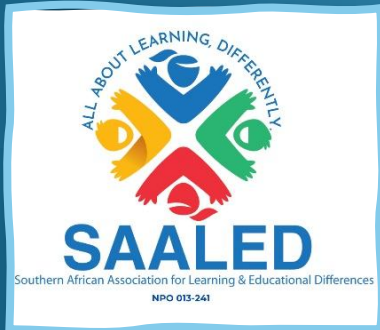




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Membership fees for 2026:

Subscription fees and Webinar rates for 2026.

School Annual Membership fee:

R2400.00 and entitles 6 teachers to join the webinars and seminar at the member rate thereafter non-member rates apply.

Individual Annual Membership fee:

R350.00 and entitles you to join all events at the member rate.

Webinar fees for members:
R230.00 per webinar

Webinar fees for non-members:
R320.00 per webinar

5% of all bookings will be donated to our Outreach School, Kings School Muldersdrift

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Dear SAALED Members and Friends,

Welcome

As we approach one of the highlights of the SAALED calendar, we are excited to invite our members and friends to the 2026 SAALED AGM, Annual Seminar and Networking Event. This year's theme, Boundaries with Heart, promises a thought-provoking exploration of connection, belonging, affirmation, and the human side of education.

We are privileged to welcome three outstanding speakers: Julia Dunn, who will challenge us to rethink boundaries in modern classrooms; Prof. Jonathan Jansen, who will explore the concept of a pedagogy of love and its impact on learning; and Stuart West, who will share insights into the power of affirmation, belonging, and possibility. Together, they offer a programme that is both inspiring and deeply relevant to educators, parents, and support professionals.

If there is one professional learning event to attend this year, this is it. We look forward to welcoming you to a day of learning, reflection, networking and renewed inspiration.

Guests can look forward to thoughtfully curated goodie bags, delicious snacks and meals, and the beautiful setting at Dainfern College as the hosts of this year's Annual Seminar.



To make booking for the Seminar, please click on the link below. Bookings close on Friday, 19 June.

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Our speaker lineup:

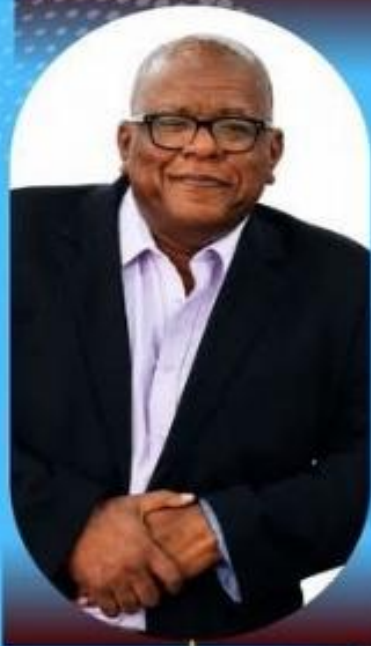
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PROF. JONATHAN JANSEN
A pedagogy of love: empirical correlates of a mushy idea.

For the past two years I have immersed myself in a dysfunctional school, one that achieved the worst NSC results in the WC province. After both study and intervention, working with an excellent school leadership, I discovered that what students were struggling with was not so much content as connection. What was needed was not recognized, the inseparability of learning and living. Policies for everything, including teaching, was normed for middle class sensibilities. In my attempt to understand change also from the bottom up, I asked to teach a class. From that experience, I discovered the power of a pedagogy of love around which I developed, from practice, seven alternative sensibilities that work.

What I hope delegates will take away from this seminar is content and expertise are not enough; that what you need to recover, despite the time-constrained curriculum, is ways of connecting with students that compel them to want to learn. It works.

25 JUNE 2026 | 08H30
Dainfern College, Johannesburg

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Mrs Julia Dunn (Head of Redhill Junior School)

From Control to Connection – Rethinking Boundaries in Modern Classrooms

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BOUNDARIES WITH HEART



JULIA DUNN

From Control to Connection: Rethinking Boundaries in Modern Classrooms

Julia Dunn has dedicated 31 years to education, including four years as Head of School, guiding young minds through the joys, challenges, and surprises of learning. A mother of two sons, now 23 and 18, she knows firsthand that childhood is complex, fleeting and full of potential and that schools play a critical role in helping children thrive. Julia will be exploring how effective boundaries are not about control or compliance, but about creating emotional safety, strengthening relationships and supporting children's ability to regulate themselves and participate in learning.

