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Penryn Executive Head

Dear One and All,

As Term 3 draws to a close, we're gifted with a moment to pause, reflect, and appreciate the journey we've taken together so far this year. Time seems to have flown by—but within it, we've witnessed a term rich with energy, accomplishment, and deep connection across all facets of school life: academic excellence, vibrant cultural expression, spirited sport and meaningful moments of community.

We began this term by celebrating our 34th Founder's Day—a truly special occasion that reminded us of the courageous vision of Penryn's Founders. Their dream was bold: to create a school that stood for both equity and excellence, where children of all backgrounds could thrive together in a place of true belonging. Today, we are proud to say that their dream lives on in every lesson taught, every goal scored, every note sung, and every life touched at Penryn. We remain deeply grateful for their vision, courage and sacrifice.

Throughout the term, Penryn has been alive with activity from Preschool all the way to College. Our hearts were full as we watched our little ones take the stage at Eisteddfod and saw the Senior Preparatory bring the house down with their dramatic production. On the sports fields, our teams have shown not just skill, but grit, integrity and true sportsmanship—whether in the joyful determination of our Preparatory cricket and hockey players or the thrilling edge-of-your-seat moments with our 1st Team Boys and Girls Soccer teams.



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Behind every child's success is a community—and at the heart of that community are you, our Penryn parents and guardians. Your presence, encouragement, and unwavering support have been felt in our Chapel services, Assemblies, performances and matches. Thank you for standing with us, for cheering from the sidelines and for helping shape the strong, grounded young people we are so proud to teach.

As we close the term, we also hold our matric scholars close in thought and prayer. They will be returning shortly for “Spring School”, a vital time of preparation for their final IEB Matric Examinations. We often speak of the importance of resilience and self-motivation, and it is in moments like these that those values are most deeply tested and built. Our educators have poured countless hours into guiding and mentoring them—but now, more than ever, they need your encouragement, your belief in their ability, and your reminders of the importance of accountability not only as learners, but as young adults preparing for life beyond our gates. God bless and lift up our Grade 12 scholars over the coming weeks.

As the holiday break begins, we encourage you to spend intentional time with your children—rest together, laugh together, reflect together. These moments are precious and powerful. Use this time to reconnect as a family, to acknowledge their growth and to begin setting healthy, achievable goals for the final term ahead. The road to success is rarely smooth, but when walked hand-in-hand, it becomes a journey of joy and purpose.

Let us be reminded of the wisdom in Mark 6:31: "Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, He said to them, 'Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.'" May this break be your family's quiet place filled with peace, restoration, and hope. Wishing you a restful and safe term break.

May God continue to bless you and Penryn,

Mike Eisen

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From the Pen of Rev. Dr. Sekhejane

As Term 3 draws to a close, we pause with gratitude to thank God for His guidance through this season of learning, growth and blessing. We are deeply thankful for the steady leadership of Mr. Eisen, our Executive Head and the dedicated management teams of the College, Preparatory and Penreach. Their vision and care ensure that Penryn remains a place where young minds and hearts are inspired and equipped for purpose.

“Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain” (Psalm 127:1). We are reminded that it is God who establishes and sustains the good work entrusted to us.

While our school community has much to celebrate, we remain mindful of the challenges facing our country and the world. In the midst of uncertainty, we continue to pray for justice, integrity, peace and leaders who will serve with wisdom and compassion.

To our scholars, thank you for your commitment and spirit this term. May the break bring rest and renewal, especially for our Grade 12s as they prepare for their IEB finals. We pray that God grants them wisdom, grace and peace in every step of their preparation.

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May His face shine upon you and give you peace.

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future” (Jeremiah 29:11).

With blessings and love,

Rev. Moagi
Chaplain



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Dear Penryn Families,

As we bring this school term to a close, it is with immense pride and gratitude that I reflect on the many achievements and shared experiences that have shaped our school community over the past few months. This term started with a heartbreaking news of the untimely death of one of our dearest members, Ms Geraldine Samuels. We are truly grateful for the impact she made in the PPA. We thank everyone that have played a role throughout this painful period for her loved ones and may her soul continue to rest in peace. It has been a vibrant one full of learning, growth, and togetherness. Our students have continued to shine both in and out of the classroom. On behalf of the PPA, I would like to extend heartfelt thanks to our dedicated teachers, hardworking students, supportive parents, and committed school leadership of our school for making it possible.

Community Engagement: One of the key goals of the PPA is to foster strong connections between families and the school. This term, your commitments in attending various sports and cultural events are enjoyable to witness and vital in strengthening the sense of belonging that defines our school spirit.

Our termly PTA meetings were well-attended, and we are grateful for the feedback and ideas shared by parents. These conversations help us understand the needs of our children, teachers and parents and allow us to advocate effectively on their behalf.

Fundraising Efforts: Thanks for the generosity of our school community, we successfully raised funds through our several tuckshops this term. Every contribution, big or small, has helped towards our ultimate goal of establishing a change room by the netball court. We are in the final stages of getting the plan approvals and we will update one and all on the next steps to take in achieving this goal.

Looking Ahead: We are committed to increasing parental involvement, supporting our school goals, and ensuring every student has the opportunities to thrive. To our 2025 Matric graduating students, we send our best wishes for the journey ahead. You will always be part of our school family. And to everyone else, enjoy a well-deserved break, and we look forward to seeing you next term with renewed energy and enthusiasm.

Thank you all for your continued support and partnership. Together, we are building not just a school, but a community.

Warm regards,
Stephanie .
Penryn Parents Association Chairperson .



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Note from the Editor

Dear Penryn Community,

As we wrap up Term 3, I am reminded of the incredible energy, spirit and commitment that make Penryn such a special place. From our scholars' achievements on the sports fields and on stage, to the enthusiasm of our families and the dedication of our staff, this term has been filled with proud Penryn moments worth celebrating.

At the heart of it all is our shared vision: Believe, Belong, Become.

Every event, initiative and achievement reflects how our scholars are growing not just academically, but also as well-rounded individuals who carry the Penryn spirit with pride.

Thank you to each parent, guardian and member of our extended Penryn family for your continued support.

It is your involvement that strengthens our community and allows our scholars to shine.

We look forward to the opportunities that Term 4 will bring. Together, let's keep building on this momentum.

With Love,

Mandy Barnard



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8 August 2025 – Yesterday, our Penryn and Penreach family gathered as one to honour a remarkable 34-year journey. From humble beginnings to a thriving hub of learning and transformation, our story has always been shaped by vision, courage, and hope.

We are deeply grateful to every hand and heart that continues to write this story:

- Penryn Trust and Council
- Penryn Parent Association
- Proud Penryn Alumni
- The passionate Penreach team
- Our dedicated leadership, staff, and scholars
- Friends and colleagues from neighbouring schools – including our sister school, St Stithians.

Special thanks to:

- Mrs Shirley Mnisi; Head of Penryn Council
- Mr Mike Eisen; Executive Head of Penryn
- Ms Susanna Behrendt; Acting CEO of Penreach
- Mrs Sally Wakefield; Head of Penryn Preparatory
- Deputy Heads; Mrs Natalie Jones, Mr Franklin Darteh, and Mr Chris Harrison

We looked back with gratitude, stood proudly in the present, and stepped boldly into the future.

Here's to the next chapter – written together.

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We proudly opened our Penryn Innovation Hub – a space designed to spark creativity, curiosity, and future-ready thinking in our scholars.

This incredible milestone is the result of vision, collaboration, and a shared commitment to the intergration of pedagogy and technological innovation in education.

A special thank you to the team that brought this dream to life:

Mrs Sally Wakefield – Head of Penryn Prep
Mr Chris Harrison – Deputy Head
Ms Nicole Dos Santos – Head of Innovation
Rev Moagi Sekhejane – Chaplain
Mr Muzi Nkosi – Innovation Educator

... and many others behind the scenes who poured heart and soul into this space.

As we cut the ribbon, we didn't just open a building – we opened the door to limitless learning and bold ideas.

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Celebrating Collaboration with Our Sister School

Yesterday and today, we were honoured to host representatives from St Stithians College, our esteemed sister school.

This meaningful visit highlights a growing partnership rooted in mutual respect and a shared commitment to excellence in education and childcare.

