

# ST STITHIANS FOUNDATION NEWS FLASH



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## *Stationery drive for Thandulwazi partner schools - Saints Prep families "making a world of difference"*



*"Do your little bit of good where you are;  
it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world."*

(Archbishop Desmond Tutu)

In November 2015, the PTAs of the three St Stithians Prep Schools launched a stationery drive in support of the Thandulwazi partner schools. Sincere thanks to the many Saints parents and students who heeded the words of Archbishop Desmond Tutu and generously donated stationery, resources and their time for this good cause.

Over the last few months, Michele Strydom, Justine Lacey, Lorna Kirk and Celeste Oates, have coordinated the efforts of a small working group of mothers, fathers and students from the Girls' Prep, Boys' Prep and JP. They have spent long hours cleaning, sorting, sharpening and packing the donated items into 30 beautifully packaged boxes, which were completed yesterday. The boxes of stationery are to be given to partner schools, whose teachers attend the Thandulwazi Teacher Development Programmes in Gauteng and Limpopo. These educators, some of whom come from schools catering for the poorest of the poor, are always so delighted to receive the donated stationery for their students. The Thandulwazi Head (Dr Themba Mthethwa) and programme director (Mrs Ronelle Klinck) will distribute the boxes to selected schools on their visits to the Thandulwazi partner schools later this term.

It is projects such as the Preps Stationery Drive that build collegiality and help to create a community of belonging at St Stithians College.

*Thank you, One & All*



## How can you support the work of the Foundation and Thandulwazi?

We teach all who pass through the corridors of St Stithians that *“to whom much is given, much is expected”*.

The culture of giving has long been part of the St Stithians history and ethos. In fact Saints owes its existence to the generous bequest of our founders, Albert Charles Collins and William Mountstephens; and the generosity of successive generations of parents and alumni who have helped to build this great College.

There are so many ways that you can offer your support to the Thandulwazi Maths & Science Academy:

- Volunteer your time and skills at one of the Thandulwazi programmes on Saturday mornings;
- Volunteer professional services to the Thandulwazi Trust;
- Owners of companies may wish to make B-BBEE scorecard-compliant contributions to the Thandulwazi Trust;
- Register as a **MySchool Card** supporter and raise funds for the Thandulwazi Maths & Science Academy with every swipe, whilst shopping;
- **“Each One, Sponsor One”** – for just R150 a month (x12) or R1800 a year, you could fund a teacher or student to attend the Thandulwazi programmes on Saturday mornings.

For further information please contact Bev Johnson (Tel: 011 577-6193 or [bjohnson@stithian.com](mailto:bjohnson@stithian.com)).

Full details are available on the website:

<http://www.stithian.com/thandulwazi/content/page/thandulwazi-donate>



The **Thandulwazi Maths & Science Academy** is an educational project initiated by the St Stithians Foundation. Thandulwazi (isiZulu for a “love of learning”) was established in 2005, with the overall aim of actively improving the state of Maths and Science teaching and learning in schools in and around Gauteng. The St Stithians Foundation drives the fundraising for the Thandulwazi educational programmes offered.

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