

BRYANSTON HIGH SCHOOL



2020

A YEAR FOR
THE BOOKS



A word from our HEADMASTER



Dear Parents and Governing Body Members

In writing this report, I asked myself what happened to this year? It was an absolutely bizarre year for education.

The year started off with a bang as we had a great Grade 8 intake, our sporting sides were looking phenomenal, we unveiled the new Astro, and then, lockdown happened.

I would like to take my hat off to all teachers, parents and learners who had to adapt to new teaching methods and learning strategies.

It really was a tough time for our teachers as they all had to adapt to new teaching styles, learn new technology and work till late at night to try to complete the syllabus. However, at the end, we all pulled together and this morning we went into exams with all syllabi completed.

I would also like to thank the parents for their continued support throughout lockdown. I feel very sad for the matrics who lost out on so many functions, opportunities and events that could not be held because of Covid-19. Very sad was the fact that we couldn't award colours in most activities and therefore some of our learners have lost out on colours and even white blazers.

I have been very sad myself, as I missed out on watching our brilliant 1st Team Rugby and very promising Netball Team and couldn't watch our hockey take to the Astro for the first time.

As I said in the beginning, it is difficult to write this report when so many events and camps had to be cancelled this year.

If you think about it... our Grade 8s never really had a taste of high school this year, as there was no spirit, camps, sports or fun days that normally happen at the school.

Unfortunately, it is this time of the year to say goodbye to some of our staff. I would like to thank them for their contribution to Bryanston High School through the years and wish them luck for their future endeavours.

We say goodbye to:

1. Mrs Maluleke, who is leaving to Parktown girls.
2. Mrs Hyslop, who is leaving to King David.
3. Mrs Martins, who is leaving to The King's College.
4. Mrs Caron, who is emigrating to Ireland.
5. Mrs de Klerk, who is leaving to Curro.
6. Mrs Calder, leaving to Randburg Hoerskool.
7. Mrs Mogale has been appointed as Deputy Principal at Pretoria Girls High.

Hopefully 2021 will be the 'old' normal.

Thank you so much.

John
Skelton
PRINCIPAL

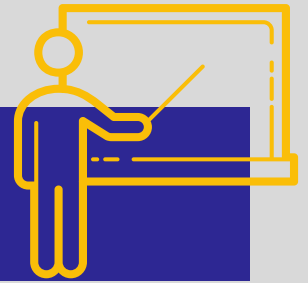


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A word from

our CHAIRMAN



I have spent some time considering how best to approach this annual report for 2020. Traditionally I use this opportunity to look back at the accomplishments of our staff, learners and parents to celebrate Bryanston High School, but this year has been challenging to say the least.

If I may break with tradition, I will lead off with sport. We started the year of well celebrating the opening of our new hockey astro – The Pat Deacon Astro.

As stewards of the school, we have always looked to spend wisely and in this instance, we have an Astro that rivals any in the country and will for years to come, be an asset that will serve the school and the community well. It is already recognised by Southern Gauteng Hockey as a world class facility and we have hosted the Protea Trials and the currently, the Protea over 35 Team use the Astro as their official training venue.

While school sport never really had an opportunity to get off the ground, we had a glimpse of what may have been. The current matric group have excelled in all sport since 2016 and we have followed their sporting achievements year by year as they continued to improve and to grow.

2020 would have been the pinnacle of that but unfortunately Covid-19 had other plans for them. I do believe however that the greatest achievement of 2020 must be the perseverance and grit shown by all at the school. Teaching became a challenge and the many of our staff were required to learn new skills to bring their “story” across to our learners.

Learners also had to adapt and I must say, I do believe that with youth on their side, they have risen to the occasion and have embraced the innovative ways that teaching and lessons have been presented. In all grades and in all subjects, the curriculum was completed and now we leave it up to the learners themselves to make their teachers and the school proud.

Financially 2020 was a disaster for South Africa as a whole and our families represent a microcosm of South Africa as a whole. I must however thank the parent community for sticking with us through this tough time. We did initially feel the pressures on the economy and very early on the SGB undertook steps to mitigate the risk of a downturn in fee collection. These steps included enforcing retirement of some of our more senior staff, reducing the salaries of all staff for a period of 3 months and the very difficult task of retrenching 13 Ground Staff, including our Maintenance Manager. The rationale was that we had to protect the teaching capacity in the school in order to help our learners through this tumultuous time. These tasks will be outsourced going forward and at present we have already concluded contracts for the cleaning of the school and we will shortly conclude an agreement for the grounds and maintenance. One group of staff that needs singling out, are our Finance Team led by our Bursar, Mrs Peacock. They have been a pillar of strength throughout the lockdown, often working under trying circumstances. As a school, we continue to grow as our school continues to grow in stature and reputation. It is important that we continue on this trajectory in order to make the school more resilient.



A word from

our CHAIRMAN

Our thanks to Mr Skelton who leads a dynamic Senior Management Team, comprising staff with years of experience combined with the energy of youth. Anyone involved in the governance of a school will very quickly realize that no two days are ever alike and this year has certainly been exceptionally challenging. With over 1000 learners, their parents and the GDE to serve, the value of a capable and competent SMT cannot be underestimated. We are privileged to have a SMT that continues to manage the day to day functions of the school efficiently, with integrity and often with compassion and empathy. Their leadership style contributes to the ethos of our school and makes every one of our learner's part of the larger "Bryanston Family".

As Chairman of the Governing Body, I am all too aware of the challenges schools face in maintaining standards in a disciplined environment with limited resources, while providing opportunity for learners to express themselves academically, on the sports field or on the stage.

The accolade of "Top School" in the northern suburbs is testimony to each and every teacher's commitment to our learners. We will always be in your debt for the influence you have had in the lives of our sons and daughters. Any school also needs a strong, committed and passionate Governing Body.

My thanks to Mr Kenneth O'Connor (Vice Chair and Sport), Mr Bruce Tyson (Treasurer), Mr Trevor Blackstock (Governance), Mr Ron Tavener (Grounds and Maintenance), Mrs Jackie Vernon (HR), Mrs Aleena Bharuth (Fundraising) and Mr Shalen Ramduth (Discipline). My gratitude to you all for your willingness to serve in what can be a tough environment. Finally, in closing, one thing that 2020 has taught us is that circumstances can change rather quickly and unexpectedly. In light of this, I appeal to the parent body, school staff and School Governing Body to always stay relevant as society changes and put plans and structures in place to mitigate against the unexpected.

Thank you.

AIDAN HILLEBRAND

CHAIRMAN SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY



OUR ACADEMIC STAFF



ENGLISH



Mrs Fourie, Miss Marais, Miss Van Rooyen, Miss Jordaan, Mrs Harilal, Mrs Hughes, Mrs Cook (Subject head), Mrs Lobban, Mrs Naicker

ZULU

Mrs Philips



AFRIKAANS

Ms De Klerk, Mrs Calder, Mrs Pretorius (Subject Head), Mrs Slatter, Mrs Martins, Mrs Noeth (Subject Head), Miss Van Schalkwyk



MATH

Mr Kannipen (Subject Head),
Mr Mawdsley, Miss Maluleke,
Mrs Rich, Miss Hlongo, Mrs
Hyslop, Miss Reid, Mrs Atmore,
Mr Sadapal



MATH LITERACY

Miss Venter (Subject Head),
Mr Sadapal, Miss Rodrigues,
Mr Hamburg, Mrs Bukris,
Mr Gillespie

