

10 MARCH 2023

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St Mary's rowing captain and vice captains with the South African Schools' Rowing Championship trophy (see page 9 for more details)

FROM THE HEAD'S DESK

Not by design, both Revd Raggadi and I have written often about community in our messages this term. The inspiration has come from our values of love, community, integrity which guide the school in all aspects of strategy, ethos and daily routine. The three values are equally important to us and powerful in harnessing and guiding our school.

Community has been front of mind for me because I have witnessed it in so many moments and events this term. It is only through the strength of community, in the good and bad times, that we have been able to thrive as a community this term.

On Sunday, I attended the South African Schools' Rowing Championships, where there was a wonderful display of our St Mary's community. The rowing parents were catering for the event which attracts hundreds of people from around the country over three days - it is a real challenge to provide good food and efficient service with only basic facilities. The rowing girls and their coaches were able to enjoy the rewards of many months of training and careful preparation, when St Mary's School was announced as the top girls' rowing school of the championships. I was delighted to support the rowing team and observe their courage and perseverance with other members of staff and their school friends who had come to Roodeplaat dam to support.

It was a true display of community and the different layers that it takes to form a happy and successful community.

I congratulate our sports department on a successful summer season. We have enjoyed many sporting events and successes, which have included basketball, swimming, diving, water polo, equestrian, rowing and tennis, which ended with a win at inter-high.

DEANNE KING
HEAD OF SCHOOL

FROM THE CHAPLAIN

"People come to kneel where prayer has been valid," wrote T.S. Eliot.

Whenever we celebrate or observe a high holy day at school, such as Ash Wednesday, Eliot's words come to mind. The chapel is a sermon preached through art, bricks and cement. Eliot's words, written many years ago, seem to be a fitting commentary on this sacred space. We gather in our chapel because we sense that here, prayer has been valid. In its 70 years, the walls have been saturated with the prayers of all the people who have found God in our chapel.

As Eliot writes: *"You are not here to verify, instruct yourself, or inform curiosity or carry report. You are here to kneel where prayer has been valid. And prayer is more than an order of words, the conscious occupation of the praying mind, or the sound of the voice praying."*

He writes from his personal experience of his encounters with God. He knows what it means to be in a sacred place, to be overcome by (and filled with) the presence of God. There is a story told about Eliot's visit to the Society of Saint John the Evangelist's community chapel. It was an early morning Eucharist in the 1930s, during the consecration of the elements, he suddenly experienced the presence of God so powerfully, so heavily, that Eliot not only kneeled, but he also fully collapsed onto the floor of the chapel.

The various statues, stained glass windows and paintings are all reminders, that in this place, our school chapel, the transcendent God has broken into our time-bound world, and we can point to where it happened.



REVDRAGADI
KHOBO CHAPLAIN

MEET THE CONSUMER STUDIES DEPARTMENT



Lauren Frost

HoD: BHuishEd(Stellenbosch)



Clarise Brits

BSc, BEd Hons, PGCE

THE IMPORTANCE OF EMERGENCY DRILLS

Emergency drills are essential in ensuring people know what to do in the event of an emergency. St Mary's held evacuation and stay-in-doors drills on 1 March and 6 March, respectively. They are designed to test the preparedness in responding to a crisis and to identify areas that require improvement.

Both drills were successful, and the Senior School girls responded well. We will conduct regular drills to ensure that both staff and the girls are prepared to handle such emergencies, which can help prevent/reduce injuries, save lives and handle a crisis effectively.

To raise awareness amongst our girls, conversations around the importance of emergency drills and activities designed to reflect realistic scenarios and challenges will be conducted in the mentor groups to understand better how to react quickly and effectively during emergencies.

We are aware that all our girls have mobile devices, and in the event of a real emergency, the girls are most likely to contact parents and guardians as the events unfold. We urge all parents and guardians to refer to the St Mary's School app, where official and accurate communication from the school will be sent in such an event.

SEIPATI SHIAKALLIS
DEPUTY HEAD MISTRESS

MATRIC RESULTS

We received the final matric results after the remark process for the class of 2022 on 1 March. The results included a few changes after the remarking process run by the IEB and changes in the class's Life Orientation marks following a review of these results which was conducted by Umalusi. The changes in Life Orientation results have changed the number of distinctions achieved by each candidate and distinction rate overall. The final distinction rate per candidate is a very impressive 4.07 distinctions per candidate and once again, we congratulate the class of 2022 on their excellent results.



