



Matters of Principal

*"Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labour is not in vain."
1 Corinthians 15:58 (ESV)*

A Reflection on Calling, Commitment, and Community

As we move through the final weeks of examinations and approach the end of another busy term, it is worth taking a moment to reflect on the people who make Stanford Lake College the special place it is.

Author J. R. R. Tolkien once wrote: "You have been chosen, and you must therefore use such strength and heart and wits as you have." These words speak powerfully to the calling of education and to those who have dedicated themselves to serving young people.

At Stanford Lake College, every member of our staff contributes to the growth and development of our students. Whether in the classroom, on the sports field, in the boarding houses, offices, kitchens, maintenance teams, or behind the scenes, each person plays an important role in shaping the lives of our learners.

The Bible reminds us in Romans 12:6–7 that we all have different gifts, entrusted to us for a purpose. As a school community, we are grateful for the many talented and committed individuals who use their gifts each day to teach, mentor, guide, support, and inspire our students.

As the term draws to a close, we recognise that the impact of education is often seen not only in academic results, but also in the confidence built, the character developed, and the relationships formed along the way. A word of encouragement, a lesson taught with passion, or a simple act of kindness can leave a lasting impression on a young person's life.

We extend our sincere thanks to our staff for their dedication and service, and to our parents for their ongoing support and partnership. Together, we continue to create an environment where students can thrive, discover their strengths, and prepare for the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead.

As we finish the term strongly, we remain grateful for the strength, heart, wisdom, and gifts that each member of our community brings to Stanford Lake College

Warm Regards

Mr Pierre Jacobos

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29 AUGUST 2026

 **Stanford Lake College, Magoebaskloof**



**CARNIVAL
GAMES**



**FOOD & CRAFT
STALLS**



**ADVENTURE
ACTIVITIES**

★ A FESTIVAL OF FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! ★

WINTER SPORTS ACTION

Playoff Success for Stanford Lake College Sport

This term has been a memorable one for Stanford Lake College sport, with an impressive seven teams qualifying for their respective league playoffs and finals. This achievement reflects the dedication, perseverance, and commitment shown by our players and coaches throughout the season.

The teams that have progressed to the playoffs and finals are:

- U14 Boys Hockey
- U16 Girls Hockey
- U16 Boys Hockey
- 1st Boys Hockey
- U15 Rugby
- U16 Rugby
- U17 Netball



To have so many teams competing at the highest level in their leagues is a testament to the strength of our sports programme and the hard work put in both on and off the field.

We are incredibly proud of every player who has contributed to this success, as well as the coaches whose guidance, passion, and commitment have helped these teams reach this stage. Regardless of the final results, qualifying for playoffs and finals is an achievement worth celebrating.



COLOUR RUN

A Colour Run is less about competition and more about connection, energy, and joy. It's a moment where pace doesn't matter and perfection is left behind—participants move through clouds of colour, laughter, and music, celebrating freedom in its simplest form.

It's about letting go of pressure, embracing the chaos of colour, and remembering what it feels like to just have fun.



MARGARET FREESTONE

Margaret Freestone was one of the very early staff members at Stanford Lake College. She was appointed to establish the school's small library and to foster a love of reading among learners — a challenge she embraced with enthusiasm and dedication.

Margaret will be remembered not only for her passion for books but also for her boundless energy, infectious enthusiasm, and unwavering commitment to uplifting less privileged communities in the area. She devoted countless hours to making a difference in the lives of others, particularly through her work with rural schools.

To describe Margaret as "eclectic" comes close, but it hardly captures her free spirit, creativity, and wonderfully unconventional approach to life. She had a remarkable ability to think outside the box and inspire those around her. Among her many contributions, her work with the outlying rural schools, especially Sawmills School library, stands out as a lasting testament to her compassion and commitment.

Margaret Freestone was truly one of a kind — a remarkable lady whose energy, vision, and generosity of spirit touched many lives and whose legacy will long be remembered.

"She provided great reprieve for those of us who didn't want to do compulsory athletics by starting the bridge club in 2003, and taking us to compete (get completely thrashed by) the little old ladies of the mountain and Tzaneen. "



"She was cranky but I always appreciated her, she really did provide a safe space so to say for the non stereotypical kids"



'Our default cards at home come from one of those trashings. Still going strong!'

'Legacy cards!!'

'Prob not one for the public memory book. But when I worked at the iron crown I was outside about to have an illegal ciggie....mrs Freestone (and mrs Harman!) came out and "busted me" Before I could say anything she said "don't worry ..." and handed me a lighter.

The next 10min we're the most awkward ciggie I've ever had, but we had a def "I know you know" vibe at school from that day on!'

'The worst of it was that I wasn't even a "real" Smoker. Was a mere rebellious blip'

'That's very sad news. May she now rest in peace.'



DIRT, DETERMINATION, AND ADRENALINE

Stanford Lake College is proud to celebrate Kabelo Ledwaba, who has officially qualified to represent South Africa at the 2026 FIM JMX125 Junior Motocross World Championship/Cup in Jinin, Czech Republic, taking place on 4–5 July 2026.

Kabelo earned his place in the South African team through his outstanding performances and dedication throughout the national motocross season. Competing against the world's best junior riders is a remarkable achievement and a testament to his hard work, determination, and passion for the sport.

We wish Kabelo every success as he prepares to fly the South African flag on the international stage. The entire Stanford Lake College community is incredibly proud of this achievement and will be cheering him on every step of the way.

Congratulations, Kabelo – your Badger family is behind you all the way!



