around between their assembling stations, the sweet sounds of laughter and the scents of roses, dahlias and chrysanthemums, set the tone for the day. The arrangements were based on a number of creative categories, including "2020 vision" and the upcoming "Jeppe Arts Festival" which were interpreted in stunning creations.

As the bustle of the morning calmed, and the hall, multipurpose room and front doors of the school were packed with arrangements, many girls took to repurposing their flowers as donations for local old age homes and decorations to adorn their hair or blazers.

Each unique arrangement expressed the creativity and experiences of individual Jeppe girls, amassed in the showrooms as a testament to the beauty within us and that which can be seen when we all come together as one. This theme of togetherness was also highlighted by our guest speaker who opened the flower show, acknowledging the beauty of the event decades since her attendance at the school.

The competition between each house is fierce, however the driving motivation to create such beautiful arrangements lies solely in the artistic minds of each Jeppe girl. From the daintiest arrangement to the largest artwork, every girl showed that

nothing is ever truly too difficult for the brave.

Kelebogile Lesufi (Protea House Captain)



Crassula took the Hirsowitz Cup for the Overall Winner of the flower show, as well as the Martin cup for junior arrangements, the Jeppe Cup for overall juniors and the Janice Robson Cup for overall seniors.

Gerbera won the Cooper Cup for House Tables, the Di Thompson Trophy for paper arrangements and the Human Cup for senior blooms.

The Ritchie Cup for senior arrangements was won by Nerine and the Mackenzie Cup for junior blooms went to Harveya.

Caitlin De Beer of Crassula took first place in individual arrangements for juniors, followed by Emma Eichhober of Harveya in second place and Khwezi Magagula of Protea in third place. Shivania Govender, Iram Ismail, Suvana Naidoo, Thembelihle Ngubane, Jade Stevens, Kate-Lynne Theron and Paige Van Den Berg were also placed in the top ten juniors.

Tasmin Fourie of Gerbera took the first place in individual arrangements for seniors, followed by Amy Chapman of Nerine in second place and Amy Wallace of Disa in third place. Kayleen Antonio, Kayla Auerswald, Tasmiyah Bharoochi, Jacinta Gray, Kiara Johnston and Hannah Labuschagne were also placed in the top ten seniors.

Thank you as always to the girls for their special efforts and for the educators and staff who made sure that the event ran smoothly. The Open Day took place on the Saturday of the flower show and the staff and girls provided a wonderful display of the best the school has to offer—from sport, drama, dance and poetry to music, art, history, mathematics, consumer technology and science.

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## 2019 MATRIC RESULTS

"Congratulations to the class of 2019 who maintained the school's 100% pass rate for the 26th year in succession. 155 of our 157 matriculants achieved marks that allow them to progress to tertiary education, with 90,45% obtaining admission to a bachelor's degree. A total of 225 distinctions were obtained overall.

Our top performers were Kezia Reddy with an average of 88,43%, Mandisa Mpinga with an average of 84,78% and Erin Devine with an average of 83%:

**8 distinctions** - Mandisa Mpinga received distinctions in English, Afrikaans, Mathematics, Life Orientation, Accounting, Physical Sciences, Life Sciences and Advanced Programme English.

7 distinctions - Kezia Reddy and

Khwezi Zwane.

6 distinctions - Abigail Hartley

**5 distinctions -** Jessica Barker, Kirsten Dickinson, Zainab Manack, Mbali Ncube, Melissa Nyalungu and Holly O'Halleron

4 distinctions - Marlene Angwafor, Jessica Bonthuys, Erin Devine, Aaminah Hassan, Kimberley January, Amina Mahomed, Nothando Moalusi Ineeleng Moope, Shannon Palmer and Jessami Van Der Merwe

**3 distinctions** were achieved by 10 learners,

**2 distinctions** were achieved by 26 learners and **1 distinction** was achieved by 45 learners.

## DISTRICT AWARDS

Jeppe High School for Girls was delighted to have been recognised at the Johannesburg East district awards ceremony held on 28 January 2020, where they received the following accolades with respect to the class of 2019 matric results:

- The Best Performing Public School in Johannesburg East
- Top Achiever 100% pass rate for 26 years
- The school with the best Mathematics results in the district
- The school with the best English results in the district
- The Top Achiever in Music in the district also went to our top music student of 2019, Leah Govender, seen here with Miss Gonçalves and Mrs Pallett.



