



# WATERFORD KAMHLABA

## United World College of Southern Africa

16<sup>th</sup> August 2007

Letter 23/2007

Dear Parents

As usual I am struck by the considerable progress that so many students have achieved in their academic and extra-curricular programmes, as recorded in the term-end reports. Please do use the grades and comments on the report as a further opportunity for conversation with your child.

### Fete

Thank you all for your support of the Community Service Fete and Raffle. I am delighted to announce that E62 160 was raised and that this will go a long way towards funding the Community Service special projects in the year ahead. The winners of the main raffle prizes are: H Price (laptop computer), Jean Dobson (weekend for two at the Graceland Hotel) and Priscilla Kateule (weekend for two at the Lugogo Sun).

### Leavers' Ceremonies

The Form 5 Leavers' Ceremony is set for Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November.

The IB2 Leavers' Ceremony is set for Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November.

Naturally parents are invited to be present.

Please note that one or two subjects with fewer candidates are set for writing beyond these two dates, so confirm your child's examination timetable before booking his or her flights home.

### Fees for 2008

The Governing Council approved a break-even budget for 2008. With local inflation running at 8.31%, the Governing Council has increased fees by 8.0% except for transport charges, where a 10% increase has been effected. The Governing Council is mindful that many, many parents struggle heroically to afford fees even at their current level and that few parents will be awarded salary increases of 8%. Yet the costs that Waterford faces increase with inflation, and unless the school is to slowly diminish the quality and breadth of the programme it offers, fees need to follow suit. Sadly, this may result in some students being withdrawn from Waterford; please inform us as soon as possible if this is the case with you and your child. Parents are contracted to give a term's notice of their intention to withdraw their child or pay a term's fees in lieu of notice.

The schedule of fees for 2008 is included with this posting.

We have experienced difficulty with receiving some transfers from beyond the Rand Monetary Area. In a meeting with our bank yesterday, we were asked to urge parents to transfer fees in US\$, GB Pounds, Euros or *Emalangen*i (not rands).

### Term Dates for 2008

Last week the Ministry of Education published the term dates for 2008. Yesterday principals of independent schools in Swaziland convened to co-ordinate midterm breaks. Because our academic day is much longer than at most schools and our midterm breaks shorter than other independent schools and because many of our students need to return home by air before the peak December season, the Waterford academic year will begin one week earlier and close two weeks earlier than state schools. However, the holidays and midterm breaks are within those of other schools in Swaziland. The term dates for 2008 are enclosed.

### 'Moonflower' students

Several parents have enquired as to the recovery of the students who were admitted to hospital following their drinking a tea made from the moonflower. Thank you for your concern and support. I am pleased to report that the four students seem to have made a full recovery. In the view of the Disciplinary Committee they drank this tea to test out rumours of the hallucinogenic attributes of the moonflower; accordingly I have taken disciplinary action against the students, subject to review by a committee of the Governing Council.

### Term 3 of 2007

Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Esiveni and Emhlabeni residences open for F5/IB2 students
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Mock examinations begin for F5/IB2 All residences open after lunch A school bus departs from Park Station (Johannesburg) at 1pm and from OR Tambo Airport International Arrivals at 2pm
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Lessons begin at 8am
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Lessons close at 10am

### Mid-Term Break

Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Lessons end at 12.40pm
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Lessons resume at 8am

All that remains is for me to thank you for your continued support through this busy and stimulating term, and to give my best wishes for safe travelling and a good holiday (at least for your children!)

Yours sincerely

Laurence Nodder  
Principal

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## WATERFORD KAMHLABA UWC SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR 2008

### FOR BOARDING STUDENTS FROM SWAZILAND AND RAND MONETARY AREA COUNTRIES, ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, IN SOUTH AFRICAN RANDS/EMALANGENI

Description	Forms 1&2	Form 3	Forms 4&5	IB
Tuition fees	33 720	35 760	36 360	46 725
Boarding fees	26 715	28 320	28 860	35 655
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>60 435</b>	<b>64 080</b>	<b>65 220</b>	<b>82 380</b>
Pocket Money	1 200	1 200	1 200	1 200
<b>Total incl Pocket Money</b>	<b>61 635</b>	<b>65 280</b>	<b>66 420</b>	<b>83 580</b>

