

2022-2023 ADVANCEMENT IMPACT REPORT































MESSAGE OF THANKS

From the Principal Mr. Gordon McKenzie



We are thrilled to welcome you to the latest edition of the St Andrew's International School Advancement Impact Report. In these pages, we invite you to embark on a journey through the heart of our vibrant school community, where the spirit of giving, learning, and growth intertwine to create a lasting impact.

St Andrew's International School has long been a beacon of excellence in education. For 75 years we have been successfully fostering an environment where young minds flourish, curiosity is nurtured, and global perspectives are embraced. With your unwavering support, we have not only upheld this legacy but also propelled it to new heights.

St Andrew's is a place where our students from diverse backgrounds come together to learn and to challenge one another academically, artistically and athletically. As parents, faculty and staff, or as alumni and donors, you have played an integral role in shaping this extraordinary community, fostering an environment that champions innovation and empowers the next generation of Bahamian leaders. This report celebrates the profound impact

your contributions have had on our school. It tells stories of scholarship recipients who have embarked on transformative educational journeys and alumni who have gone on to make a difference in the world.

It is a testament to the power of collective generosity and shared commitment. You will witness the tangible results of your support: modernisation of facilities, cuttingedge educational programs, and countless opportunities that enrich the lives of our students. I am particularly grateful to donors who have allowed us to move forward this year with projects to renovate our student bathrooms and to power our campus with clean, free solar energy. Together, we have created an environment where students not only receive a world-class education but also learn the values of empathy, kindness and

We invite you to explore the pages ahead and discover how your contributions have made a lasting difference in the lives of our students, faculty, and the wider community. Your unwavering dedication has ensured that the legacy of St Andrew's International School continues to shine brightly, illuminating the path for future generations. Thank you for being a vital part of our journey. Together, we celebrate the profound impact of your generosity and commitment to education.

With gratitude and excitement for the future, Gordon S McKenzie Principal & CEO St Andrew's International School



Motto:

Ethics and Excellence

Vision:

Building a diverse community of lifelong learners to be a force for positive change through ethics and excellence.

Mission:

As the pioneering International Baccalaureate school in The Bahamas dedicated to achieving excellence in education, and in partnership with our families, our mission is to:

Challenge our students to develop a lifelong love of learning that extends beyond the classroom **Inspire** curiosity, open-mindedness and a commitment to personal excellence

Foster a community of confident, creative and critical learners in an inclusive, respectful and safe environment Nurture in our students a sound ethical foundation that will inspire positive action, service and leadership Develop culturally confident global citizens who are able to succeed in any context

Build a student-centered and family-oriented community

Definition of High-Quality Learning

St Andrew's International School is dedicated to achieving excellence in education. Teachers set the highest expectations in order to encourage a lifelong love of learning which will equip our students to succeed in any context. We define high-quality learning as that which:

- Enables students to inquire, question and think critically as they learn
- Is student-centred, planned and differentiated to provide necessary support and challenge
- Gives all students the opportunity to reflect on their individual progress, success and next steps

Definition of Global Citizenship

St Andrew's is unique as an "International and Proudly Bahamian" school. We are committed to providing a balanced education which encourages an understanding of the world, as well as respect and tolerance both for others and one's own heritage.

We offer an international curriculum which includes many local aspects and programmes. We cater to students and families who may be either Bahamian, expatriate or a blend of both. Our faculty of international and Bahamian educators are committed to delivering an education grounded in ethics and excellence, supported by the IB Learner Profile.

We are registered with the appropriate local bodies as well as being accredited by international agencies.

We define our international/intercultural approach as one which:

- Is inclusive in order to promote the value of diversity
- Is service-minded in order to develop sensitivity to inequality and the desire to be a force for positive change
- Champions and explores ethics and excellence in all that we do
- Encourages interdependence in order to inspire culturally confident global citizens
- Embeds the IB Learner Profile in planning, lessons and procedures
- Challenges stereotypes and assumptions

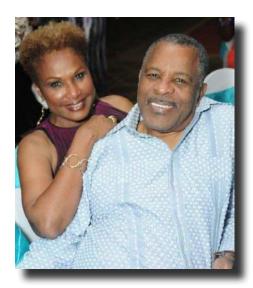
Strategic Goals

These goals are aspirational and intended to inspire specific developments which will bring the school closer to its vision:

