

ACADEMICS

The academic year at Rouxville Primary School kicked off in January 2020 with a bustle of excited learners ready to take on what our seasoned teachers had expertly prepared for them. With the promise of increased knowledge, more acquirement of skills and the endless possibilities of making new friends, the first three months operated on what would be the last stages of normalcy.

As the world came to reality with a deadly virus, the President of the nation announced an initial 21 day lockdown that would spiral down to months of staying home, preservation of newly introduced protocols and a gloomy assurance of the future. The Department of Education, along with the management team of the school, were scrambling trying to figure out a way forward and a plan that would propel scholars from the perils of doubt and uneasiness. This led to the implementation of more technology at schools. Communication between stakeholders was carried out through online meetings, emails and social media while - by June when the lockdown restrictions were limited for the return of the Grade 7s - the learners began to work with tablets that were provided by the department.

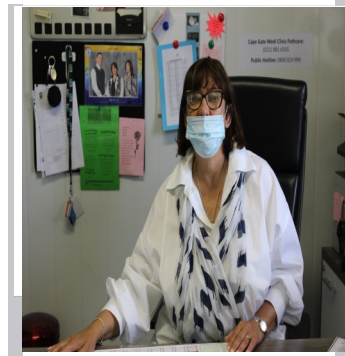
This course of action was to enforce a safe school environment that ensured the practice of social distancing, hygiene, limited exposure to the virus and wearing of masks remained intact. The learners adapted to their new realities smoothly and a rigorous catch up arrangement happened to prepare the learners with their exams.



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From the Principal's Pen

I speak for everyone when I say this has been such an unpredictable roller-coaster of a year. It began with the school welcoming new bright and hopeful faces with the little Garde Rs, in addition to our troop of learners that had already been accustomed to the traditions and environment of the school. With the threat of a global pandemic looming, we soldiered through the first term fairly unscathed, leading the students to satisfactory results. Three months of lockdown meant a world of uncertainty and fear for everyone but with the shutdown of normal activities, a new norm bloom in the form of the Fourth Industrial Revolution. We saw our learners back at school in June introduced to a system of working with tablets and this has given the school confidence that next year promises to be better and more productive. Finally, I would like to extend my gratitude to the learners, parents and staff for being part of the continuing growth of Rouxville Primary School .



Mrs ST Daniels

WISHING EVERYBODY A SAFE FESTIVE SEASON!

Special points of interest:

- IS OUR COUNTRY PREPARED FOR THE FOURTH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION?
- ROUXVILLE CELEBRATES 9 YEARS
- CAREER NURTURING FROM A YOUNG AGE
- USEFUL HIGH SCHOOL TIPS FOR OUR GRADE 7S
- EDUCATION AND GENERAL ASSISTANTS

SPORT

ATHLETICS

The term started off with athletics with a total of 65 athletes that participated in our annual interschool athletics event on the 31st of January. We competed against 7 other schools and performed exceptionally well cementing Rouxville Primary's status as a competitive school in Kuils River. In order to qualify for the Metro East District Champs, athletes would have to finish in either first or second position. Out of the 65 participating athletes from Rouxville, we had 12 athletes that qualified for the above mentioned event. This event took place on the 15th of February at Mandela Park in Khayelitsha. Our 12 athletes competed against +- 120 schools all who are from District East. The news get better! In order for an athlete to qualify for the Western Province athletic champs, they would have to finish in the top 4 for a field or track event. Rouxville Primary managed to have 3 athletes and they represented our school at Dal Josafat Stadium in Paarl.

Their names are:

Aron Manies – Grade 7e2

Asa Nonovi – Grade 6e1

Naylene Morgan – Grade 6e3



Congratulations!

For the first time since the establishment of the school, we have managed to develop a Western Province athlete. She is none other than **NAYLENE MORGAN** – Grade 6E3. She qualified for the annual Western Cape Athletics Champs which also took place at Dal Josafat Stadium in Paarl on the 7th March 2020. Naylene competed in the girls u12 Long Jump and finished a respectable 6th out of the 16 athletes on the day.

We as a school are so proud of her achievement and we hope that many of our athletes will aspire to follow her achievement.



POINTS OF INTEREST

FOURTH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION

The 4th Industrial Revolution will dramatically change the way we relate to one another, live, work, and educate our children. These shifts are enabled by smart technologies, including artificial intelligence, computers and automation. These technologies are disrupting every industry across the world at unprecedented speed and for our children to be prepared to engage in a world alongside smart machines, they will need to be educated differently than in the past - hence the introduction of tablets at our school.

British Council Partnership

Rouxville Primary School, in collaboration with the British Council Partnership, aims to venture into a project that will spark the conversation of preserving the environment through imparting knowledge about our planet to our students. Being a country that is considered to be under-developed, South Africa is affected by extreme-weather events. Unemployment can be fed by extreme weather that destroys businesses and developing economies. Raising this awareness to learners, particularly at Rouxville, creates opportunities to consider careers that could assist the government in investing in healthcare, agriculture and the growth of the South African economy for a better future!