Together, Penryn and Saints are benchmarking best practices, sharing insights, and building on our collective mission to shape young minds with purpose, compassion, and innovation. This collaboration reflects more than shared values – it's a reminder that we are part of a bigger educational family, walking hand-in-hand toward a brighter future.

Thank you, St Stithians, for your presence and partnership.

Here's to continued growth, shared wisdom, and purpose-driven education.

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Scholar Exec 2026



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With the return of the early summer rains comes a time of renewal. Likewise, it is that time of the year that we ensconce our incoming Scholar Executive Council for 2026.

There is a beautiful African proverb that reads “Kgaka-kgolo ga ke na mebala, mebala e dikgakaneng” (the aging guinefowl, my colours are not brighter; the brightness of my colours is seen in my children).

The proverb highlights that a leader sacrifices self for the sake of those they lead. Let this proverb of selfless servant leadership be a reminder of what true leadership at Penryn College strives towards.

Congratulations to all in their elections. God bless you all and congratulations

Scholar Executive Council

2026



Akilah Cambi

Scholar Executive Committee 2026



Bandile Dube

Scholar Executive Committee 2016



Julien Eisen
Scholar Executive Committee 2026



Faris Jonker
Scholar Executive Committee 2026



Mbali Mahlalela

Scholar Executive Committee 2026



Cameron Meyer
Scholar Executive Committee 2016



Kago Marakalla
Scholar Executive Committee 2026



Zethembe Mnisi

Scholar Executive Committee 2026



Khanyisile Mokwena

Scholar Executive Committee 2026



Adamiso Mollala

Scholar Executive Committee 2026



Kito Ngobeni
Scholar Executive Committee 2016



Ama Ngubane
Scholar Executive Committee 2016



Mimi Orie
Scholar Executive Committee 2016



Innocentia Phiri

Scholar Executive Committee 2026



Nevale Sibuyi

Scholar Executive Committee 2016



Agena Swanepoel

Scholar Executive Committee 2026



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Boarding Exec 2026



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Announcement: Boarding Scholar Executive Council 2026

With the renewal brought by the first summer rains, Penryn is proud to announce the newly elected Boarding Scholar Executive Council for 2026.

This council represents not only leadership, but also the values of service, unity, and responsibility that define our boarding community. As the African proverb reminds us: “A single bracelet does not jingle.” True leadership is collective – it is about working together, supporting one another, and shaping an environment where every scholar can thrive.

We congratulate each member on their appointment and look forward to the year ahead, confident that they will serve with integrity, humility, and vision

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Boarding Executive Committee 2026



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Innocentia Phiri

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Erica Manes

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Julien Eisen

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Denzel Manjate

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Jamkelo Thabethe

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All The Glitz And All The Glam For The Class of 2025

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A Night to Remember – Penryn College Matric Dance 2025

Last night, the Class of 2025 celebrated their Matric Dance in style at the elegant Orange Restaurant. With breathtaking views as the backdrop, our scholars arrived in glamorous evening gowns and stylish suits, radiating confidence and excitement for the journey ahead.

The evening was filled with laughter, fine dining, and heartfelt moments as scholars and teachers came together to celebrate not only the end of a school chapter, but also the beginning of bright new futures.

This farewell showcased the spirit of Penryn College excellence, community and the promise of tomorrow.

To the Matric Class of 2025: may you carry the memories of this special evening into the future, knowing that the world is ready for your brilliance.

Thank you HH Photography & Design for capturing this very special evening!

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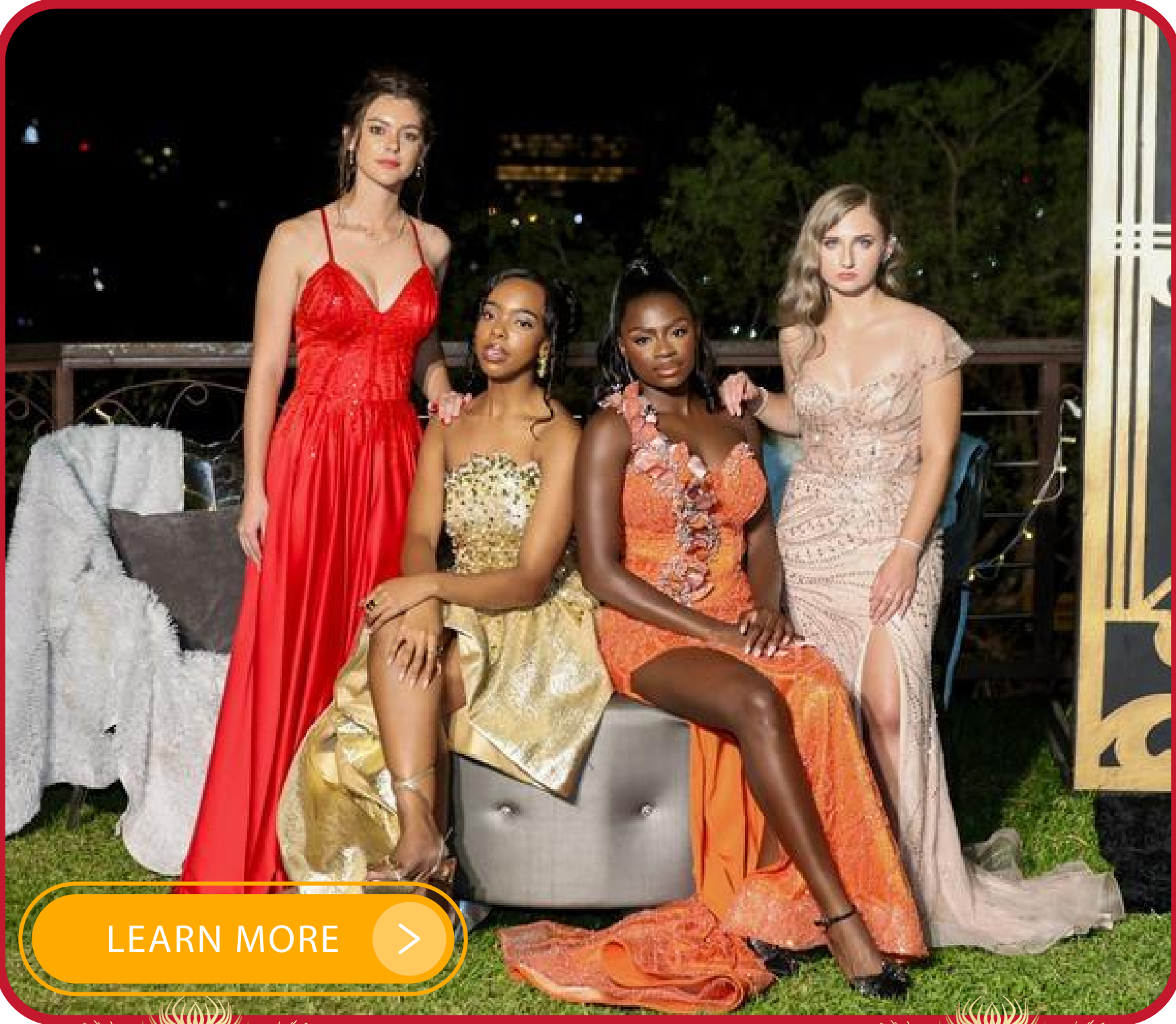
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Heritage 2025 Day at Penryn

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A Heritage Day Poem by Umi Mndzebele in Grade 11.

Spirit of Mzansi

We are the children of dust and drums
born from soil that remembers every step.
From Zulu, Xhosa, Venda, Tswana, Afrikaana
voices that wandered across valleys,
even when silence tried to swallow them.
Our heritage is not just beadwork and braais.
It is the way our gogos stir pap in iron pots.
The way our mkhulus fix broken things
with hands that once held gold.
We have danced in the shadows of our problems.
We have sung freedom songs with cracked voices.
We have built homes from hope and iron.
And still
we rise before the sun
to chase dreams stitched into our school uniforms.
Through power cuts and potholes,
through promises made and forgotten,
we carry our stories like shields
not perfect, not polished,
but ours.
We are the ones who speak eleven tongues
and still find ways to understand each other.
We are the rhythm of gumboots on concrete.
The laughter that survives load-shedding.
The poetry written on township walls
in spray paint and spirit.
And when the world asks who we are,
we do not flinch.
We point to the stars above Mzansi,
to the mountains that watch over Cape Town,
to the dust trails of Limpopo
and we say:
We are still here.
We are united.
We are ubuntu.
We are South Africa.
Happy Heritage Day One and All!

