



# Martie Du Plessis

## NUUSBRIEF

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# THESE ARE OUR STARS!



Merwe



Mijke



Naledi

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# From the desk of the principal...



## Every dark cloud has a silver lining

This is so easy to say when you see the sun, but what if the sun is totally blocked by the clouds. Then we should be reminded that the silver lining reminds us that just because you cannot see the sun, does not mean the sun is not still there. So, remember that:

In the **toughest of days**, God's mercy still shines brightly like a silver lining around the dark clouds of giving up.

When **nothing makes sense**, God's mercy still shines brightly like a silver lining around the dark clouds of hopelessness.

When we **do not have answers** for life's difficult questions, God's mercy shines brightly like a silver lining around the dark clouds of being lost for words.

When our **world seems to fall apart**, God's mercy shines brightly like a silver lining around the dark clouds of despair.

When you are **alone**, God's mercy shines brightly like a silver lining around the dark clouds of loneliness.

When we **don't know what the future holds**, God's mercy shines brightly like a silver lining around the dark clouds of today.

When we **struggle with our disability**, God's mercy & grace shines brightly so that you can be the silver lining that inspires others.

So whenever you see a dark cloud, remind yourself that the sun is still shining, all it takes is to change the way you look at the cloud.



## Elke donker wolk het 'n silwer randjie

Dit is so maklik om hierdie te sê wanneer jy die son sien, maar wat as die son heeltemal agter die wolke is?

Dan moet ons net onself daaraan herinner dat net omdat jy die son nie kan sien nie, dit nie, beteken nie dat die son nie nog daar is nie. Onthou dus dat:

In die **moeilike dae** skyn God se genade steeds helder soos 'n silwer randjie om die donker wolke van opgee.

Wanneer **niks sin maak nie**, skyn God se genade steeds helder soos 'n silwer randjie om die donker wolke van hopeloosheid.

Wanneer ons **nie antwoorde het** vir die lewe se moeilike vrae nie, skyn God se genade helder soos 'n silwer randjie om die donker wolke van geen woorde hê.

Wanneer ons **wêreld uitmekaar val**, skyn God se genade helder soos 'n silwer randjie om die donker wolke van wanhoop.

Wanneer jy **alleen** is, skyn God se genade helder soos 'n silwer randjie om die donker wolke van eensaamheid.

Wanneer ons **nie weet wat die toekoms inhou nie**, skyn God se genade helder soos 'n silwer randjie om die donker wolke van vandag.

Wanneer ons **sukkel met ons gestremdheid**, skyn God se genade en barmhartigheid helder sodat jy die silwer randjie kan wees vir ander.

Dus, wanneer jy 'n donker wolk sien, herinner jousef dat die son steeds skyn, al wat jy nodig het, is om die manier te verander waarna jy na die donker wolke kyk.

Mnr. F. Van Heerden





# PARENT FORUM



Vooritter: Johan Vorster

The Parent forum paid for the new high quality swings at the SO classes from funds they raised. That you so much for your support! The donut sale was a big success and learners who ordered the



## Donut Verkoop



## Uniform Shop

**MAKE A PRICE**

**083 301 7979**

VERSKAFFERS VAN MARTIE DU PLESSIS - SKOOLKLERE  
SUPPLIERS OF MARTIE DU PLESSIS - SCHOOL CLOTHES



DINSDAE & DONDERDAE  
TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS  
12:30 – 14:30

