



Weekly Newsletter

8 February 2017

INSPIRING THOUGHTS FROM THE OFFICE

It is inevitable that I get taken back to my school days when I attend an assembly in the hall. The rural school was a small school, and therefore the whole staff could sit on the stage. There they sat, the ladies in their miniskirts and beehives and the men in their suits with their rock hard *bryl cream* short-back-and-sides hairstyles. With grim faces they enforced their discipline from the top of the stage. It felt as though each one of them was looking directly at us. The fear of having to go to the office afterwards made the content of the assembly lesson somewhat irrelevant. In church the minister had the same authority when he stood there high atop the pulpit reading out of the Bible in his unmistakable deep voice - just now he might go and sort me out behind that door out of which the consistory came walking with their equally emotionless faces. Not to mention those big Chevrolet police vehicles. When the police van would pull into an untarred Eikelaan, there would be an unsolicited time-out in our street cricket game. We disappeared over the nearest wall with our makeshift apple box-wickets and homemade pine bats - a precaution against mother's threat that she would call the police from her work to come out to make sure we were doing our homework.

There was also the fear that we had for thunder. Not only were the curtains tightly closed (and goodness helps those who dared to take a peek outside) but the mirrors were also covered ... for ordinary Boland bad weather. Together with this, the thunder was also described as God's voice. Mindful of the Ten Commandments that Moses brought down from the mountain, it created a fear of God ... a far cry from the love which the pastor preached "from up there." Even on the big red pulpit was clear: "God is Love."

Luckily, during my years growing up, and my legend of a dad made me understand the connection between respect, fear and love. When respect is in excess, or is enforced in the superlative, then fear develops. When respect is earned by our behaviour, then love bubbles out. My eyes opened. I could see how the pastor devoted his time to save marriages, visit the sick, and make a church bazaar feel like a family feast or even play in the sand with us at the Sunday school picnic. I could see a policeman returning a lost boy to his worried parents, patrolling our street late at night so that we could sleep safely. I could see my teachers, the same team who sat on the stage, patiently helping me on the sports field, helping me build backdrops for the matric dance, and giving us extra Maths classes during the holidays to be able to obtain a better exam mark. I saw their actions and experienced their love - and had respect for them, but not fear. This is also how I experience my God. It is also how I live my life. And you?

'Without love, respect won't germinate. Without respect, love won't grow.'

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Fri 10 Feb | Castle Tjokker Athletics |
| Sat 11 Feb | West Coast Primary School athletics |
| Tue 14 Feb | Valentine's Day: Plain clothes (red and white) Curro Castle: Grade 12 Valentine surprise Grade 1 to 3: Hippity-Hop Valentine's Bop Grade 8 to 12: Valentine's Dance |
| Wed 15 Feb | Hopfield swimming gala |
| Thu 16 Feb | Olifantsvallei Primary School swimming gala |
| Sat 18 Feb | Chess clinic (advanced) Curro Langebaan Biathlon High and Primary School West Boland athletics |



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| | u/13 Cricket Bastion (home) |
| | KFC Mini-cricket Paarl |
| Wed 22 Feb | Roadshow Leipoldtville |
| Thu 23 Feb | Vredenburg Swimming gala |
| Fri 24 Feb | Primary School Parents Classroom visit |
| Sat 25 Feb | Curro Hermanus Swimming gala |
| | Primary School Boland Athletics |
| | Hugenote High School Biathlon |

VALENTINE'S DAY

Tuesday 14 February is Valentine's Day. Learners may wear plain clothes and are encouraged to dress in either white or red to emphasise the message of loving one another and the beauty of love. However, no learner is compelled to do so.

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mrs Pols and her two sons. Her husband, Bernie, passed away this weekend. We pray that God will hold them in His hand to carry them through this difficult time.

CURRO LANGEBAAN ROADSHOWS

As an introduction to our **Open Day** on **9 March**, the school's marketing team will be hosting social get-togethers in the following towns. We invite our parents in these areas to come and join us and bring along a friend/s who are interested in our school. The evening will take the shape of an information evening, question & answer session and thereafter some pleasant social time.

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| 22 Feb | Leipoldtville |
| 28 Feb | Darling/ Yzerfontein |
| 1 March | Velddrif/ Laaiplek/St Helena Bay/Hopefield |
| 2 March | Vredenburg/ Saldanha/ Jacobsbaai |

Venues and times will be confirmed as soon as possible. Please also keep an eye on social media. Please "share" this information with your friends.

