



HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL

CIRCULAR 12/2025 – 10 DECEMBER 2025

**DREAM
BELIEVE
ACHIEVE**

HHS VISION

To be a leading co-educational **high school**, providing exceptional **physical** and **social** environments in which **all** learners have the **opportunity** to become the **best they can be**, academically, culturally, socially and in sport.

HHS VALUES

H-onour | **H**-ard work | **S**-ervice

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

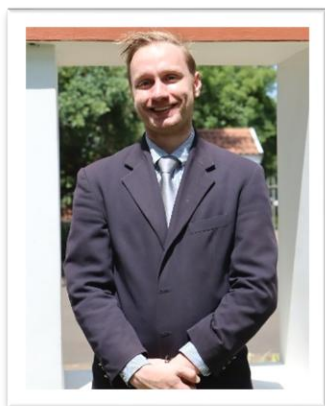
The 2025 academic year is at an end. Our 50th year has been another good one for the school and we are looking forward to celebrating our 50th anniversary during 2026. My thanks go to all the staff, learners, and parents, who have contributed to the successes we have enjoyed this year.

The programme we put in place for the last week of school was thoroughly enjoyed by those learners who chose to attend. I would like to thank Mrs McLaughlin who was responsible for organising the programme.



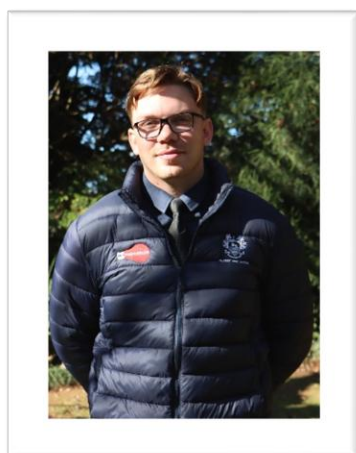
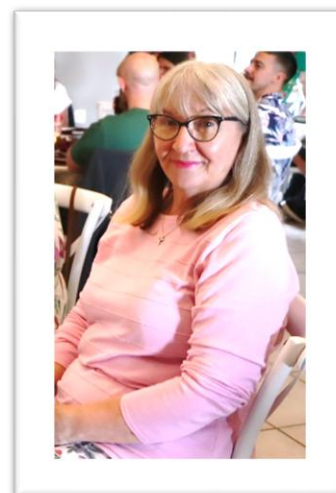
STAFF

We bid farewell to the following staff:



Mr Elton Smith has been a locum with us this year filling in for **Mrs Amy Sebeikin** while she was off on Maternity leave. We have appreciated Mr Smith's willingness to help wherever and whenever he is needed.

Mrs Lynn Gordon has been with us for five terms in the Technology Department and helping introduce Robotics and Coding. We thank her for the contribution she has made to the school, and we wish her well as she goes on retirement.



We extend our heartfelt thanks to **Mr Llawdden Roux** for his outstanding contribution to the Accounting and Mathematics Departments, and for his unwavering commitment to rugby and the coaching of our teams. It has been a privilege to have him serve the school for the last three years with such dedication, especially as a proud past pupil. We wish him every success as he takes up his new teaching position at Westville Boys' High School next year. His passion and professionalism will be greatly missed.

EXAMINATIONS AND REPORTS

The end of year examination session ran extremely smoothly, and I would like to thank Mrs Edy, Mrs Leuschke, Mrs McCallum and Mr Pearl in particular, for all they have done behind the scenes to ensure that everything has run so well again this year.

If you were unable to collect your child's report on Tuesday 9 December between 7am and 12:00 noon, you can collect it from the Front Office. Please remember to check your child's registration teacher's name to make this process quicker. The office will be open from 8:00 until 13:00 until Thursday and then until 10:30am on Friday 12 December. The admin office will reopen at 8:00am on Wednesday 7 January 2026 and educators will return to school on 12 January.

