



SNAPSHOT

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Matters of Principal

“Show me the heroes that the youth of your country look up to, and I will tell you the future of your country. Your pride for your country should not come after your country becomes great; your country becomes great because of your pride in it.” - Idowu Koyenikan

What a weekend! Another 1 pointer and - most importantly - another victory. Another World Cup title heading home. As the unbelievable win in Paris on Saturday evening slowly sinks in, I think we are all beginning to realise the extent of this achievement, not only in terms of winning a fourth World Cup but also the impact that this team has had on our country for the amazing example that they have set. Siya has said it time and again: this team lives, breaths and is motivated by doing the right thing for our country. They understand the responsibility that they have to set an example for our country as to what is possible if we all pull together and work towards a common goal. We have boundless potential emanating from a myriad of different backgrounds. We are a nation of incredibly talented people who have so much to offer: we are resilient; we make a plan; we push the boundaries and we are not scared of hard work. I recall when we won the World Cup in 2019, Siya spoke about hope and the value of celebrating our diversity. At that time, he mentioned that he prayed that we would embrace this as a nation and that this would not simply be a short-lived, feel good moment but rather a lasting change. With hindsight, I fear that we did not take full advantage of that opportunity. This time around, I sense greater momentum. As individuals, we need to use this posi-

tive energy to make meaningful changes in how we operate. As a school, we need to continue to embrace one another, embrace our differences, celebrate one another's strengths and do our small bit in nation building.

We have all witnessed the euphoria which has followed the Boks since their arrival at OR Tambo airport and their tour of Gauteng. We need to feed off this energy and work together making our country a better place because we are “Stronger together”.

Let's now stand firmly behind the Proteas as they take on India on Sunday.

Have a wonderful weekend.

God Bless.

BADGER OF THE WEEK

On Saturday, in very hot weather, Judah Leher kept his Adventure Racing team in the race. Despite his team wanting to quit half way through, Judah insisted that they finish the race. He motivated his team (Kezia, Matthew and Bethia) all day and always kept a positive attitude, despite racing for over 6 hours in the heat. He showed a true badger fighting spirit.



STAFF VS PUPILS CRICKET



On Wednesday the staff took on the 1st XI Boys Cricket Team for the bragging rights of the Carolan Cup. The boys won the toss and elected to bat first, but Mr de Lange struck early. The boys continued to lose wickets before Nakedi Makweya, 23 off 20 balls, and Zayd Moosa, 38 off 29 balls, came together and put on a valuable partnership. Mr de Lange was the pick of the bowlers, taking three wickets. The boys set a target of 144 runs in their 20 overs.

The staff got off to a flying start with Mr Haarhoff and Mr Friedrichs putting up a 50-run partnership before both lost their wickets in quick succession. With the staff being three wickets down and needing 56 runs off 48 balls, Mr Pretorius and Mr de Lange came together and chased the score down with 7 wickets in hand and 14 balls to spare. Mr Pretorius finished on an unbeaten 25 and Mr de Lange on 35 not out. Well done to the staff.



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T20 CRICKET *Bash*

Over the weekend of 27-29 October Stanford participated in the Trophy Toyota Stanford T20 Bash. On Friday afternoon Stanford played against Ben Vorster. Stanford lost the toss and was asked to field first. Ben Vorster started well before the first wicket fell. Stanford took three quick wickets before a 50-run partnership steadied the ship for Ben Vorster. Ben Vorster managed to score 147 for 7 in their allotted 20 overs. The pick of the bowlers were Connor Veldsman, Tristan Brett and Joshua Doolabh each taking 2 wickets a piece. Stanford started the chase off well but lost three quick wickets which took them to 39-4 before Connor Veldsman and Ryno Schultz put up a 64-run stand for the 5th wicket. Unfortunately, Connor lost his wicket soon after reaching his 50. Stanford fought hard but lost the game by 14 runs.

On Saturday morning Stanford faced off against Merensky. Stanford again lost the toss and was asked to bowl first. Merensky got off to a flying start before losing a wicket to a good catch from Zayd Moosa. Merensky got good partnerships going before a couple of wickets pulled it back. Between Connor Veldsman and Joshua Doolabh Stanford only conceded 17 runs for 4 wickets in the last four overs of the innings. Merensky scored 153 for the loss of 8 wickets in their allotted 20 overs with Connor Veldsman taking 3 wickets for 16 runs and Joshua Doolabh taking two wickets. Stanford's run chase got off to a bad start with the team being 32-4 before Zayd Moosa and Finn Straughan steadied the ship a bit. Stanford was bowled out for 99 within 19 overs. Stanford lost the game by 54 runs.