- 1. Clear purpose, direction and leadership drive all goals
- 2. Our traditions and history are valued and celebrated
- 3. Financial strength and prudence supports our goals
- **4.** A genuine community, with shared values, succeeding together
- 5. Excellence in teaching and learning
- **6.** Promoting the wellbeing and meeting the varied needs of our diverse community
- **7.** Nurturing a global mindset and a sound ethical and service-minded foundation
- 8. Recruiting and retaining the best available personnel
- **9.** A Learning Environment that stimulates and delights us all

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

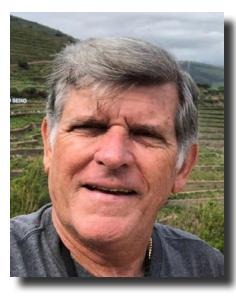
Sir Franklyn & Lady Sharon Wilson & Godfrey Thomas



SIR FRANKLYN & LADY SHARON WILSON

St Andrews School is important to the Wilson family. Franon, Sharlyn and Rosel each attended. Five of our grandchildren have benefitted from some attendance. These include Shanon Rose Wilson, who served as Head Girl, as well as Stanley Wilson and Seth Moxey who are presently enrolled.

We know the quality of education provided by the school to be competitive with that provided at some of the best-known institutions in the world. We know that maintaining this standard is important to future prospects of the country and to do so requires financial support beyond the revenues from enrollment. We donate in that interest.

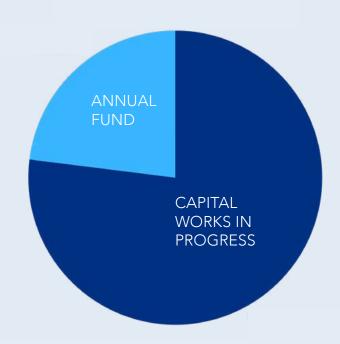


GODFREY THOMAS

Although I was not an academic by any stretch of imagination St Andrew's quality teachers gave me a very good footing to navigate the journey of life. Of course at the time of my attending the school I did not have life experience to realize it. I now feel I should give something back for the gift of a well rounded base education. I did not attend any higher level educational institution (was not the studious type and the funding was lacking at that time) but St Andrew's was a great foundation with which to build my life.

GIVING SUMMARY

TOTAL RAISED & NUMBER OF DONATIONS: \$299,058 268 228



FUND ALLOCATION

77% CAPITAL WORKS IN PROGRESS

Supplements school campus improvements

- Bathroom Renovations
- Campus Solar Farm

23% ANNUAL FUND

Fund for unrestricted giving

SCHOLARSHIPS

The scholarship donation from the Sylvia Fair Fund amounted to \$60,000 this year. The full 4 year scholarship amount pledged, was recorded in last year's impact report. We are proud to report that all three scholarship students who are benefiting from the fund are excelling.

NEW COMMUNICATIONS PLATFORM

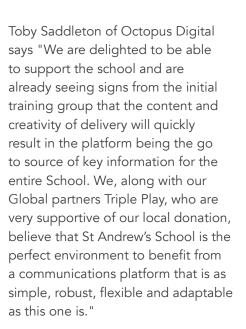
OCTOPUS DIGITAL DONATES IN-SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS PLATFORM

Octopus Digital fundamentally believes that strong communication is critical to harnessing the collective capacity of any organization and its stakeholders to elevate its community to desired levels through improved inclusion and understanding.

This sentiment is amplified by the recent donation by Octopus Digital, of a top line Communications Platform. The donation, valued at \$4000, comprises set-top box hardware and cloud software licences for 3 locations throughout the school with all necessary in-house training and support to ensure the platforms success. Existing TV's will display shared digital content to the selected locations of the primary main office, the staffroom and the Principal's Office. The Platform has the flexibility to allow different content to be broadcast to specific locations, so that internal faculty and staff will see more vital internal communications in addition to the general school messaging.

This is where students, faculty, staff, parents and guardians can be exposed to the daily and real time happenings within the school. It will help foster a feeling of shared community where everyone can see the same content in school as they see in their in-box or social media. It also gives visitors to the school a sense of place, context, identity and insight into the abundance of activities happening daily with the various school levels at St Andrew's School.

The TV display in the Primary reception can potentially be monetized by allocating advertising space to business and members of The St Andrew's School community wishing to communicate their marketing messages and showcase their products and services.



