



THE TRUMPET

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Franschhoek Student Leaders on Cape Town TV



On 23 July, the Bhabhatane Programme was asked to appear on a TV segment on Cape Town TV and Anais, Keisha and I were asked accompany Lynn and Emmalene on this little adventure.

To be truthful, all three of us (the student leaders) were terrified to make our television appearance but there was a buzz of excitement as we tried something new and that we had never experienced before!

The actual TV interview was actually fun. The presenters were comforting and the cameras made me feel like a star.

Keisha described the day by saying: "Being part of this event was honestly a privilege. This experience has boosted my self-confidence in public speaking and as



a leader. I'm grateful for being part of this event and have learnt many things from it."

"I thoroughly enjoyed the experience of being on an actual studio and being interviewed on TV. We were welcomed with such great hospitality and it was quite inspiring to see the positive news and ideas that Cape Town TV is sharing!" Anais said, describing her own experience.

All in all, we really had a great time and just glad we didn't mess up in front of the camera!

Luvo Gcuku

Wes-Eind Primary are proud of their leaders!



Wes-Eind Primary proudly elected their new head girl Iminathi Dodwana and head boy Godfrey Mathys. The school's group of prefects had their leadership capacity building camp at Bridges of Hope in July month. Wes-Eind Primary thanks the Franschhoek Wine Valley Tourism for their



donation towards the camp costs.

Wes-Eind Primary celebrated Madiba day and encourage the learners with the words Madiba walked in front, now you can continue to walk into a bright future! The grade 2 learners polished their shoes and are looking forward to their bright future!

Wemmershoek Primary reaching out to our elderly citizens



Learners and teachers from Wemmershoek Primary have been visiting the elderly at their homes. The learners took goodie bags with them and enjoyed every visit to an elderly citizen. The elderly in Saagmeule, Bosbou, Morelig Orleans Lynx, Eikehof, Moreson and Topiary farm, enjoyed the visits from the learners.



Sarah Radloff said: Baie dankie vir die lekkernye wat ons Golden ou mense van die skool gekry het, ons waardeer dit.

Road safety with Daantjie Kat

Daantjie Kat visited the Foundation Phase learners at Wemmershoek Primary and shared road safety tips with them.

The rainbow nation Tata Madiba dreamt of

2018 marks the centenary of the birth of Nelson Mandela and The Kusasa Project joined in the celebrations in July as we encouraged our learners to #BeTheLegacy by leading others to change South Africa and the world for the better. While there is much work to be done to reach Tata Madiba's dream of social cohesion, we continue to be mindful of



our need to be role models for our learners at all times and to teach them what it means to be individuals who act with integrity, respect and compassion. It is not about the annual 67 minutes of service; it is a lifestyle!

Groendal Secondary



Sanitary Pad drive

Two boxes of sanitary pads were donated by Aloisia Ndamane (a former pupil of our school and former Miss Franschhoek) as part of her community initiative. The school thought it was an excellent idea to hand the sanitary pads out to all the Grade 8 girls as part of the school's 67 minutes for Mandela Day. We truly appreciate the kind gesture by Aloisia as there is really a need of sanitary pads and also that it encourages sanitary awareness.

Celebrating Women's day

On 3 August, Grade 12 A, organized a sale and with all the support from the teachers, parents and grade 12 A learners, the sale was a success. The reason for the sale was mainly to celebrate Womens Day with them. On 8 August



, a short inspirational message was given by the headgirl: Women is a Full Circle - a heart warming good morning to each and everyone present here today, here we have all gathered to celebrate the achievement of women and the strength to fight with whatever comes in her way. Over the years the essence of Women's Day celebration has evolved and has taken up an altogether novel form. A woman in herself is a full circle and complete, she has inside her the potential to fight for whatever is right! Afterwards a small gift of a rose, chocolates and a motivational quote was given to each woman. As a class it certainly made them happy being part of this celebration.

Nakisha Carolus - Headgirl

Every Word Counts for the Franschhoek ECD Forum

The Franschhoek Early Childhood Development Forum has partnered with the Wordworks Early Literacy Programme to empower ECD Principals and teachers to improve children's language development. The ECD Forum is represented by three Principals Patricia Mntuyedwa, Martha Khumalo and Cynthia Mvulo.

Martha Khumalo ECD practitioner at the Kusasa Project writes: It is a privilege to be part of this programme where we share practical ideas for supporting the development of language, early literacy and maths concepts, from birth to 5 years of age. Most researchers have come to a conclusion that a lot of young children don't get enough stimulation to develop their language skills. Children who read regularly and hear engaging stories in languages they understand, are well equipped and motivated to learn to read and write. Every Word Counts emphasises the impact of engagement with storytelling, games, fantasy play, art, music and playing in the emotional and cognitive development of children.

Attending this program has helped us



to understand how important it is to talk to children and create in every moment, a learning opportunity. I have been attending Every Word Counts sessions monthly since February. After the training we have monthly workshops with parents at our schools and share tips on how they can help their children develop their languages.

The next step is for the principals who attend the training to train the rest of the ECD Principals in the Forum.

Martha Khumalo

Dalubuhle Primary School celebrates a highly successful Term 2

Through promoting the culture of learning and teaching we continue to encourage academic excellence. In Term 2 our learners participated in the international read aloud day and interacted with successful authors and story tellers during the Franschhoek Literary Festival. The school participated in the Franschhoek Literary Festivals' Spelling Bee competition. In addition, five of our learners



reached the District finals in the DBE National Spelling Bee competition. Apart from reading, writing and spelling, we entered 82 learners in the annual AMESA Challenge final round.