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GENERAL INFORMATION FROM THE FINANCIAL OFFICE

- Remember that when the amount on your statement is in brackets it means that your account is in credit and that you paid up front.
- Please note that Curro Langebaan school fees is an annual amount that is payable over 12 months, therefore you will have to pay school fees for July and December months.
- The tablet fee is compulsory for learners from Gr 6 to Gr 12 as a monthly fee of R240. These fees are for the license fees for each e-pub that your child uses, the ITSI weekly support, as well as the setup, upgrading and maintenance of the schools WIFI system.
- Contact details for the Bursar: Zuna Kotze, email: zuna.k01@curro.co.za, Tel: (022) 772 0116

CLOTHING LOUNGE

Lounge Hours:

- Monday to Thursday: 07:40 – 09:00
- Break times: 13:00 – 14:30
- Closed on Fridays – No deliveries or collections

Parents must **PLEASE TAKE NOTE**: Suppliers have changed, so please try on clothes at the lounge. If returns must be done, they must be done within 30 days of purchase and with tags and packaging.



Riana van Wyk School of Music

Private Singing lessons at Curro Langebaan 2017

Our professional training will allow students to compete locally, nationally and internationally in singing. Training includes the cutting of "backtracks", all backtracks used in class, all vocal recordings done in class, articulation and diction and vocal exercises as well as evaluation concerts and preparation for competitions and participation in the Eisteddfod in singing with electronic accompaniment. We also provide music theory lessons with international vocal examination.

Contact Amber for more information.

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SWIMMING

Curro Langebaan Swimming Club took part in the Jack Currie Championships over the weekend. As a club we collected 11 Gold, 11 Silver, and 2 Bronze medals, and were ranked 6th in the Competition. At this event, most of these swimmers qualified to compete at a higher regional competition, and a special congratulation goes out to the following:

Craig Maart
Adriaan Louw
Lize-Mari Geldenhuys
Dederick De Clerq
Chane De Clerq
Kate Revello
Thomas Revello
Aldo Scribante

Swimming Primary School

There will be no swimming practice on the following days, due to galas.

Wednesday 8 February (Swartland gala)

Wednesday 15 February (Hopefield gala)

ATHLETICS

Report on West Coast Athletics Meeting that took place on 3 February 2017 at Vredenburg Sports Grounds.

33 of our athletes participated at the above-mentioned meeting. We received 10 Gold Medals, 5 Silver and 6 Bronze. Ethan White was the best u/14 athlete of the day. He won the 100m (11.90), 200m (24.53) and 400m (56.56) sprints. The following athletes were chosen to be part of the West Coast Team that will be competing at the "Wes-Boland" Athletics meeting on 18 February 2017.

Boys:

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| u/17 | Kirsten | Van Dyk | 400m + 400m Hurdles |
| u/19 | Adriaan | Du Plessis | Hammer Throw, Discus, Shot Putt and Javelin |
| u/17 | Francois | De Wet | 1500m |
| u/15 | Jonathan | Pols | Shot Putt and Discus |
| u/14 | Elijah C | Richards | Javelin |
| u/14 | Ethan C | White | 100m, 200m and 400m |
| u/17 | Phillip | Plaatjies | Triple jump and 400m Hurdles |

Girls:

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| u/19 | Danielle | Boshoff | Hammer Throw |
| u/15 | Talita | Thesnaar | Hammer Throw + Javelin |
| u/14 | Marli | Skinner | Javelin + 300m Hurdles |
| u/14 | Nadine | Van Dyk | Discus |
| u/17 | Jade | Stander | High Jump + Long jump |
| u/17 | Andrea | Van Dyk | Hammer Throw |
| u/17 | Jane | Bezuidenhout | 200m + 400 m + 300m Hurdles |
| u/17 | Danèl | Kok | Hammer Throw |
| u/14 | Nicci | Caldwell | 300m Hurdles |



BIATHLON

Over the past weekend, 13 of our biathlon athletes competed at the Interprovincial Biathlon Meeting held in Oudtshoorn. 12 schools from the 7 regions took part in the event. The 7 regions consist of Boland, Western Province, Border, South Western Districts, Eastern Province, Griqualand West and Southern Free State. Curro Langebaan achieved the overall 2nd place at this year's Interprovincial event. Well done to Rebecca Flack, who came 2nd overall for girls u/9, and Ian Smith, who came 3rd overall for boys u/9. We are very proud of all our Curro Langebaan biathlon athletes!

