

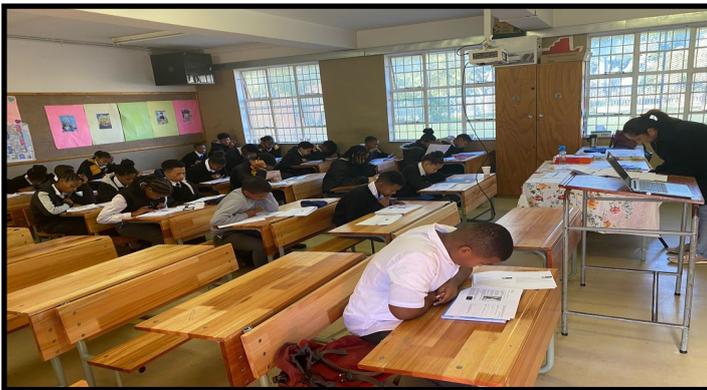
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Back on Track (BOT)



Statement by Minister David Maynier, Minister of Education Western Cape

#BackOnTrackprogramme, which is a big, bold intervention to reverse Covid-19 learning losses in the Western Cape.

The pandemic is over, but the effect of the pandemic is not over.

We have to act, and we have to act decisively, and we have to act in a way that has impact in order to deal with what is a full-blown learning crisis.

A tremendous amount of work has gone into getting this massive programme off the ground.

The programme is designed to incorporate feedback and change over three years. We have invited principals and teachers of the participating schools to let us know what works, what needs more work, and how we can build the best possible interventions we can.

Sarepta Secondary School Educator Ms. Davids said that she is excited that Sarepta Secondary is part of this programme. It will take a lot of effort and time but with consistency and focus we will definitely bridge the gaps.

A Message From The Principal

DEAR PARENT/GUARDIANS

As we come to the end of Term 2 in 2023, I would like to take a moment to congratulate all the learners for their hard work and dedication throughout the term. Your commitment to your studies has been inspiring, and you should be proud of your achievements.

To the parents, we appreciate your continued support towards your children's education. Your involvement in their academic journey is essential, and we encourage you to continue to play an active role in their learning.

I would like to offer some tips to parents on how to continue to support their child's education during the break. Encourage them to do some reading, engage in outdoor activities that promote learning. Also, ensure that they are following a proper routine that balances rest and study time.

Finally, remember that the most important thing is to celebrate your child's achievements, no matter how big or small. Praise their efforts and encourage them to continue to persevere in their education.

Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education. We look forward to continuing to work together to support their learning.

Mrs. Y Basson

Principal

Welcome News Staff Members



K Salo

Subject: English Home Language

*"Education is the key that unlocks
the door to your future!"*



A. Martins

Subject: Natural Sciences

*"When purpose is not known,
abuse is inevitable."*



Q. Esau

Subjects: Mathematics, Math Lit, LO

2 Samuel 22:33

*God is my strength and power:
and he maketh my way perfect*

Netball

League Matches Results:

U/19 won all their matches - Top players: Alisha Muller (captain), Jade de Waal, Colby Carollissen, Rapafadzo Mudadisi, Leigh– Ann Sauls, Angel Daniels and Bernadette Mouers.

U/16 won 50% of their matches- Top Players: Kelly Rose (captain), Kirsten Farao and Shaun– Lee Diedericks

U/14 and U/15 only played friendly matches.– Micah Julies (captain)

Thank you to Ms Jafta, Mrs Ryk, Ms Davids, Ms. Miller, Ms. Esau, Nathan Rudolph (coach), Mrs Rossouw, Mrs Booy's and Ms Heugh for not only teaching us the skills of the game but also instilling in us the values of discipline, perseverance and teamwork. **-Netball Teams**



Rugby



Ruck n Jol rugby tournament for the Vuka League. It took place on Saturday 13 May 2023 at Westcliff High School in Bellville. Games were played between the under 16 teams in our region. The games were featured on the DSTV School app and it was a great opportunity for our Sarepta Secondary School rugby players to showcase their talents. The team had a rough start but came back stronger in the second half. The boys really showed resilience and made the teachers and coaches at Sarepta Secondary School extremely proud. The team ethos came through and it showed that the best team is not necessarily the Victor's on the day but the team that has the character to fight until the end is a true show of quality sportsmanship. The result was 5-10 in the favor of Soneike High School. Sarepta played a rematch against Soneike in the next week, and we beat them 17-12 this time around.

