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SAIntS Weekly Newsletter # 1

Friday 10th September 2021

Dear SAIntS family

A very warm welcome to both new and old parents. If you are a new parent, please look out for these weekly newsletters, keeping you informed and sharing some news from our week.

The school has been a hive of activity this week with excited and enthusiastic learners in classrooms. Next week we will be introducing the co-curricular activities in period 6; please ensure your child has made their selection if they wish to attend. I am delighted that school numbers are higher than they have been in some time - we will continue to grow. Thank you for your support and for choosing SAIntS.



Welcome to our New Teachers



We welcome 6 new teachers and 2 new Teaching Assistants this year.

Mr Jabbar	has come from London and brings a wealth of experience as Head of Mathematics.
Ms. Cross	also, from the UK, joins us as a Teacher of Geography and House Manager for Chiradzulu.
Mr Anderson	has taught in the UK and other International schools and takes up his position as Head of Music.
Mr Nyada	has been a teacher in Malawi for several years joins the Mathematics team.
Mr Peake	has returned to SAIntS to resume his passion as a Teacher of Design & Technology and he is also the new school Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator.
Ms Wetten	is teaching Psychology and is back to where her journey began (she was Deputy Head girl at SAIntS in 2014)

We also welcome 2 new teaching assistants, **Ms Bodole** and **Ms Chiweza**, who are both very excited to support students and assist within the Learning Support department.

Meet the Tutor Evening - Tuesday 14th September 4:00pm

Your child's Form Tutor is the primary link between School and Home and takes a special interest in their wellbeing and progress in school. As such we would like to invite all parents to meet with their child's Form Tutor at our Meet the Tutor Evening on Tuesday 14th September from 4.00pm. You will have an opportunity to meet the Form Tutor in person, as well as the Head of Year and Senior Teachers, to establish a working dialogue we hope will continue throughout this academic year and beyond.

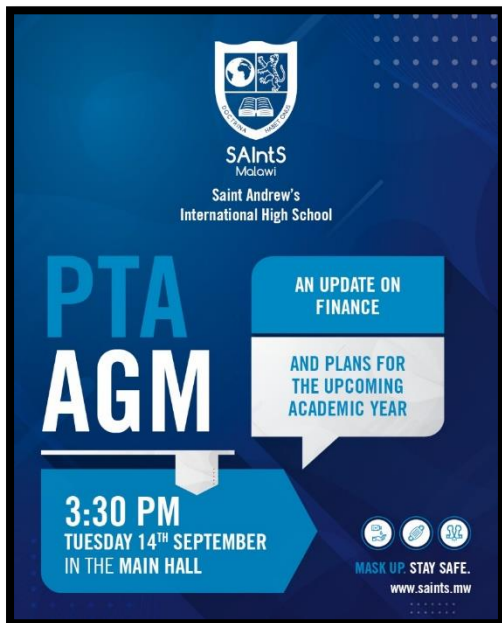
Appointments only...

If you would like to book an appointment, please email office@saints.mw.



PTA AGM – Tuesday 14th September 3:30pm

Calling all parents – please come along before the Meet the Tutor evening next week. Find out more about the PTA here at SAIntS; perhaps you can join the Executive Committee or help out at events? All are welcome.



Co-curricular Activities

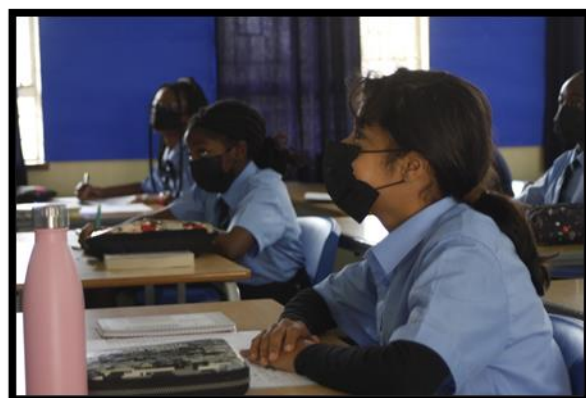


It is with great pleasure that we announce the start of Co-curriculum afternoon activities at SAIntS. With Covid-19 preventative measures in place, these activities will be offered mainly in bubbles and during period 6 (1:40 – 2:35 pm), with a few exceptions. The Co-curricular activities will be **optional** this term. However, once signed up, a student will be expected to attend all the sessions of the activity throughout the term.

