

BERGVLIET HIGH SCHOOL

Learning through Diversity



THE BUZZ

March 2022 Edition





CELEBRATING 65 YEARS

It was on 15 March 1957 when the then MEC for Education in the Cape Province, Mr Norman Henshilwood, officially opened the school. Construction of the school took place over the preceding 2 years and the school's first Standard 6 (Grade 8) class of 78 pupils was enrolled in 1957, with Mr P.A.M. van der Spuy as our first Headmaster with two assistant teachers. This day became our Founder's Day.

Fast forward 65 years, the school has 1070 learners with our 6th Principal and over 100 academic, admin and support staff. To celebrate our anniversary this year, the learners were treated with a cool drink and a donut, whilst the staff enjoyed a cupcake and coffee. The RCL prepared a short video outlining some aspects of the school's history which was shown in the classrooms in the morning. They also produced a short quiz for the learners to complete on the content of the video. What a special way to highlight our Journey of Remembrance. Bergvliet High has been the heartbeat of this community and the school has developed strong bonds with the community that will last a lifetime.

Families from across the Peninsula, the greater South Africa, all corners of Africa and the World, bring a wonderful and vibrant diversity to our school. Through our diversity, we draw on the cultural, ethnic and religious experience of our children and weave it into the tapestry of our history....and our future. At Bergvliet High we value inclusion and the appreciation of gender, age, culture, race, religion, disability, economics, language and nationality which all, in turn, make this school a cosmopolitan environment which we celebrate every day.

In celebration of our history we embarked on a journey to re-connect with our past pupils. It started late last year with the Power of 5 initiative, which encouraged past pupils to share a link to 5 other past pupils to provide contact details to the school. This was a great success and is ongoing. We have around 1000 past pupils who have now reconnected with the school. The second initiative is our Bergvliet Legends Worldwide series running on our Facebook page. This is an initiative to highlight our past pupils and educators who are spread across the globe, by featuring one per week for 48 weeks – almost the whole year. The purpose is to showcase our past pupils in order to motivate our current learners to aspire for more in their education. The Legends Worldwide also provides the school with a marketing strategy to attract new learners to the school. We have been thrilled with the response so far with over 160 000 people reached over the 10 week period. As we feature one past pupil, other past pupils gives us suggestions to feature even more past pupils. And so this is how we are growing. Please follow our school's Facebook page to be a part of our Legends Worldwide series. Like and share each Legends post to spread the message far and wide.

Happy 65th birthday Bergvliet High School!!!! Here's to many more birthdays and many more memories to be made.

Mr S.D. Price
Principal



DRESSED TO IMPRESS

Bergvliet staff looking very professional in their new polo shirts





FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY



SUPPER AND A SHOW

BERGVLIET HIGH SCHOOL

**FRIDAY 8 APRIL
18:00 – 21:00**

**PERFORMANCES FROM THE
MUSIC & DANCE DEPARTMENTS
18:30 TO 20:30**

**FOOD TRUCKS WILL OPEN
AT 18:00**

**SAVE THE DATE & JOIN US ON WHAT
PROMISES TO BE A GREAT SOCIAL
EVENT HERE AT THE SCHOOL**

**NO BOOKING NECESSARY
FREE ENTRY**



HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

At the crack of dawn on Human Rights Day our wonderful volunteers were busy laying out socks for the final count of the Sock-A-Thon.



The winning House for the Sock-A-Thon was **PHOENIX** and they enjoyed some cake in celebration of their win.

The school collected 11 218 socks which were included in the 30 000 socks collected in total, that is 15 kms in length.

Congratulations to PHOENIX but also a big thank you to every House for making it count.

PHOTO: Phoenix Og representing their House





TRADING HOURS
 Mon to Sat 9am - 7pm | Sun & Public Holidays 9am - 5pm
 Food court & Ster-Kinekor open until late
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SHOE DONATION

A letter was emailed to several school shoe manufacturers on Tuesday, 18 January, after we encountered a problem in recent years. Our taller, bigger boys were unable to source brown school shoes from the various suppliers in sizes 11 to 13.

A same day response was received from Buccaneer and on Thursday, 20 January, two pairs of shoes were donated to us.

These in turn were donated to learners who could not easily access the larger sizes.

