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### MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

e live in a beautiful estate where families can roam freely without having to worry about their safety. We have beautiful parks, lovely walks and the sound of rivers flowing on our doorsteps. Kids riding bikes up and down the roads and neighbours chatting in the streets. This is the type of lifestyle most people wish for. We need to cherish and look after our family estate.

In our minds the small things are just as important as the big things. Verges and walkways need to be neat and litter free at all times. We believe that people who live here and visit us need to be visually satisfied with what they see. First impressions are vital and that is why we need to focus on the visual looks of the Estate.

We have been focusing on Camdeboo Road as the first project. This is the most used road in the Estate, and the road that everyone uses to get in and out. Our aim is to have green verges, colourful flower beds and big lush trees in both Phase one and Phase two. We are trying to create a road that will be admired by everyone. This will of course follow through onto all the other roads in the Estate.

We are building a Nursery in The K56 Phase one park for the Estate and its residents. It is going to be a great project and I urge residents to get involved. The aim of the nursery is to recycle plants, potting classes, growing seedlings, and manufacturing compost for both residents and the Estate. The Shredder has arrived and will be put to good use.

We have also been working on the Nature Reserve and are in the process of turning it into the reserve it once was. There is now a weekly maintenance schedule now in place. There is an abundance of bird life, as well as butterflies, tortoises and insects that must be seen. It is a really beautiful part of the Estate and well worth a visit.

One area that has been an eyesore for quite some time is the Dam area in Phase two. As we are sure that a lot of residents have already seen there is now a great big park in the middle where people can go walk around, watch the birds, catch a fish,



or simply take a chair and sit by the water's edge with a glass of wine. A very relaxing place to be.

We are investigating the possibility of installing two new boreholes to water the parks and public areas. This will also be good for when we have water outages.

One of the biggest issues in the Estate is the roads and yes we are working on a solution. We will be the first to let you know of any progress.

It is our hope and vision to put a plan together that will continue after our time as your board. A plan that the next board will continue to implement for years to come. We are very privileged to live in this Estate and if everyone works together we can make it really fantastic. As the Czech proverb says, "A good Neighbour, increases the value of your property."

Thanks for reading,

Andrew Ward

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BARK DOG NEXT DOOR

particular problem encountered in living in any residential area is the noise disturbance caused by barking dogs. Over the past few months the disturbance has arisen quite frequently within the Estate. The issue is seldom an easy one to resolve as the pooch is doing exactly what he or she is supposed to do, notify his humans of any intruders. Usually the dog that barks for perceived intruders barks for a short while and then goes back to their normal routine (which usually means going back to sleep) is not a cause for consternation.

Irritation is caused when the dog barks incessantly though. Having lived next door to such a pet previously I can empathise with people who are forced to endure such an experience. The barking at times can seem like a test of one's tolerance levels and it never happens when the neighbour is actually home! Obviously there are various psychological reasons why the puppy does this and not because he doesn't specifically dislike you even though that is exactly how you feel at the time. More reasonably though the dog is most likely just lonely, however that rationalization doesn't help you at the time of the auditory onslaught.

Thankfully there are ways of remedying this challenge. As always, the Security Department of FWG is here to help. Security, though, is not the best solution to these problems

unfortunately. Security's involvement usually leads to animosity between residents, which is counter-productive to the entire process.

The HOA rules specify that residents should try to resolve the matters between themselves first before involving any Estate assets. Normally the offending party is blissfully unaware of the torture you are forced to endure every time they go out. A friendly phone call from the neighbour is better than a phone call from us. Usually a phone call will do the trick and life can carry on as normal.

Like everything in life, there are the exceptions and these need specific attention by the HOA and Security. Should you be unlucky enough to be subjected to this inconvenience in the future, try first talking to your neighbours about the problem, but know that the HOA and Security are here to assist if necessary.

Matthew Smith
Site Manager Fourways Gardens

### Officer of the Month



Our Officer of the Month for March is Thabang Mokhethi. Thabang is a member of our Permit Office team. His efforts in trying to curb the taxis from stopping outside the Estate and causing a disruption to traffic has been over and above his routine duties and has earned him the accolade this month.







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Whilst we have seen a steady increase over the past 7 years plus, it is not significant growth but rather keeping up with inflation.

It is a bit disappointing that Fourways Gardens has not been able to raise the bar in terms of pricing yet. When you consider that a large majority of sales are still in the R3 million range, you need to sit up and take note.

As a homeowner, you need to upgrade your finishes from time to time to keep the property current.

The value is not going to increase significantly if you are not prepared to invest a bit of money on renovating.

As agents, we do our best to achieve the best price possible for homeowners. Personally I would like to see R4 million as the entry level into Fourways Gardens but, the Estate is not looking good and properties are generally not well maintained. As homeowners, you need to focus on improving your property and pavements, so that buyers find it desirable to live in this Estate and they are prepared to pay for it.

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Rules for the monthly draw: Anyone in attendance stands a chance to win one of the lucky draw prizes. Simply complete your details on an entry form and you can win one of three beautiful lucky draw prizes.

For the cash draw, all registered home owners in good standing are eligible to enter the cash amount and are entered on your stand number. You have to be at the Clubhouse at 19h00 when the draw takes place to claim the cash amount.

