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A dramatic scene from our play - an adaptation of *The Visit*

## From the headmistress' desk

Dear parents

I have had the privilege and pleasure of hosting get-togethers for our Old Girls over the past week. The remarkable aspect of these gatherings was that they attracted Old Girls from the 1960s through to girls who matriculated last year. The stories and memories were surprisingly similar, and all tinged with joy and fondness for our school. One of the younger attendees commented that the Old Girls "were hilarious!"

I am always struck by the individuality of our alumni. There is no particular mould: from their choices of study to their working lives, from their lifestyles to life choices. However, they are all confident, resilient and independent women. This is surely what we want to encourage at school.

What is heartening to mention is that it takes only a few hours spent back on the

school campus to know that our current pupils are as diverse as the alumni. Their talents, interests, characters and opinions are individual and diverse. They are on their own journeys to becoming confident, resilient and independent women. It is for us, the adults in their lives, to encourage them to grow in their strengths, to develop their interests, nurture their talents and believe in themselves.

It is my hope that one day they, too, will write to the head of the school, as one wrote to me to say that "it really is a special place and it is times like that which make me so proud to be able to call myself an SMS girl".

Yours sincerely

**Deanne King**  
Headmistress

## Dates to Diarise

### March

Fri 27		SAMS civvies day
	14h30	Optional service outing
	14h45	Squash - home and away
	19h00	Senior School play
Sat 28		Hockey matches
Mon 30	07h30	FIV aptitude tests
	13h00	Netball clinic
	18h00	PTA meeting
Tues 31	13h00	Netball clinic and braai
	14h15	FIV Art prac

### April

Wed 1	15h00	Netball clinic
	18h00	1 <sup>st</sup> and festival hockey teams get-together
Thurs 2	07h30	Senior School Easter Eucharist
	09h30	Middle School Easter Eucharist
Fri 3		Good Friday
Sun 5		Easter Sunday
Mon 6		Family Day



## From the chaplain

We sometimes find it difficult to pray. Perhaps we can't find words to express what we are feeling. At times like these we can use the prayers of others. I found these words of St Teresa of Avila (1515-1582) challenging and comforting.

*Christ has no body now, but yours.  
No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.  
Yours are the eyes through which he looks  
With compassion on this world.*

*Let nothing disturb you.  
Let nothing frighten you.  
All things pass away:  
God never changes.  
Patience obtains all things.*

*Those who have God  
Find they lack nothing;  
God alone suffices.*

In our Ash Wednesday services we were challenged to think of others and I would like to thank all those who contributed groceries for Lydia, who cares for AIDS orphans, and for the wonderful bag of fleece tops for children, made and donated anonymously by a St Mary's mother. The Bishop of the Diocese of Christ the King (my husband!), Bishop Peter Lee, gave them to children at a service at St Monica's Church in Orange Farm on Sunday. They were received with much joy and appreciation.

**Revd Gill Lee**  
Chaplain

## Meet the department



African Languages department: Ntaoleng Sekere, Thembi Ngobese, Thandiwe Mahasa, Cindy Len, Phumzile Ngubo (HoD)

## From the isiZulu department



Daniel Moloisane with Chimwemwe

The Form I isiZulu pupils conducted interviews with various members of the support staff. This was to reinforce the section of the curriculum on personal information, the interrogative form and the structure of a dialogue.

*Igama lakhe nguDaniel nesibongo sakhe nguMoloisane. Uhlala eHammanskraal phakathi kwePretoria neWarmbaths. Uneminyaka engama 59. Ukhuluma isiTswana. Uyiweta ehholo lokudla. Uthanda ukusebenza nabantu. UDaniel uthanda ukucula nokulalela umculo weVangeli futhi uRebecca Malope. Usebenze iminyaka engama 31 eSt Mary's. U Daniel uthethe "Bangiphethe kahle. Ngiyathanda ukusebenza khona."*

Chimwemwe noDaniel Moloisane

Translation: His name is Daniel and his surname is Moloisane. He lives in Hammanskraal between Pretoria and Warmbaths. He is 59 years old. He speaks Tswana. He is a waiter in the school dining hall. He likes to work with people. Daniel likes to sing and to listen to gospel music and Rebecca Malope (gospel singer). He has worked at St Mary's for 31 years. Daniel said, "They treat me very well and I like to work here."

