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APPOINTMENT OF NEW EXECUTIVE HEAD OF MITCHELL HOUSE

It gives us great pleasure to share with you the very good news of Mr. Stephen Lowry's appointment as Executive Head of Mitchell House with effect from 1 January 2021.

This completes a search that began nearly 18 months ago, when Mr. Andrew Cook, current Head of Mitchell House, announced his intention to retire at the end of 2020.

Mr. Lowry is one of the most experienced and capable educational leaders in South Africa. He has been Principal of Sacred Heart College Observatory (a comprehensive school like ours), the Rector of St Stithians, arguably the most demanding leadership position in South African Education. He comes to us out of Waterford Kamhlaba, a United World College School, situated in Swaziland.

"I am very excited about this new appointment despite not having been able to visit the school during this Covid-19 emergency, and having tried, but being turned back from the border. From what I have seen online, the people I have met in virtual meetings, and the highly professional selection process, Mitchell House is a lovely school. I am honoured to step into the very big shoes Mr. Cook leaves and play a role in its further development."

Mr. Stephen Lowry is married to Elinor and they have 3 sons. Stephen has a wide experience of different matriculation systems (IEB, IB and A levels); with interests in Outreach Partnerships, Experiential Learning and Ecological issues. He has been a leader in Transformation and Diversity.

"Mr. Lowry found the selection process extremely professional and searching. I would like to convey my thanks to all concerned in this process and look forward to introducing you to him in person, as soon as Covid-19 regulations permit this." concluded Mr. Cook.

Mission: With the help of Almighty God, and founded on the high ideals of Christian culture and the South African Constitution, MITCHELL HOUSE strives to help its pupils to develop to the best of their ability, and guide their growing minds towards high ideals using English as the language of learning and instruction.