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A heartfelt thank you to our Travelling Penryn Supporters who stood alongside our scholars at the St Peter's Festival. Your presence reminds our teams that they are backed not only by their coaches and teammates, but by the strength of the entire Penryn Parent Body.

Through the wins, the losses, and even the injuries, your encouragement makes all the difference. To those who couldn't be with us, your prayers and well wishes carried just as much weight.

One and All, we are grateful.

Thank you to [Hilton Kotze Photography](#) for capturing all the moments that we miss from the sidelines and streaming!

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Penryn Sport & Cultural Awards 2025

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Penryn Hosts Electrifying Sports and Cultural Awards

Penryn College hosted its annual Sports and Cultural Awards last week, and the atmosphere in the chapel was nothing short of electrifying. The event was brought to life with performances by the marimba band Malet Mania, the College Band, and a variety of stage plays, showcasing the school's vibrant cultural spirit. The highlight of the event was the presentation of the top awards for the year, celebrating outstanding achievements in both sport and culture.

Top Sports Awards

- Penryn College Sportswoman of the Year (Best Individual Performance):
Miela Banza – Recognised for her stellar performance at the SA Senior National Championships, where she placed in the country's top 7.
- Penryn College Sportsman of the Year (Best Individual Performance):
Zethembe Mnisi and Ulrich Reingruber – Joint winners for their remarkable achievement as part of the victorious U18 A Boys Hockey IPT team.
- Penryn College Sportsman of the Year (Best Overall Performance):
Zethembe Mnisi – Honoured for his outstanding all-round contribution across multiple disciplines, including Track & Field, 1st Team Rugby, 1st Team Hockey, 5s Hockey, and as an IPT U18 Winner with Mpumalanga.
- Penryn College Sportswoman of the Year (Best Overall Performance):
Kenya Ngubane – A multi-talented athlete excelling in Track & Field, 1st Team Hockey, 1st Team Netball, and U18 Provincial Representation.

Cultural Awards

The pinnacle of the cultural honours went to Reneilwe Mokgotho, a humble and dedicated scholar whose creativity and perseverance have left an indelible mark on Penryn.

In Visual Arts, Reneilwe's talent has shone both provincially and nationally. Her accolades include being a finalist in the prestigious National UP High School Art Competition, securing a silver medal in the GMMDC National MathArt Competition, and placing in the Top 10 of the Mpumalanga FET Visual Art Competition for two consecutive years. She also claimed first place in the FET Design Provincial Art Exhibition, second place in the Design FET Art Competition, and Top 5 in the Rust en Vrede National Portrait Award.

Her cultural footprint extends to Debating, where she was part of the 2024 provincial tournament-winning team, recognised among the Top 15 speakers in the province, and earned qualification for the 2025 National Debating Championships.

Through her artistry, intellect, and humility, Reneilwe has elevated her school community and was rightfully honoured with the Highest Cultural Award.

The event was a true celebration of Penryn's spirit – where talent, hard work and passion across sport and culture continue to inspire and uplift the school community.

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VUYOKAZI MOGALE CODING HER WAY TO SA'S TOP 20

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Vuyokazi (Vuyo) Mogale was proudly selected as one of the Top 16 girls in South Africa to attend the 2025 Girls Game Jam, held at St Andrews. Over two immersive days, she had the opportunity to engage with fellow participants from across the country, learning from professional game designers and IT educators who guided the experience.

The programme began with workshops focused on foundational game design principles, future career pathways in technology, and hands-on design exercises, where Vuyo explored her creativity and problem-solving skills.

The official Game Jam featured a 9-hour coding challenge using Scratch, during which Vuyo collaborated with her team to develop a fully functional game under time constraints. Throughout the event, mentors from 24-Bit Games offered real-time feedback, conducted play-testing, and provided invaluable insights that went beyond the classroom. She was accompanied by her IT teacher, Mrs Stapelberg, whose support and guidance helped Vuyo navigate the challenges of the programme and fully immerse herself in the learning experience.

This achievement highlighted Vuyo Mogale's dedication, creativity, and technical abilities, while also deepening her passion for coding and game design.

The Girls Game Jam provided her with hands-on exposure to the world of technology and innovation, strengthening her ambition to pursue a career in the gaming and tech industry.

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Penryn Shines at the Waterkloof Gala

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PENRYN SCHOLARS SHINE AT COMPUTER TALENT SEARCH



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GRADE 8S DIVE INTO PROJECT-BASED LEARNING!



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HISTORY COMES ALIVE: DR. MATTHEWS PHOSA AT PENRYN COLLEGE

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History Comes Alive at Penryn!

We were deeply honoured to welcome Dr. Nakedi Mathews Phosa—a distinguished South African attorney, anti-apartheid activist, former Premier of Mpumalanga, and former Treasurer-General of the African National Congress (ANC)—to Penryn. Dr. Phosa's remarkable journey from a rural upbringing to becoming a key figure in South Africa's liberation struggle and democratic transition is a testament to resilience, leadership, and unwavering commitment to justice.

In 1985, Dr. Phosa was forced into exile due to his anti-apartheid activities. He underwent military training in East Germany and became the regional commander of uMkhonto we Sizwe (MK), the ANC's armed wing, in Mozambique. Upon the unbanning of the ANC in 1990, he was one of the first members to return to South Africa to engage in negotiations with the National Party government, playing a pivotal role in the peaceful transition to democracy.

During his tenure as Premier of Mpumalanga from 1994 to 1999, Dr. Phosa pioneered initiatives that fostered collaboration between the private sector and government, and he was instrumental in reconciliation efforts between the government and Afrikaans-speaking communities.

Beyond his political career, Dr. Phosa has made significant contributions to various sectors, including education, business, and peace mediation. He has served on numerous boards and councils, including as Chairman of the University of South Africa (UNISA), and has been involved in peace and mediation efforts in countries such as Mozambique, Angola, Burundi, Northern Ireland, and Iraq.

His visit to Penryn was not just a lecture; it was an invitation to our Grade 11 and 12 scholars to engage with history, to understand the struggles that have shaped our nation, and to be inspired to contribute positively to the future. Dr. Phosa's words challenged our students to look beyond immediate challenges and to envision a future built on the values of justice, integrity, and service to others.

We are immensely grateful to Dr. Phosa for sharing his experiences and insights with our school community. His legacy of leadership and commitment to a just and democratic South Africa continues to inspire and guide us.

#PenrynCollege #Inspiration #HistoryInAction #Leadership #MathewsPhosa

History Comes Alive: Dr. Matthews Phosa at Penryn College

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And then, there is Agena, Billy's daughter

Still in high school, Agena represents the future of this creative family, but she already speaks with the insight of someone far older than her years. She is a student at Penryn, where her work is regularly exhibited, and when she asks that her pieces "look shockingly different from your artwork" what comes through is a deep commitment to growth and experimentation. Her artistic world is shaped by a home full of family art and by the proximity

to nature that defines the landscape. Although school projects often lean toward the observational, she still finds ways to weave her love of wildlife into her work. "My goals are to learn, to grow and to see where I land" she smiles. For a long time, I used to favour water colour, but recently I have been practising other mediums. Each has its pros and cons, but the more I practice, the more I learn and grow as an artist. It also depends on the piece; some need the bright, bold colours of oil paint, while others require the muted tones of charcoal and graphite. It reminds my job to know how to use tools to their full potential."

What binds the family together is not uniformly their styles and mediums are vastly different. There is something that runs much deeper perhaps it's their unwavering respect for the creative process. For nature and storytelling. For the quiet resilience it takes to make something with your hands and offer it to the world.

Billy Lawrence may have started the journey when he walked away from the farm and into the studio, but he didn't walk alone for long. Behind him came a strong legacy of sculptors, painters, cartoonists and dreamers.