**Chimwemwe**  
Form I



Isabelle with Mavis Gumede

*Igama lakhe nguMavis nesibongo sakhe nguGumede. Wazalwa ngo 1958 kwaNongoma eNatali. Uhlala eOrlando East nabantwana bakhe uSilindile noThando. Uza emsebenzini ngebhasi likaPutco. Usebenze eSt Marys iminyaka engamashumi amabili nesithupha. Uyayithanda iSt Mary's. Uhlanza isikole. UMavis uthethe "Ngithanda uMiss King kakhulu".*

UMavis Gumede nolsabelle

Translation: Her name is Mavis and her surname is Gumede. She was born in 1958 in Nongoma, Natal. She stays in Orlando East with her children, Silindile and Thando. She comes to work by Putco bus. She has worked at St Mary's for 26 years. She likes St Mary's. She is a cleaner. Mavis said she really likes Ms King a lot.

**Isabelle**  
Form I

**Cindy Len**  
isiZulu teacher

## Photography competition



Bronwyn - Inquisitive dragonfly



Chloe - The hungry hornbill



Nicole - Well, stare



Susan - Discernment



Susan - Suspension



Tanyaradzwa - Throw away the key

We congratulate the following girls who are our finalists in the photography competition:

Susan  
Tiffany-lee  
Bronwyn  
Dominique  
Carlotta  
Anne  
Justine  
Jessica

Chloe  
Nicole  
Tanyaradzwa  
Dominique  
Jordyn  
Caroline  
Jessica

The winners will be announced at final assembly at the end of this term.

**Anneli Silvennoinen**  
Senior School librarian

## South African library week

We celebrated South African library week in a number of ways.



Back row: Catherine, Melissa, Kylie, Siphosihle  
Front row: Simangaliso, Atlehang, Roneque, Caroline, Emily



Emily used her research skills to win a number of times



Melissa and Roneque at the resource monitors' tea



Mrs Page is an avid reader at the staff book club



Rethabile, a happy winner at Caroline and Roneque's games podcamp



Simangaliso in action at the book chat podcamp



Tanyaradzwa is totally engrossed in book bingo

**Anneli Silvennoinen**  
Senior School librarian

## Visual Arts department



Nicola, Megan and Ancke enjoying the art exhibited at the Goodman Gallery

On Tuesday 17 March the Form IVs, accompanied by Mrs Heydenrych, went to a few art galleries in the Rosebank area. We visited the Circa Gallery where an exhibition titled *Normal Man* by Wayne Barker was being held. Barker's art targets social issues with which most people are uncomfortable, and criticises them in order to make people more aware of current affairs and their impact. Across the road is the Everard Read Gallery where an exhibition by Gary Stephens was shown. *The Scarf* captures the bright colours and geometric patterns that are common to Africa. Stephens tried to capture the fashions of his subject matter and his use of pleated folds in his artwork allows us to see the individuals in different attire, according to where we were standing.

**Aphelele**  
Form IV



Julia on the ramp at the Circa Gallery

The Form V art girls visited two galleries on Thursday 19 March. The first was the Johannesburg Art Gallery, where we viewed British paintings dating more than 100 years back and contemporary South African work, as well as various African artworks displaying the heritage of various African countries. Then we visited the Stevenson Gallery, where we viewed the vibrant exhibition of contemporary artist Deborah Poynton. The afternoon exposed us to various techniques and types of art. We thank Mrs Heydenrych, our Art teacher, for the enriching afternoon.

**Tshepang**  
Form V

## Chess



St Mary's girls in action



St Mary's hosted the inaugural St Mary's Senior Girls' Schools Team Chess Championships. Twenty-two schools from across Gauteng sent their girls' chess teams to participate in the event. Hoërskool Waterkloof's A and B teams took first and second places respectively. The St Mary's A team placed 7<sup>th</sup> overall. Two development chess teams were also invited to participate.

This competition is part of a *Chess for All* initiative. *Chess for All* is a non-profit organisation that promotes chess among girls, with all its educational, social and competitive benefits.

*Chess for All's* goal is to encourage underprivileged girls to realise that the best way to better themselves is through the development of their minds, not only in developing intellectual and analytical ability, but also in decision-making skills, which

they can transfer to real life. The hope is to achieve this goal by demonstrating to the girls what their minds can achieve through proper training and participation in a highly-developed, thinking sport.

*Chess for All* and St Mary's School's expectations are that, through this project, girls will be encouraged to further their studies in pursuit of a successful future career. "We are of the opinion that by participating in the chess developmental programme, girls will be given confidence in their abilities to achieve their future dreams," says Nicholas van der Nat, director of *Chess for All*.

