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To all members of the St John's Junior School Community,

I should like to make you all aware of the disastrous events that have taken place in Hout Bay, South Africa, very close to one of our sister schools, ISHB. An extensive fire began in a local township a few days ago and this has greatly affected staff, students and families at the school and has severely damaged the nearby area. Those of you that follow the school Facebook page will probably already be aware of this terrible situation.

St John's School offers its heartfelt condolences to those affected by the fires and would like to be able to offer some support. ISHB staff and families have already been working hard to offer food, supplies and support to the local community in Hout Bay and we would like to ask the pupils and staff of St John's School to contribute to this great effort. Having been given the opportunity to spend 2 wonderful months in Hout Bay, studying at HBIS this is something very close to my heart.

An optional mufti day has been arranged for **SENIOR PUPILS** in haste for Friday to raise funds towards a SJS donation very soon. I am aware that there are already 2 other charity days for the Junior School with events and mufti next week so do not feel another at this time would be appropriate. However, an optional donation can be given, should anyone wish to do so - this is not compulsory but would be appreciated by both St John's and ISHB.

All money raised will be added to the fundraising efforts of ISHB and used to provide aid for the local Hout Bay community. Donations can be made on arrival to myself or Mr Burgess at the gate tomorrow morning (Friday) or directly to their fund using the Quicket donation link below:

<https://www.quicket.co.za/events/27313-hbis-staff-donations/#/>

I will be attending the Junior School assembly tomorrow morning to talk to your son or daughter about the effects of the recent disastrous events. I will also be sharing stories of the wonderful people from Hout Bay that made me feel so welcome during my stay there and how their lives have changed as a consequence of the last week.

Yours Sincerely

**Will Ashby**  
Headboy



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