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Dear Parents

Thank you to all parents who supported the Ngwenya/Waterford Half Marathon and the Fun Run last Sunday, either as participants (parents participated in both events) or as marshals and refreshment providers. Your support was greatly appreciated. Tony and Lek Mallia are to be congratulated for having reinstated this event after a 6-year break, and for all their hard work in building up a team of organizers and marshals, including students. Events like this have many benefits, including creating another morning of activity for students (over 200 students participated in the run). Possibly the most important benefit is for students to learn of the detailed planning needed to make an event a success, and to learn this through direct involvement.

On Saturday evening boarding students had the privilege of watching the award-winning film *Drum* in the presence of its Director, Zola Maseko (WK80-83 and 86), who answered general student questions and also ran a workshop for our students interested in film making. Unfortunately this event was finalized only after the writing of my letter to parents last Friday.

### This weekend's activities

On Friday afternoon and all of Saturday, WK hosts 40 heads and teachers from Swaziland schools for a workshop on the 'School in a Mirror' school evaluation instrument, to be led by Sue Rees Gardener from ISASA. I view it as important that WK uses its resources for the benefit of a wider group of educators.

Students and staff working on constructing the Ngwempisi Hiking Trail depart on Friday afternoon, returning on Sunday.

On Saturday WK hosts the interschools' volleyball festival, and Entrance Testing continues.

On Sunday our senior cricket team has a match at WK against Mbabane Cricket Club, and our senior soccer team against an adult team from Manzini. Elangeni Residence has an outing to Ngwenya Mine.

Also on Sunday, WK welcomes 15 applicants for UWC scholarships offered by our sister Colleges. These are students who have completed their O levels with distinction and have shown a wider engagement with their schools and society. These students (short-listed from 75 applicants) will be interviewed on Monday. Unfortunately there are only 6 scholarships, but this remains a strong contribution from UWC to the education of leading Swazi students.

Advance notice

The outgoing PSA is holding an International Dinner on the evening of Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April, in the Newton Thompson Multi Purpose Hall. Tickets for this event are available at WK at E90 for a single ticket and E170 for a couple. The PSA looks forward to your support.

Also on Friday 7<sup>th</sup>, the Form 3 and 4 Drama students will be presenting their work in the Michael Stern Assembly Hall, from 7pm for about an hour. Parents are invited to attend.

At 7pm on 8<sup>th</sup> a satire 'The Virtuous Burglar' by Dario Fo, will be performed. This is a project by Keletso Maine, an IB2 theatre arts student. Parents are invited to attend.

Yours sincerely

Laurence Nodder  
Principal