Gordon McKenzie, Principal, added: "We have been working extremely hard on communication over the last few years and this is now regarded as an area of strength at our school. This generous gift from Octopus Digital will allow us to enhance our communications even further. We will now be able to share a more diverse range of school and community news around campus, give students a new platform on which





to host their own content and even generate additional revenue for the school via appropriate advertising. I'm extremely excited about the possibilities this excellent platform gives us and look forward to our school story being shared in such an innovative way."

If you would like to advertise your business on the new St Andrew's communications platform please call or email Letisha Paul, Graphic Designer/Social Media Specialist @ letisha.paul@st-andrews.com







NEW GOLF FACILITY AT ST ANDREW'S

St Andrew's International School has just teed up a game-changer for our students and community. Thanks to a partnership with 'Fourteen Clubs' golf academy, we now have a brand new short game golf facility on our campus. The facility caters to both aspiring young golfers and seasoned enthusiasts and is more than just a set of greens – it's a gateway to a world of golfing excellence.

The facility has been funded entirely by Fourteen Clubs and their supporters, and use of the facility will not only enhance our offering to students, it will also generate revenue for the school.

Our After School Program provides an exceptional opportunity for students to receive expert coaching, honing their skills under the guidance of experienced instructors. Whether your interest lies in perfecting your putting technique or mastering the art of pitching and chipping, the meticulously designed practice area offers the ideal space to enhance your game.

But that's not all – prepare to be amazed by the cutting-edge Golf Simulator. Step into a virtual realm where you can challenge your friends and fellow students on some of the world's most renowned golf courses. The thrill of competition meets the joy of immersive gameplay, creating an unforgettable experience for all participants. As we swing into action, we invite everyone to come and be a part of this exciting journey at our very own golf haven. Join us on the greens and let's tee off towards a future filled with passion, camaraderie, and golfing mastery!

2022-2023 DONOR LIST

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

JOIN US THIS SCHOOL YEAR

Why give? Each year, St Andrews raises money that impacts the lives of all students. We strive to build a diverse community of lifelong learners to be a force for positive change through ethics and excellence. Our annual fundraising is an essential part of the school's annual operating budget, filling the gap not covered by tuition and fees.

WAYS TO GIVE

Make a secure online donation with a credit/debit card: **standrewsbahamas.com/support**

Local Transfer:

Bank: RBC Royal Bank (Bahamas) Limited Account Name: ST ANDREWS INTERNAT Branch #: 05625 Account #: 2879039

Please email advancement@st-andrews.com to let us know about your account transfer or request further wiring instructions for international transfers

Cheque:

Make payable to:

St Andrew's International School

Please email advancement@st-andrews.com to coordinate drop off or pick up of the cheque

Planned Giving

Making a planned gift is a wonderful way to show your support and appreciation for St Andrew's and its mission while accommodating your own personal, financial, estate planning, and philanthropic goals. Just as important, you will know that you have made a meaningful contribution to the future of St Andrew's. The most common ways to give are by putting St

Andrew's International School in your will, as a beneficiary of retirement assets or life insurance, or as a beneficiary of a truSt

For additional information on ways to include St Andrew's International School in your estate plans or for information on joining our Legacy Society please email us at advancement@st-andrews.com.

Endowment

For those alumni, parents, grandparents, and friends who wish to make an endowed gift to enrich St Andrew's International School as a powerfully inclusive learning community, we invite you to explore endowment giving opportunities whether unrestricted or restricted. Restricted opportunities include endowed funds towards financial aid, faculty salaries, buildings & grounds, athletics, academics, and the arts.

You can create a named Endowed Fund with a minimum gift of \$100,000.

Please contact us to discuss how you can best support the long term financial success of our school.

Email us at advancement@st-andrews.com.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS





Join us for our highly anticipated 3rd Annual Silent and Live Auction, where every bid becomes a direct contribution to our School's Annual Fund. Your participation will fuel essential initiatives that shape our community's future, including providing financial aid, maintaining and enhancing our campus, fostering academic growth, nurturing the arts, advancing professional development, and swiftly addressing needs throughout the school year. Engage in our Virtual Auction at: https://auction.bahamaslocal.com/site/auction/15/st_andrews_school_auction_2023.html and save the date for the Live Auction during the vibrant John Watling's House Colours Party. Let's make a difference together while celebrating our community's spirit of generosity and support!

