



BULLETIN



Field day The sub-junior girls and their opponents from Durbanville Primary about to let loose as part of Sport Week. Our MTB coach, Marcel van der Poll, looks on.

GENIES HIGHLIGHTS

- ➔ Cybersafety
- ➔ Sport results
- ➔ Culture update

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S PEN

Dear parents and guardians

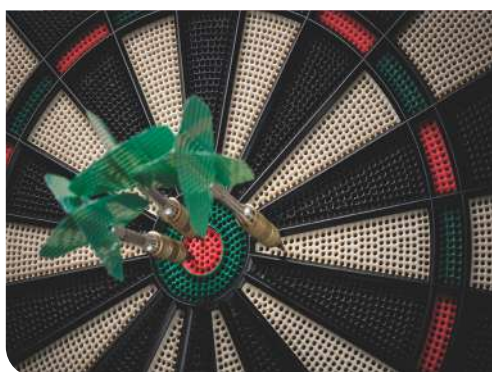
In 2025, our senior choir achieved a brilliant second place in the ATKV Applous competition. Their dedication and perseverance paid off when they walked away as the overall winners this year. We are extremely proud of their achievement and give all glory to our Heavenly Father who blessed each learner with unique gifts and talents.

Following their victory, I shared the story of Stephen from Acts 7 with the

choir members. When Stephen was persecuted for his faith, a young man named Saul looked on. That moment led to a life-changing decision that set Saul on the course to become the Apostle Paul.

We all have to make such choices at times: **Do we give up or do we persist, to strive towards something better?**

I wish all learners, parents and staff the best in this exciting and busy period.



Assessments on the mark

As part of our commitment to **academic excellence** we submitted our June test papers for English Home Language, Afrikaans Huistaal and Maths (Gr 4-7) to the Independent Examinations Board for moderation. The board's analysis confirms that our assessment environment is robust and aligns with CAPS coverage, with specific reference to a sophisticated distribution of question types and cognitive demand. Recommendations were made to improve technical aspects and precision. It has been an insightful process and we intend having more papers moderated in future.



Our u/13A hockey girls celebrate winning the final round of the Cape Co-ed u/13 Cup this past weekend.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

More than 300 teams are in action this week during our annual **Sport Week** in collaboration with Durbanville Primary School. We thank every player, supporter, coach and organiser for their part in this special experience.

Most winter sport activities will conclude next weekend after our sport weekend at Worcester. We are grateful in particular to the parents whose involvement and support make such opportunities possible.

➔ **RESULTS** Click here for the latest **hockey, rugby** and **netball** results.



For your diary

- Gr 7 Entrepreneurs Days **28 August and 4 September**
- Intersen Phase test series **3-15 September**
- Foundation Phase formal assessments **7-14 September**
- Summer sport begins **14 September**
- Grandparents Day **18 September**
- Staff concerts **21-22 September**
- School closes; Rugby Legends Evening **23 September**



Online safety: help at hand

Navigating today's digital pitfalls certainly isn't child's play.

"Just One" is a free newsletter in which only one snippet of information or research-based insight is shared via WhatsApp every Saturday.

Iske de Lange, a youth media researcher and the owner of Design My Screen Time, created it to support busy parents and educators with summaries of the latest screentime research findings and their practical implications.

No spam, ads or chatting is involved, and everybody's privacy is protected.

Join **here** to make better digital choices and help keep your child safe.



In the spotlight A scene from the production our drama learners will stage in the Baxter Theatre on Monday

CULTURE CORNER

• **"Uur van Kultuur"** We are so excited to stage this programme in collaboration with Durbanville Primary School in the hall at 17:30 tonight. It is wonderful that we get to use this unique platform in a spirit of synergy and creativity. Also look out for the two friendship art trees at the sport gate that were specially created by learners from both schools.

• **Eisteddfods** The Tygerberg Eisteddfod is still ongoing. Best of luck to our speech choirs that will be performing here at Gene Louw next week. The results for divisions that have been finalised keep pouring in. These will be shared in full

via a link in a future bulletin once they have been captured and processed.

• **Drama** On Monday 17 August several of our learners are taking part in the ATKV Tjokkertoneel drama festival at the Baxter Theatre. Break a leg!

• **Leadership** Over the next three weeks, the TREE team of Doxa Deo Langeberg will be presenting a leadership course to our Grade 6 learners during their Hub periods. It is a rare opportunity to develop the leadership skills of an entire grade group. We are privileged to receive such support from our wider community! ■