



# SNAPSHOT

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## Matters of Principal

*“Our rich and varied cultural heritage has a profound power to build our nation.”*  
- Nelson Mandela

This week we have celebrated Heritage Week. The Grade 11 group was tasked with putting together an assembly in order to celebrate all that is good about our country. They put on an amazing show: a celebration of colour, diversity, religion, and youth. It was one of the most enjoyable and affirming events I have witnessed in my time here. The Heritage Week celebrations were actually the culmination of a leadership task that was set for them during our Leadership Camp. It achieved everything I had hoped it might and more. Most importantly, it created an amazing sense of oneness and unity. It was also an indication of what a group of people can achieve when they harness the strengths of the individuals in the group, work together toward a single outcome in a respectful manner and keep a sense of fun at the centre of what they are doing.

The Grade 11 class arranged a number of other activities during the week, including a special menu for the week celebrating different culinary styles, a quiz focused on heritage and culture and the co-ordination of the Interhouse music competition. It is wonderful to see how our pupils have embraced cultural activities in our school. The Interhouse singing competition was enormous fun and - once again - a showcase of the depth of musical talent that exists in our school. Congratulations to all houses on their performances but particular mention must go to the winning House, Serala, on an outstanding performance.

The facilitation of the Heritage Week activities has fed very nicely into the announcement of our 2023 leadership team. We have an incredibly strong Grade 11 group and are blessed with some talented young leaders. I have always been very clear in my thinking that we have a responsibility to develop leadership skills in every single Stanfordinian, so while I am very proud of our senior leadership team,

I am equally proud of the fact that every single Matric will be actively involved in a leadership portfolio in 2024. Further to this, I will be announcing the criteria for the leadership awards at the beginning of next term and I look forward to formally recognising pupils in our school who actively serve those around them. Pupils will be able to earn Merit, Half Colours, Colours and Honours in Leadership in the coming years. A prefect's badge cannot be the ultimate prize in terms of leadership. Rather, the manner in which you lead should come to the fore, hence the need for more and more of our pupils to 'lead without a badge'. Leadership announcements always cause hurt within a school for those who don't get formally recognised. It is important that pupils who do not have formal positions recognise that we all develop at different times and in different scenarios. At 17 years old, certain individuals are slightly further along the development spectrum than others or have had opportunities to grow as leaders that others may not have had. I encourage these pupils not to despair but to continue to pursue their leadership development journey, to engage positively in all that we do at school and to work as a collective to ensure that our school is a better place for all.

I wish this current Grade 11 class all the best as they take over the pupil management of our school. They are now senior custodians of our brand and carry this responsibility with them 24/7. They have made an amazing start to their tenure and I look forward to 2024 under their guidance with a great deal of optimism.

I wish you all a restful safe holiday. God Bless

**WE NEED YOU**

### to help us fill some empty seats in the boardroom

**Parents are entitled to nominate candidates for election as parent representatives on the Board for 2024. There are two positions available.**

- Notice of the election was sent to all parents last Friday, 15th September.
- This is at least thirty days prior to the date of election (Friday, 27th October).
- Parents of pupils currently enrolled at the school are entitled to nominate candidates for election for the parent representative positions.
- The closing date for nominations is Friday, 20th October. Each nomination must be accompanied by a brief CV of the nominee, as well as a motivation by the nominator about the role that they feel the nominee will fulfil.





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## BUILDING *your* LEADERSHIP TEAM 2024

Just as a puzzle's integrity relies on each part fitting seamlessly, effective leadership harmonises diverse talents and ideas, shaping them into a cohesive and successful whole. We wish our Leadership Team every success as they lead the school in 2024.



**HEAD BOY**  
Thato Moleya



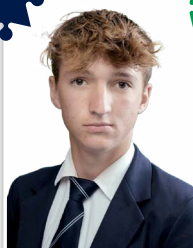
**HEAD GIRL**  
Nanaki Kgopong



**DEPUTY HEAD BOY**  
Dylan Turner



**DEPUTY HEAD GIRL**  
Jenny Zhang



**HEAD OF FOUNDERS NORTH**  
Travis Hudson



**HEAD OF FOUNDERS SOUTH**  
Finn Straughan



**HEAD OF KEN SHUTER**  
Vukosi Mbowane



**HEAD OF LAKESIDE**  
Rachel Netshikulwe



**HEAD OF SERALA**  
Jenna Gardiner



**HEAD OF DAY SCHOLARS**  
Ryno Schultz



**HEAD OF DAY SCHOLARS**  
Isabella Alcock



**HEAD OF FENWICK**  
Tristan Brett



**HEAD OF FENWICK**  
Chelsy Mathebula



**HEAD OF LOOMIS**  
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Janell Khosa



**CHAIR -  
ADVENTURE COMMITTEE**  
Ruben Venter



**CHAIR -  
SPORTS COMMITTEE**  
Zayd Moosa



**CHAIR -  
CULTURAL COMMITTEE**  
Rebotile Letshedi



**VICE CHAIR -  
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Yanke Willemsse



**VICE CHAIR -  
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Safiyah Modan



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Jenna Gardiner  
Rachel Göbel  
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Tanatswa Machaka  
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Kgedi Manthata  
Briar Marty  
Vukosi Mbowane  
Amber McHugh  
Mickey Mkhabele  
Tlake Rachoene  
Mahlatse Raphela  
Finn Straughan  
Christoff vd Westhuizen  
Willem Vos  
Letsema White  
Jenny Zhang