CELEBRATE 75 YEARS AT OUR HOUSE COLOURS PARTY

NOVEMBER 25, 2023

A grand celebration marking 75 years of St Andrew's legacy.

The event, coined the "House Colours Party," will take place at the historic John Watling's Distillery on November 25, 2023. This festive occasion serves as a reunion and celbration for alumni, faculty, parents, staff, and friends of the St Andrew's Community. We invite everyone to proudly flaunt their house colors or don their favorite House shirt, adding a vibrant splash of tradition to the festivities. Tickets for this memorable night can be conveniently purchased online at https://st-andrews-international-school. fygaroshops.com.

Let's come together, honor our rich history, and create new memories at this special event!



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SWINGING INTO SUCCESS: CELEBRATING THE 2ND ANNUAL GOLF INVITATIONAL

Congratulations to all participants and supporters of our 2nd Annual Golf Invitational, a day filled with fun, school spirit, and fierce competition. We are deeply grateful for everyone's role in making this event a success - from our sponsors and alumni to the committed committee members, staff, and avid supporters.

The highlight of our invitational was the prize-giving ceremony led by Mr. Bruce Stewart, the Co-chair of the School Board. Our top three winners included:

1st - Heath Pritchard & Sean Albury: One was awarded a stay at Valentine's Resort and Marina in Harbour Island, and the other a stay at Pineapple Fields in Eleuthera. Both relished a bottle each of John Watling's rum.

2nd - Patrick Stevenson & Darren Roberts: Both enjoyed Golf and Lunch for two at Albany, accompanied by a bottle each of John Watling's rum.

3rd - Dwight Tinker & Kelsey Rolle: Each received a men's David Yurman ID bracelet, generously donated by John Bull, and savored a bottle of John Watling's rum.

While we're ecstatic about this year's turnout, we're already looking forward to next year's invitational. We hope to see even more familiar and new faces join us for another round on the green!









CHALLENGE



The now infamous St Andrew's School "Run" was and still is known as a legendary dread evoking, shin splinting, character building, house chanting rite of passage.

The run made its debut at St Andrew's School in 1973 and has earned itself the title of most memorable and agonising event of students past and present.

House Lucayan was the winner for 2023! Arawak was in a close second followed by Carib and Taino. Lucayan has won this event for the past 3 years in a row!

The virtual "Run" took place from March 11-19th.

Participants were able to walk, run or bike 1 mile, 3K,

5K or 10K and submit their distance for House Points!

Alumni, parents both past and present, teachers,

grandparents and even friends of the school participated
to support St Andrews. We look forward to an exciting
"Run" this school year!





















VIVAN NAGRATH
2022-2023 HEAD BOY

Goals and aspirations

Pursue B.S. mechanical engineering and after such, a Master's in mechanical engineering, and maybe a PhD.

Prizes Won

2023: Valedictorian

2023: Principal's award

2023: CIS International understanding award

2023: Subject award IB HL Physics

2023: Subject award IB HL Chemistry

2023: Subject award IB HL AAMath

2023: Subject award IB SL Business Management

Honors Awarded



SHANON WILSON **2022-2023 HEAD GIRL**

Prizes Won Top Performance Subject Prizes

2020: Information Technology

2022: Visual Arts

2022: English Language

2023: Visual Arts

Certificates of Excellence

2020: IGCSE English Language and IGCSE Business Studies

2021: IGCSE Visual Arts, IGCSE Business Studies and IGCSE Mathematics

2022: IB Business Management

2023: IB Business Management and IB Visual Arts

Honors Awarded

Muriel Eneas Community Service Award presented by the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority

The Judy Maura Memorial Prize

Actively persuing the IB Diploma at St Andrew's International School



JACK BARR Goals and aspirations

- To successfully graduate from university with a degree in Business Management, withacademic and athletic honors
- Additional Selection to Bahamas Aquatics National Teams for representation at High Ranking International Events
- Develop business plan and return home after university to start own business (financial sector)

Extra- Curricular Activities, including awards/honors

2023: Barracuda Swim Club Team Captain

2023: Bahamas Aquatics National Team Captain – Carifta (Curacao)

2022: Bahamas Aquatics National Team Member – Carifta

2020: Bahamas Aquatics National Team Member – Carifta

2021: Bahamas National Record Holder – 800M Freestyle; 1500M Freestyle

2017 to present: Barracuda Swim Club Member

Competitive Swimming

Music - Violin

2022-2023: Bahamas Music Academy Orchestra - Concertmaster

2021: Bahamas General Certificate of Secondary Education – Music - A Grade

2019: Associated Board of Royal Schools of Music Exams (ABRSM)

