

SNAPSHOT

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Matters of Principal

Next week we will be celebrating Heritage Week. One of our seven core values is “Ubuntu” which for our school means we are a family, celebrating our strength in diversity. A committee of pupils has worked hard at putting together a week-long celebration as we approach Heritage Day. The celebrations will include sampling different cultural foods in the dining hall, a quiz, music from different cultures being played during lunch and on Friday, pupils are invited to wear cultural attire. At our final assembly, the various cultural groups will deliver short speeches, dances and songs to celebrate their cultures. This is an important part of our pupil’s education and an opportunity to gain greater insight into one another’s histories. Understanding our roots and the roots of those that we live with is an essential part of learning to respect one another. Our

**“On Heritage Day, let us promise ourselves that we will do our bit to preserve”
- Nelson Mandela**

Heritage Day celebrations last year made an incredible impact on our school community and I have no doubt that this year will afford us an even better opportunity to grow, to learn and to make a small contribution towards nation building. We live in the most beautiful country, filled with amazing people overflowing with potential. Part of our role is to assist in creating a society in which we can all flourish, contributing towards a country we can be proud of.

God Bless



Spring Dance

The birds are chirping, the flowers are blooming and the first bit of rain has fallen (not that it actually stopped in winter), all to welcome the new season of Spring. To celebrate the change over from frosty winters to sunny summers, the Grade 11 group hosted a Spring Dance last night. Thanks to Feedem who made delicious snacks for the evening and Isis Decor who spiced up the evening with some nice tunes. This Spring will be one to remember. Thank you to all staff and pupils who made this event successful.



SCIFEST NEWS

Six pupils participated in the Scifest competition on Thursday, 8th September. The junior team (Nanaki Kgopong, Zenny Zhang and Layla Fairhead) managed to come 17th out of 55 teams and the senior team (Kian Noné, Luke Fairhead and Nohah Jones) came 15th out of 33 teams. The competition was tough and against the top schools in the country. Both teams showed great team spirit and enjoyed every moment of the contest. They cannot wait to improve their performance next year.

The IT pupils took part in the 2022 Programming Olympiad recently. Many tried, but only a few made it past the first round. The following pupils all received 80% and more for round one: Charlie Wright (exchange), Connor Christie, Rajveer Gohil, Victor Fair and Michael Scriven. The second round took place on 14th September and the results are pending.



Connor Christie



Rajveer Gohil



Victor Fair



Michael Scriven

CRICKET NEWS

1ST XI vs CBC BOKSBURG

On Thursday, 1st September, Stanford 1st XI faced a touring team from CBC Boksburg. Stanford won the toss and elected to bat first. Stanford started well with a 32-run partnership before four wickets fell in quick succession. This brought David Mulder and Zayd Moosa to the crease who put on a 106 run partnership between them. Zayd scored 74 runs off 51 balls and David 55 off 53 balls. The tail enders also contributed with a 35-run partnership for the 8th wicket between Iggy Lindeque and Tallen Smit. Tallen scored 25 runs off 13 balls before being run out. Stanford managed to score 235-8 in their allotted 35 overs. CBC Boksburg started the chase well with a 191 run first wicket partnership. This put Stanford on the back foot and CBC Boksburg won by nine wickets.

1ST XI vs PIET POTGIETER

On Saturday, 10th September, Stanford faced Hoërskool Piet Potgieter in a league fixture. Stanford won the toss and elected to bowl first. The visitors were in trouble early with two quick wickets from Connor Veldsman (three wickets for 40 runs in 10 overs) who was well supported from the other end by Devon Coad conceding just 32 runs in his nine overs. Travis Hudson (two wickets for 25 runs in 7 overs) came in as a first change bowler and kept it tight on his end. The rest of the bowlers struggled with line and length until Finn Straughan (three wickets for 19 runs) took over the bowling duties cleaning up the tail. Piet Potgieter scored 235 all out. The run chase started well but as in previous games, the middle order collapsed and unfortunately Zayd Moosa (33 off 18 balls) ran out of partners to bat with. Stanford were bowled out for 132 and lost the game by 103 runs.