Dalubuhle Primary celebrates the sports achievements during Term two as the Blue Ribbon tournament annual champions in Netball and Soccer. Our learner Mashiqa Ntando walked away with player of the tournament award and Emihle Zazaza walked

away with top goal scorer award.

Six learners of the school were part of the team who represented the Kusasa Stars in the Gothia Tournament in Sweden. We are proud to say Sihle Makhala won Player of the Tournament and Kamva Sifuba, Man of the Match.

The school would like to thank Mr Blayi for the generous donation of 90 school bags and sanitary products for the learners of our school.

Nduduzo Magcaba

AMESA Mathematics Challenge

Over 250 Grade 4 - 7 learners from the six primary schools in the Franschhoek Valley - Bridge House Preparatory, Wes-Eind Primary, Franschhoek High, Wemmershoek Primary, Groendal and Dalubuhle Primary met at Bridge House Preparatory on 26 July to practice problem-solving strategies. The learners (and teachers) interacted and shared problem-solving strategies with one another in preparation for the final round of the Challenge.

In 2018, the total number of learners entering the Maths Challenge was 70 more than in 2017. Of the 644 learners entered in the first round this year, 235 wrote the final round. This was 87 more than in 2017. The Mathematics teacher from Dalubuhle Primary, Veliswa Yeko, had this to say: "Our learners look forward every year to come together with their friends to learn from one another. After attending previous combined practice-sessions, our teachers went back



and changed their strategy for preparing the learners and this I am sure had a good impact".

Bhabhathane Programme

Royalty is born!

On the 25th of June, the primary school of Franschhoek High hosted its very own Mr and Miss Franschhoek. The day was filled with glitz and glam as the youngsters strutted down across the stage to take home a prize and reign supreme! We had a variety of winners that won in a collection of different categories and everyone certainly had fun. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to everyone who participated!

Luvo Gcuku



Local career expo to guide Grade 9 school learners

The Bhabhathane Teacher Enrichment Project Committee recently held a career expo for Grade 9 learners in Groendal, at the Congregational Church Hall, the expo aimed to assist learners to decide on their future and to expose learners to the wide variety of career opportunities available to them. Various high schools (Groendal, Franschhoek and Bridge House) attended the event.

The exhibition focused mainly on careers in the valley, namely hospitality, service delivery, tourism and agricultural direction. Among showcased careers were The Franschhoek Corner House, Monneaux Franschhoek Country House, Franschhoek Tyres and

Jeremy Davids representing The Franschhoek Hospitality Academy & Learning Centre. The learners received access to first-hand information on their future career choices. The exhibition also allowed them the opportunity to engage with the institutions to ask questions and get information.

One of the major focuses is to get Grades 9 learners to start thinking about careers to help them make more informed subject choices and the scores the learners need to achieve to qualify for their respective careers. It is important that young people take up careers that would ensure they become active participants in the country's economy.

#Madibainspired

In honour of Nelson Mandela's Centenary year, the Bridge House Community has undertaken to capture 100 Madiba Inspired Moments on camera. These photographs are being used to build a wall in the Learning Centre, where children can be further inspired to act in a way that honours the values of Nelson Mandela. A discussion was held by eight, Grade 7 learners from Bridge House Preparatory when the #Madibainspired was launched, and the following statement has been put together by them. Any South African child will tell you that Madiba saved our country from Apartheid... but what does that really mean to a child? It is his gentleness and respect for all fellow human beings that children recognise. Children are not blind - they see poverty, and struggle - and deep



down in every child's heart, there is a desire to reach out and to care. #madibainspired at Bridge House simply highlights our daily kindnesses and points us in the direction towards achieving more... not just 100 Madiba moments, but a lifetime of Madiba inspired action towards creating a better world.

Bridge House Preparatory

Celebrating Women's Month @ Bridge House

In commemoration of National Women's Day this August, Bridge House launched an exciting and meaningful project: the #iBuyPads campaign. In partnership with KusasaLethu, this initiative helps to empower women and encourages men to be more positively involved in the lives of the women around them.

The College had the privilege of having Peace Boza, founder of KusasaLethu, come and speak to us about the #iBuyPads initiative. He spoke about the alarming numbers of girls who miss school every month because of a lack of access to sanitary pads. Peace emphasised that the root of this problem is the taboo surrounding men's involvement in this monthly time of women's lives. He called out to the young men in the audience to break from these societal barriers and participate in the #iBuyPads initiative.

KusasaLethu raises donations for sanitary pads and Mr Boza personally delivers them to schools where girls struggle to access sanitary hygiene products. The entire process inspires hundreds of people, both men and women, to become involved in the simple means of women empowerment.



Mr Boza has sparked a movement of male teachers at Bridge House who actively began to buy women sanitary products with the intention of encouraging their male students to do the same.

On the 9th of August, the entire country celebrated National Women's Day, in commemoration of the 20 000 women that marched to the Union Building 62 years ago, in protest of the Pass laws. In salute of this act of solidarity among South African women, we hope to empower both women and men this August and spread a culture of support towards the struggles that women face.

Bridge House Interact Club

Become Riders – Bible distribution at Groendal Primary

On Monday 16 April, a group of motorcycle enthusiasts from all over the country visited Groendal Primary. They handed over Bibles to each of the 136 Grade 7 learners at the School. The group of motorcyclists, known as the Word Riders, comes to distribute Bibles to the learners every year. Word Riders are a Bible Society of South Africa's outreach mission to make affordable Bibles readily available. In addition to handing over the Outreach Bibles, the motorcyclists talked to the learners and shared how to read the Bible.

