



The Ceremony of the Key ITS ORIGIN

On November 8th 1924, Sir Frederick de Waal, then administrator of the Cape Province, unveiled the magnificent War Memorial which stands in front of the School. At the conclusion of the moving Service of Dedication, Sir Frederick turned to Charles Prior, Head Boy of the College, and handed him a large silver key. "You are to look after the monument and this consecrated ground on which we now stand," he told Prior. "You have in keeping the memory of many men who made the supreme sacrifice. Their memory and what they died for will live forever as the generations come and go." Later that month the first Ceremony of the Key was held as Prior passed his charge on to the 1925 Custodian and a new tradition was born. Every year since, a member of the incoming Matriculation Class has been elected by the popular vote of his fellows as the Custodian of the Key for one year and the handing-over ceremony is now a traditional part of the Founders' Day proceedings.

In September 1939, the Officer Commanding of the Cadet Detachment, Colonel Tim Harvey, gave the Ceremony its present form and authentic military flavour. The format has remained unaltered to this day.

The Key is regarded as a symbol of guardianship of, and responsibility for, the traditions and values of Selborne. The "Changing of the Guard", with the Grade 12 group handing custody to the Grade 11's, symbolizes the passage of responsibility for, and leadership of, the pupil body and all it holds dear, from those departing to those remaining.

Those on parade today are all current pupils of the College.

FOUNDERS' DAY 2011

Parade Commander: Freddy Lubbe

The Assembly is requested to stand as the Guards escorting the Colour approach the Memorial precincts.

1 – HYMN No. 1

(Assembly Standing)

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| 1. O God our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home! | 2. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day. |
| 3. O God our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while life shall last,
And our eternal home! | |

2 – THE LESSON

Callum Kurten
Ecclesiasticus 44, verses 1 to 15

(Assembly Seated)

3 – PRAYERS

By the Headmaster: **Mr A. Gunn**

(Assembly Seated)

- (a) For the School
- (b) For those from the School who laid down their lives in the World Wars, 1914 – 1918 and 1939 - 1945
- (c) For our Country
- (d) For the benefactors of this School
- (e) The Lord's Prayer

(All unite in saying the prayer)

4 – THE HANDING OVER OF THE SCROLLS

(Assembly Seated)

Regimental Sergeant Major: **Gerrit Maritz**

AND THE READING OF THE INSCRIPTION ON THE MEMORIAL

New Custodian: **Lwazi Volsak**

The inscription on the War Memorial reads:-

"To the Glory of God, and in proud and loving memory of those
Old Selbornians who laid down their lives in the Great War, 1914 – 1918"
"Their names liveth forever"

J. Barbour
W.L. Blakeway
W.G. Booty
W.A. Bowden
N.J. Cameron
J.A. Clarke
A.B. Cooper
C. Crossley
T.C. Cumming
E. de Villiers
L.G. Fairbairn
C.S. Farman
C. Fuller
F.M. Gately
T. Gregg
C. Halse
E. Harney

J. Hedding
C. Howse
J.W. Hutton
D. King
H.L. Knibbs
D. Laver
C. Law
F. Lawlor
A.G. MacLachlan
W. McJannet
R. Metrowich
C. Midgley
M. Murray
M. Myers
C. Nicholls
H. Nord
J.B. Payn

W. Palmer
E. Rex
S. Rickman
H. Ries
R.G. Shepperson
C. Stock
A.L. Stockenström
H.C. Stratford
D. Turpin
E.W.G. Wakeford
K.H. Wallace
H. Wanckel
E. Westmoreland
J.L. Whatmore
O. Wicks

To this has been added: "The World War, 1939 – 1945."

"At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them".

Evan Auths	Eric H. Curran	Raymond Harris	Eric Stedman
Ivan Baisley	Arthur E. Dalbock	Douglas Hendry	Robert K. Stephenson
Richard Baker	John E. Dell	James M. Hiddleston	Robert Stringer
Aubrey Barnes	Rodney Dell	Douglas J. Howard	Ivor M. Temlett
Roy Benjamin	Keith Dickenson	Harold D. Howard	Donald Terblanche
Bernie Black	Serfas Dixon	Ivor W.M. Howard	Geoffrey Thiel
Neil Bremner	George E. Faiers	William T. Hughes	Richard J. Thomas
Sherwood Bruce	Elliot G. Featherstone	Maurice Isenberg	Alistair Tiddy
James Bryce	Jim Few	Monty Kirsten	Colin W. Townsend
Ronald Cameron	Leslie F. Fisher	Theodore Kossowsky	Richard S. Wakefield
Donald Campbell	Frank S.H. Ford	Barney Kruger	Henry Ware
Victor L. Carine	Albert W. Francis	Francois Ledingham	George Warren
John D.F. Cathrine	Vincent J. Francis	Douglas Morrow	Victor Westlake
Ronald Chilton	Morris H. Freeman	Albert C. Pell	Arthur J. White
Desmond Clarke	Arthur W. Friend	Athol Pike	Reginald W. Whitfield
Edward Cragg	Vernon Giese	Frederick H. Posener	Raymond Wittstock
Ronald F. Cragg	Jack Goodeve	Noel R. Schoenewolf	Loxley D. Wood
Clifton Crossley	Dennis F. Harding	Ivan B. Small	Richard Young