We further congratulate the above photographed girls who, after a review of the final NSC Life Orientation results, achieved 9, 8 and 7 distinctions respectively. For more information, please visit: [st-marys-school-matric-results-2022](https://www.stmarys-school.co.za/matric-results-2022)

FELICIA TOBIAS
DEPUTY HEADMISTRESS

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Congratulations to Tessa Dagut, who represented St Mary's in the South African Speech & Drama College High School Public Speaking Festival last month. Tessa competed in the Best Individual Speaker Competition and received an A+ symbol for her prepared and impromptu speeches.



SHEA FARRELL
TEACHER IN CHARGE

FORM I SRC REPRESENTATIVES 2023

CLAYTON	FURSE	KARNEY	PHELPS
Chloe Takawira	Lilitha Masinda	Lucy Blades	Phenyo Khoele

FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

JAZZ BAND WORKSHOP

The St Mary's jazz band had a wonderful workshop on Friday 3 March, with South African-based bassist and composer Benjamin Jephta. Jephta mentored the jazz band through his arrangements of pieces specially adapted for our instrumentation. These included *Cold Heart* by E. John and Dua Lipa, *Grazing in the Grass* by Philemon Hou and *Song for Bra Des* by W. Mankunku. Some of these tunes will be performed at Singing Sistas (Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 March).

This is what some of the jazz band members had to say after the workshop:

Tessa Dagut (head of jazz band): "We spent the afternoon focusing on the importance of rhythm, dynamics, and listening to one another's musical strengths in order to perform our pieces to the best of our ability. It was an informative and fun filled afternoon and we are all very excited for our upcoming performances".

Shamiso Chitenhe (bass guitar): "I enjoyed it and I really appreciated having some one-to-one help on the bass".

Thando Msane (flute): "It was amazing! I learnt a lot of things that I will definitely be taking with me across all of my jazz playing".

Ella Stipinovich (trumpet): "I absolutely loved this workshop because it was incredibly inspirational. We were so lucky to have the opportunity to work with such a talented musician".

Retshegofaditswe Seobi (tenor saxophone): "The workshop was really helpful in getting to know the pieces of music and I would love to do it again".

DANIELLE MCKINNON
DIRECTOR OF JAZZ BAND

Saxophone workshop

The St Mary's Music department will be hosting a fun Saxophone Workshop for all budding saxophonists in The Edge on Saturday 11 March. Registration is from 08h30 and the morning will end at 13h00 after a fun concert for parents and friends at 12h30. Players of all levels from beginner to advanced are welcome to join in. There will be sessions on saxophone care and maintenance, classical and jazz playing techniques, masterclasses and a chance to play in a massed saxophone ensemble alongside professional players.

Complete this form to attend:

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CERI MOELWYN-HUGHES
HEAD OF WOODWIND STUDIES




St Mary's School
 Waverley
 Founded 1888

Saxophone Workshop

St Mary's School, Waverley
Saturday 11 March 2023
08h30 – 13h00
All welcome
R200 cash on the day
Enquires:
Ceri.Moelwyn-Hughes@stmary.co.za

SINGING SISTAS

WEDNESDAY 15 MARCH 2023

Kingsmead College
St Stithians Girls' College
Oprah Winfrey Leadership
Academy for Girls



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THURSDAY 16 MARCH 2023

Brescia House School
Assumption Convent School
St Andrew's School for Girls
St Mary's School, Waverley

Singing Sistas

The Edge
15 and 16 March 2023
18h30

JOURNEY TO WAKKERSTROOM CONCERT



JOURNEY TO WAKKERSTROOM

12 MARCH 2023
5 pm



The Edge
St. Mary's School
Waverley

Eugene Joubert, Shannon Armer, and Gerrit Koorsen will be performing selected works from two upcoming concerts - 'Rachmaninoff Restored' (Eugene and Gerrit) and 'Reflections and Perspectives' (Shannon and Eugene) -

that will be presented at the 2023 Wakkerstroom Music Festival. Enjoy an afternoon of classical music as these musicians bring their unique interpretations to the stage.

FROM THE DRAMA DEPARTMENT

The “Bennies Phyzz Bootcamp” was held on the 18 and 19 of February. This workshop was run by Bailey Snyman, an internationally recognised name on the subject of physical theatre and put together by Mr Kailin Pillay - head of Dramatic Arts at St Benedict's School.

The workshop introduced and explored exactly what physical theatre is and included warm ups pieces from Mr Snyman and rehearsed choreography. This was a completely new experience for me.

