

SNAPSHOT

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Matters of Principal

*"Where it's covered in all the colored lights
Where the runaways are running the night
Impossible comes true, it's taking over you
Oh, this is the greatest show
We light it up, we won't come down
And the sun can't stop us now
Watching it come true, it's taking over you
Oh, this is the greatest show"
- The Greatest Show*

We have been running a slightly adjusted timetable this week in order to allow the houses to prepare for Interhouse singing, which opens the variety concert called Stanford Stars. I must say there has been a very different vibe in and around the school buildings this week, with a tangible rise in energy levels and an overall lifting of

the mood. Last night, I had the privilege of attending opening night and I was blown away! The Dream and Do Centre has been transformed into a performance hall, beautifully draped and lit. The extent of talent in this school is amazing. From the opening number through to the finale, the audience were fully engaged and in awe of our talented pupils as they sang, danced and performed their hearts out. Their ability to adapt to the challenges of load shedding mid-performance, the odd technical glitch and a chilly venue was a testament to the resilience they have developed throughout their time at this wonderful school. I sat next to a long-standing board member who said: "I love watching tomorrow's leaders in action today". One or two parents came up to me after the show and mentioned that they had not realised their own children had such talent. The cultural spirit of our school has been re-awakened. It is alive and well. Now that we have created this momentum, we must ensure we keep it going. Tonight's show is a supper theatre for those who have tables, you are in for a treat. The show is fully booked and we thank our staff and parent community for their support. Dress warmly and come prepared for an evening of fun.

EQUESTRIAN NEWS



REVIL STABLES – RIDER'S SERIES
LIMPOPO LEG 2
29 April – 1 May 2022



This past weekend, Ruben le Roux (Grade 11) and Olivia Turner (Grade 8) participated at the Revil Rider Show Jumping Series in Polokwane. This was a graded show and not part of the SANESA Schools' League.

Olivia Turner participated in three show jumping classes at a height of 80cm. She competes on 15-year old, Mr Bojangles, one of Bevliv Equestrian Centre's horses. She had an incredible show. On Friday she ended in 4th place (of 11 horses) in a speed class. On Saturday, she and Mr Bojangles managed a second place in the competition class, and on Sunday, in another speed class, they took second place again (out of nine riders). Such a great performance.

Ruben le Roux took TI Quinta, his 11-year old Warmblood, to this show - jumping event at a height of 1.10 metres. Since Grade 11 is no joke, they could not miss school on Friday, and only competed

on Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday, they had a beautiful clear round in the speed class - ending in 10th place out of 42 riders. On the very misty and cold Sunday morning, Ruben and Quinta had a clear round in the competition class, but unfortunately knocked a pole in the jump-off round. They ended in 12th place (of 42 riders).

The next SANESA Schools' League show will be on 21 and 22 May at The Ranch in Polokwane. We do hope they will make Stanford Lake College proud at the event!



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HOCKEY & NETBALL NEWS

GIRLS' HOCKEY

This week saw the Stanford girls take on Merensky on our home turf on Tuesday, 3rd of May. The U/14 girls took to the turf first. After having beaten the visitors earlier in the year, the girls expected a walkover. However, Merensky started off strong scoring within the first five minutes, leaving the Stanford girls chasing for the rest of the first half. In the second half, the girls picked up a gear and were able to score two goals in quick succession. The rest of the game was pretty much even and at full-time the score was 2 – 1 to Stanford.

The U/16 girls took to the field next. Merensky were quick out of the starting blocks, forcing our Stanford goalkeeper to make crucial saves in the first five minutes. After constantly asking and being denied, Merensky finally had a breakthrough, scoring a well-worked goal. Stanford replied instantly with an equalizer. The game went right to the wire, Merensky scored two goals in the dying minutes of the game, solidifying their lead. The game ended with Stanford losing 1 - 3.

A fiery Stanford 2nd Team registered their first win of the season. After an intense first quarter, the girls geared up in the second quarter and scored to lead the game. They did the same in the third quarter to lead the game by two goals. Merensky fought back well and managed to score one goal, ending the game 2 – 1.

The 1st Team girls had a very tough game against a well-polished Merensky team. The girls played their hearts out but just couldn't get onto the scoreboard with the game ending 0 – 5.

On Thursday, the U/16 girls played Merensky's U/15 girls and the game ended 1 – 1.