On Operational Duty: Peter Webb (1969), Glen Paul (1980), Aubrey Botha (1981)
Shaun Atkins (1985), Michael Nixon (1993)

5 – THE LAST POST – THE REVEILLE

(Assembly Standing)

6 – THE READING OF THE LIST OF CUSTODIANS OF THE KEY

(Assembly Seated)

Old Custodian: **Mark Chiu**

CUSTODIANS OF THE KEY

1924 – C.A. Prior	1946 – J. Bursej	1968 – P. Chapman	1990 – G. Pereira
1925 – J.G. Chalmers	1947 – A. Day	1969 – J. Pemberton	1991 – D. Perlman
1926 – R. De Villiers	1948 – G. Busse	1970 – J. McConnachie	1992 – K. Flemmer
1927 – A.N. Duffy	1949 – C. Raasch	1971 – R. Armist	1993 – R. Hewlett
1928 – H.J. Chapman	1950 – D. Breetzke	1972 – R. Boy	1994 – J. Perlman
1929 – N.E. Hartley	1951 – D. Bothma	1973 – J. Reid	1995 – J. Cocks
1930 – H.J. Conradt	1952 – M. Griffith	1974 – J. Jackson	1996 – C-D. Tilney
1931 – G.F. Hammond	1953 – K. Lloyd	1975 – P. Marcus	1997 – N. Graham
1932 – W.M. Jarvis	1954 – B. Forbes	1976 – I. McWilliam	1998 – A. Foster
1933 – H.J. Baker	1955 – D. Gowdy	1977 – E. McWilliam	1999 – A. Miles
1934 – J.V. McDonald	1956 – K. Weakley	1978 – R. Zimmerman	2000 – C. Goddard
1935 – T.G. McIntosh	1957 – D. Rice	1979 – G. Wright	2001 – A. Collen
1936 – W.P. Kruger	1958 – R. Elliot	1980 – N. Von Hoesslin	2002 – L. Mabece
1937 – D.D. Longmore	1959 – T. Dewar	1981 – D. Puchert	2003 – J. King
1938 – D.E. Nicol	1960 – B. Page	1982 – D. Mackie	2004 – D. Forword
1939 – D.S. Chambers	1961 – R. Webber	1983 – B. Wright	2005 – K. Coetzee
1940 – O.K. Whitfield	1962 – W. MacDonald	1984 – G. Pike	2006 – G. Rayment
1941 – D.M ^c L. Campbell	1963 – A. Schultz	1985 – T. Hurly	2007 – S. Mathie
1942 – F. Ledingham	1964 – B. Webber	1986 – D. Page	2008 – J. de Jager
1943 – T. Hawker	1965 – M. Lownds	1987 – B. Cotterell	2009 – J. Maliekal
1944 – G. James	1966 – N. Hardwich	1988 – D. Isherwood	2010 – J. Germishuys
1945 – G. Johnstone	1967 – R. Edkins	1989 – R. Botha	2011 – M. Chiu

7 – THE ADDRESS

(Assembly Seated)

Mr Jonty Skinner (Olympic Swimming Coach and Old Selbornian – Class of 1971)

8 – HYMN No. 2*(Assembly Standing)*

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| <p>1. All people that on earth do dwell
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell
Come ye before Him, and rejoice.</p> | <p>2. For Why? The Lord our God is good
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.</p> |
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9 – THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD*(Assembly Seated)***OLD GUARD****Commander:** Khwezi Mona**Sergeant:** Inga Njikelana

Sentries: Emihle Baneti
Ncincilili Titi
Uzuzakhe Ngantweni
Bradley Vincent

Guards: Gareth Jenkins
Darren Sabbagh
Dylan De Wilzen
Artur Niit
Calvin Pagel
Joshua Kriel
Cameron Opperman
Sean Fitzpatrick

NEW GUARD**Commander:** Michael Hansen**Sergeant:** Sipehelele Mbanzi

Sentries: Mohato Makalima
Sapeta Nini
Kelvin Bradfield
Viwe Mzaidume

Guards: Carsten Trollope
Dilpreet Dhillon
Joshua van Rooyen
Ross Pretorius
Christopher Robb
Onke Nyaku
Dylan Kriegisch
Luthando Peteni

Colour Ensign: Waldo Scheün**10 – THE HANDING OVER OF THE KEY***(Assembly Seated)*

Mark Chiu to Lwazi Volsak

11 – THE LAYING OF THE WREATHS*(Assembly Standing)*

Wreaths will be laid to honour old boys who paid the supreme sacrifice in service of their country. Representatives of the Old Selbornian Association and Club, an ex-serviceman and the new custodian will lay these wreaths.

HYMN No. 3*(Hymn to be sung during the laying of the wreaths)*

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide;
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy Cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;
Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

*(Earlier this morning two wreaths were laid in the Memorial Pavilion)***12 – NATIONAL SALUTE***(Assembly Standing)***13 – THE MARCH PAST AND THE SALUTE TO THE MEMORIAL BY THE CADET CORPS***(Assembly Stands as Colour passes)*