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A huge thank you to everyone who joined our Cricket Girls at **Detroit Spur Steak Ranch**. Your support, smiles and generosity made the night a massive success! Funds raised will go directly towards their upcoming tour.

We are so proud of our girls and grateful to our amazing Penryn community for always showing up with spirit and heart. Together, we achieve great things!



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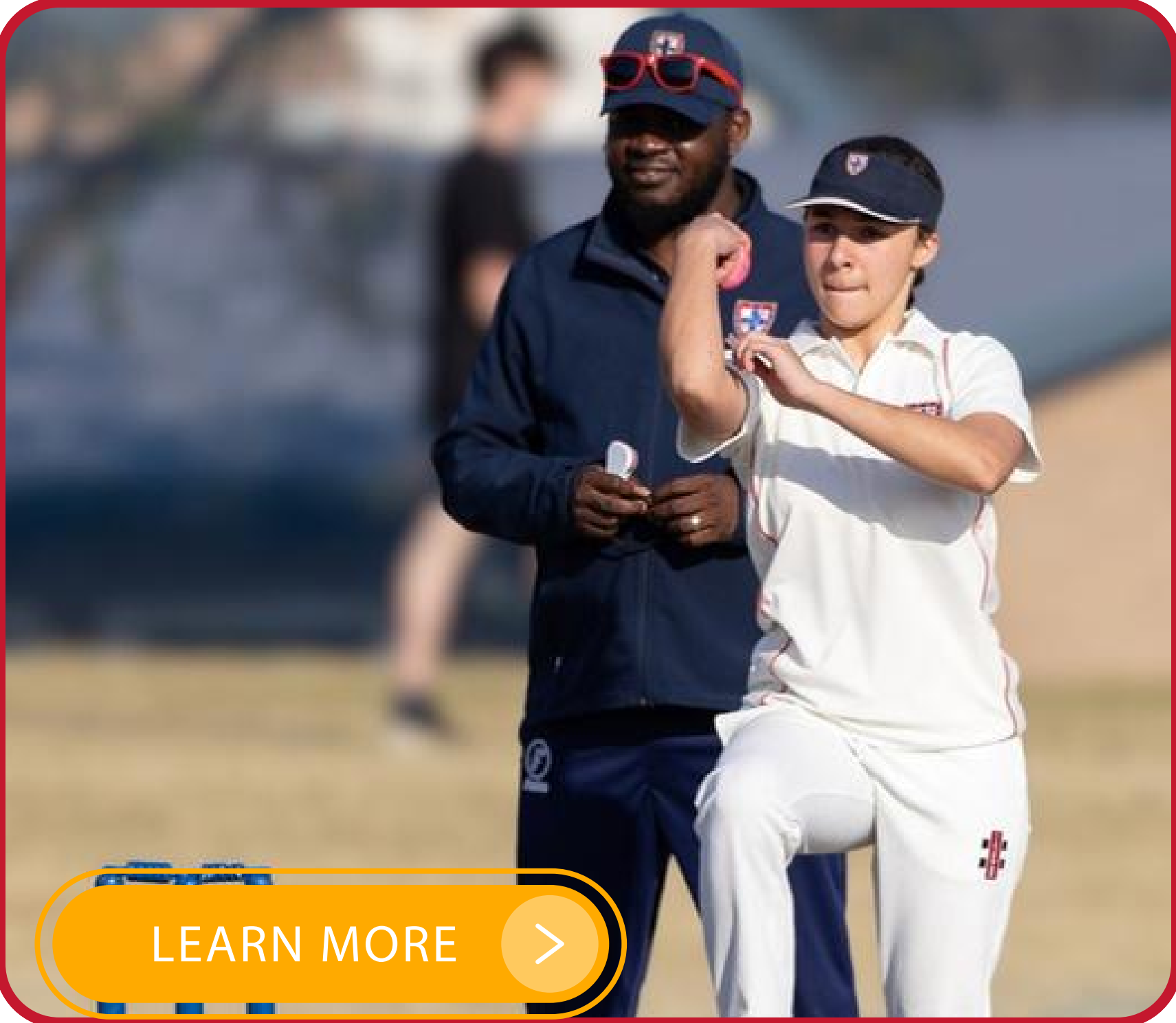
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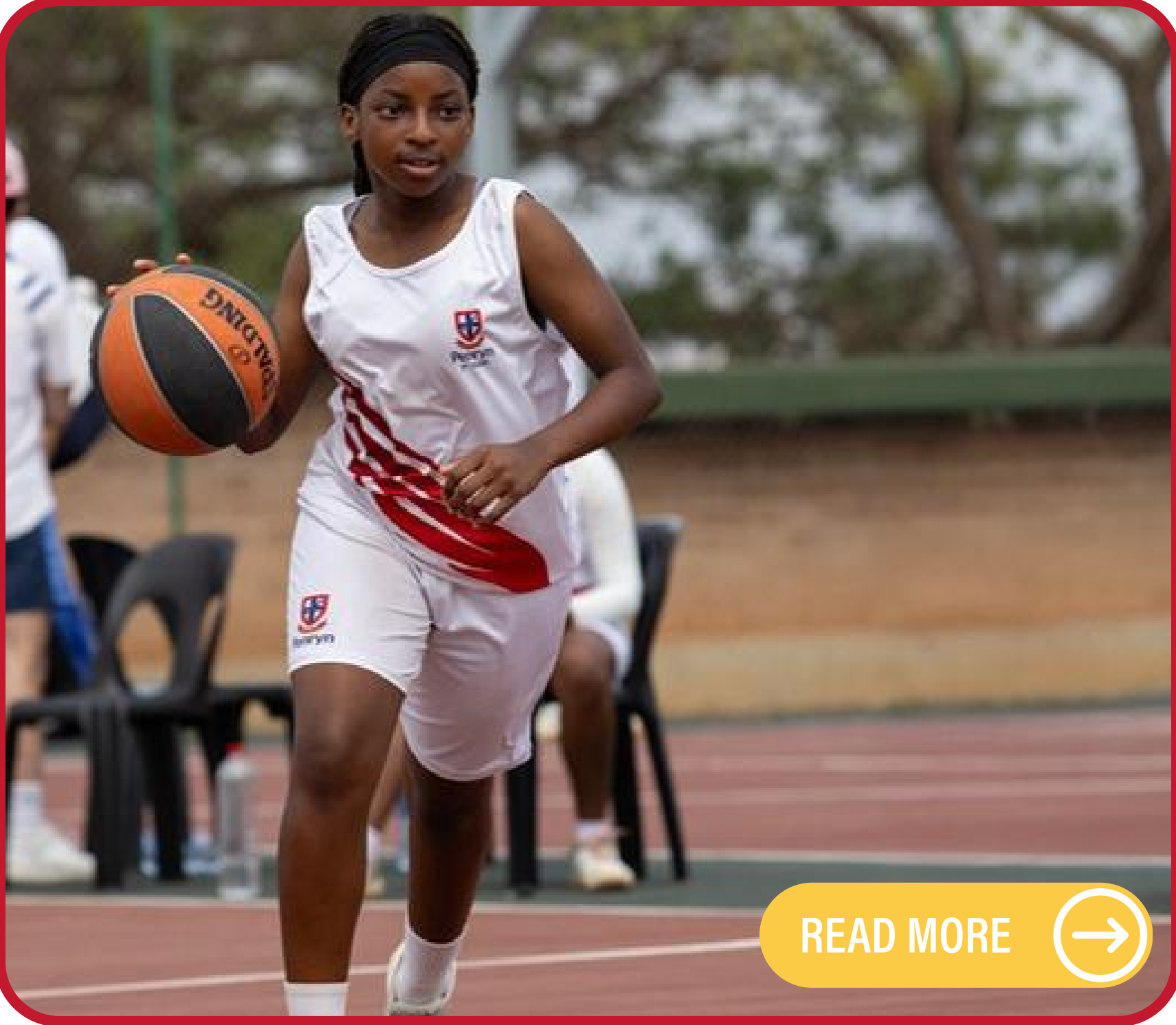
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Annual Penryn Belgotex Hockey 5s: Girls U15 & U17

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Penryn proudly hosted the annual Belgotex Mpumalanga 5s Hockey Tournament for U15 and U17 Girls. This year's event was the largest to date, with an impressive 26 team entries.