LANGS SKOOLSAAL  
NEXT TO SCHOOL HALL

## LIBRARY

**LIBRARY IS OPEN MONDAYS**  
1ST AND 2ND BREAK

**HIGH SCHOOL LEARNERS CAN**  
**USE THE INTERNET MONDAYS**

**BOOK CLUB EVERY**  
**WEDNESDAY 2ND BREAK**



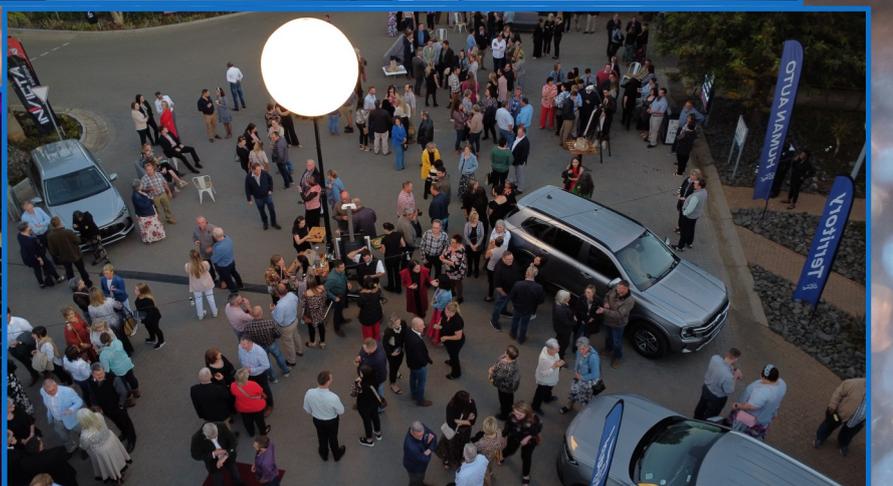


# AAND VAN DIE STERRE



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# AAND VAN DIE STERRE





# FUNDRAISING



# SPELLING COMPETITION

SPELLING COMPETITION  
2025!

SPELKOMPETISIE

 = R100 000

PLEASE SUPPORT US!  
WE NEED SOME TECHNOLOGY IN  
THE CLASSES TO HELP US LEARN  
EASIER.



We exceeded  
our target!!

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# GRADE 9 SUBJECT CHOICES

Ouers en leerdere het hul toe van die Gr 10-12 fase geniet en kon besluit oor hul vakkeuses vir 2026.



# Gr. 8 Planetarium Visit

The Gr.6 Natural Science learners enjoyed an educational trip to the Planetarium at naval Hill. They explored the wonders of the night sky. It was both informative and inspirational, sparking a curiosity for science among our learners.



# VAARDIGHEIDSKLAS AKTIWITEITE



## Gr. 10 DESIGN OUTING TO ANGEL HEARTS



# AKADEMIESE TOER



'n Groep Gr. 8 en 9 leerders was in die Julie-vakansie op die jaarlikse akademiese toer.

Hierdie jaar het die leerders Gold Reef City, Sun City, die Voortrekkermonument en die Sterkfontein Grotte besoek.

Almal het dit baie geniet en baie geleer!



# Wiskundige geletterdheid uitdaging



## Mathematical Literacy Challenge – Grade 10 - 2025

14 learners of Martie du Plessis, participated in the Mathematical Literacy Challenge ROUND 1, that took place on the 12th of August 2025.

3 of our learners was invited to the second round of the challenge that took place at OMS on the 2 September 2025. They did very well and we are very proud of all our Mathematical Literacy learners. The three learners was:

Omosa Gaeswe, Javin Brekelmans and Armandt Linde.