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## FWG Gardening Club

### FOURWAYS GARDENS GARDENING CLUB

### **GROWING IRISES**

RUNNYMEDE IRIS FARM, WAKKERSTROOM owner Sue Dandridge presented to us: the farm was started by her mother 25 years ago and produces 20,000 different irises in

150 different colours.

Irises originate from Egypt and were discovered in 1469 BC. They were regarded by the ancient Egyptians as the essence and renewal of life, prized for their medicinal purposes and their perfume.

The picked flowers last 5–6 days and will fill the room they are placed in with joyous perfume. The iris inspired the Fleur de Lis.

Runnymede Farm is three and a quarter hours from Johannesburg in Wakkerstroom, a quaint village in the foothills of the Southern Drakensburg. It is internationally acclaimed for its fabulous bird life. Also, there is an annual Music Festival in March which is highly recommended and booked up to a year in advance.

In 2010 Brenda Carter, Sue's mother who established the farm was awarded the Business Female Of the Year Award, after she survived being locked in the boot of her car over three bitter winter nights. Her attacker was sentenced to 20 vears in prison. This brought Sue back from Australia. She bought the farm from her mother and has been merrily farming Irises over the last four years. Sue has started online marketing of her irises, at www.runnymedeirisfarm.com . She delivers nationwide as the Bearded Irises travel well. They can also be bought at Lifestyle Garden Centre (Northcliff) and Colourful Splendour (Craighall).











#### Sue's recommended colour combinations are:

- · Classical blue and yellow mix
- · Black and Ice Blue
- Yellows and Honey with bright orange and Apricot
- Brown Burgundy, which has a beautiful fragrance with yellow or pale, dusky pink
- · Three gorgeous reds
- · Yellow with Maroon spots

Plant your irises from Spring to autumn, in full sun or part shade, in well drained soil. Apply some Bone Meal. Plant 10cm apart. Plant quite shallow with a bit of the white rhizome showing. DO NOT mulch them as storing moisture around the rhizomes can cause them to rot. They must not sit in water. Do not over-water or place too much compost around them. Water deeply once a week and apply slow release fertiliser 2:3:2: before winter and 3:1:5: in early spring to encourage flowers. They are very easy to grow.

They will flower early spring and early summer. A beautiful sight is a driveway full of irises in bloom. They will discourage weeds. Set the colours together for maximum impact. They will grow from knee height to mid-thigh.

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The annuals at the Clubhouse and entrance were improved.







At the Nature Reserve, a walkway has been cut (approximately 1.5m wide) all the way around for the enjoyment of the residents.



We have also recently completed planting up two new verges at corner Camdeboo and Flame Street.



Phase 2 Wetland Area has been cut, cleared and currently being maintained. The area is now open for a better view.

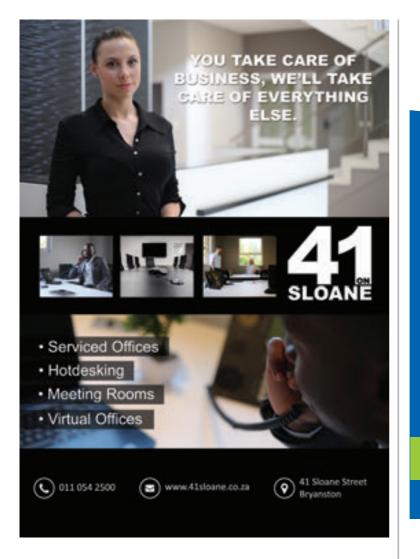


Phase 1 & 2 kiddies sports fields have been fertilized and maintained on standard. We are pleased with the results.



With our newly acquired chipper on board and running, we are pleased to announce that we are now able to produce our own on site mulch. The park beds have been mulched and we are looking to improve more beds on site with mulch where necessary on an ongoing basis. The benefits of mulching are as follows:

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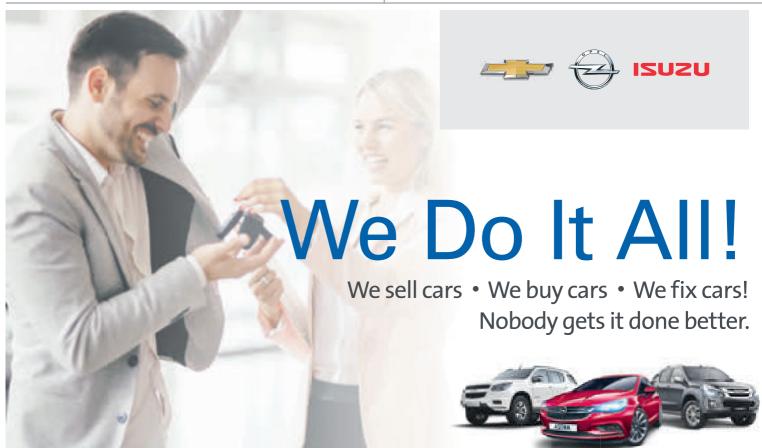
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08:30	(8-10)		Pilates - Tracey	(8:30-9:30)	Rhona Williams	Pilates - Tracey	(8:30-9:30)	Rhona Williams
09:00	Rhona	Yoga - Wendy	082 894 6096		083 600 1868	082 894 6096		083 600 1868
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10:00		083 400 6211			Cristina (10:00-11:00)	My Nanny and I	Me (10-12)	
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16:00	Jazz - 082 425	6098			(15:00-18:00)			Desley White
					Kerry Holbrook			011 465 1939 / 084 465 1939
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of breads AFTER the Wine Tasting. A vegetarian option is available - please let us know when making your booking if that would be your preference.