-Teagan Lemeu (U/ 16 CAPTAIN

Cross Country



These are our cross country athletes that have been participating in the leagues. Good luck for the upcoming leagues in Term 3.

Why not Civvies?

We see how on TV in other countries children don't wear school uniforms and we might ask ourselves why do we need to?

There are many benefits to school uniforms. Imagine a school with no uniform, students would be apart from one another and constantly in a dressing competition. It also takes some financial burden off families as they do not need to pay for a new top or jacket wearing a school uniform bring unity among the learners, it also helps to reduce bullying among students, because in this day and age learners can be very cruel to one another.

We've asked two learners Charne Witbooi and Nyoke Rhoda their opinions on school uniforms. Nyoke feels that school uniform is not necessary all the time because not all family members can afford it where as Charne feels it is important because of the type of community we live in, it keeps the school in control and safe. They have similar opinions on the quality of uniforms. Some uniforms are unpleasant to the eye, and thin in the winter cold or too warm for the summer.

I guess we could all say majority of students are anti- uniforms and would rather live without them, but we all see the benefits of wearing a school uniform, so wear your school uniform!
- Kayleigh Classen

School Democracy Campaign Launch

The Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) in the Western Cape launched their Schools Democracy Campaign on Wednesday, 24 May 2023, at Sarepta Secondary School. The programme, aims to encourage active citizenry among young learners throughout the country by engaging them in civic and democracy education and voter registration activities.

The Schools Democracy Programme is part of a larger Youth Democracy Programme.

The objective of the campaign, especially in the run-up to the 2024 general elections, is to:

- Educate youth citizens about their civic and democratic rights and responsibilities;
- Engage youth citizens' views about electoral democracy and impact of participation thereof through debate;
- Empower the learner and student electorate with information to participate meaningfully in democratic and electoral processes;
- Promote and conduct online voter registration using voter management devices at targeted schools and tertiary education campuses.

WCED spokesperson Millicent Merton said: "The objective of the campaign, especially in the run-up to the 2024 general elections, is to promote and conduct online voter registration using voter management devices at targeted schools and tertiary education campuses."



From the Right; Luthandiwe Mbangi, Anastacia Witbooi, Michael Hendrickse (Western Cape Provincial Electoral Officer) and Alisha Muller.



Jayden February, a member of the school's Representative Council of Learners encouraged his fellow classmates to register to vote.



Creative STEAME Art Competition

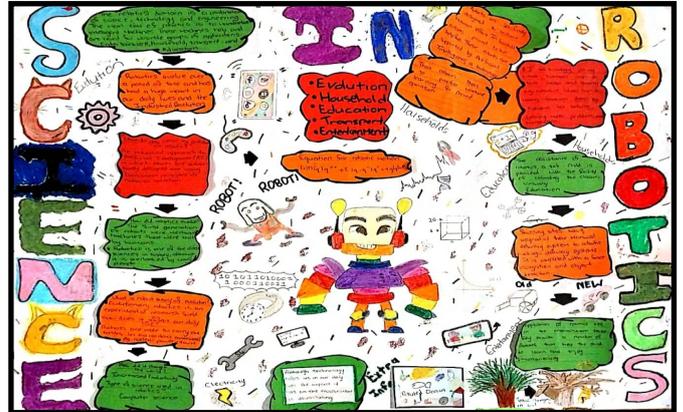
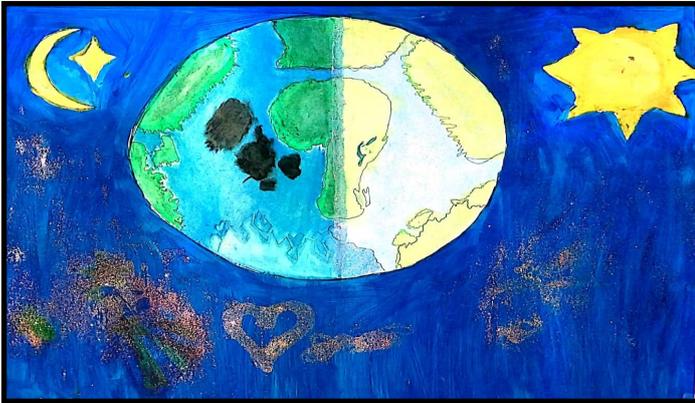


