



3 March 2022

Dear One and All,

Inspired with Purpose and Driven by Passion, the #SaintsFest2022 is nearly upon us!

Prep Festival (Thursday 7 April 2022 to Saturday 9 April 2022)

College Festival over the **Easter weekend** on Wednesday 13 April, Thursday 14 April, Saturday 16 April and Monday 18 April 2022

We are fast approaching one of the highlights of our Saints calendar as we welcome over two thousand athletes to participate in our 2022 Saints Sports Fest over two weeks in April.

A **booklet of 14 entrance tickets** (valued at R700) has been given to the eldest child in each family (except those families that advised to the contrary). This booklet will be charged to your school account. Whilst you are not obliged to accept this booklet, we would be most appreciative if you could support this wonderful event and invite your family and friends to join in the fun. These tickets are for the College fixtures over the Easter weekend and this year, a ticket will be required for entry to the Prep Festival only on the Saturday. If you have any ticketing queries, please email festivaltickets@stithian.com. Any unneeded ticket booklets should please be returned to the school reception and deposited into the Ticket Box by 01 April 2022.

We look forward to our annual Saints Sports Festival with great excitement as the Festival is a great celebration of sport. If you have joined us in previous years, you know how much fun the Festival is and if you are new to the Saints family, you will soon discover this.

With 78 schools represented by 148 teams participating in football, hockey, netball, rugby, squash and tennis, the return to school sport has never been as exciting! We encourage our Saints family to support our players in our jam-packed Festival.

Besides the sport, you will be able to purchase food and drinks from some great **vendors** such as Amici's Pizzeria, Baan Bootsbar, Burger Express, Cupped Coffee, House of Crepes, Jafra Java and Zest Beverages to name just a few whilst experiencing Saints Spirit at its best.

This year the **Standard Bank Saints Supporters Marquee** will once again be situated above Baytopp Field. Access tickets will be sold daily at the Marquee on a first-come, first-served basis. Numbers will be limited according to COVID-19 regulations. No pre-bookings will be taken.

OSA Zone (previously OSA Hospitality Tent)

The OSA Zone will be back this year offering a number of specials along with spot prizes. Numbers will be limited according to COVID-19 regulations. Please check the Old Stithian Association Facebook page for updates.

Saints Supporters Apparel

Our Saints Supporters clothing is distinctive with its blue and white Saints stripes – often visible on parents and alumni at Saints events. We invite you to purchase your Saints Supporters' kit and wear it with pride either before or at #SaintsFest2022 as well as any other Saints event.

Alumni Games

We will once again host the Alumni Games on Easter Monday 18 April 2022 which debuted at our 2019 Festival. This creates a platform for Saints Alumni to take on Alumni from our participating Festival school teams and re-ignite some good old rivalries. If you are interested in participating, please get in touch with our Old Stithian Association representative, Caitlyn Loneon on <u>CLoneon@stithian.com</u>

Sponsors

We extend our thanks to all our **sponsors**, and especially to **Standard Bank**, our headline sponsor for their sponsorship of the Saints Sports Festival 2022. Our thanks also go to **9**th **Bit**, **Active Lifestyle Solutions**, **Cool Ideas**, **Ellis Lehman**, **Empact Group**, **Inside Active**, **Nova Choc Oh Late**, **Mauwane Transport Solutions**, **Performance Brands**, **Fiat Chrysler Sandton**, **SuperSport Schools**, **The Copy Shop and Totem** to name but a few of our generous sponsors. If you are interested in coming on board as a sponsor of our prestigious event, please contact <u>events@stithian.com</u>

Parent Involvement

If you as a parent would like to get involved, please contact the director of sport in your child's school to express your interest and ask for details about the parent committee.

Leading up to the SportsFest you can expect more emails from us with information on how to access fixtures and more. We encourage you all to join the conversation on our social media platforms.

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| Our hashtag for 2022 | #SaintsFest2022 |

We look forward to seeing you at **#SaintsFest2022** which promises to be a showcase of great school sport and tons of fun.

Yours sincerely The Saints Sports Festival Committee