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Mr Allan Laing
College Head

College Head's Report

As we reflect on the past academic year, Uplands College celebrates a journey filled with growth, learning and transformation. This year has not only been marked by significant changes but also by an unwavering commitment to fostering an environment where pupils can thrive academically and personally.

This year, we had the pleasure of welcoming a diverse group of enthusiastic staff members to our community. Each new staff member brought unique expertise and fresh perspectives, contributing to our vibrant academic environment. We warmly welcomed:

Ms Natalie Arndt – English Teacher, College House

Mrs Kylie Brits – Engineering Graphics and Design and Technology Teacher, College House

Ms Matshidiso Nhlapo – English Teacher, Bishop House

Mr Greg Pingo – Maths and Maths Literacy Teacher, Goss House

Mr Sean Smith – Maths and Maths Literacy Teacher and Deputy Head of House, Goss House

Ms Jessica Renssen – Intern supporting the English and Art departments, Bishop House

Ms Busisiwe Xulu – Intern in the isiZulu and Life Orientation departments, College House

These dedicated teachers have actively engaged in both the academic and social aspects of school life, fostering an inspiring community spirit.

We were also thrilled to welcome 96 new Grade 8 pupils from 35 different schools and 24 new pupils in Grades 9 to 11 from 25 different schools this year. During our first Assembly, mentors provided encouraging messages, motivating all pupils to embrace their potential in this empowering academic environment.

Our commitment to maintaining an academically focused environment was exemplified by our enforcement

of a mobile phone-free policy during school hours. This decision allowed uninterrupted learning while still allowing parents to contact their children through other school channels.

A major highlight this year was the launch of our solar energy initiative across both the Prep and College campuses. This ambitious project, completed by the end of February, reflects our commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship and advances our efforts toward greater energy independence.

This year, our sports teams showcased commendable conduct during various festivals and the winter derby season, where we extend our gratitude to all pupils, parents and staff who contributed to these community-building activities. Our netball, hockey and rugby teams produced a competitive season, and we fostered a culture that prioritises development over mere results. We cultivated a supportive atmosphere among parents and guardians, celebrating the journey of young athletes as much as their achievements.

The Grade 8 pupils headed to Sugar Bay for their highly anticipated annual camp, a cherished tradition that fosters teamwork and personal development. Simultaneously, the Grade 9 group gathered at Mankela for their outdoor camp, emphasising resilience and independence in a natural setting. The Grade 10 Journey serves as a crucial rite of passage, deeply connected to the school's legacy and promoting significant personal growth among pupils. At the same time, the school is committed to identifying and nurturing emerging leaders within the Grade 11 cohort, ensuring the continuity of the Uplands Mentor spirit and fostering a supportive community.

We successfully built four new classrooms during the second half of the year! It's exciting to see our

efforts come to fruition, and we're looking forward to how these new spaces will enhance our pupils' learning experience. The new classrooms will free up space in the library, allowing it to be used more effectively, and we've also been able to create a dedicated music teaching classroom. This will provide our students with better opportunities for both learning and creativity.

Throughout the academic year, the Matric class exhibited a profound commitment to rigorous preparation for their preliminary and final examinations. These assessments represent the culmination of their educational experiences at Uplands College. In this critical period, the teaching staff offered comprehensive support, fostering an environment that equipped pupils with the necessary skills and confidence to excel in their formal assessments.

Final results were released early in 2026, showcasing the exceptional performance of the Matric cohort. The hard work, perseverance and commitment demonstrated by the pupils were reflected in their impressive outcomes. This success not only underscores the academic rigour of our programmes but also the dedication and support of our teaching staff and the school community.

As we reflect on the academic year, Uplands College remains steadfast in its commitment to fostering an environment where students can excel. We celebrate our pupils' achievements and look forward to continuing our mission of providing a transformative educational experience that prepares students for their future endeavours. Together, we look forward to an even more promising academic future.

Mr Allan Laing
College Head

Chairman of the Board's Report

To the Uplands Family: Parents, Pupils, Team and Community.

On a beautiful autumn evening in May, we gathered once again to celebrate Founders and the remarkable journey of Uplands. As we move steadily toward our centenary in 2028, we do so united as one school: Prep, Pre-Prep, College, Outreach, staff, parents, past pupils and friends. Nearly 97 years after our founding families laid the first stones, the flame they lit continues to burn brightly.

It is my privilege to share that Uplands continues to go from strength to strength.

January 2025 saw the highest pupil enrolment in our history, with waiting lists across much of the campus. The first phase of our solar installation was completed, and during the April holiday the entire campus operated off solar power – a great achievement and meeting of goals. Our endowment fund continues to grow, strengthening our ability to expand scholarships and invest in future infrastructure. The campus itself reflects the care and dedication of our operational teams, and preparations are already underway for our 2028 centenary celebrations.

Most recently, we celebrated the outstanding 2025 IEB National Senior Certificate results. This cohort, whose high school journey began during the disruption of the global pandemic, concluded their schooling careers with exceptional resilience and achievement. Their results reflect not only their perseverance and commitment, but the unwavering standards and guidance of our academic staff.

The Class of 2025 achieved a 100% pass rate, with 98% earning Bachelor's Degree passes. Nearly a third of all subject results were awarded an A symbol, and 80% of results were above 60%. Multiple subjects performed above the IEB national average, with several

achieving distinction rates that speak to depth of understanding and academic excellence. We are particularly proud of those pupils who ranked in the top 1% nationally in their subjects, as well as those recognised on the IEB Outstanding Achievement List for sustained top-tier performance.

These results affirm the strength of our academic culture: high expectations, structured support, innovation in teaching, and a belief in what young people are capable of achieving when challenged and encouraged.

This year, one of our central themes has been inclusion. When we truly include everyone, we unlock possibilities none of us could discover alone. Each individual on this campus contributes meaningfully to the whole. In a world that can feel increasingly fragmented, we must consciously choose community. Through diversity of thought, background and experience, we become stronger together.

Alongside this commitment to inclusion sits a challenge reshaping our global landscape at unprecedented speed: Artificial Intelligence.

In just over two years, AI has shifted from novelty to daily reality. Predictions suggest that within a few short years, systems may outperform humans across multiple intellectual domains. From an educational perspective, AI is already influencing how learning is delivered and assessed.

It is easy to feel daunted by such rapid change. Yet history reminds us that disruption also creates opportunity. The transition from horse-drawn carriages to automobiles transformed entire industries and gave rise to new ones. AI represents a similar inflection point. It is powerful and inevitable, but it must not be feared. The question for our pupils is not whether

AI will shape your world. It will. The question is how you will differentiate yourselves within it.

Our role as a school is to cultivate adaptability, empathy and resilience. We must strengthen what makes us uniquely human. Beyond data and logic lies experiential intelligence – the ability to apply lived experience, reflect, find meaning, and make principled decisions in complex situations. Machines may process information at scale; humans bring conscience, depth and purpose.

And at the foundation of all of this lies one enduring quality: kindness. Kindness binds the community. It strengthens culture. As Bob Kerrey observed, unexpected kindness is one of the most powerful and underrated forces for human change.

As we look toward our centenary and beyond, I am confident not only in the strategic direction of Uplands, but in the character of our community. You can be proud of where your school stands today and optimistic about where it is headed.

Let us embrace innovation without losing humanity.

Let us pursue excellence without losing empathy.

Let us remain adaptable, inclusive and kind.

Together, we continue to build something enduring.



Mr Greg Dane
Chairman

Executive Headmaster's Report

As we reflect on 2025 in this edition of the Uplands magazine, I feel proud and thankful for everything our school community has achieved. Uplands continues to be a place where tradition and innovation work hand in hand, and where every pupil is encouraged to grow and thrive.

This year has brought many highlights. Academically, our pupils have worked hard and performed well, supported by dedicated staff and a curriculum that now includes more innovation and interactive learning. In sport, our teams have shown great skill and teamwork, with strong results and even stronger character.

Creatively, our pupils have embraced opportunities in drama, music and art, adding colour and energy to school life. These moments have helped build

confidence and connection across our community.

Our sustainability initiatives took off this year, with pupils getting involved in rewilding and sustainability projects. It's been encouraging to see their care for the environment grow through hands-on learning.

The Uplands Outreach programme continued to expand, strengthening ties with local schools and sharing resources to support education beyond our campus.

None of this would be possible without the people who make Uplands what it is. Our staff have continued to grow professionally, our families have offered steady support, and our pupils have shown resilience, kindness and determination.

Thank you to everyone who played a part in making 2025 a successful and memorable year. Together, we've built something meaningful, and I look forward to what we'll achieve next.

Mr Sean Carlisle
Executive Headmaster



The Uplands Chaplaincy in 2025 has been nothing short of a great success and a significant season of building for the future. It has laid strong foundations for all we hope to do and become — as a Preparatory School and as a school with a wide and ambitious vision.

The Chaplaincy is led by myself as Chaplain, alongside our dedicated Grade 7 Sacristans. This year, 16

Sacristans served — a remarkable group of young leaders who stepped into their roles with enthusiasm, responsibility and heart. It has been a tremendous privilege to mentor and grow them in spaces where they can shine their light, serve others, and exercise meaningful influence within the school community.

We continue to run weekly chapel services that are engaging, age-appropriate, and spiritually informative. Alongside these, a wide range of events and initiatives take place throughout the year, creating consistent opportunities for worship, reflection, service, leadership development, and community building across both the Foundation Phase and Senior Phase.

All Grade 4 - 7 pupils have a dedicated 30-minute session with the Chaplain each week. This provides an excellent opportunity to

work through a curriculum focused on values, ethics, morals, and the life, example and legacy of Jesus Christ - who continues to empower us through His Spirit to shape the world in the way we live today.

From Pancake Races to the Pancake Evening, generous donations were raised for the Uplands Prep Hope Fund. We marked the beginning of Lent with a meaningful Ash Wednesday celebration, beginning our 40-day journey towards Easter, which was acknowledged and celebrated during the Term 1 holidays.

In May, we held our combined Ascension Day Service with the whole school on the Webster Lawn - a special and unifying moment as one community.

Our end-of-year Carol Service was exceptional. Despite gloomy weather, the hall provided a warm and joyful

Chaplain's Report

atmosphere, filled with festive spirit and community celebration.

One of the most significant developments this year was the election of the 2026 Sacristans. A new system was introduced, tested and successfully implemented. Fifteen new Sacristan Leaders were elected, with the role of Head Sacristan shared between one boy and one girl - Samuel Hauptfleisch and Sofia Dimitrou.

These newly-elected Sacristans led the final chapel service of 2025 - the Grade 7 Farewell Chapel - which was a solemn and special occasion marking the end of the year.

Overall, 2025 has been a year of momentum - strengthening what already exists while building intentionally for the future of Chaplaincy at Uplands.

Reverend Matthew Jennings
School Chaplain



Mentors

In 2025, the School Mentors of Uplands College focused on tackling the idea of “moke,” a slang term meaning a lack of effort. Their mission was to encourage every pupil to give their best in all that they do, both in and out of the classroom.

The Mentors brought energy and positivity to daily school life, greeting pupils in the mornings with smiles and encouraging vibes, helping set the tone for a motivated and united school community.

Through Mentor Interact sessions, they connected with grade groups to build rapport and foster meaningful relationships. They also led school meets, socials and events that strengthened unity and school spirit, while playing a pivotal role in guiding the Grade 8s.

To ensure they were equipped for both school leadership and life beyond, the mentors attended various leadership training sessions, honing skills in communication, teamwork and

initiative. They also contributed to marketing initiatives and delivered speeches at key school events, consistently modelling confidence, dedication and motivation.

This year’s School Mentors were ably led by Gabriel Buchanan and Zoe Zitha, who inspired their team to energise the school community and demonstrate that true leadership is about encouraging others to shine and always put in their best effort.



Back Row: Luke Barnard, Jayden Marsh, Joshua de Beer

Middle Row: Neo Mohuba, Tintswalo Mbetse, Gabriel Buchanan, Mr Mark Blew

Front Row: Zoe Zitha, Darell Awogu, Erin Durek

Boarding Mentors



Front Row: Mrs Karen van Wyk, Nyad Amade, Khumo Motlhodiemang, MaryAngel Leopeng, S'nenjabulo Hlatshwayo, Ms Lindie van der Merwe

Second Row: Mrs Sam Venter, Xitiko Myakayaka, Nicole Chilengue, Achel Sawunyama, Leo Mashiri, Mrs Genevieve Gill

Third Row: Mr Michael Gill, Tintswalo Mbetse, Neo Mohuba, Darrell Awogu, Mr Sean Smith

Back Row: Mr Brandon Potgieter, Mia Jackaman, Luke Barnard, Joshua de Beer, Amani Búzi, Mr Andrew McArthur

Absent: Toby Smith

Pastoral Care Report

This year has been one of meaningful connection, growth and reflection across Uplands College as we continued to strengthen our culture of kindness and community. Our pastoral programme has placed particular emphasis on digital wellbeing, with a focus on how our learners navigate social media responsibly and compassionately. We were fortunate to host a guest speaker from Klikd, a group of industry experts who have also partnered with us to introduce a new social media curriculum for our Grade 9s. Their sessions offered practical tools and thoughtful discussions around empathy, online identity, and the power of positive digital engagement — all aligning closely with our school's core value of kindness.

At the heart of our approach lies a simple belief: true educational success cannot be separated from

wellbeing. When pupils feel seen, supported and valued, they are far more able to thrive academically, socially and personally. Our pastoral system is designed with this in mind — ensuring that every pupil has access to guidance, care and meaningful relationships that nurture both confidence and character.

Beyond the classroom, our camps once again played a central role in building resilience and connection. From the Grade 8 camp at Sugar Bay, to the Grade 9 adventure at Mankele, the Grade 10 Journey and the Grade 11 leadership camp at Queen's River, each experience has deepened bonds and encouraged self-awareness, teamwork and growth.

Our tutors remain the cornerstone of this system, dedicating time and care to truly know and support each member of their tutor groups

— often the most immediate and impactful point of pastoral care. Our Heads of Houses have also led with great energy and compassion: Ms Lindie van der Merwe, in her first year as Head of Goss House, guided her team to victory in the House Cup competition; Mr Gill completed a strong first year with Founders House; and Mr Sean Smith took over leadership of College House from Mr Andrew McArthur with enthusiasm and fresh vision. Mrs Venter continues her influence at the helm of Bishop House.

As we reflect on the year, we are reminded that pastoral care is not an add-on to education, but its foundation — a living expression of our belief that kindness, connection and wellbeing are what truly enable all pupils to reach their full potential.

Mr Mark Blew

Deputy Head:
Pastoral Care and Boarding

Co-Curricular Report

Endeavours outside of the classroom enrich the educational experience for our teenagers. Sport, Cultural and Service opportunities exist to allow our Uplands pupils to thrive in spaces in which they could feel more comfortable. These opportunities also allow our staff and pupils to interact in different settings and often this adds another layer to the staff-pupil relationship. At Uplands, we recognise, protect and celebrate this.

Provincial representatives, derby weekends, fixtures, meets, galas, races, tours and trips, eisteddfods, DAM evening, Uplift festival and service days are some of the highlights which formed the tapestry of our 2025 Co-Curricular pursuits. We are immensely proud of the year that has passed and the many achievements of our pupils.

We thank our staff and coaches for their expertise, experience and energy that drive the success of

the Co-Curricular programme. For a programme to be effective, our pupils and the greater Uplands community need to invest time and energy into it. We thank our pupils and families who support the programme wholeheartedly and make the most of the wide and deep opportunities on offer.

Mr Dean Forword
Deputy Head: Co-Curricular

Academic Report

The 2025 academic year has been defined by intentional growth, strategic innovation, and outstanding achievement across many subjects in the school.

Matric Results Summary

The Uplands Matric Class of 2025 achieved exceptional academic success, celebrating a 100% pass rate and an impressive 98% Bachelor's Degree pass. With an average of 2.1 distinctions per candidate, the class demonstrated remarkable commitment and perseverance. Notably, 33% of pupils achieved three or more distinctions, while nearly half of the cohort earned two or more.

Subject excellence was evident across the curriculum, particularly in Dramatic Arts, Spanish, Life Sciences, and Engineering Graphics and Design. Special congratulations go to our top achievers: Nicole Cooper with 9 distinctions, Joshua de Beer with 8, and Erin Durek with 7. These results are a testament not only to individual dedication but also to the strength of our academic systems and the culture of excellence embedded at Uplands.

Matric Mastery Camp

A significant contributor to this success was the Matric Mastery Camp held during the Term 3 half-term break. Our dedicated Grade 12

teachers facilitated a rigorous and focused examination preparation programme to ensure pupils were thoroughly prepared for their preliminary examinations. The camp was exceptionally well attended, reflecting both pupil determination and staff commitment. Through intensive revision sessions, targeted feedback and structured exam practice, pupils developed the confidence and discipline required for the final IEB examinations. The impact of this initiative was clearly reflected in the consistency and quality of the Matric results.

Strengthening Academic Support: Timetable Enhancements

In 2025, the academic programme was further strengthened through thoughtful timetable enhancements and the introduction of Academic Consultation Slots. These dedicated periods within the school day provide pupils with structured opportunities to seek additional support, clarify complex concepts, consolidate learning or extend their understanding. By embedding consultation time into the timetable, we have fostered academic independence while ensuring that support remains readily accessible. This proactive system reinforces our commitment to personalised learning and sustained academic growth.

Subject Choice Innovation and Guidance

For the first time, our subject selection process was enhanced through the inclusion of psychometric testing conducted by Dr Antoinette Cook. All Grade 9 pupils underwent aptitude assessments, providing valuable insight into their strengths before entering the FET phase. These results guided informed subject selection for Grade 10, ensuring greater alignment between ability, interests and future aspirations.

Our Subject Choice Evening was also exceptionally well attended, with Kathy Knott sharing practical strategies and key considerations when selecting subjects. This strengthened advisory process has ensured that pupils and families are better equipped to make thoughtful, informed decisions as they transition into the FET phase.

Innovation in Teaching and Learning

Innovation remained a key focus within the classroom throughout 2025. Our Grade 9 Collaborative Day, which centred on the design and construction of a "sustainable city," was an exciting example of interdisciplinary learning in action. Pupils engaged in creative problem-solving, teamwork, critical thinking

and practical skill development as they explored real-world challenges through collaboration.

We also continued to experiment with emerging technologies, including the responsible integration of artificial intelligence in learning. Pupils and staff used our Mindjoy Tutor Bots, supporting personalised engagement and extending learning beyond traditional classroom boundaries. Alongside these initiatives, teachers continued to interrogate their own practice, reflecting on innovative ways to enhance teaching and deepen pupil understanding.

Academic enrichment beyond the classroom also remained a priority. In 2025, Uplands pupils participated in the Wits Mathematics Competition, with several advancing to the second round.

Professional Development and IEB Involvement

Academic excellence is sustained through the continuous growth of our educators. In 2025, our teachers remained deeply committed to professional development and lifelong learning. An impressive 26 members of staff were involved in Matric marking, moderating, examining, or senior marking for the IEB final examinations. This level of engagement not only deepens our academic understanding but also ensures that our teachers remain closely aligned with national standards and assessment expectations.

Across departments, staff attended subject-specific conferences

throughout the year, with a significant cohort participating in both the TSSA Conference and Innovate Edu. This ongoing investment in professional growth reflects our staff's willingness to model lifelong learning for our pupils. It also ensures that our teaching remains current, relevant, and firmly aligned with IEB best practice.

Career Day

Beyond examination preparation and academic structures, 2025 provided meaningful opportunities for pupils to connect learning with future aspirations. Career Day 2025 was a highlight of the year. Through the generosity of 32 successful and distinguished guest speakers, pupils were exposed to real-world career insights, personal journeys, and practical advice across a broad range of professions.

More than a single event, Career Day served as an inspiring platform that broadened perspectives and sparked ambition. We extend sincere appreciation to all speakers, staff and pupils who contributed to its success, and we look forward to building on this momentum in the years ahead.

University Expos: Expanding Global and Local Horizons

In September, Uplands proudly hosted a Global Education Expo, welcoming 25 international university representatives to exhibit on our campus. This event provided pupils with valuable insight into global study opportunities and reinforced the international credibility of an IEB Matric. It was

a powerful reminder that Uplands pupils are well-positioned to pursue tertiary studies worldwide.

In October, we further strengthened these pathways by hosting a Local University Expo at Uplands, where a wide range of South African universities and colleges showcased their offerings. Both Expos were held exclusively on our campus, and we were pleased to welcome pupils from other schools. These initiatives reflect our commitment to broadening access, deepening awareness, and ensuring that pupils are equipped to make informed decisions about their futures.

Conclusion

While we celebrate the exceptional results of 2025, we continue to maintain that results are not the most critical measure of success. At the heart of what we do in the classroom is process — showing up consistently, doing the right thing, and committing to meaningful learning every day. We believe that if we continue to focus on strong habits, integrity and purposeful academic growth, results will naturally follow.

Above all, we celebrate the development of new skills, academic grit, resilience and the confidence our pupils build along the journey. The achievements of 2025 reflect not only academic excellence but also the values and character that underpin an Uplands education.