St Mary's would like to thank the sponsors, the Department of Accountancy at UJ and Deloitte, for making this day possible. We look forward to hosting next year's competition.

## Ballet



The awards evening was held at the Joburg Ballet Studio

Bronwyn (Form III) auditioned for the American Academy of Ballet summer school, which is held in New York, and was awarded a 50% scholarship. Bronwyn will be departing for New York on 26 June, for two weeks.

## Debating

On Sunday 15 March, the senior debating team participated in the SACEE Debating League Rounds 1 to 3 tournaments. The St Mary's team lost to King David Victory Park in the first round and won the second and third rounds against St Stithians Boys' College and King David, Linksfield.

Congratulations to Emily, Juliette, Gemma, Katelyn, Siphosihle, Chloe, Layla and Maya. Thank you to Catherine and all the parents who came to support the girls.

On Sunday 22 March, the junior team participated in Rounds 3 and 4 of the SACEE tournament. They won both rounds, against St David's

and a shadow team respectively. Congratulations to Tarya, Rethabile, Anthea and Saskia Long-Innes. Thank you to Keara, Siphosihle, Emily, Reabetswe and all the parents who came to support the team.

The next senior tournament will take place on Sunday 10 May, at King David, Linksfield.

**Mumsy Malinga**  
Debating co-ordinator

# From the Music department



**DATES:** Friday 15th & Saturday 16th May 2015

**VENUE:** The Edge, St. Mary's Waverley, Johannesburg

**TIME:** 19H30

**TICKETS:** Adults R100, Seniors/Scholars/Students R50

## PARTICIPATING BANDS:

**FRIDAY 15th MAY**

**TUT Big Band**

**St. Mary's Waverley Senior Jazz Band**

**St. John's Big Band**

**Pretoria Boys' High Big Band**

**Cornwall Hill College Big Band**

**SATURDAY 16th MAY**

**Pridwin P'zazz Jazz Band**

**St. Alban's College Big Band**

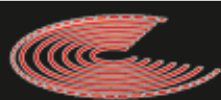
**St. Stithians Girls' College – Saxes of Note**

**Johannesburg Youth Jazz Ensemble**

**TUT Big Band**



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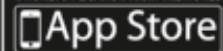


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## St Mary's School and St John's College ensemble concert



The St Mary's saxophone ensemble: Liesel, Georgina, Alexandra, Yashmiri and Julia

On the evening of 9 March, St John's College joined St Mary's for the joint instrumental ensemble concert which we host annually. The evening opened with an ambitious programme of Johannes Brahms and Hans Zimmer pieces by the impressively-sized St John's College orchestra. It was exciting to see less common instruments such as the viola, double bass, trombones and tubas on the stage.

Another highlight of the evening was the performance of the St Mary's jazz band, which performed Piazzola's *Libertango* and the Otis Redding classic *Respect*. The hard work of the girls paid off, with a great performance by all the members in the band. All the instrumental ensembles from both St Mary's and St John's performed well-rehearsed pieces during the programme.

The St John's string ensemble and jazz octet, as well as its larger

wind band and big band, played with confidence. The St Mary's flute ensemble, saxophone ensemble, clarinet ensemble and string ensemble all gave polished performances. The trumpet duet with the string ensemble was particularly well received. The evening closed with a fun, informal performance of a blues piece, *Louie Louie*, by the St John's big band, which certainly ended the evening on a high note.

This yearly collaboration has always been a highlight on the St Mary's Music department's calendar, and this year was no exception. We encourage the larger St Mary's community to attend this annual concert in the first term, which showcases the remarkably talented musicians of both schools.

**Robyn and Liesel**  
Head: Jazz band      Head: Orchestra



Robyn and Fiona feature with the string ensemble, accompanied by Dudley Trollope and Daniel Hutchinson

## Battle of the Bands

The finals of the St Mary's Battle of the Bands is taking place at 18h30 on Friday 10 April. Tickets cost R100 and will be on sale during breaks from Monday 30 March, in The Edge. Over R35 000 worth of prizes are up for grabs. This year, an additional category has been included in the competition, namely best lighting operator. Bands are encouraged to bring their own lighting operators, to have the opportunity to work on a professional lighting rig for the finals. For further information, go to <http://dwrdistribution.co.za/the-search-is-on-for-the-best-battle-of-the-bands-lighting-operator/>

  
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## From the Sports department



### Golf

For those of you who know little about golf, this quote says it all! "It took me 17 years to get 3 000 hits in baseball. It took one afternoon on the golf course."