Practical Grade 6

Theory Grade 5 – with Merit

2019: E. Clement Bethel National Arts Festival Award Winner, Violin Solo Class

2014 to present: Bahamas Music Academy Orchestra Violinist

University Attendance

Howard University, Washington DC



JAKE OLDFIELD Goals and Aspirations

I want to find my path in helping find change to the unsustainable production of goods and be a part of the solution to the global resources collection, manufacturing and distribution crisis.

Honors Awarded

2022- Graduate with Honors 2021-2022- Head Boy

Subject Prizes:

2022 - Math

2022 - Physics

University Attendance

University College of London/Queen Mary University of London



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

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ERIC WIBERG '86



An adventurous spirit, Eric has been on an exceptional journey since his departure from St Andrew's some 40 years ago. Following his time at the Massachusetts boarding school, his path has led him across the world and to the helm of 165 boats, racking up an impressive 80,000 nautical miles of sea travel. Eric's extensive travels have seen him visit 85 nations, reside in 250 islands on 6 continents, and make lasting memories in places such as the Bahamas, the US, the UK, Sweden, Singapore, and New Zealand.

While globetrotting, Eric found his partner in life and is now a proud father to a 16-year-old, named Felix. His familial ties are not his only anchor; his undying passion for the written word has also remained a constant companion. With more than 40 books penned and 18 published, Eric's words have reached countless readers around the world. Among his writing accomplishments are 1,000 articles and a staggering count of 4 million words. A digital trove of his life experiences, including 58 diaries and 53 photo albums, offers a rich chronicle of his adventures.

Despite his international footprint, Eric's connection to St Andrew's remains strong. He has returned to speak to groups of students, sharing his experiences and inspiring the next generation. Eric's ties to academia extend further, with associations to institutions like Roger Williams Law, Oxford, Boston College, Lisbon Law, University of Rhode Island, and the New York Film Academy.

Eric's resilience and determination have often been tested, but they have never wavered. He bravely weathered the pandemic with his son in a remote cabin, contended with institutional abuse at a boarding school, and has been sober for 17 years. His courage, resourcefulness, and adaptability are evident in the 70 jobs he has held over the years, including boarding tankers with Bibles for a charity, tutoring Chinese students, selling antiquarian books, running a water taxi, and writing a bi-weekly column

A self-described compulsive seeker of lost histories, Eric has unearthed 10 World War II aircraft in the Bahamas, unearthing tales of forgotten servicemen and overlooked individuals. This drive extends to his personal life, where he continually strives to improve his ability to listen, share, and overcome impatience.

and podcast for the Nassau Tribune.

At St Andrew's, Eric enjoyed his early school days with Mr. Harding, a teacher he greatly admired, joining the school the same year he did. Fond memories were made alongside his neighbor, Andrew Allen, who shared classes with him under Mr. Graham.

Eric loved the simple joy of exploring the fields and hunting for lost sports balls. One of his charming school memories includes offering a baby turtle he'd found to a girl from his swimming class. The playground was the backdrop for many instances of harmless mischief, creating a shared camaraderie among the students.

The school was often touched by the remarkable, like Mr. McDonald, a teacher who'd previously taught Emperor Haile Selassie's son, and the campus visit from Mohammed Ali. A sense of maturity and pride came with donning long pants in upper form. The connection with faculty didn't end within the school premises; Eric enjoyed spotting some of them during weekends at Montague Foreshore.

One of Eric's fondest memories at St Andrew's was "The Run." Despite his own struggles with the event, he found satisfaction in training and cheering on his younger brother James, who went on to win. The journey to and from school was also a source of fascination.

Eric credits his parents and St
Andrew's for the opportunities and
experiences he's enjoyed. Despite
his myriad accomplishments and
adventures, Eric considers being
a father, maintaining sobriety, and
surviving as a writer as his proudest
achievements. His life after St
Andrew's is a testament to the spirit
of exploration, resilience, and lifelong
learning that the school cultivates in
its students.

LAURA KIMBLE '99

Since her graduation from St Andrew's in 1999, it has been an incredible 24-year journey for Laura Kimble. Laura is immensely grateful for the path that life has taken her on, and she attributes a part of that to the solid foundation she received at St Andrew's School.

