



# WATERFORD KAMHLABA

## United World College of Southern Africa

Dear Parents and Guardians

Letter 11/2010

These are tense times especially in South Africa. The behaviour and utterances of some politicians as well as the murder of the leader of the Afrikaner Resistance Movement (AWB) makes many fear an unraveling of some of the achievements towards nation building and national reconciliation since the first democratic elections in 1994. With South Africa being the dominant country in this region, what happens in South Africa has a profound effect on neighbouring countries.

With that as a backdrop, at this week's Assembly I quoted from Albie Sachs's recent book "The Strange Alchemy of Life and Law". Albie Sachs played a prominent role in the struggle for justice and freedom in South Africa. For his efforts he was detained, held in solitary confinement and tortured by the Apartheid government. Later on he was blown up by a car bomb which cost him his right arm and the sight of an eye. Post 1990, he played a prominent role in drafting South Africa's new Constitution and was appointed to the Constitutional Court where he served for 15 years. WK was fortunate to have him open the Art Exhibition and deliver a public lecture in 2005. Albie Sachs writes: "To gain freedom was a much more powerful vengeance than to impose solitary confinement and torture on the people who had done these things to us. To repay them in kind would have meant that we had become like them, that we had become gangsters and crooks and thugs – for a more noble cause to be sure, but in the end no different from them, only stronger. Our souls would be like their souls, and our inhumanity would be inseparable from their inhumanity." He goes on to assert that the enemy is not a people or a population group, the enemy is injustice. And that must be our charge as people within WK and UWC: we need to more than simply bring people from different nations and cultures together; we need to recognize, to understand, to expose and to fight injustice in our societies and throughout the world, using means that celebrate and enhance our common humanity.

### UWC Day

UWC Day, to be celebrated at WK tomorrow (Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April), is one of the highlights of the school year. Transport for day students will leave Ezulwini at 8.30am, and from other areas from 8.45am. The day starts at 9.30am with workshops, and the colorful UWC Assembly takes place at 10.30am, followed by a food fair. Food vouchers will be provided to students who attend the workshops. Normally we invite parents and friends to attend the Assembly and food fair. Unfortunately the weather forecast predicts rain. If it rains, we will have to move from the Amphitheatre to the Assembly Hall, and the Assembly Hall barely accommodates the student body. May I appeal to local parents to miss the Assembly if it is raining, and to join at 12 noon for the food fair? Of course if the weather is fine for the morning, we would be delighted to have you join us in the Amphitheatre.

### Choir Concert

Please encourage family and friends to attend the Lucy Holland Memorial Concert at 7.30pm on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April, featuring the Crypt Choir of King's School Canterbury. Lucy Holland, her mother Jane and her Grandmother Audrey Jane all died in the Asian Tsunami in 2004, and it is in their memory that the Centre for Creative Learning was funded and built. Lucy was a student at the King's School at the time of her death and it is in her honour that the Crypt Choir is visiting and performing at WK.

### Swaziland Annual Art Exhibition

Peter Armstrong, who until this year was an Art teacher at WK, has invited members of the WK family to visit the Exhibition at the Guava Gallery in Mantenga, Ezulwini. The exhibition runs from the 10<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup> April.

### Soccer Tournament

I am delighted to report that the WK Senior Boys' Soccer Team won the regional tournament in South Africa over the Easter weekend, beating Falcon school from Zimbabwe in the final.

### University Offers

WK has now heard of university offers of 73 or the 89 WK IB graduates of 2009. I hope to be able to publish an even more comprehensive list in the 2<sup>nd</sup> term! (\$ denotes a full or substantial scholarship.)

Immaculate Apcheminich	Methodist \$ (USA)
Gia Armstrong	Westminster, London School of Communication (UK)
Jillian Bellamy	Barnard \$ (USA)
Doreen Bateyunga	Earlham \$ (USA)
Guy de Miranda	Colorado \$ Methodist \$ Earlham \$ (USA)