## 2020 COUNCILLORS INDUCTION (17/1/2020)



**Back Row**: Morgan Zimmerman, Nkhensani Mhlanga, Cailin Turnbull, Ashleigh Templeton, Rethabile Manaka, Sarah Batchelder, Katherine Edwards, Aisling De Lange, Ella Marriott, Nompumelelo Makhoba, Simone Scott, Monique Tigere, Manal Shiabne, Jesse Mac Donald. **Middle Row:** Nandi Zulu, Kelebogile Lesufi, Wande Nduna (Deputy Head Girl), Miss Gonçalves, Megan Reveley (Head Girl), Darnell Swart (Deputy Head Girl), Mandisa Yende, Jenna Stolz. **Front Row**: Tasmin Fourie, Mikayla Henderson, Kayla Hoffmann, Indiana Rahman, Zaakirah Shafee, Sinenhlanhla Mchunu, Omphile Makoe. **Insert:** Nkanyezi Mabena

## HOUSE OFFICIALS 2020

<u>Crassula</u>: Captain Megan Reveley, Vice Captain Ella Marriott and Secretary Nompumelelo Makhoba

<u>Disa</u>: Captain Nandi Zulu, Vice Captain Wande Nduna Secretary Kayla Hoffman <u>Gerbera</u>: Captain Jenna Stolz, Vice Captain Tasmin Fourie Secretary Nkhanyezi Mabena

<u>Harveya</u>: Captain Mandisa Yende, Vice Captain Nkensani Mhlanga Secretary Thando Dube Nerine: Captain Darnell Swart, Vice Captain Mikayla Henderson Secretary Manal Shiabne

<u>Protea</u>: Captain Kelebogile Lesufi, Vice Captain Sarah Batchelder Secretary Mbali Mbatha

## PRIZE GIVING 2019

Prize giving for Grade 8 to Grade 11 of 2019 took place on Friday 24 January 2020. The guest speaker for the ceremony was Firdose Moonda (class of 2004).

#### **Merit Certificates**

#### Grade 11

The Loveday Prize for the Highest Aggregate was awarded to Aisling de Lange. The runners up were Israa Hafeez and Megan Reveley.

**Certificates of Merit** (70% and over) were awarded to: Mishkah Abdulla, Shiza Butt, Charlize Churcher. Christina D'Andrea. Simbulele Duniwa. Katherine Edwards. Tasmin Fourie, Mikayla Henderson, Jadyn Hovelmeier, Khushi Ilvas, Cheryl Jones, Iraj Khan, Nicolette Lau, Nkanyezi Mabena, Jesse Mac Donald, Lulama Mbatha, Naseeha Moosa, Vanessa Ndiangang, Wande Nduna, Heaven Nen, Mikisha Pillay, Simone Scott, Louise Smit, Jenna Stolz, Darnell Swart, Monique Tigere, Tristan Torr, Zia Touffie, Cailin Turnbull and Faeezah Vahab

#### Grade 10 The A J Grant Prize for

the Highest Aggregate was awarded to Jamie Ho. Kalista January and Tshaamano Mabuba were the runners up.

**Certificates of Merit** (70% and over) were awarded to: Azraa Adam, Cassidy Bagley, Sydney Bagley, Katja Clausen, Erin Dodgen, Sarah Dubazana, Kiara Johnston, Rhulane Khoza, Hannah Labuschagne, Swayde Lessing, Kelsey Mark, Keisha Molloy, Enyanam Moshikaro, Chandra Orton, Jesse Platt, Meaghan Scott, Nicola Teixeira, Jordyn

Van Aswegan and Aimee Van Der Plank.

#### Grade 9

The highest aggregate was awarded to Maroushka Maghoma. Runners up were Bessem Besong and Talia De Mello Koch.

**Certificates of Merit** (75% and over) were awarded to: Nazneen Ahmed, Cara Banwell, Charlene Bartlett. Rebecca Batchelder, Megan Briggs, Abigail Dalrymple, Madison Dalrymple, Tianna Dayanand, Lucky Geluck, Daniella Goncalves, Eva Haahjem -Gill, Shreya Harry, Laila Khumalo, Aarifah Loonat, Siyambonga Magocoba, Zahrah Manack, Jeena Marriott, Lamees Matwadia. Amber McDermott, Jami Meintjes, Benzile Mgidi, Nissi Mukuna, Keesha Mulligan, Diya Narotam, Escarboucle Ndonga, Chiamaka Obi, Favour Oluwaleye, Hope Rabe, Jenna Rodrigues Fernandes, Imaan Salim. Rihaab Shaik and Malaika Yirefu.