NETBALL

On Thursday, the girls drove down to Hoedspruit to play a league match against Southern Cross College and we are pleased to announce that all three teams that played were victorious. The results:

2nd Team 12 - 7
U/15A 20 - 1
U/14A 35 - 0.

Well done ladies on the awesome results!



BOYS' HOCKEY

The boys also played Merensky on their home turf on Wednesday. The U/15B-boys were ecstatic to have played their first game on the turf and also being the only winning team of the afternoon. Their final score was 2 – 0.

The constantly improving U/14s struggled to find their stride in the first half. After a stunning first goal by Merensky, the hosts managed to find the back of the net two more times leaving the first half score at 0 - 3. The second half saw the Stanford boys pick up their game making the second half evenly contested, but unfortunately, neither of the teams could get the ball in the back of the net, the game ending as it had at half time.

The U/16 boys played a well-fought game. The hosts went a goal up early in the game, leaving Stanford chasing for most of the game but eventually they managed to find an equalizer which took the game to the wire. Merensky then pulled off a spectacular winning goal in the last two minutes of the game, ending the game 1 – 2.

The 1st Team took to the turf under the lights in what promised to be a nail-biting encounter. Stanford was the first to get a result as they scored in the first minute of the game. The Badgers showed their intent as they dominated the game but just couldn't round off in the circle. In a heart-breaking manner, the game was eventually decided within the last 10 minutes when Merensky scored two brilliant individual goals, leaving the final score 1 – 2.

On Thursday, the U/16 boys played against Merensky's U/15 team, the final score was 2 – 2.

On the same afternoon, the U/14 Boys played against PHS U14/B side which ended in a 0 - 0 scoreline.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

DEBATING

On Wednesday, Stanford Lake College participated in the second round of the Polokwane Mayor's Cup Debating Tournament. The team proposed the motion "Unemployment has reached historical highs in South Africa, the Department of Small Business Development should exempt small and micro businesses from tax and minimum wage regulations" against Maseala Progressive Independent School. The teams engaged well, however, Stanford lost the debate to Maseala Progressive.

GOLF

Yesterday was the first golf fixture of the year in Polokwane. The matches started half an hour late due to heavy mist – it felt like we were back on the mountain as we could not see the fairway from the tee boxes! Due to hockey fixtures we only had two players on the fairways. Ryan Nel shot an 88 with 28 points and Relotilwe Sehkula 94 with 34 points. The scores for the teams (four players per team) are worked out on the best three scores on the day. We have some catching up to do but it is still early days in the league. Well done to those two gents for a good performance in testing conditions early on. The next fixture is on Thursday 12th May at Tzaneen Country Club hosted by Merensky.

PHOTO DAY

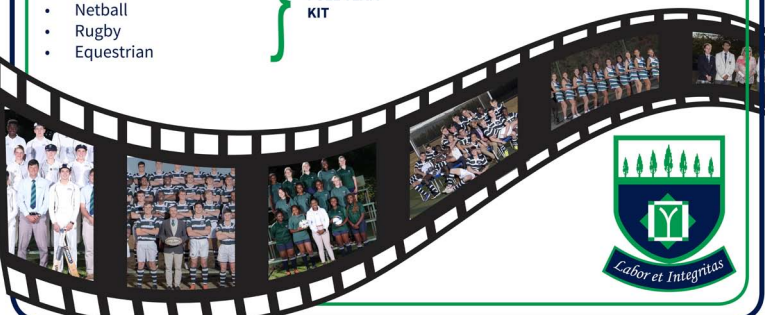
- Individual photos
- Boarding houses
- Grade groups
- Debating
- Maths Olympiad
- Talent Search Olympiad
- Chess
- Marimba Band

FULL FORMAL UNIFORM



- Senior & Junior Athletics
- Golf
- Hockey
- Netball
- Rugby
- Equestrian

FULL TEAM KIT



The School's Child Safeguarding Policy has been uploaded to the website as a DRAFT copy. Please click here to read.

Stanford Lake College GOLF DAY



24 June
FRIDAY | 2022

4-BALL
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Tzaneen
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R3000 per
team

For bookings and more information:

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PLEASE NOTE

We are migrating to a new server



There will be major disruptions to our internet, emails and phone lines from Thursday 12th May until Monday 16th May.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

