

# BERGVLIET HIGH SCHOOL

Learning through Diversity



# THE BUZZ

APRIL 2022 Edition



# PRINCIPAL'S PAGE

## FREEDOM DAY

As a new dawn ushered in the 27th of April 1994, few of us could suppress the welling of emotion, as we were reminded of the terrible past from which we come as a nation; the great possibilities that we now have; and the bright future that beckons us. And so we assemble here today, and in other parts of the country, to mark a historic day in the life of our nation. Wherever South Africans are across the globe, our hearts beat as one, as we renew our common loyalty to our country and our commitment to its future."

These words, from former President Nelson Mandela as he addressed Parliament on the first celebration of Freedom Day, echo forlornly across our land littered with the debris of rampant state corruption, failing SOE's, rising xenophobic violence and 30% unemployment.

There is no freedom to celebrate when the majority of people in our land remain landless, constantly beset by load shedding, subject to crime and poverty, unequal education opportunities and lack of access to the formal economy.

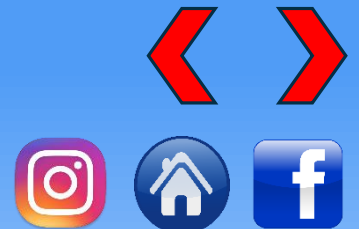
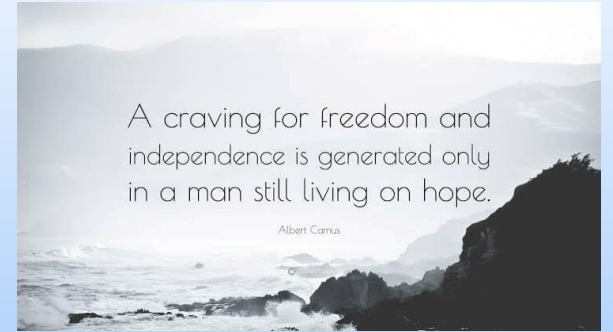
Instead we should be protecting our freedom from those who lie to us, from those who steal from us, from those who enrich themselves at our expense and from those who choose power over service. This land is OUR land. It belongs to the PEOPLE, not to those who control the economy nor to those in power. Extinguishing the hope from the youth of this country should be called treason. President Mandela's "great possibilities" and "bright future" will only become reality if we re-instil hope in our children. For without hope, there is only darkness.

At Bergvliet High we, as a school and community, are committed to giving the children in our care, HOPE.  
We are giving hope by showing a commitment to the future of our planet through our green initiatives.  
We are giving hope through our commitment to diversity - we are nothing without one another.  
We are giving hope by ensuring a world class education so that all our learners have access to tertiary education.  
We are giving hope by promoting academic excellence rather than accepting 30% as a pass.  
We are giving hope by upholding the morals and values that all societies depend on for survival.  
We are giving hope by showing our learners that there are pathways leading them out of poverty into a brighter future.  
We are giving hope by refusing to accept that the scourge of drugs/alcohol, teenage promiscuity and cyber bullying is "just a phase" and that "all teenagers do this".

We are giving hope by reminding our learners that they should be job creators not job seekers.  
We are giving hope through our Legends Worldwide series by showcasing recent and older past pupils as positive role models.  
We are giving hope by believing in our learners.  
We are giving hope by building relationships.  
We are giving hope by providing opportunities.  
This is what we should be celebrating today. Not some "rainbow nation" idea of freedom, but rather making the idea of freedom real through re-instilling hope in our children.  
Our current economic and political leaders are blinded by profit and power.

At Bergvliet we choose to protect our freedom and our future in our country by instilling HOPE in our children.

Stephen Price  
Principal



# GOING THE EXTRA MILE



It's always good to hear about learners doing voluntary work in the community and in this instance two of our learners have been acknowledged by the Bergvliet Lions Club for "going the extra mile" at the Sock A Thon.

Sandy Roman, Club Secretary said, "Alexis Van Der Walt and Daniel Ziller stayed to the bitter end, helping to pack away after the event, for which we were most grateful".

Certificates of Appreciation were handed over to Alexis and Daniel this morning from the Bergvliet Lions along with generous vouchers from John Kotze at Plumstead Pick 'n Pay Family Store.

Well done Alexis and Daniel – your school is proud of you.

Thank you to the Bergvliet Lions and to John Kotze for acknowledging our learners in this way, their smiles say it all.