Schools from across the province and beyond participated, including Ligbron, Standerton, Secunda, Komatipoort, Bergvlam, Curro, and Nelspruit Hoërskool, among others. The tournament offered a vibrant and festive atmosphere, complete with gift bags, spot prizes, as well as team and individual awards.

Spectators were treated to thrilling hockey throughout the weekend, with both finals proving to be nail-biting encounters that remained intense until the final hooter. Penryn extends heartfelt congratulations to Nelspruit Hoërskool, winners of the U15 division and to Ligbron, who secured the U17 title.

This year's tournament was a celebration of talent, sportsmanship, and community spirit. If you weren't here, you certainly missed out!

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Penryn Shines at the Waterkloof Gala

Our Penryn swimmers made waves at the Waterkloof Gala with some incredible performances!

- Kaamil Carimo – 1st place, 200m Individual Medley
- Miela Banza – 1st place, 100m Breaststroke and 2nd place, 200m Individual Medley
- Lys Banza – 2nd place, 100m Freestyle
- Kaamil Carimo – 1st place, 50m Butterfly

Incredible results from our talented swimmers, your hard work and dedication continue to inspire us all. Well done, Team Penryn!

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St Peter's Festival Results

Our Penryn scholars gave it their all, showing resilience and determination across every game and match. Here's a snapshot of the highlights:

Soccer:

The 1st Boys fought back with a thrilling 3–2 victory over South Downs College. The 1st Girls were on fire, drawing 1–1 with Pinnacle College (Rynfield) before powering through with two emphatic wins: 12–1 against Crawford International Lonehill and 11–0 against Sisekelo High School.

Basketball:

The team showed heart in every match, with narrow margins in a 22–23 battle against Dainfern College and a strong push in their 30–35 game against Crawford International.

Chess:

Our players bounced back in style with three impressive victories:
5–1 vs DC Harare (Zimbabwe)
3.5–2.5 vs Dainfern College
4–2 vs St David's College

Through every challenge, our scholars displayed grit, passion, and the Penryn spirit. One and All, we are proud of you!

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Langa on Tour!

Big news for Penryn hockey – Langa Jiyane has been named to the Gold Boys Touring Team for Europe Tour 2025! Between 4–13 October, he'll represent Mpumalanga as 1 of just 3 boys selected, playing 5 exciting matches and taking part in high-level coaching clinics in the Netherlands and Belgium.

An unforgettable chance to shine on the international stage.



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Ulrich on Tour!

Big news for Ulrich, Penryn's 1st Team Boys Goalkeeper – he's been selected for the Green Boys Touring Team heading to Europe this October! From 4-13 October he'll be in the Netherlands and Belgium, playing 5 international matches and training at top coaching clinics.

One of only 3 boys chosen from Mpumalanga, Ulrich is ready to make his mark.

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Our Senior Prep scholars brought the stage to life with Lowveld, The Musical – a vibrant, feel-good production about breaking stereotypes, the power of friendship and discovering who you truly are.

Set in the heart of the Lowveld at a school called Penryn Prep, this high-energy performance was packed with homegrown music, local humour and a school vibe we can all relate to.

- 👏 A huge well done to our incredible main cast:
- ★ Naomi – The smart new girl with a secret talent for singing
- ★ NJ – The rugby star torn between sport and music
- ★ Milan – The queen bee of the stage
- ★ Adriana – The ultimate choreographer and performer
- ★ Letho – Science Challenge team leader and brainiac
- ★ Amu – The passionate rugby coach
- ★ Neo – The quirky drama teacher
- ★ Noah – Tech genius and behind-the-scenes hero
- ★ Una – The strict register teacher who tolerates no nonsense
- ★ Michael – The amazing music teacher
- ★ Asi – The science teacher with attitude

From the school hall to the sports' field, chemistry lab, tuckshop and SP quad – this was Penryn magic at its best!

Thank you to every scholar, teacher and parent who helped bring this production to life. What a night to remember!

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Grade 4 Camp at Badplaas

Our Grade 4 scholars are currently enjoying their camp at Badplaas! From outdoor adventures to team activities, camp is all about building independence, learning through experience and having fun together. These special moments strengthen friendships and create memories that will last a lifetime.

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Grade 4 Badplaas Camp!

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Grade 5 Camp Adventure

Our Grade 5s had an unforgettable camp experience, exploring the beauty of Moholoholo Mountain View and Swadini, A Forever Resort. From learning in nature to bonding through activities, it was a time of growth, fun, and lasting memories.

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Grade 6 Camp at Elandskloof

Our Grade 6 scholars are currently enjoying an unforgettable camp experience at Elandskloof! This camp is all about leadership, learning to take initiative, working as a team and discovering the confidence to lead with kindness and courage. We can't wait to see how these experiences shape them as future leaders.

#Teamwork



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Grade 7 Camp at Tshukudu

One of the most unforgettable highlights of our Grade 7 camp is the incredible privilege of meeting Duma, Tshukudu's resident cheetah. Known as the "gentle giant," Duma captured the hearts of our scholars with his calm and majestic presence.

This experience not only created lasting memories but also encouraged our learners to understand the importance of conservation, respect for wildlife and the role we all play in protecting endangered species like the cheetah.



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Parents vs Staff vs Scholars Cricket

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What. A. Game!

We wrapped up the cricket season with an epic clash featuring staff, scholars, and parent teams and what a way to end it!

The Blue Team showed incredible character under pressure to pull off a thrilling 1-run victory in tough conditions. It was a game full of heart, teamwork and unforgettable moments.

A massive thank you to all the parents and scholars who made the day so special. Your energy, support and spirit were the perfect way to close out an amazing season!

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We hosted our exciting Inter House Hockey event, and what a fantastic day it turned out to be! The fields were alive with energy as scholars arrived dressed in their vibrant house colours, proudly showing off their team spirit.

The matches were filled with fast passes, clever stick skills, and plenty of goals, keeping the crowd on their feet throughout the day.

Adding to the fun, the Grade 3s took on the staff in a lively showcase of skills. It was an entertaining match that had everyone cheering, but despite the Grade 3s' determination, the staff dominated and claimed a convincing win.

Next came the highly anticipated Leavers vs Stayers clash, where the Grade 7 boys and girls faced off against the Grade 6s. Showing their skill and determination, the Grade 7s claimed victory in both games and finished well ahead in points. The excitement reached its peak with the grand finale: the Grade 7s vs the Staff.

Despite the learners' best efforts and enthusiastic support from the sidelines, the experienced staff held their ground and defended their title as champions, sealing the day with a 2-0 win.

It was a day filled with fun, friendly rivalry, and great hockey, a perfect celebration of school spirit!



Preparatory Inter House Hockey

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Mini Cricket Magic at Penryn!

What a fantastic day of fun, energy, and cricket at the Mini Cricket Festival hosted at Penryn! Our young stars from U7-U9 showed off their skills, teamwork and pure love for the game.

The introduction of the Super 6s format was a hit, giving our budding scholars a chance to shine in a fast-paced, exciting new way!

From big swings to even bigger smiles, this was a day to remember. Thank you to all the coaches, parents, and players who made the festival such a success!