Mrs Kerry Dewar

Deputy Head: Academics





Front Row: Gabriella Mason, Nyad Amade, Caitlyn Gardiner, Isabella Vieira, Amilla Pieters
Second Row: Kai Goodman, Khwezi Ndlovu, Indiphile Mashiteng, Siyanda Msimango, Zoe Zitha, Mrs Sharon van Reenen
Third Row: Jessica Knott, Anele Mahlalela, Kayla de Beer, Tarique Bülter, Nkazimulo Zitha, Erin Durek
Back Row: Ross Maude, Amukelwe Ziyane, Gabriel Buchanan, Mickal Bakker

Uplands Foundation

As I write this, another Lowveld year is drawing to a close, and I am once again reminded how fortunate we are to call Uplands home. At Uplands, we are more than just a school — we are a community — and through the Uplands Foundation, we remain deeply invested in the lives and futures of our pupils.

We live in a country where access to quality education, and the opportunity to attend a school such as Uplands, remains a privilege. The purpose of the Uplands Foundation is to nurture a spirit of giving. The Uplands Foundation supports our pupils through bursaries and scholarships, strengthens our campus through capital development priorities, and extends our reach through the Uplands Outreach community. Every donation is an extraordinary act of kindness, echoing Desmond Tutu's words:

“Do your little bit of good where you are; it is those little bits of good all put together that overwhelm the world.”

2025 has been a year of meaningful progress for The Uplands Foundation. Our grateful thanks goes to Lynette Carlisle who contributed hugely to a major milestone - the successful completion of the five-year Alumni

Database Project. From 2020 to 2025, fragmented physical and digital records were transformed into a unified, functional system on DevMan3, capturing over 3,000 new records and more than 9,000 updates. This database will underpin the Uplands Past Pupils Association's first Monthly Giving Campaign to be launched in 2026 and marks a significant step forward in Uplands'



advancement capacity.

Alongside this work, we continued collaborating closely with Uplands leadership and the Centenary Committee in preparation for our Centenary celebrations in 2028. With the groundwork now laid, 2026 will mark the start of the active planning phase, as we begin putting the real initiatives and projects into place. The Uplands Foundation remains committed to deepening community engagement and building a lasting culture of giving.

Throughout the year, the strength of relationships has been at the heart of everything we do. We saw this clearly during the Founders and Friends Weekend and, later in the year, at a special gathering for the Friends of Uplands, where Executive Head Mr Sean Carlisle and I had the privilege of thanking a number of supporters for their exceptional and consistent dedication to Uplands. It

was a deeply meaningful reminder of how much these quiet, faithful commitments shape and sustain our community.

Our Matric traditions continue to reflect the values of gratitude and legacy. The Class of 2025 added six Knob Thorns to the growing Matric Indigenous Forest — trees grown in our own nursery and planted as part of our ongoing rewilding project. With the continued generosity of the Van Der Westhuizen family, this living legacy, begun by the Class of 2020, continues to grow with each graduating class. The Giving Back in Matric initiative remains a cornerstone of our work, offering families the opportunity to pay it forward by supporting bursaries for future pupils.

Term 4 brought with it a celebration of excellence in action. Our inaugural Uplands Santa Dash and the ever-popular Uplands Christmas

Market were both wonderful reminders that when care and commitment are poured into the details, something truly special emerges. Thank you to every Santa, elf, reindeer and festive runner who joined in the fun!

As I reflect on 2025, I am filled with gratitude for the Board, Uplands leadership and our wider community for their ongoing support and shared vision. The completion of the alumni database, the groundwork laid for the Centenary, and the growth of new giving initiatives represent important steps toward long-term sustainability. Together, we continue to build a legacy of generosity, connection and opportunity for future generations of Uplanders.

Mrs Sally Greathead

Head: Uplands Foundation



Uplands Parent Teacher Association

Building Community. Creating Impact. Supporting Excellence.

The Uplands Parent Teacher Association (PTA) continues to serve as a dynamic link between parents, staff and the broader school community. Our purpose extends beyond fundraising - it is about strengthening connections, enriching school life, and quietly supporting the environment in which our children learn and grow.

A Year of Meaningful Momentum

Throughout 2025, the PTA remained actively involved in supporting school events across all phases, including sports days, productions, festivals and community gatherings.

Our hospitality initiatives at concerts, plays and major school events have become a much-loved part of the Uplands experience. Whether serving refreshments at the Foundation Phase Play, supporting DAM (Drama, Art and Music), contributing to the Christmas Market, or assisting at Founders' Weekend, the PTA's presence continues to bring warmth, energy and a sense of belonging to each occasion.

These moments are about more than sales - they are about families connecting, parents engaging, and the unmistakable spirit that defines Uplands.

Supporting the School in Tangible Ways

Beyond events, the PTA has continued to invest in projects that directly enhance the school environment and learning experience.

A significant milestone this year was the PTA-sponsored upgrade of the audio and visual system in the Prep Hall, meaningfully elevating assemblies, productions, prizegivings and daily teaching for both the Preparatory and Pre-Preparatory phases.

In addition, the PTA supported the recording and video production of the Pre-Prep Concert, ensuring that these special milestone moments are professionally captured and preserved for families. These initiatives reflect our commitment to enriching not only infrastructure, but the lived experience of our children and their families.

Signature PTA Initiatives

Several key initiatives remain central to the PTA's work:

Marvellous Moms

A beautifully curated celebration honouring the women of Uplands. This elegant morning of inspiration



and connection not only celebrated our community but also strengthened volunteer engagement.

Burger & Quiz Night

A much-anticipated fixture on the Uplands calendar, Burger & Quiz Night continues to bring parents and staff together for an evening of laughter, friendly competition and camaraderie. It is a wonderful example of how the PTA blends “fun-raising” with fundraising, strengthening relationships while supporting school initiatives.

Used2BYours (U2BY)

Our sustainable pre-loved uniform platform continues to support families while promoting circular thinking within the school environment. With refreshed energy and growing awareness, U2BY remains one of our most valued initiatives.

Uplands Merchandise

From sports fixtures to school festivals, Uplands merchandise allows families to proudly show their school spirit and sense of belonging.

Uplands Classifieds

The Classifieds platform connects families and supports parent-run businesses, strengthening our internal community network and encouraging local enterprise.

The Annual Art Project

This much-loved initiative celebrates creativity while contributing meaningfully to school projects - reflecting the blend of culture, talent and purpose that defines Uplands.

Looking Ahead

As we move into the coming year, our focus remains on:

- Growing inclusive community events
- Increasing parent volunteer engagement
- Supporting strategic school development initiatives
- Strengthening collaboration between parents, staff and leadership
- Ensuring that every initiative adds tangible value to the Uplands experience

We remain committed to projects that are visible, meaningful and aligned with the heart of the school.

A Message from the Chair

It is both an honour and a privilege to serve this remarkable community as Chair of the Uplands PTA.

Uplands is more than a school - it is a shared space where our children develop confidence, friendships deepen, and traditions are formed. The PTA's role is to quietly strengthen that experience behind the scenes.

To every parent who buys a burger at a play, supports the Classifieds, purchases merchandise, contributes to Used2BYours, volunteers at an event, or simply shows up, thank you. Your participation builds far more than funds. It builds belonging.

Together, we are shaping an Ultimately Uplands community - one defined by generosity, excellence and shared purpose.

Sanele Thothela

Chair: Uplands PTA



Uplands Outreach

Education That Inspires Communities to Grow

Education is complex and the challenges are many - yet the potential for success is infinite! At Uplands Outreach, we keep coming back to two questions:

What is our focus? How do we make an impact? The answer in 2025 started and remained with the people and the communities we serve in Mpumalanga.

Our focus in 2025 remained on the professional development of school leaders, teachers and learners. When school leaders grow professionally, schools succeed. When teachers are supported, learners thrive. This enduring focus has continued to deliver real, measurable impact.

Our impact in 2025 grew because our work is grounded in evidence. We draw upon the principles of andragogy and pedagogy in shaping our professional development activities. Long-term relationships with school leaders sit at the centre of Uplands Outreach's work, strengthening both our programmes and ability to respond to what the schools need.

Our achievements in 2025 included the holistic School Leadership for Excellence programme, the Continued

Professional Development programmes for teachers, the SMILE conversational literacy programme at Uplands College, the Mathematics Proficiency programme, the Digital Literacy programme, Coding and Robotics and our exciting new Early Learning pilot programme. We also implemented several 'quick win' projects with our partner schools, which provide both practical and psychological support to our programme participants. It is immensely gratifying to see the school promotions that are

underway with our programme graduates.

Thank you again to the generosity of our donors and the Uplands community. With your help, Uplands Outreach continued to grow, expanding into new schools and circuits, building stronger collaborations and delivering sustainable site coaching school visits and addressing challenges in the system. Thank you, one and all!

Mrs Violah Moya

Head: Uplands Outreach



Kgwale Le Mollo Scholarship Foundation Report

2025 was a year marked by significant achievement for students supported by the Kgwale le Mollo Bursary Foundation. Across Grades 8 to 12, our learners demonstrated dedication, resilience and excellence — both academically and beyond the classroom.

We are immensely proud of the various academic awards achieved by our students, reflecting their commitment to learning and personal growth. Alongside these successes, our learners actively participated in a wide range of co-curricular activities, including debate, rugby, marimba and soccer.

We are also particularly proud of our two matriculants, who have successfully completed their schooling and are now moving into tertiary education. Both

students will be pursuing Bachelor of Commerce (BCom) degrees, marking an exciting new chapter in their academic journeys.

Looking ahead, we are delighted to welcome two new Grade 8 students for 2026, Casandra Caba and Uyanda Shube, who have been selected to join the Foundation. We are confident they will thrive within our community and continue the legacy of excellence upheld by Kgwale le Mollo.

We continue to stay in close touch with our students on their post school studies and those that are already in the workplace.

If you would like to stay updated on our students' journeys and achievements, follow us on Instagram @klmkids.

You can also contact us on bridget@klmfoundationsa.org, jsteyn@uplands.co.za and Impangane@uplands.co.za



UPPA News

The past year has been one of momentum, connection and purposeful growth for the Uplands Past Pupils' Association. Our aim remains simple and clear: to stay meaningfully engaged with our community, to support and develop our past pupils, and to nurture the camaraderie that sits at the very heart of UPPA.

Reflecting on the year that has been, we must recognise the strength of the team behind UPPA. I am continually encouraged by the committee's shared commitment to adding real value, along with the genuine spirit of collaboration that drives everything we do. Much of the work happens quietly behind the scenes, but it plays an important role in ensuring our alumni remain connected.

A particularly special milestone this year was the official opening of The Uplander. What began as a vision has quickly become a vibrant and well-used multi-purpose

space for both alumni and the wider school community. With the boardroom area now complete and further enhancements underway, it is already doing exactly what we hoped it would: creating a space where connection, conversation and shared experiences can flourish.

Our events calendar once again reminded us how powerful it is to bring people together. The annual UPPA Cricket Day was well supported and thoroughly enjoyed, a true reflection of the enduring friendships and camaraderie within our network. The Golf Day was another highlight and expanded this year to include a ladies' padel tournament and a ladies' lunch, both of which brought fresh energy and broadened participation in a meaningful way. These events are far more than social fixtures; they are intentional opportunities to strengthen relationships and create lasting touchpoints within our community.

We were also delighted to host a combined reunion for two milestone year groups during Founders' Weekend. It was a wonderful celebration of what makes Uplands unique: that deep sense of belonging which extends well beyond one's school years. Seeing past pupils return to campus, reconnect and immerse themselves in the life of the school was a powerful reminder of the continuity we are privileged to help preserve.

Throughout the year, we have continued to celebrate the achievements of our alumni, sharing their academic, professional and personal milestones. Recognising these stories not only honours individual accomplishment but also inspires current pupils by demonstrating the enduring impact of an Uplands education.

A particularly meaningful moment was welcoming a new generation



of Uplanders whose parents once walked these same pathways. Through small but symbolic gestures, such as gifting books to legacy families at the start of their children's journey, we acknowledge that for many, Uplands is far more than a school; it is a shared story across generations.

None of this would be possible

without the engagement and support of our past pupils, committee members and the broader Uplands community. Our goal is to bring the UPPA community together, and that can only happen through participation, connection and shared purpose.

As we look ahead, we do so with gratitude for what has been built

and confidence in what lies ahead. Together, we honour the past, strengthen the present and ensure that the Uplands story continues for generations to come.

Mr Malcolm Deacon

Chair: Uplands Past Pupils Association



Bishop House



Reflecting on a Year of Growth, Grit and Greatness

As we reach the end of 2025, I can't help but reflect with immense pride on what has been a truly remarkable year for Bishop House. From the first day of Term 1 to our final celebrations this term, our pupils have embodied the Bishop spirit - a spirit defined by courage, kindness, and a drive to be the best version of ourselves.

We began the year with unstoppable energy and determination. Bishop made a statement at the Inter-House Athletics, earning 2nd place overall and proudly lifting the Spirit Cup for our unmatched enthusiasm and teamwork. That set the tone for the year ahead - one of collective effort, joy and pride.

It was also a time of new beginnings. We welcomed fresh faces to our Bishop family - pupils who quickly became part of our rhythm, and new staff members who brought their warmth and passion into both the classroom and boarding house. The first term reminded us that, while results

matter, what truly sets Bishop apart is our sense of community, our laughter, and the way we lift one another up.

By Term 2, our Bishop pride was shining brighter than ever. Our teams gave their all, with standout moments across netball, hockey and touch rugby. The Senior Hockey boys went unbeaten, while our Netball girls fought their way to strong finishes through teamwork and resilience. Each victory reflected the hard work and determination of our pupils, and the camaraderie that continues to define who we are.

We also carried our sense of purpose beyond competition through initiatives like the Bottle Top Project, where pupils' commitment to environmental awareness became something far greater than just a collection drive - it became a shared act of service and pride.

Term 3 was filled with moments that showcased the best of Bishop. From our girls' Inter-House Soccer victory and the boys' 2nd place finish, to the incredible performances in Inter-House Culture, where Bishop were placed 2nd overall, it was a term that celebrated both talent and teamwork.

We also recognised our own heroes through the Bishop Awards, honouring pupils who show heart, humility, consistency and spirit — the quiet contributors who make our House what it is.

Our Matric girls' "Cry Night" was a beautiful reminder of how much love and laughter flows through Bishop boarding house. Beneath the stars, stories were shared, tears were shed, and gratitude filled the air. That same evening, our Grade 8 girls signed the Bishop Pledge, marking their official welcome into our sisterhood and promising to carry the Bishop values forward.

This year, Bishop House reclaimed its place as a powerhouse of spirit, teamwork and excellence - finishing 2nd overall in the Inter-House Cup for the first time in years. But beyond the rankings, it's the character of our pupils that shines the brightest.

To every Bishop member - thank you for your courage, your humour, your dedication and your heart. You have turned every challenge into growth and every moment into a memory worth celebrating.

As we look to 2026, may we continue to build on the passion, unity and pride that have carried us through this incredible year. Bishop House - bold, spirited, and stronger than ever.

Mrs Sam Venter
Head: Bishop House

College House



As we look back on 2025, College House closes the year with a blend of pride, honesty and renewed determination. While it wasn't a year of sweeping Inter-House victories, it was a year that reminded us of our true strength - a community of boys and girls with heart, grit, and a great deal of potential. What we lacked in trophies, we made up for in character, steady progress, and the foundations for a stronger 2026.

The year brought several highlights. Our pupils made their mark in activities such as mountain biking, where we earned top recognition, and during Cultural Week, where we won the Ensemble category and achieved a strong second place in Drama. These moments showcased the creativity and resilience that continue to define College House. Though Inter-House results didn't always go our way, the spirit and effort shown - especially in the tough moments - captured what makes this house special. The challenge ahead is to unite our individual talent into collective strength.

2025 was also a year of significant change among our staff. We bade farewell to Mrs Celeste Smith, who moved off campus and leaves behind a legacy of warmth and involvement. Mrs Mariska Landman, known for

running skincare clubs, nature walks and festive decorations, steps away from her duties but remains a joyful presence in the School. Ms Busisiwe Xulu heads to KwaZulu-Natal after serving with care and commitment. We also honoured Mr Andrew McArthur, who concluded five devoted years as Head of House — a role he filled with passion and heart.

This year also marked a new beginning as I joined the house in the final term. It has been a privilege getting to know our boarders and day scholars, and I look forward to building on the spirit and culture that make this house unique.

The House was led in 2025 by Tintswalo Mbetse, an admired and respected Head of House whose leadership set a positive tone across the year. We now look forward to seeing Litsako Chitambira and her Mentor team lead College House into 2026 with purpose and unity.

Our Matrics have left us with much to celebrate. Of our twenty Matrics, fifteen received special awards at the final Prizegiving — a remarkable achievement. Their success is a reminder of what is possible through hard work, humility and determination.

Some standout achievements include:

- Gabriel Buchanan – Head Boy, Academic Honours and Top French pupil
- Nicole Chilengue – Academic Honours

- Siyanda Ochan – Cultural Honours, Top Music pupil and Devin Möller Trophy for Music
- Dante Pagani – Hyson Trophy for Endeavour
- Karen Wate – Top Spanish Additional Language pupil
- Keira Knight – Top Engineering Graphics & Design pupil
- Xitiko Myakayaka – Top Accounting pupil and an accomplished all-rounder

Their achievements leave a legacy that will inspire the boys and girls who follow in their footsteps.

Although 2025 had its share of ups and downs, we have already begun 2026 on a strong footing - with early wins in Inter-House Chess, Boys' Squash, and an impressive contribution to the CANstruction charity event. These early results show what is possible when College House commits with energy and unity.

If there is one message from this year, it is this: College House has the talent - now we focus on coming together, supporting one another, and building a culture of shared success. Our goal is clear: to turn individual brilliance into collective achievement. Here's to 2025 - a year of growth, change and steady progress. As we step into 2026, we do so as a house determined to rise together.

Mr Sean Smith
Head of College House

Founders House



2025 was a year in which Founders House fully committed to living out our house motto, "Winning at Everything." At the heart of this commitment was a clear focus on belonging. We worked deliberately to create spaces and a culture where pupils felt safe, recognised, and genuinely appreciated as members of the Founders family.

The year began with the Interhouse Athletics and Swimming events, where Founders finished 3rd and 2nd respectively. While these results were not what we traditionally expect of ourselves, they proved to be an important moment of reflection. They highlighted the need for growth across all areas of school life and reinforced our determination to elevate Founders back to the levels of success and consistency that define the house.

There were many sporting highlights as the year progressed. The Senior Girls' Hockey team delivered an outstanding performance to win Inter-house Hockey, while both the Junior and Senior Netball teams

finished 1st in their respective competitions. The Boys' Soccer team also had a memorable year, claiming victory in the Inter-house Soccer tournament.

The standout achievement of 2025, however, was Founders' success in the Inter-house Culture competition. Culture remains one of the most demanding Inter-house events, requiring mass participation across Dance, Music (solo and ensemble), Public Speaking, Drama and the Mural. It demands time, discipline, creativity and courage from a wide range of pupils. Founders House rose to this challenge magnificently, winning Inter-house Culture in 2025. Every pupil involved can be immensely proud of their contribution. A special highlight was the mural, which was both beautiful and creative, and a true reflection of the effort and imagination of our pupils.

Academically, Founders House concluded the year in 2nd place overall, a significant improvement from 4th in 2024. This was a clear goal set at the start of the year, and achieving it speaks volumes about the commitment, consistency and work ethic of our pupils. This achievement leaves us excited and motivated for what lies ahead in 2026.

Ultimately, it is the boys, girls and staff of Founders House who make it a place of belonging. Their attitude, effort and pride ensured that 2025 was a year of growth, achievement and renewed belief. They can be proud of what they accomplished, and confident in what Founders House is capable of achieving in the years to come.

Mr Michael Gill
Head: Founders House



Goss House



What a year it has been for Goss House! True to our motto, “We hunt together and we eat together,” 2025 has been a year filled with energy, unity and pride. Every member of the House has played a role in shaping what has been an unforgettable journey, defined by teamwork, determination and heart.

Our Mentors and Matrics set the tone from the start. Their leadership ensured that Goss House showed up with spirit and purpose in every event, with no lane, field or stage left empty. Their influence reached far beyond the competition arenas, inspiring younger boys and girls to participate with enthusiasm and a genuine sense of belonging.

The results of their collective effort have been remarkable. Victories in Inter-house Swimming, Inter-house Athletics, and the Academic Cup reminded everyone of Goss’s balance and depth of talent. And through our consistency and hard work, we are proud to have once again brought home the Overall House Cup.

Yet, what makes Goss House truly exceptional is not the trophies or the titles. It is the spirit that binds us together - the quiet acts of support, the laughter shared in the corridors, the late-night chats in the boarding house, and the friendships that grow stronger with every challenge faced together. It is the brotherhood among the boys in boarding and the sisterhood of our day scholar girls, each bringing their own energy and warmth to the pride. Together, we have built a culture of encouragement, respect and belonging that reaches far beyond competition days.

Our House staff have been the steady heartbeat of Goss, offering guidance, support, and a constant source of motivation. Their dedication and care have made this

House feel like a home, and their presence has ensured that every pupil feels seen and valued.

As we look back on 2025, we do so with immense pride. Goss House has grown stronger, not only in achievement but in spirit and connection. We will carry these memories - the laughter, the lessons, the victories and the friendships into the future, continuing to live our motto with pride. In Goss, we hunt together, we eat together and, most importantly, we grow together as one proud pride of lions.

