

1 July 2016

**Dear Saints family** 

There is a sense of excited anticipation on the St Stithians campus today as our schools begin the half-term break. May the coming week be a time of family re-connecting and shared experiences. We look back with gratitude for all that we have experienced in our College of seven schools this past half-term – inspiring excellence and making a world of difference. Thank you, One and All, for your many contributions to our community of belonging.

I look forward to your participation in the following 'Rector' campus events:

# Rector Connect with Parents on Thursday 21 July at 18:00 in the One & All Conference Room

The format of this evening's event will be 'An Open Forum on Race and Racism'. The occasion provides an opportunity for parents to share experiences and insights as we, collectively, engage with the theme of 'race and racism' in our society and how to advance a Saints campaign against racism.

There are other fault-lines of division and stereotyping in our society, including sexism, homophobia and xenophobia. At this point in time, I feel that there are good reasons to focus on race and racism as a priority.

## Rector's Campus Action Day on Saturday 23 July at 09:00 at the Dam parking

Following on from the success of last term's event, I invite students, parents and staff to join our 'work party' on this morning. We will be concentrating on the area of the dams, clearing weeds and alien trees, and on litter pickups. The work done will count towards community service hours for students who wish to log them.

We will be providing a mid-morning snack and lunch. Please rsvp to <u>rector@stithian.com</u> for catering and organising purposes.

Please bring the following equipment: thick gardening gloves, spades, forks, garden loppers and tree poppers.

#### Infomed: Optimising response to medical emergencies

St Stithians has contracted with Infomed to optimise the ability of our staff to ensure that our students are treated promptly and correctly in situations of medical emergency. The ability to respond in this way is as good as the data that is provided by our parents. If you have not yet registered with Infomed, following on our communication in March, please respond to the letter below from our Head of Operations, René Swart.

Good wishes

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Dr T A Nuttall Rector

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## **Dear Parents**

### **Registration on Infomed system**

I write in follow up to the letter sent to parents in March, concerning the College's contract with Infomed to improve our response, and your child's personal care, in the case of medical emergencies. Thank you to all who have registered with Infomed. I request all those that have not yet registered to please do so, and to follow the steps outlined below.

Infomed is a medical data management system that is used by St Stithians College to manage medical information; medical emergencies; event and tour communication, as well as on-line indemnities.

A login e-mail was sent from Infomed to all parents in March, including a username and password.

If you have not received a login email from Infomed, please write to <u>info@infomed.co.za</u> with your child's name, surname and school (i.e. St Stithians Girls' College, St Stithians Junior Prep, etc.) in the subject line. A new log-in email will be sent to you. The email address you use to communicate with Infomed needs to be the same email address that is recorded on the School's Pencilbox system. If your details need updating on the School system, please do so through the St Stithians Secure Portal.

In response to the login email from Infomed, please login, accept the terms and conditions and then:

- Complete your child's medical information by selecting edit under family data; medical data in the grid where you see your child's name.
- Complete your contact information by selecting the small blue pencil icon on the grid where you see your name.

St Stithians and Infomed take all reasonable steps to secure personal information stored on the database. Please keep your login codes for future use. You are able to change your password at any stage.

The College's staff rely on Infomed in order to obtain immediate and real-time access to medical information and contact details in the case of a medical emergency. There is an additional risk if updated student details are not recorded on the Infomed system. We therefore request all our parents to register your child's information.

If you have further queries in relation to Infomed benefits, please email <u>info@infomed.co.za</u> or Deanne Schnaier on <u>dschnaier@stithian.com</u>.

Kind regards

Rene Swart Head of Operations, St Stithians College