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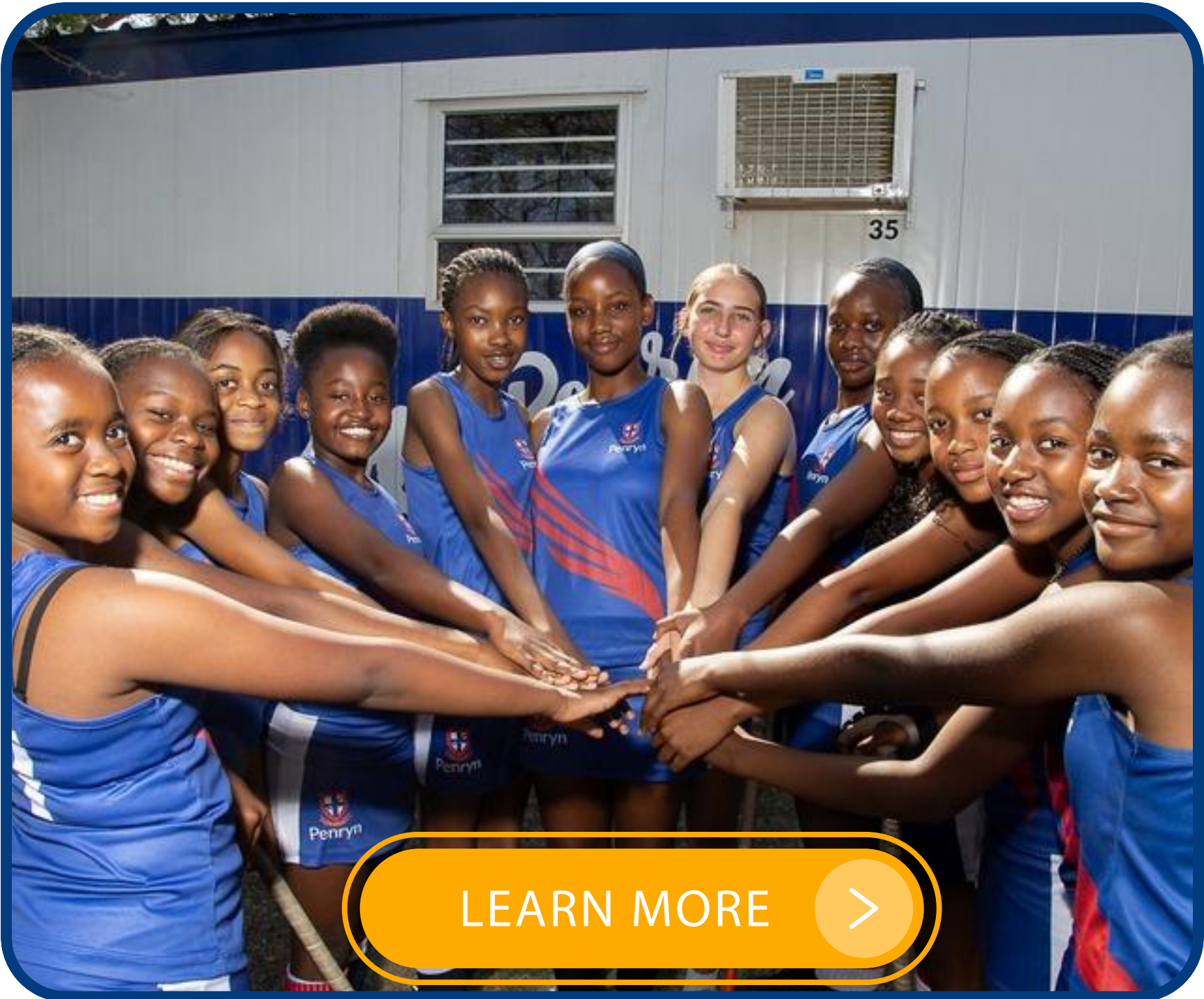
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Chimp Eden Outing

On Wednesday, 17 September 2025, our Grade One scholars had the wonderful opportunity to visit Chimp Eden—an experience that was both educational and inspiring. This outing was particularly meaningful as it coincided with our weekly phonetic sound “ch” and connected to our Project-Based Learning theme for the term, where we have been exploring the driving question: “How would you leave your footprint in or on Africa?” Recognising Jane Goodall as a real-life hero who dedicates her life to protecting chimpanzees and inspiring people to “make the world a better place,” the visit gave our scholars a valuable opportunity to learn more about these magnificent creatures and their importance within African ecosystems.

This memorable experience not only deepened our learners’ understanding of wildlife conservation but also allowed them to appreciate chimpanzees more meaningfully while discovering their crucial role in the balance of nature.

Chimp Eden, the first and only chimpanzee sanctuary in South Africa, is managed by the Jane Goodall Institute (JGI) South Africa. The sanctuary provides a safe haven for chimpanzees displaced from their natural habitats. Our Grade One scholars showed admirable restraint as they quietly observed the chimps and listened with interest to their individual stories and unique characteristics.

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What a celebration!

The “Bloom & Belong” Spring Heritage Picnic was an afternoon filled with colour, laughter, and community. Together we honoured the unique heritage each family brings to Penryn, and watched our children bloom with confidence and joy as they continue to grow into their best selves.

Just like the new buds of spring, our scholars are flourishing and the bonds we build as a community make Penryn a place where amazing things happen every day.

A heartfelt thank you to our sponsors [limucoffee](#) , [VICHY Spa Nelspruit Official](#), Penryn Parent Association, and our Marketing Team for helping us create such a memorable event.

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Heritage Day at Penryn Preschool

Heritage Day at Penryn Preschool was a true celebration of culture, community, and belonging. What a joy it is to be in a place where everyone feels welcome and differences are embraced as something beautiful to share.

Our little ones arrived in a wonderful array of traditional outfits, proudly representing the rich diversity of our country and our school. Bright smiles, excited laughter, and hearts full of pride filled the day as our preschoolers reminded us that heritage is not just about the past, but about how we live together today with respect, joy and love.

Teachers and families looked on with pride as the children danced, sang, and showcased the unique beauty of South Africa's many cultures. The morning was more than just an event. It was a powerful reminder that unity and diversity can go hand in hand and that even our youngest children can teach us important lessons about acceptance and togetherness.

At Penryn Preschool, we are committed to nurturing little hearts and minds in an environment where every child belongs. Heritage Day was yet another example of how our community continues to grow in love, pride and appreciation for one another.

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Meet Our Teachers

At Penryn Preschool, we are so proud of the wonderful teachers who bring passion, creativity, and care into the classroom every day.

Khanyi Nkosi – Owl Class Teacher

Khanyi has been teaching for two years and holds a Bachelor of Education and is planning to pursue her Honours in 2026. Caring and completely loved by the children, Khanyi's warmth shines through in everything she does. Her youth and creativity bring a fresh energy to our preschool.

Rebecca Lenferna de le Motte – Starling Class Teacher

Rebecca holds a Bachelor of Education and joined us halfway through the year. In her first year of teaching, she has already shown calm maturity and a gentle, nurturing approach with her Starling Class. She has embraced our Reggio-inspired philosophy and the Penryn way with ease, and we are so proud to have her as part of our team.

Together, Khanyi and Rebecca bring unique strengths that make our preschool a place where children truly thrive.