Please be aware of the following important notices;

- Students staying for afternoon activities will have to have their lunch in their set bubbles.
- Wearing masks is still mandatory for afternoon activities.
- Pick-up gates after the afternoon Co-curricular activities – **ALL Houses may use the main gate to collect at 2:35pm**

Welcome New Year 7s



The year 7s have had a wonderful first week at high school and are settling in very well. They seem positive and are looking forward to the year ahead. This is what they have to say....

"This is a fun experience, and everyone is extremely helpful"

"I have made so many good friends already. What a great experience"

"I like meeting so many different people and the teachers are welcoming, friendly, helpful and fun!"

"It's not as scary as I thought it would be. It's really fun actually and I am learning so much!!"

"My form tutor is really cool and helpful and I feel settled already"

Mrs Patel, Head of Year 7

Car Park Development @ SAIntS



Before we start Phase 2 of our work to upgrade the car parks, we would like to get your views on what the priorities are.

As the ones who use the car parks every day, you are in the best position to advise us about the way forward! Please complete the survey below and let your voice count!



[Click -> SAIntS Car Park Development Survey](#)

University Virtual Fair

Social Media

Don't forget to follow SAIntS on our social media accounts – click on the links below



[SAIntS Facebook](#)



[SAIntS Twitter](#)



[SAIntS YouTube](#)

Car Park – pick up gates



Please note the pick-up gates for this first half term:

Chiradzulu | Michiru Main Gate
 Ndirande | Soche Ndirande Gate

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Careers Guidance News – Year 12 & 13

We start the year on a high note with the 10 UK Universities Virtual Fair, an event aimed at giving information to Year 12 and 13 students together with their parents on opportunities available for studying in the UK.

Please join the virtual fair tomorrow, Saturday at 12 noon to 2 pm, via a zoom meeting with the 10 universities below.

10 UK UNIVERSITIES VIRTUAL FAIR

St Andrews International High School in Collaboration with 10 UK Universities is hosting a Virtual University Fair.

Date: Saturday 11th September 2021
 Time: 12 Noon to 2 pm

UK UNIVERSITIES INFORMATION SESSION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

A group of UK universities are pleased to announce that we will be holding an information session for students and parents from Botswana, Malawi, and Zimbabwe on **Saturday 11th September 2021**.

This is an excellent opportunity to meet with experts from each of the universities who can guide you on what opportunities are available when thinking of choosing the United Kingdom as a study destination. University delegates will be able to cover topics on application process, student visa, accommodation and more.

Date: Saturday 11th September 2021
 Time: 11am -1pm UK Time
 Platform: Zoom virtual event - [Click here to join the session](#)

Participating Universities:

- UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM
- University of Hertfordshire UH
- University of Kent
- UNIVERSITY OF PORTSMOUTH
- UNIVERSITY OF DERBY
- UNIVERSITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON
- University of South Wales Prifysgol De Cymru
- Cardiff Metropolitan University
- Prifysgol Metropolitan Caerdydd
- University of Central Lancashire UCLan

To register please click the link below:



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<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0tf-iuqz0vHdwwelxQURBaN8qNSVDPHMH5>

Arts Faculty



During the last school year, we had an Intern working with us in the Art Department. His name is Reuben, and he is a graduate of Jacaranda School in Chigumula.

Reuben is a very talented artist, who has a wide range of skills. He has a particular interest in movie production design and special effects make-up. During his time with us last year, Reuben learnt new skills, in particular in lino print work, and developed his own personal style very successfully.

We were expecting that Reuben would still be with us this term, but we have just heard the very exciting news that he has been given a full scholarship at the Don Bosco International Media Academy in Paris, to study filmmaking, and he will be leaving for France at the end of this month. We are thrilled for Reuben and

wish him all the best in this next stage of his development as an artist.

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Dates for your diary



Next week	Week B
Next week	Co-curriculum begins during period 6
Tuesday 14th September 3:30pm	PTA AGM
Tuesday 14th September 4pm	Tuesday 14th September 4pm (don't forget to book an appointment)

Kind regards
Mrs Samanyik