

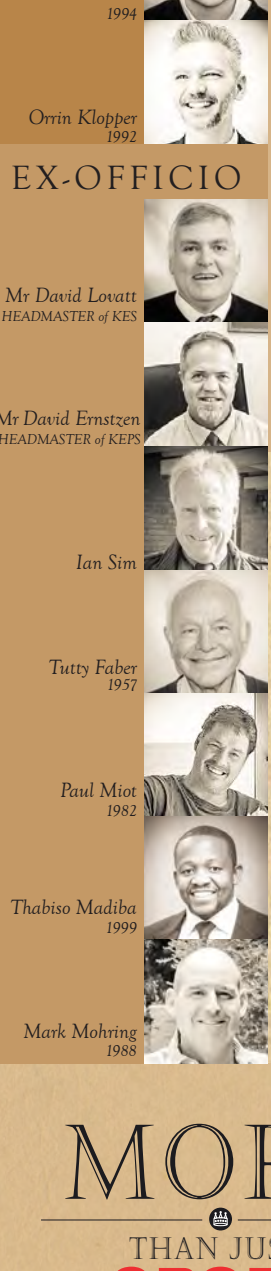


KING EDWARD VII SCHOOLS THE EDUCATIONAL TRUST

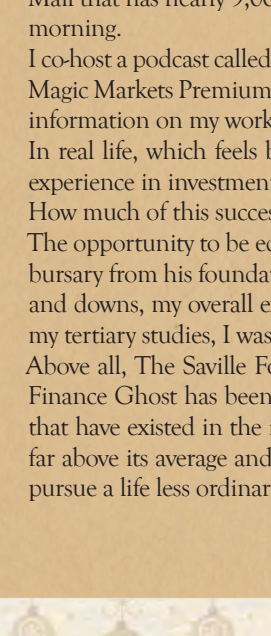
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THE KING EDWARD EDUCATIONAL TRUST NEWSLETTER

## TRUSTEES



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## NOTE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

King Edward VII School has always been a melting pot of different cultures, dynamic individuals, quality educators, world class facilities and proud old boys. It makes me extremely proud to look at the contributions of the various authors and see just what the school and the individuals within its network did and continue to do on a daily basis.

Below you will read about the Finance Ghost. First given an opportunity by an old boy and then by the school, he is taking that opportunity with both hands. And he's quite right it's not just about sport. Recently on social media I saw a Tweet from the King Edward VII School with a picture of a few King Edward VII Old Boys who have all recently become medical doctors at Wits. For the Millennium the Sunday Times chose five South Africans from various walks of life that were considered the best that South Africa had produced. Three of them were King Edward VII Old Boys in Gary Player (Best South African Sportsman), Sir Donald Gordon (Top Businessman and founder of Liberty Life) and Sir William Kenridge (Top South African Artist). This is a truly remarkable mark of commendation to all that King Edward VII boys have to offer our country South Africa. We are truly a world class but uniquely South African School.

## NOTE FROM THE HEADMASTER

As we near the end of another COVID-19 interrupted year, it would be remiss of me not to acknowledge the enormous support of the King Edward Educational Trust and its Trustees. Despite the numerous challenges, The Trust has stood steadfast in its commitment to support the King Edward VII Schools and their endeavours to ensure that the boys receive a quality Public School education.

The year end newsletter bears testimony to the efforts of the broader community and their belief in the schools. The Trustees have provided strategic direction and oversight of the funds in Trust, as well as ensuring that the Endowment and Bursary programs continue to grow from strength to strength, despite the constraints of the times we find ourselves in. I wish to thank all of the Trustees and we look forward to our 120th year with a great deal of optimism and hope.

## THE BABY BEARS PROJECT

Baby Bears will be opening in January 2022. This facility promises to be a world class one with a wonderful warm and homely atmosphere created by the ambience that the house offers. All the playground equipment has been especially designed to incorporate the trees in the garden and this will in turn free up the lawn area which is always a bonus at a nursery school.

