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# HENDRIK KANISE COMBINED SCHOOL

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#### GOOD LUCK GRADE 12s ON

YOUR FINAL EXAMS.

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Let your hard work propel you to succeed so fast that GOOD LUCK has no choice but to ride with a winner like you.

# NOTE TO THE GRADE 12s FROM THE FACILITATOR

Let's face it, studying is not what you want to be doing right now since we are going to the holidays and everything and everyone wants to hang out with friends or watch movies. Trust me when I say a holiday is the perfect time to start studying. You

do it during your spare time and you do it at your own pace. This is for all the Grade 12s, study hard and remember that there's only a little time left for you guys until the final exams. Make use of the free time to study your books. You wont regret it.



# PICTURE GALLERY





SPELLING BEE



Heritage day



Writing Camp



Rhino Day



Sassa's uniform handing over





Comp lit



Ex learner's visit

### SIFUNDA KUNYE TRAINING

Sifunda Kunye Educational
Project did a training day at
our school on the 1st of
August 2017, training
consisted of Community
reading clubs and drama.
Hendrik Kanise would like to
thank Sanga from our partner
school St Matthews High
School in Keiskammahoek
and full time Sifunda Kunye
drama and reading club
facilitator for training our
learners. The learners had a
fun time and learned a lot.







# YOUNG GIRKS LEADING FOR CHANGE

YGLC is a project that was established by Professor Nadine De-Langa from the Nelson Mandela University in Port Elizabeth. The project deals mainly in Genderbased violence. Genderbased violence (GBV) is a profound and widespread problem in South Africa, impacting on almost every aspect of life. GBV (which

disproportionately affects women and girls) is systemic, and deeply entrenched in institutions, cultures and traditions in South Africa. There are many different definitions of GBV, but it can be broadly defined as "the general term used to capture violence that occurs as a result of the normative role expectations associated with

each gender, along with the unequal power relationships between genders, within the context of a specific society." Amahle Deyi who is doing Grade 10 is part of the project and she was addressing the learners in her class about the Gender based Violence on the 29th of August 2017. The session was very educational.



#### EX LEARNER'S VISIT

On the 28th of July one of our ex learner, Dr. Bongiwe Peni who is the first candidate from Alicedale to go and study in Cuba came to visit the school to motivate and inspire the Grade 12s learners and the entire school. We are very thankful that she managed to spare her free time and come to the school to motivate our learners, not only for the learners to idolize her but she also made sure that she teaches the learners to

believe in themselves and that they work very hard to become what they want. Thank you so much Rugby, both the sessions with the grade 12s and the entire school was very fruitful. We honestly cannot wait for the day you officially become Dr. Peni.



### SPELLING BEE

On the 5th of September the school held their annual spelling bee. A spelling bee is a game or a competition in which the participants compete in spelling words orally. The spelling bee is aimed at improving the learners' performance in languages, especially in English.

Our spelling bee learners usually start competing in Grade 1. The learners compete against each other in each grade and the winners are awarded with certificates. The rules of the competition are quite easy to follow when you on the stage. You first say the word, Spell the word then say the word.





# WELCOME NEW STAFF



We would like to welcome Mr Royi who was teaching at Nyaluza for over 30 years. We are very excited that he decided to join our little family as a Maths teacher for Grade 4,5 and 6. we would also like to welcome Nwabisa as our new klerk. Nwabisa was working in Cradock for over 10 years before she decide to join us and she ienjoys

working as a klerk. We welcome both of them with love and we know they are going to enjoy their stay.



## WEDNESDAY COMPUTER CLASSES

The school has started having computer classes for the learners and with the help of Shamwari Conservation Volunteers the classes are never boring. The classes are held each week on Wednesdays from 14:30 till 16:00 and each week we have different classes and the learners get the opportunity to gain

experience on learning about the computer packages such as Word, Excel and Power Point. We would like to thank Shamwari for helping us in making sure that the classes are fun and the learners enjoy each and every one of the classes.



### RAPHAEL CENTRE

The Raphael centre's vision is people believing in themselves, working together to create a healthy and caring communities. On the 26th of July, the pupils from the centre facilitating an introduction to asset-based community development Program that is in line with "Trading Lived for Mandela". The program uses positive psychology to motivate learners unblocking their confidence, knowledge and skills. It allows learners

to be able to start on working towards a goal or a vision and with such knowledge they can be able to progress, grow and have a positive change in and around the community.





#### WRITING CAMP

Seventy learners from four area schools explored creativity, learning, and self-expression in an intense writing camp over the weekend. The camp was sponsored and hosted by the Sifunda Kunye Educational Project, a local public benefit organization that has been active in the King Williams Town district since 2008.

Sifunda Kunye invites 10 to 15 learners from each of its partner schools in the King William's Town District and Grahamstown district participate in these camps. This past weekend, learners from St. Matthew's, Xolani, Richard Varha, Toise and Hendrik Kanise combined Schools spent an intense 3 days (Friday-Sunday) focusing on a specific theme,

completing personal works, and submitting them for peer critique. This session's theme was "Dreams are made of..." and learners were encouraged to express what dreams and ambitions means to them in essays, poems, and group discussions and drama. Participants received guidance from a talented group of volunteer facilitators,

student leaders, and the Sifunda Kunye staff. Participants submit their work for inclusion into a published student journal at the end of the camp. The journal is a unique opportunity for many to see their work in print. Learners and teachers are continually impressed with the writing camps. Participants relish the opportunity to engage in an in-depth weekend of imaginative learning. They enjoy improving their language and writing skills in a fun and creative venue outside of the classroom. Teacher's enjoy witnessing the progress these young writers make over the course of a week-





### MARKET DAY

Entrepreneur's day is celebrated every year on the 21st of August. Once again we have held ours a little late than the usual date which was on the 4th of September. The purpose of the event is to create awareness for entrepreneurship, innovation and leadership throughout the world. For the school, the purpose is to teach learners about entrepreneurship and innovation. Each grade had their little station where

they had goodies to sell to the other learners and the day was indeed very productive. We are very thankful to the EMS teacher Mrs Dyasi for always having these exciting extra events for the school.





#### WORLD RHINO DAY

We celebrated World Rhino Day with pupils from Shawari Conservation Experience on the 22nd of September. The Grade 5 learners and the Shamwari Conservation Experience volunteers did a presentation to raise awareness on Rhino Poaching all around the world. The learners also did Animal Structures of a Rhino and a Lion using the rubbish that was collected in the community to encourage a clean environment.

The event was completed with a march for rhinos, walking around the community with posters. We would like to give thanks to Shamwari for giving the learners a chance to be part of their exciting events.





#### HERITAGE DAY CELEBRATION

On the 27th of September the school held a Heritage Celebration. Normally, Heritage is celebrated Nationally on the 24th of September every year. The purpose of the day is encourage every South African to recognize and celebrate diversity. The learners get a chance to wear traditional acts to show everyone what the day is about. We also had gest speakers from the local community and from the Correctional Services. The day was enjoyed by the learners and the parents were also present to witness this fantastic day. After the celebration we indulged our senses with traditional food.



### SASSA'S UNIFORM HANDING OVER

On the 15th of September the pupils from SASSA embarked on a project that was established by the Department of Social Development to assist learners from underprivileged homes with school uniforms. This is part of taking forward Project Mikondzo, a department's initiative which seeks to increase service delivery foot print and further improve the lives of underprivileged communities in the country. The school is extremely happy to be a part of the project.