On Saturday afternoon, Stanford faced log leaders Pietersburg Hoërskool in the last of the pool matches. Stanford chose to bat first and lost continuous wickets throughout the innings. Stanford found themselves at 68-9 before a 31-run partnership between Matthew Scriven, 16 runs off 15 balls, and Nakedi Makweya, 13 runs off 17 balls, took the team to 99 runs before Matthew lost his wicket. The PHS team set to win the game by a big margin after being 71-0 after 10 overs. Matthew Allison and Connor Veldsman put up a fight with Matthew taking three wickets and Connor two wickets to restrict Pietersburg to win the game by 5 wickets.

Unfortunately, due to the weather, the third and fourth play-off game between Stanford and Ben Vorster was cancelled.



AN INTRODUCTION TO ADVENTURE RACING

On Saturday, the Dream an' Do Centre hosted a 25km Inter Schools Adventure Race. Fourteen teams from Louis Trichardt (5), Merensky (2) and Stanford competed (4) on the day as well as one alumni and one parent team. The day served as an introduction to adventure racing for most of the teams and, as was to be expected, navigation was a bit of a problem. We enjoyed wonderful sunny weather and the teams had great fun. Thank you to all that competed on the day and well done! Thank you also to all the marshals that helped out on the day.

SLC1: Ruben Venter, Marc Day, Max Drewett and Gordon Noel

SLC 2: Quintin Swanepoel, Ilne Kotzé, Anrich van Wyngaardt and Ben Tasker

SLC 3: Nathan Berrie, Emily Noel, Robert Noel and Dario Wasley

SLC 4: Kezia Robb, Judah Leher, Matthew Pullinger and Bethia Makashe

Alumni: Mike Scriven, Jack Tasker, Wernich Schmidt and Jethro Clowes

Team Idiots: Shirley Scriven, Britt Dando, Sasha Drewett and Anel Swart





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“Hola, Stanford Lake College!”

by Abigail Fair

As a Stanfordinian, I've grown to understand my school's values, and a particular value that I've recently strongly experienced is Tshanduko. Learning for life has always been within the walls of Stanford Lake College, my home and my country, also within the walls of my comfort zone. I've always been filled with curiosity to learn for life from what is the unknown, beyond the walls of Stanford and my country. Stanford has offered me the privilege and opportunity to travel across the globe to Lima in Peru with my best friend for two months. In the short time that I've spent here, I've experienced an abundance of culture, joy, independence and individualism. I've learned that people from all over the world are just people at the end of the day and that besides all the unique beautiful qualities and differences in culture, there is always a way to deeply connect with people. I am confident to share that I've made so many deep and meaningful connections with people who are completely different to me. I've shared so much laughter and fun and with the people here. I realised that I carry Africa, my school and my family within me at all times as a foundation. I strongly believe that each individual has a unique, Godly gift that is worthy of being shared to the world. I've also experienced that part of learning and getting to know ourselves and the ability to be flexible and sacrifice the things we always know. To be able to learn for life outside our comfort zones.

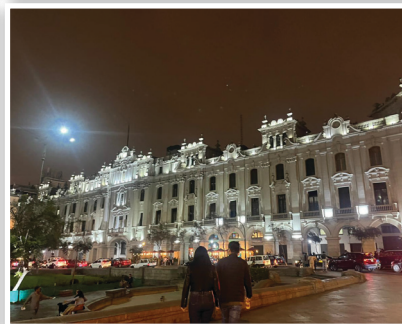
by Isabella Dando

I'm currently standing in the middle of street Huancavelica in Lima, Peru, impatiently waiting amongst approximately five thousand other people for the parade to begin. The nervous energy is ecstatic and murmurs spread the excitement as the distant low rumble from the band's drums begin. I can't explain how I'm feeling; all I can say is that



Peru is insanely different to South Africa. This exchange experience has already been so amazing and eye-opening for me. The journey began in the airport when my boarding ticket didn't want to be scanned. I had to mission back on my own and get it reprinted before advancing through security customs. However, sixteen hours of flying and nine hours of layover later, we arrived safely in Peru. I've personally had an absolute blast so far and every day is a new adventure! I've made many friends and every-

one is so friendly and kind. I spend my school days learning Spanish, playing basketball or soccer (sorry...football...) or laughing at my friends trying to pronounce Afrikaans words. Each day I'm learning more about Peruvian culture and lifestyle, whilst being pushed out of my comfort zone by talking to new people and trying new cuisines and activities. My friends taught me how to play basketball and it's so much fun! I've learnt that Peruvians love to party and they dance with incredible rhythm, they live for food and are proud of their history and country, they love to share everything. I love their generosity. (However I don't think I'll ever get used to greeting everyone with a kiss on the cheek instead of a handshake.) They are all slow walkers but fast speakers, and I can confidently say that it's never a dull moment if you're with a Peruvian. My friends always have something interesting to talk about and music for me to listen to on the bus. I can't count how many times someone has asked me if I ride lions to school, or if we have water in South Africa, or if I can speak 'African'. I'm a bit worried. I'll never forget watching the Rugby World Cup Final on my phone on the way to the mall, and later screaming our national anthem in H&M when we won. After trying many local snacks, I plan on bringing home some new recipes and flavours to share with everybody. So until then, hasta la vista chicos!