Numbers are Limited.



## Our February wine tasting was presented by



The FWG Wine Club got off to a flying start in 2017, with Rickety Bridge wines being presented by Lize-Marie.

We were fully booked within two weeks and had to add additional tables so that we could accommodate further enthusiasts.

Lize-Marie shared her knowledge of the estate's interesting history and their array of wonderful wines. After each tasting, she wandered from table to table answering questions and sharing anecdotes.

We welcome our new sponsor, Tyson Properties, who were well represented and are fully committed to the sponsorship for the remainder of 2017.

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### **MARCH**

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19th	20th	21st Tennis – 7h00-8h00 Book Club – 10h30	22nd	23rd	24th Bridge – 13h00	25th Tennis – 15h00-17h00
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Book Club	Lucy	lucy@simply-search.co.uk	3rd Tuesday of every month at 10h30, Clubhouse
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I to r: Balloon fun; Head boy Khwezi Ndlovu escorts two Grade 1 pupils; Passing the College flame.







I to r: Guest speaker Mark Henning unveils the plaque with Junior Preparatory principal Patti Blackhurst; The College marimba group and Senior Prep Choir; The 20-year birthday cake.

ainfern College celebrated a very special occasion at its Founders' Day this year: the 20th anniversary of the College opening.

Almost 1 500 students, staff, parents and alumni came together in the College Multipurpose Hall to share in the celebrations - a far cry from the original 35 pupils and 8 members of staff who started at the College in 1997.

The Service began with the Grade 12s escorting the Grade 1s into the hall to symbolise the educational journey. Machela Mtiya, chair of the College Alumni Association, presided over the passing of the College Flame, which celebrates the journey, joy and experience of each stage of learning. Mrs Helen Fish, chair of the Parents' Association, joined the College management in cutting the beautiful birthday cake.

Special guests at the Service included the College founders, Stella and Russell

Upneck, and the founding College principal, Tom Bourquin and his wife Sheila, as well as several other former school principals. The guest speaker was Mark Henning who had unveiled the plaque at the official opening of the College all those years ago. He and Mrs Patti Blackhurst, Principal of the Junior Preparatory, unveiled a new plaque to commemorate the occasion.

A key moment of the Service was the recognition of staff who had earned long-service awards. Lebo Tshimbuya, Nick Watson, Louise Browne and Tim Makgabutlane were recognised for 10 years of service, while Charmaine Kitchen, Grace Manqindi and Cheryl Coetzee celebrated 15 years of service. Kathryn Dornan was recognised for 20 years' service at the College as were founding members of staff, Thobeka Ndziwa and Stanley Makgwatela.

Bishop Gary Rivas closed the formalities of the Service with a blessing for the

College. The Service then ended with a massed musical item and a balloon drop that had everyone jumping out of their seats!

This special event marks the start of a year of festivities at Dainfern College, as the school celebrates 20 years of excellence in education.



If you would like to find out more about Dainfern College, please contact Mrs Deidré Proxenos on 011 469 0635 or dproxenos@dainferncollege.co.za.

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Finding a way to deal with your hearing loss can feel like a challenge. There are many

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the sound is coming from. If both ears are experiencing a hearing loss it always makes sense to choose 2 hearing aids. Speech will be heard more clearly especially in noisy environments like restaurants.

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Good nutrition also helps preventing children and teens from becoming overweight or obese and developing chronic diseases, such as diabetes and hypertension, as well as dental cavities and nutritional deficiencies such as iron-deficiency anaemia.

The development of feeding skills, food habits and nutrition knowledge influences the cognitive development that takes place in a series of stages, each laying the ground work for the next. Unfortunately children don't know enough on their own to naturally choose to eat well.

Numerous influences, some more obvious

than others, determine the food intake and habits of children. Habits, likes and dislikes are established in the early years and are carried through to adulthood. The major influences on food intake in the developing years include family environment, social trends, the media and peer pressure.

It is therefore important to provide them with the right nutrition now and to guide them so that they can learn at an early age what's necessary for good health. This will also help to set them up for a life of proper eating and nutrition, almost certainly helping them for the years to come.



## Here are some tips on how to guide your child to have good food habits:

- Encourage your child to consume at least three balanced meals and two healthy snacks daily. This helps to control their blood sugar levels, which also helps to prevent them from wanting any non-nutritious
- The most important meal for a child is breakfast. Starting the day with a nutritious, well-balanced meal allows them to concentrate and learn to their full potential.
- Pack your child's lunch for school, including foods from different food groups. Make sure to keep it fun and exciting by including a variety of colours, shapes and sizes.
- Always keep a variety of healthy snacks available such as fresh fruit, yoghurt, raw vegetables and whole grains.
- Encourage your child to try out new foods as well as foods with different textures. Prepare foods with different cooking methods, for example steam versus stir fry. This allows them to

- increase their knowledge about different foods, also allowing them to increase the variety in their diet.
- Let your child participate in grocery shopping, meal planning, and meal preparation. These are great opportunities to teach them about good nutrition.
- Never use food as a reward or punishment. Children who are deprived of meals as punishment can tend to overeat when possible for fear of missing the next meal.
- Do not be overly restrictive with sweets and treats. You want your child to develop a healthy attitude towards them. It is great to teach them that moderation is the key.
- Discourage your children from snacking while watching television.
   People tend to ignore their hunger cues while watching television, leading to overeating.
- Encourage your child to be active.
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### St Lucia village in northern Kwa/Zulu

### No, wait. Let me start again. St Lucia is a bit bigger than a village. After all it has a dozen tarred streets, short though they are.

