



SNAPSHOT

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Matters of Principal

"All that I am, or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother."

- Abraham Lincoln

The week leading up to a big derby weekend is always an exciting one. The energy levels in the school rise and there is a slightly different feel around the campus. Our first trip to Nelspruit to take on Penryn has most certainly seen such a change in the atmosphere and mood of the school. Whilst performing well on Derby day is important to us, the day doesn't carry the pressure of league fixtures. This is the essence of what school sport should be about: strong, healthy rivalry with fixtures being played at a high level but one where the outcome is not purely about winning and league points.

work together and have one another's back. We need to display resilience and bravery as we take on our foes from Penryn. Weekends like this also give an opportunity to our spectators to stand behind our boys and girls, to understand that they are doing their best and to support and encourage them positively. These sporting fixtures are generally officiated by school teachers who give up their time to facilitate matches. They may make the odd mistake. What they do not deserve is the abuse that is so often hurled from the stands.

A weekend like this gives our pupils the opportunity to travel as a school, strengthening our bonds. It enables us to spend an extended period of time on a different school campus and in their boarding houses, to have time to socialise with the opponents and experience another school's culture. Last week in my newsletter, I spoke of the skills our pupils are learning through the cultural and environmental programmes we are running at school. This time, it is the sports programme that offers up these opportunities for growth and development. Our senior sports teams have been ravaged by injury. We are running low on players in certain areas and results have also not gone our way. This is a time for us to rally our spirits to dig deep... a time to display that badger spirit and to fight until the absolute last minute of the game...a time to support one another,

I am really looking forward to our trip to the Lowveld. I am confident that it will be another wonderful opportunity for our pupils to create memories.

On Sunday, we celebrate Mother's Day in South Africa. I wish all of our wonderful mothers and mother figures a very special day. Let us take the time to celebrate our mothers, mother figures, grandmothers and guardians and thank them for their unconditional love.

God Bless

SPORTS ROUND UP

This past weekend our three rugby teams competed against Eric Louw for the second time this year. The U/14 'Baby Badgers' continue to impress and only narrowly lost their game in the dying minutes. There is a lot of talent in this young team and their coaches are doing a fantastic job of developing their rugby skills. The U/16s had an expectantly hard game against a big Eric Louw team. However, this Stanford team, which made it through to the U/15 league finals last year, has really developed and are starting to make winning a habit. They won their game convincingly in the end. After our Easter Festival in April there was a genuine camaraderie between many of Eric Louw's boys and the Stanford 1st Team players. As such, the game was played in very good spirits, despite it being a very physical affair. Many of the Stanford Matrics played some of their best rugby so far this season. However, with so many key players missing, it was difficult to keep the very talented Eric Louw backline under control.

In netball against Eric Louw, the U/15A team demonstrated their prowess by securing a resounding victory with a score of 20 - 4. On the other hand, the U/15 B team had a challenging match against

Eric Louw's U/15 A team and unfortunately fell short with a final score of 8 - 14. However, the 2nd Team bounced back triumphantly, outplaying their opponents with a score of 17 - 11. Similarly, the 1st Team showcased their skill and determination, emerging victorious with an impressive score of 31 - 12. Each game served as a valuable learning experience for the girls, enabling them to identify areas for improvement on their path towards perfection.

In the hockey, the boys displayed a great standard of hockey as they comfortably won their game against Eric Louw, the final score being 7 - 0.

On Monday, 8th May, the girls' teams played against Merensky. The girls fought hard but, unfortunately, none of the scores on the day were in favour of the Stanfordians, the final scores were as follows: U/14s lost 0 - 4, U/16s lost 1 - 3, 2nd Team lost 0 - 5 and 1st Team lost 0 - 6. On Thursday, the boys' hockey teams also matched up against our competitors from down the hill. The games were very evenly matched and filled with great excitement. The final scores were as follows: U/14s lost 0 - 1, U/16Bs drew 1 - 1, U/16A drew 1 - 1 and 1st Team drew 0 - 0.

The Grade 10 art students were introduced to working in Acrylic paint and challenged to do an Afrocentric portrait which is stylised and design orientated.



ISABELLA DANDO



ABIGAIL FAIR



NSOVO MABILA



KHUTSO MASHEGO



SENI MYENI



AMON NEGOGOGO



KEEGAN NEVES



EWETSE NKWADA



CARMEN VELDSMAN



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NEWS IN BRIEF

RUGBY



On Tuesday, 9th May, Thabang Shabangu (Grade 10) participated in the third round of Rugby Trials at Tom Naude. He was selected to represent Limpopo Blue Bulls Provisional U/16B at the Doom Gouws week during the June/July holiday.

ROUND SQUARE



Calling on all Grade 10 parents who are interested in the exchange programme to contact Ms Bredenhann at rsrep@slc.co.za for details.

CCTV

For the safety and welfare of all pupils, staff and visitors to the campus, we have upgraded our CCTV systems and installed more cameras on the property. All of the cameras are able to record sound and have playback functionality. All of this is in accordance with our Privacy Policy. Should you have any concerns or queries, please direct them to: privacy@slc.co.za



We are super excited to announce that the 25-year publication will be available towards the end of the year. The hardcover coffee table book details the history of Stanford Lake College. You can pre-order your copy via the ALLXS system at the cost of R460.00

If you are unfamiliar with the ALLXS system and would still like to pre-order, please send an email to marketing@slc.co.za



Out in AFRICA GALA DINNER & AUCTION

SATURDAY, 20th MAY 2023
18:30 at the Dream an' Do Centre
Stanford Lake College

TICKETS

Table Bookings:
R5750.00
(table of 10)

BANKING DETAILS

Name: Stanford College
Bank: FNB
Branch Code: 260 349
Account no: 53961097905
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Ref: Gala - Name & Surname

RSVP to: marketing@slc.co.za

Celebrate 25 years of Stanford Lake College

WE DON'T MIND WHICH EMBLEM YOU WORE ON YOUR CHEST...



We are having a reunion for ALL Old Stanfordians

19 Friday, 19th May 2023

18:30

Top Field

R175pp

Includes snacks & welcome drink
Cash bar available after

LIVE BANDS

