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The SACS Endowment Trust was established in 2021 as an independent and professional entity to efficiently receive donations and create a sustainable long-term funding platform for the ongoing development of SACS. The SACS Endowment Trust has set a goal to raise R100 million in order to support the continued and future development of SACS.



Building the most impactful school for South Africa, together.



ENDOWMENT TRUST

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Creating impact and sustainability

The SACS Endowment Trust has been set up to ensure SACS remains impactful regardless of continued funding pressures. Through the SACS Endowment Trust we will be able to efficiently receive donations aimed at ensuring the schools' longevity.

The Trust has independent trustees, expert administrators, and representation from both the High School and Junior School's governing bodies. It works closely with the Headmasters of SACS Junior; Mr Gary Skeeles and SACS High; Mr Brendan Grant, for the promotion and furtherance of each school's development goals and needs.

It is a registered Public Benefit Organisation (PBO) set out in terms of Section 30 of the South African Income Tax Act. Donations made to the Trust are tax-deductible as per Section 18A of the Act. The Trust is also working hard to create efficient channels to receive contributions from donors outside of South Africa.

"SACS is funded almost exclusively by school fees. Across both SACS schools, 68% of the SACS staff are employed by each school's governing body, with just 32% of teachers and support staff paid for by the State. Additional running costs are covered by school fees, creating an ongoing tightrope that the schools have to walk. Through the SACS Endowment Trust we hope to alleviate this pressure and drive some innovative projects that will enhance the school and ensure that SACS stands strong for the next 200 years."

Gary Skeeles
Headmaster of SACS Junior



Big Goals for a bright future

The SACS Endowment Trust has set a goal to raise R100 million in honour of our 200-year birthday celebration in 2029. We appeal to the whole SACS community to consider donating to this worthy cause. It is imperative that we ensure SACS can navigate the future on a strong financial footing.

“As a leader at our great school, I know that I am but a brief custodian of what is a magnificent tradition stretching back over the past almost 200 years. SACS is a very special place and in the buildup to the historic occasion of our bicentennial celebrations, we have the chance, through our Endowment Trust, to ensure that the next 200 years of sustained excellence remains a reality. This, as we continue to strive to make SACS the best school for South Africa.”

Brendan Grant
Headmaster of SACS High



A strong endowment will serve as an enormous stabiliser and supporter of the school and its various projects. It will ensure that SACS continues to produce young gentlemen who, through their thoughts and actions, thrive in a transformed environment of excellence and ultimately make a lasting contribution to South Africa.

Our plans

Since its inception in 2021, the SACS Endowment Trust has successfully raised R20 million, of which R4.5 million has already been invested in capital projects to improve facilities. The initial projects have included the replacement of the roof of De Villiers House and the implementation of a green energy solution. The Trust's next priority is to assist the Junior School with the development of an Early Childhood Development (ECD) Centre.

Projects

ECD CENTRE

The planned ECD centre is an important asset as it allows us to provide a solid foundation for our boys. It is a critical element in the SACS transformation journey. The new ECD centre will accommodate 60 boys across three fully equipped classrooms in a brand-new Grade N facility.

JUNIOR SCHOOL CODING AND ROBOTICS HUB

Vital in the 21st century, the Coding and Robotics Hub will allow every boy within the junior school to have a designated, timetabled coding and robotics lesson every week. This will include maker spaces to physically build robots and an online aspect to learn and develop code.

INDOOR CRICKET FACILITY

This new facility will provide the ability to practise sport and hold events regardless of the weather.



BOARDING HOUSES

The review and expansion of the boarding houses will enable the school to broaden its intake of boys from a wide range of backgrounds. Improvement of these facilities will ensure better utilisation of the amazing housing spaces we have available, enabling us to also provide staff accommodation.

HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE OF MUSIC

A state-of-the-art music facility and acoustically balanced auditorium will enable the expansion of our cultural offering including a multi-purpose meeting room. The much-needed modern facility will better accommodate the students who participate in musical activities (40% of the school) and the 20 music staff.

ITHUBA TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS

The Ithuba Trust provides scholarships and opportunities to deserving young boys who would otherwise not be able to attend SACS.

By supporting the successful work of the Ithuba Trust we hope to grow our bursary programme offering scholarships across academics, sport and culture.

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SACS: Promoting excellence for nearly two centuries

SACS is proud to offer its students a dynamic all-round education that serves as an excellent platform for future success. Since 1829, every boy who has passed through our gates has been given the opportunity to grow and excel in a warm, nurturing environment.



SACS 200: Building on a proud legacy

In 2029, SACS will turn 200 years old. For the past two centuries SACS has been one of the leading schools in Cape Town and South Africa. This is a remarkable achievement and re-emphasises the legacy we have inherited and that we are entrusted to continue. SACS seeks to promote excellence through providing a balanced education, upholding high moral values, maintaining world-class facilities and celebrating diversity. As we now plan for the future, we have begun to look for ways to continue to provide world-class education to future generations of SACS men.

Today, the educational, economic and political environment in South Africa is challenging and the pressure on schools is exceptional, with very little assistance coming from the State to maintain and grow our offering. Understandably 'SACS 200' is starting to capture the imagination of the SACS community and, as we narrow our focus to this auspicious anniversary, we believe it provides a unique opportunity to fundraise significantly for the continued longevity of the school.

SACS is a centre of teaching, cultural and sporting excellence that promotes critical thinking and social responsibility, and we are constantly challenging our students to develop the best version of themselves, for themselves and for others. At SACS we value diversity and inclusivity and we encourage our students to respect, inspire, and learn from one another. We believe in nurturing compassionate and thinking individuals who can play a constructive role in society.



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How you can get involved

The success of the SACS Endowment Trust and the future of our school will be largely dependent on our ability to come together as a community to support 'SACS 200', our bicentennial anniversary.

The SACS Endowment Trust invites alumni, past and present parents, NGOs, foundations and corporates to support these initiatives by donating to the Trust. A strong endowment will ensure that our high standards can be maintained and improved so that SACS remains competitive and provides an ongoing example of what is possible in education in South Africa.

With your help, we can build the most impactful school for South Africa, together.

Thank you for your support and contributions as we journey towards our 200th year.

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