Lorraine de Souza	Westminster \$ (USA)
Eshetu Dejene	SFU \$ (Canada) Colby \$ Westminster \$ (USA)
Ralitza Dekov	American University of Paris \$ (France) Lake Forest \$ Colby \$ Brown \$ (USA)
Endalkachew Demise	Methodist \$ Westminster \$ (USA)
Nkosinathi Dlamini	Wartburg \$ (USA)
Nokwanda Dlamini	Rhodes (RSA) Earlham \$ Skidmore \$ (USA)
Sean Duraes	UCT (RSA)
Claudia Evans	WITS, UCT (RSA) Edinburgh, Derby, Westminster (UK) Earlham \$ Ringling \$ (USA)
Joan Ezeogu	Methodist \$ (USA)
Endalew Gebre Tsadik	SFU \$ (Canada) Wartburg \$ (USA)
Vinaya George	Manchester (UK)
Khethiwe Gumede	Lewis & Clark \$ Lehigh \$ (USA)
Tafadzwa Gwisai	Trent \$ (Canada) Chicago \$ Skidmore \$ Colby \$ Brown \$ (USA)
Catherine Henderson	Sussex, Kent, Aston (UK)
Andrew Hofmeyer	WITS (RSA) Chicago Art Institute \$ (USA)
Andre Huang	Florida Institute of Technology \$ (USA)
Zenzi Huysmans	Colorado \$ Skidmore \$ Duke \$ Colby \$ (USA)
Mallie Kai Kai	York (Canada) College of Idaho \$ (USA)
Ana Karina Morais	Birmingham, Belfast, Glasgow (UK)
Abebu Kassie	Colby \$ Westminster \$ (USA)
Menzi Khumalo	Westminster \$ (USA)
Karoline Komolafe	SOAS, Leeds, Manchester, Kent (UK) Colorado \$ Duke \$ Virginia \$ Brown \$ Yale \$ (USA)
Sibusiso Kunene	Westminster \$ Wartburg \$ (USA)
Moya Laufer	UCT (RSA)
Phillip Leite	Michigan, Bucknell \$ (USA) Sheffield (UK)
Jan Lohse	Queen Mary, London (UK)
Taaka Lwande	Methodist \$ Westminster \$ (USA)
Siphilele Magagula	Luther \$ Savannah College of Art & Design \$ (USA)
Daniel Mageza	Edinburgh, Southampton, Liverpool (UK) SFU \$ (Canada)
Victoria Makuru	Colorado \$ Earlham \$ (USA)
Andre Malai	Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University \$ (Japan)
Notsile Maphanga	Webster (Switzerland) Lake Forest \$ (USA) Trent (Canada)
Lucy Marrime	Edith Cowen, Southern Cross (Australia)
Natalie Matthews	Methodist \$ Westminster \$ (USA)
Ivy Mbayah	Clark \$ Idaho \$ (USA)
Karinou Mboka Boyer	Earlham \$ St. Lawrence \$ Grinnell \$ Occidental \$ (USA)
Amanda Mbonye	Leeds (UK)
Jessica Mesquita	Colby \$ Dartmouth \$ (USA) McGill (Canada)
Abraham Mgowano	Northwestern \$ Stanford \$ Duke \$ (USA)
Sipho Mhlanga	Carleton \$ Macalester \$ (USA)
Getnet Mossisa	Westminster \$ (USA)
Zamokuhle Motsa	Michigan (USA)
Thobani Ndlangamandla	Idaho \$ Lake Forest \$ Skidmore \$ (USA) York, Toronto, Trent, UBC, (Canada)
Lindelwa Ngwenya	Westminster \$ (USA)
Nyawira Njoroge	Reading (UK)
Linda Nkosi	Trent (Canada) Wartburg \$ (USA)
Gift Ntuli	Colby \$ (USA)
Vivian Ojo	Lewis & Clark \$ Vassar \$ Georgetown \$ (USA)
Ola Ola-Busari	Lewis & Clark \$ Lake Forest \$ Skidmore \$ Bard \$ (USA)
Rita Ombaka	Lewis & Clark \$ Earlham \$ (USA)
Joanna Patouris	Manchester (UK) Colorado \$ St. Lawrence \$ (USA)
Maikor Pereira	Luther \$ Westminster \$ Earlham \$ (USA)
Marcos Ramos	SFU (Canada) Methodist \$ (USA)
Torris Rasmussen	Edinburgh, York (UK)
Jasmine Reggiani	St. John's \$ (USA) Colby \$ (USA)
Nirosha Sarugaser	Westminster \$ St. Lawrence \$ (USA) Carleton, McGill, UBC (Canada)
Alison Schaefer	Earlham \$ (USA)
Francis Sekumbo	Brandeis \$ (USA)
Majahonkhe Shabangu	UCT (RSA) Colorado \$ Colby \$ Brown \$ Harvard \$ (USA)
Themba Shija	Wartburg \$, Luther \$ (USA)
Vincent Siegerink	Brown \$ Macalester \$ (USA)
Nqobile Simelane	WITS (RSA)
Siphamandla Simelane	Luther \$ Westminster \$ (USA)
Daniel Sopdie	Wartburg \$ Westminster \$ (USA)
James Tanner	Manchester, Brighton (UK)
Sitta Tarrawally	Westminster \$ (USA)
Tamru Taye	Earlham \$ (USA)
Raisa Theba	UKZN (RSA)
Thulani Tsabedze	Trent \$ (Canada) Colby \$ University of North Carolina \$ UPENN \$ (USA)
Lame Ungwang	Lewis & Clark \$ (USA)
Busiswa Vilakazi	UCT (RSA) Lewis & Clark \$ Stanford \$ (USA)

### End of term arrangements

Lessons close at 10am on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April. Transport for Johannesburg will depart early that morning, transport for Maputo after the close of lessons.

Yours sincerely

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Principal

