

SNAPSHOT

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Matters of Principal

“One of the most tragic things I know about human nature is that all of us tend to put off living. We are all dreaming of some magical rose garden over the horizon — instead of enjoying the roses that are blooming outside our windows today.”

— Dale Carnegie

I sit here writing this, my final Snapshot for the third term, on Wednesday 22 September – the spring equinox. The Spring equinox marks the first official day of spring in the southern hemisphere, a time of rebirth and renewal. The days start to get longer and the chilly winter cloak is slowly being removed. I am sure our intrepid Grade 8 trekkers would have disagreed with that statement this morning as they woke to a cold morning at Bergplaas and packed their tents up one final time! I look around the faces on campus and I see an exhausted staff, a Matric group who have finally written their last trial examination and a pupil body shattered and ready for a break. Once again, as a community we have soared to the greatest of heights. Yes, we have had our lows, but in true Stanfordian spirit we have journeyed on. We have tested ourselves in so many ways... we have grown and we have all learnt.

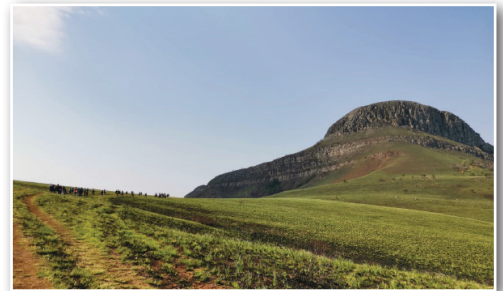
old and make good of new - a time to envisage endless possibilities. As we head into a well-earned holiday break, I encourage all members of our community - but particularly our pupils - to use this as a time to relax, to rest, to recuperate and to reset as we prepare for what promises to be a busy yet exciting fourth term.

It is left for me to thank everyone who has been involved in making this term such a special one. Every member of staff, every pupil and all the parents who have supported us. For some of you this break may simply be the pleasure of having your children at home for the next few weeks; for others there may be exciting plans. Whatever it is that you are doing, I wish you God’s blessing and peace.

Have a blessed break.

I recently read an article that spoke of the importance of finding markers that we can use as a springboard to propel our lives forward. To me, spring is one of those markers. It is a time to let go of

GRADE 8 TREK IN PICTURES



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PUPIL LEADERSHIP 2022



DEPUTY HEAD BOY
Lwazi Motumi



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HEAD GIRL
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Isabella Drewett



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FOUNDERS NORTH**
Xilombe Ndlopfu



**HEAD OF
FOUNDERS SOUTH**
Phumudzo
Makumbana



**HEAD OF
SERALA**
Chelsea Hudson



**HEAD OF
LAKESIDE**
Jemma Henning



**HEAD OF
KEN SHUTER**
Anika Willemse



**HEAD OF
DAY SCHOLARS**
Cara Prinsloo



HEAD OF LOOMIS
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HEAD OF LOOMIS
Jacinta Kubayi



HEAD OF ORVIS
Lwazi Motumi



HEAD OF ORVIS
Alanna Connery



HEAD OF FENWICK
Tallen Smit



HEAD OF FENWICK
Heidi Katzke

NEW STAFF ROLES FOR 2022



**DEPUTY HEAD:
PASTORAL CARE**
Mr Shane
Friedrichs



**HOD
MATHEMATICS**
Ms Marina
Els



**HOD
ENGLISH**
Mrs Dionne
Redfern



**HEAD OF JUNIOR
ACADEMICS**
Mr Michael
Swann



**HOUSEMISTRESS
KEN SHUTER**
Miss Izet
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**HOUSEMISTRESS
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NEW STAFF ROLES FOR 2022



**HOUSEMASTER
FOUNDERS NORTH**
Mr Steven
Willson



**HOUSEMASTER
DAY SCHOLARS**
Mr Divine
Mwakonya



**HOUSEMISTRESS
DAY SCHOLARS**
Mrs Beth
Coetsee



**NATURAL
SCIENCES LOCUM**
Mr Xander
Hageman



HOCKEY INTERN
Mr Jayden
Mabayah

NEWS FROM THE CREASE

On Saturday, 18th September, Stanford's 1st XI travelled to Mokopane to play against Hoërskool Piet Potgieter. Stanford won the toss and elected to bat. It was a tough day out as Stanford was bowled out for 88. Stanford started their defence well and spirits were high as they tried to stop "Piet Pot" from reaching the target. Unfortunately, Stanford lost by seven wickets. The opposition reached the target in the 21st over with David Mulder the pick of the bowlers taking two wickets for 35 runs in nine overs. A special mention to Peter Pratt and Alistair Howarth who received their 1st team caps for playing six First Team games.