We are very grateful to Buccaneer for their generous donation.





VISUAL ART LEARNERS VISIT IRMA STERN MUSEUM



On March 8, Bergvliet High School's Grade 11 Visual Art Students, went on an excursion accompanied by Mrs Shukla. We visited the University of Cape Town's Irma Stern Museum.

Once we were signed in, we immediately went to the educational room, where we met our guide and were given the schedule.

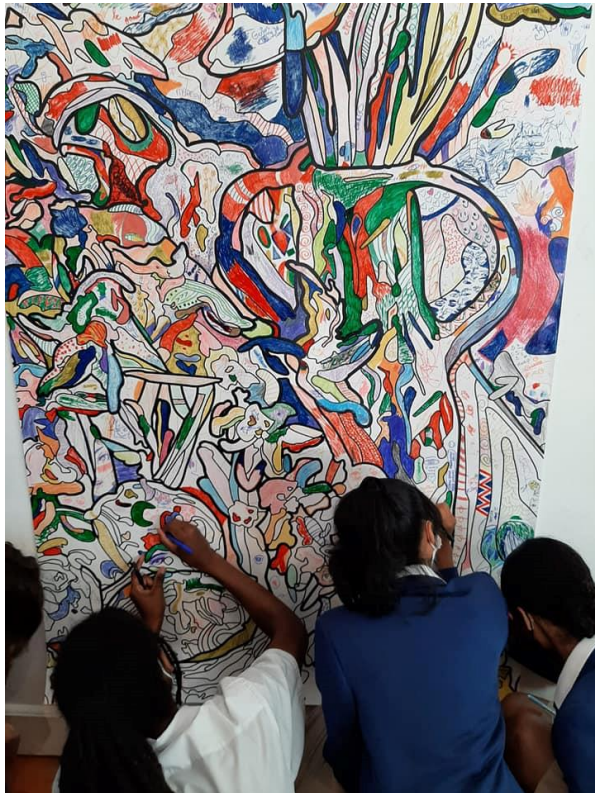
The museum is renowned because of our very own, famous South African artist, Irma Sterns. In her residence we were fortunate enough to see her beautiful living room, dining room, visually amazing art workroom, the majestic garden, and a few extra rooms. In the rooms were her sculptures and the walls decked with her artworks which, if I may add is magnificent.

This trip was an educational trip as Irma Stern is the Grade 11 visual art students second project. Even though it was an educational outing, we had loads of fun.

We were advised that the top 3 students projects will be displayed in her museum and prizes could be won.

On behalf of the Grade 11 Visual Art Students, we would like to thank Mrs Shukla and the museum for an incredible day.

Report written by Caelynn Van Ster (Grade 11 Visual Art student)





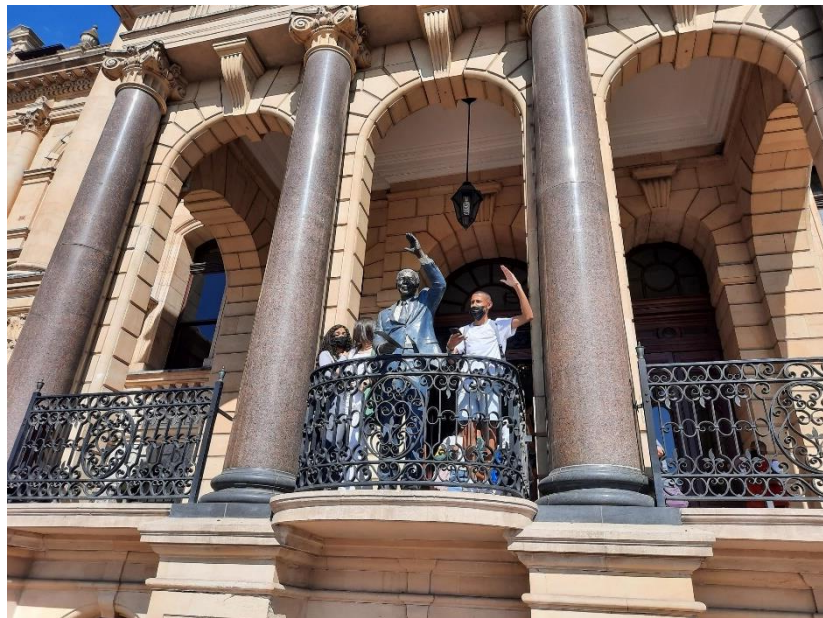
WALKING IN HISTORY

The History Society went on a walking tour of street and memorial art in the city centre.

