



15 September 2017

Dear Saints Family

I write about the following:

1. Bus transport safety procedures
2. Preparatory Schools Marimba Festival, 20 September
3. Walking of dogs on campus

#### **Bus transport safety procedures**

The safety of our children is a top priority for us. St Stithians has a longstanding procedure of requiring the necessary compliance assurances from the bus companies that we contract for school transport, as well as clear expectations of staff who accompany our students on buses. In the aftermath of the tragic Michaelhouse bus accident, we have reviewed our existing procedures and added further routine checks and safety instructions, so as to ensure that all reasonable steps are taken to ensure a safe journey.

#### **Preparatory Schools Marimba Festival, 20 September, 18h00 @ Mears Hall**

The inspirational annual Preparatory Schools Marimba Festival takes place next Wednesday evening. For an evening of fun and wonderful rhythm and melody, book this date. Eight schools will be entertaining us with youthful energy.

#### **Walking of dogs on campus**

Arising from our 2053 Landscape Master Plan, we have created new regulations for the walking of dogs on campus. In short, we are requiring dog-walking to happen in the 'veld' areas, on the paths and trails of this zone of the campus: from the dams' area, across the grasslands, and down to the Hurlingham gate. Dog walking is allowed on the ring road from the dams to the Hurlingham gate. We are keeping dogs out of the school precinct and off all field areas. I remind you that dogs are to be kept on leads at all times, and dog-walkers are required visibly to carry their 'permit', obtainable from the Operations Department near the One & All Clubhouse.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

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Rector