



Matters of Principal

On Monday, we finally signed the site over to the contractor to enable work to begin on the upgrades around the dining hall and Founders House. It is an enormous project which is going to take about 9 months to complete. The challenges of implementing a major building project and keeping a boarding school running are countless and as a result, the project will need to be done in phases. There will be major disruptions but we will do our best to plan around these and communicate clearly with the pupils as we proceed.

The first phase will entail the upgrade of the dining hall, the remodeling of the boarding reception area to include a logistics office, a clothing shop, and - most importantly - a Sanatorium. Part of the alterations will include building a small flat on top of the current Dry Fly to house a qualified, live-in nursing sister. The plans also include increasing the size of the current dining hall in order to comfortably seat the entire school. The increased capacity will be achieved by extending the dining hall out over the current wooden decking. In order to take full advantage of our beautiful mountain weather, we are also installing stack doors outside the matric dining hall and the space in front of the boarding reception. These areas will be covered and will offer "al fresco" dining.

The new Sanatorium will have two wards (one male and one female), both with en-suite bathrooms. It will also include a small triage room and the nursing sister will have easy 24-hour access to the in-patients.

Part of Phase 1 also entails upgrading the Founders North Housemaster's accommodation, making it suitable for a family. The most challenging part of the project will be the upgrades to the boys' accommodation as we will have to fit this in during the holidays. This work may also necessitate moving pupils in and out of various rooms in order to get the work done within the anticipated time-frame. There is also a great deal to be done in order to meet the fire safety standards (some of which necessitate getting into the

"Rome was not built in a day"
- an old adage attesting to the need for time to create great things and a translation of a medieval French phrase, Rome ne s'est pas faite toute en un jour.

ceiling and building walls between the dormitories that extend up to the roof). Work also needs to be done in the corridors, common rooms, and the upstairs ablutions in the boarding house. The final phase of the project will include improving the accommodation for the Founders South Housemaster. The plan also includes extensive landscaping in front of Founders and the building of an area in which pupils can relax and socialise around a purpose-designed fountain.

This is an ambitious project that will cause some major disruptions but one that the Board of Governors and the School Management feel will further enhance our school as a world-class educational organisation. The final product will add huge value and I am excited to see the end result. I hope you are too.

Have a very special long weekend and I wish all our wonderful women a very special Women's Day next week.

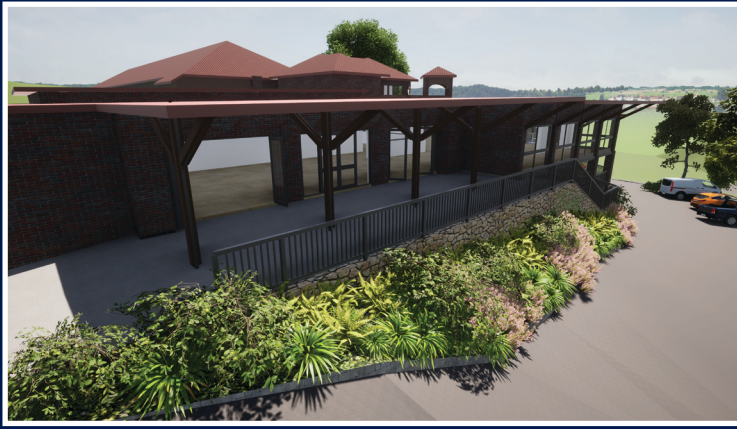
God bless.



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STANFORD ADVENTURE RACERS ARE TUFFER THAN TUFF

Stanford Lake College was at it again on the adventure racing front last weekend, conquering mountains, rivers and gruelling long hours of racing. The Transkei Tuff, a 100km Adventure Race that is part of the Africa Series, took place on 30th July 2022. The race consisted of three hike legs, a mountain bike leg and a paddle leg and incorporated some amazing river crossings, coast-line hiking, beautiful views and a spectacular abseil. The race kicked off early Saturday morning and teams finished late afternoon and throughout the night, with cut-off only on the Sunday morning. Stanford Lake College had some skin in the game with Heidi Katzke racing with team Added2Adventure (A2A), one of the top teams in SA!

Benno Kotzé, Tristan Brett and Ruben Venter raced with SLC Old Boy, Jarryd Gosling, as team Balega. Team A2A set off on a good pace, racing hard from the start and managed to finish in third place overall, racing a total of 13 hours and 32 minutes. Heidi showed real grit and Badger spirit racing at a top class level. Team Balega raced into the night, battling the cold conditions and managed to finish in 7th position overall, racing a total of 20 hours and 56 minutes. Team Balega was the youngest team to race this event over the last three years and finished the full course in great spirits. Well done to all the Stanfordians, we are very proud of you.