U/15 vs PIET POTGIETER

Whilst the 1st Team played on home turf, the U/15 boys travelled to Mokopane to play their league fixture against Hoërskool Piet Potgieter. The lads went out to bowl first and it was important that they claim early wickets if they were to escape the worst of the unrelenting midday heat. While wickets fell at regular intervals after a much improved bowling performance, the Piet Potgieter captain batted really well to add 60 runs to his team's total, which was 222 all out after 32 overs. Still, the Stanford boys were happy to bowl their opponents out. Unfortunately, the pitch deteriorated as the day wore on and both opening batsmen were back in the hut cheaply. Captain Aidan Rosendorff did well to steady the ship for a while, but as wickets continued to fall, it was always going to be difficult for the team to chase down the Piet Potgieter total in the heat. In the end they lost by 146 runs, but there were some positives in the game from which the team can build.

GIRLS vs BEN VORSTER

On Thursday, 1st September, the Stanford Girls' Cricket Team took on Ben Vorster. Without a few of their more senior players, the team was going to have to pull a performance out of the top drawer. Ben Vorster won the toss and elected to bat first. The opposition's openers did not wait to settle in at the crease before they started slogging, within the first 10 overs the opposition was 70 for no loss. Carmen Veldsman eventually joined the bowling attack and managed to shake the partnership taking two wickets within her first over. Basani Msimeki joined the party and took three wickets of her own. By the end of the visitor's 20 overs, they had posted a defendable 122 runs. The Stanfordinians took to the crease and meant business, Carmen scored a quick 22 runs off 10 balls before she was unfortunately run out. Basani and Paityn Landsman stood their ground with an impressive 54-run partnership before Basani got bowled out. Unfortunately, the Stanfordinians ran out of overs as they were only able to post 110 runs in their 20 overs.

U/15 vs BEN VORSTER U/15B

Yesterday, the U/15 Cricket Boys played a friendly T20 match against the Ben Vorster B-Team. It was a thrilling afternoon of cricket, with both sides within reach of the win right up until the second last ball of the match. Stanford won the toss and batted first. While no individual batsman stood out, all of them contributed nicely to a very defendable 143 after 20 overs. Llewellyn Wight kept his wicket nicely and was the anchor of the batting line-up. This team has worked hard on accurate bowling and while there were still a few too many extras, there has been an improvement over the past couple of weeks. Although some A-Team players from Ben Vorster looked threatening, the Stanford bowlers never gave up and soon the match was heading into the last three overs with Ben Vorster needing just 23 runs and Stanford four wickets to win the match. Anrich van Wyngaardt took an absolute blinder of a catch on the boundary to remove the Ben Vorster danger man, and from then on the Stanford U/15s were in control of the match. They took the 10th wicket with just three balls left to pick up their first, and very well deserved win. Well done to the Stanford boys.



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CRICKET NEWS - continued



PEARSON & JENNY MAKE A SPLASH



Over the weekend, Pearson Mumba and Jenny Zhang participated in the Northern Limpopo Sprint Swimming Competition. Both athletes swam in five events each. Pearson received silver in the 50m butterfly, 50m back stroke, 50m breaststroke, 50m freestyle as well as bronze in the 200m individual medley. Four of these times were personal bests for Pearson!

Jenny took part in the 50m breaststroke, 50m backstroke, 50m butterfly, 50m freestyle and 100m freestyle. She broke Limpopo records for girls U/16 for all the events that she swam. She got five gold medals and qualified for SA National Junior Championships (SANJ) with her 100m freestyle with a time of 1:02.69.



FOUR CHOSEN FOR LIMPOPO

Congratulations to the following four pupils who have been selected to represent the province in the Schools' Cycling Teams in their respective age categories.



Gordon Noel



Ilne Kotzé



Isabella Dando



Rachel Göbel

After a busy term of meticulous paintings, complex essays, sports and everything else, Mrs Cromie felt the Grade 10 and 11 Art students needed an outlet. They were taught the theory on Expressionism and then given time to work on some group paintings. The students were instructed not to put any recognisable imagery on the paintings and for the work to be purely abstract and express their emotions. Paint, laughter, freedom and mess ensued, leaving the group with paint on their hands and smiles on their faces. A good end to a busy term.



