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## NEWSLETTER

April, 2026

### MESSAGE FROM OLD STITHIAN CHAIRMAN: ISRAEL SKOSANA

Dear Old Stithians,

As I write this newsletter, I do so with a deep sense of gratitude, pride and reflection.

Serving as Chairman of the Old Stithians Association has been a great honour. To have had the opportunity to give back to a community and institution that helped shape so much of who I am has meant more to me than I can fully express. St Stithians is not merely a school. It is a place that builds character, fosters brotherhood and sisterhood, instils service, and creates a lifelong sense of belonging.

As I begin an exciting new chapter in my life in September, returning to study at Harvard, I have decided that I will not be standing for a third term as Chairman of the OSA.

I do so with great confidence in the strength of the OSA, in the quality of its people, and in the enduring spirit of Saints. Our community is filled with talented, committed and values driven Old Stithians who care deeply about the legacy of the school and about one another. That gives me enormous hope for the future of the OSA and its continued support of our school.

Looking back on my time as Chairman, I am proud of the commitment shown by so many who have given of themselves to strengthen the Association, build community, preserve tradition, and help shape a future worthy of our shared heritage. None of this work is ever done alone. It has been made possible by passionate committee members, generous alumni, engaged stakeholders, and a broader Old Stithian community that continues to show up with heart and purpose.

To all those who have supported me, challenged me, encouraged me and worked alongside me, thank you. Your contribution has been invaluable. Your belief in the value of the OSA has ensured its strength. And your commitment to St Stithians will continue to shape the future for generations to come.

While I may be stepping down as Chairman, I will always remain an Old Stithian who believes in this community and who will continue to support it where I can. Once a Saint, always a Saint.

Thank you for the privilege of serving, One and All.

Warm Regards,  
Israel Skosana

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### OLD STITHIAN CAPE REUNIONS

The St Stithians Advancement Office and our Old Stithian Association hosted two incredibly successful Cape reunions in late February - one in Stellenbosch and the other in Cape Town.

The Stellenbosch reunion welcomed a bumper turn out and it was heart-warming to connect with all of the Saints that are studying and living in this beautiful part of the country.

In Cape Town, a spectacular evening was had celebrating our Cape Town alumni at Brendon Crews' new restaurant, Camps Bay Social Club. The gorgeous sunset over the ocean with a sunlit Lion's Head in the background made for a stunning setting.

For more pictures on these events please click here:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1B7uKDP7DD/>



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# INTERNATIONAL UPCOMING REUNIONS



**TORONTO!**

**St Stithians College Alumni Reunion**

**Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026**

**Venue:** Elephant & Castle,  
212 King Street W, Toronto

**Time:** 17:30

**Please RSVP on the link provided!**

[RSVP HERE](#)



**Old Stithian Reunion**

**New York**

**MONDAY, 27<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2026**

G30 Schools Alumni Function

St Stithians College is part of the G30 Schools network. On Monday, they will be hosting a combined alumni event for graduates from all the member schools; a fantastic opportunity to network and connect with fellow alumni.

**Venue:** Manhatta, 28 Liberty Street, NYC

**Time:** 18:30

**WEDNESDAY, 29<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2026**

**Annual Saints NYC Reunion!**

**Venue:** DoubleTree by Hilton, Times Square South, 525 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue

**Time:** 18:00

[RSVP HERE](#)



**LONDON**

**St Stithians Reunion**

The Annual St Stithians Alumni Reunion is taking place on 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> May!

This year we've added an additional date for those who prefer a more formal setting. Please click on the date below for the reunion you would like to attend you are also most welcome to attend both evenings.

**The Details:**

**Wednesday 6th May 2026,**  
Dinner at the Ivy Market Grill,  
Covent Gardens, The Galatea Room  
Time: 18:00  
Bookings are £50 per person

**SPECIAL OFFER** Book by 30<sup>th</sup> April to and pay £25

**Thursday, 7th MAY 2026**  
Drinks & Canapés  
at The Wandle  
Time: From 17:30  
Tickets are £30 per person

[RSVP HERE](#)



**Austin**

**THURSDAY, 30TH APRIL**

Look forward to seeing One & All in Downtown Austin!

**VENUE:** ROARING FORK DOWNTOWN,  
701 Congress Ave, Austin, Texas

**TIME:** 17:30

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# OSA ZONE



This year, we were proud to host two incredible headliner acts in the OSA Zone at SaintsFest!

Thursday evening, MiCasa brought the vibes, setting the tone for an unforgettable night, before our very own Old Stithian duo, Mix & Dex, closed things off in style.