#### Grade 8

The highest aggregate was awarded to Thiara Moodley. Vahini Naidoo and Zimasa Ngqawana were the runners up.

**Certificates of Merit** (75% and over) were awarded to: Caitlin De Beer, Kiara Dos Santos Fernandes, Comfort Ihenacho, Robyn Kamerman, Nomagugu Khumalo, Erin Kisten, Courteney Leong, Evelyne Mabussi, Nandipha Mfundisi, Botshelo Modise, Bokamoso Mokete, Katlego Mokgatla, Raphaela Mouyis, Esihle

Nkwanyana, Margaret

Peterson, Aastha Prajapati, Boitumelo Radebe, Hannah Roberts, Diksha Sahadeo, Tyla Lee Templeton, Erin Towert and Kapinga Tshipata.

#### **Subject Certificates** Grade 11

English: Aisling De Lange Afrikaans: Louise Smit **Life Orientation:** Aisling De Lange

Mathematics: Lulama

Maths Literacy: Iraj Khan Physical Sciences: Aisling De Lange

#### **Consumer Studies:**

Tasmin Fourie

**History**: Aisling De Lange Geography: Megan

Revelev

Life Sciences: Megan

Revelev

**Accounting:** Tristan Torr Visual Arts: Iraj Khan **Music:** Jadyn Hovelmeier **Design:** Ella Marriott **Advanced Programme** 

Mathematics: Aisling De Lange

Advanced Programme **English:** Aisling De Lange Zulu: Mafina Molele

#### **Subject Certificates** Grade 10

English: Jamie Ho Afrikaans: Tshaamano Mabuba

Life Orientation: Keisha Mollov

Mathematics: Nicola Teixeira

Maths Literacy: Tatum

#### Physical Sciences:

Kalista January

Accounting: Tshaamano

Mabuba

**History:** Hannah Labuschagne

#### **Consumer Studies:**

Kelsey Mark

Life Sciences: Kalista January

Visual Arts: Jamie Ho **Geography:** Cassidy

Bagley

**Music:** Keisha Molloy **Design:** Aimee van der

Advanced Programme

**Mathematics**: Kalista

January

**Advanced Programme** 

English: Jamie Ho

#### **Cultural Awards**

LMJ Award for Dedication and Perseverance in First

Aid: Indiana Rahman **Excellence in Public** 

Speaking: Manal Shiabne The Editor's Trophy:

Aisling de Lange

**Most Promising Debater:** Tshaamano Mabuba

**Commitment to Dramatic** 

Arts: Nandi Zulu

Beste Afrikaans Senior Redenaar: Aisling de Lange

**Beste Afrikaans Junior** Redenaar: Lucky Geluk Commitment to Photography: Tamaryn Metcalfe

#### **Sports Awards**

**Best Junior Track and** Field Athlete: Nissi

Mukuna

**Most Promising Junior** Athlete: Bodie Munro **Best Senior Athletes:** 

Swayde Lessing and Jenna

Stolz

**Best Junior Chess Player:** Amy Wallace

Best Senior Chess Player: Kalista January

**Most Improved Cricket** Player: Kayla Hoffman Batswoman of the Year:

Robyn Kamerman

Bowler of the Year: Kaylee van Rooyen

All Round Player of the Year: Megan Reveley Cricketer of the Year:

Snamile Mthembu

**Junior Cross Country:** Shauna Craddock

**Senior Cross Country:** 

Tristan Torr

The Burford Family Equestria Cup: Crystal Emslie

Kirsten Brown Award for Performance in Senior Hockey: Unathi Dishi

Most Improved Junior Hockey Player: Bodie

Munro

**Most Improved Goal** Keeper: Hockey: Thembi Matsinhe (cont p4)

## TOP TEN

Congratulations to the following girls who achieved a place in the Top Ten at the end of term 4 in 2019:

#### Grade 11

Aisling De Lange Simbulele Dunjwa Tasmin Fourie Israa Hafeez Jadyn Hovelmeier Jesse Mac Donald Lulama Mbatha Naseeha Moosa Megan Reveley Darnell Swart Tristan Torr

#### Grade 10

Cassidy Bagley Sydney Bagley Katja Clausen Erin Dodgen Jamie Ho Kalista January Tshaamano Mabuba Kelsey Mark

## PUBLIC SPEAKING

Jeppe again hosted the South African College of Speech and Drama's High School Public Speaking Festival this year.