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UWC-SLCA (Science Learning Centre for Africa)
Creative STEAME Art Competition:

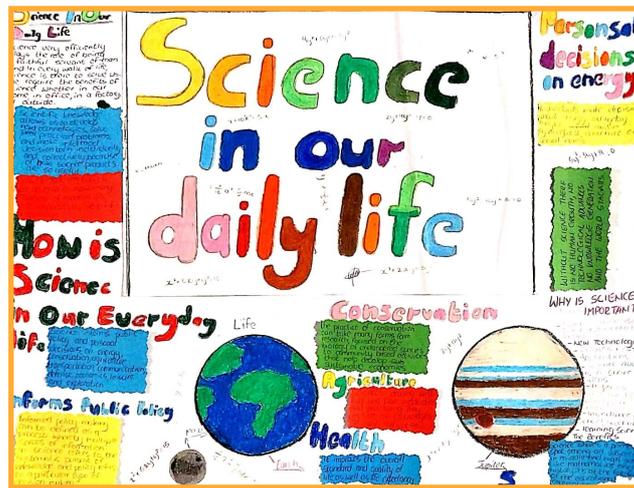


Winner_1:

1. Logan Fabrick
2. Juno Koopman
3. Camrin Oliver
4. Jaydene Opperman

Winner_2:

1. Keitumetse Bless
2. Lunathi Baroyi
3. Alive Dyani
4. Thabisile Yeyana



Winner_3:

1. Lindokuhle Jack
2. Shelter Musiyiwa
3. Paris Aber
4. Emihle Mange



For our poster we chose to make one about the science in robotics. In our poster we addressed how technology robotics has changed households, education, transport, entertainment and how it evolves. We also showed the negative side of how the education of robotics has harmed our environment. We chose this topic because we want to show and explore how robotics have changed the world positively and negatively. While doing this poster, we have learned so much about robotics, more than we thought we would. It really was a team effort even Pe Jay van Wyk was involved and brought his excellent artistic skills to the table. We are eagerly awaiting the response from UWC

- Keitumetse Bless

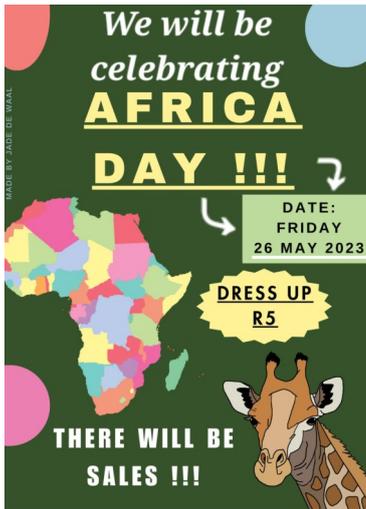
FUNDRAISING



Learners took part in Funky Headwear Day to raise money for our school in a fun way. There were a number of creative items were on show. Learners also bought treats and beverages.



FUNDRAISING



We sincerely thank all learners and parents for the support they provide to the school. Whether your support is in the form of assisting with fundraisers or volunteering your valuable time for our various activities, all our learners benefit from your generosity.

Fundraising is a reality for us. It is only through fundraisers that we can fund various programs and activities at school.

So, thank you again for your support this term, we look forward to continued support and fun activities for the learners.

- Fundraising Committee



CAREER DAY

Do we think about our future?

Well a few weeks ago the grade 11 and 12's had the experience of a lifetime; different universities and colleges came to our school to help promote themselves and open our minds to different possibilities. There are things as learners we do not even think about like the different opportunities that are out there. When we are exposed to these opportunities we are then able to decide what types of career we would like to go into. We heard from many places such as Northlink College, Richfield and Stellenbosch University. There were many options. I asked 2 learners who came in the top 10 their opinions about universities and after school life.

- Lynne Rhode



Questions for Top 10 Learners in Grade 12

Learner: Ryan Van Wyk 12A

1. What do you want to do after school?

• I would like to continue my studies further and hopefully and become a licenced doctor.

2. What university/College will you be applying to or what university would you like to go to?

• I will be applying to all the universities and colleges to increase my chances of getting into a higher institution. But I would like to get into UCT or even Stellenbosch.