The town's resident population is 800 mostly business owners and retirees.

There's no town council - just a motivated rate payers group. There's a satellite police station, a medical centre, filling station, lots of restaurants and three coffee shops. Nothing big or flashy about St Lucia yet all the houses are well built and the gardens well-tended. Half of them are B&B establishments.

St Lucia is, in fact, the world's smallest privately-owned town. It is enclosed entirely inside a World Heritage Site, namely the relatively new iSimangaliso Wetland Park.

The town lies on Africa's largest seawater/freshwater estuary - Lake St Lucia, and the game park that engulfs it stretches 230km north to Kosi Bay and the Mozambique border.

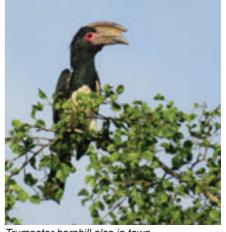
The town has a cosy feel and a palpable air of serenity.

There is one other privately-owned town inside a World Heritage Site. It's in Michigan in the United States but as the townsfolk enjoy hunting practically everything in the neighbourhood it has an entirely different ambience. Zululand's St Lucia sees itself as part of nature and nobody would dream of shooting anything.

It is unique in a number of ways. It rates as one of the world richest towns in terms of biodiversity - probably a record number of bird species for a town (526 species throughout the park, scores of mammals and reptiles). I would guess



Red duiker in town



Trumpeter hornbill also in town

the town and its surrounds have well over 300 species.

Prominent road signs warn people to look out for hippo that wander in at night.

iSimangaliso, a name that doesn't take long to trip off the tongue (isssyman-gallee-soh) means "miracle" or "wonder". It was South Africa's first World Heritage Site. The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, Unesco, designated it as such because of its "superlative natural beauty and unique global values". The 332 000 hectare park has eight interlinking ecosystems, hence the bird count. It's right on Africa's largest estuarine system and 25 000 year-old forested coastal dunes are said to be the highest forested dunes in the world.

The first photograph of the "living fossil" coelacanth was taken along its coastline – off Sodwana Bay.

If one follows the beach that starts a couple of hundred metres from the town centre one might well come across a deep furrow coming up from the waves into the dunes – a sign that a giant leatherback turtle or a loggerhead turtle emerged during the night to lay its eggs. Four of the world's seven species of marine turtles lay their eggs along the coast.

Its main street, Hornbill Street, with its warning sign about hippos, has



Courtesy of iSimangaliso Park

several small shops all very much within human scale. And there's a post office which, in the 1950s, was run by the sister of Britain's Prime Minister, Anthony Eden.

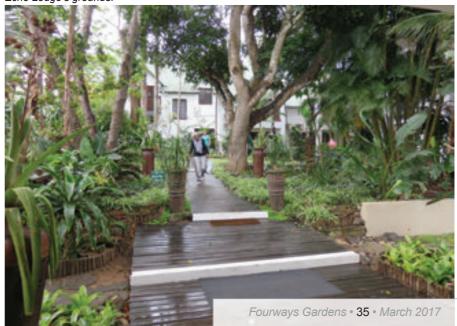
We were down there to explore the reserve and, en passant, find a rare bird that had flown in – the Eurasian oystercatcher. We found it thanks to

Mike Bower, technical manager at St Lucia Echo Lodge. He happened to be on an inspection round of the iMfolozi River mouth and saw us after we'd walked 10 or 12km along the beach, first north and then south towards Mapelane. He guessed what we were after and invited us to jump in his Land Rover. That's how we saw and photographed the oystercatcher back near Mapelane – a "lifer" for both of us. We were later joined by Themba Mthembu who, in 2015, was named KZN's best tourist guide. He is a formidable birder.

We stayed at St Lucia Eco Lodge, which I remembered from years ago as Seasands Lodge. We were greeted near the entrance by a wild but unfazed crowned hornbill, a big dramatic bird whose huge bill looks capable of cracking macadamia nuts. Next morning an even bigger hornbill, the trumpeter, appeared. Its massive bill looks as if it could crack stones.

The lodge's proprietor is Kian Barker, a 53-year-old ichthyologist, former







game ranger and, it seems, the region's best tourist guide. He lived in Melville, Johannesburg, for a few years and in 1996 moved to St Lucia.

He operates a tourist service, Shaka Barker, which does night drives and day tours of iSimangaliso including snorkeling at Cape Vidal. At first he managed the lodge but, 18 months ago, took it over and transformed it into a very attractive, rambling 54-room hostelry set in a luxuriant tropical garden. Its second storey suites look over the forest canopy to the sea.

There's a 100-seat conference hall plus a smaller hall.

The lodge has no restaurant but it does have its own bistro – the Hog and Hippo – which is licensed and offers a fixed menu of "afro-cuisine". One can also order a braai that the lodge makes for you – or stay in a self-catering apartment.

There are night drives into the reserve where one might see lion, leopard, spotted hyena, elephant, giraffe, buffalo and red duiker and Southern

Intimidating art at St Lucia quay.



Crowned hornbill at Echo Lodge's entrance.

Africa's smallest antelope, the catsized blue duiker.