Congratulations to those learners who placed in the top 10 positions in their Grade:

Grade 8		
1	Laela-Mae Geldenhuys	87.69
2	Sinelizwi Dlamini	87.68
3	Michael Clur	85.36
4	Izabella Keating	85.33
5	Jaylene Chaythram	84.82
6	Jethro Le Roux	84.50
7	Anika Oltmann	84.18
8	Aphelele Mbonambi	83.94
9	Jamee Fransenburg	82.93
10	Osaze Mhlongo	82.48
Grade 9		
1	Terania Govender	92.73
2	Matthew Pillay	89.73
3	Amy Neveling	87.47
4	Ella Saunders	87.00
5	Khwezi Mnyandu	86.74
6	Langelihle Nxumalo	86.11
7	Keegan Compton-James	83.97
8	Erin Lowe	83.84
8	Owethu Mkhize	82.38
10	Kellan Boynton	81.85
Grade 10		
1	Luke Whittle	90.04
2	Owomusa Dlamini	86.97
3	Isabella Te Brugge	85.28
4	Anro Adendorff	84.59
5	Maja Kearley	82.75
6	Saiusha Viraragavan	81.44
7	Thubelihle Njokwe	81.17
8	Jema-Lee Duncan	80.90
9	Norma-Jean Price	80.15
10	Callum Stieger	78.52
Grade 11		
1	Brielle Pillay	92.10
2	Amber-Lynn Jones	85.14
3	Azola Shandu	84.64
4	Emily O'Shaughnessy	81.98
5	Nkanyezi Ngcobo	81.79
6	Taylor Van Tromp	80.69
7	Hannah Greffrath	80.54
8	Kylie Freeman	80.25
9	Andiswa Maphumulo	79.70
10	Ryan Haasbroek	78.86

Congratulations to the following learners who placed 1st in their Registration Classes:

8AB	Esihle Mqadi
8FO	Isabella Berrington
8GS	Laela-Mae Geldenhuys
8JU	Mpendulo Mutambaneshiri
8LB	Khwezi Kunene
8LF	Cayla Wareing
8MG	Grace Maemesa
8MM	Jethro Le Roux
8SO	Smangaliso Num
8SU	Aphelele Mbonambi
9BL	Esihle Manqele
9CH	Terania Govender
9JS	Georgia Ferreira
9LG	Skye Mans
9NM	Siphesihle Ngwenya
9SC	Simthandile Zwane
9SD	Uminathi Mtembu
9ST	Stephen Munro
9TA	Danielle James
9TN	Sbusiso Bhengu
10CM	Callum Stieger
10EN	Kaylee Whitaker
10JC	Adam Foulkes
10JH	Ziyanda Mabhida
10JM	Hlelo Mthembu
10LR	Mark Altson
10ML	Katelyn Van Ballegooyen
10NZ	Luke Whittle
10SA	Ziphezinhle Blose
10SH	Ahreya Singh
11AS	Ryan Haasbroek
11GB	Lubanzi Maluleka
11LH	Taylor Van Tromp
11LZ	Nkanyezi Ngcobo
11MB	Brielle Pillay
11NJ	Andiswa Maphumulo
11SB	Azola Shandu
11SR	Taylor Cribbins

AWARDS

At our final assembly on 3 December, a large number of awards were presented. These included Service, Cultural and Sports' Awards.

DECEMBER 2025 – SERVICE AWARDS		
SERVICE AWARDS		
ANGEL FUND		
Name	Surname	Award
Kaylin	Olsen	Merit
Leah	Jerome	Merit
Kristen	Bartholomew	Merit
Juwairiyah	Sindhi	Merit (Re-Award)
Azrah	Chetty	Merit (Re-Award)
Kaylah	Jackson	Merit (Re-Award)
Jodi	Maclachlan	Merit (Re-Award)
Saiusha	Viraragavan	Merit (Re-Award)
Kaitlyn	Steyn	Merit (Re-Award)
AV CLUB		
Jaryd	Andre	Full Colours
Keegan	Cooke	Merit
Anro	Adendorff	Merit
Leon	Erasmus	Merit
Katy	Armstrong	Merit
Rebecca	Easson	Merit
CATERING		
Rebecca	Easson	Full Colours
Pamela	Majola	Full Colours
Lesedi	Ramakatsa	Half Colours
Avela	Hlophe	Merit
Nandisa	Myeni	Merit
Angela	Ngubane	Merit
Jade-Lee	Bailey	Merit
Kagiso	Sebitloane	Merit
Zenathi	Mkihwanazi	Merit (Re-Award)
Thalente	Cele	Junior Colours
COMPUTER ASSISTANTS		
Banele	Shange	Half Colours
Thandolwethu	Dlamini	Merit
LIBRARY ASSISTANTS		
Lesedi	Ramakatsa	Half Colours
Sophie	Buccimazza	Half Colours