# Gr. 7 ENTREPRENEURS DAY



# School PATS

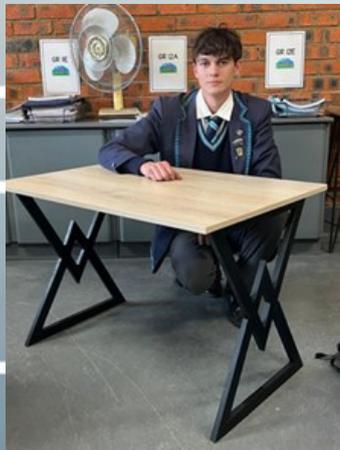
## Hospitality



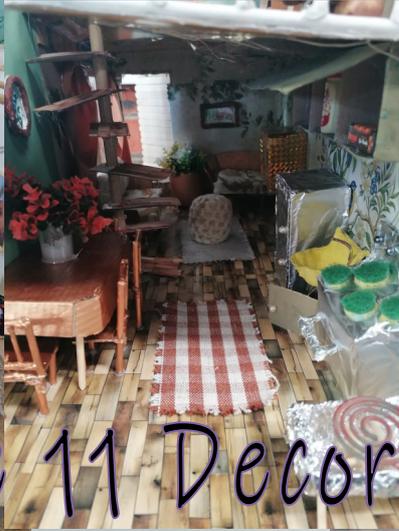
## Design



## Agricultural technology



# DESIGN



Grade 11 Decor



Grade 10 wallpaper



# SKOOLDAE

Deur Stiaan Steyl Gr. 10



# POSITIEWE TERUGVOER: HOERSKOOLO



## SENIOR FASE AKADEMIESE VORDERING

13 AUG 18:00

### GRAAD 7

ANDRICO VENTER  
RAYLIN VAN ROOYEN  
JADON ODENDAAL  
NICISHA SLABBERT  
JD BARNARD

### GRAAD 8

DARRYN ONTONG  
EJ CHURCH  
OMPHEMETSE BOJABOTSHEHA  
THAPELO PHATSOANE

### GRAAD 9

LW KRIEDEMAN  
IWAN GELDENHUYS  
RUAN SWANEPOEL  
JUHAN KOTZE  
SHUAN VAN HUYSSTEEN  
LUCA VILJOEN  
JIMMY OZOUD  
MERWE GROBBELAAR  
KAYLEB BOUWER  
VIANCO NIEWOUDT



*FET positiewe terugvoer / vordering*

*Graad 10*

Gabriël du Preez  
Luan Pieterse  
Mpho Monyamane

*Graad 11*

Reinhard Williamson  
Christo de Lange  
Ruhan Louw

*Graad 12*

Vincent Venter  
Nicolette Wilson  
Ethan Spies  
Henré Meintjies  
Martin vd Berg  
Larmar Caster

# FET

## Positiewe Terugvoer



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# POSITIEWE TERUGVOER: LAERSKOOL

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## Congratulations Intermediate Phase



Jaundré Kehl, James Nel,  
Xander Cromie, Anja Barnard,  
Aleck Vorster, Nico de Vries



Kian Keuris, Lee Ann Gleimius,  
Junaid Marais



Ompi Mmatli, Lian Wessels,  
Emily Cumings



John Hedley Binns, JG Dreyer,  
Bianca Gouws



# NEWS

# FOUNDATION PHASE NEWS

## Beloningsaand

Congratulations!!!  
Keep up the hard  
work!!! We are very  
proud of you!!!



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# NEWS

# INTERMEDIATE PHASE NEWS

## A Visit from ROO!

This year marked the sixth visit from ROO, and it proved to be truly unforgettable. The occasion was made extra special as both Max and his father were able to join in the experience.

The learners completed a project about New Beginnings and eagerly asked many thoughtful questions.

A surprise visit was also made to one of the special needs classes, where the excitement and warm welcome from the learners created a very meaningful moment. Overall, it was an incredible experience, and everyone is already looking forward to the next visit.

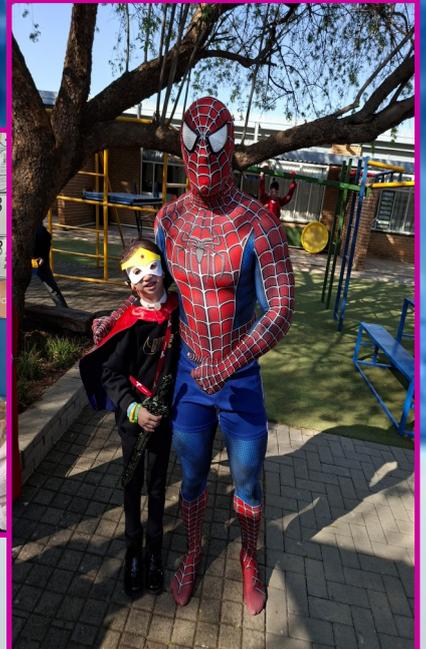




# GRONDSLAGFASE NUUS Universiteit Besoek



# SPIDERMAN BESOEK!



# NOODDIENSTE BESOEK!



Grade 6  
LS



ER 24



ER24 ambulansdienste het hul kennis oor noodhulp met die graad 6-leerders kom deel. Dit vorm deel van hulle LV kurrikulum.