We had lunch at the popular Skiboat Club amid a babble of foreign tongues and watched hippos, crocodiles and a low-flying squadron of pink-backed pelicans.

The town is central to so many attractions, such as the wetland itself and uMkhuzi Game Reserve that is now part of iSimangaliso and arguably the richest birding reserve in South Africa. Less than an hour,

but separate from iSimangaliso is the uMfolozi/Hluhluwe Game Reserve. It has the big five, as does iSimangaliso.

Apart from snorkelling among subtropical fish there's surf and deep sea fishing within reach of town.

We took a late afternoon barge cruise up the estuary and quietly sidled up to a pod of hippo with their young. The next day elephant were swimming a few metres from the barge.

I know from experience that hippos often have a bad attitude and the barge's skipper informed us that a hippo can charge at 50km/h. I doubt this but certainly it can outrun a human. He advised that, if charged, we must use the same strategy as if being charged by a man-eating lion, look around for fattest person and simply stay in front of him.

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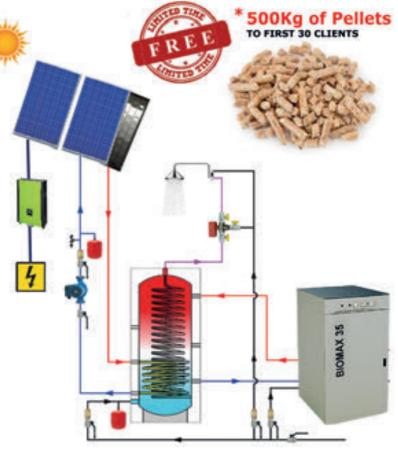












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Cats are natural hunters in the wild and night time is ideal for this. Other free-roaming cats will be out hunting and guarding their territories too, and fighting and injuries may occur. Cats get lost more easily at night especially in rainy weather as they rely mainly on scent to find their way home. Many cats are run over at night and are also more likely to get stolen.

If you decide to rather let your cat stay in at night but are struggling with disturbed sleep, there are a few things you can do:

Feed your cat their largest meal at night before bedtime to keep hunger at bay. Try and ignore your cat's night-time antics. Shouting or throwing objects at your cat may inadvertently increase their behaviour as it might be seen as

# Some people may enjoy sharing their bed with their cat but it's not for everyone

play time. Play with your cat as much as possible, more daytime exercise will make your cat more tired at night and will disrupt those long nap times. Try using toys that move, or play games with a soft ball. Consider adding a second cat to the family as they'll probably play with each other and leave you alone at night. However, the noise of two romping cats might disturb your sleep as much as one cat looking for a night time playmate! If your cat tries to wake you up or tries to play with you while you are sleeping, you may need to shut it out of your bedroom at night.

Some people may enjoy sharing their bed with their cat but it's not for everyone. Remember that cats often wake up very early, wanting to play and eat. Cats are fascinated with moving objects and you may end up getting a hand or foot scratched during the night. Cats are obsessive about cleanliness but still step in and out of the litter box and may bring unwanted grime into your

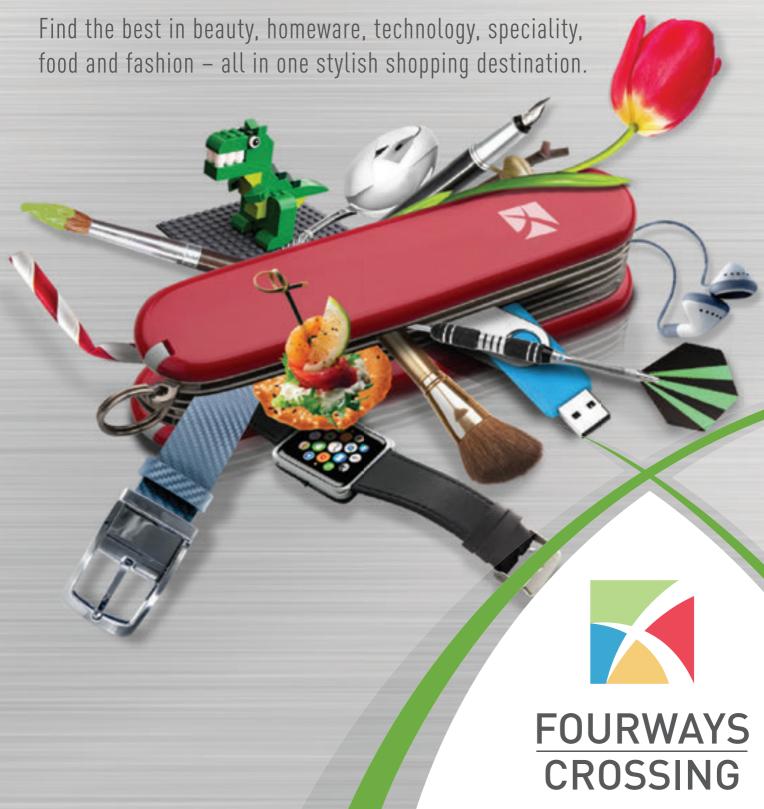
If you want your bed all to yourself, consider a plush pet bed available from Shinga Pet (www.shingapet.co.za)

If your cat wanders around at night crying or meowing, it may also be suffering from an underlying medical problem causing pain or discomfort. Take your cat to your local Waterfall Vet to rule out any medical issues.