INTERACT		
NAME	SURNAME	AWARD
Scarlett	Ferreira	Merit
Shawna	Creed	Merit
Amber-Lynn	Jones	Merit
Philisa	Hadebe	Merit
Rachel	Atkinson	Merit
Erin	Lowe	Merit
Bradley	Leppan	Merit
Owen	Van Den Berg	Merit
Danielle	Jones	Merit
Taygen	Oberholzer	Merit
Owethu	Mkhize	Merit
Farrah	Lief	Merit
Rebecca	Easson	Merit
Njabulo	Dlamini	Merit
Melokuhle	Dlamini	Merit
Kristen	Bartholomew	Merit
Leante	Goosen	Merit

DECEMBER 2025 - CULTURAL AWARDS		
DEBATING AND PUBLIC SPEAKING		
Lubanzi	Maluleka	Half Colours
Makayla	Torchia	Merit
Simtholile	Ngcobo	Merit
Simphiwe	Mostert	Merit
Lesedi	Mokheseng	Merit
Keegan	Compton-James	Merit
ECO-CLUB		
Joy	Mackenzie	Merit
Eben	Coetser	Merit
David	Mackenzie	Merit (Re-Award)
Erin	Massey	Merit (Re-Award)
GOSPEL CHOIR		
Masibonge	Msani	Full Colours
Amahle	Zungu	Full Colours
Nonjabulo	Malinga	Full Colours
Sphesihle	Mthiya	Full Colours
Siphosethu	Miya	Half Colours
Sibonelo	Tshabalala	Half Colours
Nolwande	Nhatave	Half Colours
Olwami	Vilakazi	Half Colours
Khwezi	Sibisi	Half Colours

Nkazimulo	Mthethwa	Half Colours
Yolanda	Zondi	Half Colours
Alwande	Phewa	Half Colours
SCHOOL CHOIR		
Pamela	Majola	Half Colours
Janoah	Williams	Half Colours
Anro	Adendorff	Half Colours
Emma	Hughes	Half Colours
Esnath	Kufakunesu	Half Colours
Amber	Jones	Half Colours (Re-Award)
Giselle	Stow	Half Colours (Re-Award)
Amahle	Zungu	Merit
Tanith	Egersdorfer	Merit
Simtholile	Ngcobo	Merit
Ashley	Braybrooke	Merit
Vuyo	Mlamula	Merit
Sbonga	Nxumalo	Merit
Shiloh	Lortan	Merit

SCHOOL PRODUCTION		
Masibonge	Msani	Merit
Amabutho	Mavundla	Merit
Kutlwano	Sondezi	Merit
Sibani	Magwaza	Merit
SIGN LANGUAGE		
Rebecca	Easson	Merit
Margo	Frasenberg	Merit
Lesedi	Ramakatsa	Merit
Owethu	Mkhize	Merit
Joy	Mackenzie	Merit
David	Mackenzie	Merit
STEEL DRUMS AND MARIMBA BAND		
Anro	Adendorff	Half Colours
Isabella	Te Brugge	Half Colours
Ndumiso	Hlophe	Half Colours
Norma-Jean	Price	Merit
Juwairiyah	Sindhi	Merit

DECEMBER 2025 – SPORTS AWARDS		
BADMINTON		
NAME	SURNAME	AWARD
Jeriah	Govender	Full Colours
Nathan	Patrick	Full Colours