3. Why is university/College important?

• I feel that university is important because it is your getaway to your future and unlocks a lot of opportunities for you. It opens many doors and it gives you an opportunity to get higher education and get a better future life style. It allows more jobs for the career that you want or that you've chosen and over all just gives you more experience for the life ahead. That is my take on the importance of university.

- Lynne Rhode 11G



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Questions for Top 10 Learners in Grade 12

Learner: Chiquita Saayman 12A

1. What do you want to do after school?

•Psychology.

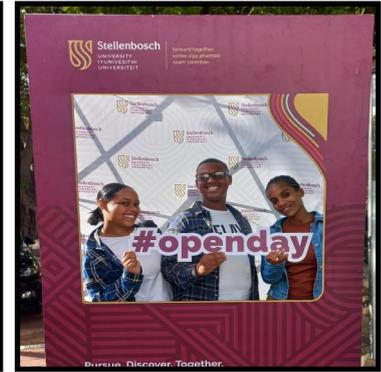
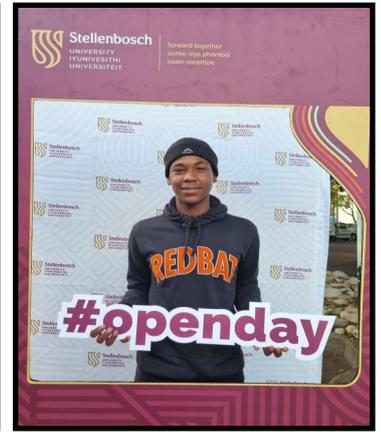
2. What university/College will you be applying to or what university would you like to go to?

•Stellenbosch university or SACAP(South African college of applied psychology)

3. Why is university/College important?

•It helps you on your journey to become successful faster.

-Lynne Rhode 11G



Load shedding disrupts Education

Load shedding! My head aches just at the thought of it. I despise the fact that it became such a norm in our lives. We as learners have so much we would like to say on or about the matter, but what about the educators? I have interviewed Mrs. Russouw , Ms. Davids and Mr. Smith, and you best believe they had a mouthful to say about it too!

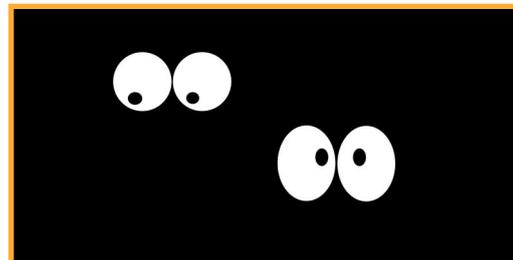
I don't think load shedding has brought any positivity our lives. According to Mrs. Russouw , it causes backlog with regards to meeting deadlines for her work . She feels that when she is unable to utilize technology as part of her lessons it can be very monotonous. When she is at home it hinders her from doing school work and day-to-day household tasks.

Ms. Davids dislikes the fact that she has to sit in the dark. She said that in most cases, you can't really do much and it feels like she is being robbed of her basic needs. Load shedding negatively affects Ms. Davids, meaning she can't print her resources needed for her lessons and she is unable to make use of her projector while teaching, causing ineffective teaching and learning.

Mr. Smith feels that load shedding had an effect on all aspects of life and it disrupts with his planning for the day. Printing, once again, is also an issue for Mr. Smith as well. He goes on to say that with load shedding you never know what to expect, because there is always new generation capacities that get lost. He says that load shedding will only become worse and a national power system shutdown is looming.

Load shedding is going to continue existing if nothing is being done. Mr. Smith says the government and Eskom needs to look at alternative power sources. Ms. Davids feels that the government and everyone involved with Eskom should start using the country's natural resources more responsibly. Last, but not least, Mrs. Russouw thinks that with proper structure within our government, load shedding can be ended for good !The educators feel that this list of words describes load shedding as a whole: inconvenient, frustrating, depressing, selfish, cruel and really just a big inconvenience to life.

- Aisha Solomon 11E





Poems

Die lewe op die plaas

Modder orals maak die
voete asvaal

Hoenders, kekkel en kraai

Wie het eiers gelê dit kan

Ek maar net raai

Vroeg gaan my oë oop

Stap maar in die wingerde

vars mielies, tamaties en sommer pam-
poene ook

My vrou maak koffie met room

Sy kan nie genoeg kry van die droom

“Jantjie !” roep sy na my

“kry vir my die eiers!”