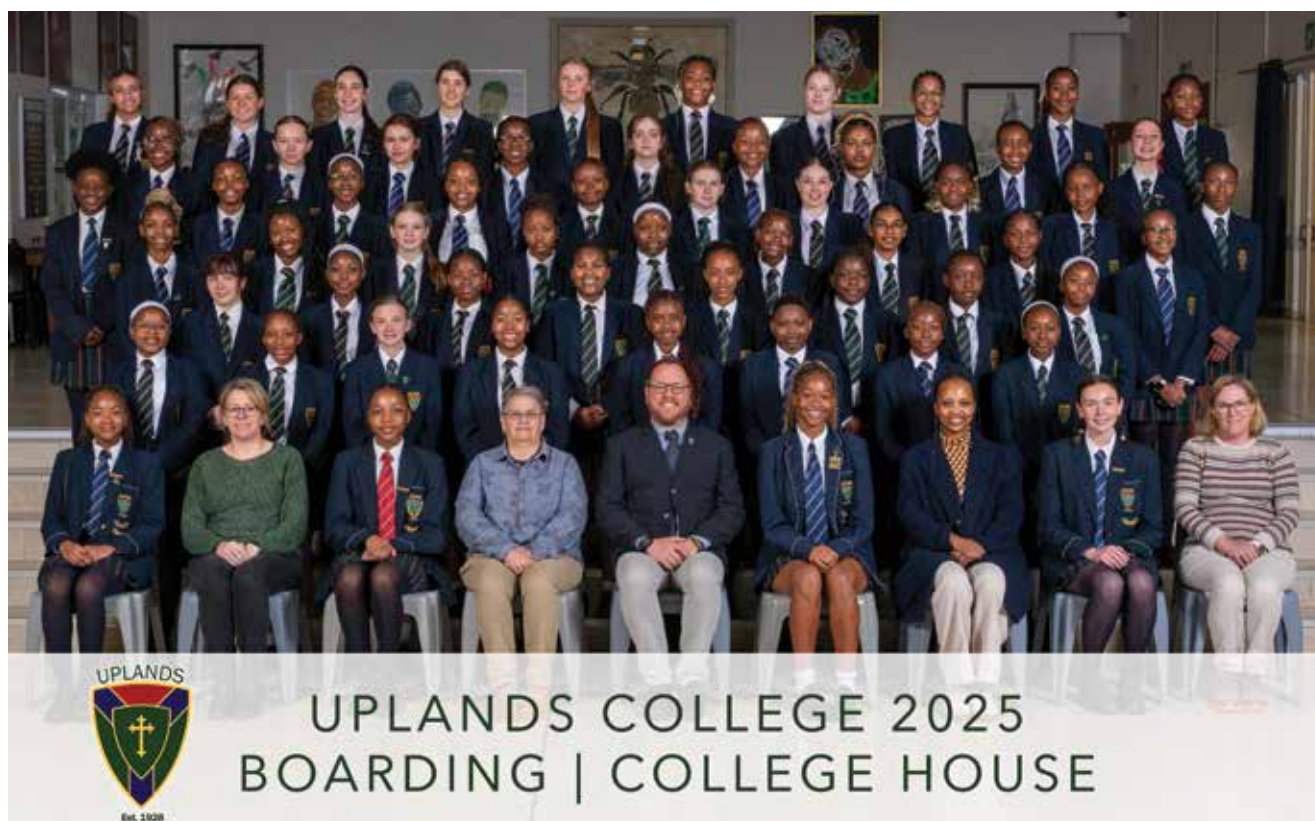
Mrs Lindie van der Merwe
Head: Goss House



Bishop Boarding House



College Boarding House



Founders Boarding House



Goss Boarding House



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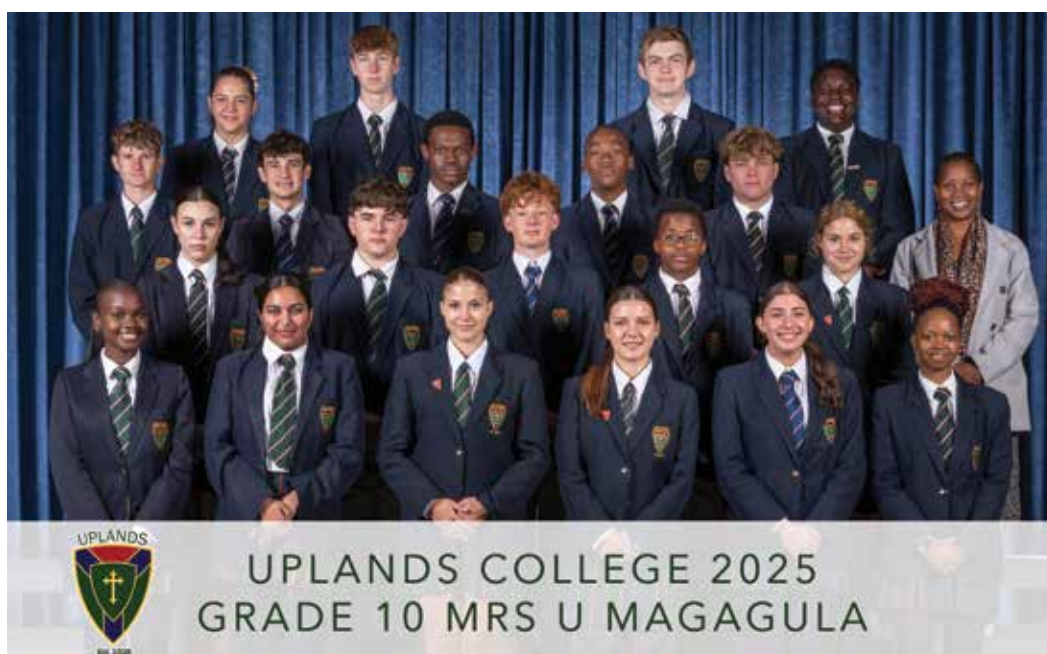


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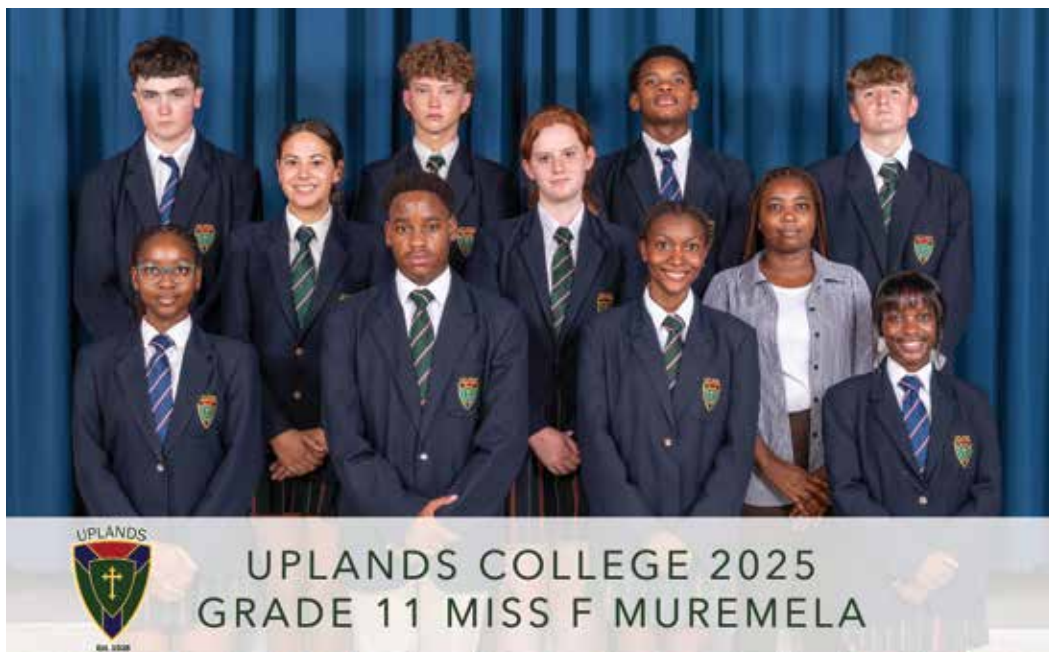
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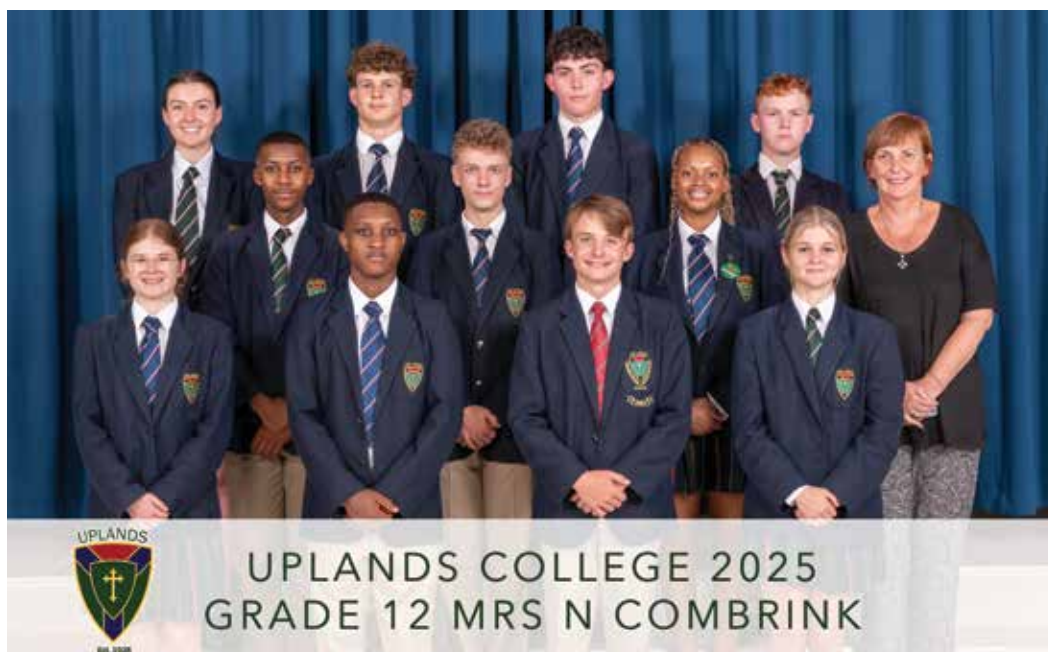


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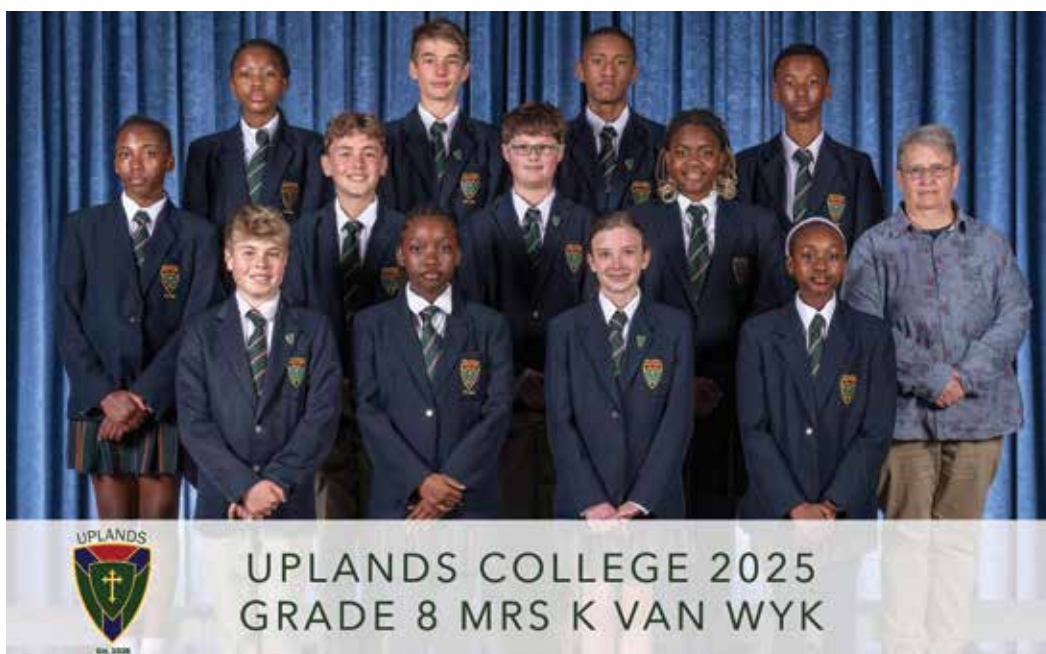


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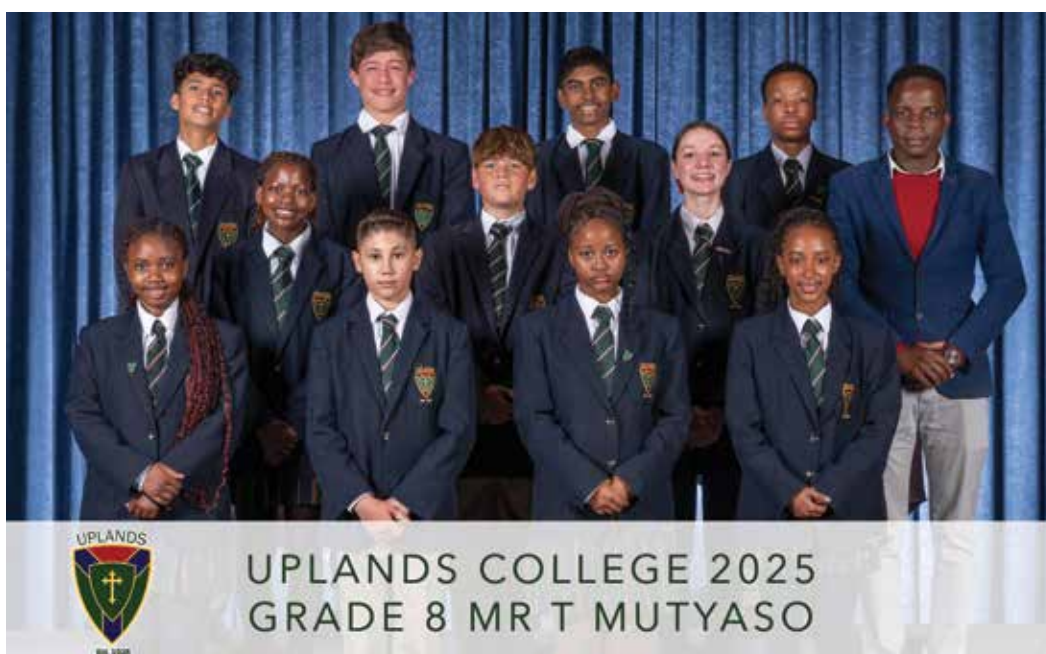
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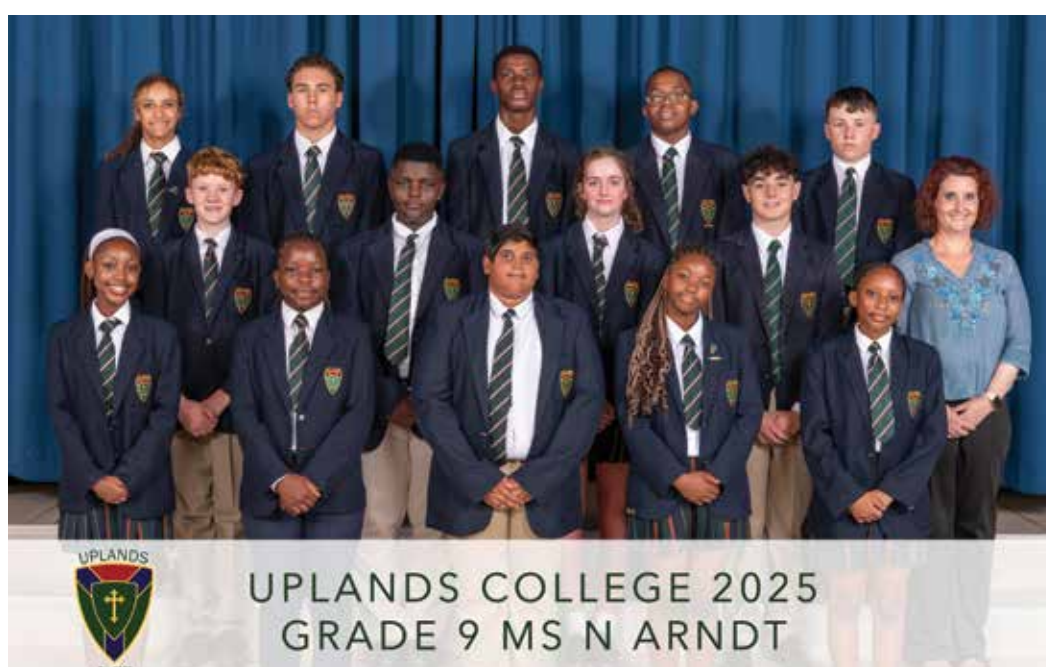


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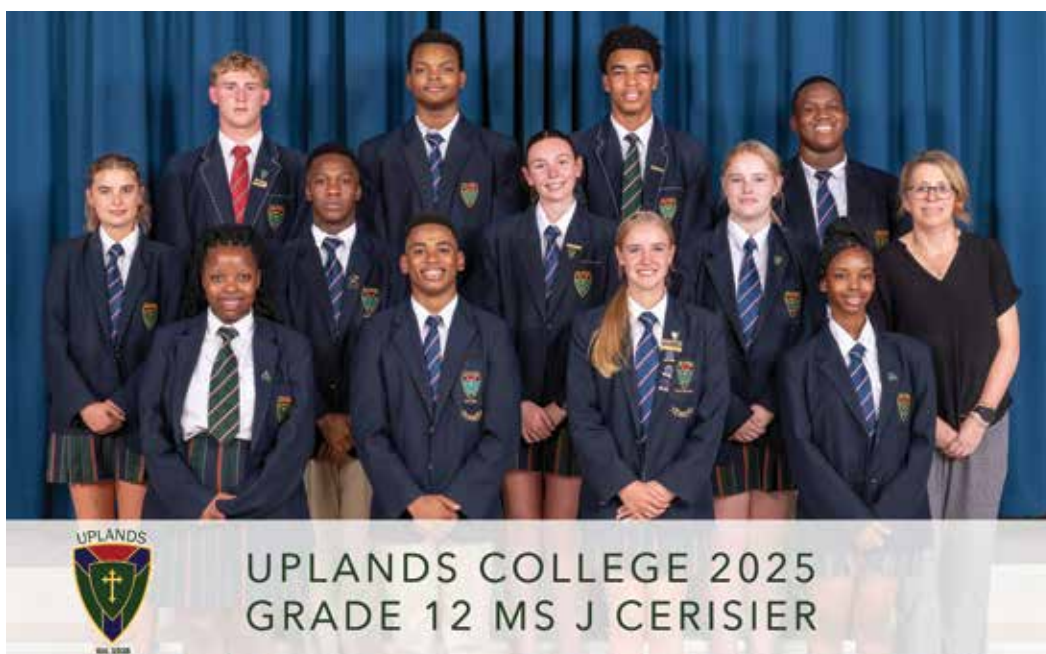


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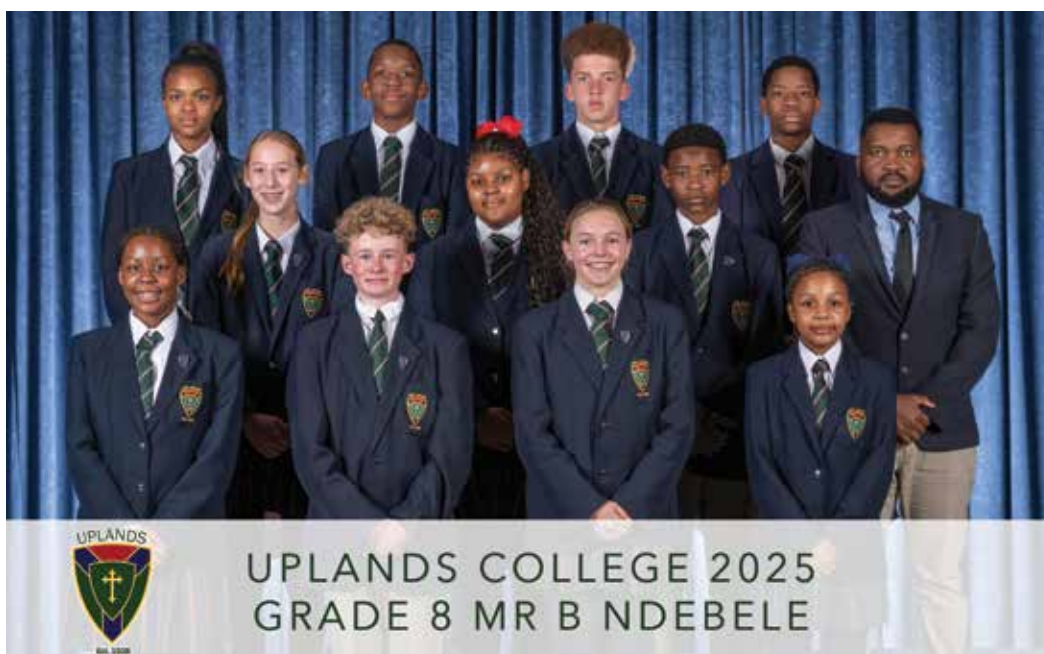