Physical theatre is not simply dance or gymnastics. It is never movement just for the sake of movement. Every move on stage has a purpose and communicates something to the audience.

We formed groups, our task was to create a phrase of 20 or so movements, that we would later use to form our own piece. From there, we split our phrase into assisted duets and trios. Performing these assisted phrases and discussing our intention of the piece and the mood we aimed to set, was where our first day concluded.



Left to right: Kailin Pillay, Alice Thiel, Bailey Snyman

At the workshop, I felt as though I truly was able to experience a brand-new side of theatre. I am very grateful to the Dramatic Arts department at St Benedict's for hosting the event and I will certainly be looking forward to next year's workshop!

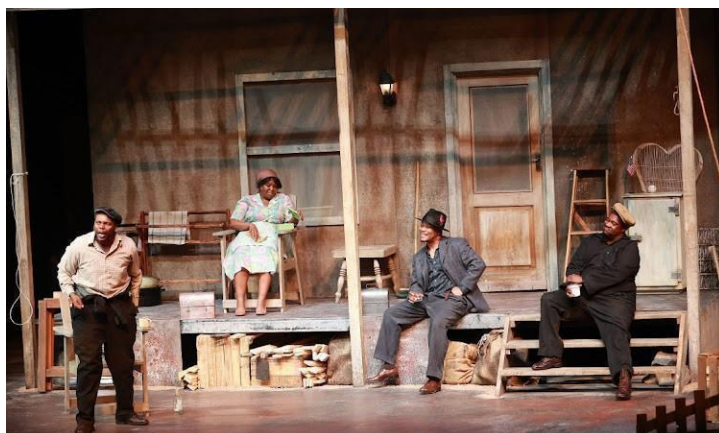
ALICE THIEL
FORM IV

FENCES-DRAMATHEATRE TRIP REVIEW

On Wednesday 22 February, the Drama students had the opportunity to watch a magnificent production of *Fences* at the Joburg Theatre. This was a wonderful experience and the performance was captivating.

The story follows the life of Troy Maxson: a father, husband and former baseball player who lives in Pittsburgh with his family during the 1950's. The play skillfully tackles issues of racism and existentialism through Troy's life at home as he wonders what life he could have led if he lived in a world of equality. Troy resents white people for his unsuccessful career as a baseball player and as a result directs that resentment towards his family. Furthering the enthralling storyline, the play also introduces the theme of the unequal power dynamic between men and women and shows this through his marriage to Rose.

Being able to observe a group of talented, black South African actors who completely absorb into their respective characters and convey the message intended by the original playwright, August Wilson, was an honour. The play was incredibly cathartic and had an impact on all the students, which was clearly seen in the conversations between the students after the production. I would highly recommend that people make time to watch this incredible production as I have no doubt that it will be a worthwhile experience.



MOSA MDLADLA
FORM V

FROM THE VISUAL ARTS DEPARTMENT

The Form IV Visual Art students have each completed a figure drawing using the medium of ink and bleach. Their figure had to show movement and dynamism in both the figure and background. They worked from photographs they had taken and used a wide variety of ink techniques to develop exciting compositions. The figure was just the beginning. The textural background was also based on original photographs that were then replicated using a variety of techniques in the ink medium. Each drawing told a story in its use of tone, texture, form and shape.



DANIELLE MOWATT
HEAD OF VISUAL ARTS

FROM THE GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT

On Wednesday 15 February, the Form V Geography girls took a trip on a city-wide field tour focusing on various aspects of our syllabus, including urban settlement, development and gentrification. We began the morning on a bus trip through Norwood and Houghton towards Berea where we were greeted by our tour guides at Victoria Yards. Victoria Yards is a prime example of urban renewal. Developer, Brian Green bought the dilapidated factories and surrounding buildings into a community-based space which serves the people of the surrounding areas with initiatives such as fruit and vegetable garden, entrepreneurship opportunities, educational and after-school services, with the community at the heart of it.

From Victoria Yards, we made our way to the Central Business District (CBD), where we viewed classroom concepts such as urban blight and decay. As we drove through the CBD, we watched the area transform into Maboneng, a place renewed by art and colour. Our first stop in Maboneng was Arts on Main. We were then fortunate to have been able to view Johannesburg's infamous skyline from the Living Room. The Living Room has utilised vertical greening and a 'living wall'. This makes this space an incredible experience. We then made our way through the CBD and Newtown and into Braamfontein over the Nelson Mandela Bridge. We then made our way to 44 Stanley. 44 Stanley is another prime example of urban renewal and is transformed by the greenery in this hidden gem.