— Hank Aaron

Mercedes has been working extremely hard on her golf, and putting the hours of practice necessary to compete at the top level of this difficult game. She spent her December holidays in Paarl so that she could get some practice time for the Boland Ladies' Junior Championship, which took place at the Paarl golf course early in January 2015. Some of the highlights of her performances so far are as follows:

#### Boland Ladies Junior Championship

Mercedes shot 79, 75 and then on the last day, proceeded to make 90. She finished 13<sup>th</sup> overall.

#### Gauteng Junior Girls' Championship

Mercedes entered and played the Gauteng Junior Girls Championship at Centurion, and came 13<sup>th</sup> with rounds of 78 and 82.

#### North West Ladies Championship

Mercedes placed 36<sup>th</sup> overall.

#### Sunshine Super Sport Challenge at Zwartkop

Mercedes is extremely fortunate that she is able to play in the Sunshine Tour events, as they are usually only played by professional golfers. Mercedes ended 9<sup>th</sup> in the amateur rankings and 30<sup>th</sup> in the professional ranking.

#### Blue Valley Ladies' Club

The highlight of the year so far has been her victory in the club championships, making it her 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive win as the Blue Valley Ladies' champion.

#### Tshwane Open

The next Sunshine Tour event was on Monday 16 March, at Pretoria Country Club. Mercedes finished 33<sup>rd</sup> overall, and in 12<sup>th</sup> position in the amateur rankings.

These are outstanding achievements!

#### Quix

Head of sport



Mercedes in action at the Sunshine Ladies' Tshwane Open

## Rhythmic gymnastics

Sincere congratulations are extended to Luciana and Caitlin, who have been chosen to represent South Africa in the 15<sup>th</sup> World Gymnaestrada in Helsinki, Finland, in July. The World Gymnaestrada event takes place every four years. In 2015, the event will be a seven-day gymnastics festival, with an estimated 25 000 participants from 50 different countries.

#### Quix

Head of sport



Luciana



Caitlin

## Athletics

Amy has been involved in athletics, both at St Mary's and with an outside coach, for a number of years. This hard work has paid off as Amy has been selected for the Gauteng Schools' team. They will be competing in an event in Rustenburg before the end of the term. She is our first provincial athlete!



Amy in action

## Netball



Our congratulations are extended to Shanté, who has made the U18 District netball team and will go on to compete in the Gauteng Trials on 9 May.

## Equestrian

Eventing is part of the inter-school equestrian programme and includes the disciplines of dressage, show-jumping and cross-country, all on the same horse. It usually takes place over two days and the first qualifier of the 2015 season was held at Le Godimo, near Rustenburg, on 14 and 15 March.

Only two of our riders compete in this discipline, and Andrea and

Kiara completed their dressage classes on the Saturday. Most of the riders then camped overnight with their horses and they had to endure an impressive thunderstorm! Fortunately the conditions cleared for the cross-country phase on Sunday, and both girls jumped well. Kiara came 9<sup>th</sup> in the 80cm class and Andrea achieved 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places on her two horses in the 1m event.



Kiara and Kouros



Andrea and I Gotta Dream

## Swimming



Our girls at the Level 3 Championships

Six of our girls swam in the Level 3 Championships in Port Elizabeth last week:

Gabriella (17 and 18 years)

50m freestyle: 4<sup>th</sup> - 27,65 seconds

100m freestyle: 1.01,75

50m breaststroke: 36,91 seconds

Gabriella has qualified to swim at the Youth Nationals in April.

Ashleigh (17 and 18 years)

100m breaststroke: 7<sup>th</sup> place

200m breaststroke: 7<sup>th</sup> place

She swam personal best times in the 100m backstroke, 100m breaststroke, 200m individual medley and the 200m.

Ashleigh has qualified to swim at the Youth Nationals in April.

Carly (15 years)

50m backstroke: 5<sup>th</sup> - 31,37 seconds

100m backstroke: 9<sup>th</sup> - 1.08,72

50m freestyle: 28,61 seconds

100m freestyle: 1.05,15

50m butterfly: 30,08 seconds

Carly has qualified to swim at Senior Nationals in April.

