



5 July 2017

Dear Saints Family

Welcome back for the second half of Term Two. I write to draw your attention to the following:

Rector Connect, Wednesday 12 July, 18h00 in the GLT (Girls' Prep)

I invite all parents and staff to my Rector Connect next week. The focus of my presentation will be an update on Campus 2053 and two Master Plans which define our forward thinking. The first, the Buildings Master Plan, identifies the major facilities projects. The second, the Landscape Master Plan, is a new concept which addresses and celebrates the distinctive landscape and natural features of the St Stithians campus. The Rector Connect provides an opportunity for parents and staff to engage with these two Master Plans and to shape their future evolution.

Landscape planning and campus use

The Landscape Plan identifies various zones of the campus. The major zones are the 'inner sanctum' of the school buildings and adjacent fields; the campus entrance areas and the school entrance areas; the 'upper zone'; and the 'grassland zone'. We wish to be clearer in defining the core features and functions of each zone. As part of this new approach, we have defined the 'upper zone' (the dam areas extending westwards to the Bram Fischer Road boundary) and the 'grassland zone' (the south-western area running east towards the power lines and down to the Hurlingham gate) as the designated area for walking dogs and for the MTB cycle trails.

Expected taxi strike, Wednesday 12 July

You will have seen media reports about a planned major taxi strike on 12 July. As things stand at present, our intention is to keep the school open, taking into account the potential disruption of commuters.

The Southern and Eastern Cape fires

Thank you to parents and students who responded to the requests for emergency supplies in response to the fire damage. We have been in contact, in particular, with Woodridge College near Port Elizabeth, and which was extensively damaged.

St Stithians hosts National Conference on Teaching South African Languages, 14-15 July

We are pleased to have organised this significant contribution to advancing the teaching and learning of South African languages, drawing attendees from across the country.

St Stithians hosts the U18 Coca Cola Craven and Academy Rugby Week, 17-22 July

We are pleased to be hosting this major national event on our beautiful campus. For further information, please contact via email Tinus Diedericks - Tdiedericks@northcliffhigh.co.za or Olga Carr - events@stithian.com

Yours sincerely

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