#### Grade 8

Team A: Plamedie Kalala, Sahitya Naidu, Tayla Freddie and Chloe Coetzee spoke on the topic "Her face glittering with innocence" and were awarded B+

Team B: Taskeen Hamid. Selena Fernandes, Miele Basson and Makayla Ramdas spoke on "Ground looks stable but it's just crust" and were awarded B+

#### Grade 9

Team A: Nomagugu Khumalo, Victoria Baigent, Evelyn Mabussi, Caitlyn de Beer and Vahini Naidoo spoke on the topic "We stand at the intersection" and were awarded B+.

Team B:Raphaela Mouyis, Nandipha Mfundisi, Comfort Ihenacho and Naomi Mabi spoke on the topic "A thick societal skin" and were awarded B+

#### Grade 10

Team A: Freja Christensen, Favour Oluwaleye, Siyambonga Magocoba and Daniella Goncalves spoke on

Chandra Orton Nicola Teixeira

#### Grade 9

Bessem Besong Madison Dalrymple Tianna Dayanand Talia De Mello Koch Lucky Geluk Eva Haahjem-Gill Shreya Harry Ika Maghoma Jeena Marriott Amber Mc Dermott Jami Meintjes

#### Grade 8

Caitlin De Beer Robyn Kamerman Nomagugu Khumalo Courtney Leong Katlego Mokgatla Thiara Moodley Vahini Naidoo Zimasa Ngqawana Hannah Roberts Tyla Lee Templeton

the topic "Comparison" and were awarded a B.

Team B: Jessica Khokolo. Nolwazi Thanjekwayo, Imaan Salim and Talia de Mello Koch spoke on the topic "Composition" and were awarded B.

#### Grade 11

Team A: Tshaamano Mabuba, Jade Murray, Enyonam Moshikaro, Ayabukwa Magocoba spoke on the topic "Complex" and were awarded A+

Team B: Buhle Mungwe, Azraa Adam, Ngoya Mukendi and Kayla Auerswald spoke on "Comedy" and were awarded A

#### **O**pen

Grade 12: Darnell Swart, Kali-Ante Moodley, Louise Smith and Sarah Batchelder scored B on the topic "Complicated". **Trophy Team:** Aisling De Lange, Katherine Edwards and Ella Marriott spoke on the topic "Don't f\$%k with Cats". They were awarded A.

#### **Best Individual Speaker:**

Manal Shiabne spoke on the topic "Repurpose my name, please" and was awarded an A.

Well done to all of our Public Speakers and Master of Ceremonies as well as the educators who guided them.

## TEAM CAPTAINS

Wishing all the team captains and leaders a successful year:

#### **Bus Monitors**

Captain: Rayaan Mwela Vice-Captain: Masengu

Tshiembi

#### **Dance Squad Leaders**

Rethabile Manaka and Monique

#### First Aid:

Captain: Indiana Rahman Vice-Captain: Jemima Mphirima Senior Secretary: Kelebogile Lesufi Junior Secretary: Bahija

Arache

Hlabelela: Head: Wande Nduna

Deputy Head: Nandi Zulu Secretary: Lebone Seleho

#### Hockey

Captain: Snamile Mthembu Vice-Captains: Sarah Batchelder and Unathi Dishi

Mamela

Captain: Omphile Makoe Vice Captain: Linky Nzuza

#### Marimba Beat

Captain: Mandisa Yende Vice-Captain: Michelle Njoroge

#### Library

Head: Mikayla Henderson Deputy Monitors: Nkanyezi Mabena and Sinenhlanhla Mchimii

#### Netball

Captain: Megan Reveley Vice-Captains: Nompumelelo Makhoba and Cailin Turnbull

#### **Orienteering**

Captain: Jadyn Hovelmeier Vice-Captain: Kalista January

#### **Swimming**

Captain: Sarah Batchelder Vice-Captain: Qamar Ngqwana

Captain: Taylea Gray Vice-Captain: Jesse Platt

Volleyball

Captain: Monique Tigere Vice-Captain: Aryanna Pillay

## PRIZE GIVING 2019 (CONT)

**Best Junior Hockey Player:** Tatum Murphy **Most Improved Junior** 

Netball Player: Abigail

Dalrymple

**Best Junior Netball** Player: Rorisang Kabane **Most Improved Senior** Netball Player: Chandra

Orton

Excellent Performance in Best Senior Volleyball Netball: Nompumelo

Makhoba

**Best Senior Netball** 

Player: Megan Reveley **Harzon Orienteering** Trophy: Kalista January **Most Improved Junior** Swimmer: Crystal Emslie