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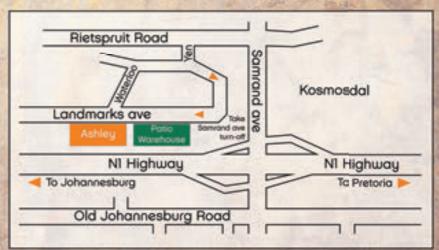
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# Proactive Parenting: DISEMPOWERING BULLYING



ullying is hurting someone, through words or actions, using repetitive and intentional behaviour resulting in a real or perceived imbalance of power. This could take the form of physical assault, threats, rumours, abuse, intimidation, teasing – in the real world or online as cyberbullying.

The statistics are daunting:

- 35% of school-going children are bullied
- 64% don't report it
- Bullied students are more than twice as likely to think about suicide

# Empowering your child can make a difference.

The effects of bullying are significant. For those being bullied it could affect their academic performance: result in sleeping or eating issues; anxiety, mental and physical health issues; low self-esteem; depression and even suicide. Students engaging in bullying behaviour, also have an increased risk of academic problems, substance abuse as teens and even violent behaviour as they move from adolescence to adulthood. Ironically, the bully and the victim are in fact mirroring each other - both are traumatized in some way, both feel powerless in their lives. They are just reacting differently to it, the bully being the aggressor and the victim withdrawing passively.

As parents, we can empower our children, through guidance and

coaching, helping them to learn to be assertive by building their self-esteem and confidence, and encouraging them to stand up for others or even to a bully.

# Why is bullying so prevalent?

There are many reasons for bullying but, fundamentally, some of the underlying factors include the highly competitive environment our children are growing up in, and the resulting relentless performance pressure that places them under. There is also the now constant influence of technology (which has changed accessibility and the way people bully) and, the fast pace of life. Other significant factors

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could be personal issues at home – maybe there are financial issues, a divorce, alcohol abuse, absent parents – and bullying may be a way to vent, to rid themselves of pent-up emotions they may be feeling, or to try to regain a measure of control they feel they have lost.

#### Signs of bullying

Often our children don't want to tell us they are being bullied. They might be feeling afraid to tell you or anyone, or, feel helpless, maybe they are embarrassed, it is even possible that they may not trust you or fear further rejection if they speak up. These are, however, signs you can look out for, which may point to bullying in younger children:

- •Complaining that they are feeling sick – a headache, a tummy ache – especially when it may be time to go to school
- Unexplained injuries like bruises, bumps and cuts

- Changes in sleeping and eating patterns
- · A sudden onset of nightmares
- Lost clothing or damaged personal belongings
- · A decline in their school marks

In older children, you may observe that they have low self-esteem, are withdrawing and generally have a loss of interest in things around them. They may possibly even exhibit self-destructive behaviour like cutting.

## Supporting your child

There are various ways to support your child if they are being bullied and you may want to consider some of the following:

 Talk to your child and check in regularly. By staying close to them you will be able to pick up when something is out of place. What they aren't telling you may be more important than what they are saying, so pay attention.

- Never tell them to ignore the bully.
   Ignoring the problem is not the answer and this may cause your child to withdraw further, rather than to be more assertive.
- Don't blame them no one ever deserves to be bullied.
- Don't encourage them to fight back.
   This can only make things worse and, if it should happen at school, they could be suspended or even expelled.

   Physical violence is never a resolution to a problem.
- Teach self-esteem. It truly is the most important life skill you can give your child.
- Be positive and encourage a positive attitude in life.

## Empowering your child

Bullies are everywhere – on the playground, in the classroom, on the sports field, in your circle of friends



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and even in the workplace. It is inevitable that a bully will cross paths with your child, so the best thing we can do for our children is to teach them how to be resilient, to help them build a solid self-esteem and to think positively about life.

To help them build up their self-esteem, encourage them to be accepting of and confident in themselves, and to not compare their lives to those of others. Remind them that other people's negative opinions don't count and that just maybe, those people are breaking down others in an attempt to make them feel better and stronger, because they have their own set of problems. A bully must never have the power to define, in your child's mind, who they are or who they become as a person.

So, empower your child by encouraging a positive attitude – it can help them overcome many of the challenges they will face in life. As with anything, a positive attitude can become a habit. Positivity and general optimism will also be a more natural, instinctive response for children, if it is a theme within the home. So remember to try to adopt a positive attitude yourself, especially when you are around your children. Spend positive time together, have fun, do things your child loves to do and which makes them feel good about themselves, watch funny movies and laugh, often.

Try to not make decisions for them. Guide and direct them, certainly yes, but let them be part of the decision making process. This will help them become more confident in their choices and decisions, and will help build up their assertiveness levels over time. Bullies prey on people they believe to be timid, easy targets. A little assertiveness from the intended victim can go a long way in making a bully think twice.

Finally, if your child is being bullied, don't judge them – it will simply make them withdraw further and be less likely to confide in you. Support, love and guide them. If necessary, do intervene and either contact the school to assist, or the parents if it is outside of the school environment.



#### About Life Talk® Forum

Our mission is to create happy, successful and fulfilled youth, guided by sound values. Life Talk is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness, stimulating discussions and seeking solutions to the challenges faced by parents and their children.

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**LAWN CARE PLUS:** All year round lawn care, 14 years' experience, winter lawn root-boost in preparation for spring, all lawn problems sorted, weeds, insects, disease, shade, aeration, rats, de-thatching, new lawn, tree felling, irrigation etc. contact Philippa on her cell 072 208-3587 / lan on 084 888-1632 / 011 704 4614.