Following her departure from St Andrew's, Laura enrolled in Trinity College School, a boarding school in Canada, for two years. This was followed by four enriching years at Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia, Canada. In 2005, Laura returned to Nassau to embark on her journey in the real world. It was during this time that she discovered her passion for real estate. Following her passion, Laura has been working as the managing broker at Graham Real Estate since 2007! Being part of a close-knit team that genuinely cares about its clients and customers brings Laura great fulfillment each

Animals have always held a special place in Laura's heart, and in 2009, she found her true purpose in life. Together with a group of passionate animal advocates, Laura formed Baark! (Bahamas Alliance for Animal Rights & Kindness). Her mission is focused on spaying and neutering dogs and cats, as well as providing education to the community, with the ultimate goal of reducing the unnecessary suffering of these animals in the Bahamas. Volunteering with Baark! has been a source of immense pride for Laura, as she tirelessly works to spread kindness, love, and compassion

to communities in need. Over the past 13 years, Laura has spayed and neutered nearly 30,000 dogs and cats. With her unwavering dedication to the mission, she is confident that in the next 5-10 years, the Bahamas will witness a significant positive change for companion animals.

In addition to Laura's career in real estate and her involvement with Baark!, her life is enriched by various interests. She has a deep desire for personal growth and learning. Traveling is a passion of Laura's, as she aspires to visit 50 countries by the time she turns 50. She also finds joy in taking horseback riding vacations and maintaining a dedicated fitness routine, which she finds somewhat ironic considering her strong aversion to PE and team sports during her time at St Andrew's! She is incredibly blessed to have an amazing partner, six furry companions, and a supportive network of friends and family. Each day, Laura is filled with gratitude for her place in this world.

Through her journey, Laura has come to realize the significance of relationships and collaboration. One of her favorite quotes, by Helen Keller, resonates deeply with her:

"Together we can do so much."
Laura is proud to be part of the
Nassau community and cherishes
the values of community that were
instilled in her during her time at St
Andrew's School.



Reflecting on her fond memories of St Andrew's, two moments stand out. The first is the poem Desiderata, which has always held a special place in Laura's heart. She remembers voluntarily writing it out in Alan Murray's classroom before exams, despite it being a typical punishment for students. She has cherished that poem since high school and continues to hold it close to her heart. The second memory is Gordon Mills' wall of quotes in English class. Laura loved reading those quotes repeatedly, and she still has a little book where she recorded all the quotes he had written on his classroom wall. These experiences have fostered Laura's love for motivational quotes, which continue to inspire her. Laura noted several other cherished memories from her time at St Andrew's. When she reflects on those years, she recalls the unwavering support and connections that were available to her.





TIMOTHY SMITH '10

After graduating from St. Andrews in 2010, Timothy Smith leveraged the invaluable lessons and lifelong connections he formed there to propel him towards his life's purpose. As he found success in the real estate industry, Timothy profoundly reflects, "Real estate is not about property; it's about relationships. It's not one and done; it's ongoing building of trust." The enduring relationships he cultivated at St. Andrews became a source of lifelong support, not only from his peers but also from the caring parents and teachers who played an integral role in his journey.

Following his time at St. Andrews, Timothy pursued a four-year degree in Business Administration with a major in Accounting at Georgia State University. During this period, he also began working for a renowned big four accounting firm, where he remained for two years after graduation. In 2014, he returned to The Bahamas to embark on his path with Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate MCR Bahamas, where he earned

the notable title of "rookie of the year." His dedication and prowess led to further recognition, receiving the distinction of top producer in both 2019 and 2020. In 2021, Timothy embraced a new role as a partner within the organization, and in 2022, his exceptional trajectory continued with global recognition for being in the top 1% in sales within the Better Homes and Gardens network.

Beyond his professional achievements, Timothy finds joy in outdoor activities like fishing, diving, and golf, relishing any opportunity to stay active. Moreover, he remains committed to making a positive impact through his volunteer efforts with BHGRE MCR Bahamas and other organizations whose causes resonate with him, such as the Bahamas Feeding Network.

Reflecting on his transformative experiences at St. Andrews, Timothy warmly recalls, "I loved experiences on many of the sports teams, afterschool. They largely shaped me into who I am today. I made a lot of great friends that I'm still very close with, and perhaps my favorite thing about being an alumnus of St. Andrews is being in a tight-knit community, where everyone's parents are supportive and where we look out for each other.'