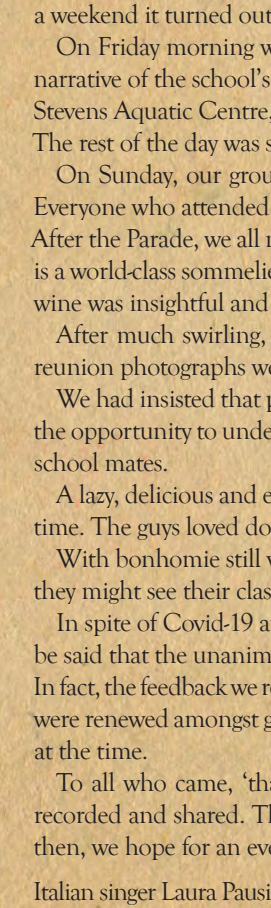


## MORE THAN JUST SPORT

The lessons learnt in a competitive environment are invaluable later in life. Let's face it: how many of us are still playing regular sport ten or especially twenty years out of school? The value of attending King Edwards isn't found on the scoreboard in your high school years, but on the scoreboard for the rest of your life.

It's hard to blame some people for thinking that KES is actually a sports institution masquerading as a place of learning. After all, with such an illustrious history of producing top sportsmen, it's easy to focus on KES' reputation as a nursery for future Springboks and Proteas. Those who have been through the KES system will know that nothing about the sporting character of the school is richly deserved and has been earned with heroic performances on the field, there's more to the school than just its sport.

## OLD BOYS' ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS



Red is the colour of love  
Red tastes like hot sauce that turns bright  
Red smells like smoke in danger with fire  
Red sounds like the teacher frustrated in class  
Red feels like worry in a fear drill test  
Red looks like madness and anger  
Red makes us want to fight with bravery  
Most importantly, however, Red unites KES boys  
5 different years, 5 different students, 1 university class  
Today marks the end of our medical studies together. All 5 of us have now become the "Wits Medical Class of 2021"

Simon Fraser-King (2003)  
Jaston Briggs (2011)  
Stroms Barkhuizen (2012)  
Hamzah-Ahmad Ebrahim (2013)  
Janz Thorburn (2015)

## OLD BOYS' REUNION

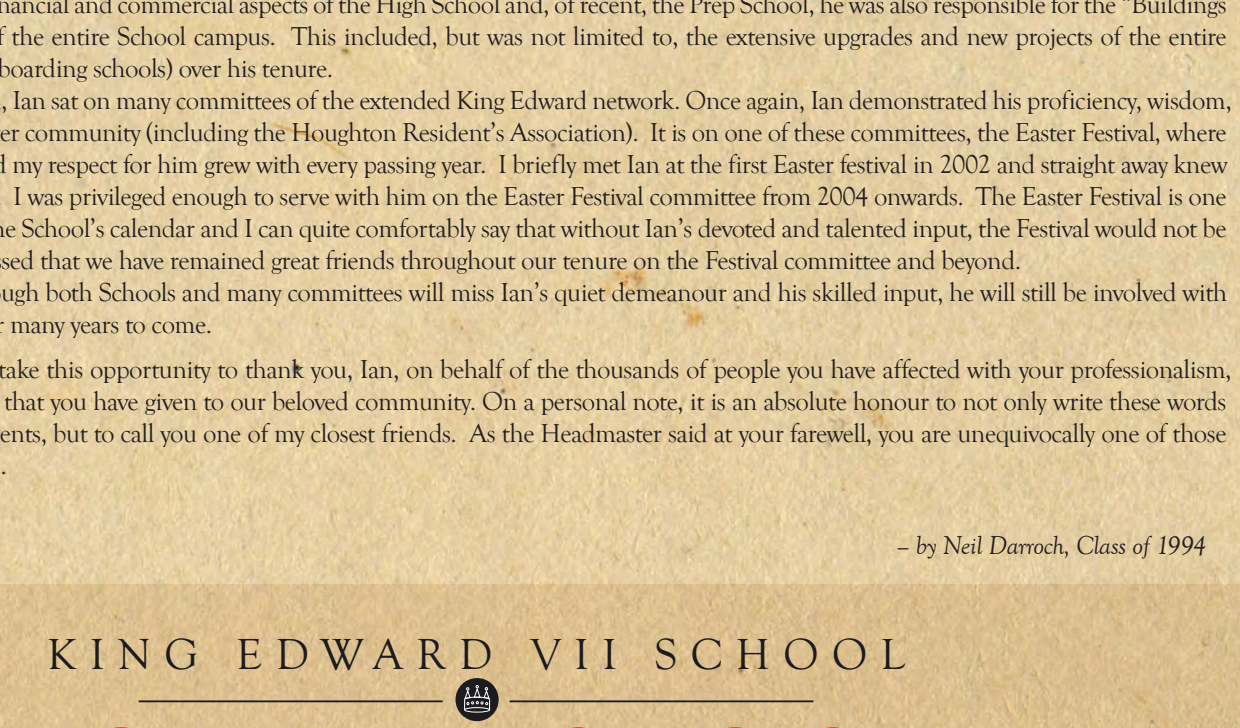
Classes of 1970 & 1971

and comfort. There were the smart people, we expected to emerge from the chaos to reassure us all that 'it would be alright in the morning'. But what a weekend it turned out to be!