Daniela (15 years)

100m breaststroke: 6<sup>th</sup> - 1.19,12

200m breaststroke: 9<sup>th</sup> - 2.54,05

50m freestyle: 30,18 seconds

100m freestyle: 1.04,66

50m backstroke: 37,76 seconds

50m butterfly: 32,19 seconds

200m individual medley: 2.42,43

Jade (14 years)

50m breaststroke: gold medal - 33,35 seconds (broke CGA record and missed the South African record by 7 splits!)

100m breaststroke: gold medal - 1.14,60

50m freestyle: bronze medal - 28,02 seconds

50m butterfly: 6<sup>th</sup> - 30,34 seconds

Jade has qualified to swim at Senior Nationals in April.

Jeanri (14 years)

400m freestyle: 7<sup>th</sup> - 4.42,17

200m freestyle: 6<sup>th</sup> - 2.13,67

100m freestyle: 1.01,54

50m freestyle: 29,46 seconds

200m breaststroke: 2.37,54

100m breaststroke: bronze medal - 1.15,22

50m breaststroke: silver medal - 34,07 seconds

100m butterfly: 1.11,90

50m butterfly: 5<sup>th</sup> - 30,19 seconds

200m individual medley: silver medal - 2.27,34

Jeanri has qualified to swim at Senior Nationals in April.

**Quix**

Head of sport

## Squash

Panashe has been included in the team to represent Squash South Africa at the All Africa Junior Championships in Gaborone, Botswana from 30 March until 5 April. Well done, Panashe, on a great achievement.

### Summer Sports Awards evening: squash awards



Jaime (squash captain) and Julia (vice-captain) delivering a speech



The Summer Sports Awards evening was held in the gym on Tuesday 17 March, where the following squash players received awards:

Cara	U14 Elliot Trophy	Best U14 squash player
Georgina	U15 Ingersent Trophy	Best U15 squash player
Megan	U16 Ingersent Trophy	Best U16 squash player
Jaime	U19 Leslie Trophy	Best U19 squash player
Panashe	Open School Championship Trophy	Best squash player
Jessica	Squash - Van Dyk Trophy	For commitment
Christine	Jean Perry Trophy	Most improved squash player
Hannah	Progress in squash	
Hannah	Progress in squash	
Sarah	Progress in squash	
Julia	Progress in squash	
Alexandra	Progress in squash	
Annabel	Progress in squash	
Electra	Progress in squash	
Jemma	Excellence in squash	
Oluwaseyi	Squash - commitment, dedication and improvement	
Lara	Squash - commitment, dedication and improvement	
Justine	Squash - commitment, dedication and improvement	
Emma	Squash - improvement and dedication	
Tannah	Squash - excellent match play	
Clarisse	Squash - excellent match play	
Alexandra	Squash - outstanding match play	
Julia	Long-term commitment to squash	
Gabriella	Long-term commitment to squash	
Daniela	Long-term commitment to squash	
Catherine	Long-term commitment to squash	
Maxine	Long-term commitment to squash	
Jenna	Long-term commitment to squash	
Hayley	Long-term commitment to squash	

## Inter-house squash

Congratulations to all the players who participated in the inter-house squash event. It was an enjoyable afternoon, with 48 squash matches being played in total. The results are as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Furse 482 points



2<sup>nd</sup> Clayton 388 points



3<sup>rd</sup> Phelps 382 points



4<sup>th</sup> Karney 329 points



## League Results

The spirit, camaraderie and the exceptional behaviour of the girls, on and off the squash courts are superb, and the girls should all be proud of themselves.

Friday 13 March

U19 A - Bye	
U19 B vs St Teresa's	14-0
U19 C vs Kingsmead	14-0
U19 D vs Kingsmead	14-0
U19 E vs Greenside	12-3
U19 F - Bye	
U16 A vs Roedean	14-0
U16 B vs Kingsmead	14-0

U16 C - Bye	
U15 A vs Greenside	14-0
U15 B vs Kingsmead	14-2
U14 A vs Greenside	14-0
U14 B vs Kingsmead	14-0

Friday 20 March

U19 A vs St Stithians	14-0
U19 B - Bye	
U19 C vs Parktown	9-7
U19 D vs St Stithians	14-3
U19 E vs McAuley	14-0
U19 F vs St Andrews	6-8
U16 A vs St Teresa's	14-0

U16 B vs Helpmekaar	14-0
U16 C vs McAuley	14-0
U15 A vs St Stithians	12-3
U15 B vs St Stithians	8-6
U14 A vs St Stithians	14-1
U14 B vs St Stithians	14-1

## Boys' league

St Mary's have entered one team in the U19 A South league, which begins on 10 May.

