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Dear Parents

We felt that it was appropriate before the August holidays start just to provide you with some feedback on the main Fundraising activities that have taken place over this last year. Once again, we wish to thank all of you who got so involved in our fundraising efforts, and we hope that you enjoyed these events and got closer to other parents and the College in the process.

Last year we put out some guidelines to help us decide on what our main fundraising events would be. We have included them below for the new parents:

- We should concentrate our efforts on a few large events to prevent donor or fundraising fatigue!
- Our events should, where possible, also include the wider community and not just the parents of the school;
- Events should be well planned, with clear budgets and accountability;
- Institutional knowledge and experience should be passed on from one year to the next;
- Fundraising should be in line with the spirit and ethos of the College.

And, most importantly, fundraising should build the College spirit!

We agreed that the following would be our main fundraising events across the College. We feel that they meet most of the above criteria. These are: the US Masters Draw, the Highland Gathering and the Soap Box Derby. Other forms of fundraising include the My School Card and amounts received from our growing Past Pupil Association.

The US Masters Draw remained our largest fundraiser. This year we exceeded last year's amount and netted over R600k. You would be aware that most of this went towards the purchase of our new College "Spartan" bus. Both the Highland Gathering and Soap Box Derby did well, and they are just very special events!

The College also benefited from excess fundraising achieved by the Matric Dance Committee, and by making the 'Come Back Give Back' dance even more of a past pupil and parent event. At the same time, we were able to "give back" by way of donating a portion of the dance proceeds to those in need.

The College has deployed the majority of this fundraising into the following main projects/purchases: the College bus, security cameras, a PABX system, the upgrade of the Grade R area. In addition, funds will shortly be deployed for the preparation of the new Grade RR classes and play area – something we are very excited about. You will also see that a small portion of the remainder of the fundraising proceeds has been used to seed the DLSHCC Foundation, which is explained in another notice.

In conclusion, we thank you for so generously supporting these events.

Many thanks

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Board of Governors