After a delicious lunch at 44 Stanley, we made our way back to school via the outlying business district of Rosebank and Saxonwold.

Overall, the day was an incredible experience of putting our classroom concepts to real life. Thank you to Mrs Devine for organising such an amazing day that any budding geographer would be lucky to experience.

**TESSA DAGUT AND
KIRSTEN ROOME**
FORM V

FROM THE EdTECH DEPARTMENT

St Mary's School had the honour of hosting the first ICT cluster meeting of 2023. The meeting was attended by education technologists and ICT coordinators from various Johannesburg schools, who gather termly to exchange insights and ideas on new technological advancements.

This year's ICT cluster meeting was structured as a mini expo, showcasing robotics and coding projects created by both learners and teachers. The event was a tremendous success, with St Mary's learners exhibiting their impressive robotics projects, inspiring over 30 participating schools and organisations.

The meeting covered a range of topics, including the integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in education and planning quick robotics lessons using AI.

As the host of the meeting, St Mary's School is proud to have provided a valuable platform for networking and knowledge sharing.



MARIËTTE ADAM
HEAD OF EdTECH

SPORTS

Purple, or perhaps more apt to say RED patch

Sport is pretty much as unpredictable as the weather. How often does the favourite falter or the underdog hit a purple patch. It is my opinion that when the stars align you accept what comes your way and be grateful. This is exactly what has transpired in the last couple of weeks. Not only did we win the Premier and A galas, but a feat also which we are not sure has ever been achieved by any other school before. Not to be outdone, the St Mary's Junior School went one better and won the triple crown. They won the A, B and C junior Prestige galas. Suffice it to say, all went swimmingly!

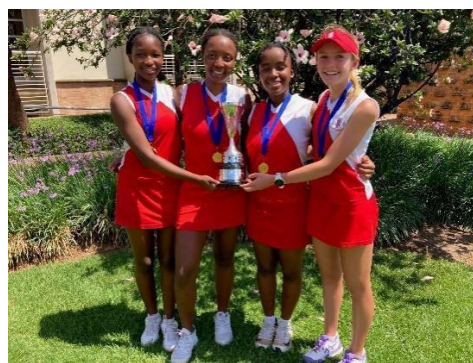
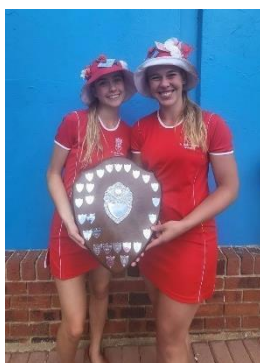
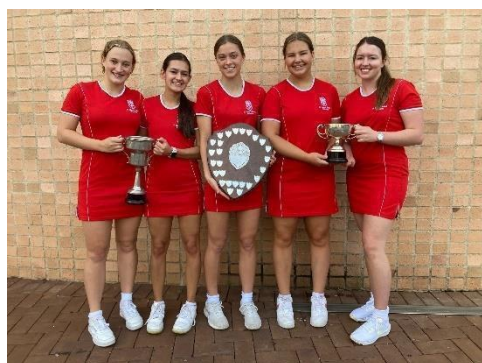
The divers then acquitted themselves well at their inter-high and took second place. This effort saw St Mary's win the Overall Shield for the team with the highest score from the swimming and the diving.

On the tennis courts the A team won the Premier league for the fifth time in a row, but they then went on to win the Senior A inter-high event for the second year in a row. This is an excellent achievement as 24 schools compete in this event. The St Mary's B team also did well and came a close second in the B inter-high event.

The rowers have been working exceptionally hard all term. The long hours at both the dam and the ergo room have paid off as after three hot and grueling days at Roodeplaat over the weekend, they were announced girl winners of the South African Schools Rowing Championships. What a wonderful achievement.

I think that Mia Hamm's quote is vital for us to note and not let complacency set in: "It is more difficult to stay on top than it is to get there."

QUIX
DIRECTOR OF SPORT



INTER-HIGH DIVING

The divers spent the entire first half of this term learning new dives, attending competitions, doing mark lists and being challenged with various tasks to prepare themselves for the final competition of the year, inter-high, the most prestigious diving competition in the school calendar. The competition is comprised of the A U15, A U16 and A Open event as well as a Junior B team event and Senior B team event.

For years there has been major competition, for the inter-high trophy, between St Mary's and St Stithians with only few points between the schools. Last year it was a tie between the two schools. Leading up to inter-high this year, St Mary's had taken the trophy at the St Mary's Summer Splash and St Stithians had taken the trophy at National Aquatics Festival. This left the inter-high trophy up for grabs for either of the schools.