9 YEARS OF ROUXVILLE



FOUNDED IN 2008, ROUXVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL WILL BE CELEBRATING 9 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE NEXT YEAR. PLEASE DO JOIN US IN WISH THE SCHOOL MORE GROWTH AND PROSPERITY!

EDUCATION AND GENERAL ASSISTANTS

As part of President Cyril Ramaphosa's Presidential Employment Stimulus Programme aims to create 200 000 employment opportunities for Education Assistants and 100 000 for General School Assistants. Rouxville Primary grabbed this opportunity and acquired the services of 12 Education and General School assistants. To them we say welcome and thank you hugely for the much needed help. We hope your time at the school will be spent learning and bettering yourselves for what the future has in store for you!



Lilitha Bolani



Lindokuhle Nohashe



Karen Phakathi



Nicole Freeman



Jordan Isaaks



Bonile Dingiswayo



Wandile Sasanti



Charne Van Wyk



Eagan Matroos



Crishana Coerecius



Chante Damonse



Savannah Hoedmaker

VALEDICTORY



On Thursday the 10th of December, we held our annual Valectictory for the Grade Rs and Grade 7s. Unfortunately due to the national restrictions of gatherings, parents could not be able to physically witness their bundle of joys graduate to the next steps of creating a future for themselves. For some of the Grade Rs, that future included working in the police force or dreaming to become doctors. We had numerous potential doctors, exactly what the world needs right now. Whether to be a mechanic or a teacher, as some said, we are excited to nurture the growth of our pupils and see them hopefully becoming everything they desire.

For the Grade 7s, High School is around the corner. The evening saw our Head Girl, Gemma Bloemfontein, claiming the top prize of being the number learner in the school and in the Geography and Technology subjects. The rest of the top 10 (with shared number 4 and 5) comprises of Palesa Mohale, who also grabbed the number 1 position in the History subject, Nezisa Linda, Zeick Ensal, Milani Sixabayi, Joey Daniels, Cayden Jansen-Solomons, Bukho Mazibela, Zarah Arnolds, Jaden Jantjes, Nichola Arendse, Lilitha Nkompela and Justin Kayser.

A warm congratulations to the Grade 7 Class of 2020. Although at the beginning of their tenure as the school seniors they were faced with adversity, and the sadness of missing out on the exclusive grade tour, they managed to lead the rest of the learners with level-headedness, composure and exemplary behaviour. From all of us at Rouxville Primary school, we wish you the best of luck for next year.



HIGH SCHOOL TIPS

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tips for 8th grade 🦎

🌟 drama is not your deal anymore

🥒 straight a's only, NO EXCEPTIONS!

🥜 wake up at 6:30am every morning!

Don't groan when it's time.

🍒 have lots of pencils, don't let

people borrow them

🏹 no doodling on paper, you won't have any soon.

🍋 have chapstick and perfume in your locker

🏙️ hang out with R E A L friends. if you don't have any, find some.

🍓 have a good morning and night routine

🥒 have three hair ties with you at all times @ school

📅 do homework the day it's assigned

🥥 study everyday at home three days before a test

📖 relax & remember, SCHOOL FIRST



WHAT IS NEXT?

As we all know every sector in our country was hit when this pandemic struck. The sporting sector was hit the hardest and in return cost many of our learners the opportunity to excel or strut their stuff on the field of play. The hard lockdown was challenging but as the different sectors started to open up we as a school started exploring avenues to get some sort of sport going for our learners.. We started off slowly with grade 7's participating in Physical Education once a week, as we became accustomed to the new norm with restrictions easing we planned a few things for the learners. Two of our boys in grade 7 namely, Ohluma Mooi and Dalubuhle Kota, were granted sport scholarships at the prestigious Wynberg Boys High School. These boys have worked so hard during this challenging time and they truly deserve this wonderful opportunity.

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to all our grade 7 learners who were athletes and sport participants. Their success this year was inevitable but unfortunately withheld.

On behalf of the sporting committee we would like to thank each and every grade 7 learner that has worn the Rouxville jersey with pride when taking the field.

FINALLY, as we are still in alert level 1 - the school is not entirely sure of what will happen next year. However, contact will be kept through the D6 communication app and we will let you know about important details such as when the learners will be returning to school and their groups—along with the times.

FROM OUR GRADE 7 TEACHERS TO OUR GRADE 7 LEARNERS:

Primary school has finally come to an end and high school is on your doorstep. This year has been quite unusual, yet you stayed focused on your academics and achieved good results. Through all of this you have shown that you can pull through. Your dedication and commitment were not unnoticed. Whichever school you are attending next year, be an ambassador for Rouxville, keep your flag high and always strive to give your best. Thank you for the respect towards us as your teachers and to the school as a whole.