Baie dankie aan hierdie helde!

# Driewioldraai

## NEWS



# THE BEES

## Pikkewyne



# EXTRA-MURAL CHESS



Op 26 Augustus het 8 van ons Gr4-7 leeders aan 'n Blits skaak toernooi deelgeneem by Tjokkies. Hulle het elkeen 4 wedstryde gespeel. Die leeders het dit baie geniet en ons skool se naam hoog gehou!



## Skaak toernooi - 29 Augustus 2025

4 leeders van Martie du Plessis se hoërskool, het deel geneem aan 'n skaak toernooi op die 29ste Augustus 2025, te St. Andrews hoërskool.

Daar was 7 ander skole wat deel geneem het en elke leerder het in 5 rontes deelgeneem. Ons leeders het dit baie geniet en baie geleer.

Die vier leeders wat deel geneem het was, Anthony van der Watt, Cathleen van der Walt, Chante Viljoen en Matthew



# HOCKEY



The girls hockey teams had an outstanding season, showing great improvement and determination. They performed exceptionally well at the LSEN Sports day hosted by Martie du Plessis. The first team secured the LSEN league trophy for the 2nd time!



# Ad-LUCEM SPORT NALEDI IN EGYPT

Naledi Nhlapo one of our matric learners is a true inspiration. With all the academic pressure of matric she still manages to be a super star on the Boccia court.

She is an exceptional BC4 player and holds the title of the number one BC4 in South Africa since 2004. She still managed to hold this title after the 2025 Toyota National Championships for the Physically disabled. After this she was selected to represent SASAPD (South African Sports Association for the Physically disabled and visually

impaired) at the 2025 Cairo World Boccia African Regional Championships where she really gave it her utmost best. She received a silver medal at this competition making not only South Africa proud, but also Martie du Plessis.

She is a true inspiration and example for all of our schools Boccia players. Boccia gives her life meaning because it is something she is good at. She showed other people with physical disabilities that no matter what your circumstances you can rise above it! So proud of you Naledi!

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# BOCCIA

## Boccia Awareness day and FS Boccia trials

Our Martie du Plessis learners participated at the Boccia awareness day 26 September at Pholoho school. They enjoyed Boccia in a fun way and made a lot of new friends. Our learners also did an amazing job at the FS Boccia trials 27 September at Pholoho School making our school proud!



## FSSAPD AWARDS CEREMONY

We are very proud of the following learners and staff who received rewards at the FSSAPD Awards Ceremony.