IT and CAT

Mr Scott and Miss McIver



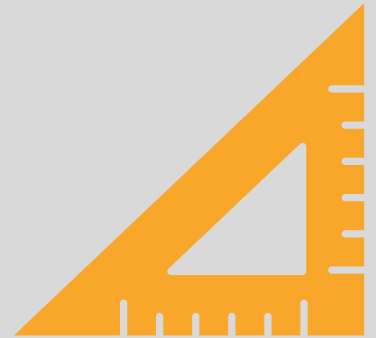
BUSINESS STUDIES

Mr Du Preez, Miss Gray,
Mrs Johnson (Subject head),
Mr Dobie, Mr De Lange



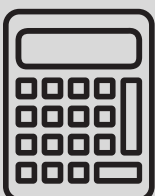
EGD

Mr Gillespie (Subject Head) and
Mr Malebana



ACCOUNTING and EMS

Mr Crighton, Mrs Bukris, Miss
Weyers, Miss Gray, Mr Mangray
(Subject Head)



SCIENCE

Mrs Buys, Mr Voster,
Mr Hamburg,
Miss Pacheco,
Mr Harilal
(Subject Head),
Mr De Lange



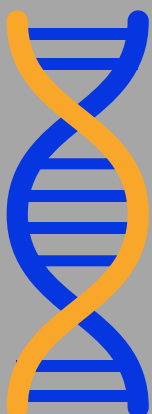
GEOGRAPHY

Mr Slater, Mrs Fulcher
(Subject Head), Mr Govender,
Miss Smith, Mrs Caron



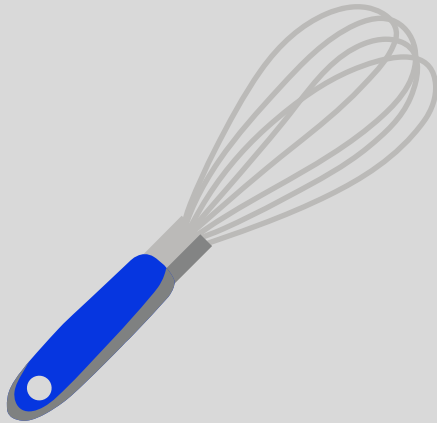
LIFE SCIENCE

Miss Reid, Mrs Boloka,
Mrs Venter (Subject Head)
Mrs Bukris, Mr Lawrence,
Mrs Byrne, Mrs Lester,
Miss Gray



CONSUMER STUDIES

Mrs Weir



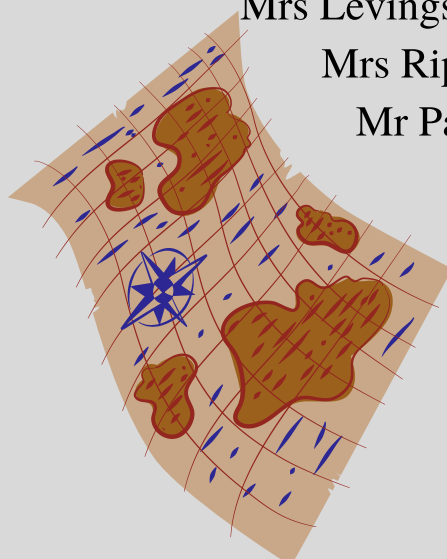
ART

Mrs Raath (Subject Head)
Miss Lawrenson, Mis Stander



HISTORY

Mrs Levings (Subject Head),
Mrs Ripley-Evans,
Mr Padayachee



TECHNOLOGY

Mrs Mogale,
Mr Malebana (Subject Head),
Miss Janse Van Rensburg



LIFE ORIENTATION

Miss Lawrenson, Mr Voster
(Subject Head), Mrs Boloka,
Miss Van Rooyen, Mr Dobie,
Mr Wright, Mrs Fourie



SPORT

Miss Lawrenson,
Mr Van Wyk (Director of Sport),
Mr Wright





ADMIN

Mrs Peacock, Mrs Mattheys,
Mrs Walsh, Mr Boloka, Mrs
Muller, Mrs Mariani,
Mrs Corlett, Mrs Carstens,
Mr Skelton, Mrs Sumair



MEDIA CENTER

Mrs Gillespie and Mrs Malebana



GROUNDS and CLEANING STAFF

Mtha,
Sox (Supervisor),
Jabulani, Precious,
Iphie



Smuts



Jacob



Patrick



Calvin



Melita



Caroline



Miss Marias and Mr Voster



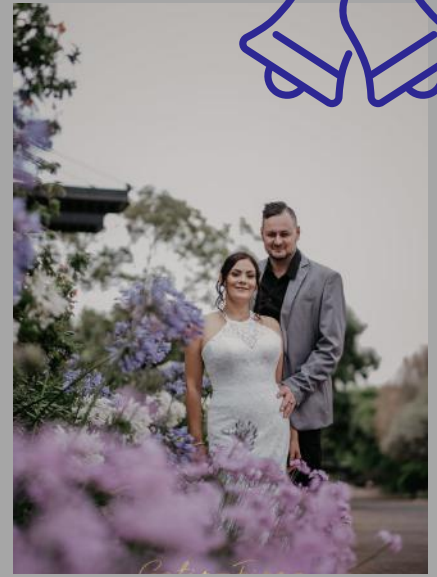
Miss Lawrenson



Mr and Mrs Mawdsley



Mr and Mrs Bukris



Mr and Mrs Johnson



Baby Ayla Venter



**ENGAGEMENT PARTIES,
WEDDING BELLS AND BABIES**





STAFF LONG SERVICE AWARDS

5 Years

Amy Dewes-Goulborn
Ashleigh Venter

10 Years

Krishnie Naicker

15 Years

Hans Boloka

20 Years

Di Peacock
Teresa Cook

25 Years

Andy Crighton
Scotch Maponya

30 Years

John Skelton



BRYANSTON HIGH SCHOOL

YOU GAVE US
YOUR **TIME**
THE MOST *thoughtful*
GIFT OF ALL.



A word from

our **SPORTS DIRECTOR**

The Oxford dictionary defines the word resilience as follows: The capacity to recover quickly from difficulties, toughness

Never before has the weight of the world rested so heavily on any body's shoulders like it did in 2020. We have been tested and put through our paces, as the pressure and uncertainty mounted. But true Blue Flame character rose to the occasion.

I personally applaud every single sports man and woman for displaying above mentioned character. We saw these children train, exercise and keep fit in the strangest of ways: from online challenges to virtual running.

I was most impressed by the passion to get back onto the fields, courts and pitches. I often had to reply with "sorry, we are waiting for the government", but you never stopped asking. Here I would also like to thank each and every single coach for leading by example and living up to Bryanston's ethos.

I do believe our opponents in all disciplines can thank their lucky stars and corona because this season we would have been victorious in most of our leagues.

My heart goes out to our matrics of 2020. There is some amazing talent among you. I have watched you develop into sportsmen and women that stand out from the crowd. I so wish that we could have watched you compete. You have proven yourselves ready to face any challenge your adult lives might present.

To all those staying behind: next year will be a good year. We never know what the future may bring but what we do know is how we can face it.

Good luck and God bless.

Mr Van Wyk

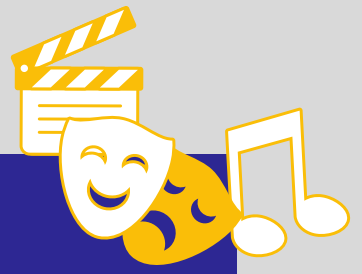


THE OPENING OF OUR GORGEOUS ASTRO

After months of anticipation, tractors and dust clouds; Bryanston High School had their official Astro Opening on Saturday 29th February. Hundreds of parents, learners and other supporters braved the chilly conditions to come and watch the first hockey games being played on the Astro turf. With an exhibition of talent pushing back the clouds, our first team boys and girls played against Randpark and Krugersdorp as well as the school's alumni teams making their comebacks known. Money was raised and fun was had for a #trueblue successful day.