**Best Junior Swimmer:** Emily Roelofsz

**Most Improved Senior** Swimmer: Sarah

Batchelder

**Best Senior Swimmer:** 

Kerri-Lvn Claase **Most Promising Junior** 

Soccer Players: Robyn Kamerman and Hazel

Mhlangu

**Most Valuable Soccer** Player: Megan Reveley **Best Junior Tennis Player:** Birklynn Skipp **Best Senior Tennis Player:** Megan Reveley **Best Junior Volleyball** Players: Rorisang Kabane and Cassidy Singh

Player: Chandra Orton

## MUSIC STUDENTS EXCEL

Congratulations to our Music students who sat practical and theory exams for Trinity and Unisa towards the end of 2019.

Cathryn Bell and Caitlin Pretorius passed the Trinity Grade 1 Piano exam and Kaylin Pop passed Unisa Grade 4 piano and Grade 3 theory.



# SWIMMING SEASON INTER HIGH GALA



2020 SWIMMING TEAM

**Back:** Rebecca Batchelder, Megan Briggs, Sydney Bagley, Erin Kisten, Caitlin De Beer, Qamar Ngqawana, Cassidy Bagley, Sarah Batchelder, Shauna Craddock

**Middle:** Chloe Craig, Caitlynn Switala, Victoria Baigent, Zimasa Ngqawana, Rowdean Clark, Yama Radebe, Zia Fisher, Emily Roelofsze, Kerri-Lynn Claase, Tamsin Van Zyl, Hope Rabe

Front: Chiara Como, Sarah-Ann Hartwell, Sasha De Combs, Sheena Kunene, Jessica Lazarou, Julia Davies, Charlotte Chambers, Annabel Dangerfield, Kaylee Van Rooyen

What a wonderful way to end the season - with a phenomenal 2nd place at this year's Inter High Gala held at Ellis Park on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. 1<sup>st</sup> place went to St Mary's B, 2<sup>nd</sup> place to Jeppe Girls and 3<sup>rd</sup> place went to Potch Girls. There were 9 schools swimming in total. We placed 4<sup>th</sup> in last year's gala.

Our individual swimmers and relay teams are to be congratulated on their performance.

In the **u14** age group, Chloe Craig came 3rd in the 50m butterfly. The medley relay team (Julia Davies, Erin Kisten, Chloe Craig and Sheena Kunene) came 3<sup>rd</sup> and the freestyle relay team (Chloe Craig, Julia Davies, Annabel Dangerfield and Sheena Kunene) came 3rd. The u14/ u15 backstroke relay team (Julia Davies, Sheena Kunene, Hope Rabe and Caitlin de Beer) came 3rd.

In the **u15 age group**, Emily Roelofsz took 1<sup>st</sup> place in the 50 m butterfly race. The 50m freestyle relay team (Jessica Lazarou, Victoria Baigent, Caitlin De Beer and Emily Roelofsz) came 2<sup>nd</sup> and the medley relay team (Caitlin De Beer, Victoria Baigent, Emily Roelofsz and Jessica Lazarou) came 3<sup>rd</sup>.

In the **u16 age group**, Shauna Craddock came 2<sup>nd</sup> in 50m

butterfly, Megan Briggs came 2<sup>nd</sup> in 100m backstroke, Jessica Lazarou came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 100m freestyle and Erin Kisten came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 100m breastroke. The u16/open team (Emily Roelofsz, Megan Briggs, Shauna Craddock and Keri-Lynn Claase) came 1<sup>st</sup> in the 50m backstroke relay, the 50m medley relay team (Megan Briggs, Victoria Baigent, Shauna Craddock and Tamsin van Zyl) came 2<sup>nd</sup> and the 50m freestyle relay team (Emily Roelofsz, Rebecca Batchelder, Hope Rabe and Shauna Craddock) came 2<sup>nd</sup>.

In the **open age group** Kerri-Lynn Claase came 2nd in

the Senior Individual Medley, 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 100m freestyle and 3rd in the 50m butterfly.

The enthusiasm and dedication of every swimmer contributed to the success of the team this season and the girls are ready to take that next step towards excellence and look forward to the 2020-2021 season.

