From the Epworthian President, Nadia Bhayat

As I look back on 2026, I feel incredibly grateful for the many moments that have reminded me what it means to be an Epworthian. Whether reconnecting with familiar faces, hearing the stories of our past pupils or celebrating the milestones that bring us together, I am continually reminded that Epworth is so much more than the place where our school years began. It is a community that stays with us, wherever life takes us.

One of the proudest highlights of the year was the opening of our Museum, creating a special home for our Archives, Museum and Epworthian Office – a place where our shared history is preserved, our stories celebrated and future generations inspired.

From reunions and regional connects to remarkable achievements and new beginnings, 2026 has given us much to celebrate. A particularly meaningful moment was presenting the inaugural Umthelela Epworthian Award to Janine Wood (Roberts, class of 1987), whose extraordinary work supporting homeless Australians reflects the enduring values of compassion, service and courage nurtured at Epworth.

As the year draws to a close, thank you for being part of our sisterhood and for continuing to share in one another's journeys. I wish you and your loved ones a happy festive season, a restful holiday and a new year filled with joy, good health and exciting possibilities.

Wherever life takes us, we will always belong. Once an Epworthian, always an Epworthian.



















Our 2027 goals are clear:

Fundraising for the Epworthian Bursary Fund:

Donate a Coffee. Change a Future.

By supporting our bursary fund, you can help open doors, nurture potential, and empower the next generation of young women to become the leaders and changemakers of tomorrow.

Whether you donate the cost of one coffee a month (R50) or rally your friends to start a class fund, every contribution helps create opportunities and transform futures.

One coffee. One contribution. One community, countless opportuities.

Follow the link to help us make a difference: -https://epworth.devman.co.za/devman/event/payment4Coffee/





Towards 130: Stay Connected!

The friendships forged, memories made, and traditions shared at Epworth connect us across generations. As we look towards Epworth's 130th anniversary, we want to ensure that every member of our alumni family remains part of the story.

Keeping our database up to date helps us reconnect with old friends, share news and opportunities, celebrate your achievements, and ensure you don't miss out on reunions and special celebrations.

Help us keep our Epworthian family connected! Update your contact details and encourage your classmates to do the same as we build towards this exciting milestone.

Update your details by following this link: - https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/jAVP3Hc05F



School News

Speech Day 2026

Speaker - Shauneen Procter (Schoeman, class of 1978)

'Assembling a Skaftin of Tools to Build a Life of Distinction" - In her own words, read Shauneen's Speech Day Address. Enjoy. Click here: https://epworth.co.za/epworthians/our-stories/

Grade 12 Epworthian families – the end of the high school chapter

(l-R) Sue Macfarlane (Haselau,1995) and her daughter Cara. Tanith Williamson (Ouzman,1992) and her daughter Ivy. Jen Boyd (Munro, 1996) and her daughter Chloe.





New Epworth Communications App

To improve and streamline communication, Epworth has changed the primary communication platform from Ed-admin MP to a customised MyAppZone communication app. A shared account has been implemented for all Epworthians — **click here** for the installation guide.

Once you have downloaded the app, you will have access to the latest school news at the touch of a button. Please feel free to contact support@epworth.co.za if you experience any issues or have any concerns or queries.

Know a family considering Epworth?





Epworthian News - The Umthelela Award



Have you submitted your Umthelela Award nomination yet?

Following requests for more time, we have extended the 2027 Umthelela Epworthian Award nomination deadline, giving you a final opportunity to shine a light on some of the remarkable women in our Epworthian community.

What a wonderful journey it has been discovering the stories of those already nominated! Each offers a glimpse into the courage, commitment, generosity and impact of women who are making an impact in the world around them.

📅 Final extended closing date: 31 January 2027

Looking ahead : A new annual nomination cycle

From 2027 onwards, nominations for each year's award will open on 1 February and close on 16 August. This revised timeframe will allow sufficient time for processing nominations and completing the voting process.

Let's continue celebrating the women whose contributions and achievements embody the spirit of Umthelela – making a difference that reaches far beyond the individual.❤️💙

Whether you're celebrating a milestone reunion or simply want to reconnect with old friends, we are excited to welcome you back to 95 Golf Road.

Save the date. Spread the word. Join the fun.







Impronta Films Consultancy Award

Karin Slater (class of 1987) has received the Impronta Films Consultancy Award as the producer/director of "Waiting for Evolution". Congratulations Karin!

Epworthian News

Epworth has a new Protea!

A huge congratulations to Kimberley McDonald (class of 2013) on being awarded her national Protea colours for squash! 🇿🇦 We will be cheering you and the South African team on as you take to the court at the World Championships in Korea.





Katja Vonkeman (class of 2018)...said Yes!



Mel Bowers (Wheeler, class of 2001)...said I Do!



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