Biathlon results: Interprovincial Event Oudtshoorn 4 February 2017

| NAME | AGE GROUP | RUN | TIME | SWIM | TIME | SCORE | OVERALL POSITION |
|------------------|-----------|-------|---------|------|---------|-------|------------------|
| Juan Mundell | B u/8 | 400m | 1:34:37 | 25m | 0:26:17 | 1987 | 22 |
| Dané Meintjes | G u/8 | 400m | 1:35:07 | 25m | 0:27:48 | 1996 | 11 |
| Ian Smith | B u/9 | 800m | 2:54:10 | 50m | 0:41:80 | 2337 | 3 |
| Rebecca Flack | G u/9 | 800m | 2:55:93 | 50m | 0:42:49 | 2404 | 2 |
| Amy Schmidt | G u/9 | 800m | 3:09:19 | 50m | 0:39:42 | 2386 | 5 |
| Ruben Mundell | B u/11 | 800m | 2:55:67 | 50m | 0:38:87 | 2187 | 14 |
| Reitz Hofmeyr | B u/11 | 800m | 2:48:13 | 50m | 0:47:95 | 2079 | 33 |
| Utah Novello | G u/11 | 800m | 3:09:64 | 50m | 0:41:41 | 2105 | 17 |
| Declan French | B u/13 | 1200m | 4:14:59 | 100m | 1:17:36 | 2119 | 14 |
| Adrian Strydom | B u/13 | 1200m | 4:11:57 | 100m | 1:18:95 | 2118 | 15 |
| Liam Buys | B u/13 | 1200m | 4:14:94 | 100m | 1:22:48 | 2066 | 19 |
| Francois Hofmyer | B u/13 | 1200m | 4:30:03 | 100m | 1:27:51 | 1940 | 30 |
| Klaudia Schmidt | G u/13 | 1000m | 4:45:21 | 100m | 1:27:47 | 2035 | 20 |





INDOOR HOCKEY

We would like to kick off with the indoor hockey as an extra mural sport at the school. We already have all the equipment and apparatus. We are going to start with an informal tournament between the Langies to introduce the new sport to the players. Players who can participate in this sport are only grade 7 and high school players who already play hockey, the players who have experienced the sport previously and then also anyone (parents or persons) who are related to Curro Langebaan. You can be part of the learner's teams or you can make up your own teams.

We would like to start off with a clinic hosted by Tiaan Steyn, on how the sport works, on 15 February at 18:00. Cost of the extra-mural will be R100 per player per term. This will include the clinic and tournament fee.

There are no set days or times for the games as we have to work according to the set term programme where all the programs are already set for the rest of the term. We will communicate with the teams each time before games. The team will be in competition with each other to select a first, second and third position.

Teams must enter and pay at Mrs van Zyl. There are 6 players in a team, 5 Players on the field and 1 goalkeeper. Games will be 10 minutes aside. Teams will play only one game per night.

We hope to see all the hockey lovers there, as we are going to have loads of fun!

CRICKET

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| Opponent: | Vredenburg |
| Played On: | Thursday, 2 February 2017 |
| Played At: | Vredenburg |
| Curro Langebaan u/15 won the toss and decided to bat first. | |
| Curro Langebaan u/15: 104 for 3 from 20 overs | |
| Vredenburg: 24 for 10 from 12.3 overs | |
| Result: | Curro Langebaan u/15 won by 80 runs |
| Best Batsmen | |
| J.Roode | 37* |
| K.Coetsee | 21 |
| J.Pols | 14 |
| Best Bowlers | |
| L.Harmse | 3/5 |
| J.Roode | 2/3 |
| K.Coetsee | 2/10 |

LEARNER SUPPORT SERVICES

Your child can become a star!

Parents often hear only the negative aspects of attention deficit hyperactivity-disorder (ADHD); Such as the lack of concentration, unfinished work, restlessness and the inability to complete tasks are emphasized. The positive features such as high levels of energy, spontaneity, creativity, ingenuity and creating new ideas with ADHD-children are often overseen. To concentrate on these positive features at school and at home can help children with ADHD to be successful. ADHD is not unmanageable, but can cause havoc if not handled properly. Children with ADHD often think of too many things at once and forget what they were busy with. As a result, this appears to be a lack of attention. Keep an eye for our newsletter! Next week we talk about different types of ADHD.

Celestte Forte

(For any questions about reading material, please contact Mrs. C Forte)



HIPPETY HOPPITY VALENTINES FUN

Grade 1 to 3

Date: 14 February

Time: 17:00-19:00

R50

Come join the Fun with our
Foundation Phase at Curro
Langebaan





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GET BACK



SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY 18:30

VENUE: CURRO LANGEBAAN HALL

TICKETS: HANLIE SEGAL +27 (0)22 772 0116

Curro Langebaan High School Administrator

R200

Bring your own refreshments. Tables for 10 are provided.

A portion of the proceeds from this performance will be part of the Matric Farewell Fundraising Events

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