Buy your tickets on ALLXS

Stanford Lake College 2026 Golf Day Raffle



Stanford Lake College



Grand Prize

2 Nights at Kambaku Safari Lodge in the Timbavati Private Nature Reserve for 2 people valued at **R40 000**.



TICKETS 1@R100 / 5@R400 / 10@R700



4 Nights midweek (Mon-Thurs) stay at Stanford Lake Lodge for up to 8 people in a double story cabin **OR** 4 bedroom cabin. Valued at **R18 176**.

Runner up Prize



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Wolkberg Trail Run

IRON CROWN PEAK 2 126M

Stanford Lake College

WOLKBERG
Trail Run
65KM

WOLKBERG
Trail Run
42KM

WOLKBERG
Trail Run
25KM

WOLKBERG
Trail Run
10KM

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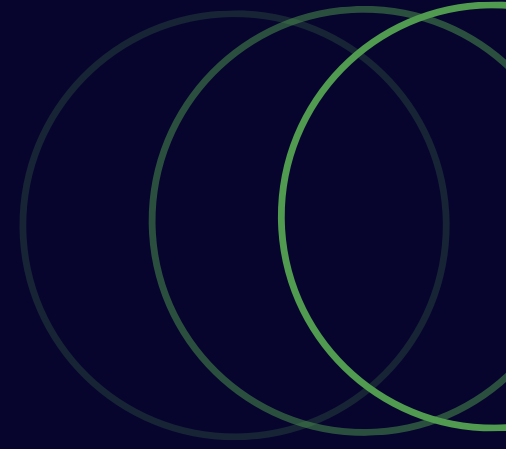
8-9 August 2026





Stanford Lake College Weekly Notice

15 – 20 June



Date	Activity	Time	Venue	Staff
Monday 15 June	Choir	14:15 - 15:30	IJV	Renee
	Snr Boys Soccer	14:00 - 15:55	Bottom Field	GM/ NM
	Snr Girls Soccer	14:00 - 15:55	Bottom Field	KN/MCM
	Jnr Boys Cricket	14:00 - 15:55	Top Field	SB/SJW
	Jnr Girls Cricket	14:00 - 15:55	Top Field	AG/CR
	Snr / Jnr Tennis	14:00 - 15:55	Tennis Court	IC
	MTB	14:00 - 15:55	Adventure	NH/BA
	Swimming	14:00 - 15:55	HPC	KO
	Gym	14:00 - 15:55	HPC	JH, TM, KH, KO, AG
	PS Lesson	By Appointment	PS Lab	LBM, GVS
	Grade 12 Math's	14:30 - 15:30	MCE Class	MCE
	Grade 8 & 9 Math's	14:30 - 15:30	JG Class	JH
	Gr 10 & Gr 11 Examination as per timetable	07:45		
	Gr 12 Consolidation as per timetable	07:30		
Gr 8 & Gr 9 Examination as per timetable	07:45			
Tuesday 16 June	Music Lessons	15:00 - 17:15	IJV	CAL
	Snr Boys Cricket	14:00 - 15:55	Top Fields	CN, TM
	Jnr Boys Soccer	14:00 - 15:55	Bottom Field	PR, GM
	Jnr Girls Soccer	14:00 - 15:55	Bottom Field	KH, SB, TH
	Jnr / Snr Trail Running	14:00 - 15:55	Adventure Centre	PJB, JH
	SNR/JNR Tennis	14:00 - 15:55	Tennis Courts	IC
	MTB	14:00 - 15:55	Adventure Centre	NH/BA
	Swimming	14:00 - 15:55	HPC	KO
	Gym	14:00 - 15:55	HPC	JH, TM, KH, KO, AG
	PS Lesson	By appointment	PS Lab	LBM, GVS
	Grade 11 Math's	14:30 - 15:15	NNM Class	NNM
	Senior Accounting Extra Lessons	14:30 - 15:30	CR Class	CR
	Gr 10 & Gr 11 Examination as per timetable	07:45		
	Gr 12 Consolidation as per timetable	07:30		
Gr 8 & Gr 9 Examination as per timetable	07:45			

Wednesday 17 June	Modern 1	14:00 - 14:45	RMJ	RMJ
	Ballet	14:45 - 15:30	RMJ	RMJ
	Music Lessons	14:45 - 17:30	IJV	Cal
	Snr Boys Soccer	14:00 - 15:55	Bottom Field	GM,NM
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	Gr 10 Math's	14:00 - 14:45	NNM Class	NNM
	Gr 9 Math's	14:00 - 14:45	JG Class	JG
	Gr 11 FSE	13:50 - 14:45	JET Class	JET
	Academic Assist for DS	14:00 - 14:45	TN Class	Academic Com
	Junior Accounting Extra Lessons	14:00- 15:00	CR Class	CR
	Gr 10 & Gr 11 Examination as per timetable	07:45		
	Gr 12 Consolidation as peer timetable	07:30		
	Gr 8 & Gr 9 Examination as per timetable	07:45		
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	PS Lesson	By Arrangement	PS Lab	LBM, GVS
	Gr 10 & Gr 11 Examination as per timetable	07:45		
	Gr 12 Consolidation as peer timetable	07:30		
	Gr 8 & Gr 9 Examination as per timetable	07:45		
	Friday 19 June	Stanford Lake Golf Day (Tzaneen Golf club)	09:00	

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Saturday 20 June	<p>Rugby Finals (Eric Louw)</p> <p>Depart SLC : 04:00</p> <p>U15 Boys TBC</p> <p>U16 Boys TBC</p> <p>Return to SLC : 15:00</p> <p>Netball Championships (BV) 08:00 - 18:00</p> <p>Girls Hockey U16 playoffs (PHS)</p> <p>Departure SLC 06:00</p> <p>Play 08:00</p>			<p>SB,NFH,SJW</p> <p>SS,TP</p> <p>TM,JH</p>

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