Thank you to Mrs Mc Bride and Mrs McDougall for organizing the season, accompanying the girls at galas and coordinating a magnificent swimming dinner. Thank you to our external coach Siobahn Visser for the expertise in discovering our potential.

## MIDMAR MILE

19 swimmers from Jeppe Girls braved the wet and cold weather in KZN to swim the Midmar Mile on Saturday 8 February. In the last decade, this is the seventh consecutive year that Jeppe has entered Midmar.

Our first swimmer out of the water was Emily Roelofsz in a time of 27:28. She was followed by Kerri-Lyn Claase in a time of 27:32 and Megan Briggs in a time of 27:47. Seven of our swimmers swam the mile in under 30 minutes, and many of the girls improved on last year's times. Our new swimmers have set the bar high for next year's swim. Well done to all of our long distance swimmers.

#### **ACADEMIC COLOURS**

The following Grade 12 learners were awarded **Full Academic Colours** for maintaining an average over 75% in Grade 10 and Grade 11:

**Re-award** – Aisling De Lange, Israa Hafeez, Jadyn Hovelmeier, Vanessa Ndiangang and Megan Reveley **New awards** – Charlize Churcher, Simbulele Dunjwa, Tasmin Fourie, Mbalenhle Mbatha, Darnell Swart and Tristan Torr

The following grade 12 learners were awarded **Half Academic Colours** for maintaining an average between 70% and 75% in Grade 10 and Grade 11 *New awards* – Katherine Edwards, Mikayla Henderson, Cheryl Jones, Iraj Khan, Nicolette Lau, Nkanyezi Mabena, Jesse Mac Donald, Naseeha Moosa, Wande Nduna, Simone Scott, Louise Smit, Monique Tigere, Zia Touffie and Cailin Turnbull

The following grade 11 learners were awarded **Full Academic Colours** for maintaining an average over 80% in Grade 8, 9 and 10:

*New awards* – Erin Dodgen, Jamie Ho, Kalista January, Tshaamano Mabuba, Nicola Teixeira .

The following learners were awarded **Half Academic Colours** for maintaining an average between 75% and 80% in Grade 8, 9 and 10:

*New awards* – Sydney Bagley, Katja Clausen, Kiara Johnston, Hannah Labuschagne, Keisha Molloy

## HAVING FUN WITH MUSIC



The Italian pianist Matteo Arevalos visited the school on Mozart's birthday 27 January and performed for all the music students and educators (some of whom are seen above with him). He was in South Africa as part of the Mozart festival organised by Richard Cock.

A pianist and composer who experiments with sound, Arevalos placed mosaic tiles inside the piano on the strings to make it sound like a harpsichord, as well as ping pong balls which bounced and vibrated as he played. He played some standard works as well as some of his own compositions.

#### CRASSULA WINS SWIMMINGLY

This year's Inter house gala took place on 31 January, a sunny and hot day, perfect for our gala.

The matric cheerleaders looked amazing in their inspired costumes - Gerbera were Barbie, Harveya were Racers, Protea were Genies from Aladdin, Nerine were Lions, Crassula were Life Savers and Disa were Dollars.

#### Results

**Junior Swimmers**— Crassula were the winners, with Gerbera and Disa in second and third place.

**Senior Swimmers**—Protea came first, Harveya second and Disa third.

#### **Combined Teams Results**

Crassula took 1<sup>st</sup> place for the third year in a row, with Protea taking 2nd place, and Disa moving down to 3rd place. Gerbera came 4th, Harveya 5th and Nerine 6<sup>th</sup>.

Three records were broken on the day: The 2019 Junior boatrace record previously set by Harveya (24,22 seconds) was broken by Protea with a time of 21,44 seconds. The Junior Freestyle relay previously set by Harveya in 2019 (01:06, 19) was broken by Gerbera with a time of 1 minute and 5,64 seconds and the 2011 Senior Medley Relay record of 01:54,96 was broken by Protea with a time of 1 minute, 54,60 seconds.

The Nerine Lions won the cheerleading section with Crassula's Lifesavers and Protea's Genies in second and third place respectively.

The Spirit Award went to Crassula. Disa came second and Harveya third.

Thanks to the vibrant and enthusiastic cheerleaders, the organization of the houses, our fearless swimmers and the staff who officiated, as well as Mrs Costine the overall organizer, the day was a great success.

## ORCHESTRA FROM SCRATCH



22 of the Jeppe family (staff, learners and old girls) participated in this year's Orchestra from Scratch.