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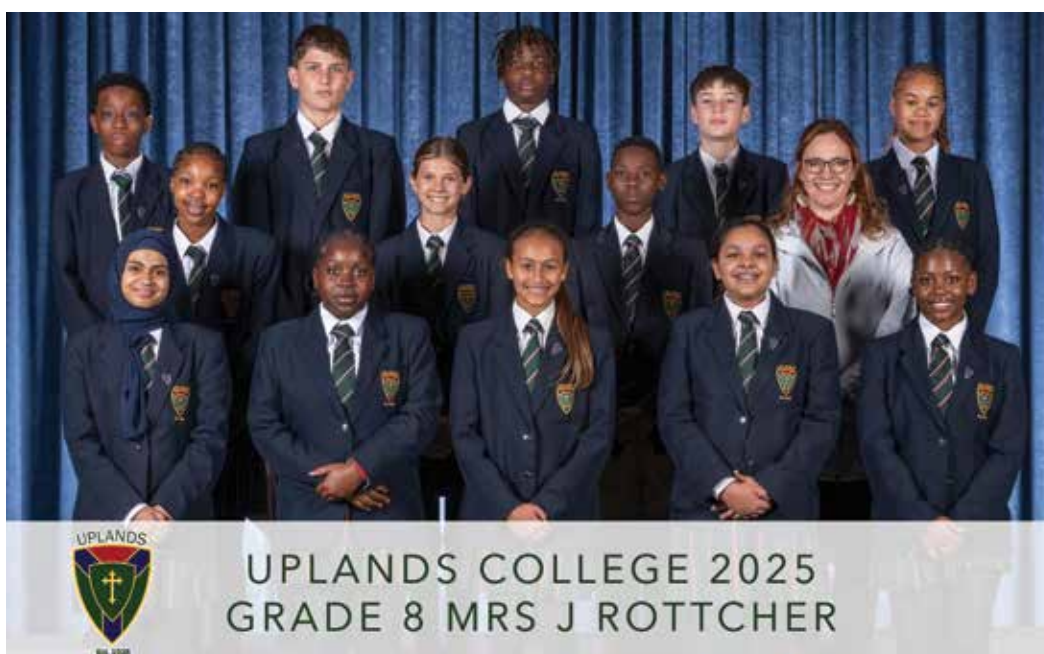
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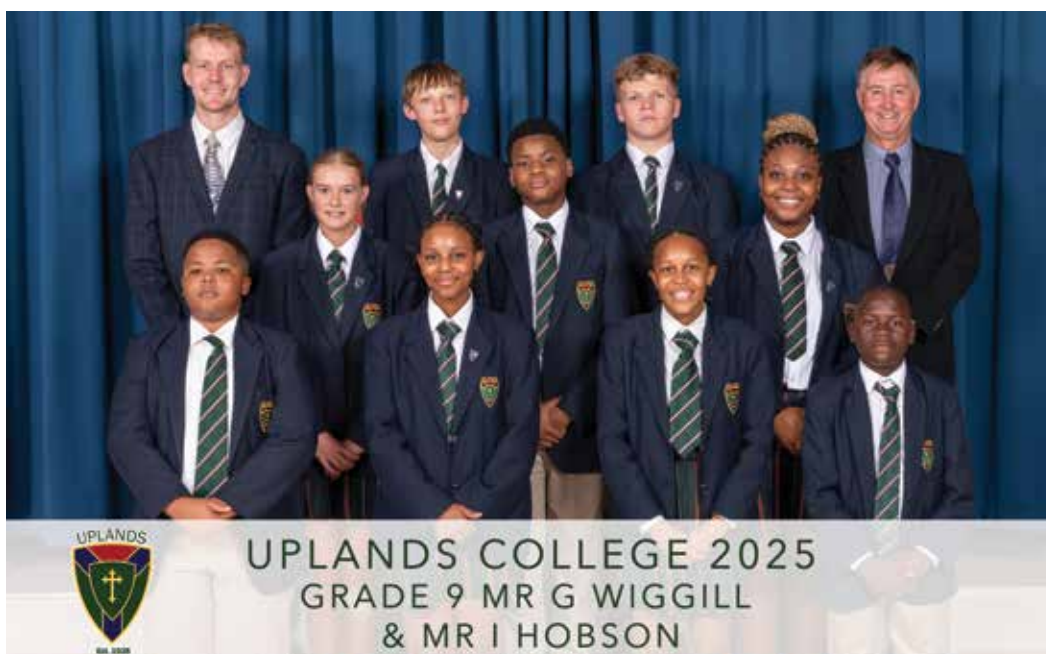


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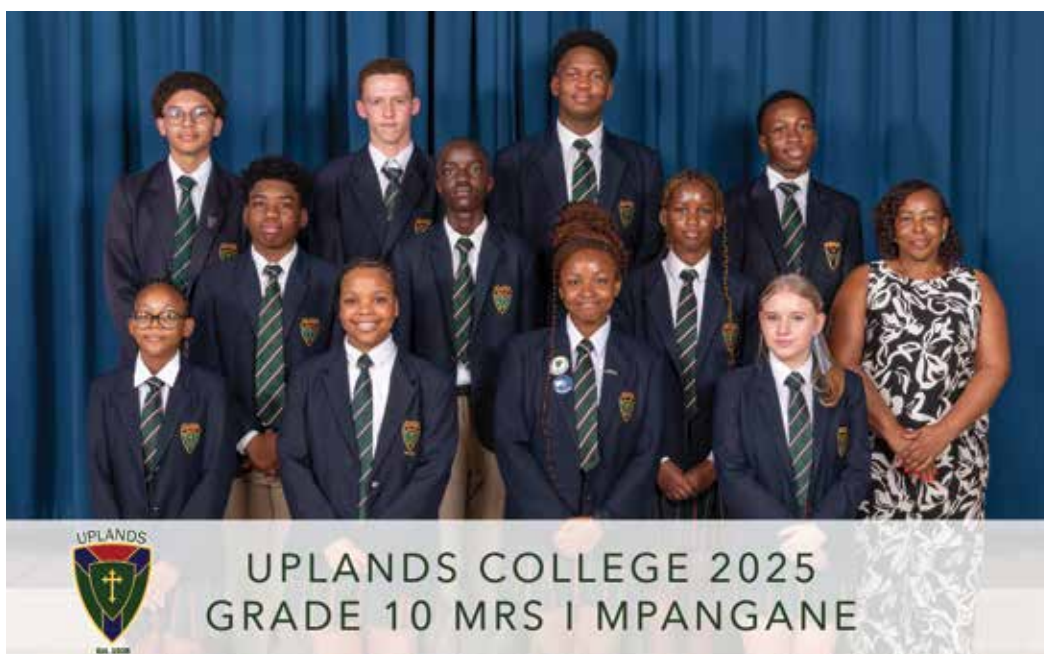


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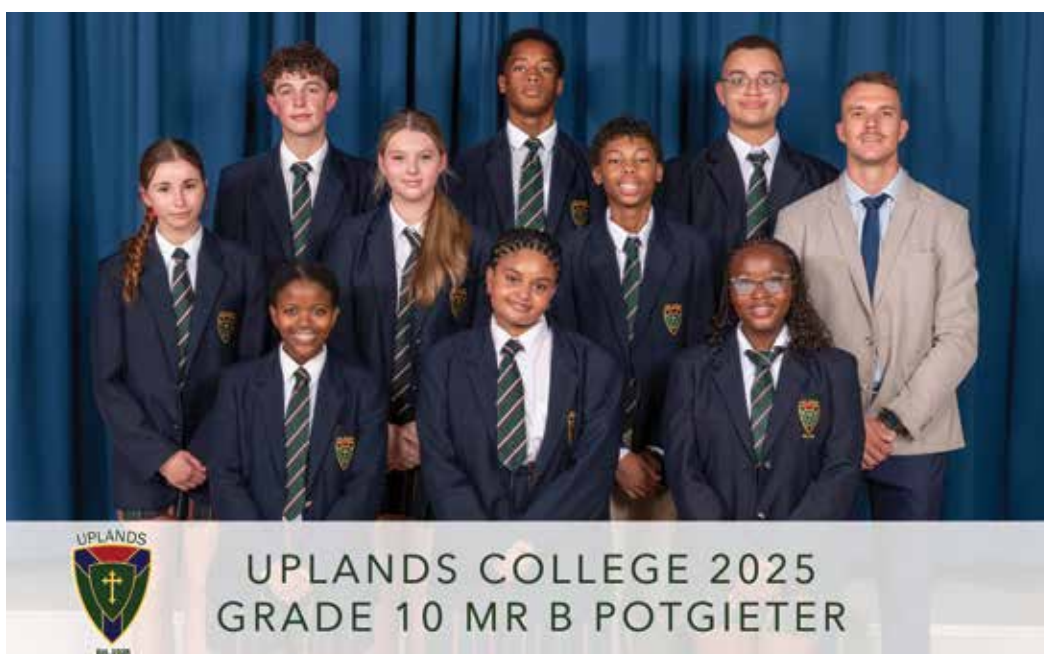
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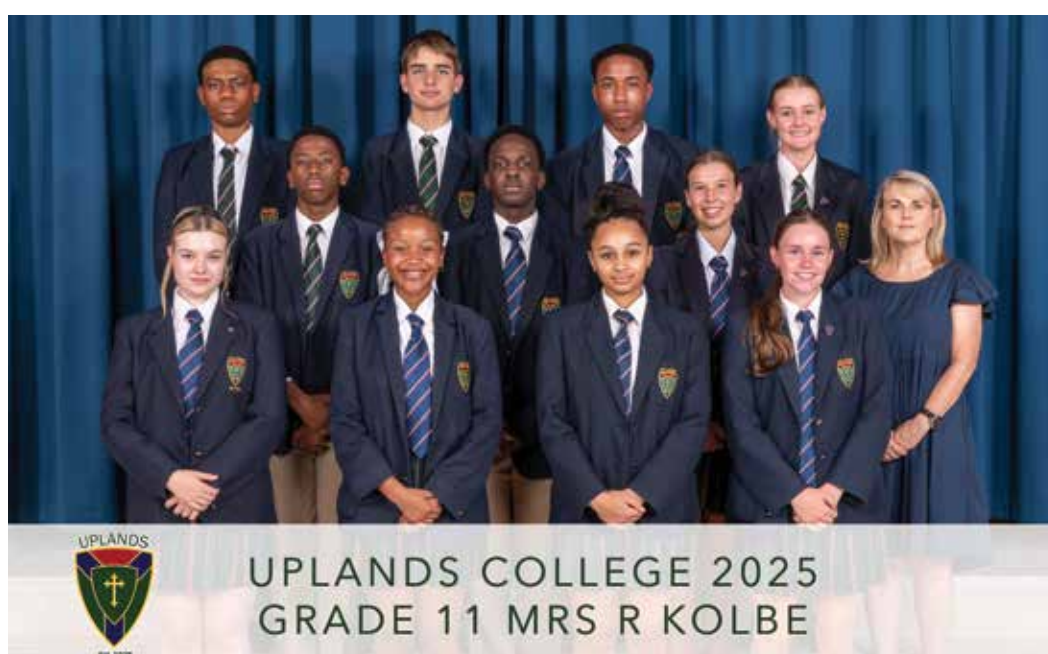
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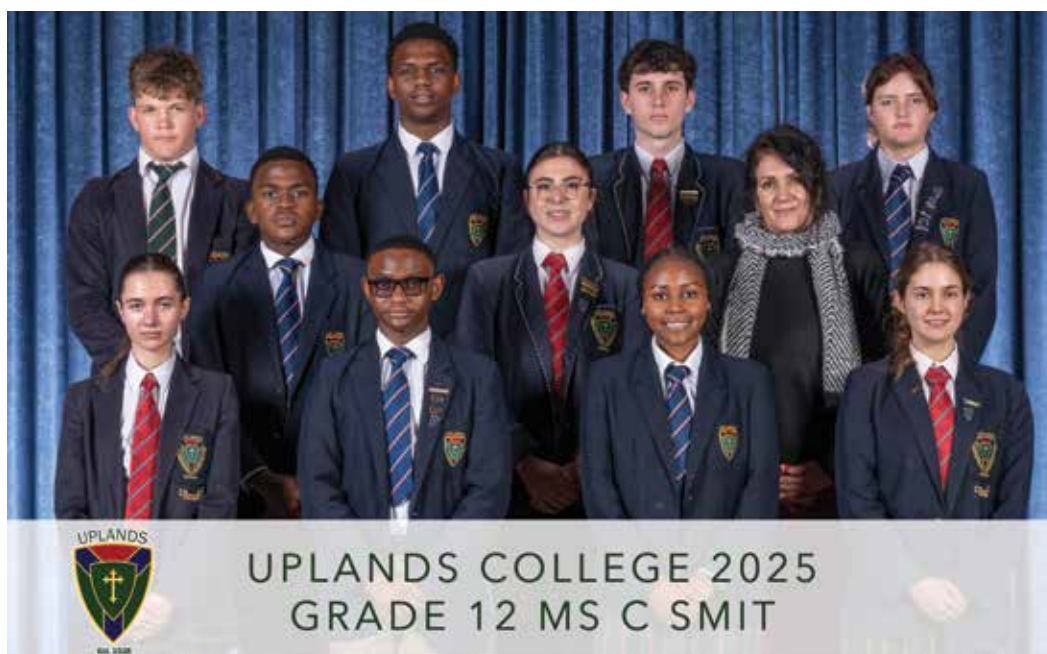


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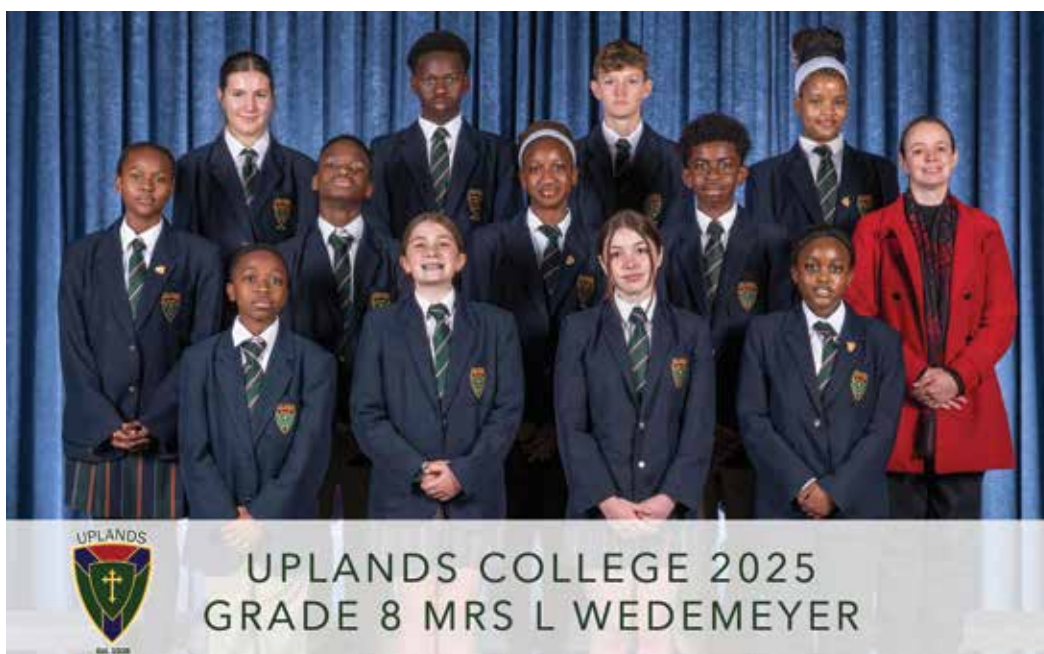


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Goss Tutor Groups



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Absent: Eirini Svouraki



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Middle Row: Lebogang Mosehla, Zoey Grove, Malibongwe Mgwenya, Mr Gregory Pingo

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Absent: Olivia Storm

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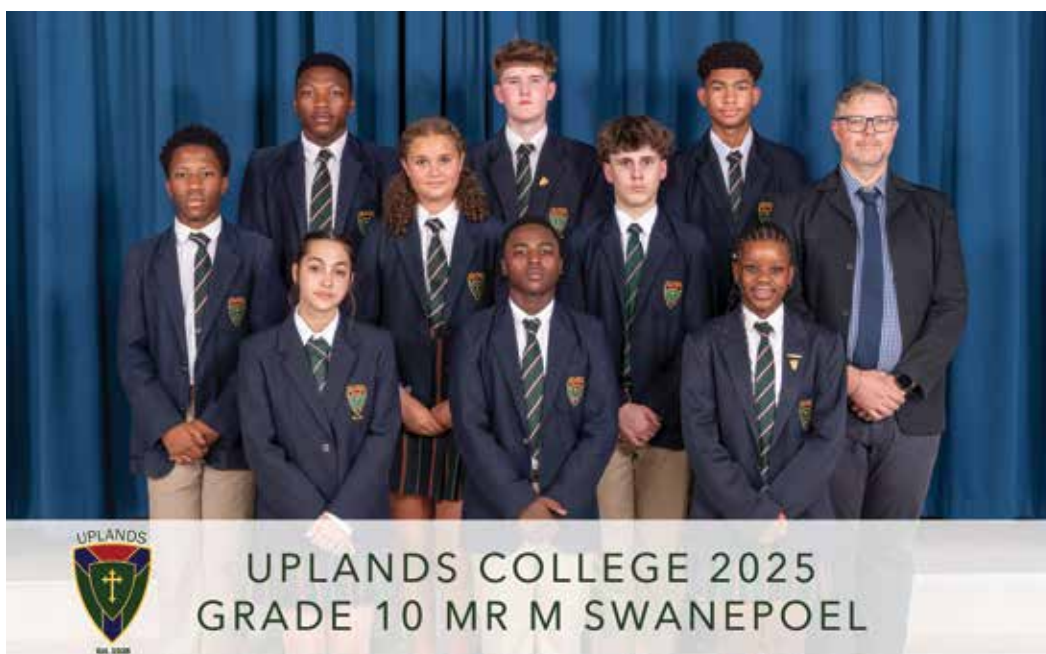


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Absent: Aiza Raja



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Middle Row: Anna Ruest, Graeme Spear, Kate Rankin, Mrs Gemma Blew

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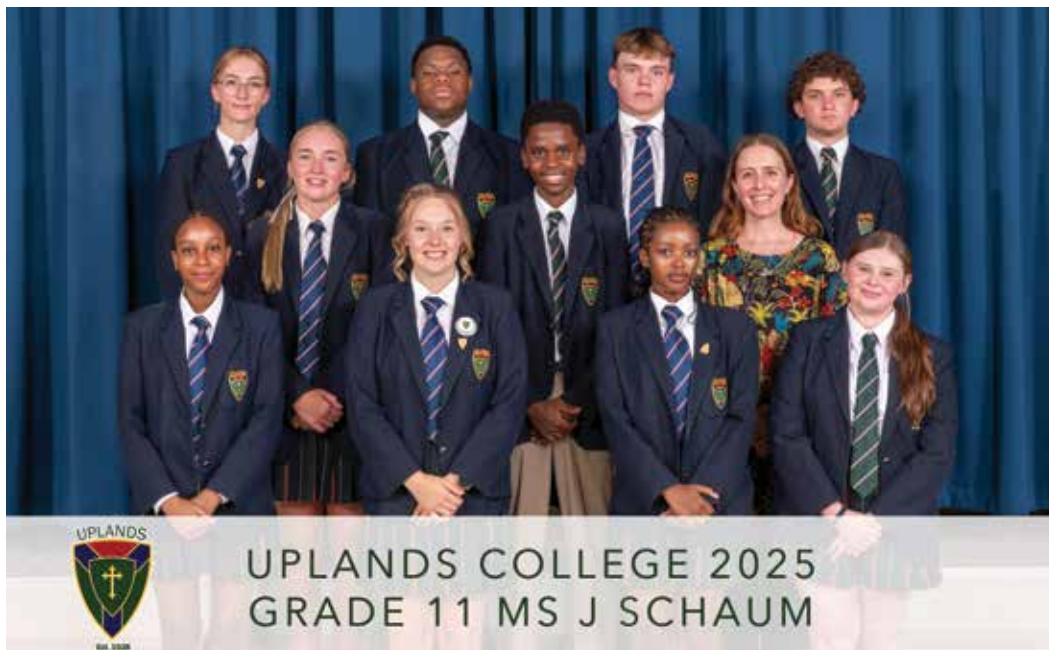
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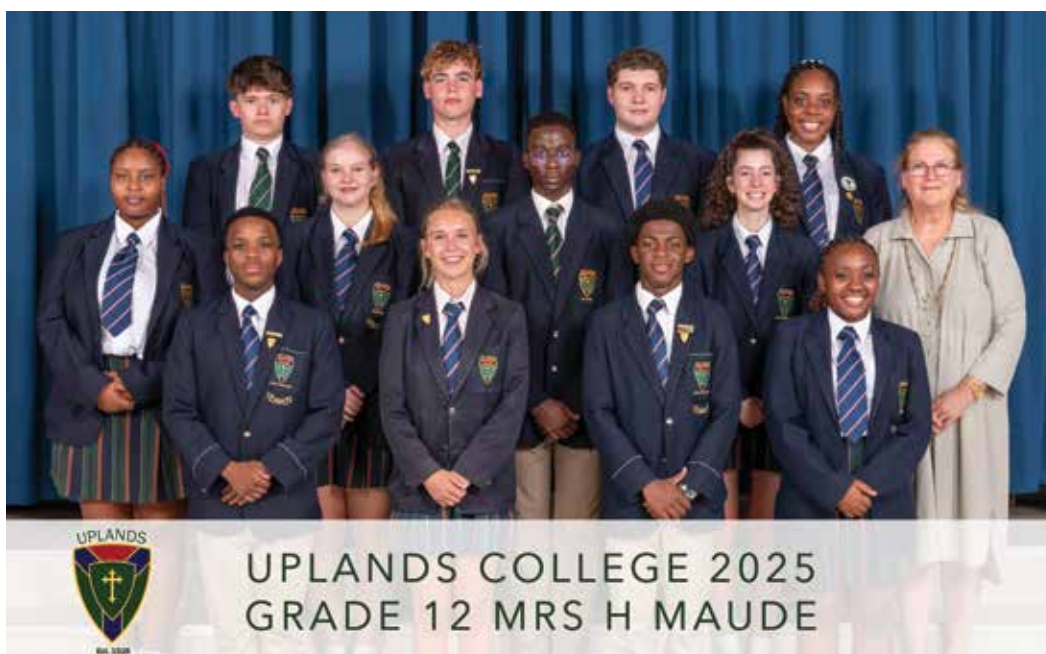
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Absent: Ikemdinachukwu Umeano, Kate Howe-Dreyer, Isabella Vieira