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EXPEDITION: SOUTPANSBERG

On Friday, 2nd September, the Grade 9 pupils boarded the bus to Louis Trichardt to embark on their last expedition during their time at Stanford. Their adventure began at the boom gate to Hanglip Forest Reserve. From there, they followed instructions to self-navigate a 13-kilometre hike to their first sleep out spot. The following morning, the pupils packed up their tents to take on another 13-kilometre walk to “base camp” – a fly camp of the Schoemansdal Environmental Education Centre. This was the last time in four nights that the group was all together.

On the Sunday morning, half of the group set off on their three days of self-navigation whilst the other half of the group did activity rotations in the morning, followed by “solo”! During the activity rotations, the pupils had the opportunity to take on an obstacle course with Mr Hageman, abseil down a 13-metre cliff face with Mr Haarhoff and learn more about animal tracks and signs as well as explore a cave with Mrs Coetzee. They also left messages behind in a secret geocache box. One of the fun parts of geocaching is leaving something behind in the box or swapping it out for an item you would like. The groups were briefed on this and Wihan van Eeden decided to leave behind a knife he had carved out of wood. However, upon seeing the contents of the geocache box, he set his eyes on rather swapping his knife for a bracelet left behind by a previous cave explorer... A down2thewire bangle that is made from snare wire. After some umming and aahing from Wihan’s group about the fairness of the swap, Wihan pledged to carve a full set of cutlery during his solo experience. The group decided this was a fair exchange and Wihan adorned his new bangle!

That afternoon, they plunged into the dreaded “solo” – 24 hours of solitude that offers the pupils a time of introspection and reflection. They are placed a distance apart from one another with only basic cooking equipment, sleeping bags and a poncho. Pupil reaction to the experience is often so mixed. Many relish the opportunity to relax, unwind, be alone with their thoughts and SLEEP. For others, it’s the stuff of nightmares with boredom setting in within the first 10 minutes (which apparently already feels like 9 hours). Two solo highlights from this year were Carmen Veldsman falling out of a tree (she was uninjured so we’re allowed to laugh) and Amy Kelly’s beautiful mat that she weaved out of grass.

During the time spent on solo, the other group (split into three smaller groups) were navigating the Soutpansberg, using the skills they had learned in their Dream an’ Do lessons to read maps, plot points and plan routes. Their routes and decisions were under the watchful spying eyes of the staff, unbeknownst to the pupils. Sometimes so close in fact, that Mr Fullard’s phone was almost trampled. The first day was a bit of a disaster after they struggled to find checkpoint 2, then 3, then 4. Actually, they only really found Checkpoint 1 unaided (which was on a road). After a long day and some stern words from Mr Haarhoff, they all managed to make it safely to their campsite. The second day of self-navigation was much more successful and they spent the night at the beautiful BMW Camp. A camp whose trees are scarred by leopard claw marks and whose fire pit becomes a central point for singing and merriment. This group of Grade 9s were the first group to plunge into the pools of a nearby dam that was discovered by Mr Fullard, Mr Pretorius and Mrs Coetzee last year.

On the Tuesday of the expedition, the two larger groups swapped - the lonely pupils who had just “survived” solo were now navigating the Soutpansberg and the now “expert” explorers descended into solo. The second group of self-navigators fared much better on Day 1 than the first group but the wheels came off a bit for them during Day 2 and 3. Alas, they all made it back to Base Camp safely in the end. Only on Thursday were the two larger groups reunited and all the “near death” stories could be shared.

On the last evening, the pupils were treated to boerwors rolls, ice-cream and cool drinks – a huge thanks to Grade 9 families who organised this and to the Mabila and Dando families for driving through to share in the evening’s festivities. As part of the celebrations, the group voted for the boy and girl who they believe benefitted most from the Trek experience. Congratulations to Charlie Wright (exchange student) and Ewetse Nkwada for receiving the most votes. On the Friday morning, the group descended down the mountain, following a beautiful winding path through indigenous forest to meet the bus at Schoemansdal Environmental Education Centre.