A word from our MIC CULTURE



Director's Note

For our talented cultural students, Major Production is truly the highlight of the year. The experience of performing on stage and using their talents to entertain parents and pupils is both exhilarating and invaluable to them. It is so wonderful that as a school we can produce a musical every year, and what is even more wonderful is to meet the talented youngsters who partake in Major Production and get on stage ready to “wow” the audience with their performance.

However this year COVID struck and we were left with a very disappointed cast and two devastated directors. The cast put in 4 months of hard work learning songs and dances which the audience were then unable to witness and enjoy.

We were so blessed to have such a talented cast for MATILDA and it was a real pity that the show could not go on.

Our hearts are particularly sad for the Matrics of 2020 many of whom were part of the main cast this year, and part of Major for many years.

Despite this, the four months of rehearsals were still filled with much fun, laughter and DRAMA. So not all was lost and we look forward to showcasing the Bryanston talent next year...

Ashleigh Venter and Michele de Klerk

From my side I would just like to thank all involved for their great enthusiasm to try something new and exciting and for the endless hours they have put into the production. To the parents who ran up and down over weekends - thank you. To the directors Ashleigh Venter and Michele de Klerk you are amazing women and your vision and dedication always leave me so grateful that you lead this wonderful team – thank you. On that note I am very sad to say “goodbye” to a wonderful singing coach Mrs de Klerk. Thank you for your love and caring for major; thank you for the endless hours that you give to our cast; thank you for your fun and laughter; and most of all thank you for your friendship.

To the Matrics of 2020, we wish you well on your journey next year and we will miss your dedication and love for Major Production. Please come back and visit your Major Family some day.

Lastly a thank-you to the Headmaster, Mr John Skelton, the staff, and the Governing Body for their unending support and guidance.

Teresa Cook





THE BOFFINS OF 2019

★ 9 Distinctions: Lesedi Lesuthu

★ 7 Distinctions: Mohamed Patel

★ 6 Distinctions: Ahmed Ravat

★ 5 Distinctions: Anja Venter
Sabrina Ncube

★ 4 Distinctions: Katya Pombo
Mia Tannebak
Kaveshan Govender
Anelisa Bedula





THE CLASS OF 2020





Mrs Lobban



Mr Voster



Mrs Raath

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR GRADE CONTROLLERS

To our darling matrices

I hope you find acceptance. The kind that rings through your bones, the kind that quiets the voice inside of you that tells you that you are not good enough or that you are falling behind. I hope you forgive yourself for the mistakes you have made, for the past you keep alive inside of you. I hope you learn to let go of the things you had to do in order to heal or to grow or to survive. You are doing your best. You are human. Please don't ever forget that.

I hope you find the kind of moments that take your breath away; the kind of moments that change you. I hope you travel to places that cleanse you. I hope you go to concerts that ring through your bones and make you feel alive. I hope you connect with the small things - I hope you look at someone mid conversation and you feel your stomach surge with the feelings you have for them. I hope you surround yourself with the kinds of friends that encourage your spontaneity, that are always there for you. I hope you live. Truly. I hope you don't hold back. There is so much to feel in this world. I hope you feel it all.

But most of all, I hope you find yourself out there. I hope you figure out your heart, I hope you figure out your mind. I hope you learn how to be kind to yourself and others, how to embrace the journey that you are on. I hope you learn how to be proud of the person you are becoming. I hope you learn how to be proud of where you are, even if it isn't exactly where you want to be. I hope you learn to fall in love with the process, with the messiness of life and the confusion of it all.

At the end of the day, I hope you find what you looking for out there and I hope your life inspires you. May your life be magical and grand; may it fill your soul with joy. Thank you for sharing part of your life with us over the last five years.

You are loved, you are enough, you matter and you will be missed.

All our love

Mrs Lobban & Mr Vorster

xxx





JAYDEN SWARTZ

As my time draws to an end here at Bryanston High School, I can only say thank you. I am so unbelievably grateful for what this school has done for me. All the opportunities I was given, all the memories I made and all the friends that became family, made me the person I am now.

2020 has been very different to say the least. For most of us, the dreams, visions and ambitions we had for year never materialized. Being named headboy for this year was a dream come true. Even though my time in office was cut short, I'd rather focus on what was, rather than what could've been.

But now all we can do is look to the future. What can be and what will be. I believe that next year, the school will take off right from where we left off at the beginning of this year. My heart is full, because I know that the true blue never say die attitude will pull through no matter what comes our way.

Always remember, "There are no limits to what you can accomplish, except the limits you place on your own thinking"

Thank you for everything.



NICOLE WALLIS

From the beginning of our high school career the class of 2020 was told that we were going to be legendary.... but little did we know it was going to be the "class that matriculated during a pandemic" type of legendary.

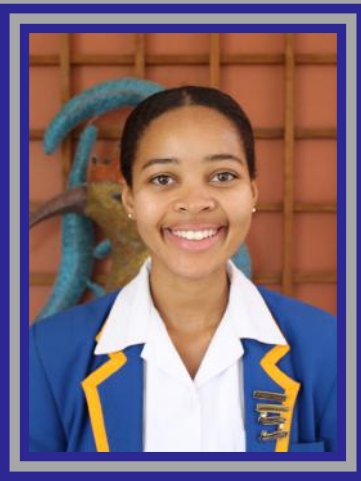
We have lost many things due to Covid-19 but we have also gained a lot. We have realized that we are much stronger than we could ever have imagined and can endure much more than we thought. Our learning environment and learning styles have changed drastically but this was just another obstacle that we overcame.

To be your head girl will forever make me the proudest human alive. And to see how everybody at Bryanston , staff and students included, have faced these obstacles head on has truly reinforced the meaning of being a Bryanstonian.

Nobody could have predicted the events of this year, but nobody could have handled it better than we did.

Stay strong and stay safe.





What a year! Or lack thereof rather?

MATRICES of 2020. Oprah Winfrey keeps saying that we are chosen to matriculate during a pandemic. I don't know about you but let me be "the chosen one" for something else . This year has come with the toughest challenges that nobody is able to relate to.

Self-studying a years worth of work, not having a sporting or cultural outlet and most importantly not experiencing all the festivities that come with being in your final year of high school.

Now that I've stated the obvious, I do think we need to shift and see some of the good that has come out of this year. We have been given the gift of time, which we would not have received in any other possible situation.

A couple of new things have also been introduced, for starters, drive in theaters are back!! Tesla, GM motors and Ford made ventilators and medical supplies to help with the pandemic. Frontline workers like teachers and nurses have finally been appreciated for all they do. You've either found a love for exercise or eating, both are great haha! The list is endless.

In a nutshell, it's important to remember that bad things will always happen in life. The way you view them will determine your mindset for when it starts getting better.

Stay safe and sane! Virtual and social distanced hugs!xx

AYANDA KHOZA



This year had alot of ups and downs but I'm glad to say we are nearly finished. The High school experience has been amazing and I've made many memories that I'll forever cherish- dating back from grade 8 camp, met amazing people along this journey and I'm happy to call them my friends.

A lot was planned for this year, but sadly we couldn't do much due to Covid-19. But thinking back ,I remember my first speech I addressed to the school. In that speech I said "tough times never last". But after March it felt like tough times were lasting. But we all managed to push through.

I appreciate all the support, love and guidance I have received this year. The school year has been good but I believe it could have been much better. But regardless of all the negatives that have happened to the world or any personal things that have happened to you,there is still beauty to come after all the fighting. Stay strong ,keep your heads up and achieve your dreams. All the problems you face are stuck between mind and matter .