Bake Sale

22nd August

Tickets available on ALLXS



DEBATING THE WIN

On Wednesday of this week, Stanford Lake College's Senior Debating Team faced a formidable challenge at the Mayor's Cup Debating Competition. They had to debate against the motion, "The recent climate crisis has seen Polokwane affected by floods and droughts. Provincial governments should prioritise disaster infrastructure development over other urban development plans such as the Leeto Project". The Stanfordians managed to prove beyond doubt that urban development plans should run concurrently with disaster infrastructure development plans. In doing so, they won the debate against Northern Academy. Special mention to Nanaki Kgopong who was awarded Best Speaker.

MATRIC DANCE FUNDRAISERS

Spring DANCE

15th September

Tickets available on ALLXS

PEPPS WINTER SPORTS FESTIVAL

U/15 GIRLS SOCCER

Most of our U/15 girls played their very first soccer match over the past weekend and they played extremely well throughout the course of the festival. We are proud to announce that out of the three matches played, the girls won all three. The first match of the day was against Eagles Nest, where the first goal of the season was by Mika Jones, after the team was awarded a corner kick. As a result, Stanford won the game 1 - 0. Their second encounter was against PEPPS where Mika yet again opened with an outstanding goal in the opening minutes of the game. Furthermore, after Stanford was awarded a penalty kick, Mika took the penalty with ease and confidence, which resulted in her converting the penalty. The highlight of the game was Carmen Veldsman's penalty save, which was named the 'Save of the day' by her teammates. As a result of the amazing save, Stanford won the game 2 - 0. The girls' last encounter for the day was against Mitchell House, the team just like the first two games of the day, played outstandingly. Mika scored her fourth goal of the day in this encounter and Krisha Kanyongolo got her first goal of the season. Huge congratulations to the whole team for winning the tournament as well as to our two goal scorers of the day.

U/15 A BOYS SOCCER

The Stanford Lake College U/15A boys played a total of five games and one was forfeited by PEPPS, Mokopane. The U/15A drew the first two games, where the score was 0 - 0 against both Eagles Nest Christian School and Mitchell House. They went on to lose 2 - 0 to PEPPS A, in what was initially a very closely contested game of football. They kept their heads up and gave everything in their last two remaining matches, as they drew 1 - 1 against PEPPS B and 0 - 0 against Curro Heuwelkruin.



FIRST XI BOYS SOCCER

After a disappointing display last Wednesday, the First XI Boys went into the tournament in high spirits and hoping for better results. The First XI played their first game against a well-organised PEPPS B side. The Stanford boys were dominant in this fixture and they managed to win the game 2 - 0, with Kian Noné and Diego Vieira being on the scoresheet. The second fixture was very physical and the boys fought until the last minute to win 1 - 0 against PEPPS A, Kian scoring a brilliant header. The boys kept the momentum and went into the next game against Mitchell House looking determined to get the prize. The game was tightly-contested with both teams playing very well. Unfortunately, the Stanford boys could not convert any of their chances and ended the game with a 0 - 0 draw. Going into the last game of the day, they were in pole position, needing at least a draw to secure first place. The boys played with high intensity and made their presence felt on the pitch. They unfortunately lost in the dying minutes of the game, due to an error that led to an own goal. The First XI got second place overall. Well done to all the boys!

TENNIS

The tennis students were very excited to have an opportunity to play some competitive games of tennis at the PEPPS Winter Sports Festival on Saturday. Stanford entered a Senior Boys' and Girls' team as well as a Junior Boys' team. The Senior Boys, Stefan Hacker (Captain) and Luke Schoeman, managed to win all their games. The Senior Girls, Serena and Rachel Rix, also won all of their games. The Junior Boys, Lefa Mamabolo and Quintin Swanepoel, won two of their three games. Overall, the Senior teams were announced as the victors of tennis for the day and the Juniors received third place.



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EQUESTRIAN NEWS

Two of Stanford Lake College's riders had the opportunity to represent the school at the SANESA Limpopo Qualifier in Polokwane over the past weekend. It was the second qualifier for the year.

Ruben le Roux, Grade 11, participated on both his horses again - giving his best to make the Limpopo team! Ruben and TI Quinta had a lovely show, ending in first place for the Open (Level 7) Equitation Class and gaining a third place in the Show Jumping Speed Class where they jumped at 110cm. With Capital Clooney, he participated in two 120cm Show Jumping Classes. In the Competition Class on Saturday, they got a 5th place after knocking one pole. On Sunday though, they got a podium finish for second place in the Speed Class. The smile on Ruben's face spoke volumes!

Olivia Turner, Grade 8, had two beautiful rounds in the 80cm Show Jumping Classes. The Competition Class on Saturday was very competitive, and Livvy and Mr Bojangles (the stunning Pinto she leases in Polokwane) managed a 7th place. They got the same result on Sunday in the Speed Class.

The two riders accumulated 615 points at this qualifier for SLC (Ruben 555 and Livvy 60), which puts Stanford in sixth place in the

province! Not bad for a school with only three active equestrian athletes!