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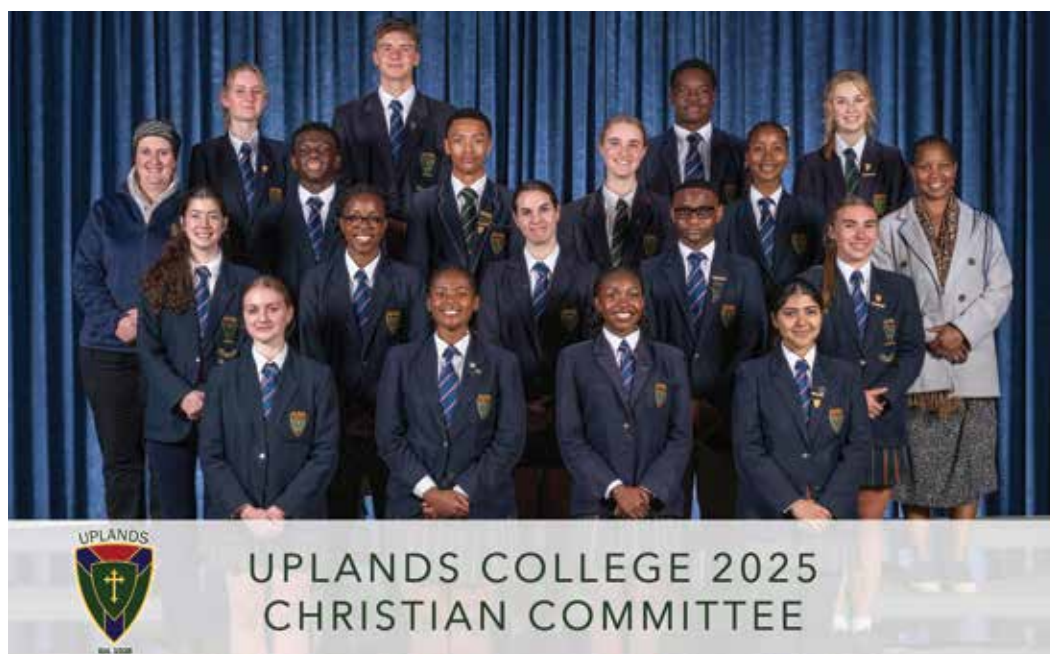


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Culture



Front Row: Ashley Shaw, Bohlale Choeu, Ayira Baloyi, Isabella Vieira

Second Row: Samara Mazik, Litsako Chitambira, Kate Rankin, S'nethemba Masimula (Head of Chapel),
Kate Howe-Dreyer (Deputy Head of Chapel)

Third Row: Mrs Chanyé Krige, Lwazi Khoza, Neo Mohuba, Kylie Puttkammer, Arielle Mandlate,
Mrs Unenceba Magagula

Back Row: Amy van der Hout, Quintin Swanepoel, Elishua Zumbika, Sienna Mason (Deputy Head of Chapel)



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Second Row: Miss Jessica Renssen, Leylah Bülter, Litsako Chitambira, Caitlin Jenkins, Miss Kelsey McIlrath

Third Row: Caela Baird, Bongwiwe Khoza, Jordin Abroms, Jessica Desmond

Back Row: Lucy James, Amy van der Hout, Calla Harman, Sienna Mason

Culture



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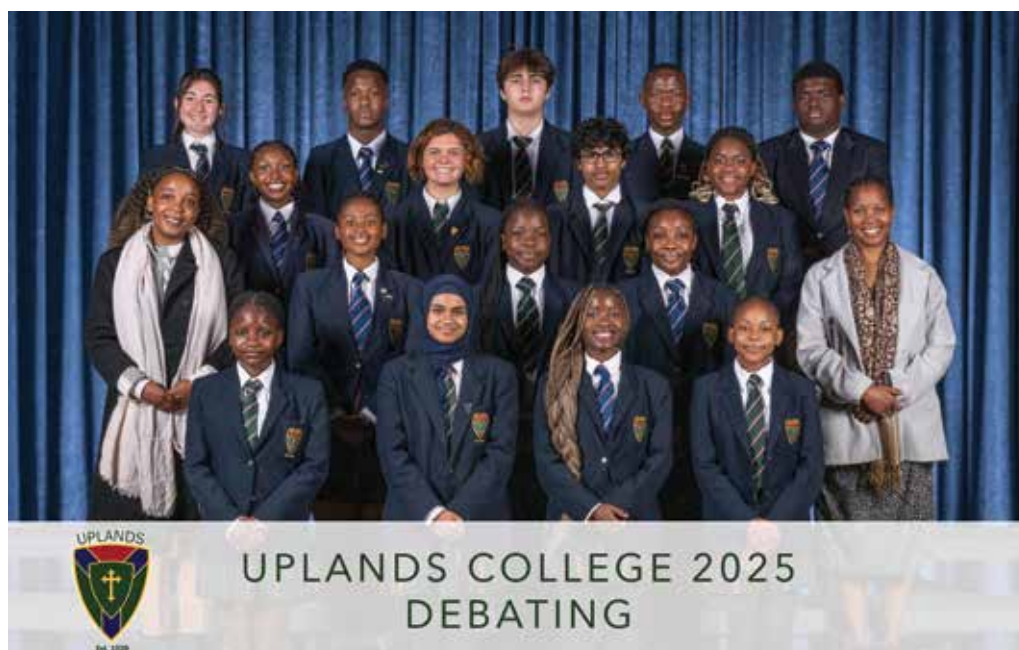


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Culture



Front Row: Maleleko Mushikita, Diyaana Nomani, Retsepile Nare, Tshiamo Theledi

Second Row: Ms Matshidiso Nhlapo, Bohlale Choeu, Lindokuhle Masinga, Thapelo Nare, Mrs Unenceba Magagula

Third Row: Ayira Baloyi, Zoey Grove, Danyaal Nomani, Janine Guilaze

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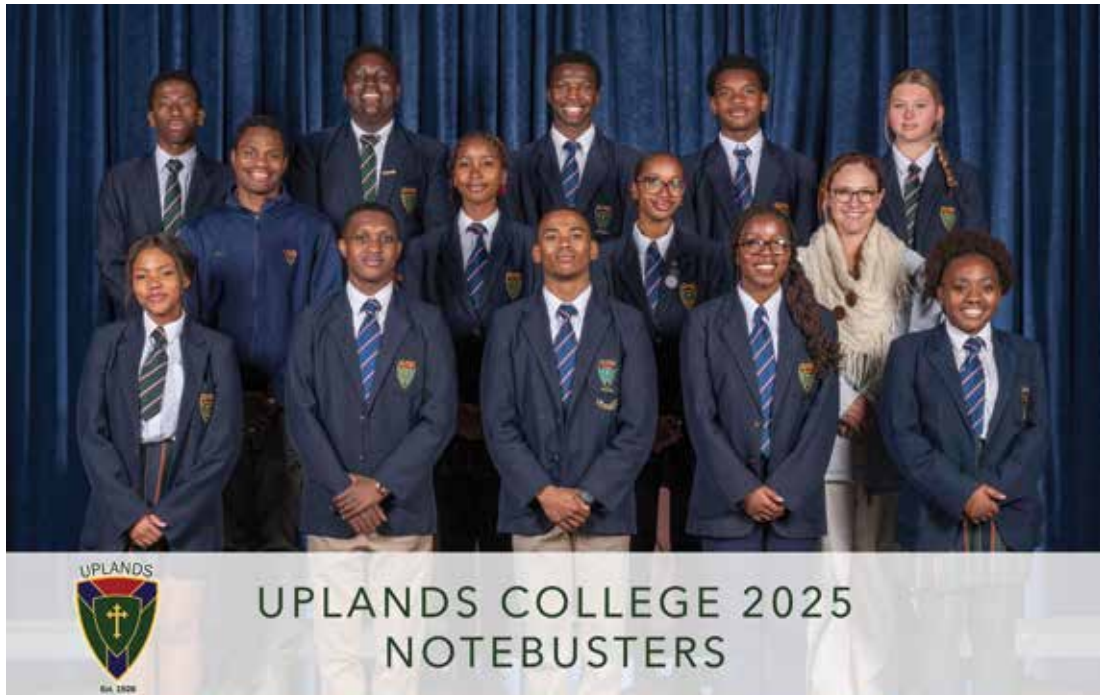
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Back Row, Nkazimulo Zitha, Miguel Maconha

Culture



Front Row: Shanique Dube, Ntokozo Nkozi, Lwakhe Mbokane, Litsako Chitambira, Jana Gomba

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Third Row: Mr Michael Swanepoel, Naledi Choeu, Shammah Nkuna, Mrs Janette Rottcher

Back Row: Mpilonhle Khoza, Christian Manowe, Anele Mahlalela, Zoey Grove

Community Service

This year, our school community showed the true strength of compassion, creativity and collective action. Every initiative reflected dignity, generosity and joy, reminding us that service is not just what we do; it is who we are.

Service Day became a moment of transformation, as pupils poured their hearts into uplifting projects: painting classrooms, refurbishing shoes, creating dictionaries and toys, crafting mosaic art, and caring for shared spaces. Each act carried purpose and pride.

The Uplift Music Festival united schools, families and performers in a celebration of talent and community. With vibrant stalls, unforgettable performances, and collections of food and blankets, it

became more than entertainment; it became tradition.

Food and blanket drives filled stomachs and warmed bodies, while the Extra Food Surplus project redirected leftovers to community partners, proving that service can be both practical and visionary.

The CANSA Spray-a-thon brought colour, courage and solidarity, raising funds and awareness for cancer. Learners and staff stood together, with powerful acts of tribute reminding us that service is deeply personal and rooted in love.

Mandela Day extended this spirit into the wider community, with handmade blankets and toys becoming gifts of comfort and learning. The sanitary pad

drive, led by our girls, restored dignity and empowerment for young women, while joyful picnics strengthened bonds and renewed courage.

Finally, CANstruction Day showcased creativity and teamwork, turning cans into sculptures and competition into compassion.

This year was a mosaic of painted walls, shared meals, vibrant festivals, heartfelt shaves, joyful gatherings and towering builds. Each effort left a legacy of impact and pride.

Serving today, shaping tomorrow, with compassion as our tradition and impact as our legacy.

Mrs Monette Stratford



Front Row: Masedi Kekana, Kiyara Tomás

Middle Row: Hazel Nkambule, Kathy Mkhwanazi, Ms Ivy Mpangane

Back Row: Kemi Mandlate, Kayelle Cossa

Community Service



Front Row: Sagira Macane, Karen Wate, Simangaye Magagula

Middle Row: Ms Ronel Kolbe, Mrs Sarah Viljoen

Back Row: Siyanda Luphoko, Miguel Machona, Sabeen Macane



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Third Row: Oanda Macatsha, Buhle Mahuwa, Wanga Matine, Kemi Mandlate, Malkia Mamudo, Ms Ivy Mpangane

Back Row: Shammah Nkuna, Mathlatsi Thabane, Nicole Quive, Zoe Zitha

Community Service



Front Row: Kiyara Tomás, Khuthadzo Sengani, Phemelo Leutle, Ms Ronel Kolbe

Middle Row: Owami Nkomo, Daniara Tajú, Kayelle Cossa, Mrs Monette Stratford

Back Row: Wanga Matine, Malaika Alissone, Vuketi Nyathi, Kemi Mandlate

Sports Report

2025 was a strong and steady year for sport at Uplands College. From the first Inter-house events to the final fixtures of Term 3, our pupils showed good commitment, consistent effort, and a clear desire to improve. The year produced several achievements across codes, age groups and seasons, and it reflected the healthy sporting culture we continue to build.

As always, the year opened with our Inter-house swimming and athletics competitions. These events play an important role in setting the tone for the year, and the level of participation and competitiveness from our pupils provided a positive start.

The 1st XI Cricket team represented the College well at the Independent Schools Cricket Festival. Our swimming team finished 2nd at the Inter-

high Gala and Top Schools, and several athletes and swimmers were selected for provincial representation, going on to participate in various SA Schools events. These results show encouraging depth in our summer codes and highlight steady progress in our development pathways.

Winter sport once again brought good energy to the school. All teams attended at least one sporting festival, which provided important preparation for their seasons. By the end of winter, 24 pupils had been selected for provincial teams across our four main winter codes. This was a notable achievement for a school of our size and reflects both the work done by our coaching teams and the effort from the pupils themselves. Across rugby, hockey

and netball, our teams competed consistently against a wide range of schools. The standard of play continued to improve, and pupils gained valuable experience throughout the season.



Term 3 focused mainly on soccer, with regular fixtures leading up to the St Peter's Tournament. The Boys' team reached the quarterfinal, losing to Parktown, and the Girls' team reached the Cup semi-final, the furthest any Uplands soccer team has progressed in this event. This reflects good growth in our soccer programme and provides a positive foundation for next year.

In cricket, our U15 team won the Mpumalanga Cricket Division, an achievement that speaks to the strength of our junior structure.

Overall, 2025 was a productive sporting year. Participation numbers remained strong, pupils handled busy schedules well, and several teams and individuals reached new levels of performance. The combination of fixtures, festivals and provincial

selections showed that we are moving in the right direction.

We look forward to building on this progress in 2026 and continuing to provide meaningful sporting opportunities for all pupils at Uplands College.

Mr Michael Gill
Head of Sport

Uplands vs Penryn Derby

FNB Classic Clash

The weekend of the 16th-17th May was truly one for the books. Our Uplands Founders and Friends Weekend was elevated by a thrilling FNB Classic Clash between Uplands College and Penryn College - a contest brimming with school spirit and moments that will not soon be forgotten. From the outstanding support in the stands to the performances on the field and courts, the energy was nothing short of electric.

A heartfelt thank-you to our entire Uplands community for showing up, standing proud, and making this weekend so wonderfully special.

Mr Michael Gill
Head of Sport



Athletics



Front Row: Mia Roos, Nyad Amade, Oanda Macatsha, Ashlee-Jade Repinga, Khwezi Ndlovu, Anesu Pagiwa, Husein Mohlala, Nseketelo Mkhonto, Mr Michael Gill

Second Row: Lunga Shabalala, Alexis Jones, Emmanuel Sibiya, Malibongwe Mgwenya, Andile Gumede, Lebogang Mosehla, Emma Cruickshanks, Megan Lintvelt, Neo Sedibe, Mr Gavin Stratford

Third Row: Azara Du-Pont, Calla Harman, Romeo Manzini, Tumelo Ratlabala, Shaquille Alafo, Karabo Makokga, Siyanda Mdluli, Whitney Moyo, Mr Graham Wiggill

Back Row: Siphesihle Marule, Thubelihle Marule, Siyanda Ochan, Tumisho Mogotsi, Quintin Swanepoel, Barack Massam, Joshua van der Merwe, Gael Gaspirini, Nyiko Ndlovu, Mr Brandon Potgieter



Chess



Front Row: Christian Manowe, Thuray Matsinhe, Siyanda Ochan

Middle Row: Miguel Maconha, Vhulenda Mudimeli, Daniel Waring, Ms Tiri Takawira

Back Row: Dominick Mahanhe, Karen Wate, Daniara Tajú

Absent: Sabeen Macane, Daniël Bosman

Cricket Teams



Front Row: Ashley Shaw, Kate Howe-Dreyer, Keegan Janse van Rensburg, Khwezi Ndlovu, Isabella Vieira

Middle Row: Emma Cruickshanks, Faye Tod, Caela Baird, Ashlee-Jade Repinga

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Cricket Teams

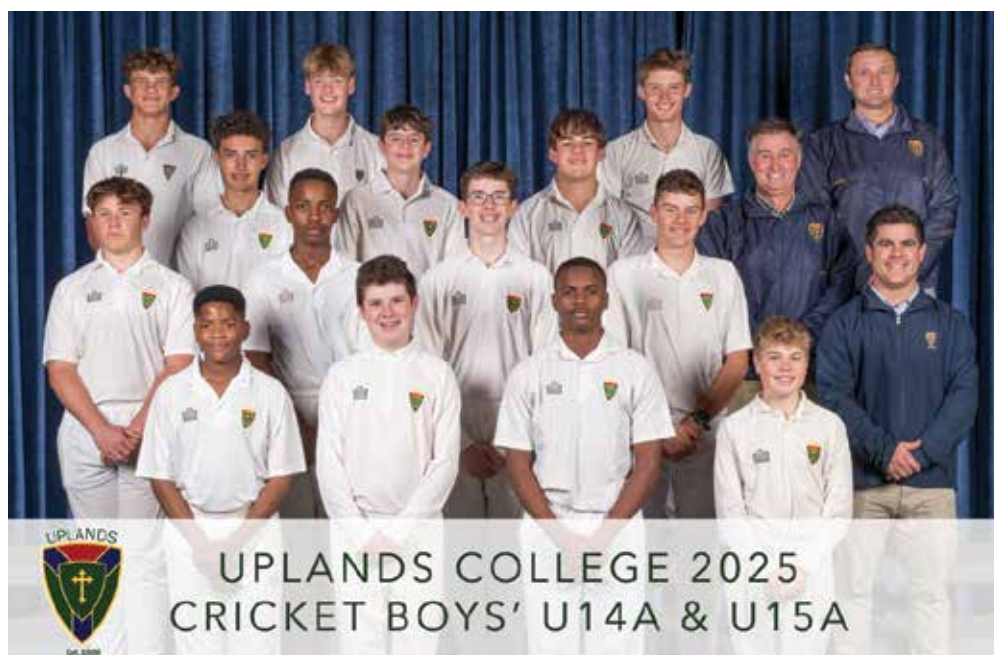


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Back Row: Mr Neil Carter, Leam van Zyl, Luke Johnstone, Mr Martin Dlamini



Front Row: Siphesihle Mpangane, Luke McArthur, Jaden Nogueira, Tristan Slabbert

Second Row: James Springorum, Nyiko Ndlovu, Matthew Holing, Paulus Coetzee, Mr Greg Pingo

Third Row: Tarique Bülter, Trystan Watt, Joshua Haines, Mr Ian Hobson

Back Row: Micah Waspe, Braydon Davison, Richo Wentzel, Mr Dean Forword

Equestrian



Front Row: Ruvé van Deventer, Keira Knight, Jennifer Fawcett

Middle Row: Sancha Reingruber, Azara du-Pont, Miss Celia Sutton

Back Row: Rachael McIntosh, Ellen Holland, Mrs Carla Gerdes-Steward



Hockey Teams



Front Row: Leo Mashiri, Akhe' Shongwe, David Botha, Tristan Rijkenburg, Aiden van Zyl, Caleb Erasmus

Second Row: Benjamin Spring, Darell Awogu, Daniel Withey, Benjamin Kazandjis, Noah Erasmus

Third Row: Aidan Desmond, Sonney Waspe, Joshua van der Merwe, Luke Johnstone,
Elishua Zumbika, Mr Tjoff van Staden

Back Row: Ross Maude, Leam van Zyl, Thato Ratshitanga, Jordan Botha, Mickal Bakker



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Second Row: Keir Daykin, Yan Gonçalves, Lethabo Moloi, Amani Búzi, Mr Andrew McArthur

Third Row: Joshua de Beer, Thato Ratshitanga, Rex Notten, Kai Naylor

Back Row: Eduan Naudé, Jayden Marsh, Quintin Swanepoel

Hockey Teams



Front Row: Aiden van Zyl, Michael Bakker, Dayaan Choonara, Aiden Sill

Second Row: Benjamin Kazandjis, Maverick Notten, Samuel Spring, Siyanda Bhembé, Mr Gregory Pingo

Third Row: Paulus Coetzee, Graham Sparham, Nyiko Ndlovu, Benjamin Spring

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Third Row: Diwani Búzi, Christian Horn, Thobo Thothe, Daniel Bosman, Iker Macia, Mr Martin Dlamini

Back Row: Ewan Taylor, Rory Thomson, Ryan van der Hout, Benjamin Ardé

Hockey Teams



Front Row: Declan Auerswald, Keith Mugoronji, Tristan Slabbert, Kaylo van Antwerpen

Second Row: Sebastian Damm, Leatile Moloi, Keyaan Choonara, Neo Sedibe, James McEvoy

Third Row: Chris Zerf, Liam Möhle, Andile Gumede, Danyaal Nomani

Back Row: Daniel Cope, Jamie Sparham, Trystan Watt, Siyanda Mdluli, Mr Ian Hobson