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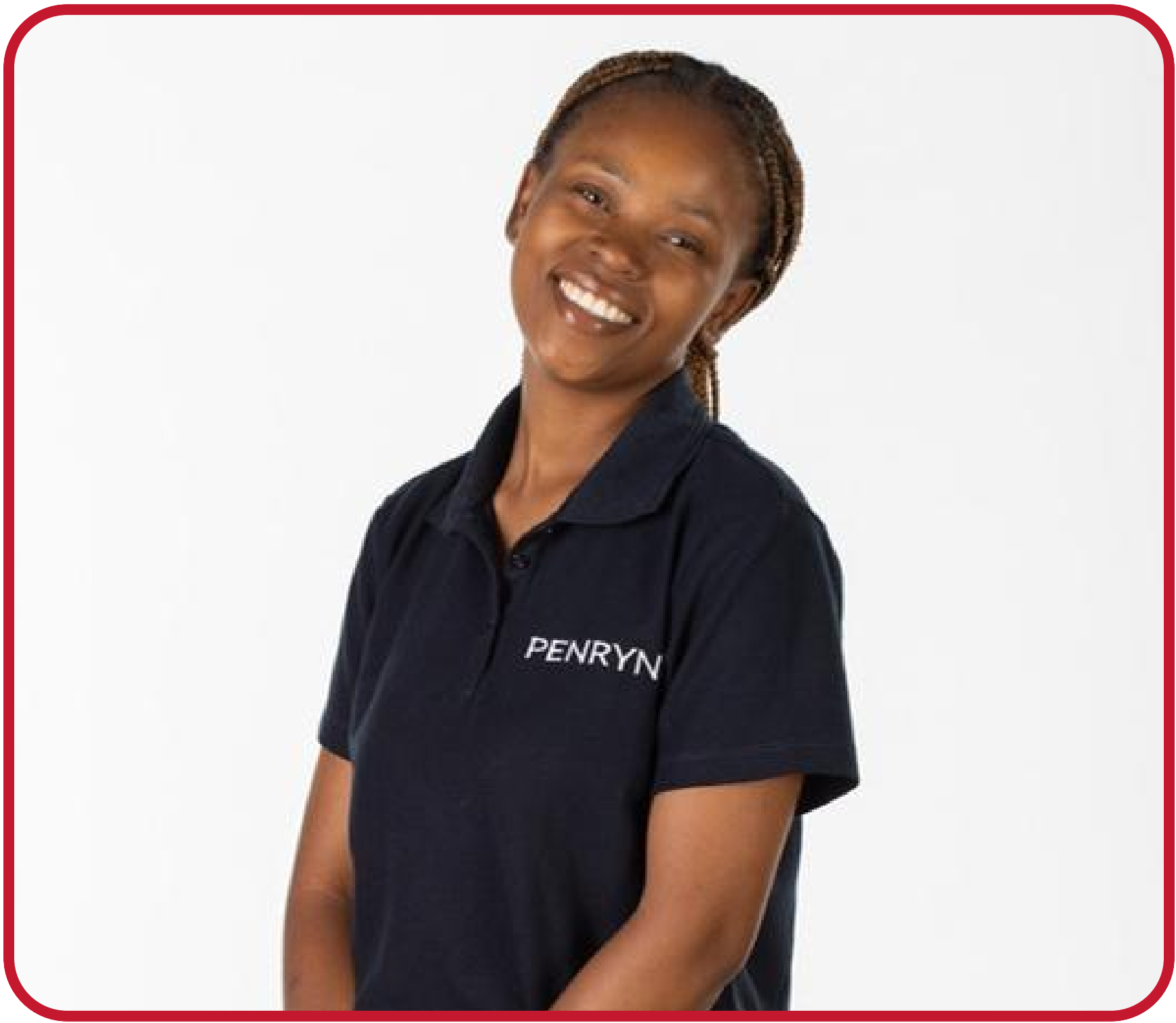


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Meet Our Grade R Teachers

At Penryn Preschool, we believe that every child deserves a strong foundation for their future learning. That's why all of our teachers hold university degrees in education, bringing both knowledge and passion into the classroom.

Nicole Meyer

With a Bachelor of Primary Education and 21 years of experience, Nicole leads our preschool with warmth and dedication. She has a deep love for children and a strong belief that every child should feel safe, valued and inspired to learn. Nicole creates a caring and stimulating environment where curiosity is encouraged and learning is joyful.

Mamile Mbuli

Mamile has been part of the teaching world for 10 years. She holds a Bachelor of Education and an Honours degree in Curriculum Development, and is excited to begin her Master's degree in 2026. Mamile's passion lies in shaping meaningful learning experiences for young children, ensuring that each child's unique potential is nurtured and celebrated every day. Together, Nicole and Mamile bring a blend of experience, creativity, and genuine care that makes Grade R at Penryn Preschool a truly special place for children to grow.

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Meet Teacher Winnie Mabuza

Teacher Winnie is matriarch of Penryn Preschool, she has been part of our family for an incredible 27 years. She began her journey as an intern and went on to complete her Bachelor of Education, dedicating her life to shaping young minds.

With her wealth of experience in both life and education, Teacher Winnie is truly the heart of the the preschool as well as the Kingfisher (Grade 0000) class.

Her warm presence, wisdom and guidance have made her an integral part of our preschool community.

Generations of children – and even alumni – still lovingly call her “Teacher Winnie”, a testament to the lasting impact she has made on countless lives.

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Play Date Joy!

We had the most wonderful morning welcoming our friends from Kiaat Ridge Pre-Primary for a special play date at Penryn Preschool!

Laughter echoed across our playgrounds as all the children played their hearts out and made new friends.

Thank you, Kiaat Ridge, for spending the day with us , we loved having you with us!

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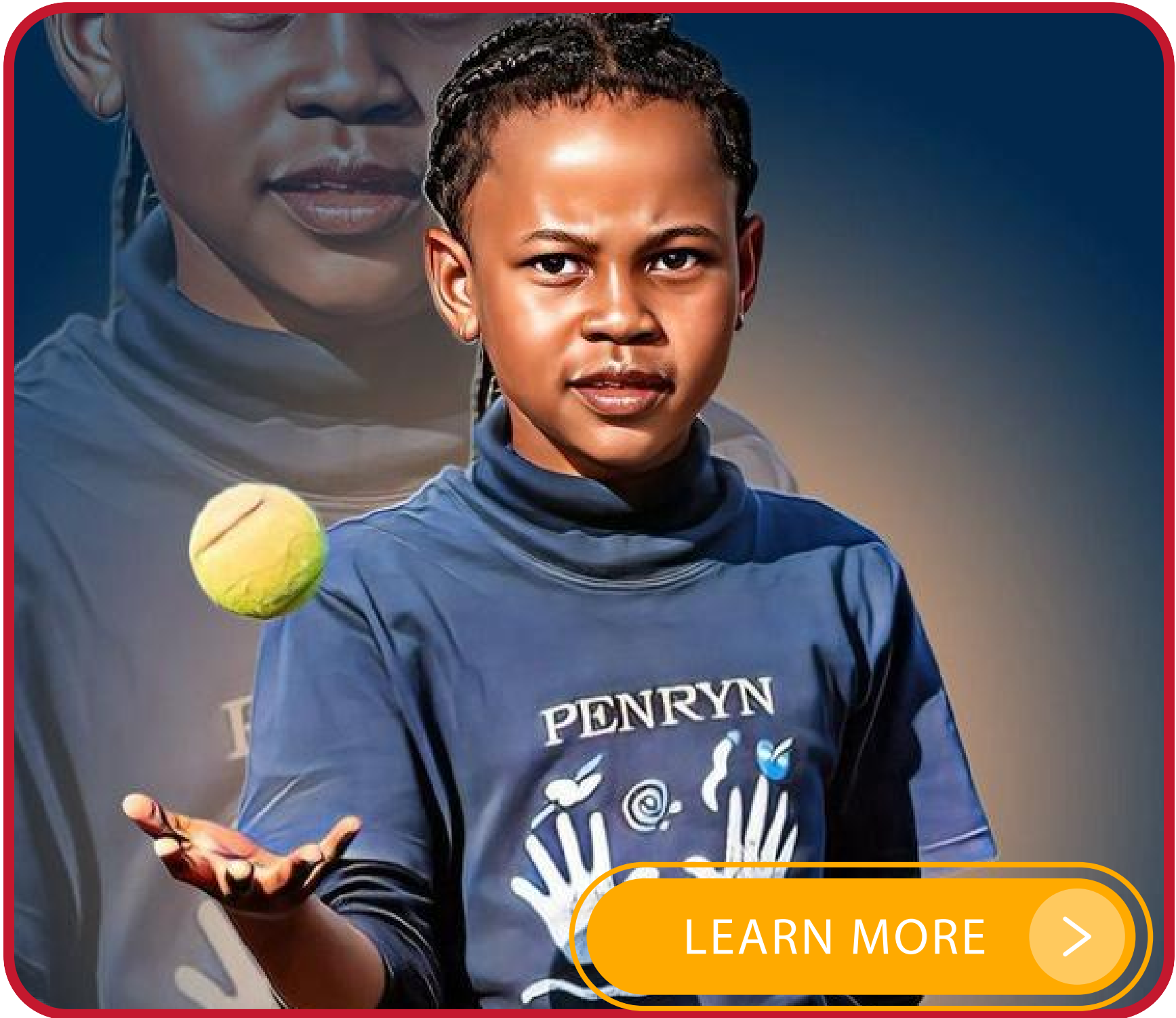
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The First Ever Penryn Push Bike Race – What a Ride!

Saturday, was all about fun, laughter, and families together at the very first Penryn Push Bike Race and what an adventure it was!

From the challenging ride up Polly Shortts, weaving through the colorful chaos of the Noodle Forest, zooming past the Chicken Run, and even stopping to "fish" at the Bridge, there was something for every little racer and their cheering squads!

