

The popular White Star Instant Porridge's #SABiggestBreakfast goes virtual!

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The eagerly awaited #SABiggestBreakfast campaign, hosted annually by White Star Instant Porridge, will go virtual this year due to Covid-19 lockdown restrictions. This popular event, which is aimed at highlighting the importance of breakfast and involves families throughout the country taking part in hosting the biggest breakfast occasion, is scheduled for 8 August on various social media platforms including Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube.



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"Of course, adopting a virtual format doesn't mean we're going to be compromising on the size of the event or the entertainment factor," says White Star Marketing Manager, Mokhele Makhothi. "In fact, we're taking the opportunity to deliver an even bigger and bolder breakfast that will reach many more people, most of whom wouldn't have been able to attend the physical events."

#SABiggestBreakfast, which features White Star's tasty range of instant breakfast porridges, is known for its big vision. When the event was first launched in 2017, not only did White Star host over 1,200 people to breakfast at venues in both Soweto and Umlazi, it also served breakfast to 26,000 school children, who are regular beneficiaries of the Pioneer Foods Feeding Scheme.

This year, it's giving the 'big' in 'Biggest Breakfast' an entirely new meaning!

"Not only will we be bringing South Africans together to celebrate the most important meal of the day," says Makhothi, "we'll be inviting the whole country to join us in supporting a drive to provide breakfast porridge to various charities, which couldn't be more important at a time when so many children are missing

out on school meals due to the lockdown."

This year's #SABiggestBreakfast will be streamed live on White Star's social media platforms on 8 August, with a premiere landing a week earlier on 1 August. This mouth-watering event will feature Black Motion and Lerato K (a previous Miss Soweto title holder) and will be hosted by Refiloe Motsei (a previous Miss Soweto runner-up). Other celebrities and influencers who'll be joining the virtual breakfast occasion include Lady D (Dudu Khoza), Mr Gwej's Kitchen, K Naomi, and the reigning Miss Soweto, Musawenkosi Gumede.

The really *big* event will be a viewer participation competition, with a swathe of great prizes up for grabs. Every entry into the competition counts, White Star will donate 1kg pack of White Star Instant Porridge to charity for each entry received - up to 10,000 units.



Lerato Kganyago



Black Motion





K Naomi





Mr Gwej

How it'll work is that Black Motion and Lerato K will be going head-on-head in a high-energy performance during the event. Viewers will be asked to post a picture of themselves eating a hearty breakfast of White Star Instant Porridge on Facebook or Twitter during the performance, using either the hashtag #SABigBreakfrastWithBlackMotion or #SABigBreakfastWithLKG. The artist generating the most hashtags during the course of the performance will be given the opportunity to donate an awesome 3,000 packs of White Star Instant Porridge 1kg to a charity of *their* choice. And because no one ever loses with White Star, the runner-up will be given the opportunity to donate 2,000 units instant porridge to a charity of their choice. Participating viewers stand the chance to win a fabulous first prize of R5,000 in cash for the most creative and eye-catching selfie.

"White Star Instant Porridge has been the clever choice for breakfast ever since it was first launched," says Makhothi. "This year we want to show that nothing – even the lockdown – can stop us from using a clever way of hosting #SABiggestBreakfast 2020 or of getting the country's favourite breakfast to the people who need it most."

About White Star

The White Star brand was launched in March 1999, introducing the quality, nutritionally enriched White Star Super Maize Meal into the South African market. This was later followed by the introduction of the convenient White Star Quick variant. The brand entered the breakfast segment in 2017, adding White Star Instant Porridge in five different flavours – original, chocolate, vanilla, strawberry and banana – to its range. Today, White Star is one of South Africa's top food brand and the leader in the maize category.

For further information about White Star and its products, visit <u>pioneerfoods.co.za</u> and follow the brand's story on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u>.

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