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#### **DOMESTIC WORK:**

**Jennifer:** Looking for domestic work full / part time, employer in FWG has relocated, for reference call 083 736 1003 or 078 240 1160.

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**Elsah:** Has 10 yrs experience in domestic work, she is looking for any day in the week, she is a lovely reliable, hardworking lady, call 072 627 0557 or 076 881 7832 for a reference

Amanda: Looking for work on Wed, she is hardworking, trustworthy & reliable, 072 340 9943 for a reference or Amanda 083 729 7488.

**Lucia:** Looking for full / part time work, she is honest, reliable and very diligent worker, also good with children, call Lucia on 073 213 4092 or Tammy on 083 701 4767 for a reference.

**Lonely:** Malawian lady looking for domestic or child minding work full or part time, contact her on 078 909 1767, for a reference call Jessogan on 083 274 4821.

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**Violet:** Domestic assistant / housekeeper available on Mon – Sat part time or full time, honest, reliable & dependable, call 076 052 6349.

Iglett: Has worked for me for 21 years, can't get anyone better, never taken a day off sick, sadly we have to relocate, live out position, Mon, Wed & Fri, contact Natasha on 082 900 7051 or Iglett on 071 425 6652 / natasha.goodall@gmail.com

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Maria: Seeking a domestic, baby sitting or child minding work, she is energetic and trustworthy, has many years' experience, works with minimum supervision, call 078 129 7333

Malumbo: Malawian looking for work as a dog walker, Mon – Fri after 5pm also as a baby sitter, for reference call Hannah on 079 300 3632 or 078 306 9479, currently living in FWG. Phase 2.

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**Joyce:** Looking for full time live in position as a domestic worker / child minder, she is intelligent and pleasant to be around, excellent with the children and pets, available from 1 March 2017, for a reference call Nicky on 083 378 6094 or Joyce on 073 275 6909.

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Fannie: Is a housekeeper who has 3 days a week available, she holds a certificate in household management, she has worked for us for 5 yrs, she is reliable, trustworthy and is an asset to any household, please call me for a reference: Helen 079 106 4459 or Fannie on 076 901 0191.

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**Gilfina:** Hardworking, honest young Zimbabwean domestic worker is available for 3 days per week, call Alison on 082 955 4369 for a reference or call 073 665 1820.

Janet: has been with us for one year and has been a great domestic worker, we have travelled a lot during this period and she has taken care of the house, dogs and pool in our absence, she is very trustworthy and diligent, call Janet on 074 344 7372 / 073 452 3345 or call Loretta on 060 888 9844 for a reference.

**Sizalobuhle:** Looking full / part time domestic work, she is from Zimbabwe, hardworking, trustworthy and reliable, for a reference call Gemma on 082 883 0878 or Sizalobuhle on 084 443 6688.



Cynthia: She is an honest, efficient and dedicated person who is highly recommended, available on Mon & Tues, call Maria on 071 884 3887 for a reference or Cynthia on 072 489 8184.

**Nelly:** Looking for domestic work on Tues, Thurs & Sat, call 081 066 7882 or Roopika on 063 283 1736 for a reference.

**Lindiwe:** My fantastic domestic is looking for a job on Mon, Wed & Fri, she is south African, she is trustworthy, hardworking and very good with pets and children, can do CPR and first aid, for reference call Sandra on 079 320 4377 or Lindiwe on 072 677 0696.

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#### **GARDENERS:**

**Andrew:** Looking for work on Mon, Tues & Thurs, he is honest and hardworking, works well on his own and has good initiative, call 083 645 9607 or 078 706 6414 for a reference.

**Washington:** He is an honest, dedicated person, highly recommended, available on Tues & Fri, for reference call Alheight on 072 339 1885 or 071 830 0037.

**George:** Malawian seeks part / full time garden work, he is totally honest, hardworking and meticulous in all garden work, he is courteous and very quiet and extremely private, contact George on 063 181 1281 or Doreen on 078 188 0786.

Vingstone: Seeking for garden work on Mon & Thurs, he is an honest worker, for reference call 074 110 1223 or 072 958 4731.

**Misheck:** I can recommend Misheck for gardening work in FWG, he can be contacted on 061 155 1597.

Manwell: Our lovely driver will be looking for a new position, our family is emigrating, he has been in our family for almost 10 yrs, he is Malawian and is very quiet and kind, shows initiative and is good at his job, he has a valid driver's license, highly recommended, call him on 071 853 0646.

**Matthew:** Malawian looking for part time gardening work on Thurs & Sat hardworking and obeying the rules of your home, call Catherine on 079 454 0539 or Matthew on 074 028 2806.

**Gerald:** Malawian looking for full / part time gardening work, very reliable & hardworking, call Lara on 072 673 3714 or 062 421 0948

**George:** Looking for gardening work on Tues, he is reliable and a hard worker, for reference call 083 600 2135 or George 060 357 9510.

**Peter:** Looking for work as gardener or if you have any odd jobs around the house, call 060 340 5719.

**Gripsy:** Malawian with excellent experience in gardening / house work, contact Gripsy on 071 792 8058, for reference call J. Chetty on 083 274 4821 or Michelle on 082 622 5000.

**Augustine:** Due to emigration our lovely driver, gardener will be looking for a new job this January, he has been part of our family for 10 years and he is Malawian, he is highly recommended, please call him on 071 853 0646.