“Ja, my lief!” antwoord ek maar

Die lewe op die plaas

is diep harde werk

Ek praat nou van spit en plante kweek

Somer dae sop nat

Winter diep koud

Ek moet maar alles net verdra

en ophou kla.

- Shehendra Absalon 10A

Dreams do come true

Dreams do come true, but only when

They make it through despair,

Limping into everyday

Transformed beyond repair

No dream would be a dream if it

Could pass for something real,

Nor would we sail for paradise

Would if it's shoal conceal

So it is with love: the dream

Long longed for, now possessed,

Must be a dream no longer, but

An emperor undressed

Stark naked it must come for us

In unaccustomed shame,

And we must take it in our arms

And love it all the same

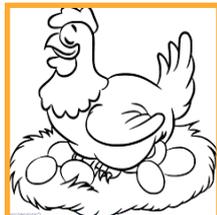
And we must love love as it is

That dreams might still come true,

Mangled into miracles

To make our lives anew

- Peace Mugadza 10 D



KALKFONTEIN COMMUNITY

A 61-year-old man named Edward Adonis a pension living in Kalkfontein. He has been for 5 years, a gardener at his house. He is a freeman that do nothing in his free time. Mr. Adonis also started his garden just for fun but loves his garden. Did also decide to plant seeds so that he can have a fruit garden. According to Mr. Adonis the best opportunity for the seeds to grow is in the summer. He throws every day the mis on the ground so that it keeps the animals away for example dogs, cats ect. The ground must be wet for 3 days, and it takes quicker for the plants to grow. Mr. Adonis buys plant poison named Memozol. You can buy it at any shop like Shoprite it keeps the worms away. If anything happens to the plants you can buy poison for the plants. He also said if he can have enough vegetables he will give to the community and not only for himself. He always cares about gardens and loves gardens .

- Cleo McGee & Maurition Swarts



STAND UP AGAINST BULLYING

Bullying is something so many people talk about, however not many people take too much note of it. Some people uses bullying mostly verbally with their words and not actually with actions. Bullying sometimes hides behind a little joke or a compliment but not meaning it as a compliment but as a joke that will make you feel good but not know what it means. Zendaya once said watching someone getting bullied without saying or doing anything is the same thing as bullying because even if you are not the one doing it, it is still wrong for you to just sit and watch it happen. You should stand up against bullying or tell a teacher or someone that can help if you not able to even if you have to do it anonymously.

By: Lynne Rhode 11G



Faculty and Staff leaving Sarepta Secondary

Mrs. S. Arendse

Geography Educator

How long have you been teaching at Sarepta Secondary School?

3years

Why are you leaving Sarepta Secondary School?

To assist my husband in building our church Maranatha Gospel Mission in Sarepta and to pursue the missions field by saving more souls for our Lord Jesus Christ.

What will you miss about Sarepta Secondary?

I will miss my gr.12A geography class. I saw them grow, mature and excel above their circumstances and the Christian fellowship team that would meet every Tuesday and Thursday in my classroom to pray and encourage each other in the faith.

What is your teaching philosophy?

My teaching philosophy is...if I'm your patient on the surgery table and you passed your doctor's degree with 30% then I will surely die on your operation table. So give it your all and be successful in everything you do.

What message or legacy would you like to leave behind for Sarepta learners?

To the...Sarepta geography learners. "Remember that you are fearfully and wonderfully made by the hands of God." So stop acting like you were a mistake. My God doesn't make mistakes!

What motivated you every day in your work place?

The fact that I could make impact at the school and my community...I love Sarepta And the learner's crazy energy motivated me to give them my very best.

What does the future hold for you?

I think the future holds opportunity, Godly purpose and best of all seeing each learner that came through my hands...reach their goals in Jesus name.

