

Dear Parents, Guardians and Staff



Our girls, boys, and staff enjoyed learning about the significance of Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday. Mrs. Hyland led a well-organised Shrove Tuesday program, which included an educational element as well as pancake and leapfrog fun races. Reverend Tracey Bell conducted two beautiful Ash Wednesday services for our girls and boys, where she explained the deeper meaning of Ash Wednesday and imposed ashes on our children and staff. As an independent school, it was indeed a blessing to celebrate these two auspicious days within our school community.



GOSPEL CHOIR EVENING - This week, we turn our focus to our much-anticipated Gospel Choir Evening, which takes place on Thursday evening. Mr. Jumah and Ms. Hyland have been working hard to prepare our children for this special occasion, where our girls, boys, and children from other schools will lift their voices in praise to God. This is yet another opportunity for our children to learn, grow, and flourish, with God guiding us in all that we do and strive to achieve at St. Nicholas. The evening will commence at 17h30, and parents are encouraged to arrive early to secure a seat in our indoor centre. Parking will be available on Jaby Ndlovu Street and Burger Street, with ample car guards in attendance. We look forward to another evening of celebrating God together. The event is expected to conclude at 18h30.

BIG WALK - A friendly reminder that our much-anticipated Annual Big Walk takes place on Thursday, 20 March at the acclaimed Umgungundlovu IAAF track. This event is not just about fitness and fun—it's also an important fundraising effort as we aim to raise R60 000 to upgrade our school facilities. Every contribution, big or small, makes a difference! Sponsorship forms have been sent home, along with details of the exciting incentives we have put in place to encourage both parents and children to get involved. Even a small amount collected by each child adds up to something truly impactful when we put it all together. Let us walk, give, and grow as a St. Nicholas School community! As always, I truly appreciate your support.

Kamal Rugbar

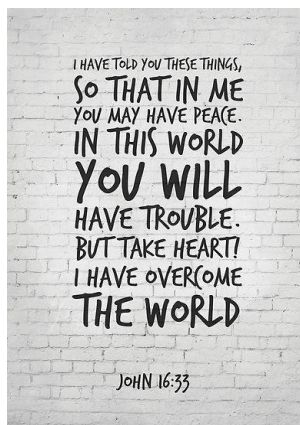
Kamal Rugbar (Headmaster – Junior School)

Assembly – Ms M Simkiss

Overcoming life's challenges was the important message of this morning's assembly done by Ms Simkiss. We all have different daily challenges to cope with, and they are a part of life. However, it is vital that us as a school and families that we nurture our children to develop the skills to overcome them in order for them to grow and flourish. **Determination, patience, bravery, asking for help and resilience** are the top few. Not only must we explicitly teach them when a challenge arises, but it is also the way we model good habits as adults for our children. Keeping Jesus as our "Lighthouse" in the storms of life is the ultimate role-model we are so very blessed to have.

John 16:33

Philippians 4:13



Kindness Badge Winners



UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Tuesday, 11 March	U10A/B & u11A/B Boys Basketball vs. Scottsville (A)
Wednesday, 12 March	U13A/B/C Girls Basketball vs. Scottsville (A) U13A/B/C Boys Basketball vs. Scottsville (H)
Thursday, 13 March	U10A/B/C Girls basketball vs. Scottsville (A) Gospel Choir Evening at 17h30
Friday, 14 March	Grade 1s to Botanical Gardens Grade 2s to Alpaca Farm (hired bus)
Saturday, 15 March	Squash Tournament (selected players only)

St. Nicholas Diocesan School



Gospel Choir Evening

Thursday, 13 March 2025 at 17h30

Featuring | : Athlone Primary School
Cordwalles Preparatory School
Hayfields Primary School
Riverwood College
St. Nicholas Diocesan School



BIG WALK 20 March 2025

Please note:

1. Donation forms to be returned by 20 March.
2. For every R10 collected = 1 entry for a set of wireless headphones ; R50 = 5 entries
3. For every R100 collected = 1 entry for a R2 000 deduction in school fees ; R500 = 5 entries