The St Mary's A team comprised of Emma Campbell and Kristin Biggs in the U15 event, Keratile Manaka and Rebecca Wolstenholme in the U16 event and Zalika Methula and McKenzie Coakley-Eager in the Open event. Our junior B team comprised of Madison Pearce, Joyce Phakahti, Daniella van der Berg and Luyanda Mshengu. The senior B team comprised of Jesse Joseph, Katie Davidson, Grace Van Loggerenburg and Caitlin Kersten.

The results of the individual events were as follows:

U15

2 nd	Emma Campbell
10 th	Kristin Biggs

U16

1 st	Keratile Manaka
5 th	Rebecca Wolstenholme

Open

2 nd	Zalika Methula
12 th	Caitlin Kersten

Both the Junior B team and the Senior B teams placed 2nd.

After an exceptionally competitive and exciting morning of diving the overall results of inter-high were as follows:

A team

1 st	St Stithians Girls' College	151
2 nd	St Mary's Waverley	142
3 rd	Parktown High School for Girls	131
4 th	Roedean School	129
5 th	Brescia House	124
6 th	Kingsmead College	113
7 th	St Andrew's school for Girls	110
8 th	St Dominics Catholic School for Girls	84



B team

1 st	St Stithians Girls' College	56
2 nd	St Mary's Waverley	54
3 rd	Roedean School	51
4 th	Brescia House	26
5 th	Parktown	25
6 th	St Andrew's School for Girls	24
7 th	Kingsmead College	23



KATE SHEPHERD
HEAD OF DIVING

ROWING

First place in Gauteng Championships, Boat Race and South African Schools' Rowing Championships was no simple task and came with a lot of hard work and dedication. Three days of intense racing led the St Mary's rowing club to achieve what every other rowing club wanted. With a nerve rackingly small point difference between first and second place, St Mary's managed to win the title of the top girls rowing school in South Africa. This is a huge achievement, and the athletes and coaches should be beyond proud of themselves.

St Mary's also was awarded the top age group trophies for U16 and U19. South African national Championships 2023 ended the rowing season on a high as the club readies to close the boat house for the winter.

This rowing season is one to remember and could not have been a success without the tremendous help of the St Mary's rowing community. A huge thank you to the parents who worked tirelessly, cooking and selling food to raise funds and those who drove endlessly from one dam to the next and the coaching team, for the outstanding results.

The upcoming rowing dinner is the last event and is an exciting opportunity to reflect on achievements, improvements and friendships made.

SOPHIA BABAYA
FORM IV



BASKETBALL

OLD PETRIAN'S TOURNAMENT

Our 1st basketball team participated in the Old Petrian's Tournament that took place over half-term.

The team played eight full length matches against teams from around the country. The standard of basketball was high, and the players gained valuable experience participating in a tournament of this caliber.

Our team finished with a silver medal in the plate section. We are pleased with these results and we look forward to seeing the players develop even further in term III.



Back: Ramadimetja Montjane, Mufaro Mangwanya, Zinathi Gwina, Rofhiwa Mangale, Emmanuelle Mihigo, Nalenhle Mbatha, Entle Sepeng

Front: Samara Mayet, Serena Wolfenden, Tawananyasha Muchineripi, Pebetse Duba, Palesa Manala

INTER-HOUSE COMPETITION

The senior inter-house basketball competition provided an exciting afternoon for players and spectators.

Several closely contested matches made for some competitive matches that resulted in a high standard of basketball being played throughout the afternoon.

Thank you to the players and to all the staff that were involved in this event and congratulations to Phelps House, who were the winners of the inter-house competition.



TARYN DE WINNAAR
HEAD OF BASKETBALL

TENNIS

The tennis season ended on a very high note with the St Mary's first tennis team taking first place in the annual A inter-high competition. Twenty-four schools across Gauteng competed for the top honours. St Mary's won all their pool matches to make it through to the semi-finals. St Mary's beat both Trinity House in the semi-finals and Hoërskool Linden in the finals, in a convincing manner, to take top position. Well done to all the players for their outstanding doubles play.

The St Mary's B team also did extremely well, narrowly losing out by four games to Hoërskool Linden, to take second place in the annual B inter-high competition. Twenty-five schools participated in this event.

Well done to St Mary's C team, that also did extremely well beating Holy Rosary B, St Andrew's B, Kingsmead College B, Brescia House B, Rand Park High School B and St Peter's College B to end top of their section.