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Middle Row: Lebogang Mosehla, Fynn Harman, Malibongwe Mgwenya, Abhay Suriakumar

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Hockey Teams



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Second Row: Xitiko Myakayaka, Megan Lintvelt, Emma Roberts, Megan de Zwart, Caitlyn Gardiner, Mr Michael Gill

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Second Row: Megan Easton, MaryAngel Leopeng, Kamogelo Thobejane, Olivia van der Nest, Thandywe Dauane

Third Row: Nicole Cooper, Leylah Bülter, Amaya Masha, Litsako Chitambira, Alana Spies, Mrs Genevieve Gill

Fourth Row: Rachel Guthrie, Jordin Abroms, Jessica Desmond, Layla Kirton, Christina Cruse

Back Row: Arielle Mandlate, Sage Tod, Calla Harman, Lucy James

Hockey Teams



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Middle Row: Keona Moyane, Jessica Dos Santos, Sarona Boiteto, Kathy Mkhwanazi

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Hockey Teams



Front Row: Nseketlo Mkhonto, Claire Manonga, Luthando Mlombo, Khanyisa Mabunda, Peo Mbayi

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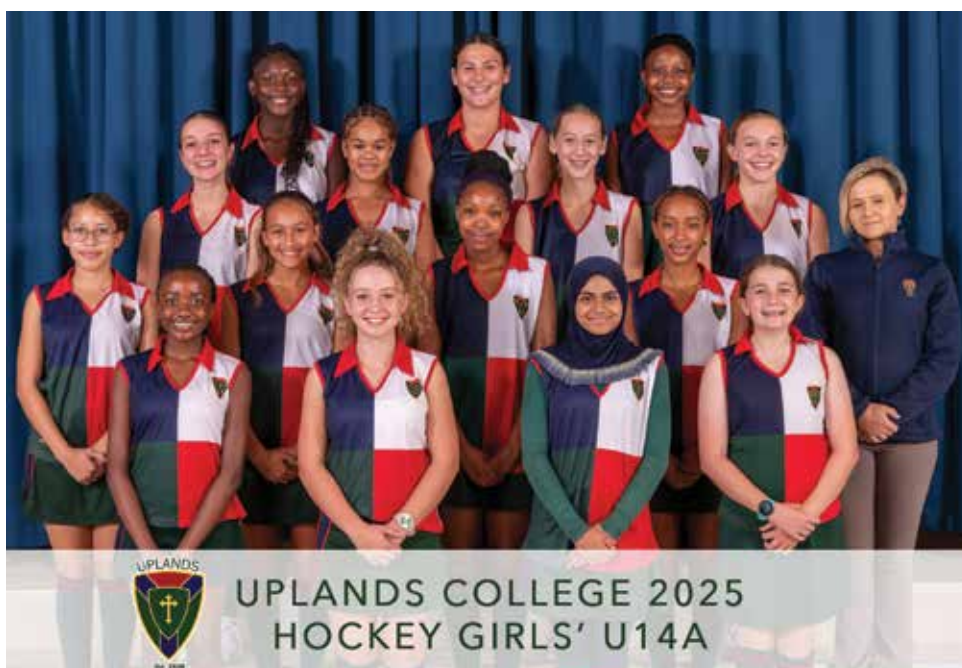


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Back Row: Yenzokuhle Mnisi, Nika Gerber, Micaela Pessane, Gracious Ndlovu

Hockey Teams



Front Row: Khuthadzo Sengani, Amilla Pieters, Diyaana Nomani, Emma Jack,

Second Row: Akira Munro, Aiden Naidoo, Nhleko Shibambu, Kendra McNamara, Ms Lindie van der Merwe

Third Row: Kai Goodman, Nyeleti Mabuza, Joslin Kruger, Morgan Smit

Back Row: Unathi Chihwehwete, Bella James, Bohlale Theledi



Front Row: Connie Simpson, Amber Masinga, Muvhusowau Mudau, Deborah Malalane, Emma Jack

Middle Row: Seabo Moloko, Shiloh Skepu, Rhandzu Siwele, Alexia Barradas Correia

Back Row: Nhleko Shibambu, Joslin Kruger, Azania Seisa, Nikiwe Masalila, Miss Jessica Renssen

Netball Teams



Front Row: Kate Howe-Dreyer, Zoe Zitha (Capt), Xihlamariso Masia, Caitlyn Gardiner, Khwezi Ndlovu

Middle Row: Alexis Jones, Caela Baird, Indiphile Mashiteng, Mrs Sam Venter

Back Row: Jordin Abroms, Ivy Ikekhuah (Capt), Aiza Raja, Claire Anderson, Mathlatsi Thabane



Front Row: Samkelisiwe Nyalungu, Kaila Boltman, MaryAngel Leopeng.

Middle Row: Nelisa Mnisi, Kate Rankin, Layla Kirton, Xitiko Myakayaka

Back Row: Sage Tod, Sierra Du-Pont, Khanyisa Makhubele

Absent: Miss Busisiwe Xulu

Netball Teams



Front Row: Lusungu Ng'ambi, Ayira Baloyi, Bohlale Choeu, Isabella Vieira

Middle Row: Kamogelo Thobejane, Emma Cruickshanks, Sinelitsembe Dlamini, Mrs Danelle Temperman

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Front Row: Tiyani Nyathi, Sedilame Moloko, Shanique Dube, Trish Zororo

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Netball Teams



Front Row: Kayla Masereka, Hannah Maré, Owami Nkomo

Middle Row: Michaela Möhle, Chloé Snyman

Back Row: Lynn-Marie van der Merwe, Isabella Ruf, Miss Kelsey McIlrath



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Back Row: Faye Tod, Azara Du-Pont, Micaela Pessane, Mrs Unenceba Magagula

Netball Teams



Front Row: Nkateko Khosa, Gina Kgosietsile, Nahla Mbatsane, Boipelo Mpepele, Miss Felicity Muremela

Middle Row: Naledi Choeu, Nokubonga Nkosi, Jasmine Loram, Peo Mbayi, Mrs Unenceba Magagula

Back Row: Yenzokuhle Mnisi, Kayla de Beer, Azara Du-Pont, Rirhandzu Shingwenyana, Gabriella Mason



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Middle Row: Mrs Unenceba Magagula, Naledi Choeu, Anesu Pagiwa, Jasmine Loram, Miss Felicity Muremela

Back Row: Yenzokuhle Mnisi, Alécia Noé, Nika Gerber, Keegan Janse van Rensburg

Netball Teams



Front Row: Amilla Pieters, Sunnygrace Manganyi, Rhandzu Siwele

Middle Row: Nhleko Shbambu, Lulama Kwinika, Mrs Chanyé Krige

Back Row: Morgan Smit, Unathi Chihwehwete, Nyeleti Mabuza



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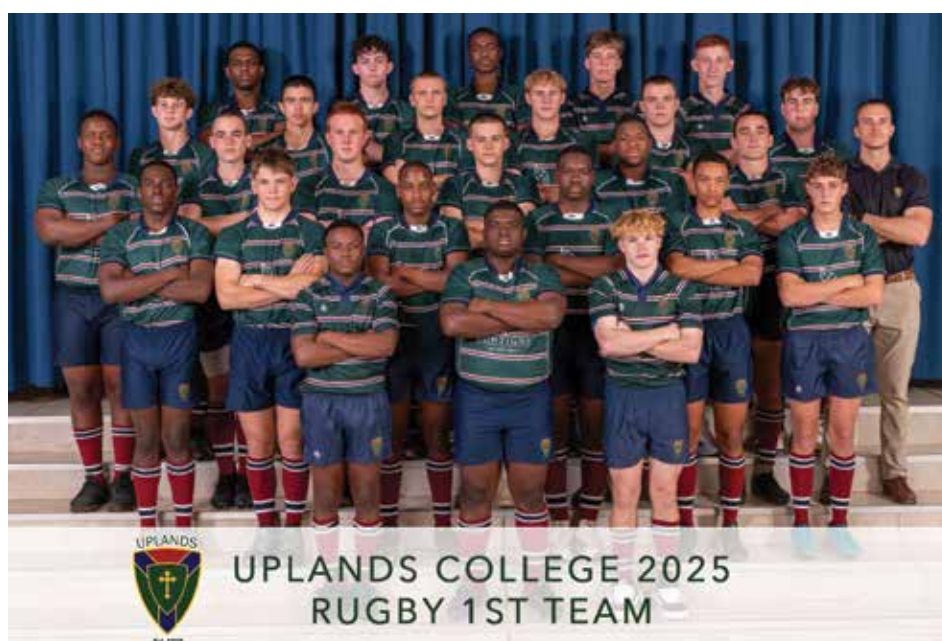


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Rugby Teams



Front Row: Leo Mashiri, Namhla Maphanga, Tristan Rijkenberg

Second Row: Siyabonga Nkomo, Daniel Withey, Thoriso Mdluli, Elishua Zumbika, Neo Mohuba, Keir Daykin

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Fourth Row: Sonney Waspe, Joshua van der Merwe, Ross Maude, Gabriel Buchanan, Luke Johnstone, Rees MacFarlane

Back Row: Lihle Mavuso, Leam van Zyl, Thato Ratshitanga, Luke Barnard, Rex Notten

Rugby Teams



Front Row: Emmanuel Sibiya, Benjamin Ouko, Vuyo Thabethe, Setso Boiteto, Andrew Hine

Second Row: Tafara Mdluli, Sven Steenkamp, Amani Buzi, Lefa Matsane, Cristiano Dos Santos, Nicolaas Horn

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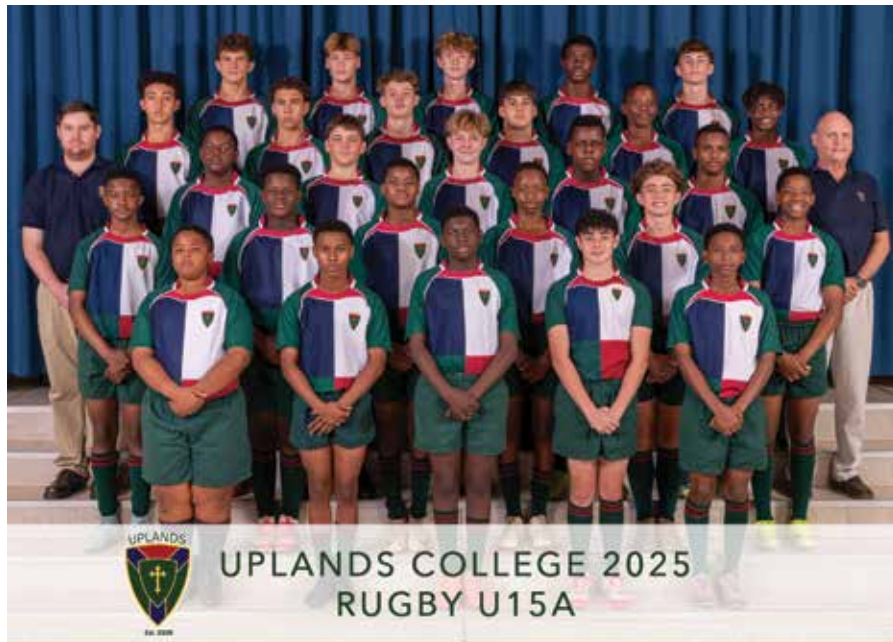
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Back Row: Travis Dunshea, Amukelwe Ziyane, Duncan Ross, Matthew Greathead, Ikemdinachukwu Umeano

Rugby Teams



Front Row: Collin Lin, Husein Mohlala, Tlurisani Ngwenyama, Matthew Josten, Avela Mabuza

Second Row: Akhona Lumphoko, Fezile Maphalala, Khaya Myakayaka, Wayne Gotosa, Olebile ter Haar, Belmiro Quive

Third Row: Mr Gavin Stratford, Sibusiso Mabuza, Samuel Spring, Matti Blenkinsop, Khulubuse Sigudla,
Jaden Nogueira, Mr Greg Gibbs

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Second Row: Ayad Amade, Siphesihle Mpangane, Leatile Moloi, Neo Sedibe, Levi Langdon, Connor Berry

Third Row: Mr Graham Wiggill, Siyanda Msimango, Keyaan Choonara, Lebogang Mosehla, Chris Zerf,
Lunga Shabalala, Mr Mark Blew

Fourth Row: Fynn Harman, Andile Gumedede, Diwani Buzi, Nicholas Rayner, Liam Möhle, Malibongwe Mgwenya

Back Row: Siyanda Mdluli, Mpilo Mnisi, Jamie Sparham, Jack Tomlinson, Karabo Makokga

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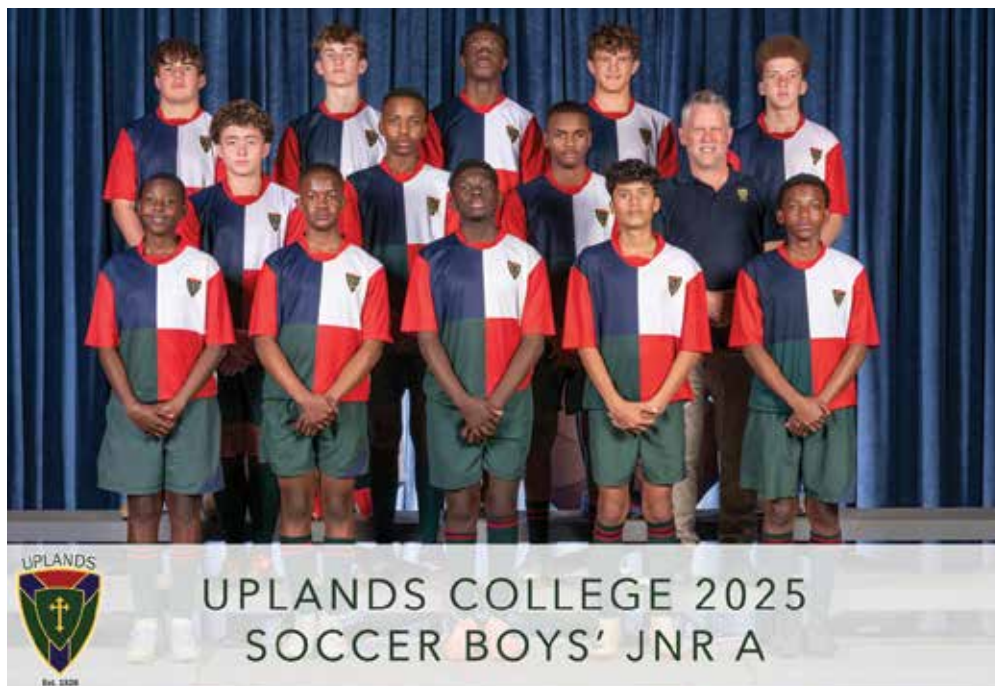


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Third Row: Luyanda Ngutshani, David Botha, Yan Gonçalves, Akhona Mhkonza

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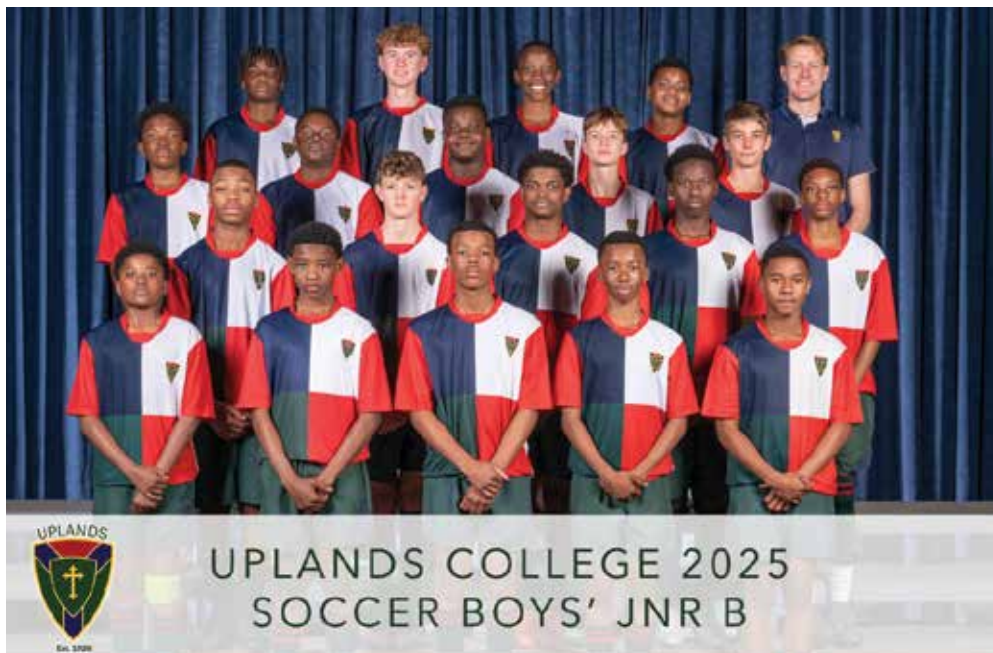


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Back Row: Joshua Haines, Ryan van der Hout, Tumisho Mogotsi, Micah Waspe, Jamie Sparham

Soccer Teams



Front Row: Mbako Chengeta, Lunga Shabalala, Lebogang Mosehla, Neo Sedibe, Husein Mohlala

Second Row: Malibongwe Mgwenya, Liam Möhle, Andile Gumede, Siyanda Mdluli, Khuliso Mudau

Third Row: Diwani Búzi, Sibusiso Mabuza, Karabo Makokga, Nicholas Rayner, Fynn Harman

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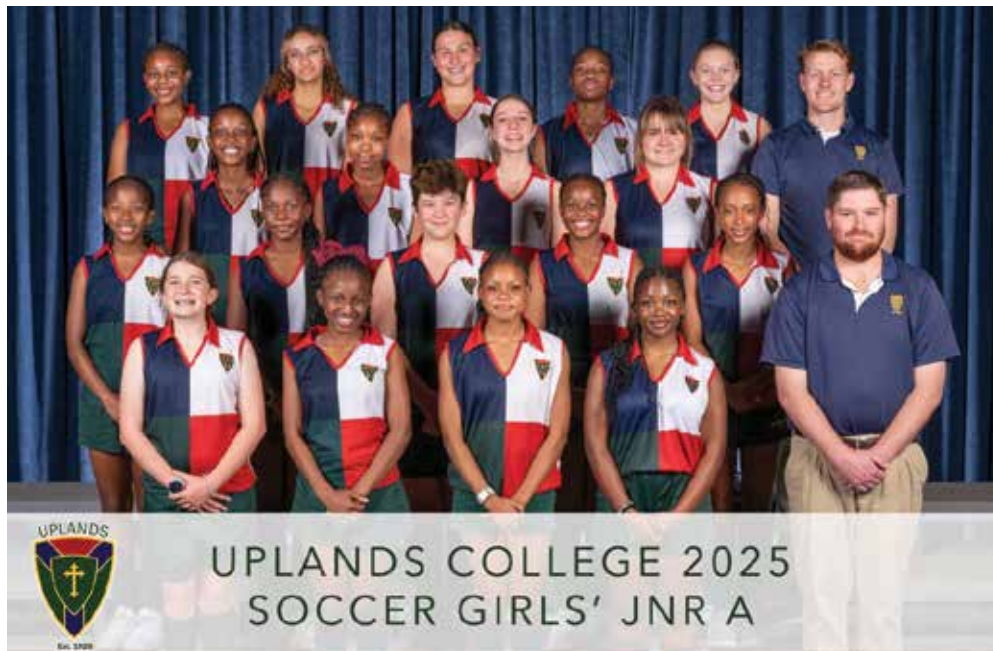
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Third Row: Ashlee-Jade Repinga, Indiphile Mashiteng, Layla Kirton, Samara Mazik, Alexis Jones, Mr Graham Wiggill

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Soccer Teams



Front Row: Emma Jack, Nahla Mbatsane, Nseketelo Mkhonto, Boipelo Mpepele, Mr Gavin Stratford

Second Row: Peo Mbayi, Claire Manonga, Alexandra Knott, Luthando Mlombo, Kendra McNamara

Third Row: Piwa Difele, Nhleko Shibambu, Kai Goodman, Keegan Janse van Rensburg, Mr Graham Wiggill

Back Row: Obakeng Manana, Azara Du-Pont, Bella James, Oluhle Mpofo, Morgan Smit

Squash Team



Front Row: Olivia Storm, Jessica Knott, Kayla Masareka, Alexandra Knott

Second Row: Mrs Karen van Wyk, Luke McArthur, Ethan York, Bella James, Mrs Nicolene Myburgh

Third Row: Keir Daykin, Daniel Withey, Kaden Taylor, James Springorum

Back Row: Mathew Holing, Connor Watson

Swimming Team



Front Row: Kendra McNamara, Leatile Moloi, Sarona Boiteto, Malkia Mamudo, Mbako Chengeta, Amilla Pieters, Maleleko Mushikita

Second Row: Jessica dos Santos, Michaela Möhle, Sancha Reingruber, Milan van der Nest, Shelby Trollip, Emma Roberts,
Mia Osbourne, Miss Kelsey McIlrath

Third Row: Liza Victor, Jocelyn Salter, Lucy James, Sven Steenkamp, Nicolaas Horn, Shea Roach, Mrs Sam Howard

Back Row: Daniël Bosman, Sonney Waspe, Rory Thomson, Eduan Naudé, Chad Greyling, Yan Gonçalves, Christian Horn, Mr Sean Smith

Tennis Teams



Front Row: Mr Chad Dewar, Ms Ronel Kolbe

Back Row: Piwa Difele, Faye Tod, Diyaana Nomani

Tennis Teams



Front Row: Mr Chad Dewar, Danyaal Nomani, Mrs Ronel Kolbé

Back Row: Jamie Tinker, Quintin Swanepoel, Mickal Bakker



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Back Row: Tlakusani Ngwenyama, Connor Watson, James Springorum

Grade 8 Camp

In February, our Grade 8s set off for the much-anticipated annual camp at Sugar Bay in KwaZulu-Natal. With the beach just a few steps away, the group of around 100 pupils and four enthusiastic staff members — Ms Jessica Renssen, Ms Busisiwe Xulu, Mr Lovers Chauke and Dr Mark Blew — embraced a week of adventure, teamwork, and fun in the sun.

