

Matters of Principal

"Unity in diversity is not just a phrase; it is the heartbeat of our nation" ~ Anonymous.

This week we have celebrated a belated Heritage week. It has been the first opportunity for the Grade 11 group to display their leadership qualities. They laid the groundwork for this week during their leadership camp last term, but with Heritage Day falling during the holidays they felt that this would be a good week for us as a school to take time to acknowledge and celebrate one another's rich cultures. We are an incredibly diverse organisation, an absolute microcosm of South African cultural diversity. Celebrating our diversity and heritage is essential for fostering understanding and unity within our communities. With a rich tapestry of cultures, languages and traditions, our nation stands as a testament to resilience and co-existence. By acknowledging and embracing this diversity, we cultivate an environment where everyone feels valued and respected.

This celebration not only enhances our social fabric, but also encourages empathy, enabling us to learn from one another's experiences and perspectives. It serves as a reminder that our differences are not just to be tolerated but celebrated, creating a stronger, more cohesive society.

Moreover, recognising our heritage allows us to connect with our history and the struggles that have shaped our nation. It offers an opportunity to honour those who fought for equality and justice, ensuring that their sacrifices are not forgotten. Events that highlight various cultural practices and historical narratives can enrich our educational experiences, providing students with a broader understanding of what it means to be South African. By actively participating in these celebrations, we empower future generations to appreciate their roots and the diverse world around them, ultimately paving the way for a more inclusive and harmonious society.

The celebrations culminated with a dress-up day today and an excellent Heritage Day assembly and dance. We are privileged to live in a country that can celebrate and embrace such beautiful and vibrant people and cultures.

Have a wonderful weekend.

God Bless

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Afrikaans Junioz OlympiadWell done to Carmen Van der Merwe who won the Afrikaans Junior Olympiad in Limpopo obtaining 83%.

Jan-Carel Els came second with 82% while Benjamin Terblanche placed 3rd in Limpopo with 78%.

Seven of our 13 pupils also made it into the Top 9 of Limpopo:

- Carmen Van der Merwe 83%
- Jan-Carel Else 82%
- Benjamin Terblanche 78%
- Teya Zanetic- 72%
- Ruby Fair 72%
- JJ Naude 68 %Aila Tshela 60 %

PLAN YOUR WEEK

Remember to plan your week you can find all the dates and times for events taking place on our website under the Resources for Parents Section: https://www.slc.co.za/_files/ug-d/8be4d8_1992429947ed43439ee57bdc842b306d.pdf

VALEDICTION 2024

Last week we saw our Class of 2024 count down to their last days with us on Campus before their final exams start. The week was marked with traditions which started with the "40 days" 'festivities', and culminated in the Valediction ceremony which took place at our Dream an' Do Centre. The day started with the bell ringing and the Unicorn Prepartory School Grade 1s wishing our Grade 12s well. This was followed by the Rose Ceremony, which had everyone in tears, the Valediction Awards ceremony and finally the Valediction dinner.

We have included a list of all the award winners and a few images too in this edition of our Snapshot. Class of 2024 we are immensley proud of you. We look forward to watching you achieve all your dreams. You can also view our official school gallery of pictures here: Valediction and Unicorn Grade 1s meet Grade 12s

Congratulations to all our award winners















Rajveer Gohil	Scholefield Shield DUX Scholar 2024	
Isabella Alcock	Vanner Trophy - Awarded to a Matric pupil who, on the sports field, has	
shown the qualities of commitment, determination and sportsmanship		
Gordon Noel		
JJ Naude	Aus-AmTrophy for Fly Fishing	
Kgedi Manthata Stephan le Roux Trophy for the Best Senior Boy Hockey Player		
Willem Vos Stirling Trophy for the Best Senior Rugby Player		
Giano October B	ain Trophy for the Best Squash Player	
	Friedrichs Trophy- Awarded to a Matric pupil	
who has showed exceptional commitment and dedication to Cricket		
	Makweya Family Trophy- A Matric student who has	
shown commitment and dedication to Netball		
Mokgale Mamabolo	Certificate of excellence- Awarded to a Matric student	
who has showed exceptional commitment and dedication to Soccer		
Ryno Schultz		
Rebo Letshedi		
	Zach Schuurs Trophy - Drama	
	Zach Schuurs Trophy - Service to Culture	
	Art of Dance Trophy	
Carla Schulenburg Zach Schuurs Trophy - Music		
ORVIS Stranack Inter-House Trophy: Overall Winner of All Inter-House Competitions		
	tService/Leadership	
Heads of Loomis: Dylan Turner & Nanaki Kgopong		
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Head of Lakeside House: Rachel Netshikulwe	Service/Leadership	