The next qualifier will be held on 20 and 21 August in Marble Hall. A rider needs to do at least two of the three qualifiers, since the best two scores are used to determine the Limpopo Team. The team will then be announced by the end of August, and they will represent the province at the National Championships at the end of September in Kyalami. We are holding thumbs that you make the team, Ruben and Livvy.



AWARDS GALORE

A huge number of awards were handed out to pupils at a special assembly on Monday. Congratulations to all the recipients.



Luke Fairhead (Grade 11), was awarded his Honours for Fly Fishing as a national level angler, representing South Africa at the recent SASACC Tournament. He has shown huge commitment to growing the sport at Stanford and heads up the Fly Tying Club, encouraging younger pupils to take an interest in fly fishing. Last year he placed 10th at the Youth Nationals in Cape Town, which brought his U/19 ranking to 8th in the country, and first in Limpopo. He attended Protea Trials, and came second in casting and third in fly tying, getting selected for the Youth SASACC fly fishing team. This year he fished in the Czech Republic, placing 8th overall in the competition, and first of the SASACC team. He also fished the South African Men's National Championships in the Eastern Cape, and placed 13th overall in the country (open age group), and ranked first in Limpopo. Congratulations Luke! So well deserved.

BRAINS BARS

Congratulations to the following Grade 9 pupils who were awarded Brains Bar badges for their academic achievements.



Isabella Dando



Jana Prinsloo



Wihan van Eeden

HEADMASTER'S TEA



The following pupils were nominated to enjoy a special tea with the Headmaster earlier this week. The tea seeks to recognise those who are performing well relative to their ability as well as those who have shown care and compassion. The following pupils enjoyed tea this week: Andrew van den Heuvel, Charlie Wright, Anika Willemse, Sifiso Magagula, Keanya Randall and Nanaki Kgotong.

FIXTURES AGAINST PEPPS



On 3 August 2022, Stanford Lake College played its first Tennis League game of the season against PEPPS. The Boys' Senior Team won 31 - 11. The Girls' Senior Team won 41 - 1 and the Boys' Junior Team won 38 - 4. Stefan Hacker, Tantswa Murasiranwa, Michaela Gosling, Serena Rix, Aryan Ghelani and Quintin Swanepoel all managed to win their singles games 7 - 0. The tennis players look forward to playing the University of Limpopo on 10th August.

First Boys' Soccer

After a great display last Saturday, the First XI Boys were looking forward to the clash with PEPPS. They started the game well, set up well and were threatening with the ball. The game was very physical and the boys played their hearts out. However, due to small errors at the back, they unfortunately conceded two goals in the first half. They came back in the second half and played creative football, creating many chance but, unfortunately, the players out forward were not clinical enough to convert the chances. With 10 minutes left, they managed to pull one back with a screamer from Lwazi Motumi. At this point, they were even more determined to fight for another one but unfortunately PEPPS scored a third and the Stanford boys could not catch up. The game ended 3 - 1 to PEPPS

Second Boys' Team

The Second XI Boys got off to a strong start, dominating PEPPS in the first half. The boys played creative football and created many chances. Unfortunately, they were not clinical enough and could not convert any of those chances. A few minutes before half-time they conceded a free kick just outside the box, which led to a goal. They came back in the second half looking refreshed, playing more attacking football. Thato Moleya was superb in the goalbox as he saved the team on a few occasions. After many tries, Kgedi Manthata was able to score a beautiful long range goal. The game ended 1 - 1.

U/15 Games

The U/15 girls won their game 3 - 0, with Mika Jones scoring two of those goals. Her first goal was a result of a penalty awarded to SLC after a "hand ball" error by PEPPS in the first half. Her second goal was the result of a corner kick, that was executed excellently by Julia Krüger, in the second half of the match. Michaela Alcock scored her first goal of the season taking SLC to three goals by the end of the match.

After playing four draws last Saturday, the U/15A boys were desperate for a win on Wednesday. The boys started very well and were promising in the attack. The team created many chances but a few errors in the middle made it difficult for them to score. They started the second half very slowly and conceded an early goal and were generally feeling the pressure, losing the ball too many times. Nakedi Makweya was fantastic in the goals and he made sure that no more slipped through the nets. Towards the end, they managed to pull one back through Lefa Mamabolo, scoring a beautiful solo goal and the game ending 1 - 1.

After their first league defeat last week, the U/15B boys were determined to fight for a win and they started very well against a well-organised PEPPS U15/B side. The boys played with high intensity but unfortunately, conceded four goals in the first half. Getting into the second half, the boys reorganised and the forwards played really well, managing to create a few chances. Mfumo Ndhlovu capitalised on an error by the opposition and managed to pull one back for SLC. Towards the end, the boys were getting tired and conceded three more goals. The match ended 7 - 1 to PEPPS U15/B.

First Girls' Team

Congratulations to the First XI Girls who won their game against PEPPS 3 - 0.