**Life:** Hardworking and honest gardener looking for work on Mon, Tues & Sat, call 073 249 0632, call Gizzela for a reference on 083 326 9090 or Robin on 082 563 4435 or Celester on 082 558 5434.

**Roderique:** Looking for part time work as a gardener on Tues, Wed, Fri & Sat, can also do driving and has 21 years' experience, from Lesotho, call 064 645 6174.

**Thabo:** Looking for full / part time gardening, driving & handyman work in FWG, call Mary Jane on 076 480 5881 for a reference or Thabo on 083 953 0350.

**Mike:** Malawian seeks gardening work on Mon, Fri & Sun, he is hardworking person, very honest and I would recommend him to you, he works without supervision, please call Dino on 072 647 7670 for a reference or Mike on 073 800 2107 / 063 839 5180.

**Enoch:** Honest, Reliable and trustworthy gardener available to work in FWG on Mon, Wed & Fri, well-mannered and respectful, call 073 127 7716 or 083 274 4821 for a reference.

**Desmond:** Reliable gardener looking for work on Tues, Thurs, Sat & Sun, works currently in FWG, call Desmond on 063 009 0285 or Greg Baldwin on 083 442 6969 for a reference

**Japhet:** Looking for work in FWG on Mon, Tues & Wed, he is very reliable and a great worker, please call Japhet on 078 706 3163.

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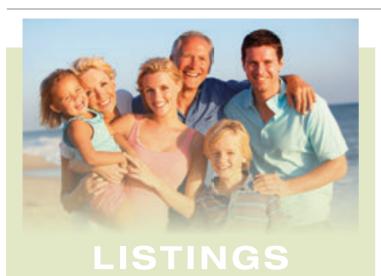
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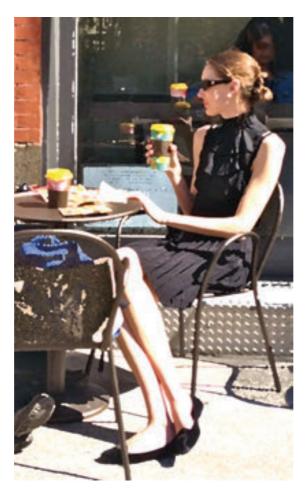
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According to one of my readers a new method is to be tried in Afghanistan to break down the fanaticism of the Taliban. The Allies intend deploying French intellectuals those formidable. earnest, godless, garrulous, unwashed people one sees sitting in Left Bank coffee shops in Paris making a cup of coffee last three hours.



#### The reader sent the following despatch...

PARIS, Wednesday - The ground war in Afghanistan heated up yesterday when the Allies revealed plans to airdrop a platoon of crack French existentialist philosophers into the country to destroy the morale of Taliban zealots by proving the non-existence of God.

Elements from the feared Jean-Paul Sartre Brigade, or 'Black Berets', will be parachuted into the combat zones to spread doubt, despondency and existential anomie among the enemy.

Hardened by numerous intellectual battles fought during their long occupation of Paris's Left Bank, their first action will be to establish a number of pavement cafes at strategic points near the front lines.

There they will drink coffee and talk animatedly about the absurd nature of life and man's lonely isolation in the universe. They will be accompanied by a number of heartbreakingly beautiful girlfriends who will further spread dismay by sticking their tongues in the philosophers' ears every five minutes and looking remote and unattainable to everyone else.

Their leader, Colonel Marc-Ange Belmondo, spoke yesterday of his confidence in the success of their mission. Sorbonne graduate Belmondo, a very intense and unshaven young man in a black pullover, gesticulated wildly and said, "The Taliban are caught in a logical fallacy of the most ridiculous. There is no God and I can prove it. Take your tongue out of my ear, Juliette, I am talking."

Marc-Ange plans to deliver an impassioned thesis on man's nauseating freedom of action with special reference to the work of Foucault and the films of Alfred Hitchcock.

However, humanitarian agencies have been quick to condemn the operation as inhumane, pointing out that the effects of passive smoking from the Frenchmen's endless Gitanes could wreak a terrible toll on civilians in the area.

#### God bless you, Paddy

The Christian celebration of Lent this year began on Wednesday, March 1. It reminded me of an Irishman who moved into a village in County Kerry, and walked into the local pub and ordered three beers. He drank them quietly, alone.

Having finished he orders three more. He does it for a third time.

Next evening the man again orders three beers at a time and soon the town is whispering about the Man Who Orders Three Beers.

After a few days the bartender says, "I don't mean to pry, but folk around here are wondering why you always order three beers?"

"Tis odd, is it not?" the man replies.
"The way it is, I have two brothers, one in America, and the other Australia. We promised each other we would always take an extra two beers whenever we drank – just to keep up the family bond."

The bartender and the whole town were pleased with this answer, and the Man Who Orders Three Beers became a local celebrity and source of pride to the hamlet.

One day the man orders only two beers. The bartender pours them with a heavy heart. This goes on for the rest of the evening.

The word flies around town. People fall silent. Prayers are muttered for the soul of the departed. Next day the bartender says to the man: "Folk around here and meself are wanting to offer condolences on the death of your brother... Sure, we knew how it was as soon as you ordered just the two beers."

The man ponders this for a moment, then replies: "Ah, God love you, but me brothers are alive and well. It's just that I, meself, have given up the drinking for Lent."

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