



BULLETIN



Spring into action As the weather warms gradually, our learners have been eager to make the most of the welcome sunshine during break times lately.

GENIES HIGHLIGHTS

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S PEN

Dear Parents and Guardians

In August we celebrated the role of women in our society. Women's Month offers us the opportunity to thank all the women who make an invaluable contribution to our community.

Therefore I convey my gratitude – better late than never – to our female educators, who do so much more than teach. They create a safe and caring learning environment and identify the children who need extra help. The same goes for our dedicated administrative staff,

who ensure that daily school activities run smoothly in a friendly, professional manner. Moreover, our support and grounds staff take pride in making sure that the school environment is safe and tidy. We see and appreciate the work they all do.

Then, to every mother, grandmother, aunt and guardian: thank you for the love and support you give our learners daily. You lay the foundation for their growth.

We wish all parents, staff and learners the very best for remainder of the term.

The difference a dad makes

A special evening for Gene Louw fathers will be presented in the school hall at 18:30 on Tuesday 8 September. We encourage all dads to attend this notable event, where we plan to start a movement that will touch the hearts of our families, strengthen household bonds and promote faith-based values.

It promises to be an inspiring programme of reflection, motivation and connection. Come be part of a meaningful initiative that will benefit our families and our community at large! Click **here** to register.





From the staff room

A hearty welcome to **Mrs Annemarie de Beer**, who recently joined us in the finance office.

At the end of August we bade farewell to two valued assistants: **Mr Christiaan Lamprecht**, who accepted a position in the private sector, and **Mrs Charné Theunissen**, who is emigrating. They will both be remembered for their spirited involvement and helpful attitude.

In Mr Lamprecht's stead we have welcomed **Mr Dylan Visagie** this week. May his time at our school be enriching.



Figureheads Hanro Strydom, left, and Wilhelm van Rensburg have shown their mettle when it comes to maths.

CULTURE CORNER

Hanro Strydom and Wilhelm van Rensburg competed in the **Metro North 24 Sum More maths competition** on 28 August. Hanro came second and Wilhelm third. It was the first time our school took part in this event, and a great experience all round.

Congratulations to our two choirs on their stellar performance in the final round of the **Tygerberg Eisteddfod Choir Festival** on 29 August. The junior choir was awarded second place with 93,7%, whereas the senior choir took the top honours in their category with a record score of 96,8%.

Also on 29 August, nine of our learners competed in the final round of the **FAK History Olympiad** in Paarl and achieved excellent results. Sanri van Hoving was the overall winner in the Western Cape in the Gr 4 division; Lara de Wit achieved second place in the Gr 5 division; Etienne Greeff was among the top three in the Gr 6 division; and Lené Gey van Pittius was the overall winner in Gr 7. Way to go!

This past week, some of our top performers were given the opportunity to present their items once more at the **Eisteddfod Showcase**. Compiling the programme was a near impossible task, as so many of our learners achieved remarkable results during the eistedfod season. We are very proud of each and every participant, and deeply grateful to the staff involved for their tireless work over the past few months.



Golden girls The u/11A netball team bagged first place at the Marius Schoeman tournament on Tuesday.

SPORT UPDATE

With the winter sport season just about behind us, we'd like to thank all the coaches, managers and players for their dedication. We are equally grateful to you as parents for your support, assistance with transport and encouragement from the sidelines. Your contribution to the success of the sporting culture of our school remains priceless.

Summer sport for learners in Gr 1-2 begins on 14 September, whereas those in Gr 3-7 will get going on 7 October at the start of Term 4.

[Click here](#) for the latest **rugby, netball, hockey, mountain-biking** and **chess** results.



Curtain call...

Besides mastering the daily challenges of teaching, administration and coaching, our talented staff members are currently preparing for the **staff concert**, which will be staged in the hall on **21 and 22 September**.

Parents and learners can look forward to loads of fun and memorable moments. There aren't many tickets left – you wouldn't want to miss this. ■