



Matters of Principal

"If you want something done, ask a busy person to do it. The more things you do, the more you can do."

- Lucille Ball

I thought I would do something different for today's Snapshot and share with you the reflections of our heads and deputies on their term.



Jenny Zhang

This term was definitely one of the busiest terms that we've experienced even though we weren't writing any exams. We were exposed to new experiences, challenges and opportunities. From a leadership point of view, we focused on increasing engagement and action amongst committees by encouraging active participation and meetings amongst committee members and heads.

This turned out to be quite effective as this term consisted of bake sales, fundraising events and fun activities coordinated from various committees. From an academic point of view, the academic committee increased academic assist sessions in the evenings which has proven to be effective and efficient as younger grades have started to use these evening sessions to their benefit which I applaud them for. One of our main goals for this year was to re-establish the traditional Stanfordian spirit amongst the student body by increasing support and spirit during sports fixtures and maintaining a positive attitude amongst the students. I believe that this has been quite successful so far as can be seen by the sport derbies and the general improved sportsmanship and dedication amongst the school. As most grades wrote exams this term while others did consolidation, I think it's safe to say that every grade has been swamped with tests, assignments and tasks. Although it was an extremely busy term, balancing one's sports and academics is of utmost importance. In terms of sports, I've tried my best to balance my academics and sports to the best of my ability. On an honest note, I can definitely say that I did struggle with time management as stress and pressure increased throughout the term but I did try to get in the pool for a swim when I had the time. This term has been jam-packed with sports, academics and culture but I'm glad to be nearing the end of the term and start preparing for Prelims!



Dylan Turner

I made Limpopo A, this term and I have been on the Astro almost

every day. I have thoroughly enjoyed the sports this term and I am sad to be ending my schoolboy sports. Socially it has been roughly the same as always and no major issues. The role of being the Deputy has set in and I feel comfortable although it is quite demanding but it's nothing I didn't expect. I've enjoyed the weekly teas and have enjoyed the role of being a major leader in the school even with its ups and downs. Overall it's been a busy term but a productive one to say the least.



Nanaki Kgopong

Term 2 is one of the most stressful but equally as exciting and rewarding terms for any person at Stanford Lake College. Starting on a high note with the sports tour to George, I believe the school went into Term 2 not only talking about the Badger spirit but actively using it in every aspect of student life. From the late evening hockey games at the top field to the choir that sang their hearts out at Ben Vorster, the optimistic energy gave us the potential to dare to achieve more. Leading up to the exam season I felt a change in the energy of the pupil body. Students began to prioritise and focus on their school work in preparation for exams and the Academic assist programme in the evening was always full of students getting help from the matric group. I believe that it was the continuous spirit and enthusiasm that helped the school put their best foot forward in everything they did. The highlights of this term are too many to mention however, some are too special to go without my acknowledgement. The Penryn derby is the first. This year it was hosted at Stanford and it displayed the amazing spirit of the school and most of the teams walked away from the weekend with positive results. The manner in which people behaved and their attitudes also heavily contributed to that weekend's successes and carried on throughout the term. Secondly, the TED week leading up to the home derby was an amazing opportunity to celebrate our diversity and unity as a school. Seeing students' blazers decorated with bright-coloured ribbons that represent our diversity made me proud to call myself a Stanfordian. Lastly, the 1st Team Hockey Girls' celebrated their victory against Merensky with the whole school. This was a spectacular achievement and for me, the best way to close my winter sports career at Stanford Lake. There is a lot to be proud of this term and I'd like to thank every pupil for contributing to its successes.

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Thato Moleya

Term 2 was a busy term for many (myself included) however, it was one that I enjoyed. Sports-wise, I represented the school's 1st Rugby Team and in conjunction with that, I'm pleased to witness myself outgrow the fear of getting injured again as the season progressed. Nevertheless, I'll admit that this wasn't the school boy rugby fairytale ending

I wished for, but I sure did enjoy and value the memories made. Academically, it has been tough and apart from it being tough, I'm pleased at the fact that I'm able to point out a few improvements – I am not where I am capable of being but I acknowledge that I will get there as my work ethic is gradually returning.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

RUGBY

Last Saturday, the school's rugby teams travelled to Bela Bela to play Hoërskool Warmbad in their final matches of the season. The score was one-sided, but the team gave everything they had, scoring themselves 10 points. Well done to Andani Rembuluwani for, yet again, getting his name on the scoresheet. The U/16 team had another good day out. After conceding three early tries they fought hard and scored one of their own. Unfortunately, soon after they conceded again. The halftime score was 5 -26. The boys put up a huge fight in the second half to score two more tries and keep the opposition pointless. The final score was 15 - 26. The 1st Team also wrapped up their season and showcased their finest skills this season. They faced a formidable opponent in Warmbad, the league favourites, who proved too strong. Nonetheless, the team demonstrated unwavering Badger spirit, persisting until the last moments and scoring a try in the final five minutes. The match concluded with a score of 76 - 16 in favour of Warmbad.

NETBALL

This past weekend, the U/15 and 1st Team Netball girls participated in their league play-offs, facing tough competition from prominent schools in Limpopo. The U/15 girls displayed remarkable effort, losing three matches, winning one, and drawing one. Reaching the play-offs was a significant achievement, and each player showed considerable improvement throughout the season. The 1st Team also exemplified true Badger spirit. They concluded their high school netball journey by winning two matches and losing two. This was a memorable and fitting end for the matric learners on the team. Their hard work and perseverance were evident, making this playoff experience a proud moment for Stanford netball.



CELEBRATING STAFF

Mr Haarhoff and Mr Fullard recently completed their Generic Adventure Site Guide (GASG) qualifications. Numerous projects and practical assessments had to be completed to obtain this national qualification. They specialise in the following: Abseil Guide, Single Pitch Sport Climbing, River Guide Trip Leader and National Mountain Walking Guide. With their Advanced Wilderness First Aid qualification and CATHSSETA certificates they are now also registered as Tourism Guides with the Department of Tourism. Stanford Lake College is one of only three schools in the country that has qualified, registered Tourism Guides on their staff team!

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MIXED PLASTICS	649 KGS
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PAPER	363 KGS
ALUMINIUM CANS	68 KGS
TOTAL WASTE DIVERTED FROM LANDFILL	1520 KGS

BADGERS OF THE WEEK

Nsovo Mabila excelled on Saturday during the netball play-offs, rebounding from a challenging Friday where many shots were missed. She achieved a 100% shooting rate in both games on Saturday, showcasing true Badger fighting spirit. Nsovo's determination and resilience made her stand out, demonstrating her commitment and excellence.

Nanaki Kgopong played exceptionally well on Friday, showcasing outstanding defence and securing every intercept. Her leadership shone as she encouraged the team, even when the scores were against us. Nanaki gave her all for the team, making her final performance truly memorable.