Tanatswa Machaka  
Reitumetse Mashiane  
Chelsy Mathebula  
Vukosi Mbowane  
Shriya Patel  
Munaka Ramunenyiwa  
Keanya Randall  
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Willem Vos

Yash Kalan  
Elziné Kotzé  
Morné Lindeque  
Keneoue Maimela  
Thato Moleya  
Munaka Ramunenyiwa  
Makungu Shiwundlana  
Andrew vd Heuvel  
Christoff vd Westhuizen  
Mieke van Wyngaardt

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Stanford Lake College had the privilege of hosting the highly anticipated Mopani Interhigh Swimming Gala on Thursday. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from numerous schools, making it a day filled with fierce competition and camaraderie in the realm of swimming. The HPC was alive with the cheers and spirited support of fellow swimmers and proud parents, creating an electrifying atmosphere that fuelled the swimmers' determination. Throughout the day, athletes from various schools showcased their prowess in a multitude of events. The participants demonstrated exceptional talent and sportsmanship, pushing their limits and striving for excellence in every stroke and turn.

Stanford Lake College's students showcased remarkable performances, clinching podium positions and earning well-deserved medals in multiple events. The relay teams, in particular, displayed outstanding teamwork and coordination.

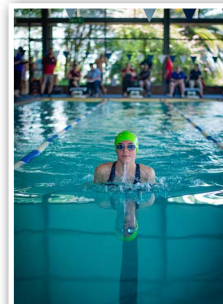
Overall results:

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Special mention to Jenny Zhang who was awarded the Senior Victrix Ludorum and broke many records on the day.







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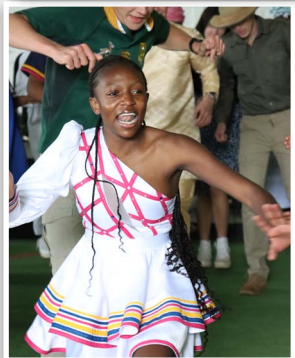
**INTER-HOUSE SINGING**  
*in photos*  
*Congratulations,*  
*Serala*





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## IN OTHER NEWS

1ST TEAM CRICKET

On Friday last week, Stanford played against Merensky's 2nd Team. Stanford lost the toss and was asked to bowl first. The visitors found themselves struggling at 1 run for 2 wickets within the first two overs. Merensky then had a steady partnership before Nakedi Makweya got the breakthrough wicket, putting an end to an 80-run partnership. The visitors set a target of 141 in their 20 overs. Connor Veldman, David Mulder, and Aiden Rosendorff all contributed with a wicket a piece. Stanford started the run chase well before quick wickets unsettled the middle order and the team was bowled out for 73, Stanford losing the game by 67 runs.

On Wednesday, Stanford took on Tom Naude. Stanford won the toss and elected to bat first. With Stanford being 17 for 3, Travis Hudson and Ryno Schultz settled the innings with a 55-run partnership. Stanford was on 72 - 3 after 9.2 overs before lightning brought the game to a halt. After returning to the field and with the overs being reduced to 12, Stanford managed to score 97 for 5 in the 12 overs with Ryno Schultz scoring 25 not out and Connor Veldsman 11 not out. Unfortunately, the lightning returned and Stanford did not have a chance to defend their total.

GIRLS CRICKET

In a thrilling cricket match, the Stanford girls faced off against Ben Vorster on Monday. Ben Vorster won the toss and elected to bat first. They put on a great performance, scoring an impressive 194 runs for the loss of just one wicket in their 20 overs. Stanford showcased a remarkable display of fielding, arguably their finest this season. When it came time for Stanford's batting, the team demonstrated a commendable effort, coming out with full force in their attempt to chase down Ben Vorster's total. However, they could only manage to accumulate 114 runs in their allotted 20 overs. Despite the final result, the girls displayed an incredible fighting spirit and delivered their best performance on the cricket field. Congratulations to the girls on a successful season; we are immensely proud of their efforts.

SQUASH



Congratulations to Alisha Calokechi, Alessio Calokechi and Giano October who competed in the Limpopo Junior Squash Championships held in Polokwane last weekend. Alessio took third place, Alisha took second and Giano won in their pool. Well done to them.

by Ilne Kotzé

MOOKTESI MTB

There were a few students and teachers that went to participate in the Mooketsi MTB Challenge last weekend. It was fairly flat with lots of sand and loose rocks, very windy and an incredibly high temperature of 39 degrees. It was a festive, fun and family friendly day. After every 9km or so, there were pit stops next to the track with refreshments and there were very nice mist sprayers we could ride through. At a stage there was a water bridge we had to cross, it was challenging and fun at the same time. With the heavy wind we had, it threw me a bit off balance as I had never crossed a water bridge before. Also, I wasn't expecting one to be there, which made it even more challenging. I think we all did really well and enjoyed the day. The results were as follows:

In the 10km Open Women event, Rachel Göbel came 2nd, Isabella Dando 3rd and Britta Göbel 4th.

In the 10km Open Male category, Quintin Swanepoel came 2nd, Nick Dando 3rd, Mr Haarhoff 7th, riding with his daughter, and Matthew Pullinger 9th.

We also had a few people ride in the 35km event. In the Youth Girls category, I came 2nd and in the Youth Boys, as well as overall for the 35km, Gordon Noel finished 2nd. Ruben Venter also rode the 35km and finished 6th for the Junior Men. Mr Fullard finished 9th in his category and Mrs Schoeman finished 5th in hers.

A big thank you for Mr Fullard and Mr Haarhoff for a great day.