If you look close enough it's amazing to see how many people and events are commemorated through art.

Thank you to Lesley at Cape Town Walking Tours for being such an informative guide.
Mrs Nygaard


@capetownwalkingtours




TOUCH RUGBY STAR

ABOUT RESTAURANT


Dishes available
Curries
breyani
Lasagne
tomato bredie
meatballs and spaghetti
butternut stew
cauliflower breedie
fried chicken and veg
butter chicken and roti
cottage pie
spaghetti bolognese
bobotie +many more such as
chicken raps
moroccan chicken pie
peppa steak pies
various salads
coeksisters on a Sunday morning
menus will be published on a
Wednesday



Delicious
FOOD



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We are proud to announce that Joshua Galant in Grade 10 was chosen to play for the Western Province Touch Rugby team and competed in the National Championships in Durban from Friday 18th March to Tuesday 22nd March.

Well done for making it into the team Joshua, we look forward to hearing more about your Touch Rugby achievements.



MOVING ON UP

The Dance Department welcomed Yaseen Manuel. A dancer and choreographer very well known to South Africa's dance industry. Yaseen challenged our learners to perform without reservation, to take up space and to move boldly. In a country where the odds are stacked up high against our young people, with 75% of our young people struggling to find work, we need to teach our learners to move forward with courage and confidence.

I love this quote by Ossie Davis, "Any form of art is a form of power; it has impact, it can affect change - it can not only move us, it makes us move."

We will keep on moving and being moved!
Yours in Dance Mrs V





BERGVLIET HIGH SCHOOL

SATURDAY 9 APRIL

08:00 - 12:00

**Contact: kwarne@bhs.org.za
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WORLD SCHOLARS CUP

The Cape Town Regional Round of the World Scholars Cup was held last week at Generation School, Imhoff.

The World Scholars Cup brings learners together in teams of 3 to challenge one another intellectually by way of problem solving and using debate. Scholars are tested during three rounds: Collaborative Writing, a Scholars Challenge and a Team Debate.

69 BHS learners participated in the regional round with all 23 teams qualifying for the Global Round (venue still to be decided).

Special mention needs to be made of Jude Rose who was awarded as the top BHS senior scholar and came 2nd overall, and Sarah Lurie as the top BHS junior scholar and came 3rd overall as well.

We are proud of all 69 learners, who all left the event with many medals, trophies and their very own alpacas.
Mr Peter Furstenberg

www.scholarscup.org



CATCHING THE BIG FISH

Kieran Brown in Grade 8 has just returned from a 3 day National Fishing competition. On Thursday in Arniston, Friday in L' Agullas & on Saturday in Struisbaai and won a Bronze medal for a third place finish in the Western Province Bronzies, Junior U/16 division.

The Western Province Bronzies Juniors won the U/16 Division across all franchises. Over the 3 days Kieran caught 13 fish of 10 different species, each species giving him a different allocation of points toward his total.

His biggest non edible catch was a 86cm Lesser Guitar Shark and his biggest edible was a 52cm Kabeljou/Kob.

WP Bronzies franchise fished against six other franchises, namely: Overberg Kobbies, Southern Cape Great Whites, Kowie Crackers, Eastern Province Raggies, Border Black Tips and West Coast Bluerays – over 90 anglers fished over this weekend.

Due to his successful Bronze finish, Kieran is now among the anglers who will be fishing the Internationals, held in Namibia later this year. He will receive his Green Blazer in Namibia at the International Prize giving ceremony.

All fish were safely released after they were measured and photographed. Congratulations on your win Kieran, we look forward to hearing about your trip to Namibia.



The last photo is one of Kieran and his dad, Travis-Leigh Brown, they have been fishing partners since Kieran started with the franchise at the age of 8.



Bergvliet High School Golf Day 2022

*Save the
date*

2 SEPTEMBER 2022
Westlake Golf Club

Contact arimbault@bhs.org.za
for more information.