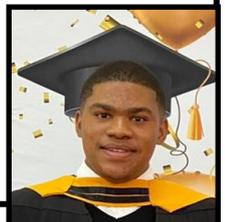


'n Sterk standvastige vrou, 'n God vreesende vrou, 'n moeder en n juffrou. 'n Persoon met n goeie gesindheid en dit maak seer om te groet. Juffrou Arendse wat nou so lank by Sarepta Sekondêre Skool was, moet ons nou groet. Ek het die wonderlike person, Juffrou Arendse (Profeet Simoné) ontmoet in graad 10 waar sy vir my in kwartaal 3 en 4 Geografie gegee het tot en met graad 12. Ek het baie lief kom word vir Profeet Simoné en dis hoe ek haar kom leer ken het. Sy het baie vir my kom leer en opgelig geestelik en fisies. Ek wil vir Juffrou alle sterkte toewens voorentoe mag goedheid en guns Juffrou

volg al die dae van Juffrou se lewenspad en onthou ons as Sarepta Sekondêre skool sal Juffrou verskriklik mis.

Spreuke 31 vers 10 sê "n vrou wat die Here dien, moet geprys word." Juffrou Arendse (Profeet Simoné) is 'n vrou wat die Here waarlik ken sy moet geëer en waardeur word. God se rykste seën oor juffrou se lewe.

- Duran Lambert



Professional Development

Educator: S. Mampofu



Why this degree and what it means to me?

Everyone can educate, as we learn from the people around us daily, but I believe that teachers are born. From the young age of 6 I was called “Juffrou Samantha” because I’d help my peers with their homework, and teach kids in my community Afrikaans and Maths, by force. I guess I was born with this burning passion to teach, and pour my heart out through educating others.

Finishing my BEd degree with a Cum Laude at the University of the Western Cape was not only a moment of pride for me, but a testimony of God’s hand upon me. This reminds me of my two favourite scriptures: Mark 10:27 “All things are possible with God” and John 14:13 “And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.”

Educator: S. Petersen

I graduated with a honours degree in child and family studies within community and health science faculty

The White Paper on Families in South Africa it states that, “It is essentially through the family that each generation is replaced by the next; that children are born, socialised and cared for until they attain their independence;

As an educator I achieved an honours degree in Child and Family Studies within the Community and health science faculty and this is a programme that aims to explore the new family policy and interest in collaborative endeavours of the Department of Social Development with Child and Family Studies. This program is implemented to meet the current needs of the communities in which we serve by providing knowledge on Early Childhood Development (ECD), substance abuse within the family, parent and child interaction and developing programmes for family wellbeing. By achieving this degree it enhanced my ability as an educator to use my knowledge, skills and expertise to uplift our learners and the community that I serve. It also part of my soul purpose where I believe that to be called by God as an educator is a noble calling and we should use our talents and gifts to make a change within the school and community.

As God declares in — Jeremiah 29:11 “For I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future. ” Thus, making it evident that God’s purpose or plan is to provide us with eternal happiness. The more we understand His plan, the more we will realize that we can't make it back to God on our own. God made it possible for me to achieve this qualification through Jesus Christ and I am using it to uplift God’s people.





Birthday Announcements

Dear Sarepta Staff we wish you a very Happy Birthday!

Staff Members	Date	Staff Members	Date
F. FOSTER	16 APRIL	M. DE WET	18 JUNE
C. DAVIS	19 APRIL	L. BOWIE	20 JUNE
K. SALO	24 APRIL	D, FEBRUARY	27 JUNE
R. LOUW	1 MAY	M. BUYS	4 JULY
M. DELPORTQ	12 MAY	E. BOOYS	9 JULY
Q. ESAU	12 MAY	S. SCHEEPERS	10 JULY
P. SAUNDERS	6 JUNE	M. DAVIDS	11 JULY
S. ARENDSE	9 JUNE	C. THEYS	11 JULY
N. NAUDE	12 JUNE	E. BENJAMIN	17 JULY
A. ZOGHBY	13 JUNE	M. BORAIN	28 JULY
E. WILLIAMS	13 JUNE		

Important Dates to Remember

	Event	Date
1	School Closes	23 June 2023
2	Winter School	26 June 2023
3	School Opens	17 July 2023

I know the work seems a lot at times and may be difficult for you but shouldn't discourage you from what your main goal is. If you haven't met the expectations you thought you would remember that there's still room for improvement. This term was tough for most of us, but we are even more tough for persevering. Don't limit yourself to your abilities and use your spare time to educate yourself when you can. Stay open and positive minded and set your goals, then work towards it.

If you get tired and feel like giving up remember that if you fall asleep now you'll dream, but if you study now you'll live your dream.

May God be with us all and give us the strength we need to get through this year.

- Jade De Waal (Deputy Head girl)



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