



Class of '61 – Reunion

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Hi Guys

As you all know, this is the Selborne Schools Jubilee year. Yes, 150 years of providing quality education to many successful Selbornians.

Peter Turner, Charlie Harris, Owen Thompson and myself have had discussions with Alan Parsons of the OSA over the past couple of months to try and get a feeling as to what is planned for the Jubilee weekend.

We have tried to glean as much information about the plans for the Jubilee weekend but all we know is that there will be:

- A get together at the Old Boys Club on the Thursday night - 20th October
- The traditional Ceremony of the Key at the school on Friday the 21st of October 2022, which will follow the normal format.



- At this stage **no** Spit Braai is planned for the Friday night. (however, various options are being discussed)
- An upmarket Jubilee Banquet is on the programme for the Saturday night at a cost of R850 a head!!! (I would appreciate your feelings on the viability of this event)
- The Class of '56 are planning a brunch on the morning of the 22nd as some are not intending to attend the banquet and we are looking at combining with them – from our side we have not yet considered the format of the combined event. Of course, you are still welcome to attend the formal Banquet if you so wish.

I must say that there are some negative feelings about the current planned activities, especially the Jubilee Banquet, but we don't have a detailed view off what is planned for the weekend by the organisers.

All communications seem to point to a drive to make the Jubilee celebration an opportunity to raise funds for the Selborne Foundation Trust, rather than a strong drive to encourage as many as possible Old Boys to make plans to be at this special celebration.

At this stage we would prefer to be the catalyst to find ways to encourage as many Old Boys as possible to attend the weekend and will strive to do so.

What we need to know urgently is whether you are considering attending???

Please respond **Yes** or **No** to me as soon as possible either by WhatsApp or email. Don't forget to include your name in your response.

Kind regards

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