The U/15 boys also played against Hoërskool Piet Potgieter and won the nail-biting encounter by four runs. Pearson Mumba was declared man of the match, finding the wickets of some key batsmen, and going on to get a five wicket-haul. Connor Veldsman also displayed some elegance with the bat, scoring a quick 37 off 21 balls. Kgedi Manthata and Matt Allison showed their patience by standing and facing 10 overs in their partnership. The boys put their bodies on the line to save runs and their amazing fielding ultimately changed the results drastically. This is the first win of hopefully many games to come.

On Tuesday, 21st September, both teams then took on Hoërskool Pietersburg for some T20 action. In the 1st Team game, Stanford won the toss and elected to field. It started well with Abe Athanassiades taking a wicket on the second ball of the 1st over. Stanford kept it tight and after 11 overs PHS were 49 - 1. Things unravelled quickly and they scored 189 in their allotted 20 overs. The pick of the bowlers was Abe Athanassiades who took two wickets for 43 runs. He was well supported by David Mulder and Iggy Lindeque who each took one wicket. Stanford started the run chase on the back foot but looked good in the middle order. They managed to score 120 for 7 in their allotted 20 overs. On that batting front, Peter Pratt scored 27 runs before being run out. He was well supported by Travis Hudson who scored 23 runs. Unfortunately, Stanford lost by 69 runs.

The U/15s won the toss and elected to bat first. Connor Veldsman took a royal duck to start the proceedings, but PHS managed to stay in for the full 20 overs and made a massive score of 194 for 5. After a quick lunch, the Stanford boys took their mark at the crease and batted for the full 20 overs as well. Unfortunately, Stanford lost seven wickets and only managed a score of 82. Despite this, our boys played excellently and kept up the spirit throughout the game.



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Benno Kotzé took part in The Expedition Africa 120km Cape St Francis adventure race last weekend, the fourth event in the Adventure Racing World Africa Regional Series of 2021. He raced with alumni, Emma Melville (Class of 2019) and Danica Altenroxel (Class of 2020), as well as teammate Michiel Brand to make up Team Lost and Found. Due to the extreme weather conditions faced, many rules were transgressed by the teams and the organisers are still working out all the penalties before publishing the results. Regardless, it was a huge achievement for Benno and we are proud of all three Stanfordians for taking on the challenge!



On Tuesday, 14th of September, Nkensani Mashota attended soccer trials for the Stars of Africa Football Academy. Nkensani said it was a great experience and good to see the level of young soccer players in South Africa. We are pleased to announce that Nkensani has been selected into the Stars of Africa Football Academy. Well done!



A number of pupils, staff, alumni and parents took part in The Magoeba Trek, a three-day mountain biking stage race, last weekend. In the Trail event, where riders completed an average of 40km per day, we are proud to announce that Gunther Katzke and Herman Fourie finished in first place across all three days! Mr Friedrichs came fourth in the Solo Mens Category. Mr Redfern and Mrs Schoeman also took part. In the Race event, where the riders completed an average of 70km per day, Mr Willson and Mr Ceronio finished in 41st position among the Men's Teams. Well done to everyone who took part!

STAFF PROFILES



Mr Xander Hageman

- 1 What subjects do you teach?
Science, at the moment.
- 2 What year did you start working at the school?
2021.
- 3 What type of music are you in to?
Rock.
- 4 Tell us something we don't know about you...
I have Insomnia and I am scared of birds.
- 5 What's your favourite thing to do in downtime?
Sleep!
- 6 Name one thing on your bucket list...
Visit Yellowstone.
- 7 Does pineapple belong on pizza?
No.
- 8 Tea  OR *Coffee?* 
- 9 iOS OR *Android?*
- 10 *Melktart* OR *Malva Pudding?* *Both.*
- 11 Cups in the cupboard: Right side up  OR *upside down?* 
- 12 Beach  OR *Mountains?* 
- 13 Dogs  OR *Cats?*  *Can I pick all animals? No?... OK, fine... meow... it's cats!*



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

STAY ALERT
CONTROL THE VIRUS
SAVE LIVES

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Yesterday, we celebrated Heritage Day with a Civvies Day with a twist. Pupils and staff were encouraged to come to school dressed in their traditional attire. A special assembly was held before the school closed, where pupils from different cultural groups presented to the school, explaining the history, traditions and traditional food of their cultures. The day was certainly a colourful Ubuntu day, celebrating the strength in our diversity, with our pupils from all over Southern Africa!

A graphic celebrating Heritage Day and Civvies Day. It features the school crest with the motto 'Labor et Integritas'. The main text reads 'CELEBRATE HERITAGE DAY 24th September'. Below this, it says 'CIVVIES DAY 23rd September'. The graphic includes a map of Africa and flags of South Africa, Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, and Swaziland.