### FOR STUDENTS FROM BEYOND THE RAND MONETARY AREA, ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, IN SOUTH AFRICAN RANDS/EMALANGENI

Description	Forms 1&2	Form 3	Forms 4&5	IB
Tuition fees	35 400	37 545	38 175	49 050
Boarding fees	28 050	29 745	30 300	37 425
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>63 450</b>	<b>67 290</b>	<b>68 475</b>	<b>86 475</b>
Pocket Money	1 200	1 200	1 200	1 200
<b>Total incl Pocket Money</b>	<b>64 650</b>	<b>68 490</b>	<b>69 675</b>	<b>87 675</b>

### FOR DAY STUDENTS FROM SWAZILAND, ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, IN EMALANGENI

Description	Forms 1&2	Form 3	Forms 4&5	IB
Tuition fees	33 720	35 760	36 360	46 725
AM tea and lunch	2 460	2 460	2 460	2 460
Transport	3 195	3 195	3 195	3 195
<b>Total for Day Students</b>	<b>39 375</b>	<b>41 415</b>	<b>42 015</b>	<b>52 380</b>

Tuition fees for Forms 1 to 5 include charges for textbooks.

Charges will be made for day students for AM tea and lunch, and the use of school transport, unless the student does not use these services and the school receives written notification in advance to this effect.

**Fees are payable on a termly basis, by the first day of each term. The termly fee is one third the annual fee. Interest is charged on outstanding amounts, including amounts covered by post-dated cheques, calculated from the first day of each term.**

### TABLE OF OTHER CHARGES, IN SOUTH AFRICAN RAND/EMALANGENI

<b>Entrance fee (non-refundable) for admitted students:</b>	<b>E2 000</b>
<b>Fee deposit for Forms (refundable with one term's notice of departure):</b>	<b>E3 500</b>
<b>Fee deposit for IB (refundable with one term's notice of departure):</b>	<b>E5 000</b>
IGCSE Examinations (approximately):	E4 500
IB Examinations (approximately):	E7 500
IB1 Textbooks and resources (approximately):	E6 500
Ezulwini transport service:	E4 950 pa
<b>Inclusive fee for IB1 National Committee students:</b>	<b>US\$14 000 pa</b>

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## Waterford Kamhlaba UWC Term Dates for 2008

### Term 1

Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> January	Residences open for IB1 students
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	IB1 Orientation begins at 8am
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	All residences open after lunch
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	Forms 1 to 5 Orientation begins at 8am
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January</b>	<b>Lessons begin at 8am</b>
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Lessons end for Easter weekend at 12.40pm
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Lessons resume at 8am
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Lessons end at 10am</b>

### Midterm break

Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Lessons end at 12.40pm
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Lessons resume at 8am

Please note that following external examinations are scheduled on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2008: IGCSE Spanish and IGCSE English 2<sup>nd</sup> language.

### Term 2

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	All residences open after lunch
<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Lessons begin at 8am</b>
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b>Lessons end at 10am</b>

### Midterm break

Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Lessons end at 12.40pm
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Lessons resume at 8am

### Term 3

Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Residences open for F5/IB2 students
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Mock examinations begin for F5/IB2
	All residences open after lunch
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Lessons begin at 8am</b>
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Lessons end at 10am</b>

### Midterm break

Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Lessons end at 12.40pm
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Lessons resume at 8am

Please note that IGCSE external examinations may be written on the 17<sup>th</sup> October.

Until further notice, a school bus travels from Johannesburg to WK, departing the Park Station at 1pm and the OR Tambo Airport International Arrivals at 2pm the day before lessons begin (or resume) at the beginning of term and after midterm breaks and the Easter weekend. A school bus travels to Johannesburg, departing WK at 6.30am, on each day lessons end for midterm breaks, the Easter weekend and the end of terms. Students wishing to use this transport must make arrangements with the Director of Residences [travel@waterford.sz](mailto:travel@waterford.sz) or +268 6021565.

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