If you don't mind ,it doesn't matter.

ALEX NCUBE



Where to begin? Being elected as an Executive for the councillor group of 2020 was such a huge honour but little did I know the challenges that would be heading my way in 2020. I would have to say that one of the highlights of being part of the councillor group of 2020 was definitely councillor camp. Out of everything that has happened in our term, I would have to say that a major highlight for me was getting to know the group of councillors. All the little but significant memories such as playing hide and seek, singing our councillor song in front of the school, councillor camp, just to name a few. This made being part of this group more special than I could have ever imagined. Unfortunately our year was cut short, not only for the councillor but the matric group as a whole. And we entered into the unknown and were faced with new challenges that was first for not only us but the staff too. As weird as this may sound I am very grateful for lockdown as it forced me to have more self-discipline, which has helped me in turn a lot this year and I know this will help me in the future.

Returning to school was, well, different... Wearing masks was horrible but it was our new normal. The atmosphere was different, more stressful and anxious of the unknown. I feel that Bryanston has learnt how to deal with challenges head on and I must congratulate them. I'd like to thank my family and teachers for the never ending help and support towards me and the Matrics of 2020 and making this new and crazy normal, despite the disappointments of our last year of school career a thousand times better.

CLAIRA TAVENER



What's cooking good looking ;)

Now I know many of us were expecting the Roaring 20s, but got something a little more lacklustre, like a road filled with potholes, so allow me to share with you something we all deserve in abundance: HOPE.

Rocky starts never mean rocky ends. I want you to say this next phrase aloud and internalise it: Greatness from small beginnings. The most remarkable people I know all started somewhere small and bumpy, so don't worry, this rough patch means nothing in the grand scheme of things.

Understand that greatness isn't making first team captain or getting a white blazer. Greatness is being a better person today than the one you were yesterday.

Life may be a pothole-filled road but you are the one with your hands on the wheel and it's up to you to drive yourself towards greatness.

GIANFRANCO NORIEGA DEL VALLE



THE 2020 EXEC



THE 2020 COUNCILLOR BODY

Back row left to right: Kivash Manilal, Makaylan Ramburan, Tshepo Moselane, Trisdin Govender, Cameron Melville, Ben Hillebrand, Anwar Mohomed, Maki Nyalambisa, John Mabhena, Victor Jia, Glen Sayers

Middle Row left to right: Chloe Beukes, Tyra Baben, Molemo Monyamane, Allyssa Wilson, Arminita-Lee Swann, Daniella Dell, Ineeleng Gobotlhaewe, Uzile Hobbyi, Brooklyn Bradley, Ceiara Macnair, Langa Madonsela, Chanelle Moreira, Litha Diliza

Front row Left to right: Koeketso Rammutla, Mishka Pillay, Oratile Khunyeli, Alex Ncube, Ayanda Khoza, Jayden Swartz (Headboy), Nicole Wallis(Headgirl), Calira Tavener, Gianfranco Noriega Del Valle, Mihlali Ndabeni

The essence of great leadership is influence, not authority.

COUNCILLOR CAMP



The councillors fully embraced all that the Councillor Camp had to offer. Each activity was met with tremendous enthusiasm, and they learned very quickly the importance of effective communication.

Many councillors were taken out of their comfort zones and did things they had never done before. Many of these things took tremendous courage and support from team members.

The councillors saw the advantage of working to team members' particular strengths, relying on one another and working as a unit.

The photographs from the weekend speak for themselves and show just how committed the Councillors of 2020 are.

Thank you to their Grade Controllers: Mrs Lobban and Mr Voster and Mr Milo for their full participation in the weekend's activities.

Mrs A Hughes
Mr H Vorster







COUNCILLOR SONG

I'm the highest in the room

Hope i make it outta here

De Lange saw my eyes

I see some things that I might fear

He called my mom, she's coming soon, soon

That ain't what I wanna hear

Now he got her in the room

Sweat just dripping from my head

Mom got the fastest slap, its zoom

Hope I make it outta here

Workin' on the weekdays like usual

Way off in the deep end like usual

Rebels swear they passed us, they doin' too much

Haven't done my homework, i'm too turned up

Watching time pass on my wrist, I'm going nuts

Teacher caught me slipping once, okay, so what?

Someone did their homework, they won't tell you

what

Councilor room in mornings, this room too plush

Everything's litty we like when its hot

Roll up yo skirt you gonna sit in the quad

Gents your belts, socks and hair

Go ask De Lange if you think its not fair

Cut it, cut it, cut it, cut it

Your hair is way to long, you need to cut it

Your beard is way to big, you need to cut it

Cut it, cut it, cut it, cut it

Yea they hate but they know though
And when it's ime to detention its a no-
show

Yea i'm pretty but i'm loco

The bell got you moving slow-mo

Ayo boy where the belt bro?

Ayo girl, why your skirt low?

That other teacher, he gonna know know

It's De Lange, you don't know bro?

You got liquor by the toilet

Disrespect the life that's a no-no

All my councillors dressed in that

braiding

I ride for my school, thats the bro code

I dont open doors for no bros

I just want them colours nothing more

Bryanston make it clap, make it applaud

If you tired of the L, give me a call

You call her Stephanie, i call her

Hephanie



SHINY SHOES AND RIBBONS



The class of 2020 started a new tradition at this years Grade 8 induction.

The gentlemen polished the young lads shoes and the ladies placed blue ribbons in the girls hair.

They made sure they all looked fabulous for their 'big' night. The matrics welcomed the Grade 8 to the Bryanston family with little cards and by in doing so leaving their legacy with the class of 2024.