A inter-high results (Top 8 of 24 schools)

1	St Mary's School
2	Hoërskool Linden
3	Trinity House School
4	Northcliff High School
5	Helpmekaar Kollege
6	St Stithians Girls' College
7	Rand Park High School
8	St Andrew's College

B inter-high results (Top 8 of 25 schools)

1	Hoërskool Linden B
2	St Mary's School B
3	St Stithians Girls' College B
4	Trinity House Rand Park B
5	Helpmekaar Kollege B
6	Northcliff High School B
7	Roedean Schoolb
8	St Mary's School C

The final league matches have been completed and all the teams faired exceptionally well. Congratulations to the first team for beating St Stithian's College in their last match of the league to remain unbeaten throughout the season and to clinch top position on the log in the Premier League. Congratulations to the second tennis team for playing to a draw against Rand Park High first team.

Congratulations to all the players. Thank you for your commitment and enthusiasm. It has been a fantastic tennis season on and off the court and you have made St Mary's proud with your high standard of play.

Thank you to Mrs Corbett for all her support and help over the past season, to Mrs Lowndes and Ms Cook for their help with the teams on match days.

It has been a privilege to coach the tennis at St Mary's this season.

League results: 21 February

St Mary's A vs Helpmekaar A	62-19
St Mary's B vs Helpmekaar B	46-35
St Mary's C vs Rand Park A	16-47
St Mary's D vs Rand Park B	47-16
St Mary's E vs King David A	1-41
St Mary's F vs King David B	16-47
St Mary's G vs Parktown B	37-26
St Mary's H vs Parktown B	37-26

28 February

St Mary's A vs St Stithians A	48-15
St Mary's B vs St stithians B	44-19



RENÉ PLANT
HEAD OF TENNIS

NETBALL

Congratulations to Sisekelo Buthelezi and Leah Viljoen in Form I, and Keira Beeton in Form II, who have been selected for the U14 and U15 Central Gauteng indoor netball team respectfully. The girls will compete at the inter-provincial netball tournament at the end of March.



Sisekelo Buthelezi



Leah Viljoen



Keira Beeton

PALESA MASINGA
HEAD OF NETBALL

GOLF NEWS

Congratulations to Gia Raad who finished 7th in the South African Women's Amateur Strokeplay Championships. She played on different courses and shot rounds of 76, 76 and 73. These results ensured that she qualified for the SA Amateur Match Championships competition. She won her first round and sadly lost her second match on the first play-off hole. Well done, Gia!

Olivia Krige played in the same competition and shot scores of 78, 80 and 81 ending in 24th place. Olivia also then qualified for Amateur Match play Championships and was beaten in the quarter finals. She then played in the North West Women's open and came 3rd with excellent scores of 76, 80 and 68. Wonderful golf, Olivia!

I thought it was worth mentioning that Sam Whateley, who matriculated last year, won the South African Women's Amateur Stroke Championship.



Gia Raad



Olivia Krige

QUIX
DIRECTOR OF SPORT

EQUESTRIAN

The South African Junior Equestrian Championships took place in Shongweni, at the end of last year. Four of our riders achieved outstanding results competing amongst the top pony and junior riders in the country, at the highest level of the respective disciplines.

Jade Anderson

1st place SA Open Pony Rider 1.20m Championship

Open Pony Rider 1.20 Victrix Ludorum

Most stylish Pony Rider Award

Supreme Champion Open Pony Working Hunter Championship

Jade was also selected as part of the Gauteng Open Pony Rider Showjumping Team.

Jenna Blaauw

Reserve Supreme Champion Open Junior Working Hunter Championship Jenna was also selected as part of the Gauteng Open Showing Team that achieved Gold at the championships.

Sienna Blaauw

Reserve Champion Open Junior Show Hack

Reserve Champion Open Junior Show Hunter

Reserve Supreme Champion SA Open Junior Show Horse

Sienna was also selected as part of the Gauteng Open Showing and Dressage Teams that achieved Gold at the championships.

Katherine Franck

Reserve Champion SA Open Junior 1.35m Championship

Most Stylish Junior Rider Award

Katie was also selected as part of the Gauteng Junior Open Equitation Team that achieved Gold at the championships.

These are outstanding achievements, and we congratulate the girls.



