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Dear Rose and the OCGG Committee.

On behalf of the Robinson House Hostel Committee, I would like to thank you very much for your very generous donation of a piano to our wonderful little "home-away-from-home" hostel.

Villienne Venter, our Senior matron, or affectionately known as "Mrs V" by the girls, has found a "niche" for the piano in our front lounge. The piano is now not only saving the current piano students the inconvenience of having to go across to the Music Room at school to do their practising, but has also exposed some hidden talent. Villienne tells me that since the piano has been delivered, 2 or 3 girls have already expressed their desire to her that they now also wish to take up piano lessons!

On visiting the hostel yesterday evening (just before supper), it was again very evident to me, just how privileged we are as parents, to know that our girls are so well looked after and cared for in such a loving and homely environment. It was so wonderful to see how happy and playful the girls were, as they came through to the dining area, having just showered after prep. Some of them then popped into the kitchen to open the pots "just to check what's for supper", while others were playing, hugging and casually engaging with their two "matron moms". It was indeed an experience and a comfort for any parent to see and it certainly would allay any doubts or fears as to whether they had made the right choice by sending their daughter to Collegiate and Robinson House.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you, or any of your old girls, to pop in and visit our little hostel if you are passing by and have a minute to spare. Just mention that you are "Old Collegiate Girl" and Mrs V will gladly show you around.

Kind Regards



Neil Outram
Chairman, Robinson House hostel committee