The energy was high, the smiles were wide, and the cheers were loud. Parents, grandparents, and siblings ran, pushed, cheered, and even sipped at the "Sip and Go" pit stop, while the racers gave it their all.

Every young adventurer went home proudly wearing a medal and holding a certificate, tired but bubbling with excitement, already asking, "Can we go again!"

A huge thank you to all the families who joined us you made it unforgettable. We can't wait to welcome you back for this joyful event!

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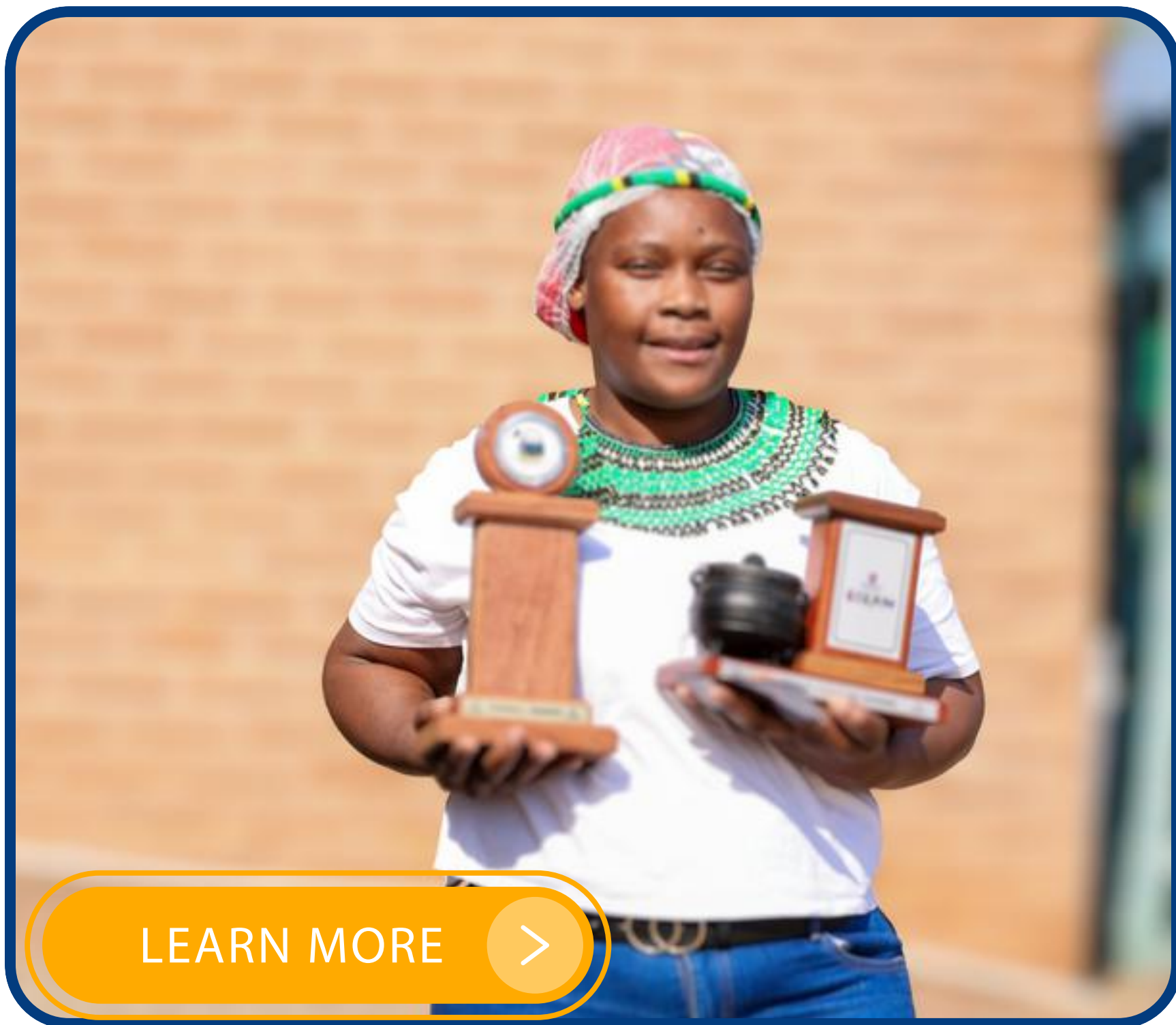
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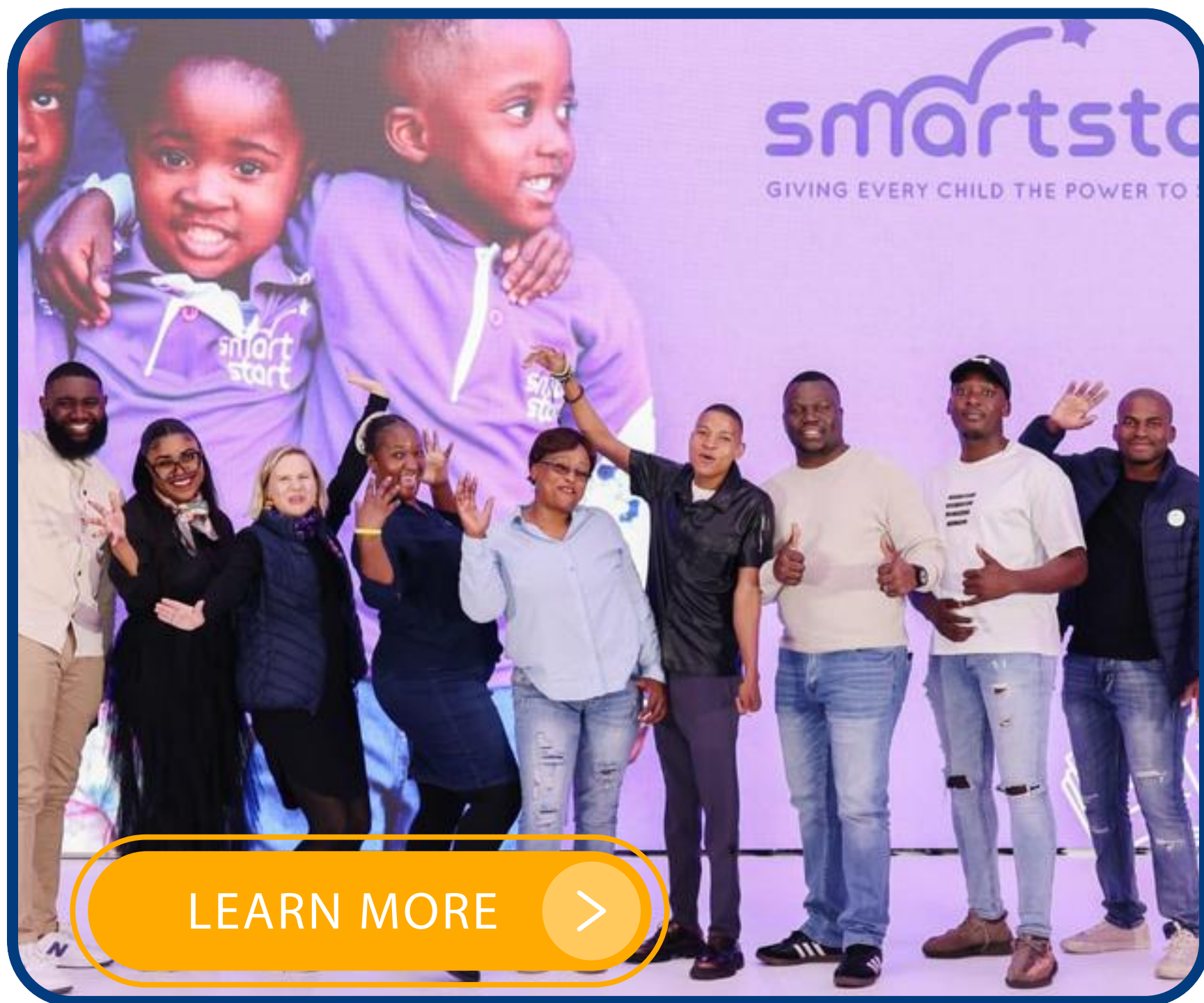
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