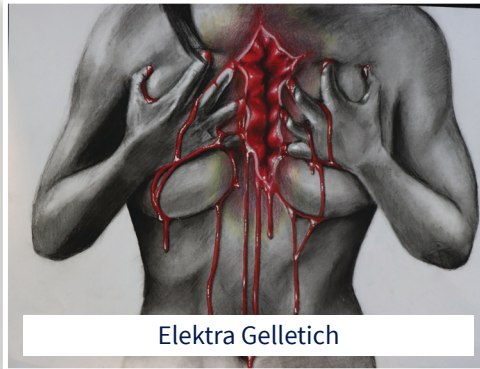
MATRIC ARTISTS IMPRESS

The Matric Art Exhibition 2023 was a remarkable showcase of the artistic journey that our matric students have embarked upon throughout their high school careers. This year's exhibition featured a diverse range of artwork, including paintings, sculptures, drawings and mixed media creations. The pieces on display reflected not only the technical skill and creativity of our students but also their unique perspectives and personal narratives. This exhibition was a momentous occasion for our matric students and a chance for the community to come together and appreciate the power of artistic expression.

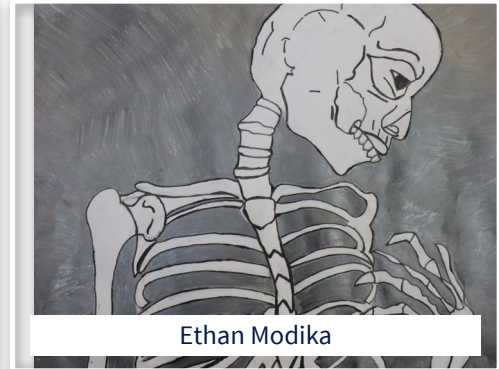
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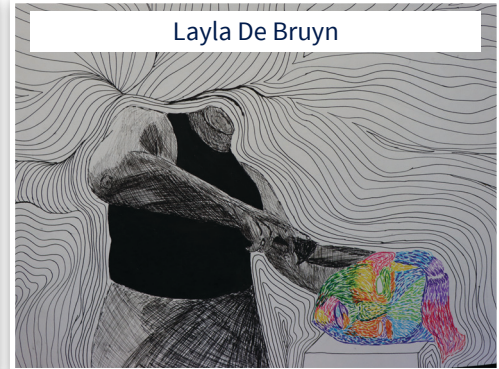
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Layla De Bruyn



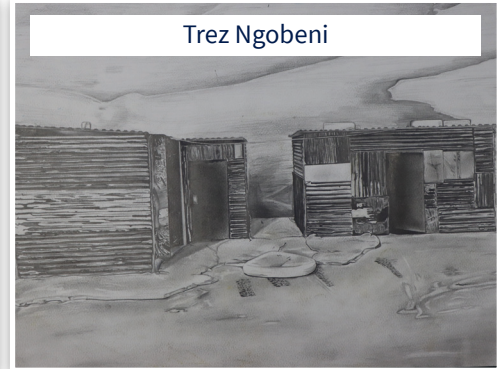
Laura-Anne Muller



Joel Mushambavanhu



Trez Ngobeni



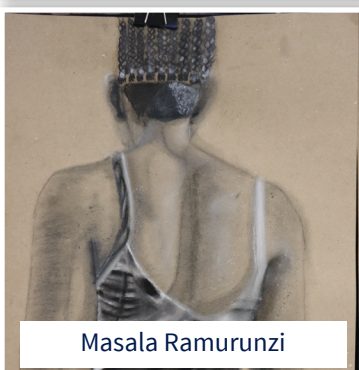
Zoë Koster



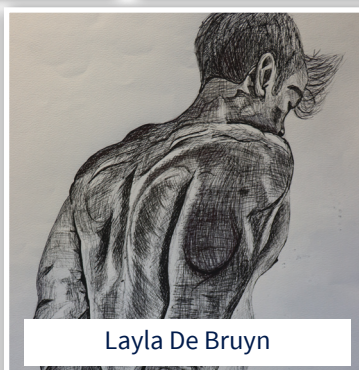
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