On Saturday, we kicked off the afternoon with Old Stithian Veliswa "Veenus," whose band delivered smooth, soulful R&B sounds. The energy built up beautifully into a standout performance by Jeremy Loops, before the night was wrapped up by fellow Old Stithian Hugo Schonborn.

A big thank you to Buhle Waste for sponsoring an activation in support of DKMS. Thanks to this initiative, 200 donors were successfully registered over the course of the festival an incredible contribution to a life-saving cause. DKMS is an international non-profit organisation dedicated to the fight against blood cancer and other blood disorders, working to register stem cell donors and connect patients with life-saving transplants around the world



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# FOUNDERS DAY WEEKEND

## Old Stithian Association Reunion Weekend *JUNE*

Our Annual Reunion weekend is taking place over Founders' Day Weekend on the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> June 2026!

We look forward to welcoming all the reunion groups from 1956/66/76/86/96/06 and 2016!

### FRIDAY, 5TH JUNE

Tour of your respective school followed by a chapel service and refreshments with staff.

08:00-10:30am

### FRIDAY EVENING:

Enjoy the exciting Hockey matches at the Astro from 5pm. Girls' College are putting on a performance, "In her Footsteps" from 6pm

*\*Times are tbc for hockey and show*

### SATURDAY, 6TH JUNE

Founders Day Service from 10am  
Exciting Rugby Fixtures from 3pm  
at Higher Ground Restaurant  
Formal Reunion Dinner at 6pm

TICKET

**Higher Ground Restaurant,  
St Stithians College**

## CONTACTS FOR THE REUNION CLASSES:

BC 1966- Alasdair Finlay

BC 1976- Charles Muller

BC 1986- Paul Hutton

BC 1996- Brendon Grainger

BC 2006- David Smith

BC 2016 - Tom Eichner

GC 2006-

GC 2016- Holly Chalmers

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# Thandulwazi - Celebrating 20 years

### Thandulwazi: A Saints Legacy That Transforms Lives

At St Stithians College, we measure our success not only by the achievements of our students within these walls, but by the transformative difference we create beyond them. With this in mind, the Thandulwazi Maths and Science Academy stands as a powerful expression of our values in action and our commitment to changing lives through education.

### Where It All Began: A St Stithians Story

The story of Thandulwazi begins with its origins in the early 2000s, when our staff, parents and alumni, the Saints family at its finest, came together with a vision that continues to shape us today. They asked the question that would define our institutional character: What if we opened our gates and doors and shared our resources with those who need them most? This wasn't just an idea - it was Saints values in action. In 2006, St Stithians College established the Thandulwazi Maths and Science Academy. The name chosen for this initiative was deeply meaningful. Thandulwazi – isiZulu for "love of learning" – would become more than just an academy; it would become a beacon of hope, a bridge between worlds, and a demonstration of the transformative power of education.

For more on how Thandulwazi is changing lives, connect with us via the following channels:



The OSA Committee recently came together for a meaningful sandwich & fruit drive in support of Thandulwazi Saturday School students. With the help of our alumni community, we were able to give back in a simple but impactful way. Initiatives like these remind us of the power of connection and the importance of supporting one another beyond our school years.



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### STAY IN TOUCH: DOWNLOAD THE OSA APP

INTRODUCING  
**THE OSA APP**

This is your hub for connection, networking, and staying up to date with everything OSA related.

Mentorship

Higher Ground

Global Network

Updates

Android Download the App Now

iOS Download the App Now

- Search for 'Old Stithian Association'** in your mobile app store.
- Download and install** the OSA App.
- Open the app and you'll see a **login** screen.
- Start connecting!** Engage with fellow alumni, access exclusive updates, and enjoy the benefits.
- Update your profile under **'My Profile'** in 'Account Settings.'
- Log in using the **email address** where you receive alumni communications. Your default password is **"OSAAPP"** (you can update this later).

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### THE HOME OF THE OSA: HIGHER GROUND RESTAURANT

**Located** on the beautiful grounds of St Stithians College, is the **Higher Ground Restaurant** which has unbeatable views of the Sandton skyline.

This extraordinary venue is the ideal setting for any occasion, from a leisurely Sunday brunch to an elegant evening event.

The restaurant delights guests with a delectable menu featuring breakfast, lunch, and dinner options that are sure to impress. It's no surprise that Higher Ground has become a favorite destination for hosting everything from social gatherings to corporate functions.

The Old Stithian Association (OSA) regularly hosts events at this breathtaking location, including the popular LAST Thursdays Draws.

### HIGHER GROUND DISCOUNT OFFER

**Get 10% OFF your meal at Higher Ground!**





Here's how to claim it:

1. Download the Old Stithian Association App
2. Tap the "OSA Discounts" button
3. Show the promo code image to your waiter



Enjoy the savings here!



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