Izak van der Merwe – Newcomer of the year

Valerie Cooper – Junior Female Sports star of the year

Cristiano Nieman – Junior Male Sports star of the year

Arina Nicolaisen – Senior Female Sports star of the year

Joseph Nkgahle – Mentorship

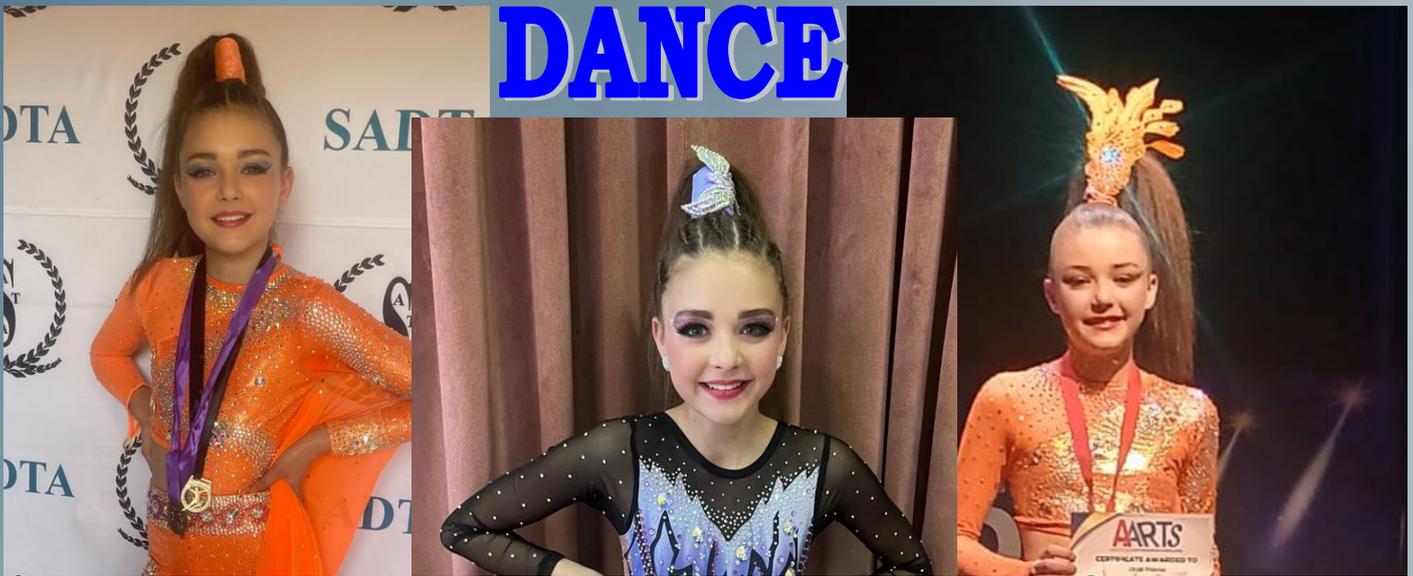
Alfred Thena – Most Valued Contribution

Mari Labuschagne – Administrator of the Year

Marisa Potgieter & Ernesta Strydom – International Participation



# DANCE



Christi Pretorius het deelgeneem aan die Provinsiale danskompetisie te Bloemfontein waar sy 1ste plek in Freestyle, 4de plek in Slowdance en 'n 5de plek in Couples behaal het.

Sy het ook aan die jaarlikse Cheetah Challenge deelgeneem waar sy 1ste plek in Freestyle, 3de plek in Slowdance en 'n 3de plek in Couples behaal het. Christi word ook bevorder van intermediate na champ status in Freestyle. Baie geluk Christi!



Jacques Linde was chosen to represent the Free State at the Dance, Talent & Model Association to dance in the DTMA South African Nationals.

After participating in this event. Jacques successfully qualified for the DTMA South African National Dance Colours. We are extremely proud of his outstanding achievement.

# GIMNASTIEK

Jaray Steyn het aan die Vrystaat

Ritmiese Gimnastiek kompetisie deelgeneem. Sy verower 'n brons medalje vir haar balroeitne en 'n 4de algehele plek. Sy kwalifiseer vir die Ritmiese Gimnastiekspan. Baie geluk Jaray!





# BOOGSKIET



Greyling Venter will be participating in the African Genesis Archery SA competition in Polokwane this October school holiday! Good luck, Greyling. We know you can do it!



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# GREYLING VENTER



# JUDO



Ons is baie trots op Xander Cromie wat gedurende die Junie-vankansie aan die Judo SA Skolekampioenskappe deelgeneem het en 'n goue-medalje verwerf het. Hierdie prestasie getuig van sy harde werk, deursettingsvermoë en toewyding. Baie geluk, Xander—ons vier hierdie ongelooflike prestasie saam met jou!