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Kgotso Baloyi

Tsungirirai Gunguwo

Cathrine Gurure

Mrs M Lester



Adam Hassan

Bradley Hulme

Rebecca Joseph

Sarah Joseph

Thierry Julius

Reuel Kadiwa



Karabo Kgwale

Oratile Khunyeli

Melusi Knocker

Alexander Kvalsvig

Lerato Lebitse

Gustav Leipoldt



Langa Madsonsela

Kutlwano Mahatlane

Chantel Mehlaphe

Kgoadi Molokomme

Katletgo Moruri

Alex Musper



Alex Ncube

Derrick Nkomo

Sonalia Pather

Makaylan Ramburan

Bianca Risch

Darren Russell



Arminita-Lee Swann

Akhona Thwala

Danielle Tiflin

Matthew Vernon

Kayla Wafer

Rayne Wiseman



Mrs J Martins

12B



Rose Agwa-Ejon



Tristan Blackstock



Kayla Butkovic



Ben Hillebrand



Uzile Hoboyi



Albert Hyde



Su-Mian Jia



Aron Joseph



Ceiara MacNair



Kival Manilal



Kivash Manilal



Sibusisiwe Maphumulo



Awakhiwe Mhlanga



Anwaar Mohamed



Inayat Momade Aly



Molemo Monyamane



Harikesh Morker



Mishka Pillay



Mpho Rambau



Koketso Rammutla



Boitumelo Rapulane



Londile Sigasa



Tristan Van Der Merwe



Allyssa Wilson



Shi-Qian Xu

12C



Mr V Mangray



Brooklyn Bradley



Liam Conybeare



Christina Govender



Camron Heckrath



Radhiyyah Karodia



Jennifer Kgatle



Bonolo Matlou



Puleng Miya



Katleho Mofokeng



Karabo Monareng



Chanelle Moreira



Tyler Naidoo



Zhara O'Reilly



Lekita Paul



Tristan Prithpaul



Tyra Prithpaul



Keabetswe Rapulane



Ketumile Rasodi



Krystelle Runarain



Glen Sayers



Kajal Seethal



Logan Sellar



Jade Skinner



Jaiden Sukdeo



Lindsay Van Eeden



Ben Walljee



Somila Yanta



Miss E Venter

12D



Keketso Baliwe



James Cullinan



Deeran Dass



Caitlin De Villiers



Nandipha Dlepu



Trisdin Govender



Kiara Howard



Naomie Kalembe



Shaakira Karodia



Nomcebo Khumalo



John Mabhena



Mahlatse Mapotse



Julian Mbhalati



Ziyanda Mfengu



Oratile Mogale



Tshepo Moselane



Lebone Mphoreng



Mhlahli Ndabeni



Matilda Ndlovu



Liam Niehaus



Luvuyo Nkombisa



Gianfranco Noriega
Del Valle



Braedan O'Connor



Lukhanyo Pistoli



Aqeel Rasul



Simphiwe Sikhosana



Clairra Tavener



Nicholas Vernon



Wandile Zondi

12E



Dylan Adams



Xiluva Bvuma



Litha Diliza



Dylan Dlamini



Mr M Gillespie



Ineeleng Gabotlhaelwe



Shailen Jaithu



Samkelo Jodo



Lerato Ledwaba



Thato Ledwaba



Cindy Letebeyane



Unathi Madonsela



Lushe Maja



Kelly Makhaya



Andiswa Mavimbela



Ayamkela Maxanyane



Balithande Mchunu



Thabang Mfeka



Leah Mokwena



Mahlatse Moyo



Tshiamo Mtsweni



Darrell Mubenga



Shivaan Naicker



Kuhle Ngindane



Makhi Nyalambisa



Wam Nzima



Lungile Ramutloa



Quintin Rikhotso



Thomas Schlebusch



Zandi Sibiya



Luke Walsh



Moegammed Williams-Scott



Uhuru Yekanye



Lerato Zindela



Dumisani Zulu



Mrs D Pretorius

12F



Keagan Addison



Tyra Baben



Zoe Barren



Chloe Beukes



Nokutenda Chituko



Daniella Dell



Takunda Jura



Ayanda Khoza



Tholiwe Khoza



Chloe Lawrence



Boipelo Letsholo



Xoliswa Madiba



Tshepo Makgatho



Shivek Mansingh



Cameron Melville



Molebogeng Moremedi



Cameron Murugan



Tanatswa Mutsigwa



Tiara Naicker



Trevolen Naicker



Lavaran Naidoo



Komohelo Nompula



Yashna Ramkison



Mihir Singh



Prahlad Soma



Shakti Sookraj



Jayden Swartz



Nicole Wallis



Gabriella Wharton-Hood

A WORD FROM OUR SCHOOL COUNCILOR

2020 didn't look good on me? How about you?

Be kind to one another.
Say a word or two
of encouragement.
You never know
who may need those
gentle reminders more
than anything today.

COVID-19 challenged and denied our very human nature; connection, intimacy, interaction and freedom of movement.

Counselling even looked different this year, as I repeated routinely five times a day, "Can I please spray you? Yes, even the bottom of your shoes" and, "please sit on the couch throw so that I can take it home and wash it for COVID, to keep you safe"...I packed away the stress balls and the adult colouring in book that sits on my coffee table, and confiscated the tissue box to my side of the room, only to dish out tissues one by one myself with my ultra-sterilized hands.

There was a screen between us balancing on thick psych. textbooks I'd dusted off, and my client's hearts were in general much more despondent and tired this year, BUT, we all did it!

We rode the tumultuous waves of the storm, whilst all in our different boats. Shipwrecks were close, and admittedly did happen amongst us, with tears plentiful, but we've made it to 'holiday island'!

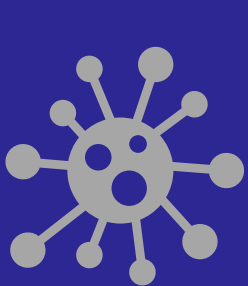
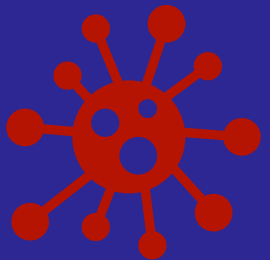
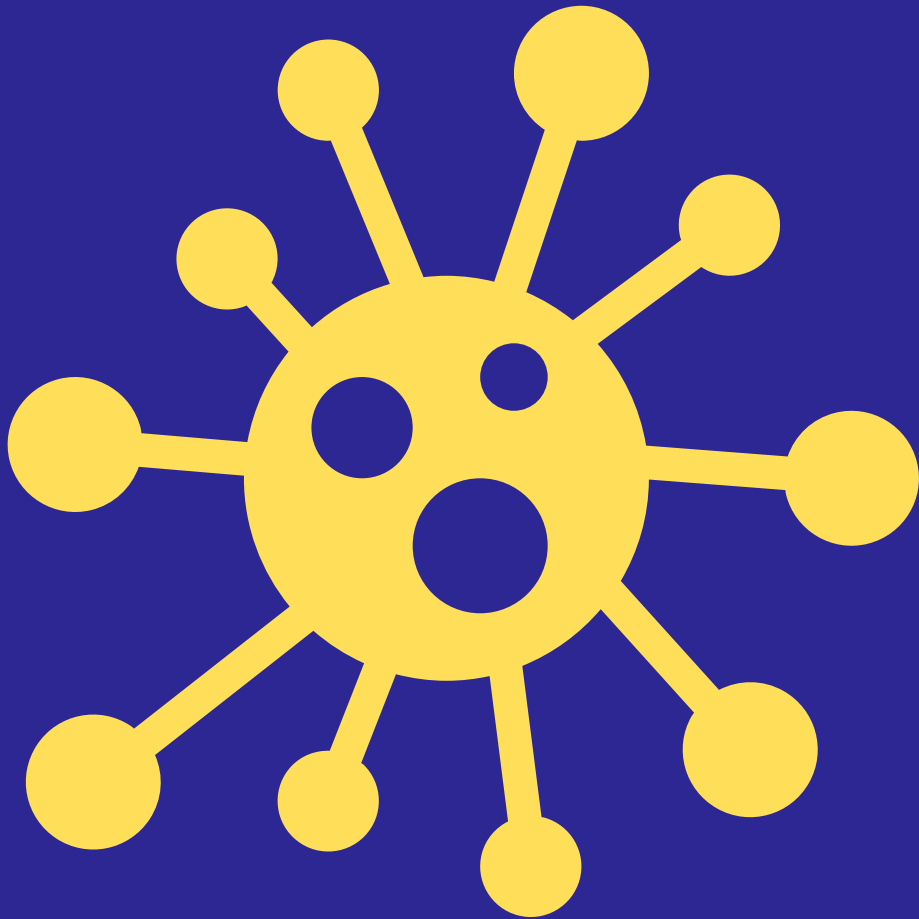
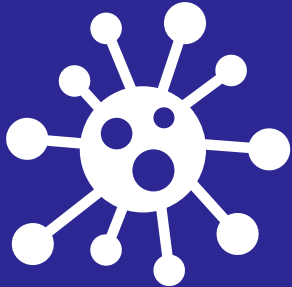
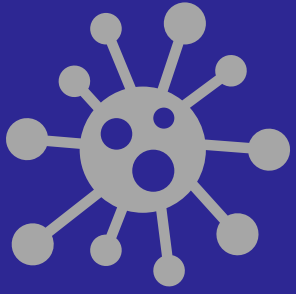
Learners and colleagues, I am so proud of us!