MELANIE BLAIR
TEACHER IN CHARGE



LOST PROPERTY

On a disappointing note, the lost property in the Senior School is out of control. The first disturbing factor is the amount of clothing that is unnamed or still has the previous owner's name still on. Secondly, far worse, is the girls' complete disregard and lack of care for their own, often expensive belongings. Despite sending photos of the items and lists of names on the Form WhatsApp groups, and even telling girls personally that their belongings are either in my office or in the "named lost property box," they can seldom be bothered to collect it.

There are two boxes near the sports office that are used for collecting lost property. Any girl may come and look in these boxes at any time.

From now the procedure will be:

- All named lost property will be given to the child's mentor and the mentor will collect the R 5 for the item.
- All unnamed clothing or clothing with past pupils' names on, will be sent to the Clothes Cupboard for re-sale.
- All unnamed shoes and civvies will be donated to charity. No unnamed water bottles of any type will be kept.
- No underwear or socks will be kept.



HEADS OF HOUSES

IKUSASA LETHU

On Saturday 4 March our new Grade 8 and 9 learners had their first Sizanani LO Speakers session where they explored emotional literacy with *5th Place Coaches*. They could choose from a number of guest speakers around relevant psychosocial issues.

On the same day, a group of our alumni (matrics from 2017 to 2022) who are studying within psychology and related fields, had their first training session as peer counsellors for Ikusasa Lethu learners. Our hope is that this will give us the resources to support learners on an individual level in the form of support groups and one-on-one counselling.




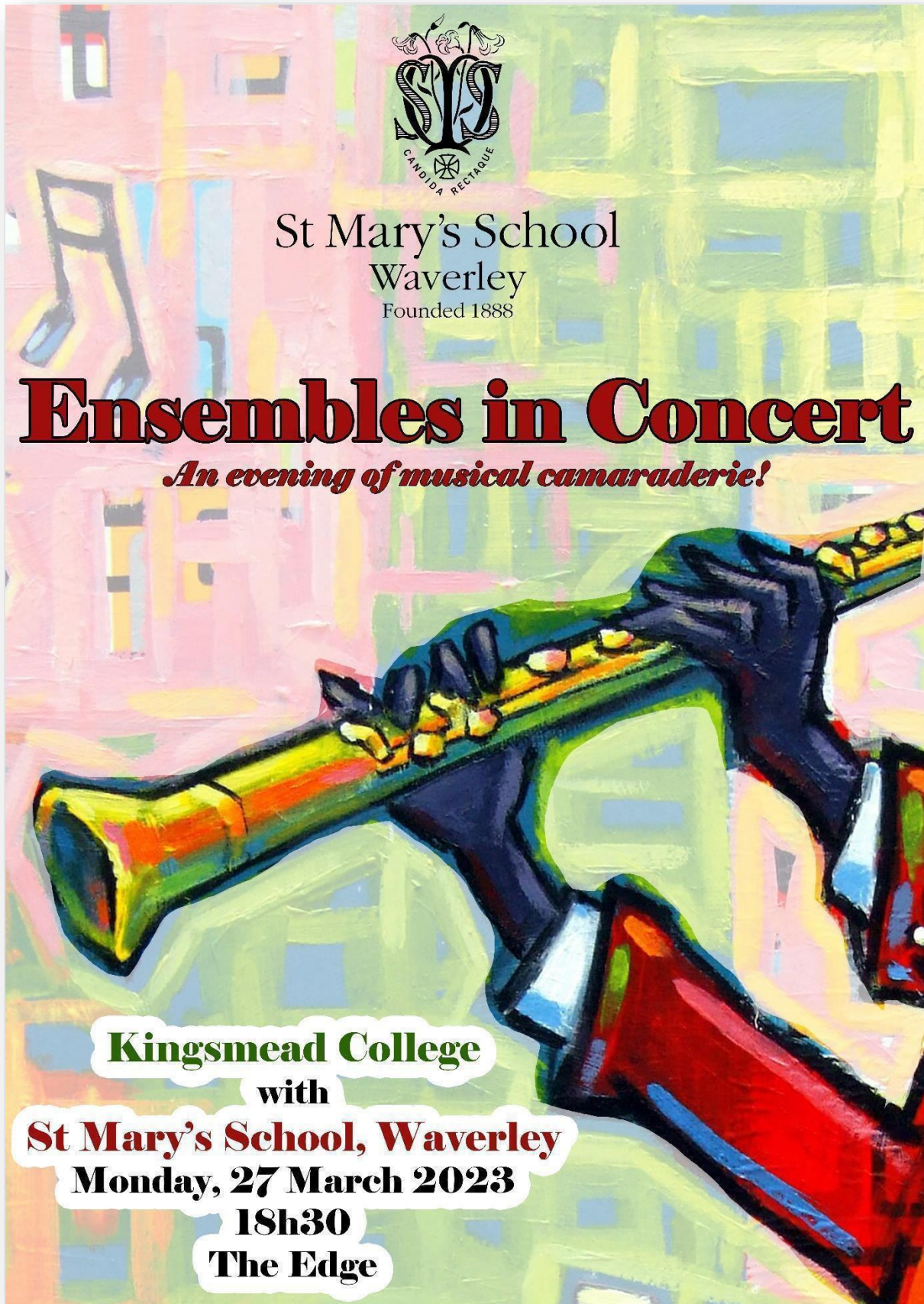
Our future peer counsellors with the *5th Place coaches*, Chantal Dawtrey and Matthew Green.