CHESS		
Maja	Kearley	Half Colours
David	Mackenzie	Half Colours
Terania	Govender	Merit
Joy	Mackenzie	Merit
Wayne	Kearley	Merit
Aarin	Van Der Byl	Merit
Kayden	Ferguson	Merit
Juan-Diego	Naidoo	Junior Colours
Dejuan	Govender	Junior Colours
CRICKET		
Paul	Momoh	Honours
Stefan	Chetty	Half Colours
Tasriq	Wingrove	Half Colours (Re-Award)
Stephen	Munro	Merit
Keegan	Compton-James	Merit
GIRLS' INDOOR HOCKEY		
Anele	Sabela	Full Colours
Isabella	Momoh	Full Colours
Langelihle	Nxumalo	Junior Colours
BOYS' SOFTBALL		
Ethan	Moss	Full Colours
Stephen	Munro	Junior Colours
Keegan	Compton-James	Junior Colours
Ryan	Rees	Junior Colours (Re-Award)
GIRLS' SOFTBALL		
Isabella	Momoh	Full Colours
Jodi	Maclachlan	Full Colours
Philasande	Motaung	Full Colours
Shaelyn	Geldenhuis	Full Colours
Maroelle	Coertse	Full Colours (Re-Award)
Melokuhle	Dlamini	Full Colours (Re-Award)
Natalie	Rees	Half Colours
Senzelwe	Nene	Half Colours (Re-Award)
Laela-Mae	Geldenhuis	Junior Colours
Sienna	Kidgell	Junior Colours
Zoe	Terblanche	Junior Colours
Jayden-Lee	Anderson	Junior Colours (Re-Award)
Kellan	Boynton	Junior Colours (Re-Award)

BOYS' TOUCH RUGBY		
Siviwe	Luthuli	Half Colours
Tamuka	Chovuchovu	Half Colours
Luthando	Blose	Half Colours
Alwande	Sibiya	Half Colours
Alwande	Ngxongo	Half Colours
Garth	Smith	Half Colours
Sebastian	Schaube-Kuffler	Half Colours
Sloane	Schaube-Kuffler	Half Colours
Cebolakhe	Gcuma	Half Colours
Esihle	Manqele	Junior Colours
Simthandile	Zwane	Junior Colours
Liam	Smith	Junior Colours
GIRLS' TOUCH RUGBY		
Hannah	Greffrath	Half Colours
Olwethu	Dladla	Half Colours
Caitlyn	Van Niekerk	Half Colours
Sesona	Guzana	Junior Colours
Banele	Chiva	Junior Colours
Ziyanda	Majola	Junior Colours
Natalie	Steyn	Junior Colours
Dakota	Hoareau	Junior Colours
Casey	Erasmus	Junior Colours
Ndalentle	Mnguni	Junior Colours
Kellan	Boynton	Junior Colours (Re-Award)
Jayden-Lee	Anderson	Junior Colours (Re-Award)
Avela	Madela	Junior Colours (Re-Award)
Kayden	Carson	Personal Achievement

100% ATTENDANCE

We believe it is important to acknowledge those learners who achieve 100% attendance each year and highlight this achievement that will stand these learners in good stead on their CVs in the future. Whilst we realise that there are those who are genuinely unable to attend school on certain occasions, there are many who stay away from school for less than adequate reasons.

Congratulations to the following students:

Name	Surname	Grade
Londeka	Gumede	8AB
Avela	Hlophe	8AB
Isabella	Berrington	8FO
Aphiwe	Buthelezi	8FO
Emmanuel	Nkosi	8FO