# SCIENCE FEST



*We are so proud of our learners!*



# PERDRY UITSLAE



The results of the following rider/s for Qualifier 5 held at Bloemfontein Equestrian Centre in Bloemfontein on 26 & 27 July 2025

Rider Name	Horse Name	Discipline Name	Class Name	School Name	Placing
Lexy Britz	Mahala's Magic	Jumping	POSJCLIdeal 40 (1)<9All	Martie du Plessis Primary School	elim
Lexy Britz	Mahala's Magic	SANESA Prix Caprilli	POPCCLb<9AI I	Martie du Plessis Primary School	1
Chrystl De Waal	Black Dahlia	Jumping	HOSJCLOther- All	Martie Du Plessis High School	1
Chrystl De Waal	Black Dahlia	Jumping	HOSJCLIdeal TimeAll	Martie Du Plessis High School	1

 Well done!

# KRIEKETUITSLAE

Hier is die uitslae van die 4 wedstryde wat hierdie kwartaal gespeel is:

1. verloor teen Dr. Bohmer met 11 lopies.
2. Wen NJ Heyns met 8 paaltjies.
3. Wen Dr, Bohmer met 47 lopies.
4. Wen NJ Heyns met 97 lopies.

**Geluk, dit was 'n goeie seisoen!**



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# REVUE



DR. BÖHMER  
*Rivista*  
2025  
**DIPLOMA**

TOEGEKEN AAN  
AWARDED TO  
Martie Du Plessis  
(Intermediêre fase)

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21/08/2025  
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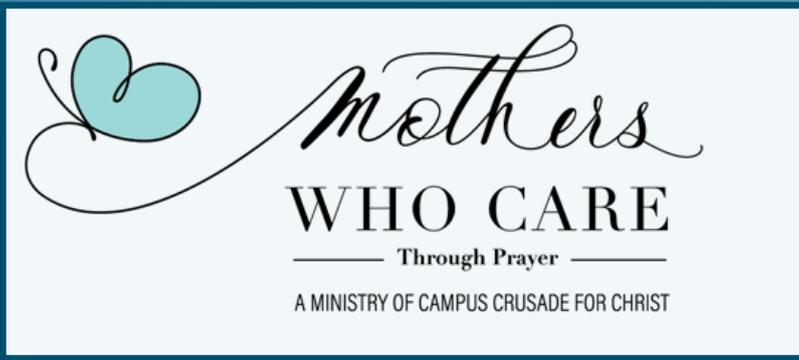
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*M. du Plessis*  
BEORDELAARS / ADJUDICATORS



# POM-POMS





# Prayer, Praise & Worship

Look what the Lord has done!

We are grateful for another quarter in which the Lord has blessed our school. The *Mothers Who Care* National Week of Prayer was a highlight of this term. Staff and learners prayed together during break times throughout the week.

The Martie du Plessis community came together on 21 August to praise and worship – and the

Lord truly blessed the school that night! Believers were added to God's family. All glory to God!

Thank you to Patso's, who blessed us with their food truck for the evening. A big thank you also to Charl Adams, who blessed us with beautiful banners and reading material.

Lastly, we want to thank everyone – including those from outside our school community – who joined us in prayer on the 21st of August.

## Luke 10:2

He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field."





**NATIONAL WEEK OF PRAYER FOR SCHOOLS**  
17 - 22 August 2025 AND BEYOND

*A thought to ponder*

With our Annual National Prayer week done and dusted for 2025, how can we continue to pray for our schools? Pray with your eyes, ears and feet!

**Eyes** – Pray for every school as you drive by. Pray that God's peace and presence will reign there.

**Ears** – When you hear a news report regarding a particular school, pray for wisdom for the parents and the teachers and also for the protection of those precious children.

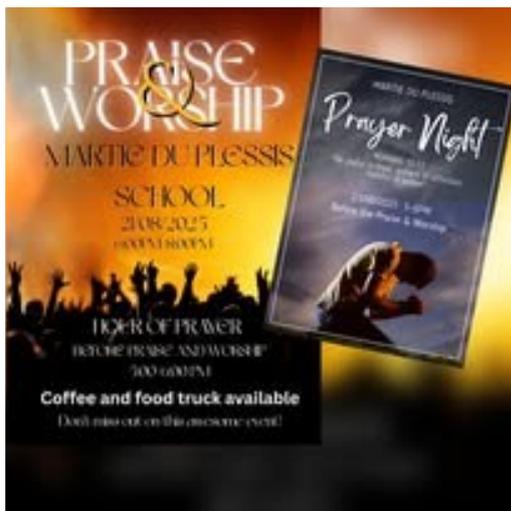
**Feet** – When you place your feet on school grounds, claim that ground for God and His Kingdom. Pray that the Spirit of God and revival would fill those grounds.