We are always open and happy to have speakers from various industries with different expertise to give talks on life skills and career advice. We will be hosting a career fair on Saturday 22 April and would love to have you share your career advice to help expose and prepare the learners for subject selection, university and their future careers. If you are willing to assist, please email us at info@sizanani.org.za by Friday 14 April or send a WhatsApp message to Kim at 0619984939.

For those who would like to mentor a learner (Grades 9-11) from Alexandra Township, our next mentor induction date is Saturday 25 March. Please email or send us a WhatsApp if you are interested.

ROBYN KNOWLES
HEAD OF THE IKUSASA LETHU PROGRAMME

SAVE THE DATE



St Mary's School
Waverley
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Ensembles in Concert

An evening of musical camaraderie!

Kingsmead College
with
St Mary's School, Waverley
Monday, 27 March 2023
18h30
The Edge

HOCKEY FESTIVAL

celebrating the 22nd

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Competing in the 22nd prestigious St Mary's Hockey Festival in March and April 2023 are 32 TEAMS from Southern Africa

St Mary's School will be hosting more than 500 competitors and their coaching staff, as well as the many supporters expected during the course of the festival.

ST MARY'S SCHOOL IS LOOKING FOR THE FOLLOWING SPONSORSHIPS:

- Sponsored boards on the AstroTurf
- A dedicated St Mary's Hockey Festival app with links to social media platforms will be used throughout the festival. The app has exciting advertising opportunities with great brand positioning for companies wishing to reach our considerable visitor numbers

If you would like to contribute and show your support, kindly complete the form on the next page and return it to lisa.grobbelaar@stmary.co.za



HOCKEY FESTIVAL



SPONSORSHIP FORM

(Please check the appropriate box as required)

AstoTurf advertising board sponsorship

- Boards to be erected around the perimeter of the AstroTurf
- Sponsorship of board is for a full calendar year, starting 29 March 2023, ending 28 March 2024

Board sizes:

<input type="checkbox"/>	1.2m x 2.4m	R15 000
<input type="checkbox"/>	3m x 2m	R22 000

I/we _____ (name/name of company)

would like to sponsor an AstroTurf board as checked in the boxes above.

Display advertisement on the St Mary's events app

The St Mary's events app is dedicated to the Hockey Festival during the festival and is used throughout the year for St Mary's events, sport tournaments and festivals. A display advertisement on the St Mary's events app will be for one year from 29 March 2023, ending 28 March 2024. Annual cost for company details and a link to company website/social media on the app is R5 000.

I/we _____ (name/name of company)

would like to advertise on the St Mary's events app.

Kindly supply all artwork in jpeg or png format by no later than 28 February 2023.

Name _____ Date _____

Signature _____

Please return to lisa.grobbelaar@stmary.co.za



ED-ADMIN PARENT PORTAL

St Mary's uses a school management information system called Ed-Admin to distribute termly school reports and to provide parents with an opportunity to inspect and amend personal information recorded in our database.

Below, please find details as to how to access the Ed-Admin St Mary's parent portal:

- You will require a Parent ID whenever signing into the parent portal. If you are unsure of your Parent ID, please email portal@stmary.co.za, with both your and your daughter's names and surnames, for assistance.
- To access the St Mary's parent portal, please visit the school website on www.stmarysschool.co.za and click on the portal login on the top right of the page.
- Enter in your Parent ID and choose 'forgot password'. Please ensure that you enter the email address that St Mary's has on record and enter in the CAPTCHA code.
- You will then receive an email. Once received, click on the link in order to set up your password. Choose a secure password. You will then receive another email to confirm your password has been changed. You can now proceed to log into the portal.

If you experience problems logging into the secure portal, please contact portal@stmary.co.za.