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PHOTO ORDERING INFORMATION

Following on from the second round of official school photo day that took place on 30th August, Prestige Photography have kindly opened up the ordering process for ALL photos taken this year. This includes all head and shoulders shots taken in May and the absentees' individual photos taken last month. It also includes all group photos including boarding houses, grades, winter and summer sports. Orders can be made using your child's unique code at the following website:

<https://orders.prestigephoto.co.za/>

Please note that the cut-off date for ordering these photos is 10th October 2022. Any orders made after the cut-off date will not be couriered for free to the school and you will be charged courier costs.

Group Name	Access Key
ADVENTURE RACING	YJC67VV7
AFRIKAANS OLYMPIAD - JUNIORS	W86F7A5G
AFRIKAANS OLYMPIAD - SENIORS	KPW7YQBL
APPLICATIONS TECHNOLOGY OLYMPIAD	LBDQ7N52
CHOIR	MJSKDD78
CRICKET 1ST TEAM BOYS	TA5UPR9F
CRICKET 1ST TEAM GIRLS	M4L7AKM8
CRICKET U/15 BOYS	9TNMH3AW
DJEMBE BAND	L8EGJ6SC
EQUESTRIAN	7HU7ZPR3
FLY FISHING	T7V754PJ
FRIEDRICHS 100	QGU542CG
GEOGRAPHY OLYMPIAD	9UB3WPWS
GOLF	6BD9P4DZ
IT OLYMPIAD	QH48W9C6
MARIMBA BAND	DF7STS8E
MOUNTAIN BIKING	397H6YDZ
NATIONAL COMPUTER TALENT SEARCH OLYMPIAD	VJU3ZWLM
SCIFEST	8A9ML7EE
SOCCER 1ST TEAM BOYS	5ACW6WFZ
SOCCER 1ST TEAM GIRLS	A336B5KF
SOCCER 2ND TEAM BOYS	S8WX95NW
SOCCER U/15 A BOYS	WRDS9SA2
SOCCER U/15 B BOYS	54GJNZ3J
SOCCER U/15 GIRLS	5UP36N35
SOUND CREW	DS59L4ZE
SWIMMING	G5HR58ZK
TENNIS	6VEM4HW5
YOGA	BU7PBLQS

Group Name	Access Key
ATHLETICS JUNIORS	GKKTX238
ATHLETICS SENIORS	MR3ZBWM4
CHESS	C3PTWFG
DAY SCHOLAR BOYS	58YMIK5M
DAY SCHOLAR GIRLS	ZVXAV5UJ
DEBATING JUNIOR & SENIOR	FN2LKMLK
FOUNDERS NORTH	NTYJK4AV
FOUNDERS SOUTH	59TBT4YP
FOUNDERS SOUTH "CRAZY"	KDA5TNZQ
GRADE 12 "CRAZY"	5S7A83L3
HOCKEY 1ST TEAM BOYS	4HN3LCMQ
HOCKEY 1ST TEAM GIRLS	59T45UAD
HOCKEY 2ND TEAM GIRLS	4HM6XWPJ
HOCKEY U/14 BOYS	8K9D593U
HOCKEY U/14 GIRLS	NUZ4YDJ3
HOCKEY U/15 BOYS	LSGP9VWV
HOCKEY U/16 BOYS	3NNQ3P52
HOCKEY U/16 GIRLS	U7RTDBF2
JUNIOR MATHS OLYMPIAD	L5NX55SN
KEN SHUTER HOUSE	7C7HYVNL
LAKESIDE HOUSE	T5JD7BZC
NETBALL 1ST TEAM	FK6YMD26
NETBALL 1ST TEAM "CRAZY"	Y8SSSWYK
NETBALL 2ND TEAM	7L6KUX9T
NETBALL U/14A	K3UL4M4G
NETBALL U/14B	Q8UV9X7Y
NETBALL U/15A	NW4EK5YC
NETBALL U/15B	C42LX9SV
PUPIL LEADERSHIP	CFVYZZ4V
RUGBY 1ST TEAM	GMYQFM9N
RUGBY 2ND TEAM	G9JT68KX
RUGBY U/15A	LM9UT2UP
RUGBY U/15B	D7N6K7TD
SENIOR MATHS OLYMPIAD	STLR9QTH
SERALA HOUSE	NL658EVN
SERALA HOUSE "CRAZY"	G8UYXM89
SPEAKER SOCIETY	64E4K82X
VARIETY SHOW	Y3V4UYC6