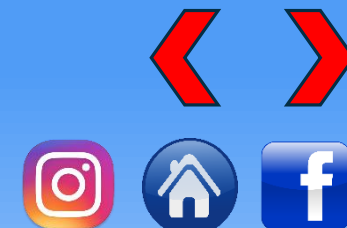


SHOW YOUR MOM  
**LOVE**  
*this Mother's Day*

SUNDAY | 8 MAY 2022



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# BATTLE OF THE BOOKS



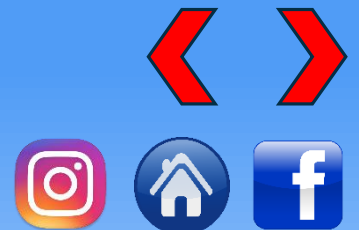
The very first Battle of the Books was held 14 years ago in the BHS Library and has laid dormant for some years only to be re-established this year as an Inter House competition.

The competition consists of ten categories, with ten questions in each category. There is no individual pressure and a discussion period is allowed after each question.

The winning House for the 2022 Battle of the Books in INDOSA – CONGRATULATIONS!

Photo of winning team – Nicola Mayer, Sange Mcengwa and Grace Drew.

Thanks go to Quiz Master, Mr. Peter Furstenberg and adjudicators Mrs Brittany Nygaard and Ms. Elaine Bester





CAPE TOWN BIG BAND  
*Jazz*  
— FESTIVAL —  
2022

2  
YEAR

**DATES**  
Wednesday 25 May  
Thursday 26 May  
Friday 27 May  
Saturday 28 May

**TIME**  
19h30

**TICKETS**  
Adults R120  
Seniors, Scholars & Students R80

**VENUE**  
Baxter  
Concert Hall  
Cape Town

**PARTICIPATING BANDS**

**WEDNESDAY 25 MAY**  
BERGVLIET HIGH SCHOOL J1  
THE LITTLE GIANTS  
ST CYPRIAN'S JAZZ COMBO  
BERGVLIET HIGH SCHOOL J2  
STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY JAZZ BAND

**THURSDAY 26 MAY**  
WYNBERG BOYS' JUNIOR SCHOOL JAZZ BAND  
UNI-SOUND  
RUSTENBURG GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ COMBO  
WYNBERG BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ BAND  
UCT LITTLE BIG BAND

**FRIDAY 27 MAY**  
RONDEBOSCH BOYS' PREP JAZZ BAND  
PINELANDS HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ COMBO  
RONDEBOSCH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR JAZZ BAND  
BISHOPS JAZZ BAND  
RONDEBOSCH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR JAZZ BAND  
LADY DAY BIG BAND

**SATURDAY 28 MAY**  
SACS JUNIOR SCHOOL JAZZ BAND  
WESTERFORD HIGH SCHOOL BIG BAND  
SACS BIG BAND  
SACS TENTET  
ALUMNI BIG BAND



## BOUNCING BACK

Its so good to see school sport back in full swing.

Here's our 1st team netball playing against Curro Durbanville, this was their first match of the season.

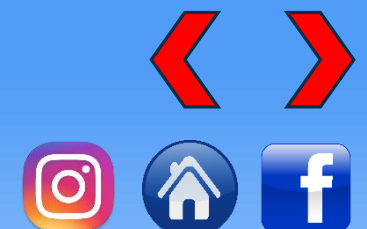
Photo credit: Ms. Belinda Jorge

NB. If you have any spectator BHS sports photos, please send them to [kwarne@bhs.org.za](mailto:kwarne@bhs.org.za) including the name of the team and their opponents - thank you



## CAPE TOWN BIG BAND JAZZ FESTIVAL

Bergvliet's Jazz Bands will be playing at the Cape Town Big Band Jazz Festival on **Wednesday 25 May** - tickets on sale from Webtickets - please support our talented musicians.