Organised by Richard Cock as part of the Mozart Festival, players paid an entrance fee to join the 150 piece Orchestra. They were encouraged to practise all pieces beforehand and then had one rehearsal together before performing the concert before a live audience on Sunday 26 January.

The programme ranged from light classical to contemporary pieces and included the national anthem. A truly wonderful experience.

## SPORTS ROUND UP

#### STAR OF THE MONTH DECEMBER 2019

#### Nominees:

#### Robyn Kamerman - Cricket

During the Provincial tournament, she was the best wicket keeper of the tournament, best fielder of the day and scored 50 runs.

#### Kaylee van Rooyen - Cricket

During the Provincial tournament, she bowled a hat-trick in a match.

Special mention for Mrs Costine who achieved her 100 Parkruns milestone in December.

**Snamile Mthembu** was voted **Sports Star of the Month for December** for cricket. She captained the u16A Gauteng team in the Provincial tournament and was named bowler of the tournament with 5 wickets for 11 runs. She also scored 49 not out.

## STAR OF THE MONTH JANUARY 2020

#### Nominees:

Jenna Stolz - Athletics

Jenna finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 100m u19 final at the Puma School of Speed Athletics meeting

Nissi Mukuna - Athletics

Nissi finished 6th in the 200m u15 final at the Puma School of Speed Athletics meeting

**Swade Lessing** was voted **Sports Star of the Month for January** for athletics. She placed first in the u17 Girls High Jump at the Puma School of Speed Athletics meeting.

#### NETBALL

The following girls were selected to represent the Johannesburg East district at the JOMO trials: Isabella Archibald, Gemma Geyer, Nissi Mukuna, Tyla Templeton, Jeena Marriott, Khanyisile Mgidi, Swayde Lessing, Tshaamano Mabuba, Megan Reveley, Nompumeleo Makhoba, Cailin Turnbull and Kyla Taylor-Broun.

Congratulations to the following girls who were selected for the JOMO teams and will attend the next round on 31 March: Nompumeleo Makhoba WA, Khanyisile Mgidi GD, Tyla Templeton GS and Nissi Mukuna GK.

#### HOCKEY

Congratulations to the following girls who were invited to the district hockey trials –

U18: Unathi Ďishi, Jade Murray. Snamile Mthembu and Mbali Mbatha

U16: Lara Loureiro, Oratile Madonsela, Kelsey Mark, Themba Matsinhe and Tatum Murphy

U14: Angie Mbatha, Buhle Tshimo and Michel Matsinhe

#### STAR OF THE MONTH FEBRUARY 2020

#### Nominees

**Swayde Lessing -** Athletics

Competed in club athletics competition and placed 1st for u17 high jump with 1.65m

Keabetswe Masilo - Action netball

Selected to represent the u14b Eastern Gauteng Netball team

**Emily Roelofsz -** Open water swimming The fastest Jeppe girl at the 2020 Midmar Mile

Nompumelelo Makhoba - District athletics

2<sup>nd</sup> place in girls u19 long jump

Lydia Nsenda Chrispin - District athletics

1st place in girls u19 400m

Nissi Mukuna - District athletics

2<sup>nd</sup> place in girls u15 200m

**Jenna Stolz -** District athletics

1st place in girls u19 100m and 200m

Nandi Zulu - District athletics

1st place in girls u17 long jump

**Tristan Torr -** District athletics

1st place in girls u19 1 500m and 2nd in girls u19 5 000m

**Swayde Lessing -** District athletics 2<sup>nd</sup> place in girls u17 high jump

**Jordan Belman** was voted **Sports Star of the Month for February** for touch rugby. She was selected for the ladies u21 Gauteng team and they played in a tournament in Cape Town from 13-15 March.

#### Sports Team of the Month

**Nominees** 

**Open Water swimmers –** for their excellent swimming at Midmar Mile this year

The Athletics District team was voted Sports Team of the Month for February. 13 girls qualified to represent Johannesburg East District:

U19 - Nompumelelo Makhoba, Lydia Nsenda Chrispin, Jenna Stolz, Tristan Torr

U17 - Bessem Besong, Nsovo Kubayi, Swayde Lessing, Nandi Zulu,

U15 - Victoria Baigent, Amea Hanni, Chidera Ibeneche, Nissi Mukuna, Bodie Munro.

Nompumelelo Makhoba, Lydia Nsenda Chrispin, Jenna Stolz, Tristan Torr, Swayde Lessing, Nandi Zulu, Nissi Mukuna and Bodie Munro qualified for round 2.

