



Stanford Lake College

17 September 2009

Dear Members of the Stanford Family

Spring is in the air and I think everyone will agree that Stanford Rocks. The 3rd term has been very busy from a cultural point of view. The hard work put in by pupils and staff alike into the “Roots of Rock” will prove that Stanford is positively executing the new development plan by exposing the majority of our pupils to an excellent and very professional school production. We hope you enjoy it.

The new boarding house still has no name and I urge anyone from the community to submit any suggestions to Johann or me. Building progress is good and the builders are confident that they will meet the November deadline.

The new boarding house has given us an opportunity to do a bit of a facelift on the entrance road and adjoining landscaping. Are there any parents who love gardening and would like to play an active role in improving and simplifying the gardens on our campus? The development plan is very exciting from an environmental point of view but we would dearly love input from parents to help us with this ongoing task. If you are keen to get involved please contact Johann or me.

This is the second term where we have seen the benefits of outsourcing the cleaning, laundry and gardens to Moomela Kataila General Cleaning. Mr Isaac Mamabolo, a past teacher at Stanford, has excelled in creating a smooth transition and I think you will all agree that the school is clean and the gardens are looking more kempt than ever before.

We bid farewell to two Stanford stalwarts this term. Mr Hillary has resigned from the Letaba Educational Trust as a Board appointed member due to his health. We would like to offer our sincerest thanks to Ed for his dedication, practical advice and many hours of physical labour during his tenure at Stanford Lake College. Ed has been involved almost since the inception of the school and his faith in what we have been creating has been unwavering. Mr Grant Daly, who has years of experience on the Mitchell House Board, replaces Ed and we look forward to Grant joining our dynamic team.

Mr Noné is retiring to pursue ventures closer to home. Alf has always been the voice of reason and he will be sorely missed. Alf, thank you for your commitment, support and always keeping the numbers in line. Mr Richard Coetzer, who comes with the right amount of experience and a wicked sense of humour, replaces Alf from 1st October. Richard has been the Financial, Operations and Managing Directors of Tanker Services during his career, as well as a member of the Governing Body of Bryanston Primary School. We are excited to have

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Richard and his wife, Trish, and son, John (in Grade 10 next year) joining us on the mountain. The Coetzer family will be an enormous asset to the community. Mr Coetzer will be attending the Bursars Conference next week on our behalf, which should stand him in good stead and offers a wonderful opportunity for Stanford Lake College to network.

Mr Ueckermann, Mr Taute and I are accompanying 5 Stanford pupils to the International Round Square Conference to be held in October in India. It is always a life changing experience and it will be a pleasure for me to introduce them to the greater Round Square family.

Apart from these exciting or sad changes, we will keep you informed next term about the up-coming Trust elections for next year.

Wishing you all a short, but happy, school break.

Yours sincerely

Maggie Baleta [Mrs]
CHAIRMAN: LETABA EDUCATIONAL TRUST