

"Sport is friendship,
Sport is health,
Sport is education,
Sport is life,
Sport brings the world together."
- Juan Antonio Samaranch
opening of the 1996 Olympic games

There has certainly been a sense of normality around the school this week. Matric examinations are now well under way, there is a pleasing academic focus in the school and the Grade 11s have settled into their leadership roles. These and other factors have combined to produce a nice rhythm to what is happening on campus. On Tuesday I walked around the fields watching Interhouse football. One could sense the absolute excitement as the kids went about being kids. The shouts of joy, smiles on faces and the sense of camaraderie was all tangible. Whilst the matches were competitive and the pupils were certainly playing to win, so much more was happening on the field. It once again made me realise how important our extramural and sporting programme is to us and the role it plays in socialising children.

We returned to face-to-face teaching and all acknowledged the importance of the personal contact in driving our academic programme. Following the gazetting of 'Return to Sport' protocols at schools and the hard work put in by Mr Willson and the sports department, we have made a slow return to the sports fields and are reminded of the importance of physical activity in the growth and development of our children. On Wednesday, the matrics played against the staff in a 'friendly' end of season hockey match... Maybe it should be called the beginning and end of season fixture! Most of the school was up at the Astro supporting their peers, and parents came out in numbers to watch their final match on the Astro. It was a bitter sweet occasion in that it was great to see the pupils out on the pitch but sad to think of what this talented group of individuals had missed out on. I am pleased to say the contest went down to the wire and the staff pulled off a miraculous last second victory!! A wonderful afternoon for all.

Well done to all involved, have an excellent weekend.

God bless

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INTERHOUSE GLASHES

From the catwalk to the centre line...

A number of budding models and fashion designers participated in the SLC Virtual Cultural Fashion Show recently. A total of 14 students took to the catwalk to show off pieces they had created themselves or were created by a friend. We saw a number of cultures represented and the pupils enjoyed an interhouse competition not on the sports fields. Thanks so much to Miss Mogoale for this fantastic initiative. Each participant described their garments and a video was produced of each piece. The voting then took place via social media - the student receiving the most interactions on their video was crowned the winner. Congratulations to Shriya Patel who won (Fenwick), followed by Omphile Masuluke (Loomis) and then Nanaki Kgopong (Loomis). The winning house was Loomis. Shriya will have the opportunity to showcase her piece at the Limpopo Fashion Show which will take place virtually in early 2021.





















INTERHOUSE CLASHES

From the catwalk to the centre line (continued)...

With exams fast approaching, it was an enthusiastic pupil body that took to the soccer fields on Tuesday, to take part in Interhouse Soccer. The weather was perfect and pupils made the most of a fun afternoon outdoors with their friends. While some games were competitive, most were simply an opportunity to play outside and have fun after months of no structured school sports. At the end of the day, with a massively talented senior boys side, it was Fenwick who triumphed, followed closely by Loomis, and then Orvis in third. Well done to Fenwick House and all of our soccer players.









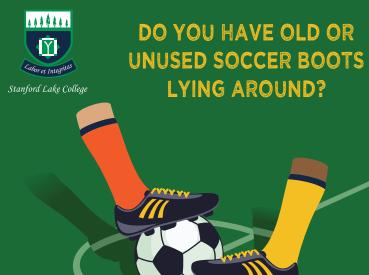




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SLC Board Elections -The nomination process

- Notice of the election was sent to all debenture holders on Wednesday, 21st October. This is at least thirty days prior to the date of election (Friday, 27th November 2020). Nominations may only be made by holders of fully paid debentures.
- Each nomination must be accompanied by a brief curriculum vitae of the nominee, as well as a motivation by the nominator, setting out the reason for the nomination and the role that they feel the nominee will fulfil on the Board.
 - The nominee must accept the nomination in writing and acknowledge that he / she is aware of and accepts the roles and responsibilities of Trustees.
- A second debenture holder must second the nomination. Nominations close on Friday, 20th November 2020.



HAENERTSBURG KIDS FOOTBALL CLUB

ANY SIZE, IF YOU HAVE SOCCER BOOTS THAT YOU ARE NOT MAKING USE OF ANYMORE AND ARE PREPARED TO DONATE THEM, PLEASE DROP THEM OFF AT THE **FOLLOWING PLACES:**

- SLC SECURITY GATE
 MR JACK'S OFFICE

YOU CAN ALSO GIVE YOUR DONATION TO AN SLC SERVICE COMMITTEE MEMBER.



s mentioned in Mr Redfern's introduction, the staff took on the matrics an epic battle of hockey on Wednesday afternoon. The staff were a rusty team, a few players having never stepped foot on a hockey pitch before, and some for the first time in 15 - 20 years. Thankfully, the staff had an opportunity to blow out the cobwebs and take a crash course in hockey lingo on Monday afternoon, playing against the 2021 Girls' First Team. The practice session was more intense than first imagined and old legs were weary by Wednesday. However, the aching muscles were soon forgotten when the matric team came at the staff all guns blazing! The battle was on and the staff had to fight hard to defend. The matrics maintained good possession but struggled to convert their opportunities. The game, the title, the pride, went to the staff in the last few seconds of the game, ending 1 - 0. Well done to all who participated, it really went down to the wire and great fun was had by all!









We chemists know better than most ... 6.02 x 10^23 is Avogadro's number and is used to represent the mole, a chemical quantity.

And so the confluence of the mole with the date seems like an excellent reason to celebrate all things "moley".

Ms Nel's Grade 10 Physical Sciences class celebrated Mole Day with a molehill cake, mole face masks and mole memes in abundance!







LIFE IS BUT AN ADVENTURE

On Saturday 24 October, Benno Kotzé and I, took part in the Corona Comeback 60km Adventure Race hosted by Kinetic Events at Lezar Opstal. The race start was at 7am, but anyone who has done an adventure race knows that the air buzzes long before this. Leg 1 was a trek on which I had a tussle with a warthog hole, before we swam across a dam and

scrambled our way up a cliff.

Leg 2 was a paddle on the same dam that we swam across earlier. Leg 3 was a hike back to the starting point. Here we hopped on our bikes for the longest leg of the race - a 27 km cycle. We managed to pass multiple teams as a result of a good navigation decision and made up for lost time. Leg 5 was a trek and by far the most gruelling part of the race, consisting of a massive mountain to climb, an elusive willow, and long stretches walking, totally exposed in the midday Highveld sun. After running out of water, we finally got back to the transition point where we re-filled, hopped on our bikes and set off on the fifth and final leg of the race. With only one hill separating us and the cold swimming pool at the finish line, we made short work of it, finishing in a time of 8 hours.

- Jarryd Gosling

Congratulations to Jarryd and Benno, who finished 13th in their category (male pairs) and 27th overall.