**Jennifer Fox**  
Head of squash



For only R50, you and your family could spend a wonderful weekend for four at the luxurious MalaMala Game Reserve, world renowned for its exceptional wildlife and game viewing. Half the proceeds of this raffle will be donated to the worthy rhino poaching initiative in a bid to halt the slaughter of these magnificent animals, and the other half to the St Mary's Foundation. The prize is worth R60 000. Tickets will be on sale at the St Mary's Investec Hockey Festival.

## Tributes

### Joy Powell 1928-2015

Having taught at St Mary's from 1962 to 1988, and having been Clayton's housemistress, Joy is inextricably linked to the school. She will always be remembered as a forceful personality and a woman of inspiring integrity. No one could have asked for a greater advocate or a more trustworthy teacher and colleague. Rest in peace beloved Joy, mother, grandmother, colleague, teacher, friend and mentor.

Joy was born in Cork and after her education at Trinity College, Dublin, and a stint at a school where she taught small children in their native Gaelic tongue, she took up a teaching post in South Africa at St Andrew's in Bedfordview. Later, she applied for a teaching post at St Mary's and she did not regret her decision, for even a second.

Joy was born not long after the Irish Rebellion and was weaned on stories of Michael Collins and the IRA. She could recite screeds of Irish history in Gaelic and was a hot-headed advocate of a united Ireland, even though she was an Anglican. Joy had marvellous

stories of the colleagues she met when she arrived at St Mary's: interesting, intelligent and dedicated women like herself - Dodo Pitt, English/French/Latin colleague and future headmistress; Wendy Nathan, future deputy headmistress; Margaret Mackenzie, Mary MacPhail, Ruth Miller, now considered one of South Africa's leading poets and Sister Viola, who was Lady Viola in secular life. She felt welcomed and affirmed and was to hold out the same hand of friendship to every new arrival at the school.

Joy adored her teaching, adored her pupils and adored the times she spent with colleagues in the staff room, where at break she could usually be found at the centre of noisy hilarity. Her quips after trying to teach a particularly obtuse class the niceties of grammar always raised a laugh - "new every morning!", "sweet suffering horseflesh!" or "these little things are sent to try us!" Her colleagues showed her how to pass her driving test - using the chairs in the staff room. Having learned to drive relatively late in life, Joy would never venture beyond

certain limits and this was one of the few areas (perhaps the only one) where she showed any timidity. Amazingly, one of the roads she was prepared to negotiate was Louis Botha Avenue.

If Joy loved St Mary's, St Mary's loved Joy in return. She had a deep Christian faith that was evident in her every action. On Old Girls' Days she was swamped by former pupils who had loved both her and her lessons - her reading of *Pride and Prejudice* or *Macbeth* or the poetry of Keats, Yeats, Graves and TS Eliot. She could recite many of the poems, among them Tennyson's epic *Ulysses*, from memory. Her Irish accent and legendary Irish humour were beguiling.

Joy, you were a commanding personality. You inspired us. You nurtured us. You amused us. You taught us and you supported us. We were indeed privileged to have been your friends.

*Pauline Grainger and Wendy Nathan*

### Moira Winslow 1930-2015

Moira died in England in March and we extend our deepest condolences to her daughter, Lesley, who is an old St Mary's girl.

St Mary's was the first independent school in South Africa to offer Speech and Drama as a matriculation subject, and Moira was the first drama teacher. She came to this country having met her South African husband, Paul, in England, in 1955, at the theatre. Paul was playing test cricket and Moira was an English stage actress. Their romance was a whirlwind affair, in keeping with Moira's dramatic personality.

Moira had a passion for the theatre and tremendous drive, and it was wonderful to have a professional actress on the staff. The first play she produced at St Mary's was *Noah's Ark*, enacted on the steps of the

Close, and a wonderful and humorous depiction of medieval England. After she left St Mary's, Moira appeared in a number of productions, the best-known being *The Villagers*, the first locally produced soapie for television when television was new in this country.

Moira and Paul suffered appalling tragedy with the loss of one daughter, Carey, to lupus, followed by the deaths of their 13 year-old son, a daughter and two small grandchildren in a car accident. Her response was to throw all her energy into starting the Drive Alive campaign, to raise awareness of road safety.

*Pauline Grainger and Wendy Nathan*