Yes, we have had a new "normal", with a new understanding of my favourite advice to my clients, "I will try MY best AT THIS TIME", but we've still made it, and learnt resilience, patience, humility and grace whilst at it.

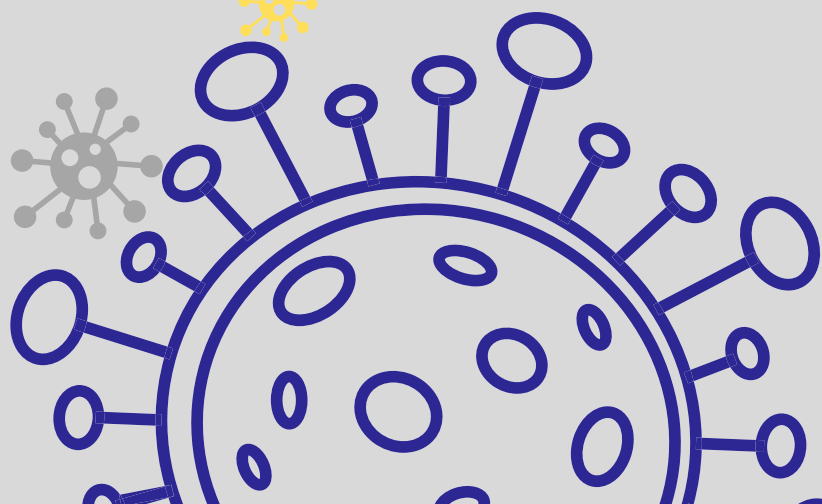
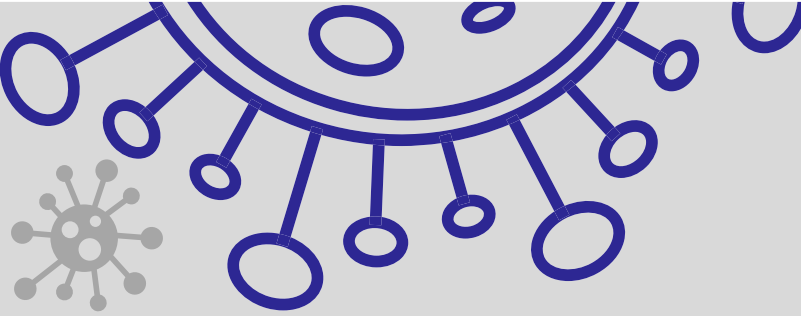
I wish my Bryanston High School family a well-deserved rest now and may you and yours be safe, sensible and hopeful for a beautiful new dawn called 2021!



Mrs Amy Dewes-Goulborn



COVID STRIKES



LOCKDOWN DIARIES





ALL MASKED UP

WELCOME HOME MATRICS





MATRIC PICNIC





VALEDICTORY



HONOURS BLAZERS

- For achieving distinctions in English, Afrikaans, Maths, Business Studies, Life Science, Geography and Life Orientation:

Nicole Wallis

- For achieving distinctions in Afrikaans, Maths, Life Science, Geography, History and Life Orientation:

Gianfranco Noriega Del Valle

GOLD LEGACY AWARDS

One of the many casualties this year due to Covid-19 was the sporting and cultural activities that were missed. This award is given to individuals in the sporting or cultural codes that over the last five years shown dedication, talent, sportsmanship and have been identified by the masters in charge as being worthy of this accolade for being legends in their own right.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Chloe Beukes
Chloe Lawrence
Ceira Macnair
Daniella Dell
Uhuru Yekanye
Alyssa Wilson
Nicole Wallis



BOYS HOCKEY

Thomas Schlebusch
Alex Ncube
Liam Niehaus
Glen Sayers

NETBALL

Chanelle Moreira
Claira Tavener
Ayanda Khoza
Mahlatse Moyo

ATHLETICS

Dylan Dlamini
Alex Ncube
Dylan Adams
John Mabhena
Chloe Lawrence

RUGBY

Makhi Nyalambisa
Moegammed Williams-Scott
Rayne Wiseman
Ben Hillebrand
Keagan Addison
Kival Manilal
Kivash Manilal
Albert Hyde
Koketso Rammutla
Jayden Swartz
Cameron Melville
John Mabhena
Braedan O'Connor
Makaylan Ramburan
Tshepo Moselane

MAJOR PRODUCTION

Tyra Baben
Ineeleng Gobotlhaelwe
Cindy Letebeyane
Mihlali Ndabeni
Zhara O'Reilly
Langa Madonsela
Ziyanda Mfengu
Camron Heckrath





CROSS COUNTRY

Thomas Schlebusch
John Mabhena
Sam Jodo
Dylan Adams
Ceiara MacNair
Mahlatshe Moyo

BOYS TENNIS

Melusi Knocker
Langa Madonsela
Shi-Qian Xu

OPEN WATER SWIMMING

Ceiara MacNair
Thomas Schlebusch

FIRST AID

Ceiara Macnair
Arminita-Lee Swann
Lavaran Naidoo

BOYS SQUASH

Jayden Swartz
Camron Heckrath
Liam Niehaus
Molemo Monyamane
Lukhanyo Pistoli

SOUND AND LIGHTING

Kivash Manilal
Alyssa Wilson
Koketso Rammutla

GIRLS TENNIS COACHING

Ayanda Khoza
Nicole Wallis
Chloe Lawrence
Kayla Butkovic

CHEERLEADING

Brooklyn Bradley

CHESS

Luke Walsh



TROPHIES

These trophies are awarded to the top students in each subject:

ENGLISH TROPHY

Nicole Wallis 80%

AFRIKAANS TROPHY

Jayden Swartz 90%

LANGUAGE TROPHY: ENGLISH & AFRIKAANS

Nicole Wallis

ZULU TROPHY

Kuhle Ngindane 86%

FRENCH TROPHY

Naomie Kalemba 80%

MATHEMATICS TROPHY

Aron Joseph 97%

INGER PLASKITT AP MATHS TROPHY

Aron Joseph 88%

PAT DEACON TROPHY FOR MATHEMATICAL LITERACY

Lindsay Van Eeden 87%

LIFE ORIENTATION TROPHY

Matilda Ndlovu 95%



HISTORY TROPHY

Gianfranco

Noriega Del Valle 91%

GEOGRAPHY TROPHY

Lindsay Van Eedan 90%

HUMANITIES TROPHY: GEOGRAPHY & HISTORY

Gianfranco

Noriega Del Valle

TIME CENTRE TROPHY:

PHYSICAL SCIENCE

Matilda Ndlovu 80%

WEIR TROPHY: PRACTICAL WORK CONSUMER STUDIES

Christina Govender



AUSTIN TROPHY: CONSUMER STUDIES

Mahlatse Mapotse 76%

VISUAL ARTS TROPHY: PRACTICAL WORK

Arminita Lee-Swann

STOLTZ TROPHY: VISUAL ARTS

Cathrine Gurure 92%

ACCOUNTING TROPHY

Inayat Momade Aly 91%

BUSINESS STUDIES TROPHY

Rebecca Joseph 90%

Nicole Wallis 90%

INFORMATION

TECHNOLOGY TROPHY

James Cullinan 89%

COMPUTER APPLICATION TECHNOLOGY TROPHY

Tyra Prithpaul 82%

Nicholas Vernon 82%

SANDTON MAYORAL AWARD

This award is awarded to our top male and female academic achievers for 2020.

Congratulations to:

Gianfranco Noriega Del Valle

Nicole Wallis

NATIONAL REPRESENTATION

These learners have not only held the Blue Flame High they have held the South African flag high as the represented our country on the international stage between 2016 and 2019.