From surfing the waves and swimming in the warm Indian Ocean to skateboarding, beading and countless other activities, every moment offered a chance to learn, laugh and connect. The camp initiated new friendships at this pivotal starting point of Uplands College life, and also encouraged independence and confidence as pupils tried new challenges and discovered unique talents. It was three days to remember — full of energy, smiles, and the spirit of adventure that defines our Grade 8 year.

Mr Mark Blew



Grade 9 Camp

Our Grade 9 pupils had a true adventure at Mankele, immersing themselves in a rich variety of experiences. From ziplining through the treetops to the steady determination required on the hiking trails, every activity pushed them to step outside their comfort zones and discover new strengths within themselves.

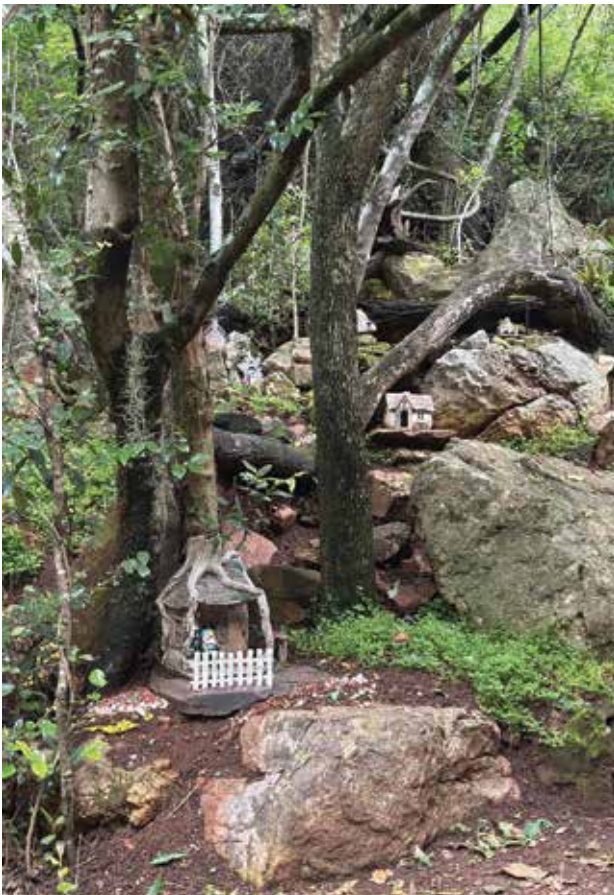
The pupils also had the privilege of exploring the breathtaking Mankele

surroundings on foot, taking in the natural beauty of the Mpumalanga landscape. A particular highlight has been their visit to the world-renowned Sudwala Caves.

Back above ground, water activities brought out plenty of laughter, teamwork and friendly competition, while music performances have given our pupils a wonderful platform to showcase their creativity and talent.

Beyond the individual activities, what has stood out most is the spirit of camaraderie and growth on display. Friendships have been strengthened, leadership qualities have emerged, and memories have been made that these young people will carry with them long after they return home.

Mr Mark Blew



Grade 10 Journey

We felt an overwhelming sense of achievement the day the last of our Journeying Grade 10s returned to the fold. They all walked, climbed, hobbled and snacked their way over 110km amongst the magnificent (once you're over them) mountains surrounding Barberton. That is no mean feat. Our pupils can be very, very proud of themselves. This experience will become the great part of the story of their lives and they should tell it for a long, long time, to anyone who will listen. True to traditions and rites of passage, each pupil rang the bell to sign off on this lifetime milestone.

Mr Mark Blew





Grade 11 Camp

At the start of Term 3, our Grade 11s embarked on their annual leadership camp at Queen's River in the stunning Makhonjwa Mountains near Barberton. Despite the cold, spirits were high as pupils embraced a challenging and inspiring programme facilitated by the A.N.T.S, a dedicated team of nature and leadership experts trained in guiding teenagers to reach their potential.

The camp was packed with activities designed to build resilience, teamwork and leadership skills. Pupils tackled obstacle courses, hiked through rugged terrain, built rafts, practised knife-throwing, and solved complex problems together. A highlight was the walk to Angels Falls – a colossal and stunning waterfall just below the camp, where the pupils were given free time to rest, relax, and enjoy each other's company. The pupils were placed

into random teams for the duration of the camp, giving them an opportunity to build friendships with their peers. They had to create their own flags to represent their identity and unity, and they engaged in the lively game of World Trade, exploring socio-economic issues caused by resource limitations – all underpinned by values of education and reflection.

Beyond adventure and leadership development, the camp provided valuable opportunities to prepare the Grade 11s for their final year of high school, helping them build confidence, set goals, and approach their responsibilities with focus and determination. Through these experiences, the pupils strengthened collaboration, ethical decision-making and perseverance, leaving the camp inspired and ready to lead with integrity in the year ahead.

Mr Mark Blew



Signing of the Pledge

This year, our Grade 8s marked an important milestone in their journey at Uplands College with the annual Signing of the Pledge Ceremony. This event takes place at the completion of the Grade 8 orientation programme which runs up until half-term in Term 1. The ceremony warmly welcomed our newest high school pupils, symbolising their acceptance into the College community.

During the event, each pupil signed a pledge, committing to live out the school's values with integrity, effort and kindness. The moment was made even more special as they rang the school bell (one of only three occasions when they will do this in their high school career), a cherished tradition marking their official induction into the life and spirit of the College. The ceremony was a meaningful celebration of

commitment, belonging, and the start of an exciting high school journey, reminding everyone that the foundations of character and community begin from day one. The rest of the school received the new Grade 8s and as a collective, they sang the school anthem, "Come The Day" for the first time, united.

Mr Mark Blew



Orientation Day

The start of the school year at Uplands College began with our annual Orientation Day, a special occasion designed to welcome new pupils — mainly our Grade 8s but also older grades — and acquaint them with their new school environment. On this day, pupils met their tutors and teachers, received their timetables, toured

the school grounds, and had the opportunity to hear inspiring speeches from some of the senior leaders in the school.

The day also included a variety of fun bonding activities, mainly centred around various sports, giving everyone a chance to connect with their peers and start building the friendships

and support networks that are so important for a successful year ahead. Orientation Day set a positive tone for the year, helping pupils feel confident, connected, and excited for their first official school day the following day.

Mr Mark Blew



Arrival of New College Boarders

The start of the new school year saw our new Grade 8 boarders arrive at Uplands College, eager to begin their boarding experience. Excitement and nerves were in the air as they stepped into the boarding houses for the first time. They were warmly

welcomed by friendly boarding staff and guided by our boarding mentors, who helped them settle in, unpack, and adjust to their new environment. Through these early interactions, the boarders quickly began to feel at home, forming the first connections that

would support them throughout the year. It was a day filled with smiles, encouragement, and the start of many new friendships – a memorable beginning to their boarding journey at Uplands College.

Mr Mark Blew



Uplands College Open Day

Each year Uplands College hosts its Open Day - an occasion designed to give prospective families an opportunity to visit the school campus, immerse themselves in Uplands College life, and gain a greater understanding of all that our school offers. The day consists

of delicious refreshments, tours of the facilities from staff and current pupils, and a host of informative and interesting presentations, showcasing the holistic educational experience that Uplands College offers.

Mr Mark Blew





Founders Evening

What an amazing event Founders Evening was! This special event on the Uplands calendar opened with an art exhibition featuring work from the Pre-Prep, Prep and College pupils.

As the Autumn sun set over the College oval, our Uplands pupils delivered a spectacular showcase of talent that captivated everyone in the audience - from our endearing Pre-Prep dancers and singers, to the Prep choirs,

the musical talent on display, the engaging College drama and the unforgettable Prep finale that had the entire crowd singing and waving flags.

Uplands Board Chairman Greg Dane spoke about the fundamental importance of kindness in all aspects of life, while Executive Head Sean Carlisle reminded us of Uplands' 97-year legacy and the vision and courage that created the special school that is Uplands and

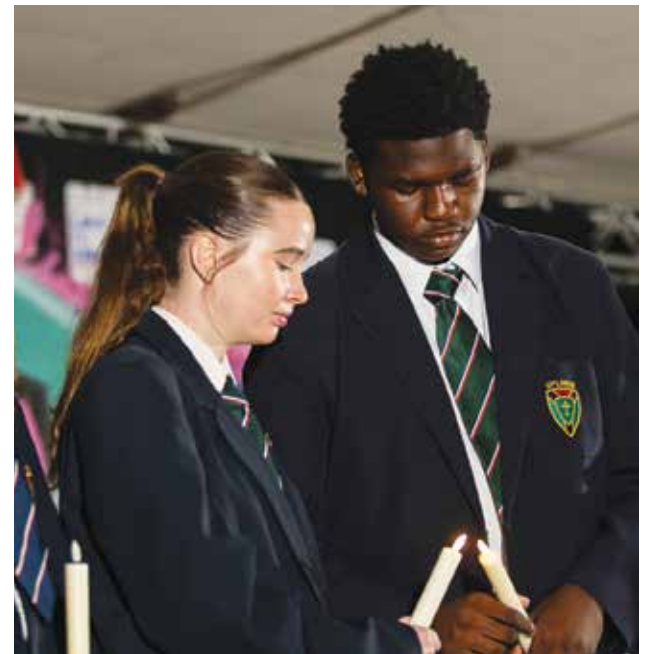
the wonderful community that has been built up around it.

The special Candle-Lighting ceremony was a meaningful reminder of the foundations laid before us and the Uplands' shining light that is carried forward to future generations.

Founders' Evening was a fitting celebration of our heritage, our community and the many talents of our pupils.

Mrs Debbie van Rooyen





International Student Leadership Symposium

A proud group of Uplands College pupils — Leylah Bülter, Bohlele Choeu, Kate Howe-Dreyer, Ross Maude, Isabella Vieira and Elishua Zumbika — travelled to Thailand to participate in the Transformative International Student Leadership Symposium. They were accompanied by Mrs Megan van Aardt and Mrs Unenceba Magagula, and returned to South Africa on 23 January 2025.

The Symposium centred on the theme of “Life on Land,” exploring how leadership can drive sustainable development, protect ecosystems and empower communities. Our pupils engaged deeply with the idea that responsible stewardship of the environment is a shared calling, and that through collective action, it is possible to build a future in which both people and nature

flourish. The host school was Prem Tinsulanonda International School, beautifully situated in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

Our Uplands pupils returned home inspired, purposeful, and ready to create a lasting impact for generations to come.

Mrs Megan van Aardt
Mrs Unenceba Magagula



IsiZulu Cultural Evening

On the evening of September 24th, Uplands College and Preparatory IsiZulu pupils, together with their parents, gathered for a vibrant cultural heritage celebration. The atmosphere was alive with colour and pride as families adorned themselves in traditional isiZulu attire, beautifully reflecting the spirit of the occasion. In celebrating where we come from, we are reminded of the timeless values of Ubuntu - umuntu ngumuntu ngabantu (a person is

a person through other people). IsiZulu, richly woven into the fabric of South Africa, is more than just a language; it is a living expression of customs, traditions and practices that inspire deeper understanding and appreciation.

The evening showcased a variety of performances, including energetic isiZulu dances, heartfelt songs, dramatic plays and poetry recitals. Guests also enjoyed an array of delicious traditional isiZulu foods, lovingly prepared and shared by

our community. A heartfelt thank-you goes to our parents, pupils and staff for their dedication, creativity and hard work, not only in preparing the performances but also in ensuring the abundance of traditional dishes that brought authenticity and warmth to the evening. Their contributions made this celebration both memorable and meaningful.

Ms Ivy Mpangane



Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is celebrated annually all around the world, marking 40 days to Easter Sunday where we observe and give thanks to God for Jesus coming and dying for us. It is a time to remember that "From dust we were created and to dust we shall return" - signifying the brevity of life and our need to be living for God and turning

from what is not of Him. When community members received ashes on their foreheads, it was said that we ought to "turn away from sin and believe the Good News."

We had three Services to commemorate this significant day - Senior Phase Preparatory had a Service before the Foundation

Phase Preparatory gathered, and finally College gathered lastly mid-morning to share in this special tradition and service. God is good, and we give thanks for our community and the free access we now have to God through His life and death.

Rev Matthew Jennings



Ascension Day



Every year on Ascension Day which always falls on a Thursday, our Uplands Preparatory Senior Phase and Uplands College community come together in a shared celebration of Jesus's triumphant ascent into Heaven. This annual gathering is more than a tradition.

It is a moment of profound unity, where students and staff are reminded of the living hope that binds us together as a school community rooted in faith.

In this event, we find confidence and surety that He is never distant, but always present, working within our community, sustaining us, and empowering us to continue His mission here on earth. That mission is not a passive one. It calls us actively into a way of life marked by love that sees the worth in every person, grace that extends beyond what is deserved, justice that stands up for what is

right, forgiveness that restores broken things, and kindness that transforms ordinary moments into something meaningful.

As we gather each year to mark this occasion, may it renew in each of us a sense of calling: to be a community that reflects His character in how we treat one another, how we serve, and how we lead. He is good — and that goodness, we believe, is the foundation upon which Uplands is built.

Rev Matthew Jennings



Heritage Day

On the 24th of September, we pause to celebrate the rich tapestry of cultures, traditions and histories that make our school and our beloved country so unique. South Africa is a nation like no other, home to a mosaic of languages, customs and stories. Within this school, that same extraordinary diversity was reflected in every face and in every name.

Heritage Day is more than a public holiday. It is an invitation to look at one another with curiosity and respect, to ask questions, to listen and to learn. It reminded us that our differences are not dividing lines, but rather the very threads that weave us together into something stronger and more colourful than any one of us could be alone.

We celebrate the beauty of our varied backgrounds - the languages spoken at dinner tables, the music passed down through generations, the traditions that mark our most important moments, and the histories that have shaped us into the people we are today.

Mrs Unenceba Magagula



Grade 6 pupils visit Uplands College

Our Uplands Preparatory Grade 6s had a taste of high school life at Uplands College. They spent the day exploring the College through hands-on activities – from Life Sciences dissections and Physical Sciences experiments to Drama, Music and even an introduction to Engineering Graphics and Design. They also tested their strength in the High Performance Centre and enjoyed team-building fun guided by our amazing Grade 11 mentors.

It was such a joy having them in the College for the day, and we can't wait to officially welcome them as the Grade 8s of 2027!

Mrs Kerry Dewar



Grade 10 International Student Exchange

Uplands College was delighted to open its doors to a vibrant group of exchange students who joined us from Australia, Germany, Austria and France. Over the months that followed, our international guests had the unique opportunity to immerse themselves in the rich heritage and traditions of our school. As exchange students, they chose from a wide range of subjects and truly experienced life as Uplands pupils.

We hope they enjoyed our renowned Uplands hospitality, thrived on our beautiful campus, and discovered the many delights of our stunning country, particularly this picturesque corner of South Africa. We trust they embraced the wealth of opportunities available to them and engaged fully in both the academic and co-curricular life of Uplands College.

Welcome to South Africa, to White River, and - most importantly - to Uplands College. It was a privilege to have them with us.

Our exchange students were:

Ben Pidgeon - Australia
Alby Stanton - Australia
Juli Spohr - Germany
Catharina Kani - Germany
Luis Pflug - Germany
Emilia Wolf - Austria
Kyra Kohl - Austria
Livia Kohl - Austria
Milla Strücker - Germany
Rosalie (Roro) Bertholdy - France
Julie Zanini - France
Emma Mechain - France

Mrs Sharon van Reenen



European Cultural Tour

During the October school holidays, 32 Uplands College pupils, accompanied by Mrs Kerry Dewar, Mrs Janette Rottcher and Mr Bobby Ndebele, embarked on an unforgettable tour across Europe. The journey took them through three countries and five incredible cities from Munich to Salzburg, Vienna, Prague, Leipzig and Berlin.

In Munich and Salzburg, pupils explored the beauty and culture of these cities, visiting the Mirabell Gardens, Mozart's birthplace and even travelling high into the Alps by cable car. Vienna offered

unforgettable highlights such as St Stephen's Cathedral, Schönbrunn Palace, and a magnificent performance at the Wiener Staatsoper.

In Prague, the group delved into the city's fascinating and sometimes dark history through guided tours and an atmospheric evening ghost walk. Leipzig brought a blend of music and sport, with visits to the Bach Museum and the Red Bull Stadium. The tour then continued to the Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp, a profoundly moving

experience, before concluding in Berlin where pupils explored iconic landmarks, including the Berlin Wall, Checkpoint Charlie, the Brandenburg Gate, and the Reichstag Dome with its breathtaking 360° city views.

This tour was truly a once-in-a-lifetime experience: a perfect blend of history, culture, music and adventure. A huge thank-you goes to Trendsetters Travel for creating such a memorable and enriching itinerary for our Uplands travellers!

Mrs Janette Rottcher



Matric Indigenous Forest Tree-Planting Ceremony 2025

On a crisp autumn morning, Tuesday 20 May, the Class of 2025 gathered at the Pump Track to continue a tradition that is fast becoming a meaningful part of the ceremonies our Matric pupils enjoy in their final year. With spades in hand and plenty of good humour, the Matrics planted three Knob Thorn trees into the area now known as the Matric Indigenous Forest.

Building on the legacy established by the Class of 2021, this space continues to grow year by year, with each class leaving behind something living and lasting. The water fountain near the start of the track remains a quiet tribute to that first group of Matrics, whose vision it was to set this initiative in motion.

This year's planting was particularly special, with a wonderful turnout of staff and supporters. There was no shortage of laughter as the Matrics wrestled with roots, soil and technique — proving that tree planting is as much about teamwork (and patience!) as it is about purpose.

As these Knob Thorns take root, so too does our shared commitment to rewilding the Uplands campus, an important part of our 2028 strategic vision. We are proud to see this indigenous forest taking shape, one class at a time.

With sincere thanks, as always, to the Class of 2021 and to the van der Westhuyzen and Alberts families. Without their generosity and belief in this project, this growing legacy would not be possible.

Mrs Sally Greathead



The Polar Plunge

The 4th swim of the Polar Plunge saw 51 pupils and 5 staff members brave the crisp waters of the Uplands dam. Ella Mills and Luis Pflug (an exchange student) were our winners of the girls' and boys' races, respectively.

Polar Plunge badges were handed out for the first time, as this was our 4th Polar Plunge. Badges are awarded to pupils and staff who swim 4 times in their Uplands College career. Ella Mills, Jocelyn Salter, Cole Boyd, Connor Watson and Mr Andrew McArthur were awarded badges for the first time. Well done to our participants and supporters for enjoying a uniquely special event.

Mr Dean Forword



Uplift Music Festival

A Phenomenal First Year!

A Celebration of Music, Community and Spirit

The launch of Uplift Music Festival 2025 proved to be nothing short of extraordinary. On a day filled with sunshine, laughter and rhythm, music lovers, families and community members gathered to experience a festival that blended unforgettable performances with vibrant market stalls and a spirit of togetherness. From the very first note, the atmosphere was electric. The festival showcased the incredible talents of Curro Meridian Karino, Uplands College and Prep, CMD and Sinani, whose performances ignited the stage and set the tone for a day of joy and celebration.

Spotlight on Talent

MCs Zhanè Botha and Diana Roux, with their boundless energy and charisma, kept the crowd engaged, ensuring every moment was alive with excitement. Naomi Tagg's breathtaking performance left audiences spellbound, a highlight that will be remembered for years to come.

Market Magic

The festival's 30 bustling market stalls offered a feast for the senses. From delicious food and refreshing drinks to unique crafts

and treasures, the stalls became a hub of discovery and delight, adding flavour and flair to the day's festivities.

Giving Back

Beyond the music and merriment, the Uplift Festival carried a deeper purpose. Attendees united in compassion, contributing to a canned food and blanket collection destined for homes in need. This act of generosity underscored the festival's mission: to uplift not only spirits but also lives.

Building A Legacy

The true triumph of Uplift Music Festival 2025 lies in the bonds it forged. More than an event, it became a celebration of community, local talent and shared memories. Organisers proudly announced that the festival will now be an annual tradition, with plans already underway for an even bigger and brighter 2026.

Gratitude to the Heroes

Behind the scenes, a dedicated team made the dream a reality. Special thanks go to Janette, Monette, Jenny, Phinda, Dean, Chris and team, Empact, the Finance Ladies, and countless others whose commitment and passion ensured the festival's success. Their efforts embody the

very spirit of Uplift: collaboration, joy and community pride.

Looking Ahead

With its first year hailed as a phenomenal success, the Uplift Music Festival has set the stage for a legacy of music, unity and celebration. As the community looks forward to 2026, one thing is certain: the best is yet to come.