FAMILY LEGACY AT ST ANDREW'S

The Andrews and Stewart families share a strong connection to St Andrew's International School, with deep ties to the institution spanning generations. Geoff Andrews (Class of 1978) and Lynne Robertson Andrews (Class of 1984) are both second-generation St Andrew's students, as Geoff's mother, Susan Donald Andrews, and Lynne's father, Macgregor Robertson, were both members of the charter class at St Andrew's at the school's original campus. Their dedication to the school extended far beyond their own education, with both Susie and Mac serving for many years on the Board of St Andrew's. Their involvement played a crucial role in overseeing numerous positive developments at the school, including the move to the present campus over fifty years ago.

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Their siblings Cathy Andrews Schlei (Class of 1976 and teacher at St Andrew's from 1996–2007), Philip Andrews (Class of 1977), and Ian Robertson (Class of 1985) are proud members of the St Andrew's family, as are their daughters, Shelley (Class of 2014) and Jenny (Class of 2017).



Standing 1st from left: Macgregor Robertson (Geoff's father-in-law) Standing 4th from left: Susan Donald Andrews (Geoff's mother)

BOTTOM

The Andrews Family

KEY UPCOMING DATES:

Similarly, the Stewart family has a rich history with St Andrew's International School. Our current Board Co-Chair, Bruce Stewart (Class of 1982) is a second generation St Andrew's student, who is an Architect practicing here in Nassau. His mother, Marsha Brown Stewart is a first generation St Andrew's student, in addition to his aunt, Molly Brown Walton, who were both part of the earliest years at the old 'Collins House' campus on Shirley Street. Bruce's father, Michael Stewart, was also a Board Member and a Chairman, during the late '70s and early

Bruce's spouse, Ingrid Stewart, has also been an active member of the St Andrew's

School PTA, serving as President and PTA Board Member for many years. Both Bruce and Ingrid are dedicated to the school and have contributed much effort over the years towards various campus improvement projects through Board and PTA initiatives.

Their sons, Philip (Class of 2026) and Christian (Class of 2028), continue the family's legacy and connection to the school as third generation St Andrew's International School students.

Bruce's sister, Karen Stewart Alliata (Class of 1983), also second generation, and her children: Juliette

(Class of 2017) and Matteo (Class of 2019) are both third generation St Andrew's students.

Both the Andrews and Stewart families exemplify dedication to the betterment of St Andrew's International School, contributing to its ongoing success and the education it provides. Their involvement as students, alumni, and supporters in various school and community roles demonstrate the lasting impact the institution has on the lives of those who pass through its doors. The commitment and passion of these families serve as an inspiration to current and future generations of St Andrew's students, families, and alumni.





TOP

Back row 2nd from left: Molly Brown Walton (Bruce's Aunt) Back row 5th from left: Marsha Brown Stewart (Bruce's Mom))

BOTTOM

The Stewart Family

2023

NOVEMBER 17th-26th | St Andrew's Virtual Auction

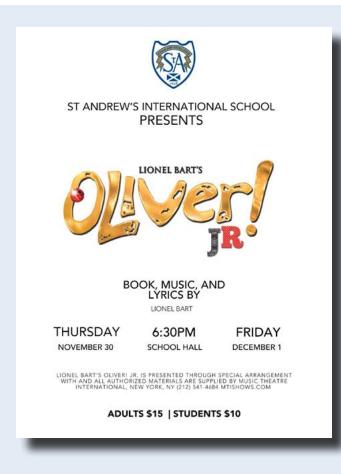
NOVEMBER 25th | Reunion House Colours Party at John Watling's

NOVEMBER 30th - December 1st | Oliver Jr! Secondary School Production

NOVEMBER 30th | ST ANDREW'S DAY 75TH ANNIVERSARY ASSEMBLY

DECEMBER 18th | Infant Winter Production

DECEMBER 19th | Junior/Secondary Christmas Concert



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Get ready for an electrifying showcase as our secondary students breathe life into the award-winning musical tale of scoundrels and thieves! Mark your calendars for November 30th and December 1st, 2023, to witness an incredible fusion of song and dance. Tickets for this spectacular performance are available for purchase at the school's business office during two convenient time slots: 8am-9am and 3:30pm-4pm.

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