Simthandile	Cele	8GS
Mackenzie	Kuijken	8GS
Boniswa	Masondo	8GS
Avela	Hadebe	8JU
Sibanisethu	Myeza	8JU
Bhekabasembo	Mkhize	8LB
Lindokuhle	Blose	8LF
Grace	Maemesa	8MG
Brogan	Torrie	8MG
Ukhona	Dlamini	8MM
Jethro	Le Roux	8MM
Ayama	Mkhize	8MM
Lindokuhle	Nxumalo	8MM
Michaela	Roberts	8MM
Ross	Van der Merwe	8MM
Riley	Greffrath	8SO
Vincent	Meamesa	8SU
Lulo	Ngcetshu	8SU
Zibusiso	Cebekhulu	9BL
Bradley	Leppan	9BL
Iviwe	Vazi	9BL
Thalente	Cele	9CH
Amy	Neveling	9CH
Ella	Saunders	9CH
Jayden-Lee	Anderson	9LG
Skye	Mans	9LG
Jessica	Erasmus	9SD
Ziyande	Majola	9SD
Uminathi	Mtembu	9SD
Kloey	Edwards	9ST
Nate	Jones	9ST
Stephen	Munro	9ST
Manqoba	Gumede	9TA
Lily	McKenzie	9TN
Luyanda	Ntshangase	9TN
Clive	Padayachee	10JH
Saiusha	Viraragavan	10NZ
Mvelo	Mkhize	10SH
Liam	Kruger	11LH
Hayleigh	Govender	11NJ
Mamello	Ramaktsa	11SR
Gabrielle	Steyn	11SR

ACHIEVERS

KZN Open Water Championships

Congratulations to Bradley Leppan for finishing the 3km swim in 1st position in a time of 37:27 minutes.

Bradley, who is currently in Mossel Bay competing in the World's Championship for Biathle and Triathle has just placed 2nd in the U17 Biathle relay. During the race he started in 4th position and chased down Team Great Britain during the first 800m, entering the water in 3rd position. He then swam past Team Australia to exit water in 2nd and maintain that position in the final 800m. Well done, Bradley.



Bradley is also to be congratulated on winning the highly coveted title as the **2025 Highway Mail Spar Superstar** for the entire KwaZulu-Natal region, after placing first in the last quarterly draw. He is a great example of our current school theme – Dream. Believe. Achieve. Well done, Bradley. Enjoy spending your incredible prize of R7400 in Spar vouchers!

Mountain Biking

Congratulations to the Girls' Team who came 2nd in the School's Mountain Biking Series.

MY SCHOOL AND SCHOOL DAYS CARDS

A reminder to use your cards over this festive season. So much money is exchanged at this time of year, and it would be great for us to be able to benefit from this. You merely have to present your cards at the respective stores when you are making your purchases. If you do not have a MySchool card (exclusively for use at Woolworths now) or a School Days card, please contact Mrs Blom on marketing@hhs.co.za.

TRANSPORT

Some of our parents ask about transport options to/from school. We recommend that you find parents who share a similar journey to you and carpool together. If you would like to/are able to offer lifts, please contact Mrs Blom on marketing@hhs.co.za and she will share your details on the Parent WhatsApp groups. Please note, however, that Hillcrest High School cannot vouch for any of the lift clubs or shuttle services shared. The onus is on parents and guardians to check licences, vehicle roadworthiness etc.

GRADE 8 – 11 PRIZE GIVING

This important function will take place on **FRIDAY 30 JANUARY 2026 @ 10h00**. It is compulsory for all Grade 10 – 11 students. The grade 8,9 and 12 learners will have a study day and will not be required to attend school, unless they are prize winners. Details will be sent out in the new year.

IMPORTANT DATES 2026

We have now planned most of the important dates for 2026 and I detail these below for your information and planning:

TERM 1: (12) 14 JANUARY – 27 MARCH

7 JANUARY	Admin Opens
9 - 11 JANUARY	SLT CAMP
12 JANUARY	STAFF RETURN TO SCHOOL
12/13 JANUARY	GRADE 8 ORIENTATION PROGRAMME (@SCHOOL)
13 JANUARY	RELEASE OF 2025 MATRIC RESULTS
13 JANUARY	NEW PARENTS' EVENING 18h00
16 JANUARY	SGB & STAFF BRAAI
27 JANUARY	GRADE 12 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING
29 JANUARY	FINANCE COMM MEETING
30 JANUARY	GRADE 10 – 11 PRIZE GIVING – ALL STAFF
4 FEBRUARY	OPEN DAY (Gr 7 FEEDER SCHOOLS)
7 FEBRUARY	OPEN DAY
2 MARCH	ELEVATE EDUCATION GRADE 8
4 MARCH	ELEVATE EDUCATION GRADE 11
	D&D CO-ED 'A' LEAGUE SWIMMING GALA (VENUE: HILLCREST CURRO)
5 MARCH	ELEVATE EDUCATION GRADE 10
23 MARCH	GRADE 12 EXCURSION – OTHELLO @ SNEDDON THEATRE
27 – 31 MARCH	U16 NETBALL TOURNAMENT @ ST MARYS
1 – 6 APRIL	ST. DUNSTANS' FESTIVAL

TERM 2: 8 APRIL – 27 JUNE

11 APRIL	MATRIC DANCE
15 APRIL	GRADE 8 PARENTS INFORMATION EVENING
22 APRIL	GRADE 9 PARENTS INFORMATION EVENING
9 MAY	PSG SUPER 8 (H)
16 MAY	PSG SUPER 8 (H)
22 MAY	RCL Fundraiser: MOVIE NIGHT
23 MAY	PSG SUPER 8 (H)
31 MAY	PSG SUPER 8 FINALS @ PIONEER HOËRSKOOL
28 MAY – 19 JUNE	GRADE 8-12 MID – YEAR EXAMINATIONS
21/22/23 JUNE	GRADE 11 LEADERSHIP CAMP
24/25 JUNE	GRADE 11 WORK EXPERIENCE

TERM 3: 21 JULY – 23 SEPTEMBER

28 JULY	GRADE 11 BSTD EXCURSION
29 JULY	GRADE 10 BSTD EXCURSION
31 JULY/1 AUG	FOUNDERS WEEKEND – 50 TH CELEBRATION 7S RUGBY TOURNAMENT
5 AUGUST	GR 10 - 12 PARENTS INFORMATION MEETING
15 AUGUST	ANGEL FUND TEA

21 AUGUST	isiZULU EVENING
24 AUG – 18 SEPT	MATRIC TRIAL EXAMINATIONS
22 SEPTEMBER	HERITAGE CIVVIES DAY
	HERITAGE EVENING

TERM 4: 6 OCTOBER - 9 (11) DECEMBER

15 OCTOBER	SPEECH NIGHT
16 OCTOBER	GR 12 VALEDICTORY SERVICE
30 OCTOBER	GOLF DAY 2 KLOOF COUNTRY CLUB
2 – 19 NOVEMBER	FINAL GRADE 8 – 11 EXAMINATIONS
21 OCTOBER – 28 NOV	NSC GRADE 12 EXAMINATIONS (TBC)

BOOK LEVY

The book levy for 2025 is R80. The money collected from this levy is used to repair damaged textbooks, thus saving on the purchase of new textbooks. Also, R40 of this levy is allocated to each learner to use for photocopying of their own work. This levy is payable via the KARRI App or by EFT using your child’s admin number and TEXTBOOK LEVY as the reference. Please can this be done by the end of the first week of school.

FESTIVE MARKET

The Festive Market will be held at Hillcrest High School in the Hall from 12 – 21 December. Many of our learners will be working as Elves and our Interact Club will have a fundraising table. This is the perfect opportunity to support local vendors, our learners and enjoy some delicious food and coffee at the school.



SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

A very big thank you to Mr Kim Hunter who has stood on the school governing body for two years and now steps down as his daughter is in Grade 12. He has made an enormous contribution to the school which we are very grateful for.



My heartfelt ‘Thank You’ to all our parents who have shown their support over the year.

To those of you that celebrate Christmas – I wish you a very blessed holy season. May peace and joy surround you and your families at this time. I wish everyone a wonderful new year and a happy holiday.

Yours faithfully,
Mrs D. P. Knight
Principal