The following learners receive certificates for National Representation in their respective activities:

Judo: Koketso Rammutla

Duathlon: Thomas Schlebusch

BEST SPEAKER: THE HUGHES RHETORIC TROHY

Keketso Baliwe

SILVER MEDALLION: SERVICE

GIRLS: Ayanda Khoza &
Claira Tavener

BOYS: Alex Ncube &
Gianfranco Noriega Del Valle





WELSH CUP AND MEDALLION: DUX LEADERSHIP AWARD

GIRL: Nicole Wallis

BOY: Jayden Swartz



CUM LAUDE AWARDS

The worthy recipients of this award have achieved full academic colours since Grade 8. Your hard work has certainly paid off.

Congratulations to the following recipients:

Yashna Ramkison

Nicole Wallis

Gianfranco Noriega Del Valle

ESPRIT DE CORPS TROPHY

This award is voted by the matric group and a girl and boy is chosen based on who the group thinks best represents Bryanston High School and all that it stands for. Congratulations:

Uzile Hoboyi

Jayden Swartz

COUNCILLORS TROPHY

This trophy is decided upon by the councillor body and awarded to councillors who have fulfilled their duties with excellence throughout the year.

Best Girl Councillor 2020:

Uzile Hoboyi

Best Boy Councillor 2020:

Trisdin Govender

This trophy is decided by the executive councillors.

It is for the female and male matric student, who is not a councillor, but who in their eyes, upholds the Bryanston High School Values of: Virtue, Fidelity and Justice. This award is as special as the recipients that receive it.

Congratulations:

Girl: Boipelo Letsolo

Boy: Melusi Knocker

GRADE CONTROLLERS AWARD

Girl: Clairra Tavener

Boy: Cameron Melville

PRINCIPALS AWARD

Girl: Kayla Butkovic

Boy: John Mabena

Tshepo Moselane

Glen Sayers





DEBS BALL

One of the few Highlights of this year was the glittering Debs Ball which was held at the Indaba Hotel on Friday 4th December. The 25 Debs and Squires that had raised their target amounts arrived at the Ball looking magnificent: the girls in their beautiful white dresses and our squires in smart evening wear. After two and a half years of hard work and entrepreneurial effort these young people were rewarded by attending a successful gala evening filled with beautiful silver and white décor, soft feathers, glittering lights, fun, laughter, delicious food, dancing and a formal prize giving.

Our winning beauties of the evening were awarded to;

3rd Lourdez King,

2nd Shveta Naiker

1st Raqal Pillay.

The New Floating Trophy for the Deb who has made the most personal effort fundraising was awarded to Toni Holmes.

Our top Fundraisers were those who contributed to the R261 000.00 moneys collected in by the cut-off date were:

8th position Sianne Naidoo (R8 070.10)

7th position Raqal Pillay (R8 505.00)

6th position Caitlin De Villiers (R10 001.00)

5th position Makaylan Ramburan (R12 378.25)

4th position Toni Holmes (R12 844.00)

3rd position Nicole Wallis (12 966.50)

2nd position Olivia Key (R13 953.00)

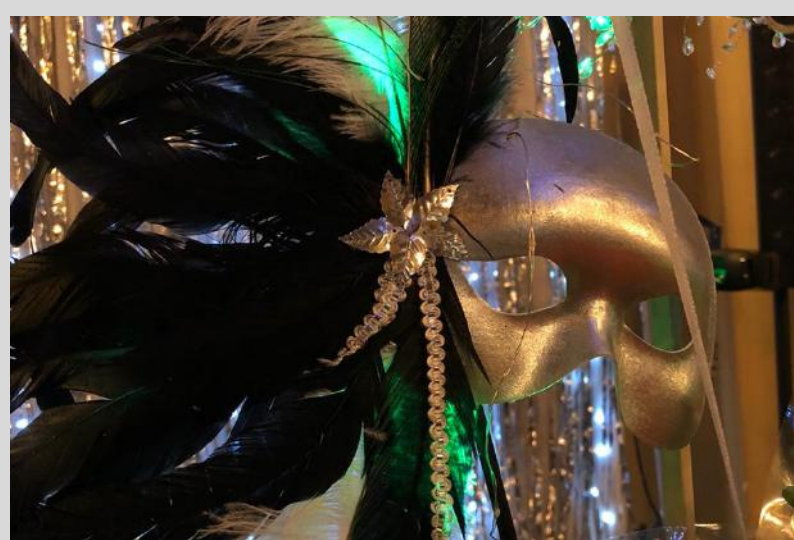
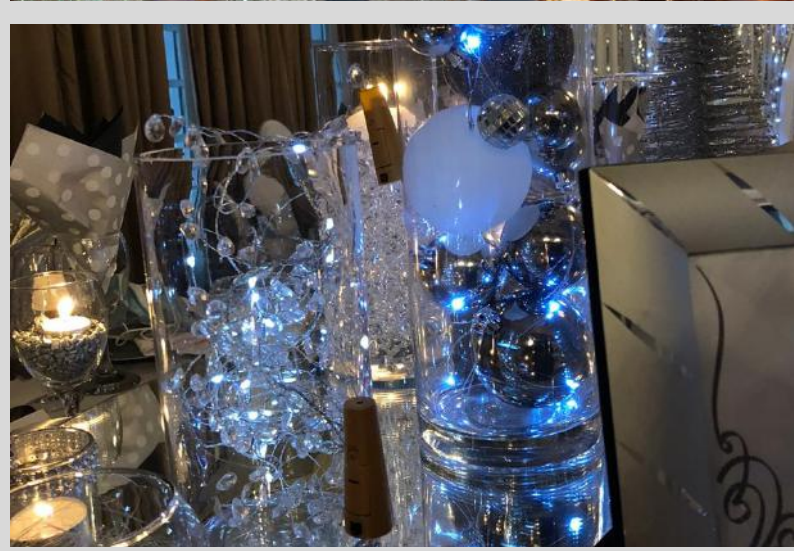
1st positon Claira Tavener with R51 000.00

Full colours and medals were awarded to those Debs and squires who raised above R12000. Well done to Claira Tavener, Olivia Key, Nicole Wallis, Tony Holmes and Makaylan Ramburan.

Half colours and medals were awarded to those Debs who raised between R8000 and R12000. Well done to Caitlin de Villiers, Rachel Pillay and Sianne Naidoo,

Our Congratulations go out to everyone who participated in this Debs Program of 2020. This has been a difficult time in which to collect funds and we salute each and every one of you for embracing the challenge and collecting funds for those less fortunate than yourself. This Charity Program reaches many organisations in need and will go a long way to helping those institutions.









SFC BREAKFAST





WELCOME MATRIC CLASS OF 2024



The #trueblue family would like to welcome all our Grade 8s of 2020 into our special school. Make the most of the brand new journey that lies ahead of you and remember to embrace every opportunity that comes your way!





GRADE 8 INDUCTION



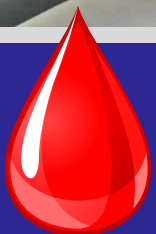
"WITH
FAITH IN
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STRIVE TO
UPHOLD
OUR
SCHOOOOOL."



#BLUE FLAME







MIX-FM BLOOD DRIVE



**MESSAGES
FROM YOUR
GRADE
CONTROLLERS**

When we welcomed 269 Grade 8s on the first day of the 2020 school year, little did we know that the impressionistic young ladies and gentlemen, whose beaming faces gave us the promise of an exciting year ahead, would experience a slice of what had promised to be an amazing year.

Too many things were taken away from this group of Grade 8s. First, the camp and then an experience like no other, where their integration as part of the blue flame family would become stronger as they embodied the idea that their blood would always bleed blue as long as they proudly wore the Bryanston High School badge.