Let us continue in fervent prayer, because there is **GREAT STRENGTH** in the unity of prayer.

Maresa van der Walt



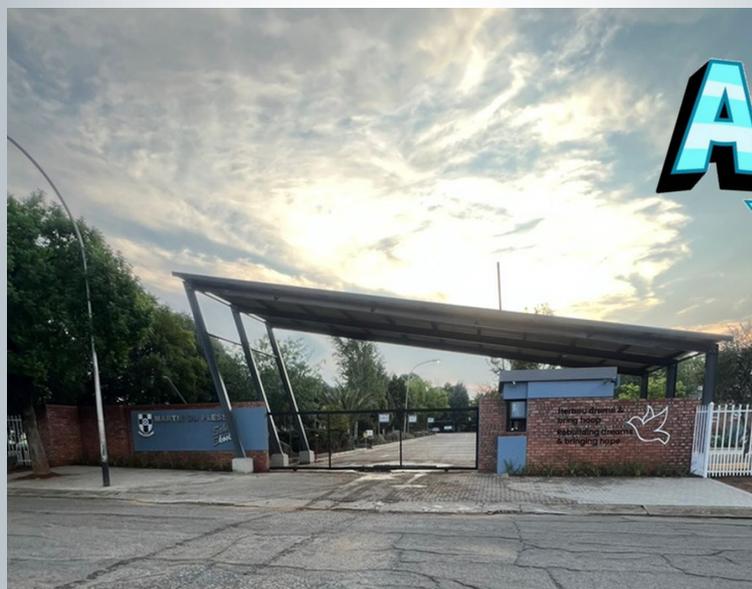
# Prayer, Praise & Worship



**The Mothers Who Care** continue to pray for the school - every Monday morning at 7:00 @ Remedial Teaching. Contact Reinet Kotzé on 072 1707 225 to join them.

# New & Improved

Improvements made to our school grounds.



# AMAZING!



# KOSHUISKOFFIE



Vars en lekker nuus uit die koshuisgangel!

## Hostel fun day



### CapAble



"Never forget how wildly capABLE you are."

Versamel bottelproppies  
&  
BRING DIT SKOOL TOE



**JA, HIERDIE PROPPIES:**

- KOELDRANK PROPPIES
- WATER PROPPIES
- MELK PROPPIES
- SKOONMAAK BOTTEL PROPPIES
- BROOD KNIPPES (BREAD TAGS)



**NEE, NIE HIERDIE DOPPIES NIE:**

- METAAL DOPPIES
- VUIL DOPPIES
- PLASTIEK DEODORANT DOPPIES
- TANDEPASTA DOPPIES

### ELKE PROPPIE TEL!

Die koshuis is besig met die proppe projek. As ons genoeg proppe insamel dan kan die skool 'n rolstoel verniet kry!

Help ons om n verskil te maak in iemand se lewe. Bring jou proppe na die koshuis se kombuis toe.

BAIE DANKIE aan almal wat al reeds proppe gebring het.



