

Insight into the running of the SGB

Having identified the high level role of the SGB in newsletter 1, we would like to highlight some of the practical forums and meetings required by the Schools Act that enable the SGB to operate.

PROPERTY

Property Committee –
This is a sub-committee of the SGB that deals with all things associated to the physical school campus, boarding houses and school facilities.

Any requirements, maintenance and improvements required are brought before the committee to ensure they are aligned with overall campus strategy and the technical specifications are clear and accurate.

This forum is always looking for experts to support and anyone with expertise who is willing to be on this forum, please contact the school.

FINANCE

Finance Committee –
This is a sub-committee of the SGB that is responsible for the financial management of the school.

They work closely with the School finance team to manage financial policies and processes as well as approve significant spending.

All proposed work from the Property Committee is presented to the financial committee for approval. The Finance Committee is also responsible for the annual budget (including setting the school fees) that is presented to the parents in October every year.

SGB

School Governing Body meeting –
This is a full meeting of all members of the School Governing Body (Headmaster, Elected Parents, Staff and learners) and deals with all matters relating to the governance of the school.

Sub-committees report back to the full SGB where key decisions are ratified.

An annual parents' meeting is held to present the next year's school budget and school fees to all WBHS parents.

There are a number of additional ad-hoc meetings and forums that occur and are attended as is necessary, under various committees including Discipline, Transformation, LRC, Excellence, Strategic Development, and Safety.

The SGB is also included in interview committees when the hiring of new staff takes place (government funded and SGB funded).

PARENT SGB MEMBERS 2021

Richard Payne | Chairman
Peter Watt | Vice Chairman
Zahid Fakey | Finance
Heinrich Beylvelde | Property

Bradley Aigner
Thami Cele
Brian Dickinson
Emma Dunk
Shane Watkins



WBHS SPORT



We have welcomed the commencement of school sport again at WBHS and are making sure that the necessary COVID-19 protocols are adhered to.

The ability for our parents to watch our boys to play sport was a major discussion point at the most recent SGB meeting on 21 September and there was unanimous agreement that WBHS must adhere to the government gazette which specifically prohibits spectators at school sports.

We absolutely understand that all parents are desperate to watch their children play and the logic associated with some of the rules is severely lacking but our concern is that school sport gets disallowed again should we not abide by these rules.

Our overarching priority is making sure that the boys are able to play sport again, over the parent's ability to watch them in person.

As a Governing Body we are investing heavily in the necessary equipment, resources and skills to enable us to cover as much sport as we can via streaming (along with every other school in KZN).

This not only gives us the ability to watch, but also provides boys that are interested in developing these skills, the opportunity to do so.

This is a high priority for us at the moment and we would encourage any parent who is able to assist in this to make contact with the school.

Even though we have moved to Emergency level 1, we still await the amendment to the appropriate government gazette to obtain clarity regarding spectators at the school. As soon as government regulations are amended we will be the first to welcome the parents back to support our boys in person.



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Heritage Month in September

This month we celebrated South Africa's diversity and the spirit of Ubuntu with several activities to unite our various identities, languages and cultures. Language is key to understand ourselves and those around us, it helps us make sense of who we are and brings us closer to each other. A greeting says I acknowledge you, a greeting in someone else's language says I see you.

This month the school embarked on a 23 day Greeting Challenge, through this there was an understanding and celebration of backgrounds and heritage amongst our school community.

Our tuckshop also participated during the month taking us through a culinary experience of some of the delicious foods from our diverse cultures.

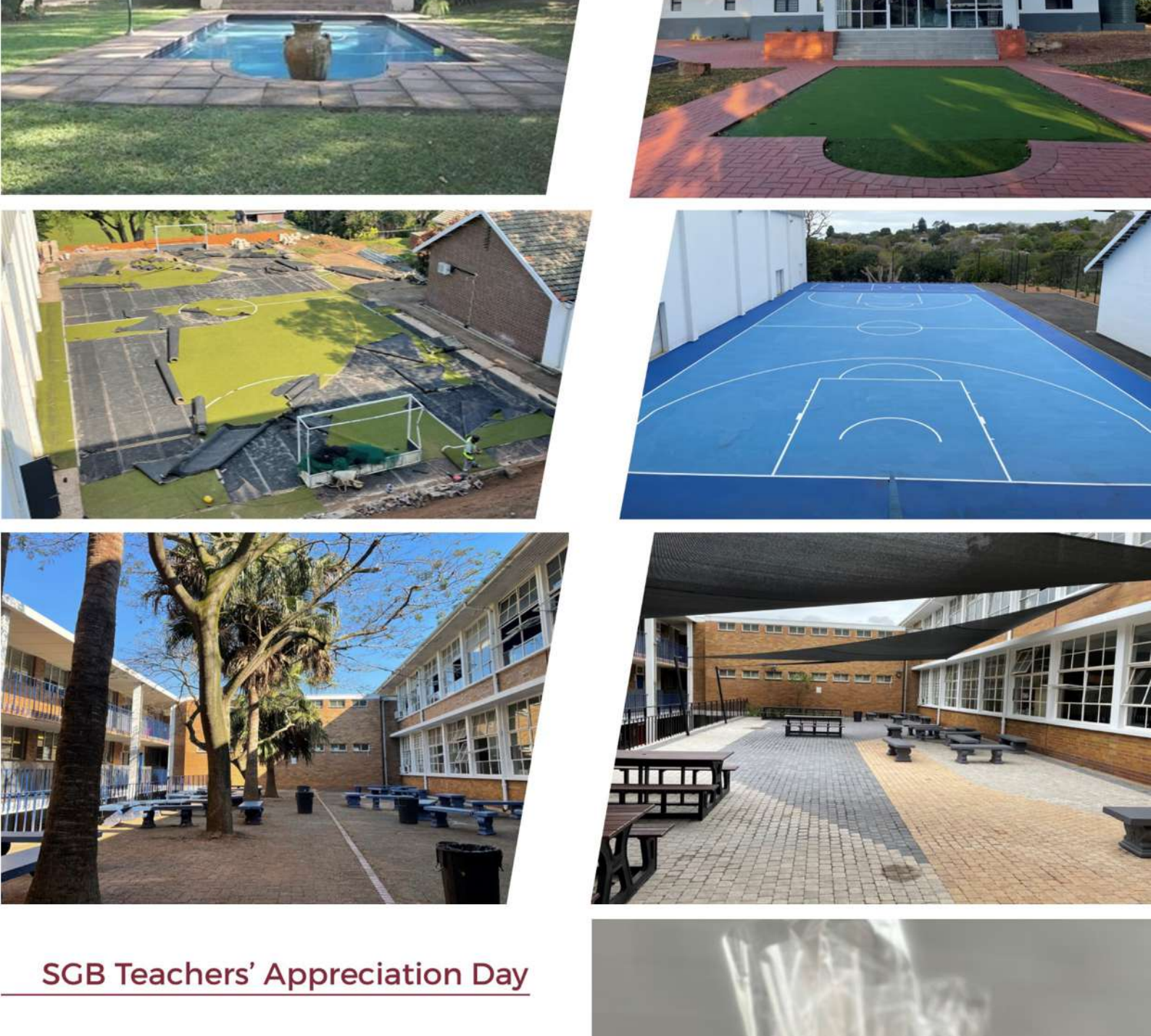
Westville Boys' High showed an active commitment to the reflect and celebrate the diversity we value, creating a sense of belonging and a place for all.

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Update on WBHS Development Projects 2021

Huberta House
Matric Break Area
Basketball Court



SGB Teachers' Appreciation Day



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