### CROSS COUNTRY

The following girls were selected to take part in the Orienteering League finals at the Walter Sisulu Botanical Gardens: Linky Nzuza, Bodie Munro, Jordyn van Aswegan, Alisia Naidoo, Ameerah Le Roux, Morgan McLaren -Lyall, Kalista January and Jadyn Hovelmeier. Congratulations to our Orienteering captain and vicecaptain. Jadyn Hovelmeier (captain) achieved 5<sup>th</sup> place in the league finals and Kalista January (vice-captain) was awarded a medal for coming 3<sup>rd</sup> in the league finals and also achieved 4<sup>th</sup> place in the overall league results for the season.

#### BEGINNINGS OF THE PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE



Ground was broken for the foundations of the Carolyn Steyn Performing Arts Centre on Tuesday 24 March 2020. Unfortunately progress was halted by the Covid19 lockdown on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

Mrs Steyn donated R1,7 million to the school at the end of 2018 in celebration of Jeppe's centenary year. "My love for the arts was nurtured here at Jeppe. ... It helped me find my feet, and pursue my dream, of becoming an actress, which changed my life. So I am particularly proud, that they are going to build an Arts Centre, that will change the lives of future generations" she said. The Performing Arts Centre will be used for drama, dance, orchestra and choir practises and performances.

Seen at the site are Miss Gonçalves, Marc Aitken (Architect), Mr Watt, Ian Clasen (Quoin Construction), Mr Tait and Mr Jarvis (Governing Body)

## **ECO-SCHOOLS BRONZE CERTIFICATE**

In 2019, Jeppe joined Eco-Schools, an international program developed to support environmental learning in the classroom. It is active in 67 countries around the world and has been implemented in South Africa since 2003 by WESSA. This education initiative is aimed at creating awareness and action around environmental sustainability in schools and their surrounding communities, as well as supporting Education for Sustainable Development in the national curriculum.

The 7 Step program accredits schools that make a commitment to continuously improve their school's environmental performance and they are required to submit evidence by way of an Eco Portfolio within 8 to 12 months of registration, with the Provincial Awards Ceremonies taking place annually in March.

On 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020, Jeppe was awarded a Bronze Award for successfully completing various themed projects e.g. establishing a Spekboom Nursery to reduce our carbon footprint and "pay it forward" to combat climate change; helping the school to become energy-, water- and waste-smart; implementing the healthy concept of power walking; and, paying tribute to our cultural heritage.

The Eco Committee, Green Reps and many of the girls, all contributed to the start of an improvement process of transformation, as JHSG becomes a greener school and develops future generations of environmentally conscious and responsible global citizen.



Mrs Bosch who heads up the Jeppe initiative and Miss Gonçalves

#### **BLANKET DRIVE**

This year we are again making baby blankets and knee rugs for the elderly and those in wheel chairs. For those of you who managed to get wool from Mrs Heming before lockdown, we hope your blankets are coming along well and we look forward to seeing them. Although we are not working to specific sizes, the baby blankets should be no smaller than 1.20m x1m.

Each class is encouraged to make 20 blankets as part of the 2020 vision.



Courtney Leong (9t) with her first blanket for this year.

#### VOLLEYBALL

Jeppe had six teams competing in the Goliath Cup League 2020, two teams for the under 14, under 16 and under 19 age groups respectively. Unfortunately, due to COVID 19 lockdown, only the junior competition reached its conclusion. Our under 14 A team received 3<sup>rd</sup> place bronze medals. Pretoria High School for Girls won this division by beating Fourways High School in the final. Our grade eights in the under 14 age group display much promise in this sport code many have only just started playing.

Our under 19 A team qualified to play the knockout rounds of the league and lost to Heronbridge in the quarterfinal stages, it seems our senior side are unable to shake the quarter-final "bogey" as they also lost out at this stage in the Fourways Tournament.

The under 16 A team picked up where last year's winning team left off and, as our most successful team this year, are currently due to play either St Marys DSG or the American International School Johannesburg, in the semi-final of the Goliath League Cup competition. As defending league champions, we trust that they will continue their winning ways on the resumption of the competition. This team also retained the Fourways High School Tournament title won last year, by beating the hosts in a tight final, two sets to one.

All in all, given the circumstances we now find our world in, these sport results will have to tide us over until we next get to play ball!

Miss Maughan