On Friday morning we were hosted by Headmaster, David Lovatt, who spent over two hours with our group on a tour of the school. His eloquent narrative of the school's history and the changes at the KES made the walking tour all the more interesting. We enjoyed refreshments at the new Mark Stevens Aquatic Centre, after which some of us visited the boarding houses and the High-Performance Centre.

## SHARE THE SPIRIT!

Christmas is here! Share the spirit!



## UNIVERSITY OF THE WITWATERSRAND

Top achievers mark in Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Placed on the Dean's Merit list  
Participated in the Phakisoane Hanyinyo Group Honour Medal for graduating Cum Laude  
Participated in the Queen Mary University of London Cross-Examination Moot team, which participated in an International Arbitration Moot Court competition before the Permanent Court of Arbitration. The team reached the Top 4 out of a total of 48 Universities from around the world. As part of the team, Kyle lead the cross-examination of a fact witness and an expert witness on the quantification of damages.

Kyle Melville, Class of 2013, recipient of the H J Hofmeyr Scholarship. Kyle completed his BA LLB at the University of Pretoria. In the recent Recognition of achievement function he was awarded:

## UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA (TUKS)

'Hending cats in a hurricane'  
The organising of a 50-year matric reunion during the pandemic by Mike Gendel, 6 December 2021

The organising of a 50-year school reunion in 2021 was always going to be a daunting task. For most of the planning period it seemed like we were in a raft floating somewhat uncontrollably down the Zambezi rapids. Uncertainty dogged the event. Covid lunged around us - an enemy we couldn't see, touch or easily defeat. Fear and trepidation spread across the world. It seemed that there was a global lack of leadership

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Classes of 1970 & 1971

Thanks for the memories Guys!

With both home still very much in the air, gurgles of guys arranged to see each other again in the following days, while others left not knowing when they might see their classmates again.

## VALETE IAN SIM

There is no question that Ian has been one of the faces of the King Edward family a trusted confidant, a friend, and the ultimate professional, always. His attention to detail and dedication to all aspects of the King Edward family are qualities that will be extremely hard to match and something we should be exceptionally thankful for.

Over the 19 years of King Edward's illustrious history, it is fair to say that our School has had many dedicated and loyal servants. There is no question that Ian Sim is someone who will be recognised as one of those King Edward bastions.

## CAPITAL PROJECTS

Ensuring that King Edward VII School remains relevant and world class for our 120th celebration.

### NEW ENTRANCE

King Edward VII School would like to create a new entrance and waiting area for our learners on St Patrick's Road. One of the main reasons for this upgrade is safety. We all remember with regret the terrible lightning Incident of 2013, this new facility will help to alleviate that possible risk as well as tidying up the entrance to our Great School.

### NEW ADDITIONS TO EXISTING GEOGRAPHY BLOCK

Alterations and additions will be made to our existing Geography Block. This includes staircases for improved fire security and additional classrooms for improved learning of all of our Learners.

### MUSIC CENTRE

Our Headmaster Mr Lovatt has a dream. Help him to fulfill it in a music centre is long overdue. King Edward VII School has so many talented learners at primary and high school level and the time has come for us to nurture these talents. This project is an ideal project for a philanthropic music lover, if you would like to contribute to this wonderful, proposed facility or even to have it named after you as the donor then please do contact us.



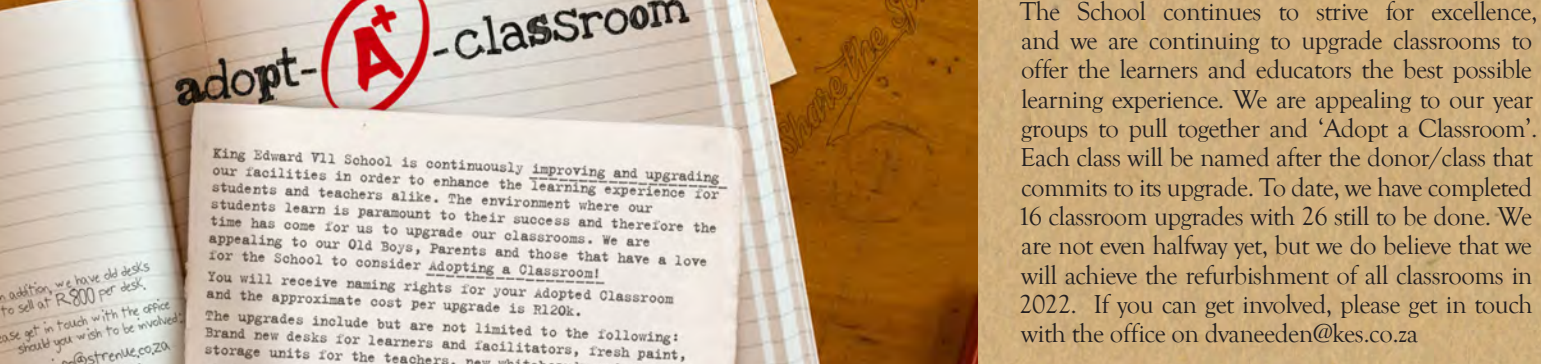
## 120TH CELEBRATIONS

AROUND THE GLOBE

120TH CELEBRATIONS WITH THE HEADMASTER IN 2022  
Perth banquet: 7 August 2022  
Sydney banquet: 14 August 2022  
Los Angeles banquet: 21 August 2022  
New York banquet: 25 August 2022  
London banquet: 31 August 2022  
SA banquet: 12 November 2022

## #HUNDREDS CAMPAIGN

#Hundreds campaign - The endowment is critical for securing the future success of the school and it is our mandate as Trustees to ensure we have a healthy bank balance. If every individual reading this newsletter signed up to this campaign, we will be able to educate 154 students a year at King Edward School! For only R100 per month! Let that sink in. We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to all our donors that have signed up so far, the impact you have made is far reaching. Sign up here:



## OUR OVERSEAS CHAPTERS

A UK bank account set up and running in the UK and in order to donate directly to the Trust here are the bank details:

King Edward VII School turns 120 years old in the year 2022 and the Trust, along with the support of an exciting campaign, celebrate this milestone. The goal is to raise R120 million.

## TAX BENEFITS OF BENEFACTION

It is best to consult your financial adviser for your tax planning, but we summarise here the tax benefits available to donors to educational institutions, which are classified as public benefit organisations.

ANNUAL TAXABLE INCOME  
Both individuals and business can give up to 10% of annual taxable income to the King Edward Educational Trust and receive a tax certificate for this deductible contribution.

DONATIONS TAX  
There is no donations tax payable on any donation made to the King Edward Educational Trust.

ESTATE DUTY/BEQUEST  
Any property bequeathed to the King Edward Educational Trust is excluded from the value of the estate and therefore not subject to estate duty.

DONATIONS - IN - KIND  
There are tax concessions, subject to valuation, for the donation of property (including adjuncts such as security fencing, scaffolding etc), financial instruments (such as shares in a listed company), trading stock and assets (such as foodstuffs, medical supplies, furniture, motor vehicles, computers, office equipment).

LOOKING TO LEAVE A LEGACY TO YOUR SCHOOL? PLEASE CONTACT US REGARDING A BEQUEST.

## STRENUUE TRUST

Are you as a company looking to reduce your financial impact of your 6% Skills development spend whilst still receiving your full BEE benefit? We have partnered with a highly reputable company who was birthed due to the high unemployment rate and increasing lack of qualified youth available for jobs. They also offer a corporate tax saving of around 15% of your PAYE bill monthly. Who said BBEED had to be so daunting! Contact us to assist you with our holistic model providing:

MEET OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES



NOTE FROM THE STRENUUE CHAIRMAN  
Investing in Strenue means you can't be certain that the funds are being invested in the country's top state schools and the education of the learners who attend these schools. Strenue is a Level 1 BEE contributor, which means our donors maximise their BEE points. So, it really is a win-win-win, with learners, schools and companies all benefiting. If your company is in a position to potentially partner with Strenue, please contact strenue@kes.co.za.

THE BIGGEST ROOM IN THE WORLD, IS THE ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT!  
The School continues to strive for excellence, and we are continuing to upgrade classrooms to offer the learners and educators the best possible learning experience. We are appealing to our year groups to pull together and 'Adopt a Classroom'. Each class will be named after the donor/class that commits to its upgrade. To date, we have completed 16 classroom upgrades with 26 still to be done. We are not even halfway yet, but we do believe that we will achieve the refurbishment of all classrooms in 2022. If you can get involved, please get in touch with the office on dvanee@kes.co.za