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■ Head of Founders South House: Finn Straughn	Service/Leadership	
Head of Founders North House: Travis Hudson	Service/Leadership	
Head of Day House Scholars Boys: Ryno Schultz	Service/Leadership	
Head of Day House Scholars Girls: Isabella Alcock		
Deputy Head Girl: Jenny Zhang Outstanding Leadership & Service		
Deputy Head Boy: Dylan Turner Outstanding Leadership & Service		
Head Girl: Nanaki Kgopong Outstanding Leadership & Service		
Head Boy: Thato Moleya Outstanding Leadership & Service		
Nanaki Kgopong Ken Shuter Trophy: English Home Language Prize		
Sophia Leher		
■ Ryno Schultz Fenske Trophy: Afrikaans First Additional Language Prize		
Ryno Schultz Kromberg Trophy: Proficien	ncy in English and Afrikaans	
Nanaki Kgopong D'Arcy Herrman T	rophy: Accounting Prize	
Sophia Leher "La Trofia Madera del		
Jenny Zhang Thompson Tro	phy: Outstanding Painter	
Nanki Kgopong Morri		
Tristan Brett CAT08KAT Trophy: Computer Application Technology Prize		
Yash Kalan Information Technology Trophy		
Jenny ZhangLife Orier		
Tristan Brett		
Sophia Leher		
Emma Imrie		
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Nanaki Kgopong and Jenny Zhang Calcu	ilus Trophy: Mathematics Prize	
Nanaki Kgopong	Cassim Trophy - Further Studies Mathematics Prize	
Nanaki Kgopong Einstein Ti		
Xihlovo Makhubele Marco Visser Tr		
Jenny Zhang Da Silva Trophy: Consistent Academic Excellence throughout High School		
Nanaki Kgopong Coach House Trophy: Best Result		
Christoff van der Westhuizen Soozi Conn Trophy: A	Matric Pupil who has showed exceptional commitment and	
dedication to environmental causes		
Christoff van der WesthuizenLeadership		
Robin Gardner King Constantine Medal - Exceptional Service		
I Elziné Kotzé Ubuntu Trophy		
Nanaki Kgopong Baleta Trophy (Voted for by the whole school) - Awarded to a pupil, from any grade, who is		
future-smart, who knows where they are going and how to get there		
Nanaki Kgopong Geldenhuys Trophy Matric pu		
Thato Moleya & Jenny Zhang Jarrod Zamparini Trophy - Awarded to a Matric pupil who has most used the opportunities		
offered to them and in so doing has exemplified the values of the College		
Nanaki Kgopong		
who by being pro-active & having the courage to stand up for what is right, made a positive contribution to the school		
Thato Moleya		
compassion, honesty, integrity & understanding	I	







A CULTURAL CELEBRATION

Our campus was abuzz with excitement for a cultural assembly that showcased and celebrated our pupils' various cultures.



































NEWS IN BRIEF

Last week, the Stanford Stayers cricket team played their first match of the new SA20 tournament against Phalaborwa Hub. Stanford won the toss and chose to bowl first. They put pressure on the visiting team by taking wickets regularly. However, the lower-order batsmen of Phalaborwa Hub formed a crucial partnership, helping their team reach 135-9 in the allotted 20 overs. The standout bowlers for Stanford were Matthew Scriven and Nakedi Makweya, who each took three wickets, while Dario Wasley took two and Joshua Doolabh took one. When it was Stanford's turn to bat, they were all out for 65 runs in 19.4 overs, losing the match by 74 runs.







We'd like to thank our sponsors: Trophy Toyota, PPS, Wolken Fashion and Apparel, Khoja's Modern Store and Stitch Berry for making our annual T20 possible! We look forward to seeing you all next week for this not to be missed event!



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