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(Affirmation: *The Power of Boundaries, Belonging and Possibilities*)

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BOUNDARIES WITH HEART



STUART WEST

Affirmation : The Power of Boundaries, Belonging and Possibilities

Stuart West is the Executive Head of Steyn City School, a role he assumed in January 2026. He brings over twenty years of leadership experience at some of South Africa's top independent schools, having previously served as Executive Head of St. John's College, Head of Herschel Girls School in Cape Town, and College Principal at Dainfern College in Johannesburg. Stuart holds a BA (Hons) in History from Rhodes University and a Postgraduate Certificate in Education from UNISA. He is deeply committed to pastoral care, mentorship, and the holistic development of young people, with a leadership philosophy rooted in the belief that great schools must be responsive to an ever-changing society. An accomplished sportsman, Stuart has played and coached at provincial level and is equally passionate about the arts.

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The Vendor lineup at our Seminar ...not to be missed!

A special feature of this year's seminar is the opportunity to connect with a range of outstanding education-focused vendors who will be showcasing their products, services, and expertise. We are grateful for the support of Mindmoves, 2Simple, Maze Education, Depicta, KCSA, Labelpal, Clever Little Minds, DocQTech Solutions, and Playing and Learning.

Adding to the excitement, many of our vendors have generously sponsored a variety of fantastic giveaways and prizes. Be sure to take the time to explore the exhibition area—you may leave not only with new insights and connections, but with a few surprises as well!

Roy Blumenthal will be at our SAALED seminar, sharing his sketches as the speakers talk. Appealing to the creatives to see and hear in pictures. It promises to be fun!

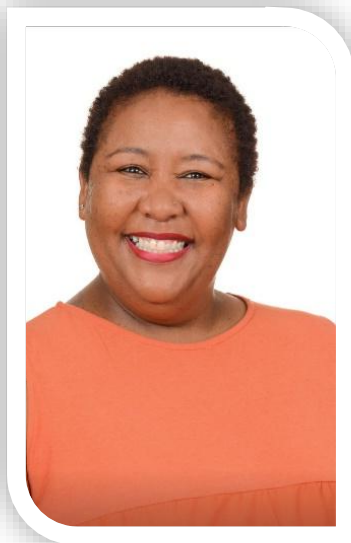


Proposed SAALED Webinars and Seminar Events for 2026:

	Annual Seminar at Dainfern College Boundaries with Heart 25 June 2026 Bookings close on Friday, 19 June.
	Webinar Connected or controlled? Tech, Teens, and Teaching Boundaries 28 July 2026
	Webinar Early Years, Ready to Learn: Play, Purpose, and Progress 17 September 2026
	Webinar Reading for All: Creative and Inclusive Literacy Practices 15 October 2026

These events may be subject to change based on circumstances that may be unforeseen. This will be communicated in advance and closer to the time, as needed.

Farewell to our Board Member, Lerato Shuping.



SAALED extends its sincere thanks to Lerato for her valued contribution as a Board Member.

During her time with us, Lerato brought energy, innovation and a strong passion for inclusive education and educational technology. Her advocacy for using technology to support diverse learners added an important voice to our work, and her enthusiasm for creating more inclusive, engaging learning spaces was truly appreciated.

We are grateful for the insight, ideas, and commitment she shared with the Board, and we wish her every success as she continues her journey in education and EdTech.

Thank you, Lerato, for your contribution to SAALED.



Closing Note

As we close this edition, we're looking forward with great excitement to welcoming many of you to our SAALED Annual Seminar, the highlight event of our year and our only in-person gathering on the calendar. It promises to be a vibrant day of connection, learning, and inspiring conversations as we continue to champion inclusive education together. Bookings close on Friday, 19 June. We can't wait to see you there!

**With heartfelt appreciation,
Joe Pillay
Chairperson, SAALED**

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