**Mrs Monette Stratford
and Mrs Janette Rottcher**



Uplands Christmas Market



Honours Evening

At our Uplands College annual Honours Evening, we had the privilege of celebrating the outstanding achievements of our pupils and recognising their significant contributions to the College's success throughout the year. Mrs

Emma Storm, Head of Culture, graciously presented the special awards during the event, highlighting the spirit of excellence and dedication that defines our school community.

This occasion brought together our College family - pupils, parents

and staff - to celebrate hard work, talent and perseverance. We are immensely proud of every pupil who continues to uphold the values and traditions of Uplands with pride and passion.

Mrs Kerry Dewar

Special Awards

Founders Award

For outstanding achievement in all facets of life at Uplands College incorporating the full spectrum of academic, cultural, service and sporting activities.

Awarded to Zoe Zitha

The Hyson Trophy for Endeavour

The pupil who has displayed qualities of determination, diligence and perseverance in a range of activities.

Awarded to Dante Pagani

Arthur Gaydon-Connock Award

The pupil who has achieved considerable results in his/her sport and set a good example on the field, who has helped and encouraged fellow team members, and who has been a stalwart (perhaps facing a setback, inherent disability or illness) and who has been an ambassador for the College.

Awarded to Mathlatsi Thabane

The Tecklenburg Award for Good Fellowship

The pupil who displayed outstanding interpersonal skills, concern for fellow pupils and those less fortunate, and the promotion of cooperation within the College community.

Awarded to Samantha van der Merwe

Marisa Longuinho Award

In memory of Marisa for the Grade 11 pupil who has exhibited friendship, care and compassion towards pupils of all ages. (voted by the Grade 11s)

Awarded to Kate Howe-Dreyer

Sportsman and Sportswoman of the Year Award

The pupils who have shown outstanding talent and ability and exemplify the true spirit of sportsmanship in competition. Their commitment, dedication and appearance serve as an example at all times.

**Awarded to Caleb Erasmus/
Samuel McIntosh (shared) and
Kate Howe-Dreyer**

The Best All-round Sportsman and Sportswoman Award

The emphasis of this award is based on participation in two or more of our sports at 1st Team level and exemplifies the spirit of commitment and dedication.

**Awarded to Leam Van Zyl and
Kate Howe-Dreyer**

Academic Awards

Dux Trophy

The Grade 12 pupil who achieved the highest average on the Order of Merit with a minimum 70% academic aggregate.

Awarded to Nicole Cooper

Proxime Accessit

The Grade 12 pupil who achieved the second-highest average on the Order of Merit with a minimum 70% academic aggregate.

**Awarded to Erin Durek
and Joshua de Beer**

Academic Honours

were awarded to the following Grade 12s who attained an average of above

80%: Awarded to **Megan Lintvelt, Samuel McIntosh, Nicole Chilengue, Benjamin Loon, Gabriel Buchanan, Joshua de Beer, Erin Durek and Nicole Cooper**

Academic Colours

were awarded to the following Grade 12s who attained an average between 75% and 80%:

Wisani Zwane, Ivy Ikekhuah, Mia Jackaman, Samantha van der Merwe, Willow Compton, Alana Spies, Megan Easton and Matthew Storm

Academic Tie Awards

were awarded to the following Grade 12s who attained an average between 70% and 75%:

Sabeen Macane, Siyanda Lumphoko, Georgina Dolezal, Leam van Zyl, Tintswalo Mbetse, Luke Barnard, Ntwanano Mawela, Ellen Holland, Daniel Lascelles, Amani Búzi, Karen Wate, Darell Awogu, Christina Cruse, Xitiko Myakayaka, Jamie Tinker, S'nenjabulo Hlatshwayo, Zoe Zitha and Rachel Guthrie

Culture Awards

Karin Reum Trust Trophy

Awarded to the Grade 11 or Grade 12 pupil who has the ability to demonstrate an excellent understanding of their performance, and their interpretation and characterisation is always accurate, appropriate and justified.

Awarded to Erin Durek

Special Awards

Nella Coetzer Trophy

Awarded to the student in Grade 11-12 for the best overall on-stage performance. This is not limited to Drama, but also includes Dance and/or Music.

Awarded to Thapelo Nare

The Halifax Trophy

Awarded to a pupil in Grade 11 or 12 who has demonstrated excellence in Visual Arts within and outside the academic parameters. He/she has been an example to others in building a Visual Culture at the College.

Awarded to Rachel Guthrie

The Devin Möller Trophy

Awarded to a pupil in Grade 11 or 12 who has demonstrated excellence in Music within and outside of the academic parameters. He/she has been an example to others in building a Music Culture at the College.

Awarded to Siyanda Ochan

Service Awards

Uplands College Service Award

Awarded to the Grade 11 or 12 pupil who has consistently and selflessly contributed to service in a number of areas over their time at the College.

Awarded to Samantha van der Merwe



The Founders Award
Zoe Zitha



The Hyson Trophy for Endeavour
Dante Pagani



Dux Trophy
Nicole Cooper



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Joshua de Beer



The Best All-round Sportswoman Award
Kate Howe Dreyer



The Best All-round Sportsman Award
Leam Van Zyl

Special Awards



The Sportswoman of the Year
Liza Victor



The Sportsman of the Year (shared)
Caleb Erasmus & Samuel McIntosh



Arthur Gaydon-Connock Trophy
Mathlatsi Thabane



The Tecklenburg Award
for Good Fellowship
Samantha van der Merwe



The Marisa Longuinho Award
Kate Howe-Dreyer



Uplands College Service Award
Samantha van der Merwe



Nella Coetzer Award
Thapelo Nare



Karin Reum Trust
Erin Durek



The Devin Möller Trophy
Siyanda Ochan



The Halifax Trophy
Rachel Guthrie

Subject Awards



Accounting
Xitiko Myakayaka



Afrikaans
Nicole Cooper



Business Studies
Erin Durek



Computer Applications
Technology
Nicole Cooper



Dramatic Arts
Erin Durek



Engineering Graphics and Design
Keira Knight



English
Nicole Cooper



French
Gabriel Buchanan



Further Studies English
S'Nenjabulo Hlatshwayo

Subject Awards



Further Studies Mathematics
Nicole Cooper



Further Studies Physics
Samuel McIntosh



Geography
Benjamin Loon



History
Erin Durek



Information Technology
Matthew Storm



isiZulu
Wisani Zwane



Life Orientation (shared)
**Erin Durek and
Samantha van der Merwe**



Life Sciences
Nicole Cooper



Mathematical Literacy
Erin Durek

Subject Awards



Mathematics
Joshua de Beer



Music
Siyanda Ochan



Physical Sciences
Nicole Cooper



Spanish Additional Language
Karen Wate



Sport and Exercise Science
Megan Lintvelt



Visual Arts
Samantha van der Merwe

Sports Awards



Athletics -
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Lihle Mavuso



Athletics -
Most Improved Athlete
Barack Massam



Athletics -
Best Male Athlete
Princely Mhangana



Athletics -
Best Female Athlete
Emma Cruickshanks



Swimming -
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Sonney Waspe



Swimming -
Most Improved Female Swimmer
Ella Mills



Swimming -
Most Improved Male Swimmer
Chad Greyling



Swimming -
Best Male Swimmer
Yan Gonçalves



Swimming -
Best Female Swimmer
Liza Victor

Sports Awards



Netball -
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Kate Howe-Dreyer



Netball -
Most Improved Player of the Year
Zoe Zitha



Netball -
Player of the Year
Mathlatsi Thabane



Tennis - Boys
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Quintin Swanepoel



Tennis - Boys
Most Improved player
Connor Watson



Tennis - Boys
Player of the Year
Mickal Bakker



Tennis - Girls
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Piwa Difele



Tennis - Girls
Most Improved player
Gabriella Mason



Tennis - Girls
Player of the Year
Faye Tod

Sports Awards



Cricket - Sportsmanship
and Endeavour Boys
Luke Johnstone



Cricket -
Most Improved Boys
Benjamin Kazandjis



Cricket -
Player of the Year Boys
Leam van Zyl



Cricket - Sportsmanship
and Endeavour Girls
Emma Jack



Cricket -
Most Improved Girls
Piwa Difele



Cricket -
Player of the Year Girls
Kate Howe-Dreyer



Hockey - Sportsmanship
and Endeavour Girls
Kate Howe-Dreyer



Hockey -
Most Improved Player
Caela Baird



Hockey -
Hockey Player of the Year Girls
Emma Cruickshanks

Sports Awards



Hockey - Sportsmanship
and Endeavour Boys
Leam Van Zyl



Hockey -
Most Improved Player
Aiden Desmond



Hockey -
Boys Hockey Player of the Year
Caleb Erasmus



Squash -
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Danyaal Nomani



Squash -
Boys Player of the Year
Matthew Holing



Squash - Girls
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Kayla Masereka



Squash -
Girls Player of the Year
Alexandra Knott



Squash -
Girls Most Improved
Jessica Knott



Soccer- Sportsmanship
and Endeavour Boys
Rolando Pereira

Sports Awards



Soccer -
Boys Most Improved
Bokani Chengeta



Soccer -
Boys Player of the Year
Benjamin Ouko



Soccer - Sportsmanship
and Endeavour Girls
Kate Howe-Dreyer



Soccer -
Most Improved Girls
Xitiko Myakayaka



Soccer -
Girls Player of the Year
Sarona Boiteto



Rugby -
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Nyiko Silinda



Rugby -
Most Improved
Joshua van der Merwe



Rugby -
Player of the Year
Sonney Waspe



Mountain Biking -
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Paulus Coetzee

Sports Awards



Mountain Biking -
Most Improved
Emma Boyd



Mountain Biking -
Rider of the Year Boys
Samuel McIntosh



Equestrian -
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Rachael McIntosh



Equestrian -
Most Improved
Sancha Reingruber



Equestrian -
Rider of the Year
Ellen Holland



Chess -
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Vhulenda Mudimeli



Chess -
Most Improved
Daniel Waring



Chess -
Player of the Year
Thuray Matsinhe



Debating -
Sportsmanship and Endeavour
Anele Mahlalela

Debating Awards



Debating -
Most Improved Speaker Senior
Motsiri Maake



Debating -
Most Improved Speaker Junior
Tanith Gebhardt



Debating -
Best Speaker Senior
Siyanda Luphoko



Debating -
Best Speaker Junior
Eirini Svouraki

Matric Art Exhibition

On Friday the 10th of October, our Matric Art exhibition was opened by our top Visual Arts student, Samantha van der Merwe. Together, we celebrated our 15 talented and dedicated Visual Arts students who creatively explored the IEB theme of Secrets and Surprises. This year's exhibition reflects diversity in media from beadwork to video installations,

to smoke drawings and more traditional oil on canvas. The exhibition showcases deep thinking and personal exploration of the theme in 15 honest, surprising and unique bodies of work.

We also marked the opening of our beautiful mosaiced legacy bench. This bench was supported by the Guthrie family and made possible through hours of tiling from our

Junior Art Club and our class of 2025. The bench is a colourful, creative space where future art students can journal and make or simply enjoy the beauty of the Natal Mahogany canopy. It is a reminder of the creative force of the Visual Arts Class of 2025.

Ms Jennifer Schaum



Matric Dance

On the evening of the 2nd of April, the Matric class of 2025 gathered at Whispering Thorns, all dressed up to the nines, to celebrate. The evening was classy, elegant and filled with glamour from exciting arrivals, delicious meals, tailored tuxedos and sparkling dresses. The Matrics of Uplands College had a truly memorable evening with

speeches, dancing, and a trip down memory lane.

To our Matrics: you have carried yourselves with grace, character and spirit throughout your time here, and this evening was a beautiful reflection of exactly that. As you step forward into examinations and beyond, know

that every member of the Uplands College family stands proudly behind you. We wish you courage, clarity, and every success in the year ahead. Huge thanks go to everyone involved in making the night truly one to remember!

**Miss Kelsey McIlrath
& Miss Jessica Renssen**



Matric Boarder Leavers' Dinner

On Wednesday, 8th October, the 2025 Matric Boarders were celebrated at a special formal dinner — an evening filled with warmth, reflection and laughter as they looked back on their years in boarding. The Head Boarding Mentors delivered heartfelt speeches, sharing memories and gratitude for the friendships and lessons that have shaped their journeys. Mrs Genevieve Gill shared an encouraging and thoughtful message with the outgoing class, reminding them of the values and friendships that will continue to guide them.

The evening was beautifully enriched by musical performances from Kendra and Tiholo, whose

duet was both elegant and heartfelt, and a moving solo by Thapelo that left a lasting impression on everyone present. It was a memorable evening marking the end of an era for these young men and women.

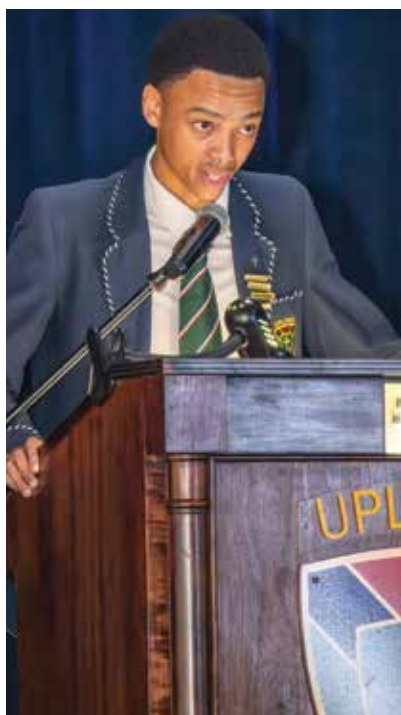
Miss Johanna Cerisier



The Grade 12 Valediction Service

On Friday, the 10th of October 2025, Uplands College held its annual Valediction Service. This chapel service, grounded in our Anglican foundation, marks the official end of our matriculants' time at Uplands College. Reverend Matthew Jennings, our school chaplain, shared an inspirational sermon on what the school leavers need for success in the wide world – courage.

Symbolic processions, a reverent charge, faith-inspired hymns, and a moving address from the two head school mentors, Zoe Zitha and Gabriel Buchanan, were all-important components of this celebratory occasion. The service ended with the matriculants ringing the school bell, signalling the end of their journey, before singing our school anthem, "Come the day", one final time as Uplands College pupils, with the rest of the school.



Mr Mark Blew



TOP ACHIEVERS

9 DISTINCTIONS



Nicole Cooper

8 DISTINCTIONS



Joshua de Beer

7 DISTINCTIONS



Erin Durek

6 DISTINCTIONS



Gabriel Buchanan



S'nenjabulo Hlatshwayo



Benjamin Loon



Samuel McIntosh



Matthew Storm



CONGRATULATIONS UPLANDS MATRIC CLASS OF 2025

**100%
PASS
RATE**

- 98% Bachelor's Degree Pass
- 2.1 Distinctions per Candidate
- 33% of the Grade with 3 distinctions or more
- 47% of the Grade with 2 distinctions or more
- 29% of all subject results were an A symbol
- 27% of all subject results were a B symbol
- 80% of all subject results were over 60%

5 DISTINCTIONS



Megan Lintvelt



Alana Spies



Samantha van der Merwe



Karen Wate

4 DISTINCTIONS



Nicole Chilengue



Christina Cruse



Megan Easton



Ellen Holland



Ivy Ikekhuh



Mia Jackaman



Keira Knight



Jamie Tinker

3 DISTINCTIONS



Nyad Amade



Hunter Compton



Daniel Lascelles



Siyanda Lumphoko



Sabeen Macane



Tintswalo Mbetse



Leam van Zyl



Zoe Zitha



Wisani Zwane

SUBJECT EXCELLENCE

- Dramatic Arts: 73% distinction rate
- Engineering, Graphics and Design: 41% distinction rate
- isiZulu FAL: 58% distinction rate
- Life Orientation: 51% distinction rate
- Life Sciences: 44% distinction rate
- Mathematical Literacy: 46% distinction rate
- Spanish SAL: 75% distinction rate
- Visual Arts: 53% distinction rate

TOP 1% OF CANDIDATES PER SUBJECT

- Gabriel Buchanan: French Second Additional Language
- Nicole Cooper: Computer Applications Technology, Life Sciences, Mathematics and Physical Sciences
- Erin Durek: Business Studies, Dramatic Arts and Life Orientation.
- Megan Easton: Mathematical Literacy
- Benjamin Loon: Geography

IEB OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT LIST

Top 5% in 6 or more subjects as well as level 7 for Life Orientation: Nicole Cooper

IEB COMMENDABLE ACHIEVEMENT LIST

Top 5% in 5 subjects as well as level 7 for Life Orientation: Erin Durek

Today's thinking child is tomorrow's achiever

Class of 2025



Achel Samunyama



Akhe' Shongwe



Alana Spies



Amani Búzi



Benjamin Loon



Bonginkosi Mkhwanazi



Brett Armitage



Caleb Erasmus



Charmaine Mabuza



Christina Cruse



Daniel Ciuchini



Daniel Lascelles



Daniel Withey



Dante Pagani



Darell Awogu



Ellen Holland

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Emma Jackson



Erin Durek



Gabriel Buchanan



Geneveive Silinda



Georgina Dolezal



Hendrik Greyling



Hunter Compton



Ivy Ikekhuah



Jamie Tinker



Jana Gomba



Jayden Marsh



Jessica le Roux



Jivani Chetty



Joshua de Beer



Kai Naylor



Kaila Boltman

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Khumo Motlhodiemang



Karen Wate



Keira Knight



Khanyisa Makhubele



Leam van Zyl



Leo Mashiri



Lihle Mavuso



Luke Barnard



Lwakhe Mbokane



Lwazi Khoza



MaryAngel Leopeng



Matthew Storm



Megan Easton



Megan Lintvelt



Mia Jackaman



Miguel Maconha

Class of 2025



Nelisa Mnisi



Neo Mahuba



Nicole Chilenque



Nicole Cooper



Ntokozo Nkosi



Ntwanano Mawela



Nyad Amade



Nyiko Silinda



Phillipa Pappas



Rachel Guthrie



Rees Macfarlane



Rex Notten



Ronaldo Pereira



S'nenjabulo Hlatswayo



S'nethemba Masimula



Sabeen Macane

Class of 2025



Sagira Macane



Samantha van der Merwe



Samara Mazik



Samkelisiwe Nyalungu



Samuel McIntosh



Shea Roach



Simangaye Magagula



Siyanda Luphoko



Siyanda Ochan



Sonney Waspe



Sphehlehle Thela



Thapelo Nare



Thuray Matsinhe



Tintswalo Mandlazi



Tintswalo Mbetse



Toby Smith

Class of 2025



Tyler Spencer



Vuyo Thabethe



William Pappas



Willow Compton



Wisani Zwane



Xihlamariso Masia



Xitiko Myakayaka



Zoe Zitha

Prayer for the Class of 2025

*In your Final Examinations we wish you a calm heart,
a clear mind and the self-belief to give of your best.*

Believe in yourself
to the depth of your being.
Nourish the talents
your spirit is freeing.

Know in your heart
when the going gets slow
That your faith in yourself
will continue to grow.

Don't forfeit ambition
when others may doubt.
It's your life to live
to live it throughout!

Learn from your errors
don't dwell in the past.
Never withdraw
from a world that is vast.

Believe in yourself;
to find the best that is you.
Let your spirit prevail
to steer a course that is true.

Bruce B. Wilmer

Discover Uplands College

Vision

Uplands develops interested and interesting young people who are self-confident, happy and successful in a changing world. They will be creative, critical thinkers who embrace change and develop lasting, healthy relationships.

Mission

We achieve our vision by providing a dynamic, caring, well-rounded, values-based education through our quality teams at the Pre-Preparatory, Preparatory, College and Outreach. Essential to our success as we grow a world-class, forward-thinking school are the following pillars:

- Academics
- Boarding and Pastoral
- Diverse community
- Anglican ethos
- Co-curricular

Uplands School Hymn

I vow to thee, my Saviour,
all things on Earth above
entire and whole and perfect
the service of my love.

It's a love that asks no questions
It's a love that stands the test
that lays upon the altar
the dearest and the best.

It's a love that never falters
It's a love that pays the price
It's a love that offers humbly
the final sacrifice.

When today I hear your calling
to serve, to help, to heal
I'll go forth, I'll answer promptly
Your power to reveal.

To the lost, the broken-hearted,
To the children I will go
In Your wondrous Name, Lord Jesus,
To see your Kingdom grow.

I vow to thee, my Saviour,
all things on Earth above
entire and whole and perfect
the service of your love.

National Anthem

Nkosi sikelel' Afrika
Maluphakanyisw' uphondo lwayo,
Yizwa imithandazo,
Yethu,
Nkosi sikelela,
Thina,
Lusapho lwayo.
Morena boloka setjhaba sa heso,
O fedise dintwa la matshwenyeh
O se boloke (Ntate)
O se boloke
Setjhaba sa
Heso,
Setjhaba sa
South Afrika
- South Afrika.
Uit die blou van onse hemel,
Uit die diepte van ons see,
Oor ons ewige gebergtes,
Waar die kranse antwoord gee,
Sounds the call to come together,
And united we shall stand,
Let us live and strive for freedom,
In South Africa our land.

Uplands School Prayers

Teach us, good Lord,
To serve You as we should,
To give and not to count the cost,
To stand up for what is right,
To work for You at all times,
And not to expect any reward
Other than to know that we are
doing what
You want us to do.
Amen.

God bless Africa
protect our children,
transform our leaders,
heal our communities,
restore our dignity,
and give us peace,
for Jesus Christ's sake.
Amen.



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