We understood that the idea of being in high school and the experience that accompanied many of the traditions would be overwhelming however, our Grade 8's continued to hold their heads up high, no matter the challenge, accepting each opportunity as an ever fixed mark that would carry them through their 'Bryanston' Life.

The lockdown, as result of the COVID pandemic, taught us many valuable lessons. Some, which were hard but became necessary in order to assist us to value that we had ignored for so long.

As Grade Controllers, we were astounded but the level of commitment our learners continued to have even when they were faced with some of the toughest challenges that required them to learn remotely and miss out on even more aspects of the Bryanston experience.

As educators, although we missed their faces terribly, we were provided with the unique opportunity to engage with them on a different level. Valuing the integral contribution, they made to the success of this year and restoring our faith in the fact that no matter the challenge, our Grade 8s would continue to rise above each of the challenges no matter what they faced.

We cannot fully express, in words, how proud we are of each and every individual learner who has made their mark with us, even though we could not truly get to know them as well as we ordinarily would have. Our pride stems from the fact that above all else, upon their brief return during lockdown, the smiles that were evident in their eyes were proof that they missed us as much as we had missed them.

As with time, change is inevitable. It is never planned but things change, whether we accept it or not. It is with a heavy heart, that a part of that change involves myself, Mrs. Mogale, having to leave each of the learners who made this year, albeit difficult but a learning experience that will forever stay in my heart.

As we approach the end of what has been a testing year, we leave our Grade with two quotes to hold in your minds until we are able to restore the experience that your first year of Bryanston should have been, without the interruptions and disruptions that took so much away from you.

'May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind always be at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, and rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, May He whom you have faith in hold you in the palm of His hand'

With that, we wish you a restful holiday ahead. A restorative time to reflect and bond as family as we usher in a new year filled with promise and the prospect of a time filled with positivity, love and growth. Remember, even in the hardest times that as long as you believe, you will achieve and then you will succeed. For at the end of it all, 'Courage is resistance to fear, the mastery of fear but not the absence of fear.' (Mark Twain). In order to face that which lies before us, we all need to continue to show courage and assist and grow each other as the Bryanston Family.

We are, and always will be proud of you, and look forward to a phenomenal 2021.



Mrs Mogale



Mr Slatter



Grade 8

What a year it has been, but we made it.

As I look back on what 2020 has taught us, I realise that we have learnt much. We have learnt how to be cheerleaders, managers, and our own bosses. We learnt about our families and our own mental capabilities. Some of us did not manage to figure out our news roles, others did and totally excelled. Either way it gave us the opportunity to see what we are capable of. I believe that as grade 9s of 2020, you have grown more during this pandemic than you believe. I am glad to have been on this journey with you and hope to seem even more growth next year.

Although we started off this year with big plans some of us were not able to reach our goals. If you did not reach your goals, do some reflection. See why you did not reach your goals and then redefine them. Take note of what you have achieved during this year. It might not have been from the text book, but you learnt more about being good people than any “normal” school year could ever have taught you.

So over your time away from school I want you to draw your mind back to our core value for 2020 – KINDNESS. I want you to remember that it is the most powerful, least costly, and most underrated agent of human change. Dish it out freely, submerge yourself in it and make it a part of who you are. Continue growing, learning, and taking responsibility.

Most of all, be kind to yourselves.

Random Acts of Kindness Ideas

1. Post **positive** notes around your community.
2. Randomly pick a small business/lesser known author & leave a **positive review**.
3. Choose a friend and celebrate them for the whole day, kinda like a **birthday** but random.
4. Help buy a disadvantaged kid **school** supplies.
5. Give a **compliment** to as many people as you can.
6. Start a game night for friends or for coworkers you'd like to **get to know**.
7. Carry around loose change and put it in **tip jars**.
8. Use sidewalk chalk to write out positive **messages**.
9. Send **letters** with tons of stickers and colors to the kids in your life.
10. Buy a gift for a child who is in **foster care**.
11. Put (or leave) **change** in the vending machine.
12. Connect a **charity** to your Amazon account.
13. See if your local **homeless** shelters have Amazon wishlists where you can send essentials.
14. Let someone go ahead of you while you're **waiting** in line.
15. Collect **litter** that you see on the ground when you're out and about.

BlessingManifesting



Mrs Ripley-Evans



Mr Harilal

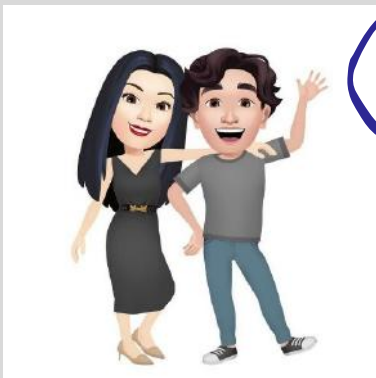


Grade 9



Miss Smith and I have had the awesome privilege of starting a journey of growth and maturity with the class of 2022 a few years back. 5 years to spend with a class seemed like such a long time but my, how time has flown by. Over the past few years, we have seen our class grow and mature into a stunning group of young women and men.

This year has been no different. In the little time that we got to spend with them, this year proved to us like no other year, that we have the most awesome group ever in history of BHS. On our return to full classes this year, Miss Smith and I found ourselves sounding just a little mature (OLD) when we found ourselves having this conversation one lunch break...



**Wow!
Look at
how have they all
changed?**

As a class we have all faced some of the most incredible challenges this year. Miss Smith and I have a unique perspective of our class in that we get to see the grade as a whole.

The pride we have in our grade was bolstered, when we look at the 3rd term result and saw an above average performance across the class of 2022. We are confident that our class will continue to improve on these already excellent result and will continue to excel towards 2022.

As grade controllers, we will like to officially welcome to the team Miss R Reid and Miss E Venter.

We have some exciting plans for 2021 that will pick up where we left off. We look forward to your continued partnership and wish you all well.

All our love,
Miss Smith and Mr Govender



Miss Smith



Mr Govender



Grade 10

Dear Grade 11s

This has certainly been a very different year. We know you have missed out on your LIA experience as well as your Grade 11 Camp, which was a huge disappointment for us all. We do however feel that this year has also taught us so much. It certainly changed our view on what is important and to appreciate the little things.

Even though you missed out on the Annual Leadership Camp, we want to commend you on how you voted for your RCL. It was done with such maturity, and we believe we will have extremely effective and strong leaders for 2021. Support your elected leaders as this is not an easy job to do. They need your support, understanding and 'buy-in' to run the school effectively.

Next year will be a very exciting time in each of your lives as matric students. We are hoping Covid stays away next year so you can experience all the special memories that your matric year brings.

We would like to encourage you all to make the best of every second you have left in High School. Before you know it, it will be over and you will be entering the adult world.

As we embark on our final High School year together we would like to express our gratitude to each of you for continuously teaching us things and keeping us on our toes. We are extremely proud of you all and how you have tackled this disruptive year.

Remain focused on what it is you wish to achieve. Let's try make our school even better than what it already is. Be an example to others and let's try be better people. Let's be kind, accepting, supportive, tolerant and respectful of each other in the hope that this becomes contagious to others in our school, community and country.

We are looking forward to our final year together here at Bryanston. May it be our best one yet and we can finish our journey here on a high note, remembered as the group that spread kindness and showed pride in their school.

May you all have a wonderful holiday and festive season.

Regards

Mrs. Johnson (aka Ms.K) and Mr. Malebana



Mrs Johnson



Mr Malebana



Grade 11



**Wishing you
all a
well deserved
break
and a
fantastic
festive season!
Stay
sensible and
stay safe!**