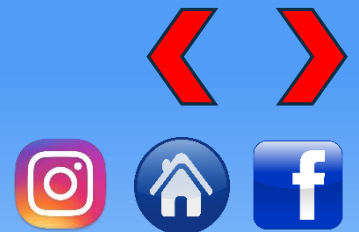
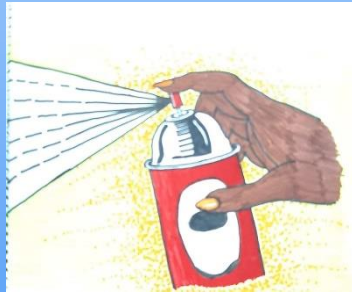






## ART GOES POP

During the 1950's the Pop-Art movement presented a challenge to traditions of fine art by including imagery from popular and mass culture, such as advertising, comic books and mundane mass-produced objects – Wikipedia  
 Here our Grade 9s have created their own versions of Pop-Art which is as popular today as it was in the 50s.  
 Great work Grade 9s







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OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK

MON-THURS 8:30am-5:30pm | FRI 8:30am-12pm, 2:15pm-5:30pm | SAT 8:30am-3pm | SUN & P/HOLIDAYS 9am-1pm

### THE WIDEST SELECTION OF:

- **CAT & DOG FOODS** (MONTEGO, LIONEL'S CHOICE, VUMA), BEDS/KENNELS, TOYS (ROGZ, BEEZTEES, PETSTAGES), TREATS (HEALTHY BITES, RAW HIDE), GROOMING TOOLS, TRAVEL CAGES, TICK AND FLEA TREATMENTS (FRONTLINE, BRAVECTO, NEXGUARD), LEASHES & COLLARS
- **SMALL ANIMAL:** CHINCHILLA, GUINEA PIG, HAMSTER, RABBIT & RAT FOODS (SELECTIVE, TINY FRIENDS FARM) HOMES/HUTCHES, TOYS, TREATS, NIBBLERS (LIVING WORLD), STRAW, ASSORTED HAY (TIMOTHY, ORCHARD GRASS, OATS), GROOMING TOOLS & ACCESSORIES (KAYTEE, BEEZTEES)
- **ASSORTED BIRD FOODS** (VERSELE LAGA, ANIMAL ZONE), FEEDERS, HOMES, PLAY STANDS, TOYS & BIRD HEALTH SUPPLEMENTS (NATURE'S OILS, AVIAN MEDIC)
- **FISH FOODS** (TETRA, OCEAN FREE), AQUARIUMS, MEDICATION, PUMPS & FILTERS (VENUS AQUA, HAILEA), UV LIGHTS, WATER TREATMENTS (TETRA, SEACHEM), ORNAMENTS & LIVE PLANTS
- **REPTILE TERRARIUMS**, FOOD & SUPPLEMENTS, HEATING LAMPS & PADS, ASSORTED BEDDING & ACCESSORIES (EXO TERRA, REPTI ZOO, KOMODO, HIKARI)

QUALITY AT AFFORDABLE PRICES! YOUR FRIENDLY PET STORE



Bring in any **PLASTIC** bottle tops- from milk bottles to cooldrink bottles and anything in between!

The ultimate beneficiaries will be **OPERATION SMILE** who will receive a monetary value for every kilogram of bottle tops collected 

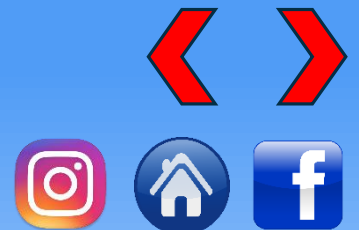
Closing date:  
**Wednesday 15 June @3pm.**

## HOUSE COMPETITION – OPERATION SMILE

Bergvliet High School has supported Operation Smile through different fundraising events for a number of years, under the direction of Mrs Earl. Carrying on in this vein we are now running a House competition, to see which House can bring in the most plastic bottle tops. These tops will be counted, sent for recycling, weighed and the funds will go directly to Operation Smile.

Please encourage your child to bring in plastic tops, collection points will be in their specific Houses.

<https://www.operationsmile.org/>







**BERGVLIET HIGH SCHOOL**

**SATURDAY 7 MAY**

**08:00 - 12:00**

**Contact: [kwarne@bhs.org.za](mailto:kwarne@bhs.org.za)**

**021 712 0284**



## **BOYS HOCKEY TEAM ARE BACK WITH A BANG**

Our Bergvliet 1st Boys hockey team have won the first match they've played since Covid.

Some boys last played in Gr 7.

Fabian Mhakure put in 2 goals with some powerful shots and with Aidan Ravell also scoring it brought the final score to 3 - 0. Very proud of this team.

Report and photos from Ms Booysen.



# Bergvliet High School Golf Day 2022

*Save the  
date*

2 SEPTEMBER 2022  
Westlake Golf Club

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for more information.