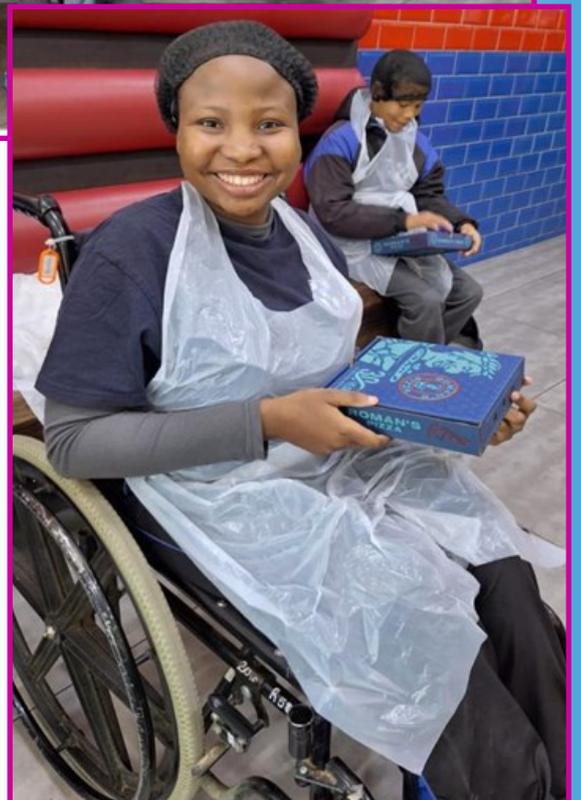
# KOSHUISKOFFIE



Vars en lekker nuus uit die koshuisgange!

The hostel learners had the opportunity to visit Romas Pizza where they learned more about baking and preparing your own pizza. They learned how to make the dough and also how to bake the pizza. They had a lot of fun!

## Say CHEESE! Learners cook up some Pizza fun.



# EMPOWER ENT



- 1 Emotional support workshop
- 2 Teacher / Therapist Empowerment
- 3 First year Masters in Counselling students of UFS

On 30 August, we hosted a workshop for parents, teachers, and tutors on practical ways to support children's emotional well-being at home and school. This term, our staff also focused on trauma-informed schools and the importance of "carrying the load with compassion"—reminding us to care for ourselves so we can better care for others.

Earlier, on 28 July, we welcomed first-year Masters in Counselling students from UFS for an eye-opening exposure session.

Each department showcased its unique role, highlighting how our multi-disciplinary team works together with one heart for every learner.

## NUUSBRIEF / FACEBOOK BYDRAES: **BREAKING NEWS**



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As u enige sport / kultuur nuus met ons wil deel vir ons facebook blad en / of kwartaal nuusbrieff, wil ons u aanmoedig om dit asseblief vir ons te e-pos.

# TERAPIEGANG



Ons terapiegang by Martie du Plessis Skool is altyd vol lewe en persoonlikheid! Elke afdeling bring iets unieks na die skool, en dit beteken dat dit by ons nooit "boring" is nie.

Ons lag baie, deel pret en soms huil ons selfs saam – want dit is deel van wie ons is!

Hierdie kwartaal neem ons afskeid van juffrou Marinel Read wat aftree (Maatskaplike Werker).



Met sagtheid, wysheid en deursettingsvermoë het Juffrou Marinel 'n groot verskil in die lewens van ons leerders en span gemaak. Ons sal juffrou Marinel Read se teenwoordigheid, liefde en passie vir die kinders ongelooflik baie mis.



# STAFF NEWS

## Juf. Marnique se Baba

**Baie geluk, Juffrou Marnique, met die geboorte van julle pragtige baba dogtertjie, Ella, Terblache. Mag sy julle harte vul met vreugde, julle huis met laggies en julle lewens met eindelose liefde. Geniet elke kosbare oomblik saam met hierdie nuwe klein wonder.**



## Juf. Ernesta vereer...



**Baie geluk aan Juffrou Ernesta, met die toekenning as Technical Official of the Year! Dit is 'n ongelooflike prestasie en werverdiend. Dankie vir al jou harde werk, toewyding en passie vir sport, veral jou groot bydrae om geleenthede vir gestremde atlete moontlik te maak. Jy is 'n inspirasie en 'n ware rolmodel vir ander.**



# STAFF NEWS

## Mr. Dawie Retires!

We say thank you to Mr. Dawie for all your hard work and care over the years. You made a big difference to everyone around you. We will miss you, but we wish you joy, health, and peace in your retirement.



## NUWE PERSONEEL:

