THE KING EDWARD EDUCATIONAL TRUST NEWSLETTER



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the last of our Winter fixtures.

As we enter Term 3, the time to "chill" is over, excuse the pun, with this cold

its donors that provide the opportunities for so many to attend and excel at our fine school. The Trust continues to go from strength to strength as does the School. As Chairman of the Trust, it gives me enormous pleasure to see the growth and development of the TRUST, it is critical to note that the only purpose of the Trust is the development of the two schools being King Edward Preparatory School and King Edward VII School. We continue to try and get to the R120 million milestone for our 120th birthday, this is a work in progress, but we shall continue the endeavour. Thank you for taking the time to read this terms edition of Trusted. We hope to see you around the school in the next term with the last of the winter fixtures, a few reunions, the old boy's association golf day and of course the Armistice Day parade. The school and the TRUST are in great shape, it's all thanks to all of you...

- Jonathan Gerber, Chairman

Dear King Edward VII Community The School is extremely grateful for the tremendous, and may I add, extremely generous support we receive from the King Edward Educational Trust and the Strenue Trust. Under the leadership of Mr J Gerber and

Mr P Marketos and fellow Trustees the Trust continues to grow from strength to strength. More importantly, is that the number of boys who are benefitting from a King Edward Education, as a result of this benefaction,

grows year by year.

The Trusts do a fantastic job in this regard.

The employment of Mr Sim and Mr van Vuren by the school, to provide in house support to our Bursary boys, has made a significant difference in ensuring there is a conduit between our donors and the bursary recipients. This keeps the boys accountable to their donors, without adding any additional unwarranted pressure. The school has been extremely busy this Term and we remain extremely proud of our school and the performances in Sport, Culture and Academics. Our boys are extremely committed to the varied programs on offer, and they continue to support their peers with unmatched passion and enthusiasm. We look forward to the last three winter fixtures next term culminating with some 600 boys travelling to Maritzburg College

for our final "Derby Day". Take care. DCP Lovatt, Headmaster

As the Old Boys gathered in the Quad on Friday, 19th May 2023, the WEEKEND atmosphere was electric, and the joy and excitement felt by all in attendance were truly remarkable. The various reunion groups converged upon our beloved

King Edward VII School, the sense of nostalgia and camaraderie filled the air. 1973 • 1988 • 1998 • 2008 • 2010 • 2003 • 2013 It was a heartwarming sight to witness old friends reconnecting, embracing, and reminiscing about cherished memories. The quad was alive with laughter, heartfelt conversations, and the exchanging of stories that had been tucked away for years.

and new connections were forged. Paul Cupido, Class of 2010 and Kyle Melville, Class of 2013 addressed the Assembly. The School buzzed with laughter, conversations, and bursts of excitement. The delight on everyone's faces was evident as they reconnected with staff members who had left an indelible mark on their lives. The reunion also provided an opportunity for Old Boys to witness the growth and progress at KES. Walking through the familiar hallways, they were amazed

These reunions serve as a testament to the enduring spirit of our school. People from

various walks of life, each with their unique

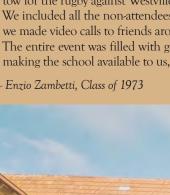
journeys, found common ground in their shared experiences at KES. The power of those formative

years was palpable as friendships were reignited

by all the upgrades. The Headmaster addressed the Old Boys in the Mark Stevens Aquatics Centre, took them on a tour of the boarding establishments and then some left to play golf, padal and bowls. They all returned on Saturday morning for the Hockey and Rugby fixture as well as the Annual Polar







approached they were all "in-the-know" and getting excited about the reunion.

In the end, we had 35 elderly gents attending the 50th reunion on 19 and 20th May 2023.

matric English class by quoting at length from Shakespeare's Hamlet. We were really impressed by all the fantastic improvements to the schools' facilities, and of course the highlight was the school museum, and we can only commend the curators for their efforts. Friday was rounded off by a very pleasant luncheon at the Houghton Golf Course, and then we gathered again on Saturday with wives and families in

tow for the rugby against Westville before ending our reunion with a few too many refreshing cool drinks at the Teddy Bear Arms. We included all the non-attendees in our event by constantly posting sound bites, video clips, and photographs on the WhatsApp group. During lunch we made video calls to friends around the world so they could feel a part of it and these efforts were very much appreciated by everybody. The entire event was filled with good vibes, joy, and happiness and we must thank the headmaster, the staff, and the young men of King Edwards for making the school available to us, and for being so welcoming to us all.



resonated with me. It is the understanding that pressure, in moderation, can be a positive driving force. While excessive pressure can be detrimental, having just the right amount can serve as a source of motivation, pushing us to persevere and remain focused on our studies. This perspective has helped me maintain a healthy mindset amidst the demanding exam period. As I eagerly await the results, I am hopeful that my efforts will bear fruit in the new term. I am determined to achieve good outcomes, not only for myself but also to share them with you as a testament to the hard work and dedication that has been put into my education. With the support and guidance, I have received, I am optimistic about the possibilities that lie In the years to come, as I embark on my educational journey through university and beyond, I promise to carry your kindness and support with me every step of the way. Your investment in my education will not only transform my life but will also ripple out into the world, as I aspire

children the opportunity you have given me.

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CHAPTERS

in my potential.

Once again, from the bottom of my heart, I sincerely thank you for your incredible sponsorship. Your act of kindness has forever changed my life, and I will always be grateful for your belief

at Jeppe and the tour down to Maritzburg.

ahead. I appreciate your continued support throughout this academic journey, and I look forward to celebrating the achievements that await in the next term. Thank you for being a constant source of encouragement and for believing in my potential. to make a positive impact in my community and beyond. I hope to one day give numerous

There are only two boys-only state primary schools in Gauteng: King Edward VII Preparatory KES & KEPS
IN ASSOCIATION WITH School (KEPS) and Yeoville Boys School. Though separated physically by only a few hundred metres, the gulf between the schools in regard to facilities is vast. Where KEPS has around 30 boys per class, a high teacher-pupil ratio, and access to sports fields, cricket nets and an aquatic centre, Yeoville Boys has 1200 boys across 30 classes and the use of only a single field for extra-murals. When Paul Marketos, an Old Boy of KEPS and KES, was Chairman of the School Governing Body at KEPS, he sought to bring the two boys' schools closer together, believing it is incumbent on those who have to share with those who do not. Various projects were initiated, such as feeding schemes (which were escalated during the Covid pandemic), reading programmes and sporting fixtures. With a view to developing talent, Marketos conducted a fund-raising campaign to raise money for a talented boy from Yeoville Boys to get a bursary to King Edward VII School (KES). It was decided that it would be best for the successful boy to join KEPS in his grade 6 year, to make the transition seamless. The Yeoville Boys Scholarship programme is now supported by the Strenue Trust, of which Marketos is Chairman. The Trust converts companies' BEE spend into scholarships and learnerships. The programme is now in its fourth year and has four boys on scholarship, one in grade 9, one in grade 8, and two in grade 6, to make up for a year missed during the pandemic. It would be ideal if the programme could be extended to accommodate at least two boys per year. There are many wonderful, talented boys at Yeoville Boys who would benefit enormously from attending a well-equipped high school like King Edward VII School. If you or your company are in a position to support this worthy cause please contact pmarketos@kes.co.za

Bookings are open for our Annual Golf Day taking place on Friday, 25 August 2023 contact pmarketos@kes.co.za - contact dvaneeden@kes.co.za to book your four ball. it STAR

Share the Spirit!

Paul Marketos, Class of 1986

the School Library, it was a wonderful occasion and should you like to order a copy, please

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launched his book titled "The Life and Teachings of Hugh Wilson" on 23 May in



is the room for improvement!" -classroom 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 King Edward Vll School is continuously improving and upgrading our facilities in order to enhance the learning experience for students and teachers alike. The environment where our students learn is paramount to their success and therefore the time has come for us to upgrade our classrooms. We are appealing to our Old Boys, Parents and those that have a love for the School to consider Adopting a Classroom!

You will receive maing rights for your Adopted Classroom and the approximate cost per upgrade is R120k.

The upgrades include but are not limited to the following: Brand new deaks for learners and facilitators, fresh paint, storage units for the teachers, new whiteboards and flooring. Share the Spirit, round up your year groups and leave a legacy groups to pull together and 'Adopt a Classroom'

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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 t o the King Edward Educational Trust and receive a tax certificate for this deductible contribution. Tax certificates, under Section 18 (A) of the Income Tax Act, are issued to donors as soon as the donation has been received. In most cases the tax deduction ensures that the donor will in effect be paying 60% of the amount actually donated to the Foundation.

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

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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. 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 BBEEE had to be so daunting! Contact us to assist you with our holistic model providing: • Socio economic development solutions • Skills development solutions Enterprise and supplier development solutions • Procurement options Ownership structures How can you help? Do you have a company that utilizes BEE spend or do you have a contact in a company that does? If so please contact the office on paul.marketos@isometrix.com in order for us to arrange a meeting.

Share the Spirit, round up your year groups and leave a legacy for your School for generations to come!

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weather around. Many of our boys and educators have been travelling around South Africa representing their province at various Interprovincial tournaments across the country. The school will take a moment to breathe as we prepare for This past term once again saw King Edward VII School perform exceptionally across all facets and it's clear that a holistic education is the Cornerstone of the Red Machine. That is what makes the Trust such a necessary part and parcel of the school as ultimately it is the Trust and FROM THE HEADMASTER KING EDWARD VII SCHOOL

Whether it is in individual donations, company contributions, or social responsibility spend (via Strenue Trust) lives are being changed forever. This is a unique aspect of the school, and it remains critically important that boys from lower income households are able to attend our school and that they receive not only financial support, but psycho-social support as well.

REUNION

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL THE OLD BOYS JOINING US FOR THE REUNION WEEKEND

Bear swim and spent the day at the School. To those who were unable to attend, rest assured that your presence was missed, and we hope to see you at future events. The reunion gathering served as a reminder of the enduring connections we share, and we look forward to keeping the flame of our

Our Facebook and WhatsApp groups were crucial in keeping the guys in touch, informed, and talking to each other so that by the time the reunion date Our group are now all in their late sixties, and several guys had to decline the invitation due to health issues, whilst others had to decline for other reasons. On Friday we gathered for morning coffee (which was not forthcoming due to loadshedding) in the quadrangle from 7 am prior to moving into the hall for assembly. The other groups of younger old boys attending their reunions showed us suitable respect and allowed us to sit in the very front of the hall. The headmaster was most welcoming and made us all feel special. After assembly we all gathered around the cenotaph to enjoy the most wonderful renditions by the entire school of the various chants and war cries - culminating in the famous "itchy balls on a scooter" ... sung to a very different tempo than in our day. We then moved across to the new Mark Stevens indoor aquatic centre for tea/coffee and snacks, and the headmaster again addressed us and kept us enthralled. Then we had the opportunity to tour the school, the hostels, and the prep school and were made to feel so welcome by everybody, with some of the teachers inviting us into their classrooms during the lessons. During one such interlude, our own Benjamin Duchen totally amazed the



to experience the taste of team sports. I truly believe this because although I thoroughly enjoy rugby, I doubt I will ever find myself on the receiving end of a monstrous tackle after this year. I look forward to the remaining three games: an opportunity for redemption in Pretoria, the reverse fixture

Navigating through the exams has been quite challenging, yet I have managed to stay afloat. The level of difficulty in the questions has noticeably risen, as our teachers make every effort to equip us for the upcoming prelims and final exams. Recently, I received a valuable piece of advice that has

or dvaneeden@kes.co.za On 1 June 2023, Martin Bain-Venn wrote - what an awesome afternoon! The School House Vultures, a boarder team consisting of CF team players took on Yeoville boys u14 team. It turned out to be a fiercely contested game with the crowd being entertained with running rugby from both teams. The game was expertly reffed by Mr Hume which added to the spectical. Thank you Jonathan Keith Matus and Marty Smith for sponsoring the players with a wors roll and the Jocks family for the drinks. Rugby was the winner.... STRENUE KES, KEPS, OLD BOYS & FRIENDS ANNUAL GOLF FRIDAY 25 AUGUST 2023 ROYAL JOHANNESBURG AND KENSINGTON GOLF COURSES TEE-OFF TIMES START FROM 11:00 EAST COURSE: R1000 PER PERSON WEST COURSE: R1000 PER PERSON

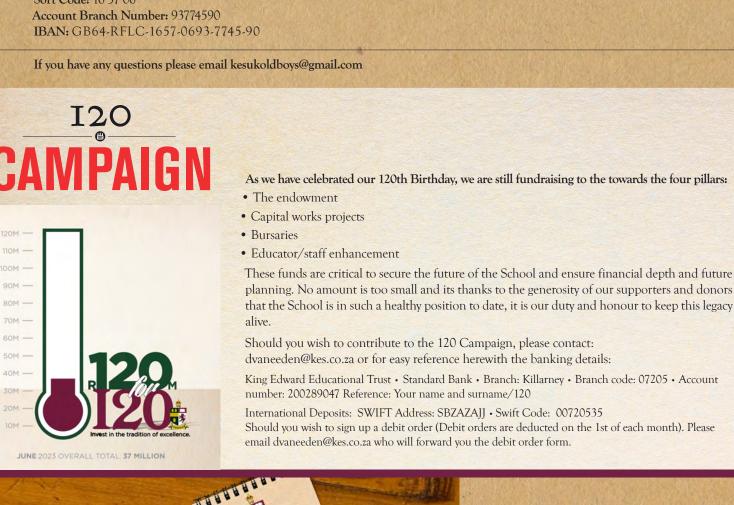
CAMPAIGN #Hundreds campaign - The endowment is critical for securing the future success of the school and it is our mandate as the Trust to ensure we have a healthy bank balance. If every individual reading this newsletter signed up to this campaign, we would be able to educate 154 students a year at 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,

A NOTE FROM THE KING EDWARD VII SCHOOL

KING EDWARD VII SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL TRUST UK is a registered charity in the UK and recognised by both the Charities

There are 4 important things we'd like to share with you:

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BENEFACTION

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with the office on dvaneeden@kes.co.za

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 2023. If you can get involved, please get in touch

- Helmut Schmidt

Trustee

Chairman Founder & Trustee Trustee Class of 1986 MAKING BEE WORK Hope school for disabled learners. Investing in Strenue means you can be certain that the funds are being spent in the best possible way - by investing 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 maximize their BEE points. So it really is a win-win-win, with learners, schools and companies all benefitting. If your company is in a position to potentially partner with Strenue, please contact me at 082 820 9586 or strenue@kes.co.za.

- Paul Marketos, Chairman

While the implementation of BEE in South Africa might leave much to be desired, B-BBEE will continue to be a key requirement for businesses for many years to come. Let us then make the most of it and put it to best use. It is with this aim in mind that the Strenue Trust was first established in 2014. The trust takes B-BBEE spend, primarily Enterprise Development (ED), Socio-economic Development (SED) and Skills Development (SD) and invests these funds into bursaries for deserving learners at the King Edward schools as well as Parktown Girls and the